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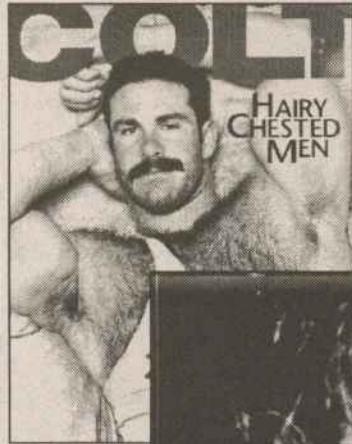
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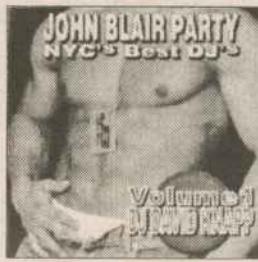


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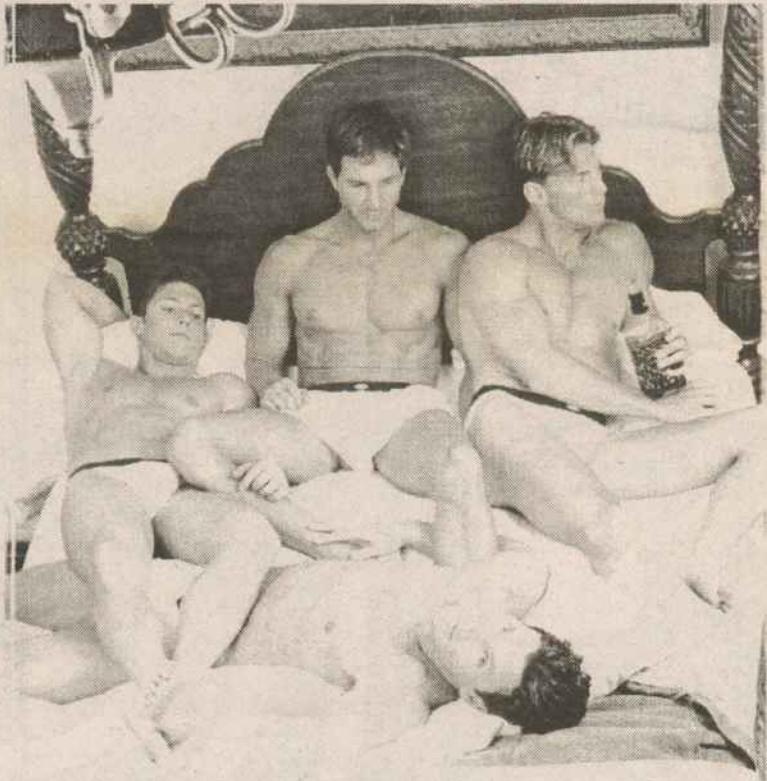
