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# The Wisconsin Light

## Summerfest Grounds Here We Come!!

### NINE HIV/AIDS Service Organizations Explore Forming New Coalition

**Milwaukee**—Representatives of nine organizations having an HIV/AIDS component, met at the Greenfield Avenue Presbyterian Church on November 7<sup>th</sup> to explore working together in a more focused way. The two-hour meeting, chaired by Mary Nabor of Caring Bridges, also identified other agencies sharing the spirit and service philosophy who might be invited to join a future coalition.

In addition to sharing a brief synopsis of its service scope, each participant was given an opportunity to review and provide input to the proposed characteristics of the future coalition.

Agencies represented at the initial meeting were: BestD Clinic, Caring Bridges, the Milwaukee Archdiocese Catholic AIDS Ministry, the Order of St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry, the Presbytery of Milwaukee, St. Benedict the Moore Catholic Church, St. Francis Cabrini Church (West Bend), the School Sisters of St. Francis, the S.E.T. Ministry and STD Specialties.



Happy Thanksgiving—Adele (Anne Bancroft) (l), her husband Henry (Charles Dunning) (r) and their Gay son Tommy (Robert Downey, Jr.) "enjoy" the holiday together in the comedy "Home for the Holidays" which is playing at theatres everywhere.

**Milwaukee**—PrideFest, Wisconsin's Gay and Lesbian Pride celebration has received approval from the Board of Directors of the Milwaukee World Festival, Inc., to rent a portion of Henry W. Maier Festival Park, (Summerfest grounds) for its June, 7, 8 and 9<sup>th</sup> festival.

The Board voted unanimously to authorize the rental during its November 9, 1995, meeting.

The Maier Festival Park is a beautiful facility on Milwaukee's lake front. In addition to hosting Summerfest, the Park provides a venue for many other top quality festivals throughout the summer that celebrate the history and culture of various groups.

Examples include Polishfest, Germanfest, and festivals celebrating Native American culture.

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### Action Wisconsin Springs Into Action in Washington and in Madison

**Madison**—Action Wisconsin Board President Julie Brodie and Board member and Development Committee Chairperson, Scott Evertz, traveled to Washington, D.C. the week of October 30<sup>th</sup> to meet with members of Wisconsin's Congressional delegation and national leaders of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered communities.

Before leaving for D.C., Brodie indicated that she and Evertz intended to "introduce or re-introduce members of the Congressional delegation to Action Wisconsin, our legislative agenda and to position the organization as the leading Gay rights advocacy organization from the original Gay rights state."

Asked if she felt this was accomplished during their visit, Brodie responded "Absolutely! With few exceptions, not only were members and their staffs open to listening to what we had to say, but some actually indicated their interest in assisting as our eyes and ears on the Hill and to working closely with Action Wisconsin and its representatives on our issues of concern."

An example of one such positive relationship is the one forged with Senator Russ Feingold's office.

Brodie indicated that, "We know that Russ is a friend and ally of our community with a 100% voting record, but the openness and willingness on the part of his staff to be a resource for us on Capitol Hill went beyond our expectations. We look forward to a very positive working relationship with the Senator and his office."

Congressmen Tom Barrett (D) and Steve Gunderson and their staffs also indicated keen interest in the work of Action Wisconsin and pledged their willingness to being resources in D.C. and to consider the organization's positions on votes on relevant issues as they arise.

Michael Gross, Barrett's Press Secretary, stressed to Brodie and Evertz, "You know you have a friend in this office."

The week before, Evertz and State Rep. Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison), a founding organizer and key advisor to Action Wisconsin, met with State Rep. Scott Jensen (R-Brookfield), Majority Leader of the State Assembly, to present Action Wisconsin's agenda

and to gauge interest on the Republican side of the aisle for that agenda.

Evertz, who is First Vice President of the Log Cabin Republicans in Wisconsin, commented after the meeting, "Activists in the Gay community were foretelling doom after last year's Republican takeover of the State Assembly. I'm pleased to report to these activists that it appears that they were wrong."

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### Annual 'Creating Change' Conference Focuses on Need to Broaden Our Fight

By Carl M. Szatmary

Promoting "Creating Change 1995" as The National Conference for Gay Lesbian Bisexual and Transgender Movement, The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) sought to establish lines of communication among the many and varied elements of our community.

This year's annual conference was held in Detroit.

From the variety of workshops in addition to the overwhelmingly positive response to speakers such as Elias Farraraje-Jones and Urvasi Vaid, who delivered the conference's keynote address, "Creating Change 1995" appeared to have achieved this goal.

Over 2000 participants, a particularly diverse group of activists from across America, participated in seminars focusing on issues of racism, sexism and class with our community, teen issues as well as fundamental discussions of gender and gender roles.

Consistently throughout the weekend-long conference, participants were asked to consider issues of importance to the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community and to seek ways to place them within the perspective of a national movement.

Speakers Vaid and Farraraje-Jones emphasized that to effectively challenge the Fundamentalist Right, Gay men and Lesbians could no longer view Gay rights as a single issue movement.

Workshop leaders echoed this sentiment. For example, in one of the conference "hot

### FDA Panel Recommends Approval of First in a New Class of AIDS Drugs

**Silver Spring, MD**—Two new drugs should be approved to help increase the effectiveness of existing AIDS medications, government scientists say.

Scientific advisers to the Food and Drug Administration said Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, that saquinavir, the first of a long-anticipated new class of AIDS drugs called protease inhibitors, should be approved even though it doesn't work very well.

talks", Deborah Johnson-Rolon, member of the NGLTF Board of Directors, effectively presented an argument in establishing that such seemingly dissimilar issues as Affirmative Action, Welfare Rights, Immigration and Gay Rights all have much in common.

High profile topics such as "Gay Marriage", anti-Gay violence, the Anti-Gay Ballot Question in Maine, the 1996 Presidential Campaign and AIDS/HIV all were thoroughly thrashed out in the meeting rooms and in the halls.

Most surprising was the emphasis placed on Youth/Teen issues and on debates and discussions of the notion of "Queerness".

Particularly interesting were the discussions of the media.

While most of the media workshops focused primarily on the "straight" media in terms of workshop descriptions, more often than not discussion inevitably centered on our own Gay and Lesbian presses.

Increasingly there seems to be disenchantment with our own national media, in particular how the national movement and issues are being reported.

A conference like "Creating Change 1995" routinely poses far more questions, debates and arguments than answers. For as diverse a group of participants, with an amazing range of race, genders and age, there was a significant undercurrent of solidarity. Yet no one left Detroit not thinking there wasn't still a great deal of work to be done.

In a meeting on Monday, government scientists recommended that the FDA approve the drug 3TC, manufactured by Glaxo Wellcome Co., to be used with AZT, the standard therapy. If the FDA agrees, 3TC, whose trade name is Eпивir, would become the fifth member of a family of AIDS drugs that fight the disease by incapacitating a protein important in the virus' reproduction.

The vote Tuesday put Hoffmann La Roche of Nutley, N.J., maker of saquinavir, ahead of a group of drug giants racing to be the first to sell the protease inhibitors, which stall the HIV virus by crippling an enzyme vital to the late stages of its reproduction. As a class, said FDA Commissioner David Kessler, protease inhibitors "are the most active agents we have seen so far."

However, the FDA advisers were disappointed in saquinavir. While it modestly improved the effect of existing AIDS drugs when taken together with them, the scientists said Roche was using too low a dose in a form that isn't well absorbed by the body.

Patients absorb just 4 percent of the 1,800 milligram dose—and that's if they remember to take the drug with meals, because it won't work on an empty stomach. Roche is furiously developing a better formula.

"Obviously, there are limits to the formulation of saquinavir we are talking about today," Kessler, who attend the nine-hour meeting, acknowledged Tuesday. "It's inferior to what we see down the road, yes. Is it inferior to what we have today? No. ... It's a first step."

Studies show patients who take saquinavir alone get about the same boost in their immune system as those who take AZT, but not the same reduction in the amount of virus in their blood that other AIDS drugs offer.

But patients who took saquinavir and AZT together showed more improvement, seeing a modest boost in their levels of vital immune cells called CD4s and about an 85 percent drop in the amount of HIV in their blood. While Roche said 25 percent of patients in one study had a 100 CD4 cell boost after four months of treatment, the FDA cautioned that most pa-

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## Madison Community Holds Events to Honor Eighth Annual World AIDS Day, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>

Madison—The World Health Organization has proclaimed December 1, 1995, the eighth annual World AIDS Day. This year's theme, "Shared Rights, Shared Responsibilities," highlights the importance of equality and solidarity in the global response to AIDS.

Locally, the Madison AIDS Support Network (MASN) is sponsoring events that focus on education, health and healing. These events are part of AIDS Awareness Week, November 26<sup>th</sup> to December 3<sup>rd</sup>. They include:

1. A Brown Bag Lunch Discussion at the American Red Cross and a Reflections on AIDS Discussion at Edgewood College on November 27<sup>th</sup>;
2. A candlelight vigil on the steps of St. Paul's Catholic Center on November 29<sup>th</sup>;
3. Cook for a Cause Tasting Event at Bethel Lutheran Church on November 30<sup>th</sup>;
4. World AIDS Day Interfaith Memorial Service and Day Without Art Observances on December 1<sup>st</sup>;

## Denise Starkey, Community Relations Co-ordinator for MASN, said, "This year's theme provides our community the opportunity to consider the impact and prevailing urgency of this disease. To date, the state of Wisconsin has over 3,000 confirmed AIDS cases and incidence of heterosexual cases are ever-increasing. We need to reflect on what our roles and responsibilities are in caring for people within our communities."

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BestD Clinic recently received two gifts which were the result of fundraisers held on its behalf. Bob Mazzacone delivered a check in the amount of \$250, the Clinic's portion of the Links Blockparty held on Labor Day weekend. The prime movers behind the event were Designing Men and Fannie's Bar. BestD Clinic was designated as a beneficiary along with St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry, the Food Pantry at the Milwaukee AIDS Project, Breast Cancer Treatment for Lesbians, the Rodney Scheel House in Madison, and Center Project's Client Assistance Program.

BestD Clinic also received a check for \$150 from the Boot Camp Saloon, also the result of a fundraiser.

Since BestD Clinic does no fundraising on its own behalf, it always welcomes these spontaneous efforts by others. Funds raised by these events allow the BestD volunteers to continue to provide all of its services without charge or fee.

Agencies and organizations participating in AIDS Awareness Week activities include: American Red Cross, City of Madison Public Health Department, Dane County Department of Human Services, Dane County Department of Public Health, Edgewood College, HospiceCare, Inc., Lutheran Synod AIDS Task Force, Madison Community Health Center, Madison Urban Ministry, Salvation Army, South Madison Family and Health Care Center, St. Paul's University Catholic Center, UW Health Services, The United Neighborhood Centers, University United Methodist Church, Wisconsin Union Directorate and Wisconsin Conference of Churches.

For more information, please contact Denise Starkey at MASN: (608) 252-6540.

### Certificate Programs Approval at UWM to Be Decided at the Campus Level

Milwaukee—The Board of Directors of the University of Wisconsin System have approved a change in the procedures for approval of certificate programs. From now on, decisions about such programs will be made at the campus level.

This change means that the Gay and Lesbian Studies certificate program at UWM, already approved by the campus committees and administration, is automatically approved and that students can now enroll in the program.

The list of more than two dozen courses dealing largely or partly with LGB issues to be offered in the Spring semester is available from the program coordinator, Lynne Joyrich, Department of English and Comparative Literature. Call (414) 229-6402.

## St. Camillus to Mark World AIDS Day on December 1<sup>st</sup> With Evening Service

Milwaukee—St. Camillus AIDS Ministry will commemorate World AIDS Day with an evening of prayer, music, song and drama. The event will begin at 7:00 p.m. on December 1<sup>st</sup> in the Camillian Room at San Camillo, 10200 W. Bluemound Road, Wauwatosa (across from the Milwaukee County Zoo. Persons of all faiths are invited to attend. A reception will follow.

For more information, please call (414) 259-4664.

### Retreat for PWAs

The St. Camillus AIDS Ministry invites persons living with HIV/AIDS to register early for "Embracing the Mystery: HIV/AIDS and the Spiritual Life," a retreat experience designed to help participants to refrain their often negative experiences of living with HIV disease.

The retreat is open to anyone living with this disease without regard to race, sex, religion, sexual orientation or age. There is no fee required for participation, but enrollment is limited. Please call (414) 259-4664 for further information.

### Volunteers Needed

St. Camillus AIDS Ministry has announced its development of an Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers Program (IVCP). The IVCP will represent an interfaith mix of faith congregations from within the community of Southeastern Wisconsin. Volunteer caregivers are caring persons of any age who seek personal spiritual fulfillment by giving themselves to people with HIV/AIDS who are in need of assistance.

The most common kinds of help given by volunteers include: transportation, shopping, respite care, light housekeeping, personal care, assistance in paying bills and managing finances and meal preparation.

The volunteers in this program will assist persons in need and their families without any restrictions of age, gender, race, income, sexual orientation or denominational affiliation; not will they subject the people they serve to evangelization.

Interested congregations and faith communities are invited to send a letter of interest to: St. Camillus AIDS Ministry, Attn. Br. Stephen E. Braddock, O.S. Cam., 10101 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53226.

