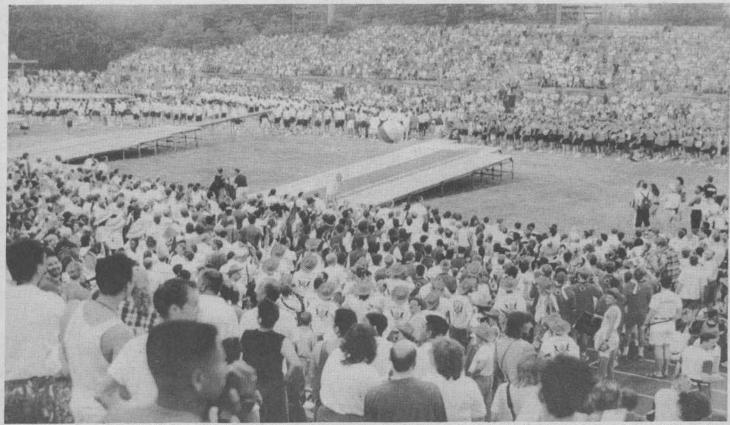


The Wisconsin Light

Gay Games IV, a Time for Excellence, a **Time for Understanding and Tolerance**



Gay Games Opens-Over 11,000 Gay and Lesbian athletes from 43 nations gather in Columbia University's Wien Stadium in New York on Saturday, June 18 1994, during opening ceremonies to kick off the Gay Games IV. The Games, taking place in New York City for the first time, are being held in conjunction w the 25th anniversary of the Stonewall uprising, which is considered to the start of the modern Gay liberation movement. The Games form one of the world's la athletic events with 31 events at 42 locations around the New York metropolitamarea.

ARCW Battles On for Equitable Federal AIDS Funding for Wisconsin

(Milwaukee)- In its continuing fight for fairness in federal AIDS funding, the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) has won an important battle that may be influential in Congressional reauthorization of the vital Ryan White CARE Act.

ARCW took its case for equitable national AIDS funding to the Board of Directors of the powerful AIDS Action Council headquartered in Washington, D.C. and obtained a surprise endorsement of the principle and support for a re-evaluation of the CARE Act's funding for-

ARCW Executive Director Doug Nelson praised the Board's decision, calling it a landmark decision that moves the AIDS Action Council far closer than anyone had expected toward the position of re-negotiating the CARE Act's funding formulas to achieve more equitable distribution of resources throughout the country.'

Nelson, who is the only member of the AIDS Action Council's Board from the Midwest and who chairs the Council's Public Policy Committee, has been leading a growing national movement among AIDS agencies to correct the inequities in the CARE

Nelson was able to secure the endorsement of the Public Policy Committee for the principle of equitable funding per AIDS case and carried this position to the recent meeting of the Council's Board on June 11.

This was a difficult meeting because the Board is dominated by AIDS advocates from high incidence cities which have benefited from the CARE Act's current formulas which delivers three to four times more funding per AIDS case to these cities than to Milwaukee and to states like Wisconsin," Nelson explained.

'My argument was that a re-authorized CARE Act that continued this disparity in funding was untenable in the face of an AIDS epidemic that is worsening in all parts of the country," Nelson said.

The failure of AIDS service infrastructure and limited access to medical and support services are not problems solely experienced by high incidence cities," Nelson continued. 'These are problems we know all too well in Wisconsin and Minnesota and in over 30 other states where the pace of the HIV epidemic is dramatically increasing.

"While the AIDS Action Council did not precisely support the principle of equitable services regardless of where they live in the country. This position will be enormously helpful to us as we carry on our battle for

equitable AIDS funding in the Congress.'

Nelson cited several examples of funding inequities from the CARE Act that he said had to be corrected.

Comparing San Francisco to Milwaukee, Nelson reported that San Francisco receives just over \$35 million in CARE Act funds or \$5,441 per recent AIDS case, while Milwau-TURN TO FUNDING, PAGE 19

Christian Talk-Show Host Files Ethics Complaint Against Rep. Tammy Baldwin

(Madison)- The Associated Press reports that an Eau Claire Right Wing Christian TV talk-show host filed a complaint on June 17 with the state Ethics Board against State Rep. Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison), alleging that Baldwin allowed her state office telephone to

be used by Action Wisconsin, the LesBiGay political activist group.

The complaint was verbal and lodged by Chuck Lee who, in a press release, accused Baldwin of "dealing with the operation of a

(New York)- A Gay and Lesbian marching band kicked off Gay Games IV on Saturday, June 18, 1994 during opening ceremonies that also included a welcome to the city address from Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

The opening ceremonies and the accompanying Cultural Festival were held in Columbia University's Wien Stadium at Baker Field in northern Manhattan.

The games form one of the world's largest athletic events with more than 11,000 athletes from 43 nations entered. Thirty-one events will be contested at 42 locations around the

The competitions, which run through June 25, are expected to attract over half a million people and add \$110 million to New York's

Giuliani was greeted with widespread applause, but booing as well when he took the

"The Gay Games are about more than athletic competition," Giuliani said. "They offer a deeper understanding of America where tolerance and skills overcome stereotypes and prejudice. The Gay Games are a fine example of the ability of sports to unite people.

Giuliani was instrumental in securing Yankee Stadium for the Games' closing cere-

After the Mayor's speech, the athletes marched around the stadium's track which encircles a football field. Some countries, such as Canada, came with hundreds of athletes, while others, such as Colombia, managed only enough to carry their country's flag and a sign proudly proclaiming its name

Gay Games: 11,000 Stories

Gay Games IV is more than competitions. It is the story of people, individuals, 11,000 of

For example, State Rep. Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) will be competing in the Volleyball competition as part of the Team Wisconsin team. According to Gay Games IV organizers, she is the highest ranking elected official to compete in the Games.

Or take Jean-Pierre Martin, once a member of the Ice Capades who used to twirl his partner in the air and act out the boy-girl stories that pairs figure skating is based on.

At Gay Games IV, Jean-Pierre will be

competing in same-sex pairs with his new partner Mark Hird. It has not been an easy road for them.

One day last December, they tested their TURN TO GAMES, PAGE 19



A Great Day--Over a dozen tents lined the grounds of PrideFest in Milwaukee on June 11-12, 1994. The south end of the grounds main stage area is shown while the Shoreline Dancers performed on stage. The photo was taken from the roof/terrace of the Milwaukee Art Museum.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Same-Sex Marriage Still Banned in Hawai'i

Honolulu-AP-A Gay couple was rebuffed, June 17, when they applied to the state Department of Health for a marriage license. William Woods and Marc Thompson were told their application would be held pending the outcome of the case on same-sex marriage. A state law that bans same-sex marriage in Hawai'i is currently being challenged by three other Gay couples. The issue will be decided by the state Supreme Court.

It's Gay Awareness Month at AT&T

New York- According to LEAGUE (Lesbian, Bisexual and Gay United Employees) at AT&T, the communications giant is celebrating Gay awareness throughout the month of June. Employees at most locations will have the opportunity to participate in related activities and attend exhibits and discussions sponsored by the group. LEAGUE is a support group for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual employees and those with LesBiGay family members and friends. For more information, call (407) 662-3515.

Few Athletes to Gay Games Seek Special Visas

New York--AP--Only a few dozen foreign athletes who are infected with the AIDS virus and participating in the Gay Games sought special entry visas to the U.S., according to New York Newsday. The number is based on interviews with athletes and Gay Games IV officials. Gary Sheaffer, a spokesman for the U.S. State Department-the agency involved in issuing visas--said there are no numbers on the waivers and hence no way of telling how many people who are HIV+ sought entry. None of the athletes with HIV from Latin America sought a waiver from U.S. consulates in their home countries for fear of reprisal, officials of the Gay

'Hands Off Washington' Plans TV Ads

Seattle-AP-Activists fighting a pair of anti-Gay initiatives are taking their battle to the airwaves with unusually early TV commercials aimed at persuading the voters of Washington State not to sign the measures. The pro-Gay group, Hands Off Washington, is spending about \$100,000 on 30-second spots on network affiliates and cable stations throughout the state. Sponsors of the two anti-Gay initiatives, 608 and 610, have until July 8 to gather 182,000 signatures in order to make the state-wide ballot.

Sam Woodward, president of Citizens Alliance of Washington, the group sponsoring the initiatives, said that his group is spending \$500 on a radio ad running on the Country Gold Network, a chain of six Christian AM stations that reach 80,000 people from Everett to Olym-

Presbyterian Gays Turn Back Anti-Gay Proposal

Wichita, KA-AP-Conservatives in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) lost a crucial vote on a sexuality issue on June 15, leading Gays and Lesbians to claim a victory. The 206th General Assembly of the church considered a proposal calling for fidelity in marriage and celibacy in singleness that Gay and Lesbian activists saw as an attack. The Assembly had voted on June 14 to prohibit pastors from blessing same-sex marriages. That proposal needs to be ratified by more than 50% of the denomination's presbyteries before it takes effect.

Instead of accepting a committee report with the proposed new language, the Assembly debated and defeated several amendments before substituting the committee's minority report and approving it. The minority report did not contain language dealing with sexual conduct.

State Official vows to End Anonymous Testing

Raleigh, NC-AP--North Carolina will fight to make the switch from anonymous to confidential testing for HIV, the state health director said. State health officials have told county health departments to stop anonymous HIV testing by Sept. 1 of this year. ACT UP/North Carolina has filed a lawsuit to stop this. Confidential testing requires those tested to provide their names, addresses and phone numbers. Anonymous testing does not require such information. ACT UP's lawsuit claims that elimination of anonymous testing would violate citizen's privacy rights and contribute to the spread of HIV. State officials argue that confidential testing makes it easier for health workers to notify people who might have been exposed to the virus.

Gay Lawsuit in Court in Cincinnati

Cincinnati--AP--A judge who said voters "fenced out" Gays and Lesbians by banning antidiscrimination laws must now decide whether to throw out the measure. Gay activists in Cincinnati sued after the amendment was approved by 62% of city voters in November. U.S. District Judge S. Arthur Spiegel temporarily blocked the measure from taking effect, saying it appeared to infringe on the rights of Gays to petition city government. Spiegel is presiding over a non-jury trial that began on June 20 and is expected to last about a week.

Scott Greenwood, an American Civil Liberties Union lawyer representing the Gay activists said the amendment "renders the political rights of Gay people useless within the city of Cincinnati." He said that if violence against Gays were to increase, for example, the amendment would prevent Gays from lobbying the City Council for a police task force on such crimes.

American Airlines Welcomes Gay Travelers

New York, NY--The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) New York reports that in an unprecedented move, American Airlines has produced a videotape to convey the message to their employees that Gays, Lesbians and people living with AIDS are welcome on their flights. According to American Airlines, the message was communicated "to nearly 70,000 employees from the airline's top management and was specifically aimed at helping to prevent the unfortunate incidents in the past, and to make it clear that our policies of nondiscrimination and fairness have been taken to heart."

GLAAD praised American Airlines for their message of inclusion. "Lesbians and Gay men are coming to New York in June in record numbers. It is critical that they be treated with the respect and dignity they deserve. American Airlines' attempt to make travel comfortable for Gay passengers is an important step in the right direction," said Ellen Carton, GLAAD/NY's executive director.

The ABC's of Fairness

San Francisco -- GLAAD/San Francisco reports that the American Broadcasting Company ABC has agreed to extend its programming standards to include Lesbians and Gay men. Specifically, Lesbians and Gay men will be added to a list of groups that are not to be "misrepresented, ridiculed or attacked" on the television network's programming. Reportedly the policy change resulted from the enormous Lesbian/Gay outcry over ABC's attempt to censor the "Lesbian" kiss episode of "Roseanne.

State to Offer Domestic Partners Health Benefits

Montpelier, VT-AP--Vermont will be the first state in the Union to offer health care benefits to the domestic partners of state workers under an agreement reached between the state employees' labor union and the state. Under the agreement, both unmarried heterosexuals and Gay and Lesbian partners will become eligible for health and dental benefits now offered only to married spouses, said Vermont's Personnel Commissioner Thomas Torti. Both Torti and Thomas Whitney, the executive director of the 6,500 member Vermont State Employees Union, said that had the agreement not been reached, a legal battle would have erupted because the State Labor Relations Act includes a clause prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orienta-

Under the agreement, state employees will be able to sign up partners during an upcoming 30-day open enrollment period, and the benefits should be available by August, Torti said. "Vermonters believe that everyone should have access to health care," Torti said.

'The New Yorker's Cover; the Talk of the Town

New York--When Cholly Knickerbocker lends his "tasteful" approval to something, it is always "correct." This month, Cholly, the age-long symbol of The New Yorker, has lent the highly visible cover of his most prestigious magazine to the celebration of Gay Pride, depicting an image of a Gay male couple in front of a wedding cake. Let it be said that Cholly has been remiss when it comes to attire; one is wearing black, the other white.

The same June 13 issue of the magazine also examines homophobia in the workplace. In an article entitled (what else?) "Gentleman's Agreement," James B. Stewart offers a case study in discrimination. Chronicling the experiences of a man who is fired for being Gay, this article draws attention to a situation that is more common than "middle America" is willing to admit.

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.

MAP Forum on AIDS Prevention Provides Fresh Ideas on How to Get the Word Out

(Milwaukee)-Twenty-one people brought their ideas to the Milwaukee AIDS Project's (MAP) forum on HIV in the Gay community on June 7. The discussion centered on how to best reach the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual community with effective AIDS prevention information that will slow the spread of the dis-

Most participants agreed that it is time to address the "burnout" associated with AIDS and to take a fresh approach to getting prevention information to the Gay and Lesbian community. They felt that in order for messages to be effective, they should acknowledge the challenge and reality of AIDS, be accurate, sensitive, non-judgmental, culturally appropriate, and be serious, yet fun. Scary messages, they felt, are ineffective.

How the messages are delivered, and by was considered vital and attendees felt messages would be most effective if they were

whom, was also important. Personal contact presented by peers.

Rod Johnson, MAP's prevention specialist for the Gay community, said that the forum was a wonderful opportunity to gain valuable insight about how AIDS needs to be addressed.

"This disease has been affecting people for well over a decade," Johnson said. "It is very important that we continue to adapt our messages so that are effective. Things that may have worked well in the past, may not have the same impact today.

It was agreed that one-on-one contact is an excellent way to communicate HIV prevention information. Empowering people to make their own choices was also important. Several people suggested that messages concentrate more often on what people can do instead of only what they can't do.

"This is all valuable information," Johnson said. "Now we can take what we have learned and develop a strategy to effectively communicate prevention information to the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual communities.

Ninth MAPfest to be Held on September 4 on Performing Arts Center Grounds

(Milwaukee)- The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin's (ARCW) 9th Annual MAPfest, a benefit for AIDS care, prevention and research, will be held on Sunday, September 4, noon to 10:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center's Peck Pavilion and riverfront grounds in Milwaukee. Held annually as a celebration of pride and caring, MAPfest honors the Gay and Lesbian community and friends for years of loyal support throughout the AIDS epidemic.

This year, fest-goers can look forward to winning wacky and wonderful prizes in the game alley; finding unique items in the Marketplace; choosing their favorites in the dog show; and laughing and dancing to some of the best entertainment around.

Throughout the day, people will have the opportunity to purchase a balloon and dedicate it by attaching the name of a loved one. At dusk, the balloons will be released in a colorful tribute to our family members and loved ones who have died of AIDS.

Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under. Enjoy a \$1 admission discount with a donation of 3 non-perishable food or personal hygiene items at the gate for

MAP's Food Pantry.

A pre-Fest raffle will offer a variety of prizes including round trip tickets for two to Florida compliments of Bottom Line Travel and a cocktail cruise for two on Milwaukee's Edelweiss.

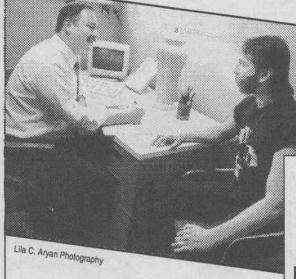
Dozens of energetic, outgoing volunteers are needed to help make MAPfest '94 a success. Those interested are encouraged to contact MAP at (414) 273-1991 or 1-800-359-

Team Wisconsin in Second Place

(New York)- As we go to press, Light has been reliably informed that Team Wisconsin, as of Wednesday, June 22, is in second place among competing teams at Gay Games IV in the Women's Volleyball competition.

State Rep. Tammy Baldwin is a member

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Lesbian Asks Supreme Court to Reconsider Adoption Ruling

By Sue Burke

Arguing that the constitutional rights of the child were not considered, a Green Bay Lesbian who was denied the right to adopt an 8-year-old girl will ask the Wisconsin Supreme Court to reconsider its decision.

On June 8, the court ruled that Annette Grinkey may not adopt Angel Grinkey, the daughter of Annette's lover, Georgina, because Annette and Georgina are not legally married.

In 1992, Annette filed a petition in Brown County circuit court to adopt Angel, which would give the girl access to Annette's health and life insurance benefits and to Annette's protection if Georgina died. The circuit court judge ruled that while the adoption would be in the girl's best interest, unmarried couples may not adopt.

Annette appealed. In arguments before the state Supreme Court earlier this year, her attorney, Judith Sperling Newton, said that the state Legislature intended in the laws affecting children that the best interests of the child must come first.

Three justices -- William A. Bablitch, Shirley S. Abrahamson and Chief Justice Nathan S. Heffernan -- agreed that Annette could adopt Angel. Four justices -- Donald W. Steinmetz, Janine P. Geske, Jon P. Wilcox and Roland B. Day -- said only legally married couples may adopt.

In the court's majority decision, Steinmetz wrote, "The Wisconsin Legislature has enacted a statutory scheme for adoption that balances society's interest in promoting stable, legally recognized families with its interest in promoting the best interests of the children involved."

He wrote that the child's best interest is not a paramount consideration in adoption and the relationship between Angel and Annette has not traditionally received constitutional protection.

"Any legitimate argument" on behalf of the adoption "should be directed at Wisconsin's prohibition of same-sex marriages, not the adoption statues, "Steinmetz wrote. In response, Heffernan wrote, "Annette

In response, Heffernan wrote, "Annette and Angel have a functional parent-child relationship, but the majority's conclusion that the relationship cannot be accorded legal protection leaves Angel in a vulnerable position."

In the request for reconsideration, Newton will argue that Angel should have the same constitutional right to an adoption in her best interest as any other child, regardless of the situation of her would-be parent.

If the state Supreme Court will not reconsider the case, Newton said, the Grinkeys will appeal to the federal Supreme Court.

State Representative Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison), calling the decision "a major step

back for the rights of children," will sponsor a bill that would make Wisconsin the first state to legalize same-sex marriages. Bablitch wrote in his opinion, however, that "my experience as a former member of the Legislature tells me this: That will not happen."

The decision upset the Grinkey family, Georgina said. Angel "keeps asking us why they would say that she can't be adopted by Annie. She's totally thrown. We didn't think she would be this thrown by it."

Annette cried at first and couldn't even speak to the press, Georgina said, but later "got the fighting spirit back."

Their case also caught the attention of

June 28 Health Care Call-In Day

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) has designated Tuesday, June 28 as "Health Care Reform Call-In Day. As many health reform bills work their way through various Congressional committees, the one-day lobby action is intended to focus federal law-makers' attention on the demand for health care that is affordable, comprehensive and cannot be taken away.

NGLTF is asking individuals to contact their Congresspeople and deliver a simple, straightforward message: "We want affordable, comprehensive health care than cannot and will not be taken away."

Criteria that LesBiGay constituents should advocate in health care reform plans, NGLTF says, include: universal coverage, comprehensive benefits, no restrictions for pre-existing conditions, language barring discrimination based on sexual orientation, and permanence.

Constituents are urged to call their legislators through the Capitol Switchboard, (202) 224-3121.

People can also call the NGLTF Health Care Reform Hot Line at (202) 332-6483, ext. 3410 for updates on health reform bills. Newsweek magazine, which wrote about them in its June 20 issue.

The attention and the court decision hasn't changed anything in the Grinkey household, Georgina said: They are still a family.

Annette, 35, works as a Brown County sheriff's deputy. Georgina, 47, cares for two foster children with special needs at home. Georgina and her then-husband, Terry Moede, adopted Angel in 1988. They have since separated and he has voluntarily terminated his parental rights.

Annette and Georgina were married in a religious ceremony in 1991, when Annette took Georgina's last name.

The case has cost them more than \$12,000, although Newton has reduced her firm's legal rate by two-thirds because the case "needed to be done." No fund has been set up to take donations.

Women's Center Grows With a Mission: To Stop Domestic Violence

(Milwaukee)-Every 13 seconds an American woman is battered.

Fully 50% of the cases where police are called to a domestic dispute, children are present and 75% of those children have also been victims of domestic abuse.

Domestic abuse is an epidemic of enormous proportions that affects LesBiGay families as it does any other. An agency with a mission to end this plague is the Milwaukee Women's Center, 611 N. Broadway.

The Center began as a shelter for abused women on the south side. It has grown into a comprehensive non-profit organization with a staff of more than 50 people. Its programs range from counseling on drug abuse and mental health, to help in domestic violence cases and services for dysfunctional families.

One Saturday, June 18, the Women's Center sponsored its first annual Walk Against Family Violence. The Walk was held to raise awareness about the effects of family violence in Milwaukee and to raise funds to continue to

support the services that the Center provides.

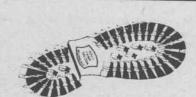
This year's honorary co-chairs of the Walk were Congressman Tom Barrett, Dr. Howard Fuller, Superintendent of Milwaukee Public Schools, and Constance Balthrop, president and general manager of WKKV-V100 Radio.

The Walk attracted hundreds of women, men and children, Gays and non-Gay people alike. As one walker said, "Lesbians and Gays need to understand that domestic violence affect us too. The honeymoon may not last forever."

In addition to the other services mentioned above, the Women's Center provides an emergency shelter for battered women and children; a 24 hour crisis line; an older abused women's program; Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual support services, and a great deal more.

Founded in 1980, the Women's Center's mission is to empower women, men, children and families to live free from violence, drug abuse and poverty and confront injustice and violence against women and children.

Those wishing to contact the Center may call: (414) 272-6199. No regard is paid to sexual orientation.



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Virginia Court Awards Lesbian Mother Custody of Son

(Richmond, VA)- A Lesbian regained custody of her son on June 21, when a Virginia appeals court ruled that the woman's sexual orientation, though illegal under Virginia law, does not make her an unfit parent. "A parent's private sexual conduct, even if illegal, does not create a presumption of unfitness," Judge Sam W. Coleman III wrote in the 3-0 decision by a Virginia Court of Appeals panel.

In the case, Circuit Judge Buford M. Parsons last year awarded custody of 2-year-old Tyler Doustou to Sharon Bottoms' mother, Kay Bottoms. The judge said Sharon Bottoms was an unfit mother because she had her

same-sex spouse engaged in "crimes against nature" in Virginia.

Coleman wrote that Kay Bottoms had "no more legal standing than a stranger."

At a news conference, Sharon Bottoms said she "screamed and cried and was really happy" when she learned of the ruling. She said her lover, April Wade, also cried when she heard the news.

Richard Ryder, an attorney for the boy's grandmother, said the ruling will be appealed to the Virginia Supreme Court.

Psychologists who testified in the case, described Tyler as happy and a well-adjusted child and Sharon Bottoms as a loving mother.

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EDITORIA

State Justices Need to Understand That the **Best Interests of Children Come First**

Kids have it rough these days. The Wisconsin Supreme Court has made it rougher.

When the court ruled June 8 that Angel Grinkey couldn't be adopted by Annette Grinkey, her mother's Lesbian partner, the court ranked the needs of an 8-year-old below the "society's interest in promoting stable, legally recognized families." In other words, it's more important to restrict Lesbians and Gays than it is to help a child.

Worse yet, the court ruled that the child's best interest is not "fundamental or traditionally protected by society" in adoption. In other words, Angel--or any other child in a legally unrecognized family--has no right to the best available avenue for her future well-being and financial

In Wisconsin, we elect our Supreme Court Justices. They owe their jobs to you. Drop them a line about their job performance. You can write them at P.O. Box 1688, Madison, WI 53701-

The four justices deciding against the adoption were: Donald W. Steinmetz, Ronald B. Day, Jon P. Wilcox, and Janine P. Geske.

Geske, the recently-elected justice from Milwaukee, made a particularly sad error when she wrote that the court would be writing new law if it permitted the adoption. Chief Justice Nathan S. Heffernan, who supported the adoption, pointed out that the state Legislature's intent is already clear: The only issue is the best interest of the child.

Thanks To All Those Who made PrideFest '94 Possible, but Especially to Bill Meunier

In our opinion, PrideFest '94 was an all-out success, but something of that magnitude does not happen overnight. It only comes about through a monumental amount of work and many, many sleepless nights. For enduring all that--and a great deal more besides--the Pride Committee deserves our heartiest thanks and deepest appreciation. To coin a phrase, they did us proud.

But, we think, one person above all deserves commendation. That is Bill Meunier. With the energy of a reactor going into meltdown, Bill gave of himself again and again and again and, in turn, gave to others the spirit to put it on. It was Bill who seemed to be everywhere at once, pushing, persuading, urging, and yes, inspiring the effort forward. And it was Bill who we sometimes wanted to strangle, but most often to praise for his urgency that this thing, this PrideFest '94 must be a success. It would be a success. It had to be a success. And so it was.

There were many, many people who gave of themselves unstintingly to make Pride '94 the beautiful thing that it was. But it detracts not a bit from them to say that at the heart of every endeavor, there seems always to be one person who is its heart, its mind and its very soul.

In our opinion, that person was Bill Meunier. Because of that, we say "Thank you" to the whole Pride Committee, but most especially we salute in gratitude Bill Meunier.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Religious Right's Attack on State Rep. Tammy Baldwin Should be No Surprise

By Terry Boughner

The most recent issue of Time magazine reports that the Christian Religious Right has taken over the Republican Party state apparatus in Texas, Virginia, Oregon, Iowa, South Carolina and Minnesota. And they are gaining considerable strength in perhaps a dozen more.

Other publications report that the Religious Right, Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition et al, is doing everything in its growing power to smear President Clinton and every other decent-minded public official in the country.

As I've said before in these pages and I'll say again, these people are dangerous, incredibly dangerous. In my opinion, they are blinded by ideology, True Believers all, whose thinking on civil rights and human dignity and diversity would Torquemada blush.

Make no mistake about it, these people are out to get us in a very big way. AIDS is "God's punishment," they say. In some of their publications they advocate our deaths.

Now one of their number, one Chuck Lee, has attacked State Rep. Tammy Baldwin with accusations that I can only view as the most malicious harassment.

With what's going on in the rest of the country (not to mention right here in Wisconsin), the assault on Rep. Tammy Baldwin, as reprehensible as it is, doesn't surprise me a

bit. It almost had to come.

For one thing, Tammy Baldwin is honest about her sexual orientation and a skilled politician to boot. Such people are dangerous to the Right Wing.

The shame of it is that Rep. Baldwin is one of the most decent, most honorable, people it has ever been my good fortune to know. She is fair-minded, a person of tremendous compassion, a woman who understands oppression and the pain it causes.

But don't you see? It's for these very reasons that she must be attacked, Rep. Baldwin is decent, a dedicated person of the highest ideals. Right Wing Christians much prefer someone like confessed liar Oliver North.

The problem is, that all this is only just beginning, not only for Rep. Baldwin, but for all the rest of us as well. In my opinion, we have already embarked on "Election '96.

I honestly believe that it's going to be one of the dirtiest campaigns that has ever been fought. It will be a battle of the liberal-minded who value America's ideals over those who value no one who isn't exactly like themselves.

In this battle, what we have heard here in Wisconsin is a salvo fired from a cockboat that precedes a man-of-war. It behooves us, I think, to be warned by the dismal sound.

syncher, both in costuming and in dance, are unmistakable and respectable. However, the difference between exercising a skill and exercising an art is like the difference between painting a wall and painting the Sistine Chapel. The latter exercises the skill while engaging in a creative act.

Lip-sync, on the other hand, involves mimicry. There is no lyrical art, no creative act of poetry. There is no vocal art-no mastery of expression through voice. There is no instrumental art-no virtuoso performance on violin, guitar or flute.

Instead, there is a dancing man, clothed in the costumes which heterosexual society has deemed sexually attractive, mouthing the lyrics of pop tunes.

Pop music has intense difficulty gaining artistic credibility. (It's difficult to move in artistic circles when your compositions can be played by strumming three chords.)

Pop music is further stricken with arguments of social irrelevance, of existing in a candy-fluff world where the concerns of love ballads dominate the greater needs of the community.

As a confused outsider, I ask: What are the needs of this Gay male community? How are they being met in this vernacular art? How can the needs of this community be met by artists whose work consists of mimicking the popular arts of the dominant culture which refuses to accept them?

David E. Beard Milwaukee

The Time Is Now

TO THE EDITOR:

Thank you Thomas P. Heyl for your challenge asking for a New Religion based on Love and free of hate. I completely understand this cry being made for a religion or philosophy that honors all expression of life as it exists.

You asked for a religion that doesn't demand unreasonable narrow limits on one's inherent desires and expressions, but rather honors life as it was created in the here and now. This religion exists here and is now. It is the Milwaukee Church of Religious Science/Center for Richer Living, meeting every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. in Vogel Hall at the PAC

In the mid-1980's, I was living in Atlanta, Georgia, which is the middle of the bible belt. I felt alienated from all religion. I just didn't fit and the hypocrisy was too much for me to accept. A friend took me to a service at the Richard Rich Auditorium in downtown Atlanta. I had sunk to new lows going to a service on Sunday morning of all times, to listen to a religious talk. HELP! What weird thing would I hear and see?

What I heard was, "There is a power for good greater than us all and we can use it." What I saw and experienced was a diverse group of people seeking and giving love freely in a Real Spiritual

No one tried to convert or heal me, but rather accepted me right where I was. No one was interested in the sins of my dark, deep past. Spirit was expressed through all life, White life, Black life, Hispanic life, American Native life, Gay life, My life and Your life. This power is so great and so large that it is not interested in who is in your bedroom, but rather responds to what is in your Heart and Mind.

Over a period of years that included class work, support group seminars, lectures and loving myself for who and what I was, my life transformed at an inner level. This transformation allowed me to have loving relationships, freedom in my finances, feelings of health and well-being not found on the shelf of the local pharmacy or in the pews of my former

This transformation was the result of one big idea: I was OK with God-right where I was, who I was. This empowered me. I brought this teaching to Milwaukee and with the support of many friends, we have built a "Spiritual Community" where it is safe to be who you really are.

