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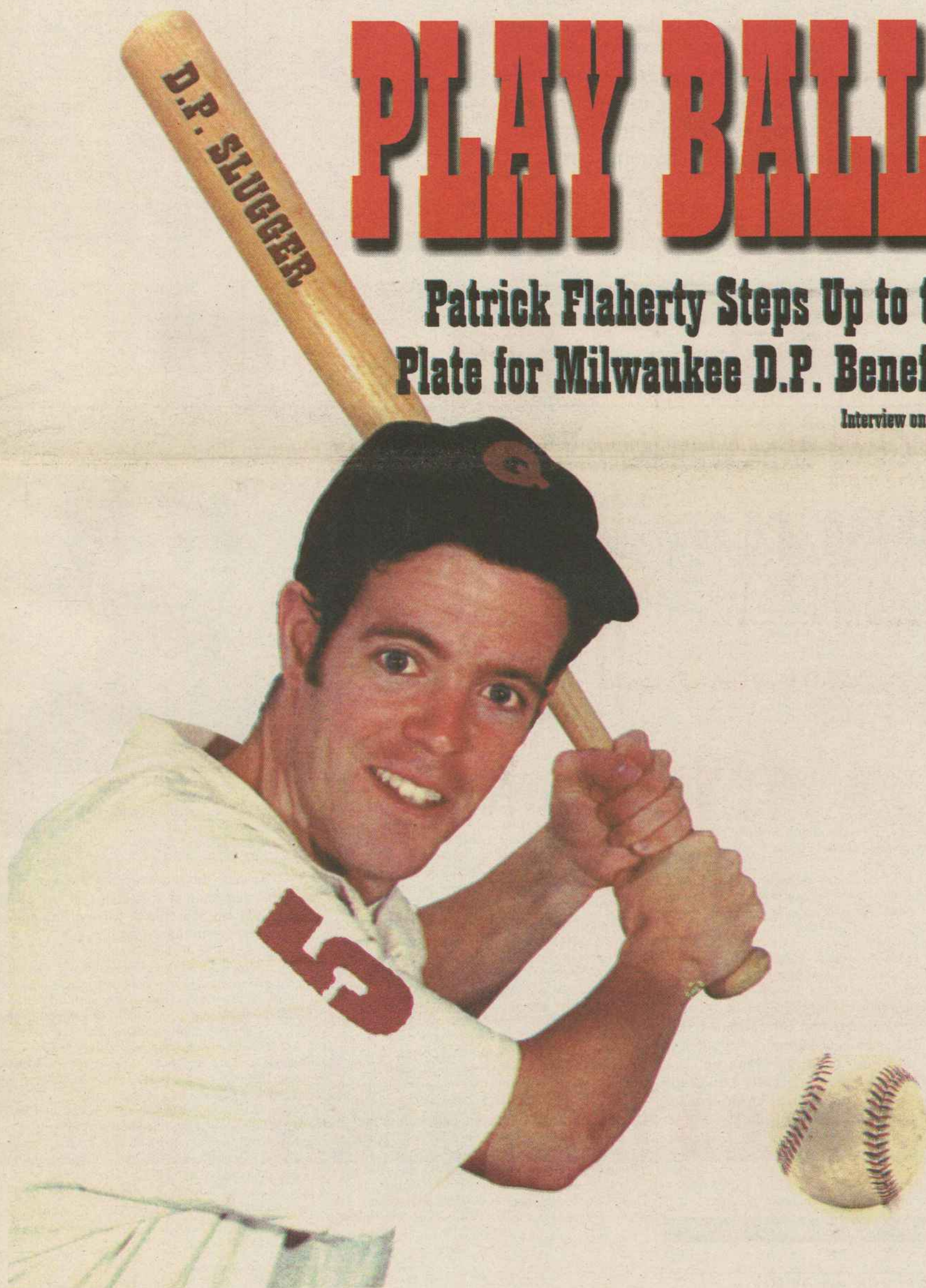
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New Hampshire Officially Repeals Adoption Ban

by Keith Clark
of the IN Step staff

Concord, N.H. — It's official. A New Hampshire law banning gays and lesbians from serving as adoptive or foster parents has now been legally repealed from the state's lawbooks.

At a ceremony that was almost as much a pep rally as a bill-signing, Gov. Jeanne Shaheen set down her signature to

child deserves a loving family, and now New Hampshire is going to be able to make that determination based on the fitness of people to serve as foster and adoptive parents without making any prejudicial assumptions."

The measure was sponsored by state Rep. Raymond Buckley, a Manchester, N.H., Democrat, to repeal the 1987 law that barred not only homosexuals from

repeal who cheered and raised their hands in "victory" signals repeatedly during the brief 20-minute signing.

Jack Lightfoot, head of the state's child and family services office, was also pleased the repeal had been enacted, saying that while it will help it won't erase a state shortage of foster and adoptive families.

"We hope more people — both heterosexual and homosexual — will come forward and volunteer to be foster and adoptive parents," Lightfoot said. "The message is clear with this."

Lightfoot said there is currently a two-year waiting list for people who want to adopt children under the age of six years, but a critical shortage of people to adopt older children in the state.

Although the anti-gay ban had been in place for more than a decade and the repeal move got off to a somewhat rocky start, it eventually passed the state House of Representatives (226-133 to permit adoptions and 233-123 to allow foster parenting) and then won approval in the state Senate by a 16-8 vote.

Last year, New Hampshire adopted legislation banning discrimination in employment, housing or public accommodation based on sexual orientation, and many activists saw the anti-gay adoption law as a glaring contradiction of the state's own anti-bias laws.

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the just-approved measure repealing what many rights activists have seen as one of the most reactionary pieces of legislation in the U.S.

The repeal leaves only Florida with a similar state law, although in two other states — Arkansas and Utah — child welfare agencies have adopted rules that effectively bar homosexuals from becoming adoptive or foster parents.

Gov. Shaheen said in signing the repeal measure, "We all know that every

adopting and from becoming foster parents, but also proscribed heterosexual couples if they had a homosexual relative living in the home.

"Governor, you will truly make a difference for the lives of children," Rep. Buckley said at the ceremony. "I'm proud of my governor. I'm proud of New Hampshire. And I'm proud to have sponsored this measure."

The executive office ceremony was attended by more than 100 backers of the

Federal Hate Crimes Bill Hearing Begins

Washington — Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah), chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, told the administration's principle witness testifying in favor of the federal Hate Crimes Prevention Act that Congress must have more information about hate crimes figures nationally before it acts on the proposed measure, which would broaden existing federal laws to include gender, disability and sexual orientation.

But Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder told the committee that federal data on hate crimes concerning gays and lesbians was underestimated and inadequate.

Holder said that FBI data for the most recent year, 1997, showed 8,049 bias based crimes reported by local and state authorities, of which 1,102 were based on sexual orientation. But, Holder told the committee, the number of anti-gay attacks is probably underreported because many of the victims are reluctant to report attacks to local police and in many cases local law enforcement officials have no hate-crimes laws in place that would allow them even to report such an attack as a hate crime.

To critics who charged that the proposed federal law threatened free speech rights, Judy Shepard, the mother of Matthew Shepard, who was savagely killed last year, told the committee, "I can assure opponents of this legislation, first hand, it was not words or thoughts, but violent actions that killed my son."

Judy Olson Wins With Hard Work And Caring

by Mike Leon
of the IN Step staff

Madison — Judy Olson, president of the Madison Common Council, lesbian academic, activist and all around good neighbor, was described by Mark Pocan as "simply someone with the ideals of a committed progressive activist combined with the skills and energy to make the ideals a reality."

Raised in a small Illinois city, Judy moved and aggressively pursued work in the academy at St Olaf College in Minnesota, and the University of Chicago. After a brief stint lecturing at Ohio State she came to the UW-Madison where she began work on her doctorate in English in 1972.

Not politically engaged as an adolescent in Illinois, Judy's political involvement slowly accelerated during the late 60s and early 70s preceding her discovery process as a lesbian. Discouraged and bored by the prospects the Ph.D. program offered her, Judy delved into political work so wide in scale that a listing of every Madison group, association and center she either helped found or lead over the past 25 years offers a revealing glimpse of the community infrastructure erecting Madison a monument of progressivism.

In 1995 Judy was elected alderwoman in Madison's 6th aldermanic district — the "Sandinista Six" — which remains the most politically active and progressive city district in Wisconsin. This spring her colleagues elected her president of the Madison Common Council.

Interviewed at the Maduro cigar cafe in downtown Madison, Judy was every bit the affable, somewhat quiet woman of her reputation. She discussed her work, her process of coming out, and her love of the city.

IN Step: Some dispute that the personal transformation of somebody becoming an out lesbian is apropos to understanding the social/political dynamics affecting LGBT bigotries. Why did you decide to be an out lesbian, is that what you self-consciously did?

Olson: Coming out was a very difficult and slow process. I'm really sympathetic to anybody who finds it difficult to be out because to me it was a scary thing. I was here on the UW campus when it dawned on me that I was a lesbian. Certainly, being here was about the best place I

could be. There were other good places, but I was surrounded by all these people — and I'm sure it had everything to do with my coming to a realization that I was a lesbian — who were out lesbians who were making every effort that they could to be out and make people aware of them. They deliberately went to the Wisconsin Union and ate together at lunch. These people said to themselves: 'This is one way we're going to make an impact on people.' Because if we're out in twos and threes, nobody is going to see us. So they would sit together, have lunch, and I would sit nearby and watch them. In the library I quickly recognized there were a couple of women who always came to the graduate reading room at the same time I did. I would sit across from them, I don't think they had any idea I was following them, but that's what I did.

Temperamentally, I'm reserved and I prefer to be private. Intellectually, I understand how important it is for LGBT people to out. It's critical. For me when I decided to run for the city council in '95 I had to make a decision, I had to say to myself: 'This is not really an arena that I have been especially active in. It's not been comfortable for me to be an in-your-face kind of lesbian. But if I'm going to run for city council there's no question that I'm going to let everybody know, because everyone wants to know that I'm a lesbian.' That's important. And I can't be honest and serve my community if I'm not out.

IN Step: What does being "out" mean for you?

Olson: Certainly many people have paved the way and made it easy for someone to be on the city council and be an out LGBT person. Tammy Baldwin is the best example. But there have been others, Dick Wagner, many of people who have been on the council and county board level and now are in positions in state and federal government. It's not a ground-breaking thing that I'm doing by any means. For me, it just means being honest about who I am, recognizing that if there are LGBT issues that present themselves to the city that it's important for me to be one of those people who can assume a leadership role.

IN Step: Were you always a political junkie?

Olson: I was aware and idealistic at an early age but not exactly a political junkie. But in my college years in the '60s and '70s I was very touched by the civil rights movement, and very disturbed by the Watts riots, the Detroit riots ... they left an indelible mark on me. The women's movement, the anti-war movement, the gay and



Judy Olson, President of the Madison Common Council

lesbian rights movement were all very much getting started then, it was a time that deeply affected me. One summer we went to Cleveland, and we all got jobs there and apartments, and did political work. It was a true community.

IN Step: Why do you suppose Madison is so open-minded and, as it pertains to the LGBT community, so non-stupid, recognizing someone's humanity to the extent it does?

Olson: The group of people now on the council who are LGBT are very qualified elected representatives, they work hard and do the best job they can for their constituents on all issues. So first of all we have a lot of qualified people in Madison who happen to be LGBT. The ground-breaking work of people who came out early and strongly and made it easy for the rest of us to follow. But also, Madison is full of people basically comfortable with the concept of LGBT people. Certainly not downtown, not on the near east side it is even a big issue, it's a non-issue really.

I really love my neighborhood. I moved there in '75 when it was easy to afford houses and apartments. I just have been involved in my neighborhood. Of all the political work that I have done at any kind of level, the most important work I've accomplished is neighborhood work, recognizing and helping your neighbors. The city supports that type of work. ▼

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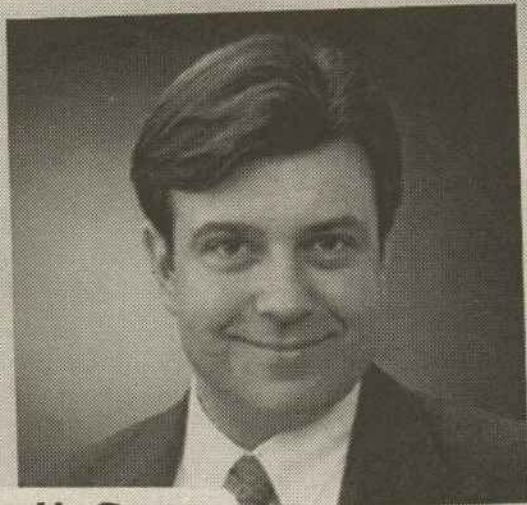
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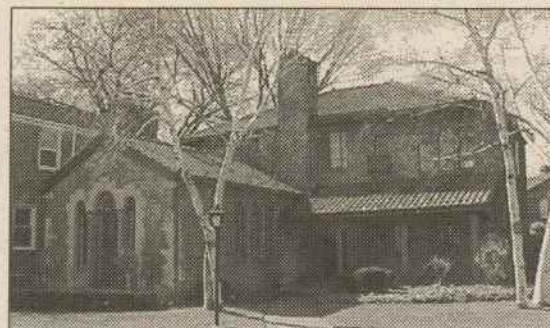
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Arrest in London Gay Bar Bombing

London — Police have charged David Copeland, an engineer, with three counts of murder and setting off explosions with the intent to endanger life in connection with a series of bombings that racked the city in late April — including the most recent on Friday, April 30, at a gay bar where three people died and at least 70 others were injured.

Police gave little information about the arrest, but did say that Copeland, 22, is not connected with a right-wing neo-Nazi group that had earlier claimed responsibility for the nail-bomb explosion at the Admiral Duncan pub in the city's trendy Soho district.

But investigators with Scotland Yard said they're convinced that Copeland was in fact working alone and had no connected with any extremists organizations at all.

Two bombings earlier in April injured scores of people first in one of the city's predominately black neighborhoods and then in an area favored by Bangladeshis living in London.

All three people who died in the Admiral Duncan bombing were part of a group of apparent heterosexuals in the area for a stage show and had gone into the gay bar for a drink. One of the victims was a married woman who was four months pregnant, along with a friend who was best man at her 1997 wedding along with a third friend. The dead woman's husband remained in critical condition.

Authorities said that at least 15 other people remained hospitalized because of injuries received in the blast.

Gates Foundation Announced \$25 Million AIDS Grant

Seattle — Bill Gates, CEO of computer software giant Microsoft, has announced he will be giving a staggering \$25 million to the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative (IAVI) during the next five years.

The donation, which will come through the William Gates Foundation, is the largest single private gift ever made to any AIDS-related group. The enormous grant will let IAVI more than double its work in developing an anti-AIDS vaccine.

Lesbian Mom Wins Visiting Rights

Jackson, Miss. — A Mississippi chancery court has removed a lower court order that limited the rights of a lesbian mother to visit with her children by barring her from seeing the kids "in the presence of any person with whom she engages in homosexual behavior or activity."

The woman, identified in court records only as R.M., said the restriction was "especially burdensome" because she and her lesbian partner share a home together, making it virtually impossible for her to have the children at their home unless her lover agreed to leave the house during their visit.

The chancery court agreed and ended the visitation restriction.

PLAY BALL!

**Activist Patrick Flaherty
is working to even
the playing field for
Milwaukee Gays & Lesbians**

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

Activist Patrick Flaherty and the Milwaukee Domestic Partnership Task Force are urging community-wide support for the City of Milwaukee domestic partnership registry ordinance, which was introduced at the Milwaukee Common Council meeting on May 11. The ordinance is sponsored by Alder. Michael D'Amato and is co-sponsored by Ald. Paul Henningsen and Ald. George Butler.

If the registry ordinance is enacted, couples who show proof of their relationship, such as a shared lease or mortgage, could voluntarily register as domestic partners by signing a statement of commitment with the City Clerk's office. All costs of the registry would be paid by the couples through a \$30 registry fee.

The ordinance would not require the city or Milwaukee businesses to provide benefits to registered couples. There is no fiscal impact to the city and no mandates for businesses. However, companies that offer domestic partner benefits to their employees and customers could use the registry to independently verify committed gay and lesbian relationships.

Recently, I talked with Flaherty at the IN Step World Headquarters about the registry and Milwaukee politics.

IN Step: How long have you been working on the Domestic Partnership Registry?

Patrick Flaherty: Things never completely ended after the last time we went to the Common Council on the employee benefits issue. We were meeting occasionally through last summer to try to think of how to keep the issue alive. What's always been important to me is to get the city to go on record as supporting our relationships in some way.

The opportunity for the registry came up just this spring. We got a chance to go before the Civil Rights Commission and we took the registry issue there. They were very supportive and passed it unanimously and called on Milwaukee to create a domestic partner registry. This wave has only been going on for two-and-a-half months.

IN Step: I read in the Shepherd that some people have been critical of registry co-sponsor Alder. Mike D'Amato, that he is only doing it to shore up his support in the LGBT community in his district...

PF: I really think it's unfair. I'm not sure if that's coming from our community or where that is coming from. I haven't heard it from anybody, but it's typical. Here's someone who's actually getting up front and working on our issues and he gets criticized for it.

I have been working with Mike D'Amato since he got elected in 1996. I don't think there's any trace of cynicism in his involvement on this. He's always been extremely responsive. I can give you a couple of examples: Back when the LGBT Community Center was still a long ways

off, we mentioned the idea to him and he put us in touch with someone from the Department of City Development. I just think it's too bad that anyone would think that because ... I don't think there's any credence for that.