## World AIDS Day, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, to be Observed by Dimming Lights

Milwaukee—One hundred and ninety countries around the world have designated December 1<sup>st</sup> as World AIDS Day to draw public attention to the AIDS pandemic.

In the U.S., activities for the commemoration are being coordinated by the American Association for World Health, in conjunction with the World Health Organization (WHO), the Pan American Health Organization, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The theme for the Day is "Shared Rights, Shared Responsibilities." The aim of the theme is to emphasize both the rights that each person has to avoid infection, receive health care if infected and be given respect and personal freedom.

The theme also focuses on the shared responsibilities of individuals, families, communities and governments in educating one another, caring for those infected and developing a strong support system.

### The Dimming of Lights

World AIDS Day will link communities throughout the United States in a unified observance of dimming lights.

In Washington, D.C., the White House will dim its lights from 7:45 to 8:00 p.m. (EDT). (In the Midwest, 6:45 to 7:00 p.m. CST.)

All are being asked to follow the White House's example as a visual demonstration of the commitment to fight against AIDS and in tribute to those living with and those who have died from the disease.

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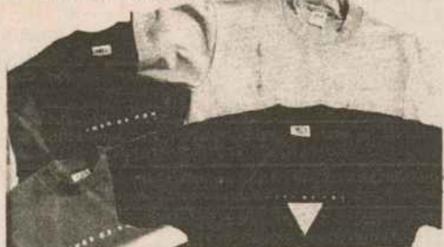
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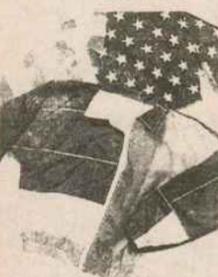


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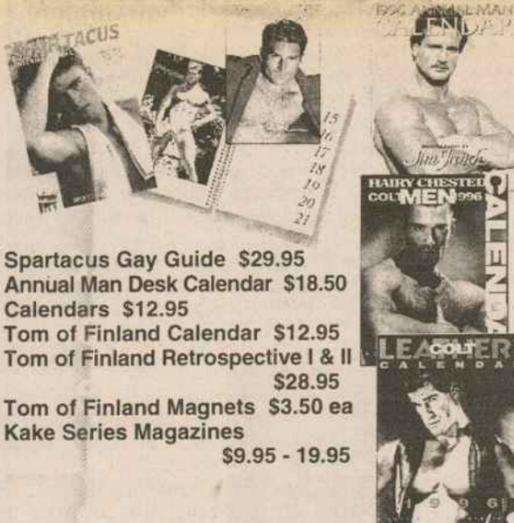


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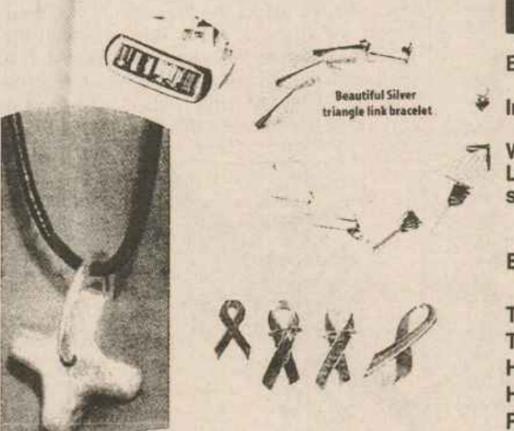


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## Editorial

### On World AIDS Day, December 1<sup>st</sup>, Let Us all Pause to Remember and Not Despair

We pause in our flight to remember many things throughout the year, but perhaps none is of greater importance than World AIDS Day. Proclaimed by the World Health Organization eight years ago, the day is a time when all of us, in the State, the nation and around the world, take time to hold vigil for the women, men, girls and boys, who have succumbed to this dread disease.

While we are told that one in three people are affected by or infected with HIV/AIDS, the numbers expand to 100% when we think of what we have lost. With each last breath, the world is an infinitely poorer place.

On this World AIDS Day, we stand in the midst of a raging tempest. Those who are volunteers and caregivers, those who raise money for everything from food to research, seem like struggling sparrows nearly driven to earth by the terrible storm.

Yet, there must be hope. We believe that there is.

We believe that one day, there will be a cure for this thing. We believe that, we hope that with all of our might.

But we believe something else as well, a most dearly held belief, and herein lies our greatest hope.

We know that life on earth is transient. The older we get, the faster it moves, like a clock gone out of control. But we believe that life itself is not transient, that it goes on forevermore.

We believe that each individual life is sacred, and each one is unique, completely matchless by any life that has come before or will later be. That uniqueness is not lost. It will never be lost.

To be more specific, we believe that if mind, soul, call it what you will, is an effect of matter (and we think that it is), then, at death, the effect separates from its cause, it retains its integrity. Having finished what it was meant to do on earth, the mind goes on to become more beautiful as it grows.

A person, we think, is like a candle lit. The flame is an event, a process, something happening. So a person is too, an event, a process, something happening. But where the candle flame can be snuffed out, we believe that the fire that is the person is not put out, but goes on to become, eventually, as bright as a star, fulfilling purposes beyond our ken.

What are these purposes? Who knows? We suspect that we might as well expect an ant to comprehend Beethoven as for us to understand the true reality of things. Someday maybe, we will know, but not now.

On this World AIDS Day, we will mourn for those who have gone on. We will fear too because we know that we have other losses yet to face. But we believe, believe with all our might, that each and every person has some sacred meaning or they wouldn't be here at all. That meaning, that person, can not be lost and will not be lost.

We will hold tightly to the hope—as we always have—that we will see again all those we have loved and lost. We believe that they will smile and greet us warmly with a fond embrace, and we will speak of "old times," before we start on our ways again.

Life on earth is not the end. Amidst this raging epidemic, this belief is how we get through. It is how we come to terms with our own earthly mortality. But it is because of this belief that on World AIDS Day we will remember and then, not despairing, be able to go on.

## Editor's Note

### Over the River and Through the Woods; Thanksgivings Then and Now

By Terry Boughner

I didn't have many Thanksgivings at home. The reason was my Great Aunt Laura Sloan.

Every year, a week or so before the holiday, she'd call up to summon us all to Brookhaven for dinner. When my mother didn't respond right away, Aunt Laura would add, "Mother (my grandmother on my father's side) isn't feeling at all well anymore. I doubt she'll live to see another Thanksgiving. What a shame that her son won't be here."

Dead silence as Mom gritted her teeth and looked like a cannon about to go off.

Mom always maintained that there was nothing, absolutely nothing wrong with grandma; that she'd been around to advise Eve and she'd be around waving as time came to an end. Still, my mother was helpless against Aunt Laura's carefully calculated guilt trip.

Yes, Mom would finally concede with ill grace, we would all come to Confluence, to Brookhaven for Thanksgiving Day.

Regardless of what Mom thought, I looked forward to the trip. Confluence was a little town squirreled away in the mountains, tucked at the foot of a valley called the Turkeyfoot. Brookhaven, my grandfather's country place, was three miles outside of town. I spent all my Summers there and loved the Valley as I loved no other place.

Early on Thanksgiving morn, we would pile in the car and go, 80 miles to the east, an over the river, through the woods trip all the way.

How I remember those dinners. They were all very traditional. Say what you will (and my mother said plenty) about Aunt Laura Sloan, she could cook!

But just before we all tucked in to turkey and the rest, my grandfather would nod once, reminding us that there was one custom that had to be fulfilled. Everyone around that table had to give thanks for something, anything they wished.

Now, decades later, in this day of AIDS, I remember my grandfather and that custom that we observed.

If I had to do it now, I would be thankful for things that were not dreamed of—by me or anyone else at that table then.

First of all, I would give thanks for Jerry. He'd be right at the top of the list. Someone loving and good like him, I never expected to have in my life.

I would give thanks for the Cream City Foundation and all the work that they do.

I would give thanks for the Human Rights League, LAMM, and Action Wisconsin for fighting for our much deserved civil rights.

I would give thanks for the Pride Committee and for them leading us to celebrate our beings

at the Summerfest grounds this coming year.

I would give thanks for all the overworked and badly needed volunteers at the Milwaukee AIDS Project, the Brady Street Clinic and all those at the Medical College of Wisconsin who care and give us hope against this blight.

I would give thanks for all the friends who have gone on. We knew them but for such a short while, but I am utterly persuaded that life does not end; that somewhere, beyond our ken, they are alive and will be with us once again.

Back at Brookhaven, there was family at the table. But I am convinced that family is not by blood only. Family is made up of ties of love



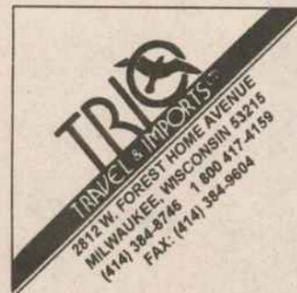
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## Medicaid Top Priority as AIDS Advocates Map Out 1996 Issues at Milwaukee Meeting

Milwaukee—Facing significant public policy challenges on AIDS issues from all levels of government, the executive directors of Wisconsin's nine AIDS service organizations (ASO) met at the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) in the first week in November to plot strategy on key AIDS public policy issues for 1996. The full day public policy meeting was held at a critical juncture as substantial cuts in government funding and the reconfiguration of Medicaid loom on the horizon.

In November, 1993, the state's nine ASOs came together to form the Wisconsin AIDS Response Network (WARN)—the ASOs public policy network. Since inception, WARN has played a major role in increasing state funding for AIDS services, state health insurance reform efforts and the reauthorization of the Ryan White CARE Act.

While these issues remain on the agenda for 1996, Doug Nelson, ARCW's executive director said, "Access to health care for the people living with HIV disease and AIDS is seriously jeopardized by the substantial changes proposed in Medicaid by Congress. How the state of Wisconsin reconfigures its Medical Assistance in the face of these cuts is the top priority for the AIDS community in 1996."

Nelson also serves as Chair of WARN. Other major AIDS issues in 1996, identified by WARN, include health insurance reform and regulation of viatical settlements.

To address the pre-existing conditions exclusions in nearly all health insurance policies which deny people living with HIV/AIDS coverage for important health care, WARN supports an amendment to current legislation which provides for a biennial open enrollment period in which individuals can access health insurance and receive coverage for all of their health needs.

WARN also identified the regulation of Viatical Settlement companies as a priority in 1996. Often, viatical settlements can be advantageous for people living with AIDS, but the state of Wisconsin does not provide basic consumer protections through nationally supported regulations of viatical sales.

Another key issue is modification of the state's AIDS Drug Reimbursement Program.

"All 50 states operate AIDS Drug Reimbursement Programs," said Stan Kocos, executive director of Center Project, the ASO serving Green Bay and northeastern Wisconsin and affection so that those families that we form in life are. I believe as strong or stronger than any that blood can provide.

In that sense, Thanksgiving Day now isn't that much different from what it was then. Jerry and I will have our family around us. I am supremely thankful for that.

Grandma did—finally—shuffle off, and Aunt Laura too and the rest. But though my blood family is mostly gone, my family has continued.

I have a loving spouse and, together, we will sit down with family, other faces, other personalities, but still the same.

That's the continuity of things that nothing, I think, can break. I am thankful for that.

sin. "Wisconsin's is among the worst in the Midwest in terms of the number of medications funded and income eligibility for consumers. We need to see substantial changes in this program so that it serves its purpose—keeping people with HIV and AIDS as healthy as possible."

Among the most important components of WARN is a newly formed, grassroots advocacy network called Wisconsin AIDS Advocates. Advocates receive in the mail the biweekly AIDS Policy Update which identifies timely AIDS advocacy, position papers on AIDS issues, opportunities to attend trainings and briefings, and special action alerts asking for your help in contacting policy makers at key times.

"Under the very difficult political environment that the AIDS community is encountering at all levels of government, advocates play a key role in shaping AIDS public policy," said Mike Gifford, ARCW's Director of Public Policy.

Everyone is encouraged to call (414) 225-1547 to sign up as an Advocate as soon as possible.

"Joining the already 300 members of Wisconsin AIDS Advocates will give our advocacy an even stronger voice in Washington and Madison and in county courthouses and city halls across the state," Gifford said.

Give the People Light and they will find their own way.

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## Annual 'Turkey Awards' Go to the GOP, Newt Gingrich, Colin Powell, and Others

Commentary by Bill Meunier

As we get ready for Thanksgiving it's time to give out the annual turkey awards. The ballots have been counted and the results are in.

### The Right Wing Award

There were a record number of competitors for this honor. That's probably because there a record number of Right Wing turkeys walking around. After careful consideration, the GOP freshman in Congress have been selected.

These guardians of the public purse got elected by denouncing "special interests" and bloated budgets. So what did they do?

While making a big deal out of cutting welfare and saving the taxpayers a few pennies, they voted for programs that hand out money to corporate special interests.

They even voted for weapons, the Pentagon said it didn't need (hard to believe the Pentagon didn't want a weapon isn't it?)

Among other things their include 26 billion dollars for B-2 Bombers the Air Force didn't want. Think of how many school lunches (they cut those too) that money could have bought.

### The Back Bone Award

This award is given to those are in desperate need of a backbone. It is richly deserved by those Republicans and the handful of Democrats in the State Legislature who recently voted to rescind all local gun ordinances except for Milwaukee's seven day waiting period.

