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# The Wisconsin Light

## Swedish Parliament Gives Gays Right to Marry Beginning in January, 1995

(Stockholm, Sweden)- Sweden followed Denmark and Norway on June 7, 1994, and passed a bill allowing same-sex couples to marry—a measure on supporter said was a “contribution to love.”

After lengthy debate, the Riksdag, or parliament, voted 171-141, with five abstentions, to accept the Registered Partnership Law.

Elisabeth Persson of the small Leftist Party, a supporter of marriage between same-sex couples, said the law “protects a personal relation. It is a small, but important contribution to love.”

The vote makes Scandinavia a leader in civil rights for Gays. In 1989, Denmark became the first country in the world to allow same-sex marriages. Norway adopted similar legislation last year.

Sweden's Partnership Law gives Gay couples the same inheritance, tax and other benefits and obligations as married heterosexuals. But it stops short of allowing same-sex couples to adopt or have children by artificial insemination.

Under the new law, which takes effect in January, 1995, Gay couples can marry in civil ceremonies. Churches may continue to marry whoever they want.

Social Democrat Maj-Lis Loow, who chaired the judicial committee that prepared the bill, said no further Gay reforms are being planned.

During debate, little opposition was voiced against homosexuality. Opponents focused on legal technicalities, such as introducing a new legal term, saying the matter ought to be investigated further.

## Madison's Club 3054 Gets 60-Day Suspension; Wings to Close For Good

(Madison)- As we go to press, word has been received that on Wednesday, June 8, the City of Madison reached a tentative agreement with Cheri Becker owner of Club 3054.

The agreement specifies that Club 3054 will close for a period of 60 days. When the 60 days begins is not known at this time. The club will then reopen pending approval by the Madison Common Council.

At that time, only the upstairs bar and patio will reopen. The bar known as Wings, where alleged illegal and unprotected sexual activities are said to have occurred will not be reopening under any circumstances.

Both the tentative agreement and the reopening will need to be voted on by the Common Council.

## Wisconsin High Court Adoption Decision A Setback for Gay and Lesbian Families

(Madison)- State Representative Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) on June 8, joined attorney Judith Newton and Gay and Lesbian parents to express their disappointment with the State Supreme Court decision in the Green Bay “Angel Lace M.” adoption case. Baldwin announced that she will introduce legislation reversing the decision.

This case, as reported in *Light*, originally heard by a Brown County Circuit Court Judge, raised the issue of the rights of a Lesbian co-parent to adopt her partner's child and the rights of the child to have a legally recognized parent.

Georgina Grinkey and her former husband, Terry Moede, adopted Angel during their marriage in 1988. Following the breakup of the marriage, Georgina and Angel started living with Annette Grinkey in 1990. Annette sought to petition for Angel's adoption in 1992.

Although the adoption study concluded that

## State GOP Platform Calls For All HIV Test Results to be Made Public



Teeth Time—Mike Neville (left) and Chris Flieller show off their talents in *Dracula Vs the Nazis*. Produced by the Playwrights Studio Theatre, the play opens June 17 at Milwaukee's Broadway Theatre Center.

## June is Gay Pride Month All Over the Country; Even With Mickey Mouse

(Milwaukee)- June is Gay Pride Month, in Wisconsin and all over the country. In cities, towns and even theme parks, the LesBiGay community gathers to celebrate Stonewall 25—even in the Magic Kingdom.

On Saturday, June 4, 1994, some 20,000 Lesbians and Gays gathered at Walt Disney World in Florida of the annual kickoff to local celebrations throughout the Sunshine State. The proportion of openly Lesbian and Gay men on the Magic Kingdom's streets made them seem like Christopher Street-south, the *New York Times* reported.

T-shirts decorated with Pink Triangles were nearly as common as Mickey Mouse shirts.

There were no protests, but some visitors said they were uncomfortable seeing two men holding hands.

David Caton, director of the American Family Association, said that “The best protest comes from people who went to Walt Disney World. They can go back to ‘Hometown USA’ and tell everybody how offensive it was.”

Mary Lou Simms, of Tampa, said that the only people who would find the event offensive were “Christian bigots. Who listens to them anyhow,” she asked.

### In Vermont

Marchers at Vermont's 11th annual Gay Pride parade in Burlington said they noticed increasingly positive reactions to their cause.

About 2,000 people marched in the parade that was held on Saturday, June 4. The event featured classic cars, marching bands, baby carriages and floats.

Governor Howard Dean has proclaimed

the adoption would be in the best interests of the child, the state's high court affirmed the Circuit Court order and ruled that Wisconsin statutes do not permit the adoption.

“Families like Angel Lace's exist all over the state of Wisconsin,” Baldwin said. “This is a major setback for parents who have made a commitment to love, care for, and take financial responsibility for their partners and children.”

“These loving parents do not receive the legal recognition for the role they play in the family. Children like Angel Lace won't have the legal and economic stability that other children in Wisconsin take for granted,” Baldwin added.

The Supreme Court decision also denied the constitutional argument presented by the couple's attorney, Judith Newton. Newton argued that barring the adoption would deprive Angel of her right to due process guaranteed by the Fourteenth Amendment.

June to be Stonewall 25 Month in Vermont.

“Civil rights are civil rights and they are for everyone,” said Dean, “regardless of race, color, creed or sexual orientation.”

Gay and Lesbian teens also took part in the days activities.

“This is not just a phase,” said Jeremie Monahan, 19, of his being Gay. “This is reality. No one would choose to be ridiculed, hated and feared by so many people just to go through a phase,” he said.

### In Alabama

Brenda Braxton watched as about 400 Lesbians and Gay men commemorated the 25th Anniversary of Stonewall in Birmingham, Alabama. “I don't think Birmingham will ever accept them,” she said. “I don't think they'll ever give them the rights they deserve.”

The marchers went on to Caldwell Park where an estimated crowd of 5,000 people attended a Gay Pride festival.

Edward Clayton, a former Marine sergeant discharged in 1987 because he is Gay, carried the U.S. flag at the front of the parade.

“This is the first parade that I have been to,” he said, “that I have not had to worry ‘What if my mom sees me?’ or ‘What if my boss sees me?’”

Approximately 2,000 people stood and watched the parade. There were no incidents.

### In North Carolina

The North Carolina Lesbian/Gay Pride celebration kicked off in Charlotte on Friday afternoon, June 3, marking the beginning of that state's three day festival. This was the 11th Gay Pride celebration in North Carolina and the first in Charlotte.

The festivities centered on a parade through downtown Charlotte, a festival/rally, an art exhibit and numerous workshops offered throughout the weekend. Some 10,000 people were estimated to have attended the events.

One of the more interesting was a workshop offered by Mel White of Dallas, a Gay man who is a former ghost writer for Jerry Falwell, Pat Robertson and others.

This celebration was the first to last over several days.

## U.S. Judge Orders Military to Re-instate Lesbian Nurse to National Guard

(Seattle, WA)(AP)- A Lesbian colonel whose discharge from the Washington State National Guard has been ruled unconstitutional says she hopes to be back in uniform soon, preferably without waiting for expected appeals to be resolved.

“These things take a long time and I don't particularly want to be reinstated posthumously,” Col. Margarethe Cammermeyer, 52, said on June 2, 1994, from her nurse's job at a

(Milwaukee)(AP)- A resolution calling for AIDS to be acknowledged as a communicable disease subject to public health control was endorsed by the Republican State Convention on Sunday, June 5, 1994, despite claims it could lead to Gay-bashing.

Debate over the AIDS proposal and a strongly worded anti-Choice resolution triggered sharp debate at the closing session of the GOP's weekend convention in Milwaukee.

“Until the stigma of being tested for AIDS is removed, we should not require disclosure” of people who are tested, delegate Robert Jones of Cavour said.

“This could lead to Gay-bashing, absolutely,” Jones said.

Delegate Joyce Waldrop, a nurse from Dane County, said she thought the spirit of the resolution was good, but that “it could lead to discrimination” against people tested for AIDS.

The resolution, introduced from the floor by delegate Don Brill, a retired Eau Claire teacher, seemed to catch many delegates by surprise. Debate was delayed while copies were printed and distributed.

The resolution was approved 1,527 to 1,285 on a special vote system based on delegate representation by counties. An estimated 1,100 delegates attended the convention.

Brill, who is challenging U.S. Rep. Steve Gunderson for the Republican nomination in western Wisconsin's 3rd Congressional District, told delegates there “must be a rationalized plan for controlling our AIDS epidemic.”

**“No one will be tested for HIV if they think they will lose their job, be denied medical care, or be left alone to die.”**

Tammy Baldwin

### Baldwin Condemns Resolution

State Rep. Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) attacked the Wisconsin GOP's resolution on AIDS. “If Wisconsin were to follow the call of the GOP convention delegates we would foolishly reverse landmark legal protections that have served us well in the battle to combat this devastating disease. Twelve years into the epidemic, experience tells us that this is quite simply a wrongheaded move,” Baldwin said. She pledged to fight such an effort in the legislature.

“The State Republican Party Convention showed that AIDS is two epidemics,” Baldwin continued. “The epidemic of the disease and an epidemic of fear of the disease.”

Baldwin called for a continuation of an “all-out crusade” against both epidemics and urged that Wisconsin's “progressive public policy effort” in stopping the spread of HIV continue.

“That will require vigorous enforcement and implementation of the legal safeguards that provide a secure environment for people with AIDS and a commitment on the part of the Legislature and the Governor to fund programs that will keep the infected population as healthy as possible,” Baldwin said.

Baldwin was referring to Republican Governor Tommy Thompson who has announced that he is seeking an unprecedented third term in office.

“Wisconsin has responded to the AIDS crisis in a unique fashion,” Baldwin said, “with a series of landmark legal protections and state funded programs. By looking at the experience of the larger states with much

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Veterans Administration hospital near Tacoma, Washington. Cammermeyer is a decorated Vietnam veteran.

“As we read the court's order, Grethe could've shown up yesterday (June 1) at 1:30 and asked to be shown to her desk,” said Jeff Tilden, one of the lawyers representing her through the Northwest Women's Law Center here and the New York-based Lambda Legal

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## NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

### Tests of AIDS Vaccine Begin

(Bangkok, Thailand)(AP)- Testing of an American-made AIDS vaccine on human subjects in Thailand began June 6, 1994, a Thai Red Cross nurse said. Thirty volunteers came to the Red Cross Clinic to be injected with the vaccine, a protein resembling HIV, said the nurse, Somsong Teeratakulpisarn. The vaccine is designed to encourage the body's immune system to produce antibodies against AIDS. The vaccine, called UBI-1, is manufactured by United Biomedical Inc of the U.S.

The World Health Organization (WHO) chose Thailand, Brazil, Uganda and Rwanda as locations to test the vaccine. It has been tested experimentally in China, Australia and the U.S. with encouraging results. WHO estimated that Thailand will have between 2 million and 4 million cases of HIV infection within the next six years.

### Court Strikes Down Benefits Plan

(Minneapolis)(AP)- The city of Minneapolis can't offer health care benefits to partners of its Gay and Lesbian employees, a judge has ruled. Minnesota state law does not recognize same-sex partners as dependents or spouses, and City Council acted beyond its authority when it adopted the domestic partners ordinance in August, Hennepin County District Judge Deborah Hedlund said on June 3.

Hedlund ruled in a lawsuit brought by James A. Lilly who argued that city-funded health benefits for partners of Gays and Lesbians was "bad social policy."

Jane Anglin, one of three women who intervened in the lawsuit to leave the ordinance in place, has given notice that she will appeal the decision.

### American Airlines Joins Gay Travel Association

(Washington, D.C.)- American Airlines has announced that it will join the International Gay Travel Association (IGTA), which represents more than 800 Gay and Lesbian travel agents, tour operators and wholesalers, accommodations and other Gay travel professionals in the U.S. and overseas. American is one of the first major U.S. airlines to participate in the 11-year-old IGTA.

Tim Kincaid, senior representative for corporate communications for the airline noted that American was the first major carrier to adopt an employment policy that explicitly bars discrimination based on sexual orientation. Kincaid said American is supporting Stonewall 25 with travel grants for domestic and international participants who otherwise would not be able to attend the event.

### Gays and Lesbians Invisible on McNeil/Lehrer

(New York, NY)-The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation-New York (GLAAD) points out that public television's squeamishness on Lesbian and Gay issues extends to news: Two recent segments highlight the typical invisibility of our community on PBS's *McNeil/Lehrer Report*: an interview with William Perry, the Secretary of Defense, skirted any discussion of Gays in the military.

In another segment, Charlayne Hunter-Gault treated former education secretary William Bennett with kid gloves, allowing him to promote his new book, which champions so-called "family values," yet never challenged his high-profile anti-Gay stance.

### 'Time' Drops Plan to Publish Gay-Themed Mag

(New York)(Agence France Presse)- Time, Inc confirmed Friday, June 3, that it has dropped plans to publish a new magazine targeted at Gays, but denied the decision was in response to pressure from radical Christian groups. A Time Inc staffer speaking on condition of anonymity, told AFP the publishing giant had received "a lot of letters" from Christian groups protesting the plans for a Gay-themed magazine. The publisher had worked for eight months and invested \$100,000 in the project to launch "Tribe" magazine. Time Inc maintained that "business considerations" forced it to drop the idea.

The *Village Voice* said, however, that Time dropped the plan because of pressure from Don Wildmon, a militant Christian preacher. Wildmon denied the report, saying he was unaware of the project. But had he known about it, he would have fought it, he said.

### Girl Scouts Say They Don't Bar Lesbians

(Washington, D.C.)(AP)- The Girl Scouts say they do not discriminate against Lesbians. "The Girl Scouts have never discriminated in any way," said Bonnie McEwan, national director of communications for the Girl Scouts of the USA. The statement came in response to a statement by Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders: "I also think girls who are Lesbians should be allowed to join the Girl Scouts."

The 3.5 million-member organization has no policy on individual sexual orientation, but "respects the beliefs of each of its members and does not investigate or intrude into personal matters," according to its guidelines.

### More Than 1,000 New Yorkers Come Out

(New York, NY)(AP)-More than 1,000 Gay New Yorkers are came out in a full-page ad in the June 2, 1994 editions of *The New York Times* that calls on the New York state senate to pass a sexual orientation non-discrimination bill. The ad read in part, "In New York State we can be fired just for signing this ad. Who are we? We are your relatives, your co-workers and your neighbors, who happen to be Lesbians and Gay men. We've put our names in this newspaper to ask the members of the New York state senate to do what they know is right: Hold a public debate. Have a fair vote," the ad says.

The campaign was thought up by Jeff Baron, a screenwriter, who worked with the Empire State Pride Agenda and the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation in coordinating it.

### Black Gays Celebrate Culture with Pride Day

(Washington, D.C.)- The *Washington Post* reports that in four years, Washington's Black Lesbian and Gay Pride Day has become a Springtime ritual. "It's been a long-time tradition for Black Gays and Lesbians to come to D.C. on Memorial Day weekend; we took advantage of that," said Joseph Peete, a Pride Day official. The combination works. This year some 10,000 people attended, many from small towns and little cities where prejudice has kept them in the closet. Events include workshops, a festival, dances, a prayer breakfast and films. "It's a time for Gay and Lesbian African Americans to express and enjoy our culture...We get a sense of not being alone," said Peete.

The highlight of the weekend is the Unity Ball, part competition, part performance, part ritual. A new addition this year was the warehouse parties, given not just so partygoers can dance, but so money can be raised. "First and foremost, the weekend is to raise money for community-based AIDS service organizations," said Riley Campbell, event coordinator for this year's Pride Day.

Campbell said people leave Pride events "proud of their culture, not ashamed of their sexuality. It gives everybody a new hope, and the money we raise makes you feel good."

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

### Bi-Monthly Magazine Aimed at Readers and Writers

(Milwaukee)- *BookLovers*, a new bi-monthly magazine in its second year of publication, is aimed at avid readers, book discussion groups and writers. Its purpose is to be a single source of information on a variety of literature-related topics including book reviews, author reviews, book discussion group profiles, features on unique book stores, and original stories and poem. *BookLovers* is unique in that part of the main focus is to ask readers to be contributors. For more information and a complimentary copy, write to: *BookLovers*, P.O. Box 93485, Milwaukee, WI 53203-0485.

## MAP Begins a New Community AIDS Education Series on June 15

(Milwaukee)- The Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) will begin a new community education series Wednesday, June 15 beginning with an AIDS education program. This series will offer free HIV and AIDS training, increasing the availability of timely, accurate, life-saving information. The two hour program starts at 6:30 p.m. at MAP, 315 W. Court St., in downtown Milwaukee.

The first session, an introductory AIDS education program, will cover information on HIV disease concepts, virus development, disease progression and prevention, current recommendations for treatment, HIV antibody testing and information about where to get tested and other resources.

The second session on Wednesday, June 29, an advanced AIDS education program, will cover the impact of HIV in greater detail. It will include sensitivity awareness training including gender, sexual orientation and cultural issues and it will also explore MAP services.

MAP will also offer beginning AIDS Education programming Wednesday, July 6 and Wednesday, August 17. Advanced AIDS Education sessions will meet Wednesday, July 27, and Wednesday, August 31. All sessions are held at MAP from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For more information, call Pat Hirvela, prevention specialist at MAP, (414) 273-1991, Ext. 257. Registration is recommended.

## Photo Exhibit of Lesbian Couples Opens July 10 at Milwaukee Counseling Center

(Milwaukee)- The photographic exhibit, *Lesbian Couples of Southeastern Wisconsin, 1993-1994*, will make its debut at The Counseling Center of Milwaukee on July 10 at 6:00 p.m. The Counseling Center is located at 2038 N. Bartlett Avenue.

The exhibit's first showing will be part of the Our Space Sunday Series for Lesbian women. The exhibit features black and white photographs of 12 couples from the southeast Wisconsin area and brief printed narratives of couple stories. The project coordinator and photographer, Carolyn Ruck, designed the project to illustrate the strength and diversity of our community.

Ruck is a psychotherapist in private practice and is also employed as a social worker at the Milwaukee AIDS Project. She envisioned this project after seeing Lesbian couples in therapy struggle with establishing a sense of individual and couple identity.

She found often times, couples felt isolated with relationship challenges. Since Lesbians generally have little sense of historical grounding and few visible role models, the idea of enlarged visual images and stories may, for the viewer, build a sense of normalcy and validation for relationships. What is important is that the stories be shared and honored within the community that supports the couples.

Ruck has been involved as a part-time free lance photographer for 15 years and although she has described herself as a nature and landscape photographer, the idea of photographing

women for this project stretched her photographic latitude. She said that the couples were very patient with her as she used equipment and techniques that were all new to her.

The exhibit will travel next to AfterWords bookstore in August. The 1995 calendar featuring selected prints from the exhibit will be available this Fall at a variety of Gay-friendly locations.

The project was financially sponsored by grants from the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund and the Cream City Foundation.

Lesbians are welcome to The Counseling Center opening exhibit and are asked to donate \$2 to support the Women's Support Group Program.

