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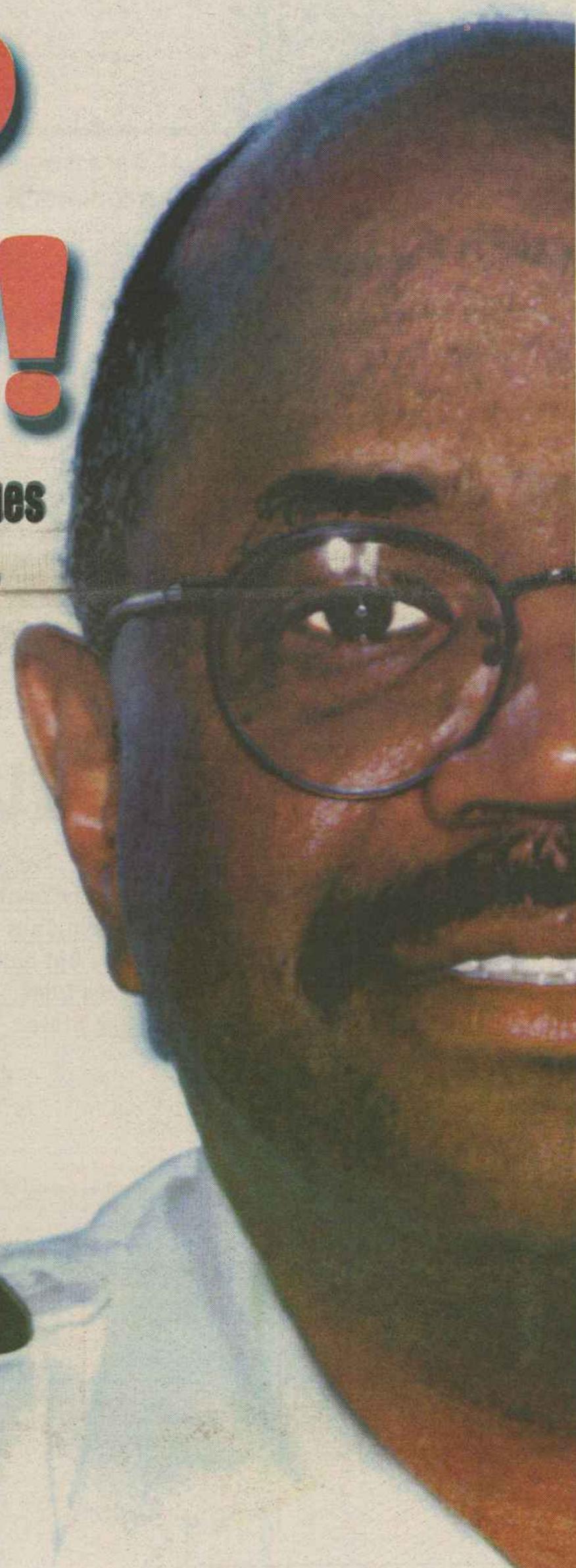
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### Judge-vs-Judge Battle Reviewed

**Chicago** — According to the *Chicago Sun-Times*, a Cook County (Ill.) judge who tried to block lesbian couples from adopting children will herself now face a judicial review of her handling of the cases.

County Circuit Court Judge Susan McDunn last year was reassigned to traffic court by a presiding judge who indicated her handling of the adoption cases was tainted by the judge's own anti-gay biases.

According to the paper, McDunn blocked the adoptions by the two lesbian couples and sent confidential information concerning the case to the Family Research Council, an anti-gay organization based in Washington, D.C. McDunn, the paper reported, had tried to convince the council to enter the case in opposition to the adoptions even though state child welfare authorities had rated the two couples as "highly recommended."

County Division Judge Francis Barth concluded that McDunn's personal anti-gay views were overriding her judicial capacities and reassigned McDunn to traffic court in September — a decision which McDunn herself later tried to rule invalid and then overruled Barth's decisions in the adoption cases.

Following a series of judge-versus-judge rulings, Barth finally ruled that McDunn had "lost sight of her role as the judge of an individual case [and had] demonstrated a deep aversion to this sort of adoption proceeding."

### Adoption Foe Charged with Sexual Abuse

**Anderson, Ind.** — In 1998, Earl Kimmerling and his wife objected to plans by a gay male couple in Indianapolis to adopt a young girl and her three brothers, all living in foster homes with the Kimmerlings at the time. Two Indiana lawmakers joined the Kimmerlings' cause and introduced legislation to bar gays and lesbians from adopting children in the state "to protect children from abuse."

Now, in one of the saddest ironies, Earl Kimmerling, who subsequently adopted the girl, now age nine, has been charged with four felony counts of sexually molesting her.

The girl told authorities the sexual abuse started in 1998 and police say Kimmerling confessed that he had sexual contact with the girl "many times" during the past year.

If convicted on all four charges, Kimmerling could face up to 116 years in prison.

### Cincinnati Nixes Expanded Hate Crimes Coverage

**Cincinnati** — The city council in Cincinnati has rejected on a 6-3 vote a proposal to expand its hate crimes ordinance to include gender, disability and sexual orientation.

The extended coverage was proposed by Councilman Todd Portune, who had authored the city's original hate crimes measure in 1995, and who said the expanded coverage was necessary because of growing violence aimed at gays and lesbians.

## Court Rules in Student Sexual Harassment Case

by Keith Clark  
of the IN Step staff

**Washington** — Students who are victims of sexual harassment by another student can now sue teachers and administrators who are "deliberately indifferent" to their suffering, a closely divided U.S. Supreme Court has ruled. Gay rights advocates say the ruling clarifies a significant aspect of harassment of gay and lesbian students as well.

In a statement praising the court's narrow ruling, the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, which had filed a friend of the court brief in the case, said that harassment of students because they are gay or lesbian often involves sexual harassment.

Beatrice Dohrn, head of Lambda, said, "Sexual harassment of lesbians and gay students is a significant problem. The court has taken an important step in recognizing that school officials

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who turn a deaf ear to complaints of serious harassment and violence themselves facilitate the denial of educational opportunities of harassed students."

The 5-4 court decision holds Georgia educators financially responsible for ignoring complaints that a 10-year-old boy grabbed a classmate's breasts and repeatedly rubbed against her at school.

But dissenters on the high court predicted that the case would spawn a wave of self-serving victims and a sea of litigation.

"After today, Johnny will find that the routine problems of adolescence are to be resolved by invoking a federal right to demand assignment to a desk two rows away," wrote Justice Anthony Kennedy in the minority's opinion.

The majority opinion anticipated possible unwarranted suits and ruled that harassment has to be severe and pervasive, but that school officials who know about harassment and ignore it are in violation of federal anti-bias laws known as Title IX.

The standard of demonstrating "severe and pervasive" harassment is the same one the court imposed last year when ruling that school districts can be held responsible for teachers

sexually harassing students.

Public school officials agreed that even though the court imposed the highest legal standard to prove a case, it nevertheless means schools will have to be extra vigilant and quicker to act on claims of harassment.

But experts on sexual harassment called the ruling a "walk-up call" for the nation's public school system.

"Many students feel confused when time after time they watch as school officials ignore sexual harassment when they see it in their classrooms and hallways," said Victoria Alzapiedi, head of the non-profit Title IX Advocacy Project.

The majority included Justices John Paul Stevens, David Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Stephen Breyer and Sandra Day O'Connor. Chief Justice William Rehnquist, Justices Antonin Scalia, and Clarence Thomas joined Kennedy in the minority opinion.

## Shepard Killer's Girlfriend Sentenced to 2 Years

by Keith Clark  
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**Laramie, Wyo.** — District Court Judge Jeffrey Donnell has sentenced Chasity Pasley for up to two years in prison for her part in covering up the savage beating her boyfriend gave to Matthew Shepard last year that led to Shepard's death.

In rejecting a state pre-sentencing report that recommended probation for the 20-year-old young woman, whose boyfriend Russell Henderson pleaded guilty to first-degree murder charges in the case in April, Judge Donnell said it was unclear "if you could have saved him [Shepard] or not" had she gone to authorities instead of helping hide the bloody clothing Henderson wore after the attack. "But the court cannot separate you from your acts."

Pasley pleaded guilty in December to charges of being an accessory after the fact in the murder case. She told the judge that she had helped Henderson get rid of the bloody clothing because she loved him but was "very angry" with her boyfriend for attacking Shepard in what she said she thought was simply a fist fight.

### Second Shepard Murder Trial Postponed

For unknown reasons, District Court Judge Barton Voigt has delayed the trial of Aaron McKinney, the 21-year-old man charged with murdering University of Wyoming student Matthew Shepard last year.

Judge Voigt announced that the August 9 trial date that had been scheduled would be delayed and that a new trial date wouldn't be announced until sometime in October.

## Any Questions?

### Out-Line and Gay Youth Wisconsin Field Calls About Coming Out and Other Issues from Around the State

by Christopher Ott  
of the IN Step staff

How do you know?

Wisconsin's phone hotlines for people with questions about gay issues take hundreds of calls each month, responding to everything from bar queries to questions about relationships and gay-friendly religious communities. But volunteers for both the Madison-based Out-Line and the Milwaukee-based Gay Youth Wisconsin Hotline said that the most common question by far is still one of the most basic: How do you know if you're gay?

"The answer depends on where they're at," said Joel Mixon, who has volunteered for the Out-Line since last July. "They usually kind of know what the answer is, and we try to get them to reach that answer themselves."

Volunteers for the Out-Line, a service of OutReach, Madison's lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender center, get 15

hours of training in peer counseling and do observation shifts before taking calls themselves, explained Callen Harty, OutReach's direct services coordinator. The Out-Line currently has about 25 volunteers who work three-hour shifts during the hotline's hours of operation, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday. OutLine's next training session is scheduled for July.

"We also do a lot of referrals," Harty said, noting that OutReach maintains

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lists of therapists and medical professionals, as well as listings of gay-friendly businesses. He said callers know that conventional "crisis lines" might not be able to provide this kind of specific help or information and turn to the Out-Line for help. "Our callers know that we might have a little more empathy."

The Out-Line answers calls and other requests for information from all over the country (and even a few from outside the United States), but the majority of calls come from Dane County. Others are

from communities throughout the state like Beloit, Janesville and other cities Wausau and Stevens Point. Harty said that callers often do not know that resources are available near where they live. Sometimes even professional counselors who call to get more information for a client are surprised to find that resources about sexual orientation are available outside of Madison and Milwaukee. "They'll say, 'You're kidding? In Marshfield? In Stevens Point?'"

Harty said that when dealing with callers who may be in the process of coming out, the Out-Line and in-person discussion groups coordinated by OutReach try to be helpful but not heavy-handed. "We don't try to convince people that

they're gay," he said, adding that OutReach would even carry listings for counselors who offer "conversion therapy" for people who want to become heterosexual. Harty said there aren't many requests for this, but that if someone wanted this information "we would give that to them." He said that Out-Line volunteers also do their best to research any questions they can't provide answers for while on the line.

Privacy and confidentiality are primary concerns for the Out-Line. "We don't

have caller ID, we can disable caller ID when we're calling back, and we will not leave a message when returning a call unless people say it's OK, all because we're so concerned about people's right to privacy." Walk-in and face-to-face appointments are available too, but many prefer the anonymity of the phone.

Out-Line volunteers do not ask for specific personal information from callers and so it is difficult to provide details about who calls, but volunteers do try to keep track of information on things like age if the callers mention it. Harty estimates that most of Out-Line's callers are in the 20 to 40 age range, but said that others are older. He said occasionally a widow or widower will begin to ask themselves questions about their sexual orientation which they thought they had resolved decades ago.

He also noted that the ways which people look for answers has changed over the last 20 years. "This was one of the only places to turn in the early '80s," Harty said, while today there is a wider variety of resources available. Young people in particular are getting more information about sexual orientation on-line, in schools, or from youth-oriented sources of information and help.

One youth-oriented hotline is the Gay Youth Wisconsin Hotline, the first statewide toll-free hotline which uses youth volunteers to staff the phones. Michael Lisowski, director of Gay Youth Milwaukee, is also on-hand to help with calls that volunteers don't feel comfortable handling themselves.

The Gay Youth Wisconsin Hotline opened in 1996 and now operates on Friday and Saturday nights from 7 to 11 p.m. The hotline took a thousand calls in its first year and a half of operation. Supporters and collaborators include the Wisconsin AIDS Fund, the Cream City Foundation, the BESTD Clinic and the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin.

The Gay Youth Wisconsin Hotline is meant to deal in particular with HIV prevention for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgen-

der and questioning young people from age 12 to 21, but volunteers say one of the main issues tends to be coming-out.

"I would say a great deal of our serious calls at least have to do with people being afraid to come out," said Stacy Pack, 20, who has volunteered for the hotline for a year. "They're afraid of their families' reactions and their friends' reactions. They're not sure if they're gay or not, and they don't want to come out and not be able to take it back." Pack said most callers are about 17 or 18 years old. They call from all over the state, but especially from larger cities like Milwaukee and Madison, as well as smaller cities like La Crosse.

Pack said calls often are variations on the "How do you know?" question, but that staffers have to do occasional crisis intervention as well.

"There was a girl one time who called and was crying. She was afraid of her family because they had pretty much written her off after she came out. Her family had become abusive verbally, and she needed to leave. She wanted to escape, and she wanted to find runaway shelters."

"It was scary," Pack said, "I gave her runaway shelter addresses and numbers, but I tried to help calm her down. I told her that she was in the same boat as a lot of people, and it was normal to feel the way she was feeling. We talked about who among her family and among the people she knew could help support her."

Aaron Hughs, 20, said that some callers lie, and recalled that he once spent an hour and a half on the phone with someone who sounded serious but turned out to be making a prank call. "Sometimes it's just people trying to get their kicks, and that's depressing." But Hughs said it is possible to help people and even to occasionally find out later how they're doing.

"There was this one guy about 15 years old who started crying on the phone because he didn't have any friends, he couldn't talk to anybody about this, and he didn't know what to do. I invited him here, he came in, and we got some food and talked."

"I didn't talk to him for a long, long time after that, but then he called up and said he's out and things are much better."

Hughs said that he himself had been helped by Gay Youth Milwaukee when he was coming out. "This place is a stepping stone. It gets you in contact with people your own age to make you feel comfortable."

Callen Harty of OutReach said the Out-Line too has volunteers who at one time were helped by the organization.

"People don't forget," he said.

The OutReach Out-Line can be reached at 608-255-4297, and the Gay Youth Wisconsin Hotline at 1-888-GAY-TEEN (414-272-8336 in the Milwaukee area).

## Power Takes Top Job at AIDS Network

by William Attewell  
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Madison — Bob Power assumed the role of the executive director for the AIDS Network of Southern Wisconsin on May 17.

Forty-years old, Power brings a wide range of experiences with an extensive background in HIV work at a national level. Power previously worked at Agape Homes, an assisted living facility for persons with HIV and AIDS in Minneapolis. Prior to that, Power worked at the Washington headquarters of the American Red Cross as a senior associate responsible for management of statewide HIV/AIDS grant programs.

"It's always a challenging coming in and leading an agency like this," Power told IN

Step.

"My biggest goal is to reposition AIDS Network throughout Madison as the great agency as it has always been, and to let people attach a face to it."

Power does not expect to see any major changes in programs, and clients should continue to expect the same ser-

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vices they have received in the past.

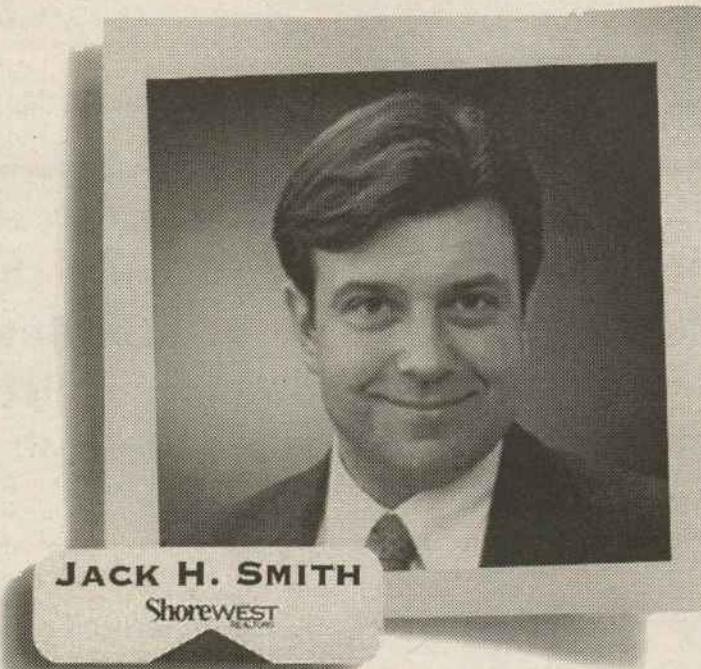
"Despite the natural feeling of apprehension people may feel with a new executive director, they won't see any significant changes in the services we provide, and hopefully they will see the agency they have always known and cared about."

According to Power there has been a reorganization of responsibility at AIDS Network. Board member Kevin Baird, who recently served as director of administration, is refocusing on his role with the AIDS Network board of directors and has taken another full-time position.

"I hope to get down to Milwaukee and visit ARCW and their staff," stated Power, "I come into this job with 12 years experience of collaborating and cooperating with other agencies, and I plan on continuing that."

According to Power, the agency's funding resources remain strong.