Seems these folks just don't have the back bone to stand up to the NRA. Too bad the voters didn't realize that when they said they were in favor of local control they meant that they wanted to control the locals.

### The Wish Bone Award

This year the coveted wish bone goes to Senator Bob Dole.

First the Dole campaign wished for money from the Log Cabin Club. Then when they sent it, the campaign sent it back. Then when the media made a fuss, Dole said he wished he had known about it because he wouldn't have sent it back.

Then Dole said that he really didn't want the money and wished the whole thing had never happened.

Well Bob, even if you get the right end of the wishbone, this one won't go away.

### The Drum Stick Award

The coveted Drum Stick Award goes to Newt Gingrich. Here's hoping that he uses to beat some sense into himself.

There are soooo many reasons why Newt

deserves this honor. There are his controversial book deals, using special interest lobbyists to write legislation, his remarks on Gays and Lesbians and so many others.

Its hard to pick just one. So its been decided to use the latest outrage, the Federal Budget battle. Old Newt (with a fine supporting cast) has refused to allow the House to pass two simple authorization bills that would have allowed the federal government to keep operating and to pay its bills.

These are routine matters for Congress. See, Newt and the GOP couldn't get Congress to pass some of his pet projects and ideas. So they loaded down the authorization bills with things like Medicare premium increases, and reductions in other federal programs.

Surprise, surprise Newt the American people aren't too happy and it isn't Bill Clinton they are angry with.

They recognize political black mail when they see it.

So Newt take the Drum Stick and beat a different drum.

### The Left Wing Award

This goes to Louis Farrakahn for his anti-Gay, and anti-Semitic remarks.

Farrakahn may have done America's African-Americans a service with his "Million Man March," but he did everyone a disservice with his harangues about Jews and Gays.

### The Breast Award

This goes to the guy who has been sticking out his chest full of medals, Colin Bowel er I mean Powell.

After months of hinting that he would run for President, Powell backed off. All it apparently took was an attack from the Right Wing Conservatives who make up a majority of Republican party activists.

It's not that I wanted him to run. The man did embark on a campaign that sabotaged Bill Clinton's efforts to lift the ban on Gays in the military. It's incredible that this former military man who didn't flinch at attacking Lesbians and Gays trying to serve their country, didn't have the stomach to face up to the forces he helped arouse.

So Colin, here's an extra breast for you. Don't look to us for any medals to pin on it. So there you have it, folks, congrats to the winners. If the losers would have just tried a little harder they too could have won one of these prestigious awards. Some how I think they will try harder.

Now that's a scary thought.

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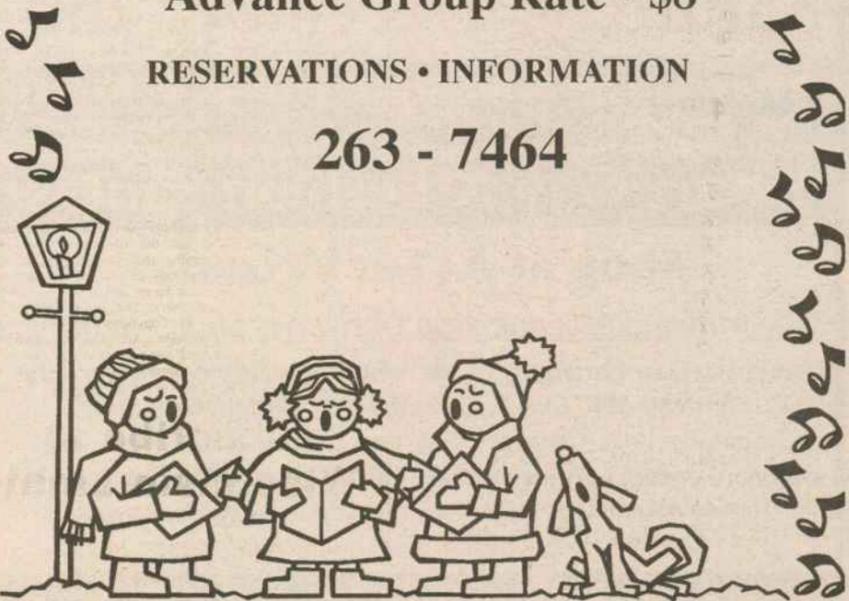
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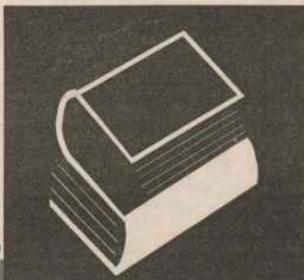
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# BOOK REVIEWS

## Robert Rodi's 'Drag Queen' is a Wonderfully Funny, Must-Read Book

**Drag Queen**  
By Robert Rodi  
Dutton HC, \$9.95

Reviewed by Glenn Bishop

Glenn Bishop's first book review for Milwaukee's gay/lesbian press came with Robert Rodi's *Closet Case*.

Initially Glenn had expected to dislike this curiously titled, very dark Gay farce, teeming as it is with its lengthy roster of mildly disagreeable characters and overflowing with improbable situations. Yet somehow Rodi managed to manipulate the novel's many disparate elements and whip them together to hilarious, dazzling frothy heights.

*Drag Queen* has been clearly cut from the same piece of shimmering lame. Mitchell Sayer is something of a prig. An up-and-coming young lawyer for one of Chicago's most prestigious small up-and-coming law firms, Mitchell leads a mind-numbingly routine existence. Or at least he does until his mother's pronouncements.

Eccentric and soon to become a chela in a Tibetan convent located somewhere in Wisconsin, Mitchell's mom, it seems, is actually his real mom.

Plus—With Robert Rodi, there is always a plus—Plus, Mitchell has a twin brother somewhere out in the world. The stage is now set for sibling quest.

Mitchell quickly and effortlessly finds Donald, as his twin was christened. Only Donald much prefers to be called Kitten. Kitten Kaboodle, known far and wide as the Doyenne of Despair. Kitten is a headliner at the Tam-Tam Club and for mad money, does hand modeling gigs on the side.

Two twins could not have grown up more different. And each think the other needs to affect some colossal transformation. Each is the other's perhaps last and only hope.

Robert Rodi's plots are, in a word, indescribable. Rodi's scenario in *Drag Queen* unfolds effortlessly. But like the early morning mist, they are most exquisite to behold, dizzying, still dazzling yet rarely able to withstand the harsh glare of examination.

*Drag Queen* is an absolute roller-coaster ride of a read. Glenn found that the pages virtually turned themselves.

Rodi folds into his frothy mix a melange of secondary characters, ranging from the delightful Cora Deene, car-pooling mom and lap-top detective; Simon, Mitchell's cuddly leather bear of an ex-lover and the evil, depraved and simply quite amoral drag queen, Regina Upright.

Convoluting sub-plot layered upon convoluted sub-plot spin in and out, invariably out of control, always amusing, sometimes confusing but ultimately quite maddening.

After his last, somewhat disappointing novel, *What They Did to Princess Paragon*, Robert Rodi has here returned to surer ground. Ranging from an orgy in a leatherman's den to the shabby, depravity of the Tam-Tam Club, Rodi has turned his mischievous eye to engagingly, if unconventionally, portraying Gay life in America's "Second City."

Armed with a spritely turn of a phrase and rarely settling for a single witticism when two will do even more nicely, Rodi's *Drag Queen* is often laugh-out-loud funny. A delicious romp from start to finish, *Drag Queen* is highly recommended.

## New Book Explores Bisexuality and the Challenge to Lesbian Politics

**Bisexuality and the Challenge to Lesbian Politics: Sex, Loyalty and Revolution**  
Paul C. Rust  
New York University Press, Pb. \$16.95

By Barbara Jester

The subject of Bisexuality continues to divide the Lesbian and Gay community. In a world where the personal has become the political, the "middle ground" that many Bisexuals who reject dualistic notions of sexuality claim as their own, is often derided as being little more than a safehouse, a halfway point between shaking off one's heterosexual past and embracing one's true Lesbian or Gay identity.

*Bisexuality and the Challenge to Lesbian Politics* published in October by the New York University Press in its "Lesbian Life and Literature Series," addresses a range of questions pertaining to the political and social relationships between Lesbians and Bisexual women.

The author, Paula Rust, is an assistant professor of sociology at Hamilton College in Clinton, New York.

"Bisexuality," Rust writes, "touches very sensitive personal and political nerves among Lesbians. Does Bisexuality really exist, or is it a phase one goes through while coming out as a Lesbian?"

"Are Bisexuals women who have succeeded in casting off the repressive strictures of our sex-phobic society in order to express the full range of their sexuality, or are they Lesbians suffering from an internalized homophobia that prevents them from recognizing their true sexual nature?"

"Is Bisexuality a sign of political cowardice among those who are unwilling to give up heterosexual privilege, or is it the next step in sexual liberation?"

In discussing these and other issues in her very lucid and lively style, Rust traces the roots of the controversy over Bisexuality among Lesbians back to the early Lesbian feminist debates of the 1970's, arguing that those debates created the circumstances in which Bisexuality became an inevitable challenge to Lesbian politics.

She also looks forward, predicting the future of Lesbian sexual politics.

Specific chapters discuss the debate on Bisexuality as it appears in Lesbian newsletters and magazines, what recent writing by social scientists on the subject say, and what the nearly 500 women who responded to Rust's study say about their lives and attitudes toward sexual identity.

Always readable, often controversial, Rust's book is a must-read on any activist Lesbian's reading list this season.

## Booked for Murder Books Brings Award-Winning Mystery Writers to Madison

Madison—Barbara D'Amato will read from her sixth Cat Marsala novel, *Hard Christmas*, in which Cat travels to Michigan to research a human interest article on Christmas tree farming. Instead of a peaceful and enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday, she is once again involved in crime.

D'Amato is one of the best of today's mystery writers and the award-winning author of *The Doctor*, *The Murder*, *The Mystery*, a true crime story set in Chicago.

Hugh Holton

Hugh Holton will read from *Windy City*, an imaginative thriller set in the near future featuring Chicago police commander Larry Cole. Cole pits his skills against an affluent couple who commit murder as a recreational activity.

Holton, a 25-year veteran of the Chicago

police force who has served in every division, has himself held the rank of commander. He appears regularly on TV and also writes a column on police procedure for "Mystery Scene."

Mark Zubro

Mark Zubro will read from *Another Dead Teenager*, in which Detective Paul Turner investigates the deaths of high school athletes. Zubro is the author of a second series featuring an English teacher as an amateur sleuth.

Himself an English teacher and union official, Zubro is a winner of the Lambda Literary Award and a prominent writer of Gay crime novels.

The three authors, all from Chicago, will be reading on December 2nd, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Booked for Murder bookstore is located at 2701 University Avenue in Madison.

## New Book of E-Mail Addresses Brings the Rich and Famous to Your Fingertips

**E-Mail Addresses of the Rich and Famous**  
Seth Godin  
Addison-Wesley, \$7.95

By Terry Boughner

The other evening a friend of mine was trying to teach me how to use e-mail. "Is there anyone you'd like to send a letter to?" he asked hopefully.

I thought for a moment, unable to think of anyone I knew who had an e-mail address. But then, I remembered.

Quickly, I pulled a little book off the shelf, a recent acquisition, and while my friend looked on in some wonderment, I flipped to the page I was looking for.

"There!" I thought as I saw it. "That address will be proof of the pudding." I turned to my friend. "The President of the United States," I said triumphantly.

He shrugged as if it were no big whoop. I pecked out a short note and off it went, into cyberspace.

In less than 30 seconds, I kid you not, back from the White House came a reply, addressed to me personally, no less. It was quite a thrill.

To most of you that's probably old hat, but there are a lot of other addresses in that little book, hundreds of them, all of the rich and famous, from the U.S. and around the world.

The book is titled *E-Mail Addresses of the Rich & Famous* (How original) and contains e-mail addresses in all sorts of categories. There's everything from Academics, to Celebrities, to Internet Denizens to The Richest Americans with E-mail.

Want to send a note to Judith Broadhurst or

Tom Clancy? They're there—along with dozens of other authors.

Or how about Ed Asner, Pat Buchanan, Roger Ebert, Robyn Griggs, Billy Idol, Rush Limbaugh, or—But you get the idea.

Maybe you'd like to tell Ross Perot what you think about something, or heaven only knows who.

There's an index in back with all the names listed alphabetically along with their e-mail addresses. I've had a ball with the book and recommend it highly.

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## Cream City Chorus Presents 'Christmases Remembered'

Milwaukee—The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus (WCCC), will be performing its holiday concert, "Christmases Remembered," on December 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. at Milwaukee's Performing Arts Center's (PAC) Vogel Hall.

With eight years of growth behind it, WCCC has decided to revisit places from several of their past concerts.

"We're all very pleased with our musical growth this year," said Chorus publicist Emory Churness, "so we're bringing back some of our favorite pieces, even bigger and better than before."

The Chorus has also added some new and difficult selections to the concert. As Always, the concert promises to be a mix of holiday and seasonal selections, blending traditional with contemporary, and the heartwarming with the humorous.

Tickets for "Christmases Remembered" are available through the PAC box office, the WCCC office, Chorus members, and at BestD Clinic, Survival/Revival, and the M&M Club.

Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door.