## Book Club and Other June Events at AfterWords

(Milwaukee)- The AfterWords Book Club will have its next meeting on Monday, June 13, at 7:30 p.m. The featured book for this discussion is Martin Duberman's fascinating account, *Stonewall*. Learn a little bit about the roots of the Gay liberation movement as we near the Stonewall 25 celebrations.

On Friday, June 17, the Brady East STD Clinic will offer its outreach anonymous HIV testing at AfterWords from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. As usual, AfterWords will offer a 15% discount on all AIDS-related titles during this testing.

AfterWords is pleased to announce that we are even more handicapped accessible with the installation of a handicap ramp at the back entrance of the store.

For further information about these or any AfterWords events, please call (414) 963-9089.

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## EDITORIAL

## In History, Myth Is Often More Important, Powerful and Decisive Than Reality

In history, myth is often far more important, powerful and decisive than reality. Take for example, the Battles of Lexington and Concord, where was fired the "Shot Heard Round the World."

Most of us have a picture of it in our minds. Here were the valiant Minute Men, roused to action by the "Midnight Ride of Paul Revere," steadfastly holding off British Redcoats at Lexington's village green and at the "rude bridge."

That's the myth. In the cold, cruel light of day, it actually went something like this.

It was a chilly Sunday evening when word came through to Lexington that the British were on the march. The farmers assembled on the green. But when hours passed and there were no Redcoats, someone persuaded the local tavern owner to open up his shop. When the British did arrive toward dawn, the Minute Men weren't in too great condition to fire at anything.

While no one knows who actually fired the first shot, there is certain evidence to indicate that Sam Adams, who was there hiding in some bushes, got all hot and bothered that the British were going to be able to dispose of the patriot forces with mere words. So, he fired off a shot just to get things going.

The shots fired at Lexington and Concord (whoever fired them first), were not the first, not by any means. There had been numerous other altercations between the Americans and the British. But by that time, the Americans were prepared to take advantage of the situation. After Lexington and Concord, things got rolling.

The point of all this is that as with events in the American Revolution, so the myth of the Stonewall Inn may be just as important as what really happened there. That's good and that's bad.

The good part is that we need to mythologize events and people in order to gain inspiration from them.

The bad part is that sometimes it's difficult to see through the myth to the truth at the heart; to its actual significance.

The myth of Stonewall says that it was a pivotal event. It was pivotal alright, but not because it was the end of something or the culmination of anything. Stonewall, like Lexington and Concord, was crucial as the beginning of the beginning. As with Lexington and Concord, it hasn't been and won't be "all easy going, a sure thing," from there. In all our celebrating, we should keep that in mind.

After Lexington and Concord, the Americans had nearly six long years of war to face. Yorktown and victory did not come until October, 1781.

The LesBiGay community is not at "Yorktown" yet and many would say we're not close.

Stonewall was not victory. It was the beginning of the fight. We have yet to see victory. We must struggle to get to Yorktown for that.

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

### The 'Light' is Here to Serve its Reader; Learn How to Use Your Media Effectively

By Terry Boughner

A day or so ago (well after deadline, naturally), I got a call from the head of an organization asking if there was going to be an article in the upcoming issue about their event. The tone of voice said that since this event was the single most important event that had happened since the expulsion from Eden, of course it would get front page treatment.

I hated to tell the person that *everyone* thinks their event is front page, top drawer. If the paper had a front page 50' sq., it would be nice. (No other pages, just a front page.)

I wanted to tell the person that the way organizations handle things like this (in the real world), is to take some of the initiative themselves.

They try and remember that theirs might not be the only thing going on in Wisconsin and the world. They think to themselves, "Well, maybe there won't be this big white hole in the paper where my event was to have gone, so maybe I'd better do something ourselves to make sure we get coverage."

For example, not too long ago, I wanted to try and get something in the *Journal*. I sat down and wrote it myself. So far, it hasn't gotten in, but that's life. Editors make choices, but at least I tried.

Call up (ahead of time, before deadline), find out if the event is going to be covered. Is there going to be a reporter there? Sometimes we can do that, sometimes not. Remember, there just might be something else happening at the same time.

Offer to appoint someone from your organization to write about it. This has the great advantage of getting the news out from your point of view.

Not too long ago, I got a call from someone who complained heartily (I'm being nice when I use the word "complained." Heaven forbid I should use "whine.") that they didn't know how to write for a paper.

I ran down the who, what, when, where and how. The response was, "You're just as bad as Ron down at In Step!"

"No," I replied. "I try to be worse." And hung up.

The point is, you don't have to be in the running for the Nobel in literature to write an article.

A couple of years ago, *Light* and *In Step* sponsored a workshop called "Getting the Word Out" to which we invited the heads and representatives of organizations and anyone else who wanted to attend. The purpose was to "show and tell" how to make use of the media.

There were the usual talks, the usual handouts. Everyone said the usual things, like new analysis, things like that, can be gotten in ahead of deadline day. Breaking news is the only exception.

Recently, I got a call from someone on Wednesday evening, along about seven

o'clock. The paper was in the process of being laid out.

"Is it too late?" the caller began.

I cut them off. "Has New York been obliterated by aliens? Did 50' tall drag queens eat Tokyo? Has war been declared? Has Jerry Falwell just confessed he's Gay and gone to live on Christopher Street for the rest of his life?"

"No."

"Then it's too late." Hang up time.

In this struggle for our liberation, the media is one of the most important weapons in our arsenal. But like any weapon, you've got to learn how to use it.

1) If you've got an event you want covered, send in a press release. Don't assume that we've "just heard about it," as someone told me. I know how famous and important you are, and I realize that everybody is talking about you and your event, but occasionally things do slip by.

2) In addition to the who, what, etc., put on it when you would like it in the paper.

Last November I got a press release for an event that was to be held in April. We ran it in March. The person who sent it was all irate because it was supposed to run in February.

Response? I don't read minds.

3) Another thing, for pity's sake, think ahead. If an event is to happen, say on June 3rd, don't get it in just in time for the issue that comes out June 2nd.

4) Every article, every press release should include the name and phone number of a contact person.

One time, a person expressed disappointment that the press release as it was published about their event wasn't longer, "fleshed out," as they said. I gave them "a look" and asked if they'd ever heard of providing a contact person for further information.

"But I can't afford to have anyone know who I am," came the reply.

"You need have no worry about that," I told them. And that was the end of that.

5) Finally, both publications, like any publications, have deadlines. Please, please find out what they are and observe them.

For example, from this time hence and even forevermore, *Light's* deadline for the two upcoming issues, will be on the editorial page, boxed and shaded. (I've learned how to do that now. My cat taught me).

## LETTERS

### Tolerance

TO THE EDITOR:

You may already have read the series on Gay Orthodox Jews that appeared recently in *The Forward* written by James Brudner. Two incidents in the article so touched me, that I felt I should not risk

that they be overlooked. They could almost have been written by Chiam Potok. They show how even the strictest religious beliefs need not get in the way of tolerance and acceptance.

For Gay Orthodox Jews, the price of hiding their homosexuality is high: a life without intimacy, and a sex life comprised of only the most fleeting and impersonal encounters. Some Gay Orthodox Jews become celibate.

The Orthodox community is not completely hostile. Some Gay Orthodox Jews say that they have managed to achieve a measure of acceptance.

Benjamin Hersch did not grow up Orthodox, but attended an Orthodox religious school in Brooklyn. Exploring his sexual and religious identities in his teens and 20's, Hersch discovered that not only was he Gay, but that he felt most at home religiously in the Orthodox community.

Today, at the age of 50, Hersch has been a "fully observant" Orthodox Jew for more than 15 years. He serves as an officer of his Orthodox shul in Manhattan. Many of his fellow congregants know he is Gay. Though some find it upsetting, he says, most people "either don't think about it or choose to ignore it" or else "have no problem."

This was not always true. In the early 1980's, officers of his Orthodox congregation threw him out after finding out about his sexuality. The incident sent him to a Conservative synagogue for a while, but he eventually found his present Orthodox synagogue, where he says he is comfortable.

David Belzer had a similar experience. In the mid-1980's, after appearing on a TV talk show in which he discussed being Gay and Orthodox, he was banned from his shul. Outrage from liberal congregants prompted his readmission, but he was denied an aliyah for nearly eight years. Only several months ago was he finally called to the Torah, prompting cheers from supporters throughout the sanctuary.

Hersch, too, has received some surprising expressions of support. Attending a celebration dinner held after a wedding, where it is traditional to pass around a cup of wine from which each unmarried person sips, Hersch's hosts treated him and his lover as if they were married. "I was startled," he says. "And they just smiled and passed us by and nobody said, 'Oh wait a second, you forgot those two,' and I was very touched."

Today, Hersch says, "I am very at peace with my sexuality." He still wrestles with how Jewish law applies to homosexuality, noting that Orthodox Jews "who are normally the most caring, the most gentle, somehow tend to be dogmatic when it comes to halacha around Gay people." He hopes that in the future, Jewish law may be reinterpreted with respect to committed Gay relationships.

Al Geiersbach  
Milwaukee

### GAMMA Responds

TO THE EDITOR:

In Steve Brondino's fine article on page 13 of the May 26, 1994 issue of *Wisconsin Light*, he identified GAMMA as "a group devoted to social activities and opportunities."

A more comprehensive statement would have been "a group devoted to sports, outdoor, athletic, recreational and cultural activities, all of which have a social aspect."

GAMMA now has 225 members, and, as such, is the largest membership organization in the Greater Milwaukee Gay community that is open to men and women. Its activities range from biking, canoeing, volleyball, and water skiing to outings, sheephead, dining out, theatre events and a monthly party.

*Wisconsin Light* readers with further interest in these activities are urged to contact GAMMA at (414) 963-9833 for a listing of these events.

Bob Moore  
President, GAMMA

### HRL Responds

TO THE EDITOR:

As a spokesperson for the Human Rights League for Lesbians and Gays (HRL), I would like to take this opportunity to respond to criticisms raised by Mr. Dan Fons in his recent letter to *Wisconsin Light*.

By way of introduction, HRL has been in existence since May of 1993. The impetus for creating HRL stemmed from a fund-raiser organized to support Tammy Baldwin. This event, coupled with the March On Washington, led many of us to seriously evaluate the need for an independent political organization led by and for Lesbians, Bisexuals and Gay men.

HRL was created in order to channel our collective political energies. Our mission is to advance the political interests of Lesbians, Gay men and Bisexuals in the Metropolitan Milwaukee area by influencing local, state and national politics, legislation and public policy.

In our first year of existence, considerable time and energy has been spent in building a solid foundation for our recent, as well as future, accomplishments, and much effort has gone into developing our organizational process, structure and by-laws.

We are a 501-C4 membership organization which seeks the inclusion and active involvement of all who support our mission. Our by-laws reflect this by mandating gender equity and racial diversity as a prerequisite to all Board of Directors and organizational activities.

HRL has been publicly active at many community events throughout the year, and we have

distributed HRL organizational and membership information at both PrideFest and MAPFest. In this past year, HRL has publicly shared its goals, principles, positions, by-laws, etc. On many other occasions as well. Contrary to Mr. Fons, HRL does not view such activities as being, in his words, "very secretive."

The May 20th planning meeting which Mr. Fons is concerned about was co-sponsored by HRL and involved representatives and spokespeople from a diversity of community groups, including but not limited to, Ujima, Cream City Foundation, Sherman Park Rainbow Coalition, Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMB), Men of All Colors Together, LAMB Education Fund, Club Muse, and Lesbians of Color (LOC).

The specific purpose of this meeting was to plan and promote the May 26th reception for Marge Beil and Mayor Norquist, a reception which extended an open invitation to the broader Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual

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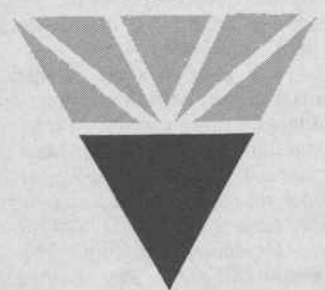
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# SISTERNEWS AND VIEWS

# Dykes To Watch Out For

## Queer Quotes and News Notes

By Jamakaya

Back by popular demand--more queer quotes!

Actress Cybill Shepherd has been one of our staunchest straight supporters, but her latest remarks to **TV Guide** suggest she may ultimately declare herself a sister. Said Shepherd: "I thank God every morning I don't have a man in my house."

And Lesbian icon Kate Hepburn, who in the past has expressed bewilderment about homosexuality, made one thing perfectly clear to **TV Guide**: "I don't believe in marriage. It's bloody impractical--to love, honor and obey. . . I'm not a woman who has liked men, as a sex. I like individual men, but I like women as a whole better. I think they're much more admirable." Me too, Kate.

Meanwhile, actress Meredith Baxter (Elyse Keaton of Family Ties) is glad she has Lesbian fans. Baxter recently appeared opposite Joanna Cassidy in *Other Mothers*, a CBS "Afterschool Special" in which a teenage boy is harassed by schoolmates when they learn his parents are Lesbians.

In an interview, the **Washington Blade** asked Baxter: "A lot of Lesbians like you and think you're sexy. How do you feel about that?" Baxter's reply: "Well, I'll tell you, this has been a pretty dry year. I'm glad to appeal to anybody! I'm flattered."

A new bio of Barbara Stanwyck, one of screen and TV-land's toughest cookies, claims what many have long suspected: Stanwyck was a dyke. Author Axel Madsen told the **Advocate**: "Look, Stanwyck was a Lesbian. Not a bisexual, but a Lesbian! And she and (Robert) Taylor--who was a Gay guy--were forced by the MGM publicity department to marry and hush things up."

"Stanwyck was married twice, which was very common for Lesbians of that age. She went to great lengths to hide her sexuality. One writer tried to ask her about it in an interview in the mid-'80's, and she threw him out of her house!"

**Entertainment Weekly** commented on a new bio of Calvin Klein: "Surprisingly, the book does not portray Klein as a closeted homosexual in a sham marriage; rather, it says he is a conflicted bisexual who occasionally falls for women." Right, and Tallulah Bankhead was the Virgin Queen.

Rocker Joan Jett was playful and intentionally ambiguous in an interview with **Out**, which dubbed her "Rock's Spinster Queen." Said Joan: "What I do in privacy is none of your business. You couldn't handle it anyway. . . I'm not saying no, I'm not saying yes, I'm saying believe what you want. Assume away--go ahead."

Shannon Faulkner, who is suing to become the first woman admitted to The Citadel, South Carolina's publicly funded military academy, is undergoing severe harassment, including Lesbian-baiting. She told the **Washington Post**: "I can't figure out why they would call me a Lesbian. It doesn't make sense. Why would I want to go to school with 1,800 guys?"

Pope John Paul II made this astonishing revelation to crowds outside his hospital after he'd broken his hip. Said God's representative on earth: "I've never been so examined in my life, from top to bottom. I didn't even know such organs existed!" **This is the guy who's telling us what we can and cannot do with our bodies?** Get naked sometime, idiot, and take a good look.

Speaking of "tops" and "bottoms," writer John Weir wrote a funny piece for **Out** about



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male dating rituals and sex. My favorite part:

"But I am resolutely not an exclusive top. I hate to be direct. I am unfailingly unpunctual. I never care as much about my own pleasure as I do about his, and I have acute penetration anxiety, which is like separation anxiety except that it is not about your leaving but my arriving. I am afraid that if I take the most obvious route I just won't get there."

"Am I speaking euphemistically?" he asks. "It is my gift for irony. I am an ironic top trapped in a silly honking bottom's body. . ."

More sex talk. Comic Lea DeLaria told **On Our Backs** of an interaction she recently had with Martina Navratilova: "Are your thighs as hard in real life as they are on TV?" she asked Martina. "She looked at me and said, 'I don't know, feel them.' It was like feeling up a Buick. Hard as a fucking rock, that babe. Which makes you think twice about wanting to go down on her, 'cause your head would be crushed."

Yes Lea, but what a way to go! Newly out singer/songwriter Janis Ian is writing a column for the **Advocate** called "Breaking Silence." She just wrote a lovely piece about how, as a young folkie, she hero-worshipped Joan Baez and how their relationship came full circle in April when she and Baez performed together at a benefit for NGLTF.

"I'm grown up now and happily married to the woman of my adult dreams, but those childhood fantasies remain precious," Ian wrote. "I was right to choose Joan as a role model. As Gay people, we are accustomed to moving in a straight world, but that April night Joan Baez willingly moved into our world, embracing us and our cause as she's embraced so many others: with dignity and laughter. And beauty! Let me tell you, Joan Baez is a serious babe!"

Heartfelt congrats to Col. Margarethe Cammermeyer, the distinguished 26-year Army veteran ordered reinstated by a federal judge. "I feel a little bit like a general who has won a war," she said of her victory. Glenn Close is set to play Cammermeyer in a TV film which, pending appeals, will hopefully have a happy ending.

And speaking of Glenn, who ought to be a dyke but is apparently hopelessly het, the **Washington Blade** recently reported that she was baffled as to why a largely Gay audience laughed so hard and so often while watching her play nutcase Norma Desmond in the stage musical **Sunset Boulevard**.

"She said it was a great audience but she couldn't understand why they laughed where they did," said Lorri Jean, head of the Los Angeles Gay & Lesbian Community Services Center, which sponsored the benefit performance. "She made these marvelous entrances down this fabulous staircase, and in 80% of them, she was wearing these incredible gowns. I explained to her that probably many of the



men in the audience were just wishing they could camp it up like that."

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** The best Lesbian film ever made, **Forbidden Love: The Unashamed Stories of Lesbian Lives**, will play at Milwaukee's Oriental Theatre June

27-30. And the new Lesbian romantic comedy, **Go Fish**, begins a two-week run July 1 and opens at Madison's Majestic July 22. Watch the next issue for more info. And remember to go fish--the girl is out there!