IN Step: Aside from the Community Center, this is the first real chance that there has been any real political movement in Milwaukee's gay community probably since Karen Goetzler ran for the Common Council. It seems to me this has a pretty good

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chance of succeeding. Would you agree with me on that?

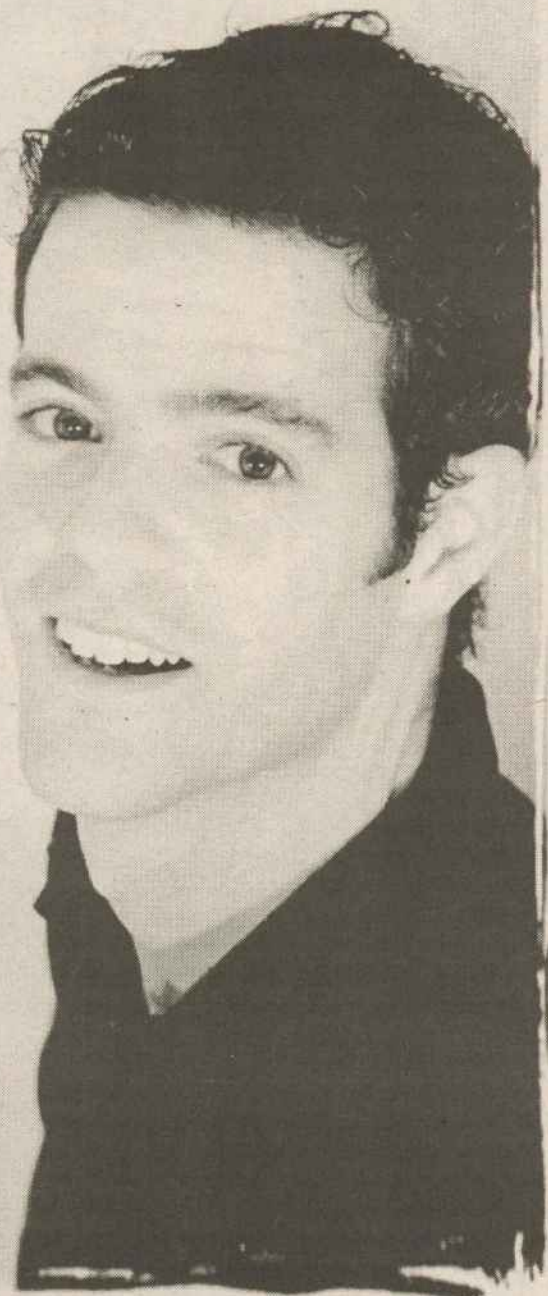
PF: Yeah, it does. We're really just starting our organizing. The Common Council has 17 and you need nine to pass it. We're up to seven in favor and only two have said no.

IN Step: Who said no?

PF: I would rather not say because I'm a true believer in redemption. We may be able to turn some of them around. I think our prospects are really good, the thing is that we've really got to keep the pressure up because now the issue has gone mainstream and the Charlie Sykes and the Mark Bellings are going to get hold of it. Really, the other side has all the resources and they're just going to pounce on this. If we don't get ourselves heard, we may lose some of the support we've lined up so far or the undecided [votes] will go the other way.

WA: Has the mayor been any more forthcoming on his position?

PF: We haven't had any more contact with him. I guess he's open to it and I couldn't imagine that [he wouldn't support it] it would really be such a disaster for him if he vetoed this. I'm sure he will be there for us, just the way our community has been there for him.



IN Step: How different do you think the situation would be if Norquist was behind it 100 percent?

PF: Well, we might lose a couple of votes. Supposedly there's a wing of the Common Council that has a knee-jerk reaction against the mayor. But it would be better. Obviously if we were getting clear leadership from all sectors, it would be better.

IN Step: Other than D'Amato, who's standing up for the registry?

PF: Well, we had a grain of it at the Town Hall meeting in early May. All the co-sponsors — of which we might pick up

some more, but right now it's D'Amato, Henningsen and Butler — they were all at the Town Hall and people were taking that as a great sign that the alderpersons who were sponsoring this were out there really connecting themselves to this cause.

IN Step: Why is this important to you personally? Why are you involved with it?

PF: I love to work on causes. I'm a single guy, so it really doesn't personally benefit me right now. Most people figure eventually I will be with a life partner and I want that relationship to be taken seriously by my government just the way that I give respect to other people.

IN Step: But you've obviously devoted a lot of time to this issue...?

PF: Yeah, it's true. I guess relationships are really important. I think they're just about the most important thing in the world. If your relationship isn't recognized, I think that's insulting and it degrades you as a human being.

WA: You got the letter writers out, too.

PF: We don't have a real organized campaign, but I hope that people are writing to their alderpersons. During the Town

Hall one of the aldermen leaned over and said, "Is Al Geirsbach here?" He just wanted to see what he looked like.

WA: How long have you been working on this?

PF: I know that it is to some degree an issue in the '96 election — I worked very hard for Karen Goetzler, and I know that my neighborhood group, Riverwest Rainbow, while we were meeting with D'Amato back in '96 ...

IN Step: So you were working on the Goetzler campaign

PF: I don't know if we really ever talked about it then. I think it was sort of assumed that she [Goetzler] wanted something done. I know that Riverwest Rainbow has been real interested in it. Some of our members are city employees who have a personal investment the last time around. Riverwest Rainbow meets regularly with Mike D'Amato, which is another testimonial to his being a great alderman. He's available and responsive when you raise an issue. We started talking about domestic partnership from the very start.

IN Step: What have you learned about politics in Milwaukee by doing this?

PF: It pays to really be involved in the life of the city. You may be working on something that has nothing to do with lesbian and gay issues, but when it comes around to the time when you are — such as the domestic partnership registry — you have all these friends step forward. To name just a couple: John Goldstein, who's with the Milwaukee County Neighborhood Council has been extremely forthcoming about helping on this. Ken Johnson who's with Citizen Action now — not that they're involved — but he was making phone calls.

It just goes to show if you just focus on identity politics, you can paint yourself into a corner. We have to face it that in Milwaukee gays and lesbians are nowhere near a majority. I'm certain that's the case in the aldermanic districts, too.

IN Step: You mentioned that a couple aldermen have said "No," that they're not going to support this. What has been their reasoning?

PF: The most ridiculous arguments. One that comes to mind is that the county should be doing this because the county keeps marriage records. This is nowhere near marriage. This experience with the Domestic Partnership Registry is that virtually all of them are done at the city level and that's because gays and lesbians live in cities. They find that in a city where you have all these different kinds of people thrown together, that's usually where gays and lesbians are most concentrated.

The fact is that for the City Clerk to keep these registry records is nothing. We were talking about Madison. In its 10-year history it's only had something like three or four hundred couples registering over the entire time. It's hardly likely that it's a paperwork monster. It's really a no-cost, no-liability city service. If the city has the resources to do it, it should. The thing that really drives our argument home is that the couples pay for the cost of the registry through the \$30 registration fee.

There's nothing for council members to hide behind: they can't say there's going to be fiscal impact, they can't say that this is a bargaining issue. If a council member opposes this registry, it's gotta be either: one, they think that gay and lesbian relationships have absolutely no value or two, they are so afraid of the fundamentalists from Monroe, Wisc., that they don't have the spine to do what's right.

IN Step: Can non-gay couples use the registry?

PF: No, this is set up only for same-sex. If straight couples want public recognition, want to commit, they have the option of marriage.

IN Step: But some insurance companies will recognize partners even if they aren't of the same sex.

PF: I haven't heard from any non-married

straight couples who are even remotely interested in this. If an opposite sex couple wants to be listed on the other's insurance, they can get married. Also — and I know that you know this, but you've got to make sure that everyone knows that this — registry doesn't entitle one partner to the other's insurance. What it does do is that lots of employers could use this to independently verify that the other partner is indeed registered.

IN Step: Who wrote the legislation?

PF: My understanding is that most of the ordinances are written by the Legislative Reference Bureau with input by, in this case, Mike D'Amato. He shared a draft with us. We knew that in Milwaukee we had an uphill battle and we wanted to make this a really well put together ordinance that didn't leave any room for doubt. The problem was that the first person who came out was so heavy handed about trying to make sure that no one would abuse the ordinance, that it was kind of scary, so we really toned it down.

IN Step: What kind of provisions are in there? What do you have to bring to prove that you are domestic partners?

PF: The way it works is that two people go down to the City Clerk's office and fill out an application and sign a commitment saying that they are committed partners. Then they show some proof of their relationship and it can be one of six criteria: shared lease, shared mortgage, shared credit account, shared car note and things like that. You have to show one of those items. Now, to keep from overburdening the City Clerk's office, the City Clerk is not required by the ordinance to verify any of that.

IN Step: Do you get a certificate?

PF: Each partner gets a certificate declaring his or her domestic partnership. Then, they can use that at businesses that voluntarily have their own domestic partnership policies, whether it's for their employees or for their customers. There's a bank in town that will shortly be offering domestic partnership benefits and one of the things they use to prove eligibility is a certificate from a public registry.

IN Step: There are many larger businesses who do offer domestic

partners benefits.

PF: Yeah, there's IBM, Starbucks, Gap and a lot of other national businesses. We're hoping to get people at the hearing who are from different angles and stuff. We're going to have members of the Equal Rights Commission there, leaders from the faith community, business folks.

I talked to someone today who works for an organization where their board said they should seek out domestic partner benefits for employee benefits. It's hard to find commercial health insurance in Wisconsin that you can go out and buy that offers domestic partnership coverage right now. Getting this registry is really going to make the domestic partnership policy so much easier.

IN Step: If the registry goes through, many would see it as a major victory, especially considering that Milwaukee's gay community hasn't had a major political victory in recent memory. It seems our community is often reacting to a disaster or disappointment, rather than building on any kind of success.

PF: I'm so in agreement with that. It's funny because Madison has a reputation for being really progressive, but it's a small town and they are light years ahead of us. I think that's because there's a sort of a snowball effect when they've had so many victories and out elected officials for years now. Now they have an out congresswoman.

If we had a few more wins in Milwaukee, if we won the registry, if we elected a [gay or lesbian] official, I think that it would snowball. There is a big gay and lesbian community here with so many talents. I think that some great things can happen.

IN Step: Like what?

PF: It sounds corny, but because we haven't had a win in so long in Milwaukee, I always use the analogy of a losing baseball team that doesn't have a lot of fans; when you start getting some wins, that's when people come to the front. ▼

Group Notes

G/L Community Center Trust Fund to Hold Meeting

Milwaukee — The G/L Community Center & Trust Fund is holding its annual meeting on June 13 and invites you and all other community supporters to attend. The meeting will be held in the Banquet Room of the M&M Club, 124 N. Water St. at noon.

The cost for the brunch is \$15 per person. Payment can be mailed in advance or paid at the door. Brunch will be served at 1 p.m. Reservations must be made no later than June 10, 1999. Please make reservations by calling (414) 643-8330.

Cover Art Sought for ABA Guide

Milwaukee — *Out & About*, the newly named business guide for the Alternative Business Association, Inc. (ABA) has started production and is looking for a photo or design to appear on the front cover. The most exciting part of this guide is the use of a local designers or photographers work instead of stock photos. The chosen artist will get the front cover of the publication, which will be distributed around the state of Wisconsin and will also win a \$100 prize. There will be a short bio included in the guide.

The deadline for submission of a design or photograph is June 1. All submissions will be returned if accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope. The ABA committee will make their decision by June 15.

Also over the next month, ABA is interested in meeting with prospective layout designers for advertising in the 10,000 copy, 64 page guide. The guide will include businesses and organizations, outside of Southeastern Wisconsin and map/entertainment sections. Layout professionals and printers can contact the ABA at their enhanced Hotline at (414) 299-9271, ext. 2.

H.I.T. Hosts Brewer Game

Milwaukee — Holiday Invitational Tournament (H.I.T.) will be hosting a Milwaukee Brewer's tailgate party and game on Monday, July 19 against the Chicago White Sox. The cost per person is \$15 and includes the pre-game tailgate party with beer, soda, food and a lower grandstand ticket for the game that starts at 7:05 p.m.

The event is a fund raiser for the H.I.T. bowling tournament, which is held over the Thanksgiving weekend. For more information or to reserve your ticket, call Rick or Doug at (414) 463-9849.

Fund-Raiser Set for MAGIC Picnic

Madison — A fund-raiser dance for the MAGIC Picnic Committee will be held on Saturday, June 5, at Fyfe's Corner Bistro, 1344 E. Washington Ave. The event will feature a live DJ and dancing. The doors will open at 10 p.m. and will be open until 2:30 a.m. There is a \$3 suggested donation. For more information, call Brian Veraghen at (608) 251-8700.

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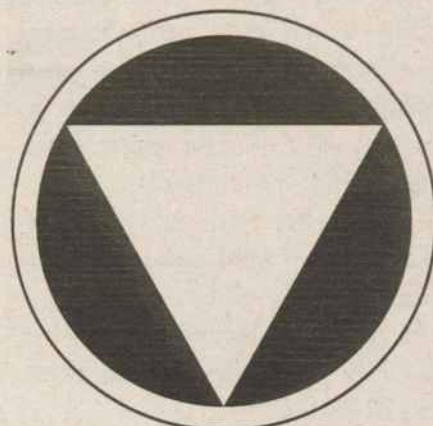
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Safe Zone Created for Green Bay GLBT Youth

Green Bay — The Renaissance Counseling Center (RCC) of Green Bay, in conjunction with AIDS Resource Center of



Safe Zone Symbol

Wisconsin (ARCW), will provide a support and educational group for at-risk gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered (GLBT) youth of Brown County.

A new group was formed on May 17, and will meet every Monday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at RCC, 311 S. Jefferson St. The facilitation of this group will be done under the auspices of program coordinator Patti Henderson-Bilotto, and with trained community volunteers.

The goal of RCC is to establish a broad-based support network for GLBT youth ages 14 to 18. Issues facing these youth have often been ignored. To address the problem of invisibility, they are developing support networks to provide support, education, safety and acceptance for GLBT youth, their families and allies.

Without a safe place to go to, many GLBT youth experience multiple stress factors over and above the normal stress

related to adolescence. For example, studies have shown that nearly 80% of LGB T youth experience severe problems with isolation. These studies show that nearly half of all GLBT youth experience rejection by their parents, which puts them at risk for homelessness. Probably the most disturbing fact is that GLBT youth are two to three times more likely to attempt suicide; while 30% of completed suicides are by GLBT youth.

The Safe Zone symbol is a message to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered (GLBT) youth and their adult allies. A person displaying this symbol is someone who will be understanding, supportive and trustworthy if a GLBT youth needs help or just needs someone with whom they can talk.

For more information on current GLBT youth resources contact: LGBT Youth Pride Support, at (920) 437-4325; Student Pride at studentpride@glse.org; PFLAG FoxCities/Appleton at (920) 749-1629; WI Teen Line at 1-888-Gay Teen; GLBT Youth Group/Appleton (920) 731-4847; GLSEN Wisconsin at GLSEN-WI@aol.com; and the National Youth Advocacy Hotline at NYouthAC@aol.com.

St. Camillus Day of Remembrance

Milwaukee — On Monday, May 31, at 11:30 a.m. the St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry will have a celebration of remembering our brothers and sisters who have died of AIDS and honoring those who continue to live with HIV disease.

Everyone is invited to meet at the St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Memorial Garden, 10101 W. Wisconsin Ave. In case of rain, the service will be held in the Zingsheim Multi-Purpose Room at the St. Camillus Health Center at the same address. For more information, please call (414) 259-4664.

MCC Announces Dedication of New Building

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church (MCC), Milwaukee's first Christ-centered Church for lesbian and gay Christians, would like to formally announce the dedication for its new building. The Building Dedication will occur on Saturday, May 22, at 5 p.m. at 1239 W. Mineral St. Reverend Linda Stoner will be facilitating the service.

This announcement follows seven years of struggle and frustration for Milwaukee MCC. Seven years ago, Milwaukee MCC was down to just six members and was preparing to shut its doors for good. Now, under the leadership of Rev. Lew Broyles, Milwaukee MCC is up to almost 50 members and has just purchased its first home on Milwaukee's near South Side. For more information about MCC, please contact Jason Alan at (414) 383-1100.

Shoreline Spring Round-Up Draws Hundreds

Milwaukee — 1999 may go down as the year Shoreline-Milwaukee made it to the big leagues of Country Western dancing in the international LGBT community. On Saturday evening, May 1, at its seventh annual Country Dance Gala, Shoreline presented a big, new, bold routine that left the crowd of 275 wondering where the old Shoreline, with its intricate line-dance formations, had gone. Shoreline's new look included lots of fancy new partnering and difficult swing-dance moves.

Two Shoreline officers, Joette and Jeff,

created the routine, which will be presented in Toronto on Memorial Day weekend at the International Gay and Lesbian Country Western Dance Association's annual convention. Over 30 dancers from Milwaukee will be attending the convention, which is expected to draw over 1,000 dancers from across Canada, the United States and several other countries.

Perhaps the most memorable part of the entire weekend was the two dance routines presented by Florida's Lee Fox and Chris Zaleski on Saturday evening. Lee and Chris danced a stunning west coast swing and sizzling cha-cha. It was sexy, it was sizzling, it was fun — it was ballroom dancing at its best.

