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# The Wisconsin Light

## Alleged Serial Killer of 3 Gay Men May be in Milwaukee

Chicago Native Wanted in Connection with killings in 3 States

### AIDS Conference Reports

Among the more significant reports presented to the International AIDS Conference are the following:

- Dr. Dani Bolognesi of Duke University predicted that an AIDS vaccine will not be available for widespread testing for at least one to three years.
- Dr. Anthony Fauci, head of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said new evidence suggests that an overactive immune system may hasten the damage caused by HIV. Immune-suppressing drugs that weaken this revved-up response may play a role in treating AIDS.
- AZT and other approved drugs for AIDS fail to significantly prolong life because the virus evolves quickly to elude them. Dr. Stefano Vella of the Laboratory of Virology in Rome said preliminary data suggest that a new class of medicines called "protease inhibitors" slow the development of viral resistance when combined with AZT and similar drugs.
- A variation of HIV called "Subtype O" is seen only in parts of West Central Africa. Because it is so genetically different, officials in the U. S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said some, but not all, of the tests used to screen for HIV in the U.S. fail to detect it.



Gary Ray Bowles, March, 1994, left, 1985, right

### Gary Ray Bowles, Sought by FBI

(Milwaukee)- As we go to press, the best available information indicates that Gary Ray Bowles, 32, has arrived in Milwaukee. Bowles, a Chicago native, is being sought by police and the FBI in connection with outstanding warrants concerning a series of murders of Gay men in three states.

According to the Associated Press, Bowles, a transient, frequents Gay bars where he befriends patrons and often obtains lodging from them in return for sex and/or household repairs. The FBI says that he will then kill his victims, steal what he can and take their cars.

As reported in the last issue of the paper, Bowles was in Illinois, in the Springfield area. There was a possibility then that he was coming north.

On August 15, sources told *Light* that Bowles had been spotted in Kenosha.

On August 16, those same sources said that Bowles was in Milwaukee. Reportedly, he sought lodging on the evening of August 16 in a local homeless shelter using his own name.

The following day, August 17, he was reported as being sighted at 12th and Wisconsin Avenue.

The Milwaukee FBI office would not confirm this information. However, *Light* was told that the hunt was on for him in Milwaukee.

Bowles is a white male, 5'9"-5'11" in height and weighs 145-165 pounds. He has brown hair and hazel eyes. He gives his occupation as "Laborer."

Bowles has a recessed chin and a pronounced Adam's apple. He has a tattoo on his upper right arm, a tattoo of a heart and ribbon on the left arm, and a cross on his left wrist.

He has a scar on his right finger and a cancerous scab on his right wrist.

Bowles is wanted on a series of warrants by the FBI.

He is wanted for unlawful flight to avoid prosecution in a federal warrant dated June 13, 1994.

He is wanted by Savannah, Georgia police on a warrant for homicide dated June 10, 1994.

He is wanted by Montgomery County, Maryland police on a warrant for first degree murder dated June 22, 1994.

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### ARCW's National Campaign Gets a Victory for Increased AIDS Funding in Wisconsin

(Milwaukee)- In a breaking news story, *Light* has learned that the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc. (ARCW) has achieved a major victory in its controversial campaign for equitable national AIDS funding.

In contentious negotiations that concluded on Wednesday, August 17, an agreement has been reached by AIDS advocates from throughout the country that will mean a 60% increase in national AIDS funding for Wisconsin.

The negotiations which have been intense for at least three months, were forced by the ARCW-led national Campaign for Fairness in Ryan White CARE Act funding. ARCW Executive Director Doug Nelson has been the country's loudest voice against major inequities in the CARE Act, citing funding disparities greater than \$5,000 per AIDS case.

Nelson, who is the only member of the National AIDS Action Council Board from the Midwest, emerged in national AIDS politics as a leader of a growing national movement for equity in AIDS funding. Through an intensive effort, ARCW organized more than 100 AIDS service agencies from 47 states to support the national campaign.

In pressing the equity issue on Capitol Hill in Washington, Nelson and the ARCW-led Campaign for Fairness secured significant political support which made the recent negotiations among AIDS leaders happen.

"I believe we have a victory," Nelson said. "It's a victory for people living with AIDS and HIV who are entitled to quality care and support services regardless of where they live in the country."

"It's a victory that will mean an additional \$600,000 in CARE Act funding for Wisconsin which is a 60% increase over our current funding of \$1,000,000," Nelson said.

"The bottom line is that increased funding means increased services and our success means more and better services in Wisconsin and throughout the country," Nelson said.

Nelson praised the leadership of Sen. Russ Feingold (D-WI) and the quick support of Sen. Herb Kohl (D-WI) and Sen. David Deurenberger (R-MN) for acquiring U.S. Senate support for the equity campaign.

"Senator Feingold and his staff provided critical leadership at a crucial time and shared our conviction that Wisconsin and many other states deserved its fair share of national AIDS funding," Nelson said.

Nelson characterized the negotiations as "extremely difficult" yet "fundamentally pro-

ductive."

The final agreement creates a supplemental grant system for 32 states like Wisconsin which do not receive emergency Title I funding from the CARE Act.

A minimum \$250,000 allotment will be given to all states regardless of AIDS case load. In addition to current formula funding, a supplemental grant of \$250,000 will be given to states with case loads up to 1,500 individuals. For those states like Wisconsin with AIDS case loads above 1,500, a \$500,000 supplemental grant will be provided in addition to current formula funding.

Nelson explained that this \$500,000 supplemental grant combines with other formula improvements to assure at least \$600,000 of new funding for Wisconsin.

"Our driving principle was to help the states which are now beginning to experience a worsening AIDS epidemic and have historically been grossly underfunded by the old

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### Jesse Helms Mounts Anti-Gay Attack in the Senate; Senator Herb Kohl Gives Support

(Washington, D.C.)- According to the Congressional Action Report published by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF), Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) has unleashed a Gay-bashing broadside on Capitol Hill. Other sources indicate that this attack is being promoted by the Christian Coalition and other groups of the Religious Right.

On July 19, Helms proposed an anti-Gay amendment to Agriculture appropriations that would prevent the funding of a position or the carrying out of seminars that "encourage its (Department of Agriculture) employees to recruit on the basis of homosexual orientation or to accept homosexuality as a legitimate lifestyle."

Because the Agriculture Department has no such recruitment policy, the actual impact, according to NGLTF, would be to prevent federally funded educational seminars on workplace tolerance.

The amendment was adopted on a 92-8 vote. Sen. Herb Kohl voted with Helms and the majority. Sen. Russ Feingold was one of 8 senators voting against Helms.

On July 25, Helms proposed an amendment to interior appropriations to further censor art financed by the National Endowment

for the Arts (NEA).

The Helms amendment would prohibit NEA funding for "any activity or work that involves bodily procedures on human beings dead or alive, or the drawing or letting of blood."

The amendment was tabled on a 49-42 vote. Sen. Kohl voted against tabling the amendment. Sen. Feingold voted for the motion to table.

On August 1, as reported in the last issue of *Light*, Helms proposed an amendment to the Elementary and Secondary Education Reauthorization Act (ESEA) that would forbid funding to schools teaching tolerance for Lesbians or Gay men or which provide Gay-sensitive counseling.

As reported, Sen. Kohl voted for the Helms amendment. Sen. Feingold voted against the amendment.

NGLTF says that it expects the Helms attacks to continue through further anti-Gay amendments to pending legislation. The purpose of all this, according to NGLTF, is to divert LesBiGay energies and funds from the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) and health care reform.

Sen. Kohl has not returned calls.

### From the War on AIDS: No Treatment Cure, or Vaccine

(Yokohama, Japan)- The gist of 3,500 reports from the war on AIDS is simple enough: There is no cure for AIDS, no effective treatment, no vaccine.

Nor will there be anytime soon.

"Anyone with HIV won't find much solace at this meeting," said Dr. Mervyn Silverman, president of the American Foundation for AIDS Research.

The tone of the 10th International Conference on AIDS, which concluded Thursday, August 11, was restrained from the start. Organizers warned the 12,000 participants not to expect anything big. They were right.

After four days of nonstop discussion, the goal of controlling HIV seems as distant as ever.

"Breakthrough findings don't time themselves to coincide with international meetings," said Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

But in the field of AIDS, breakthroughs are rare in the months between international meetings too. The only one that surfaced since last year's big meeting in Berlin was the discovery that AIDS-infected women can avoid passing the virus to their babies during birth if they take the drug AZT.

Even this is a limited victory. Because the medicine is so expensive, it will not help those living in poor countries, where the disease is most common. And it may be worthless to even those who can afford it if AZT-resistant strains of the virus grow dominant.

If any theme emerged from the conference, it was the need to go back to basics. Rather than a scatter-shot scramble for new drugs, many scientists seemed to agree that

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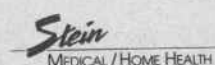
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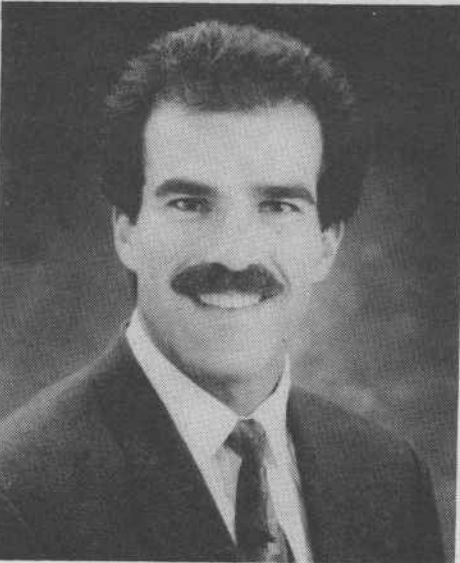


## Democratic Congressional Candidate Tom Hecht, a Man With a Vision

On a bright Saturday afternoon in August, Tom Hecht, 32, walks down the street with a runner's pace. Why not? Hecht, an assistant state secretary of State (now on leave), is making his first run for Congress, seeking to oust two-term Republican Scott Klug in the 2nd Congressional District that includes Madison.

Sitting at an outdoor table at the Cafe Europa, Hecht exudes energy, a scarcely restrained determination that this is his year.

He has lived in Wisconsin most of his life, "about as native as you come" to Madison, having spent his undergraduate years at UW-M, where he majored in political science. In addition, he has a Masters from the London School of Economics and has taught English in Mexico City. After that, he spent two and a half years in Washington where he worked for former Wisconsin Senator Bill Proxmire and a short time for Congressman Jim Moody.



Tom Hecht

**Wisconsin Light: Tell me, why are you running?**

**Tom Hecht:** I grew up with Bob Kastenaier doing a pretty effective job being my Congressman. I understand the progressive history and values of this district which my opponent does not represent. And that's why I'm running because I want to bring that (progressive values) back and I want to do a better job of representing the people of this community and he's not representing them. It's just that simple.

If he was doing the job we elected him to do, I wouldn't run against him. But he's not.

A whole variety of people, the LesBiGay community, dairy farmers, small business people, teachers, working class people who are just trying to make ends meet, are not getting represented by Scott Klug.

**WL: What do you see as the crucial issues that confront this district in this campaign?**

**TH:** One of the things I love about this district is that it is really in many ways, a magnifying glass for the whole country. It's an even balance between urban and suburban and rural. There's about a third of us who are liberal, a third who lean toward the Republicans and a large chunk in the middle.

The issues that face this district are the same issue that face the country. National health care at the top of the agenda covering everybody, crime prevention is very important. There's a growing fear of crime in this community.

In education. Obviously we have a very fine public school system and a university that's great and people are concerned about improving it as well as maintaining what we have.

**WL: In office, would you be one of the co-signers to the federal "Gay Civil Rights" bill?**

**TH:** Yes.

**WL: How do you stand on maintaining and increasing AIDS funding?**

**TH:** Absolutely we need to have more equitable funding. I am very much committed to it. I have done a lot of work over the years at MASN (Madison AIDS Support Network) here in town and I'm very concerned that we as a nation have not focused enough attention on the problem of AIDS.

To my mind, AIDS is a public health crisis. We shouldn't have to rely on groups like MAP (Milwaukee AIDS Project) to meet the critical needs of the community. AIDS is an issue that touches all of us. It's unfortunate that the private sector, the non-profit sector, has to fill so many of the holes. If ever there was a national responsibility, it would seem to me to be this one (AIDS).

We need a whole re-ordering of priorities in this country. We need to re-focus on education and infrastructure and address the root problems of crime in this country.

I would have no problem supporting legislation protecting equal rights for Lesbians and Gay men, but to my mind, it goes beyond that. I'm against discrimination against anyone. We need to protect the rights of everyone in this country.

I have personally been impacted by AIDS. I have had friends who have and are suffering

with HIV and so it is personal to me. That's one of the reasons I've been so active in MASN. We must treat AIDS like any other disease.

**WL: What is your stand on choice?**

**TH:** Absolutely, down the line, pro-choice. It should be a private decision between a patient and her doctor. The Supreme Court has spoken, that's that.

**WL: How's the campaign going?**

**TH:** It's going very well. No question, we've got an up hill battle. I'm the underdog, and I'm very happy about that. I'm following in Russ Feingold's footsteps. No one thought he could win in the beginning. We are very determined to surprise a lot of people.

What I see working in our favor is that a: this a very progressive district. That has not changed. It's still a Democratic-leaning district. Russ Feingold won 63% of the vote here. Bill Clinton was elected here by more than 50%. I know the people are out there. I've got a really good shot at this. One election day, people are going to have a clear choice.

**WL: You went running with President Clinton, didn't you?**

**TH:** Yes. We went running at 7:00 in the morning. I was very, very proud to go running with the President. I'm the only Democratic challenger who's been running with him. In many ways, it's a big confirmation of how far this campaign has come.

He was very encouraging about my chances. Nationally, Democrats might lose a few seats, but the bright spots are here in the Midwest. The Democratic Party is really focusing a lot of energy here.

The man himself, I am tremendously proud of. I've disagreed with him on a number of things: the ban against Gays in the military, NAFTA, yet at the same time, he's compassionate, he's personable, he's intelligent.

Think about what else we could have. We had a very clear choice in '92 and I'm glad people made the right choice. We have a lot to be proud of in this President. He's a real human being. It's been so long since we've had that in a president. He's a President for our times.

## LETTERS

### Right Wing Smears

**TO THE EDITOR:**

Here is an example of how conservative Christians take things out of context and smear dirt on people.

In the August 3rd edition of the Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph a letter appeared entitled "Man Boy Love Condemned." It was published in response to a Focus on the Family slur. The letter was written by Raymond Chalker, publisher and editor in chief of the San Francisco Sentinel, a Gay paper.

The letter reads, "In a recent letter about Gays and child abuse, ("All Child Abuse Opposed", July 26), Focus on the Family Vice President Tom Minnery says that 'In 1992, the Gay San Francisco Sentinel stated the matter boldly. 'The love between men and boys is at the foundation of homosexuality.'"

"Minnery's statement cleverly implies that this is the editorial position of the San Francisco Sentinel. It is not and never has been.

"The Gay community has, in recent years, struggled over how to deal with NAMBLA, the North American Man-Boy Love Association, and its insistent and very aggressive claim to be part of the Gay civil rights movement. In an attempt to foster debate and discussion, the Sentinel has printed dozens of opinion articles about NAMBLA, including opinion articles that defend the organization.

"Minnery took a single sentence from one of those opinion articles and characterized it as the editorial position of my newspaper. He then used this distortion to imply that a significant part of the Gay and Lesbian community is supportive of child

abuse.

"As publisher of the Sentinel, let me make our editorial position crystal clear: the San Francisco Sentinel condemns and opposes NAMBLA, its goals, and its claim to be a Gay organization. We condemn and oppose any kind of abuse or exploitation of children.

"Finally, we ask Focus on the Family to stop smearing us and, by implication, the rest of the Gay and Lesbian community."

