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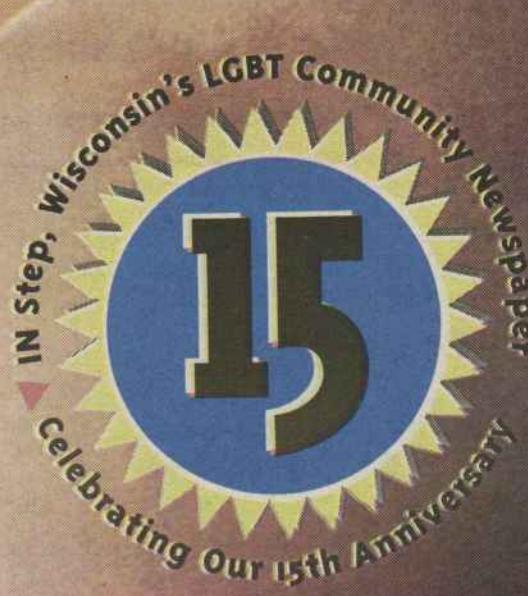
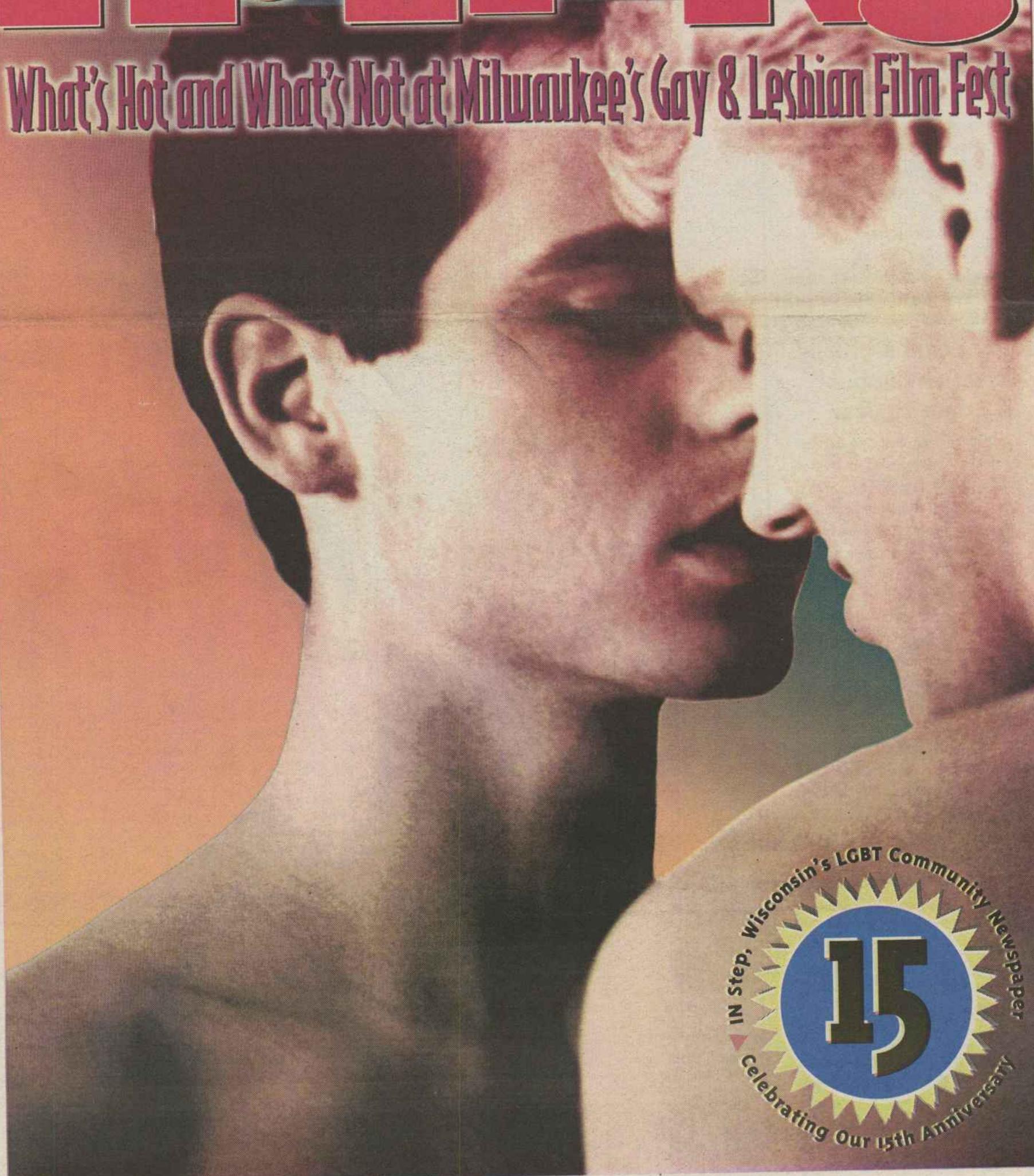
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**What's Hot and What's Not at Milwaukee's Gay & Lesbian Film Fest**



### 'Jenny Jones' Show Killer Sentenced to 25-50 Years

**Pontiac, Mich.** — Jonathan Schmitz, convicted two times of killing a gay man after they had appeared on a "Jenny Jones" television program about secret crushes, has been sentenced to 25 to 50 years in prison.

Schmitz faced retrial for the March 1995 shooting death of Scott Amedure, which occurred just days after the two men appeared on the popular TV talk show where he said he had a secret crush on Schmitz.

Schmitz, who says he's heterosexual, later said he expected his secret admirer to be female and claimed he was humiliated by the program, although it never aired. Three days after the taping in Chicago, Schmitz, 24 at the time, killed Amedure, 32, with two close-range blasts from a shotgun.

Schmitz was found guilty of second-degree murder at his first trial in 1996, but that verdict was later overturned because of technical errors.

Found guilty again in August, the sentence imposed by Circuit Court Judge Wendy Potts reaffirms the earlier sentence as well. It is the maximum permitted under the law.

Unlike the previous trials, Schmitz for the first time since the killing spoke in court before being sentenced.

"I'd like to say I'm sorry to the Amedure family," Schmitz said. "I can't take any of it back. I'd like to ask God for forgiveness and I beg for mercy from the court."

Amedure's death and a civil lawsuit against the producers of the *Jenny Jones* show led to a \$25 million judgment earlier this year.

### Spy Scandal Stirs Questions About J. Edgar Hoover

**London** — The latest spy scandal coming out of Britain suggests that the Soviet spy agency, the KGB, targeted the U.S. with an intense campaign of "dirty tricks" aimed at fueling suspicions the CIA was involved in the assassination of President John Kennedy, that Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was working for President Lyndon Johnson, and cultivating persistent rumors that FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover was a closeted homosexual who liked to dress up in women's clothing.

The allegations of KGB dirty trickery come in Christopher Andrew's books, *The Mitrokhin Archive: The KGB in Europe and the West*, which is being serialized in the *London Times* and is supposedly based on 12 years of secretly collected KGB files smuggled out of the Soviet Union.

Some doubts, however, have been raised about the reliability of the alleged KGB disinformation campaign. Among other things, reports of Hoover's homosexuality and cross-dressing remained as rumors until well after the FBI chief was dead. Since then, several sources have provided at least some documentation of the late crime-fighter's sexual orientation and cross-dressing.

**ON OUR COVER:** Chris Stafford (l) and Andersen Gabrych in 'Edge of 17' featured at the Milwaukee Gay and Lesbian Film Fest. See our story in Section Q.

### Presidential Race Gets Very 'Gay'

by Keith Clark  
of the IN Step staff

**San Francisco** — Gay rights became a somewhat unexpected focus of the 2000 presidential race in mid-September in a primary campaign that increasingly seems to be shaping up with all the complexity of an intricate chess game.

In California, the two leading Democratic hopefuls — Vice President Al Gore and former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley — vied to outdo each other in a bid to win the state's large and politically active gay and lesbian voters.

After a lackluster interview earlier in the *Advocate*, in which Gore had said he opposes anti-gay discrimination and doesn't oppose gay and lesbian adoption. Gore said he supports the military ban against homosexuals that his boss, President Clinton, hammered out with the Senate and the Defense Department after initially saying he would end the ban. But he said that if he's elected president he would implement the anti-gay policy "with more compassion" — a position that perhaps raised more questions than it answered. He also hedged on a California anti-gay marriage ballot measure, known as the Knight initiative, that will be on the March 2000 ballot, saying that he would have to "educate myself" on the proposed initiative before taking a stand on it.

In a Sept. 28 *Advocate* interview with Bradley that was excerpted in advance, Gore's chief rival went further in championing gay rights than any previous major presidential candidate, including Clinton. He said he is opposed to the Knight measure, which he described as "divisive," even though he also said he is opposed to same-sex marriages.

Bradley went on to say the proposed federal Employment Non-Discrimination Act before Congress simply doesn't go far enough in guaranteeing the equal treatment of gays and lesbians and that

the U.S. Civil Rights Act of 1964 should be amended to include sexual orientation. In another part of the interview, Gore went on to say he thinks the Pentagon's ban on gays and lesbians in the country's armed forces should simply be ended altogether.

The vice president, however, got to make another pitch for California's gay and lesbian vote the day news of Bradley's positions was grabbing headlines from coast to coast. Gore showed up at a San Francisco city hall ceremony celebrating the upcoming groundbreaking for the city's gay and lesbian community center. Referring to a gunman who opened fire in a church in Fort Worth, Tex., just days before, Gore told gay rights leaders in San Francisco, "We need to find hate in our schools, on our streets, and in our hearts. In light of what has happened during such rampages [as the one in Texas], I do not understand how some can still argue that hate crimes are no different than other crimes?"

At least two Republican presidential hopefuls also made statements about gay and lesbian issues in September — although with much less attention paid.

In the September issue of *Glamour*, Elizabeth Dole said that she is opposed to same-sex couples adopting children. Earlier in the year at a town hall meeting in Iowa, when asked about the proposed Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA), Dole said she was opposed to discrimination in the workplace but wasn't familiar with the legislation itself. But she then blundered into a minefield of uncertainty by adding, "I'm against discrimination in any form for any reason. I'm not for special privileges, though, because of one's sexual orientation."

Texas Gov. George W. Bush, the leading Republican presidential candidate, also made his views on gay rights clear through a publication. In written answers to questions from an anti-gay rights



Al Gore

newsletter, Bush said he opposes gay marriage and objected to a court's ruling that overturned the ban on gays in the Boy Scouts. His campaign offices later said the governor opposes adoption by gay and lesbian couples because "he believes children ought to be adopted in families with a man and woman who are married."

Neither of the GOP frontrunners have made any public statements about the California anti-marriage ballot measure. But as the work of a California Republican state senator, neither would be likely to oppose the Knight initiative.

Ironically, the Knight initiative will be decided by California voters on the same day as the state's presidential primary.

Initially, most political observers agreed that with Republicans salivating for a chance to retake the White House, the Knight initiative would get an added boost from a higher-than-normal Republican turnout at the polls in the presidential primary.

Now, with Gore and Bradley both apparently vying for the gay vote in California, the competition among the two Democrats may end up spurring more gays and lesbians to go to the polls.

### AIDS Walk Raises \$641,626 — Draws Thousands Statewide

**Milwaukee** — Danny Glover, Hollywood actor, activist and 10th Anniversary AIDS Walk Wisconsin honorary chair, spoke about the importance of collectively fighting AIDS and staying vigilant by participating in AIDS Walk Wisconsin. The 10th Anniversary AIDS Walk drew thousands from throughout the state and raised \$641,626, keeping AIDS Walk the largest AIDS fundraising event in the state.

"It's amazing what us as individuals can do, we cannot let complacency keep us from remembering that there is a lot of work to be done," Glover said. "It is an act of love to support needle exchange efforts. It is an act of love, not fear, to educate our children about sex education. When we advocate for full access to HIV care and treatment, it is an act of love."

At the walk, Doug Nelson, executive director of the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin announced that Wisconsin's HIV caseload has reached an all-time high with 6,680 cases officially reported to the State Division of Public Health.

"There is nothing about AIDS that justifies complacency," said Nelson. "I am proud that thousands of walkers again demonstrated their commitment to the fight against AIDS today by joining from all parts of the state to remember loved ones and raise dollars for critically needed AIDS services."

At the opening ceremonies, Glover sent off walkers waving a pair of shoes, saying, "This is not a battle we will win tomorrow. I'm in this fight with you."

Glover has a brother with AIDS and came to Wisconsin to help make the Walk a success. "No man or woman is an island. This is all our battle and struggle. We have to be passionate about fighting HIV and continue to educate our youth with good HIV prevention messages."



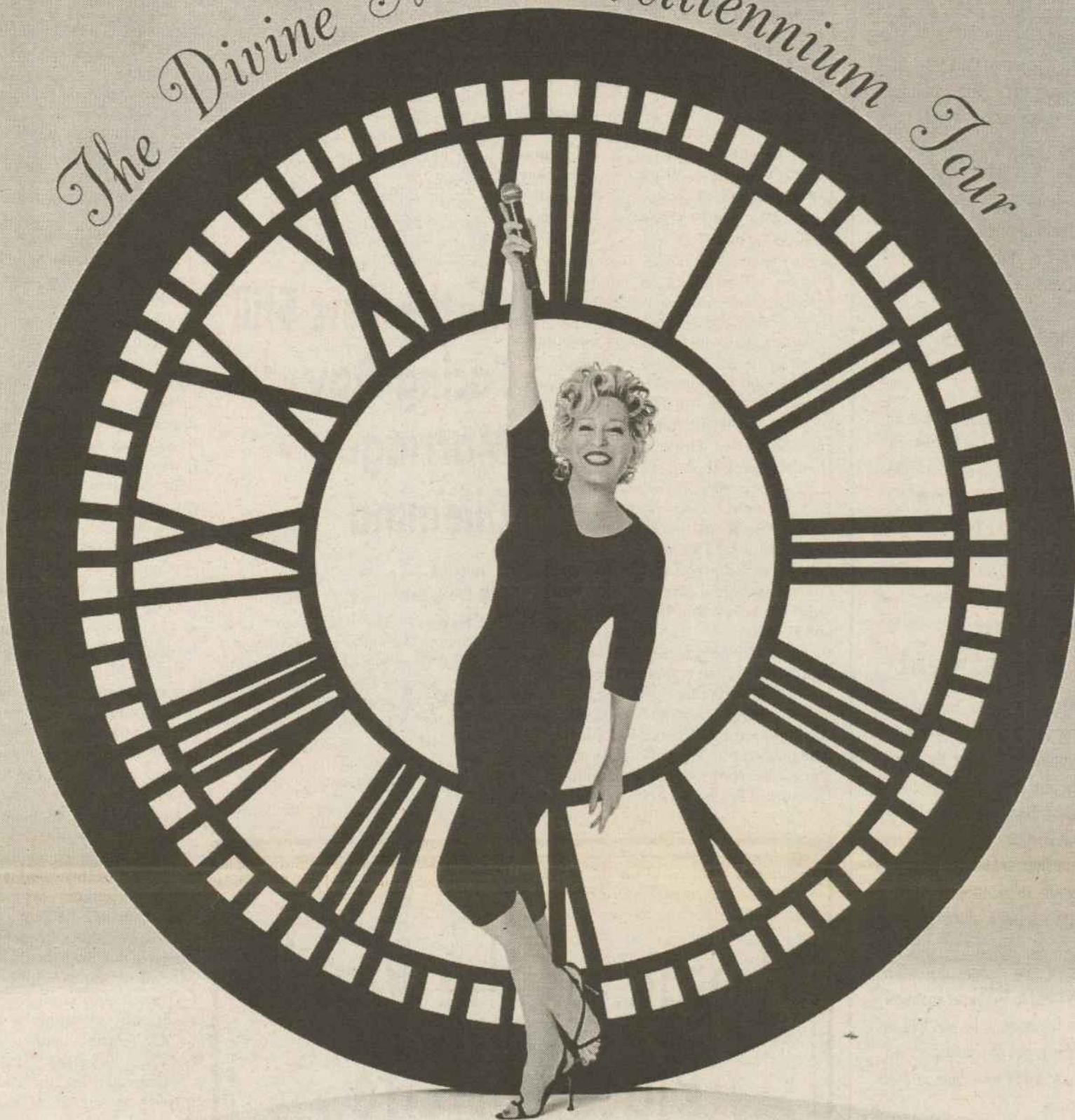
Walkers trek down Milwaukee's Lakefront. Photo: James Taylor.