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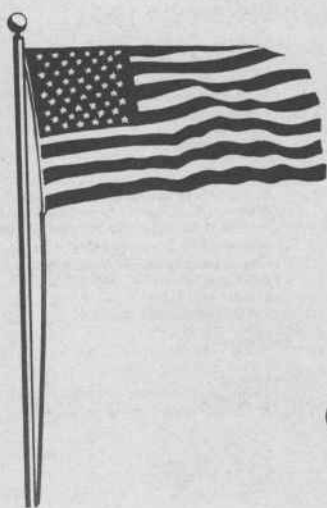
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# GAY GAMES IV & CULTURAL FESTIVAL

## JUNE 18 SATURDAY

### OPENING CEREMONIES

6:30PM Wien Stadium • \$100, \$65, \$40, \$25

## 19 SUNDAY

- 6AM Cycling • Central Park • Circuit Race\*
- 7 Triathlon • Orchard Beach • All Events\*
- 7:30 Open Water Swim • Orchard Beach • Various Events\*
- 8 Tennis • Flushing Meadows • Prelims • \$10
- 8 Bowling • Hudson Lanes • Prelims\*
- 8 Ice Hockey • Abe Stark Arena • Prelims/\$10
- 9 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 9 Basketball • Lehman College • Prelims\*
- 9 In-Line Skating • Prospect Park • Race\*
- 9 Powerlifting • Carmine Recreation Center • Prelims\*
- 9 Softball (Slow & Fast) • Randall's Island • Prelims\*
- 9 Volleyball • Queens College • Prelims\*
- 9 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 1PM Water Polo • Lehman College • Prelims\*
- 9 Squash • NY Sports Club • Prelims\*

## 20 MONDAY

- 7AM Golf • Pelham Bay Golf Course • All Rounds\*
- 7 Ice Hockey • Abe Stark Arena • Prelims • \$10
- 8 Powerlifting • Carmine Recreation Center • Finals\*
- 8 Bowling • Hudson Lanes • Prelims\*
- 8 Tennis • Flushing Meadow • Prelims • \$10
- 9 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 9 Squash • NY Sports Club • Prelims\*
- 9 Basketball • Lehman College • Prelims\*
- 9 Soccer • Flushing Meadow • Prelims\*
- 9 Softball (Slow & Fast) • Randall's Island • Prelims\*
- 9 Volleyball • Queens College • Prelims\*
- 10 Billiards • Amsterdam Billiards • All Rounds\*
- 10 Table Tennis • Lost Battalion Hall • Prelims\*
- 10 Wrestling • NYU Coles Sport Center • Prelims\*
- 11:30 Flag Football • Prospect Park • Prelims\*
- 12PM Racquetball • Hunter College • Prelims\*
- 12 Track & Field • Downing Stadium • Various Events • \$10
- 12 Volleyball • Hunter College • Prelims\*
- 1 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 3 Wrestling • NYU Coles Sport Center • Quarter & Semi • \$1
- 5 Diving • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 7 Wrestling • NYU Coles Sport Center • Finals • \$10
- 7 Water Polo • Lehman College • Prelims\*

## 21 TUESDAY

- 7AM Golf • Pelham Bay Golf Course • All Rounds\*
- 8 Bowling • Hudson Lanes • Prelims\*
- 8 Tennis • Flushing Meadow • Prelims • \$10
- 9 Basketball • Lehman College • Prelims\*
- 9 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 9 Soccer • Flushing Meadow • Prelims\*
- 9 Softball • Randall's Island • Prelims\*
- 9 Martial Arts • Carmine Recreation • Competition\*
- 9 Table Tennis • Lost Battalion Hall • Prelims\*
- 9 Volleyball • Queens College • Prelims\*
- 9 Squash • NY Sports Club • Prelims\*
- 10 Billiards • Amsterdam Billiards • All Rounds\*
- 10 Physique • Hotel Pennsylvania • Prelims • \$10
- 11:30 Flag Football • Prospect Park • Prelims\*
- 12PM Racquetball • Hunter College • Prelims\*
- 12 Cycling • Prospect Park • Time Trials\*
- 12 Volleyball • Hunter College • Prelims\*
- 12 Track & Field • Downing Stadium • Various Events • \$10
- 1 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 3 Figure Skating • Abe Stark Arena • \$10
- 3 Women's Ice Dancing • Abe Stark Arena • \$10
- 7 Water Polo • Lehman College • Prelims\*

## 22 WEDNESDAY

- 7AM Golf • Pelham Bay Golf Course • All Rounds\*
- 8 Ice Hockey • Abe Stark Arena • Prelims • \$10
- 8 Tennis • Flushing Meadow • Prelims • \$10
- 9 Basketball • Lehman College • Prelims\*
- 9 Bowling • Hudson Lanes • Singles Finals\*
- 9 Martial Arts • Carmine Recreation Center • Competition\*
- 9 Soccer • Flushing Meadow • Prelims\*
- 9 Softball • Randall's Island • Prelims\*
- 9 Volleyball • Queens College • Prelims\*
- 9 Squash • NY Sports Club • Prelims\*
- 10 Aerobics • Hotel Penn • Prelims\*
- 10 Badminton • Queens College • Prelims\*
- 10 Billiards • Amsterdam Billiards • All Rounds\*
- 10 Table Tennis • Lost Battalion Hall • Finals\*
- 10 Water Polo • Lehman College • Prelims\*
- 11:30 Flag Football • Prospect Park • Prelims\*
- 12PM Racquetball • Hunter College • Prelims\*
- 12 Volleyball • Hunter College • Prelims\*
- 12 Track & Field • Downing Stadium • Various Events • \$10
- 12 Diving • Asphalt Green • All Rounds • \$20
- 7:30 Physique • Paramount Theater, MSG • Finals • \$100,50,25

## 23 THURSDAY

- 8AM Tennis • Flushing Meadow • Semifinals • \$10
- 9 Basketball • Lehman College • Prelims\*
- 9 Bowling • Hudson Lanes • Doubles Finals\*
- 9 Martial Arts • Carmine Recreation Center • Workshops\*

- 9 Softball • Randall's Island • Prelims\*
- 9 Sport Climbing • Inner Wall, New Paltz, NY • All Rounds\*
- 9 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 10 Soccer • Central Park • Prelims\*
- 10 Aerobics • Hotel Penn • Prelims\*
- 10 Badminton • Queens College • Prelims\*
- 10 Billiards • Amsterdam Billiards • All Rounds\*
- 10 Cycling • Riverside Park • Criterium\*
- 10 Soccer • Flushing Meadows • Prelims\*
- 11:30 Flag Football • Prospect Park • Semifinals\*
- 12PM Racquetball • Hunter College • Semifinals\*
- 12 Track & Field • Downing Stadium • Various Events • \$10
- 12 Volleyball • Hunter College • Prelims\*
- 12 Figure Skating • Abe Stark Arena • Men, Pairs • \$10
- 1 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 6 Water Polo • Lehman College • Prelims\*
- 9 Squash • NY Sports Club • Prelims\*

## 24 FRIDAY

- 8AM Ice Hockey • Abe Stark Arena • Semifinals • \$10
- 8 Tennis • Flushing Meadow • Finals • \$15
- 8:30 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$10
- 9 Diving • Rutgers • Platform\*
- 9 Bowling • Hudson Lanes • Team Finals\*
- 9 Martial Arts • Carmine Recreation • Workshops\*
- 9 Softball • Randall's Island • Semifinals\*
- 9 Sport Climbing • New Paltz, NY • All Rounds\*
- 9 Badminton • Queens College • Semifinals\*
- 10 Soccer • Central Park • Flushing Meadow • Semifinals\*
- 10 Aerobics • Hotel Penn • \$10
- 10 Basketball • Lehman College • Finals\*
- 10 Billiards • Amsterdam Billiards • All rounds\*
- 10 Soccer • Flushing Meadow • Semifinals\*
- 11 Cycling • Ringwood State Park\*
- 11:30 Flag Football • Prospect Park • Finals\*
- 12PM Racquetball • Hunter College • Finals\*
- 12 Track & Field • Downing Stadium • Various • \$10
- 12 Volleyball • Hunter College • Semifinals • \$10
- 1 Swimming • Asphalt Green • \$20
- 6 Water Polo • Asphalt Green • Semifinals, Women's Finals • \$20
- 7 Figure Skating • Abe Stark Arena • Exhibition • \$25

## 25 SATURDAY

- 6AM Marathon • Central Park • Race\*
- 8 Tennis • Flushing Meadow • Finals Rain Date \$15
- 8 Ice Hockey • Abe Stark Arena • Finals • \$15
- 9 Soccer • Central Park • Finals\*
- 9 Softball • Central Park • Finals\*
- 9 Judo • Carmine Recreation Center • All Rounds\*
- 9 Water Polo • Asphalt Green • Finals • \$15
- 11 Volleyball • Hunter College • Finals • \$15
- 12 Badminton • Queens College • Finals\*
- 12 Basketball • Lehman College • Finals • \$10

## CLOSING CEREMONIES

\*FREE EVENT • PREMIUM EVENT • EVENTS, TIMES & VENUES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE  
Locations and schedules—see the June 15th or June 22nd issue of the Village Voice. Or check the HX Official Gay Games IV Directory.

### GAY GAMES IV

#### Opening Ceremonies

- June 18  
Lawrence A. Wien Stadium, 6:00 pm  
Columbia University, New York City  
The kick off event will feature the Procession of Athletes, lesbian, gay and bisexual marching bands, the lighting of the flame, a 1,000-voice Festival Chorus, and a dance and video presentation.

#### Opening Night Dances

- June 18  
Country Club, New York City  
Roseland Ballroom, New York City  
Two dances will kick off Games week: a post-opening celebration, produced by NYC's famous men's promoter, Marc Berkley, and a dance party coordinated by NYC's famous lesbian promoter, Shescape.

Roseland Club	\$15 advance \$20 at door
Country Club	\$10 advance \$15 at door



Mick Hicks

A Record Breaker—Gilbert Baker, center, with help from volunteers, constructed the world's largest Rainbow flag to raise \$500,000 for AIDS service organizations nationwide.

# Giant Mile-Long Rainbow Flag to be Unfurled in New York for Stonewall 25

(New York)- Those of you going to New York for Gay Games IV and Stonewall 25 will get a chance to see what is being billed as the largest flag ever made; 80,000 square feet larger than any flag ever made or flown, according to the Guinness Book of World Records.

The huge rainbow flag, weighing 7,000 lbs, using 17,000 yards of fabric, in six vibrant colors, is nearing completion in a Chelsea workshop. The work is being directed by Gilbert Baker, creator of the Rainbow Flag.

The familiar Rainbow Flag, according to the San Francisco Sentinel, was first made by Baker in 1978 for the Lesbian and Gay Pride Day in San Francisco. The Rainbow flag is now recognized nearly universally as the symbol of the LesBiGay civil rights movement.

When completed, the flag, measuring one mile long by 30 feet wide, will be carried through Manhattan in the Stonewall 25 March.

Statistics about the flag are staggering. It will be three times the height of the Empire State Building, or the size of 52.8 football fields. There are over 10,000,000 stitches in it

totaling 60 miles of thread. To cover it with dollar bills would take over \$1,250,000.

By the time of its completion, the flag will have taken approximately 121 days to make.

The mile-long flag will be unfurled and seen in its entirety only once. That will be on June 25, 1994 at the head of the Stonewall 25 March on the U.N.

The flag is being sponsored by Stadtlanders Foundation of Pittsburgh, and its National AIDS Community Advisory Board, chaired by Cleve Jones, founder of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt.

The Stadtlanders Foundation was established in 1993 to offer direct support to charitable endeavors which improve the quality of life for persons living with AIDS and other chronic conditions.

Additional sponsors are: Next magazine—the Gay companion to New York, Genre and the Advocate.

To carry the flag will require a minimum of 10,000 people. Each person registering to carry the flag will be asked for a tax-deductible \$50 contribution. All funds will be distributed to AIDS service agencies nationwide.

Included among these is the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, parent organization of the Milwaukee AIDS Project. A Raise the Rainbow Designation form is available when you register. Just fill it out.

Flag carriers will receive a 30 ft wide piece of the flag and a free T-shirt.

To register to help carry the flag, phone 1-800-NYC-1994.

## PARTIAL LIST OF STONEWALL 25 RELATED EVENTS

\*Please note information is subject to change.

- June 1 - July 1  
Window of Gay Life  
National Museum & Archive of History  
Mail to: 39 Jane St. #3-C, NY, NY 11014  
An environmental exhibit exploring lesbian and gay history, politics and culture. Exhibit will be mounted in the window storefronts of Christopher Street.
- June 18 - June 25  
Gay Games IV/Unity '94  
Game Games IV  
New York, NY  
(212) 633-9494
- June 18 - June 24  
16th National Lesbian and Gay Health Conference & 12th HIV/AIDS Forum  
National Lesbian and Health Foundation & George Washington University  
New York, NY  
(212) 740-7320
- June 18 - July 20  
Becoming Visible: The Legacy of Stonewall  
The New York Public Library  
Fifth Avenue & 42nd Street  
New York, NY 10018  
(212) 869-8089  
Press: (212) 221-7676
- June 18  
Lesbian/Gay Pride Run - 5K Fun Run  
Front Runners  
P.O. Box 87  
New York, NY 10023  
(212) 724-9700
- June 18  
Stonewall Pride Liturgy Dignity/New York  
Judson Memorial, 7:30 pm  
55 Washington Square, South  
New York, NY  
(718) 366-6025
- June 19  
Pride Concert  
The Stonewall Chorale  
Haft Auditorium, 8:00 pm  
Fashion Institute of Technology  
27th Street & Seventh Avenue  
New York, NY  
(212) 608-4504
- June 19 - 21  
1st Annual Ecumenical Institute of Sacred Choral Music  
United Church of Christ Coalition of Gay and Lesbian Concerns  
To be held at Rutgers University  
Mail: Rev. Christine Leslie  
125 Summit Avenue #4  
Summit, NJ 07901  
Music for gay, lesbian and bisexual Christians  
Newark, NJ  
(908) 598-0862
- June 21 - 27  
14th National Gathering of the United Church Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Concerns  
Newark Campus, Rutgers University  
Newark, NJ  
(614) 593-7301
- June 23  
Combined Concert of 500 Musicians  
Lesbian and Gay Bands of America  
New York, NY  
(713) 522-4282
- June 23 - 26  
International S/M Leather Fetish Celebration  
Leather Celebration '94  
Grand Hyatt Hotel  
New York, NY  
(212) 727-9878
- June 23  
The Real Family Values Show  
Gay & Lesbian Parents Coalition  
International  
Karen Williams & The Flirtations  
Contact: Tim Fisher (201) 783-6204  
New York, NY  
(202) 583-8029
- June 23  
International Conference of Lesbian and Gay Criminal Justice Professionals  
The Gay Officer's Action League  
Conference is open to criminal justice personnel only.  
One day conference at Merchant's Club  
26 Thomas Street  
Mail to: GOAL, P.O. Box 2038,  
Canal Street Station  
New York, NY 10013  
(212) 996-8808
- June 23  
Integrity Eucharist Celebrating Stonewall 25 & Integrity 20  
Integrity, Inc.  
St. Lukes Church in the fields,  
7:30 pm  
487 Hudson Street  
New York, NY  
(718) 720-3054
- June 23  
Timothy E. McGinty Memorial International Lesbian and Gay Conference  
Dignity/New York  
Freely by the Gospel: 25 Years of Lesbian and Gay Liberation at High School of Fashion Industries, 7:30 pm  
225 W. 24th Street  
New York, NY  
(718) 366-6025
- June 24  
Design Pride '94  
The Organization of Lesbian and Gay Architects and Designers
- June 24 - 25  
A one day conference at The Cooper Union  
New York, NY  
(212) 969-8773
- June 24  
Hands Around the God Box  
Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches  
Friday Afternoon  
Inter-Church Center ("the God-Box")  
475 Riverside Drive  
New York, NY  
(213) 464-5100
- June 24 - 25  
15th Annual Conference Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition International  
GLPCI, Inc.  
P.O. Box 50360  
Washington, DC 20091  
94 Conference info: GLPCI '94  
P.O. Box 2553  
Church Street Station  
New York, NY  
(202) 583-8029
- June 24 - 25  
Asian and Pacific Islander Gay and Lesbian Conference  
Asian and Pacific Islander Gay and Lesbian Network  
Mr. Kim Singh  
6245 Bristol Parkway  
Suite 214  
Culver City, CA 90230  
New York, NY  
(310) 390-2193
- June 24 - 26  
National Gay Pilots Association Convention & Stonewall 25 Celebration  
Roosevelt Hotel on Madison Avenue  
Gay Pilots Association  
P.O. Box 27542  
Washington, DC 20038  
New York, NY  
(718) 459-6168
- June 24  
USA Reception for Asian Lesbians and Bisexual Women  
Held at The Lesbian and Gay Community Center  
Sponsors: Asian Lesbian Network-USA, Center ILGA, Asian Lesbians of the East Coast, Asian Pacific Lesbian & Bisexual Network  
Mail to: 8403 16th Street, #6  
Silver Spring, MD 20910  
For Asian Pacific Islander Lesbians & Bisexual Women Only  
New York, NY  
(301) 589-4462
- June 24  
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- June 24  
Women's Dance  
To be held at the Lesbian and Gay Community Center  
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People of Color and Diversity Awareness Institutes both on the 27th,  
10:00 am to 6:00 pm  
New York, NY  
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- June 25  
Worship Service for Lesbian and Gay of Faith  
Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches  
New York, NY  
(213) 464-5100
- June 25  
Lesbian Pride Dance  
Women & Friends Productions of the Center  
BMCC - Borough of Manhattan Community College, 9:00 pm to 2:00 am  
New York, NY  
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- June 25  
Celebrating Stonewall 25: A Generation of Faith  
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Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall  
New York, NY  
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- June 25  
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Stonewall 25 Armed Forces Veterans Coalition  
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Location: TBA, possibly the Sailors Monument. Time: probably late morning.  
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(212) 798-6272
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Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Veteran Leadership Conference  
Stonewall 25 Armed Forces Veterans Coalition  
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New York, NY  
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- June 25  
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Dignity/New York  
St. Bartholomew's Church, Episcopal, 3:00 pm  
E. 50th Street & Park Avenue.  
New York, NY  
(718) 366-6025
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New York, NY 10011  
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- June 26  
Dignity/New York Reception  
Dignity/New York  
St. John's in the Village Church, 7:00 pm  
11th Street and Waverly Place  
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New York, NY  
(212) 866-8047
- June 28 - July 3  
16th Annual International Lesbian and Gay Association World Conference  
New York, NY  
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## Making Her Mark: An Interview with Susan Kennedy, Gay Games IV Organizer

By Daniel Vaillancourt

Between June 18-25, 1994, more than 10,000 people of all ages, colors, abilities, sexual orientations, and HIV statuses, will travel to New York City from at least 40 foreign countries to participate in Gay Games IV & Cultural Festival. Coinciding with this Summer's Stonewall 25 festivities, "the Games"--billed as the largest athletic and cultural event in the world--are expected to attract an unprecedented 500,000 spectators.

And yet, detractors of the quadrennial happening continue to dismiss it as frivolous and apolitical. But for thousands of enthusiasts, the Gay Games--founded in 1982 on the principles of participation, personal best, and inclusion by the late Dr. Tom Waddell--are political.

Case in point: In addition to successfully petitioning the U.S. government to permit the admission of HIV-positive individuals to the United States for up to 10 days to attend the Games this year, Gay Games officials also facilitated awareness and sensitivity training for key individuals in the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

"I think it's probably pretty safe to say that that was a first," states Susan Kennedy, co-president of the Federation of Gay Games. When Kennedy speaks about the Gay Games--a celebration of the human spirit which has changed her life and the lives of countless others around the world--it's from the heart.

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**Daniel Vaillancourt: What is the difference between the Federation of Gay Games and Unity '94?**

**Susan Kennedy:** The Federation of Gay Games is the parent organization, or the international governing body. It is to the Gay Games what the International Olympic Committee is to the Olympics. Our job is to make sure that the Games continue within the three original founding principles. It's our job to select the site for each of the quadrennial events. The Federation is a direct outgrowth of San Francisco Arts and Athletics, the organization that Dr. Tom Waddell created to produce Gay Games I and II.

Unity '94 is the organizing committee. It is to the Gay Games what Lillehammer was, and what Atlanta will be, to the Olympics. Unity '94 is basically responsible for producing the event.