We don't have committees made up of the sweet, pious members who vote on whether or not we can allow any type of people to be members, ministers or leaders. Rather live what we teach by honoring all life with inclusive community. My ministry is living proof that such a religion exists.

Rev. Vincent Kueffner Milwaukee

Editor's Note: For more information, call (414) 273-1970.

Ordain Women?

TO THE EDITOR:

In the Milwaukee Sentinel, Tuesday, May 31, there was an article relating the decision of the pope to make the prohibition of the ordination of women in the priesthood as a belief binding on Catholics thus forestalling any further discussion of the issue. I was very surprised to see this article.

At a stroke, His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, has taken the concept of ordination of women outside of the realm of conversation and placed it in the realm of Article of Faith. Now, in my younger days when everything was black and white and guilt was something not just done to rococo interiors, I would have been intimidated by this. NOT anymore.

One of the earliest followers of Christ throughout his teaching years and even unto the crucifixion and resurrection was Mary Magdellen. If the male apostles were the servants of Christ, what was her

There are many who believe and teach that she functioned identically to the apostles. Many believe from their studies that she preached with equal skill and fervency as her male counterparts. How was she different that she was not one of the apostles?

She functioned as the men and was present at

all of the major declarations of Christ having to do with the fulfillment of the promises of the pre-Christian books of scripture.

She was the first to see Christ risen.

She was at the Last Supper and the postresurrection scenes with Christ. Were not his injunctions to go forth and teach applied as much to her as to the males?

The good old boy system has had two thousand years to obscure these moments in the life of Christ and to obscure Mary Magdellen's role

The Roman Catholic Church teaches that the apostles were not only the first priests, but the first bishops. She was among that number and deserves her place in scriptural history (herstory), as do her modern sisters who wish to minister to the people of the earth and bring the Roman Catholic Church's teachings and sacraments to the faithful...of both

Alas, the day has come when the earth is no longer recognized as the center of the universe, as all were once required to believe. I expect there will be a day when some pope will realize that women priests and bishops not only have something significant to contribute to the Christian tradition, but that the question may well be asked, Why it had not been done before?

Richard L. Mence Milwaukee

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LETTERS

TO THE EDITOR:

PrideFest

The Pride Festival, held on the Milwaukee Lakefront at the Art Museum, was a success. Attendance was high, the food was great, and the events well coordinated. Yet, despite the festival's obvious success, I am confused by the portrait of the Gay community which the festival offered. Amid the tents and music and the masses, the definition of the

community called to celebrate became blurred. The history tent outlined the movement from the last century, with its own political, academic, literary and artistic tradition. The poster noting the slaughter of young homosexuals during the Holocaust struck chords in my friends.

The stickers to demonstrate awareness of the slaughter (inverted pink triangles) were curious. I noticed them on people along Prospect Avenue early Sunday evening. Curiously, the stickers urged us to remember something, but failed to indicate what. Anyone who had not been to the festival could not know that it dealt with the Holocaust.

Germany never formally apologized to the Gay community for these wartime atrocities, though they have formally apologized to other religious and ethnic groups targeted by the Holocaust. Why? Potential answers might deal with political issues: there is no formal political organization representing the

Gay community on an international scale (as would the Papacy and the Israeli and Polish governments for their respective groups).

This may lead to the perception that the Gay community is not distinct from the larger community in which it exists. The assumption may be that by apologizing to the Christian, Jewish, or Polish communities, the German government has apologized to the Gay communities which are intrinsically a part of the larger wholes.

The recent Pride Festival argues against that position. The Gay community wants to be acknowledged as a community in its own right, without dependence on the larger culture. It seeks a tradition of its own. What is the expression of that culture, that tradition, in Milwaukee?

Lip Sync Drag Shows? The main stage at the Festival, in the late Sunday evening, highlighted a stage show of men attired in women's clothing, dancing and lip-synching to popular tunes. This stage was the central focus of activity for the Festival, with food courts and tables arranged around it. It drew the largest crowds. It also made me uncomfortable.

Part of that discomfort arose from my life as a heterosexual, though I am certain that I would not enjoy a similar floorshow, with women as lipsynchers. Lip-synching, it seems to me, is an essentially artless exercise.

I don't mean talentless. The skills of the lip-



PrideFest '94 Was a Grand Success; A Glowing Testimony to LesBiGay Pride

By Terry Boughner (Milwaukee)- On Saturday and Sunday, June 11 and 12, thousands of Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals, families, friends and allies (15,500 people according to Bill Meunier, Pride Co-Chair) gathered in Milwaukee's Veteran's Park on the lakeside to celebrate themselves, their heritage--and to have a good time.

Last year, PrideFest was held up on the bluff, in Juneau Park. This year, what a difference! The new site was more commodious and seemed more grand. It was radiant with multicolored tents and Rainbow flags flapping in the wind.

Periodic rain storms (5 of them by my count) swept in on Saturday, but could not dampen the high spirits. Sunday came bright and beautiful, and as warm as anyone could wish

"They couldn't have asked for better weather." If I heard that once, I must have heard it a thousand times and more. But it was true. It was a gorgeous, metallic day

Though I spent both days at the grounds, there is no way that one person could cover the whole thing. The best I can do is give some necessarily subjective impressions of what it was like.

At every tent, there was something going on and crowds of people there to watch. For example, the History Tent, sponsored by the law firm of Brondino and Iverson had long lines waiting to see the exhibits. I heard many people saying how impressive it was.

James Kepner, a historian of the Gay movement spoke many times to attentive audiences, but one talk especially moved me. That was when he spoke about Germany in the early 20th Century, the open Gay life there-and then, the rise of the Nazis. He made a chilling comparison to Germany then and

Everywhere you went on the grounds, there was someone handing out Pink Triangles that could stick to skin or cloth. These were paid for by Brondino and Iverson and had on them one word: "Remember." That was

In the Stonewall Tent, I heard State Rep. Tammy Baldwin, Milwaukee County Supervisor Dorothy Dean (a candidate for Lieutenant Governor) and Kitty Barber discuss the current political situation, especially the dangers inherent in the Far Religious Right.

In the Harvey Milk Tent, there seemed to be entertainers by the score--and on the main stage as well. At both sites, people like Miss Goldie Adams and B.J. Daniels performed to their usual high standards.

And, of course, the Dance Tent was always packed. More than once, I looked inside and wondered how you could get another soul

In addition to these, there were the merchandise and information tents, places packed with businesses, organizations and people (much more than in previous years, it seemed).

The People

I'm a people-watcher--and there was plenty to see. One time, I noticed Jim Kepner walking along arm in arm with Walter Brendt. There, I thought, go two old warriors in the cause comparing notes. What made it more

remarkable was that two weeks before to that very day, Walter had had a heart transplant. But he vowed to be at PrideFest--and he was.

I saw Tommy and his beaux. Tommy's just over from the Isle of Man. I saw people there I hadn't seen in years. But I wasn't the only one who had that experience. Others said

People also talked about the friends and loved ones who weren't there, the ones who had "gone on," as the saying goes. That was the sad part of the Festival, the tragic side.

One the other side, were the simmering sights, the handsome, well-built men. How many times I let my eyes go where my hands never would, I cannot tell you. (I wouldn't

Intruders

On Saturday afternoon, according to Meunier, three men were seen on the grounds getting ready to take video shots. They were positively identified as being from the Far Right Religious media.

Meunier and others asked them if that were true. Meunier said they insisted that it wasn't true; that they were "representing no one but themselves," he said. This, they repeated many times.

The men were quickly escorted off the grounds and finally admitted that they were indeed from the Religious media, Meunier

Afterwards, this reporter heard a cop say to a member of the Pride Committee, "You can't expect Christians to tell the truth, can

Meunier was a little more firm. "They were lieing for Jesus. Hallelujah!" he said.

As a reporter, I guess I should have gone over and talked to the men, but I'll tell you, I haven't got that much guts. The hatred and contempt that I saw in their eyes, frightened me. I'll admit that.

The next day security was tight.

The Parade

As far as I was concerned, the parade was colorful, marvelous, wonderful success. Rick Fingers and Sheldon Schur did a fantastic

The parade stepped off, pretty much on time, and led by the Chicago and Wisconsin Chapters of the Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Veterans of America, two women, three men. They were followed by Allan Eslinger and Brent in Allan's classic white T-bird. As in past years, Allan carried the Grand Marshalls.

According to the parade judges, some 2,000 people took part.

The Wedding

According to my count there were 63 couples who took vows of unity before the Rev. Margarita Suarez, an openly Bisexual woman and an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ. The Wedding was sponsored by Queer Nation (QN).

According to a QN spokesman, Chris Lubus, QN sold 83 certificates which meant he said that there were 172 people involved, not every one of which took part in the actual

Regardless, it was a beautiful affair, a moving and solemn moment of lifecommitment for those involved.

Thank You TO THE EDITOR:

Las year, the press here didn't even make mention of the March on Washington. I only got to hear about it via CNN and SKY news.

Our campus has just formulated a policy to deal with discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. We are just about to bring our first test case before the committee. It is due to be a landmark

On that point, our new constitution protects a

orientation. I cannot wait to see how they are going to handle this in parliament.

Chris David

Durban, South Africa.

Editor's Note: A generous sponsor has sent Light \$40 to cover postage in sending the paper to South Africa. Additional sponsors are needed since this amount will only cover the postage for 15 issues.



ing themselves at PrideFest in Milwaukee on June 12, 1994.

evening. Both of them showed us how PrideFest has grown.

SAGE had a reception for the Lambda Car Club upstairs at M and M. Most of the club members were from Illinois, and we were all very proud of their coming to PrideFest.

The Children of Color Coalition honored Marjorie Hill with the other reception. We live in a racially divided city and PrideFest had made special efforts to be inclusive of people of color. We believe that building

understanding is a prime mission of PrideFest.

At the Hill reception, speaker after speaker referred to PrideFest as "our festival," "our PrideFest" and "our celebration." Tears began to well up in my eyes. I knew before the gates even opened that PrideFest was a

THE VOLLEYBALL

For several years PrideFest had wanted to include a sports element in its celebration. This year we were able to do so with a volley ball tournament. Several times I went over to the area to thank the teams for coming. Every time I did this, the players would not accept my thanks telling me "We are the ones who should be thanking you."
THE CARS

No one was prepared for the spectacle on the grassy knoll.

The sun hitting all that chrome as people walked through getting inspecting cars they had only dreamed of seeing so close was a beautiful sight to behold.

THE PEOPLE

Above all else I remember the people. The people who volunteered and helped, who performed, who marched, who kept telling me and others how wonderful PrideFest was. The people who cheered the entertainers, the people who just enjoyed being there and the sense of freedom they felt. It was for all those people that we produced PrideFest 94 and it is to all of them that we dedicate PrideFest 95.

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South Africa Says

Thanx for replying. It's great to make contact with our brothers and sisters so far away. I really do appreciate very much the kindness of the sponsor who gives us the paper. It will be a great help in updating us here on the happenings around the

decision in this country.

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wsa community tharmacy With a staff that is lesbian & gay friendly, very friendly on occasion. Stop in and see us. We won't necessarily give you the Straight answer.

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'Thanks For the Memories' for Two Grand and Glorious Days Filled With Pride By Bill Meunier

As the Co-Chair of PrideFest, I got a unique perspective of what was going on. few of my favorite memories.

THE JAM

During the Saturday Evening Candle Light Show Case, Eric Washington sang his single 'Set Me Free." As the crowd started to rock, he was joined on stage by Josie Santiago, Estee Gadson, the Fore Play dance troupe, and their back up singers. The Stage was soon jammed with people dancing, singing and clapping in time with the music

THE RAIN

The rain on Saturday posed real problems, especially when we heard that we might be in for 40 mph winds. Everywhere I went people said they wanted to stay. When I told the crowd in the Harvey Milk tent we would stay open as long as they wanted to be there, they erupted in cheers. Ten minutes later a double rainbow arched for miles across Lake Michigan.

DAVID ROBINSON

David Robinson is a straight man from Jamaica who plays with David Robinson and Road Damage, the Reggae band that played on the Alyn Hess stage Sunday afternoon.

I couldn't help but be moved when during the song Stand he talked about everyone standing together with pride over who they are and never letting anyone divide us. Later a Jamaican Lesbian tearfully told how hard it is to be Gay or Lesbian in her native land and how thrilled she was that David was there.

DION The Saturday Softball Beer League provided the grounds crew that did such a great job of keeping the grounds clean. No one worked harder in that effort than Dion. He knew how important it was to us to have everything cleaned up by Monday morning and he made sure the job got done.

THE HISTORY TENT The History Tent exceeded our wildest expectations. In the middle of Sunday afternoon I counted over 100 people in line outside of the tent and another 50 in line inside of it. I was proud that so many in our community took the time to learn about our

THE LESSON

A little boy upon given a Pink Triangle sticker with the word "Remember" on it asked his mother what it meant. She took him aside and explained it to him. As he looked at her with wide eyes, she assured him "Don't worry we won't let it happen again.'

THE PARADE

We needed to see a big increase in people marching and watching for the parade to be continued. As the front of the parade came back around the corner of the bridge I saw that it was empty. My heart sank. I thought no one cares about the parade.

Later as I stood at the bottom of the bride, I realized what had happened. Everyone who was on the bridge as the parade began had joined in and were coming back to the grounds. I stood in amazement as I looked up and saw the bridge full of people proudly marched back to the festival grounds.

THE RECEPTIONS

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Clinton's Policy on Gays in the Military Under Attack Within His Administration

Commentary by Jill Lawrence

The "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" bargain President Clinton struck last year under pressure from Congress and the military has come to this: His principles on the issue of civil rights for Gays and Lesbians are under continuing attack by his own administration.

The arguments of a federal judge made recently in ordering the reinstatement of an openly Lesbian military nurse sounded eerily like the eloquent anti-discrimination declarations of candidate Clinton.

But in mid-June, Clinton's Justice Department appealed the judge's decision and asked that the highly decorated nurse--Col. Margarethe Cammermeyer--be permanently ousted from the National Guard.

"It's got to be an embarrassment for the administration," said Doug Hattaway, of the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF). "We can only hope the courts in the end take care of it."

The Gay community responded to Clinton's presidential candidacy with outpourings of emotional and financial support-nearly \$6 million from HRCF alone.

Gay Clinton supporters hardly expected to find his administration arguing, as it did in the Cammermeyer case that restoring her to duty "is likely to have adverse effects on the ability of the military to maintain morale, efficiency and mission focus."

Equally chagrined are Clinton backers who ended up with jobs at the White House and Justice Department. "There's been a lot of grinning and bearing it," said one department official. "It hasn't been easy."

Clinton had pledged during his campaign to end the military's ban on Gay service members. While activists are distressed about the current state of affairs, they say it's the only blemish on Clinton's record.

In fact, within days of appealing the Cammermeyer decision, the Justice Department issued a broad policy permitting Gays and Lesbians persecuted in other countries because of their sexual orientation, to seek asylum in the U.S.

"Bill Clinton isn't prejudiced against Gay people. He's the most supportive president we've ever had," said Hattaway.

