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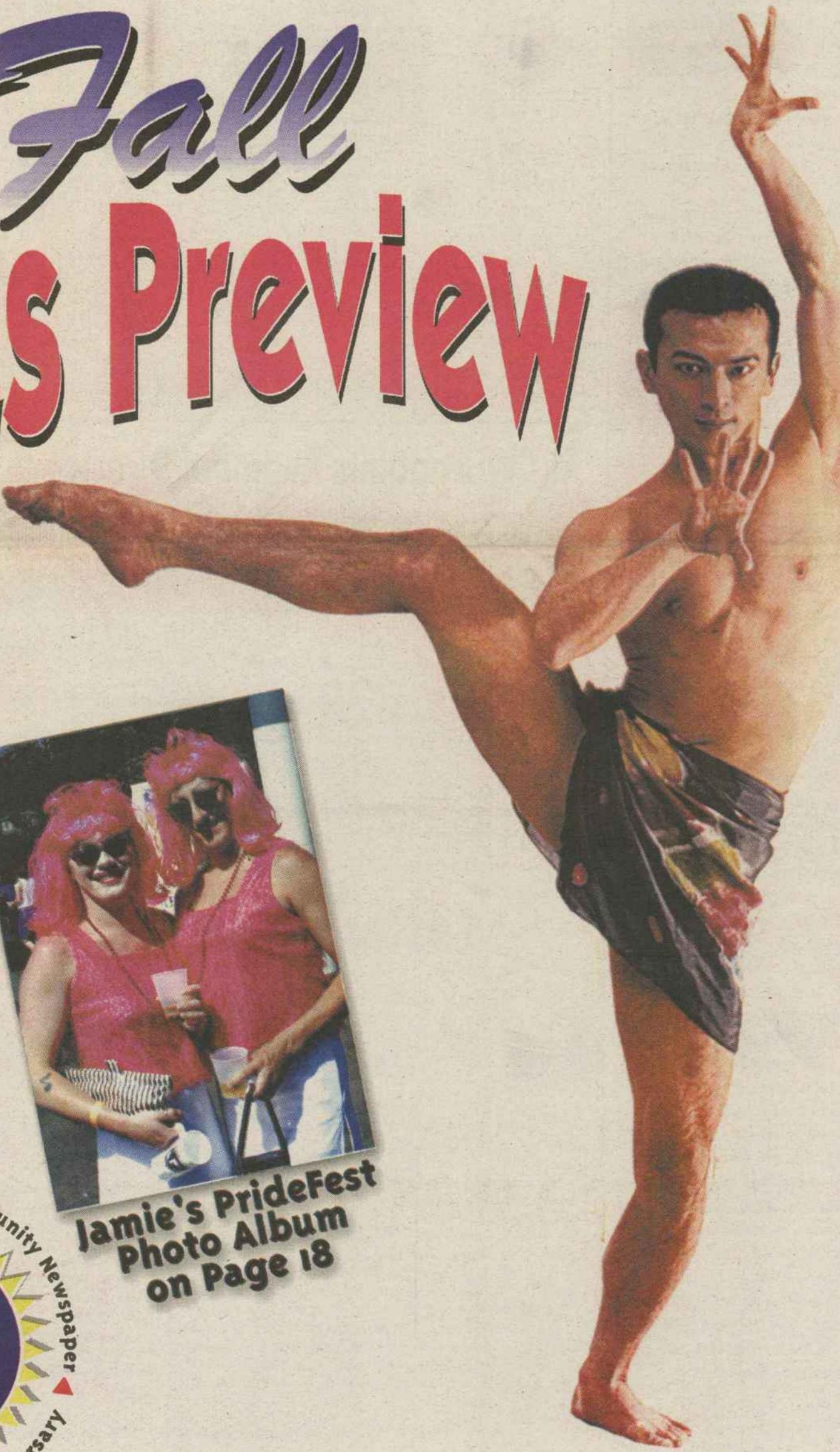
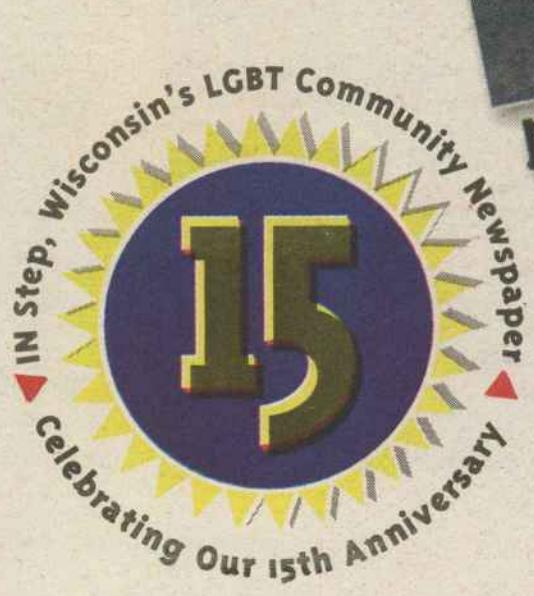
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Milton Berle Sues Over Gay Ad

Los Angeles — Milton Berle has sued a real estate company and a gay publication over an advertisement that depicts him in drag and implies the 91-year-old entertainer is homosexual, Berle's attorney said.

The Century 21 advertisement features an old photo of Berle wearing a dress while doing a parody of singer Carmen Miranda in a television comedy sketch, Berle's attorney, David Albert Pierce, said.

The advertisement appeared in the spring-summer 1998 edition of Lambda's *Out!*, a resource guide for the gay community. Lambda also publishes Chicago-based gay publications *Outlines* and *Nightlines* among others.

The caption of the ad read: "Our team of friendly professionals know how to cater to royalty ... after all, every queen deserves a castle."

"We are deeply concerned that a generation of Americans unfamiliar with Berle's classic schtick are seeing Berle depicted as a homosexual within the pages of this gay magazine," Pierce said.

The comedian is seeking \$6 million in damages from Century 21 Real Estate Corp. and Lambda Publications Inc. for defamation of character and unauthorized use of his image, according to the lawsuit filed June 4 in federal court.

United, American Airlines to Add Partner Benefits

San Francisco — Within hours of a federal appeals court's refusal to exempt it and other air carriers from San Francisco's domestic partners ordinance, United Airlines abruptly decided to offer a full benefits package to the partners of its gay and lesbian workers — a move it has been fighting in court since the law took effect in 1997.

The 9th federal Circuit Court of Appeals on July 30 upheld a lower court ruling that United, Federal Express and other carriers who have sued to block enforcement of the measure, must begin offering some — but not all — of the partner benefits immediately. That ruling does not include major benefits such as health insurance and pension programs.

In a press statement announcing the new benefits package, James Goodwin, United's CEO, said, "We value diversity at United Airlines, both among our employees and among our customers. We are not merely complying with the San Francisco ordinance as the court has ruled, but are offering a broader package of domestic partner benefits to our employees and retirees."

Goodwin also said that regardless of the final outcome of its court challenge to the city law, which the airline is continuing to pursue, the airline, which has 97,000 employees worldwide, will keep the new benefits package in place. "As we have said from the very outset, this case has never been about gay and lesbian rights," Goodwin said.

Thousands Throng to PrideFest, Parade

by William Attewell
of the IN Step staff

Milwaukee — Some marched in evening gowns, some in leather thongs, some square-danced, some danced to disco music and some had political messages. Whatever the method, thousands of people converged on Milwaukee's lakefront to celebrate their pride at Milwaukee's annual PrideFest held on Aug. 6-8.

Nearly 14,000 persons crossed the turnstiles at the Henry W. Maier festival grounds however, attendance was down nearly 9 percent from the high water mark set at the 1998 PrideFest. (see sidebar)

Threatening skies and rain on Saturday lowered attendance for that day organizers said. Both Friday and Sunday saw increased attendance over the same period last year.

Despite the lower attendance mark, the festival went off virtually without a hitch.

"I think this was the best festival we've had to date," PrideFest co-director Christine Klein told *IN Step*. "None of us were happy about the weather on Saturday, but the crowds seemed to have a wonderful time."

Friday night saw the finale of the 1999 Possum Queen campaign which raised a record-breaking \$41,725 for local charities.

The Wisconsin Pride Parade stepped off Sunday afternoon and was the biggest ever for the event with a record total of 64 parade entries.

"I am seeing more and more bars starting to do actual floats. That is fun. It is finally starting to catch on," parade organizer



Festival attendees have fun at PrideFest. Photo by James Taylor.

Sheldon Schurr told *IN Step*.

"It was so thrilling to just to be acknowledged. I get my reward just from seeing everybody so free and so happy to be there," Elna Hickson, who along with Bridgitte Vojsik also of PFLAG served as Pride Pride Grand Marshalls.

Robert Brucker, of the Triangle bar whose float won the Judge's Choice Award said after winning the award, "It was just fantastic, a lot of hard work and effort was put into the making of our float, and I am very proud of the entire Triangle staff."

PrideFest remained virtually free of any disturbances accept for Friday night which saw five women cited by the Milwaukee Police Department for disorderly conduct at the dance tent following an altercation. All were ejected from the grounds.

PrideFest 2000 in June

Although, PrideFest has seen success with in recent years with August dates, Klein revealed that PrideFest's 2000 dates will be June 9-11. According to Klein, the decision was due to the availability of the Summerfest grounds. Klein indicated that PrideFest would be held on second weekend in June through the year 2002.

ARCW Appoints Regional Director

Milwaukee — The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin has named Karen Dotson, an 18-year social service veteran, as its new regional director. Dotson will lead ARCW's comprehensive HIV/AIDS programs including prevention, health and social services, and research throughout Eastern Wisconsin.

"Ensuring that strong health and social service resources are available and are easily accessible for individuals and families with HIV is a priority for me," said Dotson. "I am deeply concerned that HIV rates are rising among young adults, women and gay men, and that people of color are being severely affected within each of these populations."

Most recently, Dotson was the director of Program Services at the Social Development Commission in Milwau-

kee where she managed a \$10 million budget and directed over 20 programs to assist low income individuals. Dotson currently serves as a board director for Milwaukee Health Services, Inc., and is a board member for Martin Luther King Economic Development, Inc. Other professional affiliations include volunteering with HMO Partnership, Health Watch, Health Start Coalition, Head Start, Target Cities and Access to Health Care Services Committee.

"We are thrilled to have Dotson as a top leader of ARCW," said Doug Nelson, ARCW Executive Director. "She's a seasoned and strong professional who will help us meet the new challenges of AIDS."

Dotson has extensive housing and educational experience and will provide oversight to ARCW's statewide housing



Karen Dotson

and health care training programs.

As a regional director, she will also concentrate on strengthening community relationships, promoting the need for aggressive AIDS prevention programs and working to advance public policy initiatives of ARCW.

Editor's Note

Welcome to our annual Fall Arts Preview Issue. In Section Q, you'll find a complete rundown of this fall's exciting performing arts scene. I am also very pleased to announce the launch of what we believe will be a new tradition for Milwaukee's LGBT community — it is called Nite OUT.

Nite OUT is ground-breaking partnership between *IN Step* and one Milwaukee's most prestigious performing arts institutions, Milwaukee Repertory Theater. In the same spirit as the popular Gallery Night and First Fridays, Nite OUT promises to be a special evening for our community to come together and to enjoy a night of theater and fellowship as well as a night out on the town.

The very first Nite OUT, a Milwaukee Rep performance of William Shakespeare's comedy *Twelfth Night* on Sept. 14 will be held in conjunction with a special benefit for Milwaukee's LGBT Community Center. Tickets for the benefit can be purchased directly from the center, by calling (414) 271-2656.

It is fitting that *IN Step*, with its unparalleled coverage of the arts, is the sole media sponsor for this event. It is a clear indication of our continued growth as a community. So, we encourage you to take the city by storm for the very first Nite

OUT on Tuesday, Sept. 14. Look for exciting news in coming weeks as *IN Step* announces partnerships with some of Milwaukee's finest restaurants and night clubs ... along with your chance to win free tickets to the Milwaukee Rep's *Twelfth Night* on *IN Step's* award-winning Web site at www.instepnews.com

In other business ... new in this issue you will find the premier of *IN Step* columnist Michael Johnston. I'm sure you will enjoy his monthly society column "Cordially Yours" covering the social scene in Milwaukee and beyond. Michael will compliment our popular night life column "Keepin' In Step" by Jamie. Speaking of Jamie, his wonderful photo essay of PrideFest can be found on page 18 in Section Q. Also in Section Q, you will find Jamakaya's excellent essay on noted lesbian author and historian Lillian Faderman. We're also very pleased that Green Bay's Mike Fitzpatrick has joined the *IN Step* team as a Fox Valley correspondent.

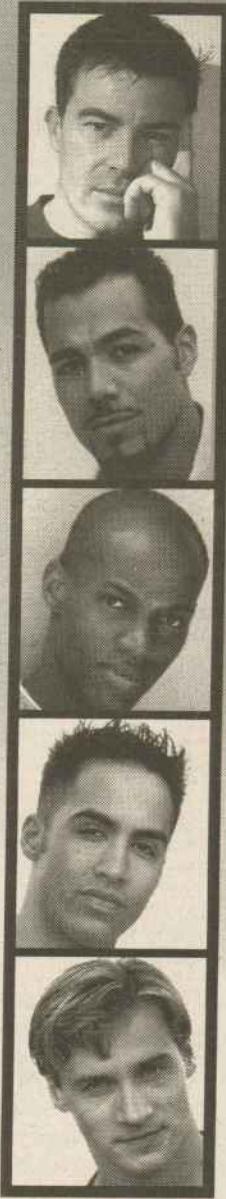
I'd like acknowledge those of you who came to me during the festival and praised the work we do here at *IN Step*. It's nice to get a pat on the back once in a while.

In that spirit, a word of thanks goes to the PrideFest volunteer organizers who every year donate hundreds of hours to make the festival a success. Again, they put on a class act.

An incredible high-five also goes to those "double ugly" Possum Queen girls, who raised a whopping \$41,725 for local AIDS and community charities. All I can say is WOW!

—William Attewell

On Our Cover: Milwaukee Ballet dancer Lee-Wei Chao in Kathryn Posin's "Bridge of Song"



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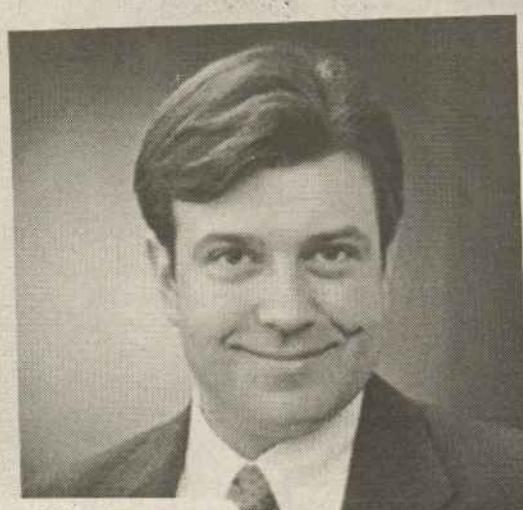
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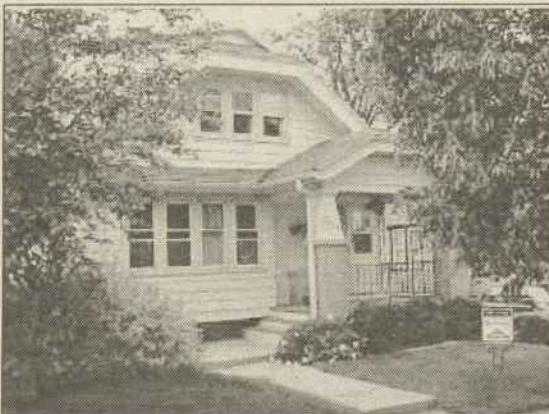
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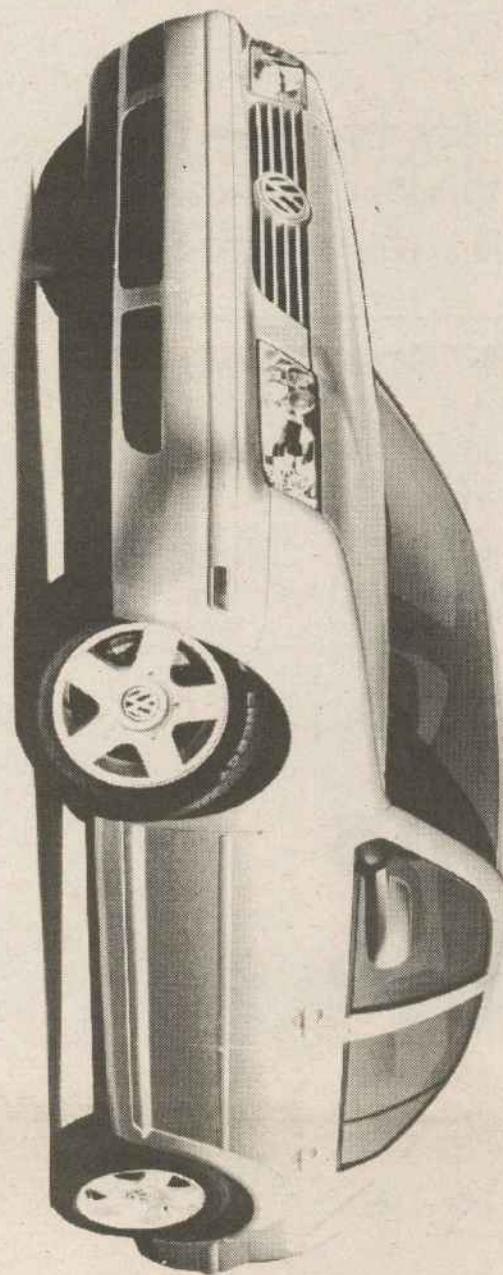


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Summers flowers are in bloom at this delightful West Side sunny Colonial. The large living room with bay window and the dining room are perfect for entertaining. The eat-in kitchen with ceiling fan and lovely wood cabinets has patio doors that lead to the deck and the landscaped backyard. All the bedrooms are good-sized, with the master having an airing porch. And, if summer gets to hot for you, you'll enjoy the central air.