The Spring Round-Up kicked off on Friday night with the Boot's N' Boxers Ball at La Cage, attended by more than 75 people. Prizes were awarded for the smoothest legs, most muscular legs, and the hairiest legs. Prizes included a \$100 certificate to Harold's Restaurant, tickets to the Milwaukee Symphony, Milwaukee Ballet, and the Milwaukee Repertory Theater. Lucky raffle winners also received sterling bracelets and a string of pearls.

Saturday's Swing Dance Workshop at Fannies, presented by Lee Fox, was attended by 20 men and women. Everyone attending the workshop learned the "East Coast Swing" in addition to a swing mixer and waltz mixer.

The weekend concluded with a delicious brunch at Fannies attended by about 40 people.

A portion of the proceeds from the weekend will be donated to Camp Heartland and the Cream City Foundation.

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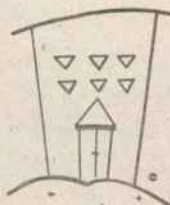
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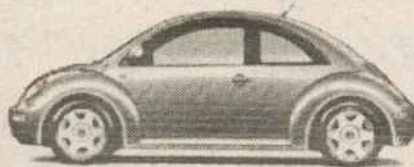
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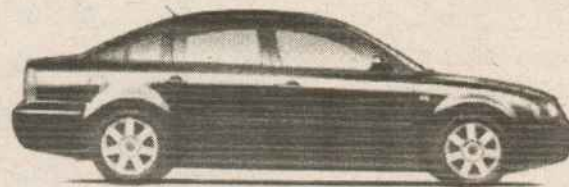
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New UW Policy Against ROTC Discrimination Draws Mixed Reviews

by Mike Leon
of the IN Step staff

Madison — In 1989, the UW-Madison's faculty members overwhelmingly voted on an advisory resolution to ban the Reserve Officer Training Corps from campus.

The university led the nation then in a movement to oust the ROTC program because of the U.S. military's continued discriminatory policy against gays and lesbians which violated the UW's own anti-discrimination policy and convictions.

Ten years later the student government and the UW administration have now adopted a constructive engagement policy toward ROTC discrimination.

This policy was developed in light of 1996 federal legislation, the Solomon Amendment, requiring the withholding of substantial federal funds, including some student aid, from colleges and universities like the UW that practice their anti-discrimination policies prohibiting the military from discriminating on campus.

After a meeting several weeks ago, UW administrators and student leaders of the Associated Students of Madison's Equal Rights Initiative (ERI) announced a new strategy to fight ROTC's discrimination.

The strategy agreement at the UW took place a week after US Reps. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) and Tom Campbell (R-Calif.) introduced legislation partially repealing the Solomon Amendment.

The Frank/Campbell bill would allow students to receive college and university administered federal financial assistance even if their schools bar the U.S. military from recruiting on campus and from conducting ROTC programs.

The agreement reached by ASM and the UW would: create a program teaching leadership skills as is accomplished in the ROTC program; provide scholarship money for the alternative program; publicly issue a statement condemning ROTC discrimination; add a footnote to anti-discrimination notations that UW-Madison condemns the ROTC discrimination policy.

Many Wisconsin activists and elected representatives bemoan the fact the Solomon Amendment holds hostage anti-discrimination policy to revenue constraints under the Solomon Amendment.

"I am encouraged that ASM and the administration are working together on this important issue. However, the disturbing policy of discrimination based on sexual orientation still exists. The university creates the impression that the rights of its students are for sale if the price is high enough," said State Rep. Mark Pocan (D-Madison). "I strongly suggest the University lobby for the pending fed-

eral bill that would not allow the federal government to withhold student financial aid from land-grant universities that discontinue their ROTC program."

The UW administration has not returned written and phone queries to *IN Step* on this story. But student leaders say the policy is the best that can be hoped for in their demands that the UW practice its anti-discrimination policy.

ERI student leaders say they are not satisfied with the new constructive engagement policy they helped negotiate. Commenting on the continued ROTC discrimination, ERI associate Claire Davenport told a student newspaper that gay students interested in ROTC have to make an unfair decision because of the military's don't ask, don't tell policy. "(They) have to choose between their education and who they are."

Baldwin Cosponsors Bill Repealing Anti-LGBT Amendment

by Mike Leon
of the IN Step staff

Washington — U.S. Rep. Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) is cosponsoring a bill that would allow students to receive college and university administered federal financial assistance even if their school bars the military from recruiting on campus and conducting ROTC programs.

The bill was introduced by U.S. Reps. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) and Tom Campbell (R-Calif.). The Frank/Campbell bill partially repeals legislation, the Solomon Amendment, that was pushed through as a rider on an appropriations bill in 1996.

The Solomon Amendment requires the withholding of substantial federal funds, including some student aid, from colleges and universities that practice their anti-discrimination policies prohibiting the military from discriminating on campus.

Rep. Baldwin released a statement to *IN Step* reading:

"For years now, some in Congress have attempted to interfere with anti-discrimination policies or practices at local colleges and universities. This is particularly the case with universities that have limited or barred military recruiting or banned ROTC programs, based on the military's anti-gay policies. Recently, Congress has sought to limit funding to universities with strong stands against discrimination. It is wrong for Congress to reinforce unfair discrimination against students due to their sexual orientation."

The Solomon Amendment, authored by Gerald Solomon (R-NY), is widely regarded by civil rights activists as a stealthily positioned anti-gay initiative hidden in the minutiae of the 1997 Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act. It is viewed as a means by right-wing activists to roll back anti-discrimination policies on college and university campuses across the country.

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IN OPINIONS

Going Batty

by Dave Runyon

I'm replacing my electric bug-zappers with bat houses, which I'll attach high up on the south side of my house. The trouble with the electric bug-zappers is that they kill the good insects as indiscriminately as they kill the mosquitoes. It's sort of like watching the evening news on TV and seeing NATO bombing the Balkans, and having it pitched to us as the right thing to do. In the next news piece we see Dr. Kevorkian — who puts to rest the pain and anguish of a man who wants to die — convicted of murder. Exactly who is seeing the world upside down?

Another "stand-on-your-head" experience for me was seeing the mainland Chinese movie, *East Palace, West Palace*. In a Beijing park, late at night, a cute guy in his late 20s gets picked up by a hunky police officer. The victim turns the tables on the male establishment by trying to seduce the man in a uniform by saying and doing all the things that sick, sick, sick males really get into — whether they are gay or str8 — like cigarette burns, beating, etc. By the end of the movie, the astonished expression on the officer's face, that he's really interested in the offender, is something to see.

Here is a movie with an edge in its social criticism. But, there's yet another layer to the movie that most movie-goers probably are not aware of — namely — that this was an illegally made movie. However, the Chinese government will still get a piece of the financial pie. That's right; on the one hand it whines about the illegality of the film, but with the other hand it reaches out demanding its cut of the proceeds. It reminds me of Log Cabin Republicans who claim that it is the Republican Party, that is the true supporter and leader in the gay movement, while the reality is that progress is made only by progressive legislators and government executives. Hello? Talk about co-opting! Or trying to. Like, where are you guys getting the drugs?

In another venture into *tripsville*, I saw the current run of UW-Madison's offering of a performance of *Man From La Mancha* that combined both the music and opera areas. As the curtain rises we enter a prison. It's a pastiche of Piranesi's etching series of the mid-1700s of the same name; a giant, sweeping half-

arch from left to right with a drawbridge on the right. Costumes were derived from the usual Spanish paintings of the 1600s (Velazquez) through the early 1800s (Goya).

Cervantes, the writer of *Don Quixote*, is thrown into prison where his fellow prisoners put on their own little trial — which is the play. The hero is not really even a Don. He's "a nobody" who plays the role of a long-dead medieval knight expressing silly romantic values of heroism. It's like NATO pretending to save the world for good, when in fact NATO is a police force of thugs in an undeclared war. They're hired by multilateral corporations through their governments (paid for by big business) to exploit all those wonderful minerals like gold, oil, coal and uranium in the virgin Balkan earth.

The problem with this sort of fluff is that most of us don't have a clue about the context and where all this happy horse shit comes from. Cervantes (1547-1616) is the conservative response of the Roman Catholic Church (Council of Trent, 1545-63) to the Protestant Reformation, with the Grand Inquisition thrown in for good measure. And we know what sweethearts they were. Indeed, can you think of one religion that has killed more people? Ah ... the Crusades!

This whole mess is brought up to date in a 20th century musical, but what happened in between is the meat of the issue. In the 1700s, we have the French Enlightenment which included that great church in Paris (Notre Dame) being cleansed of religion and rededicated as a "Temple to Reason." The French Rationalists would have no truck with silly superstition. As Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny are for kids, so is the Risen Christ for their parents: happy delusions!

Merging reason and science, Galileo, especially in the 1630s, followed by Sir Isaac Newton at the turn of that century, brought off the start of the Industrial Revolution in England as it connected with business and manufacturing by around 1750. The results of this became offensive. Thus, if REASON gave us THIS mess, the reaction against it was ROMANTICISM, tripping with new gods, like nature and art — whatever banged your tambourine. Especially the

God who was a composite of bourgeois secular values — the sentimental Jesus seen not only in those saccharine paintings of the 1800s, but still there in many Sunday schools, even to this day.

The broad middle class has a narrow focus. They use their brains for science, war and business, but that's about it. When it comes to religion and politics, well ... Reforms are tried, like the Shakers and the Unitarians, but these dissenters do not draw many adherents. Sentiment carries the day, instead. A musical like this is a "feel-good" panderer to the theatrical counterpart to Gate Receipts To Glory of the grassy gridiron. You haven't been mentally challenged; no boundaries have been pushed back to expand your mind or sensibilities. Another no-brain crowd-pleaser, and in a university town!

My God, if you're going to do an musical, rather than an opera, why not something stimulating like Bernstein's *Candide*? Give me something with an edge. But that takes money and talent. I should have taken heed. At the beginning of the musical, when Cervantes is asked whether he *believes*, he replies, "I'm afraid NOT to believe." Yes, there is the obvious meaning given his context, but there is

yet another for us in the 20th century: Do you have the courage to live your life in a universe without a God, or gods, New Age booga-booga auras or superstitions? As I said, "No edge."

Not that I have anything against masturbation per se, but living so totally with one's own fantasy is a bit one-sided. Something that has to do with the excitement of interaction, something really important, is missing. But the teen-agers in the seats in front of me loved the musical — it fed into their idealism. At least bats can see in the dark. Where are those good old days in the ancient Roman Coliseum, when the announcer proclaimed, "Christians zero, lions 20." Ah, but then, it was a home game, and those were the days when Christians actually competed with one another in how to die the "right" way as a martyr. ▼



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Letters

D.P. Registry Draws Support

To the Editor—

In a world where hate seems so prevalent, it is difficult to find reason for celebration, or opportunity for a peaceful existence. It is a time when positive change needs to occur, and people need to become more compassionate and understanding.

My partner and I have been together for 16 years, and because we are both women, our commitment is not recognized. We look forward to our anniversary each year, and we annually take part in the PrideFest commitment ceremony. It is a time when we can celebrate safely with brothers and sisters in our community. As a couple, we have shared in many blessings. We have enjoyed life, worked, paid taxes and grieved at the loss of our loved ones.

Passing the Domestic Partnership Registry ordinance will be good for same-sex relationships, and it will establish a verifiable definition of domestic partnership. There is no cost or mandates to the city or business. We want only what legally recognized couples are able to have. It is important that the [city] government recognize our committed relationships as valid partnerships.

Monica K. Cassidy and Sheri S. Goldberg
Milwaukee

To the Editor—

The opportunity has arrived for Milwaukee to stand up for its reputation as a cultured, diverse community while recognizing the importance of committed relationships. Later this month, a piece of legislation called the Domestic Partnership Registry Ordinance will be presented before the Common Council for a vote. This piece of legislation allows same-sex couples to register as domestic partners with no cost or mandates to the city or Milwaukee businesses.

The recognition of same-sex relationships through passage of this ordinance simultaneously provides recognition to the value of committed relationships and celebrates Milwaukee's continuing cultivation of diversity. Saying no to such legislation is equivalent to turning our backs to the importance of long-term committed relationships and family values.

It is through committed relationships that families and values are built and maintained. By supporting this ordinance, we are giving same-sex couples the opportunity to show their commitment to each other. Failure to pass this ordinance would be a failure for the city of Milwaukee, and a slap in the face to the value of committed relationships.

Andy Kallie
Milwaukee

Evertz Off Base on Victory Fund

To the Editor—

As a Republican state legislator who happens to be gay, I was disappointed by Scott Evertz's recent column in *IN Step* (Vol. 16, #7) suggesting that the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund is simply no longer necessary. For the foreseeable future, nothing could be further from the truth.

Although I hope that we will see a day when gay and straight candidates all enjoy a fair and equal shot at election, and when our community will not need to make the extra effort to ensure our place at the table, that day is not here yet.

Counter to the column's assertion, no one is claiming that we can achieve equality without the support of good, fair-minded straight Americans and public officials. Indeed, without the support of our many decent and good-hearted straight colleagues, Ken Chevront (the only other openly gay member of the Arizona legislature) and I would not have been able to prevail in the recent state House vote to repeal Arizona's archaic laws against private intimacy between consenting adults. At the same time, we must recognize that there may not have been such a vote at all if there were no openly gay or lesbian legislators to ensure that the concerns of all Arizonans — gay and straight alike — were being addressed by their lawmakers.

Throughout government, good, openly lesbian and gay public servants play a uniquely important role. To point out just a few examples of their good work: U.S. Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., played a key role in securing a strong bipartisan majority to preserve President Clinton's executive order protecting Americans from sexual orientation discrimination in federal civilian employment; New York state Sen. Tom Duane is breathing new life into the drive to pass a statewide hate crimes law that includes sexual orientation; U.S. Rep. Tammy Baldwin, D-Wis., in addition to championing health care and many other issues of key importance to her constituents, is taking a leading role in the effort to enact national hate crimes legislation that includes sexual orientation; and Illinois state Rep. Larry McKeon introduced a statewide civil rights bill in his state's legislature.

As public servants, even as we are working to meet the needs of all of our constituents, we certainly do what we can to make sure that the lesbian and gay community is equally represented in the halls of government.

For myself and many other gay and lesbian public servants, the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund continues to do out-

standing work to help ensure that we have a fair and equal shot of getting elected. As long as so many of us must still compete for office not only against our opponents, but against discriminatory attacks on our personal orientation, we need the Victory Fund to keep doing its part to level the playing field as we seek to serve our communities and our country.

Steve May
Arizona House of Representatives

Fruit Fly Fall Out

To the Editor—

I am compelled to write after reading several stories and editorials regarding the so-called "Fruit Fly Stings" that have been conducted by the Milwaukee Police Department.

First and foremost, the police are *not* harassing gay and latino bars. As a matter of fact, "harassing", as several gay bar owners termed it, is *not* what the police were doing the evening the tavern checks were conducted. Several taverns, gay and straight alike, were checked, some receiving citations, others not.

As Class "B" Tavern License holders, owners of *any* tavern are subject to have their premises inspected by the Police or the Health Department at *any* time, *any* day, provided that those inspections are conducted in a way that conforms to "normal" hours (i.e. not at 4 a.m.) Owners do *not* need to be notified in advance, and owners should *not* have an expectation of this.

It seems as if many people in today's society have a problem with accepting responsibility. People do not want to be responsible for their own actions... they are always looking for a scapegoat; someone or something else to blame it on. It's time for the owners of taverns that received such citations to take responsibility, not only as business owners that cater to the public, but as human beings.

Additionally, people should learn the facts before they open their mouths and

comment on the policies of the Milwaukee Police Department. Unless they are police officers themselves, and know the way Milwaukee police officers conduct tavern checks, keep your mouths shut.

I'm glad that these bars got ticketed, because I frequent them, and maybe now these taverns will be a bit more careful in their ways of handling and properly storing their liquor. I don't want to see a fruit fly in my next beverage.

Name withheld by request
Milwaukee

Major Concerns Over Beer Ad

To the Editor—

I have looked into the ways that some tobacco and alcohol companies specifically target marginalized or stigmatized communities (communities of color, working class and poor, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and others) due to their stigmatization often have higher rates of tobacco consumption and alcoholism.

I, therefore, have mixed reactions to the announcement that Anheuser-Busch is targeting the "gay community" by depicting two men holding hands in its Bud Lite ads — and I use the word "target" quite deliberately. While it is extremely important to increase our visibility, I have enormous misgivings and am extremely uncomfortable over any company or industry that markets these substances to our communities.

And exactly what type of "visibility" are we talking about? Since the ads are geared to the "gay community," they will most likely appear primarily in "our" newspapers and magazines, and not in mainstream media. They might also appear on billboards in predominately gay and lesbian neighborhoods.