**DV: Why are the Gay Games important?**

**SK:** I think first of all that they are about making a difference. There are a lot of people who have maybe played sports all their lives, but have never had the opportunity to participate in an environment where they could really, truly, completely be themselves.

There are other people who, for whatever reason, never played sports. Maybe they were the last kid picked in gym class, or maybe they just never had any desire to get dirty or sweaty. The Games have given them an opportunity to develop a whole other side of themselves. It's an event that covers the whole gamut of the community.

A lot of emphasis is placed on the athletic aspect of it, but there's also a very broad cultural aspect. It's an opportunity for the entire cross section of the community to participate in an event that I think is very empowering. The Games have had a profound impact on a lot of people's lives.

**DV: Why was it important to obtain an HIV waiver from the INS?**

**SK:** We wanted to make sure that participants outside the U.S. who are HIV-positive or living with AIDS wouldn't be in a position where

they felt their participation was deterred because of the law. I don't know how many people will take advantage of it, but the important thing is that for anybody who needs it, it's there.

**DV: How do you feel about sharing the spotlight with Stonewall 25 in New York?**

**SK:** I think that both events are very significant to the Gay and Lesbian community at large. Having both events in New York City is going to expose different elements of the community to two different sets of people at the same time. They are two highly empowering, major events. This is perhaps a once in a lifetime situation.

**DV: Any thoughts about Gay Games V to be held in Amsterdam in 1998?**

**SK:** The Games were awarded to Amsterdam contingent upon the successful negotiation of a contract. We have every expectation of having it signed, sealed and delivered so that we can present the flag to Amsterdam at Closing Ceremonies. I think that the great thing about the possibility of the Games going off the North American continent for the first time is the full realization that this is truly an international event.

**DV: How would you respond to those who dismiss the Gay Games as apolitical?**

**SK:** There are multiple ways to look at "political." There are people who have the opinion that any event in the Gay and Lesbian community is political simply by virtue of the fact that it is taking place.

The Games aren't "political" in the sense

that we use them as a vehicle to support a particular political agenda, because that's not really why they were created. They were created to educate people through positive action. If by virtue of coming and participating in the Gay Games, somebody can see the importance

of some other aspect in our ongoing battle for Gay and Lesbian rights, and our place in society overall, then that's great. I think that's what it's all about. Simply because there's not a particular political issue attached to it doesn't make it apolitical.

## 'Documenting Discrimination' Project Has Uncovered Cases Nationwide

(Washington, D.C.)- An unprecedented effort to document anti-Gay job discrimination has uncovered cases in every region of the country, adding critical ammunition to the fight for anti-discrimination legislation in Congress.

The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), which has hired a full-time staff member to coordinate the "Documenting Discrimination" Program, called for anyone who has suffered job discrimination because of his or her sexual orientation to contact HRCF. Those who come forward can remain anonymous.

"Anti-discrimination legislation is moving quickly on Capitol Hill, and we need personal stories to illustrate the painful impact of discrimination on hard-working people and their families," said HRCF Executive Director Tim McFeeley.

"Polls show that the general public supports anti-discrimination laws when they realize that Gay people suffer job discrimination," McFeeley said. "But most Americans simply don't know that people are fired, refused jobs or harassed at work because of their sexual orientation.

"Telling our stories can help change minds in Congress and in states facing anti-Gay bal-

lot initiatives by showing that we seek equal rights, not special rights," McFeeley said.

Since the project began in mid-April, cases have surfaced in every region of the country. HRCF is compiling the stories for presentation to Congress to highlight the urgency of a federal law to prohibit job discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. Only eight states and some localities prohibit such discrimination, which is legal under federal law.

HRCF is working with the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and a broad coalition of legal and civil rights groups to gain passage of the federal bill.

People who have experienced discrimination in the workplace should contact Hans Johnson at HRCF. Phone: (202) 628-4160; Fax: (202) 347-3523.

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### Bus For Stonewall 25

There will be a bus leaving Milwaukee for New York City and Stonewall 25. The bus leaves Milwaukee at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, June 24 and will arrive in New York at approximately 9:00 a.m. Saturday, June 25.

Hotel accommodations have been arranged at the Broadway American, 2178 Broadway (Midtown).

The bus will leave the hotel for Milwaukee at 11:00 p.m. Sunday, June 26 and arrive back in Milwaukee at about 9:00 p.m. on Monday, June 27.

Cost: Hotel: \$38 per person (limit 2 to a room). Due in full by 6/6/94.

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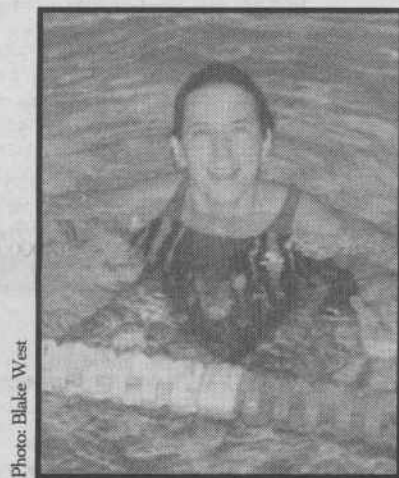


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Alison Cunningham owns a bookstore in New Haven, is on the board of directors of a homeless shelter, and has been a driving force behind Team Connecticut.

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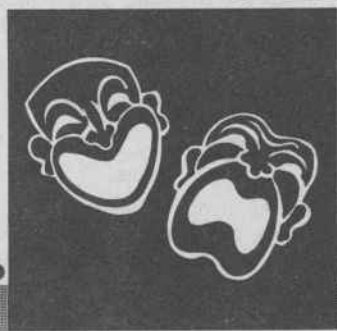
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# LIVELY ARTS



**Our History**—Sandy Lewis, Mike Westerhausen, Kris Kanable, Vanessa and Matthew Brown appear in the marriage tableau near the end of the song "How Nice," in the Fest City Singers' production of *History, Herstory, Ourstory*.



**Peak Season**—Clancy (Jim Broadbent), Mrs. Doyle Counihan (Joan Plowright) and Miss O'Hare (Mia Farrow) star in *Widows' Peak* which opens June 10 at Milwaukee's Downer Theatre.

## Fest City Singers Take Risks to Dramatize the Three-Day Stonewall Riots on Stage

By Geno

(Milwaukee)—The Fest City Singers provided the ideal prologue to PrideFest with three performances of *History, Herstory, Ourstory* during the weekend of Friday-Sunday, June 3-5. Their Musical Review of Gay Life put audiences in the mood to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Stonewall.

During PrideFest, they will present two more performances of this cabaret revue on Friday, June 10 and Sunday, June 12 at the Studio Theatre at the Broadway Theatre Centre, 158 N. Broadway, so there is still time to catch this original cabaret revue, and the Friday show is a benefit for PrideFest.

Act I begins in those Age of Aquarius years and there is a buoyancy to this time even though Gays and Lesbians were largely confined to the bar scene and were otherwise closeted.

The Singers spoof themselves in such numbers as "He's a Faggot," "How Nice," and "Ode to a Gym Teacher," the latter athletically performed by the women's ensemble.

But a serious note enters with guest soloist James Sampson's appealing singing of "The Altarboy and the Thief."

Then, at 2:00 a.m., June 29, 1969, Gays, Transvestites, straights and hustlers asserted their freedom at the Stonewall Inn.

The Fest City Singers have always been risk-takers, and the prospect of dramatizing a three-day riot would be daunting to any group and its director. Peter Mortensen, director/author/choreographer, creates a chilling, heart-stopping first act finale with just 19 people on stage using group movements, stage lighting (no, not strobe lights) and musical effects that are almost operatic in tone.

Matt Brown's singing of "Flesh Failures" becomes an overwhelming cry of defiance as

the chorus surrounds "the fuzz" and raise their voices to "Let the Sun Shine In."

Ensemble singing characterizes much of the Singers way of telling a story in music. The women's ensemble, Vanessa Benning, Diane Bloom, Kristie Coryell, Kris Kanable and Sandy Lewis are right on with their "Ode to a Gym Teacher" and joining guest soloist Leslie Fitzwater, their singing of "I Am Your Sister" brings audiences to their feet every evening.

Kevin Rock, Mike Westerhausen and Kelly Cauffman as the scene-stealing Supremes, Duane Lettow, Kevin, Ricardo Reed and Tom Welchenbach in the not always P.C. rendition of "Black Boys/White Boys" and the "Dancing Queen" divas, Erico Ortiz, Matt Brown and Kelly all create vignettes that jog the memory and tickle the Gay sensibility.

With trained voices, professional singers and even music teachers in their midst, the Fest City Singers shine in meeting the choral demands of "Candles in the Rain," "Stout-Hearted Men" (a new interpretation) and "I Dreamed a Dream."

Much of this vocal unity is the result of the painstaking, loving efforts of Music Director Peggy Lozier. The piano accompaniment of Raymond Roberts and percussionist Dennis Dykster help to create a seamless musical tapestry.

Long-time member, stalwart Erico Ortiz, contributes guitar accompaniment at critical moments.

Saturday evening, June 11, the Fest City Singers will present the Stonewall scene at the Alyn Hess Stage on the PrideFest grounds.

A wise man once said that "History is memory with a job to do." The Fest City Singers do the job gloriously, mixing memory with pride.

## Playwrights Studio Theater Seeking New LesBiGay Themed Plays for Production

(Milwaukee)—Playwrights Studio Theater (PST) will actively seek new LesBiGay-themed plays to develop and produce as part of its revised mission statement as it enters its fifth season.

"We've always been open to doing LesBiGay plays, but we're going to be more proactive in hunting them down around the country and presenting them on Milwaukee stages," said PST Artistic Director Mike Neville.

PST has had a Gay-themed play in each of its last Festival of Ten-Minute Plays. In 1992, they produced Scott Sandoe's *A Couple of Gay Guys Named Dan*, directed by Theater X Artistic Director John Schneider.

Last year, they did Neville's Gay-populated *The Big Envelope*, and this year they produced Eric Lane's *A Tall, Cool, Glass of Water*, directed by Boulevard Ensemble Theatre Artistic Director Mark Bu-

cher.

"Three of the ten plays we did this year were by openly Gay playwrights," Neville said. "So it's not exactly a leap to say we'll be doing LesBiGay plays. But it's important to get the word out that we're a home for new plays by our community's playwrights."

Neville said that PST is especially seeking Lesbian-themed plays. "We haven't gotten many plays about Lesbians or by openly-identified Lesbians, but I believe that will change now that women are coming into their own as creative theatrical artists."

Neville said that his own full-length comedy, *Dracula Vs. The Nazis*, opening June 17 at the Studio Theatre, is Gay-inspired. "It's set during World War II, but the sensibility is strictly '70's Greenwich Village Ridiculous Theater Company. The two Charleses of that tradition, Ludlum and Busch, are Gay icons of the theater world."

## Neville's 'Dracula Vs. The Nazis' World Premiere Set for June 17 in Milwaukee

(Milwaukee)—The immortal Dracula is back and this time he's the central figure in a free-for-all, fast-paced comedy written by Mike Neville, artistic director and founder of Milwaukee's Playwrights Studio Theater. Neville announced on June 6 that his newest full-length play, *Dracula Vs. The Nazis*, will have its world premiere at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, June 17 at the Studio Theater of the Broadway Theater Center, 158 N. Broadway.

The play features two actors playing 15 different roles in this quick-change production. The play takes the Dracula legend literally to

new dimensions with heretofore unthinkable funny results.

Among the many roles Neville performs is that of the often misunderstood protagonist. Chris Flieller, popular Milwaukee actor noted for his unique comedic skills, also is featured. The pair is directed by Nancy Aldrich.

Performance times are 8:00 p.m., Fridays; 7:30 and 10:00 p.m., Saturdays; and 2:00 and 5:00 p.m., Sundays. The play runs from June 17 to June 28. For ticket information, call the Broadway Theater Center Box Office at (414) 291-7800.

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## Grair, Koppa and Hanson to Read Their Poetry on June 18 at Brewed Awakenings

(Milwaukee)- Tim Grair, Jennifer Koppa and Jay Hanson will read their work at Brewed Awakenings on Saturday, June 18 at 8:00 p.m. Brewed Awakenings, a coffee shop, is located at 1208 E. Brady Street in Milwaukee. There will be a two dollar cover charge, a portion of which will be donated to the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

Grair and Hanson are best known for their political activities in the Queer, AIDS and Feminist communities. Hanson is also an accomplished puppeteer and specializes in guerrilla art. Hanson is currently compiling an

anthology of responses to the AIDS pandemic.

Koppa represented Milwaukee at the National Poetry Slam last year and is highly respected from New York to San Francisco. All three readers have local followings and have been featured at Cafe Melange, Y-Not II, Audubon Court Books, AfterWords, Fuel Cafe and Milwaukee's PrideFest among others.

Koppa's and Grair's works also appear in the newly published *Attic Poetry*.

Chapbooks of the poets' work will be available at the show. For more information, call Brewed Awakenings at (414) 276-2739.

## Drama Desk Names 'Perestroika' Best Broadway Play; 'Passion' Best Musical

(New York)- *Angels in America: Perestroika*, the second half of playwright Tony Kushner's epic about AIDS in the 1980's, was named best play of the New York theatre season by the Drama Desk.

It was the second consecutive year that Kushner won the top prize from the group of theatre critics, editors and reporters. Last year, he won for the first half of the drama, *Angels in America: Millennium Approaches*.

Stephen Spinella, who plays a man living with AIDS in *Perestroika*, won for best actor. He also won the featured-actor prize last year for playing the role in *Millennium Approaches*.

*Passion*, a musical by Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine about unrequited love, won six awards, including best musical, lyrics, music, book and best actress in a musical:

Donna Murphy.

The detective melodrama *An Inspector Calls*, imported from Britain's Royal National Theatre, received seven awards, more than any other production. It was named best revival of a play and dominated the technical awards, taking the prize for set, lighting and special effects.

*She Loves Me* was named best musical revival; its leading man, Boyd Gaines, was honored as best actor in a musical.

Myra Carter, who plays an aging, vindictive matriarch in Edward Albee's *Three Tall Women*, was named best actress in a play.

Unlike the Tony Awards, which recognize only Broadway productions, the Drama Desk honors Broadway and off-Broadway plays and musicals.

## 'One Nation Under God'--Does Reparative Therapy Do Irreparable Damage?

By Steve Warren

*One Nation Under God* does what it does so well that it's open to charges of irresponsibility for not trying to do something else.

What it does is present a historical overview of psychiatric and religious attitudes toward homosexuality in the latter half of this century, with the emphasis on those from both fields who have attempted to "change" other people's sexual orientation.

It's not organized as a simple debate, but speakers pro and con are given a chance to state their case. You might think you were watching a balanced documentary if you weren't aware of the bias of filmmakers Francine Rzesnik and Teodoro Maniaci, or if you saw it at a Fundy Christian convention.

But view it in a Gay/Lesbian-positive setting, it will be obvious that the case for change is a weak one and we've got them outargued at every turn--at least in this film.

That's where the danger comes in. *One Nation Under God* allows us to feel complacent, even to laugh at the absurd things said about us, especially in the past. It's healthy that we can keep a sense of humor, as long as it doesn't blind us to the real dangers.

Most of the people we're watching are relatively moderate members of the Christian Right Wing; they say they want to "cure" us, not kill us.

We can cheer when Michael Bussee and the late Gary Cooper, who founded Exodus International in 1976, announce that they realized in 1979 they were in love with each other and weren't "ex-Gays" at all.

But despite their defection, the organization has continued to grow and is now huge and world-wide.

Apparently interviewed in 1990, then-president Sky Rogers--I should say "Mr" Sky Rogers because you can't tell his gender otherwise, with his clothes on--gets a lot of screen time to boast of Exodus' "high rate of recovery for people who are motivated and have support."

Others testify that relatively few of their converts stay converted, and those who do, have only changed behavior, not orientation.

Bussee touches on the larger problem when he suggests that Queers have replaced Communists as a target of Right Wing hatred. Such enemies as Lou Sheldon, William Danemeyer and Pat Buchanan are seen spreading their hate.

The first "ex-Gay" ministry, Love in Action, started in 1973, the year before the American Psychiatric Association deleted homosexuality from its list of mental disorders. Twenty years later, there are still dissident shrinks who do the same old thing under the euphemism of "reparative therapy."

Fascinating and horrifying flashbacks show the therapies (e.g. "orgasmic reorientation")

and police tactics used against us in the '50's and '60's. Joan Nestle, co-founder of Lesbian Herstory Archives, recalls a New York law that required butch women to wear three pieces of female clothing or risk arrest for transvestitism, and says they were sometimes taken outside and strip-searched during bar raids.

Martin Duberman, at one point flogging his book *Cures*, talks about his own efforts to change through therapy before he came to accept himself. To a clip from an early TV program dealing with the then-taboo subject of homosexuality, he asks, "What kind of role models are people who can only be seen in silhouette?"

Gay Christians are also heard from, notably Rev. Rembert Truluck of the Metropolitan Community Church, who refutes some of the traditional biblical arguments used against us; and Jack Pantaleo, who talks of ex-Gay groups finding a new calling in the '80's as "the big condom" that would protect Gays from AIDS.

Perhaps the biggest hoot in the film is an Exodus "makeover workshop that attempts "gender reinforcement" by making Lesbians--er, ex-Lesbians--look more feminine. They also encourage ex-Gay men to play softball.

The argument comes from several sources that instead of trying to change the orientation of unhappy homosexuals, caring individuals should be changing the things that make them unhappy--i.e., societal pressures that make them hate themselves.

Trimmed to 75 minutes after seeming slightly flabby in theatrical and festival showings last year, *One Nation Under God* is one fine documentary. It's showing on PBS as part of the POV series.

### 'Go Fish' Premiere a Benefit for LAMMEF June 30 at Oriental

(Milwaukee)-A preview screening of the much acclaimed Lesbian film, *Go Fish*, will be held at the Oriental Landmark Theatre on Farwell Avenue in Milwaukee on Thursday, June 30 at 7:30 p.m. to benefit the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund (LAMMEF).

The film is directed by Rose Troche, produced and written by Guinevere Turner and Rose Troche.

Tickets at the door will be \$12, but \$10 advance tickets are available by calling (414) 264-2600.

Come and see why *Go Fish* was one of the hottest tickets at this year's Sundance Film Festival while supporting your local Lesbian organization. Get your tickets NOW!!



**Fishing Expedition**--Max (Guinevere Turner) and Ely (V.S. Brodie) engage in some unusual foreplay in *Go Fish*, a comedy about Lesbian friendships and dating rituals which opens July 1 at Milwaukee's Oriental Theatre and soon at Madison's Majestic Theatre. Remember, the girl is out there . . .

## Nation's First-Of-A-Kind Gay, Lesbian Show to Debut on News/Talk 10-7-0 WTSO

(Madison)- News/Talk 10-7-0 WTSO, "Madison's Talk Station," premieres **Sunday Night OUT** June 19 from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. **Sunday Night OUT** is a weekly radio show dedicated to Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual issues and interests. **Sunday Night OUT** is a dynamic mix of live interviews with local and national celebrities, listener phone calls and pre-recorded features.

