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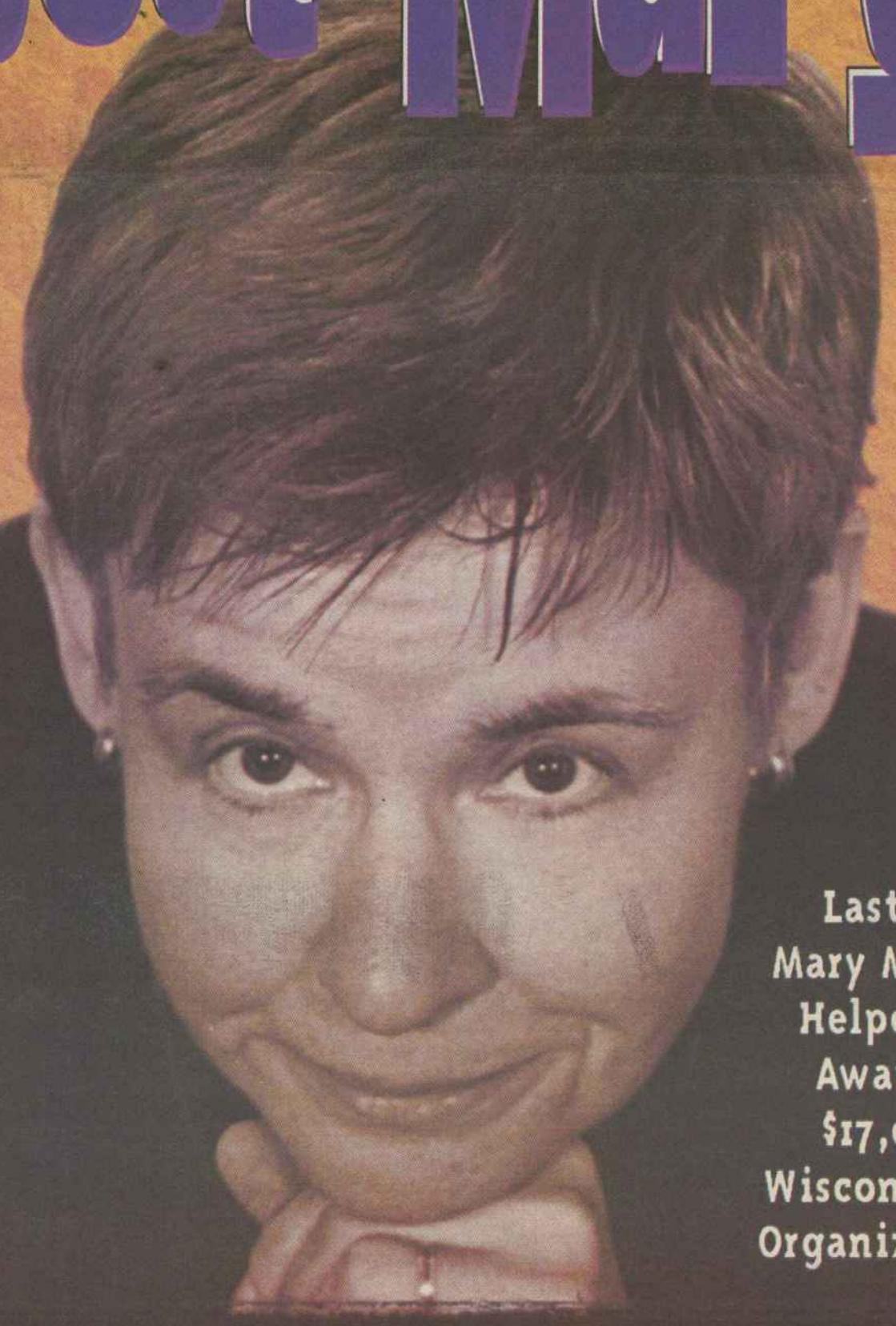
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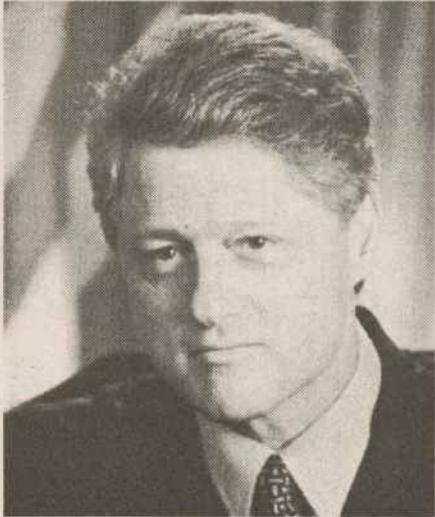
by Kevin Galvin

Washington (AP) — President Clinton has endorsed a bill that would expand federal hate crime laws to include offenses based on sexual orientation, White House officials said on April 5.

Congress failed to act on similar legislation last year.

Clinton also will direct that colleges be required to report hate crimes annually and announce a public-private partnership designed to educate middle school students against intolerance.

The partnership will involve AT&T, Court TV, Cable in the Classroom and the



President Clinton

National Middle Schools Association working with the Justice and Education departments to develop curricula to combat intolerance.

"The president is signing this directive to increase public awareness and information about hate crimes among young people and doing whatever he can in his power to advance this cause while we wait for Congress to act," said Bruce Reed, the White House director of public policy.

The idea for the middle schools program grew out of a White House conference on hate crimes that generated a lot of anecdotal information about ethnic and racial insensitivities among school children, officials said.

The aim, said a White House official who spoke on condition of anonymity, is to "nip intolerance in the bud" by educating children about its consequences.

In addition, Clinton will direct the Justice and Education departments to require that college campuses provide specific information about hate crimes in the campus crime statistics they provide to law enforcement each year.

The information will be used to generate hard data on how crimes of violence relate to intolerance on college campuses, the official said.

Clinton's hate crimes legislation died in committee in the House and Senate last year. The initiative was reintroduced last month by a bipartisan group of lawmakers, including Sens. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and Arlen Specter, R-Pa., and Reps. John Conyers, D-Mich., and Connie Morella, R-Md.

Under the bill, current law would be expanded so the Justice Department could prosecute crimes based on a person's sex, sexual orientation or disability. Now, the statute only covers crimes based on race, color, religion or national origin.

Also, the bill would make federal prosecution of hate crimes easier. Current law limits prosecution to situations where the victim is targeted for engaging in certain federally protected activities, such as serving on a jury, voting or attending public school.

More than 40 states have hate crimes laws but only 21 cover sexual orientation, 22 cover gender and 21 cover disability.

Sponsors are hoping that outrage over recent highly publicized killings will fuel support for the measure this year.

On our cover:

Mary Messerlie, Photo: Jorge Cabal

UW Religious Right Case Goes To U.S. Supreme Court

by Mike Leon
of the IN Step staff

Madison — The future of subsidized student groups at colleges across the nation may depend on the judicial interpretation of the constitutionality of a public forum in a university setting.

In a potentially landmark case accepted for argument by the U.S. Supreme Court on March 29, the funding of student groups by mandatory student fees is being challenged in *Southworth v. Grebe*.

Five University of Wisconsin graduates are plaintiffs in the case. They successfully argued in federal court in 1996 that funding as part of their tuition of 18 student groups they disapprove of — including the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Center, Amnesty International and the Campus Women's Center — violates their First Amendment right not to engage in compelled political and ideological speech, and their right to freedom of association.

The case represents a legal front in the religious right's can't-stop culture war at colleges where diversity and tolerance of different sexual orientations are both conspicuous cultural features — student groups being among the most visible incarnations.

In a controversial decision, a three-judge panel for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, with jurisdiction over three midwestern states, unanimously affirmed the decision on Aug. 10, 1998. A UW petition for an en banc hearing, a hearing before the full circuit, was denied in late October by a seven-to-four vote.

The Seventh Circuit's ruling for the Christian plaintiffs concludes: "Funding of private organizations (the student groups) which engage in political and ideological activities is not germane to a university's educational mission, and even if it were, there is no vital interest in compelled funding, and the burden on the plaintiffs' First Amendment right to 'freedom of belief' outweighs any governmental interest."

Two religious right legal foundations are aiding the plaintiffs in *Southworth*: The Arizona-based Alliance Defense Fund and the Virginia-based Northstar Legal Center.

The Alliance Defense Fund (ADF) is closely aligned with major religious right organizations, and has contributed some \$70,000 to this litigation, according to the plaintiffs' attorney, Jordan Lorence of the Northstar Legal Center.

On its Web site, the ADF boasts of a coordinated national strategy to implement its Christian ideology as legal doctrine, fighting "radical activists (who) are waging legal warfare against people of faith."

Although the Christian plaintiffs sound like civil libertarians in their declaration of First Amendment rights, their right-wing, homophobic Christian concerns in *Southworth* are further revealed in interviews when they espouse a world view which sees liberal universities, LGBT organizations, and groups like the A.C.L.U., an amicus party to the Court, as doing battle with their Christian nation.

"The ACLU is going to take a fall. They're better named, 'the Anti-Christian Lawyers Union'. They take cases against Christians. And my faith has motivated me to take a stand. We should not be forced to fund liberal ideologies against our beliefs," says UW law school graduate Scott Southworth, now working as a legislative aide in the Wisconsin Legislature.

"The University has admitted if the KKK and the Nazi's form student groups, they would force Black and Jewish students to fund these groups. That's wrong."

The plaintiffs' constitutional argument centering on its interpretation of funding student groups rests upon the well established corollary First Amendment right not to be compelled to subsidize another's speech.

The Wisconsin Department of Justice representing the UW System, and the ACLU of Wisconsin, an Amicus party, argued that the fee system encouraging the formation of student organizations is a non-spatial public forum vital to the

University's educational mission that as a whole subsidizes a wide range of ideas. This legal reasoning is called "public forum," "forum-creation" or "metaphysical forum" analysis.

Judge Diane P. Wood in her dissenting opinion on the en banc petition in the Seventh Circuit agreed. "In my view, there is a dispositive difference for First Amendment purposes between requiring someone to fund a forum, and requiring someone to support the speech of any or all speakers who come to use the forum," wrote Wood.

Universities have long subsidized student groups as a means of informal learning outside the classroom. In her dissenting opinion on the en banc petition, Judge Ilana Diamond Rovner acknowledged this aspect of a higher education: "Numerous courts have recognized that the free expression of a wide range of ideas is central to the educational mission of a university, teaching students to separate the 'wheat from the chaff.'

Another amicus party, the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, framed the controversy as consisting of those supporting open forums and diverse views and those, like right-wing Christians, who can't stand opposing views.

"Just as taxpayers cannot request a refund when the Mall in Washington, D.C., is used to hold a rally they dislike, the objecting students can't be exempted from supporting a campus forum that allows expression on all sides of the political spectrum," said Lambda Legal Director Beatrice Dohrn.

Heading into the new millennium, the public academy is faced with the perverse prospect of a primary educational mission, serving as an open forum for ideas, being court-ordered to considerably dismantle by reason of religious conservatives' aversion to modern culture in the name of the First Amendment.

Bush's Anti-Gay Stance Leaves Log Cabin Cold



Texas Gov. George W. Bush

Austin — The first litmus test of Texas Gov. George W. Bush's quest for the Republican presidential nomination has just arrived.

While Texans and some Republicans may have a firm image of who Bush is, on the stage of national politics he is largely unknown.

In that vacuum, Bush's friends and enemies have been rapidly trying to define his image as a conservative, a moderate, in the mainstream, out of the mainstream, against abortion rights, soft on ending abortions.

"He's a bit of a Rorschach test," said Richard Tafel, executive director of the Log Cabin Republicans, a GOP gay rights group. "People are projecting onto him what they want to. Particularly moderates are hopeful that he will be messianic in saving the party from the rise of the right wing."

But Tafel, whose group was disappointed last week by stands Bush took against gay rights, said Bush's clean slate could cause people's high expectations of him to crash.

In the framework of launching his presidential exploratory bid, Bush has tried to define himself as a "compassionate conservative."

Bush has said he will have evolving positions on national issues different in many respects from those of his father, former President George Bush. While his father was an internationalist, the governor already has used America-first rhetoric.

And in the last few weeks, Bush has said that: Abortion is morally wrong; he opposes gay people being able to adopt children; he opposes including sexual orientation in a list of characteristics included in a state hate-crimes bill; he supports orga-

nized prayer at public school football games.

Yet Bush also has avoided taking stands on specific legislation that would enact into law some of these positions that are unpalatable to many American voters.

The result has been a barrage of attacks from the right and the left. Gay rights and civil rights groups have attacked Bush on his

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position on hate crimes, even though he has said he will not decide whether to sign a hate-crimes bill until it arrives on his desk.

Despite attacks on Bush from the right, it is clear that he is not as moderate as some of the other potential candidates and possible vice presidential candidates.

U.S. Sen. John McCain of Arizona, a likely presidential candidate, supports the "big-tent" view on abortion rights. McCain also has said he believes a homosexual could be president of the United States.

New York Gov. George Pataki, considering a favorite-son presidential candidacy in his state, has favored abortion rights and prohibits discrimination against gays.

New Jersey Gov. Christine Todd Whitman, frequently mentioned as a possible vice presidential candidate, clearly favors abortion rights and supports some gay and lesbian causes.

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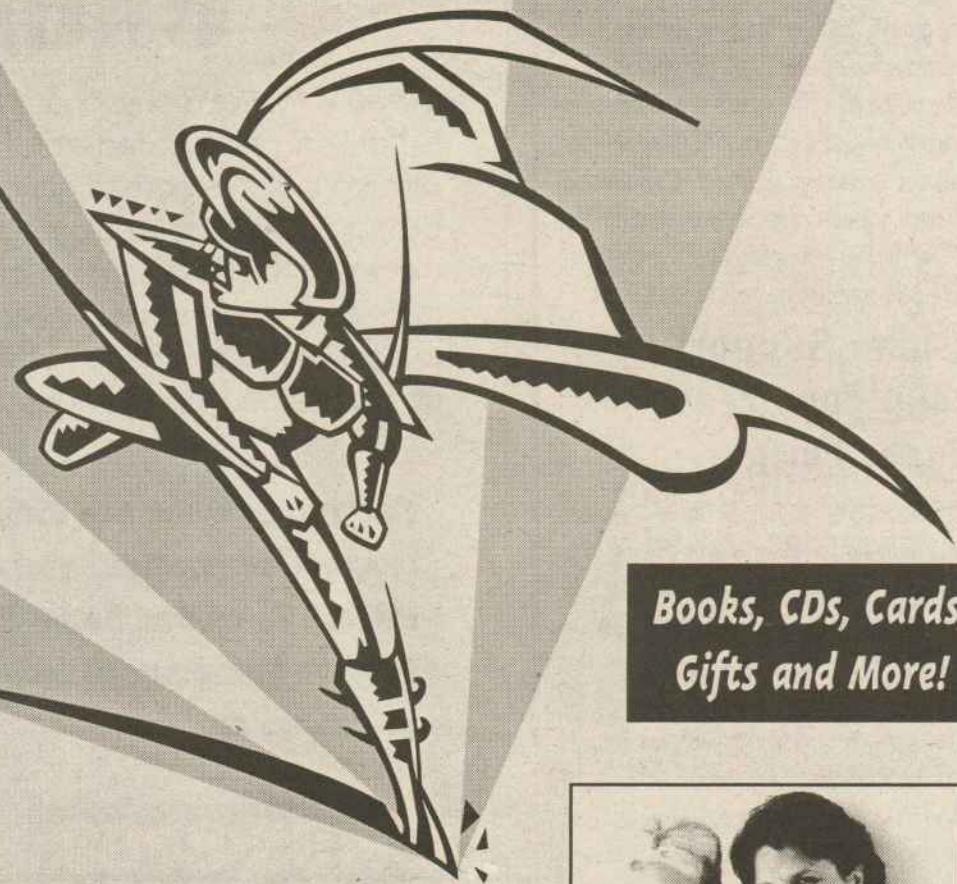
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Group Notes

Shoreline's Fourth Annual Spring Roundup Planned

Milwaukee — Country dancers from throughout the Midwest will gather in Milwaukee during the weekend of April 30 to May 2 for Shoreline's fourth annual Spring Roundup. This year's events will include a Friday night fish fry at the M&M Club, a Boots N' Boxers Ball at LaCage on Friday night, a swing dance workshop on Saturday afternoon at Fannies, the Country Dance Gala on Saturday night at the War Memorial Center, and a farewell brunch at Fannies on Sunday, followed by open dancing and a dance swap.

Weekend packages are currently available for all these events by mail. Send \$25 to Shoreline, P.O. Box 510238, Milwaukee, WI 53203-0051. You may also purchase the package from Shoreline members. Individual tickets may be purchased for the Country Dance Gala for \$10 prior to the event or \$15 at the door. Admission to all other events is on a first-come first-serve basis. For more ticket information call Shoreline at (414) 747-0388.

This year's charitable recipients are the Cream City Foundation, a local foundation supporting the LGBT community, and Camp Heartland, a camp for children affected by the crisis. Special room rates are available for out of town guests at the downtown Hyatt Hotel. Call (800) 233-1234 or (414) 276-1234 for more information on room rates.

ABA Returns to M&M Club

Milwaukee — The Alternative Business Association, Inc. (ABA), will return to the M&M Club, 124 N. Water St. on April 21, at 7 p.m. for its Anniversary Meeting. The meeting's keynote speaker will be David Zepecki, Director of Economic Development for Milwaukee County. ABA has been growing rapidly since PrideFest '98 and asks members and prospective members to join them for this informational program, to meet the new board and officers, and to share hors d'oeuvres and cake.

Tim Marshall stated, "The ABA is showing strong growth, both in the programming area and membership development. This enhances the stability of the ABA. The recent addition of Scott Edgerton to the board of directors, along with his enthusiastic leadership in events programming has helped increase positive programs to the ABA." For further information you may contact the ABA Enhanced Hotline at (414) 299-9271.

Lesbian Support Group For Breast Cancer Forms

Madison — A lesbian health support group is forming for those who are living with breast cancer or other serious illnesses. The Lesbian Health Issues Task Force of Dane County is sponsoring this group with support from the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

This group is confidential and time limited. The group will begin meeting when six to eight women are interested. Female partners and friends are welcome. Please call in advance to register any special needs you may have. To register or for more information, call Tamar Zick at (608) 256-6570. For more information about the Task Force, call Kari Sievert at (608) 242-6392.

There is Something About Mary

Interview by William Attewell, Photo by Jorge Cabal of the IN Step staff

Mary Messerlie is fiery, straightforward and, in January, was elected the new president of the Cream City Foundation (CCF). In addition to being one of the state's oldest LGBT organizations, CCF gave away over \$17,000 in grants to LGBT organizations and projects in 1998.

Recently, at the IN Step World Hea

IN Step: You're the new president of the Cream City Foundation. When did you get that job?

Mary Messerlie: January of this year. Actually [previous board president] Tony Rhodes and I were transitioning that for about a year when I was executive vice-president.

IN Step: How many people are on the board?

MM: Currently we have 12 people and we would like to get up to 15, which is what our by-laws would allow for.

IN Step: Are there gender and race parity requirements in your bylaws?

MM: Not in the bylaws, no. We looked at what the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center did with that and as much as I certainly admire and respect that, to put it in the by-laws does not give the flexibility that we need. We are definitely very sensitive to gender, racial and socio-economic parity. I think we'd like to broaden that and I think that if you put too much in your bylaws, it does not allow you to be reflective of whatever the community happens to be in terms of a complexion standpoint.

IN Step: One criticism I've heard leveled at the Cream City Foundation in the past is that it is an "old boys' club". How do you react to that type of statement?

MM: I expect at one point that was probably a pretty accurate statement, and I would say that that's what it needed to be at that particular time. I think we need to fast forward to the late 1990s. As we get ready for the millennium, clearly that's not the complexion of who we are today. Many of organizations, from a financial standpoint, started out to be not only a "boys' club," but a "white boys' club" and they evolved to be more inclusive as women and people of color got to have more economic influence in the community.

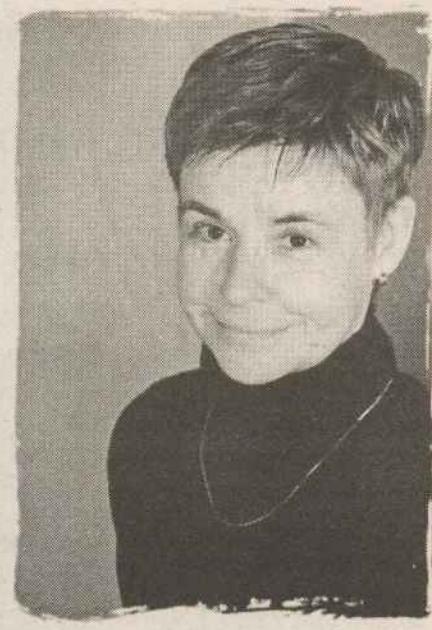
IN Step: The CCF is different now?

MM: Absolutely, in terms of women on the board. First of all I happen to be the president, so that in and of itself speaks of a significant endorsement to have a chief officer be a woman. Prior to my tenure, Tony Rhodes was the first African-American male. He was the president of the Foundation for a number of years. Also from a gender parity view, there are two other women on the board. and ... we're looking at getting one or two other women.

So right out of the gate, you see a lot of gender parity. From that we're very sensitive from an age standpoint. We don't want a lot of "old farts" on board, we want to be a little bit more reflective of the community we serve.

IN Step: Were there struggles within the organization as the changes occurred?

MM: Not at all! Those fellows loved it



when we started to take over (laughter).