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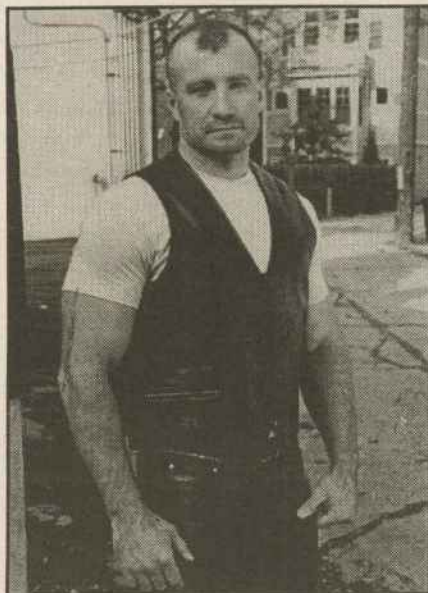
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Can Straight People Be Seduced?



by Christopher Ott

A reader named Simone writes, "I'm straight, but I have a boyfriend who is so beautiful that lots of gay guys come onto him. I'm very unsure right now because a gay guy told me once, 'There are no straight men — only those who haven't been flirted with well enough.' Is this true?" If you're asked a question like this by a nervous straight friend, the short answer is no, it's not true. Gay people can't make other people gay, and no amount of flirting can change someone else's sexual orientation.

The long answer is a little more complicated. Sexual orientation has blurry edges. This beautiful boy could be straight, pure and simple, and nothing may ever change that. But he could also be gay or bi and not know it yet, or he could simply be willing to experiment, even if he is mostly straight. He might find it secretly thrilling for another man to show interest in him, and alcohol is famous for its ability to lower people's inhibitions. If Simone's boyfriend has a few drinks and she finds him showing an interest in a man, she wouldn't exactly be the first gal this has happened to.

The real answer is that no one — no man or woman — is going to be able to "steal" him unless he wants to be stolen. Naturally it makes sense for Simone to try to keep him if that's what she wants. But if her boyfriend is really curious about men, there's probably not much that Simone or any other woman is going to be able to do about it.

Do Gay People Recruit?

One thing that puts a bee in the bonnet of anti-gay conservatives is the idea that gay people are out to "recruit": that we want to seduce straight people (especially the young), and that attempts to promote gay tolerance are all part of our Master Recruitment Scheme.

Surprise, surprise, they don't know what they're talking about, but they do have reasons for believing what they do.

It hasn't escaped the conservatives' notice that gay people tend to get excited when someone comes out. It's understandable that we feel this way — after all, we may have gone through the same thing, and it's flattering to be the first person that someone tells. But to anti-gay conservatives, it looks like we are gloating because we have "won someone else over." If you have to answer the question of whether or not gay people recruit, be sure to help

your questioner understand that things are more complicated than they look.

Most of us didn't always know we were gay. Figuring out sexuality isn't easy for anybody, but gay people have the added challenge of not even being sure at first where to start. Getting over this confusion can be both miserable and ecstatic, and it's so remarkable and memorable that a lot of us almost make a hobby of watching for signs that it may be happening to someone else. This enthusiasm for wondering about everybody else's sexual orientation can go overboard, but it isn't recruitment. It's simply an attempt to make the process of coming out less confusing and lonely for someone else.

It's also impossible to discuss this issue fairly without talking about the heavy-handed and manipulative tactics used to convince people who aren't straight, or who aren't sure, that they should be. A simple way to answer this is that gay people and gay relationships are the moral equals of heterosexuals and their rela-

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tionships, period. Anyone who believes otherwise — especially if they cite rinky-dink interpretations of the Bible or other religious texts as proof — should be the ones struggling to justify themselves, not us. Make them start at the beginning and explain why we should accept the assumptions they do.

We all might wish that some people's sexual orientation was different than what it is — Simone's beautiful boyfriend, for instance — but gay people certainly aren't the only ones who do this. We might also encourage someone to continue questioning their sexual orientation if they aren't sure that they're straight. But this isn't recruitment.

Maybe we would recruit if we could — those T-shirts that say "I recruit" or "10% is not enough" are more than just a joke — but the simple fact is that the only people who can be "recruited" are people who want to be. The real question is why anyone cares. ▼

Straight Answers is a monthly column devoted to advice about how to change anti-gay attitudes. If you have a question or suggestion, please write to sa@sipu.com or in care of IN Step.



Michael Jackson... er... I mean Diana Ross.

Quips & Quotes

how we treat gay men and lesbians is really the last frontier of civil rights in this country that we have to address."

—Michael Moore on his Bravo TV show *The Awful Truth*.

"U.S. Out Of My Anus"

—Slogan painted on the side of Michael Moore's pink "Sodomobile" motorhome which visited states that ban sodomy for a segment of his Bravo TV show *The Awful Truth*.

Stop, in the Name of Love!

"I really feel like you can love a lot of people; it doesn't really matter whether they're male or female. My relationship with guys, girls... I just feel like you can be in love with anybody. You can love a woman — I mean, what makes you *not* be able to love like that? You know what I'm saying?"

—Diana Ross to the Advocate

One Track Mind

"One thing I think about being openly gay, I think Ellen [DeGeneres] took it too far with kissing on screen. Everything with her revolved around sex. With me, everything revolves around skating. I don't tell anybody who I'm kissing."

—Gay U.S. figure skating champion Rudy Golindo to the Pittsburgh Post Gazette.

The Final Frontier

"I really believe that gay rights and

Sing-a-Long

"k.d. lang and her girlfriend, Leisha Hailey of The Murmurs, were spotted singing karaoke — yes, karaoke — at The Smog Cutter, a Filipino dive bar in Silver Lake, east of Hollywood. Apparently, the mild-mannered barkeeps had no idea who the ingenue was and congratulated k.d. after her turn at the mic, saying 'You're really good, you should be a professional!'"

—Curve magazine, May issue.

Maid to Order

"When I realized I was gay I didn't have anyone on television besides Hazel to identify with. I didn't have anyone to look at and say, 'This is OK.'"

—Ellen DeGeneres at a fund-raiser for the scholarship fund of the Stonewall Center in Amherst, Mass. The fund distributes money to gay youth whose parents cut them off when they come out.

Snip!

"There were no gay people when I was growing up. The only gay people I saw on TV had sex change operations and that scared me to death. That was pretty scary — to be a young kid and to be thinking your only hope is to have a sex change operation. I didn't know how to deal with that."

—Gay comedian Jason Stuart to San Diego's Gay & Lesbian Times.

Hate Crime?

"I personally have always resented that myth, the one that says that lesbians hate men. How could they hate men? They don't have to fuck them!"

—Roseanne at the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation Media Awards.

Idiot Savant?

"Ellen DeGeneres is the only woman in my book who qualifies as both a hero and idiot. She could've painted on ABC's canvas for years if she had just laid off the char- treuse a little. She created and then squandered the most golden opportunity in television history. ... *Will & Grace* is a runaway hit because being gay is entirely beside the point. The show treats homosexuality as an intricately woven thread in universally shared situations. Where Will is a charming man who happens to be gay, Ellen was a lesbian who happened to be charming."

—Columnist Michael Alvear in Atlanta's Southern Voice.



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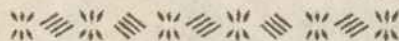
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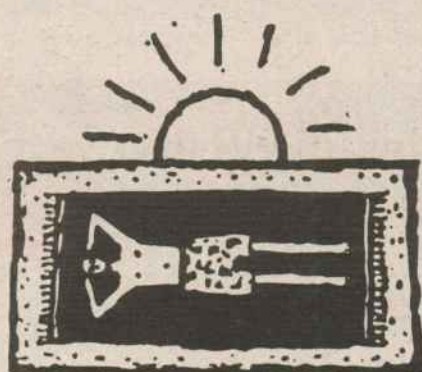
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New Beach Hours at Mazo

While Rep. **DuWayne Johnsrud** (R-Eastman), chairman of the Assembly committee that oversees the state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) was having a hissy-fit about the recent rule changes at Mazomanie's clothing optional beach, the DNR notified beach users that due to staffing shortages, the hours of will now be 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. *IN Step's* source said, "This will allow people to leave the beach and walk down the road while it's still daylight. And, as you all know, this is all for our benefit. Yeah, right!"

Johnsrud threatened to block state funds for the building of additional parking. He said, "If I can't get it, I won't vote for the budget." That sounded like blackmail to some people. The measure, placed as a budget amendment by **Sheryl Albers** (R. Loganville), was defeated by a vote of 14 to 2 by the Joint Finance Committee. We probably haven't heard the last of him. Stay tuned.

Liz is Back!

Wobbly icon **Elizabeth Taylor** is planning a comeback.

"I'm feeling better today than I have for years. Charity work and creating perfumes have been keeping me busy, but the positive reactions I've received from my recent public activities make me want to get back to work," the actress said in a statement.

The 67-year-old Oscar winner (*Butterfield 8* in 1960 and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* in 1966) has been beset with



Long ago Liz.

health problems, including a broken back last year and lengthy recuperation from hip surgeries.

Miss Taylor has appeared in a few projects in recent years but has spent much time raising money and awareness for

AIDS causes and launching the fragrances White Diamonds and Passion.

"We met with her recently, and she said that she wants to work, is very prepared and happy to do character work because after all, *Virginia Woolf* was a character role," said **Marion Rosenberg**, who is co-managing Miss Taylor's resurgence.

And the Winner is...

Online voting for GLAAD's "The 20 Best Lesbian and Gay Films of the 20th Century" is now available at <http://www.glaad.org>.

The project commemorates the first 100 years of depicting lesbians, gay men, bisexuals and transgender individuals in film, as well as lesbian and gay filmmaking. Online voting is being sponsored by Mediapolis' Data Lounge site (www.datalounge.com).

Participants are being asked to pick 20 of their favorite lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender films or favorite films with significant characters from the past century in films that have screened in the U.S. or Canada. The ballot choices range from such Hollywood heavy weights as *In & Out* and *Philadelphia*, to independent favorites like *Chasing Amy* and *Gods and Monsters*, to films with significant and groundbreaking portrayals, such as *The Crying Game* and *Different for Girls*.

Online voting will end on January 7, 2000. "The 20 Best Lesbian & Gay Films of the 20th Century" will be unveiled by GLAAD in 2000.

Also, each voter will be automatically entered in a drawing to win two round-trip tickets on American Airlines to any one of GLAAD's Media Awards cere-

monies in 2000. In addition to attending the star-studded event, the winner and a guest will stay for two nights at a top hotel in Los Angeles, New York or Washington, D.C. - one of three host cities for GLAAD Media Awards ceremonies.

Naked Roller-Skating Lesbians Exposed!

Michigan may have its Naked Mile streakers in Ann Arbor, but Corvallis, Oregon, got its first ... er ... "exposure" to topless roller-skating lesbians when a dozen women, members of the local Lesbian Avengers, bared their breasts for social justice.

The Avengers rolled from the campus at Oregon State University down to the Willamette River waterfront where police officers finally put a halt to the halter-less protest.

The Avengers were demonstrating against what they consider a double standard in most Western cultures which lets men go shirtless but prohibits women the same right.

Police officers told the Avengers they wouldn't arrest them if they agreed to cover their breasts - a proposal the women readily agreed to by putting stickers over their bosoms and merrily rolling on.

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Milwaukee Symphony Chorus Seeks Voices

The Milwaukee Symphony Chorus, the premiere vocal ensemble of the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, has announced audition dates for new members. The Chorus will audition singers for the 1999-2000 season, which will include performances of Wagner's "Parsifal," Hayden's "The Creation," J.S. Bach's "Magnificat," Schoenberg's "Songs of Gurre" and other works.

Chorus auditions will be held on the following dates: June 7, 9-10, 14 & 16; July 26 and 28; Aug. 25; and Sept. 1. Auditions will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts in Rehearsal Hall A. The Chorus currently has 180 volunteer voices; auditions will be heard for all voice parts, as well as for 24 paid singer positions. Singers are asked to call (414) 967-1905 for information and to schedule an audition time.

Authors Julia Watts & Christian de la Huerta at Afterwords

Afterwords Bookstore and the Lesbian Reading Group are pleased to announce a very special event, featuring best-selling lesbian novelist, Julia Watts, on May 25, at 7 p.m.

In conjunction with the Lesbian Reading Group, Julia Watts will read from and discuss her most recent novel, *Wedding Bell Blues* (Naiad Press, Pb \$11.95).

Also appearing at Afterwords is Christian de la Huerta, author of *Coming Out Spiritually: The Next Step* (Tarcher Pb \$13.95) will make his only Milwaukee appearance at Afterwords Bookstore on May 26, at 7:30pm.

Christian de la Huerta, a spiritual leader in the queer community, believes that a spiritual awakening is beginning and must continue within the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered community.

For further information, please call (414) 963-9089.

Damon House Hosts Garden Party

One of Milwaukee County's oldest homes, the Lowell Damon House in Wauwatosa, will bring history to life when it hosts a Garden Party on Sunday, June 6 from 1 to 3 p.m. The house, located at 2107 Wauwatosa Ave. (76th St. south of North Ave.) was built between 1844 and 1847 by Oliver Damon Jr. and his son Lowell.

The Garden Party will feature an informative talk by Harry Anderson, retired Executive Director of the Milwaukee County Historical Society, at 1:15 p.m.

EAT OUT!

Our Third Somewhat Annual Restaurant Guide

What's that slimy thing on the bottom of your refrigerator? It couldn't be yesterday's pizza, could it? You say the cupboards are bare and you're just not in the mood for another can of Spaghetti-o's? Maybe it's time to do something a bit more inventive. Like scattering Fruit Loops atop that Lime Jello. Or grating Velveeta Cheese into some Hormel Chile. That'd be fun and delicious, wouldn't it?

What's that you say? You don't feel like slaving over a hot microwave? Well then, here's the solution! Throw away the can opener and save yesterday's dirty dishes for tomorrow! It's time to EAT OUT!

Goldman's Lunch Counter

930 W. Mitchell St.

We never rate our restaurants from best to worst, but if someone twisted our arms (OK! Ouch! We give!) this would be number one. Where else in the city can you find such a wide assortment of tasty cholesterol? And the clientele! Does Fellini film here? John Waters? Don't forget the candy raisins you can buy by the pound. Baby Noodles will love 'em. After experiencing Goldman's Lunch Counter, nothing else quite compares.

DiSalvo's and Brennan's

728 E. Brady St.

Huh? Irish Bar and Italian Restaurant? You've got to be kidding. This is the new hybrid of what was once Cafe DiSalvo's. We always loved this place as a casual, yet fairly consistent restaurant. The new Brady Street location holds a lot of promise, with expanded seating and open air amenities. But the prices seem to have taken an upward turn.

The calamari and the pastas are decent, though certainly not the best in the city. Smaller appetites and budgets might want to settle for a simple tomato and basil pizza. All in all, DiSalvo's and Brennan's continues to offer a pleasant and comfortable retreat. Enjoy a bottle of wine, and let a warm summer evening work its magic.

Velvet Room

730 N. Old World Third St.

The Velvet Room has a richly deserved reputation for swanky cocktails, jazzy crooners, and a trendoid clientele. But don't be fooled. Beneath the aura of hipster glamour, the Velvet Room is at heart a really, really, good restaurant.

Try the Chilean Sea Bass. It's so exquisitely prepared you'll want to savor it in tiny bites. Or enjoy a perfectly prepared beef fillet. Don't forget dessert! This is the place to indulge.

North Shore Bistro

1-43 and Brown Deer Road

Ten of us ate lunch here, and not one of us had a complaint. Everything was excellent, from the sandwiches to the soups to the oriental specials. The huge dining room is always bustling; its stark ambiance coolly refreshing on a summer's day. Service is prompt, and your iced tea will be quickly refilled.

Beans and Barley

1901 E. North Ave.

A tofu scrambler is a great way to start your day. The blueberry pancakes are divine. For lunch, a tofu salad is surprisingly filling and tasty. But Beans and Barley is not the best place to choose if you're in a rush. The casual atmosphere encourages lingering conversations, and the service can be correspondingly relaxed.

Riverhouse

1122 N. Edison St.

Yuk! You'd think that after all the work that went into creating this building, a little thought would have been given to the food and the decor. Uninspired seafood in a cold, antiseptic atmosphere. Do they try to wash away that fishy smell with bleach?

EE-Sane

1806 N. Farwell Ave.

Insane? Not at all! This friendly little Thai restaurant has some great eats at bargain basement prices. The Thai salad with crabmeat and peanut sauce is a winner. The menu offers a wide selection for both vegetarian and carnivore. Try a tureen of soup. They're served in bowls that ring volcano-like flames! Wow! That'll impress your date for sure!

The Annex Cafe

1106 S. First St.

Truly a Goldman's Lunch Counter for queers! Unpretentious basic eats. The youthful late-night crowd is always worth a watch. Who's that young stud in the leather jacket? You know who we're talking about. We want his phone number.

Bartolotta's

7616 W. State St.

Move over Osteria del Mondo! Though we've always been partial to Osteria, Bartolotta's has taken its place as our number one favorite Italian restaurant! You could well imagine this restaurant having been directly transplanted from Siena.

After you're finished with antipasto and calamari, share the risotto of the day. Then savor a Bistecca Fiorentina, or a delicious veal chop. Everything is perfect here: the food, the service, and an atmosphere that speaks of relaxed sophistication. It's a place to enjoy again and again.

Vinifera

1716 N. Arlington Pl.

We admit we only ate here once, and that was shortly after Vinifera opened. We were a bit disappointed, to say the least. The stuffed veal breast was dry, and the sauce didn't compliment it. The Lake Superior Whitefish (which is so delicious and delicate) was smothered in a grainy-mustard sauce that seemed a travesty.

It's always unfair to judge a restaurant just a few days after it has opened, and lately this restaurant has been getting great reports. We assume the menu has been refined, and another visit is in order.

