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Wisconsin's Clarenbach Named to Lead National Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund

Pioneer of Country's First Gay Rights Law Moves on to the National Stage



Fireworks lit up Milwaukee's skies on June 11 during PrideFest '95

Milwaukee—Former Wisconsin State Legislator, Speaker Pro Temp of the Assembly and an openly Gay man, David Clarenbach, has been named to head the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund replacing retiring William Waybourn. The announcement was made in on June 14, but word had reached Milwaukee on June 10.

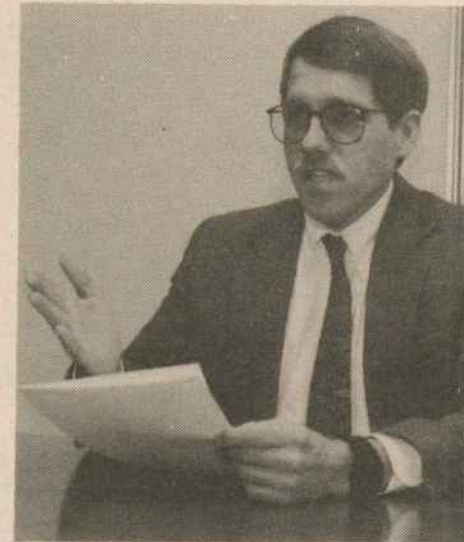
The Victory Fund is the nation's largest Gay political action committee and 15th largest of its kind. The Victory Fund has contributed more than \$1 million directly to the campaigns of qualified openly Gay and Lesbian candidates. Since the Fund's inception in 1991, the number of openly Gay and Lesbian elected officials has doubled.

Clarenbach, currently acting executive director of the Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN), was a member of the Wisconsin State Assembly from 1975 to 1993. He served as the Assembly's Speaker Pro Temp for five terms.

As a member of the Assembly, Clarenbach authored the Consenting Adults Bill which ended Wisconsin's sodomy statutes.

He was the author of the Gay/Lesbian Civil Rights Act of 1982, the first of its kind in the nation. The act prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation in employment, housing and public accommodations.

Clarenbach authored Wisconsin's Hate Crimes Act, which was upheld unanimously by the U.S. Supreme Court, and a Bill of Rights for people with HIV and AIDS.



David Clarenbach

"We here in Wisconsin have demonstrated how to become part of the political process. The national movement is at a pivotal juncture. We need for openly Gay and Lesbian

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Gay/Lesbian Officials Tell Clinton of Need for Principled Leadership

Madison— State Representative Tammy Baldwin along with openly Gay Dane County Supervisors Scott McCormick and Mark Pocan were among the 44 Gay and Lesbian elected officials invited to meet with President Clinton in the White House on Tuesday, June 13. The meeting was organized by the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund.

In a press conference held on the grounds of the State Capitol in Madison on June 15, Baldwin expressed her pleasure at having direct access to high level administration officials and characterized the discussion as "a lively exchange on a number of issues."

There were two main issues discussed: Gays in the military; and the Colorado Amendment 2 case now before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Gays in the Military

The White House and the Gay officials,

Baldwin said, talked about "a classical political dilemma that we as politicians understand: Do you go in the direction of pragmatism, or do you make a principled statement on something knowing you're going to lose?"

Baldwin said that the White House argued for the pragmatic approach that they took. They said that they realized that if they continued to stand on their original idea of lifting the ban, the Gay and Lesbian community would lose far more than if they (the Administration) compromised.

Amendment 2

In a similar vein, Baldwin said, the Administration argued pragmatism in their decision to file a friend of the court brief in the Colorado Amendment 2 case now pending before the Supreme Court.

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U.S. Supreme Court Rules Vets May Ban Gays From Boston St. Pat's Parade

Washington, D.C.— In a unanimous ruling handed down on Monday, June 19, the U. S. Supreme Court ruled that the private veteran's group which sponsors and organizes Boston's St. Patrick's Day parade may ban from marching the Irish American Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Group of Boston (GLIB).

The justices said the veterans have a free speech right to put on a parade that represents their viewpoints, in the same way that a protest march is an exercise of First Amendment freedoms.

The decision in large part, hinged on arguments about whether the parade, which the veterans have sponsored since 1947, is a public function subject to anti-bias laws. Associate Justice David Souter writing for the High Court, said that the parade is a private function, "a form of expression, not just motion...Our tradition of free speech commands that a speaker who takes to the street corner to express his views should be free from interference by the state based on the content of what he says."

Kerry Lobel, Deputy Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) condemned the ruling saying that it sanctions the parade sponsor's anti-Gay policy which "is a clear attempt to send us all back into the closet."

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Non-Biological Mom Wins Big Wisconsin Supreme Court Victory

By John Quinlan

Madison— In a landmark victory for the rights of Lesbian and Gay families which will have precedent-setting implications nationwide, the Wisconsin Supreme Court affirmed the importance of the bonds formed by Lesbian and Gay parents with their non-biological or non-adoptive children.

By a 4-3 margin, the state's highest court ruled on June 13 that Sandra Holtzman, of Madison, may be legally entitled to visitation rights with the six-year-old son she helped raise with her former partner, Elsbeth Knott, who is the child's biological mother. In a long and complicated legal battle that began with the dissolution of the couple's decade-long relationship in 1993, Knott had sought to deny

Holtzman visitation rights with the boy.

"This is the first of its kind decision in this country, and it's one that I hope other state courts will look to when faced with situations similar to this," said Holtzman's attorney, Judith Sperling Newton, who has argued numerous cases involving Lesbian and Gay family rights. "This is a victory for children in this state. It's the first time in many years that this state has recognized the rights of a child to maintain important relationships in that child's life."

In the original decision, Dane County Circuit Judge George Northrup had reluctantly granted a summary judgment that came down on Knott's side in the Fall of 1993, ruling that

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Minister Jan Doleschal presides at PrideFest's mass wedding as 100 couples exchanged vows on June 12.

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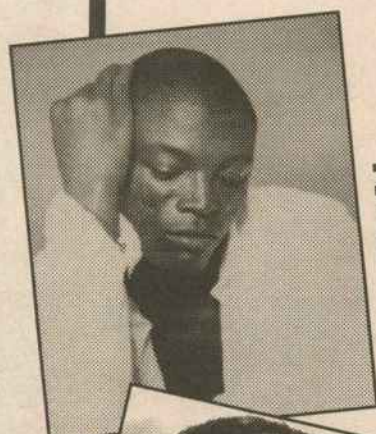
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Dornan's Appeal to Far Right at Wisconsin GOP Convention Turns Many Off

Appleton, WI-- Far Right Wing California Congressman Robert Dornan's raving message opposing what he called "cultural meltdown" and the "homo-sexual agenda" found some backers at the state Republican convention held over Pride Weekend, June 9-11.

But other delegates were harshly critical of Dornan's blistering attack on Gay people and either boycotted his speech or walked out when he took the podium.

"I asked him (Saturday) night how he could call himself a Christian and talk about people like he did. He didn't reply," said Ardell Ladd of Black River Falls, one of about a dozen delegates who walked out of the hall as Dornan started speaking Sunday, June 11.

"The guy's an egomaniac," said delegate Douglas Knight of Eau Claire. "I come from an evangelical background myself, but I don't subscribe to his notions. I have a hard time saying that's a Christian movement."

But Patrick Wanzeck of Viroqua, who attended a prayer breakfast where Dornan spoke earlier, said Dornan has a valid message.

Wanzeck, a Vietnam War veteran, said he agrees with Dornan that President Clinton's avoidance of the draft during the Vietnam War hasn't gotten enough media attention.

And Beth Jones, who was helped staff a Republicans for Choice booth at the convention, was wearing a Dornan button Sunday, after stopping by a hotel party hosted by Dornan Saturday night.

"He was talking about forced abortions in China," she said. "I thought, 'That could happen here.'"

Dornan and Alan Keyes of Maryland were the

two GOP presidential candidates who accepted invitations to address the three-day convention, which drew about 1,100 delegates to Appleton's Paper Valley Hotel.

Both told delegates that the morality issue is a winning issue for Republicans, and urged party stalwarts not to accept half-hearted endorsements of principles espoused by the Christian Far Right Wing.

Keyes, a former assistant secretary of state and aide to United Nations ambassador Jeanne Kirkpatrick during the Reagan administration, said public opinion polls have repeatedly shown Americans are fed up with the disintegration of the heterosexual family, large numbers of children being born out of wedlock and related social problems.

Dornan also criticized the U.S. Forest Service for proposing a definition of "family" that could include same-sex couples, saying the agency should change its mascot to "Smoky, The Bisexual Bear," and lambasted what he called President Clinton's "adulterous episodes."

State Rep. Sheryl Albers, a delegate from North Freedom, shrugged off Dornan's and Keyes talk saying that both candidates talked about problems, but neither offered any solutions.

Marion Ellickson, a delegate from Eau Claire, said embracing some of the things Dornan and Keyes were saying "is the way for the Republicans to commit suicide."

"If the party keeps moving in that direction, we're just not going to appeal to people," she said.

Congressman Scott Klug to Co-Sponsor Ryan White Bill at Behest of Log Cabin

Milwaukee--At the request of Log Cabin-Wisconsin, a Lesbian/Gay Republican organization, Republican Congressman Scott Klug (R-WI) has agreed to cosponsor the Ryan White Care Act Reauthorization bill in the House of Representatives.

Klug, who serves on the subcommittee which is responsible for the bill, has also stated that he will take a leadership role in seeking adoption of a bill which has more equitable funding formulas which will benefit Wisconsin.

Log Cabin-Wisconsin President Jim McFarland, who met with Congressman Klug's office on June 8 while in Washington, D.C. for a Log Cabin conference, said he was very pleased with the Congressman's decision to grant McFarland's request that Klug cosponsor the bill.

The Ryan White Care Act, which provides funding directly to local communities to assist them with the costs of the AIDS epidemic, is set to expire in September of 1995 if it is not reauthorized by Congress.

Log Cabin Republicans, Log Cabin's Washington lobbying arm, has made reauthorization of Ryan White its top priority this year. Log Cabin has already secured the support of Republican Congressman Michael Bilirakis, the chairman of the Commerce Subcommittee on Health and Environment which is responsible for the bill, and Republican Congressman Thomas Bliley, the chairman of the House Commerce Committee which will consider the bill after the subcommittee has acted on it.

"Adding the cosponsorship and leadership efforts of Congressman Klug", McFarland notes, "can ensure not only that Ryan White reauthorization is supported by both the subcommittee and the committee, but also that the reauthorization will include the new equitable formulas for distribution which will increase Wisconsin's share of the funds."

The current formula unfairly favors the large urban areas which were hit by the AIDS epidemic first, such as New York and San Francisco, because funds are distributed based on cumulative case-loads which include those who have already died.

The new formulas are designed to reduce the skewing impact of including those who have already died in the caseload counts which are used to apportion the funds to the states.

Congressman Klug's office noted to McFarland that these new formulas are vitally important to the Congressman, who represents Madison and several surrounding counties, as they are to Log Cabin as well.

Log Cabin has advocated the more equitable formulas in the reauthorization from the beginning, and has gained much Republican support for these formulas, as well as for reauthorization.

Congressman Klug's support for reauthorization continues his long-standing support for Log Cabin, McFarland noted.

Log Cabin is also encouraged by events in the U.S. Senate on the Ryan White Reauthorization bill.

Log Cabin-Ohio members were successful in persuading conservative Republican Senator Michael DeWine (R-Ohio) to cosponsor Ryan White, making him the 59th cosponsor.

Ryan White supporters hope to obtain over 60 cosponsors so that Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole, who is also a cosponsor, will be assured that he has enough votes to stop any filibuster attempts by Senator Jesse Helms.

It is believed that Senator Dole can be convinced to override Helms's hold on the bill and bring the bill to the floor for a vote with this assurance.

Log Cabin clubs from all over the country, including Wisconsin's, have written to Dole and requested that he override the hold and allow a vote on the bill.

Congressman Scott Klug Champions Ryan White Bill During Key Hearing

Milwaukee-- Congressman Scott Klug (R-Wisconsin) has emerged as a strong advocate for reauthorization of the Ryan White Care Act.

Klug not only has agreed to co-sponsor the reauthorization bill, but last week at the first committee hearing to consider the bill in the House of Representatives, spoke strongly in favor of new formulas which will assure equitable AIDS funding throughout the country.

The Ryan White Bill was reported out of committee with a unanimous voice vote and with a clear admonition from Klug that the Title II funding formulas in the House Bill needed to be improved consistent with the Senate reauthorization bill (S-643) sponsored by Sen. Nancy Kassenbaum (R-KS).

"The House bill does not include the equity formula for Title II and Congressman Klug's advocacy is a very important part of a longer process that we hope will deliver a good bill," said Doug Nelson, Executive Director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW).

"We are pleased that Congressman Klug is taking leadership on these issues which we know will be very helpful in what clearly will be a conference committee decision between the House and the Senate," Nelson said. "Klug's leadership is important to this process and important to Wisconsin."

Klug's support for the Care Act has been encouraged by Log Cabin-Wisconsin, a Lesbian/Gay Republican organization.

Jim McFarland, who is president of Log Cabin-Wisconsin, met with Congressman Klug's office on June 8, while in Washington, D.C. for a Log Cabin Conference. McFarland urged the Congressman to become a co-sponsor of the reauthorization bill.

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"We are thrilled with the good work of Log Cabin-Wisconsin and Log Cabin Clubs around the country," Nelson said. "They are deeply committed to the Care Act and their advocacy is both compelling and effective," Nelson said.

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Update to Ryan White Bill

Washington, D.C.--In an update to the article on the Ryan White Reauthorization Bill, as we go to press, Light has received word that a 60th cosponsor of the bill has signed on in the Senate.

The 60th cosponsor is Sen. Slade Gorton (R-WA).

Gorton's cosponsorship frustrates any attempt by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) to filibuster the bill.

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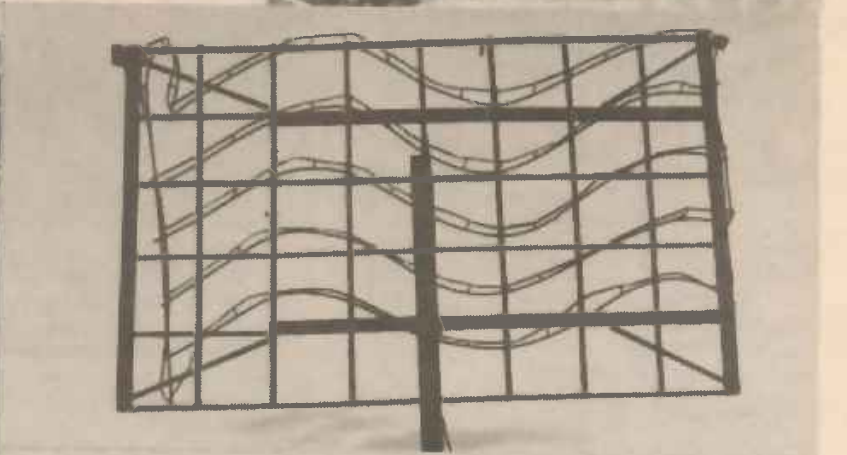
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PrideFest '95 The Grounds



PrideFest '95 Was a Great and Glorious Weekend Where We Stood Tall

By Terry Boughner

There's a solemn, journalistic way to approach the story of PrideFest '95, the who, what, where and how of it. You'll find that elsewhere in this issue, but if that's all you read of it, you'll miss its spirit. It's like trying to discover a person from looking at the bones.

On Friday evening, Jerry and I went to the grounds to attend the reception at the History tent sponsored by Steve Brondino. I remember getting out of the car and seeing all the tents set up, seeing people scurrying about in the fading light attending to last minute details.

Here we go again, I thought with satisfaction. And thought too how far, far we had come. When I was 21 or so, I couldn't even have conceived of this happening. What a wonderful, wonderful thing.

In the History Tent, there was board after board of pictures and text detailing Milwaukee's Lesbian and Gay story over the past 25 years. Some things I recognized (such as the front page of the first issue of *Wisconsin Light*), some names I knew, some events I was familiar with, but, since I've been in Milwaukee less than 10 years, most I did not.

But I thought as I went through, what a great thing Steve has done and how much work it took to assemble all this.

There are so many, many impressions of the next days that remain with me even as I write.

Saturday

One, certainly, is the fact that it didn't rain. It looked like it might, but Gay weather prevailed, giving us a sparkling, very warm taste of Summer (except in the evenings when I was very glad I'd lugged around my sweater all day).

As a point in passing, I would recommend to the Pride Committee that next year, they set up a booth and rent baskets to people to put things in that they don't want to carry around all day.

I remember seeing the Rainbow flags flying from the light posts along Milwaukee's streets. "Look, Jerry, look," I kept saying. "Look, Jerry, look." A little repetitious perhaps, but it was so damned good to see them there.

Throughout both days, I met so many people, people from all over the Midwest and beyond. One especially, I remember, named Rick, a simmering hunk of golden-skinned male from Pittsburgh. He had heard about Milwaukee's Pride Celebration and had come

to take a look. It gave me some kind of perverse pleasure to have him tell me that my old home town had nothing like this.

There were the people from PFLAG staffing their booth. I couldn't help wondering if my parents would have been among them? I think so, but I don't know and never will.



Senator Russ Feingold at PrideFest

I met a number of Gay teens, women and men, many of whom for the first time could look around and say to themselves "There are all these people just like me." That's a heady feeling as one young woman told me.

Among the many things which powerfully impressed me was the diversity of our people. There were at PrideFest the young and the old and those inbetween. There were African Americans, Asian Americans, Native Americans and others whose ancestors had come from all parts of the globe.

There were the "beautiful" people, those with physiques that would make the wild gods weep in envy--and there were those of the rest of us too.

There were singers and artists, business owners, dancers, poets and uncounted numbers of others giving of their talents to make PrideFest the success that it was.

As predicted, the food was ample and good. Much of what I sampled came from the food booth staffed by the volunteers from the Milwaukee AIDS Project cheerfully selling burgers and brats. They always seemed to be in a good humor, but how they maintained that, I don't know.

At one point, a rumor ran through the crowd that local Bible-thumper Vic Eliason was

standing on the sidewalk watching the proceedings. I went to take a look. I know what Eliason looks like. This was a trim, fairly good looking man. It wasn't Eliason.

A couple of times, I peeked in at the dance tent sponsored by *In Step* and Madison's Washington Hotel. It was always packed, but I never stayed long. I'm from a different era, that's all.

At four o'clock, I was in the Stonewall Tent taping a segment for the Queer TV Show on the holocaust. Suddenly, everyone grew very still and over the settled hush came the mournful tolling of a bell, calling to mind all those we have lost. It was one of the three or four most moving moments of the entire weekend.

I should mention that Bili Hanel did a wonderful job organizing the speakers and programs for the Stonewall Tent. Since the tent was sponsored by *Wisconsin Light*, Jerry and I thank him. Job well done.

On Saturday evening, Jerry and I stood along with a lot of others on the roof of the War Memorial to watch the fireworks and laser light show. It was spectacular. I mean that. I heard one person say "It's even better than the 4th of July because they're ours." That about sums up what I felt.

The fireworks and the light show were, together for me, the second most moving event of PrideFest--and made moreso by the music provided by the Cream City Chorus.

We should thank Miller Brewery profoundly and profusely for all that they did. And, while I'm at it, we could thank the Cream City Foundation too for being the major sponsor of the entire PrideFest '95.

Sunday

The annual Pride Parade stepped off precisely on time (at least according to my watch). There were more units in it than ever and it seemed to be more colorful than ever before.

While Jerry was off taking pictures (600 overall), I stood in front of the War Memorial to watch the units march past.

There was Alan Eslinger and Brendt in Alan's classic white T-Bird with Grand Marshal Tammy Baldwin smiling and waving to the crowd. People applauded loudly and loudly too for the ACT UP contingent as it went by.

Here came the semi with Fort Stonewall painted on its sides. And there was music too.

I saw one man marching, going along on crutches because he had only one leg and I saw a woman going by in a wheel chair. A man standing next to me, from Chicago, he said, turned to me. "That's why we'll win. Because of the spirit of people like that. Write that if you will," he said. And I have.

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Rick Finger and Sheldon Schur deserve a loud burst of applause and hearty thanks for putting that parade together.

Were there any glitches? I'm sure there were. Hell, I can't even put on a Thanksgiving Dinner without something going amiss. But I will say this.

PrideFest '95, those who worked their fingers to the bone organizing it, those who sponsored it, those who volunteered their time and money to make it work, did a wonderful thing. With all the oppression and bigotry directed against us in this world, they provided a moment of light, a time of dignity, a weekend when we could collectively say "I am me and I'm proud of that."

Thank you!

PrideFest Facts

According to the Pride Committee and Police estimates, 12,000 people attended PrideFest June 10-11.

For the first time, a U.S. Senator attended PrideFest: Sen. Russ Feingold.

The fireworks display, sponsored by Miller Brewery, was the first fireworks show in the nation for a Gay Pride celebration so far as is known.

There were 19 tents on the grounds.

Counting the Pride Committee and volunteers, over 400 people worked at the festival that weekend.

According to Rick Finger, one of the two parade co-ordinators, there were 26 units in this year's Pride Parade and approximately 1,500 participants.

There were 60 booths in the merchandise tents.

There were 14 cars in the classic car show.

There were 6 teams in the Volleyball Tournament.

There were approximately 100 couples who took part in the wedding.

There were 86 acts on the various stages.

No figures have yet been released on how much money was taken in at PrideFest.

Awards

Ron Geiman, Publisher/Editor of *In Step* Magazine, received the Lifetime Achievement Award.

The Stonewall Awards went to: Jan Doleschal, Mike Fitzpatrick, John Quinlan, Gary Wells and Terry Boughner.

Ross Walker and Erv Uecker of the Brady Street Clinic received the Community Service Award.

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Federal Judge Forces an Admiral to Dismiss One of the Best Officers in His Command

Alexandria, VA-- The "don't ask, don't tell" policy on Gays in the military is an appropriate and constitutional attempt to preserve military readiness, a federal judge ruled.

U.S. District Court Judge Claude M. Hilton ruled the Clinton administration policy does not violate service members' free speech or equal protection guarantees. Hilton threw out the case of a Gay man who is being forced out of the Navy because he is Gay.