Al Geiersbach  
Milwaukee

### Applause for Evertz

**TO THE EDITOR:**

I appreciate your efforts to keep the community informed on issues and events of concern. The announcement of candidacy of Scott Evertz is very important. I could not be happier to see this Gay man step forward to provide leadership to and for the Gay community.

So naturally I was disappointed that the first response printed was an attack by another Gay person. Yes, it's the usual, but sad nevertheless in my view. Moreover, the words Bill Meunier used indicate he failed to speak with Evertz prior to writing. Again, disappointing.

If after speaking with Evertz, Bill Meunier felt he had a different view on our issues, then articulating those differences would contribute to the discussion. But a personal attack on Evertz doesn't seem to me to be helpful to advancing Gay causes and issues.

I continue to hope that the community will support the elections of Scott Evertz.

Robert Spieer  
Milwaukee

### Read Before You Write

**TO THE EDITOR:**

The following is a response to the Politically Speaking Commentary by Bill Meunier titled "Baloney, B.S., and Outright Bull" in the 8/4/94 Light.

In his first paragraph, he makes what is probably the only accurate statement in his over 600 word diatribe - that Wisconsin does in fact have a rarity in this Fall's elections. Not only is another candidate running for the State Assembly as openly Gay, this one is also running as openly Republican.

Those who have read Meunier's previous commentaries will understand his need to claim that he read the interview with Scott Evertz with an open mind. Perhaps it was so open that what was said left the other side before he shut the door again.

The most egregious example of his claimed open-minded reading was his completely reprehensible misquoting of Mr. Evertz so as to be able to attack his position.

Mr. Meunier quotes the candidate as saying that he has a problem with domestic partnership legislation because it doesn't allow heterosexual couple to participate. He then goes on, through questions, to accuse Mr. Evertz of thinking the voters foolish and of a lack of knowledge and understanding of rights issues.

Mr. Evertz clearly stated that it is the fact that domestic partnership does allow heterosexuals to participate that concerns him. They currently have the right to get married. It is the fact that this right is denied to Gay and Lesbian couples that makes domestic partnership necessary.

Mr. Meunier also derides Mr. Evertz' preference for same sex marriage legislation as an attempt to legislate morality. It is practically a better solution since it provides not the different right of domestic partnership, but the same right of marriage.

When Lesbian and Gay couples have the right to be legally married, many other issues will also be resolved (e.g. inheritance law, health care decisions, tax policy, etc.) which are not addressed by domestic partnership legislation.

Furthermore, many Gay and Lesbian couples have children and there is a very legitimate argument that it is in the best interests of the children to promote long-term stable family relationships.

Same sex marriage would also give ones partner some rights and responsibilities as regards the children. Same sex marriage is truly an EQUAL Rights position.

Mr. Meunier's derisive references to Republican legislators who would support marriage over domestic partnerships also fails to note his own ob-

vious opposition to marriage which would, in his words, "legislate morality."

It is important that there be voices for Gay and Lesbian Rights in both parties, and not just the voices of so-called friends, but Lesbian and Gay voices who can speak from experience of the discrimination faced by our community on a daily basis. That is the voice that Mr. Evertz will be in the State Assembly.

We cannot rely on the Democrats to assure our rights. If we could, we would be able to serve in our Country's military without fear of discharge and we wouldn't suffer employment and other discrimination. The Democrats don't have an ability to deliver because many of their own don't support us (e.g. Sam Nunn and Herb Kohl). Strong voices and coalition builders are needed in both parties if we are to obtain equal rights.

Finally, Mr. Meunier's claim to an open minded reading is as much "Baloney, B.S. and Outright Bull" as his article was titled.

In the week prior to publication of the article that Meunier reviewed, he argued both in print and to me personally that he could not support Mr. Evertz' candidacy because, in his opinion, that election could give control of the Assembly to the GOP. Hardly a good place to start for an open-minded opinion on this campaign.

Tim Russell  
Milwaukee

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## Milwaukee Fundraiser for Tammy Baldwin to be Held Sept. 11 at Cafe Melange

(Milwaukee)- A Milwaukee fundraiser for State Rep. Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) will be held Sunday, September 11, 1994, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Cafe Melange (in the Hotel Wisconsin) on Old World Third Street.

Over \$4,000 was raised at a similar Milwaukee event two years ago when Baldwin first campaigned and later won election as the first openly Lesbian or Gay Wisconsin state legislator in November, 1992.

Baldwin was named runner-up "Best Freshman Legislator" by the *Milwaukee Sentinel*. She continues to provide critical leadership to Wisconsin on Gay and Lesbian issues and HIV and AIDS-related issues.

The *Capitol Times* of Madison called Baldwin "the best known Lesbian in Wisconsin."

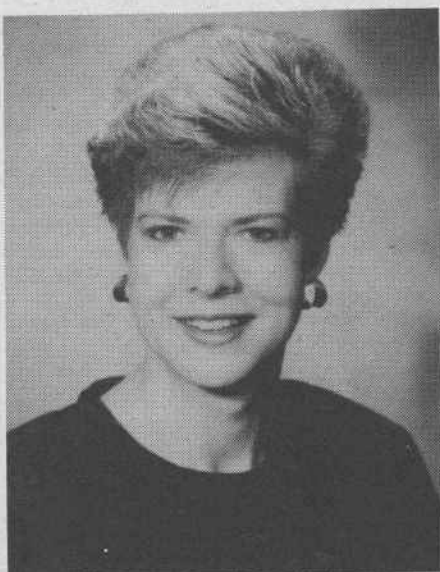
Back from the Stonewall commemoration of the Gay Games IV, Baldwin is planning to introduce domestic partner legislation and same gender marriage legislation, likely to be the first of its kind in the United States.

As a member of the Constitutional Law and Corrections Committee, Baldwin successfully has fought for changes in policies in prisons for persons with HIV and AIDS.

Baldwin has been a strong supporter of Action Wisconsin: A Congress for Human Rights, and has been the subject of attacks by conservative groups claiming Baldwin misused public funds. The Wisconsin Ethics Board cleared her of all charges and found that her actions were no different from any other legislator in providing information to constituents and taxpayers.

Larry Krueger of Cafe Melange will host the September 11 fundraiser with complimentary appetizers. While the fundraiser itself runs from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., dinner service is available starting at 5:00 p.m.

The Milwaukee duo of Bloomberg and Mahaffey will perform at Cafe Melange at 8:00 p.m. following the Baldwin fundraiser as part of their regular second Sunday of the



TAMMY BALDWIN

month performance of music and political satire.

Attendees at the Baldwin fundraiser are welcome to stay for the show. Bloomberg and Mahaffey are known for their irreverent comedy which is infused into their wide range of musical material from ballads to rock.

Approximately 50 individuals from Milwaukee are co-sponsors of the September 11 fundraiser. This includes many attorneys and other public officials as well as Gay and Lesbian citizens. The organizing committee, calling itself "Milwaukeeans for Tammy Baldwin," is hoping for a huge response to the event to demonstrate Milwaukee's commitment to supporting openly Lesbian and Gay political candidates.

For more information, call the committee at (414) 332-3007 or (414) 264-4354.

## Material for Histories of Milwaukee area Gay Bars and businesses being collected

(Milwaukee)- With the recent demise of the YP (Your Place), some people in the area have begun to reflect upon the past of Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian community.

There's certainly nothing wrong with the Gay/Lesbian "community" of today, and the future holds promise only of better days as we anticipate better acceptance of Lesbians and Gays as valued and legitimate members of the overall community.

However, many of us have an intense curiosity about our past; we feel the need to ensure that we better understand our roots, and pass that heritage on to future Gay and Lesbian people as they develop.

Quite a few people in the area feel that Milwaukee needs to develop a Gay and Lesbian archive of some type. We can probably not afford, as can some larger cities, to achieve large organized library-type archive.

However, these people think it is conceivable for the Gay and Lesbian people of Milwaukee to share the information each possesses with one or more people who are willing to collect and organize the information. This modest collection could sometime be used to develop one or more books.

As an initial step in this process, several people are beginning to collect and organize information on all businesses that have ever existed in the greater Milwaukee area that served Gay and/or Lesbian people in some organized fashion.

For each bar, restaurant, bookstore, bath house, retail establishment, etc., they ask that readers send in whatever information they have; specifically:

- the business's name
- street address
- type of establishment (bar, restaurant, etc)

- one or more adjectives describing clientele (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, drag, very young, middle aged, older, mixed, etc.; for a

bar, dance, piano, neighborhood, pool, etc;)

- was business exclusively, mostly, partially, or only incidentally Gay/Lesbian?

- Important dates: especially dates first opened and last closed, and any closings and reopenings with different names between (at least year and if available month)

- any other names under which the business operated;

- photos of the outside and inside of the business

- types of events, shows, etc. held

Anyone is asked to send submissions of information or materials to: c/o Don Schwamb; P.O. Box 769; Milwaukee, WI 53201. They also welcome contact with anyone who has already begun collecting information or materials, so we can cooperate and not duplicate efforts.

This group plans on writing future articles that describe submissions received, share some of the information collected, and also ask readers to help fill in gaps that become apparent.

Gatherings of people who remember and wish to recollect the "old days" will also be organized. They welcome the community's support and cooperation in this effort.

**Editor's note:** the person named above is known to the editor. I believe any materials submitted will be well cared for.

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## MAPfest to be Bigger and Better than Ever; Suede and The Flirtations to be Featured

(Milwaukee)- MAPfest '94, the Milwaukee AIDS Project's (MAP) tribute to the Lesbian/Gay community, is taking off like a rocket on the 4th of July.

Heading up a gleaming galaxy of fun and entertainment is Suede and The Flirtations. They will perform on Sunday, September 4 at 7:30 p.m. in Vogel Hall at the Performing Arts Center in Milwaukee following a day full of fun at the Ninth Annual MAPfest that will benefit those living with AIDS.

"The Flirtations and Suede are definitely a highlight of this year's Fest," said Louise Searing, director of special events at MAP. "Last year the crowd loved them and we've been encouraged to bring them back so people can bring their friends to this year's show."

Suede is an entertainer whose music and quick wit are unmatched. She stuns her audiences at one moment with her sensitive styling, and the next, she has them laughing out loud.

The Flirtations are, according to critics, the best a cappella group around, period. The world's first and only politically active, multicultural, all Gay a cappella vocal quartet. The Flirts are back by popular demand.

MAPfest features entertainment throughout the day including old favorites such as the dog show and the Marketplace, and new attractions such as a balloon release at 7:00 p.m. and a dance tent which will be rocking from 1:00 to 10:00 p.m.

As always, the best in female illusionist performances and musical showcases will be featured. Fest-goers won't want to miss out on any of what will be going on throughout the day on the Peck Pavilion Stage.

### Peck Pavilion Schedule

- 1:45-2:45--Rufus and the Gospel Singers
- 2:45-3:00--The Shoreline Dancers
- 3:00-4:00--Dog Show
- 4:00-4:30--Fest City Singers
- 4:30-4:45--Shoreline Dancers
- 5:00-5:55--Regional Contest 1
- 6:00-6:55--Regional Contest 2
- 7:00-7:55--Regional Contest 3
- 8:00-8:55--Baby Jane Hudson
- 9:00-10:00--"I'm the Queen, Goddamnit!"
- Revue--A tribute to Miss "M"
- 10:00--Closing ceremonies

Admission to MAPfest is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. Enjoy a \$1 discount on MAPfest admission with three non-perishable food items for the MAP Food Pantry.

For more information, to obtain a booth in the Marketplace, or to volunteer, call (414) 291-2848 or 1-800-359-9272.

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## Computer Information Superhighways are Easy to Use, Extremely Popular

By Bill Meunier

Much is being written about the so called "Information Super Highway." The explosion of new technology is bringing Americans much closer together as new ways of communication, receiving information and amusement mushroom around them.

Through computer and video technology, Gays and Lesbians are finding new ways to get to know each other, exchange information, meet each other and develop strategies to advance the cause of equality.

In fact its use of computer technology may be the one area where the Gay and Lesbian community is well ahead of the homophobic Religious Right. The Religious Right is so concerned about this that at a recent summit meeting in Colorado, participants were urged to monitor local Gay and Lesbian computer bulletin boards.

Everyday hundreds of thousands of Lesbians and Gays call local and national Computer Bulletin Boards. They shop, exchange messages, make dates, learn about upcoming community events, leave comments on current events and talk to each other without ever leaving their homes or even revealing who they are.

A computer bulletin board, commonly called a BBS, isn't a bulletin board in the literal sense. Its contained within the confines of a computer reached by using a modem.

Access to this technology is easier than many people might think.

All that is needed is a computer equipped with a modem, which is nothing more than a telephone for computers. Modems are used by one computer to call another computer. Modems are normally included with the purchase of a new computer. If not, prices start in the \$30 range. Modems are easy to install and use. Using a modem, a computer user can send and receive information, play games, send a fax and make copies of files on a BBS to use on their own computer.

Those calling a BBS are identified through "handles." A handle is a name the caller assigns to him/herself. This allows Gays and Lesbians to remain anonymous. In fact the ability of Gays and Lesbians to use their computers and reveal their names, address and phone numbers only to those who they feel comfortable with may be one of the biggest reasons BBS's are so popular.

Through what are called Network Message Bases, Lesbians and Gays are able to send and receive messages and information from others throughout the country and around the world for the cost of a local phone call.

Through a local BBS a user can have access to hundreds of these Network Message Bases. These message bases link BBS's from throughout the country (and sometimes from throughout the world) together. Each has its own topic. These range from specialized sexual interests such as "Bears" or "Cross Dressers" to informational topics like "Gay Politics," "Gay Sports" "Recipes" or "Women's Issues."

Computer users can read through messages left on these bases and leave comments that will be read by others when they call their local BBS. Comments can either be public (everyone can read them) or private (the only user who can read it is the one it sent too.) One Milwaukee user told *Light* that he uses his computer to exchange daily messages with a friend in San Francisco.

"Since its always a local call for both of us its cheaper than MCI, AT&T or any other long distance company. Plus you don't have to worry about when he is going to be home or getting a busy signal. We can read and respond to each other when its convenient."

Gays and Lesbians use BBS's for more than messages and getting news. They also use

them for recreation.

All of the Boards have files available for downloading. These files can contain pictures of nudes, texts of stories, or even games or computer programs. Callers can use their modems to "download" (make a copy of a file) for use on their own computer.

All of the boards have methods of verifying that only adult users have access to adult files, boards and message areas.

A few Gay and Lesbian BBS's have games that can be played either against the computer or against other callers. These games range from trivia and word games to sexual fantasy and battle games.

Many romances have blossomed over a computer keyboard.

Most Gay and Lesbian BBS's have local personal ad boards. These ads are similar (although sometimes more graphic) to what you might see in a singles magazine. Callers post the ads and those whose interest is sparked send a private message responding to them. Both the person who left the ad and the person who responded remain anonymous.

Most Gay BBS's also have match maker programs. Callers answer a questionnaire about their looks, age, interests etc. Other callers can read their questionnaire and if interested in meeting them they can leave a private message.

The more sophisticated Match Maker programs allow the user to search for certain characteristics, such as various age groupings, common interests or personality traits.

All of the BBS's also offer local message boards where users can "post" information about upcoming events, discuss local issues, and put up items for sale.

Most of them also have a feature known as "Chat." Chat is a feature that allows two or more users who are on line at the same time to talk to each other. This is done by typing messages back and forth.

While many Lesbian and Gay computer owners call big national Computer Bulletin Boards like Prodigy or America on Line, their numbers may be diminishing. With the advent of hundreds of network message bases, it is no longer necessary to call a national board to communicate with people around the country. Furthermore the local boards are cheaper.

### The Back Door

Wisconsin has several Gay and Lesbian owned and operated Computer Bulletin Boards. All but one, Madison's Party Line, are Milwaukee based.

The biggest and most diverse of the Gay and Lesbian Boards is Milwaukee's Back Door BBS. Operated out of a basement in Bay View, the Back Door has over 1,000 users, 17 phone lines, and tens of thousands of files.

Those who call it at 744-9336, can choose to play one of over 35 games, use three different matchmaker programs, and even call other Computer Boards.