For those who can't attend the concert, or who want to take the music of the Cream City Chorus home with them, a cassette tape, also entitled "Christmases Remembered," will be available at the concert and by mail order through the Chorus office.

Anyone interested in more information or in joining the Chorus, is encouraged to contact the Chorus office at (414) 344-WCCC, or P.O. Box 1488, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1488.

The Cream City Chorus rehearses at the First Unitarian Society every Wednesday evening from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. After a break for the holidays, rehearsals will resume on January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## Submissions Sought for Gay 'First Meeting Stories'

Boston, MA—Jack Hart, the best-selling author and editor of *Gay Sex: A Manual for Men Who Love Men, My Biggest O and My First Time*, all published by Alyson Publications, is seeking contributions to a new book in which Gay men in long-term relationships will talk about the first time they met their partners.

*The Day We Met* will be a collection of true, first-person stories by men from around the country and the world, describing the first time they met the man who would become so important in their lives. It should provide an intriguing look at the different origins of long-term relationships between men.

The book is scheduled to be released by Alyson Publications in 1996. Deadline for submissions is January 15, 1996. For a complete set of guidelines, send an SASE to: *The Day We Met* Guidelines, Alyson Publications, 40 Plympton St., Boston, MA 02118.

## Deadlines

Copy Deadline for the December 7<sup>th</sup> issue is Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Ad Deadline for the December 7<sup>th</sup> issue is December 5<sup>th</sup>. Please Note the difference between ad and copy deadlines.

Wisconsin Light, as usual, will take a one issue break over the Christmas holidays. There will be no December 21<sup>st</sup> issue.

Copy deadline for the January 4<sup>th</sup> issue is December 29<sup>th</sup>. Ad deadline for the January 4<sup>th</sup> issue is January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Announcements

### LOC/Women of Color Mistletoe Dance

Milwaukee—LOC/Women of Color cordially invites you to their "Ninth Annual" Mistletoe Dance at Milwaukee's War Memorial, 750 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive on December 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 12:00 p.m. This year there will be door prizes, a cash bar and a live DJ, "Lady B", spinning the CDs. She's known for rocking the house with a wide array of contemporary and funk music. Cost of admission is only \$8. Secure parking is available. For your convenience, voter registration will be done by LOC/Women of Color Political Committee, so be sure and bring your ID. Vendor space is available. For more information, call LOC Voice Mail at (414) 454-9300.

### Conference on Ending Homophobia in Schools

Chicago—The Chicago chapter of the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Teachers Network (GLSTN) will be sponsoring a Midwest regional conference on homophobia in the schools March 8-10, 1996, at the classic Bismark Hotel in downtown Chicago. Participants will include educators, administrators, youth service providers, parents, straight allies, young people, clergy, politicians and activists. The conference is open to everyone who cares about the issue of homophobia in the schools. For more information, call Toni Armstrong or Jason Drucker at (312) 769-9009.

### Steve Rose Fundraiser and Event

Milwaukee—On Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, stop in at Mama Roux's at 5:30 for beer and a sandwich and meet 3<sup>rd</sup> District Aldermanic candidate Steve Rose. On site voter registration will be available. Don't miss this chance to have your voice heard, volunteer your time or make a contribution.

A campaign fundraiser and variety show, "A Rose by Any Other Name," featuring such talent as Jessica Mills, Brittaney Morgan, Miss 3B's Tabatha, Jody Black and Mary Richards will be held on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. The show starts at 10:30 p.m. and all door proceeds go to the BestD Clinic. Meet 3<sup>rd</sup> District Aldermanic candidate Steve Rose. On-site voter registration will be available.

### HIT Tournament to Celebrate 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Milwaukee—Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join the Holiday Invitational Tournament (HIT) and over 250 bowlers from around the country in celebrating HIT's 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the Red Carpet Regency on November 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. The HIT Board and its sponsors would like to welcome and wish all bowlers and spectators luck and fun throughout the tournament.

### Firebrands to Hold Benefit at Boot Camp Saloon

Milwaukee—On Friday night, December 8<sup>th</sup>, the Firebrands of Milwaukee will hold an AIDS Food Pantry fundraiser Club Night at the Boot Camp Saloon.

Also, the Wisconsin Leather Men's Association is co-sponsoring an AIDS dinner on Saturday Night, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. You can get an invitation at the Boot Camp Saloon or receive information by calling (414) 643-1652.

### Benefit at Café Melange

Milwaukee—On Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m., Café Melange (located in the Hotel Wisconsin, 720 Old World 3<sup>rd</sup> St.), will host a benefit for the Wisconsin Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Association. CFS is a debilitating illness with no known etiology or cure. The evening will feature acting and musical segments, performed by host and MC Bill Castagnozzi, guitarist Carl Beckstedt, and various members of the Boulevard Ensemble. There will be a \$10 cover. All proceeds will go to the Wisconsin CFS Association.

### Interfaith Service to Mark World AIDS Day

Milwaukee—The 8<sup>th</sup> annual observance of World AIDS Day will be commemorated on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. Locally, the events for the Day will include an interfaith prayer service to be held at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's Chapel, 1501 S. Layton Blvd. (27<sup>th</sup> and Greenfield). The service is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Caring Bridges, AIDS Ministry, the Presbytery of Milwaukee, S.E.T. Ministry, and the School Sisters of St. Francis. Call (414) 449-2680 for more information.

### Northwest Wisconsin World AIDS Day

Eau Claire, WI—The Northwest Wisconsin AIDS Project (NOWAP) is requesting the participation of everyone in the Chippewa Valley in commemorating World AIDS Day. An interdenominational service of remembrance will be held on December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at the University Lutheran Church in the Ecumenical Religious Center on the UW-Eau Claire campus at 110 Garfield Ave, Eau Claire. Individuals are encouraged to bring pictures or memorabilia of loved ones whom they have lost to AIDS to display on a remembrance table.

A group of local artists will open an exhibit entitled "HIV Vision" at the State Theatre at 316 Eau Claire St., from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on December 1<sup>st</sup>. There is no fee.

Congregations throughout NOWAP's 13 county service region are also requested to participate in the "15 Bells Project." Please ring your steeple bell 15 times at 1:50 p.m. on December 1<sup>st</sup> to signify the losses during each of the 15 years of this pandemic.

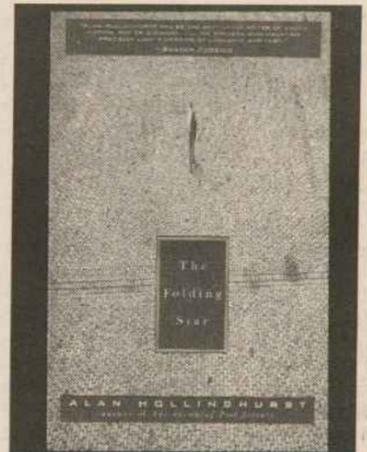
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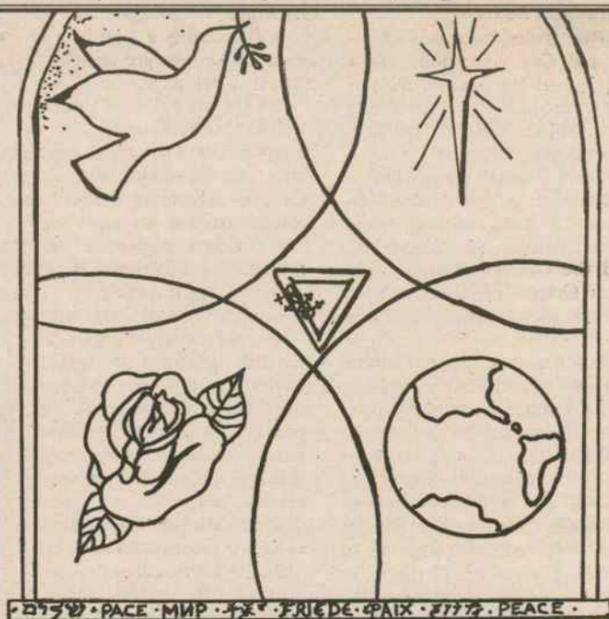
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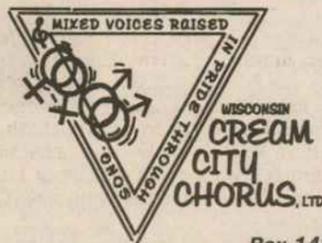


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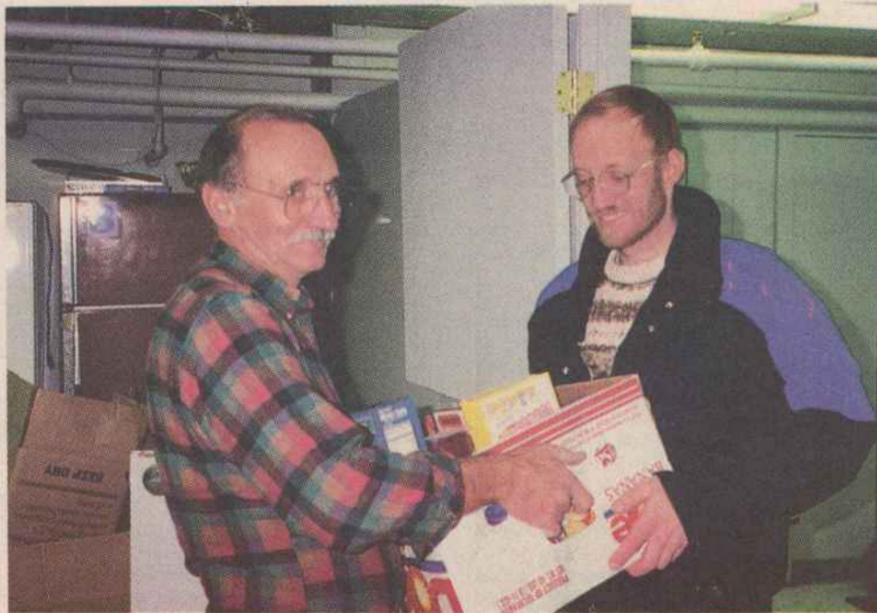
He graduated high school at age 16. He moved to New York City at age 17. He learned he had AIDS when he was 28. At age 30, he lost his lover.

At age 36, Gary Wells understands AIDS and how it has affected his life. Including such seemingly simple things as the way he shops for groceries.

A world-traveler, chef, and former ballet dancer, Wells receives food from Milwaukee AIDS Project's (MAP) Food Pantry every month.

*Cheerios. Oreos. Henri's Salad Dressing.* Each time he visits, Wells, a Gay man who has been living with AIDS since 1987, picks up almost forty pounds of nonperishables, produce, meat and water from the pantry. He has been a Food Pantry client since 1993.

"It has made a great deal of difference to me and my partner," Wells said. "We've been living on rental and Social Security income, which is difficult."



A Future Feast—MAP volunteer Patrick Castle gives client Gary Wells an allotment of food at the agency's Food Pantry.

Each time a client visits, he or she is given a menu, which lists the pantry's daily offerings. Clients may choose all or some of the listed items. The most popular items—the ones that people seemingly can't get enough of—are Tombstone pizza and Pecan Sandies.

*Nutter Butter Cookies. Coffee. Boost.*

The Food Pantry, which is open Monday through Friday for about six hours during the day and evening, is staffed almost entirely by volunteers.

Forty of them staff the pantry, doing things like stocking the shelves and filling orders. Ten more make deliveries to the homebound.

One paid employee is responsible for purchasing the food and overseeing the volunteer staff.

"There is a real satisfaction in helping people, in having direct contact with the clients," said Julie Jernigan, Food Pantry volunteer.

Neuenfeldt added, "Working here makes me very aware of my blessings and it makes me very aware of how much we are all alike."

"Staffing the pantry, making it happen, is a challenge. It absolutely would not be possible without the support of the community," said Bramer. "From the very beginning, the Gay and Lesbian community has helped us enormously with the Food Pantry."

Gay and Lesbian bars and organizations and hundreds of individuals from our community donate food, personal care items and money for the Pantry. It's a heartwarming gesture from Gay men and Lesbians in Milwaukee."

*Yogurt. Grapefruit Juice. Beef Stew.*

Busy with house renovation projects and community activism, Wells says he works harder now than he did at any other point in his life. Despite that, AIDS has taken his ability to earn an income the way he did in the

my boss and my friend. I've been committed to working for the Gay community, and it might sound trite, but I wouldn't be here if I couldn't serve the community. This pantry was started for the Gay and Lesbian community, it is run by Gay men, and it will continue to serve the community in the best way possible," said Bramer.

### MAP to Begin Home Delivery of Fresh Meals

Not all those who need food are able to get it. Although the MAP Food Pantry delivers groceries to those who do not have transportation and to those who are homebound, some people are too ill to cook food for themselves.

Very soon, Milwaukee AIDS Project will meet this need with a fresh meal delivery program, slated to begin operation in May of 1996.

"There are few things more important than a hot, fresh meal when you are not feeling well," said MAP Executive Director Doug Nelson. "For many people with AIDS, a fresh meal delivered to their homes on a regular basis will be an enormous help."

"We are preparing the resources and recruiting the volunteers to start the fresh meal program as early as we can next year," Nelson said. "I am sure it will become one of our most important services."

According to Chris Bramer, MAP Support Service Manager, it is expected that, in the beginning, at least 30 clients will be served by the program. In its first year of operation, as many as 15,000 fresh meals will be delivered to growing number of MAP home bound clients.