Lt. Paul Thomasson's lawsuit said the policy is based on prejudice and cited his sterling service record as evidence his sexuality has no effect on his fitness as an officer.

Thomasson works in the Bureau of Naval Personnel in Washington, D.C. for Admiral Konetzui, the admiral in charge of implementing the Navy's policy on Gays.

In a recent fitness report, Konetzui wrote that "LT Thomasson is one of the finest junior officers I have ever had the pleasure to serve with... He should be the first choice for Lieutenant Commander (emphasis in the original) For his sustained superb performance, he has earned my strongest possible recommendation for command ahead of his peers."

Konetzui wrote the above after he knew that Thomasson was Gay.

However, Hilton wrote, "The policy, however, is not based on prejudice but on the military's need to address the legitimate concern that service by homosexuals in the military will adversely impact upon unit cohesion and military readiness," Hilton wrote.

The ruling Friday, June 9, is at odds with a New York federal judge's ruling in March of this year that the policy is unconstitutional. In both cases, service members declared their sexual orientation and asked the courts to bar their ouster.

In that case, Able v. Perry, J. Nickerson of the federal district court in Brooklyn, New York, ruled that the military's policy on Gays violates both the First and Fifth Amendments.

In strong language, Nickerson wrote, "Hitler taught the world what could happen when the government began to target people not for what they had done, but because of their status."

Both cases are under appeal and one or the other is expected to reach the U.S. Supreme Court.

Hilton refused to stop the Pentagon from discharging Thomasson and granted its request to dismiss the case.

"While it is true that some service members may view themselves as homosexuals but nonetheless remain celibate, it would not be rational to develop military personnel policies on the basis that all homosexuals will remain celibate or that they will not be sexually attracted to others," Hilton wrote.

"It would be similarly irrational for the military to ignore the obvious implications of placing people who are sexually attracted to each other in the same living quarters," the ruling said.

The ruling ignored the fact that straight men and women are regularly put together and, presumably, are attracted to each other sexually.

"As such," Hilton's ruling continued, "the policy is not based on irrational prejudices but on concrete, articulated concerns about privacy and sexual tension and the resulting impact on unit cohesion," Hilton wrote.

The Pentagon argued that acts in which Gay people have sex damage the bonds of trust and reliance essential within military units and thus diminish military readiness.

C. Dixon Osburn, Co-Executive Director of Servicemembers Legal Defense Network in Washington, D.C., the sole national legal aid and watchdog group for servicemembers targeted under the "don't ask, don't tell" policy, said, "Something is dreadfully wrong when Congress, through its policy on Gays in the military, forces an Admiral in the United States Navy to terminate the career of the best young officer with whom he has ever worked."

Thomasson will remain in Konetzui's office for the time being but could be forced out of the Navy before a federal appeals court rules on his case, his lawyers said.

Several other challenges to "don't ask, don't tell" are pending.

Barnett and Villasenor Receive 1995 Gay Distinguished Alumni Awards

Madison-- The University of Wisconsin Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Alumni Council has announced that the 1995 Distinguished Alumni Award recipients are Carrie Barnett and Richard L. Villasenor. They will receive their awards at the Annual General Meeting and Brunch at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, July 16, 1995 at the Memorial Union on the campus of the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Barnett, a business owner and community activist, is being honored for her generosity and leadership in community issues and with business development.

Barnett was a member of the Board of Directors of the Henry Gerber/Peal M. Hart Library and Archives, the country's oldest Gay and Lesbian library. She has also served as a Youth Advisor at Horizons Community Services, Chicago's Gay and Lesbian social service agency, as a member of the Chicago Department of Health AIDS Prevention Grants panel, a member of the Publishing Triangle at the American Booksellers Association, and as a Lambda Literary Awards judge for six years.

More recently, Barnett served as chair of the

Illinois Federation of Human Rights Statement for Freedom fund raising project and is moving her bookstore to a larger space in a building owned by a Gay/Lesbian business group which she heads.

Villasenor

While on campus, Villasenor was a co-president of the Ten Percent Society. He founded UW's Task Force on ROTC Policy Reform and was an activist in raising the issue of military discrimination against Gays and Lesbians.

After leaving Madison, Villasenor attended UCLA Law School where he was co-president of the Coalition on Lesbian and Gay issues and earned his JD in 1992.

Since graduation, he has been active in Lawyers for Human Rights and is employed at a Los Angeles law firm. He resides in Santa Monica with his partner, Bill, and his dog "Bucky."

Anyone wishing to attend the Awards Brunch should call Russell Bretts at (608) 262-2551.

Apple Computer Sponsors 'Out' Magazine's Launch of Gay Internet Service

New York-- With groundbreaking sponsorship from Apple Computer, Out magazine is about to do for cyberspace what it's done in print.

The magazine has announced that it launched OUT.com, a new kind of World Wide Web service, in the first week of June in honor of Gay Pride Month (<http://www.out.com>).

According to Out editor and president Michael Goff, OUT.com will be the first commercially sponsored Gay site on the Internet, with Apple Computer as the sole sponsor for the site's first month online.

With contributions from the magazine, the world's best-selling Gay and Lesbian publication, and a network of local Gay newspapers, one of which will be Wisconsin Light.

Light will be joining such newspapers as The Washington Blade, The Weekly News (Miami), The Seattle Gay News, The Philadelphia Gay News among others.

Each newspaper's logo will appear across the top of its respective pages.

According to Matt Lancelotti of Out, the first month on the Net is solely devoted to Pride events around the country. To date, the site has gotten over 20,000 contacts worldwide he said.

However, they are moving rapidly to establish partnerships with papers like Light where there will be an exchange of news, articles, etc., and Wisconsin Light will be effectively online, part of OUT.com, a one-stop place on the Internet for LesBiGays providing quality and up-to-date news, gossip, travel, style and event information.

OUT.com's content will fall into six categories, which the magazine will update three times weekly.

"The level of community involvement in OUT.com will be unique--there isn't a site on the Net this interactive," said Carl Pritzkat, principal of Mediapolis, Inc., which designed the site. "This site evolved out of Out's sense of how the Gay community works--people don't want to watch from the sidelines."

Candace Gingrich, Chastity Bono Push for Federal Gay Job Rights Bill

Washington, D.C.-- Gay and Lesbian relatives of five members of Congress, including Newt Gingrich's sister and Sonny Bono's daughter, are pushing legislation that would ban discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in hiring, firing, promotion and pay.

David M. Smith, a spokesman for the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), which called a news conference attended by a standing-room-only crowd of reporters on Capitol Hill on Thursday, June 15, said that HRCF hoped to influence House Speaker Gingrich and others by proving that Gay men and Lesbians are part of the "congressional family."

But Candace Gingrich and Chastity Bono conceded they had little hope of winning support from the Republican House speaker or the freshman congressman, Sonny Bono.

"I have not given up on swaying my brother, but there are millions of other people I have a better chance of talking to and educating," said Ms. Gingrich, who, as spokeswoman for HRCF's National Coming Out Project, is in the middle of a 50-city tour.

"My father's Republican. I'm a Democrat. We keep things on a very friendly and loving plane, so we don't really talk to each other about politics," said Ms. Bono, whose mother is singer and actress Cher.

Ms. Bono's father, the former rock singer, sits on the House Judiciary Committee, which has jurisdiction over the bill, introduced in the House by Rep. Gerry Studds, a Massachusetts Democrat, and 116 co-sponsors.

Bono, a California Republican, said later he will not co-sponsor the measure because it amounts to "special status" for a "special-interest group."

The Senate version, introduced by Sens. Jim Jeffords, a Vermont Republican, and Edward Kennedy, a Massachusetts Democrat, lists 27 co-sponsors, including Sen. Claiborne Pell.

Pell, a Rhode Island Democrat, stood beside his daughter Julie, a Lesbian, at the news conference. Also participating were John Bennett, nephew of Sen. Robert Bennett, a Utah Republican, and Sandy DeWine, cousin of Sen. Michael DeWine, an Ohio Republican.

Neither of the Republican senators is co-sponsoring the bill and their offices did not return calls for comment.

The Speaker's press office also did not return calls for comment Thursday, but Gingrich spoke out strongly in March against giving Gay people who are fired because of their sexual orientation the right to sue in federal court.

Federal civil rights laws, and the laws in 41 states, do not forbid discrimination based on sexual orientation, but the legislation introduced Thursday would add that category.

It would not apply to the military, religious organizations or schools affiliated with religious organizations. Businesses with fewer than 15 employees would be also exempt, but profit-making affiliates of religious organizations would be covered.

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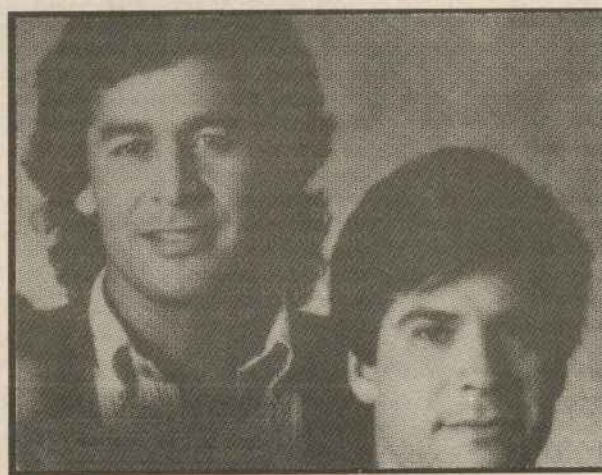
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Wisconsin Light offers its heartiest and most sincere congratulations to David Clarenbach on his being chosen to head the Victory Fund. We have known David for a long time and we can say without reservation that, in our opinion, there is no better person for that job.

Here is a man of great dynamism, of wide talents, who has used all that and more for the good of our community. He has worked tirelessly here in Wisconsin and he will take all that to Washington to use nationwide now.

Selfishly, we regret his leaving us. We know what an awesome decision that had to have been. It's the kind expressed in Barbra Streisand's song from "Cats," about street lamps guttering before the coming dawn where you take a lonely walk with yourself and sit on a park bench and shudder at the frightening responsibility facing you.

David is more than up to the task before him.

We have reason to know what a great, good heart David has, a man full of love, who has shown it in so many ways the world will never know. It is that kind of man with that kind of inner reserves of strength who we, as a nationwide community, need now. Thankfully he has accepted the challenge before him now.

David Clarenbach is to be thanked for all that he has done here in Wisconsin. Now he must take his work in Wisconsin and go out onto a larger stage. We offer him our congratulations and we wish him well.

The Pride Committee Has Made Us Proud

It was Saturday evening. The sun was setting. A man pointed toward the steeple of a church above the PrideFest grounds.

"Look!" he said. And people did.

They saw a rainbow arching in the sky, mirroring the ones on the flags flapping in the breeze below.

It was that kind of weekend, one full of brightness, one of promise and hope fulfilled, one for which the PrideFest Committee and uncounted volunteers had worked all year long. That work is dogged, often unnoticed and thankless much of the time. Here, we want to say "Thank you" to Bill Meunier, Roberta Niggemeier, Miriam Ben-Shalom, Susan Cook, Chris Klein, Steve Brondino, Rick Finger, Sheldon Schur and all the others for a job well done. You gave us one of the greatest gifts: the chance to hold our heads up in human dignity.

Thanks too to all the entertainers, to B.J. Daniels and the rest. What wonderful talent we have among us, but didn't we know that already?

That Saturday night, fireworks exploded across the sky with a laser light show adding to the startling effect. Thanks go to Miller Brewery which made the fireworks (and lot else) possible. We urge you to write or call them and offer them thanks.

Thanks too to all the other sponsors, the Cream City Foundation prime among them. Like the Pride Committee, the Cream City Foundation does not often get the kudos they so richly deserve, but they pulled in (as always). Without them, this whole community would be a lot less than it is now.

Thank you one and all for PrideFest '95.

FROM THE RIGHT

By Jim McFarland

I have just returned from a week of very successful "politicking".

First, I was in Washington, D.C. for a conference organized by Log Cabin Republicans ("LCR"), Log Cabin's Washington lobbying arm. Then I returned to Wisconsin only to drive straight to Appleton for the Republican Party of Wisconsin's State Convention. Both events were generally very positive for Log Cabin.

The Washington conference, which was attended by members of LCR's Lincoln Club, a group of its largest contributors, kicked off with a reception at the Capitol Hill Club, which serves as the Republican National Committee's reception and dining hall.

The keynote speaker at the reception was Republican Governor William Weld of Massachusetts who is arguably the most pro-Gay Governor in the country at this time. Weld is not only a strong supporter for equal rights for Lesbians and Gays, but has also appointed a commission to deal with the problems of Lesbian and Gay teens and has advocated legislation addressing their needs.

Other Republican Congressmen who attended the reception were: openly Gay Rep. Steve Gunderson (R-WI), Rep. Rick Lazio (R-N.Y.), Rep. Jim Kolbe (R-AZ), Rep. George Neathcutt (R-Wash.), Rep. Peter Torkildsen (R-Mass.), Rep. Sherwood Boehlert (R-N.Y.), Rep. Sue Kelly (R-N.Y.), and Rep. Steve Horne (R-Calif.). Unfortunately, Rep. Scott Klug (R-WI) of Madison, who had attended a similar reception last year, was unable to attend this year.

The next morning, a briefing session was held during which time LCR discussed its progress on reauthorization of Ryan White and three Congressmen spoke to the organization. The Congressmen represented the full spectrum of the Republican Party on issues.

The first speaker, Rep. James McCrery, is a conservative from Louisiana, and he spoke about the budget deficit and the various tax reform proposals from his perspective as a member of the House Ways and Means Committee.

The second speaker, Rep. Sherwood Boehlert, calling himself one of the last of the "Rockefeller Republicans", cited his opposition to the Clean Water Act amendments which the House recently adopted as well as the recent rescissions bill which cut funding from this year's budget, and clearly staked himself out as a liberal.

Finally, Rep. Rick Lazio discussed his role as a moderate in the party and his involvement in the "Tuesday Lunch-Brunch Group", which is a group of some 60 or so moderate Republicans who hold the votes the House leadership needs to have a majority on any issue.

Conservative Sen. Alan Simpson Praises Lesbian/Gay Republicans

Following the briefing session was an historic luncheon at which the keynote speaker was right-wing Wyoming Senator Alan Simp-

son. I nearly fell off my chair when I heard that this conservative would be addressing a Log Cabin luncheon.

Senator Simpson's speech mostly concerned his topic which was limiting the growth of entitlements, but he also commented on his sympathy for the abuse we Lesbian and Gay Republicans must endure both from the Republican Party and from the Lesbian and Gay community.

Indicating his support for Log Cabin, he said "I want to thank you for what you do for the Republican Party. You conduct yourselves in great pride in what I know must be a very difficult situation, more than I could ever envision." Senator Simpson, who is a cosponsor of the Ryan White Reauthorization bill, emphasized that he and other Republicans would push for the bill as a "regular health care issue", and was hopeful that they could persuade Senator Helms to back down from his position blocking consideration of the bill.

In the afternoon, Log Cabin members went to Capitol Hill to lobby their Congressmen and Senators. As is reported elsewhere, Log Cabin was successful in obtaining the cosponsorship of Congressman Scott Klug and conservative Republican Senator Mike DeWine (R-Ohio) for the Ryan White bill.

Log Cabin also opened up important dialogue with numerous other conservative Congressmen, and we expect to form fruitful relationships with these leaders in the right wing of the party. I came back from Washington very pleased with the progress LCR and Log Cabin have made.

State GOP Convention

The State Convention was also successful from my perspective, although not quite as pleasing as the Washington conference.

The best news was that not only did the Resolutions Committee refrain from bringing any anti-Gay resolution to the floor of the convention, but there was also no anti-Gay resolution introduced from the floor.

Thus, those who predicted in such paranoid fashion that the Republican takeover of the State Assembly as well as the State Senate would prompt a Republican attempt to repeal AB 70, which banned discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, can rest assured that this will not happen. For if the delegates to the State Convention, dominated as they are by the right wing of the party, did not see

Deadlines

As announced in the last few issues of the paper, deadlines for all copy except late breaking news, is Friday before publication at 5:00 p.m. Due to our new printing schedule, there can be no exceptions.

For example, the copy deadline for the next issue (July 6) is Friday, June 30, at 5:00.

The copy deadline for the issue coming out on July 20, is July 14 at 5:00.

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fit to propose such a repeal in a resolution, we can be nearly certain that the Republican caucuses in the Senate and Assembly, which tend to be more deliberate than the delegates to the State Convention, will not support such an effort.

The only negative aspect of the Convention was the fact that the only Presidential candidates to address the Convention, Alan Keyes and Congressman Bob Dornan, engaged in

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LETTERS

Sex, Sex, Sex

TO THE EDITOR:

For the first time, I went to a Gay Pride celebration. I have a Gay son who told his father and I he was Gay about a year ago. That's why I went. I don't know what I expected to find, but I was certainly pleasantly surprised.

I met so many nice people, warm people, young and old, but the young ones especially. I couldn't get over the sight of many of them walking along, holding hands, giving each other a kiss now and then just like straight people do, straight people who are in love with each other. What's wrong with that?

Before Mark's father and I went to PrideFest, all we'd heard was that being Gay meant sex, lots of sex. That's what the minister said. That's what a lot of those religious people say.

But they're wrong. Mark and Tom love each other. Now I see that there are others, a lot of others, just like them. They love each other. All they want to do is love each other as one couple told me.

What's the matter with these religious people? All they can talk about is sex. It's not that way with Mark's father and me. We love each other. We always have. But maybe, with these religious people, all they get married for is to have sex?

No wonder they're as nasty as they are. If you don't have any love and sex is all that you have, you're probably pretty miserable no matter how many kids you've got.

Well, that's all I want to say. My husband and I read your paper after Mark and Tom finish with it and we like it very much. Why don't you write something and tell these religious people to start talking about love and not sex so much.

My husband and I would like to thank the people who put on PrideFest. It was really wonderful and we learned so much.

Lisa Bartoli
West Bend

Praise for PrideFest '95

TO THE EDITOR:

As a parent who has been increasingly "out" and active in PFLAG since June 24, 1994 and a first-time participant in PrideFest '95, I want to express how much I enjoyed the celebrations of diversity I witnessed. The music, the panel discussions, the Interfaith Service, the parade, the customers at the snack booth—all contributed to a sense of rightness and well-being.

In the past I might have "wondered" at some of the images I saw, but this time I appreciated fully the unabashed joy that each person manifested in his/her own personhood and identity. I was proud to be there to share in "your" special day.

PrideFest '95 was truly a celebration of the diversity of creation. I renewed old acquaintances and made new ones. And the friendships I already had were strengthened, in the sharing of the days' witness to loving, caring, being and freedom.

Even the weather seemed symbolic of LesBiGay history—dark, damp, cloudy, threatening, gradual clearing, gentle breezes, finally clearing into glorious sun and blue skies.

With deep pride and on-going dedication, we will see that blue skies and sunny days are the predominant forecast for days and years to come. Thanks for your contribution in the past and for the future.

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Note to Log Cabin

TO THE EDITOR:

It was pitifully sad/funny that our community would have an opinion column about Log Cabin Republicans, a group which is so insignificant as to play little or no role in the larger political picture and, at the same time, NO ONE was writing about the other end of the political spectrum which believes in G/L COALITIONS (who always mention our name as if they were going out of their way to court us). I'm referring to Lenora Fulani and the "Patriot Party" as well as all those Greens and New Party progressives who are winning political seats coast to coast unlike pro-corporation Log Cabin guys who, if they took courses in psychology, sociology, social work and anthropology, were probably napping.

Indeed, I would hope Bill Meunier would run a counter column aimed against the Log Cabin boys entitled something like "Untruths, Lies & Damned Big Whoppers", i.e. "Business as Usual: GREED!"

Just to mention one item of the so-called tort "reform" nonsense is that the winner would pay the court costs of the loser. Could anyone afford to sue General Electric if there were "caps"?

Would someone wake up Bill Meunier from his page 2 dreaming? Ron McCrae is back in Madtown; let's put the big fish in the little pond to work. And let's get beyond sentimentality. A G/L paper that devotes more space to the Lively Arts than to the politics of our survival, has reached a point where it needs a high colonic.

David Runyon

Madison

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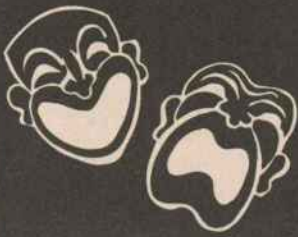
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The Superbowl of drag-- "Wigstock: The Movie" is the celebration of life, liberty and the pursuit of big hair! Daisy (l) and Christy are doing what they do best--posing. The film opens June 30 at Milwaukee's Oriental Theatre.

'Wigstock: The Movie' is a Smart, Delightful Mix of Concert Film and Documentary

By Glenn Bishop

Move over Rocky Horror Picture Show! Watch out Priscilla, Queen of the Desert!! Here comes Wigstock!!! Wigstock: The Movie!

Drag is in--if we are to believe the enormous mainstream popularity of Priscilla plus all the hype associated with To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar, assuming that this intriguing, if troubled Patrick Swayze-Wesley Snipes-drag-turn ever gets released. In the meantime, don't despair, for here comes Wigstock: The Movie, a celebration of life, liberty and the pursuit of big hair!

For those not initiated, Wigstock is a unique New York City festival, originally launched in 1984 as a loving parody of Woodstock--celebrating love, peace, tacky outfits and bad hair. Traditionally set over the Labor Day weekend, Wigstock has drawn increasing numbers of drag queens, their followers and just about anyone looking for a bit of fun at one of the most outrageous events imaginable.

Wigstock: The Movie is a smart and delightful mix of concert film and documentary. Among the legendary drag performers making appearances in Wigstock are: "Super Model of the World" RuPaul, Lypsinka, Grammy-nominated recording artists Crystal Waters and Deee-lite, plus Wigstock creator, The "Lady" Bunny.

Yet director Barry Shils has endeavored to capture Wigstock's boundless spirit and joyous abandon, not simply present a concert film featuring a series of fabulously costumed musical numbers.

Don't worry, plenty of musical numbers were captured at the 1993 and 1994 Wigstock celebrations. In fact, over 35 of them were

presented, with such highlights as Lypsinka's outrageous version of "But Alive" from Applause, RuPaul's star turn in "House of Love," Donna Giles' electrifying "Gimme Luv" and Mistress Formika's formidable Gay anthem, "You Got to Fight for Your Right to be Queer."