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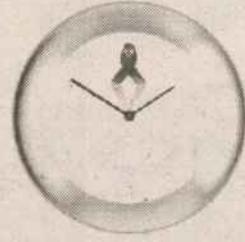
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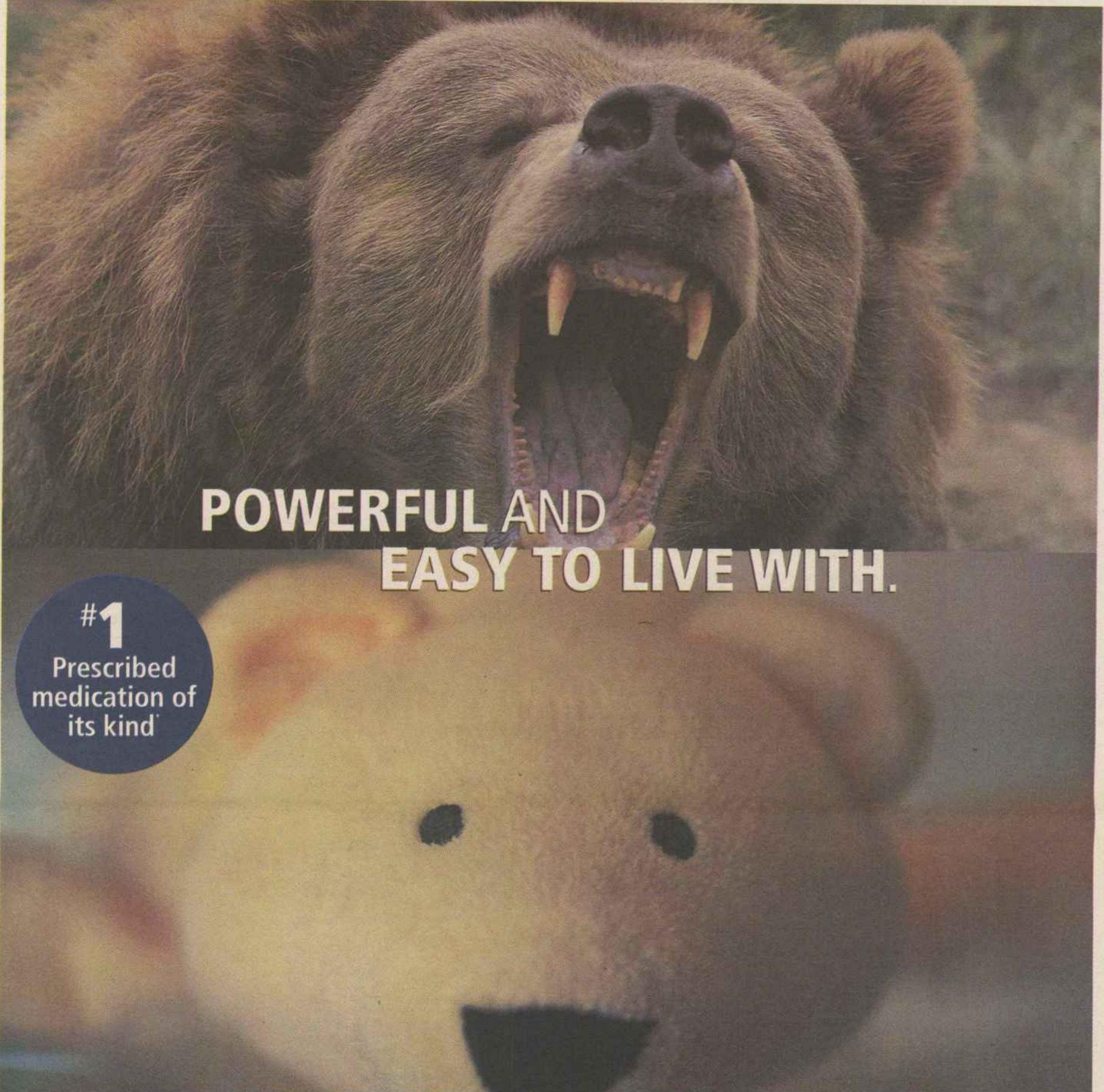
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(Refer to the important information on the next page.)