Volunteers will deliver fresh meals Monday through Thursday afternoons. It is expected that a hot meal will be distributed for immediate consumption and a cold meal will be delivered for a secondary meal.

Initially, MAP will purchase the meals and deliver them. In time, MAP staff and volunteers will prepare the food at the Wisconsin House.

"Because friends and families often cannot be as helpful in preparing meals during the work week, we want to start the fresh meal program during that time," Bramer said. "We hope to expand the service into the weekends."

For information about how you can volunteer at MAP's Food Pantry or for the Lovin' Spoonful program, please call Cheryl Lucas at (414) 225-1573.

### MAP's Holiday Baskets Stuffed With Spirit

This week, as we go to press, 141 clients received Thanksgiving Food Baskets courtesy of MAP and its many volunteers. In an effort to make the holidays special for those who are ill, clients receive groceries specifically for the holidays.

Food baskets include all ingredients for a traditional turkey dinner with all the fixings. Included are: turkey, stuffing, potatoes, yams, beans, apples, lettuce, tomato, milk, jello, dinner rolls, butter, cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie.

Forty community volunteers signed up to purchase turkey dinners for clients and their families and/or friends.

"The holiday basket program is truly a reflection of community spirit. To know that others may not have a proper meal on a day when the rest of the country is feasting, and to do something about it, show genuine concern.



MAP Food Pantry workers fill Thanksgiving baskets. Pictured above (l-r): Pat Neuenfeldt, Christian Castanada, Julie Jernigan, and Chris Bramer, Client Services Manager.

*Bratwurst. Hamburger. Bologna.*

Wells is one of 900 people, almost half of them Gay men, who use MAP's pantry. Together, they consume 112 tons of food a year. Three-fourths of it comes from Second Harvesters, 20-percent from the Hunger Task Force and five-percent from private donors.

*Uncle Ben's Wild Rice. Mini PopTarts. Jello Pudding.*

According to Chris Bramer, Support Service Manager at MAP, this Food Pantry is unlike any other in Milwaukee and a commitment to Gay and Lesbian community is the reason.

"Gay men often don't have a lot of resources when they have HIV. They need support and they sometimes can't get it from friends or family," Bramer said. "Contrary to popular belief, not all Gay men have huge amounts of disposable income, especially if they are working part time or not at all because they are ill."

Bramer is responsible for overseeing the operation of the Food Pantry, a program that has been in existence since October of 1989.

"This pantry was established to serve the Gay and Lesbian community. Other pantries in the area did not serve single men and women—they were a low priority. It was thought that single men and women should be able to work, to earn a living. Their health was not taken into consideration. That's why we created the MAP Food Pantry six years ago."

*Microwave popcorn. Teddy Grams. Bush's Baked Beans.*

MAP works hard to make the pantry the best it can be.

"This pantry is different than others in the area. Our clients are battling a disease. Many have no options. Their health is often declining rather than improving. Yet, their nutritional needs are increasing. Having good, healthy food is critical," Bramer said.

*Campbell's Soup. Peanut Butter. Fresh Apples.*

"As a chef, I sometimes see things on the list that I know I won't eat, so it doesn't make sense to take those things home. I just don't check them," Wells explained.

"We have a wide selection of foods and we sometimes get culturally specific items in. We think it's really important to have that diversity on the shelves," said Bramer.

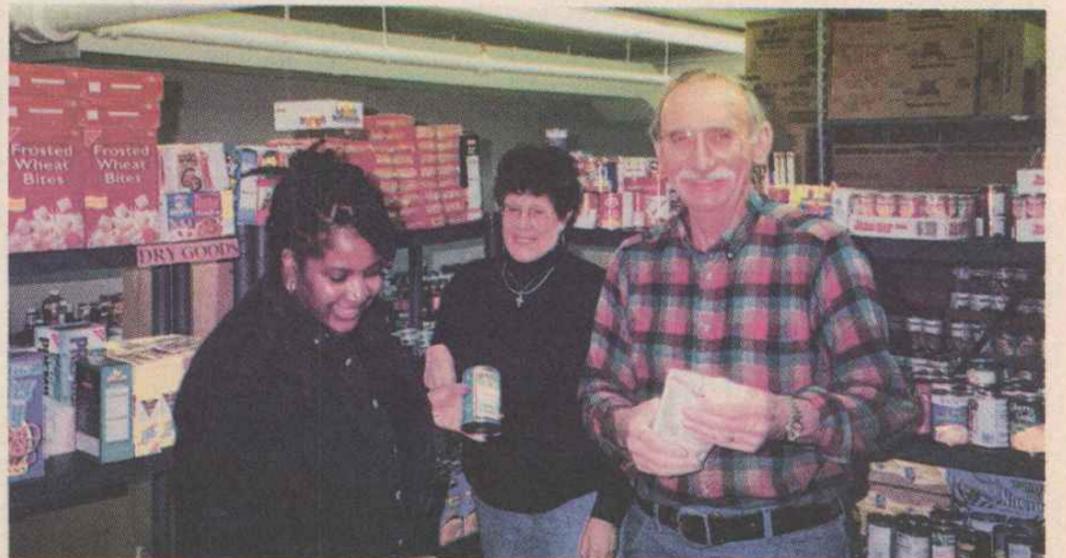
"On one of my first days in the pantry, a couple looked through their grocery bag before they took it home. They told me that they wanted to make sure that they only had what they needed, and no more. They didn't want to waste anything. I was so touched by that. If anyone has the impression that people come in here and try to get as much as they can, they are wrong. They take what they need to survive," said Pat Neuenfeldt, a Food Pantry volunteer.

*Cascade. Crest Toothpaste. Bounce.*

In addition to food, the Food Pantry offers personal care items—supplies which are essential, yet often cost-prohibitive for clients.

Things such as razors, shaving cream, toilet paper, tissue, toothpaste and deodorant are available.

Because some clients are too ill to come in to the pantry to pick up groceries, home deliveries are made. Each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon, volunteers visit between eight and ten homes. During the course of a month, approximately 100 clients receive home delivered groceries.



Stocking Time—MAP volunteers stock the shelves in the MAP Food Pantry. Pictured above (l-r): Cindy Lathan, Marilyn Castle and Patrick Castle.

past—the very reason Bramer says the pantry's importance is paramount.

### The Spirit of Rodney Scheel Lives On

"I came to MAP to help run this pantry. I started here after Rodney Scheel, a Madison Gay Community leader died. He used to be

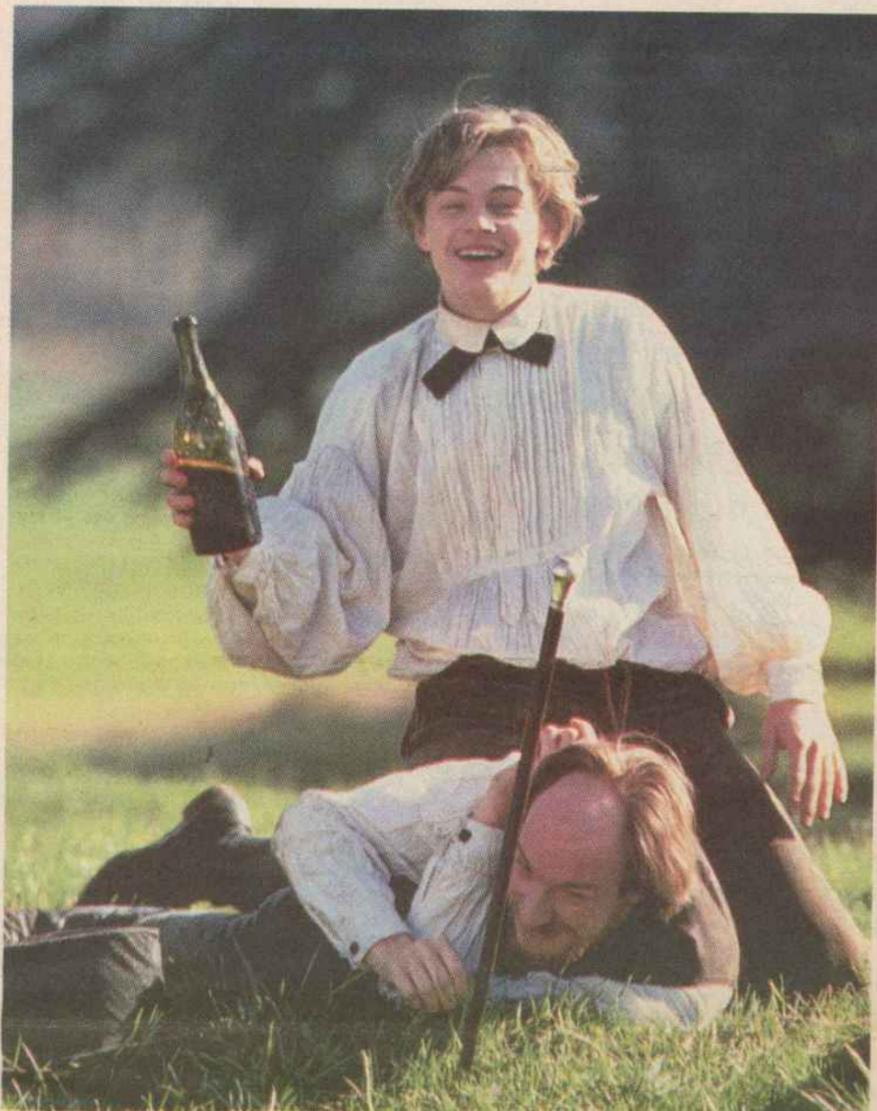
It's deeply moving to see this kind of generosity," said Rachel Jovi, MAP's Coordinator of Family-Center Programs.

Sponsors for Christmas food baskets and gifts for children are still needed. For more information, please call Rachel Jovi, (414) 225-1523.

## The Light



## LIVELY ARTS



**Rebel Artist**—Set in Paris during the late 1800's, "Total Eclipse" is the passionate story of a romantic triangle and the lives it consumes. David Thewlis stars as the poet Paul Verlaine, a volatile alcoholic torn between his lovely, yet conventional wife (Romane Belrenger) and the seductive, dangerous and brilliant poet Arthur Rimbaud (Leonardo DiCaprio). The film opens November 22<sup>nd</sup> at Milwaukee's Oriental Theatre.

## 'Carrington' is a Film that Remains Safe, is Lushly Filmed and Utterly Souless

Reviewed by Glenn Bishop

Ages and ages ago Glenn saw an absolutely marvelous film entitled *Dangerous Liaisons*. Here was a film that virtually crackled with a sexual tensions and dazzled with entangling romantic intrigues, featuring a screenplay by Christopher Hampton. That the film also features a young and ever so luscious Keanu Reeves certainly didn't hurt matters either.

Anyways, back to *Carrington*. The unconventional lives of painter Dora Carrington and Bloomsbury writer and personality Lytton Strachey, compulsively entangled as the two were with a variety of loves and love affairs would seem to perfectly suit the writer of such an insightful and incisive film as *Dangerous Liaisons*.

Lytton Strachey (Jonathan Pryce) is initially portrayed as a rather effete "bugger", a diseased conscientious objector on the eve of the first World War.

When visiting friends, his eye is caught by a ravishing youth who, quite surprisingly turns out not to be a boy but Carrington (Emma Thompson).

Slowly and rather ineptly the two fall in love. Not surprisingly there is a problem: that "physical stuff", or rather the lack thereof which increasingly becomes an issue between the two.

Much happens. Mark Gertler (Rufus Sewell) a wannabe "important painter" proposes and is turned down by Carrington.

Strachey publishes *Eminent Victorians* and finally gains respectability and an income.

Ralph (soon to be dubbed Rafe) Partridge enters the scene, falling madly in love with Carrington while similarly becoming the object of Lytton's obsession. Rafe (played by the ever-so hunky Steven Waddington) marries Carrington.

Enter Gerald Brenan (Samuel West), a friend of Rafe and soon to be lover of Carrington. Rafe falls out of love with Carrington. And so it goes, so on and so forth as lovers gain lovers and masses of people seem to confusingly circle Lytton and Carrington.

For as radically an unconventional a lifestyle as lived by Lytton, Carrington and their various, resident menage, Hampton's film remains stoically safe, lushly filmed yet ultimately souless.

The landscapes are glorious and gorgeous, the dialogue is literate and brittle, the music dramatic, the houses grand, the paintings (particularly Carrington's) fabulous and the actors, particularly Sewell, Waddington and an affectingly androgynous Emma Thompson breath-takingly beautiful and each a feast to the eye. So, what has gone wrong?

Hampton's *Carrington* never emerges from behind the well-gauzed lens. There is prettiness and civil politeness but nothing particularly exciting or daring here.

For a film surely destined for Masterpiece Theatre, there is actually quite a lot of sex, thank you very much. Yet the sex, at least for Gay audiences, emerges as blatantly conventional, thoroughly and quite ceaselessly heterosexual, and not particularly involving. Even emotionally.

Hampton's characters seem challenged. The characters often tell, rather than show, that they are in love with someone.

The performances are uniformly polished. Jonathan Pryce's Lytton is particularly effective. Pryce's Lytton is all fashion of quirky physical mannerisms, revealing an appealing humor and an endearingly human side behind his blithely tossed off bon mots.