With the fine line between fabulous and tacky forever blurred, Wigstock: The Movie is filled with larger-than-life characters, outrageous costumes and wigs often so bad that only a (blind) mother could love them. Yet beneath the glitter and the glamour, not to mention enough cosmetic products to make up several small towns in northern Wisconsin, there is something strangely powerful and uplifting about Wigstock.

Lacking any trace of the despair that so characterized the portrayal of drag queens in Paris is Burning, Wigstock instead presents the drag entertainers as confident, outspoken and talented performers, many of whom have successfully penetrated popular mainstream culture.

Curious, that in an event that proclaims itself as non-political, what nevertheless emerges is something that is both inherently political and powerful. Rarely has a film so honestly portrayed Gay consciousness in such a positive and celebratory manner.

Wigstock is a perfect Summer flick, a film that is so much fun that one wishes that it would come to a neighborhood drive-in theater for the whole family to enjoy. You have absolutely no excuse! Don that wig, climb into those heels and run, don't walk to Wigstock: The Movie.

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Il Postino--Based on a real incident "The Postman" is a humorous and moving tale of a postman whose eyes are opened to a world of entirely new possibilities when he finds himself delivering letters to one of the most romantic poets of this century. "Postman" opens June 30 at Milwaukee's Downer Theatre. Massimo Troisi plays the title character.

Cream City Chorus Celebrates PrideFest '95 and Looks Ahead to Summer Concert

Milwaukee-- The weekend of June 10-11 saw most of the Wisconsin Cream City Chorus at Veterans Park celebrating our day of Pride with the rest of Milwaukee's LesBiGay community. The sunny weather, great entertainment and festive parade made the weekend a highlight of the Summer.

But the weekend was more than just fun, it was a little work too. Aside from staffing the PrideFest merchandise booths all weekend, the Chorus gave two musical performances.

Saturday evening, immediately prior to the laser show and fireworks, the Chorus brought the musical portion of the evening's main stage entertainment to a close with several numbers from past and upcoming performances, including PrideFest favorites, "Singing For Our Lives" and "Together, Proud and Strong."

Sunday afternoon in the Miller Fine Arts Tent, the Chorus gave another performance, including a sneak preview of a few numbers slated for the upcoming Spring/Summer concert. These included a new Holly Near number, "Love Is in My Life," as well as The Bourree, a vocal interpretation of the English Suite #3 by J.S. Bach.

Summer Concert

Please join the Cream City Chorus on Saturday, June 24 for the Spring/Summer concert, "DIVERSITY: Voices of Our Village. As in the past, the repertoire will include a diverse selection of classical and contemporary pieces as well as some favorites and, as a new offering, a fun, alternative piece by They Might Be Giants.

Tickets for the 8:00 p.m. Vogel Hall performance are available at Milwaukee's Performing Arts Center box office; \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door.

Following a one month Summer hiatus, the Chorus will resume rehearsals on August 2. For more information about the concert, rehearsals or the Chorus itself, call (414) 344-9222 or write: P.O. Box 1488, Milwaukee, WI 53201.



A smoke screen--Wayne Wang and Paul Austers' film "Smoke" is constructed like an emotional jigsaw puzzle. All of its pieces interweave and interconnect to form an intricate whole. Harold Perrineau (l) and William Hurt star with Harvey Keitel and Stockard Channing in "Smoke" which opens June 30 at Milwaukee's Downer Theatre.

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Openly Gay, HIV+ Man Plays an Openly Gay, HIV+ Man on 'Another World'

New York, NY-- The long-running NBC daytime drama "Another World," introduced an openly Gay and HIV positive character, "Bruce," on June 21, AIDS Compassion Day. Singer/actor Keith Christopher has been cast in the role. This is the first time in TV history that an openly Gay and HIV+ actor has been hired to play an openly Gay and HIV+ character.

The writers of the show have created a character free of the stereotypes too often associated with being Gay and HIV+. The character Bruce deals bravely with the problem of alcohol addiction and interacts with several of the series regulars in the context of participating in a 12-step program.

Christopher has been the subject of a segment of CBS's "Entertainment Tonight" and of an article in *The New York Times*.

The singer/actor has a eponymous album available and is a recent *Billboard* Certificate of Achievement Award Winner for songwriting for his song, "Smiling In The Dark."

A popular speaker, Christopher conducts Safe Sex and AIDS Awareness seminars for student groups. As a musical performer, he has appeared in Broadway tours across America and in many of New York's premiere clubs and cabarets.

A multifaceted musician, Christopher divides his time in the recording studio between writing, recording, arranging and producing. As a PWA and an environmentalist, he has



Keith Christopher composed special material for both the U.N. Environmental Program and The Names Project.

Readers who would like to see "Bruce" continue as a series regular, are encouraged to direct their comments to NBC's *Another World* at 79 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016.

A Century Ago the First Figures Moved On What Would Become the Silver Screen

Paris, France--The grainy picture sits frozen on the screen for several seconds like a family photo in Grandma's picture book. Then it springs to life with workers exiting a factory, a child being fed, a man trying to jump on a horse.

Big deal? It was 100 years ago. The year 1895 saw the birth of cinema, with a much-debated history of who among all the inventors feverishly working on both sides of the Atlantic can claim to have created the medium.

The Lumiere brothers of France--Louis and Auguste--are widely considered the leading pioneers, having filed their patent February 13, 1895. They made the first public screening of a movie to a handful of businessmen March 22, followed by a commercial screening on December 28.

However, the Americans beat the French to the first paid showing of a film: The Latham brothers opened a theater on May 20, 1895 at 156 Broadway in New York City, showing boxing matches. Their contraption was called an Eidoloscope. (Major Woodville Latham is credited with developing the Latham Loop, which threads film through cameras.)

Thomas Edison's Kinetoscope, developed years earlier, could record, but not project moving images, and was limited to peep shows in which individual viewers looked into a little box. Edison applied for his patent in 1891.

The Lumieres crafted the Cinematographe in 1894. This fused other inventions, including Edison's and the motion picture camera experiments of Etienne-Jules Marey, and projected movies onto a screen for viewing by several people at the same time.

Of all the events leading up to what we now know as movie-going, it is the Lumieres' first public screening that has gained the most attention over the years. It happened on a chilly

December night in the basement of Le Grand Cafe at 14 Boulevard des Capucines, steps away from the Cafe de la Paix, the Jockey Club and the Opera.

It was an anticlimactic and ironic moment in history, seeming more like a curiosity than the beginning of an industry that would dwarf the majestic Opera and run many of the city's thriving theaters and cabarets out of business.

Down the cafe's rickety staircase to the Salon Indien, a former billiard room looking something like a large opium den, were about 100 seats facing a screen 9 feet long and 6 feet high.

Outside, a hawker tried to entice customers through the sidewalk door, on which a banner read:

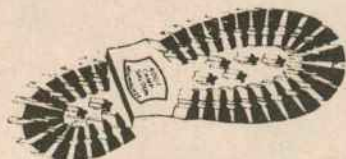
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"They were people strolling on the boulevard, and it was rather expensive, one franc for a quarter of an hour show," Vincent Pinel, a film historian, said in an interview.

"At the time, people were seeing a technical curiosity. It was great to see a moving image. But they couldn't suppose that such an invention would lead to such a powerful industry.

"That was completely inconceivable," said Pinel, author of *The Century of Cinema and Louis Lumiere, Inventor, Filmmaker*.

It was the best place the Lumieres could find in the area, where grand boulevards built during the Haussmann urbanization era under Napoleon III, had become a center of nightlife



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and cafe society.

The owner of the large cafe, whose upstairs is now a bank and a travel agency, didn't believe the Lumieres would draw a crowd, and demanded a flat 30 francs a night-- about the price of a theater ticket-- instead of the 20 percent cut the Lumieres offered.

The first night, the owner was right. It was flop, and the big newspapers couldn't be bothered, thinking it just another "magic lantern" diversion for the kids.

Thirty-three people showed up, paying 1 franc each to see the 20-minute presentation of 10 films less than 2 minutes long. On opening night, Louis and Auguste Lumiere stayed behind in Lyon. Their father, Antoine, ran the show.

Often with a sense of slapstick, the movies show workers scurrying out of the Lumiere film plant in Lyon, a child trying to pluck a fish from a bowl, a child stepping on a gardener's hose, a man repeatedly jumping on and falling off a horse, and swimmers jumping into the ocean.

Newspapers were in disagreement over how the audience reacted, one saying people clapped and cheered, while another made no mention at all.

Two days later the newspaper *La Poste* ran a review excitedly noting how the film "perpetuates the image of movement" and raised the subject of immortality.

Once the public can use the cameras, they can film "people dear to them, no longer in immobile form but moving, in their action, their familiar gestures, with words on their

lips, death will cease to be absolute."

Within three weeks, the excitement grew to the point the Lumieres were drawing up to 2,500 people a night with several screenings in the room, now partitioned into two blue-and-gray ultramodern banquet halls.

The craze grew quickly over the next few years, Pinel said.

"It exploded in the sense that it was shown all over France. But it wasn't an immense success. It was shown at fairs, like X-rays or bearded women, cinema was like that, reserved for a very modest audience.

"You'll have to wait more than 10 years, and you start seeing artistic films."

Still, it's Edison who is credited with inventing film itself.

"The Americans consider themselves the inventors of film and they're right. And the French consider themselves the inventors of the cinema, and they're right," Pinel said.

First Annual Pornstar Softball Game is a Big Success

West Hollywood, CA--The First Annual Pornstar Softball game was held on May 27 at West Hollywood Park. It was sponsored by *Gay Video Guide* and The Exchange (a trendy combination coffee bar and adult book store).

The *Guide* is the "bible" to fans of all-male adult videos. Now in its fourth year, they are the producers of the highly successful "GV Guide Gay Erotic Video Awards" which are held annually to benefit Aid for AIDS, the oldest nonprofit organization dedicated to providing direct financial assistance to people living with AIDS in Los Angeles County.

This special sporting event was held in conjunction with the Tournament of the Stars '95, which is sponsored by the Greater Los Angeles Sports Association.

A capacity crowd of over 400 spectators helped raise over \$9,000 to help in the fight AIDS.

The two all-star teams competed in a very close game. Players included: Rex Chandler, Devyn Foster, Chip Daniels, Bo Stallion Brett Williams, Justin Sloan and others.

A Victory Party was held afterwards at The Exchange where and X-rated Silent Auction featuring dinner dates with the stars, autographed memorabilia and the uniforms worn by the stars which were auctioned off their backs on stage.

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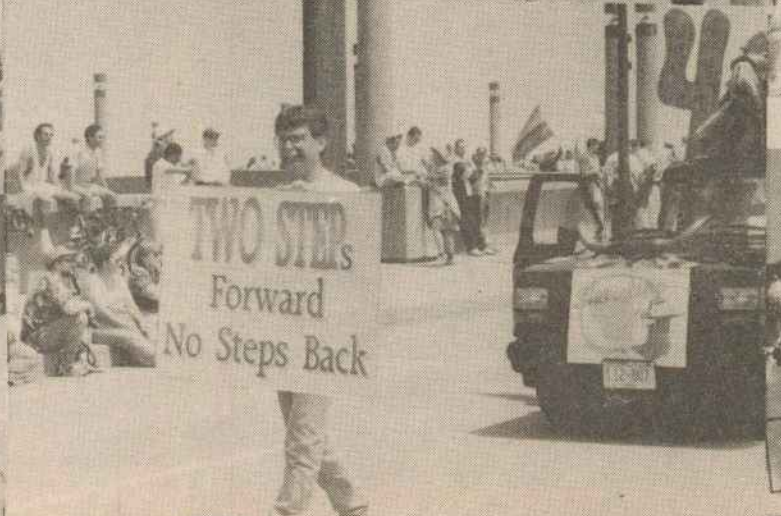
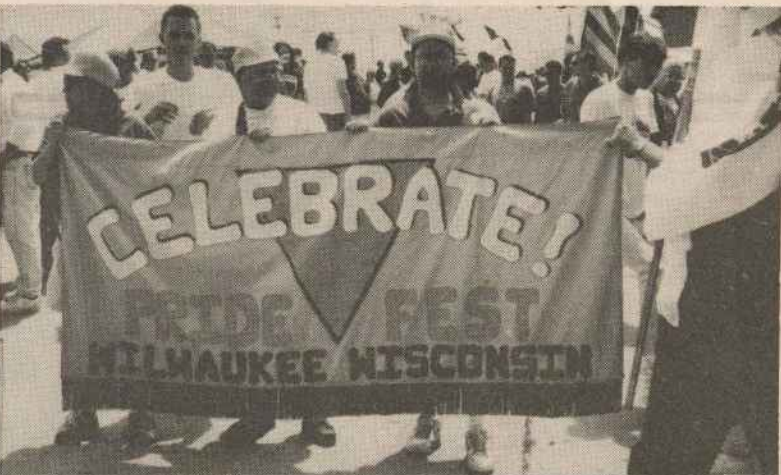
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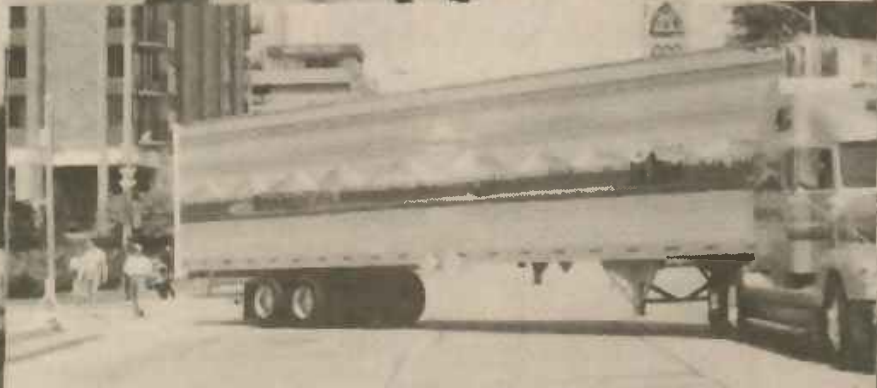
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A Gay Young Man Writes From Waukesha County About Life in the Suburbs

By Jason Jellison

Hello out there. None of you know who I am, but my name is Jason Jellison. I live in an upper middle class suburb in Waukesha County, Wisconsin. I'm 17. I am Gay. Let's start talking.

With this being my first article, I confess I don't really know what to talk about. So, I will start by publicly thanking Wisconsin Light's editor, Terry Boughner, for allowing me this opportunity to speak to the public.

However, to get the ball rolling, I suppose what I would like to do is to tell all of you a little about myself and my background and then explain why I am writing, who I am writing to, and what I hope to accomplish.

As I have said, I am 17 and Gay. I live in an area that makes it a point to isolate itself from any aspect of the Gay community. In brief, when I was in the process of discovering myself, I found it difficult to get any quality information about the Gay community in the area because either people didn't want me to get information or due to the reality of where they live, they didn't know themselves.

This, as I am sure you can know, was yet another road block in my difficult life. I couldn't find anybody and as I developed mentally, I began to develop long bouts of depression because I was so isolated.

Anyway, not to make a short story boring, I eventually came out to my E.L.C.A. (Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) pastors at a youth gathering in Atlanta in 1994. They were very supportive and I thank God for them. They would be my ticket to my introduction to the Gay community.

They knew of two groups, PFLAG and Michael Lisowski's youth group. Although I didn't know all the specifics, they were quick in getting them to me.

Eventually, one night, I snuck out to a PFLAG meeting and I fell in love with it. They are one of the most supportive groups that I or anyone can imagine. They don't judge and one doesn't feel as though he is walking into enemy territory.

That was three months ago.

Since then I have made it a point to go ev-

rywhere that I possibly can within the community. Although I obviously don't frequent the bars, I have gone to the majority of coffee bars, youth areas, dance clubs, etc. I have even attended several filmings of "The Queer Show." (Next stop--Madison, Chicago).

At any rate, you get the picture.

Finally, we get to PrideFest '95. That is where I met Terry and was offered this opportunity. So that brings us to the present.

Now that you know all about me, I would like to paint a picture of what I would like to do with my articles.

At PrideFest this year, I started to think about the Waukesha and Walworth County situation. That is, I started to think about the tremendous difficulty that young people in that area have with finding out about what is out there for them. My initial general planning for this article is two-fold.

One, I would like to relate experiences to a broad audience from a youthful vantage point;

And two, I would like to serve as a contact person for any young people in either Milwaukee, Waukesha or Walworth Counties or in rural Wisconsin who are interested in the Greater Milwaukee area Gay community.

Although I am writing to anyone and everyone, I am specifically open to inquiring young people who need information and support. I can be reached at the following address: P.O. Box 2062, Brookfield, WI 53008.

I pick up my mail every Tuesday and Friday. Feel free to write to me for any practical reason. I am caring, concerned and sensitive to the needs of my fellow Gay and Lesbian youth. I would just love to get a youth group going out in Waukesha and Walworth Counties.

Also, even if you (as a young person) live far outside the above mention area, I am always interested in lending a helping hand. Again, anyone reading this can feel free to write to me. Serious inquires only please.

Editor's Note: We welcome Jason to the pages of Wisconsin Light. For those of you outside Wisconsin, Waukesha and Walworth Counties are just west and southwest respectively of Milwaukee County.

Dykes To Watch Out For



Gays March and Celebrate Nation-Wide to Show Pride in Who We Are

Milwaukee-- As Wisconsin celebrated PrideFest '95 on June 10-11, other communities around the country were similarly showing their pride. Here's a rundown of a few of them.

Montana

A Gay pride march and rally in Helena on Saturday, June 10, drew about 500 marchers, the largest Gay Pride celebration in Montana's history.

As the marchers walked from the Lewis and Clark County Courthouse to the Capitol, they chanted "Two, four, six, eight, stop the violence, stop the hate" and "Hey, hey, ho, ho, homophobia has got to go!"

As expected, there were a few protesters, about 25, who identified themselves as Christians. Most carried signs, one of which read: "Montana is for steers not queers," and another which said "Queers practice sex that Makes God Sick."

One of the protesters said it was illegal for Gay people to parade on the city's streets. "They're not to be allowed in public," he said, pointing out that "only Christian people should be allowed to have parades."

For the most part, marchers ignored the protesters or greeted them with laughter as did some of those standing on the sidewalk to watch as the parade went by.

The parade and rally were part of a weekend-long event called "A Rainbow of Diversity: Montana's Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Celebration," sponsored by PRIDE! and the Montana Human Rights Network.

In addition to the rally, activities included a performance of the Montana Gay and Lesbian Storytelling Project. A worship service officiated by Mel White was held on Sunday at a Helena church.

White is dean of the Cathedral of Hope, a church which ministers to Gay people in Dallas, Texas.

The former director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Urvashi Vaid, was the keynote speaker at the rally.

Salt Lake City

Nearly 5,000 people participated in the Salt Lake City Gay and Lesbian community's Utah Pride Celebration at the downtown John W. Gallivan Center Plaza. The event began at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 11, with the First Grand Lesbian and Gay Pride Parade, which ran from the Capitol to the Plaza. About 600 people marched or rode floats down Main Street.

"This year the celebration is a lot bigger," said co-chair Jeff Freedman. "We used to have it in parks, but this year we actually came downtown...we're proving that we're more of a mainstream."

The largest contingent in the parade was from P-FLAG, but the winner of the float contest was the Stonewall Center.

There were not protesters as had been the case in previous years.

Boise

Gays and Lesbians will have to work harder than ever to control their freedom and live without fear of violence, said Robert Bray, from the steps of the Idaho state capitol on Saturday, June 10.

Bray, media director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, was one of several speakers at the sixth annual Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Freedom Day Rally and Parade.

About 950 people attended the day-long festival, most of them coming to demonstrate against hate.

There were two protesters, both of whom carried signs calling for the death penalty for Gay people. "God Wills It," one sign read.

San Francisco

San Francisco's 25th annual Gay Pride parade was led by Candace Gingrich and drew 400,000 marchers and watchers, according to organizers.

"This is San Francisco," Gingrich told the crowd. "This is the mecca of outness. It's great!"

This year, for the first time, the event got mainstream TV coverage from station KOFY-TV. The station went two hours over the allotted time because the event proved to be so popular.

The parade drew 17 protesters, among them homophobe Fred Phelps, an avowed Christian. He carried a sign reading "AIDS Cures Fags!"

Durham

Several thousand Gay people and their supporters gathered Sunday, June 11, on the sweeping, grassy expanse at the front of Duke University's East Campus in Durham, North Carolina, and Jesse Helms was on their minds.

The homophobic senator's face could be seen on countless T-shirts and bumper stickers.

"Help Jesse out," one book bag advocated. It continued, "(of the Senate)."

The North Carolina Pride rally, part of a weekend-long gathering of Gay people in Durham, was equal parts party and political statement.

Many said they recognized that East Campus was a sympathetic island in a largely conservative state. Keynote speaker Daniel Zingale, of the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), told the crowd that HRCF would oppose Helms throughout the state in 1996.

Ultra-Right Wing zealots tried to get the celebration banned, but could not.

Boston

Gay people strutted their stuff and adorned elaborate floats during Boston's 25th annual Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade that attracted a record 100,000 people, according to police.

The theme of the parade was "From Silence to Celebration" and the participants had no problem celebrating who they are.

"We're here, We're Queer, We're in your pulpit," chanted a group of Harvard Divinity students.

The day began with a Dyke Pride March on Tremont Square. Lesbians from across New England then joined the main Gay Pride parade in Copley Square.

While it was obvious that people were having fun, there was a more serious side to the event.

Gay and Lesbian parents, dressed in everyday Summer clothes, paraded with their children. There were protesters dressed as priests to demonstrate against the Roman Catholic Church's condemnation of Gay sexuality.

"Rights for all human beings are important. Gay rights are as important as anyone else's," said Bob Poland of Norwood. "Plus we have a second message: we are fighting a major battle against AIDS."

The parade ended on the Esplanade with a speech by Mayor Thomas Menino.

New York City

New York City's Gay Pride parade will be held June 25. Bill Donohue, one-time sociology teacher from La Roche College in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and long-time homophobe, demanded that the parade route be changed so that it wouldn't go past St. Pat-

rick's Cathedral.

New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani not only refused, he said he would march in the parade himself.