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# VIRACEPT

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### Information for Patients About VIRACEPT® (VI-ra-cept) Generic Name: nelfinavir (nel-FIN-na-veer) mesylate

#### For the Treatment of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Infection

Please read this information carefully before taking VIRACEPT. Also, please read this leaflet each time you renew the prescription, just in case anything has changed. This is a summary and not a replacement for a careful discussion with your doctor. You and your doctor should discuss VIRACEPT when you start taking this medication and at regular checkups. You should remain under a doctor's care when taking VIRACEPT and should not change or stop treatment without first talking with your doctor.

#### WHAT IS VIRACEPT AND HOW DOES IT WORK?

VIRACEPT is used in the treatment of people with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection. Infection with HIV leads to the destruction of CD4 T cells, which are important to the immune system. After a large number of CD4 cells have been destroyed, the infected person develops acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS).

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**VIRACEPT is usually taken together with other antiretroviral drugs** such as Retrovir® (zidovudine, AZT), Epivir® (lamivudine, 3TC), or Zerit® (stavudine, d4T). Taking VIRACEPT in combination with other antiretroviral drugs reduces the amount of HIV in the body (viral load) and raises CD4 counts.

VIRACEPT may be taken by adults, adolescents, and children 2 years of age or older. Studies in infants younger than 2 years of age are now taking place.

#### DOES VIRACEPT CURE HIV OR AIDS?

VIRACEPT is not a cure for HIV infection or AIDS. The long-term effects of VIRACEPT are not known at this time. People taking VIRACEPT may still develop opportunistic infections or other conditions associated with HIV infection. Some of these conditions are pneumonia, herpes virus infections, *Mycobacterium avium* complex (MAC) infections, and Kaposi's sarcoma.

It is not known whether VIRACEPT will help you live longer or reduce the number of infections or other illnesses that may occur.

There is no proof that VIRACEPT can reduce the risk of transmitting HIV to others through sexual contact or blood contamination.

#### WHO SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT TAKE VIRACEPT?

Together with your doctor, you need to decide whether VIRACEPT is appropriate for you. In making your decision, the following should be considered:

**Allergies:** If you have had a serious allergic reaction to VIRACEPT, you must not take VIRACEPT. You should also inform your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist of any known allergies to substances such as other medicines, foods, preservatives, or dyes.

**If you are pregnant:** The effects of VIRACEPT on pregnant women or their unborn babies are not known. If you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant, you should tell your doctor before taking VIRACEPT.

**If you are breast-feeding:** You should discuss with your doctor the best way to feed your baby. You should be aware that if your baby does not already have HIV, there is a chance that it can be transmitted through breast-feeding. **Women should not breast-feed if they have HIV.**

**Children:** VIRACEPT is available for the treatment of children 2 through 13 years of age with HIV. There is a powder form of VIRACEPT that can be mixed with milk, baby formula, or foods like pudding. Instructions on how to take VIRACEPT powder can be found in a later section that discusses how VIRACEPT Oral Powder should be prepared.

**If you have liver disease:** VIRACEPT has not been studied in people with liver disease. If you have liver disease, you should tell your doctor before taking VIRACEPT.

**Other medical problems:** Certain medical problems may affect the use of VIRACEPT. Some people taking protease inhibitors have developed new or more serious diabetes or high blood sugar. Some people with hemophilia have had increased bleeding. It is not known whether the protease inhibitors caused these problems. Be sure to tell your doctor if you have hemophilia types A and B, diabetes mellitus, or an increase in thirst and/or frequent urination.

#### CAN VIRACEPT BE TAKEN WITH OTHER MEDICATIONS?

VIRACEPT may interact with other drugs, including those you take without a prescription. You must discuss with your doctor any drugs that you are taking or are planning to take before you take VIRACEPT.

#### Drugs you should not take with VIRACEPT:

- Seldane® (terfenadine, for allergies)
- Hismanal® (astemizole, for allergies)
- Propulsid® (cisapride, for heartburn)
- Cordarone® (amiodarone, for irregular heartbeat)
- Quinidine (for irregular heartbeat), also known as Quinaglute®/Cardioquin®, Quinidex®, and others
- Ergot derivatives (Cafergot® and others, for migraine headache)
- Halcion® (triazolam)
- Versed® (midazolam)

Taking the above drugs with VIRACEPT may cause serious and/or life-threatening adverse events.

- Rifampin (for tuberculosis), also known as Rimactane®, Rifadin®, Rifater®, or Rifamate®

This drug reduces blood levels of VIRACEPT.

#### Dose reduction required if you take VIRACEPT with:

Mycobutin® (rifabutin, for MAC); you will need to take a lower dose of Mycobutin.

#### A change of therapy should be considered if you are taking VIRACEPT with:

- Phenobarbital
- Phenytoin (Dilantin® and others)
- Carbamazepine (Tegretol® and others)

These agents may reduce the amount of VIRACEPT in your blood and make it less effective.