IN Step: Did they?

MM: Of course there were struggles. Anytime you change the complexion of your power base, you're going to have a pretense of some winners and some losers. Now I don't think that that's new to CCF. You take any organization and if you have somewhat of a dominant culture, whether it be men or women or people of color, and you shift that to make it more broad based and more reflective of the community, you're bound to get into some struggles.

The thing that I always focus in on at the end of the day is that it turned out differently. So, the people had the courage at the time over the years and today they still plow forward with some of those things. You have to ask, "Is it okay to let go of some of my power?" Obviously, it was because we are a very different organization today. That gives those people a lot of credit, notwithstanding that there were probably some very difficult times.

When I came on the board, there was really a lot of receptiveness and a lot of encouragement to bring women aboard. I think the men on the board at the time that I joined, as well as men prior, knew that they brought the organization to a certain level and now they needed other people bring it to the next level. I hope in my tenure as president to bring it to a level, and then I'll leave and other good stewards will take over and bring it to yet another level. But letting go is really, really tough. You just don't like to share that power once you've had it.

IN Step: What do you see the mission of the Cream City Foundation to be now? What projects are you working on?

MM: From a broad based standpoint, frequently, as in any foundation is the redistribution of funds. We want to fundraise to the best of our ability and reach a capacity level so we can redistribute those funds into community organizations that would meet the goals and objectives of the gay and lesbian community. Of course, we're 501 (c) (3), so we can't get into the political stuff, but certainly we can do a lot in terms of advancing the LGBT agendas that we all have in terms of having a more equal access and leveling that playing field.

IN Step: The foundation is looking at adding a full-time staff person...

MM: Yes that's correct. We've kind of toyed with that off and on from one to three years. There's a funding consideration and we have to be very, very careful because we have a fiduciary responsibility. For yourself, as you have contributed to the Foundation over the years, we need to be very careful that we're having a fiduciary responsibility and a commitment to your money. We're not going to take your money and go then out and spend it for staff. You have an expectation, at least today, when you give money to CCF that it's going to go to programming.

IN Step: What would he or she be doing in that position? Why would you need one?

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IN Step: What would he or she be doing in that position? Why would you need one?

MM: We haven't even begun to reach our capacity in terms of the Foundation. We're an all-volunteer organization, and we have done incredibly well at what we've been able to do in terms of re-allocating our funds back into the community and doing what we need to do. But if we're going to get to the next level, if we're going to be fully committed to our goals and objectives in servicing the LGBT community, then we need to have an executive director. We need to have a dedicated resource.

IN Step: You could have picked any organization in the community to be involved with. Why have you chosen the Cream City Foundation?

MM: That's a great question, because I was also very active for a number of years with LAMM, and I've been involved with a number of other organizations. When it was clear that perhaps, I was going to be going into the presidency, I really made a commitment to the Foundation not to take any other leadership or officer positions in community organizations. First of all, I really didn't think that it was going to be fair to my partner and myself. Margaret wouldn't appreciate it I had something going on every night.

I also have a full-time job that I very much enjoy. I made the commitment to the Foundation because I really get excited about what we're doing. We're a mover and shaker organization. I think it's an incredibly dynamic organization, and I think what we said at the onset of this interview about the "old boys network" was true once upon a time. We continue to be proud of that heritage, but that's not who we are today. We're a very different organization. That speaks very loudly to the dynamics of the people and supporters over the years. I really want to be a part of that.

IN Step: How do you assess the needs of this community right now and the state that it's at? The Community Center has just opened. How do you see that working out?

MM: I think that it was a phenomenal achievement. I just congratulate the board of directors of the Community Center and Neil Albrecht, who is the first paid staff member. I'm just delighted that they were able to do that so quickly. I think that our community is probably right on the cusp of doing some really phenomenal things.

We have PrideFest, that over the years has gone from Juneau Park to Veteran's Park and now the Maier Festival Park. We're part of the big players in terms of Summerfest. This past year we just elected Tammy Baldwin to Congress. I know she doesn't represent us, [but] she certainly has a lot of support from the Milwaukee community.

I think that our LGBT community is really increasingly reaching the stature from a political, social and economic standpoint that we are highly regarded and very respected. I think we're at the point of doing some great and wonderful things. Hat's off to the Rev. Lew Broyles, about whom I just read an article that he was able to secure a church in the Walker's Point area.

IN Step: What do you see as stumbling blocks? Often I hear the good things, but I also hear how fractured and polarized this community can be at times. Do you think that's true, too?

MM: That's true. I think sometimes we don't play very well together. I expect that's because all of us come, probably, from a place of oppression. It's just that being gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered always has the commonality of some level of oppression, whether it's from a social standpoint or a family or an economic or a workplace. We can all argue where we're at and all of us are on different scales. I think that sometimes where we come from in our history creates, perhaps, cultural differences within our community.

For instance, a lesbian person of color's oppression is going to be very different from that of a gay white male. That's just

something that's a whole different story, and from that there's going to be some different objectives. I think it's really important to emphasize different. Not better than or worse than, but just simply different! You're going to have more child care needs from a woman's standpoint.

There are a bit more age-related needs, not that I'm not supportive of that. Increasingly I think that you find that men are now getting on the health bandwagon for the women, so you have men showing up for breast cancer and cervical cancer related issues. Women have certainly been a part of AIDS, whereas from a representative standpoint lesbian women tend to be, from what I understand, the lowest risk.

IN Step: Who do you think is doing a really good job in our community right now?

MM: I think the fact that Neil Albrecht is a mover and shaker in the Community Center is outstanding. I think that Doug Nelson is still a highly regarded leader as is Erv Uecker and Ross Walker. Karen Goetzler is perhaps not as visible as she once was in the gay and lesbian community, but I think she's outstanding.

I couldn't say enough good things about the significant contribution that Tom Reed has made to our corporate perspective in bringing us a little bit more visibility. John Wirth is one of the current heads of the Challenging Party and they've done a phenomenal job over the years. There's Stephanie Hume. And then, of course, there's Tony Rhodes. I think the world of him. He was somewhat of a pioneer in taking over the leadership of CCF. I have a great deal of admiration and respect for what he's done and he had the courage to lead the Foundation over the years.

IN Step: Your partner is Margaret Flood and she's pretty well known in the community. How long have you two been together?

MM: Five plus years. Blissful years, I might add.

IN Step: Blissful? Are you buttering her up now?

MM: You betcha!

IN Step: Is there anything else that's important that you wanted to add?

MM: I could not emphasize enough that people still need to be mindful of their ability to contribute to organizations and, hopefully, the Cream City Foundation. We feel we make it easier for the donor. And what I mean by that is when you take an average donor that is not aware and may be a man who wants to give some money to a woman's organization, and they don't know about LAMM, the real value of an organization like CCF is that they have the ability to make it easier for the donor.

IN Step: Who would you be giving grants to? I'm sure there are a lot of groups and organizations that could use grant money. I'm sure you encourage them to contact you, but are there restrictions on the kind of things they can ask for?

MM: Yes. For instance, we do not fund any staff. Our charter by and large is in Southeastern Wisconsin, because that's where we feel our donor base is. We are potentially looking at having sites in some rural areas. They would have to have some type of benefit component back to the GLBT community. Other than that our guidelines have a fairly wide birth around them, so we would encourage wider diversity.

IN Step: And this year's grants depend on the money you get in, right?

MM: Right. Actually we have an excellent treasurer that keeps us on our mark. In many respects our major donor event is not until the fall and our funding requests come in on a quarterly cycle basis, so we've had a little bit of a cash flow to work around. Our treasurer has certainly done a great job at saying, "You're not spending it unless you get it." ▼

WCA Schedules Monthly Meetings

Milwaukee — In June, members of LGBT groups from several Milwaukee-area companies held a joint meeting to discuss forming an alliance between the groups. Out of this meeting the Wisconsin Corporate Alliance (WCA) was born.

The mission of WCA is to provide a safe and supportive environment for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender employees in the workplace. WCA hopes to achieve this goal by serving as an umbrella organization to corporate LGBT groups and individuals, being a resource for new LGBT groups, promoting diversity initiatives and encouraging personal and professional growth and development of LGBT employees.

Currently WCA is organizing a LGBT roundtable for representatives from its member corporations as well as making plans for involvement in PrideFest '99. WCA is open to all active and retired employees of Wisconsin companies. Monthly meetings are held at the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St., every third Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. Please join us at our next meeting on April 21. For more information, please contact the WCA at (414) 284-3295.

MIL-M-AIDS Bowling Tournament Slated

Milwaukee — MIL-M-AIDS invites bowlers and non-bowlers to participate in the 12th annual MIL-M-AIDS bowling tournament scheduled to take place at noon on Saturday, April 17, at the Red-Carpet Bowlero, 11731 W. Burleigh St. The entry fee is \$25, which includes bowling, a buffet, prizes and donation. This year they expect in excess of 250 participants.

Since its inception, Mil-m-aids participants have raised over \$50,000 for AIDS related organizations in Milwaukee and Madison. This year's recipients will be the BESTD Clinic and Camp Heartland. To obtain an entry form, please contact Bob and Rick at (414) 482-1964 or Cindy and Debi at (414) 328-3636.

Mr. Gay Wisconsin Fund-Raiser Benefits BESTD Clinic

Milwaukee — Danny Dance, Mr. Gay Wisconsin of 1999, hosted a fund-raiser at C'est LaVie on March 20 to benefit the BESTD Clinic. The two hour show featured not only Danny, but also Lady Simone, Nova Divine, Tracy Ross, Brittany Morgan, Joey Black and Tabitha Steven. This is another example that illustrates that having fun can also serve the community with financial support.

At the end of the show, Danny Dance presented Paul Stabell, a BESTD Clinic volunteer, with the event's proceeds of \$212. Ross Walker, president of BESTD, expressed the gratitude of the clinic volunteers, and especially the clients who will be served by Dance's fund-raising efforts and others like it.

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Body Erotic Workshop to Be Held in Chicago

Chicago — 'Celebrating the Body Erotic,' a workshop for men exploring the connections between touch, physical pleasure and spiritual awareness, will be held in Chicago on May 15 and 16 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Social conditioning has taught men to disconnect from their bodies, and most Western religions teach men to abstain from pleasure. This workshop uses a series of group and individual exercises to allow men to experience their erotic energy as playful, sacred, energizing and transformative.

The workshop is conducted by Oakland-based Body Electric School, which has been offering classes in massage and erotic spirituality since 1984. The cost of the workshop is \$295 for the two days. Scholarships are available for men living with HIV. For more information, call the Chicago coordinator at (312) 819-1524.

SAGE/Milwaukee to Hold Annual Meeting

Milwaukee — The board of directors and Officers of SAGE/Milwaukee (Senior Action In A Gay Environment) invite members and their guests to attend the annual meeting of the corporation for 1998 at the Rotunda of the Astor Street Restaurant, 920 E. Juneau Ave. at 1 p.m. on Sunday, April 25.

Although this is primarily a social event that provides an opportunity to get acquainted, the Annual Report will be presented and newly selected officers and directors will be introduced. The dynamic song duo of Steve and Bob will entertain. There will be drawings for door prizes and a cash bar. There is free parking at the hotel.

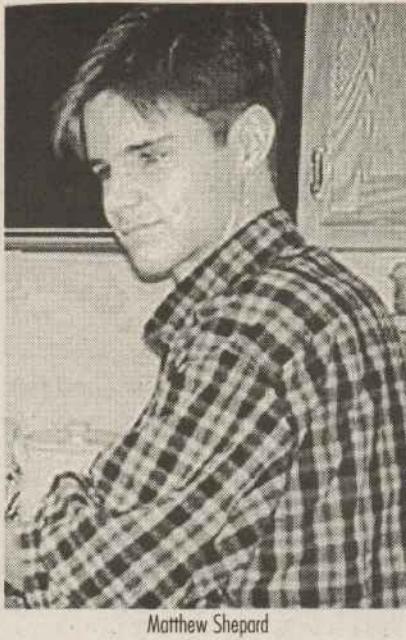
The luncheon selections are Chicken Picatta, Baked Cod Almondine and Pasta Primavera. All luncheons include a tossed salad, warm rolls, a starch and a vegetable as well as coffee or tea. The price for members is \$15, with guests at \$20. Reservations are required and space is limited. Checks must be in SAGE/Milwaukee's hands before April 15. For more information and to make reservations, call (414) 271-0378.

Mr. Wisconsin Daddy/Daddy's Boy Contest

Milwaukee — The Argonauts of Wisconsin and the Castaways M.C. of Milwaukee will be holding the 1999 Mr. Wisconsin Daddy/Daddy's Boy Contest on Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24. Applications for the contest and a schedule of events are available at participating bars and at Designing Men.

The two-day event will begin on Friday with a get-together at the South Water Street Docks from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. At that time, anyone interested in entering the contest will still be able to fill out an application. The contest for the Daddy's Boy will begin at 9 p.m. at the Milwaukee Eagle.

On Saturday afternoon, beginning at 2 p.m., an auction will be held at the 1100 Club. Money raised at the auction will be donated by both clubs to their individual charities. An added feature during the auction will be a Grand Daddy Contest. During the auction, a fund-raiser for the 1999 Drummer/DrummerBoy Contest will be held. On Saturday evening, the Mr. Wisconsin Daddy Contest will be held at the Milwaukee Eagle at 9 p.m. For more information call Bob at (414) 764-1135.



Guilty Plea in Shepard Murder

Laramie, Wyo. (AP) — One man pleaded guilty in the slaying of gay college student Matthew Shepard, cutting short a trial that could have ended with the death penalty.

Russell Henderson, 21, a high school dropout and roofer, pleaded guilty to felony murder and kidnapping. He could get two life sentences, one on each count.

Henderson had been charged with first-degree murder, kidnapping and aggravated robbery in the beating death of Shepard. Felony murder, the count to which he pleaded, means a murder that happens during the commission of another felony, in this case robbery.

Authorities said Henderson and Aaron McKinney, 21, pretended to be gay and lured the 5-foot-2, 105-pound Shepard out of a bar last October, kidnapped and pistol-whipped him and left him tied to a fence in the cold. The 21-year-old University of Wyoming student died five days later at a hospital.

The crime led to demands for

stronger hate-crime laws around the country. McKinney will be tried in August on first-degree murder, kidnapping and aggravated robbery charges. He could be sentenced to death if convicted.

There had been speculation that if Henderson entered a plea, he would end up testifying against his friend and co-defendant.

"If it's a plea bargain, the defense has to give something to the prosecution, such as his testimony against McKinney," said legal analyst Andrew Cohen.

Prosecutor Cal Rerucha opened jury selection by telling the prospective jurors that Shepard was "not the same as you and I" but that every individual should be treated equally under the Constitution.

But Henderson's attorney, Wyatt Skaggs, said his client merely watched while the other man delivered the fatal blows to Shepard. He also said the slaying was not premeditated.

Henderson's girlfriend is awaiting sentencing after pleading guilty Dec. 23 to accessory after the fact to murder. McKinney's girlfriend goes on trial in May on an accessory charge.

The case has moved activists on both sides of the gay rights issue to action.

On Monday, April 5 a dozen young people dressed as angels, with white sheets for wings, tried to block from view an anti-gay group demonstrating outside the courthouse.

The angels stood silently, but inside their human wall about a dozen anti-gay demonstrators from Kansas shouted slogans and waved signs, including one that said "God Hates Fags."

"These ... creatures are sending this nation to hell in a handbasket," said the Rev. Fred Phelps of Westboro Baptist Church. Phelps and members of his Westboro Baptist Church also picketed Shepard's funeral in Casper with anti-gay signs.

Historian Mosse Leaves Large Bequest for Gay Studies at UW

Madison (AP) — George Mosse, a historian who escaped from Nazi Germany and later became an authority on the ideological roots of Hitler's "final solution," has donated at least \$5 million to the University of Wisconsin-Madison, one of its largest individual bequests ever.

Mosse, who died Jan. 22 at age 80, named the UW College of Letters and Science as his estate's major beneficiary.

The bequest, whose exact value won't be known until the estate is inventoried, includes substantial funding for scholarships and fellowships in modern Jewish history.

Money also was set aside for the George Lachmann Mosse Teaching Fellowship, established by Mosse before his death, and to encourage the study of gay and lesbian history.

"His international reputation brought honor and recognition to the university," said Chancellor David Ward, who announced the bequest Sunday at a UW-Madison memorial service for Mosse.

"Now, in addition to the rich intellectual legacy he left us all, he has created an extremely generous philanthropic legacy that will benefit many future generations of students," Ward said.

Mosse's bequest ranks among the largest given to the university, Ward said.

Mosse, born into a wealthy Jewish family in Germany, fled his homeland in 1933. He studied at Cambridge University in Great Britain and at Harvard in the United States, and settled in Madison in 1955.

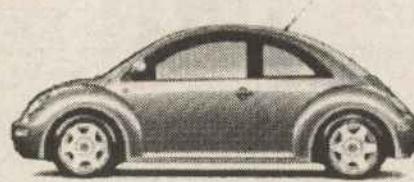
After retiring from UW-Madison in 1988 following a 33-year career there, he successfully regained control of family property in Berlin that had been seized by the Nazis. He also served as the first scholar-in-residence at the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C.

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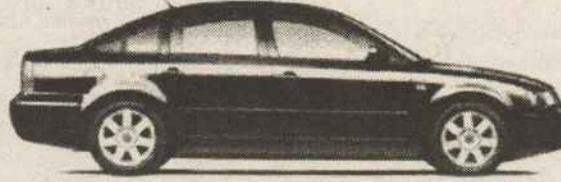


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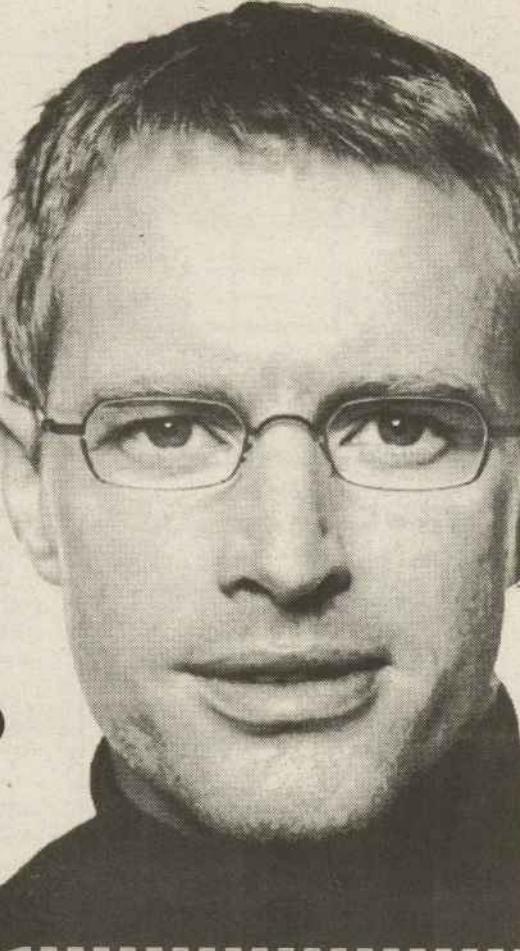
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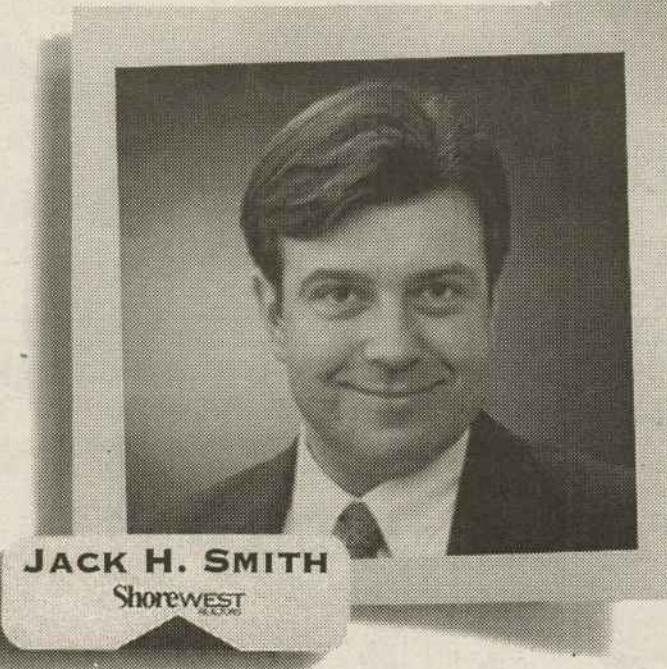
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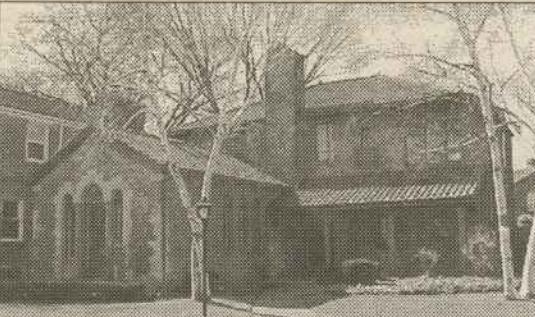
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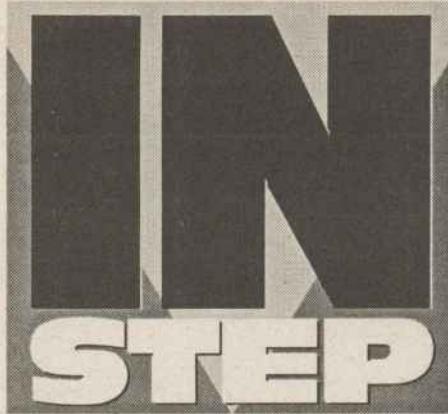
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Gay Rights Reconsidered

by Paul Varnell

Among gay activists, and most gays generally, it passes for received doctrine that passage of anti-bias gay rights laws is a keystone of gay progress.