Au Bon Appetit

1016 E. Brady St.

This cozy little gem of a restaurant has become one of our favorites. Middle Eastern and Mediterranean cuisine with a distinctive Lebanese twist. Chef Rihab brings flavorful magic to anything she touches. Her spiffy red hat has become a Brady Street landmark. We can only be thankful she chose to live in Milwaukee after leaving her native Lebanon.

Try the lamb with rice and almonds. Or explore one of the daily specials, such as Vegetarian Green Beans with Rice. On the days Chef Rihab prepares Coq au Vin, you absolutely can't miss it. It is simply the best Coq au Vin to be found in the Midwest.

Au Bon Appetit's atmosphere is friendly and unpretentious.

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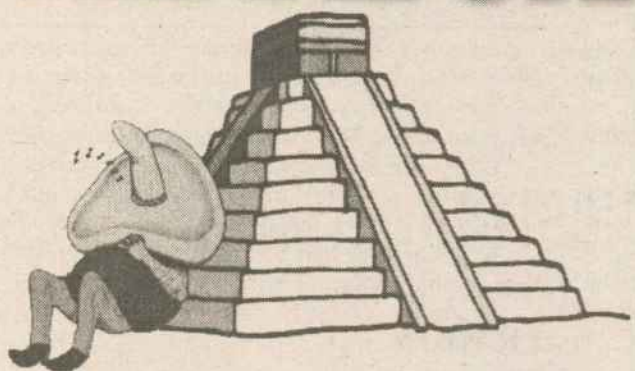
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Cempazuchi

1205 E. Brady St.

The subtitle to this restaurant is "comida brava," a term that holds the dual meaning of "fiery hot" and "exciting." This new East Side hot spot is definitely not for the strawberry margarita and sour cream taco crowd. Cempazuchi offers fine Mexican cuisine that transcends the beans and burrito clichés of the mainstream.

There's enough innovative entrees on Cempazuchi's menu to make this a restaurant worth exploring more than once. The soups are incredible and unlike anything you're likely to have tasted before. Even the simplest and least expensive items (such as the grilled chicken tacos) make a distinctive impression. What's more, Cempazuchi's well-stocked bar is becoming a fabulous gathering place of its own.

Coquette Cafe

316 N. Milwaukee St.

Our visit to Sandy D'Amato's newest venture was laced with disappointment. Is this location jinxed, or what? It seems any restaurant that has tried this space has floundered. The decor has been polished, refurbished, and generally improved, but our first lunch after the well-publicized opening was a bust.

We started with an expensive quiche appetizer that turned out to be literally no more than two forkfuls. A shrimp appetizer that we also ordered was OK, but nothing to lavish praise upon. We then enjoyed a fairly good french onion soup, but the fact is that it was no better than the scores of similar french onion soups available at other restaurants.

The Coq au Vin arrived with a perfect presentation: every last pearl white onion glistening. But the chicken was dry and tasteless. When it comes to Coq au Vin, Sandy D'Amato could take a few lessons from Chef Rihab at Au Bon Apetit.

Metro Cafe

411 E. Mason St.

Mmmm. Really good food, and cute waiters. It's too bad more people haven't discovered the great retro breakfasts this place offers. The many egg dishes with fresh fruit are simply the best downtown has to offer. Lunch at the Metro Cafe is always superb, and dinners can be out-of-this-world. The sidewalk cafe looks right out of New York.

The Hotel Metro did such a splendid job renovating this space, it's too bad the walls have been junked up with cheap looking art. What K-Mart Matisse created these embarrassments? Hint: If you're going for upscale ambiance, spend the extra bucks for one or two first-class paintings or prints.

Brasserie

143 N. Broadway

Cafe Marche was always one of our favorites. Unfortunately, the place has been "improved" by limiting the menu while retaining high-end prices.

A lunchtime three cheese sandwich with ham must have been some sort of joke. The cheese slices were so infinitesimal they would better be called splinters. To slice cheese so microscopic is quite an accomplishment, but it won't impress a normal appetite.

Dinners are better, though the menu has still been whittled down to just a few selections. A cashew sprinkled halibut was very good, and a lamb-loin special was mouth-watering. Unfortunately, the nightly special carried an especially hefty price as well.

M&M Club

124 N. Water St.

Bob Schmidt just never runs out of steam. Considering our less than exciting experiences at Coquette and Brasserie 143, the M & M Club remains the best bet in the Third Ward. Why eat elsewhere

and spend more money for worse quality? Considering the business Bob attracts at lunchtime, the straight crowd must have figured this out as well.

Azteca

816 S. 5th St.

The summer deck at Azteca is hidden away from the street, but a great place to enjoy a meal if you can find it. This restaurant doesn't have the glitz of La Perla, but what it does have is really, really good food. If you're looking to get away from noisy hub-bub, this is the place.

La Perla

734 S. 5th St.

Our favorite thing to do is hang out at the bar. You might run into most anyone here, as the clientele is a real slice of Milwaukee. Mayor John Norquist is known to make appearances, as well as a host of arty Walker's Point types.

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Crabby Al's

Canal St. under the 6th St. Viaduct

This promises to be a real hot spot, but since on our first visit we couldn't get a seat, we really wouldn't know. The staff needs to be coached on basic etiquette, such as greeting customers at the door, suggesting how long the wait might be, and offering a place at the bar. After 10 minutes of lingering in limbo, we left feeling totally snubbed.

Crabby Al's features a mega deck that has been built around a very small interior, so if it's raining, chances of finding a dry seat are virtually nil. But the hidden location (almost under the 6th Street viaduct) is just too cool. Despite our first sad experience, we'll bet this becomes one of the hippest joints in town.

Lake Park Bistro

3133 E. Newberry Blvd.

We're really impressed with this place when it comes to lunch. What could be better than their salmon with asparagus and a glass of Pinot? If you're lucky enough to get a table with a view, it's all the better.

The dinners are a bit too heavy. And nighttime totally ruins the sunlit atmosphere that is this restaurant's greatest charm.

Dancing Ganesha

1694 N. Van Buren St.

Want to know something that hurts? There are items on Dancing Ganesha's menu priced at \$12 that can be found on the streets of Old Delhi for 15 cents. But since we're not on the subcontinent, this restaurant is probably your best bet.

Owners Usha and Ami bring us Indian cuisine without colonial and Mogul influences. Thus, if you're looking for Tandoori, you're out of luck. But everything on the menu is tempting, diligently prepared, and guaranteed not to disappoint. From a simple samosa to scrumptious lamb curie, Dancing Ganesha serves Indian food with a sophisticated flair.

Chip and Py's

1340 W. Towne Rd. Square — Mequon

Remember when jazz singer Martha Artis use to entertain at the M&M Club? Well, if you're wondering where to find her, try eating at Chip and Py's. This venerable artist will conjure memories of Billie Holiday. Or enjoy the sensation that is Dan Dance.

The food is always excellent, though we wish this restaurant had never left Walker's Point. Ever think of reopening a downtown location?

These mini-reviews were once again painstakingly researched by Richard Waswo and Thomas Livieri. Milwaukee's favorite food critics would like to gratefully acknowledge the assistance provided by Pepcid AC and Metamucil.

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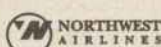
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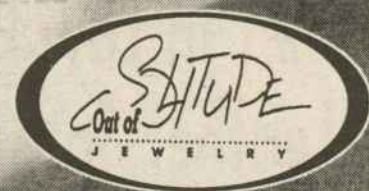
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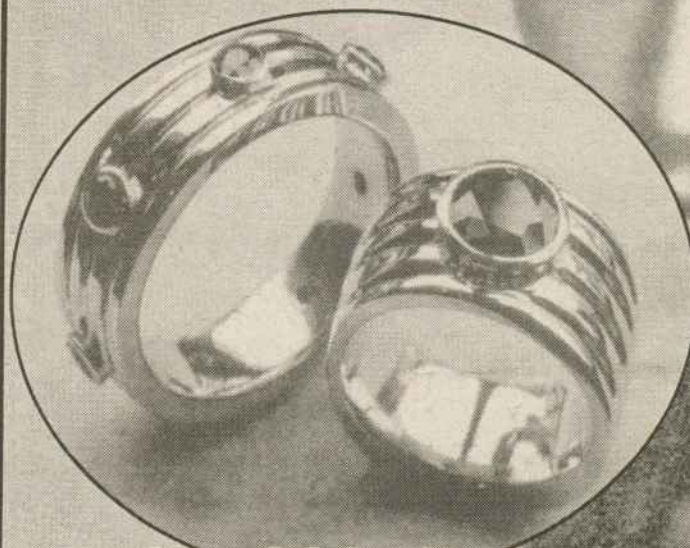
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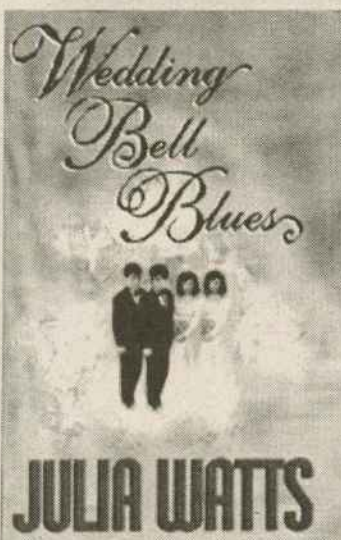
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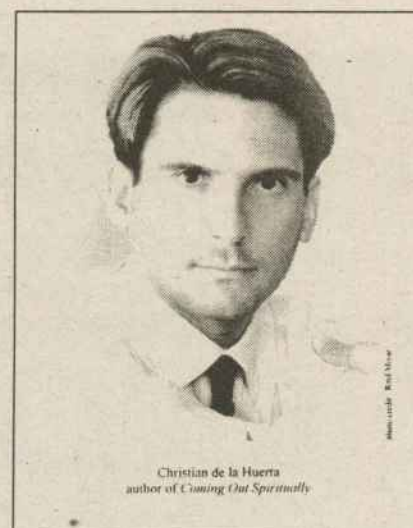
Julia has also written the hilarious *Wildwood Flowers*, *Phases of the Moon*, and *Piece of My Heart*.

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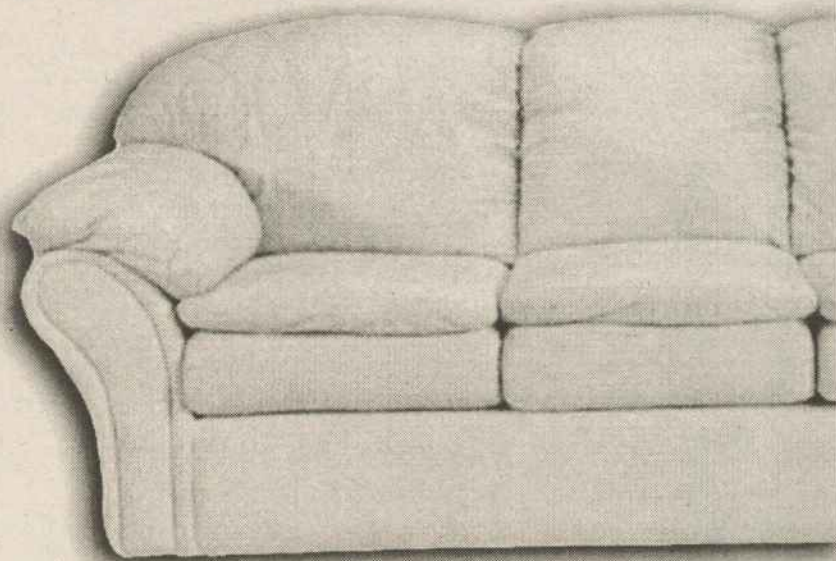
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Old Women, Aging and Ageism

In honor of Older Americans Month, here are two volumes that help us understand how old lesbians look at the process of aging and ageism. Although these books are aimed at old lesbians, there are many truths that also apply to old gay men ... or any old person in any other community.

**Look Me In the Eye:
 Old Women, Aging and Ageism
 by Barbara Macdonald
 with Cynthia Rich**

First published in 1983, this expanded edition contains new essays written in a different voice from the ones Macdonald and Rich used in their earlier work. Macdonald says, "... I wrote those earlier essays out of my own anger and my need to express the oppression I felt." In describing her early years, she says when, after the age of 11, she remembered hearing her mother say, "I would rather you were dead," she knew her life as the "other" had begun.

Macdonald was in her 60s when she met Cynthia Rich, who was then in her 40s. They lived together in Cambridge near Harvard while Rich finished her education. Macdonald said realized when she "stepped out of the door, that she had stepped into a world of promising young men ... and no one was less promising than an old woman." She charted her own course and, with Cynthia, who chose to explore with her, she looked into both the process and politics of aging and ageism.

Macdonald found that the university system — especially Women's Studies, which were designed and brought into the universities by feminists whose radical vision did not include old women, was one of the places that had held ageism in place. In a chapter titled "A Call for an End to Ageism in Lesbian and Gay Services," she does not mince words. She says she feels that "those of us who are lesbian or gay in the helping professions have inherited two histories — our proud gay heritage ... and a history of psychiatry, psychology, and social work ... that is an embarrassment to us today and leaves much to be accountable for."

She says, "I see no way we can develop lesbian and gay services unless we root out the ageism, sexism and homophobia

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Barbara Macdonald
 with Cynthia Rich

built into our training." She calls for all agencies to raise their consciousness about ageism and for all of us to work on this together. She also does not approve of what Senior Action in a Gay Agenda (SAGE). "SAGE proudly calls its 'family setting,' in which old lesbians and old gay men rejoin the heterosexual role model and play *Grandpa* and *Grandma* to our gay, salaried children." She says, "This is not only ageism, this is homophobia. ..."

Look Me In The Eye held the seed that started OLOC (Old Lesbians Organizing for Change). Macdonald was on the steering committee of this organization for many years. (ISBN: 0-933216-87-4, \$8.95 PB, Expanded Edition)

**Desert Years:
 Undreaming The American Dream
 by Cynthia Rich**

This Lambda Book Award Finalist is written from entries made in the author's journal when she lived in a remote desert community located in a county park in the middle of the 260,000-acre Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. At the time of the writing of *Desert Years*, Cynthia Rich and her partner, Barbara Macdonald, were "on the edge of their 50th and 70th years."

Among the diverse year-round residents were born-again Christians, Jews, park rangers and lesbians. They were mostly old women and a few old men who had brought a doctor's permit saying that the pure dry air and the curative waters of the warm mineral springs would improve their health. On the outskirts of the camp, near the mailboxes and the pay telephone, John and Vi run a tiny desert store that serves the needs of weekend campers; there they can get ice, a can of soup, some beans, firewood and beer.

We learn much about the beauty of the desert and its inhabitants as Rich speculates on the health of our nation. "Cut off, by choice from media influences, she is able to articulate a clear vision for concerned feminists and ecologists." While Rich trumpets her beliefs regarding overpopulation, ecology and women's rights, she speaks softly and does not disturb the fragile air of the desert by stirring up a dust storm. (ISBN: 0-933216-67-X \$7.95 PB)

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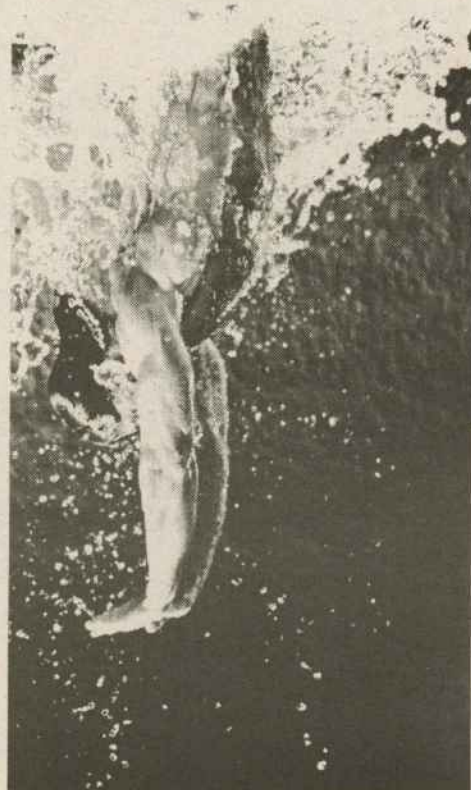


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May 20 through June 2, 1999

ACTIVITIES:

Friday, May 21

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Dinning Out (Madison, WI): The group meets at SOLE E SAPORI, 2827 Atwood Ave. at 7 p.m. FMI call RJ (608) 274-5821.

LAMM - Softball Game (Milwaukee): The Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee is playing games at WICK FIELD. If you want to play, contact Monica at (414) 860-1829.

Saturday, May 22

Concordia University - Annual Herb Sale (Mequon, WI): The Herb Society of America, Wisconsin Unit is sponsoring the annual sale of herbs starting at 9 a.m. Get there early for a good selection They sell out fast. FMI call Jean Fisher, (414) 285-3286.

GAMMA - Social Volleyball (Milwaukee): The last chance for social volleyball this season is today. Play is held at UW-M's Engleman Gym, 2033 W Hartford Ave., from 1 to 3 p.m. \$2 GAMMA members, \$3 non-members. Outdoor volleyball will be held on one Saturday a month during the summer months. FMI call John (414) 540-1202.

Milwaukee MCC - Building Dedication (Milwaukee): The New home of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Church, located at 1239 W. Mineral St. will be dedicated at 5 p.m. Rev. Linda Stoner will facilitate the service. FMI call Jason at (414) 383-1100.