**Sunday Night OUT** hosts include State Rep. Tammy Baldwin, former Dane County Supervisor Dick Wagner, current Dane County Supervisor Mark Pocan, and United Co-President Dale Johnson among many others.

### PBS Will Air 'One Nation Under God', 'Before Stonewall' This Month

(Milwaukee)- PBS will broadcast two documentaries about Gay/Lesbian history and culture this month, *One Nation Under God* and *Before Stonewall*.

*One Nation Under God* explores so-called "ex-Gay ministries," which purport to turn Gays and Lesbians into heterosexuals. While focusing on the current efforts of some misguided religious groups, the documentary reviews past efforts to change or "cure" homosexuals, like castration, aversion therapy and shock treatments.

Gary Cooper and Michael Bussee, who once headed an ex-Gay ministry called Exodus, but who fell in love and came out, provide interesting commentary throughout the film. The Christian leaders, who are convinced of the righteousness of their mission, are alternately frightening and, unintentionally, comical.

*One Nation Under God* airs on Tuesday, June 14 at 10:00 p.m. on most PBS stations. Check your local listings to be sure.

The second program to watch for is a repeat showing of the Emmy Award winning documentary *Before Stonewall*, a historical overview of Gay and Lesbian life in America in the decades before the Stonewall Rebellion of 1969. Narrated by Rita Mae Brown, it includes photos, film coverage and the personal reminiscences of 30 Gay and Lesbian elders.

*Before Stonewall* will be broadcast on PBS stations Wednesday, June 22 at 9:00 p.m. Once again, check your local listings to be sure.

WTSO Vice President and General Manager David Gaupner, who will also serve as executive producer of the program says, "This show is a natural for WTSO and Madison. The Gay and Lesbian community is much misunderstood and I feel that this show will go a long way towards building a better bridge between the homosexual and heterosexual communities."

"This isn't just a Gay and Lesbian program...we're hoping to attract a large straight audience as well...and by doing so, allow them an opportunity to hear exactly what the mainstream Gay and Lesbian community is all about. Straights as well as Gays and Lesbians, will have the opportunity to talk with local, regional and national leaders of the Gay and Lesbian community and I hope this dialogue will be informative, enriching, entertaining and enlightening."

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## The Lesbian/Gay Market: Its Big Business, It's Good Business--And It's Growing Fast

(New York)- Major corporations around the country and internationally, are expending more and more advertising dollars in an effort to reach the Lesbian/Gay market. It's just good business and it's growing all the time. So says a special report section in the most recent edition of *Advertising Age* magazine, the trade journal of the Madison Avenue world.

The list includes such companies as AT&T, Dewar's scotch, Levi Strauss, Continental Airlines, Campari USA, American Express, Hiram Walker, Banana Republic, Miller Brewing, Sony Music, St. Martin's Press and a host of others who are scrambling to get a piece of the lucrative Gay market estimated to be worth in the hundreds of billions of dollars.

"Capitalist America is not dumb," said Tori Osborn, former Executive Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. "There's a market out here; there's a buck to be made."

### Miller Leads The Way

Nowhere, says an article in the special section, is the push for the Gay dollar more apparent than in the upcoming Gay Games and Stonewall 25 celebrations to be held this month.

New York officials expect anywhere from 500,000 to a million people to come to the Big Apple for the week-long events. And they are expected to spend \$111 million plus. To corporations, that's the biggest Lesbian/Gay marketing opportunity of the year.

That fact wasn't wasted on Miller Brewing. The company, headquartered in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has been targeting the Gay market since 1989, according to *Advertising Age*.

Miller signed on early. In fact, it was the first major corporate sponsor. Gay Games IV organizers are grateful. They say that prior to Miller's coming on last Fall, getting sponsors had been "extremely difficult." Since then, others have joined in.

Miller has also signed on as the first national sponsor of the International Gay Rodeo Association's 15 events scheduled in various cities.

"We market to Gays and Lesbians for business reasons because we want to sell our product to consumers. It doesn't get any more complicated than that," a Miller spokesperson, Sophia Nieves, was quoted as saying.

Where Miller has led, others are following simply because it's good business.

Corporations are finding that not only do Lesbian and Gay consumers have money to spend, they are loyal to those who court them.

"I have never before in my life seen the response," said Julian Acosta, general manager-cultural markets for Hiram Walker. Acosta is reported as saying that he had a pile of letters "an inch thick" from Gay consumers thanking the company and vowing their loyalty.

Harold Levine, director of marketing for Gay Games IV notes that "Marketers who support these events (Gay Games and others like them) earn an immense amount of loyalty."

As a result, corporations are not confining their sponsorship to the Gay Games and Stonewall. They are putting their money into other and associated New York events as well.

For example, Miller and Schieffelin & Somerset's Dewar's scotch are among the sponsors of "Liberty and Justice for All," The HX Ball" and other parties going on throughout the city during the third week in June.

### Newsprint Vs. The Glossies

Corporate advertisers are also expanding into the arena of Gay publications. According to Mulryan/Nash, a New York advertising agency specializing in the Gay market, there are "about 64" Gay news and lifestyle publications in the U.S. with a total circulation of 1.1 million, which translates into a readership of 2.9 million.

Of these, the top ten are: *The Washington Blade*, *Frontiers* (Los Angeles), *San Fran-*

*cisco Bay Times*, *Bay Area Reporter*, *The San Francisco Sentinel*, *Gazette* (Tampa, FL), *Edge* (Los Angeles), *The Weekly News* (Miami, FL), *HX* and *Next* (both of New York City), with a combined circulation of 356,000 according to Rivendell Marketing, an advertising agency specializing in the Gay market.

While these bigger publications are seeing some of the advertising largess, the same is not always true for the smaller publications. The reasons, *Advertising Age's* special section says are two.

One is the fact that the larger advertisers and those who handle their ad accounts, like glossy magazine pages.

"There is a distinct turning-up-the-nose at small, free newsprint publications. They like to go with the slick glossy stuff," said Don Michaels, publisher of the *Washington Blade*.

Michael Kazan, vice president-account supervisor at Franklin Spier ad agency in New York, agrees. Ad agencies, he says, like the "slicker" publications, the ones that look more sophisticated.

But others say that it has less to do with the type of paper than with the phone sex ads. Major advertisers don't like to be seen in the same publications that carry them. For this reason, publications like the *Washington Blade* and others, if they carry the 900 number ads at all, run them in special pull-out sections.

Still, as an on-going examination of some of the various LesBiGay publications shows, 900 numbers, other ads of a sensual nature, and the major advertisers can and do exist happily side by side. Yet, it is also apparent that increasingly, there is a greater "mainstreaming" of the LesBiGay press in looks, in format, and in writing style.

Increasingly too, publications are taking advantage of major news services, and seeking out the talents of major writers.

"Our industry is at its infancy," said Mark Segal, publisher of *The Philadelphia Gay News*, a publication that has a circulation of 15,000 according to Segal.

### Right Wing Backlash?

To day, according to *Advertising Age*, the Radical Right has made a largely unsuccessful attack on national advertisers and media seeking out the Gay market.

For example, last year, Don Wildmon's American Family Association, a group of Right Wing Christians, mounted a boycott of Levi Strauss & Co because of that company's withdrawal of support from the Boy Scouts of American due to their discriminatory policy against Gays.

The boycott included more than 100,000 complaints on preprinted postcards. All that did no good at all.

In that same year, Levi Strauss enjoyed record corporate earnings.

Other companies dismiss the Far Right as well. John Mellor, AT&T spokesman is quoted as saying, "Anyone who has that kind of attitude (fear of the Religious Right) has to loose it because this (Gays) is an important market."

Other companies agree.

Mark DeMoss is a long-time aide to Jerry Falwell and president of a PR firm in Atlanta bearing his name that works for a variety of reactionary Christian groups.

DeMoss is quoted as saying that the recent market trends are bad news for anybody who wants Gays back in the closet.

"There's a pretty apparent trend in media and in entertainment and even in government towards acknowledgment of Gays and Lesbians as a legitimate minority, and I think the tide has certainly gone in that direction."

DeMoss adds a little lamely, that he thinks marketers are missing the mark by selling to the Gay minority and ignoring the Christians who he says number from 40 to 60 million people.

## Catalog Lists Hard to Find Gay Books

(New York, NY)- Paths Untrodden, a Gay owned/Gay operated mail order book service for literature concerning Gay men, Gay liberation and Gay male issues, has released its annual catalog. The catalog lists hundreds of titles in an expanded subject classification that includes 97 subject areas. Paths Untrodden specializes in hard to find, out of print, small press, and imported books. This catalog highlights the Stonewall 25 celebration to be held this Summer in New York with a special supplement of hard to find books about the Stonewall era.

The 40 page catalog is available for \$3 from: Paths Untrodden, P.O. Box 3245, Grand Central Station, NY, NY 10163-3245.

## 'New York Folklore' Publishes Special Gay Issue

(Ithaca, NY)- *New York Folklore*, the journal of the New York Folklore Society, has devoted a special issue to the study of Lesbian and Gay traditions and culture. Entitled *Prejudice and Pride: Lesbian and Gay Traditions in America* (248 pp., 53 illustrations), it is the first in the field of folklore to concentrate exclusively on Gay and Lesbian matters. Edited by outgoing New York Folklore editors Deborah Blincoe and John Forrest, it is available from the New York Folklore Society.

Non-members of the Society can order copies of *Prejudice and Pride* for \$12 plus \$3 shipping. Write John Suter, Executive Director, New York Folklore Society, P.O. Box 130, Newfield, NY 14867 or call (607) 273-9137.

## Maybe It's About Time for a New Religion; One Based on Love and Free of Hate

By Thomas P. Heyl

Here in Texas, we have the deer and the antelope roaming around. We have buffalo and longhorns too. And we have bible-thumpers by the score. You can't escape them. They're everywhere; on radio, on the cable TV channels of which they control approximately half.

On and on they babble about "sin and corruption" which Gays are supposed to have invented and they discovered.

Now, religion is anyone's choice and who am I to gainsay it? But do they have to be so completely and utterly stupid about it? Isn't it possible to adhere to a faith without leaving your brains outside the door?

For example, over and over again, they cite Leviticus against us. For those of you who are a bit rusty on your Leviticus, that's the passage that says "You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an abomination." At least, that's what it says in English, anyhow. Then, it goes on about how these people should be "put to death."

The point is, that if you take the bible as they say they take it--literally, all of it--then there'd be an awful lot of killing going on 'round here. For example, all adulterers would have to go. That'd cut the population way down.

But forget that. They like a smorgasbord; pick and choose, a lot of this, none of that. Nobody ever said religion had to be logical, but can't these people have just a modicum of common sense?

Lest you think that they're all Protestants, forget that too. Sometimes I think the religious hate movement has its capital in Rome.

Not too long ago, the European Community called for the recognition of the rights of Gay couples. The Pope (the last absolute monarch on earth) nearly fell off his balcony.

Afterward, his holiness went off to celebrate the Sistine Chapel's restoration (the original done by Michelangelo, a Gay man) and listened to music by Leonard Bernstein, another Gay man.

The thing is, all of this might be merely amusing if it weren't so terrifying. More and more, these Christo-Fascists are calling for our annihilation--and the reign of terror has already begun. Ask anyone in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Michigan or elsewhere. If it's different, it's inferior. Amen?

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What's it all about? One word: money. That's it. Money. Money to pasteurize society while they homogenize it.

People tell me there are decent Christians, those who sincerely try and follow the faith. I guess so, but why don't they denounce these haters? Why doesn't the Pope stand up on his balcony and say, "Jesus taught one absolute. That's love. For the rest, who are we to judge?"

In my dreams!

Sometimes I think what we need is a new religion. We need one that teaches love, not hate, acceptance, not rejection, inclusion, not exclusion, peace, not worry about "a just war" as the Catholics do.

We need a religion that would teach that no one and no culture is superior to any other; one that will not elevate any culture above the faith.

We need a religion that would teach that all are equal before God.

We need a religion where God is neither male nor female, neither straight nor LesBiGay, but all together, all at once; a religion that would postulate a God, so vast, so all-encompassing, so ineffably beautiful, like the "Messiah" played at dawn, like a rose window glowing softly in the noonday sun.

We need a religion that teaches compassion, not glory and power.

We need a religion that teaches that love is the most wonderful, the most precious thing upon this earth; that love is the heart of all; that love reaches out to all and will not hurt.

In my dreams! (Sigh!)

Editor's Note: The writer is a resident of Dallas, Texas.

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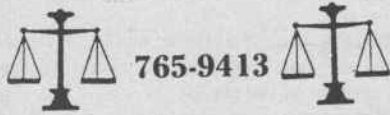
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## GOP

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higher incidents of AIDS, we have been able to anticipate the impact of the AIDS epidemic on our health care institutions and public treasuries, and have a comprehensive public health strategy to combat the further transmission of HIV that we in Wisconsin can be proud of," she said.

Baldwin condemned the GOP delegates for not realizing that "no one is going to get tested if they think they could lose their job, lose their insurance, be denied medical care or be left alone to die," she said.

### Nelson Condemns GOP Resolution

Doug Nelson, Executive Director of the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP), was equally condemnatory of the Republican resolution.

"This resolution by the Republican Convention might make sense, Nelson said, "if the Convention also had passed a couple of companion resolutions that would have prohibited discrimination based on HIV status and sexual orientation."

"What we have learned over 14 years of the AIDS epidemic," Nelson continued, "is that because of the societal prejudice and discrimination that surrounds AIDS and those who have HIV disease, we must construct public policy in a way that both protects public health and individual rights."

Nelson continued, "The Republican resolution defies the enlightened public policy that Wisconsin and most other states have implemented on HIV which embraces the principles

of voluntary HIV testing and anonymity and confidentiality for those who receive HIV tests. These principles have been enormously successful in both protecting public health and individual rights.

"A much more meaningful contribution to public policy by the Republicans would have been to have passed a resolution endorsing a comprehensive AIDS prevention campaign in Wisconsin with adequate funding to slow down the HIV epidemic.

"Nowhere in Wisconsin have we succeeded in stopping AIDS and we have an enormous amount of work to do in communities throughout the state that require education, training, interventions with people who engage in risk behaviors."

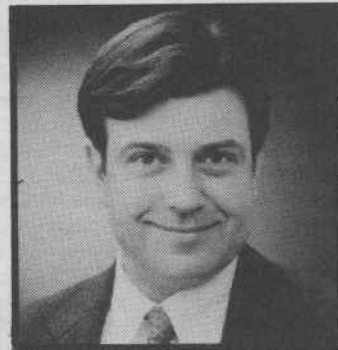
Nelson called Wisconsin's commitment to AIDS prevention "very weak." He said that a Republican endorsement of an aggressive prevention campaign would have sent a meaningful signal to the people of Wisconsin that the Republican Party was committed to confronting AIDS in an enlightened way.

Nelson said that ARCW is currently preparing and will be submitting to the Thompson Administration a \$1 million AIDS Prevention Initiative to be included in the 1995-97 budget.

At the same convention, GOP delegates passed a resolution favoring the declaration of English as the official language of the United States and of Wisconsin.

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## The Politics of Hate and Courage: North vs. Robb in Virginia Senate Race

Commentary By Marvin Liebman

In recent years, it is a rare event indeed for an American politician--of either party--to take a stand based solely on principle and conviction rather than on whatever expediency is required to keep or win a well-paying government job with all the power and perks of office. Such a rare event occurred last month at a Human Rights Campaign Fund leadership conference in Washington, D.C., when U.S. Senator Charles S. (Chuck) Robb (D-VA) appeared to express his appreciation for a contribution of \$10,000. He went far beyond just saying thanks.

Robb, running a tough and close race for reelection against radical extremists in his own and in the Republican Party, "...gave his strongest endorsement ever to homosexual rights, saying he will speak out on the issue even if it jeopardizes his reelection campaign. (He) condemned the 'fundamental unfairness' of anti-Gay discrimination and called for efforts to end it 'the last front of the true civil rights struggle,'" according to the *Washington Post*.

### Oliver North: A Public Liar, Hypocritical Opportunist, A Proudly Bigoted Man

There was no reason for Chuck Robb to stick his political neck out other than deep personal conviction. Ten thousand dollars is a lot of money, but relatively insignificant in a campaign costing millions.

His major opposition for the Virginia senate seat will be freshly nominated, Republican challenger Oliver L. North--public liar, hypocritical opportunist, and proudly bigoted against Gays, Lesbians, and most likely every other minority group different from his white bread, phony Norman Rockwell hero image, bought and paid for by direct mail professionals who raise millions of hard-earned dollars from all too many impoverished and frightened Americans.

Is there a choice for those in the Virginia electorate, who still value honor and decency? Is there even a question in the minds of Gay men and Lesbians? For me, there are no questions and only one choice--Charles S. Robb, like North, also a Vietnam veteran.

I have worked on the campaigns of, and voted for, Republicans for most of my professional life, with only one exception in 1992--Bill Clinton. I voted for him because I was repelled by the moral weakness and hypocrisy of the Republican Party and its candidate, as epitomized by the loathsome GOP National Convention in Houston.

In retrospect, I would still have voted against the Republicans, even though Bill Clinton has reneged on too many campaign promises to the Gay and Lesbian community and to the nation.

Again, I find myself in the same position. I am a conservative Republican who finds himself supporting Senator Chuck Robb, a liberal Democrat. Why this contradiction? It is

## Gays and Lesbians find 'HOME' in Church in New Musical

(Madison)- HOME: A Parable of Beatrice and Neal, an original musical drama, will be performed at the University United Methodist Church, 1127 University Avenue, on Saturday, June 25, at 7:30 p.m.

This is part of the World Premiere Tour of this drama which was commissioned to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of The Reconciling Congregation Program, a national network of United Methodist churches and organizations that publicly welcome Gays and Lesbians. Over the past decade, 73 congregations, 4 campus ministries, 4 regional conferences, and numerous other groups have joined this ever-expanding movement. University United Methodist Church is one of two United Methodist "reconciling congregations" in Wisconsin.

Similar networks of "welcoming" churches have also been formed within several other major Protestant denominations. In addition to University Church, other "welcoming" congregations in Madison include First Congregational United Church of Christ, Orchard Ridge United Church of Christ as well as the Society

## Second Annual New Harvest of Art

(Madison)- Madison has come alive with the Second Annual New Harvest of Art that began on June 5 and will run through June 30. This non-juried art exhibition is taking place at four of Madison's near east side restaurants: Fyfe's Corner Bistro (1344 E. Washington), Savory Thymes (1146 Williamson St.) Arthouse Cafe (2827 Atwood Ave.) and Monty's Blue Plate Diner (2089 Atwood Ave.).

The art exhibit is sponsored by the New Harvest Foundation, a ten-year-old philanthropic organization whose mission is to financially support service, programs and projects that positively enhance the quality of life for the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual communities in Dane County and Southern Wisconsin. The New Harvest of Art project is an outreach program that is designed to celebrate creativity and the contributions of art to our community.