Donohue said Gays masturbate in the streets.

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extensive Gay bashing throughout their speeches. To their credit, none of the speakers from Wisconsin, however, engaged in such Gay bashing.

In addition, I was encouraged by the fact that, in the beginning of Alan Keyes's speech, about half of the delegates, especially the younger delegates, refrained from applauding the anti-Gay elements of the speech.

Unfortunately, however, most of these delegates were swept up by the fiery eloquence of this preacher's presentation, so that by the end of the speech, very few refrained from applauding every aspect of the speech, including the anti-Gay elements, and the vast majority of the delegates gave him a standing ovation. We can take heart from the knowledge that neither Keyes, who comes off as a Bible thumping preacher, nor Dornan, who comes off as a raving lunatic, has any chance to win the nomination, but it is obvious that the Republican Party members need a great deal more education about sexual orientation issues. Log Cabin has only just begun that process, but we will not rest until that task is accomplished.

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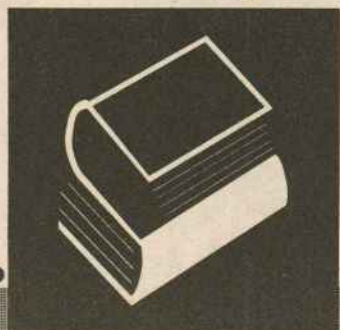
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BOOK REVIEWS

'Out of the Past' Chronicles the Last One Hundred Years Of LesBiGay History

Out of the Past
Neil Miller
Vintage, \$16.00

By Russell Richards

Do you know---

That there is good reason to think that many of the cowboys of the old west were Gay;

That Berlin was once the Gayest City in Europe and, perhaps, in the world;

That many women have fought in all our wars, from the Revolution on, by dressing as men;

That Joe McCarthy believed that Hitler had a list of Gays throughout the world who could be enlisted for sabotage;

That a Gay holocaust that rivals what the Nazis tried to do has been going on in Castro's Cuba from the start?

These and countless other little known but fascinating and well-documented facts about our history are to be found in Neil Miller's new book, *Out of the Past*. The book chronicles our history over the last one hundred years, "since the concept of homosexual identity--or of the Lesbian and Gay community--was first articulated."

Although there are a number of books out on LesBiGay history, none, I think, is so comprehensive, so readable, so lively and so entertaining as this one is.

The author spans the world, investigating every major society in compiling his facts.

Leonard Bernstein's Autobiography Shows the Interplay of His Gayness and His Music

Leonard Bernstein
Humphrey Burton
Doubleday, \$19.95

By Jim Miller

For years Leonard Bernstein's "Mass" has inspired me, both spiritually and musically. It certainly is Bernstein's most complex work. When I received Humphrey Burton's book, I immediately turned to the section on the "Mass." To my surprise, embedded in the story of the "Mass" was the story of Bernstein falling in love with a man. Though Bernstein did have previous affairs with men, according to Burton this was the first time Bernstein formed a broad, lasting emotional relationship with a man. Bernstein was 52. Five years later, he would briefly leave his wife for this man.

This section of the book is characteristic of the entire work. *Leonard Bernstein* is a biography of a famous composer and conductor. Most of the book focuses on the musical aspects of his life.

However, woven into the story line is a broad and detailed look at the composer's personal life.

With full access to the Bernstein archives, Burton describes Bernstein's family, marriage, personal conflicts over sexuality and his affairs with those of both genders. He often quotes from Bernstein's rather frank and revealing letters to his sister Shirley and to Aaron Copland, the Gay composer who acted as Bernstein's father-confessor.

In Burton's biography, we find that when Bernstein first went to study at the Curtis Institute, he was sexually attracted to both members of a heterosexual couple who took the young student under their wing.

The following year, he wrote to Copland that he was "double dating" a 16-year-old pianist (female) and a 21-year-old painter (male). During the McCarthy years, he was threatened with blackmail by a former student. Bernstein's wife, Felicia, certainly knew about her husband's broad sexual taste prior to their marriage and usually bore his affairs with grace. However, he consistently lied to his eldest daughter about his alternative lifestyle, leaving her often confused about her father.

The impression of Bernstein's private correspondence is that he had a genuine sexual interest directed toward members of both genders. This is not a case of a Gay man "passing" as heterosexual, but rather a full-bodied Bisexuality.

In this biography, Bernstein's bohemian lifestyle is not treated as a scandal nor a curiosity. The story of Bernstein's sexuality is merely told as one more aspect of the composer's personality. At nearly 600 pages, this is a book with a great deal of detail.

Leonard Bernstein is primarily the story of a genius composer and conductor. However, it is also a revealing look at a Bisexual life.

As Mo suspected would be the case, everything she said has been distorted and used, but that's life.)

The fun-filled book includes biographical sketches, intriguing interviews with the artists, commentary and artwork by the most witty and talented "graphic Sapphics" working today.

Cartoons are the medium "most untainted by corporate interference," writes Roberta Gregory, creator of the "Artistic Licentiousness" and "Naughty Bits" series. "A lot of times, readers can project themselves on the characters and use the characters to see a similar situation from another perspective. It's a very personal, very immediate method of story telling that has not been exploited to its fullest potential."

Dyke Strippers features original art by Diane DiMassa, along with a celebrity endorsement (on the back cover, naturally) from Mo, Alison Bechdel's most popular "Dykes to Watch Out For" character.

(As Mo suspected would be the case, everything she said has been distorted and used, but that's life.)

Here Come the Dykes, Your Favorite Lesbian Cartoonists from Bechdel to Zora

Dyke Strippers: Lesbian Cartoonists from A to Z
Roz Warren, ed.
Cleis, \$12.95

By Lisa Frank

From Alison Bechdel to Zora, humor anthropologist Roz Warren, has compiled her most beguiling book ever, an action-packed omnibus of the wild imagination of Lesbian cartoonists.

Dyke Strippers stars your favorite and most beloved graphic heroines--Mo and the gang from "Dykes to Watch Out For," Hothead and Chicken from "Hothead Paisan," Bitchy Bitch, Liliane and a host of other pen-and-ink Lesbian icons--dissing homophobes and politicians and probing the delicious ironies of Lesbian life.

Featuring a cast from the wanton to the whimsical, *Dyke Strippers* exposes the tremendous range of subjects explored by contemporary comic artists, from the tribulations of dating and sex in the '90s to animal rights and the NRA.

You'll find accounts of Virginia Woolf, Lorraine Hansberry, Radclyffe Hall, Gore Vidal, Yuko Mishima and many, many more.

There are also accounts of Gay life in Stalin's Soviet Russia, Castro's Cuba, Mao's China and elsewhere, all the way up to Ronald Reagan's Administration's response (or lack of same) to the AIDS crisis and the Clinton "compromise" on Gays in the military.

With excerpts from both contemporary and historical documents and black and white photographs and illustrations in abundance, *Out of the Past* puts into historical context the on-going quest for LesBiGay identity, civil liberties and political power.

"Twenty-five years ago, Gay and Lesbian history was all myth and shadows. Neil Miller has distilled the remarkable achievements of a generation of scholars and journalists for a book that succeeds as both an immensely entertaining narrative and an invaluable resource guide," said Christopher Bram, author of *Almost History*.

Rita Mae Brown calls *Out of the Past* "A valuable record of suppressed history."

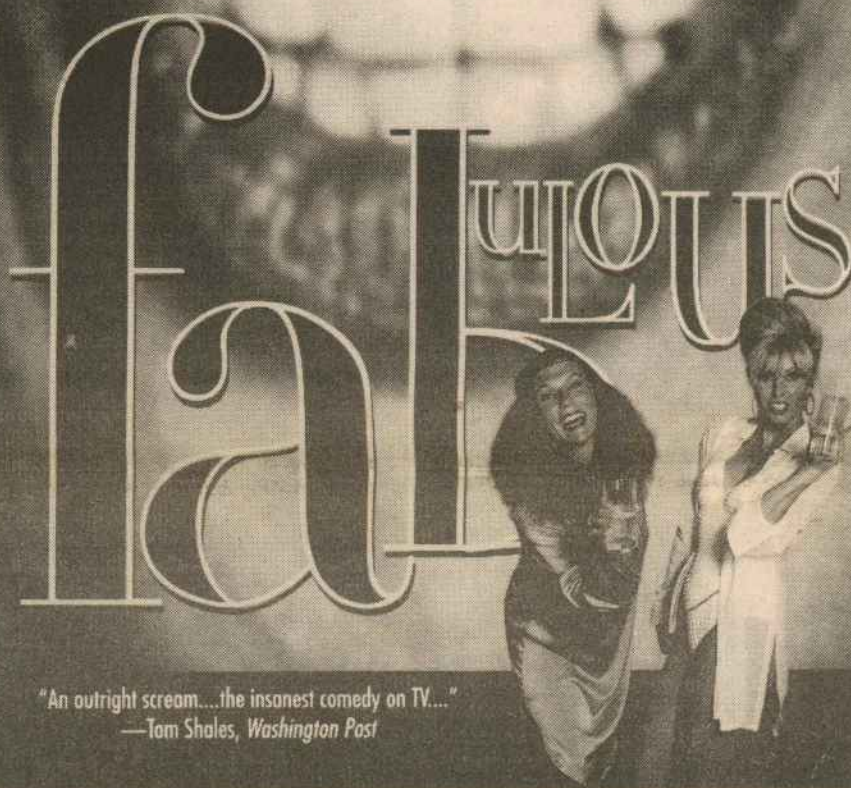
Miller is the former editor of Boston's *Gay Community News*. His book *In Search of Gay America* won the 1990 American Library Association's Prize for Lesbian and Gay non-fiction, as well as the Lambda Literary Award. He is the author of *Out in the World: Gay and Lesbian Life from Buenos Aires to Bangkok*.

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In 'The Man' We Have a Gay Superhero Who Falls Flat on his Face

The Man: A Hero for Our Time
Robert Drake, illustrations by Derrick Buisch Plume, \$10.95

By Glenn Bishop

There is something powerful and uniquely compelling about the notion of the prospects of a Gay superhero. Not only are Lesbians and Gay men currently facing another and even more frightening conservative swing led by Newt Gingrich and the Religious Right, but we continue to exist in a world suffering from a severe deficiency of basic Gay role models.

In a comic book superhero world peopled with the likes of Superman, The Amazing Spiderman and Wonder Woman and countless other heterosexual avengers, where are ours?

How many Gay youths, I wonder, have fantasized about, for instance, Batman's true relationship with Robin, the Boy Wonder once the villains were caught and the masks were off?

In what is the first book in a proposed series of adventures, Robert Drake seeks to rectify this bleak situation with the creation of literature's first Gay avenger in *The Man: A Hero for Our Time*.

Burdened with extraordinarily high expectations then, it is extremely difficult not to finish this brief, unbearably violent tale bitterly disappointed. An over-wrought, needlessly gory prologue sets the bleak tone of a lifeless book whose writing only seems to come alive when the author describes some young Gay man being butchered by superhomophobe, Michael.

Almost without exception, Drake's protagonists are uninteresting, ineffectual and one-dimensional. Particularly irritating is the author's insistence on confusing/ misleading the reader as to the true identity/alter-ego of The Man.

How and why Adam becomes The Man is vital to setting up the entire action of the novel. Perhaps desiring an inappropriate touch of reality, Drake not only makes The Man fallible, but worse, pretty much a complete superhero washout.

Ironically, Drake's writing seems to come alive when his lead-pipe wielding villain Michael or his spineless accomplice fag-bashing Jimmy, arrive on the scene. In particular, the author seems to relish long, lingering descriptions of explosive violence and the slow, agonizing deaths of young Gay men.

It is equally surprising and disturbing that Michael is Drake's most interesting and compelling character.

Conversely, The Man, Drake superhero wannabe, is not empowered with super strength or intelligence much less any sense of style or even a catchy name. The Man? Get real!

Ultimately, what is most disappointing in this thoroughly disappointing book is the (not very) climatic confrontation between rabidly homophobic supervillain Michael and The Man. No, this confrontation does not take place on the street whilst The Man is saving some innocent victim of Gay bashing.

Instead, Michael, having learned the true identity of The Man even before the readers are meant to, has stalked the hero of our time to his own apartment, surprising him in his sleep.

Good somehow manages to emerge victorious, but unconvincingly. Let's just hope that Drake ends this farce before The Man gets hurt.

New Gay Fiction For Summer

The bookshelves are bursting this Summer with quantities of wonderful Gay fiction titles by writers old and new. In addition, there is a wealth of paperback releases to tie into National Lesbian and Gay Book Month in June.

The highlight of the Spring and Summer seasons and certainly one of the most striking debut novels in several years, is Scott Heim's haunting *Mysterious Skin* (HarperCollins, HC \$20). Characterized by spare, poetic prose, Heim's cautionary title focuses on Neil and Brian, two young boys sexually aroused by their Little League coach.

'Tis the season to pen the next Gay epic apparently, at least to two of Gay literature's most respected names, Ethan Mordden and Felice Picano. In *Like People in History* (Viking, HC \$23.95), Picano's new opus, subtitled "A Gay American Epic," spans four decades in this story of two life-long friends whose lives constantly intersect at crucial moments in their personal histories.

Just as monumental is Mordden's *How Long Has This Been Going On?* (Villard, HC \$25), which also spans several decades and criss-crosses the panoramic American landscape as it follows an expansive cast of characters. Perfect Summer reading!

From the author of *Surprising Myself and Almost History*, comes *Father of Frankenstein* (Dutton, HC \$19.95). Possessing shades of Sunset Boulevard, Christopher Bram has spun a fascinating story of real life Gay film director, James Whalen, an openly Gay man in Hollywood decades before it became chic.

Coming out novels have always been a rite of passage for Gay novelists and this Summer come two new and interesting efforts.

Combining elements of Stephen Fry and Dennis Cooper is Daniel Vilume's smart, sexy *Toby's Lie* (Simon & Schuster, HC \$21).

A more traditional coming out/coming of age novel is Todd D. Brown's engaging *Entries from a Hot Pink Notebook* (Washington Square Press, Pb \$10).

Perhaps not a Gay novel per se, but noteworthy nevertheless, is one that comes from well-respected novelist Reynolds Price, *The Promise of Rest* (Scribner, HC \$24). Price explores such timeless themes as family loyalty, love and suffering in this story of 33-year-old Wade returning home to North Carolina to die from complications due to AIDS.

Among the wealth of paperback fiction releases is Robert Rodi's delightful romp, *What They Did to Princess Paragon* (Plume, Pb \$10.95); Douglas Sadownick's acclaimed first novel, *Sacred Lips of the Bronx* (St. Martin's Press, Pb \$9.95); David Bergman's wonderful anthology of post-Stonewall writers, *The Violet Quill Reader* (St. Martin's Press, Pb \$14.95); Charles Busch's hysterical *Whores of Lost Atlantis* (Penguin, Pb \$10.95); and Peter Cameron's touching, *The Weekend* (Plume, Pb \$9.95).

New Lesbian Fiction for Summer

While Lesbian fiction continues to be dominated by the mystery genre with a wealth of new titles in both hardcover and paperback releases, some of this Summer's most interesting works span a variety of other genres as well.

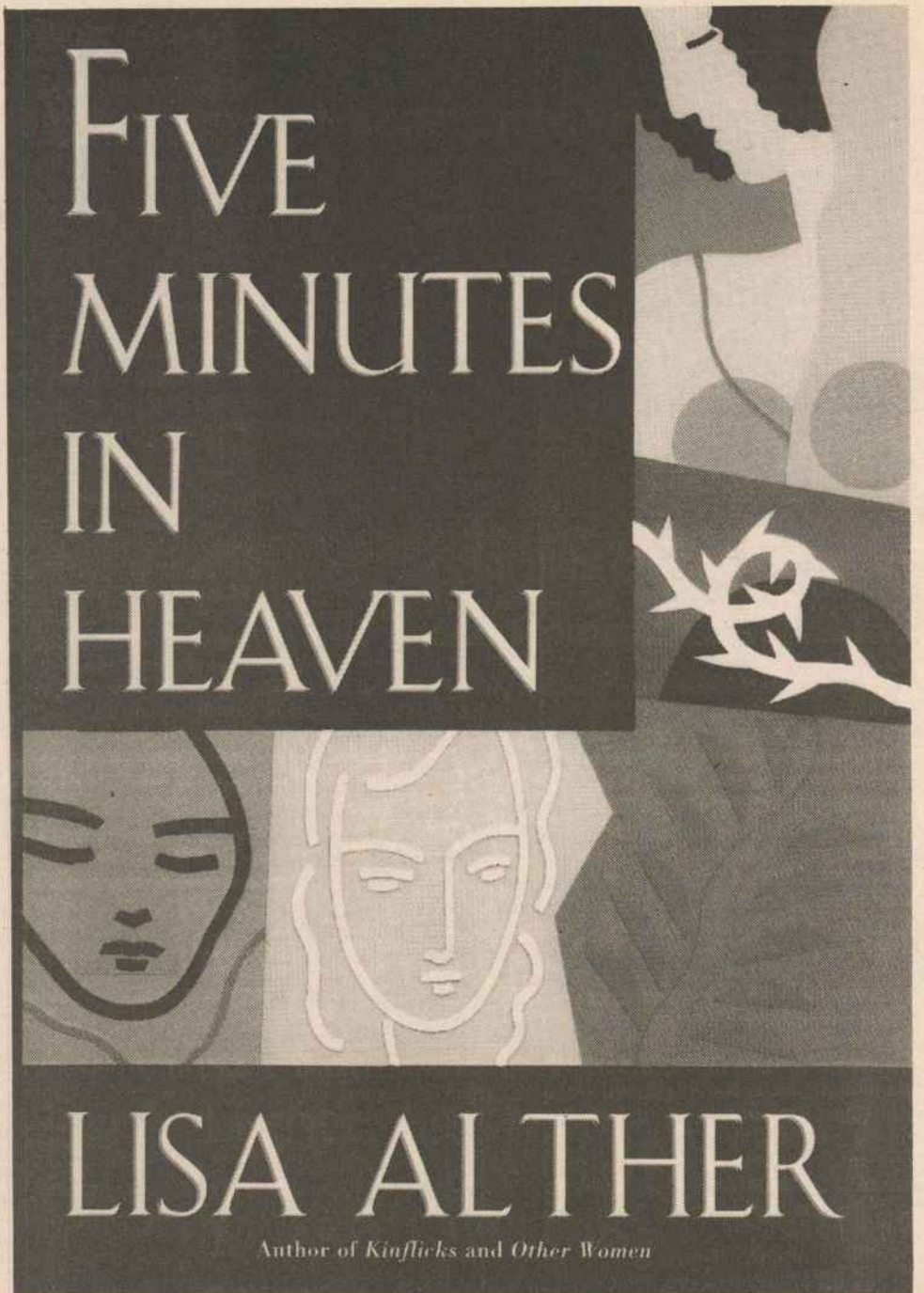
From the author of such best selling titles as *Kinflicks* and *Bedrock*, comes *Five Minutes in Heaven* (Dutton, HC \$22.95). In this story which begins in Tennessee's sunlit Smoky Mountains before crossing to Stonewall New York and finally, Paris, Lisa Alther challenges common notions of love, sex and life.

Exploring the joys and the pains of Lesbian parenting is a debut novel by Jax Peters Lowell, *Mothers* (St. Martin's Press, HC \$22.95) It will be hard to imagine more wonderful parents than Claire and Theo are to their little boy Willy--except that both Claire and Theo are women. Because of that, the world will give them no peace.

Appearing all too infrequently on LesBiGay bookshelves are the writers of color. Bantam has sought to fill this gap with *Afrekete* (Pb \$14), a collection of stories by African American Lesbian writers. With a range of work from such notable figures as Audre Lorde and Jewelle Gomez to a host of new writers, *Afrekete* is an excellent introduction to contemporary Lesbian writing.

With a new series, beginning popular mystery writer J. M. Redmann returns this Summer with *The Intersection of Law and Desire* (Norton, HC \$22). Featuring an exceptional portrait of the steamy underworld of New Orleans and a plot confronting childhood sexual abuse, Redmann has penned a hard-hitting, gritty mystery not to be missed.

Out For Blood (Third Side Press, Pb \$10.95) is a particularly intriguing title. It is a collection of tales of mystery and suspense by women. Nowhere is the "L" word mentioned, but a



quick examination of the list of contributors suggests this particular slant.

Sarah Dreher and Jaye Maiman have been writing a popular series of mysteries for New Victoria and Naiad respectively for years. In *Bad Company*, (Pb \$10.95), Dreher places Stoner McTavish at a secluded women's theater company plagued by malicious pranks. *Someone to Watch* (Pb \$10.95) is Maiman's fourth Robin Miller mystery.

From the ranks of the popular Rising Tide Press comes a new and exciting mystery writer, Nancy Sanra. In *No Witness* (Pb \$10.95), Sanra introduces Detective Tally McGinnis who finds her ex-lover, Pamela, arrested for a grisly murder that she could not possibly have committed. Who dun it?

New Lesbian And Gay Non-Fiction

Despite the fact that Summer is normally considered a time for light, entertaining "beach reads," there has been a wealth of intelligent and fascinating new Gay and Lesbian non-fiction titles to stimulate the mind while working on that all-over body tan.

Two notable and controversial biographical books are highlights for June. First, there is a new bio of the always controversial figure, Robert Mapplethorpe, (*Mapplethorpe* by Patricia Morrisroe, Random House, HC \$27.50). Utilizing numerous interviews with the artist before his death as well as private diaries and journals, Morrisroe paints a fascinating portrait of this always fascinating individual.

On the other side of the biographical spectrum is *Letting It All Hang Out* by RuPaul (Hyperion, HC \$19.95). Part autobiography, part how-to manual, *Letting It All Hang Out* is a definate curious mix of fashion tips, favorite books and bitter childhood recollections.

Two invaluable resources for all Gay men and Lesbians are *The Gay and Lesbian Address Book* and *How to Make the World a Better Place for Gays and Lesbians*. *The Gay and Lesbian Address Book* by the editors of *Out* magazine (Berkeley, Pb \$13), is an invaluable resource list of organizations, bookstores, media and much, much more. Geared to both Gay and straight elements in society, *How to Make the World a Better Place for Gays and Lesbians* (Warner Books, Pb \$9.99) by Una Fahy is a practical guide to improving social conditions on a personal as well as on a legislative level.