Emma Thompson's Carrington is a bit of an enigma. She is, after all the title character and yet is given little to do. Thompson is, as expected, always thoughtful and intelligent, capably representing Carrington's confusion and ambiguity but rarely indicating the passion behind her love for Lytton. Still there is a radiance to Pryce and Thompson's playing that instill their scenes together with a real thoughtfulness and luminescence.

*Carrington* offers many and varied visual pleasures, perhaps at the expense of depth or genuine involvement.

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

## 'Toy Story' is an Interesting Movie on Two Levels, Special Effects and Plot

By Terry Boughner

Disney Studio's latest offering, just in time for the holiday season, is *Toy Story*. I went to a screening of it with Jerry and two friends and found myself right smack, dab in the middle of a whole herd of kids—the little kind, the run-up-and-down-the-aisle kind, the twist-in-their-seat-and-scream kind. By the time the film got underway, I was perfectly convinced that when it came to children, W.C. Fields was right.

Still, when the movie got started, the place quieted down and, I'll have to admit, there was hardly a peep out of any of them, something due largely to the special effects.

As usual, Disney is a past master with these. This time everything in the film, toys, humans, background, all of it, is done in computer animation. It's fast-moving, intriguing, full of imagination, and the kids loved it.

I'm not sure I don't prefer the good, old-fashioned hand drawn kind of animation. You know, cartoons? For one thing, the colors are brighter. But then the younger generation has been weaned on computers and I still have

closeted longings for the quill pen.

On another level, the movie is fascinating in a way, I suspect, that certainly the kids and perhaps their parents, didn't see.

Not to go into any great detail, but the plot centers around a toy spaceman who has to come to terms with the fact that he is a toy, and not some warrior from a far-flung galaxy.

Disney's been doing a lot of that lately, it seems; developing a plot around a character who must come to terms with and accept him or herself for who and what they are. The *Lion King* comes quickly to mind, but there are elements of it in *Aladdin* too.

Come to think of it, maybe the kids don't understand the message, but then, on the other hand, the appeal to accept ones self and others, probably does sink in.

Later, in the car going home, Jerry and Don gave the flick three and a half stars. No way. It's a two at best. But it is fascinating in its use of technology and its plot is intriguing. I would say it's a "worth-see" film.

*Toy Story* opens on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> and will be playing at theatres nationwide.



**Talking Toys**—The art of animation goes to "infinity and beyond" in Walt Disney Pictures' first full-length 3D animated feature to be created entirely by artists using computer tools and technology. Four years in the making, this new comedy-adventure combines an imaginative story and great characters, while featuring the voices of Tom Hanks, Tom Allen and Don Rickles. Pictured above is Mr. Potato Head.

## Brookfield Players to Hold Auditions

**Milwaukee**—The Brookfield Players will hold auditions for *Annie Get Your Gun* on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Oakhill Senior Center, 21200 W. North Avenue in Brookfield. Male and female adult principals and supporting players, adult and young adult chorus and dancers, and a few young (approximately 6-14 years-old) are needed. Please prepare a vocal selection (an accompanist will be provided) and dress appropriately for dance auditions. There will also be cold readings from the script. For more information, call Gladys Chmiel at (414) 797-0661.

## Fest City Singers Present Christmas Concert

**Milwaukee**—The Fest City Singers will present an original Christmas musical review, "Many Times, Many Ways: Christmas in the City" at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2308 E. Bellevue Place in Milwaukee. The program begins at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$10 or \$8 in advance sales to groups of eight or more. A festive Christmas buffet will be served following the show and its included in the price of the ticket. For reservations or further information, call the FestLine at (414) 263-7464.



**Time Bomb**—Gene Watson (Johnny Depp), a pawn in an assassination plot, must race the clock to preserve his young daughter's life in the suspense thriller "Nick of Time", at theatres for the Thanksgiving holiday.



A Wisconsin Son—Michael Douglas stars as widowed President Andrew Shepherd in Rob Reiner's "The American President."

## 'The American President' is a Feast of Politics, Humor and Sweet Romance

By Terry Boughner

There are three things I like in a movie, a discernible beginning, middle and end through which moves a plot—of some kind. If there's a dash of humor and the spice of romance, so much the better. Believe it or not, those things are hard to find in films these days.

Director Rob Reiner's new movie, *The American President*, has all of these.

President Andrew Shepherd (Michael Douglas) is a handsome widower in a job I can't think why anyone would want. On the one hand, he must be a combination of monarch, guru and father figure that we expect our leaders to be.

On the other hand—as we so often forget—he's a human being with both emotional and physical needs.

Along comes Sydney Ellen Wade (Annette Bening). She enters the White House and there is romance, the nice, old-fashioned kind. But will it bloom? How can it bloom?

He's the American President, after all. A simple trip to a florist involves a motorcade, and when he gets there, the clerk faints dead away. A sweet kiss gets interrupted when he has to go off and concert military action against some ridiculous and arcane place.

And then there's vultures of the Far Right Wing. They're big on "family values" as long as those values fit their myopic conception of things.

The President dances with her. The Right has a fit. My God, they're not married! There goes the country! What do they want, I couldn't help thinking, that he should be dating the Saudi Ambassador's wickedly handsome 18-year-old son?

The whole thing works out in the end, but along the way, there are pitfalls eased by the humor inherent in the story of a man in an extraordinary office trying to cope with ordinary things.

Besides the humor and romance, there's a strong sense of immediacy about the film.

Richard Dreyfuss as Senator Rumson, Shepherd's major opponent in the upcoming election, bears a striking resemblance in so many ways to a certain Speaker of the House.

Douglas has the backing of a talented cast. Michael J. Fox plays Lewis Rothschild, the President's Domestic Policy Advisor, with enough boyish energy and youthful intensity to give an idea of how frantic life in the Oval Office probably is.

Martin Sheen as A.J. MacInerney, the President's Chief of Staff, is properly wise, but with a wry sense of humor that puts things into perspective for his always beleaguered boss and best friend.

Anna Deavere Smith plays the White House Press Secretary, Robin McCall, with that proper sense of tension that has to exist between her position as spokesperson for the Chief Executive and the working press.

And for those of you who like a bit of local color in your movies, it's there. President Shepherd, it seems, comes from Wisconsin. Why? Who knows, but it's in the script.

The movie is instructive without being heavy. It is funny without being overly so. It is romantic without being sloppy. It is, in short, a very entertaining flick that will be well worth your while to see.

*The American President* opens at Milwaukee's Oriental Theatre on November 17<sup>th</sup>.

## 'Snow Angel' Tour by Williamson and Fure Will Start the Holidays With Joy and Peace

By Sue Burke

Christmas is approaching, and here's an early present: Chris Williamson and Tret Fure are coming to Milwaukee's Centennial Hall on Saturday, December 2, to celebrate the release of "Snow Angel" on CD.

The show starts at 8:00 p.m. with tickets at the door, 733 N. 8th St., for \$17; or \$15 in advance from People's Books, Just Us, AfterWords and Outpost Natural Foods; or by sending a check and self-addressed stamped envelope to Full Moon Productions, N235 County Hwy. W, Campbellsport, WI 53010.

They will also appear in Madison Friday, December 1, at the Barrymore Theater, 2090 Atwood Ave. For tickets, call the Barrymore box office, (608) 241-8633.

"Snow Angel" tells of friends, frosty nights, Holy days, lonely moments and children's wishes that must wait "until the money comes." It includes Carl Sandburg's poem "Star Silver" asking "Why does the story never wear out?" and a carol or two that everyone knows that never sounded lovelier.

Williamson tells about her own childhood Christmas at Moonlight Ranch in South Dakota when her father decorated the tree with "real angel hair" from the braids her mother

had just shorn from Williamson.

Of course, Williamson helped define women's music 20 years ago with the album *The Changer and the Changed*. She helped found Olivia Records. She's traveled to Carnegie Hall and Russia.

She started touring with Tret Fure 14 years ago. Fure, one of the first women music engineers in the United States, also has earned a reputation as a song writer and lighting-fast rock guitarist.

Together, Fure and Williamson have founded In the Best Interests of the Children Inc., a volunteer non-profit pediatric AIDS organization.

Critics say Fure's music and lyrics have become more compelling during the years, especially on her most recent album, *Time Turns the Moon*. They say Williamson's voice, once described by Bonnie Raitt as "like hearing honey dripped on a cello," has grown stronger and richer with time.

Together, they can melt the most Scrooge-like heart with the message that "It's the very best time of the year/ Calling up the best of what we are/ Telling us to follow all our highest dreams/Just as others followed a star."

And maybe, they'll sing, as they sing on the album, "Chestnuts roasting on an open fire," the opening words to Mel Torme and Robert Well's famous song. Merry Christmas to you.

## Stage Society, a New Theatre Group, Forms in Milwaukee

Milwaukee—A new theatre group, The Stage Society, in cooperation with Calvary Presbyterian Church, will debut this Winter.

Actor/playwright James Henderson, who heads the venture, will emphasize socially relevant plays by new playwrights.

The first three productions scheduled will be his, beginning with *Perry Lively*, a comedy about an elderly man in conflict with his daughters over giving up his home.

Reading auditions will be held at the church, 935 W. Wisconsin Ave. (Use 10<sup>th</sup> Street, lower-level entrance) on December 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Actors of all ages are sought for the company, including seniors. Also needed are theatre techies and other personnel. Call (414) 225-0061 for further information.

Actor's photos and resumes will be accepted by mail. Playwrights, do not send scripts; only a one-page synopsis, please.

Three productions are scheduled for the first half of 1996. The *Perry Lively* performances are set for mid-February.

## Holiday Film Series at Downer to Benefit Food For Families

Milwaukee—Milwaukee's Downer Theatre in conjunction with WISN-TV will be running a holiday film series in December to benefit Food For Families. The series also celebrates the 80<sup>th</sup> year of the Downer Theatre.

The four films to be shown are:

1. *Prancer* to be shown on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Noon;
2. *Scrooge* to be shown Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at Noon;
3. *A Christmas Story* to be shown on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at noon;
4. *The Nutcracker* (animated) to be shown Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at Noon.

Admission is free with the donation of two non-perishable food items or with a two dollar donation. All money collected goes to Food For Families.

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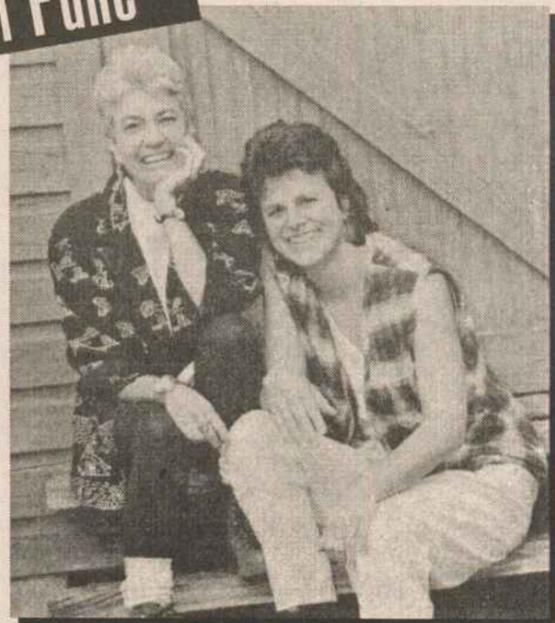
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## SUMMERFEST Continued from Page 1

The park, popularly known as "the Summerfest grounds," takes its name from the music festival held there every Summer beginning in the last part of June, the largest such festival in the world.

With a large number of permanent stages, an amphitheater, food buildings, booths and exhibit areas, it is the finest permanent festival facility of its kind in the country.

In addition, unlike Veterans Park or Juneau Park or at Cathedral Square where PrideFest has been held previously, the Summerfest grounds are paved. There are ample toilet facilities and experienced people to attend to maintenance.

### Move Caps a Year of Achievement

The announcement that the Pride celebration will be moving to the Summerfest grounds, caps a year of stunning success for the PrideFest organization.

In May of this year, the group mounted the first ever Rainbow flags on City light poles.

In June, at the Pride festival held at Veterans Park, it produced a major two day festival complete with five stages, fireworks—the first for a Lesbian/Gay pride celebration anywhere in the country, so far as is known—dozens of exhibits, and more.

In September PrideFest held the first ever public LesBiGay event at Milwaukee's City Hall, an opening night reception for a major history exhibit, **The Advocate's Long Road to Freedom.**

With the help of Attorney Steve Brondino, and material and significant support from the Cream City Foundation and Miller Brewery, PrideFest brought the world-famed exhibit to Wisconsin for displays in Milwaukee and Madison.

### After a Year of Waiting, the Word Spreads Fast

The negotiations to rent a portion of the Summerfest grounds had been going on for over a year. Even after the Board voted to rent a portion of the grounds to PrideFest, an announcement was to have been delayed.

However, as Bill Meunier, PrideFest co-director left the Board room, he found representatives from the major electronic media there and the story broke.

That afternoon, Terry Boughner, editor of **Wisconsin Light**, was interviewed about the move on WTMJ radio, on the Jonathan Green, "Greenhouse Show." Because of that,

Boughner said, he sent a letter to Green asking that he broadcast from the Summerfest grounds at PrideFest. There were indications that the letter would be well received.