## Men Of All Colors Together to Hold Beer Bash

(Milwaukee)- The Milwaukee Chapter of Men of All Colors Together will be sponsoring a beer bust on June 11, 1994, at the Wreck Room, 266 E. Erie. The beer bash will be from 7:00 p.m. to closing. Come and pay \$5 and drink all the beer you can hold.

because I am a Gay man.

Any politician--Republican or Democrat--who speaks out for us, who stands against bigotry and hatred, is my candidate. Even though we may differ on economic and other issues, we stand together in support of common humanity and the Constitutional civil rights of all Americans. That is the most important thing!

Our country can survive Democrats in the Senate and even Bill Clinton in the White House. It cannot survive the bigotry, fear and hatred that has become the prime weapon of the radical extremists of the right, whether they be Democrat or Republican.

To the radical right, Gay men and Lesbians have replaced the Jews and African Americans of the past as their targets. We have become the Communists of the '90's, objects of fear and loathing. We are now the corrupters--of the media, the schools, the family, every "value" the professional extremists can think up on which they can raise money. Today, Gay men and Lesbians are the targets, stereotyped fuel for their fundraising machines, all in the name of God.

Any friend of these radical extremists is our enemy. Anyone opposed to their ugly campaigns of hatred and bigotry is our friend. It has become that simple.

The danger posed to our community is that critical. They promote raw hatred of each and every one of us. They proclaim their fundamentalist beliefs as religious gospel.

The penalty for sodomy is death, they say. Do they really want us dead? Probably. We need all the real friends we can get. Those who stand with us against hate are deserving of all the support we can give them. Chuck Robb is one of those courageous few.

### Praise for HRCF

I would like to take this opportunity to also write briefly about the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF). In the past, I have criticized HRCF as being too "establishment," too fearful of change. However, like it or not, HRCF is our establishment organization, the largest, the best financed, and the most widely recognized.

It is because of this that it can provide the most comfortable platform for the Chuck Robbs to speak out for us. For this, all Gay men and Lesbians must be grateful.

If it did nothing else but provide such a platform, HRCF would have sufficient value. And so, for providing Chuck Robb and others with a platform, I salute my friends and comrades of the Human Rights Campaign Fund.

I urge all who read this to provide whatever support you are able to keep Charles S. Robb in the Senate of the United States. If you live in Virginia, offer your services as volunteers and contribute to his campaign.

If you live outside the Old Dominion, send him your most generous contribution: Robb For Senate, P.O. Box 1994, McLean, VA 22101-1994. It will be an investment in our future and our lives.

of Friends (Quakers) and the Unitarian/Universalist communities.

HOME dramatically portrays the power of love to reconcile Christian discord about homosexuality. Composer/director Timothy McGinley explores the idea of the church as "home" in this show. Stirring music punctuates the stories of six very different persons in need--who are seeking something more from life. As the lives of these disparate characters intersect, they share their struggles with each other and discover a basis for communion together.

McGinley anticipates that the show will help heterosexual Christians reconsider some of their traditional beliefs and stereotypes of Gays and Lesbians. On the other hand, his message to Gays and Lesbians is not to be discouraged by the words of inhospitality they've heard from churches. "I am trying to convey a glimmer of hope that churches can rise above judgmental exclusiveness and embrace loving inclusiveness--that the Body of Christ can truly become a 'home' for a diversity of persons."

## Religious Protesters Decry Memorial for Gay Victims of the Nazi Holocaust

(Jerusalem)(AP)- Right wing Jews on May 30, 1994, angrily denounced a remembrance ceremony held at Israel's Holocaust memorial for the Gay and Lesbian victims of the Nazis.

While there is no firm figure on the numbers of Gays and Lesbian who were killed in the camps, reference books in Israel's Yad Vashem library estimate the number at over 1 million. Other sources place the number much higher.

Israeli police dragged away four religious Jews who tried to disrupt the service held by 150 Gay men and Lesbians from 12 North American and European countries. Parts of the ceremony were shown on national television.

Shaul Yahalom, a National Religious Party lawmaker, demanded that a fellow party member, Yosef Burg, resign as chairman of the council responsible for the state-supported Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial.

"This group of homosexuals and Lesbians have done harm to the traditional national consensus over remembering our national Holocaust," Yahalom wrote Burg. "A loud protest is called for to make up in some small way for this defilement of God's name."

His criticism echoed other statements by Orthodox religious protesters who said the Gay ceremony was not appropriate at the Holocaust site because homosexuality is forbidden under Jewish religious law.

Burg, a former Cabinet minister for the National Religious Party, was quoted by the party's newspaper, *Hatsofeh*, as saying the Gay organizers of the service staged a "deliberate provocation."

But he also defended Yad Vashem's decision to allow the service. He said the Gays would have appealed to Israel's Supreme Court and been permitted to hold the ceremonies if authorities had tried to stop them.

Billie Laniado, a spokeswoman for Yad Vashem, said the organization did not sanction or sponsor the ceremony and that it was permitted simply in keeping with the rule allowing anyone to hold memorials to Holocaust victims.

"We don't prevent people from coming to lay a wreath...we did nothing wrong," she said.

Shevach Weiss, a Holocaust survivor and speaker of Israel's parliament, criticized those who condemned the ceremony.

"Recognizing an individual's right to be different is a supreme right in upholding a human and democratic social system," he said.

Weiss said Holocaust survivors should be sensitive to the suffering of Gays who, he said, were "the first guinea pigs."

He said that Dachau, the first of the concentration camps, set up in 1933, was founded for Gays.

## Come and Dance With Madison's High Stepping Dairyland Cowboys

(Madison)- The Dairyland Cowboys is a collective of Madison-area Gay men and friends dedicated to promoting country dancing and camaraderie in a fun and supportive environment.

Formed in December, 1993, the Cowboys have been enjoying the beautiful dance floor and warm atmosphere of Apple Island, 849 E. Washington--a smoke and alcohol-free environment with a smoking lounge on the premises.

The group offers dances once or twice monthly with instruction provided in a variety of dance types (two-step, line, square, contra, English country and more). Each event also includes open dance time.

A fifteen week series of square dance classes is planned for the Fall of 1994, for

which advance registration will be required.

All events are open to the Gay and Lesbian community and friends. Active participation in putting together all aspects of the events is encouraged. Suggestions for guest instructors, DJs, live music and locations are warmly welcomed.

Previous experience, partners and Western wear are not required--only a desire to have a great time. Join in the excitement. It's a lot more fun than eating cheese.

The next Dairyland Cowboys dance is scheduled for Saturday, June 18 from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m. The charge is \$4 at the door.

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**WI ALWAYS OPEN:** 27 yr old, 5'9", tan and in great shape. Always open to new things. #28991

**Green Bay YOUR SERVE:** 5'9", 155, drk hair. I love tennis, walking, swimming, reading, movies, music, time in, time out. Seeking guys around here with similar interests. #28728

**Milwaukee LEATHER BTMs:** Seeking sub BTM boys who need a little control. I get into anything. Call if you are kinky and 18-27. #28747

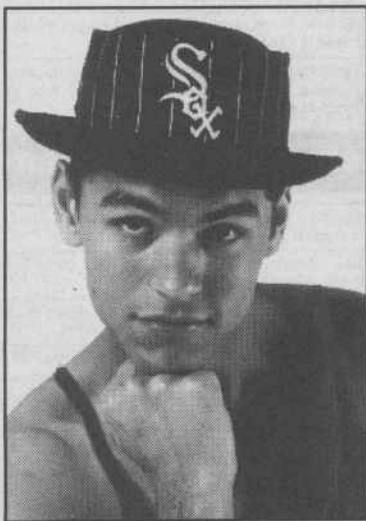
**WI BOY OH BOY:** 5'9", 160, seeking yng smoothies, 18-25. I like bikes, the lake, movies and quiet times at home. #28955

**Milwaukee EAST SIDE:** I am seeking a buddy for good times. Let's give and receive massages. Long hair A+. #28957

**Eau Claire TV OR NOT TV:** GWM very discrete who wants to meet a TV but not necessary #11250

**Milwaukee BRING ME ALONG:** GWM, inexperienced handsome looking for men and TV's for mutual benefits. #28457

**West Bend BEGINNING TO SEE DAYLIGHT:** 20 yr. old 6'; Not out completely; looking for someone of similar age who is into the outdoors and who will be patient with me. #29166



**Madison BEAR-LY ABLE:** ...to contain myself. Looking for men 25-35 yrs. I am bearish 6'2" BTM looking for fun. #29224

**Madison IT'S ALWAYS THE SAME THING:** I'm sick of the dating game. Are you also? If so, call me. #29431

**Madison FEEL SAFE WITH ME:** Seeking a 19-35 yr old to get to know. I am 6'4", 280, shy and a nice guy. #26879

**Milwaukee SOUTH SIDE:** Gwm seeks GWMs for movies and quiet times at home. #26291

**Milwaukee TREAT HIM RIGHT:** 40 yr old GWM is new to town, friendly and vers. #26943

**La Crosse WE CAN STILL HAVE FUN:** Seeking a guy, 18-29, with a swmr's bld. No bars. BUT lots of travel and dining. #27079

**Milwaukee SOUTH SIDE:** Bi-WM, 5'5", 135. I am attractive and a workout buff. Let's show off. I have a washboard tummy. #27237

**Milwaukee BIRDS OF A FEATHER:** 27 yr old good looking guy seeks a man, 25-33 for a little travel/fun. #27340

**Milwaukee HANKERIN' FOR A HUNK:** WM, 35, 5'6", 160. I am healthy and hunky. Passionate guy needs some playful fun. I am worth the call. #27381

**Milwaukee MILLER TIME:** Seeking a lthr biker top who is endowed. I love watersports and want to drink some beers, kick back and enjoy a good time. #27472

**WI WIDE RANGER:** 24 yr old GWM, 5'10", 160, blonde and blue. I am seeking guys, 24-40. Dark hair and great personalities are A+. #27486

**WI NO LIMIT:** Seeking a lthr man. Test me all the way. I never fail. #27665

**La Crosse NO FUN ALONE:** 5'2", 125, brn/blu. Seeking a guy around my age (26). Please enjoy hiking, biking and a good workout. #27707

**WI HOT TALK:** 23 yr old seeks some guys for fun and talks on the phone. Call me and we'll take it from there. #27951

**Milwaukee TV SEARCH:** Handsome 37 yr old, 6'2". I am into all kinds of things. Seeking a fem TV for a sincere relationship. Don't be afraid to call. #27989

**Milwaukee FEMME FATALE:** Fem GWM, 36 yrs old, seeks slim male s who believe in love, passion and romance. I love nice clothes, dining out and travel. #28000

**Milwaukee MONDO BONDAGE:** Sub TV seeks guy for wild times and B&D. I am very clean and discreet. #28100

**Milwaukee DOWNTOWN:** Seeking yng guys who are smooth. B&D, shaving, restraints used here. Safe only. #27712

**Oshkosh VERY RECEPTIVE:** 23 yr old Bi-WM seeks some guys for a good time. I am open to anything. #28279

**Madison SOMEONE TO LOOK UP TO:** 26 brn/blu, 140. Seeking good times and a possible relationship with older men. Call me anytime. #28366

**Milwaukee WHERE'S THE WELCOME WAGON:** 23 yr old, new to the area. Seeking good looking guys under 25 who like to work out. #28539

**Milwaukee COLLEGE STUDENT:** Into bike riding, rollerblading and hot fun times. Seeking a guy 18-25. #23893

**La Crosse CAT-O-2 TAILS:** GWM professional couple, 40 & 27. We are attractive, into music, theater and light lthr. Seeking couples or singles. #25506

**WI CLUB SCENE:** 23 yr old Hispanic male, 160. Into swimming, music and the clubs. #25601

**WI NATIVE AMERICAN:** 30 yr old, 6'4", 220, blk hair, American Indian. Into outdoors, reading art and music. Please be affectionate, honest and clean. Call for home phone. #25608

**WI WHAT'S UNDER THE DRESS, FELLA?:** Seeking attractive guys into crossdressing. I love the mystery and being with a guy who is dressed fem. #11250

**Milwaukee YOU TELL ME:** 29 yr old blk male seeks a friend who is kind and knows what he wants. Please be a blk male, 21-40. Call me at home. #23108

**414 Area Code HOW DO YOU SPELL RELIEF?:** Pent-up college guy seeks a cute campus dude. Call me at home. #23893

**Kenosha BLACK SABBATH, A FEW BREWS, WHO KNOWS?:** Bi-couple seeks more for fun. We are 40 and 21, into heavy metal, videos and social drinking at my home. #24064

**Milwaukee O SOLE MIO:** 19 yr old college student, 5'11", blonde and blue seeks guys 18-25. I am into opera and dancing. #24164

**Racine SMOKIN' GOOD TIME:** Handsome bi-WM seeks discreet guy for hot action. #24242

**Milwaukee UP AND WAITING:** 32 yr old, trimmed stache and beard. Let's have some quality times and build a good relationship. Call me at home anytime. #24326

**Milwaukee Sissy TV:** I am passable, need to be trained by a stern person into an adult baby girl. I wear it all, need a diaper or baby's dress now. #24366

**Milwaukee EAST SIDE:** Seeking Native American or Hispanic guys. I am 6'4", 190 and very athletic and masculine. Call me at home. #21606

**Milwaukee HERE COMES SUMMER:** WM, 23, 6', 180. Seeking a guy around my age to date. I like movies and summer sports. Just getting involved in the scene. #24503

**WI IT'S YOUR SERVE:** 20 yr old, 6'2", 190, blk/brn. I like biking, swimming and ping-pong. Kissing, snuggling big pluses. Honest guy seeks a guy of any age/race. #22880

**WI VERY ROMANTIC:** 43 yr old GWM seeks a guy 21-50 of any race for friendship. Into gardening, camping and fishing. Let's settle down and make a commitment. #24663

**Milwaukee SOUTH SIDE:** looking for GBMs. I am 32, 220. Into movies, dining out. Tps pls call. #24718

**WI GREAT OUTDOORS:** 19 yr old seeks a guy, 18-24. Into hiking, biking and horses. Any race. #24818

**Milwaukee EAST SIDE:** 29 yr old, short hair, stche. Into the outdoors, movies, concerts and dining out. #18745

**WI GWM:** 6', 165, 27 yrs old, blonde and green eyes. Into quiet times and cooking. Friends first, possible relationship. #19990

**Appleton VERY SINCERE:** 28 yr old, 6', 220. Into working out, skiing and reading. I am always willing to try new things. #22089

**WI JOHN OR JOAN?:** Fem guy into hiking, biking and trail walks. Dark brn eyes, 5'7", 135, slim. Seeking masculine blk males. #24818

**Milwaukee TEACH ME TO TANGO:** Fem TV seeks a blk or Hispanic male. Call me Michelle. #22207

**414 Area Code CALL ME:** 6'1", dark hair and grn eyes. Seeking a guy 18-30. I love movies going out, dancing and phone talk. Gimme a call at home. #14232

**WI RIDE IN THE COUNTRY:** 20 yr old, 6'2", 185. Seeking a guy who likes to cuddle, drive around and listen to music. Please be 18-40 (preferably). #22880

**WI HERE COMES SUMMER:** 29 yr old blk male, 5'8", 150. Med-build. Into music, dance and the lake in the summertime. Seeking a serious relationship with an 18-40 yr old. #23108

**Milwaukee GOOD WITH MY HANDS:** 37 yr old seeks a relationship. I am a handy man and home owner. #23153

**WI DO YOU NEED A MAID?:** TV, very passable. Totally shaven. I will cook and clean and provide EVERY service. I can dress from sophisticated to sleazy. Great legs! Call me. #23161

**Milwaukee EAST SIDE:** Seeking guys under 30 for a hot, safe time. #9368

**Green Bay I WANT TO TRY:** Seeking Bi or married guys. 26 yr old is very interested and would love to hear from you. #23421

**Milwaukee YOUR CALL:** Seeking a hot blk guy. 28 yr old white male for a long or short term situation. #23515

**WI FIT AS A FIDDLE:** Professional, healthy guy seeks a fit man in his 40's call me at home. #20766

**WI NORTH-EAST:** Outdoor guy isn't into the bars, but is seeking more than a one nighter. 5'9", 175 mid 30's. #19239

**WI SLEEP ON IT:** 6'2", 34 YO, into men who are intelligent and fun-loving. Anything safe is OK. #20473

**Milwaukee I KNOW MY PLACE:** 34 year old 5'9", and med build. I am a definite btm. Seeking friends and a possible ltr. #20494

**414 Area Code DOWN TO EARTH:** Blonde and blue, 5'7", into sports, movies and all kinds of music. Seeking guys with good hearts and souls. Must be mutually respectful. #20506

**608 Area Code CARNIVAL ATMOSPHERE:** 20 yr old, 5'6", 135 seeks men 20-40's for fun and excitement. #20614

**Madison MILITARY SCENES:** Workouts, crewcuts and having fun your thing? Call me. #20744

**Wassou THRU THE UPS AND DOWNS:** 23 yr old WM Bi-guy seeks a relationship with a WM 18-25. #20758

**Milwaukee CREAM OF THE CROP:** 39 yr old, clean healthy and ready for fun. #20769

**Milwaukee EAST SIDE:** 5'11", 165, seeking 18-26 yr olds. Must be fairly liberal and a non-smoker. #20777

**Milwaukee ALL POINTS BULLETIN:** Seeking hny Puerto Rican or blacks. #20879

**WI WHERE DO YOU THINK?:** GWM, 21, 145, 5'10". I am seeking an honest guy who thinks with his heart. #11508

**Milwaukee GARDEN FAN:** 35 YO. Into down to earth people, rare plants and country music. Call me at home. Seeking 18-35 year olds. #17697

**WI CLEAV-AGE!!!:** 5'8", 165 builder. Interested in masc guys. I am a strict tp with a beard. #17812

**Milwaukee FIND ME IN THE GYM:** 41 year old workout nut loves animals, movies and dining out. Open to all ages. #17954

**Milwaukee WHERE YOU LEAD:** I will follow. 6'1", 195, 37 blonde and blue guy seeks a white male 27-37 who is good-looking and athletic. Show me the ropes. #17940

**Milwaukee YOU NAME IT, WE DO IT:** Blue eyed professional is into various experiences and would enjoy hearing from you. #18299

**Milwaukee GOING TO EXTREMES:** 28 year old white male seeks a black guy for fun excitement. I am into music, movies, socializing. #18300

**Milwaukee HAVE HAIR, WILL TRAVEL:** 25 year old guy with brn hair and eyes seeks 18-26. Hairy/aggressive A+. #18327

**414 area code EQUAL OPPORTUNITY:** 22 year old black male is 5'9", med built and vers. I am open to all races and enjoy the theater and quiet times. #18381

**Milwaukee NOW PLAYING:** 6'2", good-looking guy seeks similar. Into all kinds of movies and quiet nights at home. #18556

**414 area code YOUNG SPLENDOR:** 21 year old, 6'2", blue eyes. Seeking a guy 18-25 for friends and a possible relationship. Call me at home. #18655

