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## House Subcommittee Postpones Hearing Sought by Anti-Gay Extremist

Washington, D.C.—After the public response to press reports that a congressional panel would hold a hearing sought by anti-Gay extremist Lou Sheldon, staff members from the U.S. House of Representatives have told the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) that the hearing will be postponed.

The reason given HRCF for the postponement was so that efforts could be made to ensure fairness and balance in the selection of witnesses.

At the end of August, staffers for Rep. Peter Hoekstra (R-MI), chair of the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee of the House Economic and Educational Opportunities Committee, had confirmed claims that Sheldon made in an August fundraising letter that the subcommittee would hold a hearing on September 12.

In the direct mail letter for his Traditional Values Coalition, Sheldon communicated his intentions to use the taxpayer-funded forum to attack local school efforts to prevent AIDS, violence and suicide, and sought donations to mount a \$25,000 media campaign to publicize the event.

### Put People with AIDS in Camps

In an interview with the *Los Angeles Times* published November 26, 1989, Sheldon called for men, women and children with HIV/AIDS to be confined to concentration camps he called "cities of refuge."

In 1986 and 1988, he backed discriminatory anti-Gay initiatives sponsored by Right Wing extremist Lyndon LaRouche.

### Public Outcry

"I don't think Lou Sheldon realized what an outcry there would be when the public got wind of his extreme agenda," said HRCF Political Director Daniel Zingale. "Sheldon has made it his mission to single out Lesbian and Gay youth are at high risk of bias-motivated violence and suicide, and it is incredibly mean-spirited that Sheldon wants the Federal Government to forbid local communities from dealing with these vulnerable young people in a fair and compassionate manner. Targeting at-risk youth for discrimination in school is about as low as you can get."

Some communities have adopted modest programs to address the epidemic of violence and discrimination against Lesbian and Gay youth in schools. Sheldon claims that such local efforts can either make straight kids Gay or prevent Gay kids from turning straight.

## Fallout Continues Over Dole's Return of Log Cabin Campaign Contribution

Washington, D.C.—A Gay Republican congressman who has endorsed Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole for president started out being critical of Dole for returning a contribution from the Log Cabin Club, a Gay GOP group.

"Are you rejecting the support of anyone who happens to be Gay?" Wisconsin Rep. Steve Gunderson said in a letter to Dole made public Wednesday, September 6. "If this is so, do you intend to now reject my support and request those on your staff who happen to be Gay to resign?"

Dole's campaign recently said it was returning a \$1,000 contribution from the Log Cabin Club, an organization of gay Republicans.

Dole spokesman Nelson Warfield said returning the contribution was "not about supporting discrimination but about rejecting the support of an organization" that supports same-sex marriages and allowing Gay men and Lesbians to serve openly in the military.

Log Cabin officials produced a letter showing that the Dole campaign had solicited the contribution, and said the campaign decided to return it only after media inquiries. Dole aides then said campaign finance chairman John Moran should not have sent the letter.

"The Log Cabin Club is Republican because they don't believe in the big-government policies of the Democrats," Gunderson wrote Dole. "They agree with you in balancing the budget, returning power to states and local government, and yes, even in promoting the family!"

"One need not be anti-Gay just to prove you

## Homophobic Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe, to Visit Milwaukee in October



Jerry Johnson

**Making History**—On Sept. 5, some 250 people attended the Milwaukee opening of "The Long Road to Freedom" history exhibit at City Hall. The exhibit then moved to the downtown library. The display will move to Madison where it will be on exhibit through October 30 at the Civic Center (See related photos on pages 5 and 6.

are pro-family. I know of no Gay Republican (and frankly few Gay Democrats) who seek any special class or privileges. All we seek is the end to blatant discrimination in America."

Gunderson supported Dole's 1988 presidential campaign and was among the earliest members of Congress to endorse Dole's 1996 effort.

The Wisconsin congressman said Dole had a better opportunity than any other candidate to unite all elements of the Republican Party.

"Please assure me that my support of your

## Clarenbach Comes to Madison on Victory Fund Tour

**Madison**—The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund has issued an invitation for everyone to join Victory Fund Executive Director David Clarenbach at "Recognizing Our Own." Clarenbach is coming to Madison as part of his nationwide tour.

Special guests will include Rep. Tammy Baldwin, Scott McCormick, Mark Pocan, Judy Olson and Michael Verveer.

The event will be held at Olbrich Botanical Gardens, 3330 Atwood Avenue in Madison on Thursday, September 21, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. There will be a donation of \$35.

Please RSVP by September 18<sup>th</sup> to Cathreen Godre at (608) 259-0234.

campaign has not been misplaced, and that the recent incident is not reflective of what a Dole presidency would look like," Gunderson wrote.

On Thursday, September 7, Gunderson announced that he had received what he described as "a lengthy and gracious call" from Dole the previous evening, "in which the Senator assured me that he has never, nor will he ever, advocated discrimination against any American."

Gunderson said Dole thanked him for his letter and reaffirmed his (Dole's) commitment to equal opportunity.

Gunderson quoted Dole as saying, "I don't want people discriminating against me because of my disability and I don't want people discriminating against anyone else in America."

On Friday, September 8, New York's RETURN TO LOG CABIN, PAGE 16

## Gay Youth Milwaukee Members to Meet With Clinton Liaison in Washington

**Milwaukee**—Gay Youth Milwaukee (GYM) members Jason Jellison and Lateasha Nelson will have the opportunity to meet with President Clinton's liaison to the Gay community, Marsha Scott, in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, September 19.

Jellison, and Nelson, along with GYM Director Michael S. Lisowski, will be attending the Fall meeting of The National Advocacy Coalition on Youth and Sexual Orientation (NACYSO) in Washington from September 17-19 along with approximately 75 members nationwide, including about a dozen young people.

The meeting with Scott, who was appointed

**Milwaukee**—The President of Zimbabwe, Robert Mugabe, is coming to Milwaukee, according to a spokesman for International Business and Commerce, Inc. He will be appearing on Wednesday, October 25 as the keynote speaker for the Second Annual International Workshop on Trade and Business between Africa and the United States. The two day conference takes place at the Ramada Airport Convention Center. Mugabe's speech is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.

As reported in the last two issues of *Light*, Mugabe lashed out at Gay people, calling them "sodomists and sexual perverts," who should be rounded up and put in jail.

In a speech reported by the Associated Press, Mugabe likened Gay people to "beasts" and called on his people "to hound them."

"If dogs and pigs don't do it," Mugabe said, "why should human beings?"

At an international book fair being held in Zimbabwe, Mugabe banned an exhibit of Gay-themed books, shocking some participants and sparking a boycott.

In response, 70 U.S. Congressmen sent Mugabe a letter of protest, accusing him of bigotry.

To that, Mugabe responded, "Let the Americans keep their sodomy, bestiality, stupid, foolish ways to themselves."

In an August 22<sup>nd</sup> visit to South Africa, Mugabe was greeted by pro-Gay demonstrators, one of whom said that Mugabe "must come to this country and learn from the human rights culture here."

Besides the International Business and Commerce, Inc., Metropolitan Milwaukee, other sponsors include: Association of Commerce, African-American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Milwaukee, University of Wisconsin;

Marquette University Center for International Studies;

U.S.-African Chamber of Commerce; the Corporate Council on Africa;

And the County of Milwaukee.

Members of the Planning Committee include: Peter Beitzel, Vice President, Business Development, Metropolitan Milwaukee; Francis Boyd-Thomas, Milwaukee Public Schools; the Bradley Institute for Democracy and Public Values, Marquette University; Leonard Jackson, Milwaukee County Economic Development, Division of Public Works; Eugene Johnson, Director, DBE Programs, Wisconsin Department of Transportation; and Sandra West, Outreach Coordinator, Center for International Studies, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee.

According to the sponsors, the October conference in Milwaukee will be attended by some fairly big names from beyond the state and nation.

These include U.S. Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown and Andrew Young, former U.N. Ambassador in the Carter Administration and now Chair of the South African Development Fund and Patricia Lipton, Executive Director, State of Wisconsin Investment Board.

Several dozen high government officials from Africa as well as some representatives from American banks and industries interested in expanding trade with African countries are expected to attend.

The International Business and Commerce, Inc., is located at 606 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 508, P.O. Box 17063. The fax number is (414) 289-7775. The voice phone number is (414) 289-8339.

by Clinton in June, 1995, will include all the youth participants and some of the adult participants in the conference.

Jellison, 18, lives in Brookfield and works at AfterWords Bookstore. He also writes a regular column in *Wisconsin Light*.

Nelson, 21, has been in GYM since she was 14 years-old and currently works as a manager for McDonald's. Both will be paying their own expenses.

GYM members will be participating in NACYSO workshops on "Community Youth Development" as well as ones on legal issues affecting LesBiGay youth. They will be receiving

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## News Briefs

### Chinese Befuddled by Lesbian Protests

Huairou, China-AP- Since the meeting of non-governmental groups began in China outside Beijing, activists have marched, sung and chanted daily for a variety of causes including civil rights for Lesbians and Gay men. At first the Chinese authorities tried to put a stop to all of it, but they've given up. While police remain vigilant, the demonstrations go on. Chinese plainclothes police have taken pictures of about 300 Lesbians who have been beating drums and chanting slogans. The only thing the police have done is to try and keep the Lesbians separated from the Muslim women who have been protesting the Lesbians. Now the two groups march on opposite sides of the street, while the Chinese look on.

### Britain to Review Ban on Gays in Military

London-AP- Britain is to review its ban on Gays and Lesbians in the armed forces. A team of civil servants has been appointed by the Ministry of Defense to review the situation and its report is due in January, 1996.

In June, Britain's second highest court upheld the right of the ministry to dismiss four Gay men from the armed forces. But Sir Simon Brown, one of the four judges, urged a review of the policy, saying "the tide of history" was turning against the ban. Britain and Turkey are the only two NATO alliance countries that ban Gays and Lesbians from the military.

"The Ministry of Defense is terrified that the ban will eventually be overturned, whether by the House of Lords or by the European Court of Human Rights, and that it will face multi-million pound lawsuits from dismissed Gay and Lesbian personnel," said Gay activist Peter Tatchell.

### Changes Needed in Values to Combat Asian AIDS

Bangkok-AP- Asia and Pacific countries need to change social structures and values to suppress the spread of AIDS, experts preparing for an international conference have said. The conference, with 2,000 participants from more than 50 countries, starts September 17 in Chiang Mai, Thailand, one of the country's most heavily affected areas. About 800,000 Thais are infected with the HIV virus and a total of about 3 million in the Asia and Pacific region. Social structures that most need to be changed, experts say, is the strengthening of families, both Gay and straight, a dedication to commitment and monogamy on the part of both orientations.

### Federal Judge Blocks Discharge of Gay Man

Omaha, NE-AP- A federal judge has blocked the Air Force from discharging a Gay captain while his lawyers develop their case challenging the constitutionality of the military's don't ask, don't tell policy. The Air Force was to discharge Capt. Rich Richenberg because he told his commander in a letter that he is Gay. Richenberg says he has not engaged in sexual activity and that discharging him therefore violated his free speech. Arguments in the case are scheduled for November 6, 1995.

### Black LesBiGays Attending D.C. Conference

Washington, D.C.- Self-empowerment and strategies for political involvement are at the core of the D.C. Coalition of Black Lesbians, Gay Men and Bisexuals' Fifth Annual Conference which will take place in D.C. on September 16. The Coalition was established in 1978 to address issues affecting Black Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals. It will present its 1995 Achievement Awards at a reception. This year's theme, "Discover the Power Within," encourages African-Americans who are Gay, Lesbian or Bisexual, to rely on themselves and each other more and by doing so, improve society.

### Court Challenge to Gays in the Military Gets To Federal Appeals Level for First Time

Washington, D.C.— Lt. Paul Thomasson fired off a letter to his boss—the admiral enforcing the Navy's policy against Gays in the military days after President Clinton's "don't ask, don't tell" policy went into effect.

"I am Gay," he wrote.

Despite Thomasson's stellar 10-year record and the support of his commanding officer, the Navy moved to discharge him.

Thomasson fought back in court, challenging the policy as unconstitutional. His case goes before the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Alexandria this second week in September—the first challenge of the Clinton policy to reach the federal appeals court level.

A second challenge to the policy—Able vs. Perry—is slated to be argued before the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals later this year.

The two cases illustrate how different judges can hear similar arguments on the same issue and reach opposite conclusions.

They also cast doubt on the Clinton administration's claim that people would no longer be discharged from the military merely for being Gay or Lesbian.

At the crux of the new policy is the presumption that someone who says he or she is Gay or Lesbian would engage in sexual activity, which is prohibited. To remain in uniform, openly Gay members must prove they won't have sex.

So far, four people have "rebutted the presumption" that because they are Gay they would engage in same-sex activity, according to court papers. But "two effectively recanted and said they were confused and not Gay," said C. Dixon Osburn, co-executive director of the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network, which advises Gay and Lesbian service members and helps them find lawyers.

Pentagon officials were unable to say how many service members have attempted to challenge the theory. But the discharge rate under the new policy has not changed significantly from the rate under the old policy, according to figures provided by the Defense Department.

Lawrence Korb, assistant defense secretary for manpower under President Reagan, now a scholar at the conservative Brookings Institution, called the new policy only "marginally different" from the old.

"In some cases, it may even be worse because you get into the whole question of freedom of speech," he said.

It may ultimately be up to the justices on the Supreme Court to decide if the policy is unconstitutional.

"I think what you've got now is three for, three against and three in the middle," Korb said, identifying the swing votes as Justices David Souter, Sandra Day O'Connor and Anthony Kennedy.

Korb, who used to enforce the old policy on

Gays, has appeared as an expert witness on behalf of Gay service members in several high-profile court challenges.

Neither Thomasson nor the six Able plaintiffs tried to prove that they would not engage in Gay sex. Rather, they attacked the policy on constitutional grounds.

In Thomasson's case, he came armed with glowing performance evaluations—even a recommendation from his admiral that Thomasson be retained and promoted, almost a year after revealing his sexual orientation.

In the Able case, the six plaintiffs presented expert testimony from a psychiatrist who said Gays in the military were no better and no worse at their jobs than heterosexuals, and from a military analyst who said the presence of Gays and Lesbians does not affect a unit's ability to function.

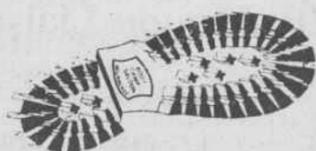
Thomasson lost his case and has been discharged from the Navy. The six Able plaintiffs won theirs, and the right to remain in uniform while the government appeals.

Ruling in the Thomasson case, U.S. District Judge Claude M. Hilton said the Clinton administration policy does not violate service members' free speech or equal protection guarantees.

"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.

In Able, U.S. District Judge Eugene Nickerson said the policy is "nothing short of Orwellian" because it equates sexual orientation with misconduct.

"To presume from a person's status that he or she will commit undesirable acts is an extreme measure," he 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."



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### Recent CBS Special Gives Insight into Far Right's Issues in the Election of '96

New York, NY—CBS special, Thursday evening, September 7, on the so-called Christian right tried to put a human face on a politically activist sector that believes the Republic has strayed to far into diversity and inclusion and therefore, seeks to impose its own view of morality on the country.

With "Evening News" anchor Dan Rather at the helm, CBS Reports: Faith & Politics—The Christian Right, focused on this tightly organized, very well financed group's burgeoning and sometimes overwhelming power, influence and political agenda.

Viewers were introduced to Fundamentalist preacher Larry Vance of Hardin County, Kentucky, a lifelong Democrat who joined the Republican Party after he became convinced the United States was hell-bent on its own destruction.