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**A**rthur T. Jones has served as Chief of the Milwaukee Police Department for nearly three years. Early in his tenure, he met with members of Milwaukee's lesbian and gay community, and pledged to improve the quality of life in Milwaukee and the relationship between the MPD and LGBT citizens. At that meeting also received a set of rainbow flags which I found prominently displayed in his office bookcase.

Recently, the now infamous "fruit fly" inspections has raised some concerns about relations with Wisconsin's largest police force. Recently, I had the opportunity to speak with Jones in his 7th floor office in the Police Administration Building. We talked about fruit flies, gay cops, sex in the parks and the quality of life in Milwaukee.

**IN Step: What do you like most about your job?**

AJ: It's the satisfaction of looking back over the past two and a half years, looking at the successes that we've had. When there's a decline in crime, everybody gets a piece of the rock — the academics attribute it to the age of the "at risk" in terms of being violent — rarely do they attribute it to law enforcement, except when crime is high; then they say the police aren't doing their jobs.

**IN Step: Many of the previous Milwaukee police chiefs have had a rather long tenure. Is that something that you're looking forward to?**

AJ: Not any longer than seven years.

**IN Step: Why do you set that limit?**

AJ: By then I will have 36 years as a Milwaukee police officer and I think that's long enough. I think I will have served my time. I wouldn't say that positively I will do that, but I don't look beyond 2003.

**IN Step: I was at a community meeting you spoke at — maybe two years or so ago at the M&M Club. I don't know if you remember ...**

AJ: Yes, it was upstairs.

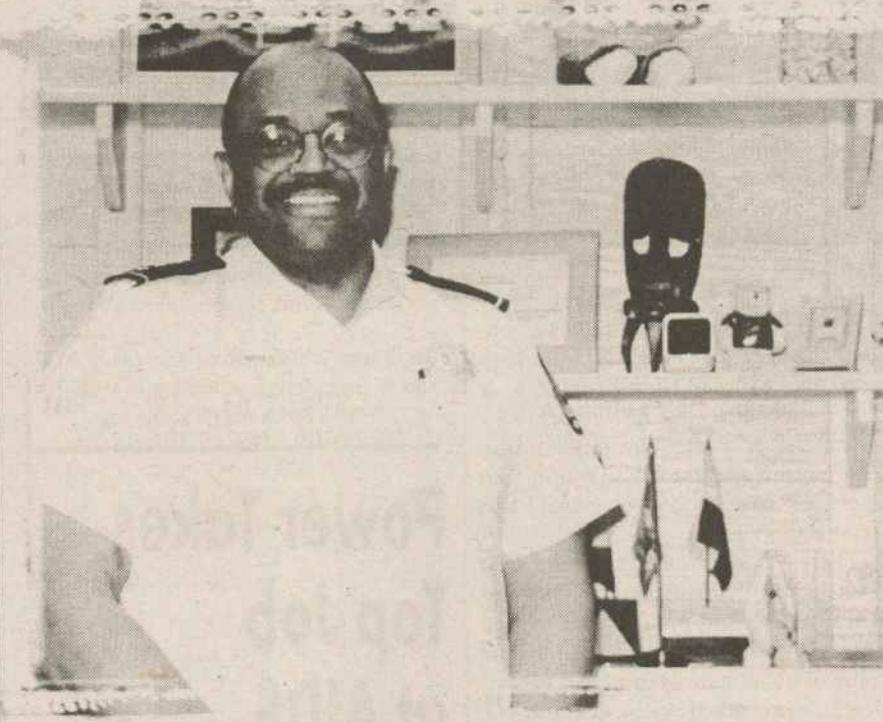
**IN Step: At that time you said you would issue a memo to your officers about diversity in the community and tolerance to gay and lesbian citizens. You also said that a copy of that memo would be made available to IN Step ... so that the [gay and lesbian] community could see that the Milwaukee Police Dept. (MPD) in Milwaukee was actually doing some concrete things to improve relations. I have inquired a few times about getting a copy of that memo and have never been able to get one.**

AJ: To be perfectly honest with you right now, I can't remember whether or not I did put out the memo, but I'm almost sure that I did in conjunction with our standard operating procedures and rules as it relates to diversity. I'll check on that and I'll get you a copy.

**IN Step: At that time you also talked about the "quality of life enforcement" dealing with small crimes as well as the big crimes — I'm wondering if you believe you've found success with that?**

AJ: Oh, absolutely. I think if you ask around; if you just ask people who live in Milwaukee — that those types of nuisances, the loud music, the littering, the loitering, the public drinking, speeding, the traffic, all of which is part of quality of life enforcement — I think you'll find that they will say that things are better. And that is the real barometer of whether or not we, the police, are doing our job — how the citizens feels about their safety and their environment.

**IN Step: I know that the MPD works with Stephanie Hume and others in regard to sensitivity training of new recruits. That has**



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**apparently been a very successful program. However, there has never been a similar in-service program for veteran officers — officers who already have tenure on the force. I'm wondering why that is?**

AJ: Maybe because no one's asked us to do an in-service. We've done an in-service for the mentally challenged, for instance. We've done in-services at the police academy — if you have a special interest and just want to come in and teach an in-service — because that's part of what we do. The police department is all about knowing and having that exchange with the people of various ethnic groups and lifestyles who can come in and answer the questions that are asked — if they're asked — and give honest answers.

These people who come in to give the in-services also have to understand the perspective of the officer asking the question, that the question is not necessarily from an antagonist's point of view, but sometimes asked out of ignorance. So, yes.

**IN Step: Is that something you would consider doing?**

AJ: Absolutely.

**IN Step: When the MPD works with minority communities, for example the African American or Hispanic communities, are there specific liaisons for from the MPD to those communities or to community organizations?**

AJ: No. We have community-based organizations that our district captains, for instance, work with. People make the mistake of thinking that a person can speak for the African American community anymore than a person can speak for the Italian community or the Jewish community or any other community. Within those communities there's diversity, and I don't think any one person or voice speaks for them.

Some other groups — if they appoint somebody and ask that they be a representative to interact with the police department on their behalf, I more than welcome that. But for me as a police chief to anoint somebody and say you speak for the African American community or you speak for the religious community, I would never do that.

**IN Step: As the gay and lesbian community gains political strength in Milwaukee, how can our many organizations and institutions work with the MPD to develop better relations?**

AJ: I hope that the relationships aren't bad now, but we can always make them better, and I agree with that. Probably by locality, working with the district captain in the district where the social club, the nightclub, the lounge or whatever that venue is, working with the district captain at that level is

best. Absolutely anybody is welcome to talk to me about any problems that they may have or find themselves engaged in.

At the district level I encourage the district captains to meet with people — and to know what is going on in their particular districts. Again, you can't paint people with the same brush, you can't paint communities with the same brush. What people need on the Northwest Side of Milwaukee, as relates to police service, will not be the same as another part of Milwaukee. I just encourage everyone to communicate with their district captains.

**IN Step: Recently, the "fruit fly" incident has made headlines. I attended the recent meeting with Captain Whiten from District two and representatives from our community. Frankly, that meeting didn't go well...**

AJ: That's because nobody wants it to go well. Everybody — and when I say "everybody," I'm talking about the gay and lesbian community — is dead set on believing that for some reason the Milwaukee Police Department is targeting gay or lesbian bars for inspection. It's not true!

After we've said that, and after we say

community, for instance, that feel that they're singled out every time something happens. It's just something we have to deal with. You learn. To say we learned nothing is not the truth. You learn from every experience, you learn from every exchange.

It was very frustrating to me because there was no answer that I could give that was satisfactory. Once that happens, then dialogue no longer exists. I guess I learned to keep trying. The reason I agreed to this interview — is that we need to keep talking to each other. At some point when you don't want to listen anymore (and I mean anybody), and you've made up your mind that this is what you want to believe, dialogue ends. You end up having people standing there staring at each other and glaring at each other and there's no resolution.

I said I want to put this to rest, but I know for a fact that more than just those bars were inspected. I also know that if that was a policy of the Milwaukee Police Department [to check gay and lesbian bars], a heck of a lot more would have been inspected. I'm just simply saying that if that was the policy of the department or the policy of that district, the evidence of it would have been greater than those few bars. Another thing is that nobody denies that there were insects there.

**IN Step: That's true. But many people feel there is a long history of poor relations specifically between the lesbian and gay bars and the MPD that goes back maybe 20, 30, 40 years ... that it wasn't handled with sensitivity to that.**

AJ: We do have homophobic police officers. I'm not going to tell you that that doesn't happen and I'm not going to say that those two ideologies didn't clash at that particular bar. I'm simply trying to tell you that the MPD is not pure and police officers bring luggage to this job that is found throughout society here in Milwaukee.

It happens not only with the gay and lesbian community, but it happens with other facets of the community. That is what I have to work at as the chief of police, to eliminate to the extent that I can.

Understanding that you're dealing with people and you're dealing with people who have a different slant, a different view on what that relationship is. There are probably people in the gay and lesbian community who would never believe that the police entered a bar for reasons other than to harass the patrons. There are probably some police officers that you never could con-

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it five or six times, there's nothing more to be said. Then you walk away and you believe what you want to believe. That is not the case. That was not an exceptional inspection.

How the term "fruit fly" came into ... it has connotations, it has negative connotations. People build on that and they want to believe it. So, after that happened I said, "the department has nothing else to say."

There's nothing else to say about it. We will continue to inspect every tavern in the city of Milwaukee. We will continue to do it and where we find violations — where we find fruit flies — if we find them, we will take appropriate actions. I can't say anything more. I don't know anything more.

**IN Step: Do you think the MPD learned anything from that experience?**

AJ: Well, it's an ongoing thing. It's not just as it applies just to the gay and lesbian community. We have ethnic groups in this

vince that being gay or lesbian is OK. It's a lifestyle, it's a preference, it's whatever you say it is, but it's OK for them to be that way. So that's the real world.

It's my belief that if I find an officer who has that propensity [to be homophobic] to straighten that officer out. Not to try and change what's in his or her heart — but how they perform their job. I will not tolerate and I do not tolerate that. I think my record has shown that. But on the other side, then those groups — be it gay and lesbian or any ethnic groups — has to understand that they can't paint every police officer with the same brush.

They can't say that when there is a violation, such as stopping somebody for speeding and they have a flag on their car that indicates that they may be gay or lesbian, that they were stopped because of that. Or if we walk into a gay or lesbian bar and find a violation and issue citations, that we did it for that reason.

**IN Step: After the incident with the fruit flies, I heard several peo-**

## "This department will not tolerate biased enforcement or discrimination at any level against anybody."

ple say, "Oh ... here we go again." Now that some time has passed, is there anything you would like to say to people who may have been upset by it?

AJ: Yeah, look at the facts, look at what we said. The dialogue is: I believe what you're telling me to be true until I find out differently. Please accept, if you will, at face value, that when we say we were just checking the taverns with normal inspections, that's what we were doing.

Now, if you have evidence to the contrary — because I certainly checked every aspect of what happened and I was satisfied that that was it. As the police chief, I say that is exactly what we were doing. I've never lied to the gay and lesbian community. I don't plan on doing that. You come to me and you say to me, "this is what we do and this is the way we like it," and I accept that.

That's what the community wants. The community wants the rest of society to accept that what I'm telling you is true and whatever we are is not harmful to you and all we want to do is live and just be. I accept that as police chief. As police chief, I expect when I say to you that this is a routine tavern check, insects were found and a citation was issued and that was the extent of it, that you accept that and then we move on.

I will continue to send officers to check taverns in the City of Milwaukee, and if they happen to be gay, if they happen to be Latino, if they happen to be Italian, if they happen to be ... then that's what happens. If the violation actually occurred ... Because everybody can say, "Well you pulled me over because I was black," the question is, were you speeding. If you were speeding, it's kind of hard to add anything else to that.

**IN Step: One of the things I've heard from tavern owners is that they don't mind the police being there, they don't mind the routine checks if they are normal procedure.**

AJ: They can't mind. It's on their license.

**IN Step: One of the concerns raised was this was the first time many people could recall a specific check for insects in liquor bottles.**

AJ: The check was not for fruit flies alone.

**IN Step: I understand that. But if officers are going to check for that now — in addition to whatever else officers look for — is that something they should always be concerned with?**

AJ: They should always worry about insects in liquor bottles.

**IN Step: But is that a MPD issue or a Health Department issue?**

AJ: It's an issue if we see it, it's an issue if we view it. The Health Department obviously has standards. They test the water, they test the bleach, they test the solutions that you wash everything in. If we see obvious Health Department code violations, we are obviously going to write the citation. People ask, "Why are you looking at the liquor bottles?" We look at the liquor bottles because part of the violation is that people refill liquor bottles.

I used to work in a tavern years ago where they would take a more expensive liquor, like brandy, and pour a cheaper brandy into that bottle. It's against the law to do that.

If I were gay or whatever, I would just run my tavern — and if the police came in and wanted to look at my bottles — then they could look at 'em. And then I'd say, "Officer what do you want to look at now. Here's my license, here's my tapes. Have a good day." I wouldn't be concerned.

**IN Step: I know that the Milwaukee Police Department has recruited at Pridefest for a couple of**

years. I'm wondering if you know of any officers who have joined the department from that recruiting effort.

AJ: I don't know because that's not something that ... I personally engaged in. Our recruitment is open, but we don't — and I don't and I'm sure that the department does not — know what the sexual preferences [are] of the people we hire. Nor do we ask. Some officers ... I should say it's not a secret. I don't know for sure because I have not asked if they are gay or lesbian. Other than that I couldn't gauge that because we don't inquire, there's no barometer.

**IN Step: Do you know of any open gay men or lesbian officers whom you personally interact with?**

AJ: I believe that there are some gay and lesbian officers in the police department. I don't know what you mean by interact; not any more than any of the other officers. I believe that there are some officers who are gay or lesbian. I haven't sat down and talked with them about their sexual preferences, if that's what you mean, but I believe that there are officers who are.

**IN Step: Does the MPD have a specific unit that deals with hate crimes?**

AJ: No. Hate crimes is a statute; it's an enhancer as it relates to crimes that are committed and [when] they're committed because of someone's sexual preference, race, ethnic origin, etc., etc. When we investigate, let's say for instance, a homicide, it would be the homicide detectives who would investigate. If we, through our investigation, determined that this homicide was committed as a result of what would fall under the standards of the Hate Crimes Act, then that would be added. That's an enhancer if the district attorney decides to charge it.

Usually, we can deduce from the evidence to show that a crime was a hate crime — and usually that's by someone's verbalizing that and/or writing something — generally at the crime scene, that we can pretty readily tell whether it's a hate crime or someone's been victimized.

Say, for instance, there's a battery and they're calling names. The names could be "fag" or "nigger." You know you can associate that kind of language with the act and pretty much determine, at least at the prosecutorial level — not necessarily at conviction — whether or not that crime was being committed as a result of hate as it is defined by the statutes.

**IN Step: Every summer there's rise in sexual activity [gay and non-gay] in Milwaukee parks. I think most people agree that they shouldn't condom kind of activity. Every summer it also seems there are dozens of arrests by undercover officers based on [this kind of activity]. In some cities they are trying to deal with this activity in a different manner. They're trying to change people's behavior with counseling and intervention ... working with local AIDS groups or similar organizations.**

AJ: I would be open as it relates to training and perhaps that there's some degree of sensitivity, but my job is the chief of police and my job is to enforce the laws. The law is clear as it relates to disorderly conduct in a public place or lewd and lascivious conduct in a public place. To that extent, we will arrest anyone who is engaged in that conduct.

How they're treated during their arrest, how they're treated during the process of the arrest should be the same as anyone else who's under arrest. If that is a problem, then I will act on that immedi-

ately. If, in fact, there's anything demeaning in any arresting process. But as far as the act is concerned, in a public place, in a park, we will enforce any violations without any hesitation.

**IN Step: Has it been working, from your standpoint? Has reduced the amount of sexual activity in the parks?**

AJ: Yeah! We had a problem in Estabrook Park by the waterfalls. It was egregious. We stepped up enforcement and the problem went away — at least noticeably went away.

**IN Step: Did it go away or just shift from one area to the next?**

AJ: If someone was to be engaged in sex, I don't think the police chief or the police department can stop that. We can stop it in a public place, so whether or not they go deeper into the woods — if that's your question ...

**IN Step: Well, not deeper in the woods, but ...**

AJ: I used that as ... I didn't mean it literally. You missed it. I'm saying it was very obvious and they were not very deep in the woods when you could drive into the parking area and see what was going on. That is the conduct that is abhorrent to someone ... if it were a heterosexual couple engaged in sexual activity in view of your children and ... you go to the park to see the waterfall, you don't expect to see people engaged in sexual activity. That's not what the park is for. If your question is displacement, and are we displacing it to another location, I don't know.

**IN Step: Many see this as a nationwide, or even worldwide issue. It is a longstanding, ongoing issue. Many feel the activity does displace and relocate without really solving the underlying issues. I know that the AIDS Resource Center has — in the past — put outreach workers in the parks to try to work with these people ...**

AJ: I would work in conjunction with any organization with a goal of reducing that type of conduct through education or whatever. But for me to put a police officer out to distribute ... it would be taken offensively. Especially if we ever walked up to a person who wasn't gay or lesbian and handed them a pamphlet or started talking about condoms in the park. I would be hit with a barrage of complaints from citizens.