**Milwaukee POOL PARTY:** young ht studs for pool parties that are ht, ht, ht. #16120

**Milwaukee EAST SIDE:** Seeking bigger guys. Hairy A+. I am 30 with a slight beer belly. Into outdoors, bicycling, movies and music. Slim guys OK, too. #18745

**Milwaukee BE SINCERE:** 22 year old with brn hair and grn eyes seeks honest and sincere men. I enjoy quiet evenings #18750

**Milwaukee GOT ON MY SISTER'S BEST:** 35 year old crossdresser seeks others or TS/TV's. #18890

**Milwaukee HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR:** 18 year old into wrestling, football and workout. Seeking 18-25 year olds. #18816

**Appleton SPORTS-MINDED:** 34 year old WM. I am inexperienced and seeking a 27-37 year old. I am into music, golf, tennis, skiing and more. #19054

**Milwaukee KICK UP YOUR HEELS:** GWM, blonde, 30, seeking fun-loving men. I love to dance and am not into the bar scene. #19069

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**Milwaukee YNG AND SATISFYING:** Seeking good-looking guys under 22. I am very willing to satisfy. Just let me know. #19251

**Green Bay GAY FRIENDS NEEDED:** 39 year old guy seeks some friends to pal around with. I have curly hair and blue eyes. #15249

**WI LIKE A ROCK:** Attractive 6'4" guy is into guys who are masc and built. #15263

**WI SATISFACTION GUARANTEED:** 5'8", 165 builder is into the tp scene. I am a great daddy. #15839

**Milwaukee COUNTING ON YOU:** 5'11", 175. Pos. 33 year old seeks someone secure and reliable. Please call. #16093

**Milwaukee TRUCK DRIVER:** I need a massage. Call me. #16354

**Eau Claire GREAT OUTDOORS:** Seeking 30-35 year old guy. I like snowmobiles and four-wheeling. I am a good looking btm. #16762

**414 Area Code SHOPPING SPREE:** 21 year old guy seeks professionals 23-47 for friendship and maybe more. I like the theater and shopping. #16844

**Milwaukee MAKE THE MOST:** 5'11", 175. 33 yr old pos. guy in good health seeks friend to enjoy life with. Must like a good time and be relationship-minded. #16093

**Milwaukee MULTI-LINGUAL:** WM seeks 25-35. I am fluent in several languages and like to travel. No smoke/drink. Seeking similar minded. #16901

**WI TOYS FOR TPS:** Call for a present. #7338

**WI SMALL OPENING:** GWM 6'1", 185 is tight and into crossdressing and cuddling. #11250

**Milwaukee STEAMY:** 28 YO seeks other smooth and ht guys for safe action. #11256

**WI SNUGGLED UP:** Attractive blk male 200+ lbs. btm loves to get into music and cozy nights. #11509

**WI I LIKE TO WATCH:** Feel like putting on a show for this 33 YO? #11182

**WI SETTLING DOWN:** 29 year old is looking for a long term relationship. #12141

**Milwaukee WORLDLY:** 40 YO gentleman is very athletic and stached. I am a cultured model/professional. Into antiques and partying. #12558

**Milwaukee SO I LIKE DRESSES?:** 21 year old crossdressing white male seeks same types. #12602

**Milwaukee CALL ME:** 40 year old has blue eyes and light brn hair with a beard and stache. I am not into bars, but do go out on occasion. #12730

**WI GOOD TALK:** EZ to get along with guy seeks a white male for pleasant conversations. #12947

**Madison ZANY:** 22 year old is bld and blue and a student at U MAD. Into Mel Brooks and Monty Python. #13239

**WI DADDY DEAREST:** 43 yr old lthr btm seeks a dom dad. Please call me. #13395

**608 Area Code LONELY BLK STUD:** I am seeking fulfillment from an honest and sincere man. Call me at home. #13410

**WI BEAUTIFUL HAIR:** 21 year old Mike has long brown hair and is seeking an eighteen to 21 YO for ht fun and possible relationship. #13442

**Kenosha SLOW AT FIRST:** GWM, 31, is seeking a blk male to get to know and we'll see about a possible relationship. #13806

**WI LET'S START A FRIENDSHIP:** Hispanic male is 29, new to the area. I will return all calls. #14034

**Green Bay I AM NEW:** 39 year old 38-28-34. I would like to try ANYTHING. #13147

**Madison QUIET MEETING:** 25 year old brn/brn and bearded is seeking 18-45 for discreet get-togethers. #12439

**Milwaukee PLEASD TO MEET YOU:** 6'1", dark hair and musc seeks 18-23. I have many interests I would like to share. #14232

**WI PARTY ON, DUDES:** Bi-head banger into partying. I can be creative and flexible. #14259

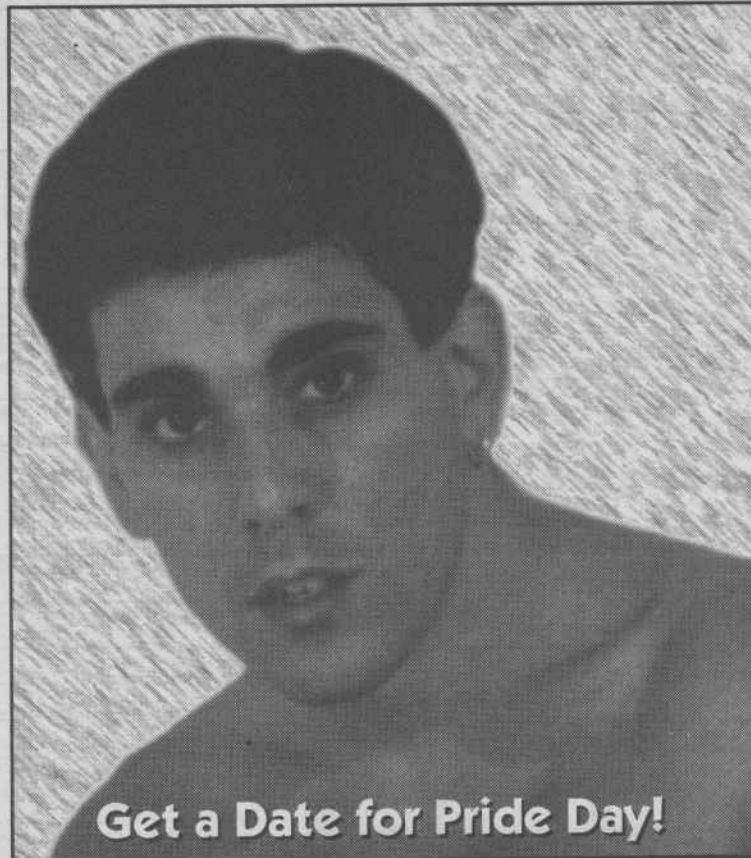
**La Crosse ZEPPELIN TO ZEppo:** 23 year old, 5'10" and seeking 18-25 into sports, classic rock and the Marx Bros. #14358

**Milwaukee MUTUAL INTERESTS:** 40 year old, 6' with a beard and a stach and blue eyes seeks a relationship. Into the theater and movies and gardening. #14363

**WI TRADE OFF:** Gay couple looking to get-together with a third. Call us! #14477

**West Alice ARE YOU MASC AND YNG?:** 5'8", 165. I have a bbuilder type body and a short beard. I like masc men. I am 40 and looking for yng men. #14598

**Milwaukee SSSSSHHHHH:** Tom likes the movies and quiet times at home. Please call him there. #10523



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David, nice, very hairy, 5'9, I am looking for a honest, loyal, respectable relationship with the right man. Box# 2700  
Michael, 32, GWM, ISO guy for relationship, no games. (Call Thru) Box# 8812  
Joe, GWM, 41, 6'1, 185, nice body, well-hung, like 69, hot oral sex. Box# 8561  
Mark, short, stocky, Hispanic bottom boy, ISO hot mid-western top boy. (Call Thru) Box# 2146  
Joe, BM, 29, ISO other BM, I like the outdoors and I am down to earth. (Call Thru) Box# 4522  
Kevin, 24, bottom, still in the closet. Box# 5610  
Joe, GWM, 41, 6'1, 185, nice body, well-hung. (Call

GWM, Cory, 18, romantic, looking for fun. (Call Thru) Box# 2313  
Shaun, 27, GWM, 5'9, 160, very muscular, 43" chest, 31" waist, attractive, short dark hair, clean shaven, ISO WM 28 or younger. (Call Thru) Box# 5435  
Lee, extremely fun and exactly what you want. Box# 1752  
Brad, ISO top M. (Call Thru) Box# 9818  
Gene, 5'11, 210, chubby teddy bear, smooth legs, love lace, ISO mature top man, 50 or over, for long-term relationship. Box# 7877  
GWM, 41, (look younger), ISO guy, 19-30 for good hot times. (Call Thru) Box# 8955  
Michael, GWM, ISO another GM. Box# 6562  
Michael, GM, HIV -, like to be very oral, I love sucking dick. (Call Thru) Box# 5600  
Scott, 30, 6', 200, brn hr, hzl eyes, mustache, ISO guys 25-30's. Box# 2556  
Alex, 28, ISO BM, 20-35, for working out, skiing and good times. Box# 7971  
John, ISO a fine, sexy Italian guy. (Call Thru) Box# 9138  
Paul, professional, fun, ISO professional, well-groomed, hairy, aggressive male. (Call Thru) Box# 3752  
Bill, 5'5, 150, leave message or call thru. (Call Thru) Box# 3027  
JT, 28, law student, ISO my first bi-experience with someone who is. (Call Thru) Box# 5899  
GWM, 5'10, 170, good-looking, well-built, versatile, ISO other hot guys for good times. You won't be disappointed. (Call Thru) Box# 3502  
Duane, GWM, poet, likes theatre, movies, art, working out, ISO intelligent men who live to enjoy life. Box# 4145  
GM, student, trim, blond hair, bottom, nice body, ISO hairy hot top who's into sex. Box# 5640  
BiM, 26, 5'10, 190, athletic, bodybuilder, ISO other bodybuilders, any race, discretion assured. Box# 3474  
Attractive, quiet GWM, 58, 5'8, brn hair/eyes, HIV-, NS, like golf, country life, travel, dining, theatre, ISO a compatible GM with same interest for friendship. (Call Thru) Box# 7686  
M, 24, 5'9, 165, long brown hair, blue eyes, mustache, I'm easy-going, ISO similar dudes. Box# 3216  
WM, 30's, ISO a Bi or GWM for goodtimes, I'll be open to your ideas. Box# 1977  
Bill, 32, 5'8, 160, prof., not into glitter, self-absorb, bitchy or stereo-types, ISO someone who is truthful, warm, gentle, in-touch, with a quiet strength for mutual honest friendship, no sex right away calls please. (Call Thru) Box# 8684  
Mike, good-looking, GWM, 35, 220, 6', HIV -, physically fit, NS, ISO M 25 and under, long-term friendship, casual sex. (Call Thru) Box# 1817  
Bill, GWM, ISO BM, well-endowed, your satisfaction is my only concern. No reciprocation necessary. (Call Thru) Box# 3231  
Alex, 25, 5'11, 175, ISO relationship. Box# 2885  
Mike, 32, versatile, 5'6, 165, brn hr, grn eyes, ISO compatible M's to share my house I just purchased. (Call Thru) Box# 9644  
Tyrone, GM, 23, call. Box# 6310  
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Mike, 32, well-built, masculine, ISO a WM around 6'2, very hairy, for fun hot times. Box# 9287  
Paul, call me on call thru. (Call Thru) Box# 6537  
Carl, 29, GWM, 180, 5'9, ISO a sincere open minded man, any race. (Call Thru) Box# 3779  
GM, 21, blond hair, blue eyes, like bars, ISO a male companion. (Call Thru) Box# 4266  
TV, 5'11, 140, 30, blond hair, ISO a big black man. Box# 1451  
Jeff, 35, WM, 195, brown hair/eyes, good body/looks, looking to have fun with other men. (Call Thru) Box# 4558  
Michael, BM, 23, ISO guys my age for football, movies, etc. Box# 6919  
Kevin, masculine, ISO Gay or BiWM, 20-35 who is built and masculine also. (Call Thru) Box# 3560  
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M, 5'6, 150, 18, muscular, blond, blue eyes, 9's, ISO an experienced top to show me everything. (Call Thru) Box# 8427  
Jenni, 6'1, 190, ISO teddy bear, 37-47, hairy, dark hair, muscular and intimate. (Call Thru) Box# 3315  
GWM, 5'7, blond, blue eyes, 38, goodlooking, well-endowed, muscular, thin, ISO top, HIV-, goodlooking man to love. (Call Thru) Box# 8547  
GM, John, 22, college student, ISO someone out-going for good times. Box# 5093  
GM, Mike, looking for people to party with. (Call Thru) Box# 1595  
Dave, ISO someone for a good time. (Call Thru) Box# 2200  
GM, Chip, 5'10, 160, athletic, 28, light brown hair, blue eyes, ex-military man, business student, like weightlifting, outdoors, ISO a muscular M, 22-35. (Call Thru) Box# 5135  
GM, Gordon, ISO guys for hot fun. (Call Thru) Box# 8176  
GM, Bob, 35, 6'1, 195, dark hair/eyes, masculine, working-out, ISO someone for some male bonding. (Call Thru) Box# 3440  
GWM, 32, independent, financially secure, ISO someone fun for relationship and hot times. Box# 4506  
GM, body-builder, 54-inch chest, 36-inch waist, 210, 40's, ISO someone younger, in good shape like myself. (Call Thru) Box# 4684  
Tim, ISO dominant, masculine, very mature M, if you have these qualifications, please call me. (Call Thru) Box# 5304  
GBM, James, 34, 5'8, 160, ISO friends any race, talk to me, lets get together. (Call Thru) Box# 8149  
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Michael, 5'7, GBM, top, looking for a goodtime, let's talk. Box# 6117  
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Timmy, 5'10, 195, long blond hair, hairy chest, ISO WM, 25 and over. Box# 2742  
GBM, Andre, 20, college student, ISO GWM, for dancing, movies, etc. Box# 6542  
GBM, Andre, 5'10, 155, drk hair/eyes, ISO GWM 20-30, to enjoy life to it's fullest. (Call Thru) Box# 7751  
GM, 21, 5'9, 140, grn eyes, brn hair, party size, ISO built, masculine guys around same age. (Call Thru) Box# 2503  
GWM, 35, 6'2, 180, brn hair/eyes, clean shaven, like legs and feet. Box# 7199  
GBM, Mike, 35, slim, attractive, ISO GBM, bottom, 30-50, attractive, slim-med. build, for discreet fun. Box# 3968  
GWM, Jay, 25, ISO another M, 25-35, for fun. (Call Thru) Box# 9973  
Hot Italian, Jack, 35, dark hair/eyes, 5'4, 170. (Call Thru) Box# 8674  
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Randy, 30, brn. hair, blue eyes, 5'9", 140, 28-inch waist, ISO guy my age or younger. Box# 1474  
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GWM, Kurt, 36, bottom, ISO super-hairy top, who is fun-loving and adventurous. (Call Thru) Box# 7370  
Hot, young, Army dude, 25, college jock, ISO guys my age or younger, who are jocks, military, students. Call if you can handle it. (Call Thru) Box# 6970  
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John, ISO a fine, sexy Italian guy. (Call Thru) Box# 9138  
Paul, professional, fun, ISO professional, well-groomed, hairy, aggressive male. (Call Thru) Box# 3752  
Bill, 5'5, 150, leave message or call thru. (Call Thru) Box# 3027  
JT, 28, law student, ISO my first bi-experience with someone who is. (Call Thru) Box# 5899  
GWM, 5'10, 170, good-looking, well-built, versatile, ISO other hot guys for good times. You won't be disappointed. (Call Thru) Box# 3502  
Duane, GWM, poet, likes theatre, movies, art, working out, ISO intelligent men who live to enjoy life. Box# 4145  
GM, student, trim, blond hair, bottom, nice body, ISO hairy hot top who's into sex. Box# 5640  
BiM, 26, 5'10, 190, athletic, bodybuilder, ISO other bodybuilders, any race, discretion assured. Box# 3474  
Attractive, quiet GWM, 58, 5'8, brn hair/eyes, HIV-, NS, like golf, country life, travel, dining, theatre, ISO a compatible GM with same interest for friendship. (Call Thru) Box# 7686  
M, 24, 5'9, 165, long brown hair, blue eyes, mustache, I'm easy-going, ISO similar dudes. Box# 3216  
WM, 30's, ISO a Bi or GWM for goodtimes, I'll be open to your ideas. Box# 1977  
Bill, 32, 5'8, 160, prof., not into glitter, self-absorb, bitchy or stereo-types, ISO someone who is truthful, warm, gentle, in-touch, with a quiet strength for mutual honest friendship, no sex right away calls please. (Call Thru) Box# 8684  
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Bill, GWM, ISO BM, well-endowed, your satisfaction is my only concern. No reciprocation necessary. (Call Thru) Box# 3231  
Alex, 25, 5'11, 175, ISO relationship. Box# 2885  
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Willy, you can call me Bill, 25, ISO another guy 19-28, any race for hot fun. (Call Thru) Box# 9549  
Jeff, 19, blonde hair, green eyes, ISO guy to hang out with. (Call Thru) Box# 8161  
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Kimberly, new to area, 25, likes art, walks, movies, spending time together, ISO female friends, 30-40's with same interests, for possible relationship. (Call Thru) Box# 5945  
Cindy, bi-F, 5'4, 125, auburn hair, blue eyes, love animals, reading, dining, aerobics, dancing, ISO loving relationship and special friendship. Looks/age/race not important. Be fun and honest. I'm married for now and I will explain. Box# 5699  
GF, fun, tired of everything and lonely, like to have another GF, call me. Box# 3194  
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Paulette, 43, feminine black Lesbian, enjoy reading, dining, exotic foods, nights on the town. I'm 5'4, 130, ISO another BF. (Call Thru) Box# 6212  
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Christie, 21, Kadie Lang look-alike, ISO other F's who like to go out sometimes. (Call Thru) Box# 6988  
GBF, 28, have children, 120, NS/ND, ISO open relationship with a GF, 28-35, I like fishing, camping, bowling, horseback riding. (Call Thru) Box# 9523  
Dawn, 25, GBF, professional, ISO other GBF's 25-35, mature, well-established, good-headed, no drugs or smokers. Box# 9347  
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Clayton, 24, BM, very masculine, ISO feminine males, bi males or couples, sports, I'm active, well-built, I can be your lollipop. Anything goes. Box# 6857  
WC, fun, interactive. She - 5'8, very attractive, 135. He - bi, 5'10, 140, ISO couples or singles for good times. (Call Thru) Box# 4318  
Barry and Laura, ISO a very attractive bi or GF for loving, caring, exciting, safe relationship. We are outgoing and energetic. (Call Thru) Box# 9216  
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5'5", 160 lbs, ISO a TV, TS, or very fem male. Please call. Box# 6633  
Fun-loving, attractive guy in 40s. I like the gym, but am tired of the lines, so I've bought equipment. Seeking buffed, attractive M who knows about fitness to be a partner, motivator, coach. Romance & eroticism optional. Box# 2864  
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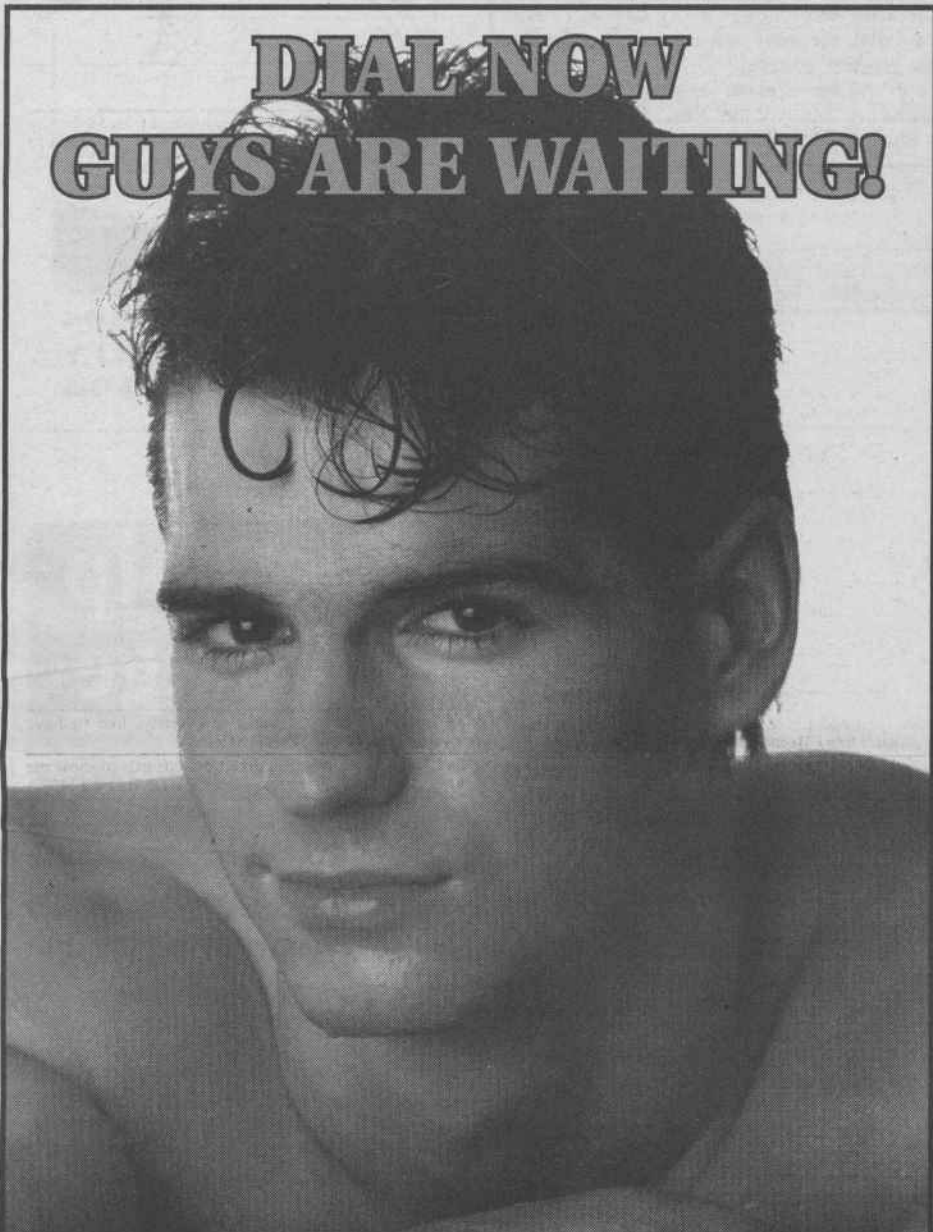
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## LETTERS