"It's not the liberal philosophy per se destroying America," Vance explained. "It's the people allowing the liberal philosophy to control their lives that's destroying America."

"I don't have to become liberal. I don't have to be the type of individual that's going to say, 'If it feels good, do it.'"

Vance said that President Clinton personifies the evils that have befallen us: "What he is standing for, as president, is exactly what I stand against as a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ."

At the same time as he blasted that perceived moral erosion from the pulpit, Vance worked for the election of his friend, Ron Lewis, one of at least 30 conservative Republicans elected to Congress—with help from the Christian Right.

CBS Reports tried to portray Vance as a man of personable warmth in a face-to-face conversation, a man of passionate intensity in the pulpit when he declaims: "Whatever became of Christian America and the family? We're back!"

It's that rhetoric, that sincerity and righteousness that made this CBS Reports so watchable.

The special also visited local politics, where most Americans encounter at firsthand the emergence of religious conservatives as they try to force their agenda on others.

In Merrimack, New Hampshire, the school board's 3-2 conservative Christian majority began to impose its agenda for the schools, including the teaching of the religious myth of creationism and banning classroom discussion of Gay people, who Christian Fundamentalists believe are worthy only of death.

The uproar, the debate and the clash of competing grass-roots interests made for pure politics, and the good people of Merrimack learned that pure politics is anything but fun. As conducted by the Christian Right, it is taken in deadly earnest.

If nothing else, CBS Reports: Faith & Politics—The Christian Right was probably an advance look at the issues that the Christian Coalition and their allies will be hammering home in the elections of 1996.

Gary Bauer, president of the Family Research Council, an influential Christian conservative group, told Rather that the '96 contests will revolve around cultural and social issues.

Any Republican presidential candidate who steps forward will have to embody conservative values, Bauer said.

"If the Republicans nominated—a 'moderate' Republican," Bauer said, "I think millions of voters who care about these issues would stay home. And, in fact, what would end up happening is the Republican Party would lose both the high ground on these issues (and) the election."

CBS Reports also covered Ralph Reed, the boyish, 34-year-old executive director of televangelist Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition, a Washington, D.C., Far Right lobby that worked hard to elect congressmen who shared its values and concerns.

For the mild-spoken Reed, conservative Christians must fight to take away power from the "radical left" and those who have held power for the past 50 years.

"They still control the bureaucracy. They still control the media. They still control many of the institutions of cultural power, they still control the universities and academia," Reed told the crowd at a conference called "Reclaiming America for Christ."

"This battle is not over," Reed says. "It has just begun."

While the Christian Coalition have been soft peddling Gays lately, especially in the mainstream media, there is no doubt in anyone's mind, observers say that Gays will be the primary scapegoat in the elections of 1996.

While Reed and other Coalition spokesmen talk a great deal about abortion, it is not that and other conservative issues that brings in the money as several reports have pointed out.

Robertson himself has admitted that with out the anti-Gay rhetoric that is his stock and trade, he would not be nearly so rich.

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## Milwaukee County Commission on Aging To Survey Needs of Gay Older Adults

Milwaukee—In an attempt to provide services for underserved populations, the Milwaukee County Commission on Aging has formed a work group to study the needs of Gay and

## Milwaukee County Supervisor Dorothy Dean To Seek

### Re-election

Milwaukee—Dorothy K. Dean has confirmed that she is seeking re-election to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors. Citing the support and encouragement she is receiving from residents of the 13<sup>th</sup> District, Dean says she will seek another term on the County Board.



County Supervisor Dorothy Dean

"The future of our children is extremely important to me," Dean said. "We are now facing a crossroads in the way we treat children in trouble. There are efforts to 'write off' children in trouble, locking them up at younger and younger ages. We cannot abandon our children."

Dean cited her successful efforts to increase prevention and early intervention services—the kinds of efforts that work before a youth gets into serious trouble.

The Community Youth Intervention Program, which she helped start in Milwaukee County, is an example of a successful way to involve adult volunteers from the neighborhood and parents in turning youth away from criminal activity.

Dean has successfully increased the County's commitment to cost-effective programs designed to divert youth from secure detention.

"The racial bias in the decision to lock up a youth is a serious problem, not just in Milwaukee, but nation-wide," Dean said. "I am working with experts nationally on ways we can reduce the racial bias in children's detention. I would like to see Milwaukee County be a national model in this effort."

Dean cited her many years of volunteer activity with Hillside Boys and Girls Club, Girl Scouts, Inner City Arts Council and United Way as examples of her strong, personal commitment to improving the lives of children in Milwaukee County.

## When it Comes to Giving, Help Your Community by Giving to ACHOICE

Milwaukee—ACHOICE, Milwaukee's fastest growing workplace giving federation, has set a goal of raising \$350,000 in 1995. ACHOICE is a coalition of 32 non-profit agencies that use creative strategies to promote civil liberties, community action and social justice.

One of the member agencies of ACHOICE is the Cream City Foundation (CCF) whose benefactions to our community are extensive and long-standing.

The convenience of payroll deduction to support ACHOICE or any of its members is available in most workplace fundraising campaigns in the greater Milwaukee area.

"ACHOICE is the only workplace giving federation where workers can contribute specifically for Gay/Lesbian advocacy," said Ross Draeger of the Cream City Foundation. "Since 1990, CCF has averaged over \$15,000 per year in contributions through ACHOICE. It is clear that people are generous and feel comfortable designating their payroll deduction pledge to CCF," Daegert said.

"One great thing about ACHOICE is the wide variety of agencies that are working for social justice. If donors want to support them all, ACHOICE divides those contributions among all its members agencies."

Lesbian older adults. This work group, which is comprised of representatives from the Gay and Lesbian community, is attempting to determine the need for services within this specific population of older adults.

The work group, which is called the Work Group to Increase Access to Services for Gay and Lesbian Elderly, has been asked by the Commission to determine what services Gay and Lesbian older adults are currently receiving and what needs are not being met.

"Reaching frail, Gay and Lesbian elderly for their input will be our most difficult task," according to Erv Uecker of the Brady Street Clinic, who is a member of the group.

Since the Commission on Aging attempts to help frail elderly stay in their own homes and the community for as long as possible, support services such as homemaking, adult day care and transportation are an integral part of the programming offered to the over 60 population. Whether these services are reaching the Gay and Lesbian elderly population is a question that the work group will attempt to answer.

Therefore, a confidential questionnaire will be distributed throughout the Gay and Lesbian community over the next month to answer this question. The success of this survey is dependent upon the involvement of Gay and Lesbian older adults and participation is encouraged in this first formal attempt by the Commission on Aging to contact Gay and Lesbian elderly to determine how to better provide the support they need to remain independent.

Questionnaires will be available at several locations commonly frequented by the Gay and Lesbian community. Additional questionnaires may be obtained by persons 60 years of age and older or their caregivers by calling Mary Kennedy of the Milwaukee County Department on Aging at (414) 289-6633.

## Cream City Foundation to Host National Convention of Gay Foundations

Milwaukee—As the Cream City Foundation (CCF) celebrates 13 years of commitment to our community, it embarks on a typically busy Fall.

On Friday, September 29, CCF will join LAMM (Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee) in celebrating the diversity, harmony and growth of the LesBiGay community. An auction party featuring a wide assortment of fine and unique merchandise at varying prices will be held at the Italian Community Center's Festa Hall, 631 E. Chicago Street in Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward.

Doors open at 7:00 p.m. with the auction itself taking place from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. State Rep. Tammy Baldwin will be the event's special guest.

A program is planned along with complimentary hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. The evening is planned as a benefit fundraiser for both CCF and LAMM.

For more information, or to receive an invitation, please call either LAMM at (414) 264-2600 or CCF at (414) 265-0880.

### National Conference

CCF has been instrumental in both bringing the National Conference of Gay/Lesbian Foundations to Milwaukee this October 14 and 15 and in obtaining underwriting from the Miller Brewing Company for this event, which will be attended by delegates from throughout the country.

CCF, along with New Harvest of Madison and Philanthrofund of St. Paul, Minnesota, are hosting the convention. Workshops and seminars will focus on such topics as fund development, staffing issues, organizational problems and solutions, community relationships, interacting with mainstream foundations and governmental agencies, and discussions of the common concerns and issues which daily af-

fect other Lesbian and Gay foundations throughout the country.

The hosting groups are currently developing the conference agendas, logistics and planning for a public reception for visiting delegates. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer assistance at the convention, please call CCF at (414) 265-0880.

### Cowles Scholarship

CCF is offering a \$1,000 John Cowles Memorial Scholarship for Fall of 1995.

This \$1,000 grant may be used for tuition or other school expenses. An applicant must be entering his/her junior or senior year at an accredited college or university in the metro Milwaukee area. She or he must have a minimum 3.0 GAP and have demonstrated a concern for the Lesbian/Gay community.

Interested parties should apply now as the scholarship will be awarded to help defray expenses for the current 1995 semester.

Applications can be received by contacting: The Cream City Foundation, P.O. Box 204, Milwaukee, WI 53201 or phoning (414) 265-0880.

Along with the application, also include a written statement of your goals and how they may relate to the Gay/Lesbian community, two references and a transcript. A major in the science fields is preferred, but not mandatory.

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## Note From the Editor

### It's About Time

By Terry Boughner

He stopped in not too long ago, a friend of mine, to talk about various matters. It was good to see him, as always, and we spoke about many things. At the end of his visit, he asked me if he could borrow some magazines?

Yeah, sure, no problem.

He took some and then, with some embarrassment, said, "You know I have a boyfriend."

I told him, so what? I'm married, "but we all need magazines." And so, I think, we do—videos too—especially in this day of AIDS.

In case it might have been forgotten, AIDS is a sexually transmitted disease. One of the ways to prevent it is by having sex with yourself, which is fun, lots of fun. And it's more fun with a video or a magazine, letting the imagination fly, buoyed up by the simmering sensuality displayed before your eyes.

Stories too. A writer of good, erotic tales, creating boiling images in your mind, leading you ever deeper into thigh-locked passion, is an artist.

What is most often referred to as "porn," has another purpose.

Back in the "old days," the '70's and before, we didn't concern ourselves with condoms or anything of the like. Those things weren't needed. Now they are. We're reminded of that constantly, and it's true.

The only problem with all those messages and warnings is that they're all too often very rational, bordering sometimes on the clinical. The problem with that is that isn't and never has been, a rational act. It's not irrational, it's non-rational, and so, to my way of thinking, if you're going to get people to use condoms, dental dams and whatever, one of the best ways to do it is by making them erotic, powerfully so.

Get your finest porn writers in the business to create hot stories in which condoms are used, and used prominently.

Have the most seductive hunks in the magazine and video industry use them (many do).

The problem is that many of the "respectable" kinds, the big givers to AIDS prevention, shudder and look aghast at the slightest thought that some of their money might be used to distribute "feelthy pictures!"

### Lutheran Church Sends Mixed Message to Gays and Lesbians on Sexuality

Minneapolis, MN—Members of the nation's fifth-largest Protestant denomination signaled Tuesday that they want to say something about sex—but only where they agree.

Less than a week after deciding to postpone action indefinitely on a controversial statement on sexuality, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) urged its top body to bring the matter up for debate again in two years.

However, the motion passed by the church's parliamentary body specifies any statement should reflect only the areas "where there is sustained agreement within the church." That likely leaves out issues like the ordination of Lesbians and Gay men and the blessing of same-sex relationships, which the church has tried to tackle for six years with little success.

Two years ago, the church rankled some of its 5.2 million members when it put out a draft statement saying the Bible supported same-sex relationships. Last year, the ELCA came up with a more moderate version that was disparaged by liberals and conservatives alike.

Last week, the third week in August, the Church Council decided to drop plans—at least temporarily—to have any sort of policy statement on sexuality for the 1997 biennial assembly, or parliamentary body. The council cited differences on biblical and theological issues.

The August 22 vote urged the council to place a revised statement on the 1997 assembly agenda, and also pushed for continued work on resolving the church's position on homosexuality.

Another motion urged the church's Conference of Bishops to say "a positive and hopeful word at this time to our Gay and Lesbian members and their families." It was overwhelmingly approved.

Kathy Magnus, the denomination's vice president, said Tuesday's actions contained some mixed messages but also signaled that Lutherans want to keep the issue from languishing.

It will be up to the council to decide what else the denomination can agree on.

As now written, the draft statement calls on single people to abstain from sex and declares that Jesus made the permanent union of male and female the core of the church's teaching regarding marriage. It also noted that others argue that scriptural condemnations of homosexuality should no longer be binding.

During debate over the August 22 motions, supporters said sex was too important an issue to ignore altogether.

"There are many parts of this statement that this church agrees upon," said Stacy

My god! You'd think AIDS had something to do with sex!

Get a life!

The rational, clinical approach to AIDS prevention is fine. It should be done. But it should be and must be coupled with the non-rational, erotic approach as well.

In some areas of the country, this is done, San Francisco, for example. There, the hottest, most beautifully erotic, graphic poster I've ever seen was produced and put around the city. There was the standard warning about using a condom, but with it was a photograph of two magnificent young men in the full flush of their sexuality and youth, and a condom is very much in evidence.

ACT UP too has never shied away from graphic posters and the use of language that most people use in the throes of passion—both realized and hoped for.

Now the BestD Clinic is distributing a glossy magazine called *Eros*. On its pages are some of the hottest stars in the adult film industry showing the use of condoms.

There are stories too, good ones, the kind I hope I can write on occasion. The safer sex message is there, but it comes to you with a wallop that mere admonition and rational language cannot hope to pack.

The BestD Clinic is to be praised for this, for taking the double-pronged approach to AIDS prevention. They have done what is needed, flying in the face of the "We do it, but we can't talk about it," mentality, saying, in effect, that AIDS has to do with sex and so we must get sensual. Right on!

*Eros* is a little magazine, but one well worth having (Phil Bradley alone is worth it). You can pick up a copy at the Brady Street Clinic, 1240 E. Brady Street in Milwaukee, or at any of the Clinic's outreaches.

#### The Fax Machine

On a matter of business, the fax machine (or program or whatever you call it) is working now. Heaven knows why, but it seemed to need a faster setting—I guess.

We're going to get another fax device, one faster, more up-to-date, but that comes next week. In the meantime, this thing I've got seems to be clicking away.

Walker of the New Jersey Synod. "Everyone in this room is crying out for the church to say something."

### Too Many Questions; Too Few Answers

Commentary by Robert E. Henke

After taking months to come up with a financial package for a new stadium, it seems that the governor wants to push it through the legislature in less than a month. Is that because it would take too long to answer all of the questions that have not yet been asked?

Considering the fact that Gays and Lesbians have concerns beyond those things impacting strictly on our sexual orientation, it might be worth while to ask them here.

If there are no cost overruns—and there always are—the Brewers have agreed to pay for them. Where's the money coming from, since they don't have it? If the stadium were to go just 20% over budget, the Brewers will need another \$20 million.

Repair costs are to be shared between the stadium authority and the team. Where is the money coming from if you get a biggie?

The Brewers get a 30 year lease for \$1.1 million a year. Considering the inevitability of inflation, shouldn't there be an escalator clause? But then AFDC mothers haven't had a boost in ten years.

It appears that \$25 million of Brewer money is coming from naming rights. So far, I haven't seen any big business begging for the chance. What if no one does?

Is reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Act already being planned?

The Brewers are going to own \$90 million worth of property with no real estate tax. Doesn't this violate the equal taxation clause of the state constitution?

An AFDC mother with one child was cut from \$468 per month to \$440 to pay for Learnfare. Now we want to impose a regressive tax on her of \$5 to \$10 a year.

Why is so little time being given to fully discuss this and get public input for alternative financing?