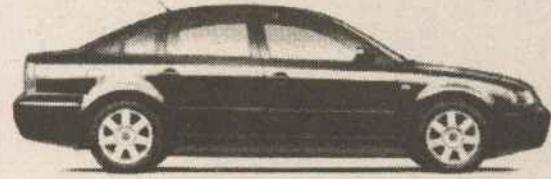


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You must see this immaculate West Allis Craftsmen bungalow! There is Old World charm with lovely hardwood floors and natural woodwork. The dining room has leaded and stained glass built-in china cabinets. The kitchen has been remodeled and has great oak cabinets, an abundance of counter space, a breakfast bar, and computer work station. The pretty and private landscaped backyard with brick patio makes this home complete. Don't miss this one!

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N.J. High Court Declares Scout Ban Illegal

by Keith Clark
of the IN Step staff

Trenton, N.J. — New Jersey's Supreme Court has declared that the Boy Scouts of America cannot bar homosexuals from membership in its youth group.

The state's high court unanimously upheld a lower court decision which ruled that the Scouts had violated New Jersey civil rights laws when it expelled James Dale from the organization because he is gay.

In a 1998 decision, a lower court ruled that the Boy Scouts' policy of barring gay scouts from the group was illegal under state law. In the decision, a crucial compo-

"THE BOY SCOUTS ARE NOT ABOUT BIGOTRY, THEY ARE BETTER THAN THAT. AND I'M GLAD THE SUPREME COURT HAS AGREED WITH THAT."

nent of the court's finding was that the Boy Scouts is a public accommodation, and thus subject to the state's strict anti-bias laws.

Dale had been booted as an assistant scoutmaster in Matawan, N.J., in 1990 after 11 years in the youth group where he had earned 30 merit badges and achieved scouting's highest rank.

Dale had been an active member of the Lesbian-Gay Alliance at Rutgers University, where he was a student, and was interviewed for a local newspaper article about the Rutgers group. When the Boy Scouts learned about his participation in the campus gay group, they expelled Dale despite his exemplary scouting background.

In siding with Dale, the justices ruled that the Boy Scouts is in fact a "place of public accommodation" because of its general, broad-based membership and because the youth group is connected with a variety of public agencies, such as public schools.

After learning of the state Supreme Court decision, Dale said, "It is what I always wanted. The Boy Scouts are not about bigotry, they are better than that. And I'm glad the Supreme Court has agreed with that."

Dale, now 29, works for a magazine for HIV-positive people. His lawyers argued that the Boy Scout policy violated New Jersey law against discrimination.

Officials with the Scouts said the organization would appeal the state ruling to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Attorneys representing the Boy Scouts in the case had argued that forcing the group to allow homosexuals in the youth organization would violate its First Amendment rights. The New Jersey Supreme Court ruling rejected that argument as well, declaring that expelling individuals "solely because of his status as a homosexual [is] an act of discrimination unprotected by the First Amendment."

Partnership to Launch Major Gay Web Site

New York — The Gay Financial Network (www.gfn.com), the leading online provider of financial and business news to the gay and lesbian community, and Out Publishing Inc., parent of *Out*, America's a popular gay and lesbian magazine, announced plans to launch *Out.com* (www.out.com).

Jeffrey L. Newman, president of *gfn.com*, and Henry E. Scott, president and editorial director of Out Publishing Inc., made the announcement. Newman will serve as president and CEO of *Out.com*.

The site, which is expected to go live in October, will provide a wide-ranging and constantly evolving mix of news, views and interactive features especially tailored to the needs and interests of America's five million gay and lesbian cyber-enthusiasts.

"*Out.com* brings together *Out* magazine, the largest gay print publication, and *gfn.com*, the most highly influential gay Internet player," Newman said. "This partnership of such immediately recognizable and respected brand names certifies the role of the Internet as the most important and most powerful place for timely, topical and cogent news, information and services to the gay and lesbian community."

'Low-risk' Activity May Drive HIV Spread

New York (AP) — Only a small percentage of new HIV infections among gay men are linked to 'high-risk' unprotected anal sex, researchers report. This suggests that 'lower-risk' practices, such as unprotected oral sex, may now be driving the epidemic.

"It is important to communicate clearly that these practices are not without risk," according to investigators led by Dr. Eric Vittinghoff of the University of California, San Francisco, and the San Francisco Department of Public Health. Their findings are published in the Aug. 1st issue of the *American Journal of Epidemiology*.

More than 10,000 new HIV infections continue to be recorded among US gay and bisexual men every year. Previous studies have identified unprotected receptive anal intercourse as posing the highest risk for HIV transmission among gay and bisexual men. Other practices, such as protected receptive anal sex and unprotected receptive oral sex, are assumed to be of lower — but not zero — risk.

Vittinghoff's team examined the sexual histories of 1,583 sexually active homosexual and bisexual men living in San Francisco, Denver, or Chicago in 1992-1994. All of these men regularly provided the investigators with detailed reports on the nature and frequency of their sexual contacts. Forty-nine of the men seroconverted (became infected with HIV) over the course of the study period.

According to the researchers, "unprotected receptive anal intercourse accounted for only 15% of all reported sexual activity" among newly infected men. "Providing that subject reporting was accurate, this implies that a majority of new infections took place via other types of contact."

Unprotected receptive anal sex remained the riskiest of sexual contacts among gay men, with a per-contact risk for HIV infection of 0.82% when performed with partners infected with HIV.

The investigators point out that this risk is double that of being stuck with a needle used previously by a person infected with HIV.

Other sexual acts carry a lower — but still significant — risk, according to the researchers. Risks for condom failure mean that the use of a condom during receptive anal sex reduces per-contact infection risks to 0.18%, not zero. Unprotected receptive oral sex, as well as protected and unprotected insertive anal sex, were each associated with a 0.06% per-contact risk of HIV infection, according to the authors.

Vittinghoff and colleagues speculate that "as (these) lower-risk practices become more common, they may play a larger role in propagating the epidemic."



Guernsey Gala Tally Tickles \$18,000

Green Bay — An overflow crowd at Buddies saw host bar contestant Hope claim the crown as head heifer in the 8th Annual Gay Guernsey Gala on Aug. 7. The month-long, "dollar-a-vote," benefit pageant raised just under \$18,000 for area programs and services of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin.

Gala founder, chief promoter and show hostess Elsie Bovine announced that Guernsey contestants and contestants had raised \$17,868. The total is a 49% increase over last year's pageant. Donations received by performers during the show were not included in the announced total.

Hope tallied \$9,323 to take the title. Katrina Kaye, representing Napalese Lounge, was first runner up with \$5040. Second runner up Kelli Jo Klein of Brandy's II collected \$1260.

The four-week contest was filled with events which included a steak feed, a casino night, a softball tournament, a polka dance, several benefit shows, raffles and

sales of thousands of "cow eggs."

"I am absolutely stunned!" Bovine said. "Even with one week less to raise money this year, the contestants just out did themselves. Hope's total was in excess of what the entire Guernsey pageant raised just two years ago."

Funds raised by the Guernsey Gala will be used by ARCW in its services to clients and prevention outreach programs to the gay community in the Green Bay area. 56% of the clients served by the northeast region of ARCW reside in Brown County.

Sharon Beckers is Gay Community Choice

Sharon Beckers was the recipient of the second annual Gay Community Choice Award (GCCA) Aug. 7. The award was announced during the intermission of the Gay Guernsey Gala show at Buddies in Green Bay.

Beckers has been active in the LGBT community since the 70's and has been known for her many acts of personal generosity. She is also a singer/composer and has lent her musical talents to benefit shows for over two decades.

The Gay Community Choice Award was created by area LGBT business owners and professionals to recognize the "unsung heroes" in the Green Bay Gay commu-

nity. The GCCA committee has been soliciting nominations from the community since last Spring. The group's board of directors determined the finalist last week.

Although the award has been announced at the Guernsey Gala for the last two years, the GCCA committee hopes to create a separate event for the award in the future.

Brandy's II, ROW Snag Parade Honors

Milwaukee — Brandy's II won two of the top awards at the Wisconsin Pride Parade on Aug. 8. The Green Bay tavern's entry took the best float and best use of the "Courage to Build Bridges" theme prizes. The float featured a huge suspension foot bridge, a spinning globe and dancing models.

Rainbow Over Wisconsin's "Wizard of Oz"-themed float took second place in the float competition. The northeast Wisconsin foundation's entry was pulled by a white limo carrying USofA and America pageant state titleholders Kelli Jo Klein and C. C. Domino.

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Cordially Yours

by Michael Johnston

Greetings — and welcome to 'Cordially Yours' This column will appear monthly in *IN Step*, chronicling Milwaukee and the world's 'nights of our lives.' **Bill Attewell**, editor of this publication, personally invited me to write this column. He jokingly pointed out that I attend more social functions in this town than he does! Well, what can I say?

On Aug. 1, I attended **The Cream City Foundation** (CCF) ice cream social. The gathering was held at **Switch**, Milwaukee's newest hip 'n happenin' gay bar. In fact it was the opening act that led into Switch's grand opening. Please keep in mind when making your charitable contribution to remember CCF on your list. The foundation will convert you green back in "lavender" and help LGBT causes throughout the entire state of Wisconsin!

If you're looking to have fun while on the town, make the 'switch' and add this new emporium of pleasure to your nightclubbing routine. Applause to **Craig** at Switch the **Miller Brewing Co.**, **Landmark Enterprises** and **Oscar's Frozen Custard** for all their good efforts.

PrideFest took place over the first weekend in August. It was a hot time in the old town and the temperature had nothing to do with it...

Personally, I started Friday off with the **Possum Queen Finale**. It is always a delicious way to start a fun-filled weekend and it does the ol' heart good knowing that not only are we proud, but generous too! **Charlotte**, you never looked lovelier. Saturday, of course, I had to take in the Bartolotta fireworks display brought to you by the **Miller Brewing Co.** And what's a celebration without a parade? It was delightful seeing everyone dressed up in their Sunday clothes...

Sunday, Aug. 15, **Birch Lodge** will be the scene of a birthday celebration for a group of **Lovely Leos**. Congratulations and best wishes to all the August honorees!

The **Astor Hotel** will be the site of the **2nd Annual Lambda Fund-raiser** on Aug. 20. **Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund** is a national organization committed to achieving full recognition of the civil rights for lesbians, gay men and people with HIV/AIDS, through impact litigation, education and public policy work. This event starts at 5:30 p.m. and is open to the public. An open bar and buffet is included for a donation of \$50.

On Aug. 28, the **Milwaukee LGBT Community Center** will hold its first major fund-raiser. The order of the day is an outdoor street fair. It sounds rather reminiscent of the old **MAPfest**. The party starts at 5 p.m. and continues into the night with food, beer and entertainment galore! All of this will take place right outside the center (a great way to get familiar with a great new "gift" to our community. Good luck, Neil!

And in conclusion to my "maiden voyage" in the glamorous world of newspapers — as I wipe the ink from my hands — let me remind you that the **10th Annual AIDS Walk Wisconsin** is just one month away. I encourage you all to join honorary chairperson **Danny Glover** and the hordes of other people — as we step into the future, a future without AIDS!

If you have a special event you'd like covered, or would like to contact Michael Johnston, please write to him at:

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Project Q Moves to Make Youth Center a Reality

by Dorothy Austin and William Attewell
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Milwaukee — In a matter of months, or at least before the end of the year, gay and lesbian youth apparently will have a metro-Milwaukee community center to call their own.

After weeks of behind-the-scenes discussions, The Milwaukee LGBT Community Center and Project Q have come to an agreement allowing Project Q to keep their identity while the community center investigates space availability and resources at the community center.

The Project Q movement was started to establish a center in which local youths from the early teens to 21 could develop and direct their own social, educational and cultural programs and now they appear closer than ever to realizing that dream.

"This has been a process that began at the community center three years ago. I think the center has wanted to deal with the youth and youth issues, but it just wasn't happening," Elna Hickson of PFLAG told *IN Step*.

Hickson, among others, serves as an advisor to the youth group.

Justin Lockridge, 19, a big man with a soft voice and a big vision, works at a Denny's restaurant in Waukesha. Kurt Dyer, a slim young man with spiky blond and a penchant for fashion and talent shows, has recently quit school to devote full time to Project Q. Eddie Brown Jr., 18, who describes himself as "the quiet one" is now entering his senior year of high school. Dyer and Lockridge are associate directors of development for Project Q.



Justin Lockridge, Eddie Brown, Jr, Neil Albrecht and Kurt Dryer. Photo by Dorothy Austin.

Lockridge feels there is nothing wrong with the adult LGBT community center, but believes the needs of youth, and many of their interests, are age-specific. For example, youths are interested in dances,

"The kids can do this and the kids have to do this for it to have any meaning."

movie nights, a library and computer lab, support groups with trained peers and adult mentors providing information about sexual identity, the coming out process, sexual health and other concerns. Also, many have asked for a drop-in center, with a coffee and snack area. And many teens prefer late night hours for socializing.

In addition, teens and young adults may need academic and skill-building workshops, career and job counseling, a job-posting area, health education, access to one-on-one counseling, and opportunities to learn relationship skills in non-sexual situations.

Gay-friendly organizations may be able to provide these workshops and programs to familiarize youths with community resources. The city health department, for example, has agreed to provide access to health screening and other programs. A large multipurpose room might accommodate these needs.

With a view to establishing a youth

center to fill these needs Lockridge wrote a grant proposal three years ago.

"But we did not succeed in getting funding," he recalled.

Since then, however, he and a core committee of 10 youths and a few adults have built a broader base of support among gay and lesbian youth and some supportive adults through conferences, schools and racially and sexually diversified groups in Bay View, West Allis, South Milwaukee and Brookfield as well as Milwaukee.

Now, Lockridge estimates, the Project Q could serve 300 youths if space were available, the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center is working with Project Q to make that a reality.

"Our combined resources will be a great benefit the LGBTQ youth in the city of Milwaukee," Neil Albrecht, executive director of the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center told *IN Step*.

Albrecht said he had met with some community center board members who were interested in the youth project, and would also consult with the building's landlord to see what space might be available.

"We now occupy only one quarter of the space on the first floor," Albrecht said.

He added that establishing a youth center near the adult community center would be cost effective and efficient.

Lockridge emphasized that the projected youth center is going to be a collaborative effort involving a number of organizations.

"It can't just be the community center and Project Q. It will include PFLAG, the parents and friends group, the Milwaukee Public School advisory committee, Bi-Definition, Cream City Chorus and other groups in the gay community," he said.

The management plan includes a youth committee responsible for developing and implementing programs. Among adult members of the committee are Elna Hickson of PFLAG, Jeff Kloko of the MPS committee, Michael Liskowski of Gay Youth Milwaukee (GYM) and James Pekul of True Colors, an ARCW youth outreach group.

"I think it is great, many of the youth who are involved were members of Gay Youth Milwaukee — it is a dream I have always had — that the kids should take the initiative and start something like this. I think it is great," said Michael Liskowski of GYM.

In addition, a governing board will approve programs and make sure they meet legal and financial standards.

Reminded that Project Q has a long laundry list of space requirements for the multipurpose room, Lockridge said, "We'll be willing to start small."

"The process has been very exciting. It was the kids and Project Q, led by Justin and Kurt — they brought this to a head. The kids have proven they can be trusted to follow through with their goals and that they can be trusted on this issue. The kids can do this — and the kids have to do it — for it to have any meaning," Hickson said.

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A Question of Gender

Issues of Identity, Family and Society are Overcome on Road to Acceptance for Transgenders

by Dorothy Austin
of the IN Step staff

Milwaukee — Once you've made the choice, male to female, or female to male, apparently the worst is over and the best way to live — for you, at least is in sight.

That was the verdict of some seasoned transgendered individualists who shared their life experiences at IN Step's Stonewall Tent discussion at Pridefest on Aug. 7. All seemed happy at this point in their lives, with bad times well behind them.

Laura, by way of introduction, noted that some societies have embraced wider variations of gender performance than ours has. She included some native American tribes, some Siberian tribes, some in Brazil, others in India, Oman and Bali.

Even here, she said, transgendered people are not homogenous, but include hermaphrodites, drag queens and kings, transvestites and cross dressers, male to female women and female to male men, transgenderists, pre-ops, post-ops and non-ops.

Then she invited transgender people to tell their stories.

Brenda, now over 50, is handsome, with tawny hair and a vivid smile. In childhood, he recalled knowing he was "different". He was fascinated with women's clothing. Eventually he married and thought that fascination would go away.

"It didn't go away." But he never told his first wife. After three or four years they divorced, "for reasons having nothing to do with" cross-dressing.

Later he married again, and this time he did tell his wife.

"That was one of the hardest things I ever did." They had an amicable separation.

"Then, three years ago when my brother died, I started dealing with it. For a while, I lived in constant fear. But now I know it's great to be who I am. With gays and lesbians and groups like PFLAG, I have a supportive environment."

Blake, a slim, boyish youth in blue jeans and a casual jacket, also knew from early childhood there was an important "difference." At that point she was "Mary."

"My mother used to have to fight to get me into a dress to go to school."

Once in a dress, she sometimes slipped quietly into the basement, took off the dress and donned pants to wear to school. And sometimes she would get sent home for showing up in pants.

Boyish though she looked, she used the girls' bathrooms at school, and some-

times the girls screamed at "a guy in here." By the time a teacher arrived, there was no guy in sight. She had used the facilities and fled.

"I didn't have any real violent torment by other people. Her male friends seemed to understand, she thought.

"They would crack jokes once in a while, but basically most people were courteous."