But there have always been a few gays and lesbians who doubted the wisdom and the efficacy of anti-bias laws. I am among their number.

Let me try to suggest some of the problems with anti-bias laws. I will try to show that they have relatively little impact, are potentially harmful to gays themselves and are ultimately contrary to the basic political principles most gays actually believe in.

To begin with, no one doubts that anti-bias laws do benefit some individual gays. We see occasional newspaper stories about someone who claims they were fired from a job because they are gay. Sometimes they get their job back, or get a financial settlement, or the employer is penalized in some way.

But what is interesting is how few discrimination complaints there actually seem to be. In states where anti-bias laws exist, the proportion of complaints filed by gays is only a small percentage of the total — and not even all of the complaints filed are upheld as valid.

While employment and housing discrimination may have been major problems for black Americans struggling up the economic and educational ladder, that model does not seem to be true for gays. Gays have never been clustered at the low end of the economic spectrum and they often possess job skills that make them valuable to employers. Gays and lesbians certainly face social difficulties, but they do not seem to be primarily connected with finding a job or a place to live.

Gay activists frequently acknowledge the low number of actual discrimination complaints, but they point out that even if gay civil rights laws do not have much specific impact, they nonetheless "send a message" by promoting tolerance and respect, and serve to keep discrimination from happening in the first place.

Perhaps so. But the interesting thing is that polls suggest a majority of Americans think gays are already protected from dis-

crimination by federal legislation.

If the point of a non-discrimination law is to "send a message," you would expect gay lobbying groups to welcome those results as evidence that a "message" had somehow already been received. But no: They say they are distressed that Americans are so misinformed and immediately set about trying to convince everyone that the government has sent no such message of tolerance and respect. Does that seem prudent?

You might also wonder if it is even very reasonable for someone to want to stay at a job where their employer (their boss, their co-workers, company management) really did not want them. A work environment where people disliked you and wanted to get rid of you would seem unpleasant and one that a reasonable person would want to avoid, whether there was an anti-bias law or not. There are, after all, plenty of jobs and plenty of employers to choose among, and many employers will cheerfully hire people who are capable and reliable employees, gay or otherwise. After all, employers who decline to hire talented employees end up being less successful economically.

It is worth pointing out that one of the more interesting effects of gay rights laws is that while fewer gays may be fired, fewer may be hired in the first place. It is much easier for an employee to make out a claim of discrimination after he has been on the job for a while than to prove discrimination in the hiring process. Employers know this. So they may feel concern that if they ever had to dismiss a gay employee, the employee might file a discrimination suit that could result in costly litigation, even if the firing was not motivated by bias. This could make even unprejudiced employers reluctant to take a chance on a good gay job candidate who might be expensive to terminate later on. So the laws inadvertently create a disincentive for employers to hire openly gay people. This is probably not what advocates of gay rights laws intended.

Then, too, while I can understand that everyone has a "right to work" in the sense that no one else has a legitimate right to prevent them, I have a hard time seeing why some potential employee has a right to a particular job with a particular employer. After all, we never claim that an employer has a right to make a particular individual work for him rather than for someone else. Why should the reverse be true?

The arguments might be clearer if we look at it from a different standpoint. A gay business owner may want to hire gays as bartenders for a gay bar or gay sales staff for his store. A women's coffee house might want to hire an all-lesbian staff. The owner (gay or heterosexual, either one) of an apartment building might prefer gay tenants and the obvious advantages they provide. Does some particular heterosexual have a right to work at that bar or store or coffee house or live in that apartment building. I cannot see where they get that right.

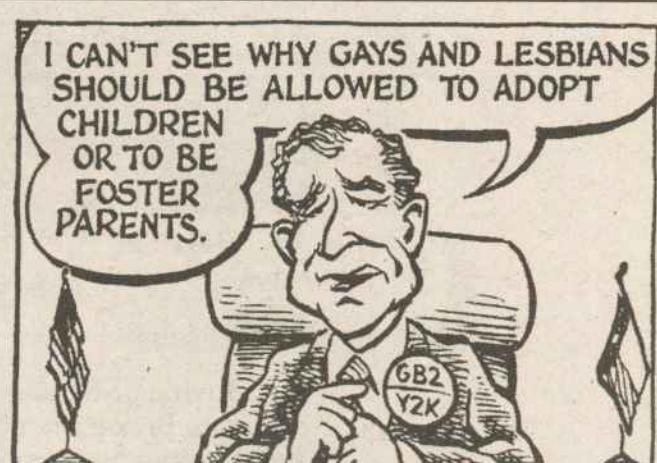
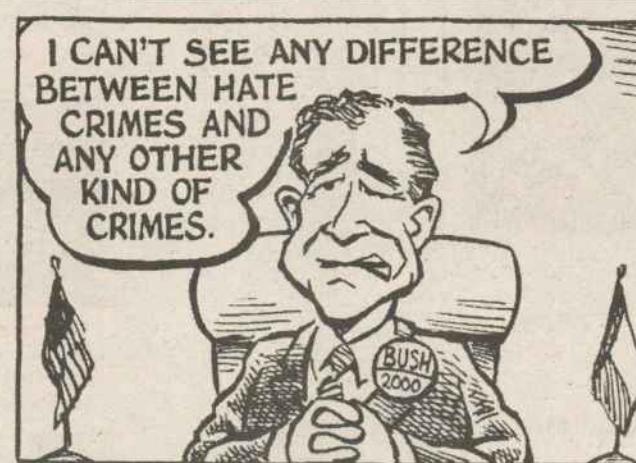
One of the benefits of living in a free country — I would say the whole point of living in a free country — is that you can choose your own surroundings, choose your friends and close associates, and freely try to arrange your life to make yourself happy. If I owned a business or rental property, I think I ought to be able to hire or rent to people I like or feel comfortable with.

This seems to me consistent with the whole general thrust of the gay movement: an effort to increase people's personal autonomy, the range of choices available to us and the freedom to live our lives as we want. It would be distressing to think that the gay movement had somehow turned into the opposite of what we thought we were advocating.

It seems to me, however, that if any entity lacks the moral right to discriminate, it is the government. So long as governments compel us to pay taxes to support them, governments should not discriminate against any citizens in employment or policy or services. Yet it is surprising how much anti-gay discrimination is perpetrated or fostered by governments — most discrimination, in fact.

Governments do not allow gays to marry or have the job benefits of military service. They forbid gay sex, bar gay adoptions, block child custody by gay parents. Even the private businesses that do not offer partnership benefits are simply imitating the government's marriage policy. Change government policy, acknowledge that governments must treat people equally, and many gay difficulties are ended.

If these arguments have merit, we need to refocus our activist priorities. ▼



OUT Right

It's Time for the Victory Fund to Close its Doors

by Scott Evertz



There was a time when I — like many others — said, "In order to truly have our interests represented in the halls of government, we need to elect our own." The argument goes something like this: Our allies can be helpful but if we really want someone to take the truly tough stances, we have to elect openly gay men and lesbians to fill posts at all levels

...there is no evidence that openly gay and lesbian elected officials will do the right thing in terms of advancing our civil rights...

of government. This argument, which I admit I made when running for the Wisconsin State Assembly in 1994 and which was just recently made by Neil Albrecht during his recent Milwaukee School Board race, is, I have concluded flawed and untrue.

First, there is no evidence that straight people are not willing to be the ones to take the tough stances when it comes to gay and lesbian issues. To the contrary, there is certain evidence that many of the legislative gains we have made across the country are a result of straight — or at least non-out gay — politicians deciding to do the right thing. Here in our very own State of Wisconsin, our gay civil rights bill was passed because of the work of a (at the time) closeted State Assemblyman and his straight allies in the legislature. The bill was signed into law by straight Republican Governor Lee Dreyfus. Had we assumed we had to wait for an openly lesbian or gay politician to introduce the legislation, we'd probably still be waiting.

Secondly, there is no evidence that

openly gay and lesbian elected officials will do the right thing in terms of advancing our civil rights. Consider, for instance, the fact that Tammy Baldwin never introduced what could be described as "pro-gay/lesbian" legislation while she was a State Assemblywoman. It is argued that she simply couldn't do so because of the political climate at the time she was serving and that point is arguable and not the subject of this column. This example, however, illustrates quite well the fact that there are realities which prevent even openly lesbian or gay elected officials from advancing "the cause" as s/he may like.

Thirdly, we can't do it alone. To assume that we can advance our cause simply by supporting open lesbian or gay elected officials is downright stupid. Until gay and lesbian legislators make up more than half of the elected bodies on which they serve, we will need the support of our straight allies and so we must work to get them elected as well. To "buy" all of your political influence by supporting only Victory Fund candidates just doesn't get you enough influence to affect real change. We simply must show decent straight politicians that we're willing to support them. If we do, they'll respond.

Finally, the mere concept of an organization like the Victory Fund which exists solely to elect openly lesbian or gay candidates continues an us/them - almost separatist — relationship with the straight community which is not looked upon positively by many in that community. When former Dane County Board Chair, Dick Wagner, ran for Dane County Executive he did not attempt to get the support of the Victory Fund even though he is an openly gay man. He seemed to be running as a man with good ideas for the county who happened to be gay and not a gay man who happens to have good ideas for the county. Many in the county reacted quite positively to this and, although he didn't win, he can look in the mirror and tell himself he didn't use his "gayness" to raise gobs of money from people who have bought into a false premise that one must be gay to be pro-gay. ▼

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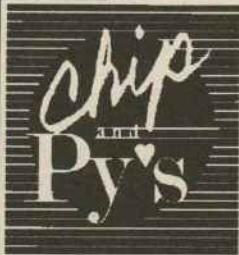
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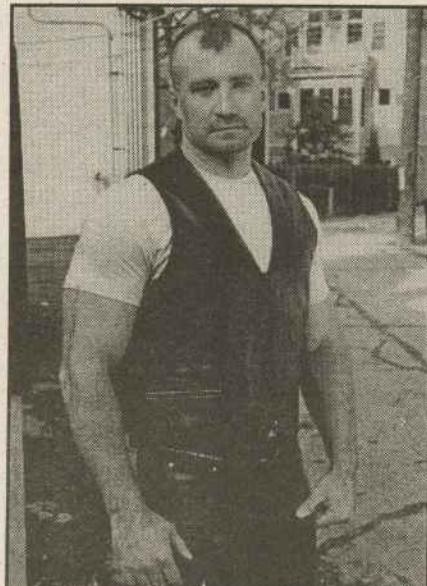
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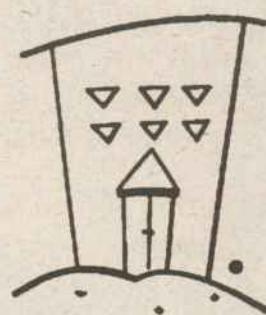
May 26 • Wed., 6:30-8pm

Adjunct Professor Tess Meuer, of the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence, will speak on the dynamics of same-sex domestic violence and how you can help others in the community break out of abusive relationships. Professor Meuer will complete the program with analysis of how Wisconsin law protects gays and lesbians from domestic abuse.

'Maritalizing' Your Same-Sex Union

June 24 • Thurs., 6:30-8pm

Attorney Christopher Krimmer, the director of legal services at the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, will speak on how to "maritalize" your same-sex union through various legal tools and protections. Some of the most commonly asked questions from same-sex partners will be addressed, such as: How should a same-sex couple own their home? How can you be assured that your partner can visit you at the hospital? How to protect you and your property if you break-up with your partner? Attorney Krimmer's presentation will conclude with a Q&A period.



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A Full House at Milwaukee's LGBT Community Center

by Ed Grover

I went to the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center to have a one-on-one with Neil Albrecht, the new executive director. He took me on a tour of the office spaces leased by ARCW, BESTD Clinic, Bi Definition, the Cream City Chorus, the Cream City Foundation, LAMM, Metropolitan Community Church, PFLAG, and SAGE/Milwaukee. As we walked around he said, "Isn't it wonderful? We have a full house. Every office space is leased."

After being open for only four months, the Center is busy with meetings and events every night of the week. As we went into the newly painted Community Room to talk, Neil told me that the center had written an application for technical assistance to the Gill Foundation in Colorado. The Milwaukee LGBT Community Center was selected as one of eight national sites, and they have generously opened up this assistance to all LGBT organizations, particularly the Center's sub-tenants.

The Center works to provide these sub-tenants with technical assistance to grow and mature and develop. They are taught how to cultivate their major donors, become more financially independent, and how to hold events. Neil added that many of the sub-tenants are sponsoring and supporting a number of the activities that happen at the Center.

Speaking of events, there are a lot of things coming up — specifically for Milwaukee's LGBT youth who need a place to meet other than coffee shops and parks. Neil told me these youth are reaching out to connect with other LGBT youth and are really socially isolated. He said, "The Center wants to take the lead in the development of a cohesive response to LGBT youth needs." The Center has networked with other organizations like ARCW and the Counseling Center of Milwaukee for a strong collaboration in providing services to gay youth. If problems arise, there will always be someone to refer these people to.

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—Author Larry Kramer in the Advocate.

On Saturday, April 17, the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) is having a Drop-in Coffee Chat Group for gay, bisexual and questioning youth of Milwaukee. This event is called The Mirror & Me: Reflections on LGBT Youth's Self-Esteem. It starts at 3 p.m. and runs until 5:30 p.m. There will be an open discussion facilitated by youth leaders. Coffee and beverages will be provided. Any Milwaukee youth who want more information should call James at (414) 225-1573 or Ed at (414) 225-1595.

On Saturday, April 24 there's a Youth Dance for LGBT young people to age 24. Some Milwaukee gay bars have contributed drink tickets and entry discounts to be given away to those youth that are bar age and want to go out after the dance. On Thursday, April 29, the Milwaukee Public Schools Gay & Lesbian Task Force will be showing a movie. Following the movie will be a discussion with Elna Hickson of PFLAG and an MPS teacher, who will talk about the need for gay and lesbian education within the MPS system. Neil said there was a lot of frustration for people who work with LGBT youth and feel like there isn't any movement within MPS on the issue of gay and lesbian youth.

There will be other community forums for discussion, such as the kickoff of the Rainbow U[iversity] Lecture Series scheduled for Thursday, April 22. These events will present an opportunity for people to come and get involved with causes like the Domestic Partnership Registry. Neil said these movements don't come along too often in Milwaukee and that when community leaders like Patrick Flaherty step forward and get something like this going, the community should get behind them and lend their support.

We talked about a Community Center sponsored function coming up on the evening of April 17 called L2K (Lesbian 2000). This will be a chance for local lesbians to meet and network with over 12 other Milwaukee area lesbian organizations. Neil said that the Center has offered its support in helping the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee (LAMM) reinstate their annual health fair. On Sunday mornings the Center sponsors a Lesbian Spirituality Series that runs from 10 a.m. to noon. Once each month there is a Meditation Circle, a Drumming Circle, and a group called Conversations With

God. For lesbian writers, there is Pink Ink, which meets at 7 p.m. on every second Thursday of the month.

On a lighter side, Neil said that Wednesday nights happen to be his favorite nights at the Center because the Cream City Chorus rehearses and the place is filled with music. I wandered over to look at the sizable collection of LGBT books in the Center's library. Neil told me a volunteer had suggested starting an evening where people could just drop in, pull a book from the shelves, listen to some classical music, have a cup of coffee and get to know each other.

SAGE/Milwaukee has a function every Friday night at 6:30 p.m. that is open to the entire LGBT population. One night is game night, one is men's discussion and one is women's discussion night, and one is movie night. Saturday night is a time for movies and everyone is invited. One night each month is targeted for youth, one for lesbians, and the other two are general gay and lesbian topics.

Neil told me that the center is about being inclusive; the center wants to get a sense of the diversity of the LGBT community. He said there was a Diversity Task Force, which was attended by 40 LGBT people of color at MEC North. Since UJIMA folded, the Center is working very hard with the leaders in the African-American LGBT community to organize. He is currently working with someone to rejuvenate LOC (Lesbians of Color).

As I was about to leave, Neil told me he is working with a gay Latino man who is planning to hold a function called Latino United. The event is tentatively scheduled for May 1, and will target the LGBT Hispanic and Latino community. Their hopes are that the event will be a success, that it will draw people out, and that it may spawn some type of Hispanic/Latino organization. If an organization can be started, the Center will find the space to house them. Now that's commitment!

Neil also stressed the continuing need for volunteers and asked that people not forget memberships, which are, after all, two things that keep the Community Center humming along. For information on any of the above events, call the Center at (414) 271-2656. Or better yet, stop by, attend a meeting and join up! ▀

Quips & Quotes

Landers Rants

"Gay couples who wish to have a ceremony to celebrate their union should not be asking a 9-year-old to participate [as a flower girl]. It would be too confusing. A service for those in the inner circle would be OK, but please, no children. Tell your brother-in-law that your daughter will not be participating."

—Advice columnist Ann Landers

I Thought It Was a Wig

"She'll never get her hair done in this town again."

—New York City gay activist Donald Maher on actress Maureen O'Hara who was grand marshall of the St. Patrick's Day parade which, year after year, bans the gay Irish organization from marching.

Cigar Smokers

"A cigar is very sexual to me. My dad smoked a cigar. Do I want to have sex with my dad? I don't know. Personally, I think many homosexual men's homosexuality is

wrapped up in the masculine imagery of their father or an uncle. For me, the first association of what a man was had that smell of a cigar around it — it was my dad. That smell and that sight to me are the epitome of ultra hyper masculinity."

—Porn superstar Cole Tucker to The Guide

FLASH: God is a Homo!

"Ever notice how rainbows sometimes appear in the sky? God is gay."

—One of the winning entries in the Washington Post's contest to "identify and expose other threats to public morality [besides Tinky Winky] hidden in our popular culture."

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In Synch with PRIDE

Did anybody else notice that the popular boy group **N'Synch** will be playing the Marcus Ampitheater on the last day of this year's **PrideFest** on Sunday, August 8th? We'll keep an eye out for **Justin Timberlake** at the La Cage Dance Tent. In case you don't have the latest copy of *Tiger Beat* handy, Justin is the lead singer for the group (seated bottom left above).

Falk Pushes Partner Insurance For Gays

The **Latest Dish** just learned that Dane County Executive **Kathleen Falk** has introduced an initiative that would give domestic partner health coverage for gay couples. The measure was hailed as a

means of providing health care coverage to couples who cannot legally marry.

Supporters say the measure stands a better than even chance of passage in the Dane County Board. We'll wait and see.

Grillo/Grassel Issue New Sound "Live" CD

The new sound from **Jack Grassel** and **Jerry Grillo** is in previews this month at Lou Bruno's, Bartletts, the High Hat, the Uptowner and Zappa's Restaurant. Their first "live" CD was recorded in February at the Uptowner and will be released in April. The CD marks a five-year collaboration and was recorded by DV Productions in Shorewood. On the CD, Grassel and Grillo are augmented by either Tom McGirr or John Price on bass and Berkeley Fudge on saxophone.

Free Lesbian & Gay Chicago Visitors Guides

The Chicago Area Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce is making available to tourists and convention go-ers, their *Lesbian & Gay Visitors Guide to Chicago*. The Visitors Guide includes a directory of over 300 gay-owned and friendly businesses throughout Chicago and its suburbs, a walking map to Chicago's heavily lesbian Lakeview and Andersonville neighborhoods, a mass transit map, and a Pride Dollars Discount Card good for discounts on lodging, retail and restaurants.

Request the Visitors Guide now to ensure you have it for Chicago's Big 3 les-

bigay events this summer: Intl. Mr. Leather (May 28-31), Pride (June 27), and Market Days Street Fair (Aug. 14-15). To receive your free Visitors Card you may write to the Chamber with your complete mailing address to: The Chamber, 3712 N. Broadway, #805, Chicago, IL 60613-4198. You may phone (888) GLCHAMBER, or e-mail info@glchamber.org, and you may access their web site at www.glchamber.org.

Racine's WomanSpirit Faire & Bizarre

Alternative natural healing practitioners will be featured in Racine's **Woman-Spirit Faire & Bizarre** on Sunday, May 2, with goddess and earth centered crafts and entertainment. Joining in to celebrate springtime and Beltane are women artists and crafters, musicians and storytellers, book and bake sale vendors, maypole dancers, drummers, tarot card readers and workshop leaders.

The **Faire & Bizarre** is sponsored by Racine's Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation of the Olympia Brown Unitarian Universalist Church. The festivities will be from noon to 5 p.m. at the Flatiron Mall, 1661 Douglas Ave. near Hwy. 32 and 38 on Racine's north side. All are welcome to participate in any of the activities, including learning the Maypole dance between 2 and 3 p.m. Admission is \$1, door prizes will be given and there is plenty of parking available. For more information call Sharon Burdick at (414) 634-6906.