Nelson said that Wisconsin's HIV caseload has dramatically increased the demand for HIV health and social services. "As wonderful as this era of hope has been, I do fear that it could be the most dangerous era of all. In reality, there is nothing about this disease that is fundamentally different than where we were 10 years ago," Nelson added that AIDS remains a fatal disease with no cure.

Many of the advances in HIV medication and prevention are made possible by the generous contributions of individuals to AIDS Walk Wisconsin. Almost 97 percent of all pledge dollars raised go directly to HIV/AIDS and benefits 17 agencies throughout the state.

This year's benefiting agencies from throughout Wisconsin include: AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, AIDS Network, Camp Heartland, Central WI HIV/AIDS Ministry Project, Coulee Region YMCA-GALAXY Program, Counseling Center of Milwaukee, Horizons, Inc., Manitowoc County AIDS Task Force, Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, Opportunities Industrialization Center, Positive Health Clinic/Aurora, Rodney Scheel House Foundation, Sawyer County AIDS Task Force - Lac Courte Oreilles Tribe, Sheboygan County AIDS Task Force, Saint Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry, Wisconsin AIDS Research Consortium, Wisconsin Council of Churches.

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## Missouri Student Paper Controversy

Colombia, Mo. — An estimated 6,000 copies of the University of Missouri at Columbia's student newspaper, "The Maneater," were stolen, according to the Paul Wilson, the paper's editor, who said he believed it was because of a controversial article in the issue.

Wilson said the article was about Damon White, former president of the Legion of Black Collegians and of the Iota Phi Theta fraternity, who disappeared under suspicious circumstances six months ago. He said the article reported that White was gay and HIV-positive.

He said White's former boyfriend, known only as "John Doe," had told the paper that White had infected him with HIV. But White's family said they think Doe is responsible for White's disappearance even though they've gotten little assistance from police in investigating the case.

Wilson said there had been leaks about what the story contained, and he felt the article had prompted the widespread theft of the paper. He said police had declined to take a complaint about the stolen papers because it isn't illegal to take free publications.

## Man Sues Starbucks for Sexual Harassment

San Francisco — Peter Eastwood, a former worker at a Starbucks in San Francisco, has filed a lawsuit against the firm, charging a long list of sexual harassment complaints against three supervisors, ranging from explicit language to physical groping to one supervisor exposing himself at work to Eastwood to a suggestion that having sex with a supervisor could lead to a promotion.

The complaint also charges that when Eastwood complained to Starbucks' management about the harassment, he was told he was "blowing things out of proportion" and that the company didn't have time to deal with his complaints.

The suit also charges Starbucks with anti-gay discrimination because all the men involved were gay, leading the firm to ignore the complaints.

## Atlanta Baptist Church Vows to Battle

Atlanta — The Rev. Lanny Peters, pastor of Atlanta's Oakhurst Baptist Church, says the congregation will fight efforts to strip it off membership in the Georgia Baptist Convention because it welcomes gays and lesbians.

The 86-year-old church has long had a reputation for being far more progressive than many Baptist congregations, and the Georgia Baptist Convention's executive committee earlier voted 134-1 to oust Oakhurst Baptist from the organization for being "out of harmony" with the larger group.

But Peters says the committee's decision is "un-Baptist" and that "the freedom of the soul and individual rights is the core of the Baptist religion."

## Action Wisconsin, Pocan to Sponsor Town Hall Meetings

Madison — Domestic partnership will be the focus of three "town hall" meetings to be held in early October. Action Wisconsin and Rep. Mark Pocan (D-Madison) will sponsor the three sessions to be held in Milwaukee, Madison and Green Bay/Fox Cities.

Milwaukee's LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St., is the site of the first two-hour meeting beginning at 12 p.m. on Oct. 2. Evening meetings beginning at 6 p.m. will be in Madison at the University of Wisconsin's Memorial Union, 800 Langdon St., on Oct. 4 and in the Appleton suburb of Kimberly at the Liberty Hall Convention Center, 800 Eisenhower Drive, on Oct. 5.

According to Rep. Pocan, the meetings are being held to discuss the upcoming Domestic Partnership Act to be introduced shortly by Rep. Frank Boyle (D-Superior). The proposed legislation would create a registry at the county level. Registered couples would receive legal protections similar to those of married couples.

Final revisions being made to the bill are expected to be completed by Sept. 30 according to Pocan. "The introduction of this legislation is an important first step in creating dialogue and educating the public on matters of equal treatment for members of the GLBT community," Pocan said in a letter circulated statewide.

on Sept. 17.

The town hall meetings will review the legislation and allow community members to discuss strategies for obtaining co-sponsorship and moving the legislation forward in the Assembly. Perspective and participation building are additional goals of the town meetings according to Action Wisconsin President F. M. "Mike" Fitzpatrick.

"A key element of the meetings will be helping the LGBT community obtain an overview on the multi-year journey which will take its very first steps in mid-October," Fitzpatrick said. "Early involvement by stakeholder couples in establishing public dialogue also is critical."

For more information and directions to the meeting sites, contact Action Wisconsin at (608) 283-3251 or Rep. Pocan's office at (608) 266-8570. People may also obtain information by email at [ActionWi@execpc.com](mailto:ActionWi@execpc.com) or [mark.pocan@legis.state.wi.us](mailto:mark.pocan@legis.state.wi.us).

## Methodists Still Facing Gay Marriage Dilemma

by Keith Clark  
of the IN Step staff

Chicago — The Rev. Gregory Dell, the United Methodist pastor who was suspended from his ministry earlier this year by a panel of church elders for performing a holy union for two gay men last year, should be back in the pulpit next year — although he says he intends to continue performing marriages for same-sex couples regardless of church rules.

An appeals board in the United

Methodist Church has said Dell's suspension was justified, but it said the penalty imposed at his church trial in March should have been only for a specific period of time. The board left the verdict in his highly publicized church trial in place — along with the Methodist ban against same-sex unions — but decided he could return to his ministry at Chicago's Broadway United Methodist Church on July 1, 2000.

Dell could appeal the latest ruling to the church's ultimate judicial body, the Judicial Council, but the minister says he's unsure if he will do that because of the conservative nature of the denomination's highest court.

The original panel that handed down the verdict and sentence against Dell had put no specific time period on his suspension, but had insisted Dell could return to his ministry by agreeing to stop performing same-sex unions.

The appeals board's ruling will allow Dell to return to the pulpit after a year's official suspension — but it carries no conditions that he agree to anything.

Because Dell insists his ordination vow to serve "all people" compels him to perform holy unions for gays and lesbians just as he performs marriages for opposite-sex couples, the appeals board's decision probably means that it is only a matter of time before the church once again is forced to confront the issue of gay and lesbian marriages.

In fact, it may not be long before the issue of same-sex marriage is again preoccupying the denomination. In California, 68 Methodist ministers are facing possible church discipline for their part in a lesbian couple's holy union in Sacramento; the church's general conference is slated for May 2000, with both sides saying they both want sweeping changes in the denomination's ban; and in Nebraska a church panel has sent its recommendations to Bishop Joel Martinez on whether or not the Rev. Jimmy Creech should stand trial a second time for performing a same-sex wedding in North Carolina.

In 1998, a divided church trial determined that Creech had not violated United Methodist rules by performing a wedding ceremony for two women in Omaha, where he was pastor at First United Methodist Church. Despite the ruling in his favor in that case, Bishop Martinez did not reappoint Creech to his post in Omaha, and the minister now resides with his family in North Carolina. He remains on the clergy roster in Nebraska, however.

Characterizing the continuing controversy as "an act of violence against gays and lesbians and their families," Creech said it has nothing to do with him or Dell or the 68 California pastors facing trial. "It's about the position the church has taken that really hurts gay and lesbian people."

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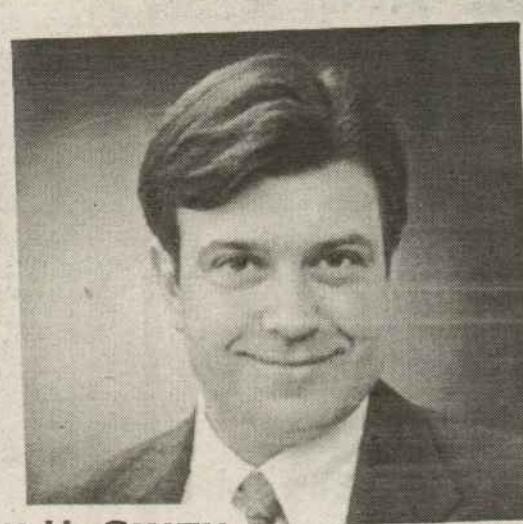
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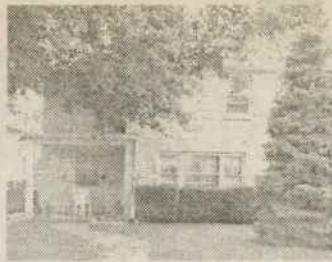
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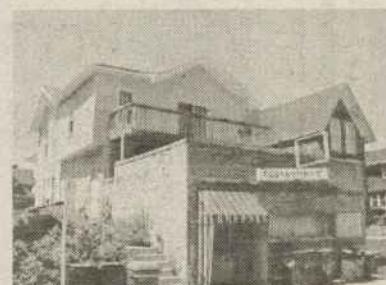
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## Cop That Arrested Singer George Michael Sues

Los Angeles — Marcello Rodriguez, the Los Angeles police officer who last year arrested pop singer George Michael at a park toilet on charges of lewd conduct, has filed a \$10 million lawsuit against the singer because of a video Michael later made about the incident.

According to the lawsuit, the video of the song "Outside" that Michael did about the arrest, had resulted in Rodriguez suffering "emotional distress" because of "vicious things said about him" as a result of the video. Rodriguez is also reportedly angry that the pop singer later said in interviews that the officer who arrested him had "waved his genitals" at him before the arrest.

The video is a staged version of the arrest scene and includes images of the ex-Wham! lead singer decked out as an LAPD officer and knee-high leather boots.

## 'Survival Sex' Among Runaways & Homeless Kids

Chicago — A study published in the *American Journal of Public Health* by scientists with the Research Triangle Institute and the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill suggests a high incidence of "survival sex" by homeless youths and runaways.

Interviewing more than 600 young people living in shelters and more than 500 youngsters living on the streets, the researchers reported that more than a quarter of those living on the streets said they had exchanged sex for money, food or a place to stay as part of their way of staying alive.

The researchers said 10 percent of the youths living in shelters reported engaging in similar survival sex.

The scientists said the study highlights the need for services that give homeless youngsters alternatives to risky behaviors such as this. The enormous medical costs if these young people become infected with HIV, they said, justified making far greater resources available to deal with the problem.

## Canadian Province Judges Get Partner Benefits

Toronto — Judges in Ontario Province got a pay hike along with full domestic partner benefits in the most recent review of their overall compensation by a provincial board.

Ironically, the order was signed by Chris Hodgson, chairman of the board that oversees judicial salaries and benefits in the province and a long-time foe of gay rights benefits.

Hodgson has opposed same-sex couples benefits since first elected in 1994 and later voted against a measure in Canada's parliament that was essentially identical to the one he signed to order the judicial benefits.

## AIDS Quilt Panels at Lincoln Center of the Arts

Milwaukee — The Lincoln Center of the Arts Public Schools' District Arts Center will present the gallery show *In Celebration of Life* at 820 E. Knapp St. from Oct. 5 through 22.

The gallery show will offer a view of panels from the AIDS Memorial Quilt as a powerful centerpiece for HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention. By showing a personal glimpse of the lives that have been lost, the quilt helps others see beyond the statistics and learn about the human impact of the epidemic.

There will be no charge for scheduled student gallery visits, which are open to all students from the metropolitan Milwaukee area. A maximum of 60 students (30 for each gallery) can be accommodated each hour. Reservations can be made for student attendance by calling Dr. Kevin Rozman at (414) 272-6060. The public is invited to a free showing as part of East Town Association's Gallery Night from 6 to 9 p.m. on Oct. 15.

## Counseling Center Fall Support Groups

Milwaukee — The Counseling Center of Milwaukee, Inc., announces its fall sessions of support and therapy groups. Some groups are ongoing, while others are eight weeks and some are ten weeks in length. All groups are held at The Counseling Center of Milwaukee, 2038 N. Bartlett Ave., on Milwaukee's East Side.

The support groups include Women's Self Esteem; Men's Self Esteem; a Separation and Divorce Group; a Relationship

Group for Women; Male survivors of Sexual Abuse; and Women With Physical Disabilities.

The Counseling Center also runs a Facilitator Training Group for those interested in becoming a support group facilitator. In the therapy groups, you will find the Women Survivors of Sexual Abuse. The support groups for gays and lesbians include the Free Space for Women Group, the More Space for Women Group, Gay Men's General Issues, Gay Men's Discussion Group, Silver Space Discussion Group for Older Lesbians, and Married/Partnered Women's Group.

The 8- and 10-week groups will start in late September and early October. There is a \$10 fee per group session. For more information about these groups, call the support group program at (414) 271-2565.

## ARCW Wins Statewide Housing Grant

Milwaukee — The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin announced it has been awarded a \$357,000 statewide Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) grant. The one-year grant, from the state Division of Housing, will provide over 750 people with HIV and AIDS throughout Wisconsin with direct financial assistance, housing counseling and care and support services.

"Our goal is that nobody with HIV and AIDS in Wisconsin shall be homeless," said Doug Nelson, ARCW executive director. "Receiving the HOPWA grant brings us closer to fulfilling that vision."

Wisconsin now has a record number of people in need of housing and HIV support services. The new HOPWA dollars enable ARCW to not only provide

housing financial assistance but to also help clients manage additional complex issues that people with HIV and AIDS often face.

"Providing a safe and stable home environment is the essential starting point for someone battling HIV. Once housing is secured, we can help a client begin a good routine of care," Nelson said. "If you don't have a bed to sleep in at night or aren't sure where your and your child's next meals are coming from, it is very difficult to maintain medical drug regimens."

ARCW's housing program provides people with HIV and AIDS help in maintaining stable and affordable housing, counseling to assist with overcoming adherence issues of complicated HIV and AIDS drug regimens, and commonly needed support services such as transportation to medical appointments and goods from ARCW's or other area food pantries.

In 1998, ARCW provided \$629,696 in direct housing and financial assistance to clients for rent, security deposits and utility bills. The average ARCW client has an income of \$750 a month or \$9000 a year.

Expanded housing counseling on HIV-related issues such as working with behaviors that contribute to domestic violence and substance abuse as well as providing HIV risk reduction information to prevent the further spread of AIDS is also being offered.

"Throughout all parts of Wisconsin, HIV is affecting an all-time-high number of individuals and families. As a result, ARCW and other AIDS service providers are hearing a loud cry for desperately needed care and support," Nelson said. "We are grateful for the new housing dollars which enhance our housing program and give us the opportunity to broaden our scope of care to meet the needs of people with HIV today."