But later she could not get a job anywhere. She was a mechanic but could not find a job as a mechanic. And when she filled out an application for a job in a parts store, she saw, or thought she saw out of the corner of her eye as she turned away, the application tossed into the trash can.

"The jobs were all male dominated."

But now things are different. Mary became Blake.

"Now it's all come together, and I feel accepted," Blake said. As a male in a male world where her interests and skills led, he has no problems.

Another story tells of a similar transfer, but his was from male to female.

From the time he was three years old, he knew he was inescapably different from other three year old boys. But he kept the secret, and through most of the school years, he kept to himself, closeted.

Finally, after an inner struggle, he came out to his parents in his teens, and they were "upset." At 18, when it was clear that he would not or could not change, he was thrown out of his parents' house and never went back.

"At 18, I was homeless and jobless," he said. And at 19, he was still homeless and jobless, probably because of low self-

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esteem. But then, freed, he began to learn more about sexuality and identity

"Then I decided to live as a woman, and went all the way, with hormones, to be female, and at 20, changed my name to Crystal."

Now Crystal is a slim and willowy 23, with an elegant upswept hairdo, and is satisfied at the beginnings she has made in seeking the life that expresses her identity as a woman.

"I've kept jobs longer as a woman, and I've had better luck as a woman with women than I ever had as a man," she said. She is now a "lesbian identified woman."

Unlike her peers on the transgender panel, Carol is exploring her options, and



Bi

Transgender participants of a workshop at IN Step's Stonewall Tent at PrideFest. Photo: Dorothy Austin

is not committed to a clear-cut choice of sexual identity.

A pleasant young person with a crisp short haircut, a decisive air and a Bi-Definition T-shirt, she said she is exploring what it feels like to be male.

"It feels good to have an option," she said, and added, "It hasn't been clear-cut for me, but now I feel comfortable with my sexuality and identity."

She said she had some interests which are traditionally male, and others which are considered exclusively female.

"I like dolls and trucks, and wish I had been required to work in the yard. I don't have to think about kids, and I live far away from my parents. I feel free to be myself."

"I think of myself as a man and feel independent, and I don't have to be sensitive to everyone else. It's nice to be myself among transgendered people."

Laura's story varied from others

because children were involved and that has made all the difference.

"I know about gender problems from a long time ago, and recall something I could never talk about," Laura said.

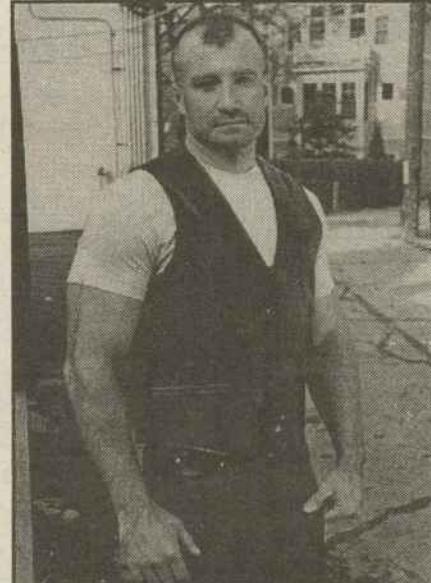
"When I was older I married the first person I could and never told her. We had two kids and I've been able to be mother and father to two kids, the best thing that ever happened to me," she said.

Now the children are no longer children.

"Now both are in college and I can live my life. That's now people know me, male to female."

She said that the children handled her transgender identity well, better than older people, but that her relationship with her family is tough. ▼

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IN LETTERS

Walk This Way

To The Editor—

A new and disturbing challenge in the fight against AIDS is a growing national complacency about the HIV epidemic. Because death rates are down, much of America is quick to declare an end to an AIDS crisis it never wanted to acknowledge in the first place.

Many people are walking away from the fight against AIDS at a time when HIV caseloads are the highest ever and aggressive prevention strategies are desperately needed to combat increasing HIV infection rates, especially among a new generation of young Americans.

On September 12, Wisconsin can make a national statement that AIDS complacency does not exist in our state. By turning out in record numbers for AIDS Walk Wisconsin, we can affirm to the country that Wisconsin won't walk away from the AIDS epidemic.

When the AIDS Walk began 10 years ago, we had no idea that it would become Wisconsin's most successful single-day fund-raising event raising over \$5 million for AIDS prevention, care, and research.

The Walk has also become a powerful day of solidarity with at least 10,000 people walking to honor those whom we have lost to AIDS and to renew their commitment to the fight against HIV.

On September 12, actor and activist Danny Glover will lead AIDS Walk Wisconsin. I urge everyone who cares about AIDS to join us by registering at 800-348-WALK or online at www.arcw.org.

Together, we will tell the country that Wisconsin will not quit this epic battle until a world without AIDS is finally won.

Doug Nelson

Exec. Director, AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin

Nude Beach Ammo

To The Editor—

Regarding your article about Ralph Ovadal's plan to blockade the Mazo nude beach, I found it quite interesting that some gay people seem to repeatedly fall into his trap and those of others like him. I am referring to the section where Mr. Wagner states that if people have comments about harassment by the DNR they can write him or check the "cruising for sex" Web site where he has posted information. Anyone else see the irony in that? He is blatantly making a case for Ovadal and his followers.

For that matter, I did not know that

nude beaches and cruising sites were synonymous entities. By placing this information on that site (and in a prominent gay newspaper), he is essentially reinforcing the stereotypes that so often are thrown in our face when we fight for our basic rights — that we are all interested in casual public sex. It is also reasonable to suggest that many, if not all, of the straight people that go to that beach do not want that characterization either. This may even alienate needed allies.

I personally have nothing against the nude beach. If there is cruising going on though, or even "advertisement" that seems to intimate that, the argument for why the beach should stay will never be won. Some are handing the opponents the ammunition to kill it by creating the impression that this behavior seems to not only be condoned but also should be publicly announced and celebrated.

The following analogy may shed some light on the situation. If someone was complaining because the police were harassing them on Madison's State Street because sometimes drug transactions occur there, they probably would not post complaints about it on a website called lookingfordrugs.com.

It seems that GLBT people are often their own worst enemies. They want rights but are unwilling to recognize the power of cause and effect and public perception.

Mark Schwingle
Madison

D.P. Thanks

To The Editor—

On July 13, our community made history when it successfully struggled to pass Milwaukee's Domestic Partnership Registry for gay and lesbian couples. The Domestic Partnership Task Force, the grassroots coalition that organized the victorious campaign, extends heartfelt thanks to all who joined the movement to recognize and value same-sex couples. Judging by the turnout and enthusiasm at the July 27 victory party, domestic partnership is clearly an issue to which our community is deeply committed.

The Domestic Partnership Task Force extends its appreciation to all who helped make the registry a reality, including: the three dozen religious leaders who personally endorsed the registry, including Rev. Joe Ellwanger, Rev. Sandy Jacobs, Rev. Sandra Herrmann, and Bob Clarke; labor leader supporters like Milwaukee Labor Council President John Goldstein and SEIU Local 150 President Dan Iverson;

business leadership from people like Jill Zoromski, Vice President of Human Resources, Deluxe Data; the countless community members who prepared mailings, leafleted, phone-banked, called their alderpersons and otherwise ran circles around our out-of-town antigay opponents; IN Step and WI Light, which provided extensive coverage; Task Force donors; the dozen-plus coalition partners — and most of all — the lesbian and gay couples who bravely shared their commitment to the world to make Milwaukee a more tolerant place.

Of course we must also thank the ten alderpersons who voted yes. First and foremost, Ald. Mike D'Amato, the registry's sponsor and tireless advocate, and original co-sponsors Alds. Henningsen & Butler. Also to be thanked are Alds. Gordon, Witkowiak, Murphy, Frank, Richards, Johnson-Odom and Pratt. All can be reached at (414) 286-2221. Thanks must also be extended to Mayor John Norquist, (414) 286-2200, who quickly signed the measure.

Patrick Flaherty, Jean Ligocki, Paul Williams
Domestic Partnership Task Force Co-chairs

P.S. Milwaukee's lesbian and gay couples are invited to a special observance of the registry's first day. Come and celebrate your commitment on this historic occasion! Call the Task Force hotline at 225-1621 for more information.

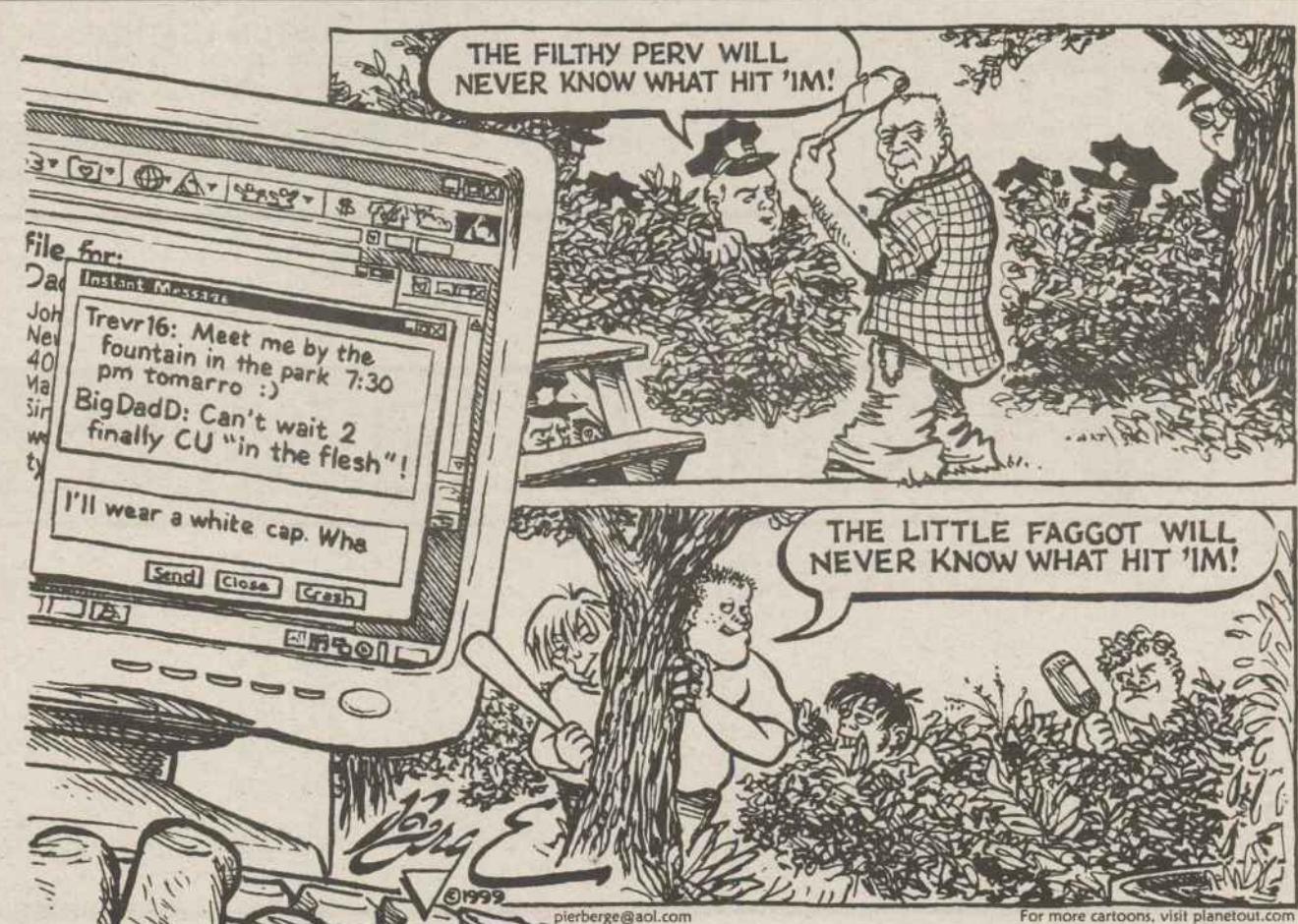
Jamakaya Kudos

To The Editor—

I look forward to reading Jamakaya's articles precisely because they address tough issues, as, "Where's the Beef?" The July 29 - Aug. 11 issue was particularly interesting, because it addressed the issue of political activism as well as the whining of some African-Americans who resent gay activists who cut their teeth on the civil rights movement of the '50s and '60s. Their actions make the discussion sound like blacks invented social action.

Although various gay sources were mentioned in the article, and more could have been added, I want to praise Jamakaya for pointing out the socialist roots of social action for justice.

David Runyon
Madison



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Gay Rodeo to Gallop into Northern Illinois

Chicago — Cowboys and cowgirls from across the United States will converge in Northern Illinois on Aug. 26-30 to compete in the Illinois Gay Rodeo's 1999 Windy City Rodeo, a Bud Light/IGRA Sanctioned Rodeo.

The rodeo will again be held at the Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake, Illinois. The fairgrounds are located on Illinois Route 120 (Belvedere Road) just off I-94 (the Tri-State tollway) at US Highway 45. The fairgrounds has a full kitchen and will also have a vendor mall and dance area.

First time contestants may register at this time — contact ILGRA at (773) 529-4962 to learn how to sign up. Also that evening, ILGRA will be hosting the Windy City Welcome Party at the Holiday Inn. The Welcome Party will feature performances by entertainers from around the country.

Admission to the rodeo is \$15/day, and parking is free. The Happy Hour Parties are \$10/day. A weekend pass is available for \$40 and includes admission to the rodeo and Happy Hour Parties both days. All other events are free. Tickets can be ordered in advance by calling the rodeo hotline at (773) 529-4962 or charge by phone by calling Box Office Tickets at (800) 494-TIXS. Tickets will also be available at each event.

Madison's Pink Party Starts Recruiting Drive

Madison — Planning for The Pink Party is already starting. It takes a good half-year, a lot of people and a great deal of commitment for everything to fall into place. If you want to be a part of this exciting event, the time is now. OutReach is looking for volunteers to serve on the Special Events Committee that plans the event. This committee deals with everything about the party, from location to decoration to entertainment, and you can be part of that process.

Last year over 1,200 people attended The Pink Party. They danced, drank champagne, saw old friends and brought in the New Year right. This year OutReach is expecting even more revelers and even more fun. But we can't do it without you. Last year only about three dozen people did all the work to make the event happen. That's not a lot of volunteers to pull off an event of the magnitude of The Pink Party. It worked, but more people more actively involved will make it an even better event this year.

The first meeting of The Pink Party committee is Aug. 12 at 5:30 p.m. at the OutReach office, 600 Williamson St. For more information call Callen Harty at (608) 255-8582.

Every year, a favorite activity at PrideFest is the community game of "should." You know: This group should do this, and that organization should do that. Far be it for me to tell anyone what that should do or should not do, but I do have a wish list:

I wish that PrideFest would condense the festival grounds, the expansion to the Harley Davidson Stage simply spreads all the action out — I'd rather be rubbing shoulder to shoulder — wouldn't you? I also wish that PrideFest would bring in one new, name headliner for Saturday night, let's give people a reason to come down, rain or shine.

Milwaukee could also benefit from a gay theater group. It has been years since the LGBT community here has had a theater company producing plays just for us. Wouldn't it be wonderful if someone in our community had the courage to break a leg?

I wish that Milwaukee had an official LGBT hotline — perhaps run through LGBT Community Center — where people can get referrals to appropriate organizations and resources. With all due respect to the Ralph Navaro's Information Services and the (defunct?) GPU Hotline ... this need has not been met for years. Hey, even the queer youth know how to run a hotline, why can't the adults get their act together?

I wish someone would do something about those communi-

Editorial

ty awards given out each year — you know those Cream City Brick Awards, the PrideFest Awards, HRL Awards, Red Rose Awards, ect. — what would happen if new names got some awards? I realize that all the recipients are always truly worthy, but I also know there are dozens of individuals and organizations doing the great work who have never been recognized. It seems these awards are more like a travelling trophy given to the same 20 individuals and groups year after year after year ... yawn.

Finally, in the week preceding PrideFest, someone plastered pro-gay posters on nearly 15 buildings in the Third Ward. The knee-jerk reaction by some in our community was that it was a clever plot hatched by the religious right to make us look bad. Unfortunately, Ralph Ovadal is not that smart. It sadly appears the culprit was actually a member of our own community. Some of the posters were clearly offensive — and the malicious, stupid act of vandalism gave our community a black eye just before our pride festival. My wish is that those responsible get exactly what they deserve. ▼

—William Attewell



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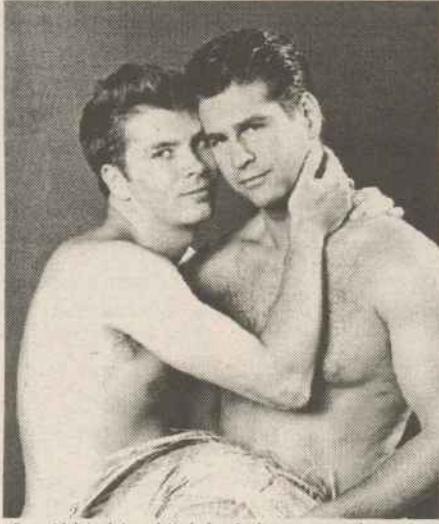


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IN THE LATEST DISH



Ryan Idol (right) and Nicholas Conlon are currently starring in "Scent of Rain" at Chicago's Bailiwick Theater.

Ryan Idol Bushwacked

Stage actor and well-known porn god **Ryan Idol** and a companion were attacked in Chicago in late July by four youths shouting antigay epithets.

Idol and **Steve DeKorne**, director of marketing for Actors Theatre of Phoenix, who met Idol after a show at the Bailiwick Theater earlier that evening, went for a late snack at Subway on Clark and Fullerton around 2:15 a.m.

DeKorne said the comments from the four customers, who were all white and in their early 20s, started getting increasingly abusive. One woman said "fucking faggots," and another asked DeKorne if the two men were a couple according to a report in *Outlines*, a Chicago gay paper.