Specifically focusing on Lesbian couples are three new titles: *For Love and For Life* by Susan E. Johnson (Naiad, Pb \$14.95) provides an intimate portrait of ten Lesbian couples and how they make their relationships work.

In *The Lesbian Family Life Cycle* (Free Press, HC \$25), Suzanne Slater takes a more analytical approach to what makes Lesbian relationships work with or without children involved.

Finally, there is *Lesbian Parenting: Living with Pride & Prejudice* edited by Katherine Arnup (Gynergy Books, Pb \$16.95) which is a comprehensive guide to the various personal and legal challenges Lesbian couples face raising children.

For Gay men, titles focusing on personal growth and spiritual matters have become increasingly popular. From Brian Bouldrey comes *Wrestling with the Angel: Faith and Religion in the Lives of Gay Men* (Riverhead Books, HC \$23.95) which focuses on how various individuals have reconciled their belief in god with the religious institutions that they were raised in.

Articles from the popular *White Crane* magazine have been collected in Robert Barzan's *Sex and Spirit: Exploring Gay Men's Spirituality* (White Crane, Pb \$10.95).

The nature of Gay spirit and mythology have been explored in Mark Thompson's *Gay Soul* (Harper San Francisco, HC \$22) and Will Roscoe's *Queer Spirits* (Beacon, HC \$24).

Some of last year's most important and best selling titles now in paperback editions include Paul Monette's remarkable final book of essays, *Last Watch of the Night* (Harcourt Brace, Pb \$12); the late John Boswell's *Same-Sex Unions in Premodern Europe* (Vintage, Pb \$13); Esther Newton's fascinating portrait of America's first Gay and Lesbian town, *Cherry Grove, Fire Island* (Beacon, Pb \$14); and finally, *Uncharted Lives* (Plume, Pb \$10.95) by Stanley Siegel and Ed Lowe, Jr.

Magazines Seek Submissions

Portland, OR-- The editor of a special issue of *P-Form*, an international, interdisciplinary art magazine, is seeking submissions (in any form, excluding poetry) on the subject of "pornography and performance art." The deadline is October 1, 1995 and SASE queries should be sent to: D. Travers Scott, P.O. Box 762, Portland, OR 97207-0762. *Black Sheets*, a sex-positive quarterly magazine for the Queer communities, is also seeking on-going submissions, which should be sent to Bill Brant, P.O. Box 31155, San Francisco, CA 94131.

The First Annual John Preston Prize for Erotic Writing will be awarded at Brown University this October and the deadline for submissions is July 15, 1995. Send inquires to "John Preston Prize, 530 Howard St. #400, San Francisco, CA.

These and other submission calls are regularly printed in *Steam* magazine, which is also "always in need of new writers." For details, contact Scott O'Hara, Steam, Rte. 2, Box 1215, Cazenovia, WI 53924.

Lesbian Fiction Best-Sellers

1. *My Sweet Untracable You*, Sandra Scoppettone, Ballantine, Pb-----\$5.99
2. *A Killing Cure*, Ellen Hart, Ballantine, Pb-----\$5.99
3. *Five Minutes in Heaven*, Lisa Alther, NAL/Dutton, HC-----\$22.95
4. *Stone Butch Blues*, Leslie Feinberg, Firebrand Books, Pb-----\$11.95
5. *Someone to Watch: A Robin Miller Mystery*, Jaye Maiman, Naiad, Pb-----\$10.95
6. *The Case of the Good-For-Nothing Girlfriend*, Mabel Maney, Cleis, Pb-----\$10.95
7. *The Dyke and the Dybbuk*, Ellen Galford, Seal Press, Pb-----\$10.95
8. *Greener than Grass*, Jennifer Fulton, Naiad, Pb-----\$10.95
9. *We Came All the Way From Cuba So You Could Dress Like This?*, Achy Obejas, Clies, Pb-----\$10.95
10. *Sportsdykes*, Susan Fox Rogers, St. Martin's, Pb-----\$8.95

Gay Fiction Best-Sellers

1. *B-Boy Blues*, James Hardy, Alyson, Pb-----\$10.95
2. *Flesh and the Word*, John Preston, Alyson, Pb-----\$13.95
3. *What They Did to Princess Paragon*, Robert Rodi, Plume, Pb-----\$10.95
4. *How Long Has This Been Going On?*, Ethan Moridden, Random House, HC-----\$25.00
5. *Just As I Am*, Lynn E. Harris, Doubleday, Pb-----\$10.95
6. *Mysterious Skin*, Scott Heim, Harper/Collins, HC-----\$20.00
7. *Sacred Lips of the Bronx*, Douglas Sadownick, St. Martin's, Pb-----\$9.95
8. *The Weekend*, Peter Cameron, Plume, Pb-----\$9.95
9. *Men on Men 5*, David Bergman, Plume, Pb-----\$11.95
10. *The God in Flight*, Laure Argiri, Random, HC-----\$23.00

Lesbian Non-Fiction Best-Sellers

1. *Places for Women*, Ferrari Publications Staff, Ferrari, Pb-----\$13.00
2. *School's Out*, Dan Woog, Alyson, Pb-----\$11.95
3. *For Love and For Life*, Susan Johnson, Naiad, Pb-----\$14.95
4. *What the Bible Really Says About Homosexuality*, Daniel Helminiak, Alamo, Pb-----\$9.95
5. *Inn Places 1994*, Ferrair Publications Staff, Ferrair, Pb-----\$14.95
6. *Making Out: The Complete Book of Lesbian Sexuality*, Nina Rapi Routledge, Chapman & Hall, HC-----\$24.00
7. *Dyke Strippers: Lesbian Cartoonists A to Z*, Roz Warren, Cleis, Pb-----\$16.95
8. *Hothead Paisan: Homicidal Lesbian Terrorist*, Diane DiMassa, Cleis, Pb-----\$14.95
9. *Amazon Spirit: Daily Meditations of Lesbians in Recovery*, Eleanor Nealy, Berkeley, Pb-----\$10.00
10. *Lesbian Parenting*, Katherine Arnup, Gynergy Books, Pb-----\$16.95

Gay Non-Fiction Best-Sellers

1. *What the Bible Really Says About Homosexuality*, Daniel Helminiak, Alamo Square, Pb-----\$9.95
2. *Absolutely Fabulous*, Jennifer Saunders, Pocket Books, Pb-----\$12.00
3. *Last Watch of the Night*, Paul Monette, Harcourt Brace, Pb-----\$12.00
4. *Stranger at the Gate: To Be Gay and Christian in America*, Mel White, Plume, Pb-----\$11.95
5. *The Unofficial Gay Manual*, Kevin DiLallo, Doubleday, Pb-----\$12.50
6. *Growing Up Gay*, Cohen, Smith and Williams, Hyperion, Pb-----\$9.95
7. *Barrel Fever*, David Sedaris, Back Bay, Pb-----\$9.95
8. *Breaking the Surface: A Life of Greg Louganis*, Random House, HC-----\$23.00
9. *Damron Address Book: 1995*, Damron, FDC, Pb-----\$13.95
10. *Tom of Finland: Exhibition 1994-95*, Tom of Finland, The Tom of Finland Foundation, Pb-----\$20.00

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NATIONAL BESTSELLER

STORIES AND ESSAYS

BARREL FEVER

DAVID SEDARIS



"Shrewd, wickedly funny . . . one of America's most prickly, and most delicious, young comic talents."

- Washington Post Book World

David Sedaris Does Windows and Radio and He Also Writes Very Funny Books

Barrel Fever
David Sedaris
Little, Brown, \$19.95

By Michael Dorris

Fortunately, not every page of *Barrel Fever* will leave you laughing so hard that it's impossible to breathe--thank goodness for the droll, but manageable table of contents--but still, this is one of those "Open at your own risk" books. Composed of 12 stories and four essays, *Barrel Fever* is wacky writing par excellence: original, acid and wild.

First-time author David Sedaris is familiar to listeners of National Public Radio's "Morning Edition" as the occasional apartment-cleaning, Santa-assisting commentator whose monologues have been known to stop rush hour traffic. The good news is, his flat, uninflected voice translates perfectly into print; he's just as funny to read as he is to listen to.

Critics and theorists are always going on about "the nature of humor." Usually the words "surprise" and "rigidity" come up to explain why a character or situation tickles an audience into guffaws and knee-slaps. We laugh at the unexpected or when someone, oblivious to the dynamism of life, tries unsuccessfully to remain static in a fluid context.

There's plenty of both classical elements in *Barrel Fever*. In the opening story, "Parade," for instance, the unnamed narrator is telling his side of a long saga after an appearance on "The Oprah Winfrey Show": the teary

breakup of his affair with Charlton Heston; the joys of the new relationship with Mike Tyson, complicated by Tyson's insistence that their new kitten be named Pitty Ting. To say that Sedaris plays this material straight is to do it a disservice; deadpan is probably the more appropriate term.

The same technique of inserting bizarre twists into an otherwise cliched melodrama works beautifully in "My Manuscript," a coming-of-age saga Genet would appreciate, and in "Season's Greetings," a Christmas letter from hell.

In the latter story, a woman relates a past year that includes, among other things, the sudden appearance of her husband's illegitimate and very Lesbian daughter.

Beneath their zany discontinuities, Sedaris' characters are often painfully vulnerable substituting stubborn belief in the inevitability of a happy ending for clear sight. No one is more susceptible to this penchant than the author himself, as he switches from fiction to confessional essays at the end of the book.

His book has excited rave reviews and understandably so, but fame has not "gone to his head." Sedaris still gets up mornings to clean Gramercy Park apartments at \$10 an hour. "I'm a maid," he says with a smile and a wink. He's also a smoker. Why? "Because I like to smoke. Writers should smoke, don't you think?"

Both his book and Sedaris himself deserve wide notice. It is hoped that is coming to be.

In A Society That Defines What Gender is, Kate Bornstein Shatters All the Myths

Gender Outlaw
Kate Bornstein
Vintage, \$12.00

By Katy Barrett

"I know I'm not a man...and I've come to the conclusion that I'm probably not a woman either...The trouble is, we're living in a world that insists we be one or the other..."

With these words, Kate Bornstein ushers readers on a funny, insightful and wonderfully scenic journey across the frontiers of gender and identity in her new book, *Gender Outlaw*.

Al Bornstein knew from the time he was young that the gender denomination of "boy" or "man" just didn't fit him. This is his account of how he, a graduate of Brown University and successful IBM salesman, became Kate, transsexual Lesbian playwright and performance artist.

She has appeared on numerous talk shows, but she is not just your average guest. She is fierce, funny and very articulate, offering her

audiences as she does in her book an invitation to dialogue. *Ms Magazine* calls it "a conversation well worth having."

From cross-dressing in the movies to Lesbian chic, gender crossing has taken our culture by storm. You can see that in such flicks as *The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert* and *Paris is Burning* as well as the numerous and on-going articles in such mainstream publications like *The Washington Post*.

But, while all these help to illuminate the situation somewhat, Bornstein pushes the whole scenario to new heights in her book.

Half coming-of-age story, half mind-altering manifesto on gender and sexuality, *Gender Outlaw* shows that Kate can theorize with the best of the feminist theorists and vamp with the best of the queens.

In her book, she goes to the very heart of the questions about gender and what it means, moving us lightly toward her view that gender is a social construct and not a biological determination.

Taking her readers firmly by the hand, she leads them across the sometimes frightening ideas (even in the Gay world) of gender ambiguity--and ultimately, gender revolution--making these ideas and concepts accessible and, in the process, broadening our understanding of our own identities whatever they

may be.

Whether you're Lesbian, Gay male or straight; whether you're a drag queen, or a Transsexual, no matter who you are or think you are, this book should be on your Summer reading list.

For These Funny Gay Men, Success in the World of Comedy is no Joke

Growing Up Gay
Funny Gay Males
Hyperion, \$9.95

By Jonathan Mandell

The *Funny Gay Males* had a different kind of childhood. They read the same comic books as other kids, but they identified in a different way with Superman who--like them--came from another planet, was raised by a well-meaning but basically clueless couple and then left a small town for the big city "where he got a low-paying job in a creative field."

The straight boys went to movies that had dog fights; the *Funny Gay Males* preferred movies with cat fights.

And as grown-ups, traveling the continent, they look back at school, never forgetting how much they hated dodgeball. "If Gay men aren't welcome in the military," they say, "then neither should we be forced to take gym class."

For the past seven years, starting at the Duplex in Greenwich Village, the *Funny Gay Males*--Bob Smith from Buffalo, the son of a state trooper; Jaffe Cohen, the son of a tax attorney from Bethpage, Long Island, and Danny McWilliams, the son of a brewery worker from Ozone Park--have been telling their jokes to a larger and larger audience. Now they have published a book, *Growing Up Gay*, published by Hyperion, a division of Disney.

"*Growing Up Gay*, published by Disney," Smith says incredulously. "We get their stationery and it has Mickey Mouse on it!"

In the book, the authors--inspired by comparing notes on growing up as "pink triangles

in a world made for square pegs"--joyously lampoon an experience that most Gay men could only share with their own friends--until now.

"Did you violate the first commandment of traditional masculinity--thou shalt not covet thy sister's dolls?" they ask. "Was your imaginary friend a hunk? Were you so bored when you watched 'Bonanza' that you want to burn down the Ponderosa? If you answered 'Yes! Yes! Yes!' to the above questions, there's a strong possibility that you're Gay."

Debunking some ridiculous myths and creating a few of their own, *Funny Gay Males* trace a boy's progress through life.

"Where do Gay children come from?" they ask. "Is it nature? Is it nurture? If straight kids are found in a cabbage patch, are Gay kids discovered under the arugula? Or were Gay kids simply delivered by pink flamingoes?"

Funny Gay Males carry on through the school years and revisit the terrors of adolescence, which "was supposedly the happiest time of our lives, and yet the very word can still cause us to wake up screaming in the middle of the night."

They offer a list of "queeries" or snappy answers to obnoxious questions that every Gay man wishes he'd been able to deliver as a child:

Q: Is she your first girlfriend?

A: Actually, I just realized I'm Gay, so she's my last girlfriend.

Growing Up Gay is a wry, witty celebration of a culture and heritage that are just beginning to be widely recognized. Sly, poignant and laugh-out-loud funny, it's a book the authors wish they'd had growing up Gay.

World Wide Web Site for African Americans

San Francisco--BLK has established a World Wide Web site, focusing on the Black Lesbian and Gay community (<http://www.blk.com/blk/>) "Pinkboard," Australia's oldest Gay computer bulletin board system has also joined the World Wide Web (www.pinkboard.com.au). Out, America's best-selling Gay and Lesbian magazine, just launched its new World Wide Web service in conjunction with Apple Computer and over 20 Gay/Lesbian newspapers (<http://www.out.com>). The Institute for First Amendment Studies, publishers of *Freedom Writer* newsletter that offers a hard look at the Far Right, also offers World Wide Web home page (<http://www.crocker.com>) for interested readers.

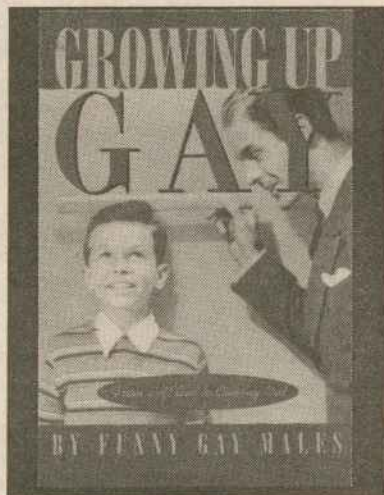
From left out to coming out...

Growing Up Gay
by Funny Gay Males

Growing Up Gay is for everyone who did just that -- with equal parts nerve, imagination, and style.

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Heger's Book is the Best First-Hand Account of Gay Holocaust

The Men with the Pink Triangle
Heinz Heger
Alyson, \$9.95

By Terry Boughner

When I was giving my talk on the Gay Holocaust at the hands of the Nazis at PrideFest this year, several people asked for books on the subject. There aren't many, only four to my knowledge, but one of them is **The Men with the Pink Triangle** by Heinz Heger. It has the distinction of being the only first-hand account so far of one Gay man's experiences in the camp at Dachau.

After the liberation of the camps, while other prisoners were set free, Gays were required by the Allies to continue to serve the sentences meted out to them by the Nazis. In addition, the German law making Gay sex a crime was not abolished until recently.

For these reasons, Heger, like many Gays of his generation, chose to remain in the closet. He writes under a pen name and is now, as I understand, dead. But like others who I met, he wanted his story told.

Heger presents an account of how he was identified, how he was arrested by the Gestapo and what happened to them after that. It is a chilling account, one that leaves precious little to the imagination.

He tells of the humiliation, the degradation and torture that Gays in the camps were forced to endure, not only at the hands of their Nazi

guards, but from the "normals" (as they called themselves) in the camps as well. He tells of how Gays were singled out for "special treatment" because they were Gay and how the Nazis thought they could be "cured."

This is not a long book nor by any means exhaustive, but it is a must-read simply because its first-hand account makes it so urgent and it is the only one of its kind that we are likely to have--at least for awhile.

Some Books on the Gay Holocaust

The following is a short list of books on the Nazi Holocaust of Gay people. They are available at most libraries in the HQ 75 section or in fine bookstores.

The Love that Dared Not Speak Its Name, H. Montgomery Hyde.

The Nazi Extermination of Homosexuals, Frank Rector.

Christianity, Social Tolerance and Homosexuality, John Boswell. (Note: *While this book does not deal with the actual Holocaust, Boswell does do a superb job of showing the roots in Western European history of anti-Gay bigotry and discrimination that permitted the Holocaust to happen.*)

Homosexuals in History, A.L. Rowse.

The Pink Triangle, Richard Plant.

The Men with the Pink Triangle, Heinz Heger.

The Pink Triangle, by Rudiger Lautmann.

Editor's Note: While there are other books that contain brief notices of the suffering of Gays under the Nazis, these deal with the subject in depth. More work, far more work, needs to be done if the story is not to be lost.

If You Have Been There or If You Have Not, 'Greenwich Village' is a Good Read

Greenwich Village
Robert Hiede & John Gilman
St. Martin's, \$13.95

By Terry Boughner

I remember the days, "way back when." I would take the train up from D.C. to spend a lost weekend in New York. For me, there was only one place to go.

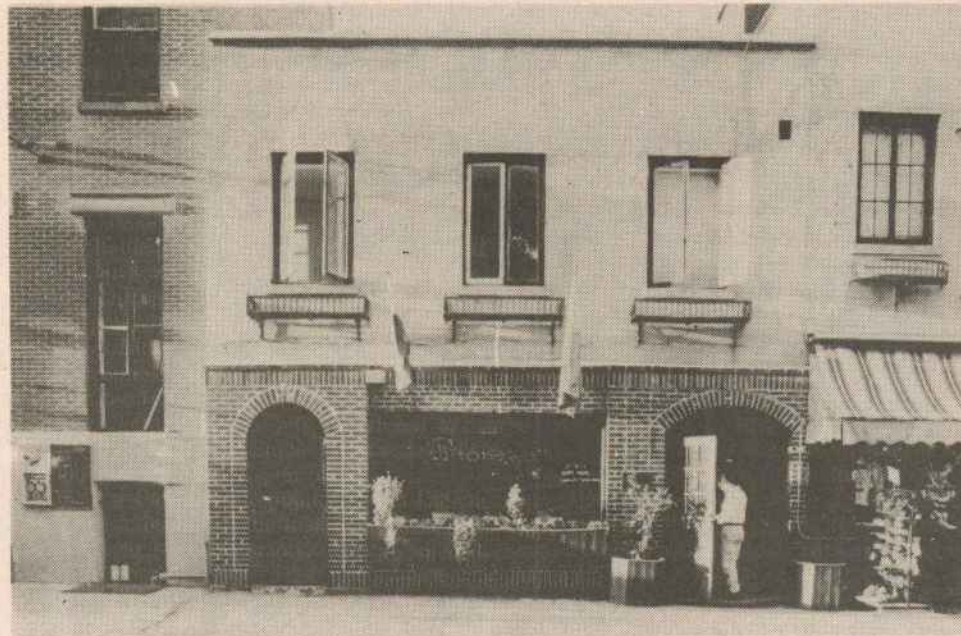
After getting off at Penn Station, I would stash my carry-on in a locker (counting myself fortunate to find one), and head downtown to Greenwich Village ("the Village"), to Christopher Street and the area around it that had more Gay life, more bars, baths and clubs, more simmering hot men than, I thought, anyplace east of San Francisco.

called Greenwich Village and is well worth the read.

The authors discuss The Village, east and west and Soho, illuminating their work with a lively, slightly irreverent style that is part of the place. There is history (if you're interested), maps and plenty of black and white pictures showing both the people and places that make The Village one of the most fascinating sections of any city on earth.

Here was where the first "bohemians" hung out and here was where the "lost generation" sought to find itself--and never quite did. Here was where the music of the Jazz Age rattled the up-tight cultural windows of America.

No wonder Eleanor Roosevelt bought a house here and planned on living in it after



The Stonewall Inn on New York's Christopher Street

(Like many easterners, I didn't really think of Chicago at all, or when I did, it was kind of like a branch campus of New York.)

A lot of what I knew then is gone now; the Anvil, the Mineshaft, the Ramrod, all the baths, but there's a lot still there that makes The Village still a Gay mecca and well worth a visit.

For those of you who have never been there and may be planning to go. Or for those who have wandered its streets, sipped coffee in some sidewalk cafes and watched the people parade go by, there's a new book out. It's

FDR left the White House.

The book contains accounts of it all. In addition, there is an extensive guide to "the Gayest Street in Town"--what's there now and how to find it.