The Back Door has over 230 Network Message Bases and a "Women's Only Area," where only women can log on and exchange messages. The Network Message Bases ranging from "Gay Trek" (for Gay and Lesbian Star Trek fans) "Gay History," "Gay Politics" and "Gay Sports" to "Leather and Levi," "Bi-Sexual" and TV/TS Boards.

As if all of the above weren't enough, the Back Door also has 24 CD rooms on line, and an electronic "Shopping Mall."

System operators Paul and Will have even offered to set up special message areas for any Gay or Lesbian group that wants one. One group, PrideFest, has two such boards. One PrideFest Board is for posting public announcements about PrideFest and its activities. The other Board is a private board with access limited to PrideFest officers and Pride Council members. The private board can be used to post minutes, meeting notices, and

they have a religious preference.

Gagne, an assistant professor at the University of Louisville who has extensively studied sexuality and social movement, said society has become more open and civil rights for Gays have become an issue. As a result, she said, churches have no choice except to take on the same issues, and she thinks many of them are opening their doors to change.

A majority of Catholics and mainline Protestants, but only 42% of Southern Baptists, said their churches should formally accept Lesbians and Gay men as members.

A majority of Catholics--71%--and mainline Protestants--54%--thought one could be Gay and not in conflict with the faith.

Gagne thinks attitudes are changing rapidly. "People are not as willing to have their sexuality controlled by the church like before."

The fact that church members also have Gay relatives makes it difficult for people to believe Gays are not Christian or Jewish or one of the other faiths, Gagne said.

Below is a listing of Gay/Lesbian operated Wisconsin Computer Bulletin Boards. All are Milwaukee based unless otherwise noted.

**BACK DOOR**— (414) 744-9336 — 30 minutes free access per day for non-subscribers, 230 network and 6 local message bases, Women's Only Area, 35 games, 3 match maker programs, 24 CD Roms, \$35.00 per year for 3 hours of daily access time, 24 CD Roms, 1,000 users.

**CROSS ROADS**— (414) 282-0494 — \$30 per year for full message board access. Free access limited to a 5 hour trial period, 16 network and 36 local message bases, match maker program, women's only area. No CD Roms or Games.

**DR. PERVERTIS**— (414) 873-1680— Free Access, 20 local message boards, primarily a dating and cruising BBS.

**GLINN**— (414) 289-0145 — Free access, No network message bases, a number of local message boards, USA Today and several news services are on line, CD Roms, 20 Games, adding network message bases soon.

**PARTY LINE (Madison)**— (608) 258-9555 — Madison based BBS. No other information is available because the System Operator did not respond to requests for an interview.

**STARCOM** — (414) 873-6969 — Free Access, one time \$10.00 Registration Charge, 43 Network and 4 local Message Bases, Match Maker Program, CD Roms on line, No Games, \$45.00 per year subscription fee for increased time and unlimited access to adult files.

messages.

"The possibilities are endless" says Paul. "Our sports leagues can have their own areas to post schedules and scores. Our organizations can have their own place to post info about their fund raisers and meetings. And like PrideFest they can have a place to post reports so people can view them in advance of a meeting."

Subscribers pay \$35.00 a year to the Back Door and receive three hours of on line time a day. Non-Subscribers get 30 minutes and can not post messages or download files.

The Back Door has emphasized network message bases over local message boards, but that is changing. New local boards for personal ads, want ads, general topics, and politics have recently been added.

### GLINN

The only other Gay operated Wisconsin BBS with games, and chat is GLINN (Gay Lesbian Information News Network). GLINN can be reached by calling 289-0145.

GLINN has over 1,000 users. It offers several special features. GLINN's users can read USA Today, Gay Community News or wire service reports from the International Television News Network. They can even see National Weather Service forecasts from around the country. These forecasts are updated every 6 hours.

GLINN is actually four Bulletin Boards in one. BBS One is for computer support and contains the news features. BBS Two is for the GLINN network. BBS Three is a Gay and Lesbian Adults only bulletin board, and BBS Four is for networks and custom forums.

Although it doesn't currently have any Network Message Boards, system operator Dan Schramm has recently purchased a satellite dish that will allow his system to choose from over 8,000 Network Message Bases.

"We plan to add 200 to 300 Message bases by the end of August. We also plan to add more phone lines at the same time," Schramm said.

Like the Back Door, GLINN offers free access to callers. Subscribers who pay \$25.00 a year receive more daily on line time and access to adult files.

### Cross Roads

The longest running Gay BBS in Wisconsin is Cross Roads. Cross Roads began in 1986. Since that time it has gone through a number of owners, but has retained a loyal cadre of users.

Cross Roads can be reached by calling (414)282-0494. As of August 1st Cross Roads has gone to a pay system that requires callers to pay \$30.00 per year for access. New users will be given 300 minutes of free access time and limited access to the various message boards so they can decide whether or not they wish to become a subscriber.

Cross Roads's main emphasis is on local message boards. It has 36 such boards some of which such as "Leather and Levi" and "The Women's Board" are specialized and not available to all users.

Cross Roads has 16 network message bases, but these are linked only to other systems around the country with Oracomm software.

Cross Roads Tech, Mark, points out that its software is very user friendly and was written by a Gay man. According to Mark, Cross Roads has about 100 subscribers.

### Dr. Pervertis

The Dr. Pervertis BBS in Milwaukee, is not like any of the others written about here. This BBS can be best be described as a "put the token in the slot and look through the glory

hole." BBS. Pervitis whose real name is Larry, offers 350 users, a variety of sexual fantasy and message boards. Those calling 873-1680 can link up with one of three phone lines.

Users can exchange messages on 19 message boards including AC/DC personals, S and M, Gay Fantasies, The Glory Hole, Places to Go or Hot Gay Personal Ad Boards.

Pervitis also has three CD Rooms with over 21,000 adult XXX files on line. When asked why he doesn't offer more in the line of politics or other informational message bases, Pervitis told *Light* "My BBS is kind of an electronic Gay singles bar. People use my system to meet others with similar interests. You wouldn't expect to see a political speaker in a Gay Bar on a Saturday night, and you won't see political messages on my system."

### Starcom

Starcom is a cross between Dr. Pervitis and the other local Gay BBS's. While not exactly an electronic singles bar, its emphasis is not on informational exchanges either.

System operator Rick, says while many of Starcom's users engage in "electronic cruising," he started his system because none of the other boards at that time had any network message bases.

Through forty-three network message bases, Starcom is linked to over 100 other systems in the U.S., Europe and Australia. These bases include: several sexually explicit boards as well as boards devoted to topics like Women's Issues, Sci Fi, Current Events, and AIDS. They are augmented by four local message bases.

Starcom has over 30,000 files available for downloading. Like the other Gay BBS' adult file access is limited to verified adult users. Starcom has 340 users. The system is free, but there is a one time \$10.00 registration processing fee. Subscriptions of \$45.00 a year gains unlimited access to thousands of adult pictures and text files.

As more Gays and Lesbians purchase computers (estimates are that one in four households now has a computer), the community can expect to see more Computer BBS' springing up. They can also expect to see existing boards continue to expand.

What shape that expansion will take is anyone's guess. One thing is clear, however, thousands of Gays and Lesbians are already using their computers and speeding down America's Information Super Highway.

Please note, the operators of Madison's Party Line BBS, failed to respond to a request for an interview, therefore it was not possible to provide adequate information about it for this article.

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## Nearly Half Polled in Recent Survey Say Gays Can Be Christians

(Louisville, KY)- A sociologist says the results of a new poll show a view of homosexuality that extends beyond religion and into society as a whole.

The Bluegrass State Poll found that while a majority of Kentuckians surveyed oppose Gay people holding religious leadership positions, nearly half say Lesbians and Gay men can be "true" Christians.

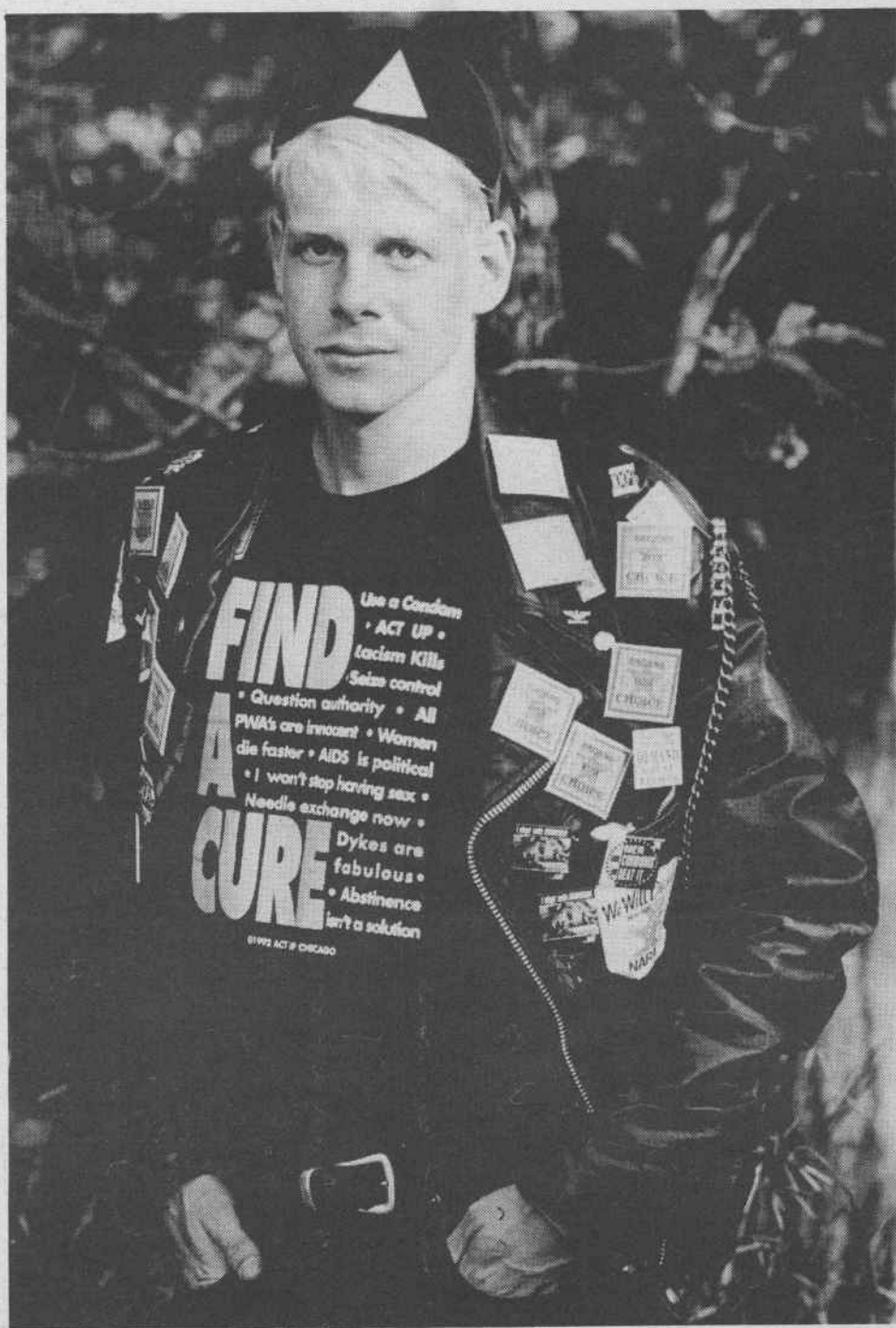
"They are afraid homosexuals will influence them," sociologist Patricia Gagne said. "You can sit next to me in church, but you can't have power over me."

The poll, published on July 31 in the Louisville *Courier-Journal*, found that 69% of those surveyed were opposed to having Lesbians or Gay men as pastors, ministers, priests or rabbis. The poll found only 18% support having Gays in those roles.

But 49% of those surveyed said they believe Gays can be "genuine" Christians; 37% said Gays can't. "I don't know," made up the rest of the responses.

The poll is based on interviews with 901 Kentucky adults, including 831 who said that

## OBITUARIES



Jay Hanson

## Activist, Artist Gregory Jay Hanson May 6, 1963-August 12, 1994

"So what do you do for a living?" the doctor asked and Jay answered in his best little boy voice: "I make buttons." What an understatement. Jay made buttons, puppets, masks, poetry, signs, love, banners, jackets, and especially friends.

### Gay Softball World Series in the 'Buckle of the Bible Belt' Raises Religious Ire

(Nashville, TN)- Thousands of indignant citizens signed the petitions of several church groups who wanted to stop, of all things, a softball tournament.

It's a big tournament, with up to 100 teams that have come to Nashville from around the country and begun competition on August 16. Tourism officials are elated about the potential boost to this southern city's economy.

But what offended and continues to offend the petitioners is just who's come to Nashville to play in the Gay and Lesbian Softball World Series.

One city councilman is unabashedly more concerned about what might be going on in hotel and motel rooms than on the ballfield. The competitors will be violating state sodomy laws, reasons Councilman Charles French.

French contends that all over Nashville, Lesbians and Gay men will be having sex, lots of sex, sex in the rooms, sex everywhere, so that there'll be little time to play softball at all.

Nashville is unique in mounting this challenge to the Gay Softball World Series. The petitioners, organizers say, have presented the first objections they've encountered since the event began in 1977.

"The only resistance we've ever gotten was when Nashville received the bid," said Jim Marks, assistant commissioner of the North American Gay Amateur Athletic Association (NAGAAA). The tournament was held in the South once before, in Atlanta in 1988, without incident, he said.

But then Nashville does not idly boast of being "the buckle of the bible belt." It is the home of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Gospel Music Association, the National Baptist Convention USA, and Thomas Nelson Publishing, which puts out bibles.

"Nashville will never be the same," complained Ken Massey, minister of McFerrin Missionary Baptist Church in Madison, the

#### Life Celebration

Come celebrate Jay's life and times with family and friends, Wednesday, August 24 at 8:00 p.m. at Cafe Melange in the Hotel Wisconsin. Come as you are or dare to be different!

On the artistic front, Jay first made his name in puppetry studying under Jim Hanson, working in the touring production of *Pinocchio* and working with Friends Mime Theater. His interests expanded to include street theater, buttons and banners, and poetry.

## Of Sky And River

By Jay Hanson

I have always lived in the world of sky.  
A world without bounds or limits.  
Where I can write about dreams,  
And weave musical threads of verse,  
Or with unleashed senses--experience  
life's language.

The painterly sky is my passion's canvas,  
Unfolded the tender love of another man,  
As witnesses atop a sacred canyon,  
Awash in sunburst colour and  
Touched by brother sky while our hurried  
Steps tread upon ancient Indian paths.  
I never want to leave the world of sky!

I also live near the river,  
Though it is something I fear and don't  
understand.

The water is captivating,  
It's limits framed from bank to bank,  
As it's path purposefully probes through  
the world.

The current is most wise,  
But it never returns from where it came.

Too many friends have left the world of sky.  
They were called to the world of river.  
I watched them carried away,  
And disappear around the bend.

One told me he wanted direction in facing  
death,  
And was ready to let the current be his  
guide.

One told me it was just God's will.  
But another one never said a word.  
He just turned around and waved  
good-bye.

My life has been winter for much  
Too long.

The sky is cold and indifferent,  
But the river beckons me.  
I can see three friends underneath  
The ice.

They are entangled in disease  
Yet they appear decisively content.  
They motion me to join them.  
That's why I have my skates,  
So I can follow them along the river  
journey  
While I still live in the world of sky.

One day I broke the ice and fell in.  
My family came from all directions  
I almost didn't make it out.  
Everything has changed.  
I'm now part of the river.  
The world of sky seems so far away.  
Instead of dreams I notice things  
around me.

In some ways life is less complicated.  
My priorities are clearly defined.  
I must nurture and protect myself  
Or I will not survive.

The fear of not knowing is over  
The fear of what's to come,  
Is a risk that I must weigh.  
My river is brisk and churning  
With Doctors, support groups, family  
And friends,  
All is ready to help me fight the battle.  
But all I want is the sky and  
To taste love again.