Sunday, May 23

Rural Dykes Assn. - Prairie Hike (Spring Green, WI): RDA will meet at 10 a.m. to hike the native grass and wildflower prairies near Spring Green. They will also look for turtles. Everyone meets at Nancy's near Mt. Horeb. Bring snacks for the hike and money for great food at the Spring Green General Store. FMI call (608) 437-3637.

Wednesday, May 26

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison, WI): Beginning at 7 p.m. Elaine or Joan will teach BEGINNING LINE DANCING. At 8 p.m. Kris D. will teach ADVANCED TWO-STEP at the Sapphire Ballroom, 1133 N Sherman Ave. in the Northgate Mall. Smoke-free & a cash bar. There is a \$3 suggested donation. Everyone is welcome. FMI call (608) 245-0627.

Friday, May 28

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Happy Hour (Madison, WI): Meet the gang for drinks at the Shamrock Bar around 6 p.m. every Friday night and go for a bite to eat from there.

SAGE/Milwaukee - Co-Ed Discussion Group (Milwaukee): This is a new combo being tried out at 6:30 p.m. in the small meeting room of the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. Second St. There will be a short film, a comedy called IT'S IN THE WATER. FMI all (414) 271-2656.

Saturday, May 29

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - General Dance (Madison, WI): General dance. Lessons begin at 8 p.m. At 9 p.m. open dancing follows until closing. Bill H is the DJ. It all happens at the Sapphire Ballroom, 1133 N Sherman Ave. in the Northgate Mall. Smoke-free & a cash bar. There is a \$3 suggested donation. Everyone is welcome. FMI call (608) 245-0627.

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Memorial Day Pot Luck in Cooksville (Madison, WI): From 3 p.m. on there will be the usual romp through the forest and fields, along with sauna (bring a bathing suit), croquet, badminton, volleyball, etc. The big feature this year will be a contact improvisation dance presentation by Prof. Jin-Wen Yu who suggests that those who want to be physically involved should wear clothes that can withstand grass stains. FMI & directions call Karl & Patrick at (608) 873-6998.

Monday, May 31

St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry - Memorial Service (Milwaukee): A memorial service for those who have died of AIDS and for those who live with HIV will be held at the Memorial Gardens, 10101 W. Wisconsin Ave. at 11:30 a.m. FMI call (414) 259-4664.

Wednesday, June 2

Shake It Up! - Lake Mendota Cruise (Madison, WI): Betty Lou Cruises offers a cruise of Lake Mendota at 1 p.m. The cruise includes lunch on a 51 foot motor launch. Bring a check for \$27 made out to Betty Lou Cruises. FMI (608) 241-2500.

BAR SPECIALS:

Sundays:

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

Cell Block (Chicago): Beer Busts hosted each week by various groups. Check your monthly planner. \$4.25 pitchers all night. Holding Cell opens at 6 p.m. Dominic DJ.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Pizza Night!

Club 5/Planet Q/The Barracks (Madison, WI) Open 1/2 hour before Packer games! \$5 Miller Lite Beer Bash in Club 5 & the Barracks from 3 to 8 p.m. Sunday Drag shows or Karaoke in Club 5/Planet Q at 10 p.m. with DJ & dancing to follow.

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.

Fannies (Milwaukee): Open 1 hour prior to game. Regular opening is at 3 p.m. \$1 off all Miller products. \$4 pitchers of beer. Free shot for every Packer Touch down.

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

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

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

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.

Za's (Green Bay, WI): Dry Dance Night! (16 & up in Za'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.

Emeralds (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!

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

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Closed.

Naplese 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.

Za'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 bash, free drinks, fish fry & more. Customer Appreciation Day. Free taps of Lite from 8 to 9 p.m., plus all rail drinks & domestic bottles are only \$1. 9 p.m. taps 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 taps of Lite, rails & domestic bottles are \$2. Shots of Pucker & Hot Sex are \$1 from 8 p.m. to close. Dancing & DJ at 10 p.m.

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

Cell Block (Chicago): SMUT Tuesdays! XXX Videos. Cheap Drinks. Free Games.

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 taps of Lite from 8 to 9 p.m., plus all rail drinks & domestic bottles are only \$1. 9 p.m. taps 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 taps of Lite, rails & 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.

Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI): \$6 SUPER BUST! MGD and Miller Lite.

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

The Kloser (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. \$1 shots (Liqueur or Schnapps) and 75¢ taps. 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.

Naplese 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 taps 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): Happy Hour from 4 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 on all drinks under \$3.50 plus the Happy Hour Wheel. From 8 p.m. to close pints of Lite \$2. Rail drinks 50¢ off. Shots of Cuervo or Doctors \$1.50

Boot Camp Saloon: (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 8 p.m. It's Leather Night! Prizes throughout the night.

Cell Block (Chicago): Open Shawn's Treasure Chest for Great Prizes! Check your planner for more. \$2 Lite/MGD longnecks.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Free pool.

Club 5/Planet Q (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on drinks \$3.50 & under. All other drinks are \$1 off. From 8 p.m. to close pints of Lite \$2. Rail drinks 50¢ off. Shots of Cuervo or Doctors \$1.50. Karaoke Night from 8 to 11 p.m. with free drink if you win

and bar tab awarded to best singer of the night. DJ & dancing follow.

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

Dish (Milwaukee): It's Point Night! There are pints of Point for \$1. 2-4-1 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Emeralds (Milwaukee): Lady's Night! Call drinks \$2.

Fannies (Milwaukee): Karaoke Night! Pull tabs. Drinks as low as 25¢. Dart leagues starting the 2nd week of January. Sign up now!

Fluid (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 drinks from 5 to 8 p.m. Bottles of Corona & shots of Cuervo \$2 from 8 p.m. to close.

Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI): Free Pool & \$6 Super Bust! MGD and Miller Lite!

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Hump Day! Everything's a buck. Open to close.

The Kloser (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. \$5 Beer Bash! DJ spinning the hits starting at 9 p.m.

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

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Open 8 p.m. Levi/Leather. Miller Time! Miller Nite, \$1.50 taps and \$2.00 bottles.

Naplese Lounge (Green Bay, WI): Rail drinks \$1.50, Soda & juice are 50¢ from 3 to 7 p.m. \$6 Beer Bust from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): Karaoke! \$1.50 MGD and Michelob Goldens.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): Grill open! 2-4-1 Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. Pints of Lite are \$2 from 9 p.m. to close. Free Pizza. Every other pool game is free with drink purchase.

Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): 2 for \$2 domestic bottles and rail mixers. 9 p.m. to closing.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails open to close.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Mini Pitchers \$2.50. Rail drinks \$1.50

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): Tap beer Special Export 80¢ a glass.. 9 p.m. to closing.

The Office (Rockford, IL): \$2.50 pitchers/50¢ drafts. Retro party with DJ Cris.

Triangle (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! South Park Wednesdays. \$5 All-U-Can-Drink Superbust (beer, wine & soda).

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

Za's (Green Bay, WI): \$6 Super Bust. Sean spins requests.

Thursdays:

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. 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): 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 LifeSaver'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¢ taps. Listen to our new DJs Todd & Shawn.

The Kloser (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. After 7 p.m. It's Ladies Night Out! \$3 pitchers, \$1.50 bottled beer and 75¢ taps.

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 Rose.

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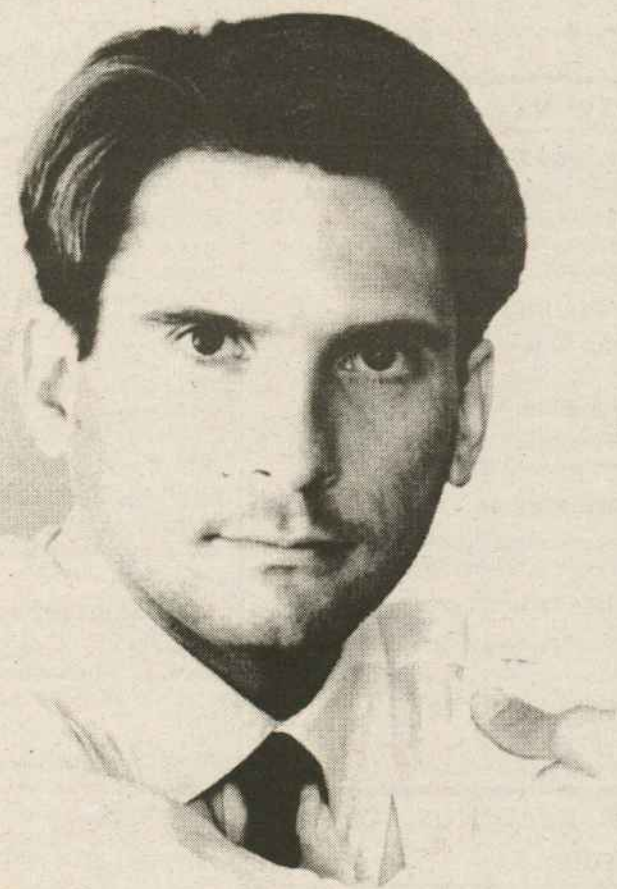
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**Christian de la Huerta
Explores Queer Spirituality**

Interview by Carl M. Szatmary
of the IN Step staff

Christian de la Huerta is a very busy man. In addition to his duties as director of Q-Spirit, a non-profit organization he founded four years ago to promote personal growth and spiritual development in the Queer community, he is about to set off on a cross-country book tour to promote *Coming Out Spiritually: The Next Step*.

Growing up as one of nine children, de la Huerta was raised "very, very Catholic." Like many gay and lesbian individuals, he fell away from his faith.

Believing spirituality an integral part for the Queer community to achieve wholeness, de la Huerta has sought to help individuals in the LGBT community reclaim their rich spiritual heritage and finds ways for expressing spirituality in — or outside of traditional organized religions.

I had an opportunity to speak with Christian de la Huerta recently, eager to explore his fascinating notions of spirituality, sexuality and the Queer community.

IN Step: You must talk to many Queer folks, individuals who have given up their faith. What do you tell them when they tell you their faith has no room for them because they are gay?

De la Huerta: In most traditions gay people are finding a way for themselves in there — in just about every established religion, there are gay and lesbian groups that are starting to become more and more visible.

IN Step: And for those who don't feel able to do so?

De la Huerta: If a certain religion doesn't have a place for you, don't chuck out the whole thing, don't throw out the baby with the baptismal water. Try to discover that part of yourself which you call spiritual, that inner silence, call it whatever you want, that is who we really are and find a way to express it. That's why I have a chapter in the book called "Coming In". It is very important to establish a connection with that part

of ourselves. Ways such as meditation, breathwork, ecstatic dancing, even sexuality can be a vehicle to the Divine or as a vehicle to our essential natures.

IN Step: Why did you write *Coming Out Spiritually*? What is your goal?

De la Huerta: My purpose in writing the book is to help Queer people reclaim our spiritual heritage — and to find and discover ways off expressing it that are right for us and thus becoming more complete, fully human beings. Part of my hope is that some of the unhealthy and less life-affirming behavior that is still evident in our community, that they will fall by the wayside.

IN Step: The difficulty then is that people in the Queer community are confusing notions of spirituality and religion?

De la Huerta: We are all spiritual beings which are happening to have a physical experience in a body in this realm, but ultimately we are spiritual beings and we are all spirits. To me, rejecting our spirituality happens because we confuse religion and

spirituality. But rejecting our spiritual nature is just as ludicrous and unfulfilling as rejecting any other part of our humanity, including our sexuality.

IN Step: I was pleasantly surprised how sex-positive you were in *Coming Out Spiritually*.

De la Huerta: I think sex is not only great, I think that sex is a miracle. I think that sex and the human body is sacred, I really do! When some of these traditions talk about your body being a temple, they're not kidding. It really is, an incredible creation, and it needs to be honored as such.

IN Step: Is a positive sexuality important to the Queer community?

De la Huerta: To me it is tragic, not only in the gay community but particularly in the West, how the body and anything physical has been demonized. Since the rise of the Patriarchy, the body and anything physical, particularly sexuality, has

been demonized. There is this whole dichotomy between Heaven and Earth. And anything that's of the Earth and the body has been made less, something bad or evil or dirty or impure. I think that it is important that any spirituality, for anybody but particularly for gay people, that it needs a positive view of sexuality.

IN Step: In the book you say that coming out of the "Queer" closet is easier than coming out of the "Spiritual" closet. Is this changing?

De la Huerta: I think it is changing. That phrase came up several times from people as varied as a Baptist minister in Seattle to an African-American New Thought Leftian minister who started her own church in Santa Cruz, Calif. They all had the same thing to say, that it was much, much more difficult for them to come out as a spiritual person to their Queer friends than it was to come out as Queer to their families and friends.

IN Step: You begin your book recalling when you spoke at a United Religions conference. You're still determined to work within organized religions.

De la Huerta: I think that it is a very important role, an educational role in the world at large, to let straight people know, the rest of the world know that, "Hey, wait a minute! We're here, we're Queer and we're spiritual!" We are reclaiming our spiritual heritage and we are not asking for permission to do it. We are not coming from a place of anger or a place of victimization. This is who we are and we have always been here, we'll always be here. And if they are open to hearing this, the whole world will benefit. ▼

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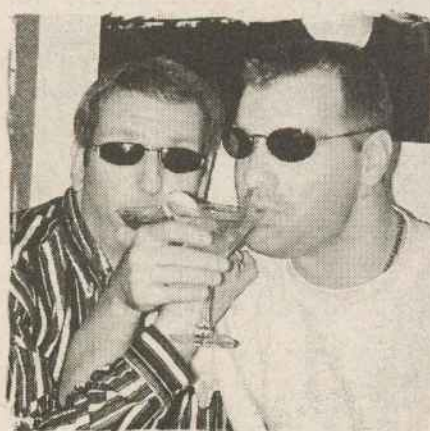
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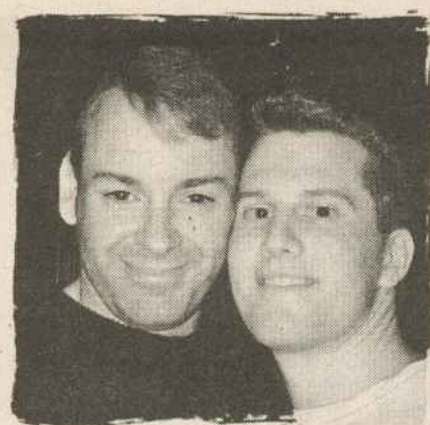
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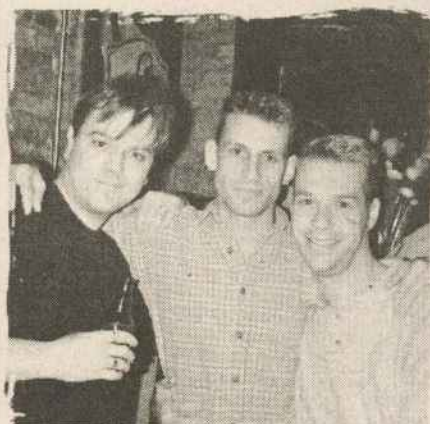
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Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): Free Pool & Darts. 2-4-1 tap beer 9 p.m. to close.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails 3 to 8 p.m. 75¢ taps 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).

Za's (Green Bay, WI): \$6 Super Bust. DJ Mark spins.

Fridays:

Barracks - 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 opens 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 Bange. No cover before 9 p.m.

Fannies (Milwaukee): Envelope Night! WIN \$\$\$cash & 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 Top MGD & Miller Lite, \$1.75 Pints of Leinie's Red, \$2.50 Pints of Hacker-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 and other great specials.

Man's Country (Chicago): Male Strippers and Porn Stars. Show at Midnight.

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.

The Trading Company (Eau Claire, WI): All chilled shots \$1.50 - 9 to 11 p.m.

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

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

Saturdays:

Barracks - 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 other 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 Top MGD & Miller Lite, \$1.75 Pints of Leinie's Red, \$2.50 Pints of Hacker-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, May 21

Milwaukee Eagle - Fetish Fridays (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 on mixed drinks from 8 to 10 p.m. Tonight it's Uniforms. Check your Eagle calendar for the latest information. Participating customers will receive 50¢ off all beverages from 10 p.m. to closing.

Saturday, May 22

Triangle - Birthday Bash (Milwaukee): Come celebrate Jim Jones' birthday at 9 p.m.

Sunday, May 23

Milwaukee Eagle - Underwear Night (Milwaukee): Receive \$1 off all alcoholic drinks for those who SHOW 'EM.

Monday, May 24

Triangle - Melrose Place Finale (Milwaukee): Watch the finale of this season's show at 7 p.m. Win Melrose Merchandise.

Tuesday, May 25

Triangle - Birthday Bash (Milwaukee): Come celebrate Lana's birthday at 9 p.m.

Wednesday, May 26

The Triangle - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 9 p.m. until Midnight. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

BOOK READINGS, CLASSES & CLUBS:

Tuesday, May 25

Afterwords Bookstore - Author Appearance (Milwaukee): Julia Watts will read from WEDDING BELL BLUES at 7 p.m. Anyone who is interested may join in. FMI call (414) 963-9089 or check the web site at www.afterwords.com.

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (Shorewood, WI): Martha Heinerman Pieper, Ph.D. will discuss alternatives to child discipline and her book SMART LOVE.

Wednesday, May 26

Afterwords Bookstore - Author Appearance (Milwaukee): Christian de la Huerta will read and discuss COMING OUT SPIRITUALLY: THE NEXT STEP at 7:30 p.m. Anyone who is interested may join in. FMI call (414) 963-9089 or check the web site at www.afterwords.com.

