

## SPEAKER AND PANEL BUREAU

Interested educational or service-oriented groups desiring individuals or panels of gay people to openly discuss feelings and experiences should contact the CENTER by phone or in writing. The gay experience will be placed within the spectrum of human experience rather than isolating it outside that experience and labelling it a deviance.

Professions and professional groups seeking to learn more about gay lifestyles, adaptations, and adjustments are encouraged to include input from gay people rather than accept the testimony of "experts" whose sources and experiences are frequently questionable. Gay people are adequately prepared to speak for themselves and their experiences in any serious enquiry.

## RESOURCES

The CENTER will gladly cooperate with scholars who wish to research gay themes in literature, religion, history, and law as well as investigations into the homophobia which dominates and has dominated the thinking of much critical teaching and criticism.

## PHONE INFORMATION SERVICE

New to Madison? Need directions to the bars and other local activities? Just call 257-7575 during phone hours.

Through the use of the GAYELLOW PAGES we can give you listings for bars, baths, groups, etc., in most major cities throughout the US, including Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

## LEGAL SERVICES

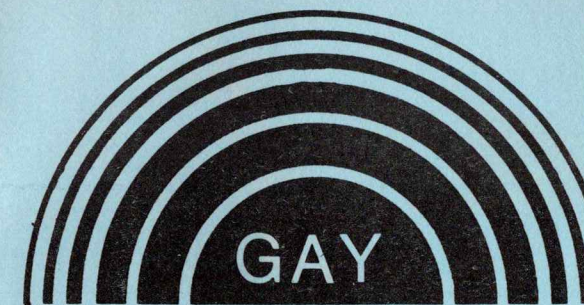
Legal referrals and private consultation on legal questions affecting gay people as well as discrimination cases are available by calling the CENTER, 257-7575, weekday afternoons and evenings.



The projects and services described herein are funded through contributions and pledges from throughout the community. If you believe these are worth-while and should be continued your support is encouraged. Tax exempt status has been applied for; call the CENTER for details.

RENAISSANCE OF MADISON, INC.  
BOX 687  
MADISON, WI 53701  
(608) 257-7575

Week day afternoons, 1-5 PM, 7-10 PM, or by appointment.



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RENAISSANCE is a Madison based, non-profit, service oriented organization whose purpose is to raise money for gay community projects and services. Currently, these range from peer group counseling services, to a VD Clinic and a Speaker and Panel Bureau. Renaissance is the organization responsible for the Coordinator's salary.\* The Board is composed of members of the community who are willing and interested in promoting a positive and integrative concept of and for gay people.

\*Each month the Coordinator publishes a newsletter which is mailed to those who support the goals and means of Renaissance.



(GAY LOGO)

This graphic symbol has been chosen to represent a multi-colored rainbow and the many and varied aspects of life open to those who accept it, or, it represents a sunrise which dawns on those who come to truly accept themselves as they are, or . . .

It will be used to signal the activities and projects of RENAISSANCE OF MADISON, INC.

The GAY CENTER serves as an office, meeting place, phone service, periodical library, etc. for the various organizations and services which are currently utilizing the CENTER's space. Because of the limited hours of operation it is best to call ahead for an appointment, or, if you are interested in just dropping in, call ahead to make certain someone will be there.

PEER GROUP COUNSELING

Providing free peer group alternative counseling services has led to some misunderstanding. Many people believe that counseling is only for the very disturbed.

A person may feel lonely or isolated and have trouble making friends. He or she may be married or in a relationship where communication is difficult.

These feelings may not be very intense, but are uncomfortable and could possibly be dealt with or talked about. As the motto says, a person does not have to be "sick," but with improved patterns of communication a good situation or relationship can become even better. So too with any type of problem situation. A chance to talk it out with someone can often be the move that leads to a new period of growth.

Another important part of our work is in the appropriate resources that would best help a person with his problems. When we first see someone we take a good look at what is happening and look for the best possible way to help that person—it may be by talking to one of our counselors, or involvement with a group, or by letting them know about other resources within the community.

Please feel free to give us a call—we will be glad to set up an appointment with you. Staff members are available to professionals for consultation and these enquiries are welcomed.



MALE VD CLINIC

Beginning in the fall of 1973 with only screening available the CLINIC has now expanded to include treatment as well.

GAY VD CLINIC  
913 Spring Street (BLUE BUS)  
Madison, WI  
Tuesdays, 7:30—9:30 PM  
Screening and Treatment

For further details on the CLINIC call the CENTER on weekday afternoons or evenings. On CLINIC nights the facilities are staffed by gay volunteers and a physician is always present to answer your questions in person.

The GAY ACTIVIST'S ALLIANCE (GAA) is a University of Wisconsin registered student organization designed to meet the educational, social and political needs of the gay U/W student community.

GAA is not limited to student membership and interest is the only requirement for attendance at meetings or social functions. See campus bulletin boards and DATELINES for time and locations of meetings, brunches, dances, etc.