He was working on an anthology of AIDS and related poetry and art entitled "Out of Shadows," which will be published shortly.

Jay was one of the first members of the Different Drummer Theater Alliance and he originated the role of Columbia in the Celluloid Jam at the Oriental Theater.

Jay collaborated on Bill T. Jones' most recent dance piece which will premiere in Milwaukee this October. The collaboration was documented by Bill Moyers for broadcast on PBS.

Immediately noticeable because of his multi-hued punk hairstyles, tattoos, piercings and brash manner, Jay was devoted to political action. He was a member of ACT UP everywhere, the PLWA Coalition, Queer Nation Milwaukee, and the Milwaukee Clinic Protection Coalition.

He took part in the New Pacific Academy for young Queer activists. Jay was arrested in numerous AIDS demonstrations where he was often subjected to police brutality and serious injuries.

Jay was well known in leather and pagan circles. He was frequently spotted roller skating on local dance floors, sipping double lattes, or eating ten star Thai food.

The cause of death was Toxoplasmosis due to AIDS. Jay is survived by his mother, Hope Hansen; his sister, Wendy Hansen; his nieces, Haley and Mariah Butler; his husband, Jim Rogers; and uncounted friends.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations in Jay's name to the Milwaukee AIDS Project or ACT UP Milwaukee.

Jay is gone . . . it's less of a world, but more of a sky.

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# LIVELY ARTS

## Zamora Verite: An Interview with MTV's Gay, HIV+ Heartthrob

Pedro Zamora makes a bewitching first impression. It's the eyes, the smile, that accent. But delve beneath the charisma and you'll uncover the true treasure: a bright, eloquent and passionate young man whose story succeeds in inspiring at virtually every turn.

Diagnosed HIV+ five years ago at the age of 17, Zamora has emerged as an incessant HIV/AIDS educator and activist. Having devoted his entire adult life to HIV prevention and education, and to the creation and improvement of substantial services for young people living with HIV and AIDS, the Cuban-born 22-year-old has enlightened some 20,000 students in his home state of Florida alone.

In addition, he has trained countless educators and health service professionals, served on numerous national boards and committees, testified before Congress about the needs of HIV+ and runaway youth, and appeared on CBS, NBC, "Oprah," and "Geraldo."



Pedro Zamora

However it is Zamora's latest role--as a featured cast member on MTV's "The Real World," the critically acclaimed reality-based soap opera--which may prove his most potent.

In cinema verite style, "The Real World" (Thursdays from 9:00 to 9:30 p.m. CT) chronicles the saga of seven young adults living together in a house in San Francisco. Impromptu action and dialogue are recorded while the men and women discuss their careers, politics, backgrounds, hopes, loves and fears. Alliances and hostilities transpire naturally as cast members speak to the camera and bare intimate aspects about their lives and those of their roommates.

**Daniel Vaillancourt:** How did finding out you were HIV positive at 17 change your life?

**Pedro Zamora:** The question should be, "How did it not change my life?" It changed everything. It's really hard to express, but it basically changed my whole perspective. Here I was, getting ready to go to college, deciding whether to move away from my family or attend a college near home. I had all these dreams, expectations, and thought I had 50 or 60 years to accomplish those goals. All of a sudden, I realized I didn't--that my life would not be that long. It changed everything for me.

**DV:** Had you come out yet?  
**PZ:** Yes. I came out at the age of 14.  
**DV:** Who does an HIV positive teenager turn to?

**PZ:** In Miami, that was one thing that I had a lot of difficulty with. Most of the agencies that were there to help people with AIDS could deal with me going to them and saying, "I'm a person with AIDS and I need help." What they had problems with was the fact that I was 17-years-old. There weren't many young

people coming out and saying, "I'm HIV positive. I have AIDS."

**DV:** How did you decide to devote your life to teaching others about HIV/AIDS?

**PZ:** I didn't decide it. I think it just happened. There was a chain of events, and I just went with the flow. I thought of what was going on, and didn't resist it. But I didn't decide to do it. It just happened.

**DV:** What are some of the high points of your work in the past five years?

**PZ:** Oh, I'm not sure. . . . Certainly, speaking before Congress. That was pretty exciting. Or when I made the front page of the Wall Street Journal.

**DV:** What are the burning issues for Gay, HIV positive youth at the moment?

**PZ:** Access. There's 10,000 other issues, but access is one. If we don't have access to the system--if we're not part of the system--then any other thing is unimportant. For most HIV positive young people, just getting through the door is the biggest issue. We pretty much do not exist in the eyes of the system. We, as young people, are marginalized. We, as Gay young people are marginalized. But as young people who are HIV positive and have AIDS, we are totally written off the page. We don't exist.

**DV:** You're talking about the established system of AIDS service organizations (ASOs) in America?

**PZ:** Oh, yes. Definitely. I think if you go across the country, most agencies can deal with people with AIDS. Most agencies can deal with Gay and Lesbian people. They can deal with people of color.

But when presented with young people, they really have a hard time dealing. I think things are changing. Certainly, here in California, new programs such as the one I'm working with--Youth Empowerment Services--are dealing solely with HIV positive young people and their issues. They are educating them, rather than just educating the young people who are HIV negative. I'm very excited about that.

**DV:** What do you think is the root cause of ASOs' inability to deal with young positives?

**PZ:** Well, I think it's just a matter of experience. My experience as a young person is very different. They system is based on an adult system. The system is built on the premise that the person who is going to receive the services is strong enough, or articulate enough, to say, "This is what I need. This is what I want."

Well, in the case of a lot of young people, that is not the case. So, unless you have a group of people who are sensitive, who are educated about the issues of young people, it's going to be very hard for young people to get help. Most young people do not have what it

### Pedro Zamora: An Abused Child

**Editor's Note:** The following excerpt was taken from the August/September issue of POZ, from an interview by Hal Rubenstein. Zamora tells about the sex he had when he was 14-years-old.

**Pedro Zamora:** When I was 14, there was a 40-year-old man who had sex with me, and I see that as abuse, even if I consented, even if I enjoyed it. It was about power he had and the power I didn't.

When I had sex with another 14-year-old, I didn't consider that sexual abuse. That was experimentation. The power structure was the same. I had the power to say no. With a 40-year-old, there were plenty of times I wanted to say no, but I didn't think I had the power.

**Hal Rubenstein:** Do you think it still has a lingering effect on you?

**PZ:** Yes. In the way I pushed people away and didn't know why. In my failure to connect with other Gay men because of my lack of trust. It was hard for me sexually beyond the physical level. Emotionally, it was just not there. I'm still dealing with it. Sean is the first person who I've been able to break through with. When I look at him, I feel an equal level of power.



A Time to Feast--Old Wen (Jui Wang, left) tastes one of Chef Chris' (Sihung Lung, center) culinary masterpieces in Ang Lee's "Eat Drink Man Woman," a new comedy to arouse your appetite. The film opens August 19, 1994, at Milwaukee's Downer Theater.

takes to say, "This is what's going on in my life and this is what I want."

**DV:** How are you personally addressing this problem?

**PZ:** One of the benefits that I hope has come out of my going public with the fact that I am HIV positive is that I've tried to give a voice to those young people who do not have a voice. I feel that every time I come out--every time I tell either one person or a thousand people that I am HIV positive--I am changing the system. I am forcing the system to deal with us as young people.

**DV:** What would you say to HIV positive youth in cities and towns far from ei-

ther coast, in the Midwest, for example?

**PZ:** I would say, "You're not alone. . . . Unfortunately, you're not alone." There are many other young people across the country who are going through the same thing. You always feel like you're the only one--that there's nobody else like you out there. But that's not true.

**DV:** Tell me about your family.

**PZ:** My family. . . . My family is just a bunch of crazy Cubans. My family is my biggest support system. They have been consistently, and I feel very lucky to have them be-

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## Present Music Kicks Off 94-95 Season With 'Big Season' Concert and Party

(Milwaukee)- Present Music will kick off its 1994-95 Concert Season on Saturday, September 10, 1994 at the Milwaukee Art Museum. Artistic Director Kevin Stalheim has planned a program with an expanded Present Music ensemble of 15 musicians.

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## Robin Williams May Star in a 'La Cage aux Folles' Remake

(New York)- Variety reports that United Artists' remake of La Cage aux Folles is coming together with deals being done for Mike Nichols to direct and Elaine May to script.

Robin Williams has also had discussions to headline the project, according to Variety's sources. United Artists secured the English language remake rights on August 1.

The project will be retitled but will be based on the original story about a Gay couple who act straight when the son of one of them brings home his fiancée and her parents to meet dad for the first time.

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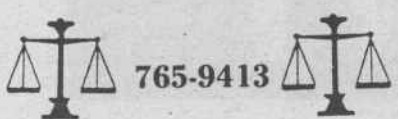

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## Mueller and Beyers to Open 'Just Us', a New LesBiGay Bar in Milwaukee

*It's August 9, a warmish day, when Steve Beyers and Janet Mueller come to the office for an interview. They have that bright, expectant look of people about to embark on a grand, new project, something they have both dreamed about for years.*

*And so it turns out to be. Their "project", their dream, is a new bar for the community and they are eager to talk about it.*

**Wisconsin Light:** I guess the first question is, what's the new bar going to be called?

**Steve Beyers:** The new bar's going to be called "Just Us" and it'll be located at 807 S. 5th Street in Milwaukee. Lori will be the manager.

**WL:** When will it open?  
**SB:** Well, the Common Council votes on our license on September 27 (they don't meet in August) and if we get the license on that date, the doors will fling wide open as soon as we walk back with that license.

**WL:** How do I phrase this?--What possessed you to open a bar?

**Janet Mueller:** (chuckles) My Quaker friends ask the same thing. We wanted to have a light-based place, entertainment, good fun. Also, Steve and I get along very well. We wanted a place where we could all go, Lesbians and Gays, where we could all fit in together. That was a big motivation.

The other thing is we want to build community. Nobody's going to open their pocket and say "Here. Here's money for a community center." So, the idea is to have a bar, a place where we all come and be a community.

**SB:** The space that we've got is nice because one of the things we want to do with it is the main bar area which is very large . . .

**JM:** A 45' long bar.

**SB:** Plus there's a back area. We'd like to be the "Queer Cheers" with a dance floor, where you walk in the door and people will know your name. Then there's a second room which is going to be a totally non-smoking area which will have music pumped into it, and TV monitors and then there's a patio.

**JM:** And we're having a very costly water

filtration system put on the building right at the point of entry into the building so that all the water, every drop, will be crypto-free.

**WL:** Will there be a restaurant?  
**JM:** We've got a kitchen that we can use for hors d'oeuvres for the bar and catering events. If you want your bowling league to have its thing there, we have the space and the facilities and the expertise to do that. But, at this point, we don't have a full-time wait staff so you can come in and order off a menu. That'll be our next step.

The floor above the bar is incredible. It's a 110' long and a little over 20' wide and can be converted into a great dance hall and show lounge. We can go through three different projects right in the same building.

**SB:** According to a friend of mine, and back in the '40's and '50's, the second floor was a big dance hall and Liberace played there.

**JM:** It was a singles meeting bar.  
**WL:** What kind of place will it be?  
**SB:** A place for all our people, a place to build community. It'll be a place where you can go and sit and talk.

We'll really have a nice cocktail hour, with some hot and cold hors d'oeuvres for people to have when they come after work.

**JM:** It'll be a "no attitude" bar. You don't have to dress a certain look or be a certain thing. You can just be yourself. There'll be a super dance floor in the back, but quiet enough to you can sit up at the bar in the front and talk. There'll be a pinball machine and a dart board. Whoever you are, you'll be comfortable at "Just Us."

**SB:** We'll have a stage, so we'll have live performances and that kind of thing that'll appeal to a wide cross section.

**JM:** On Sundays and Monday nights there'll be Lesbians watching football.

**SB:** We've had the support of our neighbors in the area. They've just been great. They're really happy we're moving in.

**SB:** We've had a lot of help from a lot of tremendous people--Pat Prudlow. It couldn't have been done without him. We'll all worked together in a very high stress atmosphere and gotten it together.

**JM:** (Nods and smiles warmly in agreement.)

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## Candidates Dean and Evertz Address Action Wisconsin Meeting

(Milwaukee)- Action Wisconsin, the statewide network of Gay and Lesbian organizations and individuals, met this past weekend in Stevens Point. Many people attended, some from as far away as Milwaukee, Madison, and Green Bay. There were also a number of local residents that came to share their thoughts and experiences on organizing Lesbian and Gay people in the area. The meeting began with remarks by two candidates for state office.

### Dorothy Dean

Dorothy Dean, currently a Milwaukee County Supervisor, is a candidate for Lieutenant Governor in the Democrat primary. She explained that, after the primary, she and the gubernatorial candidate would run as a team - or 'ticket'.

She is unopposed in the primary. Dean, an economist by training, has been a Milwaukee County Supervisor for 15 years. She cited her experience as Vice Chair of the Board's Finance Committee and her role in forming mental health policy for the county among her qualifications.

When asked about her positions on human rights issues, she stated that she is involved with a coalition of groups working to fight what she termed "the radical right".

She also noted Wisconsin's traditional leadership role in rights issues and pointed to her activities in support of women's rights as well as Lesbian/Gay rights. She also said that she would support Domestic Partnership legislation and is currently discussing such within Milwaukee County.

Dean explained that she would also support an HIV waiver within the Community Options Program (COP) that would allow people with HIV and AIDS to be treated and monitored in the community, rather than being forced into nursing home situations and that she had worked to obtain funding for HIV related services in Milwaukee County. She also pointed to the Fair Housing Law adopted by Milwaukee County as one of her achievements.

This ordinance bans housing discrimination based on, among other things, sexual orientation.

### Scott Evertz

The second candidate to address the group was Scott Evertz. Evertz is running for the State Assembly in the 19th Assembly District.

He said that he is running as an openly Gay and openly Republican candidate because he wants to represent the district in Madison.

He stated that voices for Gay and Lesbian rights need to be heard in both parties in the Legislature.

Evertz asserted that Republican control of the Legislature, which many observers see as probable after the November elections, would not mean the repeal of AB 70 and other protections for our community.

He pointed out that it was a Republican Governor who signed AB70 into law.

Evertz is one of three openly Gay Republicans running for state positions in the country.

Evertz said that in the Legislature he would work for the passage of legislation allowing for same sex marriage or for domestic partnership legislation. He also cited his activities with the Log Cabin Club in working with legislators and candidates to elect "decent" Republicans to office.

When asked, he defined "decent" as those that would support same sex marriage or domestic partnership legislation as well as increased funding for HIV related services. He also noted the need to retain protections for the confidentiality of ones HIV status.

The meeting continued with a discussion of the coalition building function of Action Wisconsin and the importance of identifying groups to work with and support the network, with a goal of creating regional boards to work locally on issues.

There was also a discussion of a situation in Brown County where several same sex couples were denied applications for marriage licenses. There was significant news coverage of the event, which occurred just a few days before the meeting in Stevens Point.

People were asked to help in whatever way they could, specifically to contribute towards potential legal action to challenge Brown County's actions.

The recent amendments to the proposed Elementary and Secondary Education Act were also discussed. One amendment, offered by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) and supported by Sen. Herb Kohl (D-WI), would prohibit federal funding to schools that present homosexuality as an acceptable lifestyle. This amendment would also have prohibited referrals by schools to supportive organizations.

The second amendment, offered by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-MA), would prohibit federal funding only to those schools where sexual conduct is promoted.

These amendments, which clearly conflict, will be worked out in conference committee. People were encouraged to contact their Senators and Representatives to oppose the Helms amendment and support the Kennedy amendment.

Senators can be reached by dialing the Senate switchboard at (202)224-3121. The House switchboard is (202)225-3121.

Calls are also needed to support the Employment Non Discrimination Act which would prohibit discrimination in employment based on sexual orientation. Calls should be placed to the above numbers. Senators and Representatives should be asked to support and co-sponsor ENDA.