As soon as DeKorne and Idol exited the Subway, they say they were ambushed

by four young men. DeKorne said Idol was trying to distract the men — DeKorne is much smaller and Idol is a former boxer. Idol punched back, knocking one of the men out. Then the three remaining men started attacking Idol, leaving him bloody and needing five stitches. DeKorne tried to intervene, but Ryan shoved him out of harm's way. DeKorne said Idol really saved him from being hurt. When police arrived, the attackers scattered.

Idol, who stars in Bailiwick's *Scent of Rain*, admits that he has a temper and a violent past. But he says this was an unprovoked hate crime, pure and simple. He hopes that because the police did get the names of the women, and they likely know the attackers, the men can be charged in this attack.

Chicago Gay Newspaper Cat Fight

If you the gay newspaper cold war in Wisconsin is rough ... take a look at what's erupted down in Chicago. The *Windy City Times* was hit by a walkout of at least 13 of the writers, editors, photographers and advertising staff coupled with the announcement that they would be joining the Novus Publishing Group, headed by businessman **Jerry Matustik**, in putting out a new weekly paper, the *Chicago Free Press*.

According to several sources, the staffers walked out because of long-standing problems with getting paid by WCT publisher **Jeffrey McCourt**.

But McCourt, in a news release, denied a payroll problem and said all the paper's workers "were paid in full ..."

including bonuses with their checks." He said the walkout was "part of a carefully orchestrated plan to devalue, if not destroy" his newspaper.

Sources close to the dispute, however, said there were no checks for the newspaper's workers when they walked out and that McCourt has long had troubles paying staffers.

Among the WCT staffers who bailed out were the paper's managing editor, **Lisa Neff**, formerly of the St. Louis-based *News Telegraph*, and highly respected syndicated columnist **Paul Varnell**.

The new *Chicago Free Press* is slated to put out its first issue in late August with an initial press run of 26,000.

McCourt quickly announced that he had filled five of the vacant posts and would continue publishing *Windy City Times*.

Gay Men are Bigger

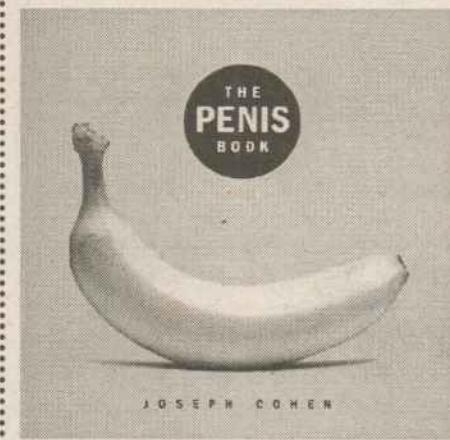
Gay men may have larger penises than non-gay men, according to a study to be published in the August issue of the *Archives of Sexual Behavior*.

The study analyzed data collected more than 60 years ago by the Kinsey Institute for Sex Research, and concluded that, on average, the penises of gay men are one-third of an inch longer and one-tenth of an inch wider when erect than those of straight men.

Some gay men have seized on early reports of the study, gleefully e-mailing friends with the news, but **Dr. Tony Bogaert**, lead researcher of the study, cautioned, "Based on the data, it seems that there may be a small difference in the average size, but there is a significant amount of overlap."

Because each participant in the Kinsey studies measured and reported his own penis size, Bogaert suggested that gay men might have tended to exaggerate their size "in order to conform to an ideal standard of sexual attractiveness."

Personally, I just can't believe that someone would ever embellish something like that...



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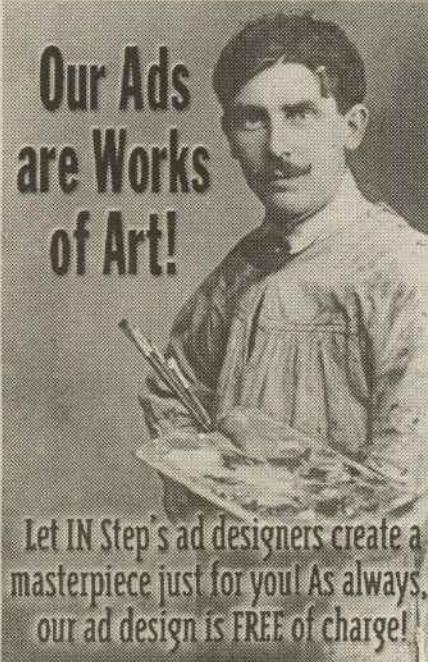


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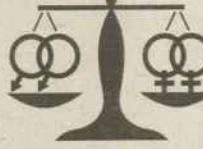
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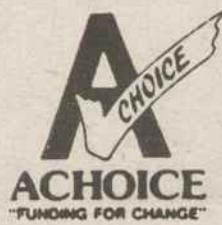
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Variety 2000 Series
Continues**

Milwaukee — The Charles Allis Art Museum and the Music from Almost Yesterday Ensemble present "The Self Turned Inside Out: Surrealism and Expressionism," the second of their four multi-disciplinary programs in the Variety 2000 series. In the second part of this series, the issues of psychological turmoil dominate artistic expression. Guests will gather on the Museum terrace afterwards for specialty coffees and browse through literature provided by Woodland Pattern Books.

"The Self Turned Inside Out" is one performance consisting of approximately 90 minutes, and it is repeated on each of the following dates: Saturday, Aug. 21 at 8 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 22 at 3 p.m., Friday, Aug. 27 at 8 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 28 at 8 p.m. Part One was entirely sold out in July, so the public is encouraged to reserve early for Part Two in August. Tickets are \$8 general public, \$6 for FOCAL members and seniors over age 62. Students are free. For further information or to reserve, call (414) 278-9120.

McGivern Goes to the Animals

Racine — Los Angeles-based actor-writer comedian Jon McGivern will perform at the Racine Zoo's outdoor amphitheater at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 21. McGivern, originally from Milwaukee, is the writer-per-



former of four one-man shows that have been performed to sold-out houses in Washington DC, Detroit, Toronto, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Tampa, Key West and Miami.

Tickets are \$10 and \$12 at the gate. Racine Zoo members receive a discounted price of \$8. Everyone is encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnics for this outdoor event. Tickets are available at the Zoo, 200 Goold St, the Zoo Gift Shop, Flowers by Walter, Northern Aquatics Landscaping, and Pet Supplies Plus, all of Racine. For more information call (414) 636-9189.

Fall Arts Preview

As the words to the song go, "Curtain up! Light the lights! We have nothing to hit but the heights," so goes the 1999 Fall Arts Season. There's just one fly in the ointment: finding enough time to take in everything that's offered is going to be a problem for some people right off the bat! Whether you attend one of the many theater groups, musical offerings, dance recitals or art exhibits, there seems to be a plethora of things to do.

Most of the theater, and some of the music and dance productions, have pre- and/or post-production conversations for those attending who wish to be able to more fully understand what's happening on stage. Smaller groups and galleries have not been mentioned here, but we should not forget what a great job they do of offering theater, music, dance and art for all of us at an affordable price. They also help local actors, musicians, dancers and artists to progress in their chosen fields.

Milwaukee Rep

In preparation for the Millennium, the Milwaukee Repertory Theater will present an explosive season that combines some of the greatest works of the 20th century with classical masterpieces that have withstood the test of time. Join the gay and lesbian community for an exciting new series called Nite OUT sponsored by *IN Step* and The Milwaukee Rep. and the eclectic six-play season at the Quadracci Powerhouse Theater. The season opens Sept. 8 with Shakespeare's comedy *Twelfth Night*, featuring original music by Present Music's Eric Segnit. The production runs through Oct. 10.

Tennessee Williams' *Cat On A Hot Tin Roof* runs from Oct. 20 through Nov. 21. Bridging the end of 1999 through the New Year is the Broadway smash-hit farce *Noises Off* by Michael Frayn, which runs from Dec. 1 through Jan. 2. John Steinbeck's *Of Mice And Men* follows from Jan. 12 through Feb. 13.

A heartwarming comedy, *Hobson's Choice*, takes over on March 1 through April 2. The world premiere of *Paragon Springs*, a riveting drama by Steven Dietz will run from April 12 through May 14.

A four-play season at the Steimke Theater includes Steven Dietz's adaptation of the Bram Stoker classic *Dracula*, the new drama *Beauty Queen of Leenane*, the off-Broadway hit *Collected Stories*, and an expanded version of the American Folklore Theater's musical comedy *Lumberjacks In Love*.

For more information about any of these productions or to order a subscription, call (414) 224-9490. Single tickets will go on sale Aug. 23 at the Rep Box Office.

Milwaukee Chamber Theatre

Milwaukee Chamber Theatre declares a mythological theme for its 20th anniversary season. Artistic Director Montgomery Davis announced six plays, and how — at 20 and counting — the season honored the acclaimed company's past while projecting into the new century.

Audiences will enjoy the Milwaukee premiere of Terrence McNally's Tony award winning *Master Class*, as MCT kicks off the season on Oct. 16 with Milwaukee actress Angela Iannone portraying opera legend Maria Callas. Davis' hilarious *Mere Mortals*, a series of six comic sketches, follows on Nov. 6. The world premiere of *Teddykins: An American Hero*, a play about Teddy Roosevelt, marks the third annual play of W. Frank (AKA Milwaukee Alderman Wayne Frank).

D.L. Coburn's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, *The Gin Game*, plays in the Cabot Theater starting Feb. 19. To close the season, the 18th Annual Milwaukee Shaw Festival concludes from April 14 through 30 with one of George Bernard Shaw's most popular plays, *Pygmalion*. The first professional production of William Shakespeare's late romance adventure, *The Winter's Tale*, will also be performed.

This year's Shaw Festival will launch a collaboration with UW-Milwaukee's Professional Theater Training Program (PTTP), which will afford gifted young talent the opportunity to earn their Actor's Equity status by joining the ranks of professional, union actors.

Season ticket packages are on sale through Dec. 20. Remaining single tickets will go on sale Sept. 8 at the Broadway Theater Center Ticket office. For more information and a brochure call (414) 276-8842.

Madison Rep

The Madison Repertory Theater brings the vitality and power of live theater to Madison audiences in a season filled with classics, comedies and commissions. The season opens with *My Name Will Always Be Alice* (July 23 - Aug. 28), a bright and sassy musical look at the American woman in the 90s.

This is followed by *The Gin Game* (Sept. 3-26), Ibsen's *A Doll's House* (Oct. 22-Nov. 14), and *The Three Musketeers* (Nov. 26-Dec. 19). The New Year brings a satirical farce *What Corbett Knew* (Jan. 7-30), and *Gross Indecency: The Three Trials of Oscar Wilde* (Mar. 10 - Apr. 2). The season closes with *Art*, by Yasmina Reza (Apr. 14 - May 7).

Madison Rep is offering a variety of subscription packages this season. Single tickets are \$20 and \$25 and go on sale July 1. All performances except *The Three Musketeers* (which will be at the UW Mitchell Theater), will be held in the Isthmus Playhouse at the Madison Civic Center. For more information or a free season brochure, call (608) 256-0029.

The Marcus Center for the Performing Arts and the PACE Theatrical Group, have announced their fifth season of Broadway in Milwaukee. This series has something for everyone: *Footloose* (Sept. 28 - Oct. 3); *The King And I* (Jan. 18 - 23); *Sunset Boulevard* (Mar. 14 - 19); *Ragtime* (July 4-9); *Tony N' Tina's Wedding* (dates and venue to be announced); and a three-week return engagement of *The Phantom of the Opera* (July 26-Aug. 13).

To purchase season tickets along with priority tickets for *The Phantom of the Opera*, call 1-800-905-SHOW (7469) Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Alverno

Alverno Presents is opening its doors to a well-rounded fine arts season for 1999/2000. The season opened with *Tales From The Nile* on July 16. The program was based on the experiences of Ugandan native and Milwaukee artist, Rose Onama. On Sept. 10-11 Danceworks Performance Company will perform in the Pitman Theater. Oct. 8 finds *World Jazz A Capella*, a

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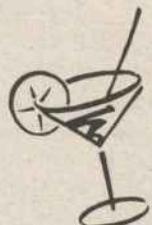
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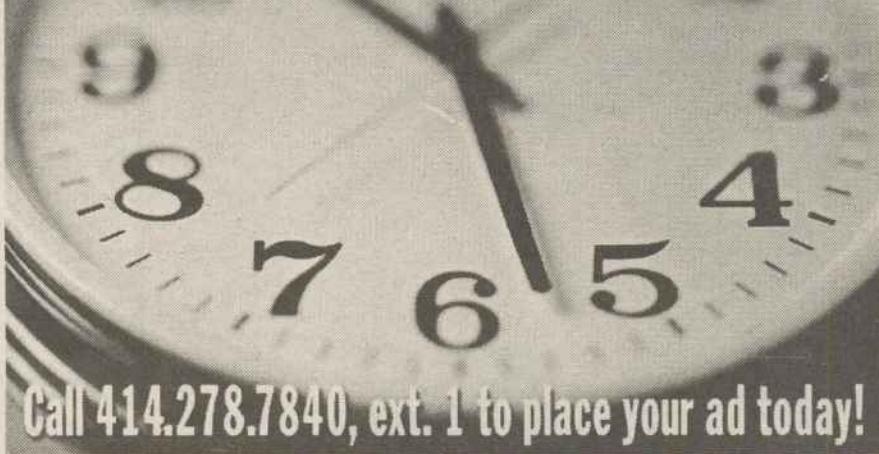
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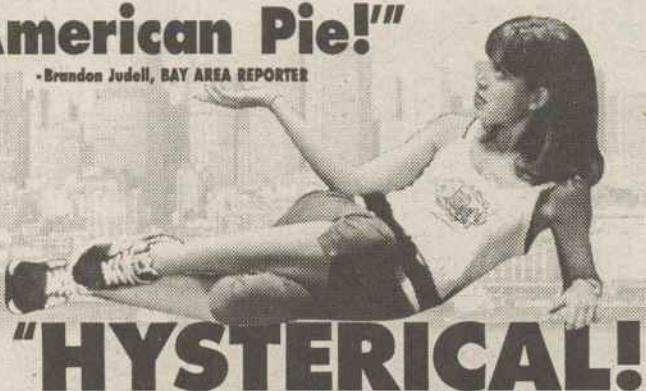


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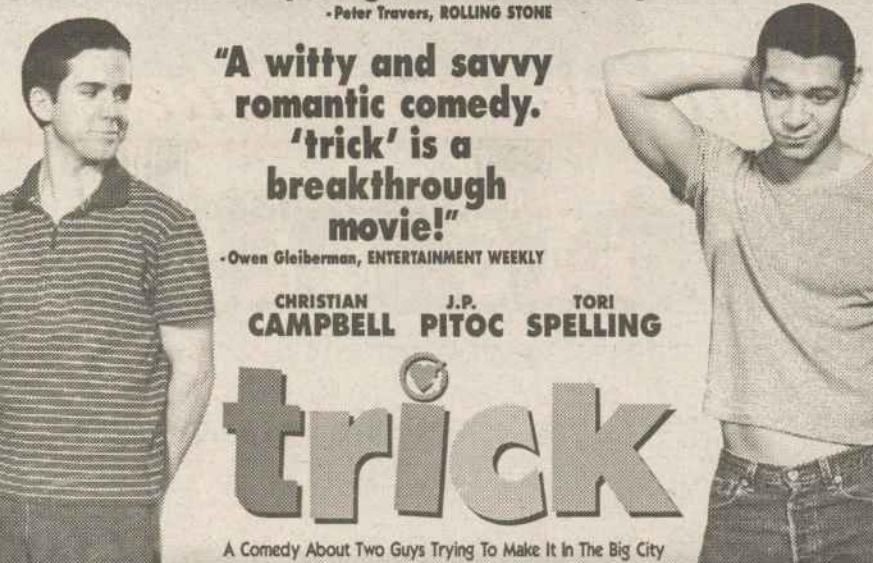
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As Martin fights to win in the game of life, he sleeps with secretaries, haggles with drug lords, and grovels before the law all in an attempt to keep his head above water. Ultimately, his search for meaning forces him to realize that getting ahead in life means screwing the other guy before he can screw you. This tale of tough guys and loose morals is brought to life by a talented cast of local artists.

The production is directed by Jonathan West, and opens at the Broadway Theater Center Studio Theater on Friday, Aug. 20 at 8 p.m. The cast includes Scott Howland, Stephan Roselin, William Clifford, Robert Kennedy, Laura Neuser, Ted Tyson, Jessica St. John and Jonathan Wainright. Lighting was done by Doug Vance and Rey Dobek designs the costumes. Tickets are priced at \$12. For more information call (414) 297-9010.

Renaissance Theaterworks Presents "Full Gallop"

waukee actress Angela Iannone, the story unfolds as this remarkable woman comes to a turning point in her life. In her distinctive style, once she decides her path, she goes at it "full gallop." Tickets are \$17 and \$20, with senior, student and group discounts available. For more information and tickets, call (414) 291-7800.

'Uncommon Women & Others'

Milwaukee — Wind-Up Dolls Theater will perform Wendy Wasserstein's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, *Uncommon Women and Others* at the Boulevard Theater, 2252 S. Kinnickinnic Ave. on Aug. 13 & 14, 20 & 21, and 27 & 28 at 8 p.m. This production is the "Dolls" first extended-run show.

Full Gallop is a play based on the life of Diana Vreeland, who stood at the center of American Style for five decades as editor of *Harper's Bazaar* and *Vogue* magazines, and as a member of Interna-



tional Café Society. Audiences will be treated to a hilarious tell-all evening as Vreeland chronicles the extraordinary people and events of her time.

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The action begins and ends in 1978 when five friends gather for a college reunion. The activity takes us through some of their memories at Mount Holyoke back in 1972. These women know they are uncommon in their backgrounds and education, but each of them struggles to find her place in a world of expanding choices thanks to the feminist movement.