**IN Step: Is there anything you want to add before we close?**

AJ: When I became Chief, I met with the gay and lesbian community and what I said then, I still say now: This department will not tolerate biased enforcement or discrimination at any level against anybody. For me to tell you that it doesn't happen, I couldn't say that to you because there are 2,900 police employees in the Milwaukee Police Department, and each of them has their own perspective and views on life in general. I'm reasonably sure that all of them aren't pure. So to say that there can't be or isn't a problem, that would not be true. But if that is, I can only say that I'm committed to eliminating the problem.

## Group Notes

### Beloit Gathering Jump-Starts Pride Celebrations

**Beloit** — For the first time ever, state-line LGBT communities will have their own Pride Celebration, when, on Saturday, June 5, Beloit hosts an outdoor pig roast in the back-yard of The Closet, 232 Shirland Ave., from noon to closing.

When the Closet's owners, John and Kurt, opened their bar last year, the conceived of it as "more than a bar ... a community gathering place." In this vein, they invite local lesbians, gay men and their families to get an early start on Pride festivities by partying with them.

The staff of the Closet will be joined by Cheryl Kader from Beloit's own Uncommon Grounds Coffeehouse, who will offer non-alcoholic, gourmet coffee concoctions as well as fresh fruit smoothies. Karaoke will be featured in the bar and a professional photographer will be on hand to record the fun. Everyone involved in this first gathering hopes to make it an annual event involving an expanded menu of vendors, entertainers and, who knows, even a parade!

Up to now, queers living in the Stateline area have traveled to Milwaukee, Madison, Rockford or Chicago to take part in Pride events. And, while we shall, no doubt, continue to do so, this year Stateline LGBT communities initiate the Pride Season with a celebration of their own. While there is no "season" on pride, please come and celebrate with The Closet and Uncommon Grounds for the first Pride event of the summer. For more information, please call (608) 363-8764.

### Dating in the Age of HIV

**Milwaukee** — Dating can be complicated for many reasons. STD's, including HIV must be a consideration when establishing an intimate relationship with another man. What steps can be taken to keep dating a safe experience for both men involved?

With that question in mind, the Counseling Center of Milwaukee, Inc., will be holding a discussion called *Dating in the Age of HIV* on Sunday, June 13 from 6 to 8 p.m. The Center is located at 2038 N. Bartlett Ave. A \$3 donation is required. For more information, call Bill Hanel at (414) 271-2565.

### PrideFest Flags Take to the Streets

**Milwaukee** — Downtown streets are a little brighter now that PrideFest has hung 32 rainbow flags along Wisconsin Ave. and Water St. This is the fifth year for this tradition.

Because the downtown flags take such a beating from rain, wind and sun, they have to be replaced annually. Funds raised through this year's Proud Crowd campaign have been designated to pay for this year's flags. By the time all contractor's fees, permits, hardware, poles and flags are purchased, each flag on the downtown streets costs \$144.

To receive more information on the annual Proud Crowd campaign, contact PrideFest at (414) 272-3378, e-mail pride-milw@aol.com.

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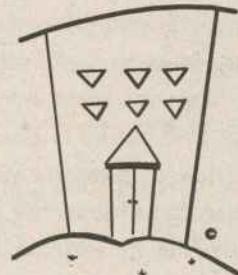
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## ARCW Launches HIV Prevention Vaccine Trial

Milwaukee — The first HIV prevention vaccine trial inoculation was given last week at the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin. Patrick Price of Milwaukee became the first person in Wisconsin to receive the experimental vaccine. ARCW is encouraging others to follow his lead by enrolling in the prevention vaccine trial.

Almost 70 individuals have expressed interest in volunteering for the HIV vaccine trial.

ARCW was selected as the state's site for the first HIV prevention vaccine trial AIDSVAX in March and is planning to enroll 150 volunteers by August into the Phase III clinical trial, sponsored by Vax-Gen, Inc., the developer of AIDSVAX.

"From the beginning of AIDS 18 years ago, we have all dreamed of a prevention vaccine," said Doug Nelson, ARCW executive director. "Today we make history by launching this vaccine trial which is a giant step forward toward realizing the dream of a vaccine that will save lives and put an end to the AIDS epidemic."

ARCW is recruiting volunteers who are at risk for HIV infection but who are currently HIV-negative. Each volunteer will be given a total of seven inoculations during a 30-month period. Sixteen follow-up counseling sessions with each volunteer will stress HIV/AIDS prevention messages.

"We will emphasize strongly that no volunteer can rely on this trial as protection from HIV infection," Nelson said. "This research will only measure the potential of the vaccine. Our emphasis on HIV risk reduction will be strong and constant."

During the three-year trial, neither volunteers nor researchers will know which volunteers are given the vaccine and which

receive a placebo, or inactive substance. At the end of the trial, the rate of infection in the group that received the placebo will be compared to the rate of infection among volunteers who received the vaccine. That comparison will be used to determine the effectiveness of the vaccine.

Phase III trials are a critical step in the strictly monitored process by which a new vaccine or drug is tested, and precede application to and approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to license and market the product.

"Being selected as a trial site is certainly a statement of confidence in our clinical research efforts at the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin," Brian Buggy, MD, ARCW's medical director and the trial's principal investigator said.

Earlier clinical trials have shown that AIDSVAX is safe for use in humans and induces a strong immune response. Volunteers cannot become infected with HIV by this vaccine. Because it is not made from live HIV-1 virus. To date, there are no known side effects except those that often occur with inoculations such as soreness in the arm.

ARCW has conducted its clinical trial program since 1991 through its AIDS Research Consortium, a statewide group of HIV medical practitioners lead by Buggy. Its past trials include research on AIDS drugs and combinations that have been highly utilized by patients such as AZT; 3TC; and Delavirdine; and Remune, a treatment medication.

For more information, please call (414) 225-1548 or (800) 359-9272 ext. 248.

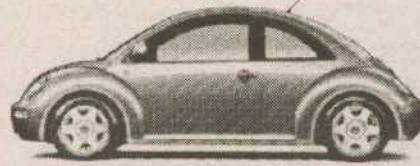
## Memorial Service for Vanderbosch Set

Madison — A memorial service for Jane Vanderbosch, former director of the United in Madison, will be held on June 12 at the St. Benedict Center, 4200 County Highway M in Middleton. The service is scheduled for 10 a.m. This will be a celebration of the life of one who touched many others and brought value to each person she met.

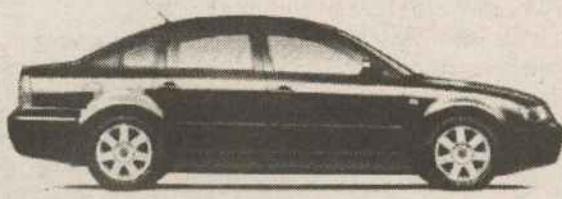
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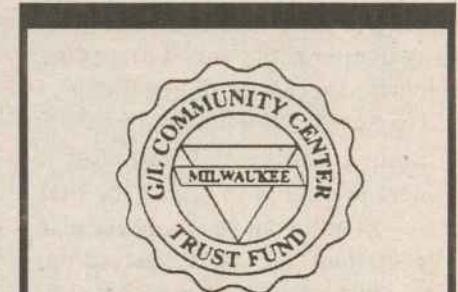


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## OutReach Hires Executive Director

**M**adison — OutReach, Inc. has announced the hiring of Debra Weill as the agency's new executive director. Weill replaces De Ette Tomlinson, who left OutReach to pursue other interests. She is a longtime resident of Milwaukee, and brings a valuable range of skills and experiences to the agency. These skills and experiences were obtained through her past employment in both business and community-based organizations, including, most recently, the Milwaukee Urban League and Walkers' Point Development Corporation.

Weill has a long history of community activism, related not only to LGBT issues, but also to violence issues, diversity and community development. Weill has been a key leader of several southeastern Wisconsin community-based organizations, currently serving on the boards of the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center and the Human Rights League.

Search Committee Chair Eric Boberg, said that Weill was far and away the most qualified candidate to apply for the position. "Debra was everyone's first choice," he said. "She's going to make an outstanding contribution to our community." Board President, Julia Belt, echoed this opinion, saying, "We're incredibly lucky to have found someone with her talents and experience."

Weill will begin her tenure as soon as she can complete her relocation to Madison.

son, within the next two to three weeks. OutReach recently moved to a new and larger home at the Gateway Mall, 600 Williamson St. For more information call (608) 255-8582.

## Fund-raising Seminar Set

**M**ilwaukee — Does your group face challenges with scarce resources? Where will groups find the funds to support the struggle for justice, equality and health services for lesbians and gays?

These are just a few of the questions to be addressed in a series of OutGiving Workshops to be held at Milwaukee's LGBT Community Center during the coming months. Designed to offer technical assistance, hands-on training and mentoring to the leaders, the programs will focus on basic tools to more advanced methods of fund-raising and organizational development.

The OutGiving workshops will be held at the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, located at 170 S. 2nd St., on June 19, July 10, Sept. 18, Oct. 16 and Nov. 6. To register or for additional information, contact Neil Albrecht at (414) 271-2656.

OutGiving InCommunity is a unique interactive program funded and designed by the Gill Foundation of Colorado Springs, Colo.

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## Out Right

### Barebackers Beware!

Opinion by Scott Evertz



**O**K, it's time. I've long been tempted to weigh in on the whole "barebacking" controversy but, until now, have decided I'd just let others fight it out in print. But, as with many controversial topics, I can't keep my mouth shut any longer. To all those public advocates of barebacking I say, do what you want to do but quit talking about it and please don't ask for my tax dollars to be spent on your protease inhibitors, or my charitable contributions to AIDS service organizations to be used for your social services.

There was a time when discussions about "innocent" victims of AIDS as opposed to supposedly "guilty" victims were outrageous. Religious fundamentalists and their conservative allies seemed to suggest that they had no problem being compassionate when it came to children who had AIDS because of a blood transfusion, but they drew the line on compassion when it came to "those people" (gay men and IV drug users) because they supposedly brought it (AIDS) on themselves. When such arguments were made we appropriately responded with horror, and we still should.

However, I'm finding it increasingly difficult to feel compassion for someone who knowingly engages in behaviors which they know could likely result in their becoming HIV positive. Now, I'm not talking about the gay man who goes out, has way too many drinks, and accidentally engages in unsafe sex. This has happened to most all of us and, while alcohol is not really an excuse for doing that which we know is unsafe, it is often a reason. Further, there are many gay men who use alcohol or drugs as an escape and we should definitely continue to reach out to these men and help them with their addictions so that they not only conquer their addictions but also remain HIV-negative.

The people for whom I'm having a hard time feeling compassion are those who are HIV negative, know how to avoid infection, do not have to engage in unsafe sex to survive (i.e. sex industry workers) and who continue to have unprotected anal intercourse because they like having a man come inside them to some sort of religious experience. There are even a fair number of gay men who, for reasons of which I can't even conceive, want to be infected. They and their positive sex partners who are literally injecting them with a still fatal (although treatable) disease, engage in a twisted ritual which is also described in religious-like terms. This kind of behavior, which is receiving more and more attention, is utterly irresponsible and will be used by those who call for reducing or denying funds to people living with AIDS against those who legitimately need and deserve our support.

I can't believe that I've gotten to the point where I am actually discussing legitimate versus "illegitimate" need but, for the life of me, I cannot imagine a counter argument which makes any sense whatsoever. If you can think of one — if you can describe to me why I, a fairly compassionate person, needs to feel compassion for someone who would knowingly become infected with HIV or engage in behavior which he knows will likely cause him to become infected — please write to me at *IN Step* or send a "Letter to the Editor." I'll be happy to entertain all ideas. ☺



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# IN OPINIONS

## LGBT Pride: What Does It Mean To You?

by Dr. Jeffrey Chernin

As this is the time of LGBT pride, I did some reflecting on what pride means. I started by looking up the term 'pride' in the dictionary. The first definition of pride is: A sense of one's own proper dignity or value; self-respect, and the last definition for pride is; A flamboyant or impressive group.

Although the seeds of LGBT pride were sown by homophile organizations in the 1950s and 1960s, Stonewall heralded the gay liberation movement. The Stonewall Inn is a bar in New York which at the time, was often frequented by crossdressers — a flamboyant and impressive group. The patrons were routinely harassed by the police, as were thousands of other lesbians and gay men across the country.

On a particular night in 1969 — and questions remain as to why it was this particular night, but student activism spread to the streets, Judy Garland had just died and the mood in the gay community was sullen — one drag queen decided she had had enough. While being arrested at the Stonewall, she resisted by hitting a cop on the head with one of her high heels. She gave other gay people at the bar the courage to fight back, and they cornered the cops, who had to literally barricade themselves in the bar. Riots ensued, and they lasted for days. Newspapers around the country gave various levels of coverage that a bunch of "queers" fought back.

Because these drag queens finally stopped feeling ashamed and started experiencing pride, the Stonewall riot was the first major steppingstone to what has become known as LGBT pride. The fact that it started at a "Stonewall" is ironic. When you think of being in the closet, the walls are made out of stone, and there are walls between you and other people. So, when you come out of the closet, you initially feel relief, and ultimately proud to be who you are.

We have a right to feel proud about overcoming the obstacles we have faced to come out. We can feel good about maintaining self-respect and dignity in the face of people who hate us just for being LGBT. We can feel pride about being ourselves when just being ourselves

is a risky venture.

As a community, we have come out in huge numbers, thanks in part to raw courage, assisted by brave, public LGBT people leading the way, and also the Bryants, Helms, and Falwells of the world. The latter group has helped us by forcing us to become organized, determined, and fearless, as well as proving to middle America, through their absurd comments and hate-filled actions, that we are not the people they have painted us to be. Over the years, we have co-opted the words of homophobic individuals and proclaimed it for ourselves — Queer.

Although we have a lot to be proud about, we have yet to come to terms as a community with the last few stone walls. If we could get through these last stumbling blocks, we would have the right to complete and total pride.

The first challenge is to consider is that many smaller cities and towns are still in a pre-Stonewall era. Many people who live in large cities take for granted what some LGBT people struggle with on a daily basis. If you live in a small city or town, as I do, it is up to us to publicly confront homophobia where we find it — both outside and within the LGBT community.

Another hurdle to overcome is the continual drum beat of why a particular group is worse than our own group or why a particular individual is \_\_\_\_\_ (fill in the mean-spirited blank). Many gay men disparage lesbians, many lesbians belittle gay men, and individuals in both groups put down drag queens, overweight individuals, ethnic minorities, older people — and heterosexuals. The only reason I can think of for putting other people down is that when we don't feel good about ourselves, we try to elevate ourselves over others.

Therefore, this LGBT pride day, the day which commemorates a group of fed-up drag queens who set the wheels in motion for our level of freedom today, I'm going to re-dedicate myself to overcoming my own prejudices. And I am asking you to join me, to realize that every lesbian, gay male, bisexual, and transgendered life is precious. I'm not going to let mean-spirited comments by friends and family members slide by any more, and I am going to silence myself when those thoughts well up in me. I ask you to join me in recognizing that our personal well-being is influenced by the health of our community, and the more respect we have for all members of the

LGBT community, the more healthy each of us will be.

I'm going to ask every IN Step reader to join me in considering perhaps the biggest challenge — to not hate those who hate us, to recognize that every homophobe is also a precious human life. Concentration camp survivor Victor Frankl once said that prisoners in the camps died only once, but the guards died every time they shouted an order at one of the prisoners. This LGBT pride day and beyond, I'm going to recognize that Fred Phelps and people like him continue to die on a daily basis, and I am going to look past their hatred of us and into the humanity that is buried beneath what surely began as self-hatred, knowing that even the hardest of hearts can be softened.

On this LGBT pride day, I'm inviting you to remember how strong, beautiful, and powerful you are. And that no matter what, no one can touch your spirit. You have the right to feel proud — not just for being lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transsexual, but to know that surviving to this day is a triumph.

## Letters

### Vanderbosch Tribute

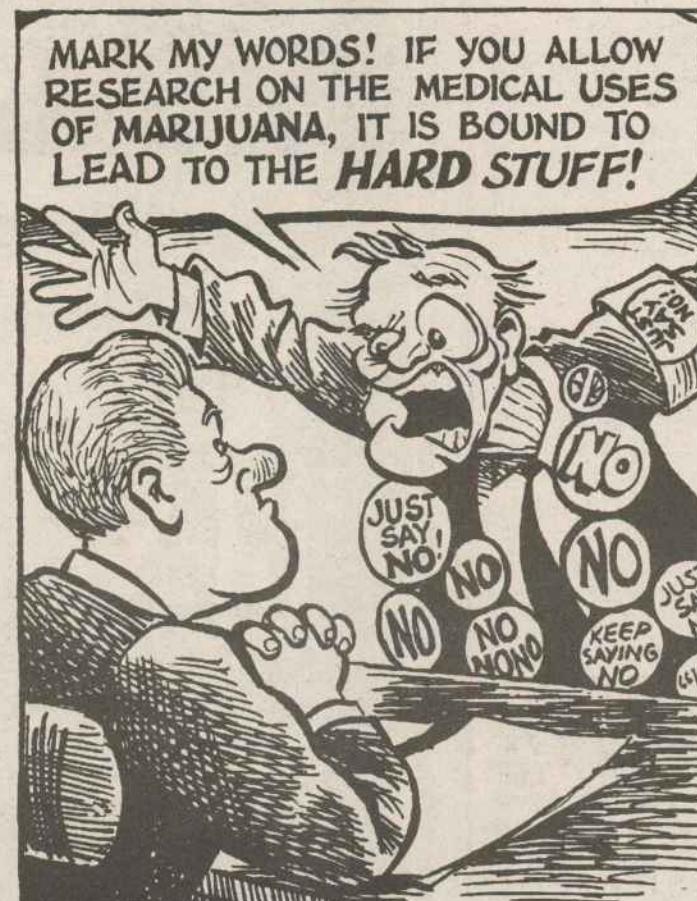
To the Editor —

On the morning of April 29th, one of the most exceptional and inspirational women I have known, Jane Vanderbosch, quietly passed from this life, her long battle with cancer over. The great tragedy is that she went with her life's work largely unappreciated by the Madison and, indeed, Wisconsin LGBT communities at large.