Following these action items, participants discussed Gay & Lesbian issues in the Stevens Point area of the state. It was agreed that an organization was necessary to promote the visibility of and action in the Lesbian and Gay community.

As the meeting closed, it was announced that Action Wisconsin would be holding a full membership meeting in Madison on October 15th at 1:00pm. At this meeting, the membership will be asked to approve the by-laws of the organization and to elect an interim Board of Directors. More information on this event will be forthcoming.

## Zamora

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cause I realize that not everybody has that kind of support system.

DV: I don't imagine that coming out to your family at 14 was an easy thing to do. Or was it?

PZ: No, it wasn't. It was very hard. Again, partly because I didn't have anybody around me. I didn't have anybody who could understand me. So, I told my father, and he was great. He really had a hard time with it, and we spoke for hours. But he basically told me that I was his son and that he loved me and that nothing was going to change that. His response was the same when I told him I was HIV positive. I have to give a lot of credit to my father.

DV: You've been in San Francisco for five months now, taping the show. What was the experience like?

PZ: It was one of the most intense experiences I've ever been through. At times it was a lot of fun. At other times, it was very, very tough. But it was always very intense. Just because of the nature of everything that was going on around us. I mean, we had, at any given time, two or three cameras following us. And about 10 people. The director, the cameraman, the soundman. If it was at night, someone had to hold the lights. It was just very intense.

DV: Did MTV have access to you 24 hours a day?

PZ: Yes. Every morning, we would call the assistant producer and say, "This is what I'm doing today; this is where I'll be tomorrow, next week . . . And they basically decided who they wanted to follow. We could do whatever we wanted. Sometimes we would do things knowing they couldn't follow. We would go to a certain restaurant, and the restaurant wouldn't allow the cameras in. We would just do it anyway. None of us led our life thinking about them taping it.

DV: Did you ever wish you could say, "Leave me alone. Stop taping. I want my privacy"?

PZ: The moments I was with my boyfriend. That's usually when I got that kind of feeling.

DV: What have been some of your roommates' reactions to you?

PZ: It's was very hard. Every time I tell somebody that I'm HIV positive, it's as hard as the first time. Every time, I'm running the risk of all kinds of things happening. There I was, coming into a situation where I had to tell six people. So, I was very concerned about how they would react. But they were very good. And now, I'm telling the whole nation.

DV: Was falling in love in San Francisco the last thing you expected?

PZ: Yes, it was. When I came here, I expected to go out and date different people. I wanted to show that a person with HIV can date all kinds of different people, including people who are negative. And four days later, I went out on a date with Sean, and I've been going out with him ever since.

DV: How real is the Pedro Zamora we see on "The Real World"?

PZ: I would say he's as real as anybody can get. I am extremely honest all the time about how I speak, about those images you see. But it's very, very hard because at any one given moment, there's 10,000 thoughts going through my mind at once. Those the camera could never capture. But it's as real as it gets.

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(Milwaukee)- A new housing facility for homeless people living with AIDS was dedicated on August 16 at a special "red ribbon" ceremony. The nine efficiency apartment units, located at 711 W. Capitol Drive, were developed by a partnership involving Health Care for the Homeless of Milwaukee, a non-profit agency; the Milwaukee Department of City Development (DCD); and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The transitional housing facility provides apartments for homeless people who are HIV positive until they move into permanent housing or long-term medical care facilities. The amount of rent charged to residents will be based on income.

"The AIDS epidemic is a crisis in our midst, and few among us are unaffected by the death of a friend or loved one," said Karen Higgins, president of Health Care for the Homeless. "This facility is a small, but critical part in Milwaukee's response to the crisis."

"The devastation of HIV and AIDS is multiplied by homelessness," said Paul Nannis, Commissioner of Health in Milwaukee. "The problems involved with being homeless, including poor nutrition, high risk of infection stress, and lack of rest, can accelerate the course of AIDS symptoms. Stable housing is an important element in the care of AIDS patients."

## Insurer Decides Against Insuring Unwed Campus Couples at UW-Madison

(Madison)- An insurance company that provides medical coverage for University of Wisconsin students has rejected a request to provide special policies for young people living together as domestic partners.

Physicians Plus Insurance Corporation had agreed in May to offer the coverage to the Madison campus under the Student Health Insurance Plan, which has about 3,800 customers.

But the offer was halted because of a difference of opinion with the state about whether an insurer has to provide "continuation and conversion coverage" for unwed participants, company spokesman William Salvin said.

The provision allows people to continue on a policy 18 months after it expires. That makes it difficult to assess risk, the company says.

"There is so little data on domestic partners," Salvin said.

"We're disappointed by this outcome," said Dean of Students Mary Rouse.

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## Profile of Neil Albrecht, Deputy Director of Programs at MAP

By Terry Boughner

On a sultry July day, Neil Albrecht looks as fresh as crisp linen. I'm late for our interview, but he welcomes me to his office at the Milwaukee AIDS Project (MAP) with a shy, kind of boyish smile that puts me at my ease. Over coffee, we talk.

Albrecht, 31, is Deputy Director of Programs at MAP, a new position at the agency that was necessitated by its growth. He oversees quality assurance of on-going programs, helps to initiate and develop new programs within the Lifecare Services, the Prevention Services, and the Volunteer Resources Departments and the clinical research branch of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW). All this, not only at MAP, but at the other affiliated AIDS Service Agencies in Wisconsin as well.



Neil Albrecht

Basically, he coordinates all these so that all are operating in harmony. It involves a lot of communication, he says, and the evaluation of services. He wants to make sure there's cohesion between the programs so that consumers may access the same services with the same quality, no matter where they go.

Consumers at the agency have frequent contact with him, Albrecht says, because quality assurance is "so much a part of my job."

In line with this, he travels all over the state, going from agency to agency. In addition, he attends consumer forums and other meetings to see how things are going; to see that the consumer is getting the best that can be provided.

He talks frequently with consumers to find out if their needs are being met. They share with him both the positive and the negative.

He likes to hear both. "It's always great to hear something positive," he says, and adds "It's critical that I get feedback" of whatever kind.

Albrecht, who is Milwaukee born and bred, came to MAP as a staff member in January of last year when he was hired as the Director of Volunteer Resources.

But before that, he began as many do, as a volunteer himself, this in 1990, working on the AIDS Walk of that year.

Volunteer work, he says "sort of evolved" into leaving a "very nice" corporate job to come to "a great agency."

MAP Executive Director, Doug Nelson called Albrecht's selection as Deputy Director a "natural choice at a critical time for MAP."

Nelson said that, "Neil is a great leader and effective manager who brings sensitivity and passion to his work. With the huge growth in services at ARCW, Neil's leadership is essential to assure high quality services that keep pace with the AIDS epidemic."

Nelson attributed the huge increase in volunteer support at ARCW over the past two years to Albrecht's hard work and persuasiveness in urging the public to get involved with AIDS.

"Neil has a marvelous presence that makes it easier for people to understand and commit to the AIDS epidemic," Nelson said. "We could not have reached the milestone of 1,000 active volunteers without his leading role. I know that he will be equally successful in directing the vital programs and services of MAP and ARCW in the tough years ahead."

Albrecht is "out" and has been for 10 years plus, working in various capacities in the Gay community.

He speaks movingly, with compassion and understanding about the LesBiGay community. He is enthusiastic about MAP's commitment to the community, the agency's AIDS Prevention Program within the community and the agency's dedication to it.

"We are under a magnifying glass by the Lesbian and Gay community," he says, adding firmly that MAP is dedicated to meeting that community's needs.

His greatest satisfaction in his job, he says, is knowing that MAP does make a difference for people who are struggling. With deep compassion, he speaks of the people he has known, MAP clients, who have had their lives eased by what the agency has done. That ranges from materialistic things, to levels of support on a spiritual/psychological level.

"We have impacted a lot of lives in very positive ways and that makes me feel good," he says.

He talks of a "buddy" he had as a volunteer of MAP. He's gone now, but Albrecht still misses him very much.

"We're a cutting-edge agency," he says. "Our services are always expanding so that people here in Milwaukee can get the same kinds of services that people in San Francisco can get. We are not behind the times."

It is time to wind this up. But there is one thing more. He praises his partner of 10 years for all the support he gives. That kind of support is as invaluable as it is warm and good.

## 'Musicians United Against AIDS' to Perform in Concert to Benefit BestD Clinic

(Milwaukee)- The BestD Clinic is celebrating its 20th year of service to southeastern Wisconsin with a gala benefit performance by "Musicians United Against AIDS."

The event to be held on September 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the historic Pabst Theatre, will feature Ralph Evans, first violinist for the Fine Arts Quartet who will be a special guest. Along with Mr. Evans, members of the Milwaukee Symphony and the Milwaukee Ballet Orchestra will be performing under the baton of Timothy Cobb. All are performing pro

bono.

Proceeds will benefit the BestD Clinic, allowing the Clinic to build up its financial reserves.

The BestD Clinic is an all-volunteer health care agency specializing in HIV counseling, testing and education.

The Clinic is aggressive in raising the awareness of the need for HIV antibody testing and offers risk reduction information for the primary causes of HIV transmission.

## Whistle Blowing Lesbian Nurse Loses Job at Madison Hospital; Rally/Protest Scheduled

(Madison)- On September 19, noon, a protest/rally is scheduled to be held at St. Mary's Hospital in Madison over the firing of a lesbian nurse, allegedly for blowing the whistle on certain practices conducted there.

Stacie Neldaughter filed suit in Dane County Circuit Court in April of this year against the hospital claiming that she was wrongfully terminated from her employment as a nurse on the psychiatric ward. The firing followed, Neldaughter says, after she objected to shock treatments being performed on patients without required informed consent.

Shock treatments are performed by placing electrodes on the head and delivering an electrical charge to the brain. Wisconsin law requires that the patient be fully informed of potential side effects and have the capacity to

understand such information.

Neldaughter, who worked at the hospital for five years, has said she observed numerous violations. In one instance, she said, a Gay man wanted shock treatments to help him forget about his feelings for men.

In another instance, she cited an elderly patient who signed a consent form thinking, Neldaughter said, that electric shock was an "operation for her urine."

At another time, a sexually abused woman having a severe flashback was given an electric shock and was restrained when trying to get up, Neldaughter said.

St. Mary's Hospital was contacted for this story, but had no comment.

For further information on the protest/rally, call (608) 273-4021.

## Dykes To Watch Out For



## Milwaukee's Cream City Squares to Hold New Square Dance Classes in September

(Milwaukee)- This September 14th, the Cream City Squares will hold an introduction to square dancing at 3B's bar. A new square dance class will start for beginners, September 21. The class runs every Wednesday, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., for 30 weeks (about 18 weeks teaching basic; about 12 weeks mainstream level).

New calls are added to those previously learned in each lesson. It takes some commitment to learn it, but you build up week by week until you become fluent in it. This is fun learning. Once you master mainstream level, you can dance anywhere in the world with any square dance club.

Because calls are memorized instead of a whole dance, every dance is different, so it doesn't get boring. If you want more variety, there are more levels of dance to learn (plus, advanced, challenged). One can learn thousands of different calls if one wants.

Individuals, couples, groups are all welcome to join in the fun. Every dance you will

get to dance with seven or more people. It's a true mixer.

The Cream City Squares is a member of IAGSDC, International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs. Clubs exist in Canada, Australia, and the U.S. at present.

We and the IAGSDC welcome all Lesbians, Gay men and others who are supportive of Lesbians and Gay men, and enjoy square dancing.

Those who take lessons with us this Fall will be ready to dance mainstream level by the next annual IAGSDC Convention, to be held in Chicago, Memorial Day weekend, 1995. The following Convention will be in San Francisco.

We hope to keep growing. The more dancers, the more fun it is. Square dancing is a real community builder.

The club generally dances Sundays between 2:00 and 5:00 p.m. at the 3B's. For further information, call (414) 521-1259.

## Three Wisconsin Same-Sex Couples Denied Marriage License Forms

(Green Bay, WI)- Three Lesbian couples, including two Suamico women whose adoption case reached the Wisconsin Supreme Court, have been denied permission to fill out marriage license forms.

The couples were refused service at the county clerk's office on August 11 after waiting an hour, said Georgina Grinke, who sought the license with Annette Grinke.

Chief Deputy Clerk Jan Matzke said county clerk guidelines from the state Department of Health and Social Services prohibit licenses for same-sex marriages.

The Grinkeys said they want the right to marry because it was a key issue in the State Supreme Court's decision in June to deny Annette's adoption of Angel, Georgina's 8-year-old daughter. The couple had not applied for a marriage license before.

"The Supreme Court gave us no other way to go," Georgina said, adding that nothing in Wisconsin law prohibits same-sex marriages.

"For us, as a couple, this is an extension of our adoption effort," Georgina said. "It's very personal to us. We love our little family and we'll go to all lengths to make it secure and legal."

The court ruled that the adoption violates state law, even though it may be in the best interests of the child.

The Grinkeys have said that they will appeal the case to the U.S. Supreme Court. If the appeal fails, the couple will try to persuade the state legislature to recognize same-sex marriages.

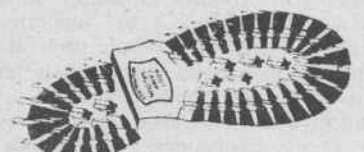
Georgina Grinke also said that they and their attorney, Judith Newton, would file a class action suit over the state's failure to recognize same-sex marriages.

## Rummage Needed

Every year, Sandy holds a rummage sale to benefit the Wisconsin AIDS Walk. This year is no exception.

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**Marshfield COME TO MY PARTY:** Vic-hot 26 GWM, 6', 168, non-drinker blond/blu seeks slim, avg built guys 21-29 for fun and friendship - interests are: music, walking, dancing, house parties and other fun activities. #27563

**Milwaukee JULIA ROBERTS, MOVE OVER:** VGL 6'2, 195, professional, dk hair/eyes built-looking for galk cross dressers that really want to be treated like a lady. #34483

**Warwick County COMPOUND INTERESTS:** Mark, GWM 34, 5'11, 250, HIV-, looking for GWM any age in my area-like music cooking-walks, talks, waterfalls, gardening, list too numerous to mention #34667

**NE WI COME OVER TO MY HOUSE:** Clean cut, 185, 5'9, enjoy outdoor activities, visiting etc. looking to meet similar in my area. #34688

**Fond du Lac BARSICK:** Scott, 22 y/o, 6'2, 165 blu/blond, sick of bars looking for honest, long lasting relationship-if you're a SWM btwn 18-27 call me. #34713

**Kenosha HEY, WAYNE AND GARTH, LETS PARTY!** Bi-WM 40 and Bi-WM 21 seek other gay or Bi-WM under 25, not into bars-we're into heavy metal music and social drinking at our place. #34737

**Lacrosse. SAIL AWAY WITH ME:** John 25, 190, 6'2, blu/blnd - wide variety of interests - boating, traveling, talking etc. #34748

**WI THATS WHY THE LADY IS A TRAMP:** Cameron 22y/o TV into couples, women and men, vgl and versatile slim attractive and college educated, open minded. #34758

**Appleton BI GEORGE!** Bi WM looking for someone who likes to have fun. Are you the one? #34851

**Kenosha YOUNGER BROTHER WANTED-** gay or bi of any race under 40 by 42y/o hairy beard must, 5'9 230 teddy bear for male bonding tk buddy/buddy good times & pleasure-tired of the bars? me too romantically inclined -serious only reply. #35053

**Appleton MR. MODEST:** Greg Too good to be true reg guy workout, looking for workout buddy, enjoys sports athletic- looking for 6' or larger who likes to have fun likes to laugh. #36439

**Milwaukee CENSORED BY THE FCC:** submissive TV int in guys wild times bd seeking a

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fem TV or TV for sincere rel. into all kinds of things - anything thats wild - clean and discreet #42713

**Milwaukee HANES YOUR WAY:** Hisp man 30 seeking fem TV or she/male 18-25 slim petite into garters poss long term rel. #39930