- Oral contraceptives ("the pill")

If you are taking the pill to prevent pregnancy, you should use a different type of contraception since VIRACEPT may reduce the effectiveness of oral contraceptives.

#### HOW SHOULD VIRACEPT BE TAKEN WITH OTHER ANTI-HIV DRUGS?

Taking VIRACEPT together with other anti-HIV drugs increases their ability to fight the virus. It also reduces the opportunity for resistant viruses to grow. Based on your history of taking other anti-HIV medicine, your doctor will direct you on how to take VIRACEPT and other anti-HIV medicines. These drugs should be taken in a certain order or at specific times. This will depend on how many times a day each medicine should be taken. It will also depend on whether it should be taken with or without food.

**Nucleoside analogues:** No drug interaction problems were seen when VIRACEPT was given with:

- Retrovir (zidovudine, AZT)
- Epivir (lamivudine, 3TC)
- Zerit (stavudine, d4T)
- Videx® (didanosine, ddI)

**If you are taking both Videx (ddI) and VIRACEPT:** Videx should be taken without food, on an empty stomach. Therefore, you should take VIRACEPT with food one hour after or more than two hours before you take Videx.

#### Nonnucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors (NNRTIs):

When VIRACEPT is taken together with:

- Viramune® (nevirapine)

The amount of VIRACEPT in your blood may be reduced. Studies are now taking place to learn about the safety of combining VIRACEPT with Viramune.

- Other NNRTIs

VIRACEPT has not been studied with other NNRTIs.

#### Other protease inhibitors:

When VIRACEPT is taken together with:

- Crixivan® (indinavir)
- The amount of both drugs in your blood may be increased. Currently, there are no safety and efficacy data available from the use of this combination.
- Norvir™ (ritonavir)
- The amount of VIRACEPT in your blood may be increased. Currently, there are no safety and efficacy data available from the use of this combination.
- Invirase® (saquinavir)
- The amount of saquinavir in your blood may be increased. If used in combination with saquinavir hard gelatin capsules at 600 mg three times daily, no dose adjustments are needed. Currently, there are no safety and efficacy data available from the use of this combination.

#### WHAT ARE THE SIDE EFFECTS OF VIRACEPT?

Like all medicines, VIRACEPT can cause side effects. Most of the side effects experienced with VIRACEPT have been mild to moderate. Diarrhea is the most common side effect in people taking VIRACEPT, and most adult patients had at least mild diarrhea at some point during treatment. In clinical studies, about 20% of patients receiving VIRACEPT 750 mg (three tablets) three times daily had four or more loose stools a day. In most cases, diarrhea can be controlled using antidiarrheal medicines, such as Imodium® A-D (loperamide) and others, which are available without a prescription.

Other side effects that occurred in 2% or more of patients receiving VIRACEPT include abdominal pain, asthenia, nausea, flatulence, and rash.

There were other side effects noted in clinical studies that occurred in less than 2% of patients receiving VIRACEPT. However, these side effects may have been due to other drugs that patients were taking or to the illness itself. Except for diarrhea, there were not many differences in side effects in patients who took VIRACEPT along with other drugs compared with those who took only the other drugs. For a complete list of side effects, ask your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist.

#### HOW SHOULD I TAKE VIRACEPT?

VIRACEPT is available only with your doctor's prescription. The light blue VIRACEPT Tablets should be taken three times a day. VIRACEPT should always be taken with a meal or a light snack. You do not have to take VIRACEPT exactly every 8 hours. Instead, you can take it at normal times when you are eating.

**Take VIRACEPT exactly as directed by your doctor.** Do not increase or decrease any dose or the number of doses per day. Also, take this medicine for the exact period of time that your doctor has instructed. **Do not stop taking VIRACEPT without first consulting with your doctor, even if you are feeling better.**

Only take medicine that has been prescribed specifically for you. Do not give VIRACEPT to others or take medicine prescribed for someone else.