Why hasn't a an income tax increase been proposed on all corporate income over \$300,000 and all individual income taxes over \$300,000?

Why not first get a referendum in the two affected counties?

Why, Why, Why? Think about it!

## Speaking From the Right

### Dole Controversy

By Jim McFarland

The controversy over the \$1,000 donation from the Log Cabin Republican's PAC to Senator Bob Dole's campaign for President broke on the weekend of our convention, ironically, and resulted in fantastic media coverage for our organization.

In addition to a significant article in the *New York Times*, (only part of which was reprinted in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*) which also covered our convention, a full two minutes of ABC World News Tonight featured Rich Tafel, executive director of Log Cabin Republicans (LCR), proving that the Dole campaign and Senator Dole did indeed know that LCR is a Gay Republican organization, and then featured Senator Dole saying that he didn't know.

When Rich approached Senator Dole at a fundraiser and told him he was from LCR, Dole right away said that he knew what Rich wanted to talk to him about, that he was working to get Ryan White to the floor, and he just had to get around one person (Helms) and he was working on it. He obviously knew what Log Cabin is about.

While we are all disappointed in Dole's action, we can take heart in the fact that the action clearly backfired. It made his campaign look idiotic and deceitful and gave Log Cabin incredible publicity, but did nothing to gain support for him from the Fundamentalist Christian movement, whose members will no doubt say his actions were too little, too late.

We hope that Dole will learn a valuable lesson from this, and will realize that he cannot win unless he stops alienating the mainstream Republicans who dominate the electorate in the Midwestern and Northeastern states which are his power base.

In addition, it should be noted that our \$1,000 contribution, along with the grassroots pressure we put on Senator Dole with letters and calls to his office, caused him to override Senator Helms' hold on Ryan White and bring it to the floor for a vote.

Thus, we got what we wanted and got our money back as well. And we got incredible publicity—we were even mentioned on the Jay Leno Show in a joke he made about Senator Dole returning contributions to the Gay Republicans and how the two of them were upset (or something to that effect).

It was good to see Congressman Gunderson take Senator Dole to task for his return of the money. It was equally pleasing to see that Senator Dole responded with a personal phone call to Congressman Gunderson.

I do not fault Congressman Gunderson for continuing his support of Dole for President (and it is helpful to continue to have an inside supporter who can elicit personal calls from Dole and can push our point of view), but at this point, we at Log Cabin are taking a "wait and see" attitude, choosing not to support any of the candidates in the GOP Presidential race. We have a lot of other uses for our money and time anyhow.

#### Log Cabin National Convention

The most important event at the Log Cabin national convention held August 25-27 in Cincinnati, was the overwhelming vote, despite some controversy, in favor of a merger of Log Cabin Federation and Log Cabin Republicans under a compromise merger plan.

By way of background, the Log Cabin Federation (LCF) was the national membership organization for the various clubs, while the Log Cabin Republicans (LCR) was the Washington lobbying organization which has been so successful in pushing Ryan White through Congress.

LCR was created by then-LCF president Rich Tafel, who is now the executive director of LCR, and the separate organization was created at the insistence of a few major seed money donors who lived in areas with clubs which were run by "loose cannon" and thus did not want to be associated with those clubs.

Since then, LCF has shed most of those "loose cannon," and the major donors have seen the value of having one, united organization.

The importance of this is that no longer will there be confusion in the media about the two organizations. Previously, it was possible for the media to talk to Rich Tafel, spokesman for LCR, and to Abner Mason, President of LCF, and potentially obtain two different answers.

Fortunately, Abner and Rich are good friends and generally agree on issues, so no conflict occurred. But a different LCF president may not have agreed with Rich so much. Now there will be only one spokesperson for the merged LCR.

The merger of the two organizations creates one organization with both a strong, well-funded Washington presence and a strong grassroots presence with over 10,000 members nationwide, both vitally important to our efforts to influence the Republican Congress.

LCR will be controlled by a 20 member board of directors consisting of the executive director, 10 members who will be elected by mail ballot of all members, and nine members

who will be elected at each national convention, including a vice president, a director for club development, a director for membership, and six regional directors.

Abner Mason of Boston, Massachusetts was elected Vice President, Greg Curtis of New Orleans, was elected Director of Club Development, Alex Wentzel of Laguna Beach, California, was elected Director of Membership Development, and Sam Collins, President of the Cincinnati club, was elected Regional Director for our region. The board will now elect a chairman, who will be the spokesman for LCR.

All of us who attended the convention came away from it with new, excellent ideas for reinvigorating this club, as well as the enthusiasm to push on to new heights.

We also met a number of excellent people who will be a good resource.

Next year, the convention will be in San Diego immediately preceding the Republican National Convention (also in San Diego). Only time will tell whether the GOP convention will be a pleasant and therefore successful convention which avoids Gay bashing, or if it will be a repeat of Houston in 1992 and therefore a disaster for the Republican Party.

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## Fond Du Lac Episcopal Bishop Jacobus Blasts Ordination of Gays

Fond Du Lac, WI—Episcopal Bishop Russell Jacobus of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, said sexual orientation was not the issue when he joined other clergymen in censuring a bishop for ordaining a Gay person as a deacon.

The complaint involves church authority and compliance with its policies, he said.

"The general convention (of the Episcopal Church) said ... it is not appropriate at this time to ordain practicing homosexuals, or ordain heterosexuals in (sexual) relationships outside the marriage bond," Jacobus said.

"Therefore, the bishop who decides on his own that he is not going to abide by resolutions of the general convention ... is not being accountable to the church at large."

Jacobus, of the Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul, said he was one of 76 bishops nationwide who voted recently for charges that retired Bishop Walter Righter violated church law for ordaining Barry Stopfel as a deacon in 1990.

Righter was then assistant bishop of Newark, New Jersey. He retired in 1988 as bishop of Iowa and now lives in the small town of Alstead on the New Hampshire-Vermont border.

Righter's case will go before a Court for the Trial of a Bishop, consisting of nine other bishops who will act on a majority vote.

Possible penalties include admonishing Righter. No sentence could be imposed unless the findings were approved by a two-thirds vote of all the church's bishops.

Ten bishops brought the charge against Righter in January, saying he was "teaching a

doctrine contrary to that held by this church."

A 1979 resolution states it is inappropriate for "practicing homosexuals" to be ordained, said Bishop James Stanton of Dallas, a spokesman for Righter's accusers.

In March, presiding Bishop Edmond Browning tried unsuccessfully to persuade the church to dismiss the charges.

Righter says the Episcopal colleagues who charged him with heresy for ordaining an openly Gay man threaten to "push the church back into the 19th century."

Righter says putting him before a jury of his peers is a defining moment in church history.

"The Episcopal Church's whole life is at stake," Righter, 71, said. "Are we going to be an inclusive church like the presiding bishop wants us to be or an exclusive church?"

But Stanton said conservative bishops are alarmed also.

"Many of us fear it will divide the church," Stanton said. "What we are trying to do is bring the house back to order."



**Gala Affair**—Among the 250 attending the \$25 per person opening of the Advocate magazine's traveling Gay/Lesbian history exhibit at Milwaukee's City Hall on Sept. 5, 1995, were (l-r) PrideFest Executive Director Bill Meunier; State Assemblywoman Tammy Baldwin; Roberta Niggemeier, PrideFest Co-Chair; Tony Rhodes, Cream City Foundation President; Attorney Steve Brondino; and Miriam Ben-Shalom, one of the country's first Gays or Lesbians to sue the U.S. military for equal rights.

## Youth Column

### Now I'm Out

By Jason Jellison

So now I'm out with a capital O-U-T. Wow, does it feel liberating. As our Harley-riding Tommy T. Thompson would say about anything that furthers his career, "Isn't it GREAT! Boy, Wow!"

However, seriously, I am pleased to say that it went unexpectedly well. My parents made a 100% shot at being supportive and understanding, both of them. Although I would like to say that my father took it worse than my mother did, I can't say that is entirely true.

Although it is true, in my opinion, that my father feels a particular sense of shame in his son, that may eventually subside. For the time being, though, my father is making an attempt to deal with this "new" side of his son. I

think, perhaps because I was raised to think this way, that my parents' attempt to deal with this in general, is admirable.

After all, it is true that many parents don't make an attempt to deal with this side of their children's lives because of their own insecurities. However, I have come to realize that many more parents do care about their children and, I honestly think, that they will attempt to exceed their personal boundaries if they honestly love their kids.

While my parents are trying to be supportive, I don't think they understand. I anticipated that, but still I find it difficult to deal with. It's hard to come so far and have to slow down to virtual zero every time I come home.

In some ways I wish that I could have told them earlier in my life so that we could have worked through these issues together. Although I know that that wouldn't have been right for me, I still find myself wishing it could have been possible.

I guess the reason is that in waiting until now, I feel that I have missed my goal.

I know that this may be somewhat difficult to understand, but one of the reasons I told my parents that I am Gay is because I wanted to share a wonderful part of my life with them. It's not working out that way.

When I come home, although I am still treated the same, which is, indeed, a luxury, I am met with judgmental eyes that have, for the time being, immediate authority over my life. It's very difficult to deal with certain decisions that come from people who don't understand.

It is even more difficult, however, to know that things are just not going to work out in the long term.

It's true that things are going well, but the timing is just not there.

I am a Senior in high school—and an old one at that. I will be almost 19 when I graduate. I will be out of the house by this time next year. Time is running somewhat thin to reestablish a close relationship with my parents.

Although I love my parents, as I stated before, I am getting older. Distance is inevitable. It will not be long before I am out of the house and even though it is true that our relationship can and will grow with time and understanding on with both parties, I will never have the opportunity to have what I think I could have had.

Don't get me wrong. That doesn't cause in me a particular sense of sadness. I wasn't raised that way.

It does, however, present me with an opportunity and an understanding to help other young people who may read this.

I will close this article by simply stating that if you are my age or younger, and if you are ready, don't waste valuable life time and experience. As many have said, "It is often the fear of coming out that is worse than the experience of coming out."

My recent experiences have reaffirmed my understanding of that.

If you are ready, come out.

Most of us have loving parents who will, at the very least, try to support and understand you. It's better for you, it's better for me, it's better for them, if you come out.

Make your world and ours a better place. Be honest in love. You may surprise yourself.

If you would like to write to me, my address is P.O. Box 2062, Brookfield, WI 53005.

## SAGE Milwaukee Plans Exciting Autumn Calendar of Events

**Milwaukee**—On Tuesday, September 19, at 6:30 p.m. at the Eastside Library, 1910 E. North Avenue, SAGE Milwaukee will show the acclaimed film *Strangers In Good Company*. The film concerns a small group of older women who have never met who take a bus trip together. When the bus is stalled, they get to know and understand one another. One older Lesbian comes out to the other women. This film is a must-see for both men and women. The event is free and everyone is welcome.

**September 25**

On Monday, September 25, at 6:30 p.m. at the Eastside Library, (see address above), SAGE Milwaukee will present Detective Neil Zeuhlke of the Milwaukee Police Department's Senior Citizen's Unit. Detective Zeuhlke will speak on the topic of "Scams and Crimes Against the Elderly." He will offer suggestions as to how to avoid being a victim of scams and crime. The event is free and everyone is welcome.

**October 27**

On Friday, October 27, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., SAGE Milwaukee will co-sponsor with The Center for Aging, Outreach and Continuing Education, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, a full day workshop titled "Providing Access to Services for Gay and Lesbian Older Adults: Historical Issues, Current Concerns."

The location is University Center for Continuing Education, 161 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 6000.

The workshop will be conducted by Arlene Kochman, MSW, Executive Director of SAGE in New York. Kochman conducted a half day workshop last year in Milwaukee and because of its success, it was decided to expand it to a full day this year in order to expand the information provided.

While the workshop is designed for professionals such as social workers, nurses, case aides, counselors, senior center personnel, nursing home and hospice personnel, clergy and others who have direct contact with older adults, any interested person may register and attend by paying the \$45 fee which includes refreshments, materials and parking fee in the Grand Avenue Mall parking lot.

For further information and registration forms, contact Theresa Bellone, UWM, (414) 227-3310. Please register by October 20.

SAGE Milwaukee urges you to tell your friends who may be health care professionals who deal with the elderly to attend this important one-day workshop.

## Deadlines

Deadlines for all copy except late breaking news, is the Friday before publication at 5:00 p.m.

The copy deadline for the next issue (September 28) is Friday, September 22, at 5:00.

The copy deadline for the issue coming out on October 12, is October 6 at 5:00.

## New Gay and Lesbian Tavern Guild Has Been Formed in Milwaukee

**Milwaukee**—A new Gay and Lesbian Tavern Guild has been formed in Milwaukee. Tavern owners from bars in the Walker's Point area met on Wednesday, September 6 at Zippers Bar. Topics of discussion at the first meeting included safety in the neighborhood, the Milwaukee AIDS Project, and other items of interest to the bar owners.

With the first meeting a success, all the other Gay and Lesbian bar owners will be invited to attend the next meeting.

For more information, write: The Tavern Guild, 209 E. National Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53204.

## Obituary

### Malcolm "Mal" Loch

**Green Bay, WI**—Well-known Green Bay area Gay bar owner and businessman, Malcolm "Mal" Loch, died unexpectedly at his home on Thursday, August 31, 1995. He was born January 6, 1921 in Green Bay to the late Joseph and Mary (nee Runk) Loch.

In addition to owning the popular Napalese Lounge, Loch also owned and operated the Bay Motel and the Bay Family Restaurants. In the mid '80's, Loch provided space for the then-fledgling Center Project AIDS service organization to operate and hold HIV testing clinics. He was also a veteran of World War II, serving in the Navy in the South Pacific.

Survivors include four brothers and three sisters-in-law, numerous nieces, nephews and many friends.

Visitation was held on September 3 and 4 at the Lyndahl Funeral Home in Green Bay. Funeral services were at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church with burial at Fort Howard cemetery.

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Jerry Johnson

**A Historical Evening**—Al Calbreath, Larry Krueger and Alderman Paul Henningsen were among 250 who attended the gala reception to celebrate the Milwaukee opening of the Advocate magazine's 25 years of Gay/Lesbian history exhibit at Milwaukee's City Hall on Sept. 5. The benefit raised about \$5,000 for the 1996 PrideFest celebration.

## Four Lane Highways Can Be Roads to Spread of Syphilis and HIV

**Tupelo, MS**—A substantial increase in the number of syphilis cases has health officials concerned a rise in HIV cases will follow.

Based on past experiences, trailing on the heels of a high syphilis rate is usually a corresponding increase in HIV infection, the virus which leads to AIDS, health officials say.

"As syphilis goes, so does HIV," said Craig Thompson, director of the Mississippi Department of Health's Division of Sexually Transmitted Diseases/HIV.

Mississippi, deep in the heart of the Bible Belt, has the highest incidence of syphilis in the nation.

Between January and June, Mississippi reported 2,387 cases of syphilis. Lee County, home of Don Wildmon's Family Values organization, reported 164 syphilis cases, the third highest number in the state behind Hinds County, with 282 cases, and Washington County's 182 cases.

Lee County, by far, had the highest number of cases among the 15 counties in northeast Mississippi. Calhoun County reported the second highest number with 45 cases.

But why the high number in Lee County? "That's the question a lot of people have asked," said Earl Mahaffey, district health officer for the state Department of Health.

About a couple of years ago, Washington County saw a tremendous outbreak of syphilis cases, said Mahaffey, who is based in Tupelo. The outbreak in the Delta then worked its way up into northwest Mississippi and moved across the northern region and now is drifting down the east side of the state.

Lee County, with more than 72,000 residents, is the most populated county in the region. It also has a larger population of disadvantaged residents, the socioeconomic group largely affected by the syphilis outbreak.