**Milwaukee THE BEAR FACTS:** Brian 23 enjoy French A/P int in meeting older men >36 heavy set hairy, the bigger the better. #42632

**Madison DISTINGUISHED GENTLEMEN:** James bi/wm Madison area looking for older mature indiv 40-60 #42653

**Milwaukee CREATIVE PLAYTHINGS:** Gdkg 35 6'2 - looking for hot intell hunks who like to be creative. #42850

**Milwaukee INFORMAL ATTIRE:** Don 30 bi/wm open minded, versatile seeking other guys into casual times - #42896

**Kenosha HEY HEY HEY TIRED OF THE BARS?** being alone and all the games and bs? looking for passion? int in a cuddly buddy pal 34 furry gwm teddy bear husky must beard brn/blue romantic. seeks brotherly buddy or pal any race under 35. #42957

**Madison GOLLY GEE, MR. WIZARD!** 26 Marco looking to meet a man around my age to experiment- not into scene for awhile up for anything - call me. #42973

**Milwaukee LOOKING FOR A TV GUIDE:** 27 virgin looking for a cross dresser to show me the ropes and the scene #43003

**Milwaukee GREEN HORN:** Inexperienced college student, 5'9", looking for someone 18-24 yrs. old to have fun with. #33020

**Appleton BI THE WAY:** 25 yr. old, 5'11", Bln/Blu, bi male looking for guys in the area, 20-26 yrs. old, into outdoors and dancing. #33040

**Milwaukee PASSION:** Truthful male, 33, 6', looking for some passionate men to enjoy life with and who want to have good times together. #33083

**Milwaukee SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY:** 5'8", slim, looking for friends in the area to show me around a little. I am new here from Texas. #33118

**Madison PARTY ON DUDE:** Fun guy, college student, 20 yrs. old, into sports, working out, and partying, looking for someone who wants to have nothing but fun. #33703

**Eau Claire PULL OVER:** Police officer, 36, 6', seeking young 18-32 yr. old TP's. You must be very discreet. #33752

**Milwaukee LIMITED PARTNERSHIP:** 32 yr. old, 5'10", 150, Bln/Brn, professional looking seeks others in the area for a relationship. #33794

**Appleton HEY, CLARK KENT:** 26 yr. old, nice build, 5'7" looking for that super hero look alike, 25-35 yrs. old, to sweep me off my feet. #33960

**Jefferson DOUBLE AXEL:** 6'1", Blk/Brn, 200, self employed, into ice skating, taking walks, and being with someone who I really want to be with. You are kind, caring, honest, and sincere. #34044

**Racine GLEN AND GLENDA:** Randy, 5'10", 29 yrs. old, masc, looking for a TV, pre-op who likes to go out and have a good time. #34127

**La Crosse HOLE IN ONE:** GWM 31 non smoker 6' smooth seeking companion of any race for summer fun enjoy golf, bowling, shopping, movies and the quality time two men can share at home. #33942

**Madison SAME TIME NEXT WEEK?:** Rick 38 bi wm vgl dk hair trim beard looking for guys to get together on reg or occasional basis looking for gdlkg masc to mid 40's also. #34300

**WI SATISFACTION GUARANTEED:** Uncle Chuck gdlkg 6'2 241 brn/blu looking for non white Tps to satisfy well built tall and hairy a +, give me a try! #34315

**Kenosha BEARDED BEAR:** Rob i'm eager versatile Polish- Italian furry husky cuddly teddy bear interested in meeting new friends of any race. 42, HIV- beard, mustache 235lbs hairy brn/blue. #34388

**WI CAN I BORROW YOUR RED DRESS?:** Steve, GWM, discreet, CD into being with CD'er's. You are good looking. #11250

**Milwaukee PICKIN' AND A GRINNIN':** 43 yr. old GM, into sports and bluegrass music, looking for a relationship with someone in the area. #24086

**WI ISN'T IT ROMANTIC:** 30 yr. old, 5'8", Brn/Brn, hairy, seeks an honest and sincere good looking guy. I am very romantic and am out of the bar scene. #26321

**Madison LONESOME DOVE:** Lonesome bi white male, 6', stach, into the country, looking for other cowboys for friendship or more. #26830

**Oshkosh AVAILABLE:** Mature, stable, honest GWM, 35 yr. old, seeks guys with similar interests. #29027

**La Crosse LOADED AND READY TO FIRE:** 27 yr. old, 5'11", Brn/Brn, into hunting and fishing looking for masc guys 18-27 yrs. old who enjoy similar hobbies. #26338

**Eau Claire SLIPPERY WHEN WET:** Bob, looking for a guy 40-60 yrs. old who likes to have a good time. #32062

**Bayfield ALL NIGHT DRIVE IN:** 6', 38 yrs. old, into traveling and restaurants and more, relatively new to the scene. #32418

**Milwaukee NOT JUST GOOD LOOKING...:** 27 yr. old male, very good looking, looking for a very handsome man to spend quality time with. #32446

**WI WHATEVER FLOATS YOUR BOAT:** 21 yr. old looking for some one who is around my age who is into boating traveling and more. I am 5'11", Brn/Brn, toned. #32501

**St. Louis I LOOK MARVELOUS:** Nick, 50 yr. old who is a fantastic guy looking for a younger guy. I am financially fit. Long hair a big plus. #32550

**WI ZIP ME UP, ZIP ME DOWN:** Steve, GWM, looking for a CD who is handsome and good looking. Come on over for some good times. #11250

**Madison OUT FOR A GOOD TIME:** Tom, 5'10", good looking, athletic, looking for someone to have some fun with. #32656

**Milwaukee ANY BRIGHT IDEAS?:** 27 yr. old, 5'10", clean shaven, into reading and writing and creative, looking for someone to indulge in my interests or who can show me something new. #32690

**Sheboygan HOW DO YOU DO?:** 40's, 5'10", looking for someone similar for a committed relationship for dining out and quiet evenings. #32849

**Green Bay PUMPING UP:** 5'10", into working out, looking for someone 28-35 yrs. old. call and leave me a message. #32895

**WI NEW PASSAGES:** Matthew, 18, 6'3", muscular seeks a TP who can show me a good time on this my first experience. #31417

**Milwaukee NEW TO THE AREA:** Single GWM looking for someone to show me good times and my way around the area. I love the outdoors in general. #31497

**WI TALKIN' 'BOUT TALKIN':** 28 yr. old, 6'4", CD'er into talking with people who know what they want to talk about. #31559

**Marshfield SLIM INTERESTS:** 26 yr. old GWM, 6', non drinker, seeks slim guys 21-29 yrs. old for

friendship. I like walks and movies and you should too. #27563

**Green Bay TAKE IT LIKE A MAN:** Gary, looking for 18-25 yr. olds who are very honest and kind. Bln/Blu guys a big plus. #31662

**Milwaukee A FINE HOW DO YOU DO IT:** Bi white male, 28, 6', Brn/Brn, new to this, looking for a body builder, 25-40 yrs. old. Hope to hear from you. #31620

**Green Bay IN AND OUT...OUT AND IN:** Looking for an athletic guy, 21-30 yrs. old, who is active both indoors and outdoors. I am 6'1", in good shape and healthy. #31777

**Green Bay HEAD HUNTING:** Bi white male, 5'11", 25, Blk/Blu, seeks other males 18-35 yrs. old for fun times. #31747

**Eau Claire HAND ON THE CONTROLS:** Looking for a man 40-60 yrs. old who likes to take control. I like hiking, camping, and the movies. #31856

**Green Bay THIS IS THE HARD PART:** 5'10", work out and enjoy dining out looking for someone who is sincere, honest, 25-35 yrs. old. #31859

**Milwaukee /I/ + (=) = FUN:** 18 yr. old, 6'3", GM looking for someone 18-35 yrs. old, attractive Hispanic or white honest and sincere for a relationship. #31914

**WI STOCKS AND BONDAGE:** 51 yr. old, 5'10", sub, into being stripped naked and strip searched. I've been very bad. #31931

**Green Bay RICK IS READY:** 20, 5'8", looking for any one in the area who is looking for a good time. You are 18-25 yrs. old. #32024

**Milwaukee HANDLE WITH GLEE:** Looking for a single black male 25-32 yrs. old for a friendship and possible relationship. No head games. #32084

**Madison HUNK HUNT:** GWM, 28, 5'10", looking for other men in the area 24-32 yrs. old who are attractive and level headed. #32260

**Madison GOING THE DISTANCE:** College student, 21, 5'6", seeks a well built white runner for companionship. #32308

**Milwaukee JUST THE THREE OF US:** Couple looking for a third person for fun friendship and so forth. You name it, we are probably interested in doing it. #10639

**Milwaukee JUST GETTING STARTED:** 18 yr. old, 6'3", musc, looking for someone in the area. I am new to this. Looking for white or Hispanic males, 18-35 yrs. old. #10763

**Wausau SOCIAL ANIMAL:** 19 yr. old, 5'8", GM into just talking and socializing looking for friendship and possibly more later. #13075

**Appleton CLOTHES ON/CLOTHES OFF:** Dress for you. Bi white male, CD looking for people who enjoy sexy clothes. I am into just about anything. #14774

**Milwaukee SAVE ME:** Throw out the rope and rescue me. I'm looking for an experienced GWM to help this inexperienced man. #29761

**Milwaukee NEW ON THE MARKET:** GWM, 23 yrs. old, recently out, seeking GWM of similar age for friendship and more. #29896

**WI CAN BOBBY SLEEP OVER?:** 18 yr. old GHM. I live at home and am looking for versatile men to share in good times. #30037

**Milwaukee HE'LL UNDERSTAND:** 38 yr. old wants to meet other guys 38 and under. I have a relationship but want to meet friends. #30036

**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. #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. #28991

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Milwaukee YOU TELL ME:** 29 yr old blk male seeks a friend who is kind and knows what he wants. Please be a blk male, 21-40. #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 an adult baby girl. I wear it all, need a diaper or baby's dress now. #24366

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Dave, 26, 5'9, bottom, 160, ISO a cute guy. Box# 7571

Dave, 26, bottom, long blond hair, 5'8, 160, great job, ISO a top to live with. (Call Thru) Box# 5547

M, 5'6, 150, 18, muscular, blond, blue eyes, 9's, ISO an experienced top to show me everything. (Call Thru) Box# 8427

Jenni, 6'1, 190, ISO teddy bear, 37-47, hairy, dark hair, muscular and intimate. (Call Thru) Box# 3315

GWM, 5'7, blond, blue eyes, 38, goodlooking, well-endowed, muscular, thin, ISO top, HIV-, goodlooking man to love. (Call Thru) Box# 8547

GM, John, 22, college student, ISO someone out-going for good times. Box# 5093

Scott, 30, 6', 200, brn hr, hzl eyes, mustache, ISO guys 25-30's. Box# 2556

Alex, 28, ISO BM, 20-35, for working out, skiing and good times. Box# 7971

John, ISO a fine, sexy Italian guy. (Call Thru) Box# 9138

Paul, professional, fun, ISO professional, well-groomed, hairy, aggressive male. (Call Thru) Box# 3752

Bill, 5'5, 150, leave message or call thru. (Call Thru) Box# 3027

JT, 28, law student, ISO my first bi-experience with someone who is. (Call Thru) Box# 5899

GWM, 5'10, 170, good-looking, well-built, versatile, ISO other hot guys for good times. You won't be disappointed. (Call Thru) Box# 3502

Duane, GWM, poet, likes theatre, movies, art, working out, ISO intelligent men who live to enjoy life. Box# 4145

GM, student, trim, blond hair, bottom, nice body, ISO hairy hot top who's into sex. Box# 5640

BM, 26, 5'10, 190, athletic, bodybuilder, ISO other bodybuilders, any race, discretion assured. Box# 3474

Attractive, quiet GWM, 58, 5'8, brn hair/eyes, HIV-, NS, like golf, country life, travel, dining, theatre, ISO a compatible GM with same interest for friendship. (Call Thru) Box# 7686

M, 24, 5'9, 165, long brown hair, blue eyes, mustache, I'm easy-going, ISO similar dudes. Box# 3216

WM, 30's, ISO a Bi or GWM for goodtimes, I'll be open to your ideas. Box# 1977

Bill, 32, 5'8, 160, prof., not into glitter, self-absorb, bitchy or stereo-types, ISO someone who is truthful, warm, gentle, in-touch, with a quiet strength for mutual honest friendship, no sex right away calls please. (Call Thru) Box# 8684

Mike, good-looking, GWM, 35, 220, 6', HIV-, physically fit, NS, ISO M 25 and under, long-term friendship, casual sex. (Call Thru) Box# 1817

Bill, GWM, ISO BM, well-endowed, your satisfaction is my only concern. No reciprocation necessary. (Call Thru) Box# 3231

Alex, 25, 5'11, 175, ISO relationship. Box# 2885

Mike, 32, versatile, 5'6, 165, brn hr, grn eyes, ISO compatible M's to share my house I just purchased. (Call Thru) Box# 9644

Tyrone, GM, 23, call. Box# 6310

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. (Call Thru) Box# 5782

Richard, 25, WM, I like dancing, sports, ISO someone who's comfortable with themselves. (Call Thru) Box# 9370

GWM, 39, 5'7, 175, top, jock type, ISO fun, affable, younger guy for fun, etc. Madison. (Call Thru) Box# 2777

WM, Shawn, escort, 26, 6'1, 150, strawberry blonde, blue eyes, cute, clean shaven, smooth. Box# 2400

Bill, HIV+, bottom, 5'9, 220, butch bear, ISO a tough man who's interested in falling in love. (Call Thru) Box# 8774

John, 5'9, red hair, blue eyes, good shape, bottom, college jock, ISO well-built, top, 30+, well-hung. Box# 6513

Jim, 29, ISO BM, 18-35. (Call Thru) Box# 9922

Sebastian, 18, have body piercing, ISO dominate, handsome, intellectual male, 18-21, respectable, having body piercings and tattoos in exotic places is a big plus. (Call Thru) Box# 1705

Steve, 44, bottom ISO tops. Box# 7381

GWM, Garrett, 27, ISO young, GWM. (Call Thru) Box# 3295

Chip, 41, 6', 220, blonde hair, brown eyes, clean-shaven, versatile, football player build, likes mild to wild things. (Call Thru) Box# 1186

Jack, 36, ISO M, same age, open-minded, friendship, poss. rel. (Call Thru) Box# 3143

Shawn, 19, BM, fun-loving, ISO dominant, masculine, muscular, intimate tops. (Call Thru) Box# 7280

Peter, ISO bottoms for good times. I'm very sexy and sensual. (Call Thru) Box# 2347

Mike, 28, 5'11, 200, handsome, ISO handsome man for fun. Box# 4679

Spanish guy, 148, ISO males 20+. Box# 6226

Chris, bi-BM, very straight-looking/acting, enjoys skiing, movies, travel. ISO someone with similar interests who is straight-acting and looking as well. Box# 1778

GWM, bottom, 53, 250, masculine, clean, discreet, ISO top guy, beard and mustache a plus, attr., 35-50, any race, no bums/fems/alcoholics. Bi's welcome also. (Call Thru) Box# 6450

Dave, very attr., 30, prof., 6'4, 190, brn. hr., blue eyes, affectionate, down to earth, enjoys photography, sci-fi, theatre, music, dancing, dining, outdoors. I'm intelligent, non-feminine, not into drugs or games, ISO similar guys. (Call Thru) Box# 4928

Devoch, I believe in taking live easy and having good

times. Box# 9994  
Steve, looking for good times. Believe me, you will not regret meeting me. (Call Thru) Box# 8470  
Russell, ISO man for fun, hot sex. (Call Thru) Box# 4587

I'm what you've been looking for. Artie, African-American, 5'8, 160, bearded, good-looking, healthy, clean, ISO blue-collar, down to earth types, into giving oral services to; no reciprocation necessary. (Call Thru) Box# 6631

Rob, ISO younger brother type for partying, hanging out, I'm a fun-loving bottom willing to travel. (Call Thru) Box# 5262