The dosing of VIRACEPT may be different for you than for other patients. **Follow the directions from your doctor, exactly as written on the label.** The amount of VIRACEPT in the blood should remain somewhat consistent over time. Missing doses will cause the concentration of VIRACEPT to decrease; therefore, you should not miss any doses. However, if you miss a dose, you should take the dose as soon as possible and then take your next scheduled dose and future doses as originally scheduled.

#### Dosing in adults (including children 14 years of age and older)

The recommended adult dose of VIRACEPT is 750 mg (three tablets) taken three times a day. Each dose should be taken with a meal or light snack.

#### Dosing in children 2 through 13 years of age

The VIRACEPT dose in children depends on their weight. The recommended dose is 20 to 30 mg/kg (or 9 to 14 mg/pound) per dose, taken three times daily with a meal or light snack. This can be administered either in tablet form or, in children unable to take tablets, as VIRACEPT Oral Powder.

Dose instructions will be provided by the child's doctor. The dose will be given three times daily using the measuring scoop provided, a measuring teaspoon, or one or more tablets depending on the weight and age of the child. The amount of oral powder or tablets to be given to a child is described in the chart below.

#### Pediatric Dose to Be Administered Three Times Daily

Body Weight	Number of Level Scoops*	Number of Level Teaspoons†	Number of Tablets
Kg	Lb		
7 to < 8.5	15.5 to <18.5	4	1
8.5 to <10.5	18.5 to <23	5	1 1/4
10.5 to <12	23 to <26.5	6	1 1/2
12 to <14	26.5 to <31	7	1 3/4
14 to <16	31 to <35	8	2
16 to <18	35 to <39.5	9	2 1/4
18 to <23	39.5 to <50.5	10	2 1/2
≥ 23	≥ 50.5	15	3 3/4
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In measuring oral powder, the scoop or teaspoon should be level.

\* 1 level scoop contains 50 mg of VIRACEPT. Use only the scoop provided with your VIRACEPT bottle.

† 1 level teaspoon contains 200 mg of VIRACEPT. Note: **A measuring teaspoon used for dispensing medication should be used for measuring VIRACEPT Oral Powder.** Ask your pharmacist to make sure you have a medication dispensing teaspoon.

#### How should VIRACEPT Oral Powder be prepared?

The oral powder may be mixed with a small amount of water, milk, formula, soy formula, soy milk, dietary supplements, or dairy foods such as pudding or ice cream. Once mixed, the entire amount must be taken to obtain the full dose.

Do not mix the powder with any acidic food or juice, such as orange or grapefruit juice, apple juice, or apple sauce, because this may create a bitter taste.

Once the powder is mixed, it may be stored at room temperature or refrigerated for up to 6 hours. Do not heat the mixed dose once it has been prepared.

Do not add water to bottles of oral powder.

VIRACEPT powder is supplied with a scoop for measuring. For help in determining the exact dose of powder for your child, please ask your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist.

VIRACEPT Oral Powder contains aspartame, a low-calorie sweetener, and therefore should not be taken by children with phenylketonuria (PKU).

#### HOW SHOULD VIRACEPT BE STORED?

Keep VIRACEPT and all other medicines out of the reach of children. Keep bottle closed and store at room temperature (between 59°F and 86°F) away from sources of moisture such as a sink or other damp place. Heat and moisture may reduce the effectiveness of VIRACEPT.

Do not keep medicine that is out of date or that you no longer need. Be sure that if you throw any medicine away, it is out of the reach of children.

Discuss all questions about your health with your doctor. If you have questions about VIRACEPT or any other medication you are taking, ask your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist. You can also call 1.888.VIRACEPT (1.888.847.2237) toll free.

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# World AIDS Day

## 50 Million Infected, 16 Million Deaths Reported

by Keith Clark  
of the IN Step staff

London — New data about the AIDS epidemic released as part of World AIDS Day, Dec. 1, indicates the disease continues to be a potent killer with the number of HIV cases worldwide on the increase. The information comes from the Joint United Nations Program on AIDS (UNAIDS) and the World Health Organization.