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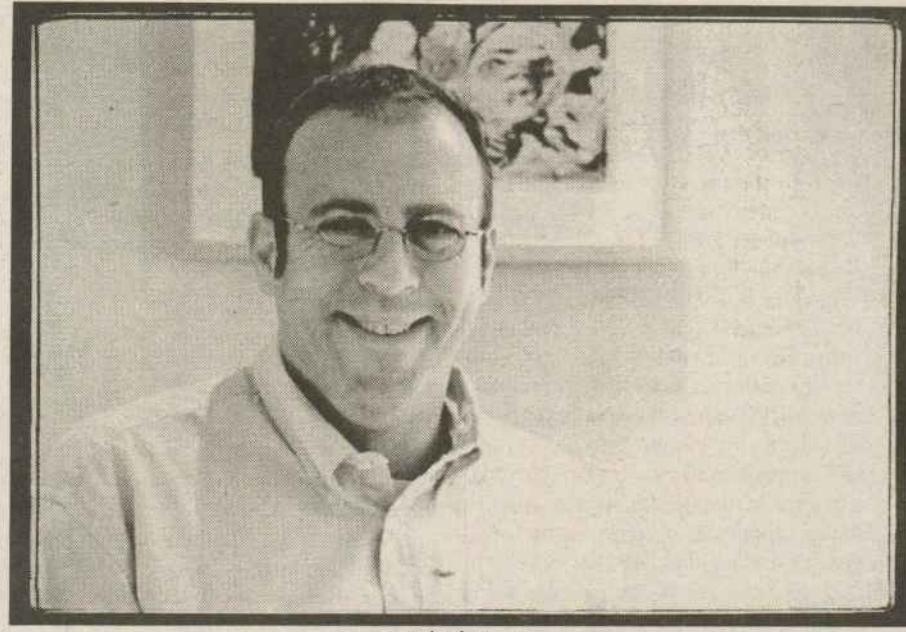
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Interview by William Attewell  
of the IN Step staff

**A**n old friend has recently returned to Milwaukee's East Side. After months of hard work, Michael Tarney and his business partners have thrown open the doors on the old Knickerbocker Cafe, now as simply known as The Knick. The restaurant has reopened with a new look and a new logo, but retains Tarney's commitment to his business and customers.

According to Tarney, the reopening of The Knick was slowed due to labor shortages and materials delays. But the wait seems well worth it. The restaurant has been redesigned from stem to stern. Large open spaces have been replaced with stylish curves and warmth. The new Knick features intimate dining areas and surprising design elements. Look carefully for clouds capping the oval columns, or pimentos set into the unique flooring.

In addition to The Knick, Tarney and his partners also operate Harry's Bar and Grill on Oakland Ave., and The North Shore Bistro. Recently, I spoke with Tarney about the new Knick and the restaurant business.

### IN Step: I know many people missed the Knickerbocker during its renovation. What kind of feedback have you gotten since re-opening?

Michael Tarney: It's been great. We've had a little grousing ... people who have missed the old space ... but for 99 percent of the people have been very pleased with the environment and the change.

### IN Step: Can you tell me a little about the design?

MT: We wanted to do something that would be more graceful and more gentle and be of architectural interest. I wanted two things to occur in this environment: One, was to have a huge change from the old place — the old place had to die. It was crumbling. It was falling apart. We also wanted to have the view of Juneau Park and lake. It's beautiful, so the bar was oriented that way for that reason. Wherever you sit you have a nice view [of the] outside.

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### IN Step: How did you get started in the restaurant business?

MT: I started twenty-some years ago and did everything from being a busboy to a waiter. Actually, my first job was a soda fountain jerk; I made malts. I worked my way up in restaurants over the years. I worked as a food service director for a catering operation. Eventually, I got tired of working so many hours for other people, and I thought if I'm going to work this hard and be this poor, I might as well try to do it for myself.

I found a space on Oakland Avenue that I was interested in. It was the old Oakland Café. I borrowed money from anybody who would give it to me — my family and relatives, mostly. I think the timing was right, I was lucky, I've had great support from my partners, and we have been able to grow this business slowly. We're in our 15th year now, which is truly a remarkable thing for a business that has a ninety-nine percent failure rate.

### IN Step: What do you attribute your success to?

MT: I think it's been timing. I think that there was a need for what we were doing in the marketplace at the time. I think that caring about what we do is very important, because we surely do care. Quality, consistency and being pleasant to our staff and our customers; that's really what it's about ... greeting people with a smile ... and thanking them for coming.

### IN Step: What restaurants impress you?

MT: I don't get out very much. I think Milwaukee is a diverse wonderful place with great restaurants all over. I do have some favorites when I'm not here. The Riversite in Mequon. I love Grenadiers, and the list goes on and on.

### IN Step: How do you see your establishments integrating with the lesbian and gay community?

MT: I've been at the North Shore Bistro and often and I see [gay] couples entertaining. At Harry's, I see people after sporting events and they're relaxing and watching TV and I know they're within our community.

There's no secret to what my lifestyle is. I don't make a huge issue out of it. I do what I do and I am what I am. Hopefully, I present myself appropriately, and maybe impress upon an employee that some of the stereotypes [about gay people] may or may not be true. I just would like to be thought of as a decent role model.

### IN Step: Is there anything you'd like to add?

MT: Not that I can think of other than, Come here and eat dinner ... often. ▼

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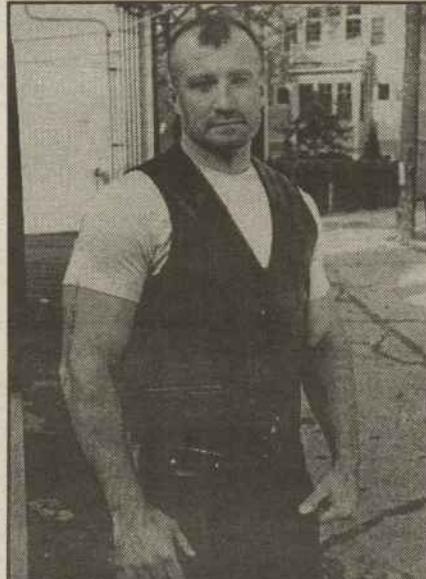
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## Reflections on the Madison-Milwaukee Divide

by Jamakaya

One of the themes that emerged from last issue's interview with Rebecca Sneed, the dyke who plastered lesbian-positive posters around Milwaukee (and who may never live to hear the end of it!), was the difference between the political cultures of Milwaukee and Madison.

Rebecca said several times that her poster was more accepted in Madison, where she previously lived, that folks there engaged in the spirit of it and were not as openly hostile as Milwaukeeans. She was shocked, shocked to encounter such vociferous opposition to her public art in Beer Town. Could there be some internalized homophobia going on here? Rebecca wondered. Well, duh!

Margaret Flood commented: "The truth is Madison and Milwaukee are just two different towns." You got that right, sister.

Now don't get me wrong. I was born in Milwaukee and have lived here my whole life. There are things I love about this city, especially the summer-long festival season, the parks and libraries, and living near mighty Lake Michigan. Watching endless fireworks over the lake, hanging out on Brady Street, sneaking into the balcony of my beloved Oriental Theatre — ah, the simple pleasures are considerable.

Then there's politics.

I had the good fortune to be seduced into political activism in the early 1970s by strong-minded socialist women who taught me the value of discipline and direct action and who stressed the interconnectedness of all human rights struggles. We worked for the Equal Rights Amendment, organized against rape, marched against apartheid, picketed lawmakers, harassed anti-abortionists and, more than once, plastered neighborhoods with feminist, pro-choice and pro-gay posters. It was exhilarating! We annoyed some people with our actions but, like Rebecca, we figured maybe they needed to be aroused. Those of us who were lesbians were noisily, aggressively, unapologetically OUT. I am so grateful that I grew into maturity alongside such politically committed and adventurous women.

Flash forward 25 years. More often than not, I find myself in social settings

where women rationalize and give each other support for staying in the closet. Only a few friends and acquaintances are involved in any way with peace groups, clinic protection or lesbian rights. Getting more than five people together to organize anything is a daunting challenge. A dyke puts up some lesbian posters and the editor of an allegedly gay newspaper (not this one) calls 911 on her. What is wrong with this picture?

"Move to Madison!" my Madison-area sisters cry. The implication being that Madison is Nirvana compared to backward old Milwaukee. Madison is more progressive, goes the mantra. The community is more tolerant. The lesbian community is more together. We've even got a lesbian congresswoman, for heaven's sake! Rebecca Sneed certainly found it more accommodating.

I like Madison. I visit it often. I like that it's smaller than Milwaukee. I like its lakes, and I like the confluence of governmental and academic institutions that fuels its vibrant intellectual and cultural climate. I like its lesbian community, though I'm told it's much harder to avoid an ex-lover in Madison than in the vast reaches of Milwaukee (Hey for some of us, that's important!). I wonder, too, how "together" the lesbian community is there, given that cliques and ideological differences plague women's communities everywhere.

It also seems to me that it's easy to be progressive among people who think and look and live the way you do. I might be tempted to move to Madison to relieve my political malaise. Being an unregenerate leftist, I might very well find the environment more supportive to me personally. Then again, surrounded by like-minded colleagues in a homogenous town, I might drift into complacency and lose the sense of urgency I feel about political and social change. Would another liberal really make any difference in Madison?

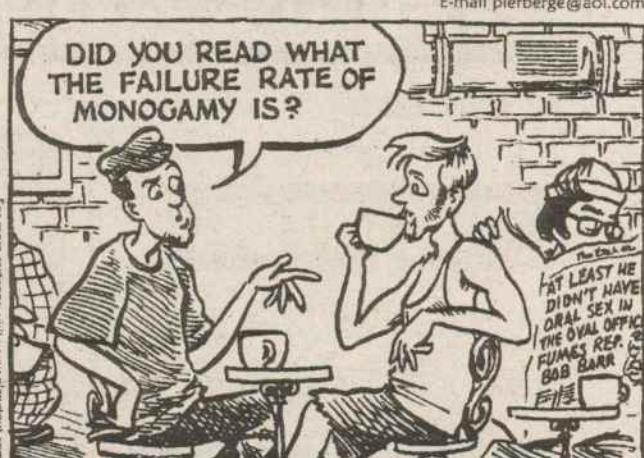
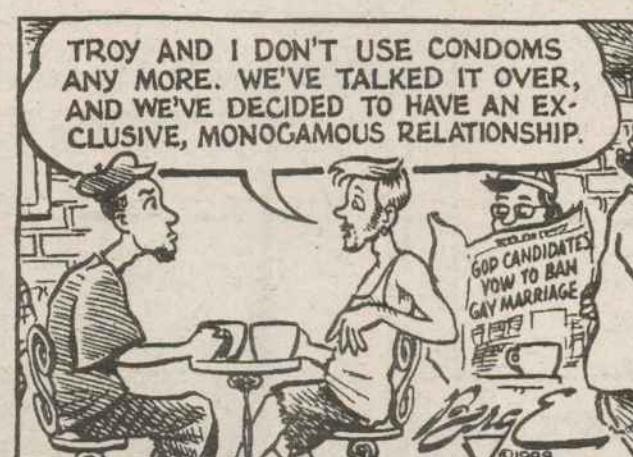
Milwaukee's political culture is considerably more conservative than Madison's, but that is because Milwaukee is not a cocoon, it's the real world. Politics in Milwaukee is infinitely more frustrating because of the city's size and diversity. That diversity — in race, economic and occupational status,

educational level, ideological bent — makes change more difficult and contentious but ultimately more rewarding. I have enormous respect for the small band of activists who worked for years and succeeded against all odds, including naysayers in our own tribe, in establishing the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center. Kudos, also, to the individuals who spearheaded the campaign for a domestic partners registry. It may seem "merely" symbolic now, but in decades hence it may prove to be the essential foundation on which greater advances are built. All this may seem passé in Madison, but it represents real progress in Milwaukee.

When I get frustrated with the closet cases and reactionaries in our midst, I have to remind myself of the factors which contribute to their fears and anxiety. Homophobia, both internal and external, are still very strong forces in Milwaukee. It's generated in the schools, in the media and in the streets where it runs rampant. I also have to curb that annoying habit many of us lefties have of expecting everyone to feel just as we do and work for the changes we want RIGHT NOW. A sense of outrage and immediacy toward some injustice can spur action and change, but impatience and self-righteousness can be alienating. Lasting change often occurs through evolutionary means.

A final generalization on the Madison-Milwaukee divide: Madisonians have bad manners. (As I age, good manners take on renewed value.) Whenever I travel to different cities in the U.S. or to lands overseas, acquaintances ask politely about my hometown, what kind of city it is and what it's like to live there. No one ever disparages my roots or suggests I relocate to their city because it's obviously more advanced. No one except Madisonians, who never fail to be condescending about Milwaukee.

I guess I've meandered around the positive and negative attributes of both towns enough. Hope I haven't pissed anyone off. I'm living in one city and want to keep my options open on the other. As the man asked, "Can't we all just get along?" ▼



## Triangle Trophy Trouble

(Editor's Note: A copy of this letter to PrideFest was forwarded to IN Step for publication)

Dear Christine Klein—

As always, it was a pleasure to participate in the 1999 PrideFest. Winning the Judge's Choice Award for the float we entered in the PrideFest Parade has made this year especially memorable for ourselves, our staff and all of our customers who contributed to our effort and showed their support.

As you surely know by now, we've regrettably declined to display the Judge's Choice Award trophy in our establishment. To avoid any misunderstandings or misconceptions, we're taking this opportunity to address you directly to explain our motives.

Shortly before representatives of PrideFest delivered the trophy, we received — and were asked to sign — a document stating that we'd assume responsibility for the physical condition of the object up to \$300.

We understand the concept of the Judge's Choice Award as a "traveling trophy" as well as PrideFest's \$300 investment in the trophy itself. Our contention lies in the overall spirit in which PrideFest has chosen to handle this matter.

Whether you're a non-profit organization or a small businessman, we all know that it is not the possibility of a major catastrophe, but the myriad of daily bureaucratic and financial chores which exhaust you at the end of the day. Case in point is your quasi-legal document which assumes endless \$300 payments, unfortunate community relations, bad publicity and possible recriminations. Quite simply, it took the fun and spirit out of the entire enterprise.

Given that the Triangle is a public establishment, the list of possible calamities involving the award could be hilarious or depressing, depending on your point of view. In the end, we have concluded that the potential liabilities of displaying the trophy simply outweigh the benefits.

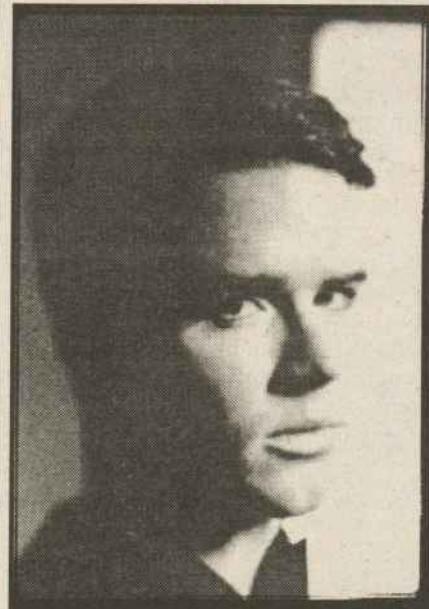
We've spent money and devoted many man hours to help support PrideFest and other organizations devoted to causes which concern all of us. Winning this award serves as an important acknowledgment from the community that our effort is appreciated, and we are grateful.

By way of a solution, a nice certificate with a fancy gold foil seal would have meant every bit as much to us as a fabulous acrylic trophy. It seems PrideFest could surely afford to distribute such an award and we'd gladly spring for the cost of framing such a document for public display. And since we have every intention of winning the Judge's Choice Award every single year from this one forward, we would accumulate an impressive display of our goodwill and awesome competitive spirit.

Robert Bruckner, Proprietor

James Marr, Manager

and the entire staff of the Triangle



Christian Campbell

### Screw Typecasting

"I don't care how much people deny it, there is still this goofy perception that playing a gay character so early in one's career will forever condemn them to playing just gay roles and stunt the growth of their career. That's silly. I'm a good example of how untrue that is. I mean, playing Gabriel in 'trick' has done more for my career than anything I've ever done. And, the scripts I'm getting now, because of it, don't require me to play gay characters. So, that perception is completely unfounded. I would have taken the role even if it was true, because it was so well-written. I didn't think twice about playing a gay man, honestly."

—'trick' star Christian Campbell to the Houston Voice.

### Iron Curtain

"I lived ... under a communist system in Czechoslovakia. And I left that country so I would be free. I thought this was the land of the free. I didn't think it meant land of the free as long as you're heterosexual. Now the Czech Republic — they're having domestic partnerships. They're having relationships that are recognized homosexual relationships that are recognized as much as heterosexual ones. And I feel like, what do I need to do now? Go back? I don't want to. I am surprised at the [anti-gay] rhetoric and the misinformation that still exists to this day among very well-educated people."