Health officials believe drugs are related to the growing number of syphilis cases as well as an increase in other sexually transmitted diseases, including gonorrhea and chlamydia.

Cases of chancroid, an ulcer forming sexually transmitted disease already being seen in Jackson. This disease has been associated with increased risk for HIV infection.

Not only adults but even teens are trading sex for drugs, say health officials and counselors. And they are spreading the diseases through unprotected sex.

"The 'sex for drugs and drugs for sex' has just blossomed," Thompson said.

What some adults may find surprising is that some of the teen-agers exchanging sex for drugs are clean cut, attractive and from middle-class backgrounds, counselors said.

Some officials believe a four-lane highway to Memphis has made drugs more prevalent. Not to mention drugs, promiscuity and violence, which are acceptable behavior in movies and television shows, and teens, in particular, tend to believe it's a suitable lifestyle in real life, too.

"What is disturbing is that the same behavior that results in unwanted pregnancies, syphilis and other (sexually transmitted diseases) also leads to HIV," said Thompson, which is why health officials are so concerned.

"We can fix syphilis. We can fix all of the rest of the (sexually transmitted diseases). But we cannot fix HIV," he said.

Since 1988, 3,163 cases of human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, have been recorded by the Mississippi state health department. Another 2,107 cases of AIDS have been reported.

In Lee County and 10 surrounding counties, 108 cases of HIV and 101 cases of AIDS have been reported since 1988. Nearly half of the HIV and AIDS cases have been reported in Lee County.

When the virus becomes more prevalent in Lee County, it could mean larger numbers of people will be terminally ill without the resources to pay for medical care, Thompson said.

Behind sex, sharing needles is the most common way to transmit the deadly AIDS virus.

Intravenous drug use is rarely reported among teens in Mississippi and local law enforcement officials and counselors say they are unaware of local teens injecting drugs.

But Thompson said the state Health Department is receiving anecdotal reports from substance abuse counselors that drug injections by affluent white adolescents in Tupelo are on the rise. And if they are sharing needles, then these teens are putting themselves at risk of catching HIV, he said.

In an age when the public is constantly reminded by health educators and through the media, it's unlikely adults and teens are not aware of the risks of contacting HIV. Many people, particularly teen-agers, do not take precautions because they believe themselves immune, health officials say.

"Teens have a sense of immortality, that (AIDS) won't touch them," said one counselor.

The state Health Department is making a concerted effort to quickly track down residents who have syphilis or another sexually transmitted disease or who may have had sex with a carrier and to get them evaluated and treated, said Dr. Mary Currier, a state epidemiologist.

But, she said, it is sometimes difficult to track people down and get them in for treatment.

Health departments and public health nurses also are trying to make residents more aware of the syphilis outbreak, to educate them about sexually transmitted diseases and to get those who may have put themselves at risk to be checked out by a physician.

The best precaution is a long-term monogamous relationship, Mahaffey said. If not, then males and females both should use protection when having sex.

All sexually transmitted diseases are curable, Mahaffey said, except for HIV.

"If you are HIV positive, you will die of an AIDS-related disease," he said. "It may take two years or it may take 10 years. But you are going to die."

**GAY YOUTH**  
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ing updates on national legislation and public policy trends affecting LesBiGay youth in the first two days of the NACYSO meeting.

Tuesday, September 19, will be set aside for meetings with Scott and Congressional members and their staffs.

Jellison, Nelson and Lisowski are scheduled to meet with staff from the offices of Senators Herb Kohl and Russ Feingold. They will also be meeting with staff members from the offices of Representatives Tom Barrett, Jim Sensenbrenner and Gerald Kleczka.

These meetings come at a crucial time. Public hearings, pushed by Right Wing Extremist Lou Sheldon, have been postponed—for now. GYM hopes that by meeting with Congressmen, they will be able to educate the solons about Gay issues.

Earlier this year, Rea Carey, NACYSO coordinator, requested life stories from LesBiGay youth nationwide telling of their experiences as Gay youth. Both Nelson and Jellison have submitted their accounts which, most likely, will be submitted to Congressional Representatives to offset negative Right Wing testimony expected at the hearings.

NACYSO, sponsored by the Hetrick-Martin Institute of New York, was formed in October, 1992 and is based in Washington. Its mission is to be an advocate for LesBiGay youth. The Coalition seeks to end discrimination against LesBiGay youth and to ensure their physical and emotional well-being.

NACYSO is committed to educating policy makers, youth-serving organizations and government agencies about these young people and the issues confronting them.

For more information, contact Michael Lisowski at (414) 265-8500 or write: P. O. Box 09441, Milwaukee, WI 53209.

## Man Shows No Remorse as He Receives Death Sentence in Murder of Gay Man

**Tyler, TX**—Henry Earl Dunn Jr. has become the second of three defendants to be sentenced to death in the 1993 robbery-slaying of a Tyler-area Gay medical records clerk.

A jury of seven women and five men deliberated more than six hours before deciding Thursday night, September 7, that Dunn should die. The same jury convicted Dunn the previous week of capital murder in the November 30, 1993, slaying.

Dunn and Donald Aldrich, who was sentenced to death last year after he also was convicted of murdering Nicolas West, both said the crime resulted, at least partly, from their hatred of Gay people. West, 23, was Gay.

Dunn and Aldrich confessed to abducting West from a Tyler city park and driving him to a clay pit in a rural area outside the East Texas city. There, he where he was robbed of his vehicle and shot at least nine times.

Dunn and Aldrich both recounted how they forced him to kneel and that West was so scared that he defecated in his pants. They also reported that he cried, begging for his life, even as he was being shot.

His pleas made no difference, they were reported to have told police. He was a "fag" and he "deserved to die."

Criminal District Attorney Jack Skeen Jr. said he has yet to decide whether he will seek the death penalty against a third suspect, David Ray McMillan.

Dunn, 21, of Tyler, showed no emotion as the verdict was read. He later told reporters,

"The case isn't over yet."

During his three-week trial, defense attorneys attempted to shift most of the blame on Aldrich. They described him as a "seasoned criminal" who led vulnerable young men into a life of crime.

Prosecutors, however, contended Dunn should share in the responsibility, especially since evidence clearly showed he fired the fatal shot to the back of West's head.

The state also emphasized the "hate crime" factor in prosecuting Dunn — more so than it did in Aldrich's trial.

"We felt like we needed to put more evidence on the hate aspect of the crime because in the video interview that the defendant did, he made it clear the plan was to go out and attack Gay individuals. That was the initial driving force behind it," Skeen said.

Defense attorney Melvin Thompson said he was surprised by the state's strategy.

"We believed the state was not going to approach it from that angle. I think the need for them to conjure up primal instincts of the jurors—those instincts that make us attracted to the hanging tree—dictated that they had to make this a hate crime," Thompson said.

The West slaying was one in a series of murders of Gay men in Texas. It attracted national attention when Gay groups, in Texas and throughout the country, staged protests, and Aldrich's trial was moved to Kerrville because of extensive publicity in Tyler, about 90 miles east of Dallas.

## Larissa Winterhalter Wins Madison AIDS Support Network's Logo Design Contest

**Madison**—The Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) gave its congratulations to Larissa Winterhalter of BOOM Design, Paoli, Wisconsin. Winterhalter is the winner of MASN's Ten Years of Service Logo Contest.

Contestants were asked to submit a logo that captured the spirit of MASN and marked a decade of AIDS care and prevention service.

The judging panel, made up of local art and design experts, chose Winterhalter's logo because of its bold, timely design and adaptability. The design will be used in upcoming materials as MASN commemorates ten years

of service in south central Wisconsin.

Prizes valued at \$100 were donated by Masco Art Supply and Port-to-Print, of Madison. Time and services were also donated by: Isthmus, Econoprint on the Square, Mani

Graphics, McMillan Gallery, Advertising Art and Design, and Lori O' Projects.

MASN's community relations coordinator, Denise Starkey, expressed her appreciation for the organizations that pulled together to

support MASN's Logo Contest. "It really shows the sense of partnership that exists in our community in the fight against AIDS," Starkey said.



## Announcements

### Women to Women: Sharing Our Strength

**Madison**—Women to Women: Sharing our Strength, is an eight week group for women of all ages, starting the week of September 25 and ending the week of November 13. Groups will be held in Oregon, Sun Prairie and Pine Bluff (midway between Mt. Horeb and Cross Plains). This group will offer an abused woman the chance to meet other women who give her support and understanding and will provide a safe space for her to share her experiences. Group sessions will cover issues such as raising self-awareness, dealing with anger and stress, children's issues and legal information. Child care will be provided.

For more information, contact the Dane County Advocates for Battered Women's 24-hour Helpline at (608) 251-4445.

### Cowles Volleyball League

**Milwaukee**—The Cowles Volleyball League will be starting their Fall and Winter league at the end of October. This is a GAMMA sponsored event held on Saturday afternoons at Engelmann Gym at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Persons who are interested in forming teams or participating on a team, may contact Doug Johnson at (414) 774-6195. There will be a competitive and recreational division so all level of players are welcome.

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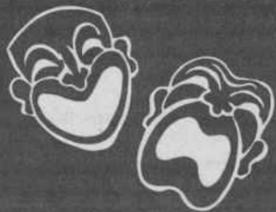
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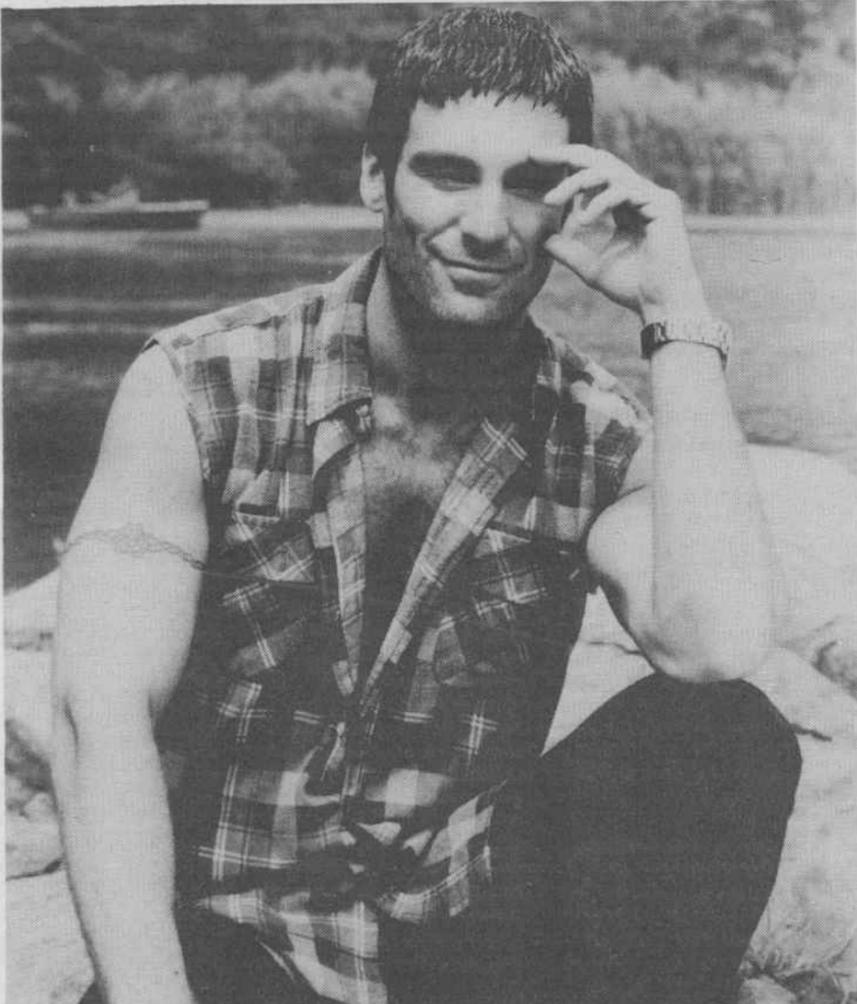
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# The Light



# LIVELY ARTS



Jeffrey—The much anticipated film opens Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> at Milwaukee's Downer Theatre and is coming soon to Madison's Majestic Theatre. Shown above is Michael T. Weiss as Steve.

## 'Jeffrey' Is Too Glib, Too Whimsical, Too Broadly Drawn to be a Good Gay Movie

Reviewed by Glenn Bishop

GLENN BISHOP DOES NOT HATE ALL GAY MOVIES. Really. I simply think that this needs to be said before I approach the eagerly awaited film version of Paul Rudnick's off-Broadway smash *Jeffrey*.

Gay and Lesbian movies seem to be just about everywhere these days, but gosh darn it, none of them seem to be very good. Denys Arcand's *Love and Human Remains* served to perpetuate the myth that all Gay men are serial killers waiting to happen.

The delightful *Wigstock* showed middle America that Gay men all have a desire to don a wig and a frock. We all don't, trust me. Heaven only knows what I would look like in drag. And speaking of drag, don't get me started on *To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar*.

It's too bad that I'm not a Lesbian because I just loved *The Incredible True Adventure of Two Girls in Love* and I liked *Go Fish* a lot more than a lot of Lesbians that I know. I wasn't wild about *Claire of the Moon*, but then again, who was?

But back to *Jeffrey*. Paul Rudnick's play consisted of a series of humorous and touching scenes and sketches about Gay life in the age of AIDS, following the adventures and misadventures of Jeffrey, actor/cater waiter, formerly promiscuous and now in denial.

As best friend Sterling, an interior designer tells Jeffrey, "You're Gay. You're Single. It isn't pretty."

At the gym Jeffrey meets super hunk-throb Steve (Michael T. Weiss). In one of the film's best scenes Jeffrey and Steve engage in a little hot, bench-pressing foreplay. They fall in love and live happily ever after? Wrong. Steve is HIV-positive. Jeffrey is a coward.

In his feature film directorial debut, Christopher Ashley (also the director of the off-Broadway production), perhaps is too influenced by co-producer screenwriter Rudnick and attempts to almost literally transpose Rudnick's highly theatrical comedy to the entirely too realistic cinematic medium.

Despite a hugely entertaining, big name cast, some wonderful lines and a puppy-like likability, *Jeffrey* simply doesn't work as a whole.

Perhaps Ashley has attempted to utilize too many cinematic gimmicks that attempt to be smart and clever but merely come off as hokey.

The Woody Allen-like title cards through the movie are bland, adding little insight or irony. Maybe the use of the Mother Teresa figure is just plain stupid, not "whimsical" as the production notes would suggest. Perhaps it's just me (Wisconsinite through and through and proud of it), but I found the "escape to Wisconsin" melodrama curious.

Can Rudnick really be suggesting there is no Gay life or AIDS crisis outside of New York? Doesn't he read the *Wisconsin Light*? I'll have to forward this review to Rudnick's close personal friend and movie reviewer for *Premiere* magazine, Libby Gelman-Waxner.

*Jeffrey*'s high-profile cast generally acquit themselves quite nicely. In the pivotal part of Jeffrey, Steven Weber is both attractive and likable. Rarely has a Gay character in a mainstream movie been drawn as positively and as sympathetically. Isn't that enough? Well, yes and no.

As if written with heterosexual America in mind, Jeffrey is so average and so ordinary as to be down right dull. You might well ask yourself, as I did, "What does Steve see in him? He's cute but Steve is downright hot!"

That Jeffrey is constantly whining about his fear of sex to Sterling would appear to be particularly out of place given that Sterling's boyfriend Darius has AIDS. Why doesn't Sterling just slap Jeffrey and tell him to grow up!