According to the annual report, more than 50 million people globally have been infected with HIV and 16 million people around the world have died of AIDS-related illnesses since the epidemic first began in the late 1970s.

And despite powerful new drugs and massive information programs that have lulled many people in the Western industrialized nations to think the epidemic is under control, AIDS continues to spread at a growing rate. In the past year, the UNAIDS report notes, more than 2 1/2 million people around the world have died from the disease, setting a new record.

Peter Piot, executive director of UNAIDS, said in releasing the latest report that Africa continues to be the region most devastated by the epidemic, but the independent states in the former Soviet Union have recorded the steepest increases in new HIV infections.

"There is actually a doubling in the number of HIV infections over the last two years," Piot said. "And it is mainly driven by injection drug use where there is a major epidemic of injection drug use in the former Soviet Union."

The report also indicates how extensively the epidemic, long viewed in the West as mainly striking gay men, is linked instead to heterosexual sex and IV drug use.

Sub-Saharan Africa is the global epicenter of the epidemic with 70 percent of all HIV and AIDS cases there. And women now are at the forefront of the disease, outnumbering infected men by some 2 million. Involuntary heterosexual sex among young African women is, Piot noted, the number one cause of HIV transmission.

But the report also noted that fighting rising HIV rates is

still a challenge in industrialized countries of the West where there is "extremely worrying evidence" that unsafe sexual practices are now increasing among gay men after years of decline.

The report attributed the increase in unsafe sex to possible complacency now that dramatic treatments are available to prolong the lives of those infected in the U.S. and most European countries.

## Conservative Presidential Hopefuls on Gay Supporters

by Keith Clark  
of the IN Step staff

Washington — Texas Gov. George W. Bush said on a TV interview that he's all for an inclusive Republican Party — but he won't meet with gay and lesbian Republicans even so.

Bush, the front-runner in the Republican presidential race, said on NBC's *Meet the Press* that "all that does is create kind of a huge political nightmare for people" when asked about meeting with members of the Log Cabin Republicans.

He also reiterated his opposition to same-sex marriages, gay and lesbian couples adopting children, and to hate crimes legislation covering specific groups.

Two other GOP presidential hopefuls, however, said they had no problem with meeting Log Cabin members.

Sen. John McCain of Arizona, on CBS's *Face the Nation*, said he'd already met with members of Log Cabin although he disagreed with the gay and lesbian Republicans on some gay rights issues, including same-sex marriage.

"I believe I can have my point of view in an honest and open debate and dialogue, whether with the Log Cabin Republicans or whether it be the Christian right or whoever," McCain said.

Financier Steve Forbes, also a foe of same-sex marriages, told CNN's "Late Edition" that he would meet with Log Cabin if they wanted to. "If people want to talk with me, that's fine. They might not like what I have to say on issues, such as same-sex marriage ... but I'm open to meeting a lot of people."

Later in the week, at a Chicago speech, ex-Republican and now Reform Party presidential hopeful Pat Buchanan said gays and lesbians were welcome to back his election bid.

Not surprisingly, there were no indications the country's gay and lesbian voters were flocking to Buchanan's campaign.

## PrideFest Begins Planning for 2000

Milwaukee — The PrideFest Council spent a full weekend in November scrutinizing last year's festival, and laid the foundation for the 2000 event. Every aspect of the festival was torn apart and critiqued with the intent of making PrideFest 2000 the festival to remember. Incorporating the ideas from people who contacted PrideFest directly and the council members, this year's visitors will feel the difference as soon as they enter the gates.

### Youth Activity Area Gets More Visibility

The Youth Activity Area, with its ever-expanding venue, will be one of the very first things visitors will see. Relocating this very popular stage to a more central area will also allow for more people, young and old, to enjoy the shows produced by and for LGBT youth.

Justin Lockridge, the Youth Activity Coordinator, plans to diversify the area even more, and plans are laid to include a juice/coffee bar in the near-by gazebo. "I want youth to be right in the forefront of the festival," commented Lockridge. "What better place than just inside the main gates."