The current awkward course was set last Summer when Clinton settled for a military policy under which officers were not supposed to ask anyone's sexual orientation or search out people they thought might be Gay. Gay troops were not supposed to disclose their orientation.

But as judges have declared it unconstitutional or discriminatory to dismiss Gay personnel, the Clinton administration has found it difficult to draw a line between the old ban and the new compromise.

Officials concluded attacks on the old system were bound to undermine the new. Thus people who thought they would be fighting discrimination, instead are fighting its alleged victims in no less than 10 cases dating from the days of the ban, plus another four filed since it was modified.

Administration officials "understand they basically lost the issue," said Rep. Barney Frank (D-MA). "The way it's worked out has been a total loss."

The rate of discharge has not changed under the new policy and officials are still hunting for Gays, said Dixon Osburn of the Service Members Legal Defense Network. Personal diaries and computer files have been read, he said, and military officers recently claimed a pair of 1970's-style platform shoes was evidence of a "Gay lifestyle."

Frank said he tried and failed to discourage a White House challenge to the order to reinstate Cammermeyer and to clear her record. However, he said he accepted the need to appeal part of the order banning future action against Cammermeyer.

His reasoning: "She's made it very clear she doesn't intend to hide." That's grounds for discharge under current policy, and Frank contends the Justice Department has no choice but to defend current policy.

However, others in the Gay community say they see no reason the Administration must defend a flawed policy.

"There's no way that anyone can justify appealing these cases, either legally or morally," said David Mixner, a close friend of the President. "If the appeal is upheld, it will have historical ramifications for Gays and Lesbians who wish to serve their country. It is a very serious game they're playing."

In the coming weeks and months as a bill outlawing discrimination against Gays and Lesbians on the job makes its way through Congress, Clinton's choice will be clear: sit out the inevitable bitter battle or stick to the principles he talked about when he ran for president.

Mayor John Norquist Introduces New AIDS Legal Hotline to Milwaukee

(Milwaukee)- Milwaukee Mayor John Norquist introduced Milwaukee's new AIDS legal Hotline at a news conference held at the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) on Monday, June 20.

The Hotline, the first of its kind in the country, is being sponsored by the Milwaukee Young Lawyers Association, the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, and the State Bar of Wisconsin Young Lawyers Division.



Mayor Norquist speaking at the press conference.

The Hotline, now in operation in Milwaukee, provides free, easy-to-understand information on such common AIDS-related legal topics as future planning and wills, social security and disability, HIV antibody testing, insurance, Title 19 and recent legal developments. Norquist, speaking to the press, praised MAP for its work in combating the AIDS epidemic. He also praised the Hotline as enabling people to access information that will enable them to make decisions about their lives.

David Bourne, President of the Milwaukee Young Lawyers Association, said that the Hotline was unique in that "callers can choose pre-recorded topics of interest to them and may listen to as many selections as they wish during a given call."

Callers do not identify themselves and cannot leave messages because the recordings are automated. "As such," Bourne said, "the Hotline is completely confidential."

Attorneys throughout Wisconsin volunteered time to prepare the basic scripts used by the Hotline, and individuals such as Madison Mayor Paul Soglin, media consultant Todd Robert Murphy, and Sara O'Connor of the Milwaukee Repertory Theatre recorded messages, which run approximately five minutes.

Organizers are hoping after several months of operation, funds can be raised to provide the Hotline on a toll-free basis throughout the state.

Currently, the Hotline is toll-free only in the metro Milwaukee area, but callers across the state can access the line.

The Hotline number is: (414) 272-HIV1.

The Mayor's Budget

As he was leaving the news conference, the Mayor was asked if the \$190,000 that MAP had requested for AIDS service was in his upcoming budget.

The Mayor said that the money was there, but added that he did not have to submit the budget to the Common Council until September.

Model Search for 1995 AIDS Benefit Calendar (San Diego, CA)- San Diego fine art photographer Jeff Palmer is again placing a general

(San Diego, CA)- San Diego fine art photographer Jeff Palmer is again placing a general call for men who would like to contribute their time and image to raise funds for people living with AIDS and HIV by posing for the 1995 AIDS Benefit Calendar/Focus...On the Male Nude. To be considered, please send a recent photograph showing face and physique to: Calendar Model Search Committee, Dept. W4, P.O. Box 34012, San Diego, CA 92163. The AIDS Benefit Calendar features fourteen black and white photographic images of male nudes including images of two men together in tender and artistic poses. For additional information, call Joe Pascale at (619) 696-6908.



SAGE To Host Picnic In The Park

(Milwaukee)- On Sunday, July 10 at 1:00 p.m., SAGE/Milwaukee will host a "Picnic in the Park" in Estabrook Park, picnic area #8 (the first picnic area north of Capitol Drive). Please bring your own food basket with the food and beverage you particularly like. SAGE will provide ice, charcoal and a grill. Board games and cards will be available. Kilbourn House, just north of our picnic site will be open for tours from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at no charge (but the request a donation). The house features furnishings and decorations from the mid-1800s. While SAGE/Milwaukee is a group of people of all ages, with emphasis on older Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals, everyone is welcome to attend this picnic.

AXIOS/Chicago to Hold Toga Party

(Chicago)- AXIOS!, The Chicago-based organization for Bisexuals, Gays and Lesbians of Greek or Eastern Orthodox background, will present its first annual Toga Party on Sunday, Sept. 4 starting at 8:00 p.m. at the Cairo Nightclub, 720 N. Wells St., Chicago. The party, entitled "The Party You've Waited Centuries For," will offer hot disco dance music by two Djs, complimentary food, go-go gladiators, tarot card readings, decadent movies (Caligula, Animal House, Cleopatra and others), plus many surprises. Part of the party proceeds will benefit AIDS Walk Chicago. Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door. For more information, call (312) 477-3097.

Continental Pageant Seeks Contestants

(Milwaukee)- The Wisconsin Continental Pageant is seeking female impersonators in Wisconsin and surrounding states to compete for the Miss Wisconsin Continental Crown. The winner will receive over \$1,000 in prizes, including sponsorship to the Miss Continental U.S.A. finals in Chicago over the Labor Day weekend. The Pageant will be held on Monday, July 18 at 10:00 p.m. at Club 219+ in Milwaukee. Contestant application deadlines are Monday, July 6 (\$65 entry fee); July 7 to July 18 (\$75 entry fee). Applications and contestant handbooks can be mailed to you by calling (414) 271-5819 (10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.) or (414) 271-0322 (6:00 to 10:00 p.m.).

U.S. Senate Majority Bans Job Discrimination

Washington- Seventy-one U.S. Senators, including majorities within both parties, have given written confirmation to the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) that they do not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation in their employment practices in their offices. The number includes 24 Republicans and 47 Democrats. Wisconsin's two Senators, Herb Kohl and Russ Feingold are both included in that number.

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pro-homosexual political group from her official state office in Madison."

On the press release, Lee lists his company as "The Cow Report."

Lee, 44, a former Republican who quit the party recently, produces a Christian-oriented live weekly call-in show on Eau Claire's public TV channel. He is a self-admitted member of the religious right.

Lee, 44, told AP that he has copies of notices posted on computer bulletin boards showing Action Wisconsin's use of the phone number in March and April as a contact for more information about the group. One notice solicited a \$20 contribution.

State law prohibits legislators and other state employees from using state offices and facilities for private use.

Lee is reported to have said that he twice

In recent months, Lee has managed to get himself publicity by attacking Congressman Steve Gunderson (R-WI), who Lee is reported to have called a "poster boy for the homosexual movement in the Republican Party."

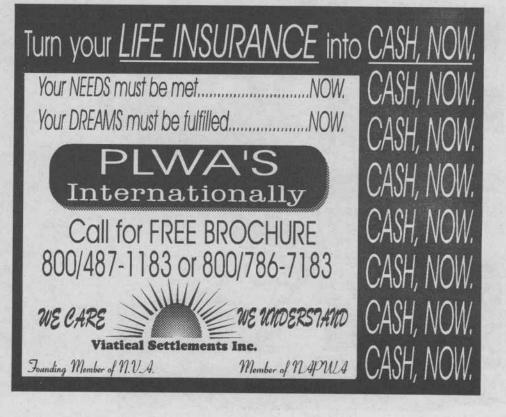
Mike Verveer, a Baldwin aide, said that Baldwin did not "at any time" give permission to Action Wisconsin to list her office phone number on the bulletin board. Verveer added that "We have no control over her name and number being put on the bulletin board.

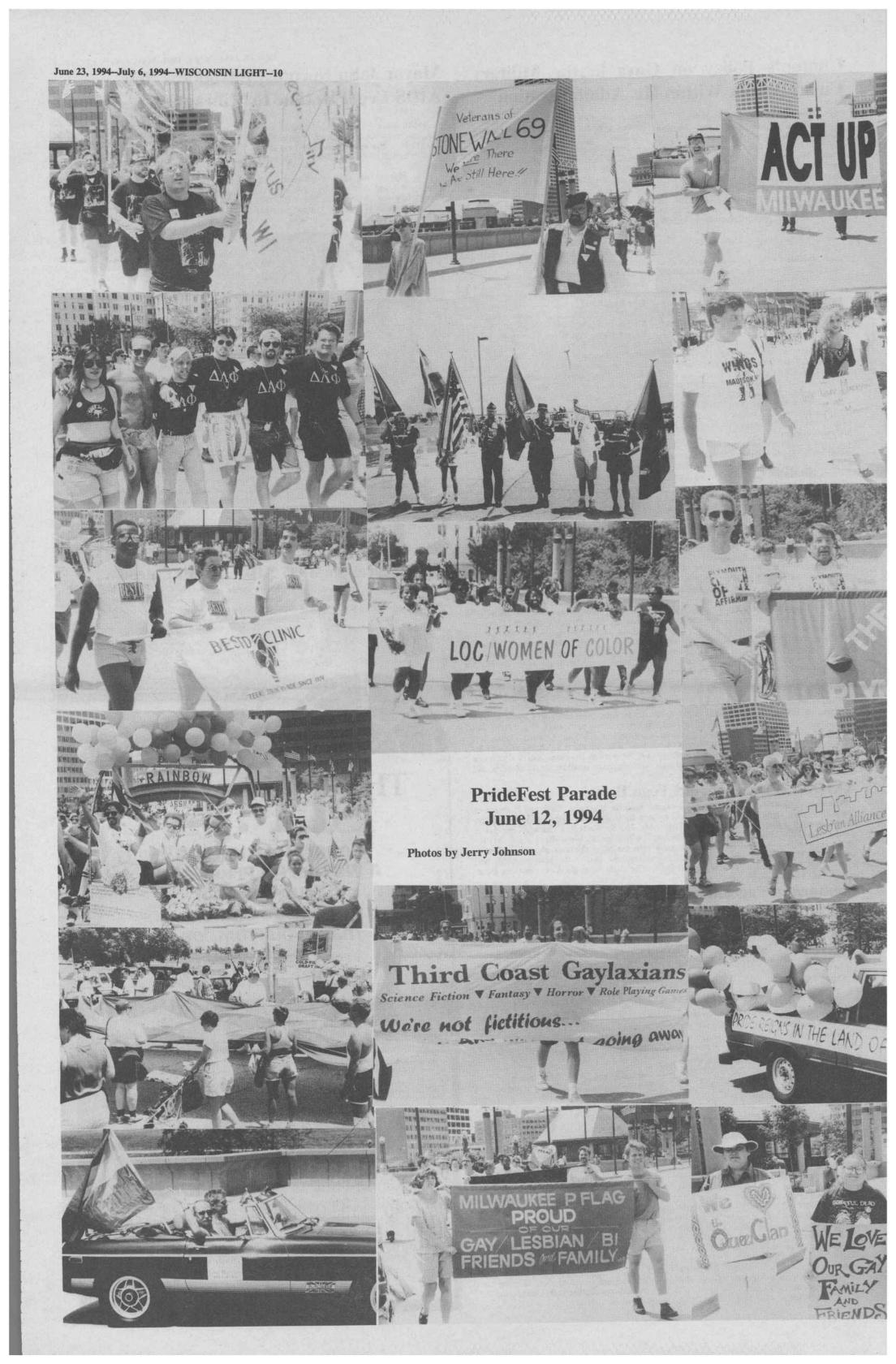
By law, the Ethics Board is required to conduct an investigation, but as we go to press, no official notice of the outcome of that investigation has been received. called the number listed on the bulletin board

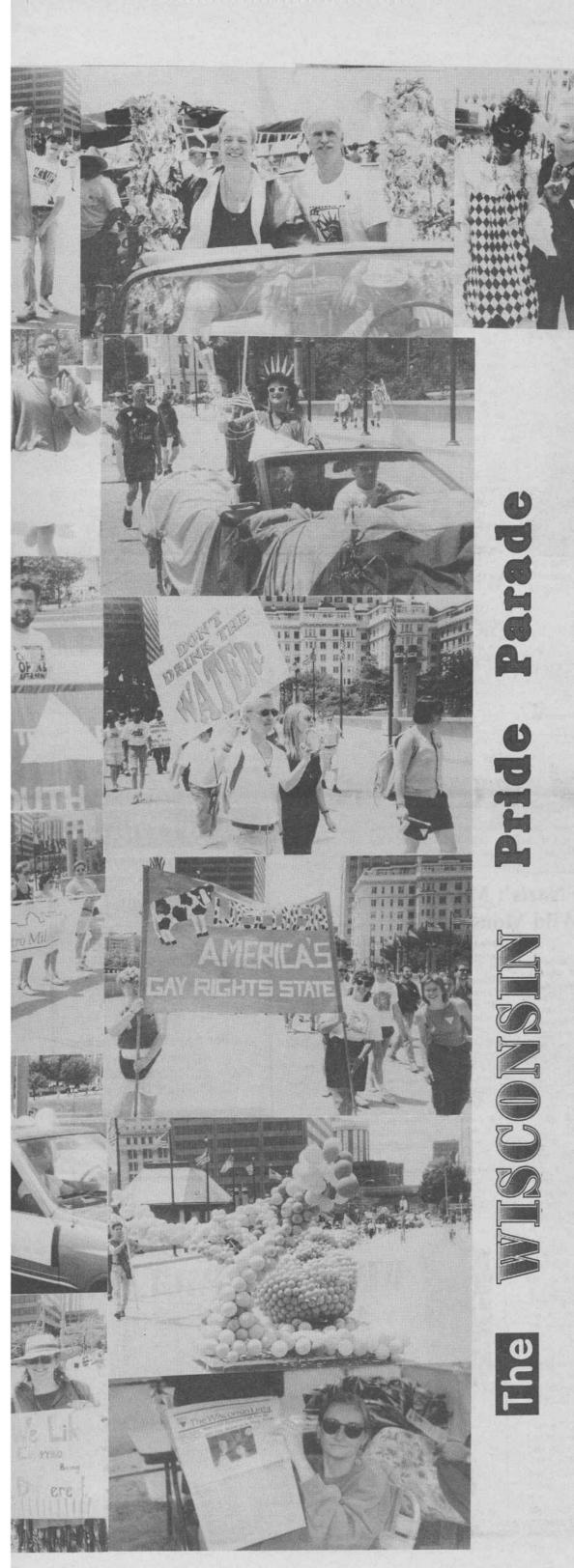
and once spoke to Baldwin personally.

When asked about the group, Lee is quoted as saying, Baldwin "was being a little

"My concern is that she's lending her office...to an organization that's monitoring the religious right," Lee is quoted as saying.