In addition to her tenure as administrative coordinator/executive director of The United (now Outreach) for nearly three years, she was an author, poet, bibliophile, mentor, and inspiration. She was unhesitating in her courageous outspokenness in advocating for the equal rights and fair treatment of the Madison and Wisconsin LGBT communities.

As a volunteer for seven years at The United and a member of its board of directors for three years, I was proud to work with her. I mourn the loss of a great lady and unsung community leader and mentor to those whose lives she touched.

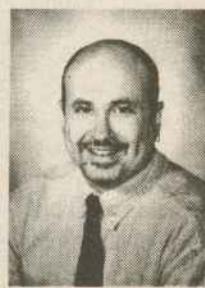
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# Captiol View

## Domestic Partnership and the State

by Mark Pocan



**D**omestic Partnership (D.P.) benefits are a matter of fairness and equality. It saddens me that we are still fighting for such basic rights as equal treatment in the workplace. This is the issue that we must continue to focus on. I encourage you to sit down and figure out how much money and legal protection is denied to you and your partner. Bring it to the forefront and take action. Show your support for the Milwaukee initiative, contact your human resources department at work, and call your state legislator. Stay involved.

### UW-Madison Continues the Fight

Last month the UW-Madison held a forum on domestic partnership benefits for employees at the UW-Madison. Here is a synopsis of the current benefits available.

Benefits that are currently available to a spouse but not to a "domestic partner" are: Health insurance, retirement, state group life insurance, individual and family life insurance, accidental death and dismemberment insurance, major

### Ron Greer is also up to his old tricks, only this time he is picking on high school students...

medical and dental insurance, dental insurance, long-term care insurance, employee reimbursement accounts, family and medical leave act (federal), and the Wisconsin family and medical leave act.

On the bright side there are a couple of programs that have the same benefits for married couples and "domestic partners". 1) Sick leave to care for an ill partner is available to state employees and 2) The Optional Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) offers benefits for domestic partners but only on the madison campus.

There are partial benefits when it comes to retirement. Any beneficiary of an employee who dies after age 55, other than spouse or dependent child, is entitled to half of the retirement account (a spouse or dependent child is entitled to full retirement benefits).

If you are interested in changing D.P. policies and would like to get involved, please call or write my office for a list of individuals and organizations to contact.

### The Ron & Ralph Show

Both Ralph Ovadal and Ronny Greer are continuing their Cultural Cleansing Campaigns.

Ralph Ovadal leafleted neighborhoods in Milwaukee attacking Mayor John O. Norquist because he has publicly supported Milwaukee's D.P. initiative. Wisconsin Christians United distributed pamphlets that in part stated: "It is wrong for government to force hard-working taxpayers to subsidize destructive lifestyles which violate deeply held moral values. It is also expensive."

It is interesting to note that when Dane County asked for an estimate from insurance companies to expand coverage to domestic partners to its' employees, the bid came back with only a 1 percent increase in the cost to the county.

Ron Greer is also up to his old tricks, only this time he is picking on high school students. Ron sent out letters to about 3,000 Verona school district families expressing his concern that there were "pro" gay and lesbian activities happening in the school. The mailing included minutes from a student group called Student Alliance for Acceptance. The group supports people of all sexual orientations. The minutes included some students' names.

His tactics appear to have backfired. According to newspaper accounts the Verona School District has been deluged with calls from outraged parents who either disagree with Greer or agree with him but have a problem with his tactics.

It is time for us to ask the larger question about their tactics: What is their end game? Do they want to "cleanse" this culture of gays and lesbians? What exactly is it that they want? To create a culture that only reflects their beliefs? If so, this is a dangerous, dangerous viewpoint, and we must be forever vigilant. ☐

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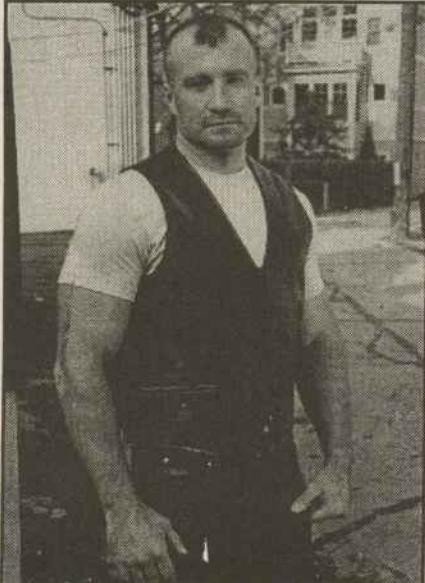
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## Fifty Years And Counting

by Ed Grover

**W**hen I got an envelope with a blue and gold sticker on it (our class colors), I knew another class reunion was imminent. I seem to have managed not to attend these functions because I was out of state for most of my working life. There's also the fact that I felt uneasy because I was gay and I didn't think I had anything in common with the people I spent a good portion of my adolescence with. This one contained an invitation to my 50th high school class reunion.

I think every gay or lesbian person who has ever moved away from their hometown gets the same feeling of uncertainty when they are suddenly confronted with some event at which they will have to revisit their youth. I have been alerted to these reunions like clockwork; every five years since our graduation in 1949, but how could this one have come up so fast? I dropped our class secretary a note and gave her my stock answer: "Sorry, no wheels; I can't come," and put it out of my mind.

A week or so later another one of those envelopes showed up and this time she was ready for me. Not only had she found someone who was willing to drive into Milwaukee, pick me up and drive me back home, but to top it all off, the person who volunteered this act of friendship was my oldest childhood buddy. Memories came flooding back. How could I not go and rekindle that memorable companionship? I said, "Yes!" But really, my intention in going was less to see who had survived than it was to see who was in the best state of preservation.

In preparation for this great event, I soaked up as much sun as I could. I also used up all my remaining time at the tanning salon. I was guaranteed of being bronzed when I walked into the room. Finding something to wear that fit was a bigger problem. I quit smoking over a year ago and I've packed on some weight, and like many people, I still have a closet full of clothes that I never wear anymore. After trying on everything I had — in different combinations, for the sixth time — I found a navy blazer and some gray slacks that seemed to fit without looking like I was poured into

them. I made a resolution, then and there: everything goes to Survival/Revival so I won't have to go through this again.

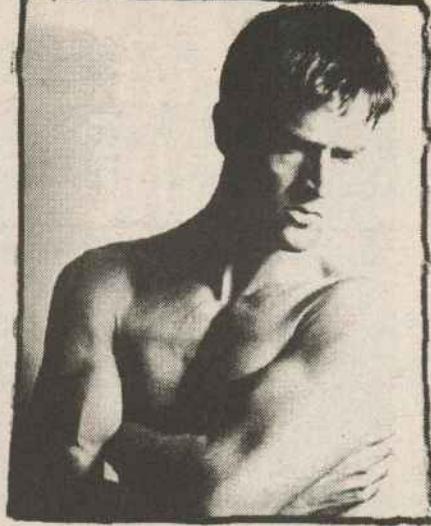
We all wore badges with enlarged, photocopied pictures taken from our senior yearbook. Our names were added in case we couldn't identify each other, but it was surprisingly easy because there was something in those eyes or that smile that told you who each person was at once. As I made my way around the crowd, it seemed to me that if one more person said, "You look fabulous," I would have thought I was at some gay party. The tan was doing its job.

"He" was there. My one-time high school fling. During our junior year I stayed overnight at his house because his parents were away for some reason. That night has always been memorable to me, but I'm sure it was experimentation on his part; nothing further ever happened between us.

We managed to have a few words in private (sort of), and he told me it was good to see me. He looked at me, winked, and said, "You know, I don't do that any more." He married a nice gal, sired four kids and now has umpteen grandchildren. What did he expect would happen?

At dinner, I sat next to a gal who now lives in Washington, D.C. She introduced her second husband to everyone and merrily explained that in D.C., there are couples who are referred to as DINKS: "Double Income, No Kids." She had four kids of her own, and the new husband arrived with five, so in their case it was "Double Income, Nine Kids." During dinner she asked if I had a partner. I told her not since New York, and complimented her on her subtle question. It turned out she's a PFLAG mom and has a gay son. She just wanted to make me feel comfortable. It worked.

Being the only single person and the only "out" gay one there didn't seem to phase anybody a bit. I had a great time and recommend that everyone face their demons and go to a reunion before there are none left to go to. Near the end of the evening, one of the class movers and shakers made an announcement about a Y2K reunion. It would include anyone who had ever graduated from our little school. It was torn down in the late '50s or early '60s to make way for a mega-high school that now serves six towns from the surrounding countryside. If that comes off, it should be the Mother of all Reunions. Maybe I'll go if I can get a ride! ☺



—Rupert Everett

### Role Model

"Frequently I get offered the best gay roles, and that was entirely due to *My Best Friend's Wedding*. I can tell you that there's really not a lot of good work that's on offer today."

—Actor Rupert Everett to The Pink Paper.

### Out on Capitol Hill

"If you go into any office on [Capitol] Hill, the staff is disproportionately gay — and they're living in constant fear that they'll be outed."

—Log Cabin Republicans President Rich Tafel to the D.C. publication The Hill.

### Fishism?

"Are you a lesbian? ... Your honor, I have nothing against lesbians. In fact, put two of them together and ... The point is, a lot of lesbians in early attempts to deny their homosexuality — or, in part, to account for it — attribute their not liking men to the misguided notion that men are bad — evil, even. These women tend to grow up hating them, it colors their

## Quips & Quotes

outlook, their opinions, it could be coloring the testimony of the witness. This bears on her credibility, judge. She could be a man-hating, vicious lesbian. The court certainly has a right to know."

—Ally McBeal character Richard Fish

### The Lincoln Bedroom

"There's no question in my mind he was a gay man and a totally gay man. It wasn't just a period, but something that went on his whole life."

—Gay activist and author Larry Kramer on Abraham Lincoln to Salon magazine. Kramer claims to have access to a previously unknown diary written by Lincoln's supposed lover, Joshua Speed, and to steamy letters between the two men.

### People of Color?

"Most of the people that I know that



—Suzanne Westenhoefer

are Native American don't want to be called Native American. For instance, I have quite a few friends who are black who don't want to be called 'African-American.' They don't even identify with that — it doesn't mean anything to them. And I don't know *anybody* who really wants to be called 'people of color.' How hideous is that? I think that's the most insulting of all, because it says, 'There are white people, and then there's everybody else — we'll lump them together as 'people of color.' As a white person, I'll call people whatever they want to be called, but if it were me, I'd be like: 'People of color? What white person came up with that?'

—Comedian Suzanne Westenhoefer to Cleveland's Gay People's Chronicle.

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—Minn. Gov. Jesse Ventura to The Advocate.

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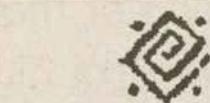
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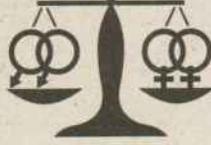
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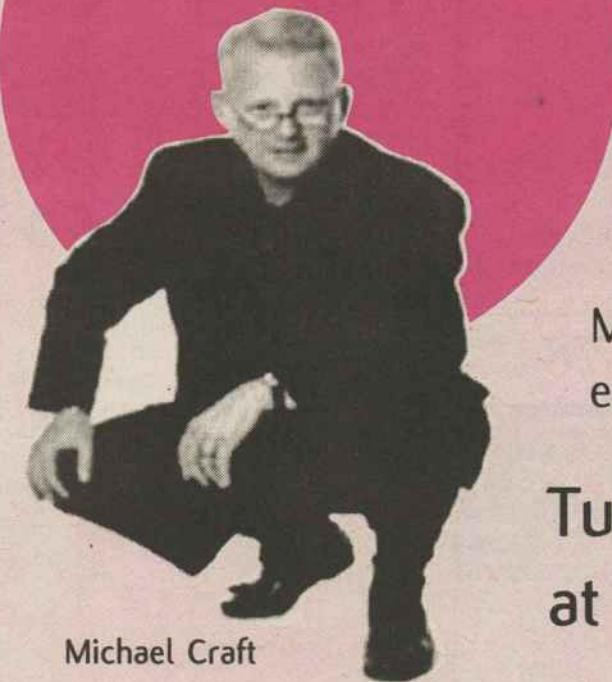
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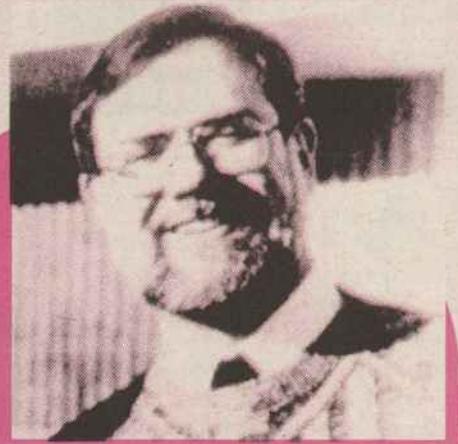
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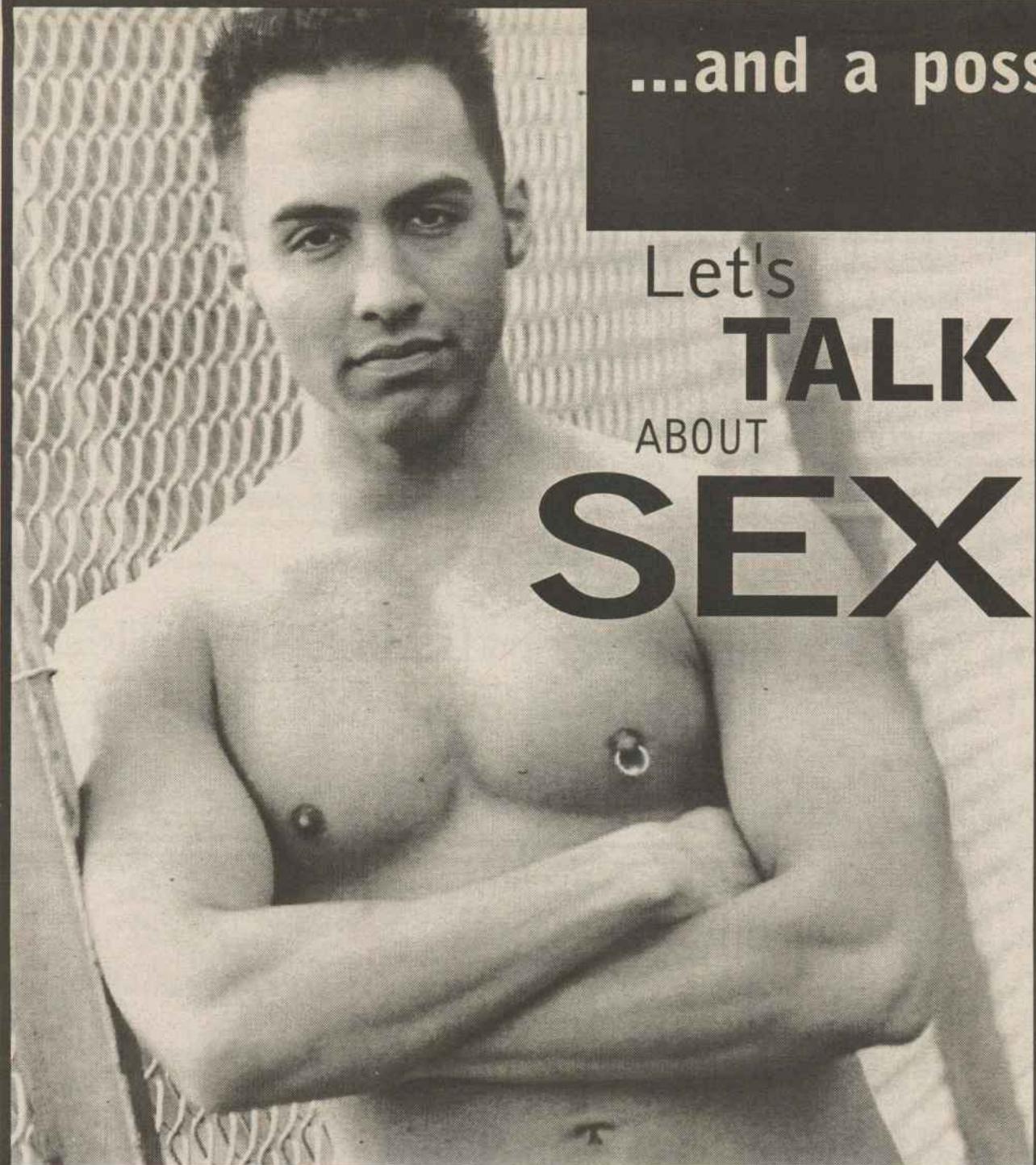
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The season finale of First Friday features the acoustic quartet Frogwater on Friday, June 4 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The band's melding of styles and influences include traditional Celtic and folk, a little old-time country, a bit of soulful blues and down-home bluegrass — all with a progressive twist of raw energy.