The production is directed by Ruth Anne Boulet, and the cast includes Karen Ambrosch, Rachel Kenison, Stacey Meyer, Beth Monhollen, Kyra Kudick, She-mange O'Keefe, Jo St. Clair, Kathleen Williams and Bobbie Jo Westphal. Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased at the door. Reservations may be made by calling (414) 224-0625, or you may go to their web site at www.windupdolls.org.

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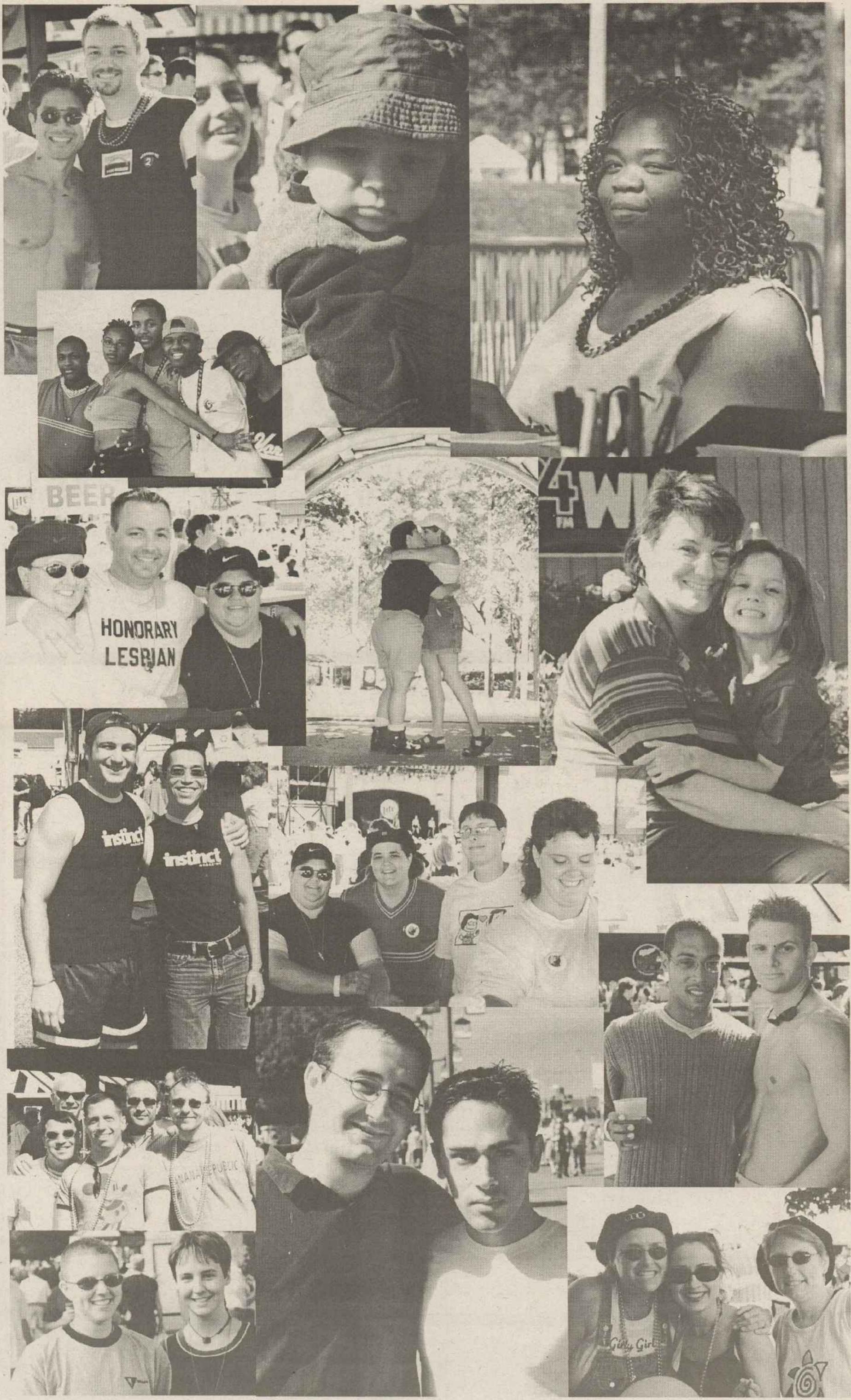


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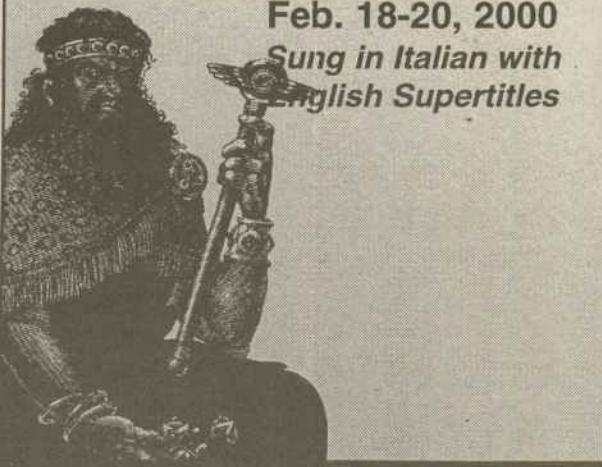
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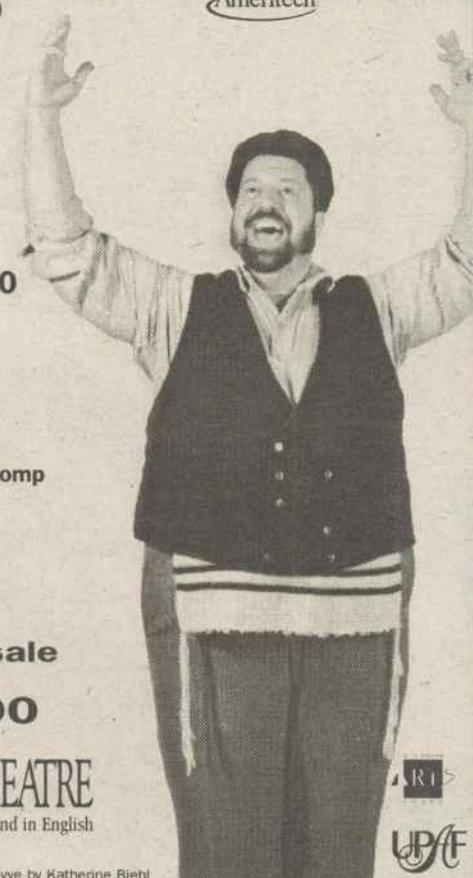
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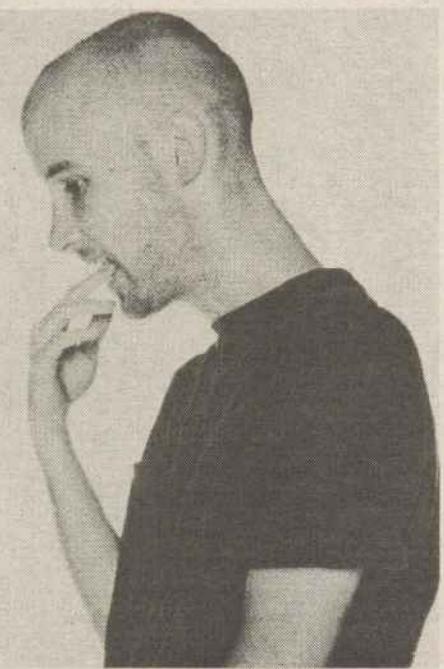
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The techno messiah returns from his lost weekend of soundtrack binging (*I Like To Score*) and hardcore punk purging (*Animal Rights*) to offer up the leanest, most consistent album of his career to date.

For once, he sounds as if he has nothing to prove beyond his amazing capacity for endless invention. So it's more modest, less jack of all trades than his breakthrough *Everything is Wrong*. But that doesn't mean it isn't a dazzling display or even that it lacks its own aural signature.

This is the opus we'll remember as "that one where he samples all those blues and gospel recordings" because the peg here is that he's woven Lomax field hollers and scratchy testifying into his techno tapestry. Nothing really complex here just a new way to energize the re-entries and drop-outs of dance music (I love how the country blues guitar in "Honey" revs us back into the boogie, for instance). Amazingly enough, this wonderful gimmick is relatively pretension-free. Snippets of blues power like "Why does my heart feel so bad?" and "Don't nobody know my troubles (I think) with God..." are just too vague to allow for any grandstanding.

My only problem is that the album loses steam when the ethnographic plundering ends. A moody beatscape like "Porcelain" or a brief instrumental transition like "7" get recognized sprinkled amongst all the sampladelia lending *Play* the feel of a cohesive album rather than a collection of great novelty tunes. But they start to accumulate around track 12 and that's when it starts getting difficult to remember. Most of them are pretty any-



Moby

way (does "The Sky is Broken" sample Jaydee's "Plastic Dreams" — the finest dance track of the 90's?). And besides, the drop-off occurs more than 3/4 of the way in so it seems more a function of pace than overstaying your welcome, electronica's primary undoing over a full-length. He's earned the right to title his album with a command. Now you should heed it.

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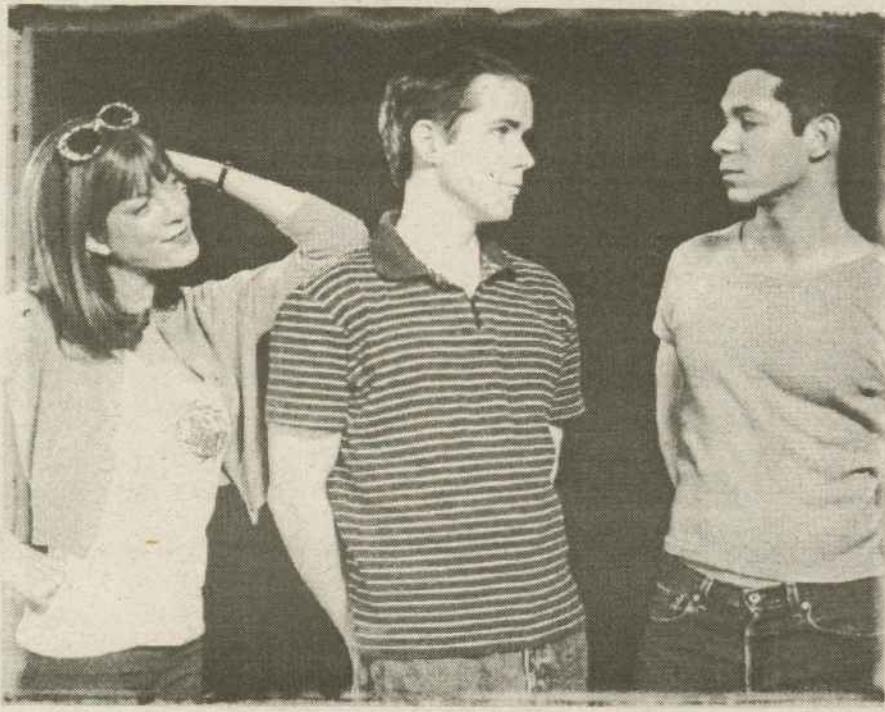


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CINEMA



Tori Spelling, Christian Campbell and J.P. Pitoc star in "Trick."

Trick

Jim Fall's debut feature film *Trick* tells the story of Gabriel (Christian Campbell), a jittery Sondheim wannabe who meets a hunklicious go-go boy named Mark (J.P. Pitoc).

Mark is a wonder to behold, he of the shirt just long enough to catch a glimpse of his pelt in stretchier moments and those black sandals I hear are essential fagwear in Manhattan right now. But the boyishly beautiful Gabriel is certainly no slouch in the looks department (p.s. both actors are tragically straight). Still, there's a Chelsea boy/Village Voice tension that only gets exacerbated when Gabriel attempts to bring Mark back to his apartment to fuck. Gabriel goes on a virtual odyssey of best friend Furies, roommate Scyllas and drag queen Charybdis just to get Mark alone for an hour. Will the set-backs drive Mark away or bring the two closer together?

I really dug the constant interruptions in their courtship because they seemed to form a peculiarly in-your-face metaphor for the interruptive quality endemic to many budding gay relationships. And it has a deeper feeling for secondary characters than *Get Real* — another recent gay flick centered around bookish/jock antinomies. Don't get me wrong — they're still pretty shallow. The roommate is a hetero Neanderthal; the drag queen is a vicious gossip; and the best friend Katherine (a terrific performance by Tori Spelling) has lesbian issues that are dealt with rather flippancy if at all. But they all (especially Katherine) tend to stick in you mind more.

Still, *Get Real* hit me harder. Even

though it was set in England, the high school story was more effective most likely because it felt more primal. And while Manhattan thinks it's the center of the universe, that's not how it feels here in the Midwest (or anywhere else in the universe). That's why *Trick* comes across as more localized in its sentiments. But these are mere quibbles. It's a fun piece of trash and the boys are amazing to watch.

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Thursday, August 12

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Activity Planning (Madison, WI): Come help plan future club activities at 7 p.m. FMI call Hosts Jeff & RJ at (608) 274-5821.

JAZZ in the Park - Outdoor Summer Concert Series (Milwaukee): This weekly event is held in Cathedral Square Park in the heart of East Town. Tonight: SHE, Chicago's all female jazz band, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Bring a picnic blanket or grab a table and set up a feast. Food and beverages are also available. FMI call (414) 271-1416.

Friday, August 13

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Concert on the Square (Madison, WI): Join the guys at 7 p.m. Buy and/or bring potluck goodies for a picnic. Meet at the end of Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive, on the grass on Capitol Green Commons. Bring a blanket. Candlesticks are optional.

LAMM - Softball Game (Milwaukee): The Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee is playing games weekly at WICK FIELD #4 at 6, 7, 8, & 9 p.m. If you want to play, contact Monica at (414) 860-1829.

SAGE-Milwaukee - Game Night (Milwaukee): Men & women play cards and board games at 6:30 p.m. in the small meeting room of the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. Second St. Sheephead lessons are available. Bring other games if you wish. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

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Best Damned Bike Tour (Milwaukee): Sponsored by M&I Bank, the tour starts in Milwaukee, spends overnight in Whitewater, and finishes in Madison. The Bike Tour benefits the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. FMI Call (414) 547-8999 or 1-800-242-3358.

East Town Farmers Market (Milwaukee): Flowers, vegetables, home-made bakery and more! This happens every Saturday morning from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Cathedral Square Park. Milwaukee's best and brightest jazz artists will highlight the morning while you shop. The outdoor market runs through Oct. 5.

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Bridge Club (Madison, WI): This is the oldest of Frontiers' special interest sub-groups. Games are hosted in members' homes at 7 p.m. on the second Saturday of the month. They are looking for new members. Experience is unnecessary. FMI call hosts Doug & RJ at (608) 238-5137.

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@pitnet.net.

Morning Glory Fair - Arts & Crafts (Milwaukee): This two-day fair at the Charles Allis Art Museum offers ceramics, photography, jewelry, fiber, glass and paintings. There will be specialty drinks. The Museum will offer free admission during Fair days only. A \$1 donation to the Fair is suggested. FMI call (414) 278-8295.

NorthHalsted Market Days Festival (Chicago, IL): This popular two-day event features three main stages, over 360 vendors, 60 restaurants, and 40 bands. It has drag queens, leathermen, musclemen and representations of just about every other element of the LGBT community. It's great fun! FMI call 1-773-868-3010.

Monday, August 16

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Rap Group (Madison, WI): There will be an open discussion at 7:30 p.m. at OutReach, 600 Williamson St. FMI call (608) 255-4297.

Tuesday, August 17

Milwaukee Pride Band - Practice (Milwaukee): Weekly practice starts at the M&M Club in the second floor Banquet Room at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 933-3743

Wednesday, August 18

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison, WI): At 7 p.m. there will be Beginning Line Dance with Elaine. At 8 p.m. there will be Folk Dance lessons Dee. 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 & Western Gear is not necessary. FMI call (608) 245-0627.

Milwaukee Pride Band - Practice (Milwaukee): Weekly practice starts at the MCC Church, 1239 W. Mineral St. at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 933-3743

Thursday, August 19

Irish Fest (Milwaukee): There will be Gaelic Dancing and great Celtic

music, along with freckles, red hair and cultural exhibits. You will find it all on the Summerfest grounds through 8/22/99.

JAZZ in the Park - Outdoor Summer Concert Series (Milwaukee): This weekly event is held in Cathedral Square Park in the heart of East Town. Tonight: BERKELEY FUDGE from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Bring a picnic blanket or grab a table and set up a feast. Food and beverages are also available. FMI call (414) 271-1416.

Friday, August 20

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison, WI): At 8 p.m. there will be lessons & reviews with Sharon or Bill. 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 & Western Gear is not necessary. Everyone is welcome. FMI call (608) 245-0627.

Saturday, August 21

Oconomowoc Festival of the Arts (Oconomowoc, WI): Artists from throughout the nation will display their wares for two days at the 29th annual festival. Live entertainment, beverages and food will help make a day on the country a treat.

Sunday, August 22

Bradley Sculpture Garden - Annual Picnic (Brown Deer, WI): Hailed as one of the country's finest sculpture gardens, the gardens are open for one day from noon to 6 p.m. when visitors may enjoy a picnic (bring your own food), look at the sculptures and listen to music. Admission is \$10 at the gate, with free shuttle service to the Park 'n' Ride lot at I-43 & Brown Deer Road. FMI call (414) 224-3851.

BAR SPECIALS:

Sundays:

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

Club 5/Planet Q/The Barracks (Madison, WI): Sunday Miller Lite Beer Bash from 3 to 8 p.m. Power Hour from 8 to 9 p.m. Doubles for \$1 more up to \$3.25 regular drinks. Pitchers of Long Islands are \$10 from open to close. Live Drag & Male Strippers. Patio open in June.

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!