Michael T. Weiss's Steve is certainly a hunk with a heart. Weiss is particularly effective in portraying Steve's struggle as an HIV-positive Gay man looking for love and life. If anything, Weiss's Steve is too perfect: too handsome, too butch, too built. And too infatuated with Jeffrey. A positive HIV status seems hardly reason for Jeffrey to repeatedly turn him down.

Patrick Stewart is particularly effective in elevating Sterling into a compelling, fully-fleshed out character, well beyond the stereotypical caricature Rudnick created.

Kathy Najimy and Christine Baranski are hilarious in brief bits but Sigourney Weaver, Robert Klein and Nathan Lane seem to have wandered in by mistake during a break from filming another movie.

Bottom line, *Jeffrey* has some wonderful moments and some very funny lines but is ultimately rather disappointing. The real shame is that there is a story here and a compelling one. Life for Gay men in the '90's has become, as Jeffrey tells Steve, "radioactive".

Sadly first-time director Ashley lets just too many gimmicks and way too much glibness get in the way. Despite it's potential, Rudnick's *Jeffrey* merely seeks to entertain us, neither offering any solutions, nor providing any real insights. Still, *Jeffrey* does offer the Gay viewer one great kissing scene, some very cute guys and a happy ending.

Rating \$\$\$\$ (scale \$ to \$\$\$\$\$\$)

## 'Clockers' Is a Bleak, Yet Wonderfully Moving Film that Should Not be Missed

Reviewed by Glenn Bishop

On the heels of Larry Clark's over-hyped, aptly controversial *Kids*, comes Spike Lee's unflinching portrayal of inner city life, *Clockers*. Based upon a Richard Price novel, *Clockers* is a modern day morality play, a parable of two African-American brothers caught up in a world of drugs and violence.

One brother, Strike (Mekhi Pheifer) is a "clocker", a slang term for the lowest level of drug-dealer who is at it around the clock. Plagued with stomach ulcers, hence his addiction to "chocolate moos", Strike is discontented with his life "on the benches."

The leader and probably the smartest of his little gang, Strike becomes the protégée of drug kingpin Rodney Little (Delroy Lindo). Despite an income of \$1500 a week, Strike dreams of trains, both toy and real and of escape.

Strike's brother Victor (Isaiah Washington) is his antithesis: hardworking, honest and above all, working within the system. Only the system isn't working for Victor.

Despite being honest and hardworking and well-liked by his employers, Victor has little to show for it, bringing home to his wife and two kids less than \$625 a week before taxes.

Sick and tired of being sick and tired, Victor leaves work early one night and seeks relief in a bottle. Later that night a rival drug dealer is killed. Strike is initially suspected but it is the upstanding and unlikely brother Victor who confesses.

While Rocco Klein's murder investigation forms the narrative framework of *Clockers*, Lee is far more concerned with an examination of the harsh realities of life faced by an entire generation of young African-American males, realities like the desperation, the drugs and the violence, and above all, the absence of options or opportunities or hope.

The sure to be controversial opening credits sequence, with a horrifying, virtually stomach-churning series of images that re-create crime scenes of drug-related murder victims serve to immediately set the stage for Lee and Price's bleak tale.

And *Clockers* is indeed a very bleak film yet nonetheless eloquently compelling. Assisted by an impressive cast, Lee has created a collection of characters that transcend simple stereotypes.

For Lee there are no true villains nor entirely innocent victims. Rodney Little is a drug

dealer but on some curious level does seem to actually care about the young kids that hang around his store front, wanting them to get an education.

Rocco Klein (Scorsese favorite Harvey Keitel) is basically a good, hardworking albeit disillusioned cop willing to bend the rules if necessary. Rocco is unwilling to accept Victor's illogical confession, believing that he is playing innocent dupe of brother Strike.

Rocco's street-wise and far more cynical partner Larry Mazilli is happy to accept this confession handed to them virtually on a silver platter. Mazilli cannot understand why Rocco even cares which brother is the real killer.

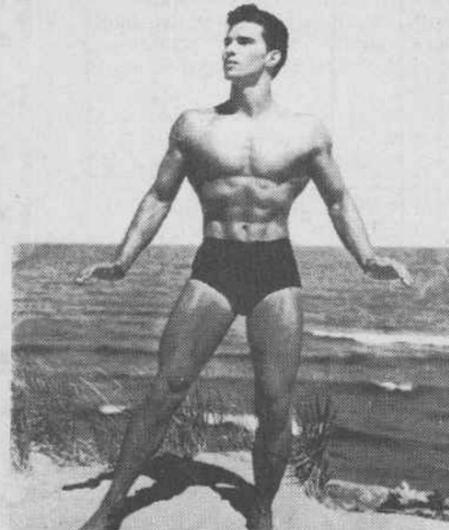
Excellent performances abound. Newcomer Mekhi Pheifer gives depth to Strike, both dreamer and drug dealer but a drug dealer with a conscience, a young man who, one wonders, might not have grown up very differently under other circumstances.

The always reliable Harvey Keitel invests Rocco with an appealing weariness, a man struggling to make sense of a world that increasingly has few easy answers.

John Turturro does a nice, quirky turn as Mazilli and Isaiah Washington effectively conveys the poignancy of a man struggling to do good in a world that sees fit to thwart any such efforts.

Writer-Producer-Director Lee is a unique, a filmmaker with an uncompromising vision and the rare ability to reach a crossover audience of white, middle America. In *Clockers*, Lee has created a memorable if bleak cautionary tale. It is difficult to image anyone leaving *Clockers* unmoved.

Rating: \$\$\$\$\$ (scale \$ to \$\$\$\$\$\$)



Glenn Bishop



Spike Lee Delivers—Strike Dunham (Mekhi Pheifer) is flanked by Rocco Klein (Harvey Keitel) and Larry Mazilli (John Turturro), two homicide detectives investigating the murder of a low-level drug dealer or "clocker" in the film "Clocker."

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## Theatre X Opens Season by a Month of Celebrating Women in Theatre

**Milwaukee**—Theatre X has announced the lineup for the season opener, the Theatre X Presents Women Series (a.k.a. Women's Series). Now in its third season, this year's celebration runs from September 27 to October 29.

Since the 1993-'94 season, Theatre X has dedicated the month of October to women in the theater. Included have been locally and nationally known performers, contemporary and original plays, comedy, feminist theater—all women-driven.

Opening this year's Series on September 27 and running through October 1, is the one-and-only Holly Hughes. This performance, Hughes' "One-Man Show", marks her third consecutive appearance at Theatre X Presents Theatre Women Series.

Thanks to her loyal following that stretches from New York to San Francisco, Hughes is a unique performer well-known nationwide. Best known for being a member of the "NEA Four," Hughes received an Obie Award for her piece *Clit Notes*, which she performed at last season's Women's Series.

### Barbara Leigh

Barbara Leigh, well-known clown, mime, actress and co-founder of the Milwaukee Public Theatre (formerly Friends Mime Theatre), will be bringing her musical comedy one-woman show back to Milwaukee for the Women's Series on October 4-8.

**Survival Revival Revue** has toured the east and west coasts, including stops in Las Vegas for the National Conference of Spinal Cord Nurses, and Vancouver for Canada's International Exposition on Disabilities.

Intensely humorous, lyrical and dramatic, the production has grown out of Leigh's experiences following an auto accident in which she was partially paralyzed. It explores the many facets of healing through comedy, puppetry, music, mime and theatre.

The **Revue** runs approximately 70 minutes and is followed by a Talk-Back with audiences to discuss and further develop understanding of the healing network available to people undergoing injury, stress, or who have special needs.

From October 11 to 29, the Theatre X Company will perform the Jeffrey Jones play, **70 Scenes from Halloween**. Veterans Flora Coker and Marcie Hoffman find much freedom and mystery and resonance in this stylistically exciting play.

The scenes, which include two couples, a beast, and a witch, can be performed in any order to create different stories. This play comes just in time for the witching hour!

There will be at least one additional featured act in the festival, to be announced in the near future.

## General Colin Powell Book Tour Includes Downtown Milwaukee Schwartz Bookshop

**Milwaukee**—General Colin Powell will sign copies of his acclaimed biography *My American Journey* at the downtown Milwaukee Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop, 209 E. Wisconsin Avenue on Friday, September 22. General Powell will begin signing books for the public promptly at 11:30 a.m.

In order to accommodate as many people as possible, the Schwartz Bookshops, Random House and General Powell's staff have set up specific signing procedures. General Powell will only sign copies of *My American Journey* including books, audios, or large print editions. Due to time constraints, there will be a time limit of 2 books per person.

Photographs will be permitted subject to security arrangements. Video cameras, other than professional pre-approved media, are not allowed.

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## Julie Andrews, Carol Channing Returning to Broadway after Long Absences

**New York, NY**—Julie Andrews, who says she's "not Mary Poppins," and not Gay, is returning to Broadway next month after a 33-year absence, to star in a stage version of her 1982 film *Victor/Victoria*.

Carol Channing, who's 74 and says she's "useless" when not performing, is returning to Broadway in yet another reprise of *Hello, Dolly!* a role she originated 31 years ago and has performed nearly 4,500 times, including several times in Milwaukee.

**Vanity Fair** has separate profiles of the two musical icons in its October issue.

Andrews, 59, whose prim screen persona was established as Maria Von Trapp in *The Sound of Music*, and the title character in *Mary Poppins*, has a cross-dressing role in

Showtimes for Theatre Women are: 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays; 8:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; and 2:00 p.m. Sundays.

For tickets and other information, call the Broadway Theatre Center Box Office at (414) 291-7800.

### Late Night Series

Concurrently running with main stage productions, Theatre X is also presenting a Late Night Series featuring performances, music and comedy acts.

On September 27, 29 and October 1, "Sound, Dance & Entertainment," will be featured. This jazz and gospel group features D'Angelus Grisby, Evaughn High and Samantha Montgomery.

On September 30, FWEEP, all original alternative music, tape release party will be featured. FWEEP will be joined by the local band, The Virgins.

October 4, 5 and 6, Harold Pinter's **One for the Road** will be performed by Artimus Productions led by local director Pat Acerra.

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## Milwaukee's Next Act Theatre Opens Sixth Season With 'The Destiny Of Me'

**Milwaukee**—Next Act Theatre will open its sixth season with Larry Kramer's powerful drama, *The Destiny of Me*, running September 28 through October 15. Performances will be staged at the Stiemke Theater in the Milwaukee Repertory Complex, 108 E. Wells Street in Milwaukee.

Kramer's poignant sequel to *The Normal Heart* follows passionate activist Ned Weeks as he checks into an experimental AIDS treatment program at the National Institutes of Health. He desperately offers himself up as a "guinea pig" to long-time nemesis Dr. Anthony Della Vida, the medical establishment's leading AIDS researcher.

While fighting for his life from his hospital bed, Ned returns to significant family episodes of his childhood. Across time and space, the man befriends the boy he once was and with whom he still hasn't come to terms.

Ned's dual perspective of child and adult is fraught with stunning revelations, filled with anger, laughter, understanding and irreconcilable absurdity.

*Destiny* is a stirring and provocative drama, speaking eloquently on intimate family issues as well as on the research, treatment and activism concerning the deadly AIDS epidemic.

Partial funding for *The Destiny of Me* has been provided by generous grants from the Helen Bader Foundation and the City of Milwaukee Arts Board.

Jon Kretzu will return from Portland, Oregon, to direct *Destiny*. Playing the lead role of Ned Weeks will be prominent Milwaukee actor C. Michael Wright, whose portrayals on the NAT stage range from the gentle and humorous Arnold in *The Boys Next Door* to the fiendish Nazi archetype Willie Eisenring in *The Firebugs*.

A preview performance will be held on Thursday, September 28 at 7:30 p.m.

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She says she knows rumors are always around" that she is a Lesbian.

"Since it's been around a long time, it doesn't really bother me any more. I'm not Gay. It's stupid," said Andrews, who is married to film producer Blake Edwards.

Channing, whose current national tour of *Hello, Dolly!*, which included Milwaukee in June, also is due to hit Broadway in October. tells the magazine she keeps going because she's miserable if not performing.

"It's happiness," she says. "What am I supposed to save myself for? Something I don't do well, like tennis? Sitting on the beach? This is pleasure."

## Arthur Miller's Play 'The Crucible' Being Filmed as a Protest Against the Right Wing

**Ipswich, MA**— On a clear summer's day, the demons that possessed Salem during the witch trials three centuries ago seem far from the make-believe village where *The Crucible* is being filmed.

But look past the peaked roofs, the grazing goats and sheep, beyond the fields of corn and wheat. Look into the woods, and the demons that supposedly are still about, become a little easier to imagine.

Producer Robert Miller can see them.

"Through those woods is the great unknown, perched here on the edge of the continent," Miller said, his eyes on the thickets. "with all sorts of horrors in one direction, and the ocean in the other."

"It had a lot to do with the way the events transpired: the siege mentality of having to protect yourself against the unknowns of the world," he said. "It sets up a predisposition for the kind of hysteria that developed."

Miller is the son of Arthur Miller, on whose play the movie about the 1692 trials is based. As a result of the trials, 20 people were executed and 150 imprisoned for supposedly practicing witchcraft.

Though Miller's play dramatizes the events in long ago Salem, the play was written to show what can happen when a society is taken by hysteria, a hysteria as with the paranoia of the Right as shown in the McCarthy era of the 1950's.

Though the play has always been popular, the reason for bringing it to the big screen now is that Miller Jr., fears a resurgence of a similar religious and patriotic hysteria in the rantings of the Religious Right.

Now, Miller said, "it's not witches or Communists that are objects of the hysteria, it's women and Gays and immigrants of all kinds, anyone who's different."

Miller led a tour of the nearly completed replica of Salem village. It will be up to Winona Ryder, Daniel Day-Lewis and the rest of the cast to bring it to life when they begin shooting the 20th Century Fox film.

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## Swayze Discovers It's Not that Easy Being A Drag Queen in 'To Wong Foo'

New York, NY—The movie stars Patrick Swayze and the opening words of its too-long-to-remember title suggests martial arts: **To Wong Foo. Must be another action picture.**

So why's Swayze wearing taffeta—not to mention the rhinestone earrings, glossy lipstick and crimson wig swept into elegant bouffant?

His latest role may not exactly have called for a leading man, but Swayze still had plenty of Hollywood references on which to style his performance: Joan Crawford, Lana Turner, Rosalind Russell.

These actress don't exactly get their due in **To Wong Foo. Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar**, but Swayze says they helped give elegance and poise to Miss Vida Boheme, a drag queen.

Vida Boheme defies drag queen-typing. She may be too broad through the shoulders to shop off the rack, but she's too wrapped up in others to be larger than life. Despite her classical models, she's best understood as a den mother.

It is Vida who persuades Miss Noxeema Jackson (Wesley Snipes), her co-winner of a New York City drag queen beauty contest, to cash in their round-trip airplane tickets to Hollywood and certain stardom so they can help a drag queen-in-waiting, Chi Chi Rodriguez (John Leguizamo).

So begins the abbreviated cross-country journey of two career girls and a drag princess, convertible top down and an autographed photo of actress Julie Newmar plucked from a restaurant wall and tucked in a bag for good luck.

To capture Vida, Swayze said he had to defy the Drag Queen motto: More is more.

"I thought I was going to get to set myself free, and be out there and be big outrageous. (But) I found I had to find Vida's reserve in order to get the elegance. I had to go to less is more for Vida," Swayze said in an interview.

"I found I could not approach the character as a man in a dress, so drag queen ceased to mean anything to me. I had to do what was in

my power to become a woman or I'd blow this role and I'd blow this movie."

How, exactly, does a Hollywood hunk become one of the girls? High heels—just a minor adjustment for this dancer who was the romantic lead in **Dirty Dancing** and later **Ghost**

"I know how to teach a woman how to do that little turnout in the end so as not to go heel-toe, heel-toe and look like a Minotaur on stilts ... until you have to do it yourself, then it's another story," he said.