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Villa Terrace has also been fortunate in receiving a number of pieces of American Art Pottery, a collection of 18th to 20th century glass tumblers, terra cotta sculpture, Piranesi etchings, ivory carvings, period furniture and other items. Admission to the museum is \$2. For more information, call (414) 271-3656.

## Gays &amp; Lesbians Taking TV by Storm

by Keith Clark  
of the IN Step staff

**G**ays and lesbians have arrived in network television — not in the form of secondary characters in an episode or two, not as comic-relief targets to boost weak scripts, and not as sad figures of loneliness or impending death. Gay and lesbian characters on TV these days are more often enduring, central and significant elements of the storylines of many network television programs.

According to the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD), some 25 programs featured gay or lesbian prime-time characters during the Fall 1998 lineup. GLAAD's recently published "TV Scoreboard" included the shows *Chicago Hope*, *ER*, *Spin City*, *The Simpsons*, *Suddenly Susan* and *Mad About You*.

"It's vital for teens to see gay characters on television," said Scott Seomin, GLAAD's entertainment media director recently. "When a gay teen in Iowa sees Jack on 'Dawson's Creek' portrayed as loved, talented and accepted, it sends a strong message that he can be those things as well."

Although most Americans probably think that the Ellen Degeneres sitcom "Ellen" marked the first openly gay lead in a television series, that distinction actually belongs to Tony Randall's lead character in *Love, Sidney*, the 1981-83 NBC show. But *Love, Sidney* was up to its eyeballs in coyness and closetedness and was mercifully yanked after its second season proved even more demure than its first.

But then it wasn't until 1992 that a recurring openly gay character on commercial television held a plot line for an extended period of shows — and then only in daytime drama. Actor Ryan Phillippe played a featured role on *One Life to Live*. His character disappeared from the show after one summer.

In 1994, one of the earliest and most flamboyant gay characters on television — Rickie Vasquez, played by Wilson Cruz — appeared on the short-lived series *My So-Called Life*.

"There are gays in the world, why shouldn't they be on TV?" the series' creator, Winnie Holtzman, said at the time. She credited the ABC network for allowing the character because there were some questions about Vasquez's tendency to wear makeup and hang out in the girls' rest room. She said the creators were never pressured to do things differently and never received mail from upset viewers or were targeted for protest.

"I have to say, it gave me a good feeling," Holtzman said.

Many of today's gay characters on television — GLAAD counts 12 on NBC, four on ABC, four on CBS, two on Showtime, two on FOX and one on WB in this year's fall-winter season — are more realistic personalities, less mannered, more fully rounded.

They're often characters many people might

think were straight — not because they're closeted characterization, but simply because they're more likely to be drawn from real life.

But earlier this year, reality proved too much for the Virginia-based Christian Action Network (CAN) and in February it demanded that TV shows featuring gay characters include an "HC" label for "Homosexual Content," in addition to the ratings that have been used since 1997.

"We want to stop TV shows from pushing a pro-gay agenda on viewers," Phillip Vaught said of CAN. "We're not saying we don't want gay characters on

## MORE GAYS ON TV

## THE SIMPSONS

(animated sitcom) FOX 1989-present

Waylon Smithers (Harry Shearer [voice]) Smithers is the ultimate sycophant, positively doting on his boss, nuclear power plant mogul Monty Burns. But the interest is more than business, often extending into the romantic, and the erotic.

## ONE LIFE TO LIVE

(serial daytime drama) ABC 1968-present

Billy Douglas 1992-1993 (Ryan Phillippe). Billy Douglas moved into Llanview in the summer of 1992, a 17 year old highschool senior. Billy's struggle to come out to himself and his homophobic parents, in the midst of a town bitterly divided over a rumor that the local minister might be gay, occupied a substantial share of OLTL airtime over the summer of 1992. J

## THE REAL WORLD

(video-verified documentary) MTV 1992-present

Norman Korpi 1992, Beth Anthony 1993, Pedro Zamora 1994, Sean Sasser 1994, Dan Renzi 1996, Arnie 1996, Johnny 1996, Genesis 1997, Ruthie 1999, Justin 1999

MTV gathers together seven young people to live in an apartment, under the watchful eye of the television cam-

there. We just want to give parents who don't want their children watching these shows an information tool."

CAN has met with the Motion Picture Association of America, which handles film-content ratings, but Vaught said the Federal Communications Commission has not met with his organization. Vaught said the entertainment industry's response to the proposal has been to reject the rating proposal.

The *New York Times* recently reported that some TV industry observers say the increasing use of homosexuality for plots or characters is likely coincidental, but that it does offer writers, actors and producers a wealth of largely untapped story material, which, unlike the past, makes it a marketable tool and a saleable story element.

The reasoning, according to sources cited by the *Times*, is that an openly gay or lesbian TV character or story-line draws publicity and viewers without any significant risk of a backlash because anti-gay conservatives are increasingly seen by most advertisers as a narrow fringe who probably wouldn't be satisfied with anything on TV except perhaps "Little House on the Prairie" or "Lassie."

"A whole new market now exists for prime time television programming," one source told the *Times*. "They work with gays and lesbians; someone in their family is gay; they know the lesbian couple or the two gay men who live in the house next door. They're just not as hung-up on it as their parents were so it's not a problem for them to watch a program like *Friends* or *NYPD Blue*. It's one of the things the gay rights movement has accomplished more clearly than maybe anything else: visibility has translated into a broader acceptance in this 30-something generation."

era. Each year has involved a different location and residents.

## NYPD BLUE

(police drama) ABC 1993-present

John Irvin 1995-1996 and 1998-present (Bill Brochtrup), Abby Sullivan 1997 (Paige Turco) officer, Kathy 1997 (Lisa Darr) Abby's partner.

## PROFILER

(crime drama) NBC 1996-present

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## ER

(medical drama) NBC 1994-present

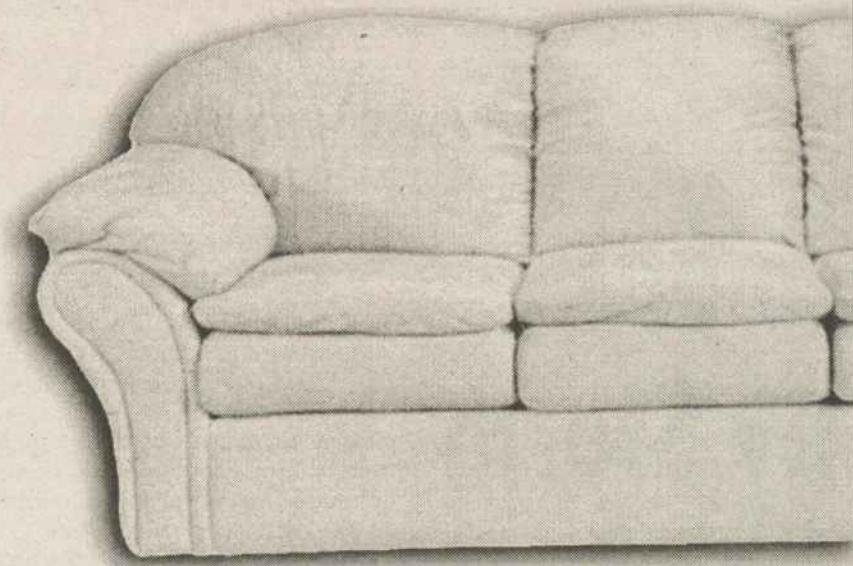
Dr. Maggie Doyle (Jorja Fox) 1996-present, Yosh Takata (Gedde Watanabe) nurse 1997-present

## BUFFY THE VAMPIRE SLAYER

(supernatural drama) Syndicated 1997-present

Larry the bully (Larry Bagby III) 1997-1998. Buffy and her friends have dating problems, school problems, parent problems, and slay vampires. Larry, a fellow highschool student, appeared in three episodes before being more prominently featured one last time, revealing the secret his mean demeanor was meant to shield.

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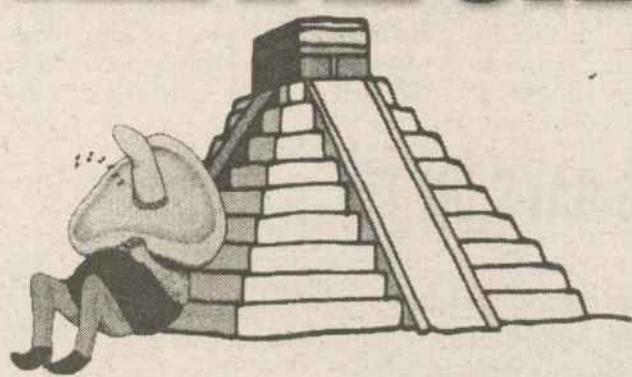
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## Pride Episode Blooms for 'In The Life'

*In The Life*, America's gay and lesbian newsmagazine series, returns to public television with an all-new episode. Every June for Gay Pride, in an episode subtitled "as American As Apple Pie," *In The Life* offers up a program that expresses how far the gay and lesbian community has come in its quest for greater visibility and equal rights.

This episode will be no exception. This year, for the 30th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots, *In The Life* also looks back at topics like "The Judy Garland Connection," which examines the widely-held view that Garland's death and funeral on the eve of the 1969 Stonewall riots helped spark the event that became a world-wide movement. In a segment called "Project YES," the Miami-based program ensures the healthy development of GLBT youth. Among other things, *In The Life* talks to Project YES Executive Director Martha Fugate.

A profile of the Reverend Irene Monroe, who has written extensively on African American gay and lesbian history and African American sexuality, follows. Monroe is very outspoken in her criticism of black churches and the Nation of Islam for their treatment of women and homosexuals. She decries these churches for being reluctant to talk about AIDS, which has ravaged the black community.

Jim Brewer and Dale Riffle, a gay couple who founded and run PIGS, a Sanctuary, which provides a safe haven for



Judy Garland

ning in New York City.

This Gay Pride special ends with "Stonewall 25 Remembered." *In The Life* looks back at the historic 1994 Stonewall 25 March and Rally, an event that *In The Life* cameras recorded more than any other television news outlet.

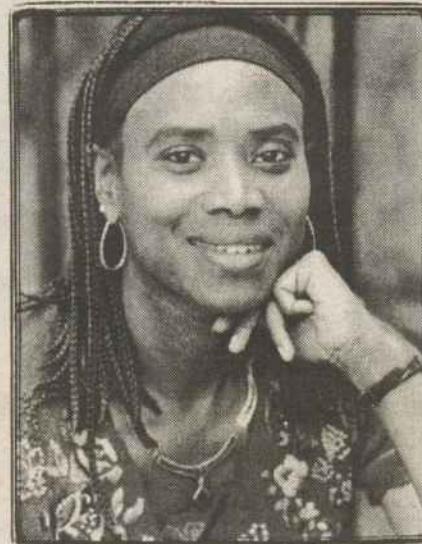
The program will air in Milwaukee on Wednesday, June 16 at 11 p.m. on Channel 10, WMVS. On Monday, June 21 at 10 p.m. it will air statewide on Channel 20, WHRM; Channel 21, WHA; Channel 28, WHWC; Channel 31, WHLA; Channel 36, WLEF; and Channel 38, WPNE. You can also check out *In The Life*'s web site at <http://www.inthelife.org>.

## 37th Annual Lakefront Festival Of The Arts

Milwaukee — From Friday, June 18 to Sunday, June 20, the Milwaukee Art Museum (MAM) grounds will be an outdoor gallery for the paintings, ceramics, photography, fiber art, sculpture and jewelry of 189 esteemed artists from across the nation. While art is the focus of the event, there is always terrific food, music and people watching to enjoy.

In addition to the event itself, the festival's annual signature artwork, featured on promotional posters, T-shirts and other items will be available. This year the artwork is by Mamie Joe of Roswell, Ga., a first-generation Chinese American whose grandfather was also an artist. Throughout the Lakefront Festival, admission to the MAM galleries is free. MAM docents will lead tours of the museum's addition project, starting with a visit to the project models and photographs, then heading outdoors for a view and discussion of the actual construction site.

The hours for Lakefront Festival of the Arts are Friday, noon to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Advance tickets are available for \$3.50 or may be purchased at the gate for \$6. Friends of Art members receive half-price admission. For more information, call (414) 224-3851.



Rev. Irene Moon

exotic pigs and serves as an education center about the abuses in the miniature/exotic animal industry. Set against the backdrop of rural West Virginia, *In The Life* will hear this activist couple's thoughts on gay rights and animal rights in the context of the seven year-old organization.

Next, Paula Vogel's plays will have center stage. Vogel has received many awards for her works including the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. Her highly acclaimed play *How I Learned To Drive* is set for over 50 productions worldwide this season. Her newest work *Mineola Twins*, starring Swoosie Kurtz, is currently run-

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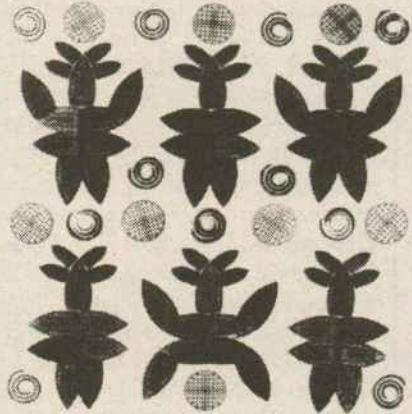


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# African American Art Featured at Milwaukee Art Museum

Milwaukee — During the past 10 years the Milwaukee Art Museum (MAM) has experienced exceptional growth in works by African American artists. *African American Art: A Decade of Collecting* will allow the museum to show a cross section of work by African American painters, sculptors, printmakers and photographers, plus a number of pieces by self-taught artists.



'Domestic Dances' by Willie Cole. Medium: Scorch on canvas.

taught artists. The exhibit opens on Friday, June 18 and runs through August 29, in the Journal/Lubar Galleries on the lake level.

The museum has incorporated works by African Americans into its collection since the 1920s, when the museum received two paintings by Henry Ossawa Tanner. The collection has continued to expand with outstanding acquisitions in the '60s and '70s of works by Jacob Lawrence, Richard Hunt and Sam Gilliam, among others. Formed in 1990

during the presentation of the touring exhibition, "Black Art — Ancestral Legacy," the African American Art Acquisition Fund was established by a number of community leaders who felt the museum could better represent the achievements of African American artists.

Works were acquired by artists such as James van der Zee, Lorna Simpson, Lois Mailou Jones, Romare Bearden. Recent acquisitions by the African American Art Alliance, include contemporary artists Glenn Ligon and Willie Cole. Folk and self-taught art are a particular strength of this collection, and a number of these works by African American artists — recognized as masters of the genre — have entered the collection.

There will be an informal gallery talk led by Museum Director Russell Bowman, the exhibition curator, on Tuesday, July 20 at 1:30 p.m. The gallery talk is free to MAM members and the regular \$5 museum admission to non-members. For more information, please call (414) 224-3200.

# Bialystock & Bloom Present Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night"

Milwaukee — Bialystock & Bloom is employing the largest company ever to bring their epic production of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* to light at the Broadway Theater Center Studio Theater, 158 N. Broadway. The production opens at 8 p.m. on Friday, June 4 and runs through Sunday, June 13.

The production takes a unique look at one of Shakespeare's most enduring comedies of blurred sexual identity, lost love, newly discovered passion and fantastical foibles. In the land of Illyria, where a man is a man, but may also be a woman, hearts pound and pulses rise. Throw in a bunch of drinking cronies, a dash of swordplay and a stunning landscape and you have a mystical tale unlike any other.

Viola (Sarah Behrendt) loves Sebastian (Michael Chmiel). Duke Orsino (Timothy Reynolds) finds himself attracted to Cesario. Olivia (Megan Cornelius) is also hot for Cesario, but Cesario longs for Orsino, and Viola has something to do with it. Antonio (Francisco Lozano) nurses Sebastian's wounds, but Sebastian gets physical with Olivia as soon as she sees him. Malvolio (Richard Carsey) is dressing up in ridiculous outfits so that Olivia will fall for him. Sound steamy? It is!

Paula Suozzi directs the production, Steven Langenecker is the scenic designer, Kurt Schnabel is the lighting designer, Melanie Schueller is the costume designer and Josh Schmidt is the composer. Other in the cast are Johnathan West, Ted Tyson, Jane Kramer, Raleen McMillion, Scott Howland and Greg Felgel.

Tickets for the production are \$12. Tickets for groups of 10 or more are \$10. There will be Talkbacks following the performances on Sunday, June 6 and Thursday, June 10. For more information, tickets and reservations, call (414) 297-9010.

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## QINK

### Midwestern Murders

One of these murder mysteries is set in Michigan and the other in Wisconsin. The protagonists in each novel are gay males in their mid-40s, and they both have long-standing partners. Both authors have made an effort to show deepening relationships and sensitive scenes of domestic life, which strengthen the bonds between the two pairs of lovers. To me, the actions of one of these amateur sleuths resemble that English busybody who is currently solving mysteries on PBS — and I don't mean Jane Marple.

#### THE DEATH OF A CONSTANT LOVER

by Lev Raphael

This is the third book in the Nick Hoffman series. Nick is a fairly new faculty member at the State University of Michigan (SUM) in the Department of English, American Studies and Rhetoric (EAR), located in the fictional town of Michiganopolis. I assume these names are setups for some of the funny bits that the author has written into what one reviewer called "the lighter side of the crime spectrum."

Nick seems to have a penchant for being in the wrong place at the wrong time. Two years earlier he was involved in the death of his office mate, Perry Cross, whose body was found in the Michigan River near the SUM campus Administration Building Bridge. Somewhere in the novel Nick says, "I grew up in New York City and never saw a car accident, but I come to Michigan and it's like a Stephen King novel. I thought life was quiet in the Midwest." Surprise!