Dunes Resort (Saugatuck, MI): The Midwest's largest G/L Resort with a hotel, cottages, indoor & outdoor bars, a pool and a night club featuring the areas hottest DJs. Today there is a TEA DANCE from 4 to 9 p.m. Open seven days a week with music spinning a drink specials by the pool. Today there are Slushy Specials on the deck from 4 to 6 p.m. FMI call (616) 857-1401.

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

Fannies (Milwaukee): Open at 3 p.m. \$1 off all Miller products. \$4 pitchers of beer.

Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI):

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.

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): Patio bar open at 2 p.m. Beer Bash from 2 to 8 p.m. Open volleyball. Food available from 2 to 6 p.m. 2/4/10 p.m. to close.

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): During the day there is a \$1 beer sale from 3 to 9 p.m. on selected varieties. Shirtless Sunday Nights with Jake and Steve M. Half-price tap & rail if your shirt is off. 9 p.m. to close.

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

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

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

Dish (Milwaukee): Closed

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Emerald's (Milwaukee): \$5 Beer Bust - 8 to midnight!

Fannies (Milwaukee): Closed.

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

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

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

M&M Club (Milwaukee): 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 taps and \$2.00 bottles.

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. \$1.50 Dr. or Schnapps with drink 9 p.m. to close.

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

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour! 3 to 8 p.m. Tickets good until 9 p.m. 2/4/1 all day, all night (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-You-Can-Drink Superburst (beer, wine & soda).

Woody's (Milwaukee): \$1 off drinks from 4 to 9 p.m. Dart Tournament 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): Grill open! 2-4-1 Happy Hour runs from 4 to 7 p.m. Free pool with drink purchase from 9 p.m. to close.

Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): Progressive Night! 9 p.m. through close. \$1 rail mixers, \$0.50 mugs of beer. Price goes up 25¢ every half-hour to closing.

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): 2 Cocktail Hour! 3 to 8 p.m. Tickets good until 9 p.m. \$4 pitchers 9 p.m. to midnight. Station 2 (Milwaukee): Closed!

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

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

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

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

Woody's (Milwaukee): \$1 off drinks from 4 to 9 p.m. FREE Bountiful Buffet!

Wednesdays:

Barracks - Levi/Leather (Madison, WI): Happy Hour from 4 to 8 p.m. 2-4-1 on all drinks under \$3.50 plus the Happy Hour Wheel. From 8 p.m. to close pints of Lite-\$2. Rail drinks 50¢ off. Shots of Cuervo or Doctors \$1.50

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

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

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Free pool.

Club 5/Planet Q (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour from 4 to 8 p.m. on drinks up to \$3.25. 50¢ off all taps & rails, Cuervo & Dr. \$1.50 Karaoke from 8 to 11 p.m. Power Hour from 8 to 9 p.m. Doubles for \$1 more up to \$3.25 regular drinks. Shots of Hot Sex or Pucker are \$1.50. Pitchers of Long Islands are \$10 from open to close. Patio open in June.

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.

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

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

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

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

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

The Klosset (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 taps and \$2.00 bottles.

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,

Some Gay Authors

Here are two books by and about gay authors. The first one, a complete camp, was written by a cross-dressing German Duke. *Year in Arcadia* is the kind of book I like to keep around to spring on the unsuspecting as a birthday or hostess gift when one is desperately needed. Of course you need the proper recipient, and I'll bet you all know a few people who would qualify. The other book, *Eminent Maricones*, is a little more on the serious side, but it's charming and indiscreet, and I like 'em that way.

Year In Arcadia: A Shepherd's Calendar
by Duke August Emil Leopold von Sachsen-Gotha

This bit of fluff is introduced and translated from the German by Carl Skoggard, who unearthed this long-lost gay treasure. It is called "A blithe and guilt-free fable of male lovers in Arcadia — dateline Germany 1805." Actually, the introduction is almost more fun than the book. We get all the juicy details on the Duke, who seems to have sired a daughter early on and then totally ignored his wife, who naturally enough took a lover when she realized that the Duke's attentions were concentrated elsewhere.

The Duke was the ruler of a minuscule German territory during the Napoleonic Era, and—curiously enough—Queen Victoria of England's grandfather-in-law (Indeed!). He seems to have had little to do during his reign and spent his time getting in and out of various drags. He dictated this tale of Greek love to his secretary while he was still in bed and receiving guests. He would wear a frilly bonnet and seems to have been particularly fond of wigs. Blonde was his favorite, but there were other colors.

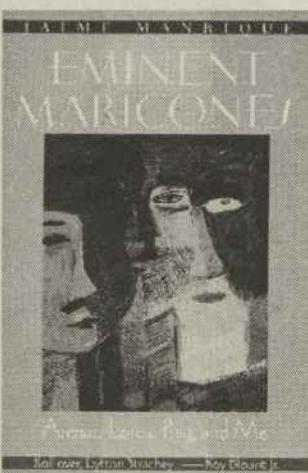
The gist of this fable is built around two "coy, handsome shepherds who fall in love and find happiness." As the story unfolds over monthly installments of the Arca-

dian calendar (thus the subtitle), everyone, including the very gods, is ready and willing to help the mooning couple. Duke August writes himself into the plot as the Thessalian prophetess Alethophone, who brings the action to a fitting conclusion! It's easy to see the Duke playing the role of the prophetess as he/she surveys humble Arcadia far below.

It's all a bit much, but great fun. The whole thing reminded me of some old queens I know (including yours truly) who revel in this kind of fantasy stuff. This is a gem! (Tropen, ISBN: 3-932170-25-3, US \$17.95 HC).

Eminent Maricones: Arenas, Lorca, Puig and Me

By Jaime Manrique



This book from the "Living Out" series is published by the University of Wisconsin Press in Madison, Wisconsin. In it Colombian author, Jaime Manrique shares a "triangulated intimacy between himself, his readers, and his memories." He reveals his own struggle with internalized homophobia and describes the final days of his mentors, Manuel Puig and Reinaldo Arenas, and the murder of Federico Garcia Lorca. These three gay men "constitute the great triumvirate of openly homosexual writers who have written in Spanish."

The author explains the title as an allusion, and a kind of homage to Lytton Strachey's "Eminent Victorians"—a book that affected his evolution as a writer. He says *Maricones* is a word used to imply something critical and rude about a Latin homosexual. The word is used as

a way to dismiss these persons as incomplete and worthless. Manrique says, "It seems ironic that men whose lives ended tragically stand, in the end, as victors, as some of the most accomplished citizens of their time. ... they opened the path for all the Latin homosexuals who have followed in their footsteps."

As a child Manrique loved to read and decided he would be a writer. He finally moved to New York as a young adult to study at Columbia University, where he met Manuel Puig, an Argentinean, who wrote "Kiss of the Spiderwoman." They became friends and he describes Puig as a very effeminate man who had a "camp sensibility" and was more theatrical than Garbo. He referred to himself as "this woman," and was merciless with closeted writers and artists referring to them as "She." Puig, wealthy and famous, finally settled in Cuernavaca, Mexico where he died of AIDS.

Reinaldo Arenas, an exiled Cuban writer, lived around the corner in Hell's Kitchen (near Times Square). They met — at Arenas' request — and became friends, but Arenas was difficult to know as he was angry and in the final stages of AIDS; he eventually committed suicide. After the deaths of these two friends, Manrique moved back to Columbia, went through a great depression and eventually revisited the life of Spanish poet and writer, Federico Garcia Lorca who was executed by Franco's Falangists in 1936.

Lorca's murder, Arenas's suicide and Puig's death from AIDS in exile stand in crystal clear opposition to General Franco's forty-year regime in Spain, Castro's iron rule of almost four decades in Cuba, and the thousands who were "disappeared" by the Argentine military in the 1970s. This is a fascinating small book. (University of Wisconsin Press, ISBN: 0-299-16180-3, \$19.95 HC).

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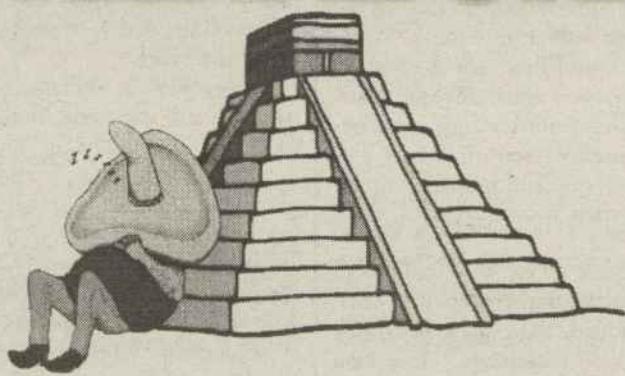


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What Lillian Faderman Has Done for Lesbians



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by Jamakaya
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Lillian Faderman is at it again. She's like a tremendous one-woman band documenting and asserting for all the world to see the important roles lesbians have played in our history.

First came *Surpassing the Love of Men: Romantic Friendship and Love Between Women from the Renaissance to the Present*. Then came the award-winning follow-up:

**IT REMAINS IMPOSSIBLE TO
TELL IN MANY INSTANCES
WHICH CAME FIRST IN THESE
WOMEN'S LIVES, THEIR
PASSIONS FOR OTHER WOMEN
OR THEIR DESIRES FOR
WOMEN'S RIGHTS,**

Odd Girls and Twilight Lovers: A History of Lesbian Life in Twentieth Century America. That influential social history was followed by a massive literary collection, *Chloe Plus Olivia: An Anthology of Lesbian Literature from the Seventeenth Century to the Present*.

Not one to rest on her laurels, and clearly driven by her commitment to reclaim the lost voices of our lesbian foremothers, Faderman has now published *To Believe in Women: What Lesbians Have Done for America*. It is yet another outstanding contribution to lesbian studies, focusing on the pioneering roles lesbians (and lesbian couples) played in important movements for social change in America.

"This is a book about how millions of American women became what they are now: full citizens, educated, and capable of earning a decent living for themselves," Faderman declares. "But it departs from other such histories because it focuses on how certain late-nineteenth-and early twentieth-century century women whose lives can be described as lesbian were in the forefront of the battle to procure the rights and privileges that large numbers of Americans enjoy today."

In her introduction, Faderman is cautious in pointing out that the women discussed in the book — like social reformer

Jane Addams, suffragist Anna Howard Shaw and women's education pioneer M. Carey Thomas — are unlikely to have articulated their feelings for and relationships with other women as "lesbian." But she then presents voluminous evidence of their deep friendships and long-term intimate relationships with other women. Some of the evidence is presented through the testimony of friends and co-workers, but the most poignant is drawn from the correspondence and memoirs of the women themselves.

"I am thankful that out of all the world in my hour of need God brought you to me," the great orator Anna Howard Shaw wrote to her lover, Lucy Anthony. "I wish I could let you see the inside of my love for you, but better still, that you could know the depths of my trust..."

During thirty years together, Lucy provided the over-stretched, workaholic Anna with gentle counsel and a stable home life. After Anna's death, Lucy wrote: "On this the last night of the last day of the year which took away my precious Love — Her friendship and to serve her was the joy of my life. She was the most unselfish, the best friend one could have — In as much as I helped her in her labors & to make her life easier perhaps — that much I am glad I have lived."

Social work pioneer and Nobel Peace Prize winner Jane Addams had two great loves in her life, Ellen Starr, who helped her establish Hull House, and Mary Rozet Smith, an industrialist's daughter who helped finance it. Jane spent 40 devoted years living and working with Mary. "You must know dear, how I long for you all the time," she wrote Mary during a period apart. "There is reason in the habit of married folk keeping together."

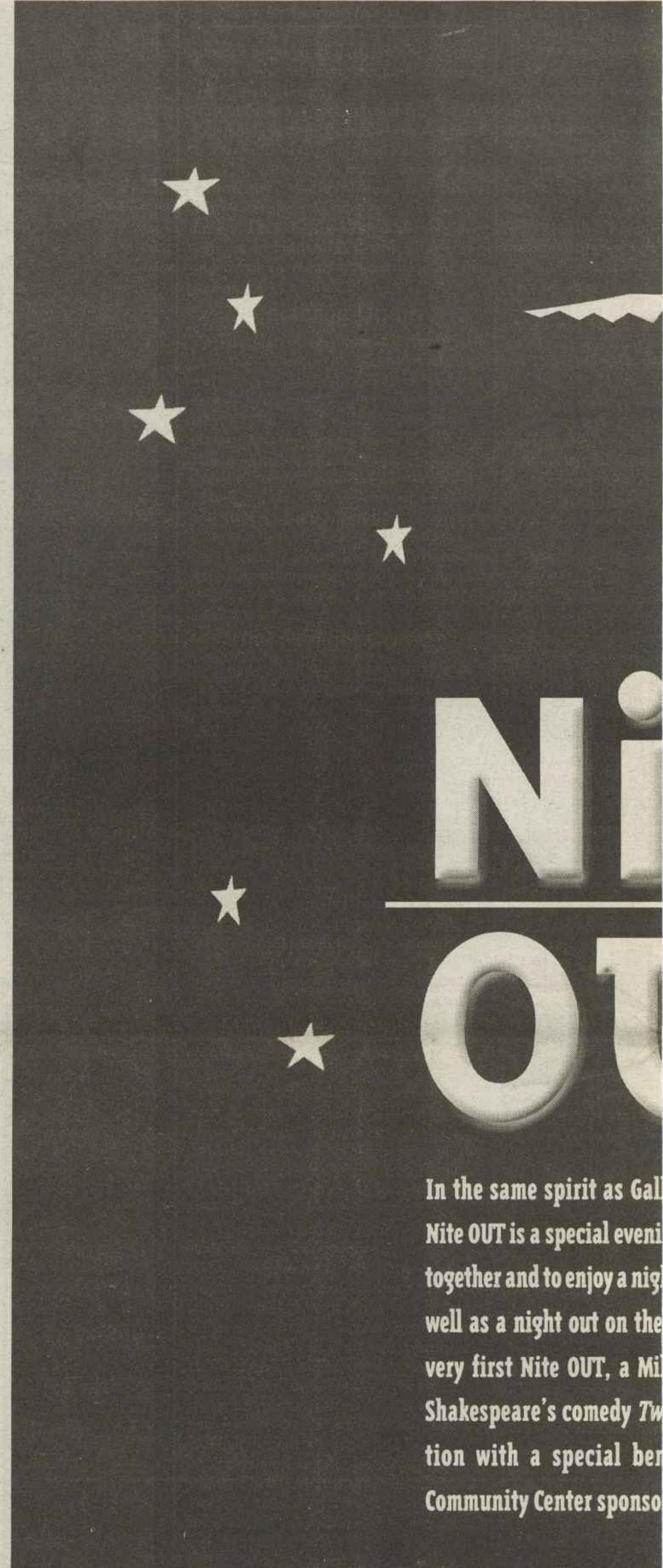
Suffragist Alice Stone Blackwell shared a torrid correspondence with Kitty Barry, with each woman playing fantasy roles and signing their notes, "Your faithful lover." Kitty confessed to Alice: "If I lost you, life would cease to mean anything to me."

Even the staid Susan B. Anthony succumbed to female crushes (called "smashes" in those days). She was close for many years to a younger woman, Anna Dickinson, to whom she wrote before leaving on a speaking trip: "I cannot bear to go off without another precious look into your face — my soul." After a long absence, she expressed the desire "to snuggle you darling, closer than ever."

When Frances Willard, a longtime temperance and women's rights campaigner (who preferred the name "Frank" in private quarters), passed away, her surviving female partner was treated with great deference as her widow. She was even appointed to fill Willard's leadership posts. Other surviving members of lesbian couples were also treated with a great deal of respect.

Faderman credits the accomplishments of these women, in part, to their woman-identified natures and to the support and sustenance they received for their social activism by sympathetic female companions. "It remains impossible to tell in many instances which came first in these women's lives, their passions for other women or their desires for women's rights," Faderman comments. Some of them disdained men or believed the institution of marriage diminished women's independence. Others simply found women's companionship more fulfilling.

It's heartening to know that many of the women leaders who worked against slavery, who agitated for women's education and right to vote and who campaigned for labor reforms and entrance into the professions had emotional needs as complex as our own and often found comfort in the arms of other women. They seem less like distant icons now than real flesh and blood women who contributed mightily to our country's social progress. Faderman's achievement in "To Believe in Women" is to firmly establish their role in lesbian history as well. ▼



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Club 5/Planet Q (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks up to \$3.25. Frozen cocktails \$3. Pitchers of Lite \$5. Will & Grace Night: \$1 off Martinis during the show. Power Hour from 8 to 9 p.m. Doubles for \$1 more up to \$3.25 regular drinks. Shots of Hot Sex or Pucker are \$1.50. Pitchers of Long Islands are \$10 from open to close. Patio open in June.

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!

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

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

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

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

The Kloset (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.

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

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour! 3 to 8 p.m. Tickets good until 9 p.m. \$3 Weiss Beers Collection (selection varies).

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): \$1 off drinks from 4 to 9 p.m. Specialty Beers \$1.50.

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

Fridays:

Barracks - Levi/Leather (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks \$3.50 and under. \$1 off all other drinks. From 4 to 8 p.m. plus the Happy Hour wheel.

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

Cell Block (Chicago): Fetish Night! Check your Monthly Planner. \$100 drawings. Holding Cell opens at 10 p.m.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Club Night. Chicago's Leather and S&M Clubs welcome. Pit open.

Club 5/Planet Q (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks up to \$3.25 from 4 to 8 p.m. Patio open in June.

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

Dish (Milwaukee): The new night spot for women! Happy Hour 2-4-1 5 to 7 p.m. Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'.

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Fannies (Milwaukee): Friday Night Dance Party with DJ Bange. 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 - \$2.50. \$1.25 Tap MGD & Miller Lite, \$1.75 Pints of Leinie's Red, \$2.50 Pints of Hacker-Pschorr Weisse.

Kathy's Nut Hut (Milwaukee): Pull tabs! 5 to 7 p.m.

The Kloset (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).

M&M Club (Milwaukee): Fish Fry and other great specials.