The Light



LIVELY ARTS



'Go Fish' Premiere Benefits LAMM--The Milwaukee Premiere of the new Lesbian comedy Go Fish will be on Thursday, June 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Oriental Theater. Tickets at the door will be \$12 and will benefit the Lesbian Alliance Education Fund. Pictured above are Guinevere Turner as Max, V.S. Brodie as

'Go Fish,' a Scrappy Little Winner From an Exuberantly Lesbian Point of View

By Susan Schramm

Have any recent Lesbian films left you feeling dissatisfied and out-of-sorts? Well, an antidote to Claire of the Moon has arrived, in the form of a scrappy little winner called Go

The great joy of this film is its exuberantly Lesbian point of view. With lots of humor and lots of heart, it claims an unequivocally Lesbian space. This is truly a film by Lesbians, for Lesbians, and it's a charmer.

The girl-meets-girl storyline is modest in scope, but is richly observant of the fun and foibles of Lesbian courtship, and of the vitality of Lesbian culture in general.

The young protagonist Max, an attractive, hip and "carefree single Lesbo looking for love," is set up by friends with Ely, a veterinarian's assistant who all agree needs to "loosen up," and whom Max perceives to be

It is an unlikely pairing. Max seemingly desires some sort of "hip hop Barbie" as a future lover. Ely is petrified of involvement with anything but dogs, cats and the occasional ferret, and still claims a relationship with an old girlfriend who moved to another part of the country years earlier. Her long, style-free hair and vast assortment of herbal teas lead Max to diagnose her with a "severe case of hippieitis.

Their gradual conquest of personal obstacles makes for an entertaining and sweetly humorous courtship. Max transcends her "shallow fashion requirements," and Ely marks her readiness for change by letting friends shave off her hair. This leaves her with an urban dyke look that Max can only describe as "bold." Ely emerges as winsome and engaging, and Max's interest grows.

Digressions on topics like dyke hair length, names for the female genital area ("honeypot" being a favorite), and Lesbian should-be's (Eve, Marilyn Quayle, Peppermint Patty and the entire cast of Roseanne) infuse the film with a uniquely Lesbian sensibility.

A group of friends periodically comments like a Greek chorus on the slightly goofy events unfolding around them. In one more telling scene, a sexually (hyper)active Lesbian in the group undergoes a fantasy grilling by a jury of her Lesbian peers for her decision to sleep with a man.

As Max and Ely's romance culminates, Ely's fingernails assume erotic importance in a delightful Lesbian love scene clearly not written for straight men's pleasure.

Writer/director Rose Troche and writer

Guinevere Turner (who also plays Max) take common concerns and imbue them with a humor that avoids triteness and allows us to recognize and enjoy ourselves.

A favorite at the Sundance Film Festival, Go Fish is expected to carry crossover appeal, perhaps precisely because its honesty is so engaging. It does not cater to a straight audience, does not present us as "other." This is a view of the Lesbian inside/out.

Produced on a meager budget is black and white, Fish has a visually unpretentious, almost scruffy appeal, with the exception of some faux-artsy scene transitions. Filming was

done in Chicago, and the use of local Lesbians who are not professional actors gives an occasional touch of amateurism.

But like its characters, Go Fish rises above its flaws. It is a funny, affectionate look at Lesbian life that should not be missed.

There is a benefit showing for the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund (LAMMEF) on Thursday, June 30 at 7:30 p.m. at Milwaukee's Oriental Theater. This should provide a great "family" viewing ex-

Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. LAMM's phone number is (414) 264-2600. The film begins a two-week run at the Oriental beginning July 1. In Madison, it opens at the Majestic Theater on July 22.

AfterWords Happenings in July Includes a **First Anniversary Party**

(Milwaukee)- This Summer's biggest news at AfterWords (besides PrideFest, of course) is the AfterWords First Year Anniversary Party on Saturday, July 9 beginning at 8:00 p.m. There will be much merry-making, free food and drink, plus some surprise give aways at the AfterWords "Big Birthday Bash." Everyone is welcome!

The Book Club

The AfterWords Book Club is continuing this Summer with Robert Rodi's hilarious romp, Closet Case, the book for July. The date for July's meeting is Monday, July 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the bookstore.

Already chosen for August is Bennett Singer's acclaimed anthology, Growing Up Gay/Growing Up Lesbian. The Book Club will meet on August 8 New members are always welcome.

Sharon Gilligan

AfterWords is pleased to welcome one of Rising Tide's hottest writers, Sharon Gilligan to the bookstore on Thursday, July 14 at 7:30 p.m. Sharon's new book is entitled Danger! Cross Currents (\$9.99), a sequel to her popular Danger in High Places.

Gilligan will be reading from Danger! Cross Currents plus signing copies of all of her books, including her first book, Faces of

Born in Chicago, Gilligan and her partner left the congestion of urban life for the grandeur of the north coast of California.

This event is free and all are invited. For more information, call (414) 963-9089.

'Miss M' to be Honored at the July 18 **Wisconsin Continental Pageant**

(Milwaukee)- "Miss M", a dedicated and tireless worker on behalf of The Pageant, MAPfest and other causes in the HIV+ arena, will be honored posthumously with the 1994 Wisconsin Continental Gingie award at the Miss Wisconsin Continental Pageant on Monday, July 18, 10:00 p.m. at Milwaukee's Club

The Gingie is the original, hand-sculpted statue the Miss Wisconsin Continental system, and was created last year in conjunction with the first Wisconsin Continental Pageant presented by Top H.A.T. Productions, the event management arm of Havlicek & Associates.

The Gingie was the brainchild of Annabelle Havlicek, owner of Top H.A.T. Productions. Bill Darling, the Milwaukee sculptor who created the Gingie, sculpts, fires and glazes each annual series of awards.

"I decided to award a special Gingie award to an outstanding female impersonator from the state of Wisconsin each year," said Havlicek. "Last year, I awarded Miss Ginger Spice the first annual Gingie. Ginger owned the Wisconsin Continental system prior to Top H.A.T. Productions and Miss M owned it prior to Ginger."

Gingies are awarded also to the Winner, First and Second Runner-Ups. Contestants interested in competing can call (414) 271-5819 (10:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.) or (414) 271-0322 for applications and additional information.

Tickets will be \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. Tables seating four will be \$45 each and will be the only reserved seating available. Tickets are available at Club 219+ and the offices of In Step.

'Dracula Vs. The Nazis': More Sharp Turns Than the Wild Mouse

By Kathleen LeTendre

(Milwaukee)- The quick change theatrical comedy is a genre that works best when its creators make it look easy. The comic artists of Playwright Studio Theater's (PST) Dracula Vs. The Nazis, playing at the Studio Theater of the Broadway Theater Center in Milwaukee through Sunday, June 26, not only make it look easy, they romp, vamp, leer and wink their way through one of the funniest plays I've ever seen.

Playwright and PST founder, Mike Neville, whose stock-in-trade is comedy, has truly outdone himself. In 90 minutes, he and acting partner Chris Flieller breath life into 17 of the most outrageous characters this side of "Monty Python."

Neville is a distressed, depressed, metaphysical Dracula one moment and a gun-packing "Queen of Brooklyn" the next; Flieller plays an eleven-fingered heroine-from-Hell and then, in the blink of an exit and entrance, is Dracula's fly-eating colleague, Ren-

The plot is daft and whimsical and has more sharp turns than the Wild Mouse. Dracula has been used and abused by the English in their war against Nazi Germany. He wants only to be left alone, but comes out of retirement to save the world from Hitler's possession of "the Pandemonium Wheel," a demonic device that confers eternal life on its us-

The knock-about chase that ensues delivers--with the dizzy credibility of a Harvey Pekar cartoon-body-swapping, trips to the Parallel Universe, poisonous intrigues, shifting alliances, and several surprisingly touching moments.

Director Nancy Aldrich has mounted Dracula Vs. The Nazis with great aplomb and skill. Her choreography of entrances, exits and quick-changes is precise and controlled. She keeps the action at a fast boil, and Fliellier and Neville turn in dazzling performances under her guidance.

The design of the show has just the right amount of surreal fabulousness. Amy Horst's costumes, Dawn Marie Ross's set, Bill Stace's

sound, and Lois Mytas's props (with a special mention to Bo Johnson's Pandemonium Wheel) all contribute mightily to this hellzapoppin' comedy.

Dressers Jane Aronson, Amy Horst, Gabrielle Toerpe and Lois Mytas create backstage miracles with the lightening speed that they get the costumes on and off the characters (I stopped counting costume switches and changes when I hit 40).

So run, as they say, don't walk, to PST's world premiere of Dracula Vs. The Nazis at the Broadway Theater Center, 158 N. Broadway. The final performances are Friday, June 24 at 8:00 p.m., Saturday, June 25 at 7:00 and 10:00 p.m. and Sunday. June 26 at 2 5:00 p.m. For ticket information, call (414)

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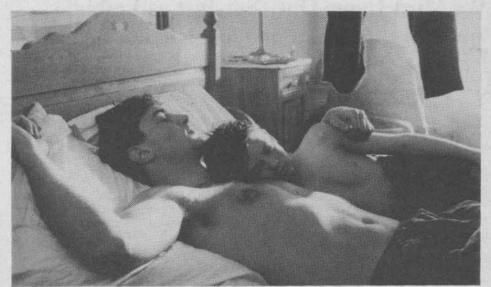
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Coming-of-Age-- A tender moment is captured on film in For A Lost Soldier, which plays Milwaukee's Oriental Theater for three days, June 24-26.

'For A Lost Soldier,' a Film Lush With Romanticism, Fresh With Innocence--And **Troubling as Well**

By Carl M. Szatmary

It is difficult to imagine a more lyrical, satisfying, and yet troubling Gay coming-ofage film as Roeland Kerbosch's For A Lost Soldier. For A Lost Soldier was the sensation of the recent Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian Film Festival and it is easy to see why. There is a lush romanticism to it that is coupled with a surprisingly honest, matter-of-fact portrayal of a young boy's sexuality.

Utilizing flashbacks, the now middle-aged Jeroen is a choreographer in the process of creating a particularly mesmerizing dance piece that triggers vivid memories of a very special Summer during World War II.

Evacuated from war-weary Amsterdam, 12-year-old Jeroen finds refuge with a wellmeaning farm family far from the horrors of war. Told entirely from young Jeroen's perspective, this becomes a Summer of unrelenting boredom.

Jeroen's world is brightened considerably with the arrival of a group of liberating Allied soldiers. Already puzzled by strange sexual urges that he feels towards the older foster brother with whom he shares a bed, Jeroen turns his attentions to a Canadian solider, Walt (Andrew Kelly). Walt and Jeroen become inseparable and their friendship blossoms despite the language barrier.

Walt's fellow soldiers immediately pair up with local young ladies, while Walt is portrayed as a loner. Although he is on friendly terms with them, he appears uncomfortable with their couplings, preferring to be the out-

In Jeroen, Walt is pleased to sense a kindred soul. Shortly before the liberating soldiers are transferred, Walt and Jeroen's relationship culminates in an especially lyrical scene of Jeroen's sexual awakening.

For A Lost Soldier's appeal is undeniable. Kerbosch films the Dutch countryside in rich, warm tones and compliments the film's sparse dialogue with romantic background music.

Young Maarten Smit brings a refreshing innocence to the part of Jeroen and Kelly's Walt is so engaging and tender as to be literally too good to be true.

Perhaps what seems wrong with For A Lost Soldier is that it is simply too good to be real. Although Kerbosch is clearly drawing upon fondly remembered autobiographical memories of sexual awakening, this idealized man-boy relationship is nevertheless, a bit

Against the more sexually naive era of the 1940's, certainly where homosexuality was concerned, Walt and Jeroen's relationship seems perfectly natural. In the harsh reality of the 1990's, it would be difficult to imagine the portrayal of such a relationship without considering sinister elements such as exploitation

Age of consent is currently a hot topic in the Gay community, particularly focusing on the activities of NAMBLA. For A Lost Soldier ought to further such debate.



By Jamakaya

Short Run at the Oriental, June 27-30

Forbidden Love: The Unashamed Stories of Lesbian Lives will play a brief run at Milwaukee's Oriental Theater June 27-30. Make a point to see it (or see it again!) because it is the best movie about Lesbians ever

Forbidden Love combines interviews with Lesbians who came of age in the 1950's and '60's with a mock recreation of the Lesbian pulp novels popular at that time. The result is a moving document about what life was like in the had old days of underground clubs and police repression, leavened by a campy tribute to the books that sensationalized "Love in the

Funded entirely by the National Film Board of Canada, Forbidden Love won last year's Genie (Canada's Oscar) as Best Feature Documentary. It was written and directed by Aerlyn Weissman and Lynne Fernie, whose dual purpose was to record the history of real Lesbians while examining their depiction in popular culture.

In a telephone interview from her home in Toronto, Fernie explained the choice of subjects in Forbidden Love.

"Lesbians from the pre-feminist era are still very much alive, so we could actually talk to them and hear a whole diverse range of how they experienced their culture. And we chose the bars because they were the first spaces in Canada where women began to claim at least semi-public turf. They ran into the law headon and they had to fight with the cops. But these were women who needed a public community more than they needed their safety. We thought that was a really interesting point.

Fernie and Weissman initially interviewed 30 Lesbians, middle-aged and up. Nine Canadian women, "all wonderful story-tellers," and American novelist Ann Bannon are included.

We did have to pass a trust test," says Fernie. "The women were very cautious about going on film. A lot of women didn't think they had anything to contribute, or didn't think

they nau a mstory. One of the nicest things is that as we talked with them, we all began to realize they had quite an amazing history..." **Touching Testimonies**

The women interviewed in Forbidden Love are diverse: old-time butches and femmes, a country dyke, a Latina nightclub performer, a woman of the Haida Nation. Each has something touching to say about Lesbian life and love. The reminiscences of these survivors are suffused with nostalgia, but also with the wisdom that comes with age.

Ruth Christine, 40-something, recalls: "I was talking to this older woman who had been in the Gay scene for some time, and she could tell I was upset about my marriage breaking up, and she said, 'Well dear heart, if you think it hurts to get your heart broken by a man, wait till you get your heart broken by a

"I didn't really understand exactly what she meant. I thought, well, a broken heart's a broken heart. But it was different, and when it happened, I realized what she was saying. Because I find being with a woman is a lot more intimate, a lot more shared than with a man. So the pain when you lose that--when you love someone and they don't love you anymore--the pain is harder. You're losing a part of you.'

Amanda White faced a special dilemma. 'For a person of white heritage, when you're walking down the street, you are not targeted as Lesbian or Gay. But as a native person, you're targeted as a native person. And when you realize that your choice of partner is of the same sex, then you realize there must be even something more wrong with you because society doesn't accept you already as it is, but now you've got this thing added on. Does that mean you lose your people in the process? Now where do you belong?"

Interspersed throughout these compelling testimonies is a dramatic recreation of a Lesbian pulp novel in which the experienced, butchy Mitch (Lynne Adams) gradually se-



Forbidden Love-Fictionalized lovers Mitch and Laura come alive in a campy recreation of the Lesbian pulp novels of the 1950's in Forbidden Love, playing at Milwaukee's Oriental Theater June 27-30

duces the sweet and naive Laura (Stephanie Morgenstern). These corny episodes culminate in a lovely Lesbian sex scene.