—Tennis star Martina Navratilova on CNN's Larry King Live.

### YAWN!

"I am bored shitless by the gay community, I regret the loss of our gay sensibility and I loathe the insipidity of the contemporary homosexual. ... We're let-

ting it happen to ourselves for the simple reason we want happy lives. I don't blame people for that because, like everybody else, I want my cake and I want to eat it too. And I'm going to. I've never set myself apart from the things I write about. In fact, I am the worst compulsive gym bunny in the world."

—Daniel Harris, author of *The Rise and Fall of Gay Culture*, to Montreal's *Hour* magazine.

### Acting!

"Doing a love scene, whether it's with a man or a woman, in front of a room full of people, for three or four days is probably the most unnatural thing you could do. Forget about the gender of the person you're with. But I definitely was the one who said, you know, I shouldn't be drunk. What's the point? I mean, if you're gonna choose to go to bed with a woman, and it's Catherine Deneuve, you don't need to be drunk."

—Actress Susan Sarandon on her film *The Hunger*, to Los Angeles' *Lesbian News*

### Putting the 'Sex' Back in HomoSEXuality

"Discussing being gay without mentioning sex would be like talking about being a fisherman while never using the word fish. It can't be done. So, we will continue to discuss depict, celebrate and debate kissing, cocksucking, butt fucking, cunnilingus, fingering, fisting, SM, barebacking, monogamy, polygamy, celibacy and every and anything sexual we can imagine. Why? Because we can, and because that is what the mission statement of Pink Triangle Press says we will do. Specifically, our mission statement says, 'The outcome we seek is this — gay and lesbian people daring together to set love free.'"

—Andrew Griffin, acting publisher of Ottawa's 'Capital Xtra', in an editorial.

### Splish, Splash!

"Jeff, you're too big for polka dots."

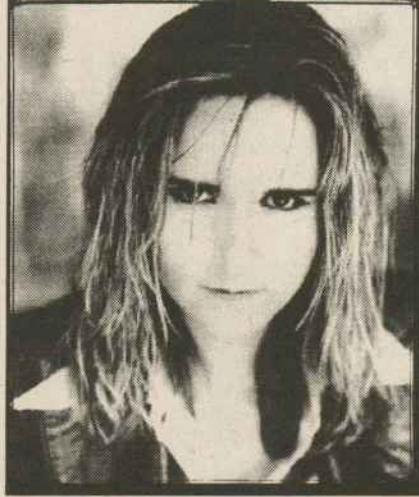
—Screen and swimming legend Esther Williams' parting shot to leading man Jeff Chandler, who she discovered one night wearing make-up, heels and a flowered chiffon dress, as revealed in her new memoir, "The Million Dollar Mermaid."

### Simmons Saga

"Look, I'm not your average man in his 50s. I don't have the gray hair slicked back, I don't have glasses on, I'm not in a coat and tie. My persona was always what a man was never supposed to be: outrageous, gregarious, crazy, silly,

funny. But my mother told me ... 'Never change, be who you are, do the good things that you do and ... let them think whatever they think.' ... You have to understand I was not ever close to men. I had my father, who was like my grandfather because he was older. I had no relatives. I had a very serious strict brother. And [my] Uncle Milton seemed like a really gruff guy, but he let me sit on his lap while he'd tell me a story. He hugged me. And no one that I'd ever met from my father's family ... none of them hugged me, none of them kissed me — only Uncle Milton. So having a relationship that there was a male in the house that gave me some kind of affection was very important to me."

—Flamboyant exercise/diet guru Richard Simmons when asked at an Aug. 30 press conference if he is gay, according to *Salon* magazine, Sept. 1.



Mighty Melissa Etheridge

### Brad-less Baby

"Years ago when Brad Pitt gave me an award I expressed my desire for him to be the father of my kids. So I guess the media just ran with it, even though I was just making a joke. I will say right now on the record: Brad Pitt is not the father of my children."

—Lesbian rocker Melissa Etheridge to Sydney, Australia's *Capital Q*.

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## Mazo: A Summer of Intolerance

by Ed Grover

When Wisconsin Christians United (WCU) put up their anti-same-sex billboards around the Madison in June of 1998, the city council promptly ruled that the City of Madison would be forthwith known as "The City of Tolerance." They stated that no billboards or hate actions against a minority group would be tolerated. Kathleen Falk, the county executive, mirrored the ruling by saying the same statement applied to Dane County ... calling it "The County of Tolerance."

Well, this year there has been lots of intolerance for the naturists and other minorities who use Mazo Beach on the Wisconsin River in County of Dane. In 1998, when state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) warden Scott Thiede started spouting his born-again beliefs while patrolling the clothing-optional beach, he vowed to close it down, citing "gay sex and drug use."

As a result of Thiede's written complaints, the DNR curtailed beach use under the point of view of saving it from overuse and pollution. Among other things, they banned overnight camping and campfires at the beach, they banned parking along Conservation Drive and they pared down beach hours.

The Naturist Action Committee (NAC), The Naturist Society (TNS), Friends of Mazo Beach (FOMB) and other concerned gay and lesbian beach users all vowed to fight for continued access for their peaceful and respectful activities. FOMB, which is composed of thousands of users from all segments of the beach community, have just had their annual clothing drive; the clothes are being donated to a local charity. They also perform a four-mile clean up of local

highways on an ongoing basis. These are not the actions of degenerates!

Now it seems that Ralph Ovadal has joined the fray to close the beach. Using biblical preaching and frightening rhetoric about crimes against children, he has leafleted the rural and urban areas around Mazomanie and Sauk City (he is also leafleting Mark Pocan's district in Madison). There was a three-hour radio broadcast from Mazomanie that was heard all over the state. Interestingly enough the man in Milwaukee who owns the radio station that Ovadal uses on a weekly basis to broadcast his hate, has a religious retreat (supposedly funded in part by money from Ovadal) in DuWayne Johnsrud's district. Rub-a-dub-dub. Three men in a tub? You figure it out.

The latest incident staged by Ovadal's minions was made just before the Labor Day weekend. These religious bigots placed a chain across Conservation Drive (isn't that illegal?) so that people who were on their way to the beach couldn't get by. The State police wanted to arrest Ovadal, but the DNR representatives (who were called on cell phones by troubled beach users) discouraged them from doing that because it seemed to be obvious that that's what he wanted. Much to the credit of the beach users who walked in the ditch to get past, they figuratively took "the high road" by ignoring Ovadal and his lackeys. Ralph didn't get a chance to become a martyr that day.

Johnsrud, who is chairman of the Assembly committee that oversees the Department of Natural Resources originally wanted an absolute ban on nude recreation, but members of the Riverway Board and the DNR acknowledged that simple nudity on the state's beaches is NOT illegal under Wisconsin statutes. That acknowledgment is something Scott Jensen should

have been aware of. He (along with Johnsrud) is currently asking for a total ban on nudity in all of Wisconsin's state parks. Joel McNally of the Shepherd Express Metro wrote a scathingly funny column about Jensen's "naked ambitions."

Gay activist Michael Miller (MazoAdvocate@hotmail.com) has been sending the DNR e-mails about their actions and statements. When the DNR staff released statements to the media saying in part: "... the DNR witnessed few problems at the beach until recent years, when risqué Internet sites popularized the 5-acre strip of sand to a wider and more "deviant" audience ... , they surely must have realized that someone out there would notice that remark.

Regional Land Leader Susan Oshman, thanked Miller for pointing out "... what we too, feel was a poor choice of words used in the interview." Miller said he was well aware that the DNR watched the sex sites on the Internet, and now the DNR knows he is watching them. The DNR has hired two full-time people who do nothing but look for sex at the beach ... and naturally they find it. They could also find sex at Devil's Lake State Park (another property they manage), if they looked, but they are only looking for drugs there. And guess what? They find them!

The DNR has become very wary of word usage; as a matter of fact, they won't even use the words "gay" or "clothing-optional" any more. They keep repeating sound bites about Mazo that say, "Hey, there's SEX going on here!" They not only give out directions to the beach to the media, but sometimes they also include road maps. Most of the people who have been arrested on the beach for sexually related violations this year have been new beach users who were lured there by what they read in the heterosexual press.

When Miller contacted DNR head honcho Ruthe Badger, complaining about the Ovadal blockade and the bad press

that had been generated by their actions, Badger's response was: "Our plan has not changed... . We do believe our management steps are meeting the desired results. This is what we have been and will continue to tell the media. ... You have your right to your viewpoint." And that was that. It seems the DNR is staying out of this one, but what's really going on is that they're playing the victim to Ralph Ovadal's hateful actions.

Earlier this year, a compromise deal was worked out by Democrats Mark Pocan, Fred Risser, Chuck Chvala and the DNR to keep Mazo Beach open. By late summer, Scott Jensen and other Republicans had stomped out of a state budget conference committee meeting called to resolve the differences between the Assembly and Senate versions of the budget. They have yet to return.

On Sept. 8, the membership of the Dane County Democratic Party approved a resolution saying, in part, that the resources available to the DNR for protection and enhancement of the environment and for providing areas for the people's enjoyment and appreciation of the environment are too scarce to be wasted on concerns, prompted by religious objections, about certain peaceful and respectful activities of people at areas under the DNR's jurisdiction.

If Ralph Ovadal thinks that he can continue his pattern of hate crimes by attacking minorities under the guise of religion — when he has only made a fool of himself before — there are probably a few surprises around the corner for him. He, and others like him, may as well find somewhere else to spread their hate! The beach users will keep watching and they will keep standing up for what's right in that "County of Tolerance" called Dane! ▀

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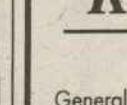
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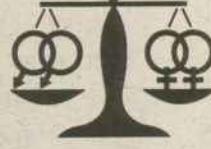
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by Michael Johnston

Greetings and welcome to "Cordially Yours", or to, as some people have dubbed it, "Confidentially Yours". Rest assured, Milwaukee, there is nothing in this column to be kept confidential!

First off, I must compliment, commend and congratulate **Anita Makeover**, the new **Possum Queen** on his victory. **The Ball Game's** candidate came shining through and, along with all the well-deserving divas, raised well over \$41,000! That's a lot of possum! **Dear Ruthie** and **Bobby** from **The Boot Camp** won a "Tommy" for going above and beyond the call of duty. The **Tommy Award**, is named after the late **Tommy Polubinsky**, popular **Club 219** bartender and past Possum Queen. It is given to individuals whose contribution to the contest are outstanding.

**PrideFest** also gave awards to **Tony Rhodes**, **Dr. Terry Boughner**, **Jerry Johnson**, **Barbara Bremmer**, and **The Milwaukee LGBT Community Center** for their dedication to the community. And these people, my dear readers, are just what makes our part of the galaxy shine just a little bit brighter. Again, my deepest congratulations to all of you!

The **Pride Parade** was a wild and surprising thrill for me, too! I'll be forever indebted to **Doug and Michael** and their groovy '69 Cougar. Many thanks to **Gregory & Company** of Brookfield for the lovely lily bouquet and, of course, **Mr. Joe and Russell** "the muscle" for keeping me from becoming airborne and creating the vision that was...

It was truly insightful to attend the **Lambda** fund-raiser. We have a lot to be

proud of here in the Cream City, especially our generosity! **The Astor Hotel** was an ideal locale and **Loie**, the beverage consultant, was simply superb! The only thing missing was YOU, Milwaukee...

Local raconteur, **Tom Look** celebrated his 75th on the patio at **The M&M Club**, and later that evening **Singsational's Garrett James** bid farewell to his dedicated capacity crowd. Garrett will be motoring West come this fall. Rumor has it **Terri Wednes** will be back in mid-September with **Singsational** after a Nashville debut. Make plans to spend a Saturday with her and make reservations for a fine prime rib dinner beforehand. Give my regards to **Dee Dee**. Other lis-

tening pleasures at **The M's**, without a cover is, Ms. **Joey Cross**, usually the last Sunday of the month.

The **Milwaukee LGBT Community Center** hosted a

wonderful fund-raising event on Aug. 28. A wonderful way to close out the month. **Neil Albrecht**, the executive director has done sooo much... The center was also the recipient of another fund-raiser, this one including the highly regarded **Milwaukee Repertory Theater's Nite OUT**, which premiered on Tuesday, Sept. 14 and will be continuing through out the entire season. The reception beforehand was a

great way to toast a new Milwaukee venture. I'm proud to remind all that this publication is the major sponsor. The production of **Twelfth Night** was masterfully handled, wonderful sets, costumes and the acting was up to the **Rep's** reputation. I love attending these events to people watch, it was an interesting "who's who" as always ... prominent localities that I saw and/or caught up with were: **Neil Albrecht**, of course, the quintessential host as well as the genial **Dan Riedl**, both representing the community center. **Bob Schmidt** and **David B.B. Rogers** ... so good to see them enjoying and evening instead of working the evening. From **ARCW** the ever smiling **Josh Feyen** and "legal eagle"

**Christopher Krimmer**, Esq., with his partner the charming **Jim Moore**, assistant manager of **Hotel Metro** (where **Danny Glover** stayed ... fabu food). Milwaukee's premiere hair dresser **Joe Kender** as well as **IN Step's** first couple, no not William Randolph Hearst and Marion Davis, but **William Attewell** and **Jorge Cabal**. Of course, there were tons of other glitteri, but I'm running short on space. Beware, I'll get the rest of you next time! **Tennessee William's Cat On A Hot Tin Roof**, is the next **Nite OUT** on Oct. 24.

**AIDS Walk Wisconsin 10** — it's hard to believe that a decade has gone by so fast — the Walk is always so much fun, and all the proceeds go to such a worthwhile cause. The opportunity to meet **Danny Glover** was, in an over-used word "awesome"! **The Breakfast** this year had an entirely different menu: cheese omelet, sausage and hash browns. **WTKI's Bob Reitman's** role of M.C. was a perfect example of why he is "The Master of the

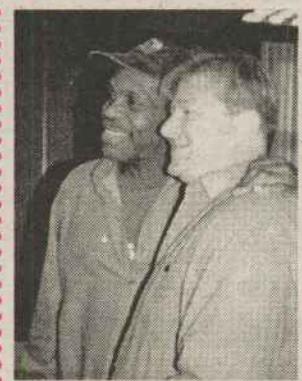
Airwaves". Showing the perfect balance of warmth and humor, he also made a plug for his personal health crusade, prostate cancer. **Mr. Glover** was a very spirited and motivating speaker. His heart and soul seemed to be in the right place. He'll always be "Our Beloved Lethal Weapon." Because the Walk and Breakfast started a half-hour earlier than last year, there were no evil, demonic picketers. However, upon our return, we were greeted by their venom. It didn't matter this year, because on the other side of the street — ironically the sunny one — was the **Cheer Leading Squad** from **UW-Milwaukee**, Rah-Rah! The grand total — drum roll, please — over **\$644,000**!

Afterwards, while the **ARCW** crowd La Partied, La Dined, La Celebrated at a La Popular Mexican restaurant, I opted for my traditional post-Walk feed bag at **The Pasta Tree**. I just love **Steven** and **Robert's** noodles. Bravo to **FOX 6** for being at the AIDS Walk and hopefully starting a new tradition! Now if they could just bring **Albert the Alley Cat** back...

It seems the **M&M Club's** very own **Ms. Rona** has a new hobby. Anyone interested in being a part of a **Gay Marching Band** check with him, RO is always on the vanguard; it was, after all, Rona who launched the "Gay Choral Music Movement" in Milwaukee, way back in the spring of '85!

The community is a little quieter these days with the passing of **Jerry Whiz**. Watch out, **La Verne** and **Maxine**. **Mamma** is on her way to do some three-part harmony! Give 'em the old Razzle Dazzle! Sleep well...

Until next month.



Danny Glover poses with yours truly.