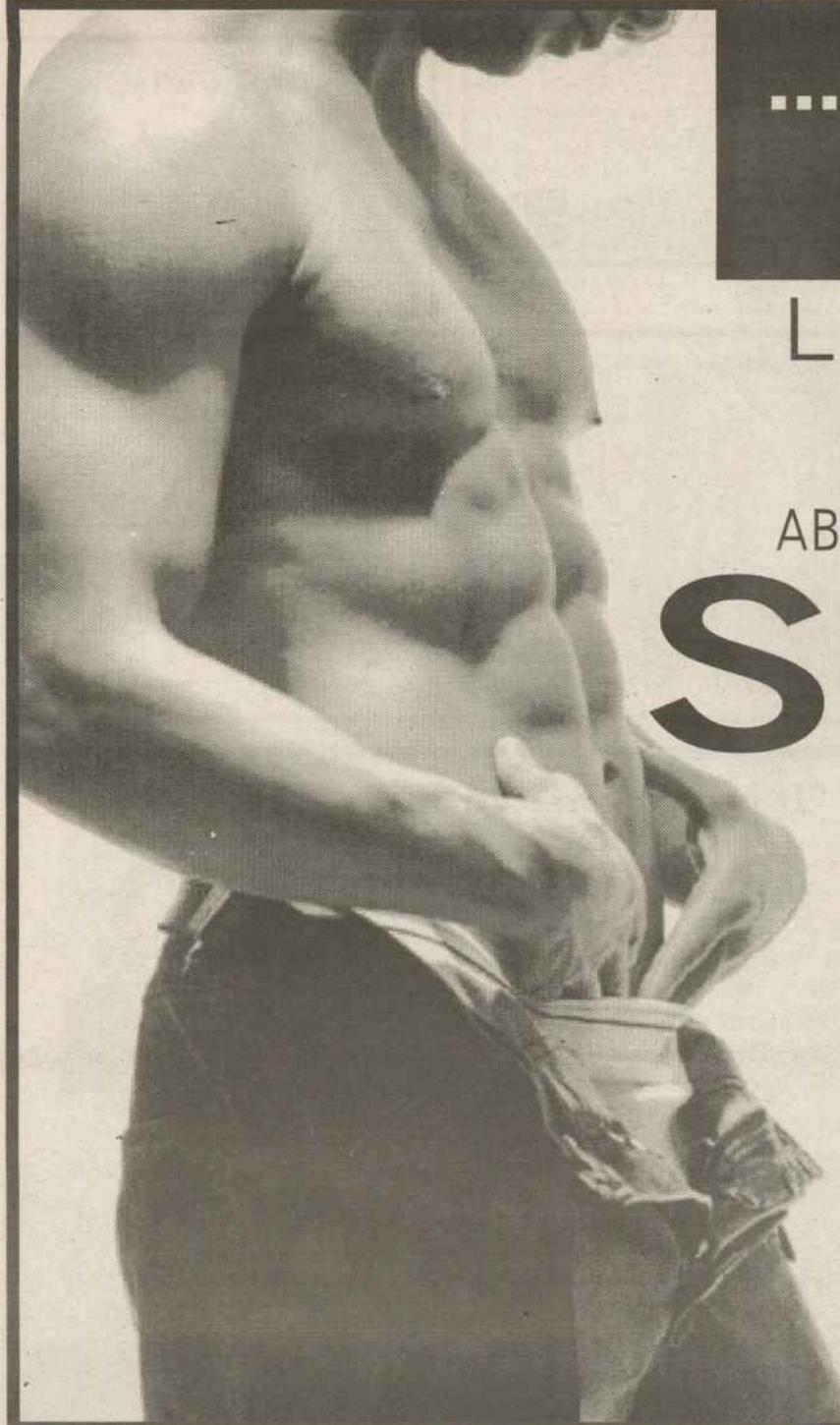
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This year, be a part of the **Proudest Crowd** around and help **PrideFest Fly the Flag** with a donation to the **Proud Crowd Campaign**. Join **PrideFest** as we celebrate "Courage to Build Bridges" on Aug. 6, 7, and 8. You will receive free admission when you show your **Pride Card** at the festival gate. For more information and to pledge a donation, look for the lime green brochures that are appearing around town or call **PrideFest** at (414) 272-FEST.



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**Bernhard is Still Here, Damn It!**by Michael Conciello
Special to IN Step

A few years ago, my partner Chris and I were enjoying lattés and chat at the Coffee Plantation on Camelback Road in Phoenix, when we were in the company of Sandra Bernhard.

She sat at the table behind us, talking quietly with a woman. We guessed it was her mother.

Knowing how star-struck I can be, Chris shook his head before I could make a move. "Don't even think about bothering her," he whispered sternly. "She's with her mother. Let her be."

I pouted for a minute and realized he was probably right.

"You should have said 'hi' honey. I

wouldn't have minded."

Bernhard said when I told her my story during a recent interview from her New York City apartment.

"So it was really you?" I asked.

"Yeah. The one at the Biltmore? That was me," she laughed. "I was visiting my mom. She still lives in Phoenix."

"Most people assume I'm from New York," she said. "They are shocked when I say 'No, I'm from Michigan and Arizona.'"

When she was in fifth grade, Bernhard and her family — she has three older brothers — moved to Scottsdale from Flint, Mich. Dad was a doctor, mom a housewife and artist.

"I have fond memories of growing up in Arizona," Bernhard said. "Some of the

kids [in Scottsdale] were snobby and elitist, but I had some great friends too."

What she remembers most about the area is the "sheer, raw beauty of Arizona."

"It was before the boom, when Phoenix was still a small town," Bernhard said.

She graduated from high school during the early 1970s and immediately headed for Los Angeles to search for her place in the world.

First she went to beauty school to become a manicurist, so she could support herself. She clipped, buffed and sculpted away for five years on celebrity clients like Jaclyn Smith and Dyan Cannon.

All the while she worked on her stand-up act. After paying her dues for almost a decade, she landed her star-making role in Martin Scorsese's *King of Comedy*. Her portrayal of a crazed fan earned her rave reviews, a few awards and promises of a brilliant movie career.

But Bernhard didn't wait for those promises to be broken. Instead of putting all her hopes in movies, she diversified and decided to do it all. Now she's an actress, a writer, a singer, a comic, a model ... in other words, she's still here damn it!

After 20 plus years in the biz, 1999 might prove to be her hottest ever. She's a new mom to baby daughter Cicely Yasin; her third book, *May I Kiss You on the Lips, Miss Sandra?* is fresh off the press; her one-woman show, *I'm Still Here Damn It!* burned up Broadway (the show has earned raves from everyone including the *New York Times* and *Entertainment Weekly*) and is now on the road; a CD of the show is in record stores; and after Broadway.

Some critics are calling this Sandra Bernhard's comeback year. Did she ever really go away?

"I think they mean I'm finally stepping up to something bigger, that's all," she said simply. "It's like a medium-size comeback."

Her new book is funny, of course. But it also has a serious side that is insightful in both fact and fiction. It leaves the reader wondering, which stuff is real and which is made up.

The book's title is borrowed from a funny story she writes about her house-painter Herminio, who asked her politely, after being in her employ for 12 years, if he could kiss her famous lips.

The book also includes a piece called *A Taste of Honey* written for Kurt Cobain; a story written from the point of

view of one of JFK's girls; poems about alcoholism, unrequited love and an ode to Brenda Vaccaro.

"This is all stuff I've been writing for a long time," Bernhard said. "We were just waiting for the right deal to come along."

Bernhard made her first literary splash with 1987's *Confessions of a Pretty Lady*. Her sophomore effort, 1993's *Love, Love & Love* did respectable business. She's written articles for *Vanity Fair*, *People*, *Us* and *Rolling Stone*. Bernhard's razor sharp, witty observations are always in demand.

Her new show and accompanying CD are hysterical.

"The CD is different from the show because we improvised a lot," Bernhard said. "There is stuff in there that'll never be repeated in the show."

Bernhard pokes fun at everyone who is anyone: Courtney Love, Elton John, Tom Cruise and Naomi Campbell, to name a few.

"Last year when I did the show downtown, Naomi kinda freaked, but they all really want to be talked about," Bernhard said.

Bernhard recalled running into Tom Hanks at the opening of *You've Got Mail*. He said he was going to see her show that night and asked if she was going to say anything about him.

"I said Tom, there's nothing to say," Bernhard said. "To be in my material you've gotta have a certain edge or be really fabulous."

Bernhard is friendly with the Hollywood elite she roasts, but they are not really her friends.

"I feel part of the creative community, but not part of Hollywood mainstream," she said. "But they all want to see my show and that's great."

Still, the stars came to see her opening night. Among them were John Waters, Michael Douglas, Liza Minnelli, Mary Tyler Moore, Naomi, etc.

The comedy in the show is mixed with a few songs. A couple of them are co-written by Bernhard with a cover of the Gladys Knight classic, *Midnight Train to Georgia*. When she belts out that tune, you know she's not singing for laughs.

"Thank you, my voice is really evolving," she said. "I've worked really hard on it."

I read somewhere that Bernhard always wanted to be a rock star. Is it true?

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Next Act Theater Presents "Below The Belt"

Richard Dresser's production of *Below The Belt* opens for preview on Thursday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the Steimke Theater, 108 E. Wells St., and runs through May 2.

In a land where the color of the water in the river changes daily and yellow eyes glow through the nighttime, three men wake each day to earn their daily bread. Dobbitt (Michael Herold), Hanrahan (Peter Reeves) and Merkin (Drew Brel) work in a futuristic industrial compound as "checkers." What they are checking and why they are doing it is an even more mysterious question. This is a masterfully crafted black com-

edy that examines corporate politics, ecological disaster and human jealousy and ambition.

There will be one Pay-What-You-Can performance will be held on Monday, Apr. 26 at 7:30 p.m. Talkbacks with the cast and director are scheduled after the Apr. 22 and 29 performances. Group, senior and student discounts are available. Single tickets (\$18 through \$26) are available from the Box Office or by calling (414) 224-9490.

"Sherlock's Last Case" at Madison Rep

Madison Repertory closes its 1998-99 season with Charles Marowitz's comic thriller,

Sherlock's Last Case. The play opens Friday, April 16 at 8 p.m. at the Madison Civic Center's Isthmus Playhouse and runs through Sunday, May 9. This play will have even the biggest Sherlock fans guessing "whodunit?" straight through to its surprising conclusion.

Ticket prices are \$25 for Friday and Saturday performances and \$20 for Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday performances. Rush tickets are available the day of the performance. There is a sign-interpreted performance on May 9 at 5 p.m. Tickets are available from the Civic Center Box Office or by calling (608) 266-9055.



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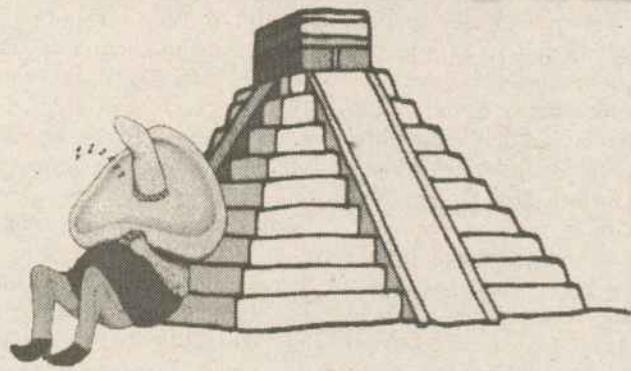
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Art Review

The Naked Truth

I have always wondered why images of sex, drugs, and violence so easily get referred to as "hard-edged realism". After all, the mundane world of a contented suburban housewife is no less a slice of reality. Like rap musicians, practitioners of true-grit photography operate with a kind of scruffy urban chauvinism. Their art sometimes seems to assert "my reality is more real than yours".

This said, I have to admit to being fascinated by the genre. The current show at Dean Jensen Gallery is a case in point. Jensen (and curator John Sobczak) have risked the wrath of Milwaukee's conservative moralists by mounting a show of bluntly protuberant sexuality. Even a jaded old libertine such as myself was shocked to discover an erect penis exhibited across the street from M&I Bank.

Titled "Penumbrae", the show consists of the work of Larry Clark, Nan Goldin, and Wolfgang Tillmans. Clark served as pioneer in the field, photographing the raw underbelly of his Oklahoma environs from 1963 to 1968. The ensuing book *Tulsa*, has never been reprinted, and is today a collectors item worth hundreds of dollars. Jensen displays six prints from this series, as well as six prints from Clark's follow-up book *Teenage Lust*.

Some of Clark's imagery seems tame by today's standards. The picture of a long-haired youth pulling down plaid pants to reveal a bulging pair of briefs could today be a Calvin Klein ad found between the covers of *Vanity Fair*. A viewer needs to put such images into the context of their times. Other Clark photographs, such as one depicting a young man enjoying a blow-job, might create a stir even today.

The path first blazed by Clark was widened a bit with the arrival of Nan Goldin in the late seventies. Continuing the idea of creating a visual diary of real life, Goldin documented the passionate and sometimes abusive relationships that entangled her life in

New York City. The eventual slide-show and book *The Ballad of Sexual Dependency* catapulted her into the forefront of the contemporary scene.

Unfortunately, the Jensen show fails to bring us Nan Goldin's best work. "Smokey Car, New Hampshire," is perhaps the best of the lot, enigmatically creating a charged atmosphere with its grease smeared windows, puffs of nicotine, and Budweiser cans. The homo-erotic collage that is "David's Darkroom" is an interesting tidbit, but hardly the compelling drama that makes up the best of Goldin's work.

One problem with this type of photographic diary making is that a single page from a personal journal often loses the impact of the whole. This is particularly noticeable in the case of Wolfgang Tillmans. This 30-year old German photographer chronicles his life in the gay subculture's fast lane, and it makes a compelling visual impression when viewed en masse. His book *Burg* leaves a person feeling he has discovered an exciting and talented young artist. But a single Tillmans photograph can leave a viewer perplexed, if not altogether cold. After all, a boot, a pair of socks, and a bowl of raspberries on a dirty carpet (as we see in one Tillmans image) is hardly enough to evoke a mood, a story, a statement, or much of anything else.

Though images such as "Spitting on Dick" (depicting just what the title says), are captivating, one wonders if Tillmans is not so much chronicling his life as indulging in personal myth-making. It's a question that runs throughout autobiographical work. Have photographers such as Clark, Goldin, and Tillmans truly devoted themselves to capturing existence as they've experienced it? Or have they created their own personas through the myth-making potential of the camera?

—Waswo

Penumbrae, photos by Larry Clark, Nan Goldin, and Wolfgang Tillmans, is on view at Dean Jensen Gallery, 759 North Water Street, through April 24.



Boulevard Stages 17th-Century French Comedy

The Boulevard Ensemble's fourth production of its Mainstage Season is Pierre de Marivaux's delightful comedy *The Double Infidelity*. The Milwaukee Premiere of this 17th century comedy tells the tale of two couples who embark on a journey of self-deception and romantic intrigue. The classic ploys of mistaken identity, comic servants, and two mismatched couples combine to make the anticipated and well-deserved happy ending both to Marivaux's comedy and the Ensemble's 13th season.

This charming bon-bon of love opens Friday April 16 at 8 p.m. at the Boulevard Theater, 2252 S. Kinnickinnic Ave. Curtain times vary with 7:30 p.m. for Thursdays, 8 p.m. for Fridays and Saturdays, and Sundays varying between 7:30

Kate Nowicki and Roderick Gillespie
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p.m. (April 18 and 25) and 2:30 p.m. for matinees on May 2 and 9. Ticket prices are \$10 Thursdays, \$12 Fridays and Sundays and \$15 for Saturdays. Reservations are recommended and may be obtained by calling (414) 744-5757.

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Chamber Theater Gears Up for Shaw Festival

The Milwaukee Chamber Theater (MCT) presents Milwaukee's 17th Annual Shaw Festival in the Cabot Theater of the Broadway Theater Center, and pairs Bernard Shaw with Tony Kushner. On Friday, April 16 will feature Shaw's "Mrs. Warren's Profession," starring Ruth Schudson, and Saturday, April 17 Kushner's "The Illusion," directed by Montgomery Davis. The two shows will be running in repertory through May 2, 1999. MCT ViewPoints, a free presentation offered prior to the opening of every production during the season, is funded in part by a grant from the Wisconsin Humanities Council.

Additionally, MCT will present the world premiere of "Persuasions," a new play by Dr. Margot Peters about Shaw (Jonathan Daly), actress Ellen Terry (Laura Gordon) and actor Henry Irving (Jonathan Smoots), as a staged reading on Monday, April 26 at 7 p.m. Before Shaw became a playwright, he was a drama critic. One of his favorite targets was the actor Henry Irving and his grandiose productions. Shaw's disgruntlement was fueled by his love of the actor's leading lady and mistress to whom he had written many passionate love letters. A \$10 donation is requested for this production.

Associate producer, In Tandem Productions, presents this year's Shaw Shorts: two hysterically funny one-acts, "Passion, Poison and Petrification" by Shaw and "The Form" by N.F. Simpson. The Shaw Shorts will feature the same cast: Molly Hayner, Raeleen McMillion, William Clifford and Michelangelo Matarrese, and will run for six performances only. Saturday, Apr. 17 (2 and 4 p.m.), Sunday, Apr. 18 (5 p.m.), Saturday, Apr. 24 (2 and 4 p.m.), and Sunday, Apr. 25 (5 p.m.).

MTC offers a pre-show program called "CurtainUP!" on Wednesday Apr. 21 and 28 at 6:30 p.m. Talkbacks will be held following the performances on Thursday, April 22, Saturday, April 24, Friday, April 30, and every Wednesday matinee performance. New this year are Friday Specialty Nights. On April 30, 90 minutes prior to the 8 p.m. performance, MTC will hold "Ale Night." No reservations are necessary. Indulge yourself with a favorite ale from the Skylight Bar and enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Some performances are already sold out. Prices range from \$17 to \$28. There are senior discounts and student tickets as well as group rates available, so for more information or to make a reservation, call (414) 276-7800.

Waswo Photographs at Grava Gallery

This coming Gallery Night Richard Waswo opens a show of portraiture stemming from his work with *IN Step* and *Q•Voice* magazine. Showing in conjunction with artist Sally Gauger Jensen and sculptor Mark Winter, Waswo unveils a small suite of 30 black and white photos depicting people within the local art scene.

The suite includes portraits of James Auer, Jason Rohlf, Butch Randy James, Francis Ford, Sister Cash Box and others. Much of this work has been previously seen published in *IN Step* and *Q•Voice*.

"This is journalistic work," states Waswo. "The photos were often made quickly, in the few minutes I had before or after an interview. But it makes for an interesting sort of documentation."

The Waswo, Jensen, Winter show premieres April 16 at Grava Gallery, 1209 E. Brady St., with an opening from 6 to 10 p.m.

Present Music Earth Day Concert Scheduled

Present Music promises to deliver a compelling evening of nature-inspired music and poetry to celebrate its second dynamic Earth Day concert to be performed at St. John's Cathedral, 802 N. Jackson on Saturday, April 24 at 8 p.m. "We are thrilled to be able to share the raging intensity of *acid Rain* by Michael Gordon and *waves* by Kamran Ince in the res-

onant St. John's Cathedral," said Kevin Stalheim, Present Music's founder and artistic director.

Also featured will be the members of the Algonquin Singers and poet Mike Roberts, from Milwaukee's Native American community, *Musica Celestis* by Aaron Jay Kernis, *The Lake* by Paul Halley and *To The Earth* by Frederick Rzewski. Representatives from local environmental groups will share their upcoming activities before the concert and during intermission. Tickets range from \$7.50 to \$19. For more information, call (414) 271-0711.

Bailiwick Offers Pride Pass

To kick off this season's *Pride Series*, Chicago's Bailiwick Repertory is offering "Pride Pass '99" for just \$99.00 through May 1. You can see every show in the *Pride Series*, and save over 30 percent on tickets. The "Pride Pass" offers one admission to each of the nine shows in this year's series.

Productions include: Greg Louganis, Alexandra Billings and Marc Silvia starring in Larry Kramer's revised comedy *Just Say No*; Tim Miller in *Shirts And Skins*; Dr. Shirlene Holmes' *Conversations With A Diva*; the new musical *Breathe; Homme Fatale: The Joey Stefano Story* from Australia; *A Real Read*; Kate Moria Ryan's exciting *Damage And Desire*; Ryan Idol in *Scent Of Rain*; and Clark Carlton's hilarious *Self Help*.

After May 1, 1999, the Pride Pass will sell for \$109. Don't miss a moment of this year's *Pride Series*. You can order your Pride Pass over the phone at (773) 883-1090, or stop by the Bailiwick box office for passes, single tickets, or more information.

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"Yeah definitely," she said. "That's always been a fantasy of mine."

But the practical Bernhard knows comedy is her bread and butter. Still, she mixes it up with the music she loves. She sang at last year's Stormy Weather benefit for Don Henley's Walden Pond Project alongside Sheryl Crow, Paula Cole and another Valley girl, her hero, Stevie Nicks.

"I'm a huge fan of Stevie's, both personally and professionally," Bernhard gushed. "She's very charming. She's everybody's mother and daughter. She is so private and elusive."

I remind her that Nicks keeps a home in the Valley. As does Alice Cooper.

"I can see why that's appealing to them," she said. "They can go to the grocery store and nobody bothers them. Phoenix still has that small town feel."

After a brief time talking with Bernhard, I realized the Sandra on stage is a character of sorts, different from the real woman on the other end of the phone. Her speaking voice is softer. She is thoughtful, calm and polite. She is utterly charming.

"There is definitely a big part of me up there on the stage. But you've gotta be larger than life and have an edge to keep the audience interested," she explained. "I'm very down to earth and introspective in my personal life. I'm taking care of business every day."

Bernhard has lived in the same small bungalow in Los Angeles since 1986. She drives a 1991 Acura.

"I'm not impressed by cars and all that," she said. "I'm real practical."

She's a realist as well. The New York City apartment she shares with her baby is a bit cramped.

"I'll probably end up buying a bigger place if I decide to spend more time here after the show closes," she said.