She's got to know where to shop, and it isn't in petites. Accessorizing may not be innate, but it can be taught. Gloves de-emphasize musculature; double-thick hose if it's a mini, and waxing is out of the question.

Above all, a drag queen is nothing if she doesn't have attitude.

So complete was his transformation, that when his screen test was sent to Steven Spielberg, whose Amblin pictures produced **To Wong Foo**, Spielberg didn't recognize the actor, Swayze said.

But his heartthrob image almost kept him out of contention for the role.

"I couldn't get seen on it because everyone viewed me as terminally heterosexually masculine-macho," he said.

But there was a diva within, and Swayze gave naysayers a first glimpse of her in a half-hour monologue loosely based on his own experiences growing up in "redneck Texas." The son of a choreographer, Swayze was drawn to dance and theater and studied at the Joffrey Ballet School. He appeared on Broadway in 1972's **Grease**, and made his film debut in 1979 with **Skatetown, U.S.A.**

When he perfected his drag role for the screen, Swayze, unlike his co-stars, had to play down the camp. "Vida was the only lady," he said.

Lady or no, Vida Boheme does get in one good kick—where it counts—and saves the day. You go, girl!

## 'Trance' and 'Sirocco' Are Fun, Romantic Videos With Plenty of Erotic Charge

By Glenn Bishop

A couple of Christmases ago, Glenn received as a gift, a copy of the video **Gymnastikos**, a Greenwood/Cooper release featuring "world-class male gymnasts" performing in the nude. To be honest, we thought it was much ado about nothing really, just awfully silly. Certainly not something we'd buy for ourselves.

Yet, Gay home video has become a booming business with Greenwood/Cooper very successfully developing a market of softly erotic Gay videos. So we were nevertheless quite dubious when recently, instead of the usual screening passes, Glenn received a couple of new video releases from Greenwood/Cooper Homevideo to review: **Trance** and **Sirocco**.

Despite pretentious promo material illusions to Bruce Weber, **Trance** and **Sirocco** simply are cinematic excuses to get together a group of absolutely gorgeous hunks of male flesh and have them romp around in the panoramic desert landscape gloriously naked.

How well do these videos succeed at this noble goal? Well, actually, very.

What about a plot, you might ask? Plot? Who cares about a plot.

As some of the most successful Gay porno directors (and viewers) have learned, when naked men are around, plot just gets in the way of the action. Then there is also often that minor detail of Gay erotic actors talking, much less attempting to speak any dialogue that doesn't involve an assortment of groans or lines like: "Oh, baby. Suck those balls!"

Or even worse, what about the Gay erotic actor who looks like the "Marlboro man," but sounds like Pee Wee Herman?

Not actually containing any dialogue (or much of a plot for that matter), neither **Trance** nor **Sirocco** fall victim to these difficulties.

In **Trance**, while "in the heartbreaking out-back of South Africa, a witch doctor casts a sexual incantation on six sumptuous men. The spell takes them on a mystical erotic journey, bringing out their deepest animal desires. . ."

Okay, that's right off the video box, but it pretty much sums up the video. Lost the witch doctor and the description holds up pretty well for **Sirocco**.

Bottom line, the landscapes are sumptuous, the camera-work, striking, and most importantly, the men are a variety of types, but all are breathtakingly beautiful and marvelously endowed. **Trance** and **Sirocco** are lush, romantic films with plenty of erotic charge.

A couple of things did bother us a bit. Wouldn't one get terribly sunburnt romping around naked for hours in a sundrenched desert?

And what about an occasional erection? While these are not triple X films and cum shots not the order of the day, there is the curious absence of erections. Inquiring minds want to know why? If one were to guess, one

would have to imagine that all that sand must get awfully hot!

**Trance** and **Sirocco** are fun fantasy films and retailing at \$29.98, they seem to be a pretty good deal. One wonders where next the folks at Greenwood/Cooper will send their naked men. Probably not Milwaukee. Oh, well.

**Trance** and **Sirocco**, plus all Greenwood/Cooper videos are available at After-Words Bookstore and Espresso Bar and other fine stores.

## Broadway Bound? Here's How You Can Get Tickets for Your Favorite Shows

New York, NY—Broadway ticket availability as of Sept. 8. Ticket supply is indicated as Difficult or Available. Credit card holders can order tickets by phone or by calling Telecharge or Ticketmaster.

Telecharge's number is 212-239-6200 unless otherwise indicated. There is a \$4.75 service charge per ticket for Telecharge orders. Ticketmaster is 212-307-4100. There is a \$5 service charge per ticket for Ticketmaster orders plus a \$2.50 handling fee per order. Both services will provide information on specific seat locations.

Telecharge and Ticketmaster also have toll-free numbers for use by theatergoers calling from outside New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. For Telecharge call 800-432-7250; for Ticketmaster call 800-755-4000.

The League of American Theaters and Producers has a special telephone line for information on Broadway and selected off-Broadway shows and how to purchase tickets. Calls must be made on a Touch-Tone phone. The number is 212-563-BWAY (212-563-2929).

In addition, for 24-hour information on theater, dance and music performances, call the Theater Development Fund's New York City-On Stage, 212-768-1818.

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## Florida City Commissioners Seek to Ban 'Angels in America' Because It's Gay

Clearwater, FL—Commissioners may try to stop the Pulitzer, Tony-award winning play **Angels in America** from playing in this Gulf Coast city because it contains Gay themes.

The play by Tony Kushner is set to appear at Ruth Eckerd Hall in December.

Interim City Commissioner Bill Justice spotted a warning label in a brochure of coming performances, indicating the material isn't suitable for children. The disclaimer led him to conclude the performance might violate the city's "anti-nudity" ordinance, aimed mainly at adult nightclubs.

Justice said he has not seen the play, but said if it violates the ordinance, "of course we would try to enforce it."

"I may be a prude," Justice said shortly after a commission meeting last week. "I don't think we ought to be taking part in this. If it applies to them porn movies like **Baby Dolls** and **Tattletales** and sodomite nightclubs, then it applies to them (sic) Ruth Eckerd Hall, too."

Commissioner Fred Thomas agreed, but mayor Rita Garvey noted the work is serious, adult theater. **Angels in America** has swept up seven Tony awards including "best play," won a Pulitzer Prize and been heralded across

## Recipients of First Gay/Lesbian Music Awards Announced

New York, NY—The Gay/Lesbian American Music Awards (GLAMA) has announced the recipients of their first honors, Virgin Records artist Boy George and Olivia Records artist and co-founder Cris Williamson.

George will receive the OutMusic Award given to a recording artist, group or songwriter who has advanced Gay/Lesbian music through their work as an out musician.

George's support of Gay/Lesbian music is particularly evident in his most recent release, "Cheapness and Beauty," an honest and direct statement about same-sex love which was called "a welcome surprise" by **The New York Times**; "brilliant" by **Billboard Magazine**; and "a masterpiece" by **The Advocate**. The award will be presented by Me'shell Ndegeocello, Maverick recording artist.

Williamson will receive the Michael Callen Medal of Achievement, named for the singer/songwriter/activist well-known for his commitment to music and the Gay and Lesbian community. The medal recognizes an individual, group or organization or business committed to furthering Gay/Lesbian music in a spirit of openness, honest and service.

Williamson's groundbreaking efforts as performer, songwriter and co-founder of Olivia Records, the first record label created by and for women, were instrumental in creating the women's music movement.

Her album "The Changer and the Changed" is considered by many to be one of the most influential and popular independent releases of its kind, having sold more than 200,000 copies. She has performed at soldout venues ranging from music festivals to Carnegie Hall.

The medal is named for Michael Callen, a member of The Flirtations, whose unrelenting honesty earned him a reputation as one of the most respected members of the Gay/Lesbian community with both a performer and HIV/AIDS activist. Callen died of complications due to AIDS in 1993.

The Gay/Lesbian American Music Awards is the first national music awards program to honor the work of openly Gay or Lesbian recording artists. "A Night of GLAMA," a concert event to be held at New York City's Supper Club on October 1, will feature such recording artists as Pansy Division, The Flirtations, Disappear Fear and other guests.

GLAMA is being sponsored by **The Advocate**, HX and NAYA.

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the country as a theatrical masterpiece.

"Baby Dolls is adult theater, too," Justice said as a scant few in the audience snickered.

A questioner asked Justice if he didn't think he was a philistine? Justice replied that he was an American and had never heard of that country. There were more snickers.

City Attorney Pam Akin said the ordinance contains provisions to allow artistic performance. She said she will provide commissioners with an opinion later on whether the performance would violate the ordinance.

The play, which revolves around a Gay Jewish man, comes in two parts and spans nearly eight hours. **Angels in America** has played all over the country. No other community has raised the possibility that it is morally suspect, said Jan Hickin, Ruth Eckerd Hall's director of marketing and public relations.

"This is brilliant, brilliant theater," she said. "It ranges from Earth to heaven, from politics to sex and religion, from Washington, D.C., to the Kremlin. It's two plays in one monumental drama. It's eight hours of the most riveting drama you'll ever see."

## Cream City Chorus To Hold Special Election Meeting

Milwaukee—On Wednesday, September 27, the Wisconsin Cream City Chorus will hold a special meeting for the purpose of electing a new president.

Scott Sowlles, who has held office for over three years, has asked for a six month leave of absence from the Chorus. In accordance with Chorus by-laws, he also resigned his office.

"As the Chorus move into a renewed phase of community outreach, visibility and growth, the addition of a new perspective to the Chorus is expected to assist the group in moving on to new achievements," said publicist Emory Churness.

All Chorus members, active or on leave, are being asked to attend this special meeting to nominate and vote for Mr. Sowlles' successor. The meeting will be held at 8:30 p.m., September 27, during the mid-rehearsal break, at the First Unitarian Society on N. Astor.

For more information, contact the Chorus office at P.O. Box 1488, Milwaukee, WI 53201, or call (414) 344-WCCC.

## Dale Kuntz To Hold Movie Collectibles Show on September 24 in West Allis

Milwaukee—Dale E. Kuntz, President of Milwaukee Film Classics, once again announces the upcoming Fall edition of his semi-annual Movie Collectibles Show. The show is sponsored by Kuntz and Milwaukee Film Classics. Kuntz, a collector himself, will be bringing in dealers from around the Midwest and from other states.

Over 30 tables will offer collectors movie and video posters, movie magazines, 8x10 photos, 16mm films, videos (including many newly released titles of classic films as well as many new titles), souvenir books, animated art (both Disney and Warner Bros.) and much more.

The show will run from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 24 at Burnham Bowl Hall, 6016 W. Burnham Street in West Allis. Admission is \$2 per person with children under 12 free.

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## When All Else Fails in Life, You Can Count on Sex to Get You Through

Commentary by Edward Rubin

Ever since the mid-'80's, when the very act of sex brought with it the possibility of death and our own sex lives began to have more to do with our heads than our bodies, sexual content, let's call it "our swelling sexual preoccupation," had been filtering into the arts.

Of course, when a natural flow, be it the sex drive or the Colorado River, is tampered with, or damned as it is in many cases, especially and most predominantly among Gay males, the force of all that pent up energy must go somewhere. If not, as the principles of the atom bomb seem to suggest, an explosion, large and powerful, will result.

Though pumping up at the gym, eating out in restaurants, the proliferation of coffee outlets and the spread of bookstore chains certainly allows for some energy runoff, sooner or later, the arts, the ultimate receptacle of all our dreams, both thwarted and realized, is bound to house our unused spendings.

Although I'm not one to dwell, at least overtly, on my own diminished sex life, Murray Schisgal's recent off-Broadway play, *Circus Life*, set me thinking and led me to write this piece. Oddly, I needed a push from this 70 year-old heterosexual mainstream playwright and I thank him for that.

It all started when 40-something Howard, one of the main characters in Schisgal's play, having just reluctantly ended his first extramarital affair with a female client, turns to his law partner and quite unexpectedly says: "We've reached a point in time, buddy, when people like ourselves accept the fact that we live indeed in a wasteland of alienation, far from meaning and substance.

"But there is a single, solitary event in hu-

man affairs that makes bearable our most terrifying anxieties and appearances . . . the orgasm. The desire for orgasm, in and of itself, sustains us as a social, cultural and life-affirming species. Remove the orgasm from the human condition and we'd all be living astride the grave sans hope, sans desire, sans purpose."

Since seeing *Circus Life*, I have been obsessed with the thought of what it is that gets me through the day. I have come to the conclusion that sex, even the mere promise of it, is the carrot dangling before my eyes, the lubricant that assuages my pain.

Sex certainly does get me through the day and judging from many of the movies and plays, not to mention the headlines, I am not alone in my thinking.

More than ever, since enjoyable sex on a regular basis, in or out of a relationship, sex that lasts more than fifteen minutes, seems to be in total eclipse.

The subject of sex, whether searching for it, talking about it, thinking about it, doing it, or just plain watching it, seems to be on everybody's mind; on every stage, screen and in every newspaper headline.

Voyeurism has become de rigueur. Fetishism, a way of life.

It's as if suddenly, some rocket scientist discovered that what people were no longer able to get on the streets freely, meet at a party or take home from a bar, they would be more than willing to pay for at the box office.

The promise of sex is the basic selling proposition. We are offered a panoply of prolonged striptease, post and pre-coital conversations and coitus interruptus of varying kinds.

For us, imagination and fantasy have replaced the reality of doing the dirty. Other people are living our lives and, what's more, getting paid for it.

I don't mind letting Tom Cruise to the acting, but I want to do my own fucking, don't you?

The arts, not at all unlike recent Calvin Klein advertising, which had blatantly switched its focus from the exposed tops of underwear directly to the genital area of the young models (before Right Wing pressure forced their removal), are increasingly parading beautiful bodies, in many cases with full frontal nudity and simulated sex, across stage and screen and into our faces.

On screen and stage, everybody is making love to everybody. It is this "basic instinct" that got Sharon Stone to spread her legs and Richard Gere, Tom Cruise and even Michael Douglas to flash their butts. Make no mistake, the waters are being tested. We are inching ever closer to seeing the sex act itself. I can practically taste it. Hello Cable.

If you think the thrust of this piece somewhat exaggerated, consider the opening scene from *Jeffrey* and the closing scene of *Kids* and listen to the words of the main characters

themselves as they speak plaintively, with little apology, directly to the audience.

Thirty-something Jeffrey, after cavorting across the screen, through several unsuccessful sexcapades, one in which his condom breaks, turns to the audience and says, "I'm not promiscuous. That's such an ugly word. I'm cheap. I love sex. I don't know how to say it. I always have. I always thought sex was the reason to grow up.

"But I want to be politically correct about this. I know it's wrong to say that Gay men are obsessed with sex. Because that's not true. All human beings are."

The young actors in *Kids* echo similar sentiments.

As the movie ends, a voice-over, perhaps that of *Everybody*, announces, "Fucking is what I love. Take it away from me and I really got nothing."

Yes, even kids know that sex makes the world go round. AIDS or no AIDS, we've got to get it somehow and the arts, it seems, however secondhand the experience may be, is increasingly supplying that need.