Campy Melodrama

The campy Mitch-Laura melodrama "was irresistible to us," says Fernie. The overwrought, moralistic pulps were the only literature about Lesbians widely available in the '50's and '60's. But more than that, "We wanted to hijack and reappropriate the common stereotypes of Lesbians into our own agenda, for Lesbian desire and pleasure.

When I note that the effect is highly entertaining, Fernie says: "But that is political too! There's no reason something can't be a pleasure, entertaining, humorous and extremely political. But it's not didactic. I find it insulting when political artists preach at me.

'We wanted to honor the women, and we would have felt terribly uncomfortable being rhetorical or didactic. The women didn't lead their lives that way, and it didn't fit the sub-

"And we wanted a sex scene!" Fernie adds, laughing. "We wanted the taxpayers to fund a Lesbian sex scene with high production values. We wanted a sex scene because the women weren't going to these places to find a friend. They were going filled with passion and lust and desire, so we wanted to have the erotic body in the film."

Forbidden Love has aired on Canadian TV, and the National Film Board, which owns the film, is currently negotiating its sale to HBO or PBS. (I warned Fernie PBS is likely to edit it to shreds.) It may be available on videocassette by year's end.

Fernie and Weissman are currently completing an hour-long documentary about Lesbian writer Jane Rule (author of Desert of the Heart). Its working title is "Contract with the World: The Life and Times of a Hot-Eyed Moderate." It will be televised in Canada next year and hit the festival circuit.

We would not have been able to make Forbidden Love or the Jane Rule film if there hadn't been 15-20 years of Gay and Lesbian film-making before us, like Before Stonewall and Word is Out."

Fernie also expressed special pride in Canada's recent contributions to the field: "Most of the films and videos on Gay issues that I've seen until recently came from the States or Britain. It was such a pleasure to make something that was specifically Canadian.

told Fernie the heartfelt stories of the Lesbians in Forbidden Love touched me deeply and seem to transcend nationality.

Yes," she replied with satisfaction. "We reached the universal through the particular. And it feels like a wonderful exchange.

Disney's 'Lion King,' a Lion in Summer, is the Season's Smash Hit

By Dolores Barclay

To capture the splendor of eastern Africa and the eccentricities of its wild life is no simple matter for an animator. To make an allanimal film into a musical is positively risky. But the collective artistic mind of Walt Disney Pictures makes it all look and sound so simple in The Lion King a mystical, thrilling and breathtaking coming-of-age movie.

It is the latest full-length animated feature from Disney, and like Beauty and the Beast and the rather Gay Aladdin, it has proven to be a box office hit.

The Lion King is a spirited, joyful and amusing tale with outstanding special effects, but there's more to it than that. There is, according to many, a shimmering Gay sensibility about it that was present in Aladdin as well.

As with many Disney animated features, this is a story of an outcast who has to make peace with himself and his world; a character who finds his ultimate reward in coming to terms with who he is and thus, who he was

And why shouldn't there be a Gay flavor to it. As reported in the June 28 issue of the Advocate, Tom Schumacher, a 36-year-old feature animation executive with Disney Studios is openly Gay and The Lion King is his

How is it working at Disney as an openly Gay man? He is reported as saying that it's not really a big deal, a "non-issue" really.

Have there been Gay characters in other Disney productions, he is asked. The Advocate reports him as saying that he is "loath" to point them out because "people will want me to go backward and point them out.'

But others think that for any Lesbian or Gay man, they should be easy enough to spot. Part of the magic of The Lion King is in

the infusion of the music of Elton John. Songs such as the glorious anthem "Circle of Life" and "Hakuna Matata" are but two examples.

Disney was so happy to get John that they agreed to break precedent and allow a benefit opening in London. Done at John's request, the London opening was for the Elton John

Like all Disney features, there are the requisite tears and emotional moments. Only this time, it's the father who dies and not the mother, as so often is the case at the Mouse

But the laughs flow easily with many mirthful moments and swift one-liners. The humor is at times too sophisticated for younger children who might nod while their parents

For example, Ernie Sabella and Nathan Lane as a warthog named Pumbaa and his meerkat companion, Timon, are a strutting, stumbling, bumbling vaudeville act. They're

hilarious. When Pumbaa, concerned about the lion prince, Simba, asks him, "What's eating you?" Timon responds, "Nothing. He's at the top of the food chain."

While the actors who supply their voices (James Earl Jones, Madge Sinclair, Matthew Broderick, Whoopi Goldberg, Cheech Marin, to name a few) are stellar, the real stars of The Lion King are the animators and technicians who make a wildebeest stampede look real and make us think we're seeing live zebras, gazelles and giraffes frolicking on the

It's a great movie, a must-see for young and old alike. And for the Lesbians and Gay men in the audience, there's the quiet satisfaction that the straights will probably never see it

'In The Life' Brings Stonewall 25 to PBS With the Help of Milwaukee Native

(Milwaukee)- For their 1994 Gay Pride Special, In The Life Productions and WNYC-TV will air Stonewall 25: Global Voices of Pride and Protest, an ambitious one-hour broadcast honoring the silver anniversary of the Stonewall riots.

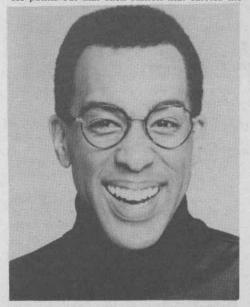
In The Life will be on hand with live-totape coverage, historical background, and an in-depth look at the personalities and organizations behind the modern Gay and Lesbian movement. In The Life will provide America with the only national TV coverage of Gay Games IV and the Stonewall March from a Lesbian and Gay perspective.

Much of the success of this and previous In The Life shows is due to Milwaukee native John Catania, the Public Relations Director, Segment producer and Talent Producer for the anniversary special.

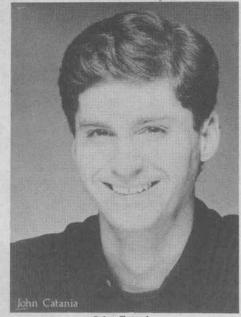
Catania is Milwaukee born and bred. He graduated from Carroll College, sang at Milwaukee's M&M Club, lived on Brady Street, before exiting the Cream City for New York.

Catania speaks glowingly of In The Life. "It's the only outlet many LesBiGay people have," he said. He adds that the coasts "think we're kind of tame, but we want to stay on PBS."

Though In The Life is shown on PBS stations, Catania says it is not sponsored by PBS. He points out that each station that carries the



Former Milwaukeean, Bobby Rivers, of WNBC's Weekend TODAY in New York, will appear on the In The Life Stonewall special.



John Catania

show has had to be contacted individually.

In fact, major support for the show comes from Channel 4 in Great Britain, the same people who produced Tales of the City. Channel 4 has committed \$35,000 to the hourlong Stonewall anniversary special.

In the two years the show has been in existence, Catania has seen many changes. For example, the show began with 5 stations showing it. Now there are 70.

Catania is especially proud of the fact that 6 of In The Life's episodes have been put into the Museum of TV and Radio History in New York, "right along with such shows as I Love Lucy, he says proudly.

He is also proud of the fact that both TV Guide and the Associated Press will be doing stories about the show.

For another, in the beginning many show business people distanced themselves from the show. That doesn't happen anymore. Matthew Broderick will be appearing in the Fall.

Asked about Joan Rivers who will be one of the stars appearing on the Stonewall special, Catania says, "She is so wonderfully supportive. She knows a lot of Gay people 'do her' in drag. She loves it," he said.

In The Life's Stonewall 25 hour-long special will be shown on WMVS/10 in Milwaukee on July 7, at 12:30 a.m.

It will be shown in Madison on WHA/21 on June 29, at 10:30 p.m.

Bill Banning Employment Discrimination Against Gays Introduced in Congress

(Washington, D.C.)- The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) on June 23, hailed the introduction in Congress of a bipartisan bill banning employment discrimination against people based on their sexual orientation. The bill, the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) of 1994, was introduced at a press conference on June 23 where Coretta Scott King and members of Congress expressed support for the legislation.

The bill's sponsors include Reps Barney Frank (D-MA), Gerry Studds (D-MA) and Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA).

Among other provisions, ENDA prohibits employers, employment agencies, and labor unions from using an individual's sexual orientation as the basis for employment decisions such as hiring, firing, promotion, or compen-

ENDA does not apply to businesses with fewer than 15 employees.

ENDA exempts religious organizations, including educational institutions substantially controlled or supported by religious organizations.

ENDA does not require an employer to provide benefits for the same-sex partner of an employee.

ENDA prohibits preferential treatment, including quotas, based on sexual orientation. ENDA is not retroactive.

Alliance For Progress to Air Pro-Gay Spots on TV in the Heartland

(Dallas, TX)- Until recently, the Gay Liberation movement's locale has been viewed as coastal in nature. Now, the Heartland of America is home to an innovative organization in Dallas, Texas, called "Alliance For Progress" (AFP).

Gay activists, Roger Davis, a Los Angeles businessman, Jon Etienne Mourot, a Dallas entertainment attorney, and Christopher Parman, an Oklahoma City advertising consultant, have combined their talents to promote a positive mainstream image of the Lesbian, Bisexual and Gay community through TV advertising and public educational forums.

Alliance For Progress believes that the "most effective means of lobbying voters is through televised commercials," Parman said. Consequently, the group will be airing 30-second commercials which emphasize the similarities between Gay and heterosexual lifestyles and values.

The spots will be telecast both nationwide and to locally targeted areas where the socalled Religious Right is engaged in hate campaigns, Parman said.

AFP will film its first commercial, entitled "Sunday Morning," late this Summer and air it nationally this Fall. AFP organizers say that the spot will show Lesbians, Bisexuals and Gays spending their Sundays like most Americans, attending church, playing in parks, shopping and spending time at home together.

"Our goal," Mourot said, "is to show the

heterosexual audience that Lesbians, Bisexuals and Gay men are normal, everyday people who engage in normal, everyday activities."

One of AFP's first regional campaigns will be in St. Louis and Kansas City to help fight Missouri's version of Colorado's Amendment 2 if it is certified in July for the November ballot.

While the ad campaign has been carefully planned, AFP needs the financial support of the LesBiGay community to effectively implement it. AFP will utilize donations to target areas where LesBiGay issues are at risk.

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We Must Come Out, Not Just as Lesbians and Gays, But as Complete Human Beings

Commentary By Maytee Aspuro

For years I have advocated coming out. Come out. Be yourself. Have no shame. Be proud. There has been a constant irony in my adult life. It was easier to be out as a Lesbian than as a woman who suffered from bulimia.

I went to therapy to deal with issues from the past and present. Never did I discuss my eating disorder. I believed that once all the other issues were resolved, so would by dysfunctional behavior. About a year ago, I reached resolution to the most immediate personal issues and still my eating disorder did not waiver.

The bulimia remained a secret even as all my other secrets were shared with those who I trusted. Even as I told others not to be ashamed of abuse, addiction, or past behaviors, I was turning my back to a part of myself. A woman out of control who had molded a persona that made others believe that I had mastered myself, I reflected a cool, calm and collective exterior. I embodied a constant lie.

As someone close to me confessed, she had suspected that there was much more to me than what I showed and that it would only take a scratching of the surface to reveal it. She was right. She saw through the armor and easily pierced it.

But that is not the way life usually happens. We become too adept in hiding ourselves. The tension of deceit often reveals itself in behaviors of concern. With me, an eating disorder

I have been in control of the bulimia for almost a year. What has helped is coming out, again. Differently. More personally. Coming out to the Lesbian/Gay community embraces a possibility for acceptance. But only so far. I had to transcend that singular definition and define myself much more completely.

One day, and I don't really know exactly why, I resolved that I would no longer hide. I began to tell others that I had an eating disorder. For a woman 30 lbs over weight, listeners found it hard to believe. Surely, if I purged I would have reflected a more proportional figure. The truth was that as I fought the impulse to purge, my binges resulted in weight gain.

In letting friends know the truth, I was able to better manage my public eating habits. This and my friends' support contributed to the arresting of my bingeing and purging.

A year ago, my mother died without knowing me. My father, alive still, does not know me. Two of the three women I have loved have not known me because a part of me was always in hiding.

It saddens me to know this and yet I have time, day by day, to ensure that those who now touch my life take me as a friend in clear sight of my strengths and my weaknesses.

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I have lost over 30 lbs in the scope of eight months. An achievement reflecting a healthier sense of self. As the bulk has fallen from my frame and as the effort of food has become less consuming of my thoughts, emotions and energy, I feel I am much more myself. Though tall, my frame is reflecting a new vulnerabil-

pleased with this more honest image.

It isn't that I have bought into society's sense of beauty or acceptability and abused myself in a different way. It's that I have taken on the challenge of having a healthy inner life without being ashamed of my limitations. In doing so, my body has responded and my physique has been altered.

ity, a lack of domineering presence. I am

How does this speak to the Lesbian/Gay community? Alcoholism, addiction, physical abuse, self-destructive behaviors, are all too much a part of our history and our contempo-

We live a paradox. On one side of the moon, with the light of the sun, we celebrate our sexual orientation and the unique vision that we embody because we are the other and not the main man.

But we live on the dark side of the moon as well. We don't talk about it. The sexual exploits recently alleged at Club 3054 and protective umbrella that the community placed over the behaviors at the bar, were justified as protecting our own even though one of our own may have placed monetary gain over health and safety.

Instead of my personal lie and my personal shame, I was witness to my community's fear of straight society's judgment. It's time we break free of our self-destructive tendency to accept what is Lesbian/Gay solely because it's Lesbian/Gay.

It's time we individually and as a community, demonstrate a more discriminating ethic. Whatever that ethic may be, it should not accept silence and denial as a strategy for survival. We must come out. Not just as Lesbians or Gays, but as complete human beings. If honesty makes us vulnerable, so be it. I argue that it will ultimately make us stronger.

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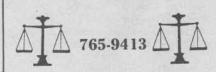
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Government Seeks To Block Reinstatement of Lesbian Military Nurse

Seattle, WA--AP- Attorneys for a National Guard nurse discharged for being a Lesbian, dismissed as "silly" government claims that the military will suffer irrevocable harm if she is reinstated while the case is appealed.

The Justice Department is asking U.S. District Judge Thomas Zilly to put on hold his order reinstating Col. Margarethe "Grethe" Cammermeyer.

As reported in Light, Zilly ruled that her constitutional rights were violated by the 1992 discharge. The government has appealed his decision to the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Reinstating Cammermeyer "is likely to have adverse effects on the ability of the military to maintain morale, efficiency and mission focus," said court documents released on June 14.

"The argument that the presence of Grethe in the military will have a negative impact is silly given two facts," said Jeff Tilden one of Cammermeyer's attorneys. One is that Cammermeyer served in the Guard as an openly Lesbian woman for two years before she was discharged.

Also, both her commanding officer and the ruling of the discharge board "clearly indicated that she was an extremely valuable officer who would be sorely missed," Tilden said.

"I think their argument is as irrational as what they've been arguing all along," said Kimberly Reason, executive director of the

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Northwest Women's Law Center. Reason labeled the government's contentions as

"propaganda."

The govenment wants Zilly to suspend his order for reinstatement until the 9th Circuit rules on Cammermeyer's case or that of Keith Meinhold, ordered reinstated after his discharge from the Navy for being Gay.