And speaking of the baby, I can hear little Cicely Yasin gurgling in the background.

"Yeah, that's her. She's playing with her nanny. I have to have a nanny," she said. "I'm at the theater every night. It's a necessity."

Unlike a woman in a heterosexual relationship, Bernhard had to go out of her way to get pregnant.

"I wanted to have a baby when I was in the right emotional and financial situation," Bernhard said. "I knew the time was right."

Her half-dozen projects should give her an ample supply of cash to fund single motherhood. Three years studying cabala (a Jewish form of mysticism) have quieted the internal demons and settled her restless soul.

Speaking of sexuality, is Bernhard bothered by our demand to know, is she or isn't she?

"Unfortunately people always want to know other people's sexuality," Bernhard said gently. Hopefully I've been one of the people to help break through that."

"It's all in there in my work," she said. "It always has been."

Any concerns about the long-term commitment of motherhood?

"That is not even in the realm of my understanding," her maternal voice came through. "It is so wonderful. Every day is a lesson to be learned and will continue to be. I'm totally open to what I will learn."

Bernhard's latest movie, *Somewhere in the City* was an independent, shot on a shoestring budget.

"There's no money in independent films honey, unless you own a piece of the back end and it makes a lot of money," explained the shrewd businesswoman.

But she loved the character in the film. "It was a quirky role where I didn't have to play myself," she said. "And it was a short commitment."

She also still dabbles in television. She's the voice of Cassandra in Disney's animated *Hercules* series.

So far her TV roles have been supporting. She played Roseanne's lesbian friend on the hit ABC sitcom from '91-'96.

I think [TV executives] are ready to let me have my own show," she said. "I'd like it to be a variety show like Carol Burnett's. I think we are ready for that kind of TV again." ▼



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Music Reviews

Dusty Springfield

On March 2, 1999, Dusty Springfield's body finally succumbed to the ravages of breast cancer, tragically passing on just thirteen days before she was to be inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. But as with all musical geniuses, an immortal body of work ensures that her spirit will live on.

Fortunately for the biz, several Dusty reissues were already in the racks a few weeks before her death. Last year Mercury released the fine *The Very Best of Dusty Springfield*, twenty mostly pre-Dusty in Memphis classics. As a consumer-conscious critic, I would normally advise you to stop your bucks here. But there's just way too much missing. You'd be better off saving your pennies for Mercury's three-disc 1997 *The Dusty Springfield Anthology*. Not all of its seventy-seven cuts are worth your attention but it proves that she enjoyed a more illustrious, less embarrassing run than her contemporary Dionne Warwick, who we'll get to later.

More recently, Rhino Records has reissued their reissue of Dusty's 1969 masterpiece, *Dusty in Memphis*. This particular reissue contains some great stray singles released around the same time (just try to tell me Reba McEntire didn't rip "Fancy" from "Willie and Laura Mae Jones") and an aborted Jeff Barry-produced album which should have stayed aborted. Also from Rhino is *Dusty in London* which collects tracks from two UK-only albums from before and after Memphis.

But if you stop and start there, as many do, you miss those great early girl-group singles and Mercury has again stepped up to fill that gap by reissuing her first five Philips albums, *I Only Want To*

—Kevin John

Be With You, Dusty, Ooooooweeee!!!, You Don't Have To Say You Love Me and *The Look of Love*. All are hits-plus-filler in that pre-Sgt. Pepper way but all contain several bright moments where the voice catches you unaware. You'll be surprised how worthwhile her taking up "You Don't Own Me" or "Mama Said" sounds. And classic singles like "The Look of Love" and "What's It Gonna Be?" epitomize the swingin' '60s London of Blow-Up and the brilliant credits sequence of Austin Powers.

Spotty though all this may be, the best of it shines through with as much personality as any pop music. Dusty was frequently criticized for residing in the R&B that, as a British hair hopper, "wasn't her own." Nina Simone threw a drink at her in public and at one point Warwick pooh-poohed upon the Brit divas her covered her work. But Dusty continued to do exactly what she wanted, producing her records (uncredited) at a time when that would have been unthinkable, being deported from South Africa for insisting on integrated audiences, bending the Memphis Cats to her sweet sophistication. And you can hear this oft-times uncomfortable striving in even the dreck. She was not just a model singer but a model human being. Rhino's *Dionne Warwick Anthology* is the record I'll take to the desert isle. But for daily inspiration, a standard to which to aspire, Dusty is it.

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ACTIVITIES:

Friday, April 9

SAGE/Milwaukee - Game Night (Milwaukee): Game night starts at 6:30 p.m. in the small meeting room at the LGBT Community Center. The game playing evening is now open to men and women. Sheephead will be taught to beginners, and for those who already know the game, there will be a chance to play Milwaukee's favorite card game. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Saturday, April 10

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Bridge (Madison, WI): Come play bridge with members at Doug and RJ's. FMI and location, call (608) 238-5137. Frontrunners/Walkers - LGBT Running/Walking Group (Madison, WI): Meets weekly at 9 a.m. FMI & location call (608) 663-6463. GAMMA - Social Volleyball (Milwaukee): Every Saturday at UW Engleman Gym, 2033 E. Hartford Ave., from 1 to 3 p.m. \$2 GAMMA members, \$3 non-members FMI call John (414) 540-1202.

Sunday, April 11

LGBT Community Center - Action Wisconsin Meeting (Milwaukee): The Spring Board of Directors & Community Meeting will be held from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Center, 170 South 2nd Street. Action Wisconsin is a grassroots, non-partisan, statewide organization dedicated to the protection and advancement of equal rights for Wisconsin's LGBT citizens and their families. Membership is open to all who support that goal. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Tuesday, April 13

LGBT Community Center - Volunteer Orientation (Milwaukee): Have you volunteered to work at the Center? If so you should show up for orientation from 7 to 10 p.m. If you want to volunteer, call the Center first to register. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Wednesday, April 14

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dance (Madison, WI): John C. will teach beginning Line Dance Lessons from 7 to 8 p.m. From 8 to 9 p.m. there will be a review of West Coast Swing with Ron and Cheryl teaching. Sapphire Ballroom 1133 N. Sherman Ave. in the Northgate Mall. Smoke free, cash bar. \$3 suggested donation. FMI call (608) 245-0627.

Friday, April 16

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - General Dance (Madison, WI): Sharon will teach from 8 to 9 p.m. Open dancing will follow until closing at the Sapphire Ballroom, 1133 N Sherman Ave. in the Northgate Mall. Smoke free, cash bar. \$3 suggested donation. FMI call (608) 245-0627.

Game Night (Milwaukee): GAMMA invites everyone to Game Night at the Milwaukee LGBT Center on Friday April 16th, 7:10:00 p.m. Bring a friend, a favorite board game and some snacks to pass. Be prepared for a good time. No alcoholic beverages are allowed at the center. The center is looking for a donation of board games, so if you would like to bring one to leave at the center it would be appreciated. See you on Friday the 16th at the LGBT Center, 170 S. 2nd Street.

Saturday, April 17

LGBT Community Center - Lesbian 2000 (L2K) Fund-Raiser (Milwaukee): Come to the Center, 170 S 2nd St., to make connections and network with various lesbian organizations from 6 to 10 p.m. Be a part of Lesbian 2000 (L2K) There is a potluck, so bring a dish to pass. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

LGBT Community Center - ARCW Youth Night (Milwaukee): ARCW is starting a Drop-in Coffee Chat Group for the gay, bisexual and questioning youth of Milwaukee from 3 to 5:30 p.m. This event is called The Mirror & Me: Reflections on LGBT Youth's Self Esteem. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Mid-AIDS - 9 Pin Bowling Tournament (Milwaukee): Participants in the twelfth annual bowling tournament scheduled to take place at noon on Saturday, Apr. 17 at the Red Carpet Bowlero, 11731 W. Burleigh St. The entry fee is \$25, which includes bowling, a buffet, prizes and donation. The tournament benefits BESTD Clinic & Camp Heartland. FMI call Bob and Rick at (414) 482-1964 or Cindy and Debi at (414) 328-3636.

OutReach - Wine-Tasting Benefit (Madison, WI): The event entitled AN EVENING WITH FRIENDS begins at 7 p.m. and continues until midnight at the Sapphire Ballroom, located in the Northgate Mall at 1133 N. Sherman Ave. Tickets are \$25. FMI call OutReach at (608) 255-8582 and charge by phone (MC/Visa).

Monday, April 19

LGBT Community Center - Community/Police Meeting (Milwaukee): The meeting scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. will include, but not be lim-

ited to controversial police actions at Club 219 and LaCage. The Center is located at 170 S. Second St. FMI & time call (414) 271-2656.

Wednesday, April 21

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dance (Madison, WI): Gary will teach beginning Two Step Couple dance lessons from 7 to 8 p.m. From 8 to 9 p.m. Ron will teach Advanced Line dance lessons. Sapphire Ballroom, 1133 N Sherman Ave, Northgate Mall. Smoke free, cash bar. \$3 suggested donation. FMI call (608) 245-0627.

BAR SPECIALS:

Sundays:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Sunday afternoon bottle beer special from 3 to 7 p.m.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): \$1 tappers & \$1.50 rail drinks from 4 to 8 p.m.

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Rotating Events!

Emerald's (Milwaukee): Men's Night! Call drinks \$2.

Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI): \$4 Packer Beer Bust by MGD and Miller Lite, Packer touchdown shots, FREE hot dogs & snacks! (Open 1 hour before televised games. \$4 up to the start of the 3rd quarter, then \$6 all night. Packer bus participants: 25 cents per mug after the game)

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Noon to 4 p.m. Bloody Marys & Screw Drivers - \$2 a mug.

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Join them on Packer Sundays for brunch. Brunch from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Underwear Night! \$1 off all alcoholic beverages for those in their underwear. DJ Eddie.

Naples Lounge (Green Bay, WI): \$6 Beer Bust from 3 to 6 p.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 Bloody Marys hosted by the Gay Voice.

Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): Beer Bust (top beer \$6) 3 to 8 p.m. \$8 rail mixers, \$10 call mixers, \$2 dbl. Bloody Marys & Screw Drivers all night.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): Shirtless Sundays. Half-price tap & rail if your shirt is off. 9 p.m. to close.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Bloody Marys \$2. Mimosas \$2.

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): Bloody Marys, Screw Drivers, Grey Hounds \$2.30. Tap beer 80¢ from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Rail drinks \$1.80 6 p.m. to closing.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Game Show Mania every Sunday at 8:30 p.m. \$1 Bloody Marys!

Woody's (Milwaukee): \$5 Beer Bust! Bloody Marys & Screw Drivers are \$2 from 4 to 7 p.m.

Zo's (Green Bay, WI): Dry Dance Night! (16 & up in Zo's). Alcohol served to over 21 in Java's.

Mondays:

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m.

Club 5/Planet Q/The Barracks (Madison, WI) 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks up to \$3.50 and under. Drinks over \$3.50 are \$1 off from 4 p.m. to close. Shots of Hot Sex \$1 from 8 p.m. to close. DJ & Dancing begin at 10 p.m.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Closed.

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Happy Hour 2-4-1 from 5 to 7 p.m. Pool & Dart Leagues - sign up now.

Emerald's (Milwaukee): Margarita Mondays! \$2 - 8 p.m. to midnight.

Fannies (Milwaukee): Closed until March 1999.

Fluid (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 drinks from 5 to 8 p.m.

Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI): \$6 Super Bust! by MGD and Miller Lite, all the MGD or Miller Lite you can drink - ALL NITE! (\$4 Packer Bust for televised Monday night Packer's games. Open 1 hour before televised games).

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): 4 to 6 p.m. Pull tabs!

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Mountain of BBQ Rib Special!

Naples Lounge (Green Bay, WI): Pull tabs from 3 to 7 p.m. (Drinks as low as 25¢). There is a \$6 Beer Bust from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): Melrose Mondays. Free pizza & shot specials.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour 4 to 7 p.m. \$3.50 and under drinks over \$3.50 get \$1 off.

Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): \$3 pitchers - 9 p.m. to close.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour! 3 to 7 p.m. Pull-

tabs 9 p.m. to close.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Closed!

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): Domestic beer \$1.50, rail drinks \$1.80. 9 p.m. to close.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Miller products - \$1.50.

Triangle (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! \$4 pitchers of beer. Melrose Place Mondays.

Woody's (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 9 p.m.

Zo's (Green Bay, WI): Free Pool & Darts. \$6 Super Bust at Java's.

TUESDAYS:

Barracks - Levi/Leather (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks up to \$3.50 and under, plus Spin the Happy Hour Wheel to win beer bashes, free drinks, fish fry & more. Customer Appreciation Day. Free tabs of Lite from 8 to 9 p.m., plus all rail drinks & domestic bottles are only \$1. 9 p.m. tabs of Lite, domestic bottles of beer & rail drinks are \$1.25. Price goes up 25 cents every half hour until 11 p.m. From then to close tabs of Lite, rail & domestic bottles are \$2. Shots of Pucker & Hot Sex are \$1 from 8 p.m. to close. Dancing & DJ at 10 p.m.

Boat Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Leather/Levy Night. Well-drinks & draft beer \$1. Dress Code Enforced. Pit open.

Club 5/Planet Q (Madison) 2-4-1 Happy Hour 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on all drinks \$3.50 and under. All other drinks are \$1 off. Customer Appreciation Day. Free tabs of Lite from 8 to 9 p.m., plus all rail drinks & domestic bottles are only \$1. 9 p.m. tabs of Lite, domestic bottles of beer & rail drinks are \$1.25. Price goes up 25 cents every half hour until 11 p.m. From then to close tabs of Lite, rail & domestic bottles are \$2. Shots of Pucker & Hot Sex are \$1 from 8 p.m. to close. Dancing & DJ at 10 p.m.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Open at 5 p.m. Cocktails are 1/2 price from 5 to 8 p.m.

Dish (Milwaukee): Closed

Emeralds (Milwaukee): \$5 Beer Bust - 8 to midnight!

Fannies (Milwaukee): Closed.

Fluid (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 drinks from 5 to 8 p.m.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Mexican Night! 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tacos \$1.70 to 10 p.m. 2-4-1 Tequila 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Corona \$1.75.

The Closet (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. \$1 shots (Liqueur or Schnapps) and 75¢ tabs. Starting at 8 p.m. Karaoke with Pam!

M&M Club (Milwaukee): M&M Club (Milwaukee): Double Bubble with complimentary Hors D'oeuvres 5 to 7 p.m.

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Levi/Leather. Open 8 p.m. Free Pool, \$5 pitchers.

Naples Lounge (Green Bay, WI): Shake a Drink! Aces free and sixes half-price - 3 to 7 p.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): All coffee drinks - \$2.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): Grill open! 2-4-1 Happy Hour runs from 4 to 7 p.m. \$1 Lite tabs from 9 p.m. to close Karaoke from 8:30 p.m. to close

Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): Progressive Night! 9 p.m. through close. \$1 rail mixers, 50¢ mugs of beer. Price goes up 25¢ every half-hour to closing.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails 3 to 7 p.m.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Closed!

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): \$2.90 top-shelf, \$1.80 rail drinks from 9 p.m. to close.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Bud Products \$1.50.

The Trading Company (Eau Claire, WI): 2 for \$2. Domestic bottles and rail mixes all night.

Triangle (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks!

Woody's (Milwaukee): Appetizers! Cocktail Hour - 4 to 9 p.m.

Wednesdays:

Barracks - Levi/Leather (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour plus the Happy Hour wheel from 4 to 8 p.m. After 8 p.m. All whiskey drinks (rail, Jim Beam, Jack Daniels etc.) are 50¢ off. Pitchers of Lite \$4 for small & \$5 for large. Shots of Doctor \$2.

Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m.

Club 5/Planet Q (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks \$3.50 & under \$1 off all other drinks from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. All whiskey drinks (rail, Jim Beam, Jack Daniels etc.) are 50¢ off. Pitchers of Lite \$4 for small & \$5 for large. Shots of Doctor \$2.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Open at 5 p.m. Cocktails are 1/2 price from 5 to 8 p.m.

Dish (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Groove with Amy! Amy entertains!

Emeralds (Milwaukee): Tea Thursday! Ice Tea \$2.50.

Fannies (Milwaukee): \$1 off almost everything including top shelf.

Fluid (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 drinks from 5 to 8 p.m. Cosmopolitan Martinis \$3 from 8 p.m. to close.

Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI): \$6 SUPER BUST! MGD and Miller Lite. Cherry Life Saver's and Viagra Shots - \$2.50.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Slammers! \$1 - 7 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Kirby's Klub (Madison, WI): Every Thursday Night is 20's Night! Party to the hottest rock all night. \$1 rail, \$1 shots, 50¢ tabs. Listen to our new DJs Todd & Shawn.

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Happy Hour from 5 p.m. to close!

Man's Country (Chicago): Half-Price Night. Rooms \$10, Lockers \$7.

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Open 8 p.m. Levi/Leather. Tex-Mex Night! \$2 bottles of Corona, \$2 shots of Cuervo and Tequila

Cempazuchi Flowers On Brady Street

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When it comes to most Mexican restaurants in Milwaukee, a person can pretty much guess the menu even before it is seen. Not so with Cempazuchi (meaning marigold), which



Bryce Clark and Sal Sanchez inside Cempazuchi.

has just opened at 1205 East Brady Street. Owners Sal Sanchez and Bryce Clark have gone to great lengths to make sure their restaurant is innovative and different.

"We started going to Mexico about nine years ago, and we noticed how good the food was. There was nothing really like it here in Milwaukee. A big difference was flavor. The food we found in Mexico was more complex and sophisticated. We have our favorite restaurant in Mexico City. Whenever we're in that city we just have to eat there. The food is just that good."

Sal Sanchez has had a long history of involvement in food service, and his lover, Bryce, has had a wealth of experience in the floral industry. Together, they bring us Cempazuchi. As Bryce puts it, "We're going to be more than just a restaurant. We're also going to be a flower shop. Just loose flowers wrapped in paper. Very much like you'd find in a Mexican market."

"I'll be doing most of the cooking," continues Sal, "but we both took classes from a woman who runs a cooking school in Oaxaca. She actually taught us in her home. It was great to learn that way. We'd shop the market in the village, and her husband would load it into the

pick-up truck and we'd drive two miles over the riverbeds and hills to their home.

"She was a wonderful person with lots of knowledge. We became friends with other restaurateurs in Oaxaca. It was worth it just to observe them and pick up some of their methods. It's nice to go to school, but unless you actually see things being made you don't really understand."

Cempazuchi will also feature a full service bar, with a large menu of Margaritas. Thirty types of high quality Tequilas will be on hand, as well as a list featuring some 23 varieties of wine.

"We'll also be serving lots of non-alcoholic drinks. Like horchata, a rice and cinnamon flavored water that is

very popular in Mexico."

Sal and Bryce are obviously proud of their new venture and eager to share their knowledge of Mexican cuisine with Milwaukee.

"I think the best mole is the black mole that's served in Oaxaca", states Sal. "I've never seen it outside of that city, but it will be on our menu. It's typically served with turkey rather than chicken. Turkey is indigenous to Mexico, whereas chicken is not."

"We'll be rotating a 'fish of the day' which will be served in a Veracruz sauce that is very, very different. It has capers and olives and is almost Italian in flavor. It's a dish that comes from the coast of Mexico. We'll also be offering a lot of vegetarian items. There will be something for everyone." ▼

Danceworks is on the Move

Artistic Director Sarah Wilbur and the board of directors of Danceworks Inc. have announced that they will be relocating the organization to a new facility at the Northern Lights Building in downtown Milwaukee. The new space will be called Studio 1661 and will occupy the entire ground floor of the building at 1661 N. Water St.

"We welcome the opportunity to bring the Danceworks Performance Company (DPC), Dancecircus and Wild Space Dance Company together under a single roof for informal showings, Master Classes, and professional development workshops," said Wilbur. "We are looking at a lot of cross-fertilization rather than a merging of identities. This should really keep dance hot in Milwaukee."

Danceworks will unveil its new identity, designed by the Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design (MIAD) on June 1. They will open for business with a month of Welcome activities that will include a rehearsal residency with "Reggie Wilson/Fist and Heel Performance Group". Wilson, a Milwaukee native, is returning to set a piece at DPC. Also in town from Chicago during June will be Brian Jeffrey of "XSIGHT! Performance Group" who is setting a piece and will offer a week-long technique workshop open to intermediate and advanced dancers.

Studio 1661 will house the rehearsals, classes and camps of Danceworks, the Dreamtime Creative Arts Studio, Betty Salamun's Dancecircus, and a host of part-time partners including Wild Space Dance Company and the UWM Dance Program. This larger, centrally located space will increase the organization's visibility and meet its growing need for studio and informal performing space.

Dancecircus will move its entire operation to the new location, and Wild Space will be offering company classes in conjunction with weekend rehearsals at the new space. Wild Space will also host a workshop series. Marcia Parsons of the Dance Program at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee has chosen Studio 1661 as its main site for off campus classes, many of which will be taught by Danceworks faculty.

The new space will have two large dance studios, one of which will be inaugurated early in 2000 and used as an informal 80-seat performance space for a program of new works. There will be offices for Danceworks and Dancecircus, and a studio space for Dreamtime. Studio 1661 will include changing rooms, a shower, and a small reception space that will double as a gallery. For more information about Danceworks or their new location, please call (414) 372-2077.