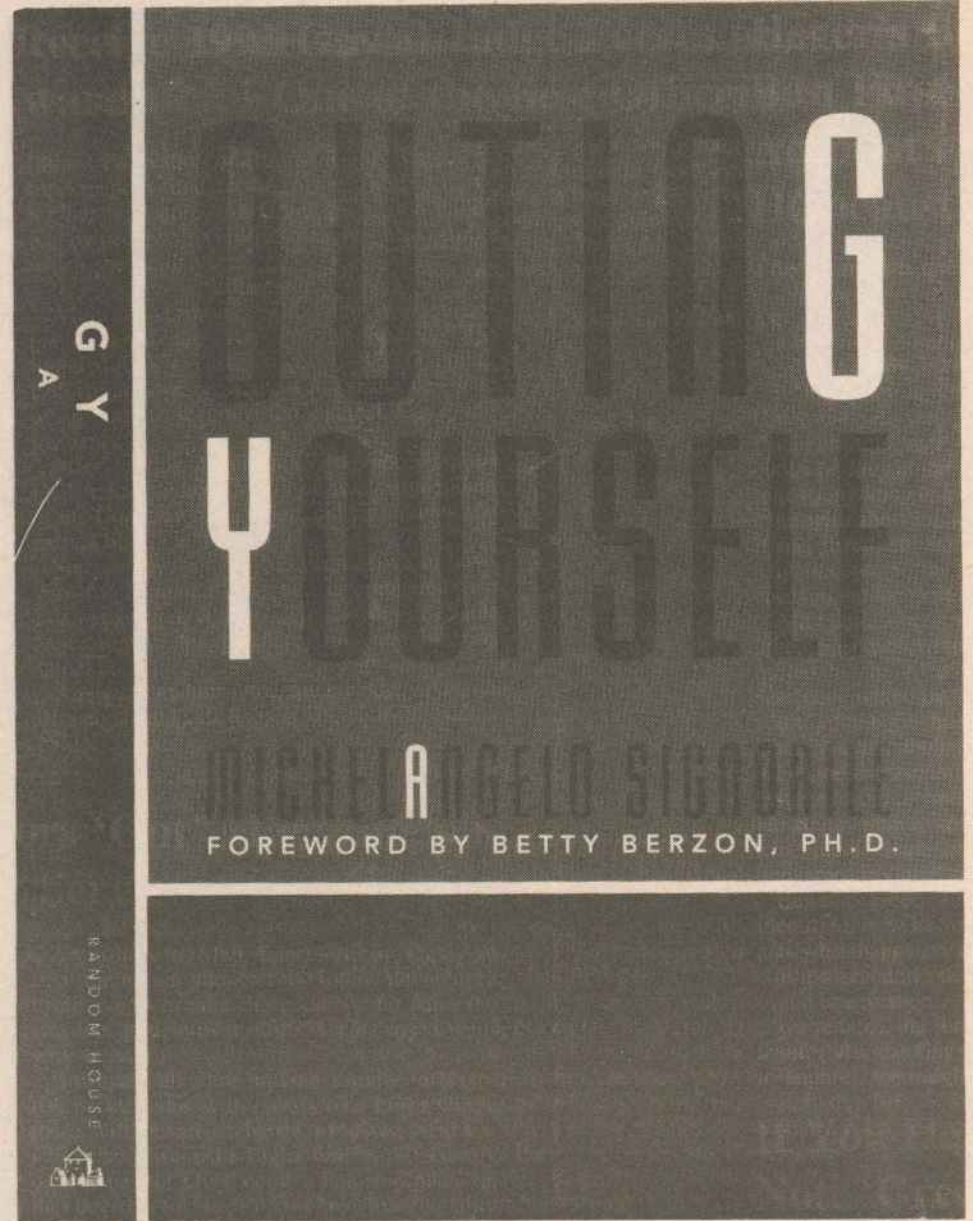
There are short reviews of restaurants, everything from the "best" to the "dives" and everything in between.

For me, the book was a trip down memory lane. Still, even though I've been to The Village countless times, were I to go again (which I never will), I would want this book with me. Read it. It comes highly recommended.

New Book Highlights Harvey Milk School

Boston, MA-- 1995 marks the tenth anniversary of Manhattan's Harvey Milk School--the only school in the country that solely serves LesBiGay teens. Studies have shown that one third of all teen suicides happen within the Gay and Lesbian teen population. "Working at the school has made me realize what awful lives many of our kids have as Gay and Lesbian youths," commented Fred Goldhaber, one of the founders of the school. "More than half of them come to us absolutely closed. We've had major success in opening up these kids, resensitizing them to the concerns of others, teaching them to work together and care about each other."

The Harvey Milk School is highlighted in journalist Dan Woog's **School's Out: The Impact of Gay and Lesbian Issues in America's Schools** that has been published by Alyson Publications. Interviewing 300 Gay and straight educators, students and parents across the country, Woog opens an important window on the people, places and programs that make the 1990s a crucial decade in the education of LesBiGay youth.



If You Take Nell Fury to Bed, You're Not Gonna Get Much Sleep

The Hangdog Hustle
Elizabeth Pincus
Spinsters Inc, \$9.95

By Kathleen DeBolt

My brain cells snapped to attention the minute I heard my editor's bark. "A messenger's on the way with the latest Elizabeth Pincus mystery," he growled into the phone.

"Pincus, huh?" I flipped through my mental rolodex of Queer literati. "Yeah--she created the P.I. Nell Fury series. Two bestsellers and a Lambda Literary Award, right?"

"Bingo. Pincus has established herself as one of the top Lesbian mystery writers and I want you to find out why."

"No sweat," I replied. But something wasn't right. Lord knows I've reviewed my share of dyke dicks for this dude, so why the song and dance with a phone call and a messenger? "Why didn't you just mail me the book as usual?"

"I...er...well...I...uh... Just be careful."

I was about to make some wisecrack about sanitary seat covers and double-bagging my groceries, but the doorbell rang and I hung up instead. The messenger handed me a plain brown paper wrapper containing an advance copy of **The Hangdog Hustle** and a cryptic warning from my editor: *If you take Nell Fury to bed, you're not gonna get much sleep.* Yeah, right!

Two sleepless nights later, I'm bleary-eyed at the Jolt N' Bolt, downing my fifth triple espresso and wondering how I can do justice to a book this good. High quality plot--and character-driven mysteries like **Hangdog** don't come along every day.

How do you describe writing so taut, tight and backstreet tough it hits you like a sock in the jaw? How can you put a double-barrel blast of heart-pounding suspense into words? I was so busy racking my brains I almost didn't notice the spike-haired Kewpie Doll checking me out from behind the counter. Almost...

"Is that the new Elizabeth Pincus mystery?" she purred, a cascade of caramel cleavage spilling out from the Jolt N' Bolt uniform spray-painted on her "Bay Watch" body. I smiled an assent and watched her big brown eyes go moist with anticipation. "Tell me about it?"

"Sure angel. This Gay guy is found dead in a San Francisco park, his back tenderized with stab wounds. It could be anything--a random mugging, a racist attack, a Gay-bashing, a lover's quarrel. When the police give up on the case, private eye Nell Fury steps in." Her lips parted when I dropped Fury's name.

"Fury's a rough and tumble, hands on kind of detective," I continued. "Persistent, not pushy, hard-boiled, without being hardened..."

"Like a Cadbury egg covered in concrete," she panted, licking off her latte mustache a split second before I could.

"Exactly. The deeper she gets into a case, the more convoluted and dangerous it be-

comes. The U.S. Military is involved, radical environmentalists--maybe even the cops. There's another murder, a suicide, a wrecked car, a couple of cracked skulls. Then Fury gets tied up in a gasoline-soaked room and...

I paused for effect.

"Don't stop!" she pleaded.

"Sorry doll, you're gonna hafta wait 'til the book comes out." I let her pout for a moment before springing the trap. "So, when do you get off?" She flashed me a classic that depends-on-you smile and untied her apron.

The cab ride back to my office was a blur of capucinno kisses and slightly injured pedestrians. The next thing I know we're on the couch playing I'm-on-death-row-and-she's-my-last-meal. "I've been waiting a long time for this," was the last thing I heard her say.

When the merry-go-round slowed down, I sat up on my horsy and waited for the spinning to stop. I never did find out what she hit me with, but my head was throbbing like the front row at a Falcon video premiere.

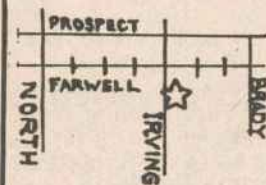
I looked around and surveyed the damages. My ransacked office looked like the aftermath of Courtney Love's last Tupperware party. As far as I could tell, though, only one thing was missing--my review copy of **The Hangdog Hustle**. Damn!

I rescued a bottle from what was left of my bar and, with a smile that undoubtedly brought out my killer dimples, me and my good pal Johnny Walker drank a toast to the cappuccino cutie with the great taste in mysteries.



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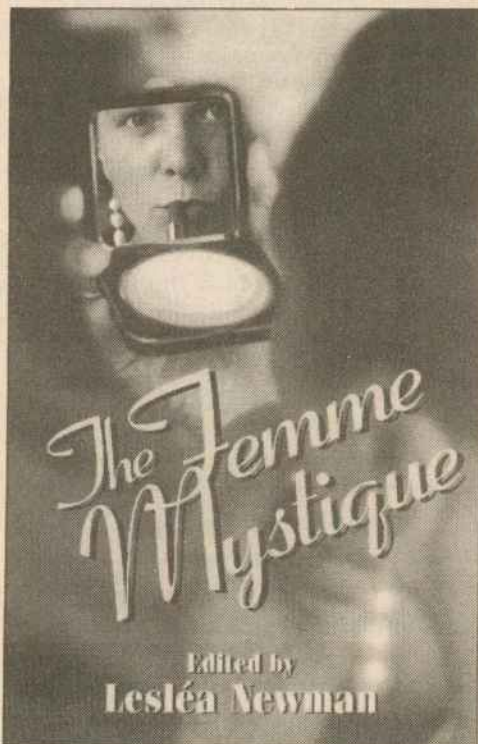
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In 'The Femme Mystique' Leslea Newman Explores the Feminine Lesbian World

The Femme Mystique
Leslea Newman, ed.
Alyson, \$9.95

By Theresa Suchen

"When Sasha Alyson first invited me to edit a book about femmes, I was both flattered and insulted. Flattered because Mr. Alyson had confidence that I could take on such a project and insulted because he prefaced his invitation with the question 'You do consider yourself a femme, don't you?' I was indignant. How could he have even the slightest doubt? Had



Sasha ever seen me without lipstick and heels? Finally, I decided he asked me in order to be 100% sure, since--let's face it--you just never know, and heaven help anyone who makes a femme *faux pas*. Even in the Gay nineties, with lipstick Lesbians reigning supreme, some women find it an insult to be called a femme."

So begins Leslea Newman in her preface to

her latest book, *The Femme Mystique*. The intro is entitled "I Enjoy Being a Girl."

The book is a fascinating and, to me, an insightful look at the world I live and love in: the world of femme identity within the Lesbian community. It is the first book that I've found to focus exclusively on this newly mainstreamed style of Lesbian self-expression, a self-expression that in *Femme* comes in the form of poetry, essays, short fiction and photography.

But as good as the book is, I find the editor herself fascinating.

She tells us that her nickname as a girl was "Diamond Lil" because she liked to dress up in her grandmother's costume jewelry and clomp around her apartment in high heels loaded down with as many rhinestones as she could hold.

Come adolescence, however, and she changed when she discovered that men found her attractive. She didn't like that one little bit, she says. Therefore, she adopted the shapeless shirts and baggy jeans style of dress and kept it that way throughout her early Lesbian years. "I looked like Cousin It from the Addams Family," she writes.

Then came the time when she saw her first "butch dyke." She was wonderfully attracted to her and fell in love right away.

Her current lover, she says, is a "butch would never be caught dead in a dress type of woman. She wears no makeup, doesn't own a pair of heels and has worn the same pair of small gold loops in her ears since the seventies." And, Newman adds, "that's just the way I like it."

Newman says that when she sent out a call for manuscripts, she got hundreds of replies, many writing about their frustration of being perceived as heterosexual, both in the straight world and in the Lesbian community.

Many of the women too, wrote about the sheer joy they have in being femme; that the pleasures of sensuality and sexuality make it all worthwhile.

In *The Femme Mystique* we read some of their stories, each one different, but all, somehow, the same. It's a good book, one worth having--especially if you want to take a look into my world for yourself.

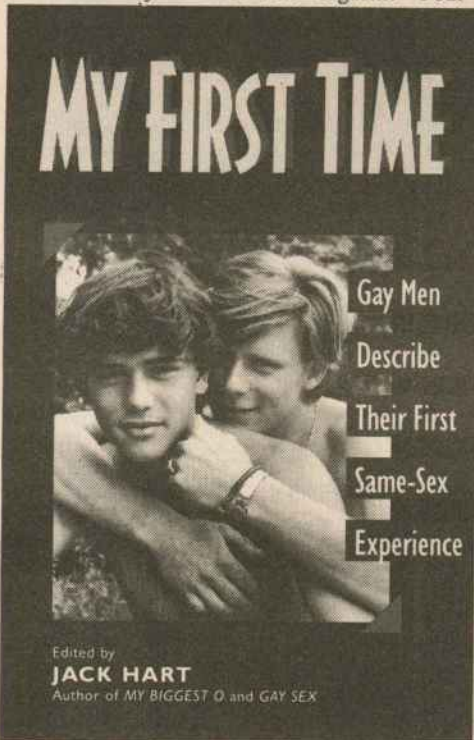
The First Time is Seldom Forgotten and is Often Remembered as the Best

My First Time
Jack Hart, ed.
Alyson, \$9.95

By Ray Hirsch

You knew that there was sex. That knowledge came long before your parents or anyone else seemed to suspect you should know about such things. The "facts of life" came to you almost by osmosis from living itself--the same way they'd picked it up, though they seemed to have forgotten that.

Remember your first true orgasm? Your



body had been growing more demanding, the feelings surging in you, becoming more urgent with every passing day.

Perhaps in your darkened bedroom, you lay looking at some magazine pictures, ones showing the bare human form, enticing, wonderfully naked, with furnace thighs and veiled eyes hinting at mysteries you suspected, had heard about, but did not know.

'Steam' Magazine Brings Out Anthology

San Francisco--*Steam*, the literate Queer's guide to sex and controversy, has announced a new line of annual Gay men's erotic anthologies based upon the winners and best entries of The Annual Porn Press Awards. The first of this series, *Stallions and Other Studs*, has just hit the stands with a loud cry to celebrate, worship and enhance the art of Gay men's pornography. Featuring well-known and first-time published authors, *Stallions* offers a vast selection of high quality writing comparable to the greats in literature, however, *Stallions* is clearly porn. "Porn is nothing more nor less than the Theatre of Sexuality and deserves the same respect we give to Shakespeare and Ibsen," said Wisconsin resident and editor Scott O'Hara in the introduction.

Your hand reached down. Every fiber in you, every nerve, pulled you inevitably, inescapably, toward a towering climax of such strength that you would never forget.

Then there was the first time with another person. You may forget the name, but never the experience or when it happened. It was good, it was bad, but whichever it was, you were never quite the same again.

While the older generation preaches and fusses, youth will have its way.

Such is the message of *My First Time*, a collection of accounts by Gay men of their first experience with Gay sex. Some of the tales are written in a clumsy style, as of one trying to retrace barely remembered steps.

Others are more articulate, more polished, written as one would describe a choice vacation spot or a beloved work of art.

But no matter what the style, the stories are always interesting, always carry that fascination we have with "Did you do that too?! Gee, and I thought I was the only one."

The stories are grouped according to years, ranging from those that happened in the 1930s to those that took place just before today.

They cover all ages too, from the time when your parents "knew" you couldn't possibly know anything "like that" (Plea-se!), to the late bloomers finally opening up after years of inhibition and frustration.

A couple of things come through loud and clear. One is that all these men had Gay sex because they were Gay. They'd known that, almost by instinct, just as they knew almost by instinct what they wanted to do when the time came.

Secondly--and not too surprising if you think about it--is that the older generation really hasn't the influence and direction it would like to think it does when it comes to matters of sex. I heartily suspect that children are as they are when they come from the womb.

They can be deflected a little this way or that, but they are pretty much formed when they emerge. The older generation can't protect them, can't make them keep an innocence that they themselves wish to lose.

That all being said, the book is one worth reading, for many of us, a charming, if slightly licentious trip down memory lane.

New Damron Guide to Accommodations Nation Wide is a Good Summer Resource

Damron Accommodations
Edward Gatta, ed.
Damron Publications, \$18.95

By Tony Colomby

Like most Gay people, I guess, my lover and I like to travel. When we do, we enjoy staying in Gay-owned or Gay friendly places--in our case, bed and breakfasts mostly.

While Scott and I have stayed in some nice hotels, we like the Bed's and Breakfasts (B&B) most of all. The reason is that we not only get a homey atmosphere and a chance to

The Damron Company has brought out a new guide, *Damron Accommodations* that includes hostels throughout the United States, Canada and the Caribbean. This is the first time they've done something like this and it's well worth the wait.

The book is divided by state, province and country. Nearly every entry is accompanied by pictures in full color, really beautiful, picture postcard shots.

Each entry also includes distances and travel costs from nearby airports, bus and train stations, as well as to the Gay life in the area.



The Allyn Mansion in Delavan, WI

meet local people who know the area, there's a laid-back friendly atmosphere to a B&B that we don't find in a hotel.

All this, plus the fact that at a B&B we've gotten some of the best meals we've ever laid tooth to and we get to stay in some of the most beautiful houses in the country.

We've stayed in a fantastic Victorian mansion in Delavan, Wisconsin. It's restored so beautifully and so accurately that you think you've been wafted back to the Gilded Age the moment you walk in the door.

On the east coast, in Virginia, we'd stayed in grand old 18th Century homes, whose dignity and grace is right out of the Age of Deference. Washington may not have slept in places we've stay at, but he certainly wouldn't have found any of them strange or uncomfortable.

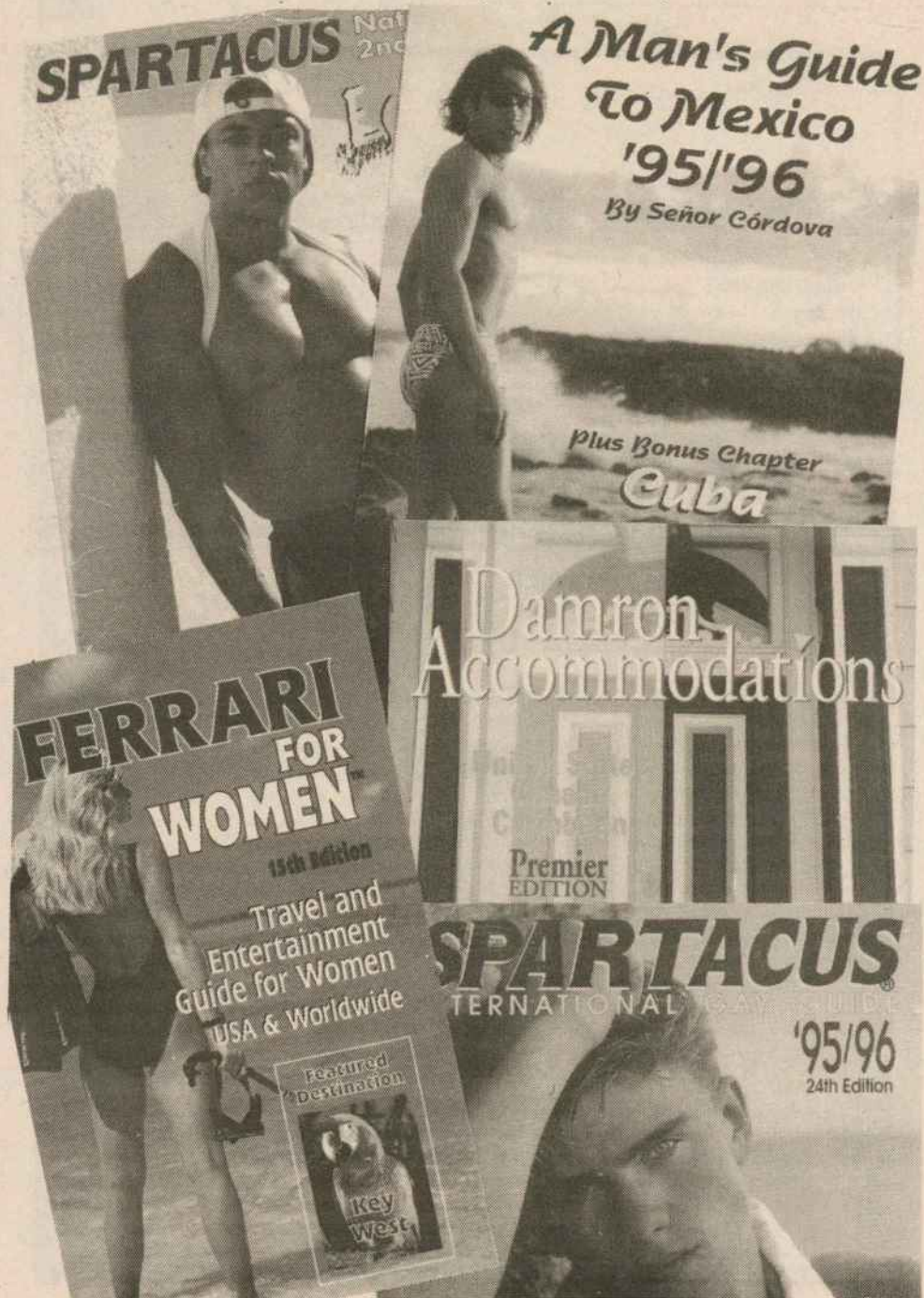
Our problem, however, has always been to find places like these where we can feel completely at home as a Gay couple. Now that seems to be solved.

You'll find out if the B&B or hotel is Gay or Lesbian-owned or Gay/Lesbian friendly. You'll find out too if the accommodation caters to women only, men only, or both. Is it wheelchair accessible? What does breakfast include? Are kids and pets welcome? Is there a pool or other forms of recreation on site? What damage is staying there going to do to your purse?

Being from Wisconsin, Scott and I were a little disappointed to see that many of the B&B's in the Badger State that we know about weren't listed.

For example, our favorite place--almost above every other one in the country--it the Mansion House in Delavan. If you haven't been there, go! For some reason, it's not listed.

However, the book as a whole is good, the best one of its kind, I think. For those of you who like to travel and enjoy the B&B experience, *Damron Accommodations* is a book you should have on your shelf.



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PARADE

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Lobel called on the City of Boston to hold a publicly sponsored parade "so that all Bostonians, including those who are Gay, can participate openly in this festival."

Commenting on the ruling itself, Lobel said that it "discusses the rights of private parade organizers, and their ability to limit the messages delivered during the parade."