In seeking the stay, the Justice Department contends it is likely to win the case on appeal. Many observers think this unlikely at best because the 9th Circuit has a reputation for being one of the most liberal courts in the system.

GALVAnize to Sponsor March and Rally on July 17

(Madison)- GALVAnize, the Gay and Lesbian Visibility Alliance, is sponsoring a rally/march/celebration to be held on Sunday, July 17 in Madison. The rally will begin at 2:00 p.m. on the corner of State and N. Carroll Streets. The march will begin at 2:30 p.m. and a musical celebration will take place following the march on Library Mall, the 700 block of State Street from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. This 1994 march commemorates the 25th

This 1994 march commemorates the 25th anniversary of Stonewall and the 5th anniversary of GALVAnize. The rally and march has a three-fold purpose: to promote Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual awareness; to celebrate the diversity of our community; and to show unity for all civil rights.

Anyone interested in working on the GALVAnize Committee, volunteering for GALVAnize, or for more information, please contact Ben at (608) 256-4289 or Maria at (608) 244-9458.

GALVAnize Fundraiser

GALVAnize is holding its 2nd quintennial Tupperware fundraiser. Orders will be taken until Friday, July 1. For more information, and to place an order, call Bill at (608) 873-5066, Maria at (608) 244-9458, or Ben at (608) 256-4289.



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Milwaukee HE'LL UNDERSTAND: 38 yr. old wants to meet other guys 38 and under. I have a relationship but want to meet friends. \$\infty\$3036

Milwaukee GRAB IT: GBM, 25, interested in having a discreet relationship with someone interesting and fun. #30588

Milwaukee FEED ME: Student into being fed cheese cake looking for someone honest and sweet natured to spend some quality time with. #30646

Madison **LEATHER CUB:** 6', seeking leather daddy. You are someone I can trust, respect and learn from. Hairy a plus. #30763

Eau Claire **DON'T LET ME BE:** 5'9", GWM seeks someone 21-40 yrs. old with any kind of hair color. I'm kind of lonely. \$\pi\$30862



WI JUST GOTTA DO IT: 20 yr. old, bi male, mature for my age, looking for TV's, TS's, CD's to explore my bi-ness. #30873

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

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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. \$\pi 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

call me. #29431

Madison FEEL SAFE WITH ME: Seeking a 1935 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

Mllwaukee 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

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, bm/blu. Seeking a guy around my age (26). Please enjoy hiking, biking and a good workout.

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

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

Milwaukee FEMME FATALE: Fem GWM, 36 yrs

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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

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 oge 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

(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.
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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. \$\textit{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 Areo 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. \$\pi\$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

Wassau **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 nonsmoker. #20777

Milwaukee ALL POINTS BULLETIN: Seeking hnky 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. \$\pi\$1508

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-AGEIII: 5'8", 165 builder. Interested in mass guys. I am a strict to with a beard.

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. \$\pi\$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

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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

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dance and am not into the bar scene. #19069
Milwaukee YNG AND SATISFYING: Seeking good-looking guys under 22.1 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

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

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Eau Claire **GREAT OUTDOORS:** Seeking 30-35 year old guy. I like snowmobiles and fourwheeling. I am a good looking btm. \$\pi\$16762

414 Area Code **SHOPPING SPREE**: 21 year old vers 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 firme 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. 212141

Milwaukee WORLDLY: 40 YO gentleman is very athletic and stacked. 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 blde and blue and a student at U MAD. Into Mel Brooks and Monty. Python. #13239

WI DADDY DEAREST: 43 yr old lithr 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

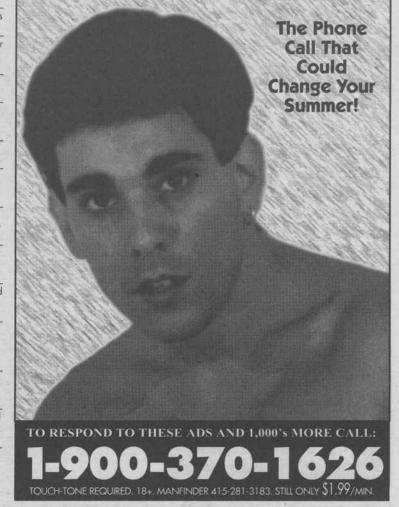
WI LET'S START A FRIENDSHIP: Hispanic male is 29, new to the area. I will return all calls. #14034
Green Bay I AM NEW: 39 year old 38-28-34. I would like to try ANYTHING. #13147

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

Milwaukee **PLEASED TO MEET YOU:** 61°, 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

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GM, 21, blond hair, blue eyes, like bars, ISO a male companion. (Call Thru) Box# 4266

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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

BiWM, 42, 5'7, 160, very oral, bearded, mustache, very discreet, ISO same. (Call Thru) Box# 1875

African-American GM, 31, 6'2, 180, beautiful voice/eyes, top, high sex drive, like bowling, fishing, horseback riding, ISO honest, mature, independent, HIV -, African-American bottom. (Call Thru) Box# 5943

GBM, Maurice, 30, 5'9, 140, ISO another masculine GBM, 25-35. Box# 9118

Michael, 5'7, GBM, top, looking for a goodtime, let's talk. Box# 6117

GM, Erin, 24, quiet, sincere, like music, astrology, ISO a monogamous, fun male,21-35. (Call Thru) Box# 2526 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 fullist. (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#

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

GM, Dave, 6', dark hair, 32 inch waist, clean shaven, ISO partner for fun and good times. Box# 8397

Dave, 6', dark hair, 32 inch waist, clean shaven, ISO sincere partner for fun and pos, rel. (Call Thru)

Randy, 30, brn. hair, blue eyes, 5'9", 140, 28-inch waist, ISO guy my age or younger. Box# 1474

Jason, 21, photographer, 5'9", 135, blonde hair, green eyes, ISO muscular, dominate, macho guys around my age. (Call Thru) Box# 8130

Two long-haired young dudes ISO other long-haired young dudes. We're into alternative/rock music, the outdoors, and camping. Box# 3224

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

Jim, hot, bottom, 32, 5'9", 150, short beard, dark hair, good-looking, trim, hairy, open-minded. Willing to get into anything that makes you feel good. Box# 2957

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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

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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

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BiM, 26, 5'10, 190, athletic, bodybuilder, ISO other bodybuilders, any race, discreetion 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 stero-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

Terry, 35, WM, brn hair/eyes, thin build, ISO M 18-35, any race for good times, movies, concerts, clubs, fems okay. (Call Thru) Box# 7583

DJ, 37, bi-WM, very oral, ISO afternoon or evening encounters. Box# 8718 GWM, 22, 6'5, 180, sandy blonde, mustache, thin beard, hairy chest, ISO guys 22-35, friends, poss. rel. (Call Thru) Box# 9782

Daddy Tony, top, GWM, ISO GWM bottoms who can service. I aim to please. (Call Thru) Box# 2967

Bill, 32, 5'5, 150, ISO slim, smooth, GWM's for good times. (Call Thru) Box# 1713

John, young, very handsome, runway model, likes art, music, dancing, skiing, ISO special man to show me good times. Box# 1719

GM, John, 21, long blk hr, love dining, dancing and movies, call. Box# 2110

Craig, 5'9, 150, smooth, in shape, well trained bottom, ISO aggressive in shape top men for hot action. (Call Thru) Box# 3503

M, 24, looking for a good time. (Call Thru) Box# 2104 Peter, looking for a friend for hot times, someone who is fit, likes to workout, bottom, hairy, loves to be licked. ISO dominant big brother daddy type, black or white, to take charge. (Call Thru) Box# 8556

Steve, 6'2, 220, GBM, likes sports, long walks, quiet times, getting wild sometimes, ISO DWM with similar interests, sense of humor, financially and emotionally stable, for rel. (Call Thru) Box# 2644

Retired man, ISO GM who likes to cuddle. (Call Thru)

nely cute, like to have fun, ISO a normal guy. Box# 8604

Doug, GWM, smoker, a true metal head, Libra, 30, have tatoos, long hair, tone body, smooth, 145, 6'2, touchie-feelie type, wild sense of humor, ISO other guys 25-35, dark haired, hairy body, no sissies, sensuality is top priority. **Box# 8205**

James, attr., 8 inch cut, agressive, mustache, all American, blonde and blue, early 30's, 5'8, 150, 40-inch chest, 30-inch waist, ISO no-nonsense men, singles, couples or groups, who are intense and want safe and sane liaisons. (Call Thru) Box# 9451

Peter, athletic, 6'1, 165, brn. hr., glasses, fit, five-day growth, ISO friends to hang out, go to movies, play tennis, dining, laughing, and walks. (Call Thru) Box# 3811 Carribean GBM, 20, ISO GM 18-24 for friendship, poss.

Bob, 47, WM, ISO BM, well-endowed for fun. Box#

Saral, 34, 5'10, somewhat stocky build, beard, mustache, like classical theater, cooking, travel, walks, ISO GM for friendship and love. (Call Thru) Box# 5751

Thomas, 5'8, 150, ISO BM, to enjoy music, late nights. (Call Thru) Box# 5575

Billy, good-looking, WM, 30, 6'2, 195, good shape, ISO GM for friendship, possibly more. (Call Thru) Box# 2539

Bi-WM, 30, ISO straight-acting bi-WM or straight WM, no gays, fats or fems. Box# 4265

SWM, really hot, ISO slim, straight, bi or GM, 19-26, for fun and more. Box# 2533

Pete, bi-WM, 40's, 5'11, 210, smooth, chubby bottom, ISO mature male, 50+, for long-term relationship. **Box#**

Terry, ISO a guy for fun, getting to know each other and exploring. Box# 8634

Todd, 30, honest, sincere and open, ISO a straight-acting

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guy who is masculine, honest, sincere, open also, likes to party, enjoys movies, heavy metal to dance music, for dating, poss. serious rel., no game players or sex-only callers. Box# 7205

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 Charles, ISO good stable relationship and friendship, any race, age, and color. What's on the inside is important to me. (Call Thru) Box# 3443

Women seeking Women

Female college student, 24, ISO a sincere, warm, kind, gentle female friend. (Call Thru) Box# 6822

Mia, ISO nice, young, wonderful lady, any race, for friends, poss. rel. Box# 7727

Jacki, bi-F, ISO another bi-F for fun, friendship and relationship. Please call. (Call Thru) Box# 6438 Professional GWF, attractive, NS, social drinker, 29, athletic, sense of humor, active, likes reading, all sports, having friends, ISO F with similar qualities. (Call Thru) Box# 2559

Robin, 37, GBF, ISO woman of color, for music, movies, spontaneous things. Box# 6530 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)

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

Mika, down from NY, 21, dike, ISO cut gals to show me around town and the ropes. (Call Thru) Box# 1240

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 Cheryl, 24, bi-F, enjoy movies, music, dancing, talking, ISO other F's with same interests. (Call Thru) Box#

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

Kim, 25, professional GBF, ISO another professional GBF 25-40 no drugs or butches. Box# 3594

Couple, Kenny is 22, Karen is 21, ISO an attr. bi-F, 20-30, for fun and good times. (Call Thru) Box# 5214

Couples

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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New to area. 27 yrs old, very clean and very good looking. Call and I'll tell you more. Box# 8953

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Muscular body-builder, very well-built (chest: 54, waist: 34) late 40s but look and feel younger. Interested in meeting someone between 25-40 who admires a nice body. I love massages, and cuddling and kissing. Box#

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give me a call. Box# 4502

1-900-454-1492, ext 14 24 hrs/day, 7 days/week, 18 yrs. Touch-tone required \$1.95/min other guys who like to have fun. If this sounds like you,

5'5", 160 lbs, ISO a TV, TS, or very fem male. Please call. 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, motivater, coach. Romance & eroticism optional. Box# 2864

38 yr old GWM, 5'10", 185 lbs, stocky build, blond w/

short beard & moustache, seeks masculine type guy, 25-45. If you're serious and want to have a good time, enjoy each other's company,...then, please give me a call. Box# 3678

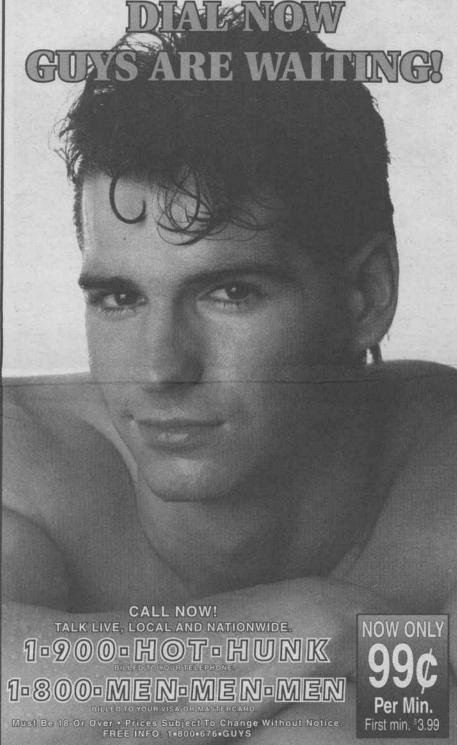
Athletic, masculine Black male, 5'8", seeks guys with similar builds. You? Let's talk. Box# 9728

Looking for a SWM, bi or straight. I like to have a lot of intense fun. Leave a message, and I'll get back to you as soon as I can. Box# 2887

36 yrs old, 5'5", 135 lbs, hairy chested, and clean shaven. I like a good time, and I particularly like lots of body

29 yr old black male, athletic, masculine, and looking for







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kee receives \$470,000 or \$963 per recent AIDS case.

"Its an outrageous disparity that is driven by funding formulas that might have been appropriate five years ago when the CARE Act was written, but are terribly out-dated in light of the fact that AIDS today is truly a national epidemic," Nelson emphasized.

Nelson said that states that also obtain funding for high incidence cities, receive \$3,756 per recent AIDS case while states like Wisconsin which do not include high incidence cities, receive only \$1,163 per recent AIDS case.

"It's an inequity that just doesn't make sense. If the purpose of the CARE Act is to strengthen the nation's response to AIDS," Nelson stressed.

"I am learning that the principle of equity can be a hard sell when there are cities and states that clearly benefit from inequity and are powerfully poised to protect their interests," Nelson explained. "I truly respect their strong advocacy for the AIDS community of their areas, but unless the funding formulas are changed during reauthorization of the CARE Act, the AIDS community in a huge part of this country will be harmed. I am striving to find a way to achieve a win-win situation for the entire national AIDS community."

San Francisco- \$5,441 per case Milwaukee- \$ 963 per case

The Campaign For Fairness

ARCW continues to build a national organization called The Campaign For Fairness in Ryan White CARE Act Funding. Through an intensive recruitment effort led by ACRW Public Policy Co-ordinator Mike Gifford, more than 120 AIDS service agencies from at least 40 states have signed on to the campaign and have committed to an aggressive lobby effort in Congress.

Nelson praised the active support of Wisconsin's AIDS service organizations (ASO) which were the first to support the campaign. He said that all 9 of Wisconsin's ASOs agreed to form a public policy network called the Wisconsin AIDS Response Network which has been very effective in communicating AIDS issues to the state's Congressional delegation.

"I'm thrilled with the unity that we have achieved on public policy issues because together we have a much louder and powerful voice."