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): Live DJ 9 p.m. to close. Men's Room (Levi/Leather) 7 p.m. to close: 50¢ off all drinks with card. Progressive Happy Hour from 7 to 10 p.m.

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.

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Woody's (Milwaukee): Open at 2 p.m. Softball Crazy Day. Help Celebrate our Wins!

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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, IL): Open at 2 p.m. Saturday Night Riot until 3 a.m. Holding Cell opens at 10 p.m. Freddie Bone DJ.

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Drawings for Eagle Leather all night. Pit open.

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'.

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Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (Mequon, WI): Jonis Agee, author of THE WEIGHT OF DREAMS, will read from her latest novel at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 241-6220.

Thursday, August 19

Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop - Author Appearance (E. Webster Pl, Milwaukee): James Lee Burke, author of HEARTWOOD, will read from his latest novel at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 332-1181.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS & EVENTS:

Thursday, August 12

Diversity G/L Resource Center (Rockford, IL): Located at 610 E State St. Open from 4 to 9 p.m. Teen Drop-in Hours. FMI call (815) 964-2639.

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

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

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

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

LGBT Campus Center - Boy-Oh-Boy Gay/Bl Men's Group (Madison, WI): This weekly group provides an outlet for gay/bi students at UW and has a number of social outings and great discussion. It is hosted by University Health Services and Sex-Out-Loud and meets on Thursday nights at 6:30 p.m. at the LGBT Campus Center, located on the second floor of the UW-Madison Memorial Union, 800 Langdon Street.

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

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

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

Unitarian Universalist Church - Lesbian Support/Discussion Group (Rockford, IL): The group meets weekly from 7 to 8 p.m. at 4848 Turner Rd. FMI call (815) 636-7298.

Friday, August 13

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

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

High Tea & Talk - Men's Group (Madison, WI): High Tea & Talk is an organization-free (no long associated with SAGE/Dane) opportunity for men of all ages, who enjoy the company of other men to have a full session and graze the goodies at Monty's Blue Plate Diner. The group meets at 1:30 p.m. and is wheelchair accessible.

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

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

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

Saturday, August 14

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

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

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

Sunday, August 15

Angels of Hope MCC - Religious Services (Allouez & Appleton, WI): Services are held every Sunday at 11 a.m. at

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 - Weekly 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.

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Monday, August 16

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.

Bi? Shy? Why? - Meeting (Madison, WI): For more information on this group call (608) 257-5538.

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FILM, TV, VIDEO & RADIO:

Friday, August 13

SAGE-Milwaukee - Film (Milwaukee): THE HOLLOW REED will be shown at 6:30 p.m. in the small meeting room of the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. Second St. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Sunday, August 15

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Monday, August 23

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Film Circle (Madison, WI): BOYS LIFE 2, a short-film compilation focusing on being young and gay will be shown at 7 p.m. FMI call host Dennis at (608) 836-4080.

WHA TV Cable Channel 21-LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): IN THE LIFE, a documentary & experimental films will be shown at 10 p.m.

MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

Thursday, August 12

Charles Allis Art Museum - Current Exhibit (Milwaukee): TRAVELS a show of photographs by Richard Waswo and Collages by Michael Kopka will be up through 9/19. There is a \$3 admission fee to the Museum. FMI call (414) 278-8295.

Grava Gallery - Current Show (Milwaukee): CELTIC GARDENS, Prism-color drawings by Sue MacArevey will be showing through 8/28. FMI call (414) 277-8228.

Saturday, August 21

Charles Allis Art Library - Variety 2000 Part Two (Milwaukee): THE SELF TURNED INSIDE OUT is approximately 90 minutes, and it is repeated on each of the following dates: Sunday, Aug. 22 at 3 p.m., Friday, Aug. 27 at 8 p.m., and Saturday, Aug. 28 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$8 general public, \$6 for FOCAL members and seniors over age 62. Students are free. For further information or to reserve, call (414) 278-9120.

THEATER ARTS:

Thursday, August 12

Broom Street Theater - Current Production (Madison, WI): MEETING JERRY SPRINGER, is the story of eight students who lie their way onto

the show telling of sex and drugs in their dormitory. The show runs through Sunday, 9/12/99. All shows are at 8 p.m. at 1119 Williamson St. Tickets are \$7 at the door & there are no reservations. FMI call (608) 244-8338.

Friday, August 13

Boulevard Theater Center - Opening Night (Milwaukee): Wind-Up Dolls Theater presents their first extended run show, Wendy Wasserstein's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, UNCOMMON WOMEN AND OTHERS, on Aug. 13 & 14, 20 & 21, and 27 & 28 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased at the door. FMI call (414) 224-0625.

Friday, August 20

Brookway Theater Center - Opening Night (Milwaukee): Ballystock & Bloom Presents "Search & Destroy" at 8 p.m. in the Studio Theater. The show runs through 8/29/99. FMI & tickets (\$12) call (414) 297-9010.

Saturday, August 21

Racine Zoo Amphitheater - Outdoor Theater (Racine, WI): Los Angeles-based actor-writer comedian JON MCGIVERN will perform at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and \$12 at the gate. Zoo members \$8. Everyone is encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnics for this outdoor event. For more information call (414) 636-9189.

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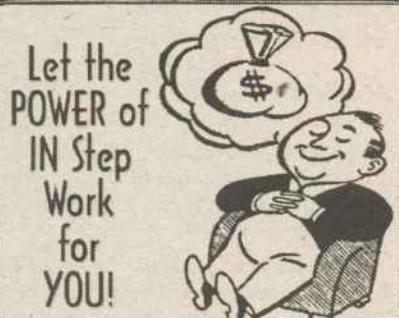
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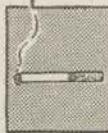


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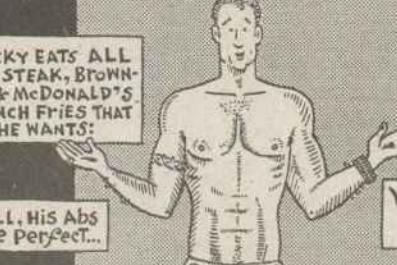
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Damn, is it August Already?

by Jamie

Time sure flies when you're having fun, doesn't it?? It's back to school time already and I'm almost wishing I had to go back. That would've meant that I had the entire summer (as short as our Wisconsin summers are) to do whatever I

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wanted. You know ... the beach ever other day, riding a bicycle to no particular destination and doing a whole lot of nothing. I sure hope that young people are appreciating their childhood. Always in a hurry to grow up and then somewhere in our mid 20's lock up the brakes realizing that being a kid wasn't so bad after all.

Anyway our trip to Austin ... that's what the first paragraph is all about. Other than having to take a bus, I felt like a kid again. Get up in the morning and get ready for school. Class turned out to be one of the best training classes I've ever taken. Pamela (our instructor) was very cool and had a great sense of humor (she'd almost have to with me in the class). Just about every morning I got there before she did and left her a message on the chalkboard. We also had the capability of sending instant messages on our computers, which made things even more interesting. Anyway, I look forward to going back for the advanced class, probably in Oct.

Each time I go to Austin, it gets that much harder to come back home. The temps hovered around 90, the skies were clear and the water in Lake Travis was warm. What's not to like? Apparently the word has gotten out. Over 100 people a day are moving to Austin. As you can imagine, housing is at a premium there. The builders are having a hell of a time keeping up with the demand. Rick and Cheryl have a really nice house in one of the best subdivisions in Austin. Lately they've been tossing around the idea of building again. This time Cheryl wants a view of the lake. Who can blame her? The lakes in that area are beautiful! I thoroughly enjoy spending time with Rick and Cheryl. They love Josh and me unconditionally.

It's nice talking to family about real issues and not have to skirt around things. That's the way it should be. (By the way, we went to see *The Haunting* while we were there ... don't bother, save the \$7 and wait for it to show up on television, it shouldn't take long.) Anyway, it looks like we're gonna spend Christmas with them again this year. I'm hoping it isn't 32 degrees like it was last year. I wanna come back with a nice tan.

PrideFest was from what I could tell a marginal success this year. Not that it was not a lot of fun, but Saturday's weather kept many people at home. Friday started with **Jillian Clark**, the fab voices of **SingSational**, opening ceremonies Rufus, and finally the Possum Queen Finals. Incredibly, they raised a whopping \$41,725 for local AIDS charities and other community organizations. This makes the Possum Queen one of the largest fund-raising events in

the state. Way to go girls!

Like I said, Saturday's crowd was marginal but there was plenty to do for the people that showed up. There was volleyball, youth activities, a fashion show, speakers, dancing, music, music and more music. **Men Out Loud** reigned over the Miller Stage followed by **Kathy Sledge**. Right after that, everyone crowded the lakefront for the best view of the fireworks. It's not a festival without fireworks and this year's were pretty cool. After all that fun you'd think people went home to be but that wasn't the case. The clubs were packed with lots of people from all over the mid-west. I heard **La Cage** and **219** were packed.

Sunday the weather was perfect. We went over to **Carlos** and **Tim**'s house for a little mini brunch and then headed over to **M&M** for a good view of the **Wisconsin Pride Parade**. The route was a little different this year so we stood 1 block north of M&M for the best view. Some of the notable floats were **La Cage**'s rolling swimming pool, **Triangle**'s gay 'Golden Gate' theme, **Fluid**'s rolling yummy wagon, and various others not excluding **1100 Club** and **Boot Camp**. Those 2 floats boasted some of Milwaukee's hottest men in leather.

After the Parade, everyone headed over to the festival grounds. Sunday's crowd was impressive. Once again, lots to do. We wandered through the "shopping" area and spent a few bucks before heading over to the Miller Stage to see **Men Out Loud** again. The Mass Wedding... I'm not sure where I was when

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Float

- 1st: Brandy's II
- 2nd: Imperial Limo
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- 1st: Riverwest Rainbow
- 2nd: Chicago ROTC Drill
- 3rd: Milwaukee Pride Band

Best Use of Theme

Brandy's II

Judge's Choice

Triangle

that happened but I'm sure lots of people participated in the event. The rest of the day was kickin' back, enjoying a few Miller Lites and taking in more of the crowd. The festival closed down just before 11 p.m. and lots of people hit the clubs again. Me? I was too tired and had to get up early to get this column done. I hope you had as much fun as I did at this year's PrideFest. Hat's off to **Dish**, **Dykeman Family Heating**, **Fluid**, **PrimeCo**, **This is It** and **Woody's** for being "business owners of pride!"

That's gonna do it for now ... as far as anything else goes, it's been too long and would just be old news by now. There are still lots of things to do in the clubs this summer so keep an eye in the **IN Step** for upcoming events. Until next issue, enjoy summer and as always, slower traffic keep right. ▼

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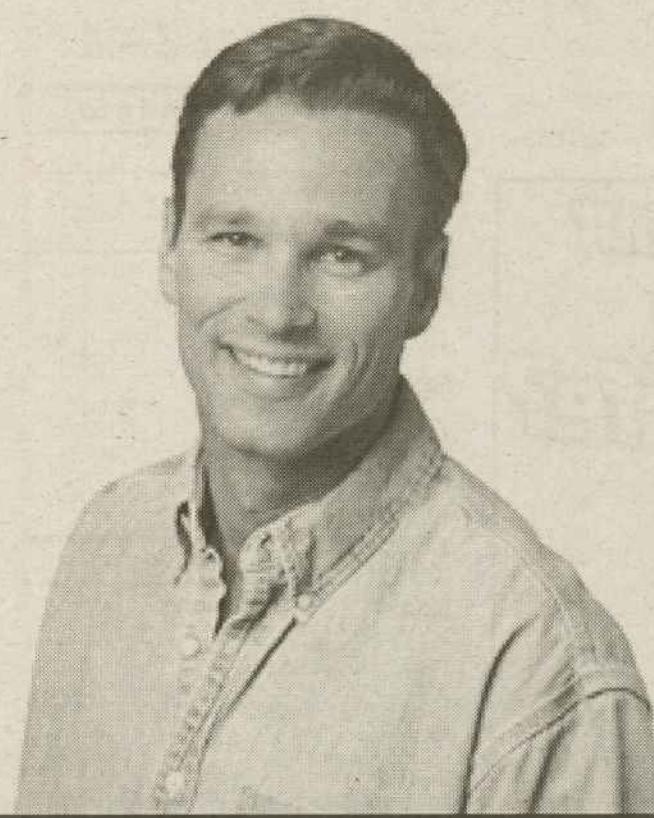
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 PO Box 204, 53201 .265-0880
 Cream City Squares
 (G/L Square Dancing Club) .445-8080
 DAMES (Dykes Against Minority Erotic Suppression)
 PO Box 1272, Milwaukee, 53201
 Delta Lambda Phi (Gay Frat)
 PO Box 413, Union Box 51, 53201 .229-4054
 Different Drummer Theatre Alliance (G/L Theatre Co)
 PO Box 92756, 53202 .347-0673
 Fest City Singers (Gay choral group)
 PO Box 11428, 53211 .263-SING
 Firebirds (L/L group)
 P.O. Box 159, 53201-0159 .53202
 Front Runners (Running Group) .332-1527
 http://execpc.com/~blockon/frontrun.html
 Galan Club (chemical free recovery club)
 2408 N. Farwell .276-6936
 GAMMA (sports/outdoors/recreation/social)
 P.O. Box 1900, 53201 .365-3453
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 http://www.execpc.com/~mkegamma
 Gay Father's Group
 1240 E. Brady St., 53204 .372-8008
 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
 209 East National, 53204
 Gay People's Union
 PO Box 208, 53201 .562-7010
 Gay Youth Milwaukee (regular peer group meetings)
 PO Box 09441, 53209 .265-8500
 Gay Men's Discussion/Support Group (Bill) .276-7626
 Gemini Gender Group (TV/TS/TG Support/Social)
 PO Box 44211, 53214 voice mail .297-9328
 Girth & Mirth/Milwaukee

P. O. Box 862, 53201-0862
 G/L Community Center Trust Fund
 P. O. Box 1686, 53201 .643-1652
 Great Lakes Harley Riders
 PO Box 341611, 53234-1611
 Human Rights League (HRL)
 PO Box 12674, 53202 .228-1921
 Holiday Invitational Tournament (G/L bowling event)
 PO Box 99, 53201 .831-4038
 Imani (Support/Social Group for Black Lesbians)
 PO Box 92146, 53202 .521-4565
 Keep Hope Alive (HIV Holistic Support)
 PO Box 27041, West Allis, 53227 .548-4344
 LAMM (Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee)
 PO Box 93323, 53203 .264-2600
 Lesbian Gay Bisexual Awareness Alliance (LGBAA)
 Stephanie King, Carroll College .524-6966
 LO/C/Women of Color
 PO Box 93594, 53203-454-9300
 Log Cabin Republicans (Gay Republicans)
 PO Box 199, 53201 .299-9443
 MGALA (MU Graduates)
 PO Box 92722, 53202
 Marquette LesBiGay Student Group
 Campus Ministry, 617 N 14th St, 53233 .288-6873
 Metro Milwaukee Tennis Club (Scott) .543-9643
 Milwaukee LGBT Community Center (www.mkeight.org)
 170 S. 2nd St., 53204 .271-2656
 Narcotics Anonymous (request gay mtgs.) .543-4850
 Orgullo Latina/o Latin Pride
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 Outdoors Cooperative Sports Group .963-9833
 Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG)
 PO Box 21853, 53221 .299-9198
 Pathfinders (Youth counseling, shelter)
 1614 East Kone Place, 53202 .271-1560
 PrideFest (Pride Committee)
 PO Box 93852, 53203 .272-FEST
 The Queer Program (Cable TV Show)
 PO Box 09441, 53209 .265-8500
 Riverwest Rainbow Association
 1001 E. Keefe Ave., 53212 .225-1645
 SAGE Milwaukee (For older LesBiGays)
 PO Box 510492, 53203 after 4pm .271-0378
 Saturday SoftBall League (SSBL)
 PO Box 92605, 53203-0091 .454-9204
 Sexual Compulsive Anonymous (SCA) .299-0755
 Sherman Park Rainbow Assoc.
 PO Box 76115, 53216 .777-3986
 Shoreline (Country Dancing, Instruction)
 PO Box 510283, 53203-0051 .962-9822
 Silver Space (Group for Older Lesbians)
 c/o Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett .271-2565
 S.O.S. (Alcohol/Addiction Recovery) .442-1132
 UJIMA, Inc. (African Am. Support/Social)
 2821 N. 4th Street, 53212 .263-5330
 FAX .263-5530
 WI. Leather Mens Assoc. Inc.
 PO Box 897, 53201-0897

RELIGIOUS

ARCW Spiritual Care
 PO Box 92487, 53202 .225-1565
 Cross Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)
 1821 N. 16th St. .344-1746
 Dignity (G/L Catholic Church)
 PO Box 597, 53201 .444-7177
 Lake Park Lutheran Church
 2647 N. Stowell Ave., 53211 .962-9190
 Lutherans Concerned
 PO Box 1676, 53201 .372-9663
 Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church
 (UMCC) PO Box 1421, 53201-1421 .332-9995
 Pentecost Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)
 5226 W. Burleigh St. .445-2696
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 2717 E. Hampshire .964-1513
 The Sanctuary (Ecumenical, nondenominational)
 1636 W. National .647-9199
 St. Ann's Church
 5933 W. National Ave., 53214 .259-1229
 St. Camillus (Interfaith AIDS Ministry)
 10101 W. Wisconsin Ave., 53226 .259-4664
 St. James Episcopal Church
 833 W. Wisconsin Ave. .271-1340
 First Unitarian Society (Unitarian Universalist Church)
 1342 N. Astor 273-5257
 Village Church (Reconciled in Christ)
 130 E. Juneau Ave. .273-7617