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by Kevin John

It's probably churlish of me to generalize about the diverse array of films and videos in this year's festival. Certainly, any statements I make in this brief introduction do not apply to every entry across the board. Nevertheless, I was torn between two impulses during many of the screenings. On one hand, there's the need to pour all sorts of gay and lesbian voices into the film stream, to validate these identities in a medium that's so central to modifying "the real." On the other, there's a profound distrust of the fictions at work here (particularly those "unmediated" images in many of the documentaries) which plugs into the piss-taking aesthete within us all (or just me?). However fine and absolutely necessary something like, for instance, the fascinating *Woubi Cheri* may be, there's a way in which you can never take it with you. It begs the question: once (if? after?) consciousness is raised, are the uses to which this video as a media construct can be put lowered? Since the realities of Ivory Coast queens (the ostensible subject of *Woubi Cheri*) are known to so few, the straightforward presentation of colloquialisms, concepts of gender and run-ins with the media (a subject I'm sorry wasn't examined further) are welcome. But the presumptuousness of introducing this localism into a unapologetically non-didactic narrative or an Abidjan transvestite taking on an investigation of filmic conventions, say, may be even more radical and effective.

That's why my favorite film in this year's festival is Christos Dimas' outrageous *Amerikanos*, which jumbles up personal narrative, music video, cultural adaptation, Greek mythology (and not the Zeus kind, either), still photography, sped-up visuals, film, video and probably a whole lot else in a deliciously peculiar meditation on the myriad ways "truth" can be told in cinema. Not only do I get a profound sense of who Tony the Greek (Dimas' alter ego) is, but the sense I get is almost no sense at all — I want to know more. It keeps generating questions long after its 20 minutes (!) are spent. That's what a great festival film does. Now go ask your own. See 'em all, fool.

THUR., SEPT. 23

## Eileen is a Spy

(Sayer Frey, USA)

This take-off on *Harriet The Spy* left me wanting to know more about Eileen's propensity for spying and the dozen or so non-diegetic testimonials that "gave



Scene from 'Eileen the Spy'

FRI., SEPT. 24

Living With Pride:  
Ruth C. Ellis @ 100

Ruth C. Ellis turned 100 years old on July 23, 1999. She's an African-American woman who has been out all her life. She owned her own business. She owned a home. She lived with a woman for 35 years. She last had sex when she was ninety-



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Eileen her voice" seemed to distract from that. Now I learn that the spying is a more evasive than empowering act. Did I sleep?

## Lola und Bilidikid

(Kutlug Ataman, Germany)

A brutal glimpse into the lives of Turkish immigrants in Germany. 16-year-old Mural tries to escape his biological family for the enclaves a new one comprised of similarly displaced queers. A must-see, but about as joyous as *Cabaret Balkan*.



Scene from 'Show Me Love'

## Pensao Globo

(Matthias Muller, Germany/Portugal)

An absolutely gorgeous short supposedly about death, which reminds me like nothing in years of the exhilaratingly crowded frames of Kenneth Anger's classic *Invocation of My Demon Brother*.

five. And she can put most to shame when she does the Macarena. This video is her jaw-dropping story. But I wonder — if this was about a 100 year old man, would there be a self-conscious community to drive him around and help him out in general the way that there's one for Ellis?

## With: I Know A Place

(Roy Mitchell,  
Canada)

The image of the sad urban homosexual male is still so pervasive that this video about the gay underground in the small working class town of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario comes as quite a shock. It centers around Bob "Mother" Goddere who played host to weekly parties in his basement, which must have seemed like a drop of water on a desert for local queers. Yet it somehow left me with a bad taste in my mouth at the end. Maybe this is because I saw a clue as to why Goddere never left for the big city in his inability to play a game of word association with Mitchell.

## Genderauts: A Journey

Through Shifting Identities

(Monika Treut, Germany)

Treut, perhaps the best known filmmaker in the festival, brings us this documentary on about a dozen personalities at the forefront of blurring the lines between gender norms. Frequently heavy-handed and distressingly preoccupied with beauty, it nevertheless transforms the principals into charismatic tour guides for the future of gender. But it doesn't transform them into entertainers — two gender-bent folks singing "Fujiyama Mama" live is only marginally more exciting than a drag queen lip-syncing it.

## Head On (Ana Kokkinos)

Ari, a Greek immigrant in Australia, tries to reconcile his homosexuality with the traditions his family maintains in the face of the country's brutal xenophobia. Not exactly uplifting stuff, this first feature is sort of a companion piece to *Lola und Bilidikid*. I suppose one of the reasons why they aren't shown together is that the audience would feel absolutely miserable at the end of the night.

## An Evening of Girls Shorts

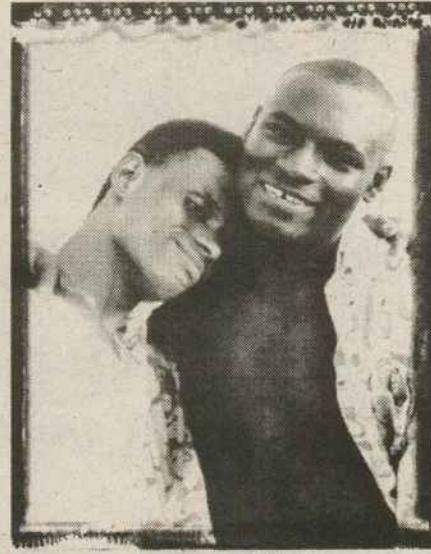
Highlights include: Adriana Pacheco's *I/Yo*, a mesmerizing blend of home movies and text about the difficulties of visualizing a lesbian adolescence; Laurie Schmidt's hilarious *Sleep Come Free Me*, which does something new with an it-was-all-a-dream ending; Yau Ching's lovely cypher *I'm Starving*; and Catherine Crouch's *One Small Step* about what happens when a young girl takes the encouragement of her hip parents too far for their comfort.

THUR., SEPT. 30

## Woubi Cheri

(Philip Brooks &amp; Laurent Bocahut)

I was struck by how rigidly homosexuality is defined by gender roles in this documentary about queer life in the Ivory Coast. Woubis are effeminate gay men who date the closeted, frequently brutish bisexual yassis, and it's devastating to learn that happiness between the two is seldom had. But the no-bullshit transgendered Barbara is more unforgettable than any of the Genderauts (deeming mother-



Scene from 'Woubi Cheri'

hood undesirable because she has to fight for transvestite rights is a typical stroke of brilliance).

## Red Rain

(Laura Plotkin, '99)

A surprisingly exciting documentary about women's world boxing champion Gina "Boom Boom" Guidi. I got teary-eyed at least twice, especially when Gina asks for her opponent's address after a fight.

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## Flaming Dykasaurus Sets Sail with 'Oblivia'

Madison — Flaming Dykasaurus, Madison's lesbian comedy improv troupe, will show its first full-length feature musical comedy, *Oblivia: The Lesbian Pleasure Cruise that Goes Out of this World!* Performances take place Sept. 30 through Oct. 2 at the Esquire Theater. Written and produced by the troupe, the play features a hilarious spoof of Olivia cruises. *Oblivia* is the place to be for entertainment, music, love and lust!

While the name of the play is an obvious take-off of the Olivia cruises, the name *Oblivia* accurately describes the journey that each character takes during the course of the play. According to producer and songwriter, Emily Jones, "We all live in our own oblivion. There is always a layer of obviousness that we all have to live and work through." But don't confuse this play with a heady drama about "finding yourself." Emily adds, "It's also about a lot of fun song and dance numbers."

"The play is a parody of Midwestern lesbian culture," according to producer and primary author, Abbie Hill. "It's the lesbian pleasure cruise of the millennium." With no Lesbian Variety Show in Madison this year, "*Oblivia*" is the place to see and be seen. Where else can you find lesbian music, dancing, comedy, and sex all in one place?

Producer Lynda Finn is proud of what the troupe has created. "What's really cool is that it's an original musical comedy, which doesn't come along every day. The songs have been written by Musical Director Mary Waitrovich, Bev Buhr, and others who all come from diverse musical backgrounds, so we have a wide variety of musical styles in the play." Lynda boasts, "The plot is hysterically funny. Just think of it — a raunchy pontoon cruise on Lake Monona with 200 lesbians! Everyone will want to see this play. Gay or straight, men and women, pierced or not, there's a little something in it for everyone."

Tickets go on sale September 13 at A Room of One's Own, Green Earth East, and at the Esquire box office. Tickets are \$12 for general admission. Senior and student tickets are \$10. Saturday's show will be American Sign Language interpreted. For more information about the show, call (608) 241-7020.

## "Gay Warrior & Sage" Tim Miller At UW-Madison

Madison — Renowned gay performance artist/activist Tim Miller will be in residence at the UW Department of Theater and Drama from Sept. 24 through Oct. 6, 1999 for a series of workshops and performances. Miller will perform his latest solo piece *Shirts & Skin* (in which he gets naked and tries on a series of shirts he has worn in his journey as a gay man), on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 at Mitchell Theater at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$7.

In addition, the Department of Theater and Drama will present a second performance piece by Miller and several UW students, who will create this piece during a series of intensive workshops to be held during Miller's residency. The free performance of the extended workshop piece will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Hemsley Theater. Workshops will be held at the Hemsley Theater on Sept. 24 from 4 to 6 p.m., and extended workshops will be held from Sept. 25 through Oct. 6 at varying times. These workshops are open to all UW students. For more information, contact the Vilas Hall box office at (608) 262-1500.



Ray Jivoff, Gina Torrecilla and Tony Clements in 'That's Amore'

## Rep's Stackner Cabaret Opens Season With Italian Celebration

Milwaukee — The Milwaukee Rep kicked off its Stackner Cabaret season in style—Italian style, that is. *That's Amore*, the latest work from writer/director Roger Bean, opened Friday, Sept. 10 and runs through Sunday, Oct. 31.

Returning to the Cabaret are Colleen Burns, Tony Clements and Carolin' Carolynne. Ray Jivoff and Gina Torrecilla make their Stackner debuts. The design team consists of Jill Lynn Lyons (scenic), Alex Tecoma (costumes), Robert Zenoni (lighting), Tony Clements (music), and Mark Baughman (stage).

*That's Amore* celebrates the anniversary of the Farizio family's arrival in America. The Chianti is flowing and the room is filled with the aroma of fresh pasta and the mellow tunes of the world's greatest crooners. For this production, the Stackner Cabaret will be transformed into an Italian family restaurant where the ambience of this traditional gathering place will be reflected in the decor, the music and the menu.

Tickets range in price from \$5 to \$25 and single tickets are currently available at the Rep ticket office or by calling (414) 224-9490. You can also make dinner reservations at the same number or log onto their Web site at <http://www.milwaukeeRep.com>.

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**J**eff Jennings is ubiquitous. Even the most casual observer of the Wisconsin gay pageant scene over the last half decade is aware of Jennings' near omnipresence as a performer and contestant. He has collected a half-dozen state and regional "Mr. Gay" titles from every available pageant system, some of them twice.

With his second runner-up showing at the Mr. Gay All-American (MGAA) 2000 pageant Sept. 11 in Oklahoma City, Jennings has become the only male Wisconsin performer to be a top three finalist in the history of both the USofA and All American pageant systems.

Jennings is more than a fierce pageant competitor, however. As a founding member of Northeast Wisconsin's Entertainers Against AIDS (EAA), Jennings has been instrumental in nurturing that group's ever-widening presence in the state's gay entertainment scene. In fact, the EAA troupe will make its Milwaukee debut at the M&M Club on Sept. 24.

Jennings wins kudos at work as well. He is a full-time teacher with the Green Bay Public School District and was selected as a finalist in the Golden Apple Excellence in Teaching Awards last spring.

Most amazing, even after six years Jennings says he isn't through competing yet. *In Step* sat down last week with Jennings and his life partner, Steven Funk, to debrief us on the MGAA pageant and try to find out just what makes Jeffy run.

**IN Step: Second runner-up in the Mr. Gay All-American pageant two weeks after being a finalist in the Mr. Gay USofA pageant. How are you feeling?**

Jeff Jennings: I'm exhausted and exhilarated! The level of competition in both pageants was amazing. I was competing against 48 other guys in the USofA pageant alone. And by winning Mr. Gay USofA, John Michael Gordon became the only guy ever to win both the national titles.

**IN Step: How about the competition at the All American pageant?**

JJ: Well, [the winner] Krisitan [Martinez] is a five-year veteran in both national pageants. The first runner-up (Todd Cotts) sang at the inauguration of the governor of Oklahoma and as an openly gay member of a Carnival Cruise Lines entertainment revue. Right after me, the third runner-up [Michael Galanes] is a professional model with his own modeling agency. Now that's fierce competition!

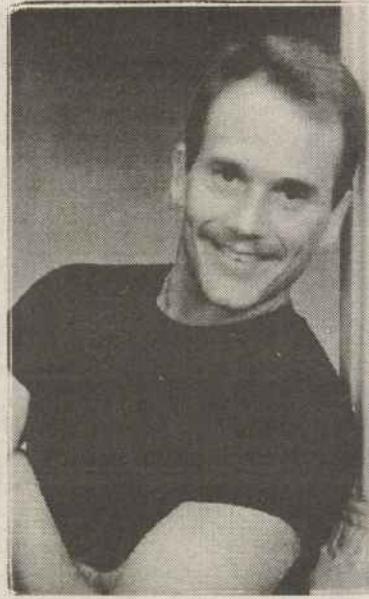
**IN Step: Were you nervous?**

JJ: My worst moment was during the on-stage question-and-answer portion of the All-American finals. We were at the back of the stage, smiling and trying to look confident while awaiting our turn to step forward. I was the last finalist to answer. As I heard each question I was thinking "Oh, that's so hard! How would I answer that?" By the fifth question I was nearly a wreck! Then I said to myself: "Hey, you're a performer and good with a mike — you can do this!" I stepped up, answered what I thought was the easiest question they'd asked, and got a huge ovation.

**IN Step: So how would you compare the two pageant systems?**

JJ: Oh, that's tough! And I don't want to get anyone mad at me from either system because I will compete again! Each system has a different focus, sort of like the Miss America and Miss Universe pageants. USofA has a greater emphasis on entertainment and beauty. The talent and swimsuit categories count for the most points. Talent numbers in USofA often are production numbers with back-up singers and dancers.

All-American focuses on being a positive gay male role model. Each night's pro-



gram opens and closes with each contestant in a (business) suit. Interview and talent categories count for the most points. All the contestants attended classes on how to market themselves as gay role models.

The judging systems are different, too, especially the preliminary portions of the competition. In the USofA system you compete within a group of contestants in the preliminaries. In the All-American system you compete against everyone. There are pros and cons to both systems. When I consider my own personal strengths and weaknesses, I think I have a better chance in the All-American judging system at this time.

**IN Step: Any other impressions?**

JJ: Well, even though they have fewer states and people competing, the All-American system seems more established. This is their 17th year. They have national sponsors like Instinct magazine and the Miller Brewing Co. As someone involved with HIV and AIDS, I was especially impressed that the MGAA system has raised \$1.9 million dollars for AIDS charities. Throughout the contest, the guest entertainers would pull in a thousand dollars or more with each song, and all of it went to charity.

**IN Step: Is there anything else you'd like to add?**

JJ: I want to thank everyone who has supported me in both systems over the years. I especially have to thank Randy Lorenz and Backstage Productions for their incredible support in the most recent All-American pageant. Both of us had everything we needed. [Note: Michael K. of Madison also competed at MGAA]

**IN Step: And you will be back?**

JJ: Oh, yes! The new Mr. Gay USofA is 40 years old. Many of the contestants in the All-American pageant were as old or older than me. With all I've learned, why should I give up now? My goal is to bring back a national title to Wisconsin, nothing less! ▀

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## It's A Mystery!

I've always been fascinated by mysteries. As a kid I would sit as close as possible to the radio so I could catch every word of Reggie and Doc's adventures on *I Love a Mystery*. I would never miss any of the action on *The Shadow* or the *Green Hornet*. Here's a mystery with a gay male character who is central to the action. The author will be at Afterwords Bookstore for their third annual *Murder & Mayhem* mystery weekend, Oct. 1 through 3. If you like mysteries as much as I do, stop in and check out all the events.