"I am especially proud of the strong support from the Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) and the Center Project in Green Bay which have taken an active lobbying role with us in Washington," Nelson said. "Our presence on Capitol Hill is the major reason why we are gathering political support for this campaign."

Nelson praised the political work of MASN Executive Director Mary Alice Mowry and Center Project Executive Director Jean Bushke. He also praised Mark Carson, a person with AIDS from Stevens Point, who joined the Wisconsin ASOs in Washington, D.C. to lobby for the CARE Act and health care reform.

Feingold to Take Leadership Role

Nelson reported that Senator Russ Feingold (D-WI) has agreed to take a leadership role in the U.S. Senate to secure equitable AIDS funding through the CARE Act.

Feingold will be circulating a letter of support among his Senate colleagues that will urge the Senate committee on Labor and Human Resources to support the principle of equitable AIDS funding.

Nelson said that it is likely that Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-MN) and Sen. James Jeffords (R-VT) will join with Feingold in originating the Senate letter.

"The Senate Committee in charge of CARE Act reauthorization has a majority of members from states like Wisconsin which are harmed by the funding inequities," Nelson said. "We are aggressively carrying our case to this committee and our supporters from The Campaign for Fairness from 40 states are also weighing in."

Nelson urged supporters to write directly to Sen Edward Kennedy (D-MA) who chairs the committee to urge his support for equitable AIDS funding. (SD-428 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-6300)

"In the House, our issue has been well received and there is a responsiveness to address the inequities," Nelson said. "Staff for the House Committee in charge of reauthorization have indicated a desire to extend the CARE Act for one year while the difficult work of changing the formulas to achieve more equitable funding is accomplished."

Nelson said that the concept of a one year extension is contrary to the political strategy currently being employed by the coalition of high incidence cities which is demanding "fast track" reauthorization of the CARE Act. A quick reauthorization may not allow sufficient time to change the formulas and correct the failures of the act and thereby continue the inequitable distribution of funds.

"My goal is to get the critical parties within the AIDS community together to negotiate a unity position that will make the needed improvements in the CARE Act and present a united AIDS community on Capitol Hill," Nelson explained.

"If I can't get them to negotiate then we have no alternative but to aggressively pursue our issues on the Hill. It is a fundamental issue of fairness and if we succeed the national response to AIDS will be strengthened."

GAMES

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blades at the Montreal skating rink where Martin works as a special-events adviser. The next day, Jean-Pierre was called into his employer's office.

"He had been told that we were kissing on the ice, which was not the case," Martin said. "We're very good friends, but we're not lovers."

After his boss threatened to expel the pair from the rink over any future displays of same-sex affection, Martin called in reporters. He and Hird became a cause celebre, and when they went to another rink to practice, they brought television crews to ensure a warm reception. There was no further trouble.

If figure skating is about grace and artistry, professional football is a more roughand-tumble affair.

David Kopay, a former player for the Green Bay Packers, flourished in the National Football League for 10 years, playing with the 49ers, Lions, Redskins, Raiders as well as the Packers.

Then in the mid-1970's he came out as a Gay man and wrote a book about it, becoming the first openly Gay former NFL player. He is still the only one.

Kopay, 51, is at the Gay Games for the first time this year, though not as an athlete: too many football injuries. He will take the ceremonial oath on behalf of the athletes and officials.

"It'll be a very emotional moment for me to represent all those wonderful people," the former Packers player said.

Bruce Hayes and Diane Gabe are swimmers. He's a 31 year-old Olympic gold medalist; she's a 51 year-old mother who has never raced before. But each is in Gay Games IV.

At most international competitions, Hayes said, "There is a real locker room mentality...where Gay bashing is routine. I can't think of anyone who has been openly Gay when they were an Olympian. I certainly never told anyone--I was too scared of my teammates' reaction."

Gabe, a Los Angeles pediatrician, is half of a mother-daughter team. Her 26 year-old daughter, Nancy Forney, is coming with other members of her Seattle Gay swim team, the

"This is just a real kick," said Gabe, who will swim with other members of her 50-54 age group. "I never expected to do anything like this."

There's a women's volleyball team from Long Beach, California, that has six college All-Americans. In squash, the nation's secondranked player is expected to meet No. 5. And Canadian Olympic team alternate Matthew Hall will compete in figure skating.

Olympic skaters Tai Babilonia and Randy Gardner are competing, as is Olympic gold medal diver Greg Louganis. There's also a 13 year-old Gay Belgian whose parents have encouraged him to compete in swimming.

Louganis is a story unto himself. At the 1988 Summer Olympics he hit his head on the diving board and went on to win two gold medals.

On Monday, June 20, Louganis, 34,. was back on the springboard to dive before a wildly cheering crowd. When he was introduced by Mike Wantuck, himself a 1988 Olympic alternate, as "the living legend of this sport," he was given a standing ovation.

Louganis executed a back dive pike, a reverse dive pike, a back 1 1/2 somersault with 2 reverse 2 1/2 somersaults in the pike position. When Wantuck said of the third effort, "Greg will be in a number of positions in this dive," Louganis put his hands on his hips and glared in mock anger. The crowd went wild.

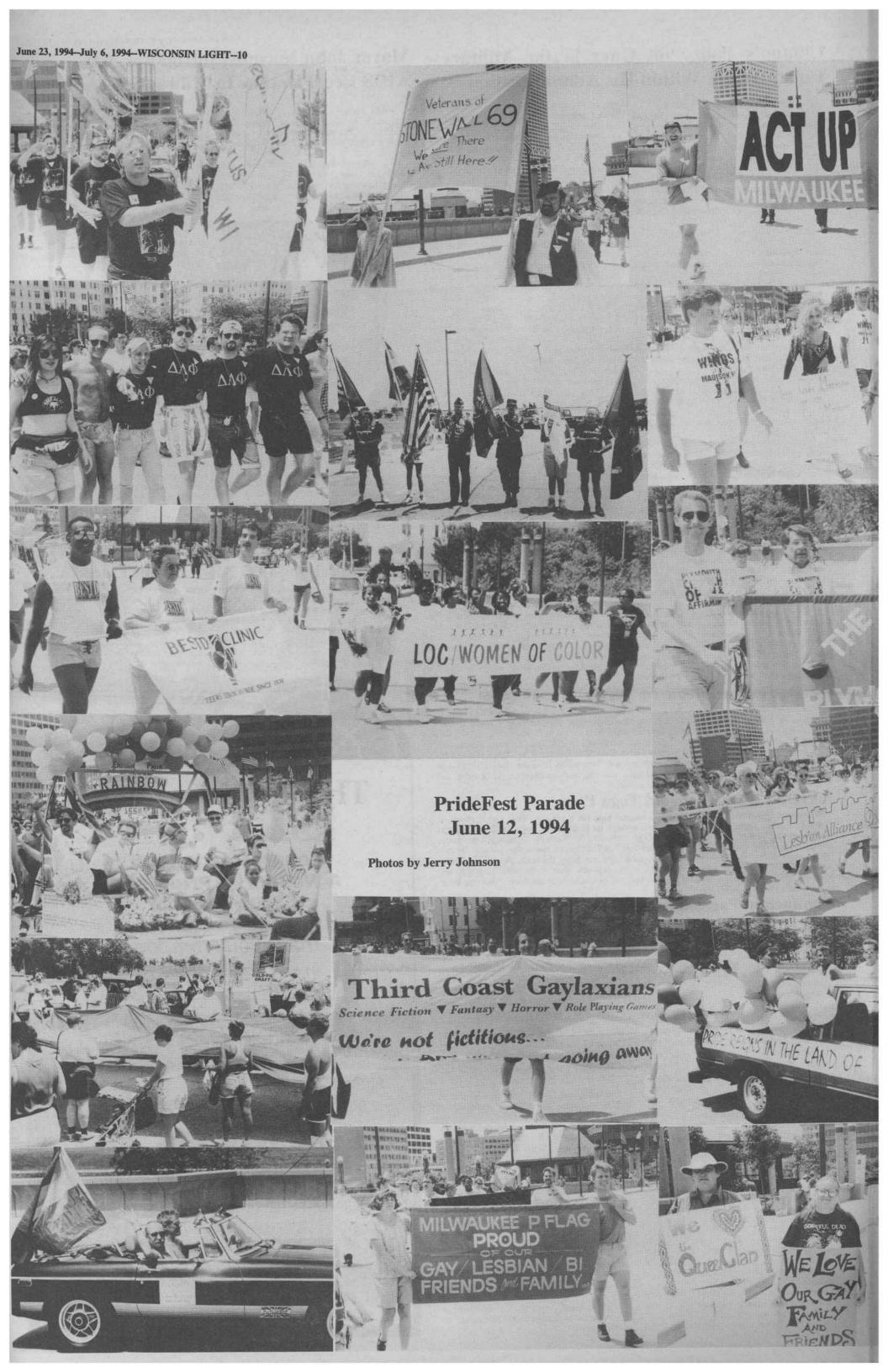
In recent years, Louganis, who also won two gold medals in the 1984 Olympics, has been pursuing an acting career. He appeared for several months in the off-Broadway play Jeffrey and played in Cats. He is also working on his autobiography, "Breaking the Surface," due out this Winter.

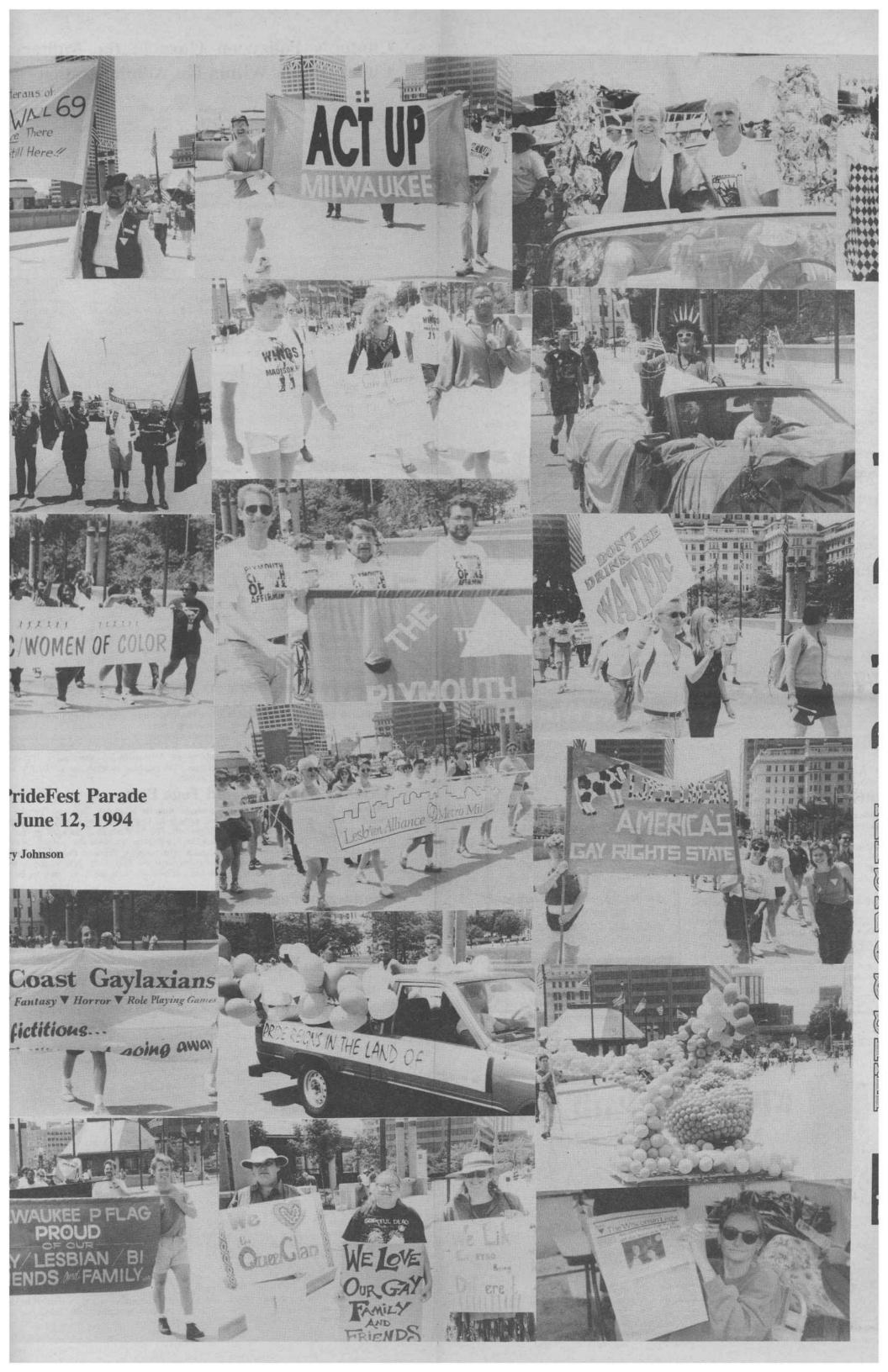
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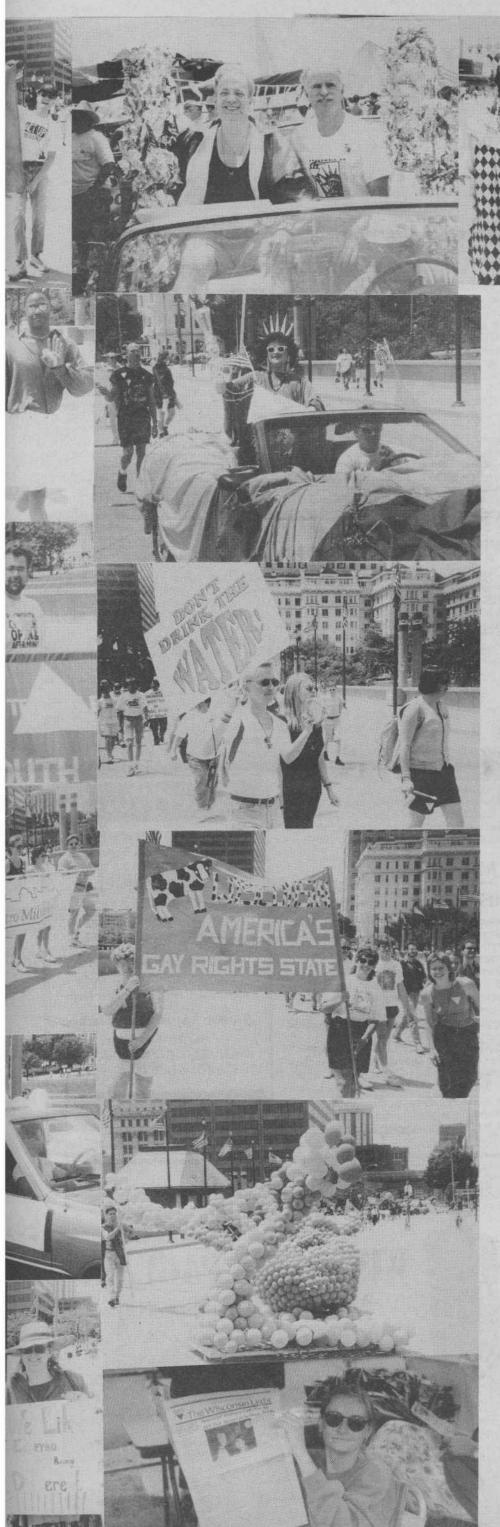
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