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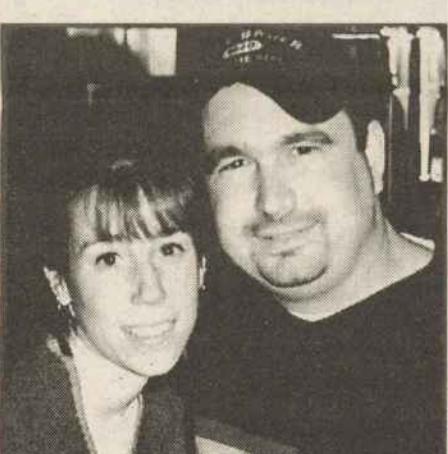
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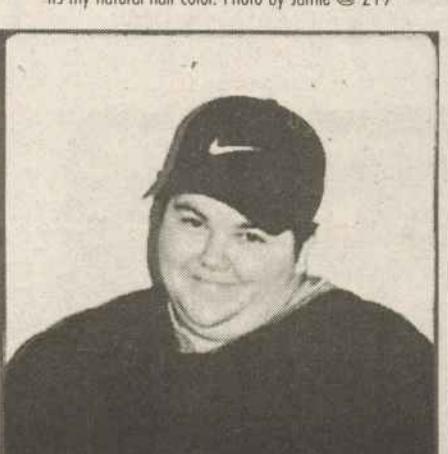
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OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1 bottle beer, 50¢ drafts. Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): Grill open! 2-4-1 Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. Blue Moon steins are \$2 from 9 p.m. to close. Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): Free Pool & Darts. 2-4-1 tap beer 9 p.m. to close. South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails 3 to 8 p.m. 75¢ tops from 9 p.m. to close. Station 2 (Milwaukee): Bottle and Can beers, 50¢ off. \$1 shots of cold Schnapps. The Ballgame (Milwaukee): \$1.80 rail drinks 9 p.m. to close. The Office (Rockford, IL): Beer \$1 Well drinks \$1.50. The Trading Company (Eau Claire, WI): Super Bust! 9 p.m. to close. \$8 rail, \$10 call mixers, \$12 top-shelf mixers. Triangle (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! \$6 All-U-Can Drink Rail Bust! Woody's (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 9 p.m. Specialty Beer Night \$1.50 per bottle from 8 p.m. to close (Sam Adams, Corona, Becks, Rolling Rock & More). Zo's (Green Bay, WI): \$6 Super Bust. DJ Mark spins.

Fridays:

Barrocks - Levi/Leather (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks \$3.50 and under. \$1 off all other drinks. From 4 to 8 p.m. plus the Happy Hour wheel. Boot Camp Saloon (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m. Cell Block (Chicago): Fetish Night! Check your Monthly Planner. \$100 drawings. Holding Cell open at 10 p.m. Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Club Night. Chicago's Leather and S&M Clubs welcome. Pit open. Club 5/Planet Q (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks \$3.50 and under. All other drinks are \$1 off from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. DJ & dancing at 10 p.m.

Club 219 (Milwaukee): Open at 5 p.m. Cocktails are 1/2 price from 5 to 8 p.m. Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Happy Hour 2-4-1 5 to 7 p.m. Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'. Emeralds (Milwaukee): Friday Night Dance Party with DJ Bango. No cover before 9 p.m. Fannies (Milwaukee): Envelope Night! WIN \$SScash & prizes. DJ at 10 p.m. with the best of the 70s, 80s & 90s. Fluid (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 drinks from 5 to 8 p.m.

Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI): Bring on the Bears and Bikers! \$1.25 Tap MGD & Miller Lite, \$1.75 Pints of Leinen's Red, \$2.50 Pints of Hocker-Pschorr Weisse, \$2.50 Vanilla & Original Doctor's, Cherry Cheesecake, Cherry LifeSaver's and Viagra shots. Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Pull tabs! 5 to 7 p.m. M&M Club (Milwaukee): All you can eat Fish Fry.

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Open 8 p.m. Fetish Nite! 50¢ off all beverages for those who are Fetish dressed from 10 p.m. to close. 2-4-1 on all mixed drinks from 8pm to 10pm. The Shaft Bar opens at 10 p.m. Dress Code enforced. DJ Eddie. OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 shot specials & import beer specials. DJ/Dancing.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour! Fish Fry \$6.95. DJ (p.m. to close. Men's Room Bar on 2nd floor open at 9 p.m. Movies - Pool - Darts! Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): \$1 domestic bottles 9 p.m. to close. South Water Street Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails 3 to 7 p.m. Station 2 (Milwaukee): Margarita Madness \$2. Corona \$2. The Ballgame (Milwaukee): Cocktail hour from 2 to 9 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres. The Office (Rockford, IL): Best Dance Party! DJ Cris.

Triangle (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! Woody's (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 9 p.m.

Saturdays:

Barrocks - Levi/Leather (Madison, WI): Levi/Leather/Uniform Night! 50¢ off every drink for proper L/L/Uniform attire. 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks \$3.50 and under. \$1 off all drinks over \$3.50, plus spin the Happy Hour Wheel from 4 to 8 p.m. Cell Block (Chicago, IL): Open at 2 p.m. Saturday Night Riot 'til 3 a.m. Holding Cell opens at 10 p.m. Freddie Bane DJ. Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Drawings for Eagle Leather all night. Pit open. Club 5/Planet Q (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks \$3.50 and under. \$1 off all other drinks from 4 to 8 p.m. Club 219 (Milwaukee): \$1 tappers & \$1.50 rail drinks 4 to 8 p.m. Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'.

Fannies (Milwaukee): Hot Music to dance to. Two new DJs playing top 40, booty, house, funk, oldies etc. Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI): Vanilla & Original Doctor's, Cherry Cheesecake, Cherry LifeSaver's and Viagra shots - \$2.50. \$1.25 Tap

MGD & Miller Lite, \$1.75 Pints of Leinen's Red, \$2.50 Pints of Hocker-Pschorr Weisse.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Short beers 2 for \$1.50.

Man's Country (Chicago): Male Strippers and Porn Stars. Show at Midnight. Free Continental Breakfast Sunday Morning.

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 on all mixed drinks from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. DJ Eddie!

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1.50 shot specials. DJ/Dancing.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): \$2 Lite pints from 4 to 8 p.m. Men's Room Bar on 2nd floor 9 p.m. to close. Movies - Pool - Darts!

Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): All chilled shots only \$1.50 - 9 to 11 p.m. DJ & dancing starting at 11 p.m.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Dirty Cocktails Specials (ask bartender). Hot Sex \$1. Slammers \$1.

The Ball Game (Milwaukee): Bloody Marys, Screw Drivers, Grey Hounds \$2.30. Tap beer 80¢ from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Rockford's Best Dance Party! DJ's Jerry & Jess One!

Woody's (Milwaukee): Come down and Bash with Chris from 4 to 9 p.m.

BAR EVENTS:

Friday, April 9

The Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Fetish Night! HANKIES, 50¢ off all beverages for those flagging, 10 p.m. to close.

Saturday, April 10

The Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): OBERON'S CLUB NIGHT! This includes a Beer Bust and drawings. DJ Eddie!

Friday, April 16

Kathy's Nut Hut - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BEST Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 7 to 10 p.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

The Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Fetish Night! BARE CHESTS, 50¢ off all beverages for those who go shirtless from 10 p.m. to close.

Wednesday, April 21

Boot Camp Saloon - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BEST Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

BOOK READINGS, CLASSES & CLUBS:

Thursday, April 8

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (Brookfield, WI): A debut novel by Jennifer Chiaverini teaches deep lessons about family, friendship and sisterhood in THE QUILTER'S APPRENTICE. The author will share her novel at 7 p.m. The event is free and open to all. FMI call (414) 797-6140.

LGBT Community Center - Pink Ink Writers Group (Milwaukee): This lesbian group meets monthly at 7 p.m. at the Center. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Monday, April 12

AfterWords Bookstore - Book Club (Milwaukee): There will be a discussion of Mary Renault's THE PERSIAN BOY at 7:30 p.m. New members are always welcome. FMI call (414) 963-9089 or check the web site at www.afterwords.com.

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (Shorewood): Novelist MARTHA COOLEY will discuss THE ARCHIVIST at 7 p.m. The event is free and open to all. FMI call (414) 963-3111.

Tuesday, April 13

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (Milwaukee): GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS will discuss ALL TOO HUMAN at the Milwaukee Public Library's Centennial Hall, 733 N. 8th St. at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and are available as a coupon towards the purchase of the book. FMI call (414) 797-6140.

Wednesday, April 14

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (Brookfield, WI): Mystery writer MARTHA GRIMES will read from BITING THE MOON at 7 p.m. The event is free and open to all. FMI call (414) 797-6140.

AfterWords Bookstore - Storewide Sale (Milwaukee): See what you can find at the DON'T SING THE I.R.S. BLUES sale. FMI call (414) 963-9089 or check the web site at www.afterwords.com.

Tuesday, April 20

Borders Book Store EAST - GLBTQ Book Discussion Group (Madison, WI): At 7 p.m. two books will be discussed: one a fiction novel and a non-fiction book that ties in with the fiction novel. FMI call (608) 240-0080.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

Thursday, April 8

Diversity G/L Resource Center (Rockford, IL): Located at 610 E State St.



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Open from 4 to 9 p.m. Teen Drop-in Hours. FMI call (815) 964-2639.

Gay AA - Open Meetings (Appleton & Green Bay, WI): There are five open meetings for the gay and lesbian community each week in Appleton and Green Bay. FMI & Locations call (920) 336-2868 or (920) 954-9169.

Gay AA/Gay Al-anon - 12-Step Meetings (Kenosha): These recovery groups meet every Thursday at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 5810 8th Ave., at 7:30 p.m. FMI call Bill or Art at (414) 694-0115.

Gay/Lesbian AA Closed Meeting (Madison, WI): Meets weekly at 8 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 1609 University Ave. FMI call (608) 222-8989. South Madison Health & Family Ctr. (Madison, WI): Free, anonymous walk-in HIV testing from 5 to 7:45 p.m. Located at 2202 South Park St. FMI call (608) 261-9270.

HIV Self-Help Group - Monthly meeting (Baraboo, WI): This group sponsored by persons living with HIV, Sauk Prairie Memorial Hospital & the AIDS Network meets every 3rd Thursday from 1 to 3 p.m. in Baraboo. Refreshments are served & transportation assistance is available. FMI & location call (608) 643-7241 or (608) 643-7583.

LAAM - Support Group (Milwaukee): WOMEN WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES meets from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee. FMI call (414) 271-2565.

LGBT Community Center - Lesbian Singles Discussion Group (Milwaukee): The group meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Center, 170 S. 2nd Street. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

LGBT Community Center - Entrepreneur Network (Milwaukee): The group meets from 7 to 8:30 on the 4th Thursday of the month at the Center, 170 S. 2nd Street. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

South Madison Health & Family Ctr. (Madison, WI): Free, anonymous walk-in HIV testing from 5 to 7:45 p.m. Located at 2202 South Park St. FMI call (608) 261-9270.

Triangle Coalition - LGB Support Group (Rockford, IL): Meet to establish and explore friendships & relationships. Discuss a variety of topics every Thursday at 8 p.m. FMI call (319) 583-1834.

Women's Consciousness Raising Group (Madison, WI): Meets weekly at 5:30 p.m. at 122 State St. Suite 403. FMI call (608) 250-6775.

Unitarian Universalist Church - Lesbian Support/Discussion Group (Rockford, IL): The group meets weekly from 7 to 8 p.m. at 484 Turn Rd. FMI call (815) 636-7298.

Friday, April 9

LGBT Youth Group - Meeting (Kenosha): This group meets the first & third Fridays of the month from 7 to 10 p.m. at the ARCW Offices, 1212 57th St. FMI call 800-924-6601.

High Tea & Talk - Senior Men's Group (Madison, WI): High Tea & Talk is an organization-free (no long associated with SAGE/Dane) opportunity for senior men, and their friends of all ages, who enjoy the company of other men on Friday afternoons. The group meets at Monty's Blue Plate Diner, 2089 Atwood Ave., from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and is wheelchair accessible.

MGLO & MGLOPO - Red Light Night (Marshfield, WI): Come every Friday night from 10:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. to Marshfield's #1 spot at 130 S. Central Ave., above the Thimbleberry Bookstore. Come and meet local LGBT people, enjoy Videos and Dancing. Everyone is welcome to attend. Carry-in alcohol accepted. FMI call Jim (715) 384-6731 or Vic (715) 387-2068.

Northland Gay Men's Center - Weekly HIV/AIDS Social Group (Duluth, MN): The group meets from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Center, 8 N. 2nd Ave. East, Temple Opera Block, Suite 309. This is an opportunity for all men with HIV/AIDS to socialize and find support. FMI call (218) 722-8585.

Madison Transgender Group - Support Group (Madison, WI): A support and advocacy group for Transsexuals (M-F and F-M), Cross Dressers and their Friends, Families and Significant Others. Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at OurReach, 14 West Mifflin Street. FMI (608) 255-4927.

Saturday, April 10

AIDS Network - HIV/AIDS Support Group (Madison, WI): This group meets from 10 a.m. to noon at UW Hospital, 600 Highland Ave. in K6/Rm. 280, 2nd floor. FMI call (608) 252-6540 or 1-800-486-6276.

GLB AA - Open Meeting (Madison, WI): Every Saturday at 6 p.m. at OutReach, 14 W. Mifflin, Suite 103. FMI call (608) 255-8582.

Gay Men's Singles Club - Monthly Meeting/Party (Madison, WI): This group is for single gay men seeking LTRs. Tonight is their Spring Fling with a buffet brunch at 7 p.m. FMI call (608) 244-8675 (evenings).

Gemini Gender Group - Meeting (Brookfield, WI): The group meets at the Unitarian Universalist West at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 297-9328.

Integrity/Dignity - I/D & Y2K Open Forum (Madison, WI): A brainstorming discussion will be held at 6 p.m. on specific sexuality and spiritual programs of interest to college youth, lesbians, people living with AIDS and others in our community to plan for the coming year. Liturgy is held at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at St. Francis House, 1001 University Ave. FMI call (608) 836-8886.

Northland Gay Men's Center - Social Night (Duluth, MN): Meets every Saturday. Activities include games, videos and other social events from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Center, 8 N. 2nd Ave. East, Temple Opera Block, Suite 309. FMI call (218) 722-8585.

Sunday, April 11

Angels of Hope MCC - Religious Services (Allouez & Appleton, WI): Services are held every Sunday at 11 a.m. at 3607 Libal St., Allouez, & at 5 p.m. at 815 N. Richmond St., Appleton. FMI call (920) 991-0128.

James Reeb Unitarian Universalist Church - Worship Service (Madison, WI): Services are from 10 to 11 a.m. at 2146 E. Johnson St. FMI call

(608) 242-8887.

LAAM - Newsletter Stuffing (Milwaukee): Help stuff the newsletters starting at 12 noon at the LAAM office (#104) at the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St. FMI call (414) 2674-2600.

LGBT Community Center - Meditation Circle (Milwaukee): The group meets from 10 a.m. to noon on the 2nd Sunday of the month at the Center, 170 S. 2nd Street. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

LGBT Community Center - Conversations With God (Milwaukee): The group meets from 10 a.m. to noon on the 3rd Sunday of the month at the Center, 170 S. 2nd Street. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

LGBT Community Center - Drumming Circle (Milwaukee): The group meets from 10 a.m. to noon on the 4th Sunday of the month at the Center, 170 S. 2nd Street. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

PFLAG - NEW Meeting (Kenosha, WI): St. Mary's Lutheran Church, 2001 80th Street, will begin a PFLAG (Parents, Family & Friends of Lesbians And Gays) support group at 6:30 p.m. FMI contact Pastor James Shadduck at (414) 658-3555.

Perfect Harmony Chorus - Rehearsal (Madison, WI): Meet and sing every Sunday at Grace Episcopal Church on Capital Square from 7 to 9 p.m. Enter from the West Washington side of the court yard. FMI (608) 232-0528.

Rainbow Friends - Quaker Worship Group (Madison, WI): This group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 11 a.m. Diversity is encouraged, feelings are honored, and boundaries are respected. FMI & location, call (608) 250-7989.

Seeking Sobriety - Non-Religious Recovery Group (Milwaukee): This recovery group meets at 6 p.m. every Sunday at BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St. (use side door). FMI call Danny at (414) 540-0961 or Richard at (414) 442-1132.

University Congregational Church - Worship Service (Madison, WI): Weekly services are at 10 a.m. at 1127 University Ave. FMI (608) 256-2353.

Monday, April 12

BGLASS - Weekly Meeting (Appleton, WI): The Bisexual, Gay, Lesbian and Straight Society meets every Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Room 109 of Coleman Hall at Lawrence University Memorial Union, 615 E. College Ave. FMI call Irene (920) 722-7572, Bernie (920) 982-0220, or Harriet (920) 749-1629.

Gay AA/Gay Al-anon - 12-Step Meetings (Racine): These recovery groups meet every Monday at 625 College Ave. at 8 p.m. FMI call Art at (414) 694-0115.

Gay/Bi Men's AA - Closed Meeting (Madison, WI): The group meets at 8 p.m. at the University United Methodist Church, 1127 University Ave. FMI call (608) 222-8989.

WISH - Generic AA 12-Step Meeting (Madison, WI): The group meets weekly at 6 p.m. at the Atwood Community Ctr., 2425 Atwood Ave. FMI call (608) 249-5096.

Tuesday, April 13

Boyz Nite - ARCW - (Milwaukee): The group meets every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Assemble Safer Sex kits and other prevention materials. It's a place to hang out with other gay men and just dish. Movie night is on the first Tuesday of each month. All ages welcome.

BI Definition - Social & Discussion Group (Milwaukee): The group meets at the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St. at 7 p.m. Topic: BI/Trans Alliance. FMI call (414) 483-5046.

HIV/AIDS Support Group - Fox Cities (Menasha, WI): Free, confidential and open to any person living with or affected by HIV/AIDS on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The meetings take place from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Family Resource Assn. of Fox Valley, Midway Rd., 1488 Kenwood Drive. FMI call (920) 739-4226 or Sylvia at 1-800-675-9400.

LGBT Campus Center - Boy-Oh-Boy Men's Social Group (Madison, WI): This social group for ages 18 to 25 meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at 406 W. Gilman St. FMI call (608) 265-3344.

LGBT Campus Center - Youth Group (Madison, WI): The group meets weekly from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the second floor of the UWM Memorial Union, 800 Langdon St. The under-21 support group is for all Madison lesbian, gay and bisexual youth, whether in college or not. FMI call (608) 265-3344.

LGBT Campus Center - Young Feminists' Task Force (Madison, WI): This group meets weekly at the Center at 8:30 p.m. on the second floor of the UWM Memorial Union, 800 Langdon St. FMI call (608) 265-3344.

Madison Community Health Ctr. - HIV Testing (Madison, WI): Free, anonymous, walk-in HIV testing from 3 to 5:45 p.m. at 1133 Williamson St. FMI call (608) 255-0704.

Northland Gay Men's Center - Open Discussion Group (Duluth, MN): The group meets weekly from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Center, 8 N. 2nd Ave. East, Temple Opera Block, Suite 309. Topics include coming out issues, support & resources. No age limit. FMI call (218) 722-8585.

UHS Counseling & Consultation Services - Sex Out Loud (Madison, WI): This discussion group for Gay/Bi students meets in the Memorial Union at 12 p.m. every Tuesday. FMI call (608) 265-4901.

Womansong - Rehearsal (Madison) This singing group meets at Beth Israel Ctr. at 7 p.m. FMI call (608) 222-2987.

Yoga Spirit - Free Classes (Milwaukee): Every Tuesday there are free classes for all people living with HIV. Among other things you can reduce stress and ease neuropathy & joint pain. Classes are held at 301 N. Water St., Suite 410 at 3:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 289-9660.

Wednesday, April 14

Diversity G/L Resource Ctr - Coming Out Support Group (Rockford, IL): The group meets every Wednesday at 610 E. State St. from 7 to 8 p.m. FMI call (815) 964-2639.

Gay/Bi Men's Alanon Group (Madison, WI): Meets at the University United Methodist Church, 1127 University Ave. every Wednesday at 6 p.m. FMI call (608) 256-4107 or (608) 846-2860.

HIV/AIDS Support Group - (Green Bay, WI): Free, confidential and open to any person living with or affected by HIV/AIDS on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. The meetings take place at Renaissance Healing Arts Ctr., 311 S. Jefferson from 7:30 to 9 p.m. FMI call (920) 437-4325 or Sylvia at 1-800-675-9400.

Madison Vet Center - GLB Veterans Meeting (Madison, WI): The group meets every Wednesday at 147 S. Butler at 5 p.m. FMI call (608) 262-7084 or (608) 264-5342.

Queer Chicks - Social Group (Madison, WI): This group meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at 219 N. Hamilton St. FMI call (608) 265-3344.

Thursday, April 15

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Activity Planning (Madison, WI): Meet at Bob's at 7 p.m. to plan future activities. FMI call Bob at (608) 244-3351.

Third Thursdays - Monthly Gathering (Madison, WI): GLBTQ alumni, faculty/staff, graduate students and their guests, sponsored by the GLB Alumni Council

and the Faculty Senate Committee on GLB issues. There is a short program, cash bar and snacks. Location: University Club, 803 State Street. FMI Ken Chroca @ 263-4086 or Russell Betts @ 262-5895

Friday, April 16

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Dining Out (Madison, WI): Meet at the East Side Business Men's Association, 3735 Monona Drive, at 7 p.m. FMI call RJ at (608) 274-5821.

Sunday, April 18

Integrity/Dignity - I/D Board Meeting (Madison, WI): The meeting will take place at Kenis home. All I/D participants are welcome at the meeting or at a restaurant-to-be-determined afterward. FMI call (608) 831-2052.