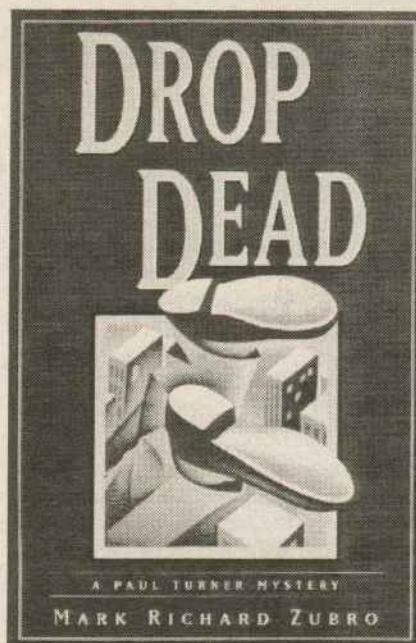
### Drop Dead

By Mark Richard Zubro

Gay Chicago Police Detective, Paul Turner and his partner Det. Buck Fenwick, are on another "sensitive" homicide case. As the story opens, they are outside one of Chicago's more exclusive and expensive hotels, looking at what remains of Cullom Furyk, one of the Windy City's male super-models. How did the body — what's left of it — get to the sidewalk? Did he jump or was he pushed? A street-side witness claims that Furyk was pushed, and the two policemen start to reconstruct the crime and discover what actually happened.

It seems that the deceased, described as a "studly" guy, led a rather messy personal and professional life. It was rumored that he was going to cancel his profitable arrangement with one fashion house and work for its main rival. Also, several men claimed to have had recent affairs or to have "maintained" a relationship with the model.

The detectives enter the hotel, deal with a very protective manager, and go up to the penthouse, where they interview everyone who's anyone in Chicago's fashion world. The interviewees are all very "super-cilious, snotty, and self-important," according to Fenwick, who suggests pushing a few of them off the roof. Detailed descriptions are given of what each person is wearing and they reminded me of the stilted commentary made by a really bad fashion coordinator of a small department store.



Suspects abound. One of them is Sean Kindel, who writes fashion and gossip columns for the *The Gay Tribune*. Kindel also does a couple of porn columns and is the "current" lover of the deceased. There are lots of tears! Up top, a muscle-bound Russian number in the opposite penthouse claims he saw the murder. Trouble is he doesn't speak English and speaks through his manager, a really tough broad.

Turner and his partner, Fenwick, spar back and forth. Fenwick says his wife made him take a mail-order course in abnormal psychology to help him deal with these types of murders. Turner calls him the world's worst cop humorist. The remarks fly back and forth right through the conclusion. There's a pair of exclusive, skimpy underwear that plays a role in all this.

Aside from learning about the Chicago rag trade and what happens to a body when it hits the pavement from a great height, we get a glimpse of the detective's home life, his two teen-age sons, and a lover he wants to move in on a permanent basis. This novel is a "page turner" right to the end. (St. Martin's Press, ISBN: 0-312-20532-5, \$22.95 HC).

—Ed Grover

## 'Murder & Mayhem' Scares Up More Authors



Kathleen Forrest

has just released *Set Up* (Naiad, Pb \$11.95), McNab's 11th Carol Ashton mystery.

In addition to Kate Allen and Claire McNab, Saturday's "Killer Brunch" also features Ellen Hart (Hunting the Witch), R. D. Zimmerman (Outburst) and Lev Raphael (The Death of a Constant Lover).

Starting things off on Friday, October 1st will be the first Milwaukee appearance of Katherine V. Forrest. The author of such popular lesbian novels as *Curious Wine* and *Daughters of a Coral Dawn*, Forrest is perhaps best known for her popular series featuring LAPD detective Kate Delafield.

Later on Saturday, October 2nd plan on a "Lethal Tea" at 4:30 p.m. featuring another group of murderous writers including Val McDermid, Michael Craft and Mark Zubro.

All of the above events will take place at Afterwords Bookstore. For further information on Afterwords 3rd weekend of Murder & Mayhem, please call (414) 963-9089.

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## Sept. 23 through Oct. 6, 1999

### ACTIVITIES:

#### Friday, September 24

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Club - Dining Out (Madison, WI): Dine at 7:30 p.m. with your host RJ at GINZA OF TOKYO. FMI and reservations call (608) 274-5821.

#### Saturday, September 25

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 Group - Mineral Point Tour (Madison, WI): Join members for a day-trip to this restored town. There's an art colony, handcrafters, writers, and lots of GLBTQ people. Walk down Shake Rag Alley and make a visit to Gundy House. Lunch will be at a local gay-owned restaurant. Car pooling will leave from Brian's home at 9:15 a.m. FMI: call (608) 829-1090.

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@pitmet.net](mailto:wmorley@pitmet.net).

Shake It Up! - Gays Mill's Apple Festival (Madison, WI): The Apple Festival is famous for its pies, jellies and jams and a wide variety of apples to take home. Then there's the flea market. Car pool leaves at 9 a.m. from 4701 Judy Lane, FMI: (608) 241-2500

#### Sunday, September 26

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.

#### Monday, September 27

Frontiers Gay/Bi Men's Group - Man-to-Man Rap (Madison, WI): The group meets the third Monday of the month at 7:30 at the OutReach office, 600 Williamson St. There is no set agenda and new participants are always welcome. FMI call David (608) 274-5959.

#### Tuesday, September 28

Rainbow Lightning Marching Band - Bi-Weekly Practice (Milwaukee): Practice will take place at 7 p.m. on the second & fourth Tuesday of each month at the MCC Church, 1239 W. Mineral Street. This schedule will hold through Spring. FMI call (414) 933-3743.

#### Wednesday, September 29

Wisconsin Cream City Chorus - Weekly Practice (Milwaukee): Practice takes place at 7 p.m. at the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St. FMI call (414) 276-8787 or (414) 271-2656.

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison, WI): At 7 p.m. there will be Beginning Line Dance lessons with RJ. At 8 p.m. there will be a Mixer Dance Renegade Switch with Richard. 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.

#### Friday, October 1

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison, WI): At 8 p.m. there will be General Dance lessons led by Bill or Sharon. 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.

#### Wednesday, October 6

Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison, WI): At 7 p.m. there will be Beginning Line Dancing lessons led by John C. At 8 p.m. there will be Couple Shadow Dance Lessons led by Richard. 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.

### BAR SPECIALS:

#### Sundays:

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

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

Chicago Eagle (Chicago): Pizza Night!

Club 5/Planet Q/The Barracks (Madison, WI): 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 opens 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. 2/4/1 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 sole 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.

Switch (Milwaukee): Service Industry Night! \$1 off all drinks to service industry employees.

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

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

Woody's (Milwaukee): \$5 Beer Bust. Packer Bashes. Be Part of the Cheese Head Club!

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

#### Mondays:

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

Club 5/Planet Q/The Barracks (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks up to \$3.50 all night. All other drinks \$1 off. 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): Closed.

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Emeralds (Milwaukee): Margarit Mondays! \$2 - 8 p.m. to midnight.

Fannies (Milwaukee): Closed until March 1999.

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

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

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

The Closet (Beloit, WI): Happy Hour Drink Specials 4 through 7 p.m.

After 7 p.m. It's Guy's Night Out! \$1.75 well drinks, \$2.25 call drinks, \$1 Special Ex, and \$0.50 Pabst on tap.

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

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

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Closed.

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

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

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

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

South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour! 3 to 8 p.m. Tickets good until 9 p.m. \$1 off top and rail 9 p.m. to midnight.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Closed!

Switch (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 6 to 9 p.m. Girl's Night Out! 2-4-1 rails and taps for the girls from 9 p.m. to close.

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

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

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

Woody's (Milwaukee): Free Pool & Darts. \$6 Super Bust at Java's.

#### Tuesdays:

Barocks - Levi/Leather (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks

up to \$3.50 and under, plus Spin the Happy Hour Wheel to win beer bash, free drinks, fish fry & more. Customer Appreciation Day. Free tops of Lite from 8 to 9 p.m., plus all rail drinks & domestic bottles are only \$1. 9 p.m. tops of Lite, domestic bottles of beer & rail drinks are \$1.25. Price goes up 25 cents every half hour until 11 p.m. From then to close tops of Lite, rails & domestic bottles are \$2. Shots of Pucker & Hot Sex are \$1 from 8 p.m. to close. Dancing & DJ at 10 p.m.

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

Club 5/Planet Q (Madison) 2-4-1 Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. on all drinks \$3.25. Rail drinks & domestic beers are \$1 @ 8 p.m., \$1.25 @ 8:30 p.m., \$1.50 @ 9 p.m., \$1.75 @ 9:30 p.m. and \$2 from 10 p.m. to close. Shots of Hot Sex or Pucker are \$1.50. 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. Patio open in June.

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

Fannies (Milwaukee): Closed.

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

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

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

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

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

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.

Switch (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 6 to 9 p.m. Hump Night! 2-4-1 rails and taps for the boyz from 9 p.m. to close.

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

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

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

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

#### Thursdays:

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

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

Club 5/Planet Q (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks 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 \$

FRI., OCT. 1

**Everything Will Be Fine**  
(Angelina Macarone, '97)

AKA *Much Better Than Better Than Chocolate*.

**An Evening of Boys Shorts**

Highlights include: the aforementioned masterpiece *Amerikanos*; Neil Goldberg does Warhol proud with the itchy *My Parents Read Dreams I've Had About Them* which is so unrelenting in its gaze that I had to turn my head away from the screen; *My Levitating Butt*, Pierre Yves Clouin's hilarious bit of truth



Julian Garner (l) and Alex Dimitriades in 'Head On' in advertising; and François Ozon's *A Summer Dress* (that ain't a movie; it's a freakin' popularity contest).

SAT., OCT. 2

**Show Me Love**  
(Lukas Moodysson, '98)

The all-time Swedish box office champ about two smalltown girls on the

verge of a nervous coming out.

**Edge of Seventeen**  
(David Moreton, '98)

Queer feature film gets its piece of the 80s nostalgia wave with this shoo-in for festival favorite about a high school boy who starts kissing to be clever as he discovers his sexuality. Me, I dug it more the second time I saw it but still hated the arch motherly instincts of Lea Delaria and the revoltingly tragic denizens of her nightclub. Great use of Evelyn Thomas' "High Energy," though.

**The Boy Next Door**  
(Carl Pfirman, '98)

"Bitchy and faggoty" bro and sis fight for the title hunk. Says almost as much about suburban malaise as Betsy Kalin's masterful *Roof* from last year's fest.

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**Sat. 23** Pistachio Nut  
**Sun. 24** Peanut Butter Cup Swirl  
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The Office (Rockford, IL): Beer \$1 Well drinks \$1.50.

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

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

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

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.

Boat 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'.

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. Open seven days a week with music spinning a drink specials by the pool. NO COVER before 10 p.m. Strippers at 11 p.m. Live entertainment in the Cabaret. FMI call (616) 857-1401.

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

Fannies (Milwaukee): Envelope Night! WIN \$\$\$cash & prizes. DJ at 10 p.m. with the best of the 70s, 80s & 90s.

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

Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI): Bring on the Bears and Bikers! \$1.25 Tap MGD & Miller Lite, \$1.75 Pints of Leinen's Red, \$2.50 Pints of Hacker-Pschorr Weisse. \$2.50 Vanilla & Original Doctor's, Cherry Cheesecake, Cherry LifeSaver's and Viagra shots.

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

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

M&M Club (Milwaukee): All you can eat Fish Fry and other great specials.

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

Milwaukee Eagle (Milwaukee): Open 8 p.m. Fetish Nite! 50¢ off all beverages for those who are Fetish dressed from 10 p.m. to close. 2-4-1 on all mixed drinks from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. The Shaft Bar opens at 10 p.m. Dress Code enforced. DJ Eddie.

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

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): 2-4-1 Happy Hour from 4 to 7 p.m. Fish Fry 4 to 7 p.m. Live DJ 9 p.m. to close. Men's Room (Levi/Leather) 7 p.m. to close: 50¢ off all drinks with card. Friday Fetish Night!

Scooter's (Eau Claire, WI): \$1 domestic bottles 9 p.m. to close.

South Water Street Docks (Milwaukee): Cocktail Hour! 3 to 8 p.m. Tickets good until 9 p.m.

Station 2 (Milwaukee): Margarita Madness \$2. Corona \$2.

Switch (Milwaukee): Happy Hour - 6 to 9 p.m. Full Service Patio Bar open. Cocktail Lounge and DJ 9 p.m. to close.

The Ball Game (Milwaukee): Cocktail hour from 2 to 9 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres.

The Office (Rockford, IL): Best Dance Party! DJ Cris.

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

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

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

### Saturdays:

Barracks - Levi/Leather (Madison, WI): Levi/Leather/Uniform Night! 50¢ off every drink for proper L/L/Uniform attire. 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks \$3.50 and under. \$1 off all drinks over \$3.50, plus spin the Happy Hour Wheel from 4 to 8 p.m.

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'.

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. Open seven days a week with music spinning a drink specials by the pool. Live entertainment in the Cabaret. DJ

Chris from Detroit rocks the dance floor. FMI call (616) 857-1401.

Fannies (Milwaukee): Hot Music to dance to. Two new DJs playing top 40, booty, house, funk, oldies etc.

Jo'Dees International (Racine, WI): Vanilla & Original Doctor's, Cherry Cheesecake, Cherry LifeSaver's and Viagra shots - \$2.50. \$1.25 Tap MGD & Miller Lite, \$1.75 Pints of Leinen's Red, \$2.50 Pints of Hacker-Pschorr Weisse.

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

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

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

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

Ray's Bar & Grill (Madison, WI): 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.

Switch (Milwaukee): Full Service Patio Bar open. Cocktail Lounge and DJ 9 p.m. to close.

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

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

Woody's (Milwaukee): Bucky Badger Day! Beer Bust During the Game. \$1 Highlife All Day!

### BAR EVENTS:

#### Friday, September 24

Big Mama's Diner - HIV Testing (Milwaukee): The BESTD Traveling HIV Clinic will be there from 9 p.m. to Midnight. FMI call (414) 272-2144.

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

#### BOOKS: AUTHOR APPEARANCES & CLUBS:

Integrity/Dignity - Book Discussion (Madison, WI): At 6 p.m., COMING OUT SPIRITUALLY: THE NEXT STEP by Christian de la Huerta, will be discussed at St. Francis House, 1001 University Ave. To order book use ISBN: 0874779669 reference.

#### Tuesday, September 28

Gerber/Hart Library - Lesbian Book Club (Chicago): The Lesbian Book Discussion Group meets on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the Library, 1127 West Granville Ave. Suggested donation: \$2 - Gerber/Hart members \$3 - non-members.

#### Wednesday, September 29

A Room of One's Own Bookstore - Music (Madison, WI): Acoustic music by STEPHANIE GLEIT from her latest release at 6:30 p.m. FMI call (608) 257-7888.

#### Thursday, September 30

A Room of One's Own Bookstore - Author Appearance (Madison, WI): Katherine V. Forrest will read from her latest mystery SLEEPING BONES at 6:30 p.m. FMI call (608) 257-7888.

#### Saturday, October 2

Afterwords Bookstore - Murder & Mayhem 3rd Annual Weekend (Milwaukee): A three-day series of events featuring some of the biggest and brightest lesbian & gay mystery writers. On Saturday at 11:30 a.m. there will be a "Killer Brunch" featuring ELLEN HART, R.D. ZIMMERMAN & LEV RAPHAEL. Later that day there is a "Lethal Tea" featuring VAL McDERMID, MICHAEL CRAFT & MARK ZURBO. Author CLAIRE MCNAB will also make an appearance during the weekend. For more information call (414) 963-9089 or check the web site at www.afterwords.com.

#### Wednesday, October 6

A Room Of One's Own Bookstore - Author Appearance (Madison, WI): Kathleen Dean Moore will read from her new book of essays titled HOLDFAST: AT HOME IN THE NATURAL WORLD at 6:30 p.m. FMI call (608) 257-7888.

#### COMMUNITY MEETINGS & EVENTS:

#### Thursday September 23

Bi Definition - Bisexual Day Party (Milwaukee): There will be a party at the LGBT community Center to celebrate Bisexual Day. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

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/AIDS Support Group & Hotline (Upper Peninsula, MI): These projects serve Dickinson, Iron, & Menominee Counties. For information on the support group which meets in Iron Mountain, Michigan on the first Thursday of each month, call the HIV/AIDS Hotline at (906) 779-2904.