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Green Bay **FRIENDS FIRST:** 24 y/o GWM lkg4 someone to have a good time with. I'd like to be friends first, then a poss. relationship. If you are 18-30 and have a slim build, call me, hairy chest a +. #46216

Green Bay **LETS SPEND SOME TIME TOGETHER:** 36 y/o guy into hiking, outdoors and more. I'm lkg4 someone to spend some time with. #46267

North East **LETS GO FOR A RIDE:** my name is Jim and I'm into biking. I would like to meet some other semi-serious guy's into biking. If you are lkg4 someone to ride with, call me, lets ride together. #22935

Appleton/Green Bay **HEY GUY'S** :my name is Andy. I'm 19 y/o 5'10, 150lbs in good shape. I like anything and anyone not boring. #46428

Milwaukee **ROUGHNECKS:** I'm lkg4 young roughneck brothers or Hispanic men for hot fun. #46493

North East **LETS GO FOR A RIDE:** summer's here and its time to go biking. I'm lkg2 meet other cyclist for road of off road cycling. call me, lets set up a ride. #46768

Milwaukee **OUTDOOR FUN:** my name is Greg. I'm 28 y/o and I'm lkg4 men 18-35 who like to be outdoors and have a good time. call me! #46783

Milwaukee **WET AND WILD:** sub GWM btm. 46 y/o, 190lbs. I'm lkg4 a dom. man under 40 for intense sessions with jock straps, leather, WS and tight jeans. #46790

Madison/Milwaukee **BOY TOY WANTED:** my name is Michael. I'm 27 y/o and I'm lkg4 a sub. boy 18-26 who would like to have fun with a very cute and demanding man. if you are sub. #46871

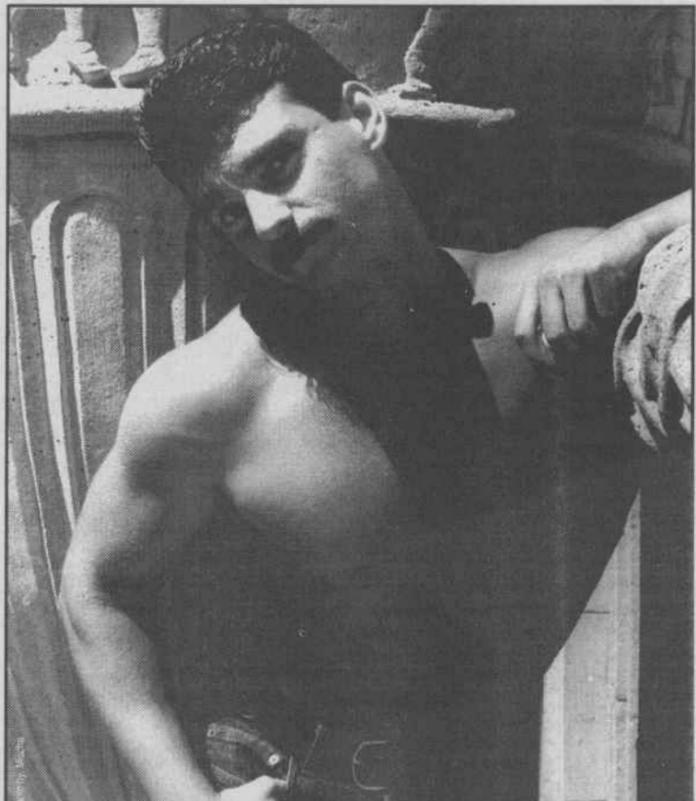
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Attractive GWM, 5'10, 170lbs., well built, versatile. ISO attractive M, who likes to get into some good times in the afternoons. **(Call Thru) Box# 8598**

Top GWM, 32, 5'5, 180lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, seeking relationship, and hot times with M, 40 or younger, who's interested in trying bondage, but not necessary. **(Call Thru) Box# 2887**

Chris, 36, overweight bottom, looking for smaller, adventurous, fun loving, hairy top. **(Call Thru) Box# 4283**

Tommy, 38, 5'5, bottom, red hair, blue eyes, french active, greek passive, HIV-, right leg amputee. ISO well endowed M, any race, any age. HIV status is unimportant. **(Call Thru) Box# 6437**

GWM, 40, 6', 155lbs., brown hair, brown eyes, professional. ISO GBM, 25-45. Please call, let's get together. **(Call Thru) Box# 9355**

SWM, 26, open minded, with varied interests. Looking for SWM. **Box# 3958**

Dean, GWM, brown hair, blue eyes, mustache, hairy body, well endowed. ISO a great bottom to have a great time with. **(Call Thru) Box# 9022**

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GWM, 27, athletic, looking for military, college student, or All American. **(Call Thru) Box# 2153**

Nick, 22, 5'10, 189lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, likes hanging out, sports, being with friends. Looking to meet some people. **(Call Thru) Box# 0861**

Peter, 34, 6', 225lbs., brown hair, stocky. ISO hot M, any race, who enjoys having a lot of fun. **(Call Thru) Box# 7032**

Tom, BM, 20, bottom. ISO aggressive WM, top, well built, very muscular, and very aggressive. If you think you can handle me, let me know. **Box# 6072**

Dave, 35, 5'7, 160lbs., top, dark hair, green eyes, mustache, 7 inch cock. ISO M, 35 and under. **Box# 0266**

David, GWM, 26, 5'7, 165lbs., very muscular, runner, 32w, 40c, brown hair, brown eyes, moderately hairy, mustache, beard. ISO top GWM, 28-40. **(Call Thru) Box# 3737**

GWM, 28, 5'9, 155lbs., brown hair, green eyes. ISO G/ASIAN M, to get together with, see what happens, for fun or whatever. **(Call Thru) Box# 6776**

Scott, 26, 5'11, 185lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, college student. ISO M, similar, regular guy, to hang out, have fun, and make friends. **(Call Thru) Box# 9089**

M, looking for M, to kick back, relax, and let someone take care of him. **Box# 9070**

Carlos, 5'11, masculine, muscular. Looking for someone, blonde hair, muscular, 6', about the same. **Box# 7312**

Shawn, GWM, 23, handsome, attractive, looking for masculine M for incredible encounters. Hairy a plus. S&M is "A" O.K. **(Call Thru) Box# 7009**

Nick, 22, 5'10, new to area, light brown hair, blue eyes, not into games, likes theatre, dancing, swimming, music. ISO M, good personality, to hang out with. **(Call Thru) Box# 3300**

Emmanuel, BM, 38, looking for interesting, positive people, especially saved, or spiritual. God Bless You. **Box# 7883**

BiWM, 20, 5'8, 140lbs., interests from horseback riding to jumping out of airplane. ISO Bi/GWM, 18-22, with keen sense of adventure. **(Call Thru) Box# 6838**

Dean, 5'5, 120lbs., blonde hair, hazel-green eyes, likes romance, meeting new people, and having fun. ISO M, 18-34, who likes to have fun. **(Call Thru) Box# 6163**

Ron, GWM, 23, new to area, looking for friendship, and possible relationship. Give me a call. **Box# 5762**

John, Asian M, 24, 5'8, 140lbs., medium build, fair complexion, black hair, brown eyes. ISO GWM, 20-30, for friendship, possible relationship. **(Call Thru) Box# 5922**

Dave, BiWM, 30's, 6', clean shaven, good shape, dark hair, green eyes. ISO Bi/GWM, similar age, masculine, fun, no strings attached, discrete, into good times. **(Call Thru) Box# 5673**

Gary, GWM, late 30's, 5'10, brown hair, green eyes, professional, likes quiet evenings at home, dining out, cooking. ISO M, similar interests, 30-40, for sincere, honest, long term relationship. **(Call Thru) Box# 5962**

Jason, 19, blonde hair, blue eyes, swimmers build. ISO bottom for good times. **(Call Thru) Box# 5032**

BM, 24, 5'11, 165lbs., smooth, attractive, looking for straight acting/appearing, versatile, endowed, educated BM only. No fems. **(Call Thru) Box# 4213**

Mark, Asian M, 25, 5'10, 155lbs., looking to meet people, and perhaps something more. Ages 20-28. **Box# 4142**

Mark, BM, 40, 6'1, 170lbs., brown skin, GQ type, professional. ISO school boy type M, slim, under 40, passive, submissive, bottom, for genuine love, and forming a relationship. **(Call Thru) Box# 2275**

Michael, GWM, 33, 5'9, 156lbs., dark brown hair, brown eyes, HIV+, good health, loves life. ISO GM, 27-37, any race, HIV+, for possible relationship. **Box# 1773**

Kyle, WM, 29, 5'11, 170lbs., 32 waist, brown hair, blue eyes, attractive, in-shape, student. ISO younger M, student or military, and masculine. **(Call Thru) Box# 0788**

Andre, BM, 32, 5'10, 180lbs., 34 waist, 44 chest, brown eyes, mustache, top, aggressive. ISO M, any race, for friendship and fun. **(Call Thru) Box# 1061**

Nick, 22, 5'10, black hair, blue eyes, likes hiking, biking, swimming, the outdoors, movies, theatre, dancing, music, not into games. ISO real person to go out, and have fun.

**(Call Thru) Box# 0877**

Attractive GM, 35, 5'11, 170lbs., smooth, brown hair, brown eyes, educated. ISO masculine, top, G/BiWM, dark hair/eyes, well-endowed, professional, for sensual afternoons, and evenings. **(Call Thru) Box# 0730**

Tom, professional BiM, middle age, looking for someone for quiet, mutual, honest relationship, not based only on sex. **Box# 0431**

Tom, BiM, professional, middle-age, looking for someone for a quiet, mutual, honest relationship, not based only on sex. **(Call Thru) Box# 0428**

GWM, 22, 5'10, into body piercing and stuff like that. ISO alternative, punk rocker type M, 5'6-6'2. **(Call Thru) Box# 9185**

Ronnie, 25, 5'8, brown hair, brown eyes. Steve, 26, 6'3, brown hair, blue eyes, both looking for M, to get together with, see what's going on, and talk about things. **(Call Thru) Box# 6735**

M, 18, 153lbs., looking for some fun, and someone to teach me a few things. Age/race is unimportant. Must be discrete. **Box# 1602**

GM, 25, tall and slender, looking to meet GM around 25. **Box# 7871**

M, 21, 6'2, 220lbs., dark skin, pretty eyes, likes having fun, wants to meet new people, any age/race, as long as your head is in the right place. **(Call Thru) Box# 6648**

Jason, BM, 21, 6'3, 200lbs., light skin, looking for M to chill, hang out, whatever. Peace. **(Call Thru) Box# 5927**

M, nice body, clean cut, clean shaven, nice butt. ISO M, so give a call. **(Call Thru) Box# 0335**

Ken, 36, 6'2, 178lbs., gym body, all around good guy. ISO similar M, with values, and intellect, who wants to get acquainted. **Box# 0265**

Peter, 6'1, curly brown hair, 165lbs., beard, swimmer, enjoys walks, dancing, and tennis. ISO someone similar, to hang out with, converse, and have fun. **Box# 1000**

Robert, GWM, 24, straight-acting, looking for muscular, straight-acting GBM, 25-35, to hang out, take long walks, listen to the radio, and quiet evenings at home, for friendship and possible relationship. **Box# 3065**

Henry, GBM, 32, 5'4, 145lbs., bottom, into fitness, looking for top, in-shape M, 20-40, 5'2-5'6, for blow out. **(Call Thru) Box# 4178**

Dave, 40, 5'10, 175lbs., hot and well built. I'd love to meet you. **(Call Thru) Box# 4075**

Oliver, GBM, 19, 5'10, 160lbs., medium build, looking for M, 18-33. **Box# 9954**

Ray, BiWM, 49, HIV-, beard, looking for M, 40+, for fun and hot sex. **(Call Thru) Box# 8868**

Dad, GM, seeks 18-25 yr. old, for occasional night out, cuddling, and hot fun. Let's talk. **Box# 8134**

Greg, 6'1, 172lbs., fair complexion, African-American, musician, enjoys movies, theatre, the outdoors, conversations, and cuddling. ISO M, 25-35ish, height/weight proportionate, with similar interests. **Box# 3681**

Brian, 30's, slender, clean shaven, buzz cut, into wild times, and partying, anytime. **Box# 4416**

Andre, BM, 25, dark skin, masculine, nice build. ISO rough neck type, B/HIS/Puerto Rican, under 24, masculine. Let's hook up. **Box# 0886**

Bruce, GWM, 38, 6', 200lbs., works out, brown hair, hazel eyes, caring, sincere, easygoing, enjoys plays, dining out, long walks, reading, computers, and gardening. ISO M, 28-40, for friendship. **(Call Thru) Box# 5632**

Anthony, WM, 30, Italian, 5'7, black hair, brown eyes, mustache, medium build, easygoing, fun, spontaneous, and masculine. ISO masculine BM, under 40, solid-lean, interested in sports, and music. **Box# 6652**

BiM, HIV-, TV submissive, religious, seeks live-in husband, 40+, for monogamous relationship. Anything you need if you're the right one. **Box# 0986**

Michael, GBM, top, 5'7, dark complexion, looking for slim B/Latin M, bottom. **Box# 5238**

Steve, looking for someone for good times with friendship, and possibly leading to relationship. **Box# 5169**

Paul, 26, new to area, 5'8, 155lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, good looking, clean shaven, smooth, looking for M, around 26. Let's talk. **(Call Thru) Box# 5109**

BiWM, 23, 130lbs., seeking older, adult M, 27-35, big, rugged, about 175-195lbs., for an encounter. Beard/mustache preferred. **Box# 9717**

Les, WM, 26, 5'11, 135lbs., red hair, hazel eyes, new to area, farm boy at heart, enjoys the outdoors. ISO WM, 23 and under, slim, smooth, boyish, farm boy looks. **(Call Thru) Box# 3111**

James, GWM, 20, 5'7, 175lbs., into just about anything fun, likes having good times. Give me a call. **(Call Thru) Box# 2546**

Ben, 27, 5'11, 160lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, new to area, professional, looking for GWM, 24-30, hairy chest, relationship-oriented, who knows what they want. **(Call Thru) Box# 2424**

Zack, looking for mature M, 40 years plus. Give me a call. **(Call Thru) Box# 1888**

Thomas, 18, just out of the closet, looking for someone to give me some fun, and a little show around. **Box# 0623**

Luke, 34, 5'5, 120lbs., professional, looking for top B/WM, 28-40, for something serious, or a relationship. No games. **(Call Thru) Box# 0022**

George, 18, sexy, slim, brown hair, brown eyes, creative,



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John, 27, 5'11, has own business, looking for F interested in boating, outdoor activities, movies, and going out. If interested, give me a call. **Box# 8161**

BM, 28, 6', 180lbs. If you're a BM, at least 200lbs., I'm the one for you. No fats, fems, or positives. **(Call Thru) Box# 5973**

Dave, 31, 6'1, 180lbs., light brown hair, brown eyes, good looking, good body, masculine, looking for another hot M. **Box# 5943**

Jeff, 28, 170lbs., brown hair, brown eyes, smooth, 7cut, clean shaven, looking to hook up. **Box# 5672**

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

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

Greg, 21, brown hair, green eyes, student, in a band, enjoys sports, looking for F to have fun with, hang out, who's down to earth, and mature. **Box# 8547**

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

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

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**

Jeff, 29, 5'8, 130lbs., BiCurious, brown hair, brown eyes. Would like to have some fun. **Box# 6542**

GWM, Jay, 25, ISO another M, 25-35, for fun. **Box# 9973**

Tim, SWM, 35, 6'1, nice guy, respects woman, has good sense of humor, just give me a chance. You won't be sorry, I'll try to make you happy. **Box# 8674**

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

GWM, 41, (look younger), ISO guy, 19-30 for good hot times. **Box# 8955**

Earl, GWM, 27, hairy, good build, loves quiet times, intimate times, dancing, and watching a beautiful movie with a beautiful person. Prefer heavy guys, 32+, hairy. **Box# 7119**

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

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. **Box# 8684**

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

Steve, 44, bottom ISO tops. **Box# 7381**

New guy in town, 5'6, 151lbs., likes bottoms. Would like to hear from some of you. **Box# 6113**