Scott, 21, 6'3, 165, light brn. hr., longer in the back, blue eyes, ISO SWM, 18-25, for friendship, poss. long-term rel. To me life is too short. (Call Thru) Box# 3339

Kevin, 27, 5'9 1/2, 163, well-built, dark brn. hair, green eyes, likes sports, good times. ISO M with same interests. (Call Thru) Box# 3501

Joe, 35, GWM, ISO hot action. Guaranteed you will not be disappointed. Box# 5666

Tom, 33, GWM, 5'6, versatile bottom, ISO young, hung, versatile tops, especially boyish guys. I have a need I want you to fill. (Call Thru) Box# 5881

Jim, 28, WM, 6'2, I'm outgoing, very personable, like music, movies, socializing, ISO BM, for one-on-one relationship, large gatherings possible also. Box# 3733

Paul, 27, bottom, very lonely, masculine GWM. ISO masculine GWM, 27-48, 6'+, mustache a plus, top, for friends and a monogamous relationship. Box# 2867

WM, 28, enjoys the company of black males. I have great communicating oral skills. Remember, I won't be able to talk with my mouth full. Box# 6656

Frank, GWM, ISO romantic fun guy, 18-25, to enjoy dinners, movies, etc. (Call Thru) Box# 1142

Mike, 5'7, 135, muscular, well-built, ISO male to have fun with. Box# 8815

GWM, 21, 6', 140, good-looking, ISO GBM, 20-30 for friendship and relationship. Box# 2429

GM, ISO very discreet guy who has 10 inches or more and loves to have a very good time. Box# 9501

Michael, GWM, 25, ISO people to have fun with. (Call Thru) Box# 4526

Tony, 30, 5'10, 200, very well-built, likes oral sex and am looking for someone to teach me about anal sex. (Call Thru) Box# 1576

Bob, I like to meet other males. Call, let's see what we can do together. (Call Thru) Box# 5303

GM, 26, 5'11, 165, brn. hair/eyes, very good-looking, clean shaven, work out, ISO guys around my age. (Call Thru) Box# 1583

Todd, BM, ISO GBM or GWM, I'm very handsome and ready to go. (Call Thru) Box# 1326

Dominick, 21, GWM, 5'9, blk. hr., hzl. eyes, Italian and Hispanic. ISO GWM, 21-25, down-to-earth, financially secure, for friendship, poss. rel., no phonies. (Call Thru) Box# 5433

Adam, GWM, 32, 5'8, 190, shoulder length hair, beard, 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) Box# 6531

GM, 23, extremely cute, like to have fun, ISO a normal guy. Box# 8604

Doug, GWM, smoker, a true metal head, Libra, 30, have tattoos, 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, aggressive, 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

Caribbean GBM, 20, ISO GM 18-24 for friendship, poss. rel., serious only. Box# 1627

Bob, 47, WM, ISO BM, well-endowed for fun. Box# 8710

Sara, 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# 3610

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

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Lori, 22, easy going, love to dance, love sports, lets meet over a drink. Box# 5611

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BM, 24, like sports, movies, quiet nights and driving people crazy, ISO someone 19-24, black, white or hispanic, for love, companionship and relationship. Box# 7484

Bi white teddy bear, 37, looking for male companionship. I aim to please. Box# 1104

Bob, super personality, if you are lonely, call me. (Call Thru) Box# 7934

Walter, into leather, ISO other leather men. Box# 7107

Mike, 32, well-built, masculine, ISO a WM around 6'2, very hairy, for fun hot times. Box# 9287

Paul, call me on call thru. (Call Thru) Box# 6537

Carl, 29, GWM, 180, 5'9, ISO a sincere open minded man, any race. (Call Thru) Box# 3779

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

TV, 5'11, 140, 30, blond hair, ISO a big black man. Box# 1451

Jeff, 35, WM, 195, brown hair/eyes, good body/looks, looking to have fun with other men. (Call Thru) Box# 4558

Michael, BM, 23, ISO guys my age for football, movies, etc. Box# 6919

Kevin, masculine, ISO Gay or BiWM, 20-35 who is built and masculine also. (Call Thru) Box# 3560

Randy, GWM, 32, 5'9, stocky, submissive, ISO a long hair biker type to show me the ropes. (Call Thru) Box# 8713

Mark, 30, 5'8, 150, dark hair, my partner- 29, 5'6, 142, light brown hair, ISO men under 40 for goodtime. (Call Thru) Box# 4245

Stanley, born in 69, like walks, tennis, volleyball. Box# 6162

Curt, over-weight GWM, ISO nice, hairy, fun-loving top men. (Call Thru) Box# 2875

WM, 6', 190, athletic, well-built, very submissive bottom, ISO a large well-endowed top, you won't be sorry. (Call Thru) Box# 7197

Jason, 24, 5'9, 165, well-built, ISO guy around the same age. (Call Thru) Box# 6510

John, 6'1, 240, top, aggressive, ISO a passive, very feminine male, any age/race. (Call Thru) Box# 1862

DAVE, if you want goodtimes and long fun, call me. (Call Thru) Box# 9590

Don, BiWM, 33, 5'8, 165, brown hair, hazel eyes, mustache, ISO guy, 18-35 who likes conversation and making love. (Call Thru) Box# 4501

Juston, BM, 25, ISO other males 25 or younger. (Call Thru) Box# 4147

Chip, like long walks, volleyball, ISO someone to build a relationship. (Call Thru) Box# 9352

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Adam, 20, college student, ISO someone 18-25 for dancing, clubs, etc. (Call Thru) Box# 8936

David, nice, very hairy, 5'9, I am looking for a honest, loyal, respectable relationship with the right man. Box# 2700

Michael, 32, GWM, ISO guy for relationship, no games. (Call Thru) Box# 8812

Joe, GWM, 41, 6'1, 185, nice body, well-hung, like 69, hot oral sex. Box# 8561

Mark, short, stocky, Hispanic bottom boy, ISO hot mid-western top boy. (Call Thru) Box# 2146

Joe, BM, 29, ISO other BM, I like the outdoors and I am down to earth. (Call Thru) Box# 4522

Kevin, 24, bottom, still in the closet. Box# 5610

GM, Mike, looking for people to party with. (Call Thru) Box# 1595

Dave, ISO someone for a good time. (Call Thru) Box# 2200

GM, Chip, 5'10, 160, athletic, 28, light brown hair, blue eyes, ex-military man, business student, like weightlifting, outdoors, ISO a muscular M, 22-35. (Call Thru) Box# 5135

GM, Gordon, ISO guys for hot fun. (Call Thru) Box# 8176

GM, Bob, 35, 6'1, 195, dark hair/eyes, masculine, working-out, ISO someone for some male bonding. (Call Thru) Box# 3440

GWM, 32, independent, financially secure, ISO someone fun for relationship and hot times. Box# 4506

GM, body-builder, 54-inch chest, 36-inch waist, 210, 40's, ISO someone younger, in good shape like myself. (Call Thru) Box# 4684

Tim, ISO dominant, masculine, very mature M, if you have these qualifications, please call me. (Call Thru) Box# 5304

GBM, James, 34, 5'8, 160, ISO friends any race, talk to me, lets get together. (Call Thru) Box# 8149

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 fullest. (Call Thru) Box# 7751

GM, 21, 5'9, 140, grn eyes, brn hair, party size, ISO built, masculine guys around same age. (Call Thru) Box# 2503

GWM, 35, 6'2, 180, brn hair/eyes, clean shaven, like legs and feet. Box# 7199

GBM, Mike, 35, slim, attractive, ISO GBM, bottom, 30-50, attractive, slim-med. build, for discreet fun. Box# 3968

GWM, Jay, 25, ISO another M, 25-35, for fun. (Call Thru) Box# 9973

Hot Italian, Jack, 35, dark hair/eyes, 5'4, 170. (Call Thru) Box# 8674

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 honest, sincere partner for fun and pos. rel. (Call Thru) Box# 5049

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Education/Career Planning Workshops

(Madison)- The UW-Madison's Adult Career and Educational Counseling Center will conduct two Fall workshops that teach a process of educational/career decision making with a focus on skills identification, interests, needs, values clarification and educational and occupational information gathering.

The first 4 session workshop will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 27; Thursday, September 29; Tuesday, October 4 and Thursday, October 6. The second 4 session workshop will be held 12:30 to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, November 1, 8, 15, 22. Fee: \$35. Pre-registration required. For more information, call (608) 263-6960.

### GAMMA's 14th Annual Boat Tour

(Milwaukee)-GAMMA's 14th annual Iroquois boat tour of Milwaukee's harbor embarks on Saturday, August 20 at the Clybourn St. and Milwaukee River dock. Music, party, munchies, cash bar. Limited number of tickets available at Triangle, M&M, AfterWords. Tickets also available dockside beginning at 6:15 p.m. for \$12. Call GAMMA at (414) 963-9833 for more information.

### Madison Gay Video Club Returns

(Madison)- After a six month break, the Video Club will resume on Saturday, August 27 at 8:00 p.m. Following a free barbecue and refreshments, there will be a showing of the full 90 minute version of In the Life's *Stonewall 25* documentary. Admission is free and potential new members are welcomed.

The Video Club will meet regularly this Fall on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. Featured on the second Saturday will be new releases of hardcore Gay films. The fourth Saturday will focus on non-sexual Gay themes, supplemented with clips of recent Gay news events or special interest items. Following the features on both nights, open requests will be taken, as time permits, for other titles in the Club's library.

The private home hosting of the Video Club has also been upgraded with a new large-format TV, surround-sound stereo and state-of-the-art video equipment to improve the presentation quality. All members receive a monthly newsletter. Please note that the Video Club is not a business. We do not sell or rent videos. For more information, call (608) 244-8675 evenings.

### Apple Island Presents Media Exhibit

(Madison)- Apple Island, a women's culture and event space, presents "We're Here, We're Queer," a very mixed media exhibit. Work by Peggy Kelbel, Sandy Mishur, Shirley Price-Marcus, Janis N. Senungetuk, and Ruth Sigle. The exhibit runs from August 21 to September 30. Open at events and by appointment. Call (608) 258-9777.

### Shoreline Dancers to Sponsor Workshop

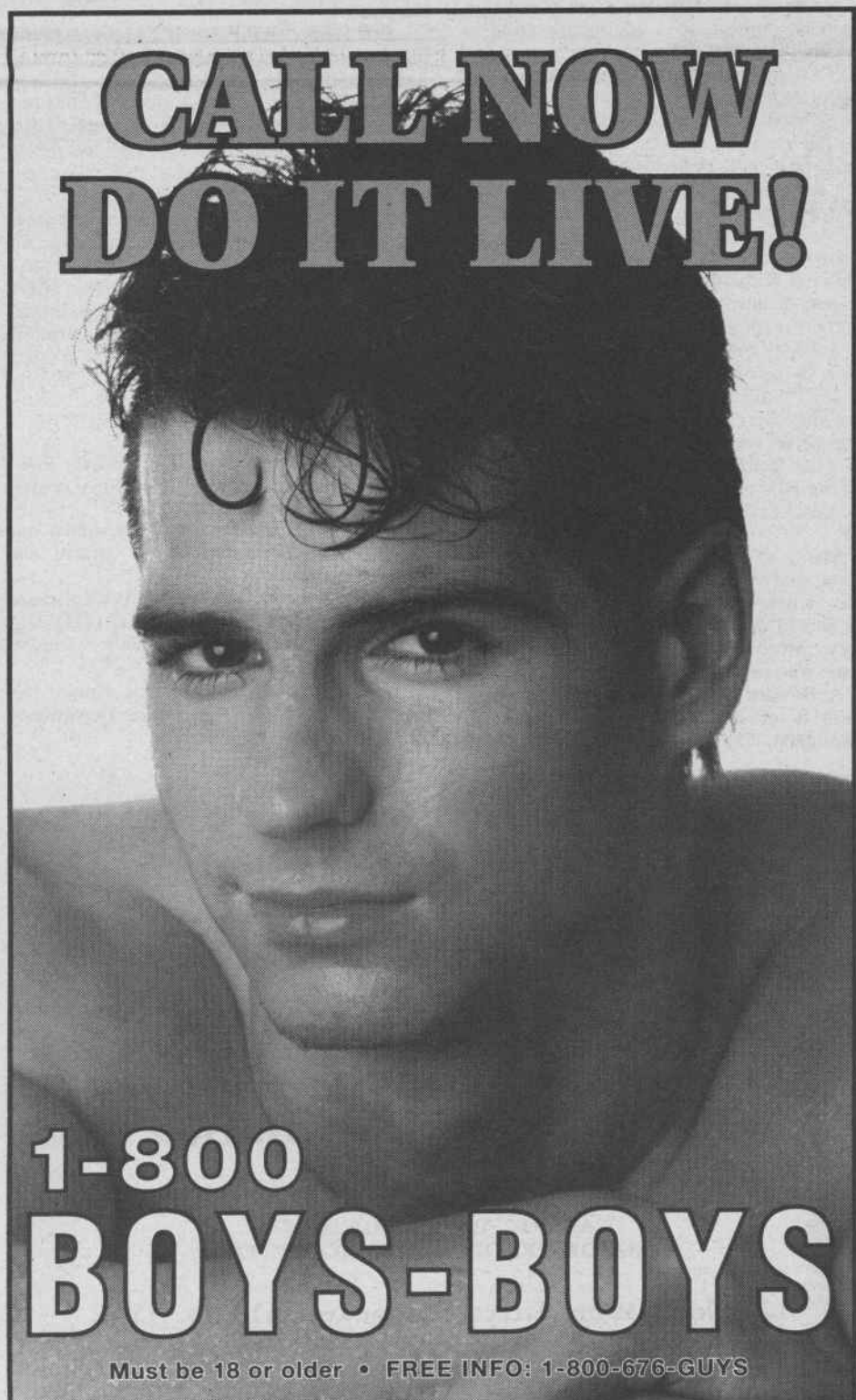
(Milwaukee)- On Sunday, August 28, the Shoreline Dancers will sponsor a two-step workshop. The workshop will be held at the 3B's bar at 1753 S. Kinnickinnic and will be given by Carol Anderson and Susan Lamay from Minneapolis. Susan and Carol are the North Star Gay Rodeo Association's current two-step champions and represented the NSGRA at the International Gay Rodeo Association Dance Finals in Little Rock, AR at the end of July.

The workshop, run in segments, will run from noon to 4:30 p.m. Basic two-step will be taught from noon to 1:00 p.m.; intermediate two-step will run from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.; and advanced two-step from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$2 per person and will be used to help Susan and Carol defray travel expenses.

### GALVANize to Hold August Meeting

(Madison)- GALVANize, the Gay and Lesbian Visibility Alliance, will hold a meeting on Tuesday evening, August 30 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to wrap up business from this year's rally and march as well as initial planning for next year's event. The meeting will be held at the Wisconsin Community Fund office, located at 122 State St., Suite 508.

There are still a few T-shirts available from this year's event. For more information about the meeting or T-shirts, call (608) 256-4289 or write: P.O. Box 1403, Madison, WI 53701.



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### War On AIDS

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they need new ideas. And they will get them by exploring the innermost workings of the virus and the body's complex and ultimately futile response to it.

The new head of the U.S. Office of AIDS Research said this will be the focus of the federal government's annual \$1.3 billion AIDS budget.

"The engine that will drive the entire AIDS research enterprise forward is basic research, Dr. William E. Paul told the meeting.

Paul took over the AIDS job from Dr. Fauci, who had overseen federal AIDS research while directing the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

#### Vaccine is a Top Goal

Paul also sought to assure the conference that vaccine development is still a top research goal.

"Our greatest hope for the eradication of HIV lies in the development of effective preventative vaccines," he said, calling this an "essential element" of his agency's research agenda.

Paul said that broad testing of so-called second generation vaccines will begin once there is "a reasonable degree of promise" they will work. He declined to speculate when that might be.

U.S. plans to expand testing of two experimental vaccines were canceled in June because of doubts about whether they would work. During initial testing, some volunteers became infected with the HIV virus after taking the vaccines.