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

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

LGBT Campus Center - Boy-Oh-Boy Gay/BI Men's Group (Madison, WI): This weekly group provides an outlet for gay/bi students at UWM 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): Meet to establish and explore friendships & relationships. Discuss a variety of topics every Thursday at 8 p.m. FMI call (319) 583-1834.

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

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

#### Friday, September 24

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

High Tea & Talk - 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 bull 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 p.m. to Marshfield's #1 spot at 130 S. Central Ave., above the Thimbleberry Bookstore. Come and meet local LGBT people, enjoy Videos and Dancing. Everyone is welcome to attend. Carry-in Alcohol accepted. FMI call Jim (715) 384-6731 or Vic (715) 387-2068.

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

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.

Rebuilding Faith - LGBT Catholics (Milwaukee): This group has their monthly discussion meeting from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Holy Trinity/Guadalupe School, 613 S. 4th St. This month's topic: Coming Out Spiritually. FMI call Fred (414) 481-8543.

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) 442-132.

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

#### Monday, September 27

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.

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

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

#### Tuesday, September 28

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

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

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

Sober Seniors - AA Meeting (Milwaukee): This meeting is focused on the unique recovery needs of elders, and meets every Tuesday morning from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at 3200 W. Highland Blvd. FMI call ElderLink (414) 289-6874.

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

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

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

#### Wednesday, September 29

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

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

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

LGBT Campus Center - Les/Bi Curious Women's Group (Madison, WI): This weekly group, which is open specifically to lesbian, bisexual and curious women who are UWM students, meets every Wednesday night, 8 p.m. at the LGBT Campus Center. The center is located on the second floor of the UWM Memorial Union, 800 Landgon St.

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

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

Wisconsin Corporate Alliance - Monthly Meeting (Milwaukee): The meeting is held at the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St. at 5:30 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

Saturday, October 2



More AIDS Walk Fun. Photo by Jamie @ AIDS Walk Wisconsin

Bi Definition - Social/Discussion (Milwaukee): The group meets at the LGBT Community Center at 7 p.m. Topic: COMING OUT OF TWO CLOSETS. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

#### Monday, October 4

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

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

##### Thursday September 23

UWM School of the Arts - 12th Annual G/L Film Festival (Milwaukee): EILEEN IS A SPY with GOODBYE LOVE at 7 p.m. LOLA & BILIDIKID with PENSAO GLOBO at 9 p.m. \$6 general, \$5.50 students. FMI (414) 229-6015 or (414) 229-4070.

##### Friday, September 24

Hotel Milwaukee - Radio Show (Statewide): The show airs on Fridays at 7 p.m. and Saturdays at 4 p.m. on Wisconsin Public Radio. WHA-AM Madison; WHWC Eau Claire; WHBM Park Falls; WHLA La Crosse; WHHI Highland; WGBW Green Bay; KUWS Superior; and WLBL Wausau. Can also be heard on Real Audio web site: [www.hotelmilwaukee.com](http://www.hotelmilwaukee.com). SAGE-Milwaukee - Film (Milwaukee): GOLDEN THREADS, a film for women (but men are welcome) will be shown at 6:30 p.m. in the small meeting room of the LGBT Community Center, 170 S. 2nd St. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

UWM School of the Arts - 12th Annual G/L Film Festival (Milwaukee): LIVING WITH PRIDE: RUTH ELIUS AT 100; with I KNOW A PLACE at 7 p.m. TBA at 9 p.m. \$6 general, \$5.50 students. FMI (414) 229-6015 or (414) 229-4070.

##### Saturday, September 25

UWM School of the Arts - 12th Annual G/L Film Festival (Milwaukee): HEAD ON at 7 p.m. AND EVENING OF GIRLS SHORTS at 9 p.m. \$6 general, \$5.50 students. FMI (414) 229-6015 or (414) 229-4070.

##### Sunday, September 26

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): From 2 to 3 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents IN THE LIFE - Experimental and documentary films. Re-runs the next day at 8 a.m. Hotel Milwaukee - Taping Radio Show (Milwaukee): Tappings are at 5 p.m. in the Astor Hotel Grand Ballroom, 924 E. Juneau. Today: Classical accordionist Stas Venglevski, an aria from the Florentine Opera's production of Manon, and poetry and music by Jen Benka, Craig Eli and Peter Conover.

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

Wednesday, September 29

Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - LGBT Programming (Madison, WI): From 9 to 11 p.m. NOTHING TO HIDE presents Frontiers' Symposium, M. Derik Bownds, Ph.D. talks about his newly published book, THE BIOLOGY OF MIND. Re-runs at Midnight 12:30 to 2:30 a.m. WORT, 89.9 FM - G/L Radio (Madison): QUERRY. Madison's local GLBTQ radio show, followed by THIS WAY OUT, the international LGBT show, which runs from 7:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

##### Thursday, September 30

UWM School of the Arts - 12th Annual G/L Film Festival (Milwaukee): WOUBI CHERI at 7 p.m. RED RAIN with HOMOCORE MINNEAPOLIS at 9 p.m. \$6 general, \$5.50 students. FMI (414) 229-6015 or (414) 229-4070.

##### Friday, October 1

UWM School of the Arts - 12th Annual G/L Film Festival (Milwaukee): EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE WITH THE CATCH at 7 p.m. BOTTOMS UP: AN EVENING OF BOYS SHORTS at 9 p.m. \$6 general, \$5.50 students. FMI (414) 229-6015 or (414) 229-4070.

##### Saturday, October 2

UWM School of the Arts - 12th Annual G/L Film Festival (Milwaukee): SHOW ME LOVE at 7 p.m. EDGE OF SEVENTEEN WITH THE BOY NEXT DOOR at 9 p.m. \$6 general, \$5.50 students. FMI (414) 229-6015 or (414) 229-4070.

#### MUSEUMS & GALLERIES:

##### Friday, September 24

Gallery 218 - Open Mike (Milwaukee): This event happens on the last Friday of each month at 218 S. Second St. Sign-up at 7:45 p.m. Start at 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 270-1043.

Milwaukee Art Museum - Pop Art Prints (Milwaukee): A showing of prints by ROY LICHTENSTEIN opens at 5:30 p.m. with a lecture by curator Kristin Makholm at 6:15 p.m. FMI call (414) 224-3200.

UWM School of the Arts - inova Galleries (Milwaukee): Dick Blau, Jane Galllop, Miguel Calderone, Luisa Lambri & Cristina Mateus will exhibit in Gallery One, 3225 N. Downer Ave.; Gitte Villensen will exhibit in Gallery Two, 3203 N. Downer Ave.; Inigo Manglano-Ovalle will exhibit in Gallery Three, 2400 E. Kenwood Blvd.; and Shilpa Singuru will exhibit in Gallery Video 3253 N. Downer Ave. All shows are up through 11/28/99. FMI call (414) 229-5070.

#### Friday, October 1

Milwaukee Art Museum - First Friday (Milwaukee): Mix and mingle. This event features live music by Milwaukee's hottest musicians, guided art tours, and appetizers provided by some of the city's best restaurants. There is also a cash bar. Admission is \$7, \$5 to MAM members. FMI call (414) 224-3200.

##### Saturday, October 2

JM Kohler Arts Center - Artists/Members Weekend (Sheboygan, WI): On Saturday visual and performing artists and Art Center members are invited to take part in a series of workshops, demonstrations and special events. On 10/3/99 there will be a free public celebration of five new exhibitions. Truman Lowe: Neo-Xanthe, Flora and Fauna, Romancing the Salmon: Atlantic Salmon Flies by Dan Bloodgood, A Landscape of Promise: Paintings by Alison Moritsugu, and Gardens of Light at ArtSpace, a Gallery of the JMKAC in the Shops at Woodlake Kohler. FMI call (920) 458-6144.

##### Tuesday, October 5

Milwaukee Art Museum - Music in the Museum (Milwaukee): Pianist Jeffrey Hollander will present the music of America's LOUIS MOREAU GOTTSCHALK at 5:30 p.m., accompanied by an entertaining lecture. A museum tour is included. Admission is \$15, \$12 to MAM members. FMI call (414) 224-3200.

##### Wednesday, October 6

Marcus Center - Previews (Milwaukee): FOREVER PLAID, a musical comedy about 50s & 60s guy groups runs in preview through 10/13. Opening night is 10/14 at 7 p.m. FMI & tickets (\$28.50 to \$36.50) call (414) 273-7207 or toll-free 1-800-612-3500.

#### Sunday, October 3

UWM School of the Arts - Music (Milwaukee): The Fine Arts Quartet plays BEETHOVEN, BARTOK & BRAHMS at 3 p.m. at the Recital Hall, 2400 E. Kenwood Blvd. Individual tickets \$16, \$8 students. FMI call (414) 229-4308.

##### Tuesday, October 5

UW-Madison - Workshop Performance (Madison, WI): A free performance of the extended workshop piece with Tim Miller and UW students will be held at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (608) 262-1500.

##### Wednesday, October 6

Marcus Center - Previews (Milwaukee): FOREVER PLAID, a musical comedy about 50s & 60s guy groups runs in preview through 10/13. Opening night is 10/14 at 7 p.m. FMI & tickets (\$28.50 to \$36.50) call (414) 273-7207 or toll-free 1-800-612-3500.



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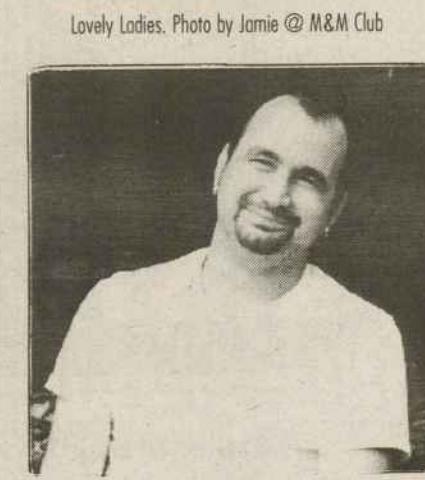
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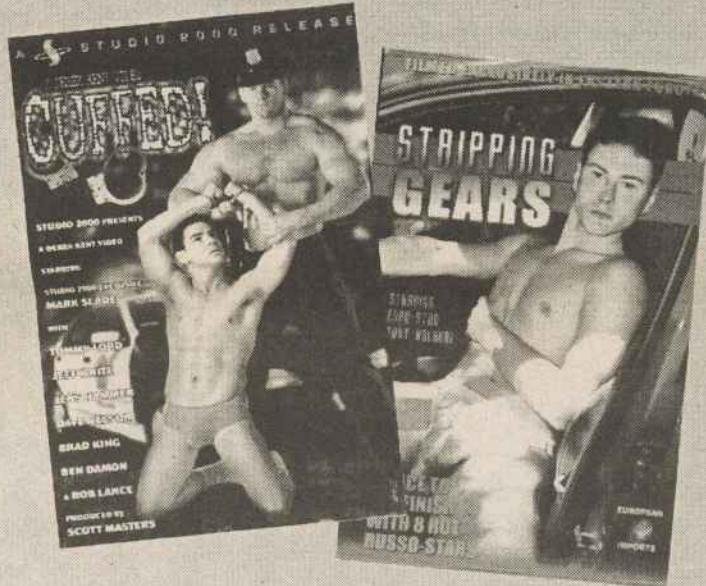
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*Sleeping Bones* (Berkley Crime, HC \$21.95) is Katherine V. Forrest's seventh entry into her Lambda award-winning Kate Delafield mystery series. Arguably the most popular practitioner in the crowded field of lesbian mysteries, Forrest also has to her credit one of the most popular lesbian science fiction novels, *Daughters of a Coral Dawn*, as well as the lesbian erotic classic, *Curious Wine*, originally published in 1983.

Still, Forrest is best known for her murder mysteries featuring the indefatigable Kate Delafield, LAPD homicide detective, an ex-marine who has an upright, upright, black-and-white code of honor. Kate is a protagonist who would certainly give those from the word processors of Patricia Cornwell and Sara Paretsky a run for their money.

Forrest grew up reading the mysteries of many of the classic crime novelists, including Ngaio Marsh and Agatha Christie, to whom she pays homage by naming Kate's cat Miss Marple.

In 1996, Berkley Crime published *Liberty Square*. *Apparition Alley* followed, a real page-turner that has Kate Delafield investigating the death of a gay cop.

The unusual setting of the La Brea Tar Pits is the scene of the crime in *Sleeping Bones*, a novel that finds Kate continuing to deepen her relationship with Aimee, gets sidetracked by an attractive murder suspect, break in a new partner and tough new boss and experiences a not particularly welcome discovery of a brother she never knew she had. Tantalizingly, Forrest tantalizingly leaves several plot threads unresolved, promising further entries into this successful series.

About to launch a book tour, Katherine Forrest made time for a brief interview.

**IN Step: When did you know that you were going to be a writer?**

Kathleen Forrest: I think that I was like most writers, at least all of the writers I know have been writing all their lives, which was true with me. I did have a precipitating event — turning 40. My partner, she told me, "You've always wanted to take six months to write a book, so why don't you take six months and write a book?" Anyway, like an idiot, I thought I could write a book in six months ... three years later...

**IN Step: That was with 'Curious Wine'?**

K.F.: So, that's how it all began. I started writing full-time in 1980. *Curious Wine* came out in 1983.

**IN Step: 'Curious Wine' is a defin-**

ing work in lesbian literature, very much a lesbian "classic." Did you have any idea at the time?

K.F.: I had read everything that I could find but there was nothing that I found that conveyed the passion and the beauty of lesbian love. I wrote the book that I wanted to read and apparently a great many women wanted to read it as well.

The book was a breakthrough for its time in its erotic candor. I think that it is still in that canon of coming out books that are timeless. I think that it is still very, very relevant. It is still my best-selling book going into the millennium; that's not bad for a first novel.

**IN Step: Your third book, 'Amateur City,' introduces Kate Delafield. Is there much of Katherine Forrest in Kate?**

K.F.: That's an interesting question ... I don't think so. Kate is very much her own person. She has been very interesting to write about over these years. She's been able to help me out as a writer to track what has been happening in the lesbian community over the last two decades. She has been wonderful in that regard. But she is very unlike me — she's closeted, which is her great flaw. One which Kate does not see.

**IN Step: That is a central issue in the Delafield series.**

K.F.: She's been edging out of the closet as the series has progressed, but she is still closeted on the job and still perceives that she needs to be. This is an issue, of course. ... one that I vehemently disagree with. But Kate is Kate. She is going along her journey at her own speed.

**IN Step: In 'Apparition Alley,' the fact that Kate is not out is the central issue, particularly when she finds herself in the possession of a list of gay and lesbian officers.**

**Were you on the fence with that?**

K.F.: No, I was never on the fence. Believe me, I was in Maggie Shaeffer's corner, she's the bartender at the Nightwood Bar. Maggie says to put it into the *National Enquirer*, and that's where I am on that issue.

**IN Step: Were you ever in doubt as to what Kate would do with the list?**

K.F.: No. Maybe 10 years further down the line, she would make a different choice.

**IN Step: People are still waiting for the film of 'Murder at the Nightwood Bar.' Any news?**

K.F.: No, it is still under option. It has been under option for 10 years.

**IN Step: Which actress today do you see as playing Kate Delafield?**

K.F.: Mary Louise Parker has been cast and has been the casting decision for a while. She is still committed to the project. She was in *Fried Green Tomatoes* and *Midnight Cowboy*. ▀

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### Busy Week



by Jamie

I have to tell you that I am in serious need of a vacation. I have 3 weeks stacked up at work and as soon as we get caught up...

Last Sunday was AIDS Walk Wisconsin which drew thousands of walkers from all over the place. The weather was supposed to be crappy, but Mother Nature gave us a perfect day for a walk. I missed the breakfast for the first time ever, but I'm told there was a "great turnout" and everyone was excited to see Danny Glover. The Walk itself was pretty typical with plenty of entertainment and refreshments along the way. I took lots of pictures, but it appears as if I lost a roll somewhere. Oh well, we all know what Danny Glover and John Norquist look like, right? This year, walkers raised \$641,626. Way to go, Wisconsin!