MEDICAL

AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (www.orcw.org)
 820 Plankinton Ave., 53203 .273-1991
 (800) 359-9272
 Mark Behar, PA-C (Family/ Primary Care)
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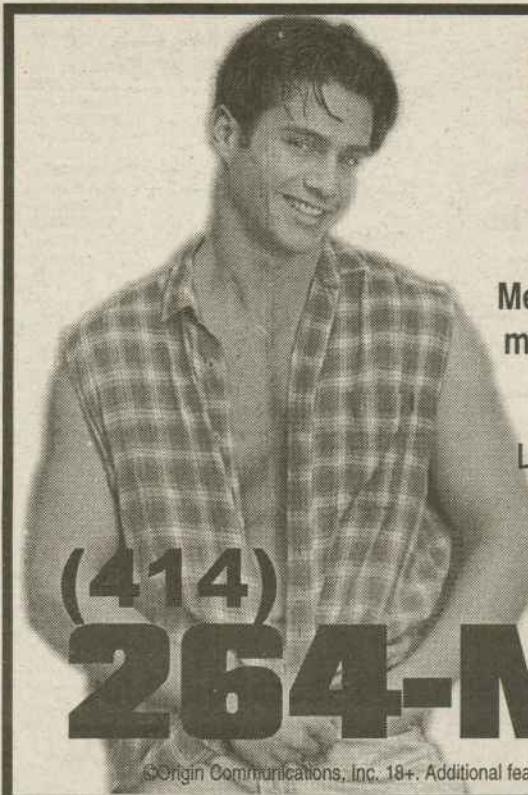


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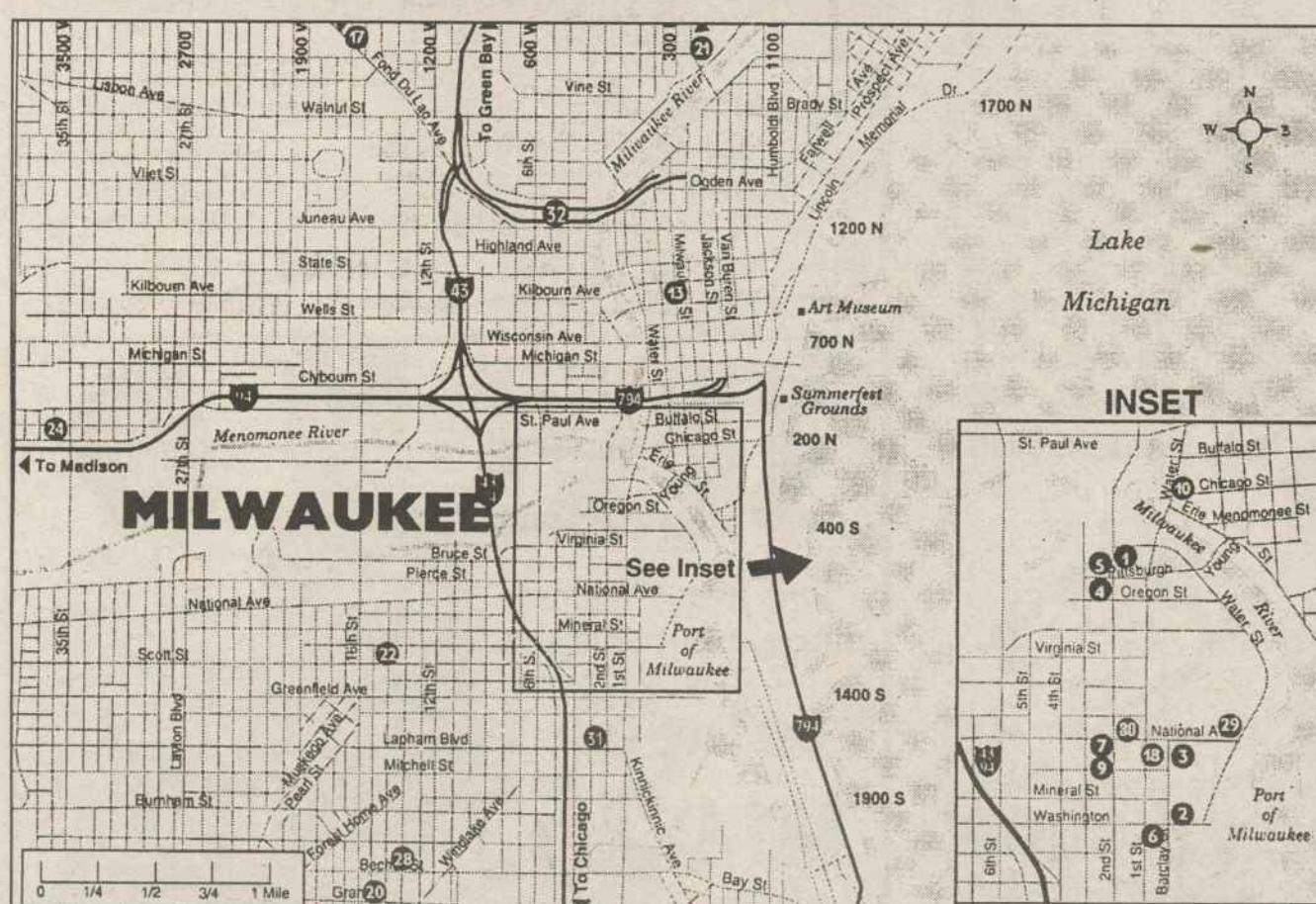
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4 Dish (Wm, DJ)
235 S. 2nd St., 53204 273-DISH
Emeralds
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6 1100 Club (Mw, L/D, DJ, F)
1100 S. 1st St., 53204 647-9950
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200 E. Washington St., 53204 649-9003
9 Fluid (Mw)
819 S. 2nd St., 53204 645-8330
22 Kathy's Nut Hut (WM, G/S, F, D)
1500 W. Scott, 53201 647-2673
7 La Cage (Mw, DJ, V)
801 S. 2nd St., 53204 383-8330
21 Milwaukee Eagle (Mw, DJ, D)
300 W. Juneau Ave., 53203 273-6900
10 M&M Club (MW, F)
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AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin
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Central Wisconsin Rainbow Alliance
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Campus Activities Complex, Box 68
UWSP, Stevens Point, 54481 346-4366
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Marshfield Gay Lesbian Organ. (MGLO)
c/o 130 S. Central Ave., #3 Marshfield, 54449
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Platwood Club (MW, D)
701 Highway 10W, St. Pt., 54481 341-8862
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1418 E. Brady St., 53202 272-6768
Wishful Things (Antiques)
207 E. Buffalo, 53202 964-9799

INSET



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AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin
Oneida County Health Dept. (715) 369-6228
P.O. Box 400, Courthouse, Rhinelander, 54501
Gay/Lesbian Support Group
Box 247A, 1411 Ellis Ave. Ashland 54806
Northern WI Lambda Society
PO Box 802, Rhinelander 54501 362-4242
SHEM (Support, Heal, Educate) for Parents, Family, Friends of Gays/Lesbians/Bis 359-7432
Out Up North (G/L Social/Info/Network)
PO Box 695, Washburn, 54891 682-2890

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Blue Lite (Mw) 1029 N. 8th, 53081 457-1636
 Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians
 Shirley: 458-2506 Carolyn: 467-0422
 Sheboygan Antiques
 336 Superior Avenue 53081 452-6757
 Wesley United Methodist Church (Reconciling Congregation)
 823 Union Avenue, Sheboygan 458-4889

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AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin
 1212 57th St., Kenosha, 53140 657-6644
 (800) 924-6601
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 6325 120th Ave., Kenosha 53140 857-3744
 Club 94 (MW, DJ)
 9001 120th Ave. (Hwy C & I-94)
 Kenosha 53140 857-9958
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 What About Me? (WM)
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 Gay AA (Group 294 Meeting) 554-6611
 Gay/Lesbian Union of Racine
 625 College, Racine 54303 634-0659
 UW-Parkside G/L Organization
 900 Wood Rd., Box 200, Kenosha 53141 595-2244
 UW-Whitewater G/L Student Union
 309 McCutchen Hall, Whitewater 53190 472-5738
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 W1375 Hwy 11, Spring Prairie 634-4421
 Wychwolde (Jewelry & Gifts)
 8321 Antioch Rd (Hwy 83), Salem 53168 843-4209

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 Chase on the Hill (Bed and Breakfast)
 11624 St. Rd 26, Milton, 53563 868-6646
 Cathleen House (B&B)
 Mineral Point 987-2612
 CrossRoads Bar (G/S/M/W)
 W6642 Hwy 8, Lake Mills 53551 648-8457
 The Closet (MW, DJ)

232 Shirland Ave., Beloit 54991 363-8764

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 505 Dewey Street S., Suite 107 Eau Claire 54701 836-7710
 (800) 750-2437
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 PO Box 264, Superior 54880
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 W4387 120th Avenue, Maiden Rock, 54750 448-4302
 GLOBE (Campus LesBiGuy group)
 105 Garfield, 132 Davies Ct, Eau Claire 54701
 JP Creations (WEB Design) 477-8802
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 304 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire 54701 838-9494
 The Main Club (MW, DJ)
 1217 Tower Ave., Superior 54880 392-1756
 Northland Gay Men's Center
 8 N. 2nd Ave. E., Ste. 309 Duluth, MN 55802 (218) 722-8585
 Parents, Families, & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG)
 Greater Chippewa Valley
 PO Box 11, Eau Claire, WI 54702-0011
 Rainbow Club (social/support for LGBT youth)
 P.O. Box 11, Eau Claire, WI 54702 836-7710
 Scooter's (MW)
 411 Galloway St., Eau Claire, 54703 835-9959
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 820 Tower, Superior, 54880 392-5373
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12pm-1pm
1:20pm-2pm
2pm-3pm
3:20pm-4pm
4pm-5pm
5:20pm-6pm
6pm-7pm
7pm-8pm
8pm-9:30pm

Ripley Caine
Lakeside Freedom Band
Barnes
Chi-Town Squares
Patty Elvis Band
Chicago Gay Men's Chorus
Science Park
The Girls of Spin
Karen Williams

MINDSPRING presents BUD LIGHT MAIN STAGE
 @ Roscoe & Halsted

12pm-1:15pm
1:45pm-3pm
3:30pm-4:45pm
5:15pm-6pm
6:15-7:15pm
8pm-10pm

Liz Mandville-Greens
Pelvic Delta
G.B. Leighton
Peta Luna
Gigola Aunts
Sonia Dada

MOTOROLA presents CAPTAIN MORGAN STAGE
 @ Addison & Halsted

12pm-1pm
1:30pm-2:30pm
3pm-4:30pm
5:30pm-7pm
7:30pm-9pm

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 @ Belmont & Halsted

12pm-12:20pm
12:40pm-1:40pm
2pm-2:20pm
2:40pm-3:40pm
4pm-5pm
5:20pm-6:20pm
7pm-8:30pm
8:45pm-9:30pm

Windy City Gay Men's Chorus & Unison
Pulsation
ROTC
Halcyon
Jan James
Miss Peaches & Absolute Diva
Cathy Richardson Band
Suzanne Palmer

MINDSPRING presents BUD LIGHT MAIN STAGE
 @ Roscoe & Halsted

12:30pm-1:45pm
2:30pm-3:45pm
4:30pm-6pm
6:30pm-7:45pm
8:30pm-9:30pm

Lynne Jordan & The Shivers
Old Pike
Verbow
Domestic Problems
Tina & The B Sides

MOTOROLA presents CAPTAIN MORGAN STAGE
 @ Addison & Halsted

12pm-1pm
1:30pm-2:30pm
3pm-4:30pm
5pm-6:30pm
7pm-9pm

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Trickle Down
Shaking Tree
Waco Brothers
Tim Mahoney & The Blues Meanies

AIDS WALK WISCONSIN

"I have been fortunate enough that as of this moment I have not lost a friend. I am able to walk and will continue to do what I can to help find a cure for HIV. We each have a role to play while we are here, mine is to help fight this disease as best as I can. Thank you for walking with me! See you there, I'll be the one in sneakers! :)"

Jeanne,
Fond du Lac

"This will be my second Walk. I walk (and cry and smile) in memory of Donald-David. He was my friend, my mentor, and now he's my angel. I miss him more than my heart can bear... so I will walk until the pandemic is over. When you love someone, you tell them, right then... or the moment just passes you by. Hold a hand, hug a friend, lend an ear - and keep on walking. See YOU in September!"

Kristina, Oak Creek

"If I lose another friend I'll lose my mind!"

Jim, Eau Claire

"William,
my brother, my friend.
I miss you, I love you."

Bobbi, Milwaukee

September 12

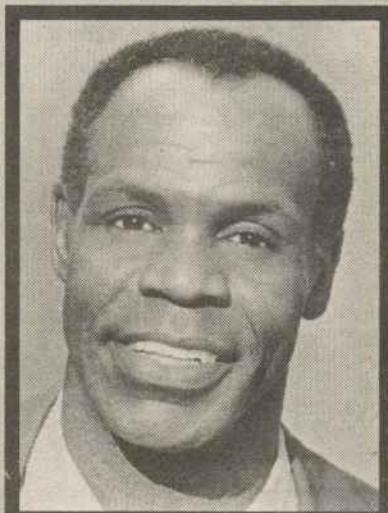
WHY WILL YOU WALK?

"I have hoped, prayed and cried more than anyone will ever know. The new drugs aren't working for my friend anymore, so this year's Walk may be his last. I am walking and still hoping for a cure."

Steve, Milwaukee

"Last night, I found out my friend Jason is HIV positive. I never thought I'd know someone who was positive. I never imagined it would hit so close to home. I will be walking this year for the first time. I'm doing it for the strength and courage Jason has shown me in his daily living. I'm doing it for myself. I'm doing it so others won't get this disease."

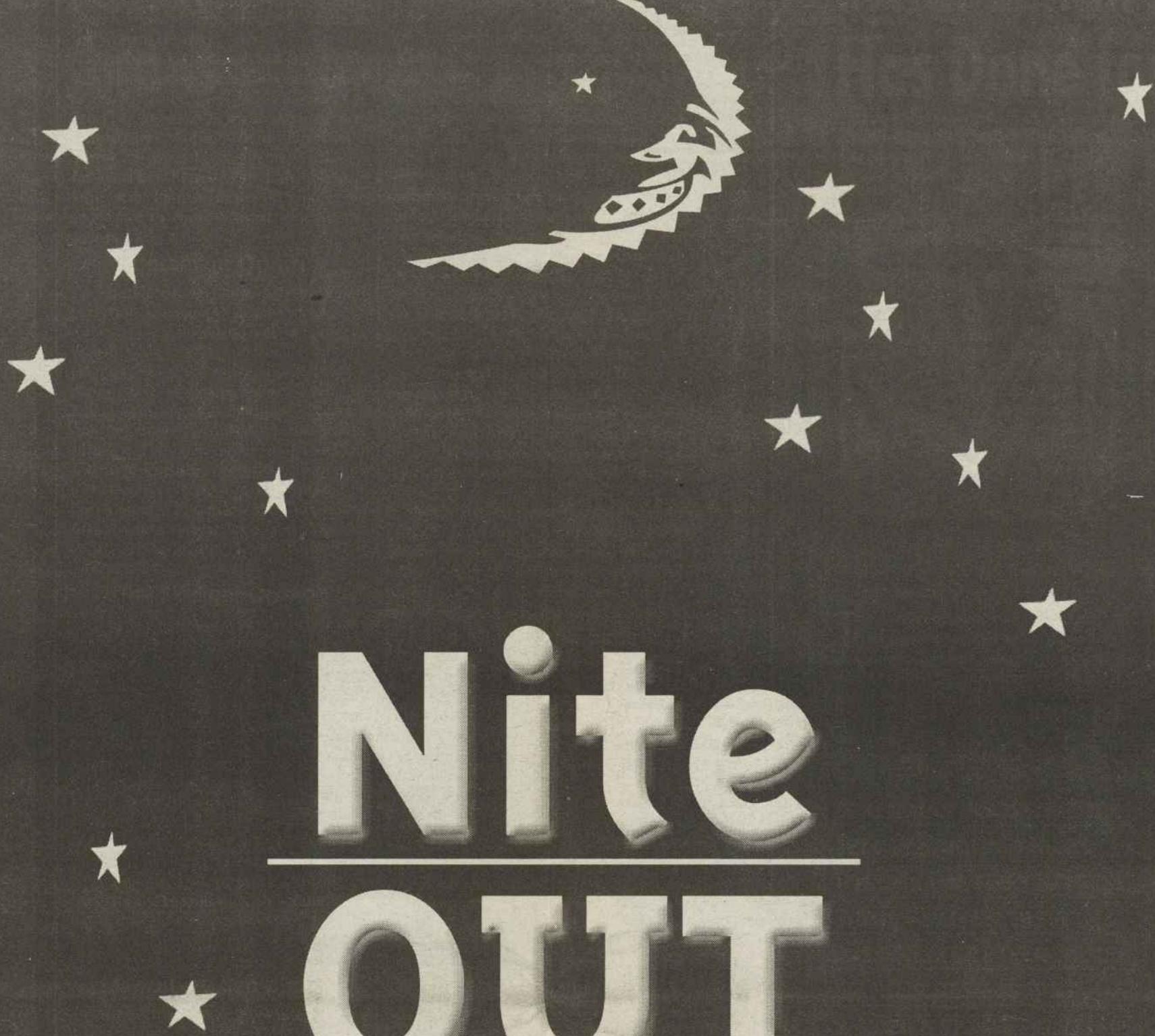
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Nite OUT

In the same spirit as Gallery Night and First Fridays, Nite OUT is a special evening for our community to come together and to enjoy a night of theater and fellowship as well as a night out on the town. Please join us for the very first Nite OUT, a Milwaukee Rep performance of Shakespeare's comedy *Twelfth Night* held in conjunction with a special benefit for Milwaukee's LGBT Community Center sponsored by IN Step.

A Special Benefit for Milwaukee's LGBT Community Center

Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* ▶ Tuesday, September 14
Reception at 6:30pm, Curtain at 7:30pm ▶ Quadracci Power House Theater

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