Saturday, May 29

Woodland Pattern Bookstore - Reading (Milwaukee): ROBERTA HILL and JACKIE DETLOFF will read from their publications at the bookstore located at 720 E. Locust St. FMI & Times call (414) 263-5001.

Monday, May 31

Afterwords Bookstore - Special Holiday Hours (Milwaukee): Afterwords Bookstore will be open from Noon to 5 p.m. FMI call (414) 963-9089 or check the web site at www.afterwords.com.

Community Meetings & Events:

Thursday, May 20

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

LGBT Community Center - HIV Tests and STD Screening (Milwaukee): These testing/screening services are available weekly at the BESTD office in the center from 5 to 7:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2656 or (414) 272-2144.

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.

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.

UW-Madison GLB Alumni Council - Third Thursdays (Madison, WI): This monthly gathering of GLBTQ alumni, faculty/staff, graduate students and their guests, meets at University Club, 803 State Street from 5 to 7 p.m. There is a short program, cash bar and snacks. Due to budget limitations, happens only in March, April, & May, but check to make sure. FMI Ken Chiraco @ 263-4086 or Russell Betts @ 262-5895.

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 4848 Turner Rd. FMI call (815) 636-7298.

Friday, May 21

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.

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Happy Hour (Madison, WI): Meet at the Shamrock Bar every Friday night around 6 p.m. for drinks and maybe a bite to eat afterwards.

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 & MGLPD - 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-TF and F-TM), Cross Dressers and their Friends, Families and Significant Others. Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at OutReach, 14 West Mifflin Street. FMI (608) 255-4927.

Saturday, May 22

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.

Cedarburg Cultural Center - Stone & Century House Tour (Cedarburg, WI): This annual event will feature four historic homes ranging from farmhouse to Greek Revival. The tour will be available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on 5/22 and noon to four on 5/23. Tickets are \$10 the day of the tour. FMI call (414) 375-3676.

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

Gay Men's Singles Club - Monthly Party (Madison, WI): This monthly party for single men seeking long term relationships takes place at 7 p.m. There is a potluck, so bring something to pass. They will plan summer activities. FMI call (608) 244-8675 (evenings).

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

Integrity/Dignity - Religious (Madison, WI): Pentecost, Priestly People liturgy at 6 p.m. Final nominations and elections for I/D Board. 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, May 23

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) 991-0328.

Gay Men's Discussion Group - Monthly Meeting (Milwaukee): The group meets at the Counseling Center of Milwaukee, 2038 N. Bartlett Ave., every second Sunday of the month from 6 to 8 p.m. Topics range from relationships and dating to HIV/AIDS to spirituality and mental health. FMI call Bill Hanel at (414) 271-2565.

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.

LGBT Community Center - Meditation Circle (Milwaukee): The Circle will begin with centering and grounding exercises followed by guided meditation. It will evolve as the group desires, and 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.

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.

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

Monday, May 24

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 Alanon - 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, May 25

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.

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 limits. 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.

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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, May 26

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.

LGBT Community Center - Rainbow U Lecture (Milwaukee): Professor Tess Meier will lecture on LGBT domestic abuse. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

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



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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, May 27

LGBT Community Center - Entrepreneurs Network (Milwaukee): The group meets from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The meeting is open to any LGBT small business owners interested in networking with other entrepreneurs in the LGBT community. FMI, call Pat Walsh 414-329-8404.

Saturday, May 29

LGBT Community Center - Black Lesbian & Gay Task Force Meeting (Milwaukee): The meeting takes place from 7 to 9 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

FILM, TV, VIDEO & RADIO:

Friday, May 21

SAGE/Milwaukee - Film (Milwaukee): A CHORUS LINE will be shown at 6:30 p.m. in the small meeting room of the LGBT Community Center. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Saturday, May 22

LGBT Community Center - Film Night (Milwaukee): Saturday Night at the Movies, 6 - 10 p.m. Six movies to choose from, bring snacks to share, free (donation encouraged). FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Madison Gay Video Club - Videos (Madison, WI): PECKER by John Waters and SPIT-N-LEATHER by Chi Chi LaRue will be shown at 8 p.m. FMI call (608) 244-8675 (evenings).

Sunday, May 23

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): From 2 to 3 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents the late Professor George Mosse, WHY GAY HISTORY IS IMPORTANT, plus IN OUR OWN WORDS, a 7-minute piece produced in Texas.

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.

PBS - LGBT Film (Nationwide): PBS will show AFTER STONEWALL, a 90-minute special at 9 p.m. ET. The film chronicles the gay and lesbian experience since the Stonewall Riots, June 1969. (check your local listings).

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 Womyn's community. FMI call (608) 256-2001 or http://www.netphoria.com/wort

Tuesday, May 25

WORT, 89.9 FM - G/L Radio (Madison): This is a weekly lineup: QUERY, from 7 to 7:30 p.m. and THIS WAY OUT from 7:30 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, May 26

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): From 9 to 11 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents MARTA OJEDA's involvement in the Anti-NAFTA treaty as it relates to Mexico.

Sunday, May 30

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): From 2 to 3 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents A QUESTION OF EQUALITY SERIES: OUT RAGE '69.

Wednesday, June 2

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): From 9 to 11 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents THE PERFECT HARMONY CHORUS' WINTER HOLIDAY CONCERT, 1998, at Grace Episcopal Church, plus MOTHER, MOTHER, AMAZING GRACE, IN OUR OWN WORDS and CONGRESSMAN BARNEY FRANK PLUGS ENDA.

MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

Thursday, May 20

Katie Gingrass Gallery - Current exhibit (Milwaukee): PASTELS FROM WISCONSIN ARTISTS are featured through June at the gallery, 241 N. Broadway. BASKETS by Mary Merkel are also shown. FMI call (414) 289-0855.



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Friday, May 21

Adambomb Gallery - Artist Reception (Milwaukee): A reception will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. for artist MICHAEL MERCADO's sculptures and paintings at this upscale tattoo studio & art gallery, 524 s. 2nd St. The exhibit will be up through 6/18/99.

Michael H. Lord Gallery - New Exhibit (Milwaukee): There will be a reception from 6 to 9 p.m. for recent drawings and paintings by RICHARD KNIGHT. The exhibit will be on exhibit through 6/19/99. FMI call (414) 272-1007.

Sunday, May 23

Charles Allis art Museum - Exhibit Opening (Milwaukee): Paintings, drawings, prints and sculpture by RUTH GROTEKRATH and SCHROMER LICHTNER. Two spotlight performances will highlight the exhibition: Milwaukee Ballet will present AN INTERLUDE OF DANCE at 2:30 p.m. The Museum is open from 1 to 4 p.m. Admission \$2. Later that evening WISCONSIN BAROQUE will give a premiere concert in the Great Hall at 7:30 p.m. (See Theater Arts). FMI call 278-8295.

THEATER ARTS:

Thursday, May 20

Centennial Hall - Comedy (Milwaukee): An evening of gay comedy with KATE CLINTON at 8 p.m. \$19 at the door at 733 N. 8th Street.

Marcus Center for the Arts - Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra (Milwaukee): ANDRE WATTS joins JANOS FURST in SAINT SAENS PIANO CONCERTO NO. 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the Marcus Center. Also on 5/21 at 7:30 p.m., 5/22 at 8 p.m. & 5/23 at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 273-7206.

Friday, May 21

Baillywick's PRIDE '99 - Benefit/Preview (Chicago): A benefit performance /preview at the Baillywick's Art Center of Larry Kramer's JUST SAY NO with Alexandra Billings and Greg Louganis takes place at 7:30 p.m. The proceeds of tonight's production benefit Gerber/Hart Library. Opening night is 5/27 and more benefits follow. FMI & tickets call (773) 833-1090.

Broom Street Theater - Play (Madison, WI): "69", by John Sable at 8 p.m. This weekend theater lives up to its reputation of always thinking in the present tense. There is a six-week run of the production.

Sunday, May 23

Charles Allis art Museum - Concert (Milwaukee): WISCONSIN BAROQUE, featuring soprano SARA COLBURN, Baroque violinist DAVID COLBURN and harpsichordist FUMI NISHIKIORI, will present a concert of 17th & 18th century music in the Great Hall at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 to the public, \$7 seniors & students, and \$5 for FOCAL members. FMI call 278-8295.

Thursday, May 27

Marcus Center for the Arts - Milwaukee Ballet (Milwaukee): The company presents GISELLE as their final presentation of the 98/99 season. FMI, time & tickets call (414) 643-7677 or (414) 273-7206.

Friday, May 28

Baillywick's PRIDE '99 - Performance Artist (Chicago): Tim Miller brings a solo performance of his dynamic evening piece titled SHIRTS AND SKIN to the Center for one weekend only. FMI & tickets (\$20) call (773) 833-1090.

Pabst Theater - Classical Conversations (Milwaukee): Andrews Sill will discuss the music and career of MOZART at this all-Mozart concert at 7:30 p.m. FMI & tickets (\$13.50 to \$29) call (414) 286-3663.

Wednesday, June 2

Baillywick's PRIDE '99 - Opening Night (Chicago): A one-man show titled CONVERSATIONS WITH A DIVA stars actor Byron Stewart in the story of a proud black gay man at 7:30 p.m. at the Baillywick Arts Center. FMI & tickets (\$15) call (773) 833-1090.

Stage Review

The World Goes 'Round

Presented by the Skylight Opera Theatre

Andrew Lloyd Weber and Stephen Sondheim have so dominated musical stages, both here and across the world, that until recently it has been easy to forget the long and illustrious collaboration of John Kander and Fred Ebb.

All that has changed with sensational revivals on Broadway of two of the best shows, *Chicago* and *Cabaret*. Once again Kander and Ebb are back into the theatrical spotlight.

Those who have the opportunity to see *The World Goes 'Round*, a delightful tribute to these two wonderful songwriters, will delight in this revue featuring 29 of their songs, each in turns comic, clever and poignant, but invariably dazzling.

As the auditorium of the intimate Cabot Theatre filled up, audience members were simply abuzz, their focus dominated with the week's biggest news. Just days before this production opened, during the final dress rehearsal, Branch Woodman, one of the revue's cast of five, suffered a fractured leg. In the best theatrical tradition, popular Milwaukee actor Norman Moses agreed to the seemingly impossible task to fill in.

The show opened, as scheduled, three days later! I am happy to report that both Norman Moses and the show are terrific!

Whether he was offering his own unique comic spin in "Mr. Cellophane", crooning the plaintive, "I Don't Remember You", or hoofing one of the show's many dance routines, Moses effortlessly blended in with the rest of the revue's cast. A truly remarkable performance.

As if determined not to be out-done by Moses' last-minute heroics, fellow cast members Tari Kelly, Kay Steifel, Carolynne Warren and Tony Clements were nothing short of sensational!

While *The World Goes 'Round* has no narrative holding the marvelous Kander and Ebb songs together, each song tells a story, requiring all in the cast to sing, dance a little plus convincingly conjure up a character in a matter of moments. This is a certainly a daunting task yet each came through with uncommon success. Carolynne Warren starts things off with the heartfelt "And the World Goes 'Round," does a couple of worthy comic turns, first in "Class" then in "The Grass is Always Greener" (both with Kay Steifel) before belting out "Maybe This Time" from *Cabaret*.

Tony Clements reveals a remarkable outrageous side in a hilarious "Sara Lee" (yep, a tribute to the queen of frozen bakery!) and Tari Kelly nearly steals the show with dazzling versions of "All That Jazz" and "Ring Them Bells".

Yet best of all was Kay Steifel. When she was more than holding her own in comic duets with Carolynne Warren, she was displaying surprising emotional depths in two heartbreaking ballads, "Colored Lights" and "My Coloring Book".

The World Goes 'Round is well served both by the smoky cabaret ambience of Rick Rasmussen's set as well as a terrific six-piece band. A minor quibble might be the curious arrangement for the show's second-to-last song, "Cabaret" from *Cabaret*.

This minor quibble aside, director Pam Kriger has whipped together as fine a show as this reviewer has seen in some time!

—Carl M. Szatmary

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Hostile Islands

Caribbean 'Lovers' Paradise' Can Be Ordeal for Gays

by Michelle Faul

The Caribbean sells itself as a 'lovers' paradise, a place where sweethearts can cuddle under tropical sunsets and cast their cares to a salty wind. Just make sure your lover is of a different sex.

For gay couples on vacation, a place like Jamaica — where officials defend a century-old law against homosexuality — strolls along the beach can be a gauntlet of insults. Holding hands can bring harassment. Sex is a crime.

The threat of tourism boycotts by U.S.-based gay rights groups has yet to influence Jamaican leaders, who term their anti-gay position a moral issue. Justice Minister K.D. Knight recently rejected a proposal to abolish the 19th-century law, saying it was "founded on a moral imperative that has not changed."

Although the law against homosexual sex is not enforced, some consider it a license to harass homosexuals.

"If you stroll along the beach and hold hands with a lover, they would call it indecent behavior," said the founder of a new Jamaican gay rights group, J-FLAG, who refused to be identified for fear of harassment.

Jamaica "appears to be a leader in the region's emerging homophobia," charged Agustin Merlo, executive director of the International Gay and Lesbian Travel Association in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

That homophobia, critics contend, extends to some resorts.

In February, Frank Derby, a gay man from Atlanta, noticed an Internet sweepstakes for a week's vacation at a couples-only resort in Jamaica. The ad noted that "Sandals Luxury Resorts policies require male-female couples only."

Derby sent a complaint on the Internet, which prompted gay men to start calling a toll-free line for Sandals, owned by Jamaican entrepreneur Gordon Stewart, to make reservations. They were politely refused and directed to other resorts.

Sandals' Web page has since dropped the "couples only" warning — but not the policy.

Chain spokesman Leo Lambert said Sandals resorts "cater expressly to the niche market of heterosexual couples."

"We believe that our opposite-sex, couples-only policy provides an atmosphere which many clients demand in a vacation experience," Lambert explained.

Gays face similar problems in many Caribbean islands, which despite their

image as a sun-and-surf playground remain very conservative.

Britain, trying to adhere to rights standards established by the European Union, has tried unsuccessfully to persuade its Caribbean islands — including the Cayman Islands and Anguilla — to change their laws banning homosexual sex.

Last year, the Caymans refused to let a cruise ship carrying nearly 1,000 gay men to visit on the grounds that they might not behave "appropriately." A cruise ship carrying lesbians that docked in the Bahamas was met by protesters waving signs saying, "No gay ships."

The Caribbean in some ways is no different from several U.S. states that have outdated laws banning homosexual sex. Two years ago, gay Hispanics picked the U.S. Caribbean territory of Puerto Rico as a venue for their first international congress, in part because it, too, has a law making homosexual sex punishable by 10 years in jail and, at the time, police officers were in court facing charges of attacking homosexuals. The charges finally were dropped for lack of evidence.

In Jamaica, "coming out" can be dangerous and gay tourists can be harassed. Even a planned performance by The Village People in March 1998 was condemned as "repugnant" by the Jamaica Council of Churches.

As it turned out, the group, which has long had a following in the gay community, didn't perform in Jamaica because a singer was recovering from surgery.

Merlo said his organization received numerous complaints last year from gay people who were "made to feel not welcome" in Jamaica.

Several involved gay couples being refused double beds at hotels. "In many cases the excuse given is that it's against the law in Jamaica for health reasons," Merlo said.

One gay man wrote saying he "was called names in public, in the street" because of his apparently obvious sexual preference.

In December, Merlo's organization — which says it has 1,350 members in tourism-related businesses — threatened to warn gay tourists not to visit Jamaica.

That could hurt Jamaica's \$1.2 billion tourism industry, the nation's biggest source of foreign currency. The IGLTA estimated that gays and lesbians account for nearly 10 percent of the \$200 billion U.S. citizens spend each year on business and vacation travel.

In Jamaica itself, gays are becoming more vocal — but they remain fearful of intimidation. J-FLAG — which stands for the Jamaica Forum of Lesbians, All-Sexuals and Gays — has met ferocious opposition, including telephone death threats and homophobic remarks and hostile cartoons, its founder said. Members provide their names to journalists, but ask that they not be published for fear of attacks. ▼

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The Next Step



by Jamie

Summer is definitely here. At the time I was going to start this column, I was afraid to power up this computer. Mother Nature was sending one of her fierce thunderstorms through southeast Wisconsin and I didn't want to chance blowing up what's left of my hard drive. So, here it is, early Monday morning... Josh, Chloe and Emma (Chris is out of town so we are taking care of Emma) are all sleeping. Chloe is on the couch and Josh is in our bed with Emma at his feet. Here I am, sitting at the computer. I have the window in front of my desk open and can hear the sounds of early morning. You know, the birds are chirping, an occasional car drives down KK but other than that, it's quiet. Actually, it's kind of a nice, warm, homey feeling. My life seems a bit more complete with Josh and Chloe. We are our own little family and I think it's great.

June 6 will mark our one year anniversary. Along the way we have hit a couple speed bumps. Speed bumps? Hell, we hit the ditch a couple of times. I guess when two people are making a go of it those kinds of things are bound to happen. We've decided to take the next step: Josh is moving in with me. As you know, I am not apt to jump into a situation like this without some serious thought behind the decision. In past columns, I have chastised people for meeting, falling "in love" and, three weeks later, moving in with each other. How the hell can you learn much about a person in three weeks? In any case, we have been together for just about a year

now. We know much about what makes each of us tick. He knows what irritates me and I know what irritates him. These are relatively minor things. All in all, we are pretty happy with each other.