This past week has been filled with lots of fun. Josh and I went to the Premier Cinema at Mayfair Mall to see *Stigmata*. It cost us \$12.50 each but hey, it was worth it.

When you walk in the doors of the Premier Theatre, it looks like a semi-fancy restaurant. We ordered a couple of cocktails and were escorted to our seats. Two big fat leather seats separated by cocktail tables. The concierge asked us if we would like some popcorn, which was included in the price of the ticket. I got in my seat I took my shoes off and kicked back. We could have ordered food but we didn't leave ourselves enough time for that. OK, let's compare. At a regular theatre, the ticket price is \$7, a large bucket of popcorn is another \$5, and who knows if the audience is going to keep quiet throughout the entire movie. At the Premier Cinema, the ticket price is \$12.50, popcorn is free and you can't really put a price on comfortable seats and an audience that knows how to watch a movie without yapping. Hmm, let's see, do I take a chance at a regular theatre or do we spend a little extra to be pampered? We've decided that once a month we're gonna treat ourselves. Next time we'll even try the food.

That was Monday. On Wednesday, Tori Amos was at the Marcus Amphitheater with Alanis Morissette. We drove down a little early to get tickets and ran into scalpers. We paid \$50 each for 6th row center. The ticket price was \$37.50 so we got a really good deal. Tori was awesome. Josh was crying throughout the whole concert. For Josh, Tori is his god. He was a little overcome with emotion. Who can blame him, I usually get a bit choked up when I see live music like Tori. (I remember when I went to see David Lanz, how much it moved me.) This was my first time

seeing her and will definitely not be my last. Alanis, on the other hand, was trippin' on something. She was flying around the stage, wringing her hands flippin' out. We thought she was gonna hit the deck a few times. We only stayed for a short while before deciding to get outta there.

Josh was thinking about heading up north to see his little brother, Caleb on Wednesday (the day of the concert) but decided against it. He has been missing his family a lot and would have gone but Tori was in town. Anyway, we got a phone call from Josh's sister with the news that Caleb was in town. How cool is that? What a great surprise and what timing! We were fortunate enough to have a spare bedroom, so they all got to stay with us. The first night was a little weird. One of their friends flipped out and was acting all stupid, but sometimes that happens when you have way too many cocktails. It took us hours to calm her down enough for her to pass out on the couch. I was up until 7 a.m. making sure she stayed there. The next night we took them out on the town. We took them to *Triangle* and *La Cage*. Caleb and his wife said they really enjoyed the clubs. In their hometown, the most fun club they have is probably attached to a bowling alley. Anyway, they are headed back to Park Falls as I write this column. I sure hope they can come down and spend the holidays with us.

Not many club events to tell you about this issue. I can tell you that *Switch's Sunday Tea Dance* (post-AIDS Walk party) went pretty darn good. For \$6 you had all the beer you could handle or if you preferred cocktails, you only had to pay half-price.

Saturday, Sept. 18, was *Fetish Night* at *Eagle*. You know, police, firemen, military uniforms. You name it, it was there. The party was a fund-raiser for the *BESTD Clinic*.

*La Cage* hosted the Miss Cream City-US of A contest Sept. 19 featuring *Miss Kelli Jo Klein*. There were three contestants hoping to woo the judges for the honor of taking home the tiara for the next 12 months. I wish I could tell you who won but I can't get a hold of Jackie to find out. By next issue, I'll have that information for you.

Well, I've scoured the *IN Step* and these were all the events to tell you about for this issue. I'm gonna e-mail this to the office, kick off my shoes and curl up on the couch with Josh to watch a movie. Until next issue, remember it's just about that time to put the storm windows up and as always, slower traffic keep right. ▼

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 Marshfield Gay Lesbian Organ. (MGLO) c/o 130 S. Central Ave., #3 Marshfield, 54449  
 Vic: (715) 387-2068 Jim: (715) 384-6731  
 Platwood Club (MW, D) 701 Highway 10W, St. Pt., 54481 341-8862  
 Prince Edward B&B 203 W. 5th, Shawano 54166 526-2805  
 Wausau Narcotics Anonymous (ask for Gay meetings) 536-LIFE  
 Women's Resource Center UWSP 336 Nelson Hall, Stevens Pt. 54481 346-4851

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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 Elm 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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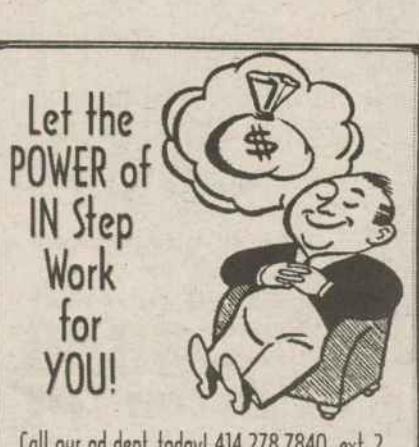
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 Cothen House (B&B) Mineral Point 987-2612  
 CrossRoads Bar (G/S/M/W) W6642 Hwy B, Lake Mills 53551 648-8457  
 The Kloset (MW, DJ) 232 Shirlord Ave., Beloit 54691 363-8764

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 (800) 750-2437  
 AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin—Superior (www.orcw.org) 1507 Tower Ave., Suite 230, Superior 54880 394-4009  
 (877) 242-0282  
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 JP Creations (WEB Design) The Trading Company (MW, DJ) 304 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire 54701 838-9494  
 The Main Club (MW, DJ) 1217 Tower Ave, Superior 54880 392-1756  
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 La Crosse, WI 54601 (800) 947-3353  
 The Alliance (LesBiGay Social Group) PO Box 131, Platteville 53818 348-5596  
 Cavalier Lounge (MW, D) 114 N. 5th St., La Crosse 54601 782-9061  
 Chela and Rose's B&B and Forest Retreat 735-4829  
 GALAXY (Gay Alliance of La Crosse Area Youth) P.O. Box 602, Onalaska, 54650-0602 791-1963  
 Gay & Lesbian Alliance Box 131, Platteville, 53818  
 LaCrosse L/G Support Group c/o Campus Ministry Center 784-7600  
 Leaping La Crosse News Box 932, La Crosse 54602  
 LaCrosse Parents & Friends of Gays 782-6082  
 Rainbow's End (G/S, WM), 417 Jay St., La Crosse 54601  
 Rainbow Revolution (Alternative Books) 122 5th Ave S, La Crosse 54601 796-0383  
 Rainbow Ridge Farms Bed and Breakfast 783-8181  
 Pioneers (Southwest WI Rural G/L Alliance) 800-484-8131  
 Code 4419, e-mail to pioneersw@mol.com  
 PO Box 53, Richland Center, 53581

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 Guy & Lesbian Americans PO Box 77533, Wash., DC, 20013 (800) 889-5111  
 Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) (202) 628-4160  
 National G&L Task Force (NGLTF) (202) 332-6483  
 Crossroads (LesBiGay Real Estate National Referral) (800) 442-9735  
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 Lambda Co Club Int'l, PO Box 268534, Chicago, IL 60626 (312) 465-5307  
 Male Hide Leathers (Leather Shop) 2816 N Lincoln, Chicago, IL 60657 (312) 929-0069  
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 OH Zone (MW), 1014 Charles St. Rockford, IL 61104 (815) 964-9663  
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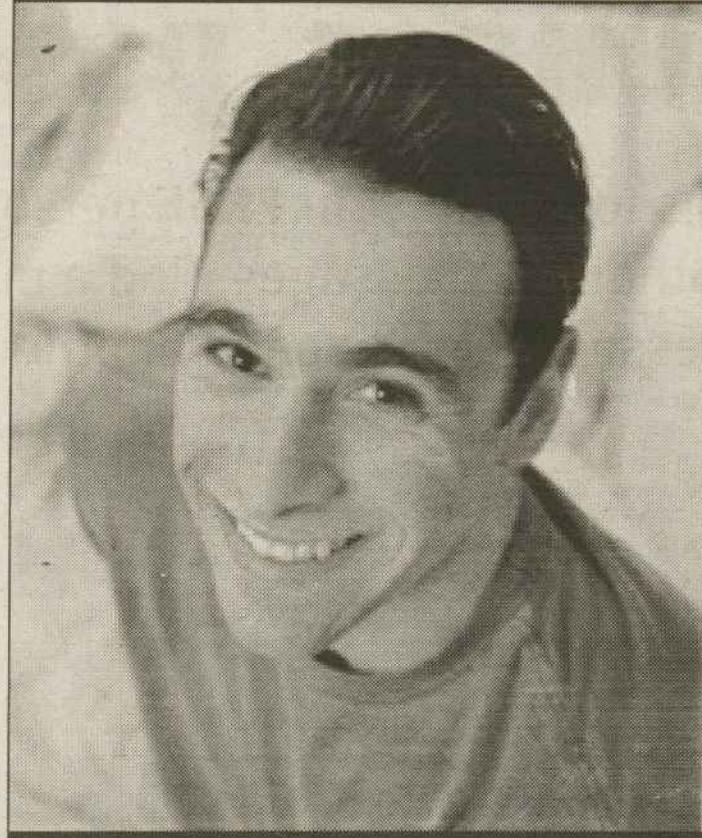
**LET'S PLAY DRESS UP** Tina likes to dress up. Seeking an LTR with the same. (Milwaukee) **13658**

**PASSIONATE AND HORNY** Attractive, passionate and horny Male. Seeking Gentleman that are very masculine, attractive and know who they are. **13446**

**ORALLY TALENTED** Tom is a 47-year-old GWM, 5'7", 140 lbs., hard-working, honest, quiet, likeable, orally talented, bottom, enjoys movies, exercising. Seeking Male to get together with. (Kenosha) **13453**

**JUST MOVED FROM ILLINOIS** Scott is a 33-year-old Male in really good shape, 145 lbs., straight-acting/looking, has a problem meeting people, enjoys the outdoors. Seeking Male with similar interests and qualities, for friendship, possible relationship. **19968**

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**ARE YOU MY TEDDY BEAR?** Good-looking SWM, early-30s, 6'1, 185 lbs., bottom. Enjoys camping, quiet evenings. Seeking a stocky, SM, 35-45, facial hair a plus, for companionship, possible LTR. (Green Bay) **11091**

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**SOMETHING PERMANENT** MbiWM, good build, loves the outdoors, videos and having a good time. Looking for a Guy for a friendship/relationship. **16689**

**WISCONSIN WILD MAN** 35-year-old WM, 5'10", 185 lbs, hairy all over, into sucking and getting laid. Looking for some very well-hung Men to get together with. (East Troy) **11440**

**RIDE THIS COWBOY** Handsome cowboy, blonde/blue, clean-shaven, smooth body, looking for the same, under 40. You should be tall, slim, good-looking and intelligent and funny. (Ashland) **20337**

**FOOT RUB** Top BM, 40s, with a foot fetish, seeking a submissive with nice-looking feet. If you really enjoy massages, give me a call. (Milwaukee) **16216**

## ILLINOIS

**TOTAL BOTTOM** Gene is a 35-year-old BM, 195 lbs., 5'9", tight bottom. Seeking masculine, well-endowed top. (Chicago) **13538**

**GOOD LIPS?** Steve is a SGWM, 38 seeking lover who's tall, dark and sexy. Must be special and have good lips. (Mount Prospect) **13320**

**CHICAGO AREA** Tom is a 40-year-old WM, 5'10", 155 lbs., dark hair. Seeking Male in Chicago area, for friendship, maybe more. (Chicago) **11736**

**LOVES TO BE SPOILED** 21-year-old BM, feminine. Seeking a masculine, strait-acting SM, 18-24, for possible relationship. **10657**

**NEED A HUG?** Tall, masculine WM, seeking tall, masculine BM, with an insatiable desire to hug and be hugged. (Chicago) **21737**

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**I LOVE DRESSING UP** Very hot, sexy CD in Chicago, looking for someone to play with and have fun with in the area. Leave me a message, I promise I'll call you back. (Chicago) **13469**

**TOP SEEKS BOTTOMS** Dominant WM, 45, well-endowed, attractive, looking for smooth, submissive bottoms. Race unimportant. **13324**

**LOOKING FOR A DADDY** 27-year-old WM, 5'9", 170 lbs, looking for a daddy. If you're 35-60 and interested, give me a call. (Elmhurst) **15592**

**HOT AND HORNY WM**, looking for a big, hairy daddy top who needs some action. Call me. (Chicago) **16423**

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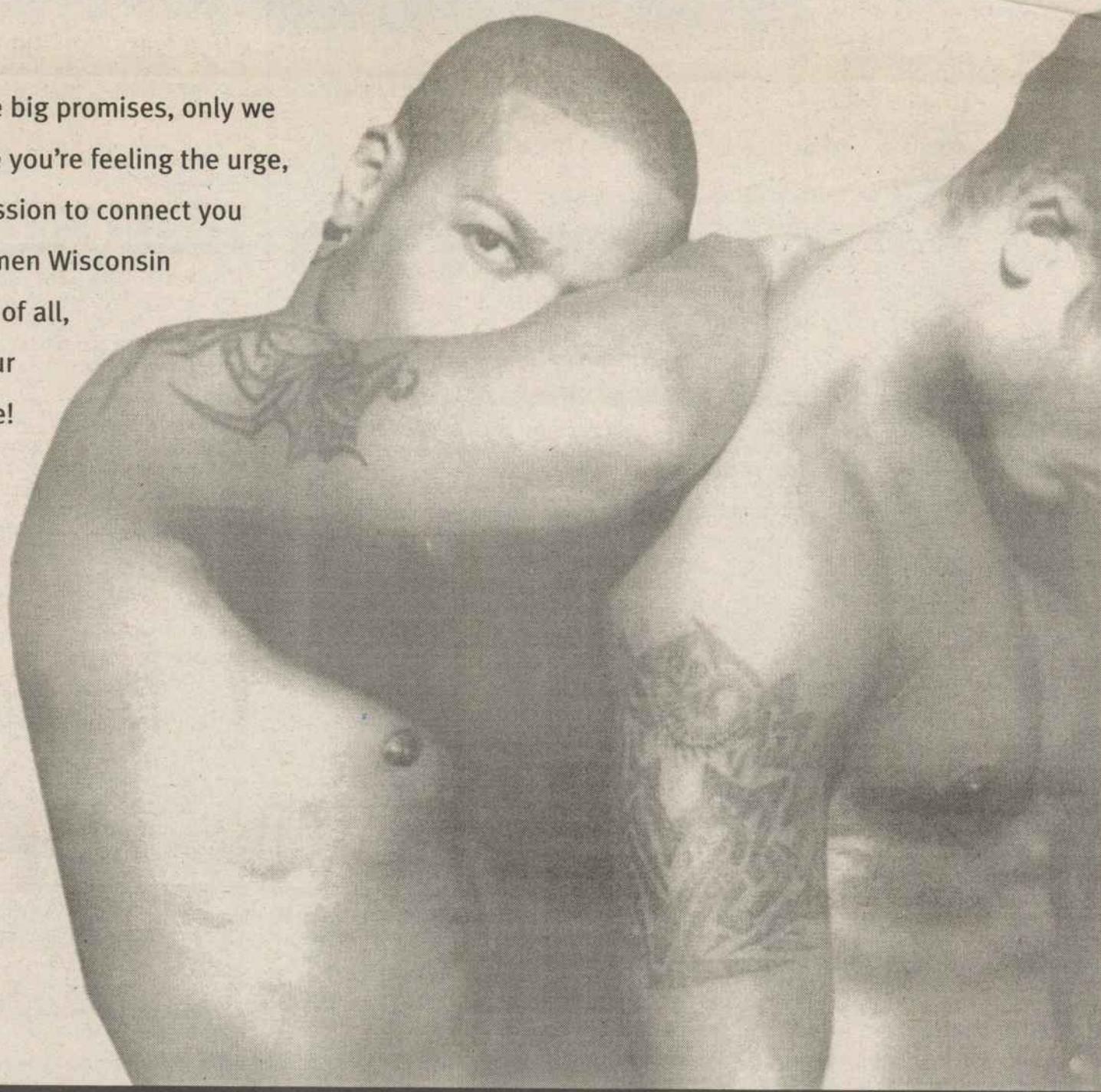
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