Paul said other priorities include:

- Studying people with natural resistance to infection. Some prostitutes in Africa, for example, have not become infected despite repeated exposure to the virus.
- Learning ways to manipulate the body's response to infection. Different forms of interferon, interleukin and other proteins may improve or weaken the body's response to the virus.

But scientists have been gathering this kind of information since the epidemic began. Two of the most talked about subjects at the conference--long-term survivors and gene therapy--build on the encyclopedic store of basic knowledge already assembled about HIV virology and immunology.

#### Long-Term Survivors

While almost everyone who catches HIV eventually gets sick and dies, about 5% are still perfectly healthy 12 years to 15 years after their infection. Researchers believe that if they figure out how these people's immune systems tame HIV, maybe they could turn it into a treatment for those less fortunate.

"This is obviously a hot topic," said Dr. David Ho, head of the Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center in New York City.

His preliminary study, presented at the meeting, offers hints of unique immune system responses in people who carry HIV without harm.

Ho's study of nine men and one woman infected for between 12 and 15 years suggests powerful internal defenses that show no sign of losing their punch. Ho's patients shared no identifiable genetic similarities. They caught their infections in a variety of different ways.

All carried extremely low levels of virus in their blood streams, although the virus continued to reproduce.

Unlike most of those with lengthy HIV infections, these people do not gradually lose their CD4 cells. Instead, their CD4 levels remain normal. Some researchers believe the key to this may be another variety of blood cells called CD8 cells.

In one experiment, Ho combined HIV with CD4 cells taken from both volunteers with full-blown AIDS and from long-term survivors. The virus infected the cells and reproduced rapidly.

Then the researchers added the patients' own CD8 cells to the mix. The survivors' cells promptly stopped making virus, but not in those living with AIDS. This suggests that people who live long with the infection are blessed with CD8 cells that are powerful suppressors of HIV.

Several other factors seem to make a difference. One is having a positive attitude toward their infection, Ho told the conference.

Another is that the virus in long-term survivors seems to be "wimpy," said Ho. He indicated that perhaps it was a combination of a strong immune response, a weakened virus and a positive attitude that permitted these people to do so well.

Other researchers said their decade of basic research into HIV's origins, structure and life cycle is about to result in human experiments in gene therapy, the most exotic AIDS treatment yet. The idea is to insert HIV-killing genes into people's blood cells so they will be able to protect themselves from the virus.

No one knows whether this will produce a practical AIDS therapy. Time and again, the virus has proven to be more clever than the scientists. Its principal tactic is to evolve mutant genes that make it impervious to new drugs.

During treatment, HIV quickly becomes resistant to AZT and all the other drugs developed so far. No clearly effective new ones were introduced at the meeting. Doctors still hope that mixing the drugs together will improve their potency.

"We will combine them in as many different ways as we can imagine," said Dr. Paul Volberding of the University of California at San Francisco.

However, researchers showed little of the bravura that reigned early in the epidemic, when many were convinced victory over AIDS was inevitable.

"It has outsmarted us so far, and most of us would predict it will continue to," said Dr. Mark Wainberg of McGill University in Montreal.

For now, many believe that keeping people from catching AIDS, largely through condom use, is the only practical way to control the epidemic, which continues to spread with alarming speed.

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), about 17 million people have been infected with HIV--3 million in the last year alone. Africa is hardest hit, but the virus is starting to spread in Asia, the world's most populous continent.

Clearly AIDS will be a deadly foe for a long time. The International AIDS Society is planning more meetings like this one through the end of the century.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Gay Men's Discussion Group Meets on August 28

(Milwaukee)- The Gay Men's Discussion Group will be discussing "Being Gay in the Age of AIDS" on Sunday, August 28, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee, 2036 N. Bartlett Ave. Tim Baack, MS, a psychotherapist and manager of health services with the Milwaukee AIDS Project, will assist with facilitating the discussion. Preregistration is not required, and the cost is a \$2 donation. For more information, call Bill Hanel at (414) 271-2565.

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## 20 Billion Condoms Needed in Next Decade to Stop the Spread of AIDS, WHO Says

(Yokohama, Japan)- Stopping AIDS will require condoms. A lot of condoms. Perhaps 20 billion over the next ten years.

The World Health Organization (WHO) came up with the estimate at the end of the International AIDS Conference held in Yokohama, Japan. WHO representatives told attendees that the estimate required a variety of assumptions to get an idea of the magnitude of the demand.

Condom promotion is being taken up with varying degrees of enthusiasm all over the world. Strategies for distributing them and, more importantly, getting people to use them during sex, were a frequent topic of discussion at the Conference.

WHO estimates 525 million condoms were used last year specifically to prevent AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. Birth control may also have been a factor in some cases, but the estimate does not count condoms used chiefly to prevent pregnancies.

Some 562 million condoms are sold in the U.S. alone every year.

Demand will almost certainly grow as governments and private agencies persuade more people to use them, especially in Asia and Africa, where most new AIDS cases are likely to occur.

"This is the way of alerting the world about the volume of condoms that will be needed in the near future," said Dr. Fausta Yao of WHO.

The study was based on estimates of the number of men and women now engaging in risky sex and the expected increase in use as a result of condom promotion. The researchers assumed, among other things, that people who need condoms for intercourse outside monogamous relationships would use 20 a year.

Their conclusion: Between 9 billion and 20 billion will be used for disease prevention between 1994 and 2004. If the higher number turns out to be correct, they will cost \$1.3 billion when purchased in bulk by distribution agencies.

Condom use, education about sexual transmission and treatment of venereal diseases are considered to be the cornerstones of AIDS prevention. Venereal disease sores make HIV much easier to catch and spread.

**Thailand: Will It Cease to Exist?**

Among Asian countries where HIV is

## Gay Teens Know About AIDS Risk But Spurn Safer Sex Studies Say

(Chicago)- Wayne Steward, a 19-year-old Gay college student, has little idea whether his Gay friends practice safer sex. And he can't imagine anyone bringing it up for a group discussion.

Many Gay and Bisexual teens ignore the risk of catching HIV and fail to protect themselves from it, even though they are knowledgeable about how the disease is spread, two new studies indicate.

"One of the most infrequently discussed areas of Gay life is often safer sex practices," said Steward of Fairfax County, Virginia, who will be a sophomore this Fall at Columbia University in New York.

Steward said Gay teens have heard plenty of clinical discussions about safer sexual practices, such as using condoms. But such discussions may seem irrelevant in situations where a teen is looking for emotional release, intimacy, love and sexual expression, he said.

"On a logical level, it (safer sex) makes perfect sense. But when you're talking about love, and you have sex intertwined with that, logic doesn't always come first," he said in a telephone interview on August 8.

His observations on the East Coast are mirrored in studies from the Midwest and California.

A survey from Minnesota released on August 8, 1994, shows that Gay and Bisexual teens there were knowledgeable about HIV, but 63% were at "extreme risk" of having been exposed to HIV infection because they'd had unsafe sex or shared needles to use injection drugs.

"The United States cannot afford to be complacent about AIDS prevention for this population of Gay and Bisexual teens," said the survey's author, Dr. Gary Remafedi, director of Youth and AIDS Projects at the University of Minnesota.

His survey of teens and young adults ages 13 to 21 from urban and rural areas was published in the August issue of *Pediatrics*.

A similar study in the August 10 issue of *The Journal of the American Medical Association* found that young Gay and Bisexual men in the San Francisco area are not acting on the lessons available through the city's many safer sex education programs.

Almost one-third of 725 subjects, who were age 17 to 22 years old, reported they'd had unprotected sex in the previous six months and almost 12% reported injection drug use in that period.

HIV infection was found in 9.4% of the 425 young men, and more than two-thirds of those infected didn't know that they'd been infected, said researchers led by George F.

spreading most rapidly, Thailand is thought to have the most serious problem. Thai government officials have gone so far as to say that if the epidemic continues as it is, the Thai people will cease to exist.

However, the Thai government has mounted a serious effort to promote condom use, especially among sex workers. It's "100% Condom Program" aimed at persuading brothels, bars and clubs to require condoms, appears to be working.

Dr. Wiwat Rojanapithayakorn of the Department of Communicable Disease Control in Bangkok, said venereal disease rates among Thai sex workers has dropped from 30% to near zero since the program began in 1991. Treatment of venereal disease among men has also plunged.

However, Rojanapithayakorn said it is still too soon to know whether this change means the spread of AIDS has also slowed, as experts hope.

### Condoms and Religion

Those involved in condom distribution programs say the job is easier in parts of the world where condoms are already widely used for birth control. However, even there, people often resist them for a variety of reasons.

In Uganda, Dr. Moses Kanya of Makerere University said, myths sometimes make people reluctant to use them.

"There is a belief that a condom can disappear in the womb of a woman and have to be removed surgically," he said.

Men in all countries are often reluctant to use them because they cut down on sensation during sex. Religious beliefs can also be a barrier.

The Islamic Medical Association of Uganda ran into considerable opposition from Muslim community leaders when it proposed a condom education campaign. Dr. Y. Walkaira said they worried that the availability of condoms would encourage illicit sex.

However, he said, the religious leaders eventually agreed that "we have to accept them to save the lives of our people."

Similar attitudes can be found among Christians, especially of the Fundamentalist kind, many of whom preach that AIDS is a "punishment from God" on those they don't like.

Lemp of the San Francisco Department of Public Health.

Among the San Francisco report's other findings are:

- A surprising number of respondents said they were high on alcohol or nitrite drugs (poppers) before having unprotected sex
- The infection rate was higher among African American men than among other ethnic groups. More than 20% of young African American males surveyed tested positive compared to 8% for whites and 9.5% among Hispanics.

Dr. Jeffrey A. Kelly, director of the Center for AIDS Intervention Research at the Medical College of Wisconsin, said the rates of high risk behavior found in such studies are of great concern.

Kelly said much more prevention needs to be undertaken among Gay youth.

"We have to move from basic education about risks to helping adolescents make changes in risk behaviors," Kelly said, adding that young people must be taught to refuse risky sex and to negotiate safer sex.

### From Groups to Behavior

In a recent interview, Dr. Kelly told *Wisconsin Light* that we must broaden away from specific groups and look at behaviors among divers people.

"Historically," he said, "we've thought about AIDS in terms of risk groups. We all know traditionally what those groups have been: Gay men, IV drug users."

"What we know is that it is not a group, but rather it's behavior that can increase vulnerability."

Kelly went on to say that "A number of researchers have found that the homeless constitute a population of folks who are at a greatly elevated risk for HIV infection."

"In fact, studies in New York City have shown that between 20% and 60% of homeless men and women in the city have HIV infection now."

"Fortunately, in Milwaukee it's not that severe yet. But, like the HIV epidemic in general, it will happen here and in other places unless we develop ways to prevent it from happening."

Kelly said that the Medical College had just received a grant from the National Institute of Mental Health to develop and conduct and evaluate HIV prevention programs focused on homeless men and women in two Milwaukee shelters. These are Hope House and the Guest House shelters.

The findings from these programs will be evaluated and disseminated for use in other cities across the country.

## Three Million People World-Wide Now Get Infected with HIV Annually

(Yokohama, Japan)- A record 3 million people contracted HIV last year around the world, and a looming AIDS explosion in Asia will probably drive the toll far higher in 1994, experts told the International AIDS Conference that ended on August 11.

While the infection rate has leveled off in Western countries, the latest figures portray an epidemic that is raging out of control in much of the world, especially in Africa and Asia.

In all, World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that about 17 million people now are infected with HIV, a number that possibly will grow to 40 million in the next five years.

Sub-Saharan Africa is still the part of the world most devastated by the disease. About 10 million infected people live there. But the virus is spreading fastest in Asia, and many fear a sweeping epidemic there, one that will destabilize governments and, perhaps, even bring some peoples to the verge of extinction.

"It is so urgent to act here in Asia before we get an explosion," said Dr. Michael Merson, head of WHO's AIDS Program. "We are running out of time. There is no excuse."

WHO calculates that setting up basic AIDS prevention programs in Asia would cost between \$750 million and \$1.5 billion. These programs might prevent the millions of new infections expected by the turn of the century.

Merson said the major impediment is the unwillingness of some governments to admit that AIDS is a problem.

## Home Access HIV Test Could Provide Vitally Needed Information

### Commentary By Sean O. Strub

A number of French officials were recently convicted for their failure to utilize blood screening techniques and, as a consequence, infecting that nation's blood supply. They were prosecuted on a concept in French law of "failing to come to the aid of persons in danger."

A half a million HIV positive Americans are in danger and someone needs to come to their aid. The introduction of a home access HIV test offers a chance to come to the aid of those HIV positive persons who do not yet know they are in danger. Introduction of this test also could dramatically change the AIDS crisis.

A home access HIV test is not prevention. It is not treatment. It is information. And information is power when it comes to surviving AIDS. Statistics from the Centers for Disease Control and a variety of private sector organizations indicate that home testing will dramatically increase the number of people who get tested. *In a short period of time, perhaps less than two years, the number of people who know they are HIV positive could double.*

For them, this test gives them the chance to survive. "There is so much that can be done" has become a cliché, but it is the truth. For people intent on survival, it should be a mantra that compels them to action.

A huge number--if not a majority--of the people dying of pneumocystis carinii pneumonia (PCP) are doing so needlessly. If they knew they were positive, they could undertake inexpensive and highly effective prophylaxis and avoid getting sick. Instead, they find out they are HIV positive when they show up in an emergency room with an acute episode of PCP.

Many of us have demonstrated in the streets, and been arrested, to expedite the release of new treatments. A home access HIV test should be considered with identical urgency. More delays in bringing this test to people who need it is morally reprehensible.

A Howard University study demonstrated that 41% of African American men in the Washington, D.C. area who died of AIDS

## July Deaths From AIDS

Madison--AP-- Two dozen people died from complications due to AIDS in Wisconsin in July, and there were 44 new confirmed cases of the disease, a state agency said.

Deaths in July brought the state's total to 1,358 since reporting began in 1982, the Department of Health and Social Services said on August 5th.

It compares to 1,048 deaths this time a year ago.

New confirmed cases brings the number of AIDS cases to 2,458, compared with 1,980 a year ago.

"Denial is as strong in this region (Asia) as it's been anywhere else in the world," Merson said.

So far, HIV in Asia is largely confined to India, Burma and Thailand, although it has started to appear in Vietnam, Cambodia, the Philippines and Japan. In Thailand, it has moved into the general population.

According to WHO figures, 4% of young male military recruits and 1.5% of pregnant women in Thailand now carry the virus. In some parts of northern Thailand, 20% of young men are infected.

were diagnosed after death. *They never knew they were HIV positive.* At least half a million HIV positive Americans are committing a slow suicide of ignorance because they do not know they are HIV positive.

Introduction of home access testing raises issues: the impact on AIDS service organizations and advocacy efforts; its availability to individuals unable to afford the \$30 fee; and potential abuses of the test. But these are not reasons to let those ignorant of their HIV positive status to remain so.

I do not view HIV as a death sentence. I do not believe HIV automatically causes AIDS. And I am not sure if the relationship between HIV and AIDS is more coincidental than causal.

**But I am certain that if I had not found out I was positive by getting tested, I would have found out by getting sick.**

Regardless of which treatment options one chooses--herbal, homeopathic, spiritual, pharmaceutical--knowing one is at-risk for illness is the first step.

Ignorance is not bliss. It is idiotic.

Editor's Note: The writer is the publisher and executive editor of POZ, a magazine for people affected by HIV and AIDS. He also produced the Off-Broadway hit, *The Night Larry Kramer Kissed Me*. A native Iowan, he and his spouse, Xavier Morales, currently live in Manhattan.

### FBI

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He is wanted by Fernandina Beach, Florida police on a warrant for second degree murder dated June 22, 1994.

The FBI from which this description was obtained, describes Bowles as "armed and dangerous."

If you see him, call Special Agent Richard Eggleston at the Milwaukee FBI at (414) 276-4684 or call the Milwaukee Police Department.

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