This next step may not be a walk in the park. Yes, we have spent much of our time "together" but this is different. This is living together, we will have to make some adjustments for each other. At this point I am not scared, nervous, or even getting cold feet. I am ready to take this next step with someone I hope to spend the rest of my life with.

One of the reasons I am doing this column early Monday morning is 'cause I was in Green Bay Saturday night. Za called me a few weeks ago and asked me if I would judge the Mr. Gay Wisconsin USofA Pageant. Of course I was honored and accepted. I hopped in my car Saturday afternoon and headed north. Checked into the hotel, took another shower and went to Za's for the first part of the Pageant, the interview. This being my first time judging, I was a little nervous. All of the contestants have worked so hard and now it was up to me and four other people to critique everything they do for the next few hours. It really is quite a responsibility. At first I thought the interview was going to be the hardest to judge but later learned that the entire pageant was a challenge. Because there can only be one Mr. Gay Wisconsin USofA, we had to pick apart their performances. This is not to be mean but the winner has to compete on a national level. We want this person to learn as much as they can at the state level so they can better compete on the national level. Out of all five judges, Tyrone was the toughest during the interview. He said to each contestant, "I know that getting

prepared for this event is tense and nerve-racking, now tell us a joke".

Anyway, out of four contestants, **T.C. Hammond** won the title for 1999. All four contestants did a fantastic job. Even I didn't know who was the winner until it was announced to the whole crowd. To the contestants who didn't quite make it, I say keep up the hard work, your day will come. To TC Hammond, congratulations, Wisconsin is proud to have you as Mr. Gay Wisconsin US of A. I also wanted to say something to **Dance** (Mr. Gay Wisconsin US of A, 1998). You have truly come a long way. I remember you as a snotty, green little brat. No, I'm not trying to be mean. I am just giving you kudos for what you've become. Your performances are "right on." It really is enjoyable watching you. Hats' off to ya!

The other big event for this past couple of weeks has been the **Mr. Drummer** contest. There were many host bars for the big weekend starting with **South Water Street Docks**, **Woody's**, **1100 Club** and finally **Eagle**. The contest was held at Eagle where again, they were bursting at the leather seams. And the winner is, Drummer Boy was **Mike Kramer** and Mr. Drummer was **Bobby**.

The **Possum Queen** contest is still bringing in the cash, entertainment and the laughter. As you know, there aren't supposed to be any rules for this contest so anything goes. The latest event was at M&M with **David Hauser**, aka, "Diana Ross" as your host. Right around \$1,200 was raised.

The **Ball Game** hosted the Mr. SSBL contest this last Saturday. A little over \$850 was raised and out of four contestants, **David Frye** was crowned **Mr. SSBL**.

The doors to **In Between** have been

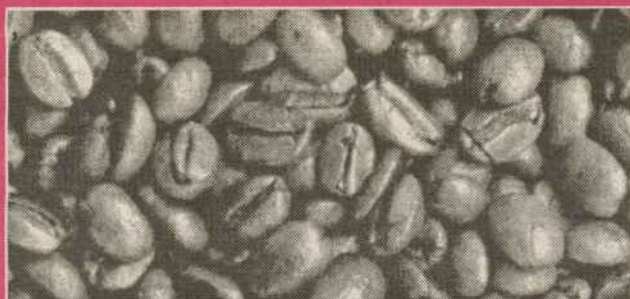


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open and closed for the last time last Sunday. The closing party was a little sad but for the most part lots of fun. Many of the bar's faithful patrons came to warm the barstools one last time and to wish **Curt** a happy future.

The **Cinco de Mayo** party at **Fluid** was also a blast. There were specials on Corona and of course, tequila. Yes, I had to celebrate with one of each. OK, maybe I had more than just one Corona. Anyway, we all had a great time.

That's gonna do it for this issue. Josh and Emma are still sleeping. The busses are barreling down KK and Chloe is sticking her mug out the window. This tells me it's time to get ready for work, so I'm gonna close by saying, yes, **Judy** (Rob's mom), you were right, Chloe has found her way into our bed. And as always, you know the rules, slower traffic keep right. ▼



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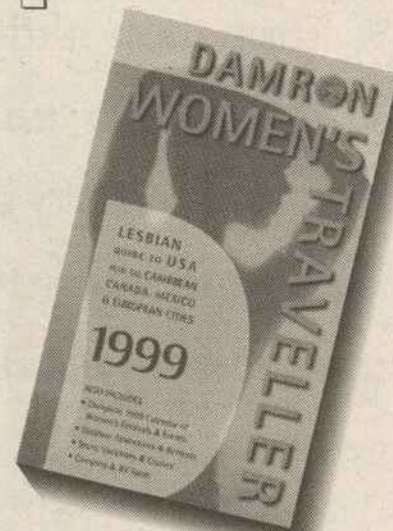
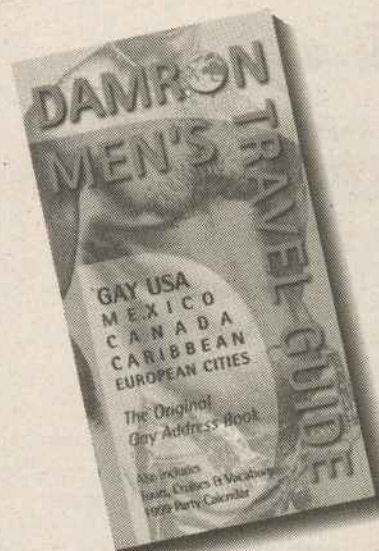
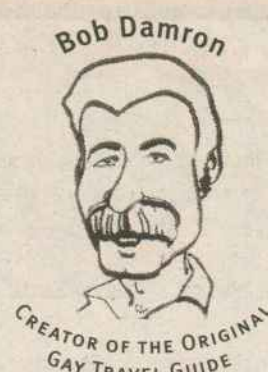
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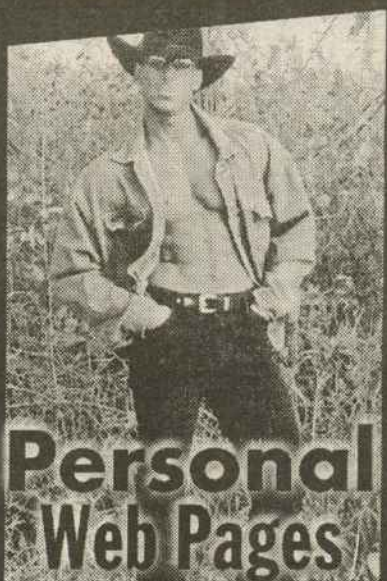
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Cinema Review

Tea with Mussolini

Based in part on director Franco Zeffirelli's autobiography, *Tea With Mussolini* tells the tale of a pre-WWII businessman in Italy who abandons his son Luca (played by Charlie Lucas as a boy and the stun-



Cher and Lily Tomlin in 'Tea with Mussolini'

ningly gorgeous Baird Wallace as a teen) for an Englishwoman (Joan Plowright) to raise. She's part of a group of mostly upper middle class fiftysomething biddies who have taken up residency in Florence for the culture. Included in this crew are the delightfully loopy Judi Dench, the super-genteel Maggie Smith (in the snootiest role of a long career of snooty roles) and Lily Tomlin as a lesbian archaeologist.

Some viewers will meet the antics of these women (especially Dench's character) with derision. Delivering eulogies at the graves of long-dead poets, sandbagging frescoes and tying themselves up in dynamite wire to prevent the towers of San Gimignano from being destroyed, they're old school Romantics in pursuit of pure beauty with no truck in today's rather more cynical cultural currency. But I find

their congregation a welcome alternative to the homosocial homilies Hollywood coughs up with too much regularity. It's also a relief to see a slew of over-fifty actresses land some plum roles, especially when over fifty actors like Sean Connery have no trouble commanding blockbuster roles like *Entrapment*. So for all it's sad goodbyes and near-tragedies, *Tea With Mussolini* touched me most in a relatively straightforward expository scene when the women divide up the duties of taking care of Luca. The ease and compassion with which they manage to take on this endeavor is a telling contrast to the macho war games surrounding them.

Sadly, though, Zeffirelli does little to alleviate the derision some of the less adventurous in the audience might feel. Much of the film's story revolves around Smith's delusional views on Mussolini (she thinks he has personally put the scorpion up in a hotel), Blithe spirits can be written off in relation to frescoes and dead poets but there are less allowances are made for blithe politics. Even worse, there's a catty edge to the group in relation to a rich American singer (Cher) who Smith finds vulgar. Oh well.

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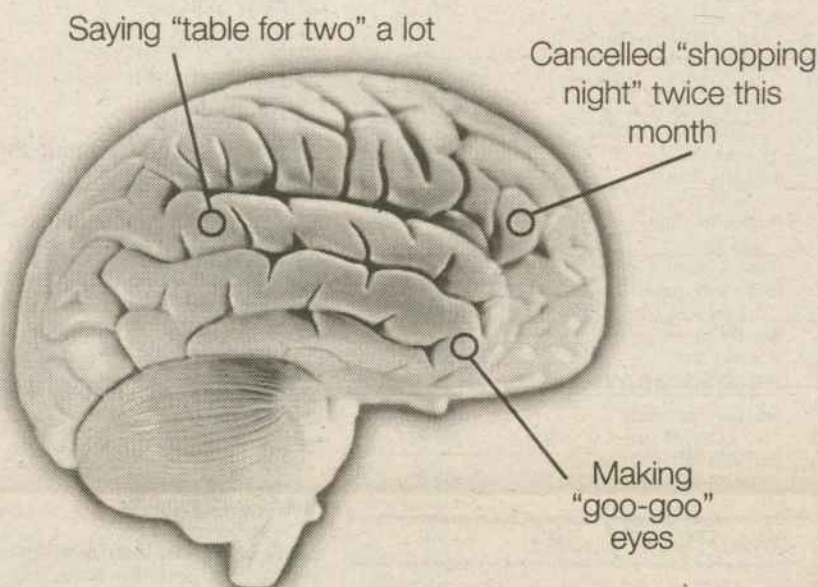
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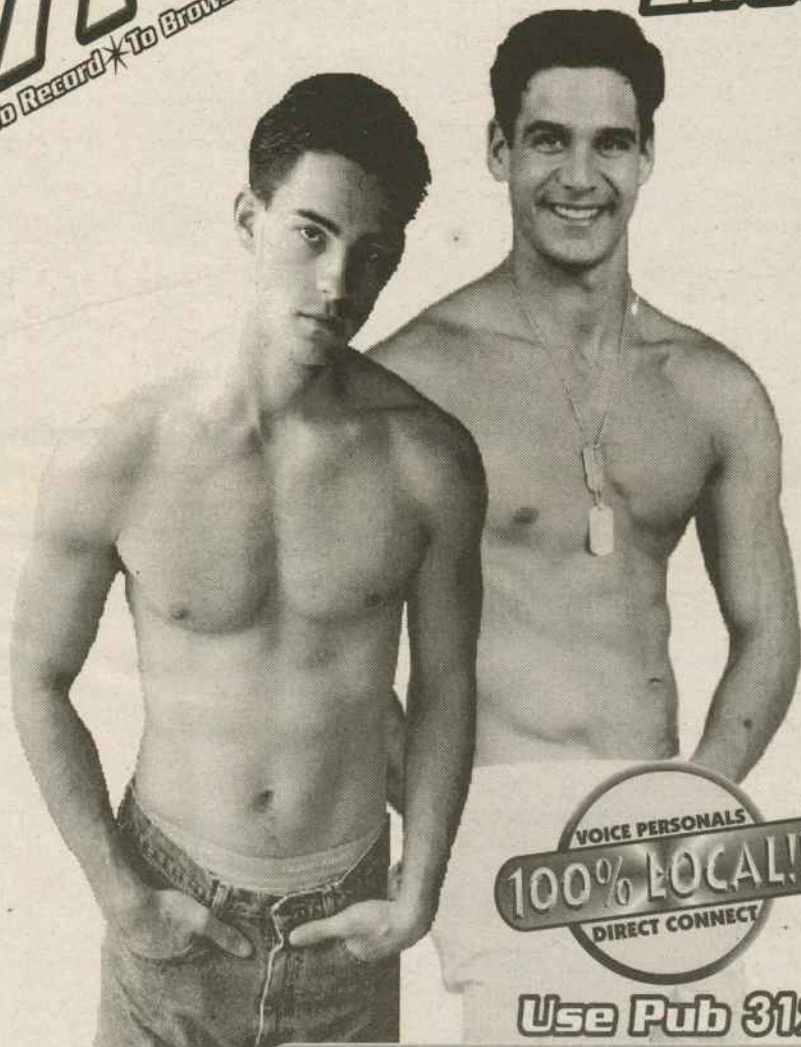
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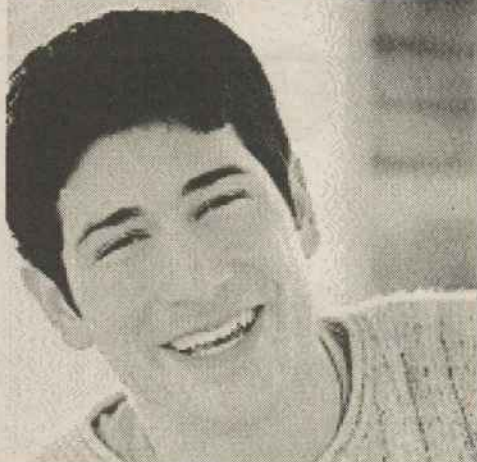
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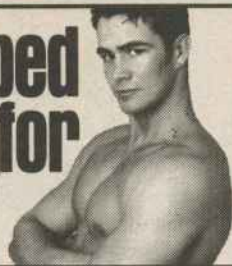
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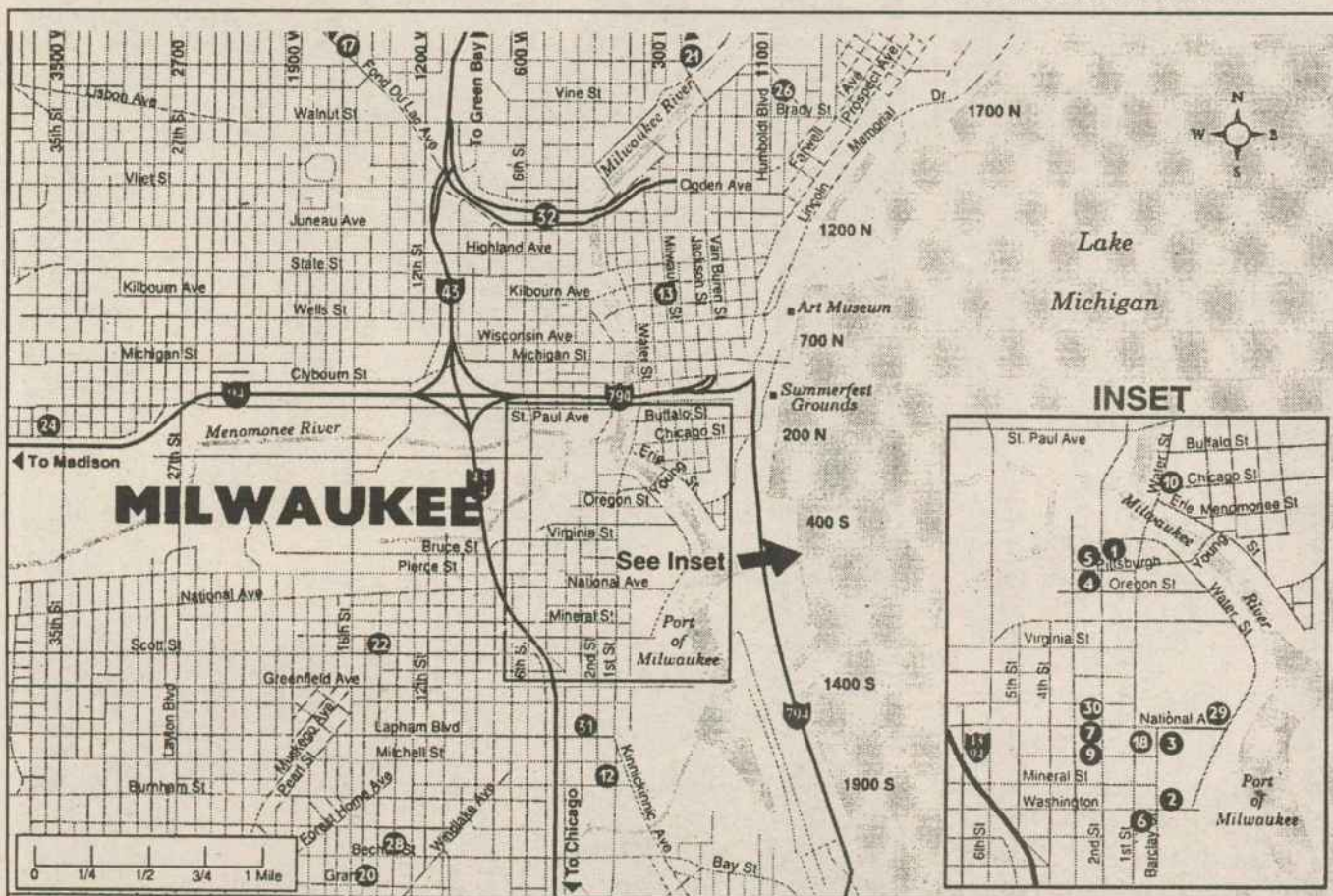
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