### The Cost

As the news about the move to the Summerfest grounds got out, there were many questions in the community, particularly over the cost entailed by the move.

"Contrary to what some might think," Meunier said, "a site at Maier Park is less expensive than our old site was. This move gives a chance to save money, and use the best festival facilities anywhere."

"We couldn't be more pleased with the Milwaukee World Festival commitment to truly represent the diversity of our community. While our site is changing, the character of our festival will remain the same."

A previous PrideFest study, made while negotiations were going on, showed that the group would realize significant savings in costs with the Maier Festival Park location.

But Meunier cautioned, "While the new site will save us money, we will need more funds up front than has been the case in the past. The continued financial support of our community is essential."

Meunier's Co-Director, Susan Cook shares his excitement. Cook is responsible for volunteers and the food and beverages. "Moving to Maier Festival Park will allow us to diversify our menu, provide better facilities for our volunteers to work with and add more food stands from outside vendors."

### Only a Portion of the Grounds

Other people wondered aloud if the Pride Festival would be able to fill up the grounds, not knowing that only part of the park is to be used.

According to Meunier, PrideFest plans to use only a portion of the Summerfest grounds. This area includes the Miller Area, the Williamsburg Village, the Sports area, Channel 12 area and the Fountain area within the complex.

Entrance will be from the mid-gate only. The new site will be roughly equivalent to the space PrideFest used at its old site, Veterans Park.

### New Attractions and Events

Because of a different configuration of stages and by using buildings as sound barriers, PrideFest believes it can add many new attractions and events to the 1996 celebration.

Organizers hope to open the festival on the evening of Friday June 7<sup>th</sup> with a "Rainbow Party." The party will feature dancing and name entertainment.

A PrideFest Run/Walk to be held either Saturday or Sunday is also being planned.

With the move to the Summerfest grounds, a fourth entertainment stage is slated to be added in 1996. **The Shepherd Express** Rainbow Cafe, will feature coffee house style entertainment and an espresso bar.

Also scheduled to be added in 1996 are two new cultural tents. A Silent Auction tent will feature art work produced by Lesbian and Gay artists and other items.

The Literature Tent will be offer book readings and signings from noted authors.

PrideFest became concerned about its ability to keep the festival fresh after last year's highly successful event.

Organizers had problems with the sound systems on some of the stages and the dance tent over lapping each other. It would have been impossible to add any more stages at Veteran's park without either spending thousands of dollars to fence off a bigger site or eliminating the dance tent.

Furthermore there were the challenges presented by the problem of putting together a major festival on a site that was nothing more than bare land.

"We had two people who did nothing but run from generator to generator to keep the power going," said Cook. She added "That won't be a problem at Maier Park because we won't need to use generators."

### Some Community Reaction

Reaction from the Gay and Lesbian community around Milwaukee has been overwhelmingly positive.

Upon hearing the news, one Milwaukee bar, Mama Roux's gave away "Alabama Slammers" to celebrate.

In the meantime, congratulations have poured into the PrideFest office from supporters, volunteers and business owners.

One long-time PrideFest supporter, Joe Brehm, owner of the popular This Is It bar, had a typical reaction "By moving to Summerfest, PrideFest has put itself in a position to eventually attract people from around the country. Its a great move. It shows that PrideFest has really come into its own."

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## Catherine Wulfensmith Talks About Her Life in the Ex-Gay Ministries

### Part II

By Darren J. Roberts

Catherine Wulfensmith is a 36-year-old Los Angeles native and marriage and family psychotherapist who, for over a year, lived with Love In Action (LIA), the live-in Exodus ministry. She began in 1986, the first year that Lesbians were allowed in the group.

By 1987, still in LIA, she was hospitalized for depression. She decided to use the hospital reprieve to gather her thoughts, reflect on her time in LIA, and contemplate the cause of her growing depression, and, to accomplish this introspection, refused all visitors, including those from LIA. Upon that decision, LIA dismissed her, saying that "I wasn't in the group mentality kind of thing and that I would not be allowed to return to the ministry—they were very, very big on group mentality."

Having grown up in the church—her pastor father is currently professor of Christian Education at a Georgia Bible school—Wulfensmith "was taught all my life that homosexuality was a sin." By her "covertly anti-Gay" parents.

She told them she was a Lesbian only two years ago, in a series of coming out letters. Their views have not changed.

"They believe very strongly that homosexuality is a sin and that I'm going to hell," Wulfensmith says matter-of-factly. She describes her current relationship with them as "estranged at best."

The question of when she realized she was a Lesbian is a difficult one for her to answer. "When I was 19, I was involved in a Lesbian relationship for a year and a half, but never acknowledge to myself that I was a Lesbian. I just thought it was a woman that I had fallen in love with and I was still looking to get married

to a man. That year, she followed her first Lesbian sexual encounter with a few heterosexual ones, but still the nagging problem remained.

Because she had never fallen in love with a man and because she was recognizing a "problem in that area (that's the way I looked at it)" that needed to be fixed, Wulfensmith, then 27, moved to California from Kentucky and joined LIA in August of 1986 after coming across an Exodus pamphlet.

Not certain of her sexual orientation, "it wasn't until I joined LIA that I was able to acknowledge to myself for the first time that, Yes, I am a Lesbian . . . This is where I really belong. And I feel very comfortable with all these other Lesbians and all these Gay men. This is who I really am."

As she was discovering that she was a Lesbian, LIA was telling her that she was not. Not any longer, anyway. "Their whole spiel to us was that before we joined the ministry, we were homosexual. The day we got into the ministry, we were ex-Gay—you are labeled ex-Gay without any change ever taking place. That's what they drummed into us: 'You are now all changed; you are now all ex-Gay.' And they were very controlling of what we thought. They were always wanting to know our thoughts, and teaching us how to control our thoughts. From my perspective now, it's a brainwashing operation.

Their whole emphasis was on this sin or that sin, you're sinning by keeping this vow you made as a child (that makes you Gay). Or you're sinning because you idolize the body of a woman."

Wulfensmith reported that LIA offered such "helpful" lessons as make-up tips and wearing

colors to make them "more feminine." Wulfensmith, laughing, said she declined to partake.

She roomed with a fellow Lesbian but never saw any "falling" among the women in the group, only in the men.

"In fact," she said, "the men 'fell' frequently. They were always having to confess to the group that they had fallen."

What was emphasized with the women was "emotional dependency, that we shouldn't get into these emotional dependencies, which, of course, the women were all the time because there were attractions."

While women were not forbidden to enter nearby San Francisco as the men were, "if it had been known that one of us had gone down to a Lesbian bar or something, we would have faced severe punishment."

A typical day around the house found the men cooking in the kitchen and the women in the backyard working on the cars, "regardless of what LIA would have like to have seen for us," she laughs.

During her stay, Wulfensmith was celibate, "although when I say celibate, I'm saying I didn't have sex with another person. They were very, very big on teaching us not to masturbate. That was a struggle for me for a long time."

It was a struggle that she eventually lost, masturbation providing her only sexual outlet.

The "sinful" TV and video restrictions were puzzling to Wulfensmith. Among the many films banned from LIA were *Airplane!*, *Young Frankenstein*, *Steel Magnolias*, *Mommie Dearest* and the like. Yentl was especially banned because in it there is a woman dressed like a man. On the other hand, the men were allowed to see *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*. "Go figure," she said.

One particularly "bizarre" incident on Thanksgiving Day still rings in her head and introduces the "destructive and immature" LIA women's leader Anita Worthen:

"We had gotten permission to watch the Thanksgiving Day parade, and several of us were watching. After the parade was over, there was a football game on and one of the men and myself continued watching the football game," Wulfensmith remembers.

"Anita came in, saw that we were watching football and started screaming at the top of her lungs at us, then walked out into the kitchen area. The two of us kind of looked at each other, stunned. She came back in with a butcher knife and cut the cable to the TV."

A little history: Anita had discovered LIA and Frank Worthen, an ex-Gay and the director of LIA, while trying to resolve her conflict with her own Gay son, Tony, who "has al-

ways been with a man," Wulfensmith said. "Even when Anita was leading the program, he was living with his lover, which was kind of interesting."

Anita pursued poor Frank "and they eventually got married," Wulfensmith said. "I know Frank was under a lot of pressure to get married because his being single didn't look good. Theirs was a unique relationship. I would often ask Frank directly a question at dinner and Anita would answer for him. She is very, very domineering and Frank is very passive in many ways."

Prior to the hospitalization that triggered Wulfensmith's ouster, LIA broke its own rules and allowed her to see an outside Christian therapist because she had become so uncontrollable in her conflicts with Anita.

"For almost everyone, individual therapy was outlawed; you were not allowed to see an individual therapist because that broke the code of the group. They actually came to me and told me I had to because I was unmanageable to them, because I was depressed and constantly questioned them. They found that very difficult . . . And the therapist and I basically came to the conclusion that LIA was a cult."

"I was conflicted" about being dismissed from LIA while homeless and lying in a hospital bed," Wulfensmith said. "I was relieved in the sense that I knew this wasn't working there, that I was getting more and more depressed, and that my orientation wasn't changing. They weren't being very supportive or helpful, they were being more antagonistic. So, in that sense, I felt the relief of being set free."

"But I was quite upset and very resentful of they way they did it."

LIA leaders told the nurse at the hospital who told a doctor, who then told Wulfensmith that she no longer had a home. "That's not the way to do it," she said. When the hospital released her, "I was literally out on the streets. I had nothing to do with them from that point on."

Yet, Wulfensmith, continuing in Christian therapy, still believed it possible to change her sexual orientation, unshaken by her experience with LIA. As a foundation for her goal, Wulfensmith held tightly to the theories of Dr. Elizabeth Moberly, who, in her *Homosexuality: A New Christian Ethic*, defines the homosexual condition as "a deficit in the child's ability to relate to the parent of the same sex in general, coupled with a corresponding drive to make good the deficit—through the medium of same-sex or homosexual relationships."

"Moberly's theory made sense to me on a

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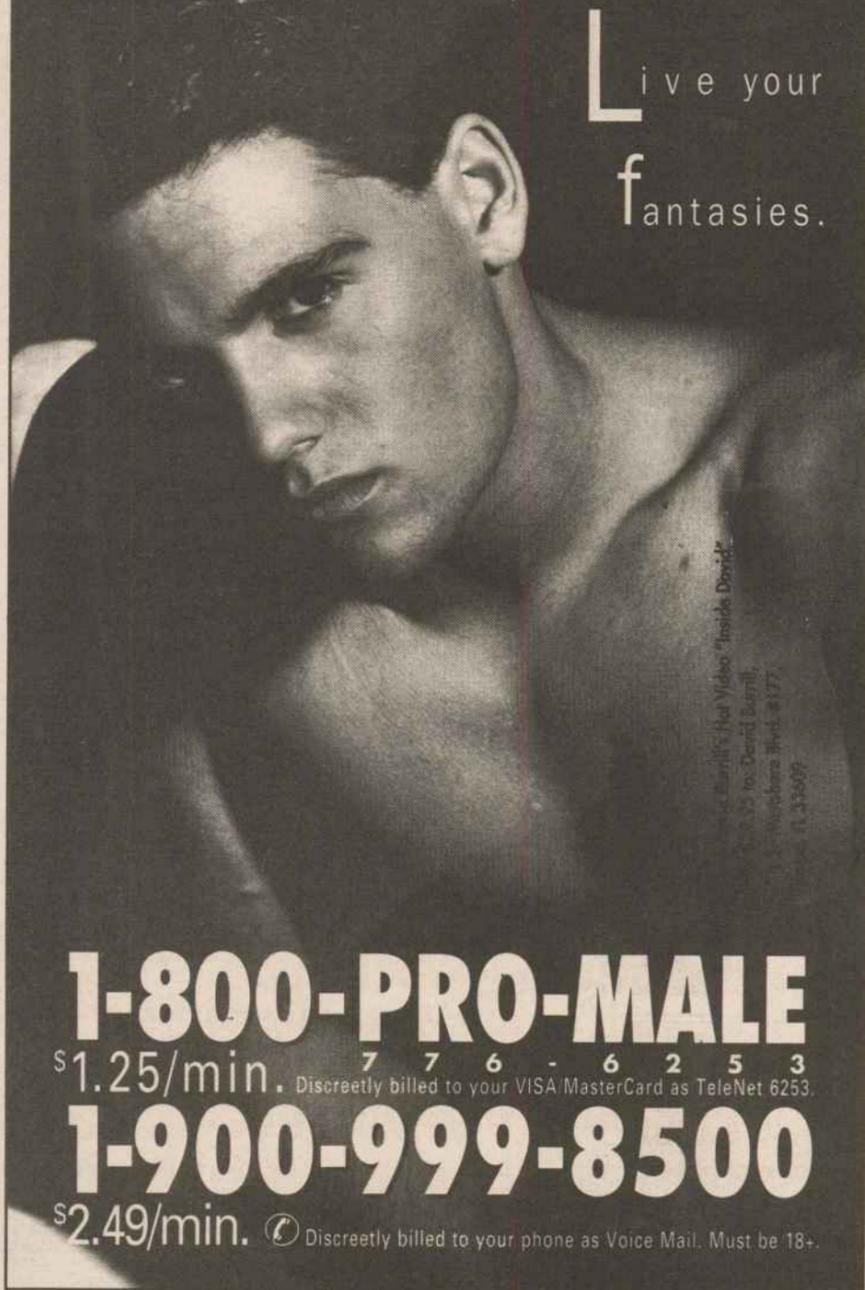
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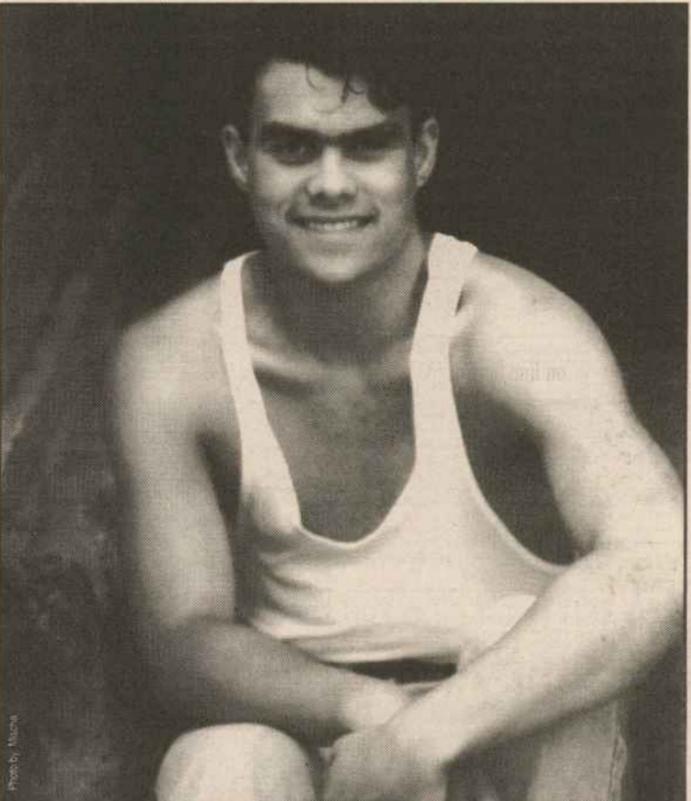
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Andre, BM, 32, 5'10, 180lbs., 34 waist, 44 chest, brown eyes, mustache, top, aggressive. ISO M, any race, for friendship and fun. (Call Thru) Box# 1061