That murder didn't seem to do his career any good — there's pressure on him to publish before his tenure review. He's also been having "some kind of weird delayed reaction ... dreaming about Cross's death and avoiding the bridge and that general part of the campus." One morning at breakfast, his partner, Stefan, who is a novelist and also teaches at SUM, insists that Nick shouldn't let his past terrorize him; he suggests making a practice of eating his lunch at the bridge. Nick

does this, and while he's there he witnesses the murder of a student, and we're off to the races to solve another case.

From that point on, we get to know all about Parker Hall, where he works, the other occupants of the building, and Coral Greathouse, the chair of his department. Then there's Detective Valley, who isn't crazy about Nick's meddling, and a score of other players with outrageous names, including Delany Kildare, a sexy young stud who also gets himself offed. See what I mean about names?

In learning about the lives of Nick and Stefan, we learn about *Shabbat* on Fridays as well as good food, good wine, good alcohol, good clothes, good sex and all the intricacies and scandals in the world of academia. Raphael has a wonderful time using every current topic from Clinton and Monica to the bombing of Belgrade, in his character's conversations. It's all great fun and eventually "you know who" solves "you know what." (Walker and Company, ISBN: 0-8027-3326-3, \$23.95 HC)

#### BODY LANGUAGE

By Michael Craft

In Craft's third Mark Manning mystery, we find the handsome reporter suffering from feelings of full-blown depression. He's in his 40s and he feels he has maxed out his career at the *Chicago Journal*, where he is an investigative reporter. He needs a major life change and makes plans to return to his sleepy hometown in Dumont, Wisconsin where he will purchase the rambling old home he visited as a child. He wonders whether he can make it as the publisher of a small-town newspaper and reacquaint himself with his cousin Suzanne and her teen-age son, Thad.

He gets the paper, and in need of an editor in chief, Mark hires Parker Trent, the good looking editor of the *Milwaukee Triangle*, a fictitious gay newspaper. This guy is described as having "buns of steel" ... he's something to lust after. I'm aware of who the publishers and editors (past and present) are, of Milwaukee's gay publications and I can assure you that the portrait that is drawn by the author simply ain't any of them!

Mark soon finds that this new adventure is tinted with something ominous. There are a series of threatening letters, Thad has violent outbursts and Suzanne is found lying in a pool of her own blood. What develops is the discovery of Suzanne's past and the darker regions of his own, where family secrets are deeply buried in a bitter family plot.

After reviewing *Eye Contact*, I was chastised by a disgruntled reader who thought I gave too much of the plot away. It didn't seem that way to me, and you can be sure I haven't let anything slip this time. As Mark Manning exclaims, "this one has it all — deceit, greed, secrets and lust — not to mention murder." To find out whodunit, read the book. (Kensington Publishing, ISBN: 1-57566-419-4, \$22 US, \$29 Can, HC).

Michael Craft is scheduled to make a personal appearance at Afterwords Bookstore for a book signing and to discuss his newest mystery at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7.

For more information, call (414) 963-9089

#### Best Seller List

##### Fiction/Women

1. Watermark, by Karen Kallmeyer  
Naiad PB \$11.95
2. Shaman's Moon, by Sarah Dreher  
New Victoria Press PB \$12.95
3. Reel Time, by Julia Willis  
Alyson PB \$11.95
4. Birds of a Feather by Jackie Calhoun, Naiad  
PB \$11.95
5. Both Sides, by Saxon Bennett  
Naiad PB \$11.95

##### Fiction/Men

1. Friction 2: Best Erotic Gay Stories 1999  
Alyson Pb \$14.95
2. "model/escort" by John Butler  
Starbooks Pb \$12.95
3. Execution Texas, 1987 by D. Scott Travers,  
St. Martin's Press Pb \$11.95
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# INQ INTERVIEW



—Michael Craft

## The Craft of Murder

by Carl M. Szatmary  
of the IN Step staff

In the wacky world of publishing, lesbian mysteries have long been a staple while those by and about gay men have been few and far between. Other than Grand Master Joseph Hansen whose *Dave Brandstetter* mysteries are now classics in the genre, practitioners were rare. Still, Hansen opened the door, first for a few writers like Richard Stevenson, Michael Nava and Mark Richard Zubro.

Much has changed over the past few years as gay mystery writing has flourished, seeing an infusion of new blood: R. D. Zimmerman, Fred Hunter, John M. Wilson and Michael Craft, whose *Mark Manning* series has become one of the most popular in the genre.

Illinois-born Michael Craft spent 10 years working at the *Chicago Tribune*, although not as a reporter, as fans of Craft's mysteries might expect. Now Craft calls Kenosha home. His years have at the Tribune have reaped unexpected rewards. Having absorbed the milieu of the newsroom of a major daily paper, Craft has utilized his experience to provide the background for a mystery series featuring a handsome and gay investigative reporter.

Not that Michael Craft ever set out to write murder mysteries, "When I first conceived of *Flight Dreams*, even when I wrote it a second time, I wasn't thinking, 'This is a murder mystery.' When I initially tried to sell the book, I kept saying up front this is not a murder mystery. I got nowhere with it."

Craft's editor at Kensington Press advised him to turn *Flight Dreams* into a conventional murder mystery and make it the basis of a series. *Mark Manning* — investigative reporter — was born.

*Body Language*, Craft's third *Mark Manning* mystery was just published in May. Much of the success of the series is due to the tremendous appeal of Craft's unique and charismatic protagonist.

According to Craft, the inspiration for the hunky *Mark Manning* had always been simmering in the back of his mind. "The character of *Mark Manning* was there all along. All along I knew that I needed a hero. I wanted a hero of somewhat heroic proportion, at least intellectually and because I was working at a newspaper at the time, it seemed just natural to use an investigative reporter as the central character."

Craft's first *Mark Manning* mystery, *Flight Dreams*, was something more. Set against Manning's search for the missing heiress was a "coming out" story as well. Unlike the protagonists in most other gay mystery series, readers initially found *Mark Manning* at 39 years old and at the

top of his profession but unfulfilled in his personal life. Says Craft, "39 seems like one of those fearsome years for most people. By putting him at 39, I was putting him at a precipice."

Matters are further complicated when he meets handsome architect Neil Waite, "I had decided that his coming out was going to be the subplot of the story. All of the (*Mark Manning*) stories have subplots that relate to his personal struggles and personal growth as distinct from the action plot of each story."

*Body Language*, acknowledges Craft, is his most conventional murder mystery yet.

"It is very much a sub-genre of the "cozy mystery". The big difference here is that the cozy typically has no sex and no violence. While I generally shy away from violence in my books, they are plenty erotic." Craft chuckles as he designates this new sub-genre, "the erotic cozy."

What does the future hold for Michael Craft? Readers will be happy to learn that a fourth *Mark Manning* mystery is due to come out in the spring of 2000. The small Wisconsin town of Dumont, in which *Body Language* is based, will continue to be home to *Mark Manning*.

Yet, is there literary life for Michael Craft beyond the niche market of gay mysteries? Michael Craft would like to think so but has a refreshingly pragmatic perspective, acknowledging he may need to create a second series. "I would love to think that my books have a cross-over appeal, yet I rather doubt that out in the marketplace the *Mark Manning* series is selling much to straight readers. That's a fact of life." ▼

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## June 3 through June 16, 1999

### ACTIVITIES & FESTIVALS

#### Thursday, June 3

JAZZ in the Park - Outdoor Summer Concert Series (Milwaukee): This is the first of the weekly events to be held in Cathedral Square Park along Jefferson & Jackson Streets in the heart of East Town. There will be music for jazz lovers by some of the city's top players from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. You can bring a picnic or set up a table for a feast. Food and beverages are also available. FMI call (414) 271-1416.

#### Friday, June 4

Frank Lloyd Wright - Milwaukee Tour (Milwaukee): The weekend starts at 11 a.m. at the Milwaukee Art Museum with a display of the Wright Archive Collection, a catered lunch, a lecture and a tour of Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. There is a gala reception from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Frederick C. Bogk House. FMI & Tickets in advance call (608) 221-4111.

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.

River Splash - Weekend Festival (Milwaukee): This weekend festival uses the downtown area along the Milwaukee River. There is music, art, sports, activities and beer & food, of course. It runs from 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. through 6/6/99. FMI call (414) 297-9855.

#### Saturday, June 5

Beloit Pride Celebration (Beloit, WI): Stateline LGBT communities will jump-start the Pride festivities with a Pig Roast in the backyard of The Closet, 232 Shirland Ave from noon to closing (2:30 a.m.). Uncommon Grounds Coffeehouse will offer non-alcoholic, gourmet coffee concoctions as well as fresh fruit smoothies. FMI call (608) 363-8764.

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison, WI): Beginning at 8 p.m. Sharon or Bill will give Line Dance lessons and a review. From 9 p.m. to close there will be open dancing 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 (414) 540-1202.

Frank Lloyd Wright - Milwaukee Tour (Milwaukee): The day of self-driven tours to nine private homes starts at 10 a.m. and continues until 4 p.m. Tickets are available in advance by calling (608) 221-4111 or stopping at the UW-Milwaukee School of Architecture & Urban Planning, 2131 E. Hartford Ave. in Milwaukee.

FrontRunners Milwaukee - Weekly Run/Walk (Milwaukee): This weekly run/walk starts at 9 a.m. from St. Mary's Watertower. Join everyone for brunch afterwards. Everyone is welcome. FMI contact Bill Morley (414) 278-0787 or [wmorley@pmtnet.net](mailto:wmorley@pmtnet.net)

Green Lake County Llama Assn. - Country Menagerie-Animal & Craft Fair (Neshkoro, WI): This free event runs on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Pine Bluff Lamas & exotics, W5136 Pine Bluff Rd. There will be all kinds of exotic animals, exhibits, crafts and vendors. FMI call (920) 361-3228.

MAGIC Picnic Committee - Fund-Raiser & Dance (Madison): There will be a dance at Fyle's Corner Bistro, 1344 E. Washington Ave. starting at 10 p.m. and running through 2:30 a.m. DJ Ty will spin and there will be a cash bar. Proceeds go to the MAGIC Picnic Committee to help cover administrative costs. FMI call Brian V. at (608) 251-8700 or (608) 240-0891.

Milwaukee Highland Games - Scottish Festival (Glendale, WI): Witness athletic events such as the Hammer Throw. Listen to the music of the bag-pipe and dance a Highland Jig. Food & beverages will be available at Old Hiedelberg Park from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. FMI call (414) 796-0807.

#### Sunday, June 6

Miller Lite Ride - Bicycle Ride (Milwaukee): These 5-, 15-, 25-, and 50-mile bicycle rides for cyclists of all ages start at, and raise money for, the Marcus Center for the Arts. There is a post finish-line party for all entrants with live music on the Summerfest Grounds. FMI call (414) 272-RIDE.

#### Tuesday, June 8

Rainbow Summer - Opening of Concert Series (Milwaukee): Spend your lunch hour and Tuesday evenings through the summer at the Peck Pavilion of the Marcus Center for the Arts listening to the sounds of jazz, country, rock 'n' roll and other stuff. Food and beverages are available. FMI call (414) 273-7206.

#### Wednesday, June 9

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison, WI): At 7 p.m. there will be Beginning Line dance lessons with John C., at 8 p.m. there will be Advanced East Coast/Swing couple lessons with Kris, and from 9 p.m. to close there will be Open Dancing 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.

#### Thursday, June 10

LGBT Community Center - Tai Chi (Milwaukee): Beginning Tai Chi lessons. Start at 10 a.m. There is a fee required. FMI call Maggi Cage (414) 483-0622.

#### Friday, June 11

Asian Moon Festival (Milwaukee): Celebrate the year of the Horse at this largest outdoor Asian festival in the Midwest & the first of the ethnic festivals at the Summerfest Grounds on Milwaukee's lakefront. It runs through 6/13/99. Experience exotic foods, martial arts, music, costume and dance as well as cultural exhibits. FMI call (414) 821-5898. Cajun Fest (Milwaukee): Creole & Cajun cooking will be spotlighted at a fun-filled weekend at State Fair Park. There will be a midway, arts & crafts, vendors, & national & local Zydeco entertainers.

Greek Fest (Wauwatosa, WI): Held from noon to 10 p.m. at Frank Lloyd Wright's Saints Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 2160 Wauwatosa Ave. Experience shish kebab, Greek chicken, dolmades and other Greek delights. There will be music, dancing, raffles, & prizes.

G/L Community Center & Trust Fund - Annual Meeting (Milwaukee): The annual meeting will be held in the M&M Club Banquet Room at 12 Noon. Brunch/Lunch (\$15) follows at 1 p.m. FMI & reservations, call (414) 643-8330 by June 10.

#### Saturday, June 12

GAMMA - Social Volleyball (Milwaukee): Outdoor volleyball starts at Brown Deer Park. GAMMA members and non-members are invited to play between 1 and 3 p.m. There is no fee. Bring a beverage, some sunscreen and lots of enthusiasm. FMI and exact location call John at (414) 540-1202.

Scandinavian Festival (Racine, WI): The cultures of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway & Sweden are highlighted during this festival of dancing, singing and food at Racine's Festival Park from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sherman Fest (Milwaukee): There will be local, regional and national blues talent, as well as blues workshops, food & souvenirs at Sherman Park, 3000 N. Sherman Blvd. from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Also on 6/13/99.

#### Wednesday, June 16

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison, WI): At 7 p.m. there will be Beginning Two step lessons with Kris. At 8 p.m. there will be Folk Dance lessons with Dee, and from 9 p.m. to close there will be Open dancing 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.

### 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.

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

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Brunch from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

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

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

Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): Beer Bust (top beer \$6) 3 to 8 p.m. \$8 rail

mixers, \$10 call mixers, \$2 dbl. Bloody Marys & Screw Drivers all night.

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

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

The Ballgame (Milwaukee): Bloody Marys, Screw Drivers, Grey Hounds \$2.30. Tap beer \$8 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.

Cell Block (Chicago): WWF/WCW Wrestling. \$2 specials on micro-brews.

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!

The Closet (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. After 7 p.m. It's Guy's Night Out! \$1.75 well drinks, \$2.25 call drinks, \$1 Special Ex, and 50¢ Pabst on tap.

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

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

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Closed.

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

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

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

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

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour! 3 to 7 p.m. Pull tabs 9 p.m. to close.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Closed!

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

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

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

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

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 from 4 to 8 p.m. 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 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. 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.

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!

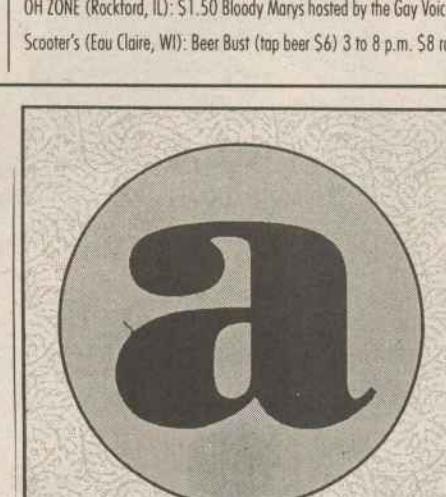
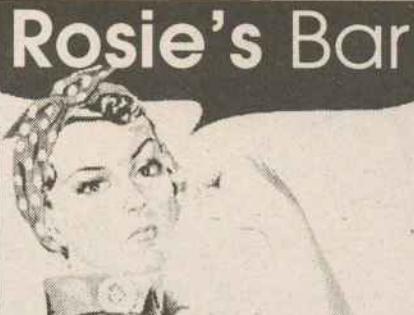
Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Hump Day! Everything's a buck. Open to close.

The Closet (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 Lite, \$1.50 tabs and \$2.00 bottles.

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# Art Review

## Kwint Essential

Let's face it. Abstraction, that once bold challenger to the hegemony of reality-based art, has sadly painted itself into a cultural corner. A movement that once captivated intellects with a stubborn insistence that painting was about nothing other than painting (surface, texture, color, form), seems bereft of ideas. The movement's original energy now idles in three distinct cul-de-sacs: the historically redundant, the minimalistly uninteresting, and the insipidly decorative.

Considering this, it is somewhat refreshing to come across the work of Kenn Kwint. This Milwaukee artist breaks new ground at a mindful, deliberate pace. For the most part he avoids the pitfalls of less wary abstractionists. Kwint slowly evolves a disciplined body of work that is neither prettified nor boring.

Kwint combines the obsessive scribblings of a Cy Twombly, the gestural force of Pollock, and the painterly concerns of the mature De Kooning. He is fascinated with primitivist markings, the intersection of lines, and the mystery that arises from the inscrutable hieroglyph. His colors range from the earthy tones of pre-Columbian clay vessels to papyrus-like whites and yellows.

There is much to be admired in this work. Kwint handles texture and tone with a confident sophistication. Standing before one of these paintings a viewer can feel he is at the threshold of discovery, like an Egyptologist when confronted with the first dark walls of an ancient tomb, or a spelunker deep within an uncharted cave. Have these strange markings arisen naturally? Or by the hand of man? Kwint plumbs the depths of enigma to retrieve an inherent strength.

It's unfortunate, however, that a show entitled "Purely Painting", strays from that ideal. Kwint's show could have been stronger with the omission of just a few works. "Survivors", a painting from 1997, crosses into gross figuration, looking totally misplaced next to such glowing abstractions as 1998's "Exotic Chaos". Though a beautiful piece, "Jacob's Ladder" borders too literally on Biblical landscape to be termed "pure painting". With their omission the exhibit would not only have been more intellectually consistent, but could have been given the more generous spacing that it requires.