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communities. This planning meeting is, I believe just one example of HRL's strong desire to work with other established community groups.

As to Mr. Fons' concerns over the planning meeting's location, HRL members are inclusive of not only City of Milwaukee residents, but also Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual community members from the greater Metro Milwaukee area.

From its beginning, HRL has recognized that our "community" is, in fact, comprised of a diversity of individuals and communities. Further, we recognize the complexity inherent in who we are and firmly believe no one of us can speak for all of us.

HRL does, however, fully intend to make its membership's opinions, ideas, and concerns understood in the Mayor's Office. We hope that HRL is viewed throughout our state as an organization representative of its membership's concerns, and we have been active in the statewide Action Wisconsin since this coalition began.

While we have both the right and responsibility to voice our membership's opinions, we likewise embrace the need of many individuals and many groups to speak in their own ways to make their voices heard.

We agree with Mr. Fons in his encouragement of all community members to contact Marge Beil and the Mayor's Office to express their opinions and concerns. Although HRL may choose to adopt a variety of political strategies, we likewise believe that by not also challenging the Mayor, we accomplish little for our community or for ourselves.

While Mr. Fons certainly has a right to express his own disagreement on the various strategies HRL may choose to utilize, we take issue with his claim that HRL is selling off "our chance at attaining equal rights" so that a few of us can feel important. Making such claims only serves to further divide us as a community and does little to affect meaningful change as we fight for our equal rights, our human rights.

As an organization designed to help affect such change, HRL looks forward to continuing to work with, and expand our connections to, the diversity of individuals within our various communities. We invite everyone who is interested in our mission to become involved with HRL.

All members are encouraged to become active in our efforts involving public information and media contacts, legislation and public policy, candidate forums and voter education, as well as upcoming special events and Coming Out Day activities.

Our address is: P.O. Box 92674, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

**Tim Baack, HRL Spokesperson  
Milwaukee**

## AIDS in Prime Time

TO THE EDITOR:

Eight months ago, I wrote to President Bill Clinton to ask him if he had ever considered the idea of devoting a prime time speech solely to the subject of AIDS. I asked him also if he had rejected the idea and, if so, on what basis.

Further, I asked him if he was aware of any plans for a speech of this nature from previous Administrations that had been scrapped.

Finally, I have received an answer. Unfortunately, it is nothing more than the usual political mumbo jumbo. "I greatly value your suggestions and concerns," the President writes in his May 19 letter. Yet, for all of that, he addresses none of the questions that I asked him.

My thought, as I told the President, was that the government could save a fortune on its AIDS education spending simply by announcing a prime time speech on the subject. Bill Clinton would be able to educate the entire nation on the status of the AIDS crisis in one 25 minute speech, which would be broadcast free.

What exactly IS our government doing about AIDS? What have we accomplished so far? What are our plans for the future? These are just some of the basic questions this type of speech could answer. These are also questions that your average American does NOT know the answer to, and is quite interested to know.

The White House answers all kinds of questions. When I was on my high school paper in the early '80's, I wrote to the Reagan Administration to ask: "What would happen if someone anchored a boat in the middle of the ocean and called it a new country?"

I received a swift response from some desk jockey who ruled it impossible on the grounds that a country must have land. The Reagan Administration also offered a letter concerning pardoning Charles

## La Cage to Host a Benefit Show for the BestD Clinic on June 19

(Milwaukee)- The Wisconsin premiere showing of Sex Is . . . on Thursday, May 26 at the Oriental Theatre was a great success. The event was a benefit for the Brady Street BestD Clinic sponsored by AfterWords bookstore, Wisconsin Light and In Step Magazine.

Some 150 people attended the show bringing in nearly \$700 for the BestD Clinic.

**La Cage Benefit for BestD**

La Cage will host a Father's Day benefit for the Brady Street Clinic beginning at 10:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 19.

Manson for the amusement of my classmates.

**BUT ON AIDS THERE IS NEVER A CLEAR ANSWER!**

I wrote similar questions regarding a prime time AIDS speech to the Bush Administration when Bush had a year left in office. A month later I received a four color brochure entitled "History Of the White House" and that was ALL.

President Clinton states in his letter, "We must accelerate our efforts to find effective treatments for those infected and provide education to all Americans." Can anyone think of a better way to "educate" all Americans than a live evening speech from the Oval Office?

The President signs off with: "I stand with you in the fight to protect those with HIV/AIDS from discrimination and to reduce the spread of this disease through education and prevention. We won't quit until we stop AIDS."

Yet, when the President delivered his State of the Union address, he found a few moments to mention a few people who had died in an Amtrak derailment earlier that morning. Why can't he devote 25 minutes to the millions of people who are so drastically affected by AIDS?

The answer can only be that he finds it too politically expensive to get involved because of the nature of the people widely perceived as having AIDS. . . namely Gays, Blacks and drug addicts. That is what I call discrimination.

**J.T. Colfax  
New York City**

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Defense and Education Fund.

"The judge said, 'Now,'" Cammermeyer said, adding, "The sooner this happens, the better."

U.S. District Judge Thomas Zilly of Seattle ruled on June 1 that the Washington State National Guard violated Cammermeyer's constitutional rights when it discharged her after she acknowledged she was a Lesbian. She had been the state Guard's chief nurse.

In a 51 page ruling, Zilly said the military's ban on Gay service members was based "solely on fear and dislike of homosexuals."

Justice Department attorneys are expected to appeal Zilly's ruling to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco. The 9th Circuit Court has the reputation of being one of the most liberal courts in the whole federal system.

The government has 60 days to decide whether or not to appeal the case. The appeals court has an unlimited amount of time in which to make its decision.

"We disagree with the judge's conclusions in the Cammermeyer case," said Pentagon spokesman Dennis Boxx. "We need to look very hard, along with the Justice Department, to see how far we want to pursue that disagreement," he said.

Cammermeyer's lawyers said they would fight any government effort to keep her from going back to her Guard job at Camp Murray.

Asked whether she anticipates any hostility when she returns to duty, Cammermeyer noted she had spent 18 months with the Guard after her disclosure and knew there could be some "very uncomfortable moments."

But she said members of her unit had been very supportive. One man called to congratulate her on Zilly's ruling and to tell her "They're waiting for me," Cammermeyer said.

Tanya Domi, legislative director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, called the decision "a foreboding signal to the Clinton Administration that the policy that they were forced to accept by Sen. Sam Nunn (D-GA) in last year's session. . . is, in fact, fundamentally flawed and unconstitutional."

But Elaine Donnelly of the conservative Center for Military Readiness, appearing with Domi on CNN, noted that the Supreme Court has backed Pentagon positions repeatedly.

"In seven major Supreme Court decisions in the past, the court has upheld the right of the military to have its own rules. It is not governed by the rules of the civilian world, it is very different," she said.

Domi repeated her assertion that the Zilly decision boded well for Gays in the military and presaged the end of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell."

"Because the new policy (Don't Ask, Don't Tell) is identical to the old in that it serves to accommodate prejudice against Gay people, we believe Judge Zilly's ruling is another nail in the coffin."

"Mother of a Show on Father's Day" will be presented by Ashley Michaels and Rhonda Moore. Many other guest performers will be featured, with a special appearance by Miss Gay Wisconsin, Lisa Spencer.

La Cage is located at 801-805 S. Second Street in Milwaukee. The cover charge of \$3 per person will be donated to BestD Clinic.

La Cage is a regular monthly site for anonymous HIV antibody testing provided by BestD volunteers. The next outreach at La Cage will be Wednesday, July 6, from 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. for free tests.

## Religious Right Political Activity Surging in 1994; Anti-Gay Efforts Top Priorities

(Washington, D.C.)- Religious Right political organizations are intensifying and effectively expanding their activities at the grassroots level, according to a report released on June 6, 1994, but People For the American Way. The state-by-state study identifies grassroots activity by Religious Right political groups in every region of the country, focused on public education, elections at all levels, legal activism, and anti-Gay efforts.

"These national Religious Right political groups are growing and broadening their outreach. They have helped create the energy and environment that has fostered the proliferation of hundreds of locally based like-minded organizations," said Arthur J. Kropp, President of People For the American Way.

"As this political movement gains strength, its agenda is having a corrosive impact on public education, on civil liberties and on the fundamental principles of tolerance and pluralism," Kropp said.

forms, vouchers for private school tuition and organized school prayer.

Religious-Right-based challenges to comprehensive sex education are reported in Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Texas, Virginia and Wyoming.

Religious Right organizations promote tuition vouchers as a way to provide public money for private religious schools, and as a mechanism for undermining the legitimacy and solvency of public schools.

### In Wisconsin

School board elections were held across the state in April. The Religious Right was successful in building on their past efforts to elect members sympathetic to their cause. According to observers, school districts in Arrowhead, DeForest, Delafield, Greenfield, Hartland, Kettle Moraine, Merton, New Berlin, North Lake, Oregon, Verona and Watertown are now controlled by a majority of Re-

## 16-Year-Old, Singlehandedly Brings Gay Awareness to Pius High School

By Michael S. Lisowski

(Milwaukee)- The following letter was written last month by a 16-year-old student at Milwaukee's Pius XI High School to his school newspaper, *Scope*. The student, who recently began attending Gay Youth Milwaukee meetings, gave the letter to his counselor. She sent it on to the school principal, John Halupka who, in turn, wrote back to the counselor.

Before school ended, the principal met with teachers and staff regarding issues raised in the letter.

In addition, the issue of sexual orientation will be placed on the agenda for the '94-'95 school year as a focus issue. This would include teacher and student discussions and programs centering on the issues of LesBiGay students.

Dear Editor,  
Pius, from what I've heard from students in other schools, is doing and has done a lot to try to address racial equality among its students. But, (Isn't there always a "but" in a letter that starts off that complimentary) you've forgotten one group-homosexuals. Gays, Lesbians, remember us?

We're those imaginary people on TV and in the media...not. We're right here in Pius. What is the current popular statistic? 1 out of every 10 people is Gay.

That would be what...170 people in Pius (I think that's a little high, but now you have the basic idea).

You're probably reading this section of *Scope* while you're bored in some class, well, just for the rest of the day, listen.

You're bound to hear a Gay joke, maybe an off-hand comment, a cheap rank, even someone kidding around. Every Gay and Lesbian student in Pius hears these too. We're not deaf. We're probably in the resource or class with you right now. Creepy, huh? (It shouldn't be).

Hearing these things every day will really do wonders for your self-esteem (I write that in the greatest sarcasm).

I'm asking, almost begging, that the administrators and all the Pius faculty address this issue. I believe that this is important and pertinent enough to at least be discussed.

Thank for your time.

P.S. Any teacher that is reading this, please quit teaching your class as if everyone in your class is straight-you KNOW who you are--remember, I'm in your class.

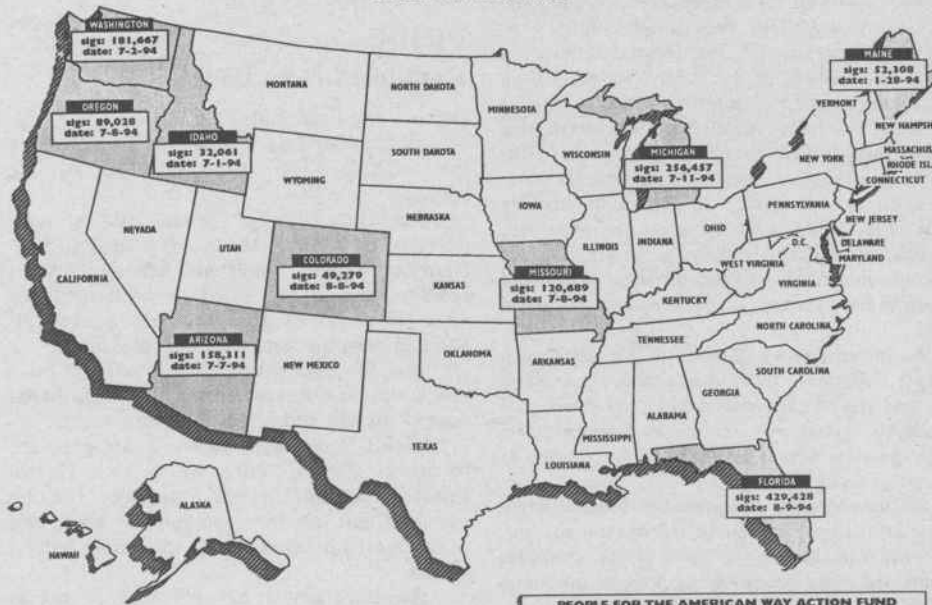
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The report also documents significant organizing activity in states with less history as fertile ground for the Religious Right, such as Massachusetts and New York.

States showing major activity in the south include Florida, Georgia and Virginia; in the Midwest, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin; and in the west, California, Colorado, Texas and Washington.

"There is no secret to their success," said Kropp. "Leaders of this political movement energized supporters willing to make a real commitment to doing the nuts and bolts work of politics."

### Elections

#### U.S. Congress

Candidates publicly associated with or receiving significant support from the Religious Right are running for U.S. House or Senate seats in Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon and Texas.

#### Governorships

In Minnesota, former state legislator Allen Quist, aided by a Religious Right-led "takeover" of the Independent Republican Party by conservatives, appears to be on the verge of defeating incumbent Governor Arne Carlson for the Party's endorsement.

#### Anti-Gay Efforts

Anti-Gay groups are actively organizing for initiatives and working on legislation in at least 25 states, including Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawai'i, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington and Wyoming.

Efforts to put anti-Gay initiatives before voters in 1994 or later are planned or underway in Arizona, Idaho, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oregon and Washington.

The American Family Association has launched a new campaign against public broadcasting in the wake of the airing of *Tales of the City* in April. In at least three states--Georgia, Indiana and Oklahoma--state legislators considered funding cuts for public television. In Tennessee, a campaign of intimidation that included a bomb threat resulted in *Tales* being pulled an hour before it was scheduled to air.

### Education

Religious Right political groups are organizing around public school issues in more than

30 states, targeting sex education, multicultural education, outcome based education religious Right-aligned school board members.

In Ripon, residents have formed the Family Coalition to educate the community on "family" issues and to help residents become more politically active. The group plans to address concerns such as outcome-based education, school prayer and public policy issues.

Pam Stenzel of Straight Talk, Inc., a ministry of Youth For Christ, has been speaking in schools across Wisconsin on subjects of abstinence, AIDS and abortion. Several parents complained to school officials about the inaccuracies presented as well as the religious content of the discussion.

In Waukesha, Wisconsin Christians United (WCU), a group that split from Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition last year because it was too liberal on some issues, sponsored a presentation by homophobe, Lou Sheldon. Sheldon's topic was "Gay and Lesbian Special Rights."

Ralph Ovadal, head of WCU, has announced that he is running for the 80th Assembly District seat currently held by a moderate Republican who is retiring.

The Christian Coalition of Wisconsin held its first major statewide organizing session in Madison. Director Ginny Marschman said the group's goals were to inform Christians of candidates' positions on important issues and mobilize Christian voters.

She reminded session participants that "It's God's plan for you to participate in public policy."

Speakers at the meeting included Suan Armozoosi, political director of Wisconsin Right to Life and Guy Rodgers, a national coalition consultant, who stated, "The immediate objective in public policy for Christians is not to save souls. It's to take values we believe in and translate them into constructive public policies."

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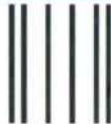
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