PFLAG/Dane - Meeting (Madison, WI): PFLAG meets at 2 p.m. at the Friends Society (Quakers), 1704 Roberts Court, behind Associated Bank on Monroe St. Topic: Transgendered individuals, working towards better understanding.

Silver Space - Older Lesbian Discussion Group (Milwaukee): This group meets at the Counseling Center, 2036 N. Bartlett on the third Sunday of every month from 6 to 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2565.

UW-Madison - LGBT Graduation Reception (Madison, WI): From 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Pyle Center, Ameritech Lounge, 702 Langdon Street, there will be a reception for graduating LGBT students. This annual event sponsored by the Wisconsin Alumni Association (WAA) and the Dean of Students is for everyone.

Monday, April 19

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Rap Group (Madison, WI): The group meets at the new OUTReach, 600 Williamson St. at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (608) 255-4297.

Tuesday, April 20

BI Definition - Social/Discussion (Milwaukee): The group meets at the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St. at 7 p.m. Topic: BI/Trans Alliance. FMI call (414) 483-5046.

BI Youth Milwaukee - Social & Discussion (Milwaukee): The group meets at the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St. at 7 p.m. FMI call Richard (414) 645-0402.

Reformation Lutheran Health Fair - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

Wednesday, April 21

Alternative Business Assn. - Anniversary Meeting (Milwaukee): The ABA will meet at the M&M Club, 124 N. Water St. on Apr. 21 at 7 p.m. The meeting's keynote speaker will be David Zepecki, Director of Economic Development for Milwaukee County. Join them for this informational program, to meet the new board and officers, and to share hors d'oeuvres and cake. FMI call (414) 299-9271.

Bad Grlz - Women's S/M Support Group (Madison, WI): The group will meet at 7 p.m. at OurReach in the Gateway Mall, 600 Williamson St. FMI call (608) 242-8885.

Wisconsin Corporate Alliance - Monthly Meeting (Milwaukee): This newly formed alliance of LGBT employees of Wisconsin companies will meet every third Wednesday of the month at the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St. at 5:30 p.m. FMI call WCA at (414) 284-3295.

FILM, TV, VIDEO & RADIO:

Thursday, April 8

Cable TV WGN - Cathedral of Hope Broadcasts (Chicago, IL): In Milwaukee WGN is Time/Warner Cable station 17. The program will be aired at the following Central Standard times and dates: 4/8 at 1 a.m., 4/9 at 4 a.m., 4/12 at 1 a.m., 4/16 at 4:30 a.m., & 4/22 at 1 a.m. FMI their web site is www.cathedralofhope.com

Saturday, April 10

LGBT Community Center - Saturday Night Movies (Milwaukee): Films will be shown from 6 to 10 p.m. every Saturday at the Center, 170 S. 2nd Street. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Sunday, April 11

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - Worship (Madison, WI): CATHEDRAL OF HOPE, (Dallas, TX) part of the Federated MCC, will regularly air a 30 minute worship service at 8 p.m.

WORT Radio 89.9 FM - Lesbian Radio (Madison, WI): A weekly show titled HER TURN: Women's news and information by and about women, airs from 11 to 11:30 a.m. Followed by HER INFINITE VARIETY: Women in Music from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. All genres and styles. Interviews, live guests and announcements for the Womyns community. FMI call (608) 256-2001 or <http://www.netphoria.com/wort>

Monday, April 12

MIAD - Free Film (Milwaukee): As part of The Future in Film series, BLADE RUNNER will be screened at 7 p.m. in the Todd Wehr Auditorium. FMI call (414) 276-7889.

Tuesday, April 13

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): At 4 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents MIDWEST LGBT CONFERENCE AT MONONA TERRACE. Kevin Jennings, founder of GLSEN, 70 minute video, OUT OF THE PAST, plus Representative Barney Frank plugs ENDA legislation Re-runs on Wednesday at 10 a.m. and from 9 p.m. Also 12:30 to 2:30 a.m.

Friday, April 16

SAGE/Milwaukee - Film Night (Milwaukee): The film LOVE, VALOR & COMPASSION will be shown in the small meeting room at the LGBT Community Center at 6:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Tuesday, April 20

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): At 4 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents MIDWEST LGBT CONFERENCE AT MONONA TERRACE. Tammy Baldwin introduces Virginia Apuzzo, former head of the National Gay Lesbian Task Force in DC. Plus IN OUR OWN WORDS. Re-runs on Wednesday at 10 a.m. and from 9

11 p.m. Also 12:30 to 2:30 a.m.

MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

Friday, April 9

John Michael Kohler Arts Center - Dance (Sheboygan, WI): LI CHIANG DANCE performs Asian martial arts combined with contemporary dance at 7:30 p.m. FMI & tickets call (920) 458-6144.

Milwaukee Art Museum - First Friday (Milwaukee): SWING NOUVEAU goes into action from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at MAMIS First Friday after-work party of the month featuring live music, free dance lessons from 5 to 5:30 p.m. and again at 6:30 with the JUMPINI JIVE DANCE CLUB. There will be tasty appetizers from HI HAT, a cash bar and museum tours. FMI call (414) 224-3200.

Friday, April 16

Michael H. Lord Gallery - Gallery Night (Milwaukee): Three-dimensional assemblages using found objects by LAWRENCE LAATSCH are shown along with J.P. Attenberry's small photographs of plants taken at Milwaukee's Horticultural Conservatory (the Domes). Both exhibits are on view through 5/22/99 in the main gallery. There is a reception from 5:30 p.m. on Gallery Night. FMI call (414) 272-1007.

Milwaukee Art Museum - Lecture & Book Signing (Milwaukee): ROSEMARY VEREY, famed English garden designer, will present the last of four gardening lectures with an emphasis on her own work in England. She will also sign copies of her books, which will be available. The lecture will be held at 7 p.m. with a reception to be held beforehand at 6 p.m. The price is \$30, and includes hors d'oeuvres. Reservations are required. FMI & tickets call Beth Hoffman (414) 224-3850.

Tuesday, April 20

Milwaukee Art Museum - Jackson Pollock Lecture (Milwaukee): Kirk Varnedoe a curator at the Museum of Modern Art in New York City, will discuss the works of artist JACKSON POLLOCK at 7 p.m. in the Vogel/Helfer Galleries at the lake level in a lecture sponsored by MAMIS Contemporary Art Society. Regular Museum admission, \$5 general, \$4 students and seniors 65 & over. MAM members free. FMI call (414) 224-3200.

THEATER ARTS:

Thursday, April 8

UWM Poulenc Festival - UWM School of the Arts Recital Hall (Milwaukee): INTERPRETING POULENC: A VOCAL MASTER CLASS, featuring the UWM VOICE STUDENTS from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 or Festival Pass. FMI call (414) 229-4308.

Friday, April 9

Dancecirus - Dance (Milwaukee): PATRICK & KRISTANNE CONNELLY will perform WINGS at the Humphrey Scottish Rite Masonic Center. There is also a performance on 4/10. FMI tickets & times, call (414) 481-4324.

Danceworks - Swing Workshop (Milwaukee): Enrollment is limited, pre-registration is encouraged. \$15 per person from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at 3195 S. Superior St. Also on 4/16. FMI call (414) 481-2010

Milwaukee Pops - Concert (Milwaukee): THE CANADIAN BRASS returns after 8 years at 8 p.m. Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20 to \$50. FMI call (414) 291-7605 or 1-800-291-7605.

Quadra Powerhouse Theater - Opening Night (Milwaukee): FORCE OF NATURE, a romantic drama by Steven Dietz, opens at 7:30 p.m. in the Milwaukee Center. The production runs through 5/9/99. FMI, tickets (\$8 to \$32) & times, call (414) 224-9490.

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ROBERT'S RULES

I Am The Rainbow

by Shelly Roberts

On the days when it doesn't seem worth it. When you think that maybe they were right. That "queer" and "freak" and "abomination" seem to have your name on the list. When "outsider" and "other" or "faggot" or "dyke" want to claim your autograph, remember. You are the rainbow.

When never seems bigger than always, and always seems like a terrible place to be, remember. You are the rainbow.

When darkness wants to win more than anything. When love feels empty or too much work, remember. When family is a foreign country, and you can't seem to find your passport, remember. When "everybody" seems to mean "everybody but you," remember. YOU are the rainbow.

RED is the heat and the purity of your goodness. The fire of the love in the universe you have all the right to claim. Red is the heart of your wholeness. The flame of your perfect soul. Red is the sunrise promise of being all. Red hot. Red pepper bite of the edge, of the excitement, of the burnful flavor of the truths that set you free. Indian red. Venetian red. Crimson. Cinnabar. Vermilion. Red is the filling blood. The life

force river you ride. Red is the rose-colored glass half full. The magic slippers. The full bloom of the claret. Red is the letter day. The town you will paint. The last cent you will spend which returns full fold. Red is the rainbow. You are the rainbow.

ORANGE is the citrus zip of the brink. Orange is the sweet peach tang of the subtlety of the flavor. The copper burr of your experience. Orange is the clockwork we've had to live by up till now. Orange is the paradise bird who flies at your shoulder. Orange is the juice of an enemy's glass crushed into dust and into diamonds we could spend on our own behalf. Orange is the agent of our discontent, our driver till we can make everything human again, and in perfect balance restored. Orange is the pal of black's ghosts and goblins we put behind us every hour on our way. Orange is all the afterglow. Orange is the rainbow. You are the rainbow.

YELLOW is the taxi on our way to Where. Yellow is the phosphorus fireworks we make in concert. Yellow is blue's co-conspirator in green's creation. The lemon bite. The golden pot. Rainbow's reward. The loves-me/loves me daisy in your daily bouquet. Here comes the sun. Yellow is the rainbow. You are the rainbow.

GREEN is the grass of home we've had to struggle to invent. Green is too many frogs to kiss in one lifetime. Green is ever, and the future as we decide to grow it. Green is the olive sprout and accent we repeatedly select for spicing. Green is the cricket song that lures us on, sure and cyclic as the locust. Green is the square of the village gathering around us in our favor. Green is the occasional lime-tang sweetness-sour that bears witness to our

own life's drink and our delicious contrasts. Green is a warm moist house to look safe out from, in our nurturance and abundance, at the sometimes chill of the isolating out-there. Green pepper, the sweet-taste self-contradiction to the words they use in our description. The aquamarine and malachite and jade of our richness, and our solid treasure. Green is the sour-tart satisfying contrast. Green is the perpetuity of the sea. Green is the rainbow. You are the rainbow.

BLUE is the sky's limit of our possibilities. The ocean depth of our love. Blue is the edgy flavor of the cheese that gives such delicious differentiation. Blue is the tiny highway map lines that find us in all the corners and the hiding places. Blue is a once-in-a-while moon we thought we'd never accomplish and were wrong. Blue is the song we've sung too long in silence. Blue is where the bolt comes from out of. The wild yonder. The suede shoes. Blue is the rainbow. You are the rainbow.

PURPLE is the prose and the passion. The perfect plum for thumb's pulling. Love's lavender light. Purple is the deep. The brilliant, imaginary cow. The mountain's majesty. Purple is the royal WE. Purple is the rainbow. You are the rainbow.

Sometimes it's hard to hold onto the rainbow when the world is only serving up gray. Or black and white. Remember. I am the rainbow. You are the rainbow. WE are the rainbow. Together, we are each a horse of a different color. We give off such a joyful, lovely light.

We ARE the rainbow.
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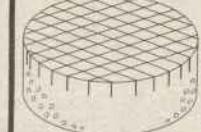
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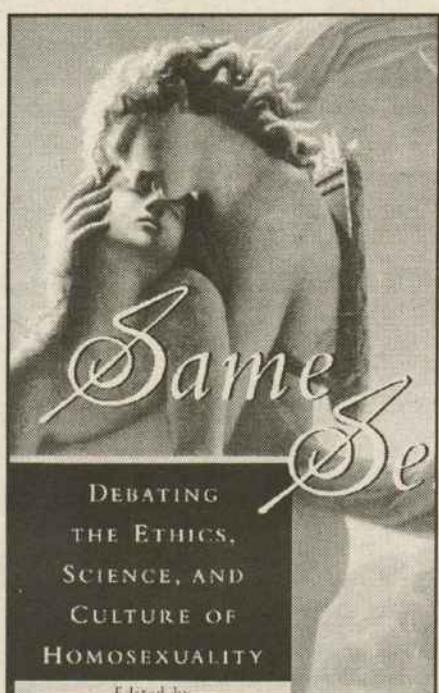
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While not exactly self-help, this anthology of essays goes a long way for self-understanding and confronts one of the most controversial issues facing today's culture. Drawing on some of the most recent research, this book debates the moral status of homosexuality and considers the possible ethical implications of that research. *Same Sex* investigates historical manifestations of homosexuality in an attempt to answer the question, "What does it mean to be gay, lesbian or bisexual?"

Also explores are: Are gay rights "equal rights" or "special rights"? Should gay marriages be legally recognized? Should gays and lesbians be permitted to serve openly in the military? And, Is "outing" — the revealing of a closeted person's homosexuality — ever justified? Although the authors clash on many issues, they share a commitment to well-reasoned discussion. (Rowman & Littlefield Pub. ISBN: 0-8476-8483-0 USA \$17.95)

Moving On: The Gay Man's Guide For Coping When A Relationship Ends

by Dann Hazel

Here is a guide designed specifically for the gay man who is undergoing or has undergone the breakup of a loving partnership. This book is filled with sensible, heartfelt advice from someone who's been there — and bounced back! *Moving On*



offers the courage and support you need for a renewed and fulfilling life ... alone or with the man of your dreams.

Here you can find out about the warning signs to look for during the "slow dissolve," consider the legal consequences of gay "divorce" when the law doesn't, turn romantic relationships into successful platonic ones. And learn to open up your heart again without repeating the mistakes of the past. (Kensington Trade Paperback, ISBN: 1-57566-378-3, USA \$12, Can \$17).

Respecting the Soul: Daily Reflections for Black Lesbians and Gays

by Keith Boykin

With a page devoted to each day of the year, *Respecting the Soul* offers a daily quotation followed by an inspirational paragraph or a brief biographical sketch of the quoted person. Among the themes represented by the author are faith, courage, love, and self-esteem as this book deals with such issues as homophobia, racism and AIDS.

The words of acclaimed black gender-benders such as Alvin Ailey, Josephine Baker, James Baldwin, Peter J. Gomes, Lorraine Hansberry, E. Lynn Harris, Carl Lewis, Little Richard, and Ru Paul inspire and uplift — and give readers the encouragement needed to respect their souls. Keith Boykin is the former Executive Director of the National Black Gay & Lesbian Leadership Forum and the author of "One More River to Cross: Black and Gay in America." (Avon Books, ISBN: 0-380-80021-7, USA \$10, Can \$14.50)

The Gay and Lesbian Self-Esteem Book: A Guide To Loving Ourselves

by Kimeron N. Hardin Ph.D.

An insidious new movement called "conversion therapy" is underway by conservative psychologists and religious groups to "help" gays and lesbians go straight.

Raised in a southern Christian fundamentalist family, the author understands first hand the pressures facing those confronted with conversion therapy. Throughout the book he includes exercises to help readers change what they say to themselves, begin to recognize their real strengths, and develop new directions for self-growth.

Dr. Hardin examines the origins of gay and lesbian self-esteem, deals with how career and lifestyle choices can be affected by feelings of inadequacy, and suggests a variety of healing strategies. According to Hardin, by addressing these challenges and other issues of gay adulthood, gays and lesbians can continue to grow and love themselves. (New Harbinger Publications, ISBN: 1-57224-131-4, USA \$12.95, PB).

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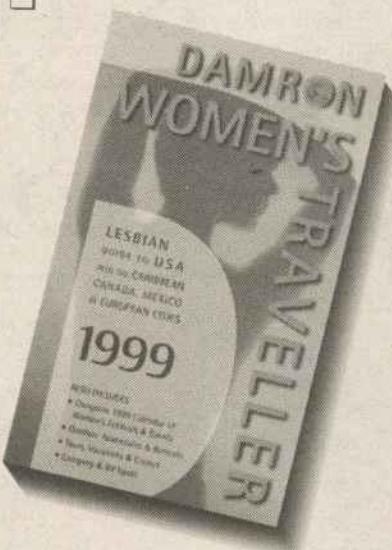
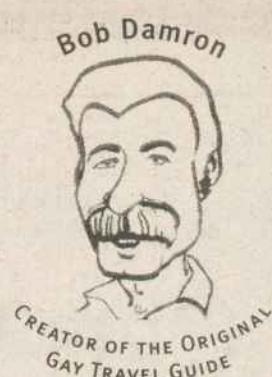
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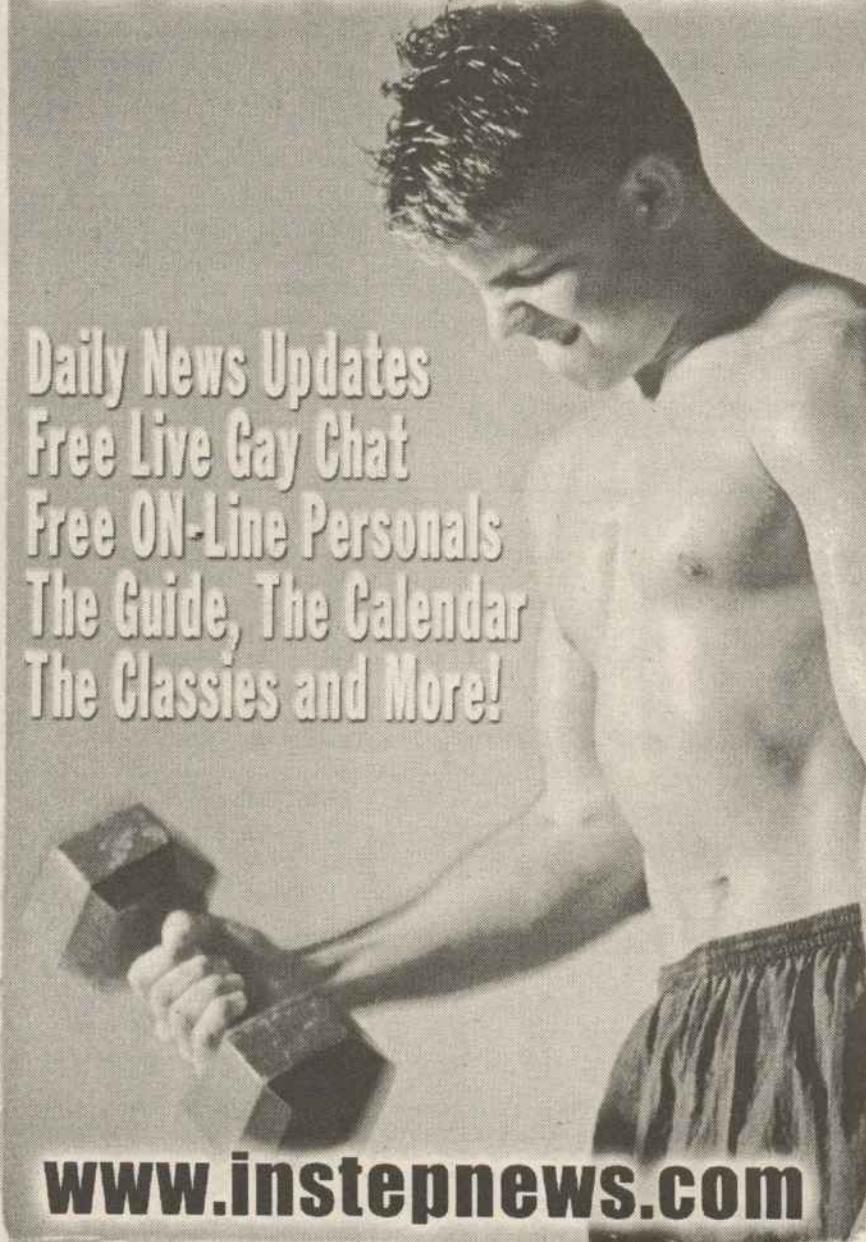


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Still a Threat

by Jamie



I got a call from an old friend the other day. I haven't heard from this person for quite some time. He asked me to meet him at a club for a cocktail and I met up with him 20 minutes later.

We made some small talk for awhile and then he dropped the bomb. He said he had something to tell me before I heard it from someone else. At this point I knew it was something bad. He told me he had tested HIV positive some months back. I couldn't believe it. This is a person whom I considered a good friend through much of the '80s. In the early '90s we just sort of faded as friends. We talked about his sexual behavior which he told me other than oral sex (and not much of that) he always used a condom. This is also a person who I know not to be the type to sleaze around. He wasn't hanging out after bar close for sidewalk sale every weekend.

Back in the '80s there was a completely different attitude towards safe sex and HIV. Those of you that are my age or older know what I'm talking about.

We were around the clubs and watched as people who were doing everyone in the 70s dropped like flies. We watched those people get sicker and sicker and we attended many funerals. We made countless trips to various hospitals visiting the people we called friends. When HIV really came close to me was when I had to attend a couple funerals. One of them for Rick, and the other for Danny. And then there was David, Bobby and then my brother John.

My brother's illness was particularly hard on me for obvious reasons. He told me once that he knew he would get sick someday because he liked to play. He was a tall good-looking blond guy with no problem finding tricks. A couple years later he called with the news. I think it was his way of committing suicide. He had a really rough childhood and never found acceptance from the people he needed it most, his parents.