But these are minor quibbles. Kwint's show makes a statement for the continuing vitality of abstraction. As I have always personally loved this genre, it's nice to see an exhibit that gives modest hope for its continuation.

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Kenn Kwint's "Purely Painting" is on view through July 4th at the Haggerty Museum of Art, 530 North 13th Street, on the Marquette University campus.

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Naples 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.

Zo'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.

Cell Block (Chicago): Big Buck Thursdays! \$1 well, wine, domestic beer.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Pain & Pleasure in the Pit. \$1.50 longnecks. Pit open.

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 Martini's \$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¢ tops. Listen to our new DJs Todd & Shawn.

The Closet (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¢ tops.

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.

Naples Lounge (Green Bay, WI): Pull tabs! drinks as low as 25¢ 3 to 7 p.m.

OH ZONE (Rockford, IL): \$1 bottle beer, 50¢ drafts.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): Grill open! 2-4-1 Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. Blue Moon stains are \$2 from 9 p.m. to close.

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

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2-4-1 cocktails 3 to 8 p.m. 75¢ tops from 9 p.m. to close.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Bottle and Can beers, 50¢ off. \$1 shots of cold Schnapps.

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

The Office (Rockford, IL): Beer \$1 Well drinks \$1.50.

The Trading Company (Eau Claire, WI): Super Bust! 9 p.m. to close. \$8 rail, \$10 call mixers, \$12 top-shelf mixers.

Triangle (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 5 to 9 p.m. 2-4-1 drinks! \$6 All-U-Can Drink Rail Bust!

Woody's (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour - 4 to 9 p.m. Specialty Beer Night \$1.50 per bottle from 8 p.m. to close (Sam Adams, Corona, Becks, Rolling Rock & More).

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

#### Fridays:

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 to 7 p.m. Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'.

Emeralds (Milwaukee): Friday Night Dance Party with DJ Bango. No cover before 9 p.m.

Fannies (Milwaukee): Envelope Night! WIN \$50 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 Tap 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.

The Closet (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m. DJ spinning the hits starting at 8 p.m. \$1.50 bottles and \$1 shots (Liquor and Schnapps).

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 St. 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 drinks over \$3.50, plus spin the Happy Hour Wheel from 4 to 8 p.m.

Cell Block (Chicago): Open at 2 p.m. Saturday Night Riot 'till 3 a.m. Holding Cell opens at 10 p.m. Freddie Bang 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'.

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 \$8 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:

##### Thursday, June 3

LaCage Triangle - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

##### Friday, June 4

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

##### Saturday, June 12

1100 Club - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

#### BOOK READINGS, CLASSES & CLUBS:

##### Thursday, June 3

LGBT Community Center - Book Club (Milwaukee): The book club meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. FMI call Center

##### Friday, June 4

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (2559 N. Downer Ave.): Lloyd Kaufman will discuss his memoir ALL I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT FILMMAKING I LEARNED FROM THE TOXIC AVENGER at 8 p.m. The Times Cinema, 5906 W. Vliet St will screen an uncut version of TOXIC AVENGER at midnight. FMI call (414) 332-1181.

##### Saturday, June 5

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (2559 N. Downer Ave.): Ray Suarez will read from his new book THE OLD NEIGHBORHOOD at 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 332-1181

##### Tuesday, June 8

Afterwords Bookstore - Author Appearance (Milwaukee): Michael Craft will discuss his newest mystery, BODY LANGUAGE, and Mark Zubro will discuss his new book DROP DEAD 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): Melissa Bank will read from her award-winning book, THE GIRL'S GUIDE TO HUNTING AND FISHING at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 963-3111.

##### Thursday, June 10

LGBT Community Center - Pink Ink Writers (Milwaukee): The group meets at 7 p.m. and is open to all LGBT writers, whether poets, novelists, essayists or whatever. Each person is given the opportunity to read his/her work in a gentle and supportive environment, and draw encouragement from the experience of others. New members are always welcome. FMI call V. (414) 444-0258 or CindyV@aol.com

#### Monday, June 14

Afterwords Bookstore - Afterwords Book Club (Milwaukee): The club will have a Book/Video Discussion of Roger Edmonson's, BOY IN THE SAND, with a special starting time at 8:30 p.m. Anyone who is interested may join in. FMI call (414) 963-9089 or check the web site at www.afterwords.com.

#### Tuesday, June 15

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (Brookfield, WI): Elizabeth Lesser will read from her book THE NEW AMERICAN SPIRITUALITY at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 797-6140.

#### COMMUNITY MEETINGS & EVENTS:

##### Thursday, June 3

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 &amp



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6 to 9 p.m. at the Center, 8 N. 2nd Ave. East, Temple Opera Block, Suite 309. FMI call (218) 722-8585.

#### Sunday, June 6

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

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 1st 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 Capitol Square from 7 to 9 p.m. Enter from the West Washington side of the court yard. FMI (608) 232-0528.

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

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

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

#### Monday, June 7

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.

GLBT Youth Pride Support Group - New Meeting (Green Bay, WI): This group will be available to youth every Monday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Renaissance Counseling Center, 311 Jefferson St. FMI call (920) 437-4325.

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

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

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

#### Tuesday, June 8

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. FMI call Chris (414) 225-1556 or Andy (414) 225-1502.

GLSEN - Regional Forum (Madison, WI): A listening sessions will take place from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Holiday Inn East, regarding School Safety. The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) and DOJ sponsored task force wants to hear from all citizens on issues about safety at schools, how to make them more safe, root causes of youth violence, etc. FMI call Greg Doyle at (608) 266-1098.

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.



The gang's all here! Photo by Chris

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.

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

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

#### Wednesday, June 9

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 Meuer 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 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, June 10

CAIR - Research Conference (Milwaukee): IMPACT OF MEDICAL AND NON-MEDICAL FACTORS ON PHYSICIAN DECISION-MAKING FOR HIV/AIDS ANTIRETROVIRAL TREATMENT will be discussed at 3 p.m. in the Conference Room at 2071 N. Summit Ave. FMI call (414) 456-7731.

#### Saturday, June 12

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

Integrity/Dignity - Gay Pride Picnic (Madison, WI): Join the Benedictine community for evening prayer at 4:30 p.m. followed by the picnic at 5 p.m. There will be music, volleyball. Food will be provided, but cash donations are welcome. The picnic will be held at St. Benedict Center, 4200 Hwy. M, Northeast of Middleton. FMI call (608) 836-1631.

#### Sunday, June 13

The Counseling Center - Dating in the Age of HIV (Milwaukee): A discussion of dating and the steps gay men can take to keep it safe, will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. at 2038 N. Bartlett Ave. A \$3 donation is required. FMI call Bill Hanel at (414) 271-2565.

#### Tuesday, June 15

Bi Definition - Social Discussion Group (Milwaukee): The group meets at the LGBT Community Center at 7 p.m. Topic: BISEXUAL COMMUNITY. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

BI Youth Milwaukee - Social Discussion (Milwaukee): The group meets at the LGBT Community Center at 7 p.m. FMI call Richard (414) 645-0402 or (414) 271-2656.

#### Wednesday, June 16

Wisconsin Corporate Alliance - Monthly Meeting (Milwaukee): This umbrella organization is made up of and serves corporate LGBT groups in Wisconsin and meets at 5:30 p.m. at the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

#### FILM, TV, VIDEO & RADIO:

#### Friday, June 4

The Times Cinema - Film & Book Tie-In (Milwaukee): The Times Cinema, 5906 W. Vliet St. will screen an uncut version of TOXIC AVENGER at midnight as a tie-in with Lloyd Kaufman, who is at the Downer Ave. store of Harry W. Schwartz and will discuss his memoir ALL I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT FILMMAKING I LEARNED FROM THE TOXIC AVENGER at 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 332-1181.

#### Saturday, June 5

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.

#### Sunday, June 6

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): From 2 to 3 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents 1886 - HAY-MARKET SQUARE RIOT, plus DALE BUMPERS (SENATOR FROM ARKANSAS), AMERICAN PATRIOT, FREE SPEECH TV.



On the town. Photo by Chris

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

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

#### Tuesday, June 8

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): At 4 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents OUT OF THE PAST, gay history produced by GLSEN and Kevin Jennings.

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, June 9

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): From 9 to 11 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents the ANNUAL FEMINIST AWARDS given by the State Chapter of the National Association of Women on April 24, 1999, at the Marriott in Middleton. Awards will be given to Barbara Lawton and Ed Garvey who ran against Gov. Tommy Thompson in the fall elections.

#### Saturday, June 12

LGBT Community Center - Lesbian Film Series (Milwaukee): Salon Anon Lesbian Cinema Series features videos of interest to lesbians at 7 p.m. \$1 donation requested. Featured film is WHEN NIGHT IS FALLING. FMI call Lynda Panka at (414) 376-9382.

#### Sunday, June 13

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): From 2 to 3 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents TAMMY BALDWIN from October, 1998, to January 6, 1999.

#### Monday, June 14

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Film Circle (Madison, WI): MID-NIGHT IN THE GARDEN OF GOOD AND EVIL, FMI: (608) 274-5959

#### Wednesday, June 16

Channel 10, WMVS - In the Life (Milwaukee): This LGBT TV newsmagazine series presents their Gay Pride episode, AMERICAN AS APPLE PIE 1999 at 11 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-1036.

#### MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

#### Thursday, June 3

Milwaukee Art Museum - Gallery & Construction Site Tour (Milwaukee): The tour will begin with UNDER CONSTRUCTION: PHOTOGRAPHY 1900-2000 at 5:30 p.m. and will be followed by a site tour of MAM's addition project. Free to MAM members, regular admission to non-members. FMI call (414) 224-3200.

#### Friday, June 4

Katie Gingross Gallery - Opening Exhibit (Milwaukee): The gallery will show its annual spring showing of EUROPEAN VINTAGE POSTERS through June. There will be a reception from 3 to 7:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 289-9255.

Milwaukee Art Museum - First Friday Finale (Milwaukee): The season finale of First Fridays will feature the acoustic quartet FROGWATER and the food of BARTOLOTTA three restaurants. Tours of the current exhibit will be available. MAM members \$5, non-members \$7. FMI call Avie Cumming at (414) 224-3841.

#### Tuesday, June 15

MIAD - Photography Exhibit (Milwaukee): PHOTOFLEXION II: THE MASTERS, drawn from the collections of the Doan Family & Doan Family Foundation, Inc., will be on exhibit through 7/24/99. FMI call (414) 291-8077.

#### THEATER ARTS:

#### Friday, June 4

Bialystock & Bloom - Opening Night (Milwaukee): Shakespeare's TWELFTH NIGHT will open in the Broadway Theater Center Studio Theater at 8 p.m. and run through 6/13/99. FMI and tickets (\$12) call (414) 297-9010.

Milwaukee Symphony - Classics (Milwaukee): Andreas Delfs conducts Martinu, Dvorak & Janacek at 7:30 p.m. Violinist Sarah Chang performs and the MSO Chorus also performs. Repeat on 6/5 at 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 291-6010.

#### Saturday, June 5

Danceworks - Open House of Studio 1661 (Milwaukee): Danceworks will offer free mini-classes, workshops, demonstrations and tours of their new home at 1661 N. Water St. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. At 7 p.m. there will be a SWING PARTY. FMI call (414) 481-2010.

#### Thursday, June 10

Ballywick's PRIDE '99 - Previews (Chicago): BREATHE, a new musical with a series of 7 musical stories celebrating gay men and lesbians is in preview at 8 p.m. Opening night is 6/13 at 7 p.m. at the Ballywick Arts Center and plays through 7/18. FMI & tickets (\$15) call (773) 833-1090.

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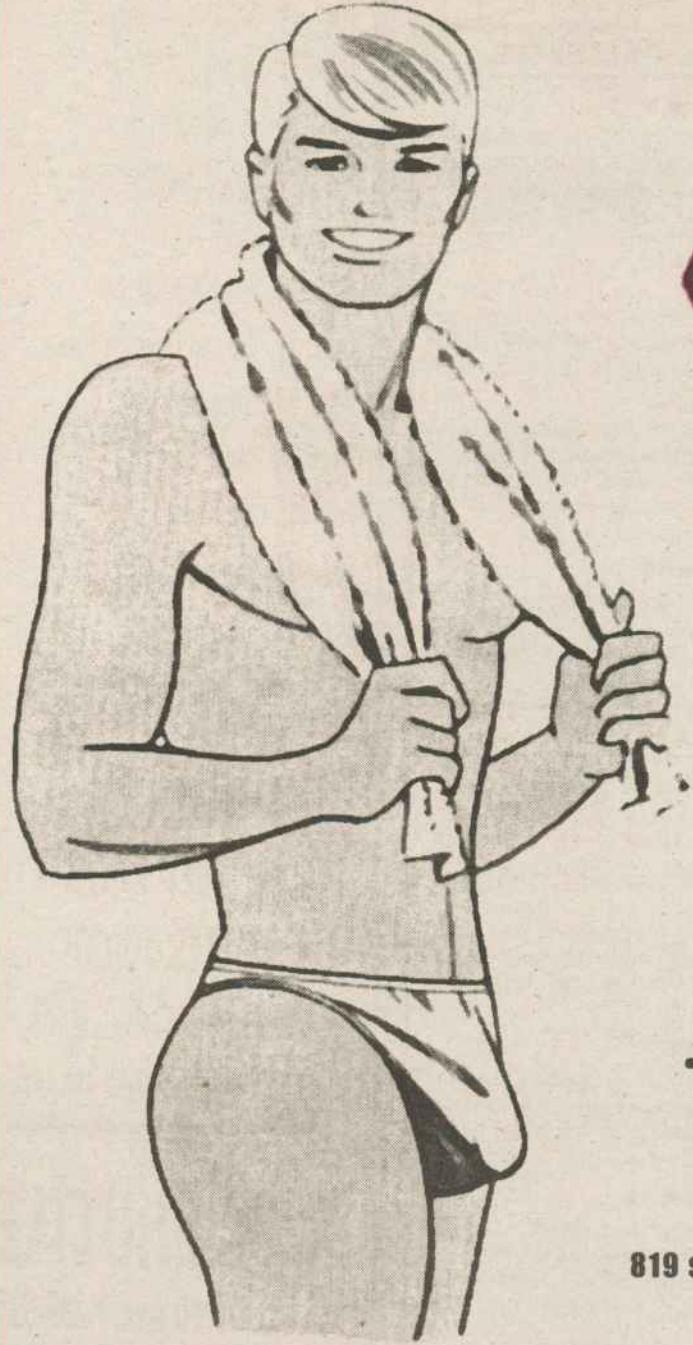
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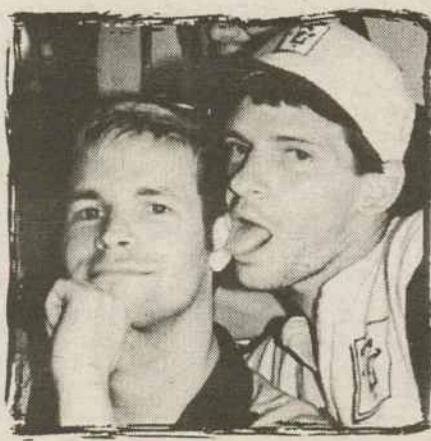
by Jamie

Here it is, Memorial Day Weekend once again. Many of us look at this weekend as just a three-day weekend and have forgotten the reason for this holiday. With the way war is fought today, it's kind of difficult to remember the thousands that gave their lives for this country of ours. Back during World War I, hundreds died every day fighting for this country. Today we're very fortunate that we lose relatively few during an entire war. The unfortunate fact is that we have to loose any at all. In any case, remember what this weekend is all about. I hope you took a moment...

This weekend also means the Milwaukee Classic was in town. Hosting tournament parties were the **Ball Game**, **M&M**, **219**, **Woody's** and **Switch**. I

was unable to hit every party, but the ones I went to were a blast. **219's SSBL Follies** were a hoot. Some of the "entertainers" gave drag a new meaning. M&M sunday brunch was busier than usual with many people discovering what us Milwaukeeans already know. M&M is the best place for brunch in the whole Midwest! Friday, Saturday and Sunday night there were hot softball players from all over the place were out enjoying gay Milwaukee nightlife. A few of them looked a little hung-over Sunday morning but still managed to play ball. Hmm, a gay man able to "play ball" on a hang-over...

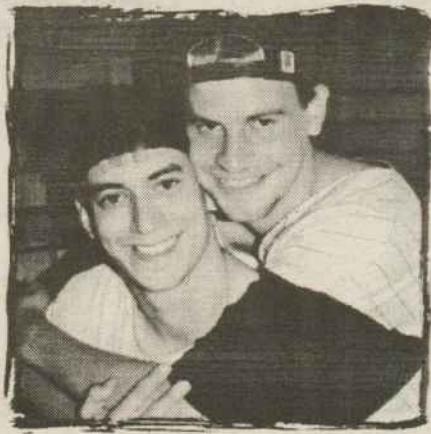
I went over to Wick Field and watched a few games. The weather was PERFECT. Sunshine showered over Milwaukee both days. After some time in the sun I went over to the best host bar for the games, **Dana's Field House**. (I think that's what it's called.) Anyway, **Matty** (Dana's wife) was there to entertain all of us boys. She is an awesome lady. This year she gave us the annual show by showing us her tits. Nice rack baby! I'm told she will once



Ear Lick. Photo by Jamie @ Milwaukee Classic



Birthday Boy. Photo by Jamie @ Triangle



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again, guest bartend for a benefit show at **Woody's**. **Steve** told me last year, she was a hit. P.S., thanks for the cocktail Steve! Matty told me this year was the busiest her bar has been, in the 17 years they have owned the club. I'm sure we will be welcome there every year. As far as all of the softball stats, check out this issue for those, as of deadline, I haven't been able to get those for you.