Lobel cautioned that "The ruling does not make sweeping statements about Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual civil rights issues."

Some Gays voiced fears that the ruling was an ominous forecast of how the court might rule on Colorado's Amendment 2.

Lobel cautioned against thinking this way. "The ruling," he said, "is not an indication of how the court will rule in the case of Colorado's Amendment 2. The court ruled about the rights of private parade sponsors, while Amendment 2 is about the fundamental right of Gay men, Lesbians and Bisexuals to participate in the democratic process."

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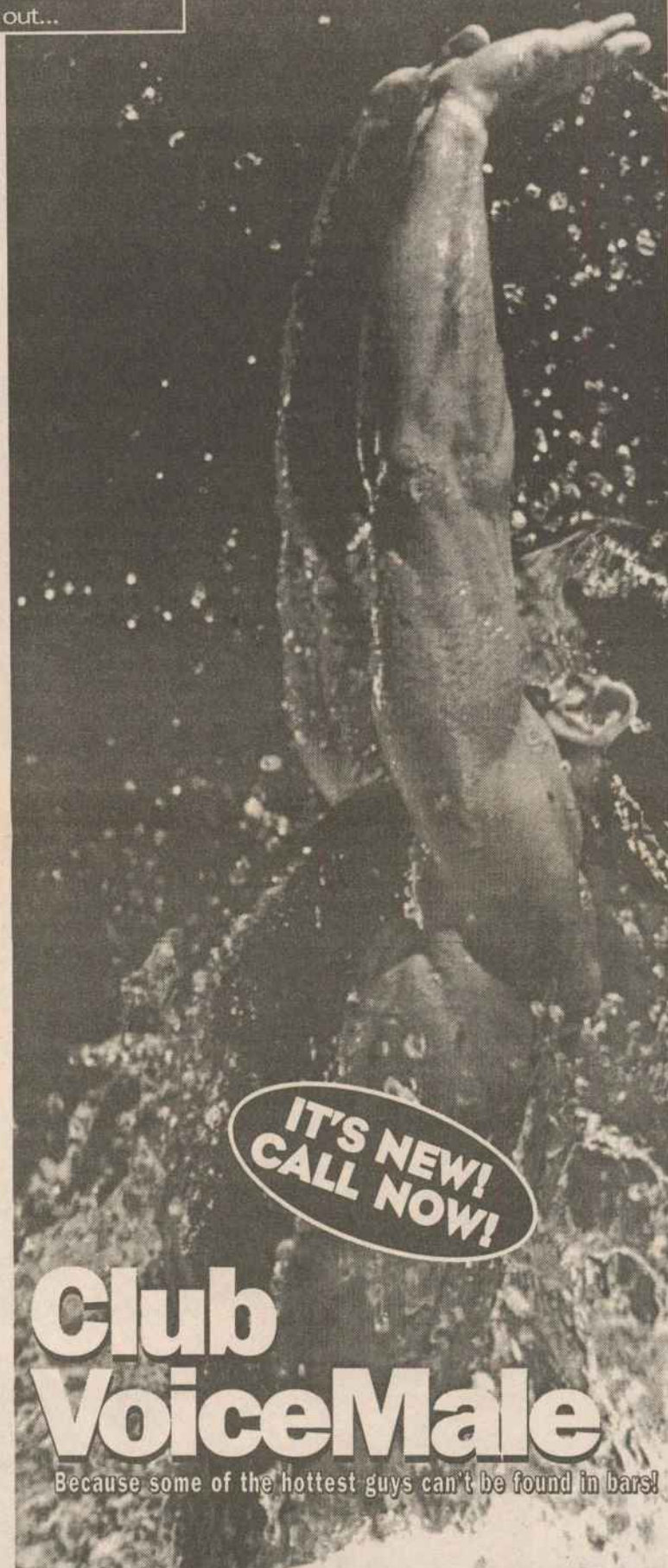
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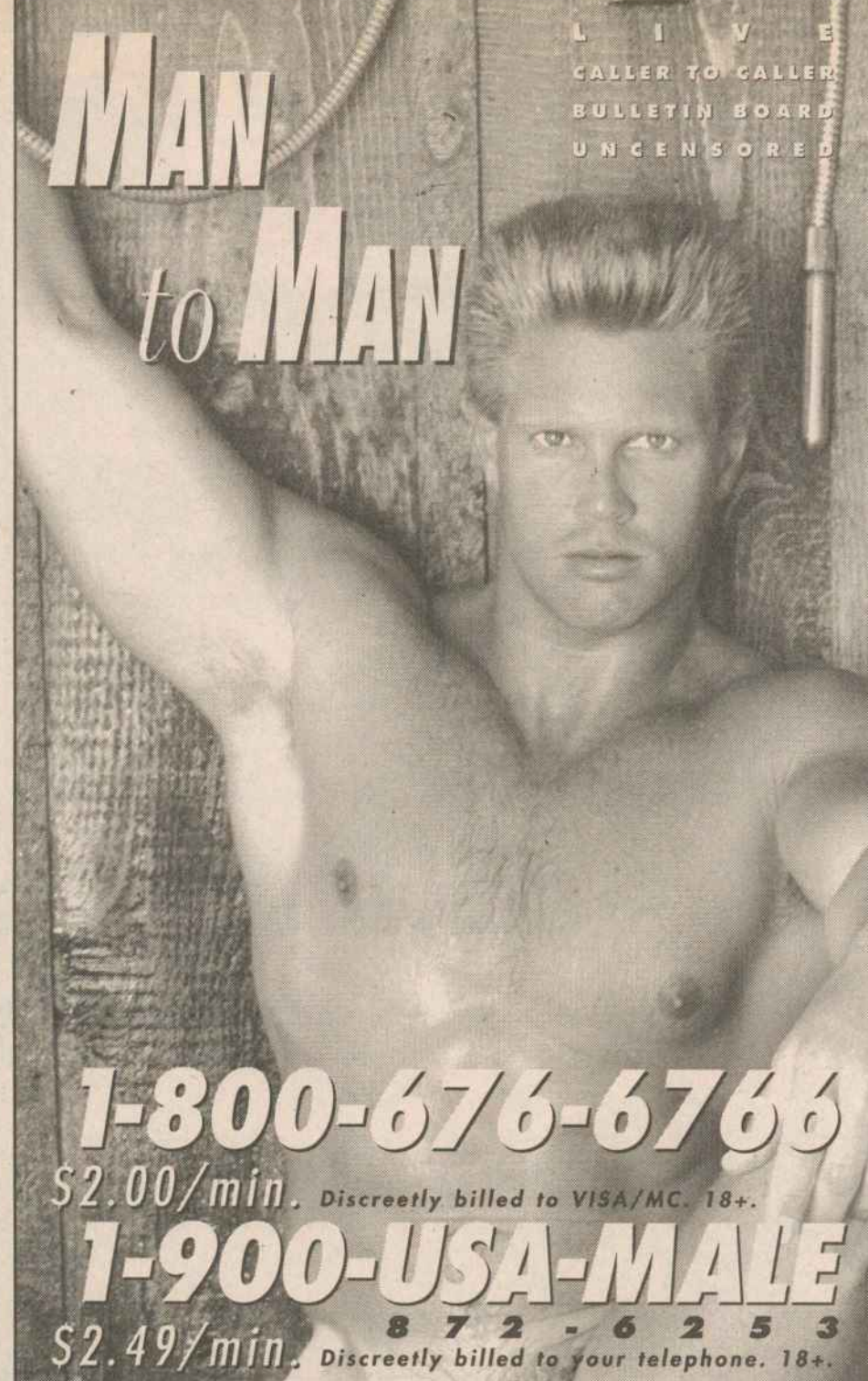
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Madison **CLEAN SHAVEN:** 21 y/o 6'2 185lb clean shaven guy into swimming, playing pool and eating out. Im lkg4 friends and hopefully a lot more. call or write. #37975

Milwaukee **DRESS UP:** Steve, GWM new to the scene and still in the closet. Im lkg2 meet guys who like to go out and get dressed up! call me! #11250

Green Bay **SUMMER'S HERE:** Jim, lets get out and do some biking among other things. lets get together and have fun this summer! #22935

Kenosha **HEAVY WEIGHT:** Tom, lkg4 gdlkg heavy weight men for fun and friendship. call me and lve a msg. #42264

Madison **FRIENDS FIRST:** Troy, Im lkg2 meet someone 19-35 for a LTR. friends first! Im 6'2 185lbs blk/brn. Im into swimming, tennis and dancing now and then. call me! #44310

Milwaukee **LATEX AND LEATHER:** my name is Jim, Im 33 y/o 160lbs bln/blu. Im lkg4 a man 35-45 who can show me ropes of latex and leather. I'm avail. in the mornings. call me! #44535

Appleton **EASY GOING:** Andy, 19 y/o 5'10 150lbs and in gd shape. Im always lkg4 fun and Im easy going and romantic. Im lkg4 someone around my age for friendship and poss. LTR. call me! #44581

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Oshkosh **FIRST TIMER:** 39 y/o guy lkg2 meet men to have fun with. this is my first time and Im real curious! call me. #44751

Milwaukee **HONEST AND SINCERE:** 40 y/o GWM 170lb proff'l, honest, quiet, sincere, hiv- lkg2 meet the same! #37975

Milwaukee **NEW KID IN TOWN:** GWM mid 20's 5'6 musc. masc. intelligent, passionate and no drugs. Im lkg4 friends and someone to spend some time with. call me! #44992

Milwaukee **LETS WRESTLE:** 5'9 180lbs smooth, musc. and well built. Im lkg4 other guy's who are musc and smooth for hot wrestling. call me! #45324

Waukesha **5'8 170lbs** brn/brn 38 y/o lkg4 guy's under 35 into sports, horses, dancing and working out. call me! #45218

Appleton **WHATS COOKING:** Dave, 28 y/o bi M blk/hzl 200lbs lkg4 other bi M who are into camping, movies and quiet times. I also like to cook. call me. #45395

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Waukesha **STRAIGHT ACTING:** my name is Terry, Im a 30 y/o bi M lkg4 other bi M who are very straight acting. call me! #45621

Milwaukee **NEW AT THIS:** my name is Brian, Im a 26 y/o GWM 5'8 160lbs and Im kinda new at this and lkg4 guy's 18-28 into sports, the outdoors and more. call me! #45643

Milwaukee **LETS GET TOGETHER:** 41 y/o brn/brn 6'1 210lbs Im clean, healthy, drug/disease free. I am lkg4 guys to get together and have fun with. call me! #45729

Wisconsin **READY FOR A STEADY:** Scott 23 y/o 6'2 170lbs brn/blu gdlkg. Im sick of the games and one night stands. Im only 23 but ready for a steady relationship. call me! #45617

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Osh Kosh **VERY CURIOUS:** Gary, 39 y/o lkg2 have fun with guy's in my area. lets have fun. Im very curious. #45829

Green Bay **GREEN BAY PACKER:** 41 y/o GM 190lbs lkg4 dom masc. tops 4 hot fun. Im open to new ideas! call me. #40049

Milwaukee **FONE FUN:** Hank, Im into large men, and Im into phone talk! call me. #41913

Central **HOT LEO:** GWM 21 y/o 6'1 140lb leo lkg4 friends for fun and talk! call me. #41949

Central **OUTDOORS AND DOGS:** I like riding my bike, the outdoors and dogs. If you are interested, call me. #42002

Milwaukee **SAFE AND CASUAL:** 28 y/o 165lb dude lkg4 a casual and safe relationship with versatile well built guys under 30. call me! #

WI **DONT DRINK, DONT SMOKE:** Charlie, 19 y/o GBM college student 5'8 130lbs lkg4 a tall slim attr. BM 18-29 for fun and friendship. non smokers/drinkers only! #30552

Milwaukee **HEY BROTHER:** single GBM lkg4 other GBM. Im 18 y/o and lkg4 a straight acting masc. BM who's lkg4 a rltshp. #42045

Milwaukee **WEEKEND GET TOGETHER:** 29 y/o bi WM 6ft 175lbs in good shape. lkg4 another GWM into working out and hot fun for a casual weekend get together. call me! #42048

Rapids **FRIENDSHIP FIRST:** Bill, 5'10 155lbs into exercise and quiet eve's at home, Im lkg4 frndshp and companionship. call me! #42098

Milwaukee **DRESS ME UP:** Bi WM intrsd in crossdressing, Im inexperience and lkg4 someone to show me the ropes. I want my fem side brought out in me. #42223

Milwaukee **FULL LOAD:** Brian 26y/o 5'8 160lbs lkg4 guy's 18-28 into the outdoors. sports and movies. call me. #42238

Milwaukee **BIG BOY:** Tom, mid 30's gd lkg GWM 250lbs lkg4 guy's same age and weight for good times. #42264

Madison **BOTTOMS UP:** Jeff, 5'18 145lbs lkg4 a hairy tp to show this hot sub btm a good time, call me. #42314

Adams County **DADDY BEAR:** Chuck, 42 y/o 6'2 235lb daddy bear lkg4 aggressive boys 18-30 hairy or smooth to show me a good time. call me! #42320

Madison **MODERN ROCKER:** Brian, 28 y/o 5'9 145lbs brn/brn into alternative rock & movies. lkg4 guys 21-33. call me- #42364

Madison **CAN YOU TOP THIS?:** Jeff, 5'8 145lbs brn/grn lkg4 a gd lkg top man for fun times. hairy guys a +. call me, lets talk. early mornings best. #42455

Green Bay **WILLING AND ABLE:** 23 Y/O GWM 6'4 150lbs lkg4 someone 18-30 willing and able to have fun! #42491

Central **YOUNG STUDENT:** Brad, 20 y/o 5'10 150lbs into most sports and reading, Im a student and Im lkg4 someone to have a good time with, call me. #43236

Milwaukee **YOUNG DANCER:** 23 y/o 6'2 175lbs into going out and dancing, also into movies. Im lkg4 men to go out and have fun with, call me! #43323

Madison **THE HEART IS A LONELY HUNTER:** Danny, 33 y/o 5'10 155lbs lkg4 new friends and a possible relationship. call me! #43388

Cleveland **REAL MEN ONLY:** Robert, african american 20 y/o M lkg4 a real BM for a change. you must be very masc. and athletic. bi and straight men a+ #10027

Madison **CLEAN SHAVEN GUY:** 21 y/o 6'2 185lb clean shaven dude into pool, swimming and water sports. I love to cuddle and go for walks. Im lkg4 a serious relationship with a cool guy. #37975

Appleton **NICE GUY:** 43 y/o 6'2 195lb bi wm lkg4 friendship with another guy. please call me! #43693

La Cross **YOU GOT IT, I WANT IT:** 19 y/o GWM in search of well endw'd rowdy mexicans who know how to take control! #43743

Madison **LET LOOSE:** attr. smooth wm in my late 20's lkg2 let loose, Im lkg4 tall men who like to be pleased, call me! #43837

Madison **THIS CAN BE FUN:** Bob, 27 y/o bi wm lkg4 bi or curious males throughout the state, Im muscular and Im lkg4 other guys in great shape, this can be fun, #43861

Kenosha **KENOSHA COMPANION:** 21 y/o 6'1 180lb dude lkg4 a companion 18-25 for fun and friendship. call me. #43897

Milwaukee **CAN YOU TOP THIS?:** vers. btm lkg4 vers. slim tops under 30, couples are a + #44085

Milwaukee **BROWN CURLY HAIR:** Peter, 6'1, 165, brncurlly hair, short beard, swim tennis, long walks, movies, out to eat, active guy, love to laugh- offbeat sense of humor, give me a call lv a message and I'll get in touch with you- #41391

Milwaukee **COLLEGE STUDENT:** Charlie, 19 GBM, college student, 5'8, 130, int are movies music TV, non smoker/drinker lkg for tall slim BM, between 18-29 masc, and likes the same as me, nice personality for friendship, poss rel- #30552

Appleton **KEITH 23,** blnd/blu, like movies, music, want to know more give me a call- #36204

Kenosha **ANDREW 20, 6'1, 175,** int in music outdoors, lkg for someone 18-25 same build, like a little bigger, if ur interested, give me a call- #39849

Chippewa Falls **INTO THE OUTDOORS:** Richard, 5'9, 160, like the outdoors, lkg for a WM, any age I guess, call soon- #39879

Hartford **MOVIES AND MUSIC:** Dan, 5'10 175, like movies and music, dancing and having fun, iso someone with sim interests, not interested in a casual relationship so give me a call #39924

Appleton **ONE ON ONE:** Randy lkg for someone in the area, lkg for someone for relationship, 5'10 150 very romantic lkg for one on one, lke antiques shopping, walks, lke to meet under 40, something that's going to last if ur it, give me a call- #40002

Green Bay **FURRY CHEST:** Jim, 190, hairy chest, need a person to be with - #40049

Madison **WHATEVER COMES UP:** Jeff, 25 6'2 160, dk hair iso other guys in their 20s to get together and see what happens- #40058

Milwaukee **TV SEEKS GENTLEMEN:** Candy, TV 40, like to meet older men for dates, like to be treated like a lady can travel entertain, eat out or dine in, clean house, just about anything fun- #40192

Green Bay **FINALLY OUT** of the closet looking for a slim good looking man, I'm 6'3 180 50 love Kissing and loving- #40263

Milwaukee **NEW TO THE AREA:** Lonnie, lkg for a WM, single, to get together, new to the city, my hobbies are movies, TV, shopping 6'3, 225 lkg for someone to do things together, have a nice relationship- #40362

Milwaukee **INTO CARS:** Andy, 22 WM 5'8 140 long brn hair, brn eyes into cars, own my own shop, heavy metal type, like camping water skiing, motorcycling, lkg for someone in the area under 24, sounds like you lv a message- #40405

Milwaukee **FANTASY FULFILLMENT:** 5'6 brn/brn, lkg for dom guys 18-27 to fulfill fantasies, pleasures, subm, country boyish like rowdy play like to play bd with singles or couples like outdoors, hiking, being with people, give me a call- #40674

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WI **LET'S WORK OUT:** Ken, 5'7, brn/blu. I love biking and running. I'm a very athletic guy who is interested in yuppy men. #41073

Osh Kosh **CUDDLE CLOSE TO ME:** Kevin, 36, 5'10. I enjoy cuddling and the outdoors. I love quiet nites with another man. #41125

Milwaukee **MARILYN MONROE LOOKALIKES:** Steve GWM new to the scene, still a little closeted, - like to meet the guys that were in the Marilyn Monroe look alike contest, give me a call- #11250

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Wausau **TRIM MUSTACHE:** John, lkg for someone between 21-50, wants to settle down and be together and lkg for a long term rel, 5'7 brn/grn trim must beard, like outdoors, camping fishing, romanticist, masc - quiet eves, one special person- #38632

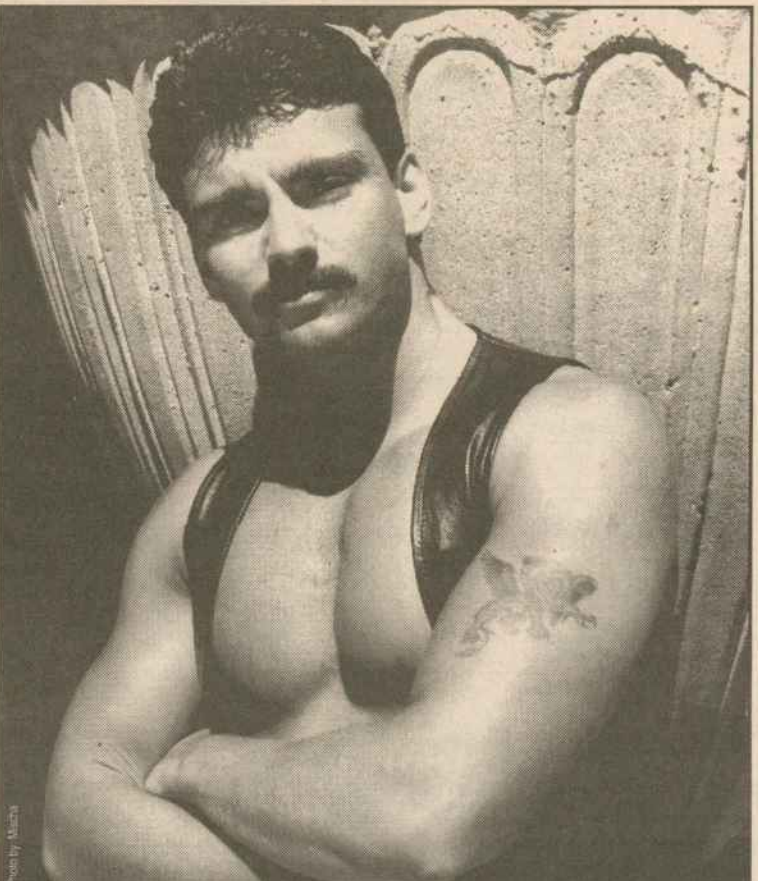
West Ellis **LIKE B/D? :** passive biwm 47, 155, 5'7 new to area and scene iso younger aggr WM for friendship iso BD french, camping and fishing #38703

Milwaukee **INTO WRESTLING:** Mike, inexp subm bi male, 137 in shape iso expd guy who likes wrestling I- #38754

Milwaukee **STOCKY BUILD:** Tom GWM, 37 260 stocky build gdlkg iso other stocky GWM like to have fun and more- #38823

Milwaukee **GAY ASIAN MALE:** Mark, GAM 25, 155 5'10 like outdoors movies, dancing, give me a call- #38974

Green Bay **WRESTLING ONE ON ONE:** Kevin, masc 6'2 200, well built lkg for a guy who lets me do things for him, like sports wrestling and one on one, 18- iso 18-35 inexp, and need a good teacher, #39112



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

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

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

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

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

(Call Thru) Box# 3502

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Tyrone, GM, 23, call. Box# 6310

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

Matt, WM, 22, 6', 180, ISO buddy, 25-40, very hairy, hung, top. (Call Thru) Box# 8933

WM, Shawn, 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

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

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

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, 25, 6'3, 220, blond/blue, hairy, ISO another guy to have some fun. (Call Thru) Box# 4526

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, GWM, 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, 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

Todd, 30, honest, sincere and open, ISO a straight-acting guy who is masculine, honest, sincere, open also, likes to party, enjoys movies, heavy metal to dance music, for dating, poss. serious rel., no game players or sex-only callers. Box# 7205

Willy, you can call me Bill, 25, ISO another guy 19-28, any race for hot fun. (Call Thru) Box# 9549

Jeff, 19, blonde hair, green eyes, ISO guy to hang out with. (Call Thru) Box# 8161

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

GBM, light complexion, 5'8 1/2, 155, 30, boy next door type, ISO GM's. My name is Quinton, you can call me Q. (Call Thru) Box# 1762

Danny, 32, 5'10, 155, long blonde hair, green eyes, clean shave, mother says I'm too cute to be gay, enjoys sports, biking, ISO another male. Box# 4532

Todd, 25, 6', 180, ready to have good times. Mark and his partner. Please call me. Box# 6649

Billy, new to area, good-looking WM ISO fun guys to have

good times. (Call Thru) Box# 6757

WM, 37, 5'7, brn. hair, blue eyes, easy-going, discreet, ISO younger guy 20-30, for friendship, poss. rel., I like sports, movies, music, honesty a must, no games. (Call Thru) Box# 5122

David, 20, American Indian, 5'11, brown eyes, black hair, ND, not into the bar scene, clean shaven, mustache, enjoy music, walks, ISO guy 18-25, smokers okay. Box# 1635

Muscular Italian, Nick, 5'7, 150, ISO other guys. (Call Thru) Box# 9475

Gay french man with extreme libido, ISO GBM to satisfy my fantasy. Box# 4193

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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

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

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

Justin, 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

Male, young, hot and ready to go. Box# 2545

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

Joe, GWM, 41, 6'1, 185, nice body, well-hung. (Call Thru) Box# 9750

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,

8176

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

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, 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

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

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

GWM, Kurt, 36, bottom, ISO super-hairy top, who is fun-loving and adventurous. (Call Thru) Box# 7370

Hot, young, Army dude, 25, college jock, ISO guys my age or younger, who are jocks, military, students. Call if you can handle it. (Call Thru) Box# 6970

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

GWM, Cory, 18, romantic, looking for fun. (Call Thru) Box# 2313

Shaun, 27, GWM, 5'9, 160, very muscular, 43" chest, 31" waist, attractive, short dark hair, clean shaven, ISO WM 28 or younger. (Call Thru)

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

WHITE HOUSE

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The White House argued, she said, that their thinking was if the Administration came in on the side of Gays, the backlash would be directed, not against the Administration, but against the Gay community. The brief was filed to prevent that.