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

Michael, GWM, tall, attractive, 6'1, 175lbs., slim, looking for B/HIS M, slim, 5'8+, for good times. **Box# 8866**

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

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2 very attractive GWM's, open, 22 and 24, ISO cute GWM's 18-24 for summer fun. **Box# 5655**

2 very good-looking, straight acting GWM's, early 20's, ISO attractive, young looking bi or GWM, 18-25 for friends and more. **(Call Thru) Box# 1323**

Shaun, 26, ISO young college guy, blond and blue with nice body preferred. **Box# 1232**

Drew, 25, 185, brn hr/eyes, ISO other males for fun. **Box# 8536**

another guy for good company. **(Call Thru) Box# 5163**

GWM, 5'10, 175, very good-looking, well built, versatile, ISO other guys, any race, for real hot times. **(Call Thru) Box# 7875**

George, 26, 5'10, 175, hzl eyes, brn hr, college student, very good-looking, clean shaven, masculine, ISO Asians or Hispanic guys, 25-. **(Call Thru) Box# 9625**

Chris, ISO the right guy, 30-40 for friends and whatever. **(Call Thru) Box# 2194**

Tom, 31, Italian, bi, 5'10, 210, very muscular, dark hr/eyes, ISO other males and couples. **(Call Thru) Box# 9619**

GAM, 22, 5'7, 140. Inexperienced. ISO GWM, masculine. For exotic massages, wrestling and companionship. **Box# 3066**

GM, 29, 5'10, 175. BR hair and blue eyes. Variety of interests. ISO GM to have some good times. **Box# 4073**

GM, likes to stay up late in hot tub, ISO someone to accompany him for contact and oral. **Box# 6063**

Erin, likes to have fun, be with people and have alot of good times. ISO M to share good times with. **(Call Thru) Box# 3069**

Asian M, 22, 5'7, 142lbs., conservative dresser, clean cut, slim. Enjoys running, wrestling, cuddling, massages, not into bar scene. ISO WM, 25-40, 5'8-6', 160-190lbs. **(Call Thru) Box# 4113**

Hil I'm a cool guy, clean cut looks and appearance, looking for a boyfriend. You should be the same and be 21-35. Call me. **Box# 3437**

Jeremy, WM, 1

## Gay Men's Discussion Group

Milwaukee—The Gay Men's Discussion Group will focus on spirituality for its September topic. William Jacobs, Reiki master, will facilitate discussion concerning our varied experiences of spirituality and how these experiences have helped shape our lives. The discussion is scheduled for Sunday, September 24, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee, 2038 N. Bartlett Ave. Preregistration is not required, and the cost is a \$3 donation. For more information, call Bill Hanel at (414) 271-2565.

## Interweave to Hold Worship Service

Milwaukee—Interweave, an organization of Unitarian Universalists of all sexual orientations, will present a worship service at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 1, at the First Unitarian Church, 1342 N. Astor St. in Milwaukee. The Cream City Chorus will sing and the sermon topic will be "Reinventing Gender." Children's classes and child care will be available. All are welcome and a coffee hour will follow the service. For more information, call (414) 273-5257.

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#### Gay Outreach Educator

The Milwaukee AIDS Project, a service agency of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, Inc., is searching for a Prevention Specialist to do HIV prevention education in Milwaukee's Gay and Lesbian Community. This position will work as part of a team of staff and volunteers focused on reducing the spread of HIV in Gay bars, public sex environments and other settings. The responsibilities of this position include assisting in the development and implementation of strategies that will reduce incidence of HIV in the Gay and Lesbian community, networking to establish collaborative relationships with area bars and organizations, and contributing to the creative development of risk reduction materials.

Qualifications include a familiarity with and commitment to the Gay and Lesbian community, a strong comfort level with working in varied settings that include bars and city parks, and an ability to work flexible hours.

If you would like to join a staff proud of their community involvement and committed to the success of this program, consider applying for this position. To apply, send a cover letter highlighting your interest in the position and your salary requirements along with your resume by Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> to: Andy Bagnall, Gay Outreach Manager, Milwaukee AIDS Project, P.O. Box 92487, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

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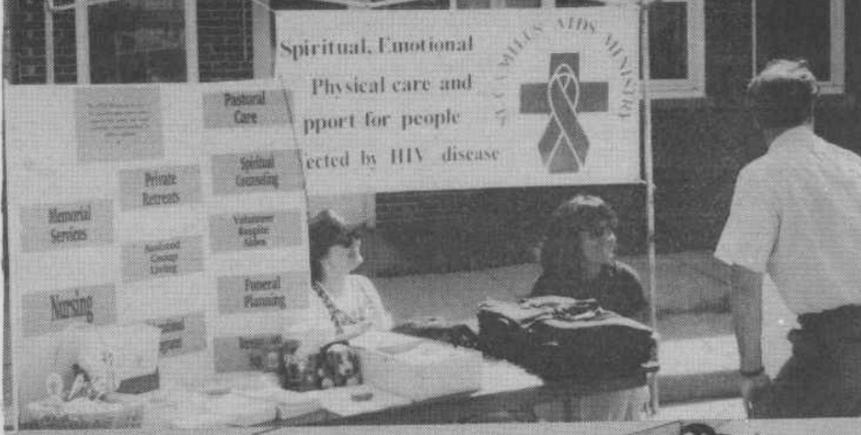
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## "Coming Together" Block Party Milwaukee—September 3, 1995



Jerry Johnson



# Interview With Bill Hart, Milwaukee Aldermanic Candidate in 3<sup>rd</sup> District

Bill Hart, the Executive Director of ACHOICE, community volunteer and political consultant, is running for Milwaukee Alderman in the 3<sup>rd</sup> District.

The following is a transcription of a conversation that he had with "Light" when he stopped by the office the other day.

**Wisconsin Light:** To get right to the point, what has motivated you to run?

**Bill Hart:** I have lived in Milwaukee all my life. I love this city and the 3<sup>rd</sup> District where my wife and I live. I am concerned for it. I want to help make it continue, as it has been, the best possible place to live in and work in, a place to raise a family.

I grew up on the South Side, but I have lived on the East Side since 1987. There was Bradford Beach as a boy and the Brady Street Festivals as a young adult. These are memories that I cherish.



Bill Hart

I enjoy campaigning. I enjoy meeting the people. For every one person who doesn't want to talk, there are 20 who do. We have some great conversations and I've made friends, so many new friends. I think that's great.

Whether its along Lake Shore Drive or on Brady Street, I consider every contact I have with a voter to be a job interview. When I'm elected, I will continue to see it that way.

**WL:** What do you think of as the themes of your campaign?

**BH:** Customer Service, Teamwork and Quality of Life. But those are more to me than just campaign themes. They are the way I live my life.

By Customer Service I mean that my constituents deserve the best from me that I can possibly give. I will be an elected servant, after all. Property taxes pay for city government. People deserve the best for their money.

Therefore, I will keep in very close contact with the voters. I will respond to all calls promptly and politely.

By Teamwork I mean that, in my mind, being an Alderman is a cooperative venture between the people and the Alderman. I see it as part of my job to forge partnerships, build coalitions and solve problems, like graffiti for example.

There are many high rise apartment buildings in the 3<sup>rd</sup> District. They add to the District's diversity, but sometimes it makes it difficult for people to meet their elected officials.

I will actively seek to be invited to meetings and community forums, where I can listen, learn, and answer what questions I can. And if I don't know the answer, you can bet I'll find out and get back to whoever asked it.

By Quality of Life I mean, as I've said, to work as hard as I can to keep the 3<sup>rd</sup> District the most attractive place to live in in Milwaukee. That's why I'm concerned with the graffiti problem—and the problem we face with crime.

But by Quality of Life I mean too that we must strive to create opportunities for those less fortunate than ourselves. Our city needs strong neighborhoods, not only in the 3<sup>rd</sup> District, but in the entire city as well. I will do everything humanly possible to foster those.

**WL:** If you're elected, would you sign a proclamation on Gay Pride?

**BH:** (without hesitation) Yes. I would also introduce a bill to provide for domestic partner benefits in Milwaukee.

**WL:** Can you tell us a little about your background?

**BH:** Well, currently, I am the Executive Director of ACHOICE, where I'm responsible for the management of Milwaukee's fastest growing workplace giving federation. Currently there are 32 community-based organizations in our federation—including the Cream City Foundation.

I'm proud of the fact that since I've headed it up, ACHOICE has tripled its revenues and doubled its member agencies. I really am

proud of that.

(Pat McFarland, Board President of ACHOICE, said, "Bill Hart energetically works to create a world that works for everyone. My only hesitation in recommending him for Alderman is my concern in losing a sincere and talented Executive Director at ACHOICE.")

I was part of the Wisconsin Action Coalition where I organized citizens and constituent groups on health care reform.

I have recently started my own business, Direct Impact, that specializes in creative voter contact and fundraising. My clients include Milwaukee County Supervisors Karen Ordians and Dorothy Dean and State Representatives Antonio Riley and Sheldon Wasserman.

(Wasserman said of Hart, "He was an integral part of my upset win in November. Bill Hart is one of Milwaukee's rising stars. His dedication to making Milwaukee a better place to live is unquestioned.")

I was State Field Director for the Tom Loftus for Governor Campaign and also worked for Ed Garvey's U.S. Senate campaigns in 1988 and 1986. I guess you can say I've had a little experience in politics.

I have worked as a volunteer for the Citizens Against Handgun Violence in their campaign to pass a binding referendum to ban handgun possession in Milwaukee.

I guess what makes me proudest in all this is that in working for these candidates, I've developed in myself a work ethic that goes 12 hours a day, 7 days a week.

I have sharpened my communications skills to enable me to talk to people from all walks of life, senior citizens, college students, union members, small business people. I like and respect them all.

**WL:** Is there anything else that you would like to say to our readers?

**BH:** Just that I hope that I can get a chance to meet all of them in the District. I hope they will look closely at me and give me a hand.

Should anyone like to volunteer or talk, call me at (414) 263-4525.

## Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA to Join in AIDS Walk Wisconsin September 17

Green Bay, WI—Loretta LaMour, the recently crowned 1995 Miss Gay Wisconsin-USA, will be a Positive Voice team participant in this year's AIDS Walk Wisconsin, to be held on September 17.

"My family has been directly affected by AIDS," LaMour said. "I hope that I can use my celebrity as a titleholder to bring a heightened awareness of both the Walk and this disease's continuing impact on the Gay community."

Joining LaMour on the team will be DeeDee Winters, Miss Gay Emerald City. According to Winters, she's walking both in memory of those of the female impersonator community who have died from AIDS and in support of all who continue to live and struggle with the disease.

The celebrity sign-ups were welcomed by Positive Voice president Lloyd Schaefer.

"The Positive Voice team is open to anyone from northeast Wisconsin's Gay and Lesbian community who wishes to participate," Schaefer said. We will travel by motor coach and the total time commitment the day of the Walk is less than half a day."

Schaefer added that Positive Voice's monetary goal is to top their \$,600 total team contribution in 1994.

Those interested in joining the Positive Voice AIDS Walk team should call (414) 499-5533 and leave contact information.

### LOG CABIN

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publican governor George Pataki, chastised Dole for returning Log Cabin's check and announced that one of his chief aides, Charles Gargano, had removed his name from the long list of Dole's top money raisers.

Petaki's criticism of the GOP frontrunner makes the first public policy break between Dole and one of his most powerful GOP supporters in New York.

Gargano is Pataki's state economic development director and has been the chief fundraiser for the governor and for the governor's chief political mentor, the powerful U.S. Senator Alfonse D'Amato.

Referring to the return of the check, Petaki said, "It was Dole's decision, but I think that we as a Republican Party, talking politically, should be reaching out for the broadest possible constituency."

Dole spokesman, Nelson Warfield, asked about Petaki's stand, said that while the governor was "a valued supporter, on this matter Senator Dole disagrees."

New York has one of the largest Gay populations in the nation.

## Dykes To Watch Out For



## John Boswell's Death Should Remind Us to Take LesBiGay Relationships Seriously

Commentary by Richard D. Mohr

Census folk tally a generation as twenty-five years. But in the Gay world—even before the temporal compressions worked by AIDS—a generation logs about every seven years, sometimes quicker. This feature of Gay time was driven home to me anew by John Boswell's obituary in Christmas Sunday's *New York Times*.

I rubbed my eyes: he was only three years older than me. Though in both person and photo he always appeared an agelessly angelic youth, his career had been so accomplished and he had done so much personally for me, so much (how to say) paternally for me, that it was hard to imagine that but three New Years separated our births.

Boswell's 1980 book, *Christianity, Social Tolerance, and Homosexuality*, dashed the taboo covering Gay subjects in academe. It cleared the space in which Gay studies began to grow exponentially and initiated Gay-affirming discourses in the wider public sphere.

Especially since it now appears that Gay progress for a long time will have to take the form of cultural, rather than political change, the value of Boswell's work for Gays is inestimable.

Published just five months before his death, Boswell's final book is a history and prizing of Gay marriage. Its main cultural import and challenge is for Gays—and others—to take Gay relationships more seriously. It invites us to view Gayness, not as something that, like eye color or an earring, one might have in splendid isolation, but as something, like loving and caring, which is a relational property, a connection between persons, a human bonding, one in need of tendance and social concern.

Think about it.

For me, Boswell performed that thankless ivory tower chore whose real world counterpart is helping friends move. He wrote letters of recommendation—ones that got me years off to write *Gays/Justice* (1988) and *Gay Ideas* (1992) and one that got me promoted to full professor. I think about these good deeds often.

But Boswell was no saint. He could be quite a grouch and his obit gave cause for moral puzzlement.

Boswell's writings possessed the real world virtues of candor, boldness and courage that are usually the first things to go in an institution as bureaucratic as the academy. So, I was surprised to see that, apparently at his behest, his obit did not take advantage of the *Times'* concession to the emerging institutionalization of Gay marriage.

Further, for years Boswell had told people, including me, that his long illness was "just"

Lyme Disease, not AIDS. Perhaps these events have innocent explanations, but a fair cultural read of them suggests that in our actual lived experience (whatever our ideals may be), we Gay folk, even at our best, have made little moral progress beyond Rock Hudson and Liberace.

It is, of course, unreasonable to expect heroism in every dimension of a person's life. We should be glad that it occurs at all. And Boswell's heroism is already having real world effects on our Gay generations.

Christmas Eve, the day of Boswell's death, the post brought me a card of greetings from a Gay graduate student with whom I'd been corresponding a bit, but about whose personal circumstances I knew nothing. The photograph's classic format of family snapshot plus Xmas message is the sort of thing that has made Olin Mills the Cambells Soup of the photo industry.

Well, the student and his lover had just adopted an infant. And there they all are, without the slightest hint of irony or camp, posed against a brick wall with a piece of couch art at head level; the dads, in matching rented tuxedos, beam with pride as they jointly hold up baby Joshua swaddled only in a diaper.

The photograph is at once a rune and an icon of Gay family, an imploding yet radiant fusion of American gothic and Gay Bethlehem. Admittedly, at first the photo struck me as a little bit silly, even as it was a great deal wonderful. Silly because my feelings weren't usually up there where my mind tells me my pride is.

As I sorted out my feelings, I was taken back half a dozen years to remember another Gay family event, the one and only Gay wedding I've attended. I didn't bother to take a present, not because I was a skinflint, but because—shamefully—I clearly wasn't taking Gay relationships seriously enough, even though by that time I'd already been in one for a decade.

We have learned much from Boswell's writings, but I suspect we—and our future generations too—still have much to learn.

**Editor's Note:** Richard D. Mohr is Professor of Philosophy at the University of Illinois-Urbana. His most recent book is *A More Perfect Union*.

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