I learned a great deal about my parents through that period of time. Not a lot to be proud of either. My mother didn't know jack about the disease and kept ruining his clothes by sneaking bleach in his laundry when he came to visit. They also believe it's God's punishment for being gay.

The way the push their religion on others bothers me. At the memorial service at my parent's house I left furious and swore I would never attend another service given by this particular person again. I'm just grateful they didn't attend the one in San Diego with all of John's friends. No, I'm not going to beat up on my parents about that time. I still love them, I just think they are a little misguided.

Anyway, the attitude today is many people are going bareback. I have mixed feelings on two committed people who have been tested, been together for a long time and wanna go bareback. I have a problem with people tricking and then doing it bareback. That to me is insane. Younger people are not as scared of HIV as they should be. Yes, the drugs nowadays are better and give many benefits but I'm told many of those life-extending drugs have horrible side effects. Not only that but HHV is a very smart virus. Many of the drugs that were affective in the past are now worthless because the virus has grown immune to them.

Here's my never to be humble opinion. If your gonna play, make sure you play safe. This disease shows no sign of slowing down. Next time you see the traveling clinic, take the time to get tested.

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OK, now that the PSA is taken care of let's get you caught up on the community events. Last Sunday I raced back from Hartford to shoot the **Rainbow Ballroom Classes** at the LGBT Community Center but it had been cancelled due lack of participants. Keep your eyes on the **IN Step** for future events. We have a community center now and need to take advantage of the services offered there. The Center also threw a Fling into Spring party at the Harbor Lights Ballroom this past Saturday. There was a Spring Bonnet contest where they gave prizes for; the most unusual, most unsafe use of materials; unsafe at any speed and most likely to be carried off by a seagull. I'm told the party was hilarious.

Kimberly Ann kicked off the **Possum Queen Campaign** at **Club 219** this past Saturday, hosted by **Nova D'Vine**. Kimberly stormed the stage and brought the house down. There were cash prizes, raffles and other fun things happening at the party. There were a host of other fabulous Milwaukee entertainers helping to raise money for the Possum Queen contest.

Last Tuesday, I was heading back from Chicago and stopped in at the **Clubhouse Filling Station** to catch **Tuesday's Bingo Madness**. Lots of fun for a Tuesday night. Stop in and check it out. On March 27 they had another fantastic drag show that filled the station to the limits.

Charles D Productions put on the **Mr. & Mrs. Mystique National Pageant** at the Continental Hall April 2nd and 3rd. The event was hosted by the Heavy Diva, **Otis Mack**. There were plenty of great contestants but in the end, it was **Alexis Principal** from St Louis taking the Mrs. title and **R Darius Black** from Atlanta taking home the Mr. title.

Carl & Tammi hit the **M&M Club** to entertain the folks over there this past Sunday. These two are terrific performers and when they come back to the M&M, you gotta catch the show. I had to miss brunch this Sunday but I'll be back next Sunday.

The buzz around town is about the '4.17.99' ad the **Triangle** ran. I did some checking and **Rob** isn't cutting loose with any information about the party. Gonna have to show up to see what it's all about. I will be there for sure.

I stopped in at the **1100 Club** for a few cocktails. **Junior** was there servin' up the cocktails and while I was there I learned that **Steve Polifka** has been booked for PrideFest again. Make sure you catch his show, he has a great voice.

More to talk about in the next issue, but for now I gotta go. Hope you're enjoying the warm weather like I have been and as always, slower traffic keep right.

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JUST BLEW INTO TOWN GWM 44, 6'1", br;br, 180lbs, easygoing and very laid back. Just moved to the area and want to meet some other guys. Hopefully it will turn into a long-term relationship but if it doesn't that's cool. Very open minded. (Madison) **14550**

NEW TO THE AREA GW Couple, looking for GWM/GM Couple, to go out and have fun with. We'd love to hear from you. (New Richmond) **15480**

YET TO BE DETERMINED 21-year-old WM, 5'10", 165 lbs, very attractive and in great shape. Looking to meet some Guys, in Sun Prairie, to hang out and see what develops. Give me a call. (Sun Prairie) **15530**

MAGIC TOUCH Attractive, athletic BiWM, 30, looking to meet well-endowed G/BM who are into being JO'd and watching a Guy model in his underwear. (Milwaukee) **15374**

FOOT FETISH Submissive WM, 45, 5'11", 185 lbs, into oral servitude, foot and back massages and verbal humiliation. Looking for a dominant, older M. Chubby or overweight a plus. (Milwaukee) **14110**

LONELY AND DESPERATE BiWM, 35, looking for a submissive Boy, 18-22, who's hot, slender and sexy. If you're interested in getting together with me, give me a call. Blonde, Black or Asian preferred. (Wausau) **10978**

KNOW WHAT YOU WANT? Looking for experience with sensitivity? A hot Man who knows how to care? An older sensual man who knows how to push your buttons? Handsome, bearded WM, 54 (looks 40), enjoys the pleasures of nudity, camping and evenings at the symphony. Looking for someone, 18-30, for a possible long-term relationship. (La Crosse) **15774**

YOUR PLACE OR MINE? GBM, 19, looking for other Guys, 18-25, to kick it with. If this sounds like fun to you, give me a call. (Racine) **13938**

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I HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU. Attractive BM, 42, 6'4", 175 lbs, looking for other BM in the area. (Chicago) **15033**

EROTIC MASSAGE PARTNER I'm ready willing and eager to strip down with you and see what happens. GWM, 43, 5'10", slender, swimmer's build, clean-shaven dark/green and attractive. I'm looking for a G/BiW/HM, 18-45, who's clean-shaven, very attractive and has a very nice body. If you're interested, give me a call. (Chicago) **14619**

NAKED GAMES 43, 5'10", thin build, hairy body, dark hair, clean-shaven and very attractive. Looking for an erotic massage buddy to get together with on a regular basis. If you're a GWM, 18-40, who's attractive and clean-shaven, give me a call. Serious only. (Chicago) **12946**

BONDAGE AND BEYOND Young cute bottom, 24 years old, 6'3", short brown hair and brown eyes, 195lbs, nice body. German/Irish. Looking for aggressive, dominant top to be my daddy. Gets into just about anything from bondage to beyond. (Chicago) **14758**

23-YEAR-OLD HM, 5'5", 135 lbs, looking for someone for friendship, dating, going out dancing, movies and conversation. I would like to meet someone 22-30. No older and no younger. (Chicago) **14277**

TURNING THE OTHER CHEEK I like it rough. I like it nasty and I'd like to get into a good, hot spanking scene. (Chicago) **10349**

I NEED A SON Italian daddy, 44, good shape, full beard, looking for sweet Boys who want to kick it with daddy. (Chicago) **12859**

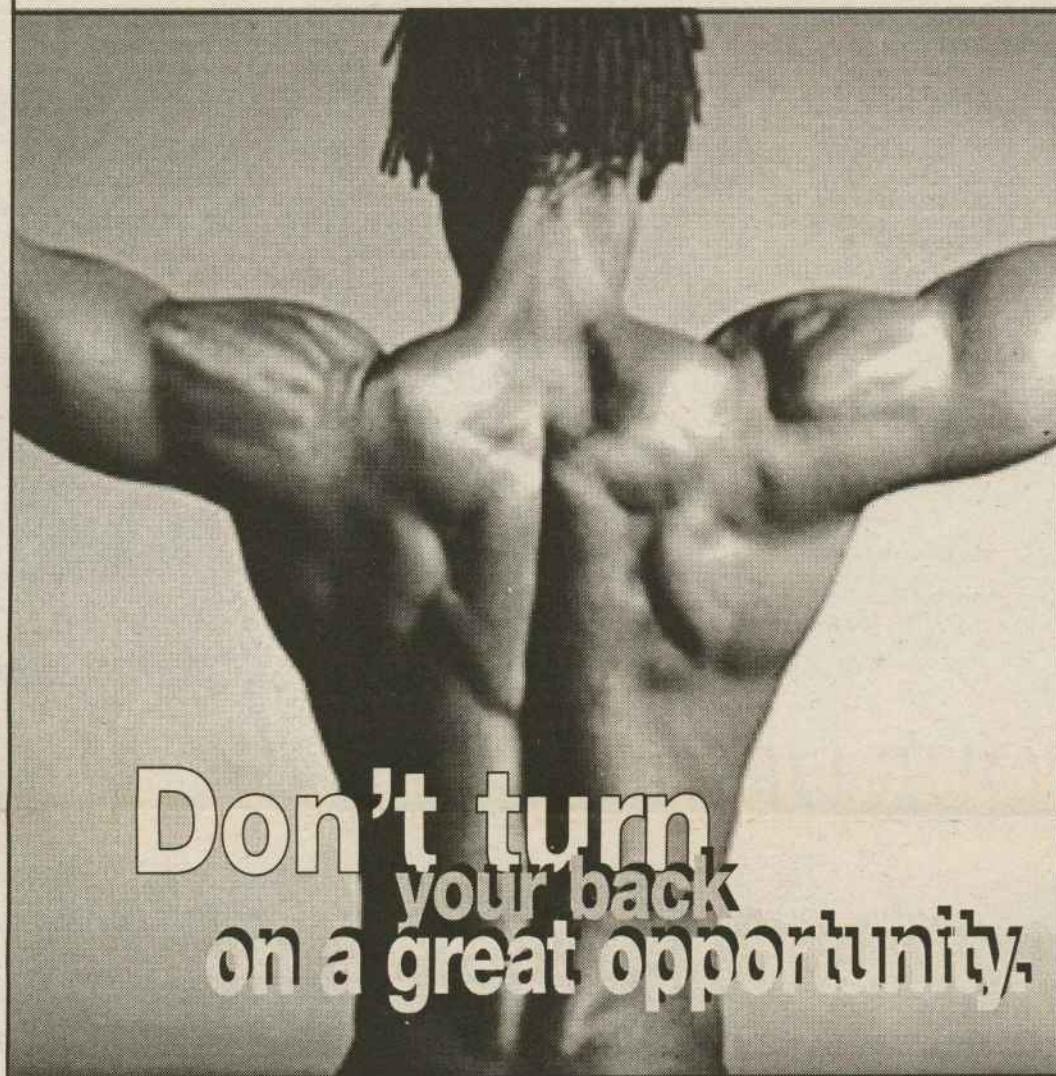
FIRMNESS IS IMPORTANT Very oral, bottom WM, 50, looking for a good, hard top. I'm available during the day and on weekends. Age and race unimportant. (Chicago) **12840**

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RELOCATING TO CHICAGO Professional M, 39, 6'4", 215 lbs, enjoys racquetball, movies and the opera. Interested in a long-term relationship with a nonsmoking Guy. (Chicago) **11127**

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SMOOTH TOPS A PLUS Straight-acting WM, 31, 5'11", 165 lbs, blonde/blue, n/s, enjoys movies, going out, sporting events, staying busy and quiet times at home. Looking for a fun, stable, straight-acting blonde, within an hour of Madison, to pal around with and go out with a couple of times a week. Must be drug/disease-free. (Clinton) **12501**

FEEL THE STING GWM, early 30s, 5'8", 170 lbs, brown/brown, looking for Men, 21-25, who are into spanking. (Milwaukee) **12163**

SHOW ME MORE Easygoing WM, 38, 5'10", 210 lbs, n/s, hairy all over, not much experience, but I'm willing to try almost anything. I work third shift so I can meet during the day. (Sheboygan) **21344**

LET'S CONNECT GWM, 22, 5'10", 170 lbs, dark/green, goatee, just moved to Sun Prairie about two weeks ago. Looking for Guys, 18-30-ish, to hang with. (Sun Prairie) **11563**

22-YEAR-OLD GWM, looking for someone, 23-30, who is a n/s, social drinker. Must be very responsible. (Sheboygan) **10916**

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32-YEAR-OLD GWM, blonde/blue, HIV+, ISO a clean-shaven W/HM, with a sense of humor. Must be drug-free. (Milwaukee) **10822**

CONVERSATION AND COMPANIONSHIP WM, 39, 5'10", 150 lbs, new to Chicago, very sensitive and caring. I enjoy the simple things in life. Looking for a hairy, burly, down-to-earth Guy, 6'-6'2", who's very affectionate, monogamous, relationship-oriented and loves to cuddle. (Chicago) **14488**

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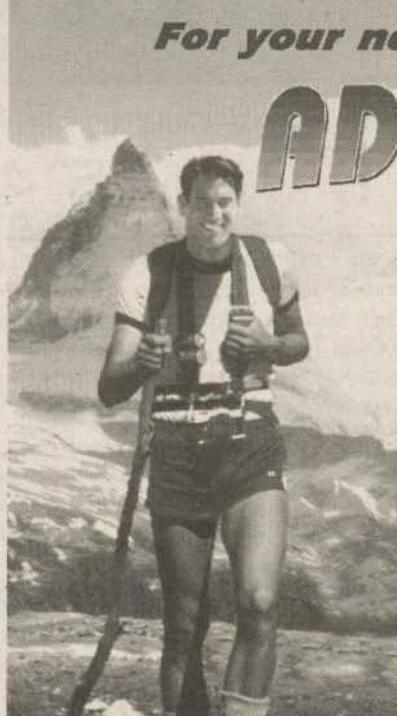
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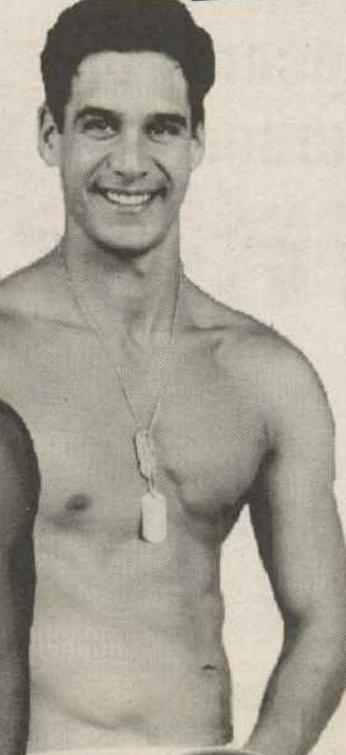
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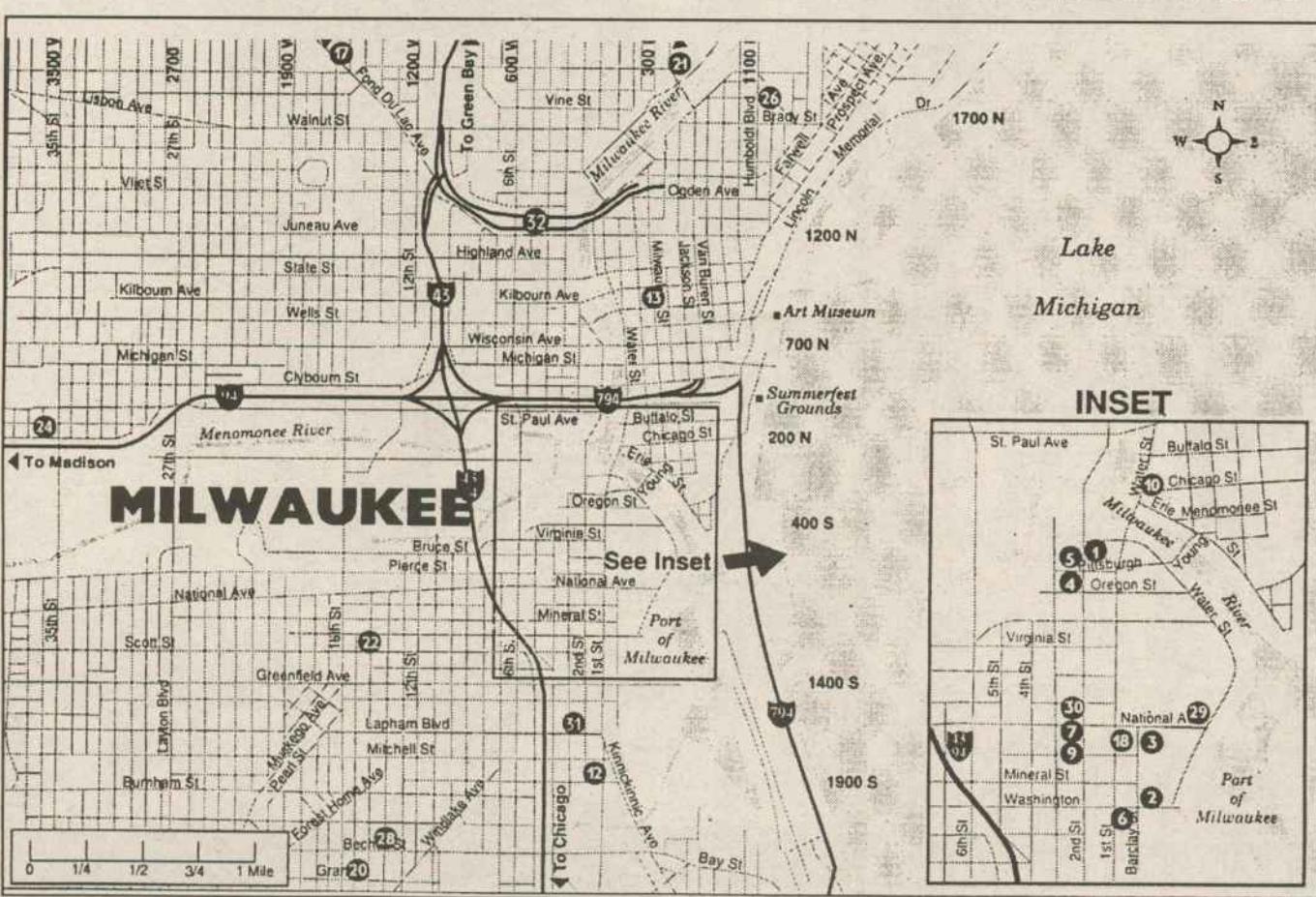
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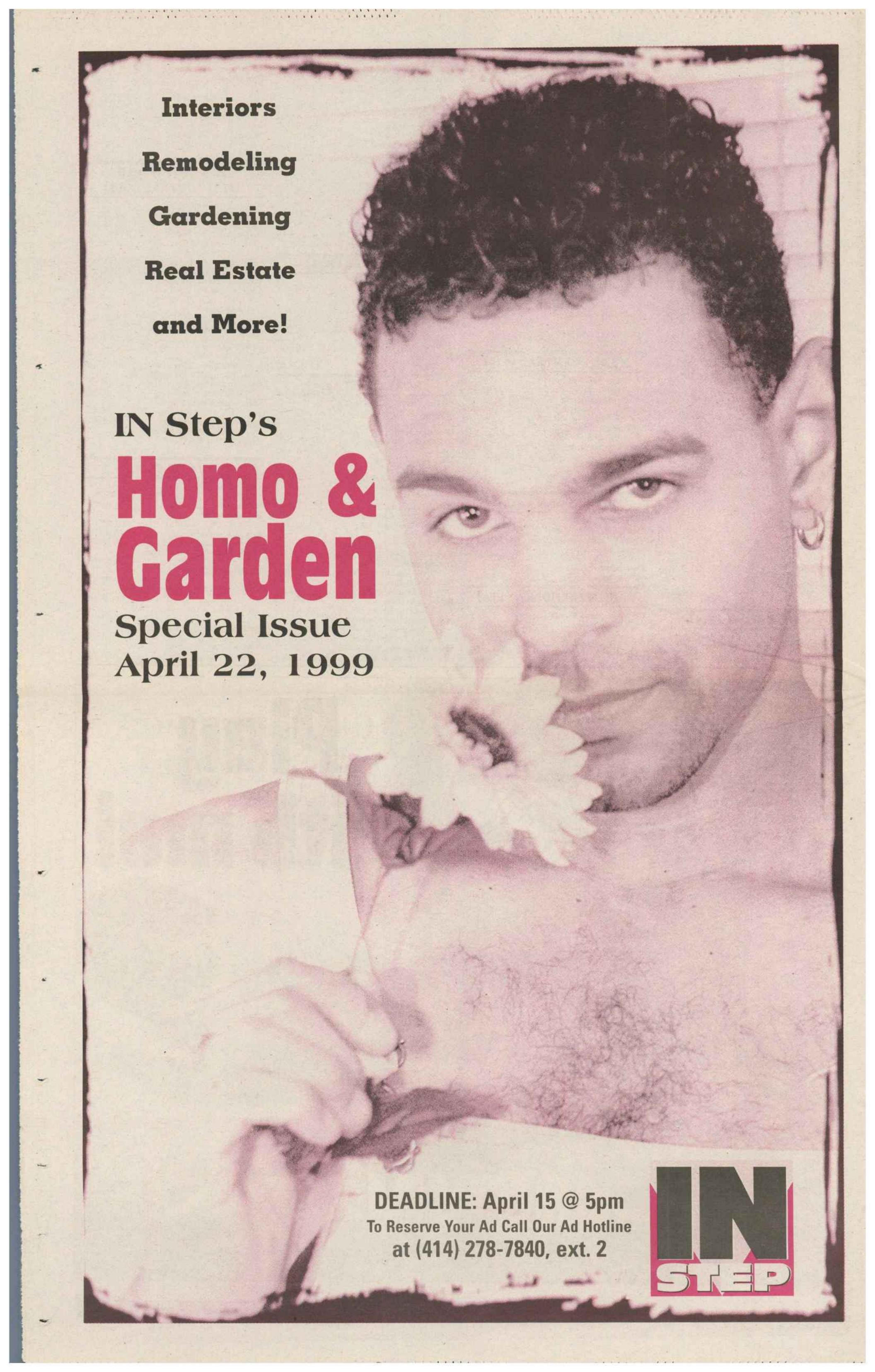
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