Milwaukee has a new club for us to check out and it's called **Switch**. I stopped in on Friday night to check it out and thought the place was pretty cool. They have a huge partially covered patio (about the same size as **Fannie's**) where you can party under the stars. I thought it would be cool to party there during a thunderstorm. You know where I'll be when we get hit with one.

**Triangle** had lots of events over the past couple of weeks. The final episode of **Melrose Place** brought in many of the show's faithful followers to see what will become of Amanda and the rest of the people on the show. There were two birthday parties at **Triangle** as well. **Lana St.**

**James** turned another year older and another year wiser throwing a party that was a blast. Also turning another year older was **Jim Jones**. He also had a great party with lots of people helping him celebrate. Speaking of birthday parties, it looks like **Jack Smith** (real estate agent extraordinaire) and I are throwing our annual bash at **M&M** this year. I'll keep you posted.

Over at **Afterwords Bookstore** there was a chance for you to meet some pretty popular writers this past weekend. **Julia Watts** and **Christian de la Huerta** were on hand to chat with and to sign your books. Hope you made it there...

That's gonna do it for this time around. I hope we have a long drawn out summer and I hope to take advantage of much of it. Enjoy yourself and as always, slower traffic keep right. ▼

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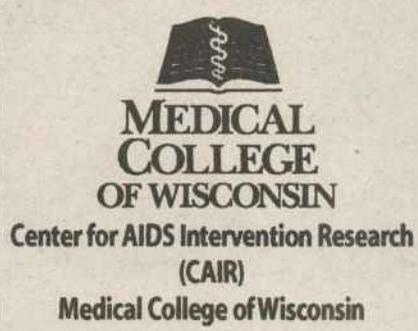
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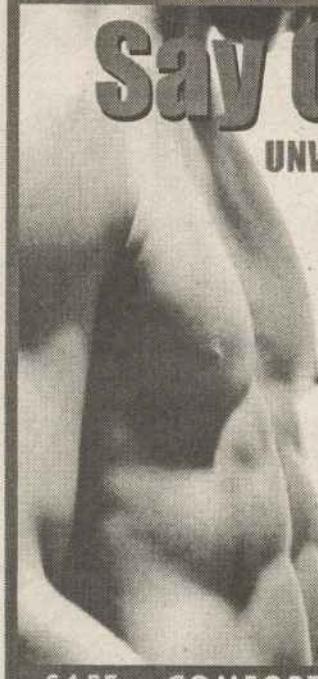
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## Humor

### Lost That Luvin' Feelin'?

by Kevin Isom

Lust may not last, but sex drives are forever. Just ask Bill Clinton.

So what happens when you've been in a relationship for a while, and slowly you notice — can we talk? — that you're buying condoms, lubricant and other assorted accoutrements way less often than you used to do. In fact, there's dust on the packaging, and you vaguely recall that near the beginning of your relationship you got frequent flyer miles for all your purchases at the local drug store or gay-friendly supply shop.

Then the realization hits: Bob Dole is having more sex than you are. And you don't even need Viagra.

It's a condition commonly known among women as lesbian bed-death. Among men, it's non-penis-envy.

Maybe you're thinking, "I got together with a man, not a boy. Especially not the Pillsbury Dough Boy!" Maybe he's thinking, "Hey, I married Mr. Atlas. Who is this skinny little roadmap?" Maybe you're both thinking, "Tell me again — why did I let this woman show up with a U-Haul?"

Perhaps you find yourself enjoying eyeing the guys at the gym just a little too often, a little too long. Perhaps he's decided to take dance lessons at one of the local gay clubs — and doesn't want you to come along. So while your partner's at his dance class and you're at the gym, you ask a guy you've met if he's had dinner yet. He hasn't, and after your work out, you go out. You can tell he likes you, and he finds you charming, a feeling you've forgotten you used to feel. You talk about the foibles of dating, like how you would only go out with a guy if he called within 24 hours of getting your phone number, and you begin to bond. At the end of dinner, he says, "I guess I'd better call you tomorrow, so I can make your 24 hour rule." You smile, and it feels good.

Now maybe you realize that you've got yourself a wee bit of a problem.

You could consult the experts. Like the author of *Husband Hunting Made Easy*, Patrick Price. In *Husband Hunting*, Price suggests that problems in the sexual arena in otherwise good relationships generally come from two sources: insecurity and boredom. (Though, of course, if the relationship itself isn't working, you've got a whole other set of issues. In that case, the no-sex scenario is just another step on the road to Divorce Court.)

If boredom is the cause, then the time apart, including dance lessons and dinner with a new friend, is a good

thing — an expression or reassertion of independence. You're combating the boredom, tickling your inner child, man-handling your manhood. (But if the dancing is an excuse to get out of the prison that is your relationship, and the dinner with a new friend is a cry for romance, then you're either really, really bored or back on that aforementioned road to Divorce Court.)

If, on the other hand, insecurity is the cause, try telling your partner that he's looking mighty tasty tonight. Or tell your girlfriend that you'd like to see her coming toward you in black lace and stiletto heels — carrying a whip.

In any case, don't forget to jazz things up. You might try turning off all the lights at night, opening all the blinds, and taking your partner on the living room floor. The open blinds add just the right hint of danger of exposure to spice things up, while the cover of night really does shield you from prying neighborly

**"Honey, does this look realistic — or even physically possible — to you?"**

eyes. (Note: This does not work in a ground floor apartment.) Houses with secluded, low-level (think fear of heights) balconies are good for this purpose, too. Bend over the railing, baby!

Along similar lines, a visit to a novelty shop wouldn't be a bad idea, either. A couple who buys toys together stays together. Or at least gets a lot of laughs. You'll ask each other questions like, "Honey, does this look realistic — or even physically possible — to you?" As a general rule, if the answer is "Hell, no!" then you've found a fun new toy.

If the relationship is a good one worth preserving, you've got to be willing to work on the sex part. That's right, work. Think of sex as an occupation with perks. It's a dirty job, but somebody's got to do it.

With a little luck and perseverance, you might well find that you haven't lost that luvin' feelin' at all. You only misplaced it for a while. ▼

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ISO A DADDY BEAR Versatile, 24-year-old bear, looking for older stocky bear, over 40, to get together with. (Janesville) **10421**

LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER 27-year-old WM, 235 lbs, brown/blue, masculine bottom, likes movies, hanging out and having a good time. Looking for a straight-acting, masculine top who wants to hang out and have a good time. (Milwaukee) **18743**

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE? Straight-acting, discreet GBM, 5'8", 158 lbs, looking for someone to talk to and hang out with. (Green Bay) **15245**

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RACE OPEN W/HM, 22, 5'10", 148 lbs, from Sun Prairie, looking for a Guy, 18-29, for hanging out, dancing and having a good time. Interested? Let's hook up. (Sun Prairie) **13190**

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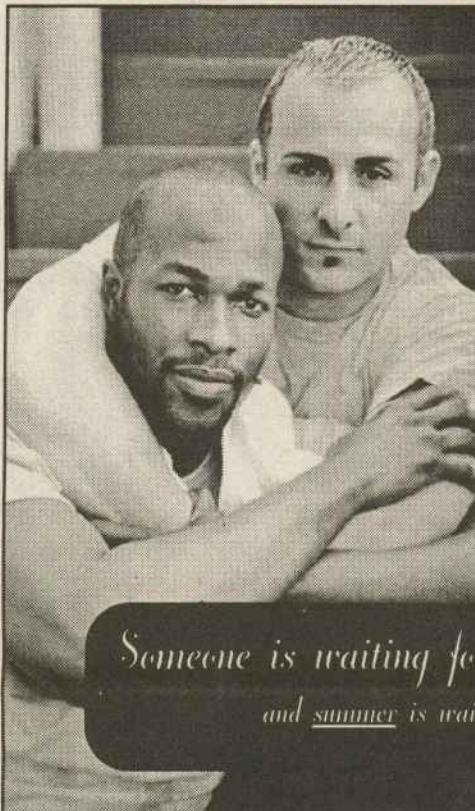
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YET TO BE DETERMINED 21-year-old WM, 5'10", 165 lbs, very attractive and in great shape. Looking to meet some Guys, in Sun Prairie, to hang out and see what develops. Give me a call. (Sun Prairie) **15530**

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 P.O. Box 159, 53201-0159 ..... 53202  
 Front Runners (Running Group) ..... 332-1527  
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Galano Club (chemical free recovery club)  
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 Membership Information ..... 264-9180  
 http://www.execpc.com/~mkegammma

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 Gay/ Lesbian/Bi Community at UWM  
 Box 251, 2200 E. Kenwood 53201 ..... 229-6555  
 Gay Lesbian Education Employees of Metro Milw.  
 (GLEEMM), Larry ..... 462-8404  
 Gay/Lesbian Studies UWM ..... 229-6402  
 Gay & Lesbian Tavern Guild  
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 Stephanie King, Carroll College ..... 524-6966  
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 Log Cabin Republicans (Gay Republicans)  
 PO Box 199, 53201 ..... 299-9443  
 MGALA (MU Graduates)  
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 Marquette LesBig Student Group  
 Campus Ministry, 617 N 14th St, 53233 ..... 288-6873  
 Metro Milwaukee Tennis Club (Scott) ..... 543-9643  
 Milwaukee LGBT Community Center (www.mileight.org)  
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 Narcotics Anonymous (request gay mtgs.) ..... 543-4850  
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 1532 N. Astor (c/o Murguia) ..... 963-9833  
 Outdoors Cooperative Sports Group ..... 963-9833  
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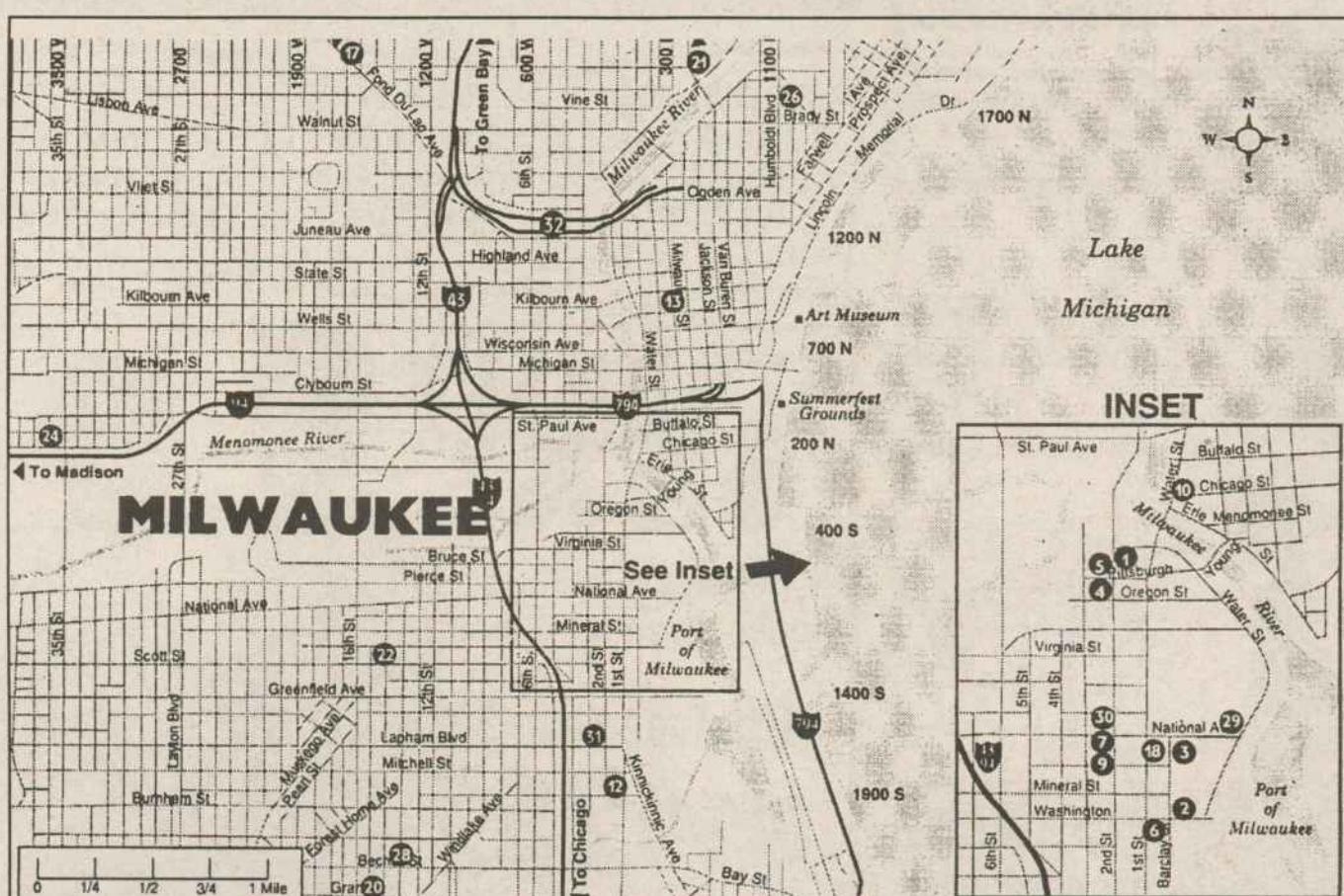
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 UWSP, Stevens, Point, 54481 346-4366  
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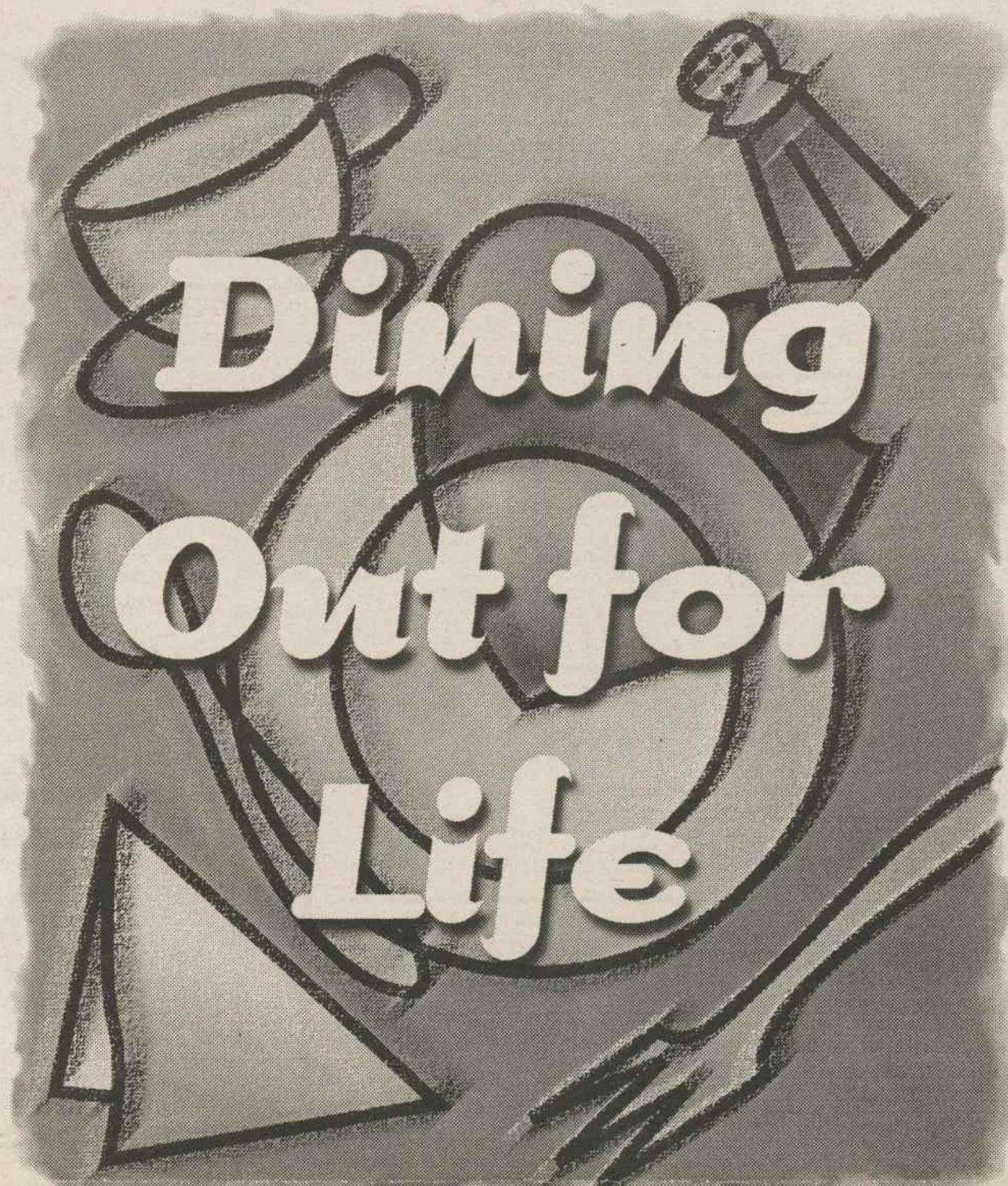
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