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

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

Ry, 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

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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

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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

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George, 18, sexy, slim, brown hair, brown eyes, creative, erotic, enjoys going out, having fun, and exploring. (Call Thru) Box# 8485

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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

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John, looking for gorgeous BM in good condition. Give me a call. (Call Thru) Box# 5751

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Al, 29, looking for guys, 25-35. Give me a call. (Call Thru) Box# 4365

Steve, 35, blue eyes, brownish-blond hair, 135lbs., bottom, looking for someone for good times. (Call Thru) Box# 3144

Mike, 5'9, 145lbs., dark hair, green eyes, smooth, tan, bottom, likes going to the beach, looking for top for different things. Box# 3474

Attractive GWM, 5'10, 170lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, mustache, very good looking, versatile, discrete, looking for attractive M, under 40, to get into some really hot times. (Call Thru) Box# 2726

Nathan, 26, tall, good looking, and very attractive guy, looking for someone nice. Give me a call. (Call Thru) Box# 2700

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Mike, 23, 5'8, 185lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, looking for a cowboy who wants to have fun and maybe have their bull rode. (Call Thru) Box# 2313

Travis, GBM, carriebean, 26, recent grad, looking for nice caring individual to share life with me. Any race. (Call Thru) Box# 2241

Randy, 30, 5'9, 148lbs., 28waist, looking for someone, 30 or younger, to get together. (Call Thru) Box# 1474

Mark, 38, 6', brown hair, brown eyes, top, HIV+, seeking someone special. Box# 2049

Terry, African American M, 28, 5'7, 150lbs., brown eyes, grad student, looking for dominant, masculine African American M, 25-35, 5'9+, independent, honest, to experience friendship and more. (Call Thru) Box# 0052

Steve, BM, 35, 5'8, 180lbs., straight, curious, looking for very feminine M, any race, beautiful to look at and wonderful to hold. Drag queens welcome. Box# 0196

Michael, 21, 5'8, 200lbs., dark brown hair, brown eyes, into all kinds of different things. ISO M, 18-30, who's an aggressive top. (Call Thru) Box# 1280

Steven, GWM, 32, 5'8, good looking, brown hair, brown eyes, mustache, Italian, great body, into safe sex. ISO attractive GWM, similar interests, for friendship/possible relationship. Belives in honesty and lifetime commitments. (Call Thru) Box# 1726

Dave, GWM, 23, 6'1, 189lbs., clean cut, military type, looking for hairy chested M, 6'2+. Honesty is important. Box# 3231

Sam, 5'4, 160lbs., cuddly little teddy bear, looking for something casual, not to intense. Let's cuddle tonight. Box# 3728

Charles, GWM, 35, 5'10, 185lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, mustache, moderately hairy chest. ISO GWM, 25-45, for caring, romantic, monogamous relationship. Mustache/hairy chest a plus. Box# 3920

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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

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

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

Robert, 5'10, 145, brn hr/eyes, excellent shapete, American/Indian, Black, Italian, ISO G/BiWM, who enjoys good company. Box# 8839

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Dave, 35, 6'2, 185lbs., light brown hair, blue eyes, clean shaven, looking for someone to have some fun. Box# 3168

Rita, 33, GF, looking for G/BiF who wants to have some fun. (Call Thru) Box# 8655

Steven, looking for someone to call me, any race. Call me sometime. (Call Thru) Box# 9464

GWM, 34, 170, 6'8, fun-loving, open-minded but con-

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, 18, looking for compassionate M friend, 18-25, any race. Box# 7307

Dave, 39, 6', 200lbs., good shape, fun guy, likes skiing, scuba diving, swimming, cars, mexican restaurants, movies, dining out. Sexually I like alot of things. ISO M. (Call Thru) Box# 0179

Chuck, WM, 24, dark hair, blue eyes, tan, GQ type, good looking. ISO BM, good-looking, good-shape, well-dressed, straight-acting. Maybe we can hook-up, get together, and get to know each other. (Call Thru) Box# 8009

Bob, 43, trying to get in shape, wants to get back that lean muscle shape. Looking for M to train with, lift weights, go walking with. (Call Thru) Box# 1432

Kevin, 24, 6'1, 170lbs., into hip-hop, R&B, dancing, doesn't like anybody knowing his business. ISO attractive Puerto Rican/BM, no fems, no fats. Box# 2465

John, GWM, 44, 5'7, 200lbs., big chest, big arms, brown hair, green-eyes, trim mustache, HIV-. ISO GM, any race, likes outdoors, quiet times, body massages, cuddling, to settle down, serious relationship. Box# 4271

Italian BM, 32, looking for M, well built, well hung. Box# 2532

GWM, 29, 6'1, attractive, blonde hair, green eyes, looking to meet M, attractive, fit, secure with themselves. (Call Thru) Box# 4682

Allen, WM, mid-30's, 5'11, 140lbs., good looking, slender, dark-brown hair, blue/eyes, mustache, bottom, somewhat hairy. ISO M, hot top, hairy daddy, who knows what he wants and how to get it. (Call Thru) Box# 4724

Tony, 29, dirty-blond hair, blue-green/eyes, 6', 185lbs., affectionate, likes the outdoors, running, having good times, movies, and holding and cuddling. ISO M, 27 or younger, descent shape, with similar interests. Box# 9046

Mike, 41, 6', 200lbs., body builder, open, willing to do almost anything. ISO M, for friendship, developing into long term/sexual relationship. (Call Thru) Box# 8725

M, 38, good looking, in-shape, financially secure, stable. Looking for versatile M, 18-25. Apply for position. (Call Thru) Box# 4105

Dark haired, dark eyed M, 31, 6'1, 150lbs., smooth, mustache, looking for hot times with M, 30-45, who likes to have good times. Box# 7424

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

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

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

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

22 year old, BM, 6'1, 150lbs., looking for M, 20-35. Preferably BM. Box# 8530

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AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin  
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Milwaukee, WI 53202

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## MINISTRIES

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theoretical level" that LIA's theories did not, admits Wulfensmith. "And that's why I stuck to the idea that you can change your orientation for so long."

Working with her female Christian therapist, Wulfensmith believe that as she became more and more attached to her therapist, she "would become more and more heterosexual."

In 1989, convinced that she had actually become heterosexual, Wulfensmith returned to her original plan prior to entering LIA and discovering she was a Lesbian—she married a man, "someone who was very unstable and, I believe, actually a Gay man and hasn't acknowledged that yet." After nine blissless months, the separated and then divorced in 1992.

Still convinced that she was heterosexual after her divorce and after LIA, Wulfensmith underwent a long process and "began to read books that had to do with pro-Gay theology, and came to an understanding that it wasn't contrary to the Bible. And that freed me up to really look at myself, to try to evaluate what was going on with me and whether or not I had changed."

Eventually, "I realized that I was as much of a Lesbian as I had ever been, had not changed, had been working very hard to convince myself that I had, and that it was okay to be that, a Lesbian."

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A new chapter of self-acceptance finally opened in her life, sighs Wulfensmith, "at the beginning of the Summer of 1993."

**Editor's Note:** The author is the editor of Edge Magazine in San Diego. Part III of this series on the ex-Gay ministries will appear in the next issue.

## AIDS DRUGS

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tients have just a 30 to 40 cell improvement.

"It's not an ideal drug," said AIDS activist Martin Delaney. "If patients have run out of options they should be able to take it. But if they're stable ... it may pay to wait."

New studies indicate the dose is too low to have a good effect, but Roche says it has not pursued higher doses because to achieve them patients would have to swallow 36 pills a day.

Roche wants to sell saquinavir under the brand name Invirase. The company would not say how much the drug would cost, but AIDS activists estimate it will be about \$6,000 a year, which they call unacceptable.

And there is some evidence that saquinavir might cause HIV to mutate in such a way that patients could never benefit from better protease inhibitors that are now being developed.

Patients are worried about emerging data that indicate protease inhibitors are cross-resistant—if one fails, they may not be able to try another. Two other protease inhibitors are expected to hit the market within a year and are expected to be stronger than saquinavir.

There are not enough data to say how big a threat this is, said Dr. Douglas Mayers of the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research. But early indications are that saquinavir is less cross-resistant than its future competitors, he said.

Still, 36 percent of patients who took saquinavir for a year developed one or two mutations in their HIV virus that are involved in developing resistance against other protease inhibitors, Delaney said. No one knows how important those mutations are, but that could be answered in a matter of months if Roche and competitors, Merck & Co. and Abbott Laboratories, would cooperate on a study, he said.

After prodding from Kessler, representatives of the three companies said they would be open to doing that.

## WISCONSIN

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disagree, I'm excited that we will have the assistance of the Majority Leader in making sure

that those who would attempt to roll back civil rights protections do not prevail."

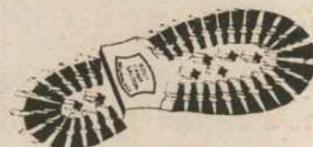
Founded in 1994, Action Wisconsin is a statewide organization created to advance, support and protect the rights of Wisconsin's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community. An independent, non-partisan organization, Action Wisconsin works closely with local GLBT organizations from around Wisconsin, AIDS organizations such as the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin and national organizations such as the AIDS Action Council and the Human Rights Campaign.

## Survival/Revival Resale Shop Marks One Year of Service on December 1<sup>st</sup>

**Milwaukee**—In celebration of its first anniversary, the Survival/Revival Resale Shop invites children under the age of 12 to visit the shop and accept a Christmas token from one of Santa's elves on Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. In addition, birthday cake will be served and selected clothing items will be marked down at 50% off.

The Survival/Revival Shop opened its doors on December 1, 1994 and benefits the programs of the Milwaukee AIDS Project, sponsored by the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin. The shop is located at 246 E. Chicago Street in Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward.

Business hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, Noon to 5:00 p.m. Call (414) 291-2856 for more information.



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# HIV DRUG TRIALS OPEN FOR ENROLLMENT

## WISCONSIN COMMUNITY-BASED RESEARCH CONSORTIUM (WCRC)

The WCRC is currently enrolling individuals with HIV disease for participation in two trials of experimental drug therapies. These trials may advance scientific knowledge and future treatment for other individuals with HIV disease.

### TRIAL NO. 1 - DELAVIRDINE

This is a double-blind, randomized study. The study compares the responses of individuals taking a combination of Delavirdine (DLV) and Didanosine (ddI), or placebo and ddI.

#### ELIGIBILITY:

If you are fourteen years of age or older, are HIV positive, have a CD4 count of 50 to 300, have previously been on AZT and have not been on ddI therapy for more than four months, you may be eligible for this study.

### TRIAL NO. 2 - DELAVIRDINE

This is a double-blind, randomized study. The study compares the responses of individuals taking varied doses of Delavirdine (DLV) and Zidovudine (AZT), or placebo and AZT.

#### ELIGIBILITY:

If you are fourteen years of age or older, are HIV positive, have a CD4 count greater than 200 but less than 500, and have not been on AZT therapy for more than six months, you may be eligible for this study.

**For information about enrolling in these trials, please call Jacque Kaczinski, R.N. at the WCRC office at 414-225-1578.**

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