Forget Pragmatism

Baldwin said that the Gay and Lesbian officials told the White House firmly that while they realized that sometimes courses based upon pragmatic considerations are necessary, these were not two of those times.

"What we're asking from you is don't protect us like that." The White House was urged to take stands on principles, not pragmatism.

"What we told them," Baldwin said, "is that we're the ones who face this backlash and despite that, we're asking for the Administration to show leadership and for a stand on principle. You don't have to take care of us, we told them."

1996

The Lesbian and Gay officials were asked about the likelihood of Gay people supporting Clinton in 1996.

Baldwin said they were told that for those who were Democrats, "we're going to have some problems going back to our home communities and say let's get excited about the reelection campaign."

The White House was told, Baldwin said, that what they needed from the Administration was "the type of record that will motivate people to get out to the polls."

Baldwin said the White House was told plainly that "Our fear is because there's a sense of lack of leadership, that people simply won't go out and vote."

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Rubber Gloves

As Baldwin and the other Lesbian and Gay elected officials entered the White House, they were greeted with guards wearing rubber gloves. Baldwin said that at first the officials thought that wearing them was normal procedure, but later they found out the gloves had been put on only for them.

"I was very outraged," she said.

Baldwin said that at first it was thought that the guards were Secret Service. Later it was discovered that was not so. They were guards, "rent-a-cops" hired from a private firm.

White House spokespeople quickly apologized, calling the incident "an error in judgment."

On June 15, Baldwin received a formal letter of apology from President Clinton who was in Halifax for the G7 meeting.

"We hope this ignorance will not repeat itself," Baldwin said.

CLARENBACH

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candidates to become common place and the nation can learn lessons from our successes here in Wisconsin," Clarenbach told Light.

Clarenbach also said that "One of the biggest regrets of my life is that I didn't run for Congress as an openly Gay candidate. As Executive Director of the Victory Fund, I will do everything in my power to keep other qualified candidates from making the same mistake."

The news of Clarenbach's selection was received with wide acclaim.

Doug Nelson, Executive Director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) and a long-time friend of Clarenbach said, "I am thrilled for David, but oh how we will miss him at home in Wisconsin."

"David has done so much for the Gay and Lesbian community and for the AIDS movement in Wisconsin that it is hard to imagine making any kind of progress without him here," said Nelson. "He made Wisconsin the champion of Gay rights and he spearheaded a multi-million dollar state AIDS commitment through the legislature and Republican governors."

"He is a masterful political strategist who made a big difference for all of us," Nelson said.

"I have no doubt that's why he was hired by the Victory Fund," Nelson said. "They made the right choice and as difficult as it is to see him leave Wisconsin, I know in my heart that he will be just as successful for the national Gay and Lesbian community."

Nelson recalled that Clarenbach's entire life has been dedicated to the advancement of social and economic justice.

"Honestly, I have never met anyone whose instincts are so completely rooted in principles of human dignity and equality," Nelson said.

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Lesbian Health Risks Discussed

Minneapolis-AP- Like infants or expectant mothers, Lesbians and Gay men have different health care concerns. Those concerns, ranging from HIV negative men to the risk that Lesbians will be treated as heterosexuals, was covered at the National Lesbian and Gay Health Conference (NLGHC) and HIV/AIDS Forum that opened on June 16. While HIV and AIDS remain the number one health concern, Joyce Hunter of the NLGHC board of directors, said Lesbians do not always receive the preventive care that all women need. The reason, according to Hunter, is twofold. First, most women entering a gynecologist's office are assumed to be straight until they say otherwise. Because of that, many Lesbians are afraid to seek health care because they may encounter homophobia.

And even if Lesbians reveal their orientation, Hunter said, that still may not help. "There are some people who will say, 'You're a Lesbian, you don't need gynecological care. There's a lot of misinformation and that's a major risk to Lesbians. Something has to change.'" she said.

Massachusetts Joins Brief on Colorado Measure

Boston, MA-AP- Massachusetts Attorney General Scott Harshbarger has announced that he will join a friend of the court brief filed in the U.S. Supreme Court opposed to a Colorado constitutional amendment which would deny Gay people protection against discrimination. "The Colorado amendment is a far-reaching assault on one group of citizens," Harshbarger said. "It is so broad and so pernicious in its discriminatory scope toward Gays and Lesbians that it amounts to a wholesale denial of equal protection for an identified group of citizens to participate in the political process."

The brief was written by Oregon Attorney General Theodore R. Kulongoski who has been soliciting support for it from attorneys general nationwide.

Broward County Commission Okays Gay Rights

Fort Lauderdale, FL-AP- After an emotional five-hour hearing in packed chambers, Broward County, Florida, Commissioners approved a measure banning discrimination based on sexual orientation on June 13. "This issue, without exaggeration, has been the toughest one for me," said Commissioner John Hart. "In the final analysis, if we cannot create laws to protect, we should not be creating law." Opponents of the measure, mostly from the Religious Right, vowed to begin collecting signatures immediately in an effort to place a measure on next year's ballot that would rescind the new ordinance.

"We cannot have this kind of thing," said Baptist minister Tom Jacobs. "Jesus was a straight white man and he wouldn't want these people running around in public."

"He's perfect for this job."

Tom Reed of Miller Brewery, a Milwaukeean and former member of the Victory Fund Board praised Clarenbach's selection as a "great thing for Wisconsin."

State Rep. Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) first heard about Clarenbach's selection while serving as Grand Marshal in the PrideFest Gay/Lesbian Parade on Sunday, June 11. Her eyes lit up and she clapped her hands. "That's wonderful!" she exclaimed.

Clarenbach said he will not be moving to Washington right away. He will continue to serve MASN until a new director is secured.

FAMILIES

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Holtzman had no legal standing in the case.

Northrup, who is Gay, had written a strongly worded decision that maintained that all evidence pointed to the fact that a continued relationship between Holtzman and the boy was clearly in the child's best interest. The boy had clearly indicated to the court that he considered Holtzman to be his parent and that he felt very strongly that he wanted to continue his relationship with her, despite his biological mother's objections.

However, Northrup denied Holtzman visitation rights. He wrote that the state's current visitation laws, while protecting children in traditional families, "ignored the welfare of children reared by adults in nontraditional relationships when those relationships terminate." This inequity in the law, he reasoned, meant that his hands were tied.

In the wake of the Wisconsin Supreme Court's decision, the matter now returns to Northrup's court, where he will have the authority to grant Holtzman visitation rights if four criteria proving a "parent-like" relationship are met.

These historic criteria, which will likely become known in legal lore as the "Holtzman Test," center around proving the existence of all of the obligations of parenthood and establishment "with the child of a bonded, dependent relationship parental in nature."

State law has long recognized that decisions

around custody and visitation should be made with the best interests of the child in mind, however the conservative majority on the Wisconsin Supreme Court has generally fallen back on the notion that parental ties based on biology and legal adoption always supersede other relationships with a child. Until recently, that conservative majority had held sway with a series of 4-3 votes in similar cases.

Supporters of the rights of children in non-traditional families had hoped last year's election of moderate Justice Janine Geske to fill what had been a conservative seat might swing the court in the other direction in these cases.

However, in the "Angel Lace" case of last year, in which two Green Bay women asked that they both be declared the legal parents of their child, Geske sided with the conservative majority in denying parental rights. She indicated that while such an arrangement would clearly be in the best interests of the child, current law did not allow it.

By siding with the progressive majority this time, however, Geske has come down on the side of the overriding issue of what's best for the child, over a more narrow legal definition of what constitutes a parent.

The case came down just prior to the retirement of Chief Justice Nathan Heffernan, who has long been a champion of alternative family rights. What remains to be seen is how his successor, moderate Ann Walsh Bradley of Wausau, will rule in such cases.

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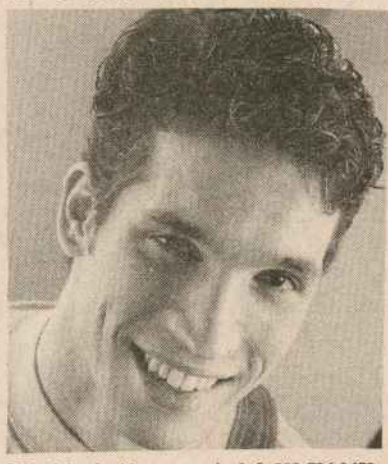
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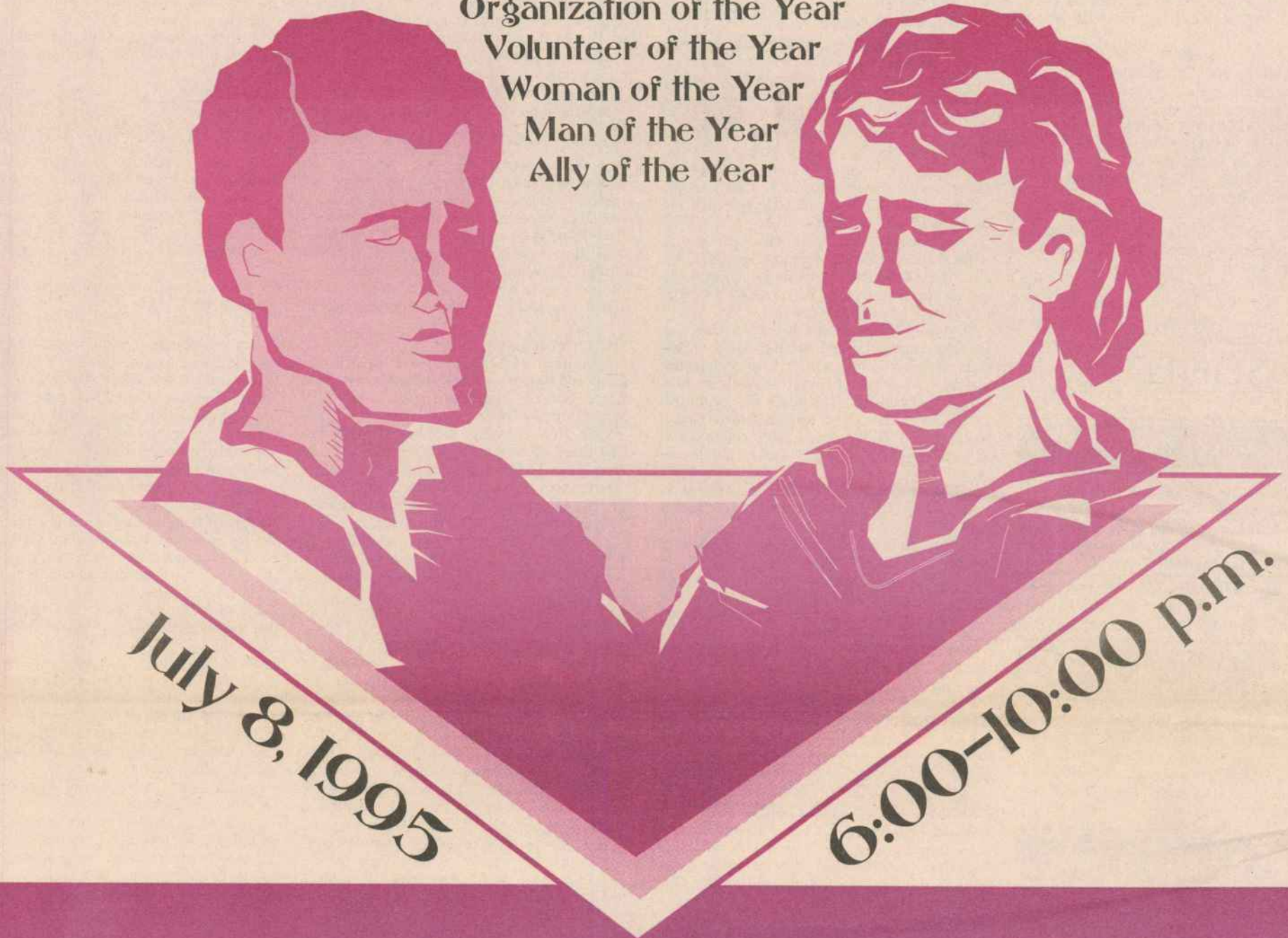
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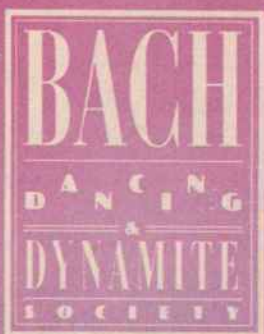
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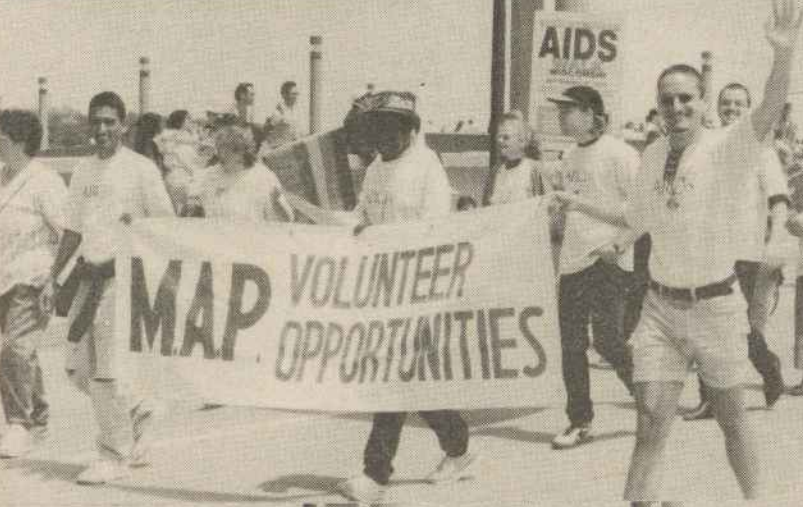
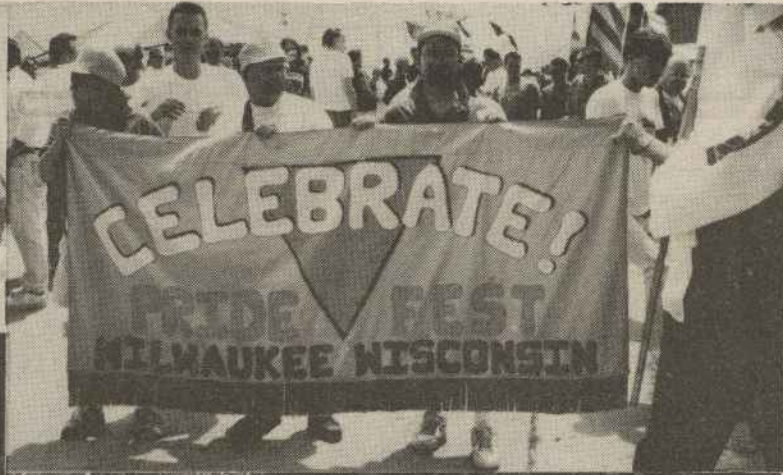
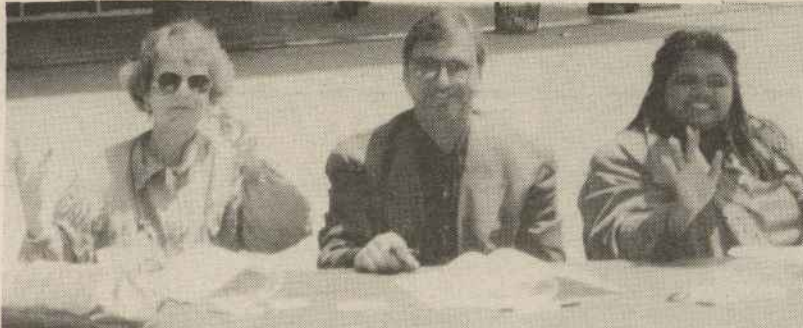
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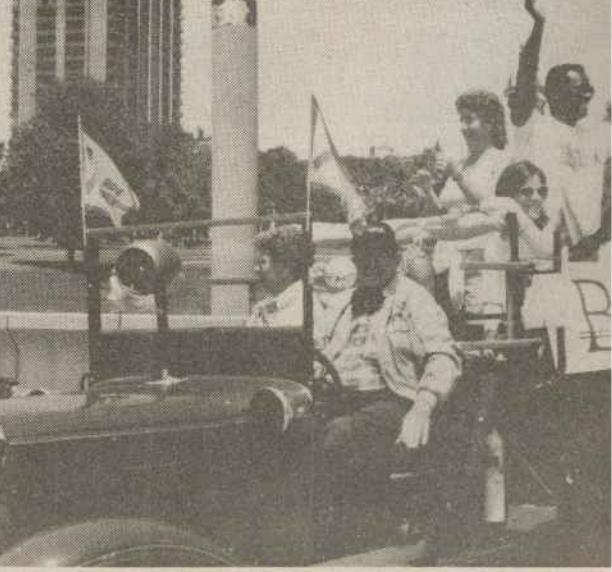
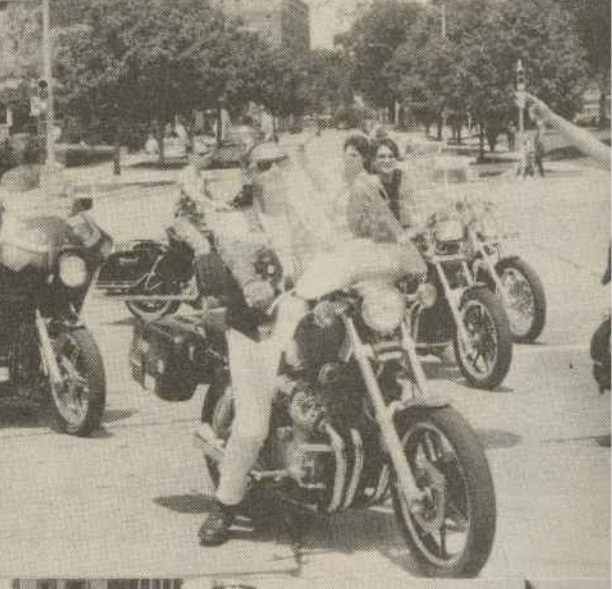
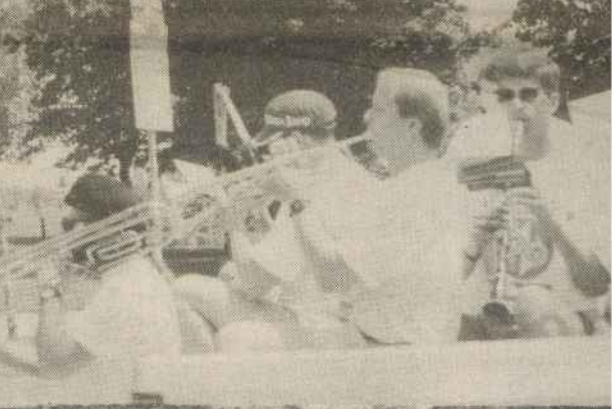
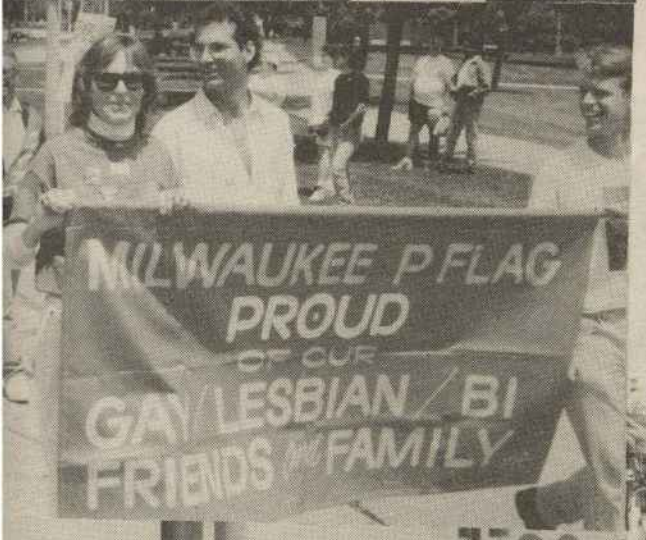
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