### Better Sound and Seating for Stonewall Stage

The Stonewall Stage, which occupied this area in past years, will be moved to the stage just south of the Children's Area. Noise interference from both the Miller Stage and Dance Tent made it difficult for the audiences to hear the many speakers who came to lecture on various topics. With this move, the Stonewall Stage will have

ample seating, better stage visibility and improved sound.

Many more entertainers will be able to perform in front of the largest crowd of the festival as PrideFest decides to drop the Harley Davidson Stage which is located south of the Market Place. While the entertainment on the Harley Stage included some of the hottest bands in the area, the crowds continued to gravitate to the Miller Oasis which lies in the heart of the festival. Some of the ethnic festivals have also expressed frustration with the "invisible wall" that exists at the south end of the Market Place.

"It was a tough decision for us to make," said Marketing Director Susan Cook. "The Harley Stage has the best back-stage facilities, and the entertainers really enjoyed the larger floor space, but we want our entertainers to be seen and heard. Bringing them to the Miller Stage will give the audience a better chance to hear them, and the performers will enjoy the excitement large crowds generate."

Other ideas still in the formative stages include: a comedy stage, more diverse food menus, moving the Sunday Ecumenical Service to a larger area to accommodate attendees, and adding vendor spaces on the north end of the grounds to alleviate crowding in the Market Place.

### PrideFest Makes Donations

The Cream City Foundation received an early Christmas present this year in the amount of \$1,000 from PrideFest. A strong supporter of Milwaukee's Pride events since the late '80s, CCF was instrumental in getting Pride-

Fest off the ground through its financial backing of the annual celebration.

During the past five years, PrideFest has donated \$48,500 to a wide variety of organizations that represent the diverse interests of the community. In 1999 alone, PrideFest has donated \$12,000 to twenty-one organizations, which included cash pay-outs to organizations that volunteered to work at the festival, sponsorships and PrideFest merchandise for raffles and door prizes. The Hunger Task Force also received all of the food that was collected at the gates of the festival, which was then distributed to over 90 food pantries throughout the city.

PrideFest donation recipients in 1999 included the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin; BestD Clinic; Bi-Definition; Brew City Bears; Castaways MC; Charles D Productions; Cream City Foundation; Galano Club; Gay Youth Milwaukee; Holiday Invitational Tournament; Hunger Task Force of Wisconsin; Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee; Lesbians of Color/Women of Color; LGBT Community Center; Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church; Project Q; Rainbow Over Wisconsin; Richard's Place; Sherman Park Rainbow Association; Saturday Softball League and the Washington Heights Rainbow Association.

PrideFest 2000 will be held June 9, 10 and 11 at Milwaukee's Henry W. Maier Festival Park. You can watch PrideFest 2000 take shape by visiting the web site, [www.pridefest.com](http://www.pridefest.com).

People who have ideas or suggestions are asked to contact PrideFest either by mailing to PO Box 511763, Milwaukee, WI 53203 or e-mailing to [pridemilw@aol.com](mailto:pridemilw@aol.com), or faxing to the PrideFest office at (414) 647-8697.

## News Wire

### Transsexual Elected To New Zealand Parliament

by Rex Wockner  
of the IN Step staff

Auckland — New Zealanders elected the world's first openly transsexual member of parliament Nov. 27.

Georgina Beyer, 42, will represent the nation's conservative Wairarapa region in the south-



Georgina Beyer

eastern corner of the North Island. She beat her nearest opponent, a Conservative, by a vote of 12,693 to 10,189.

A nationally known actor and former prostitute, stripper and drag queen, Beyer is also mayor of Carterton, a town of 7,000 people. She changed her gender in 1984.

"Of course, I'm feeling quite humbled by this event," Beyer said in an interview with Wockner News. "I think it speaks volumes to minorities in the world that you can overcome adversity and achieve and be successful so that you can be a positive contributor to society."

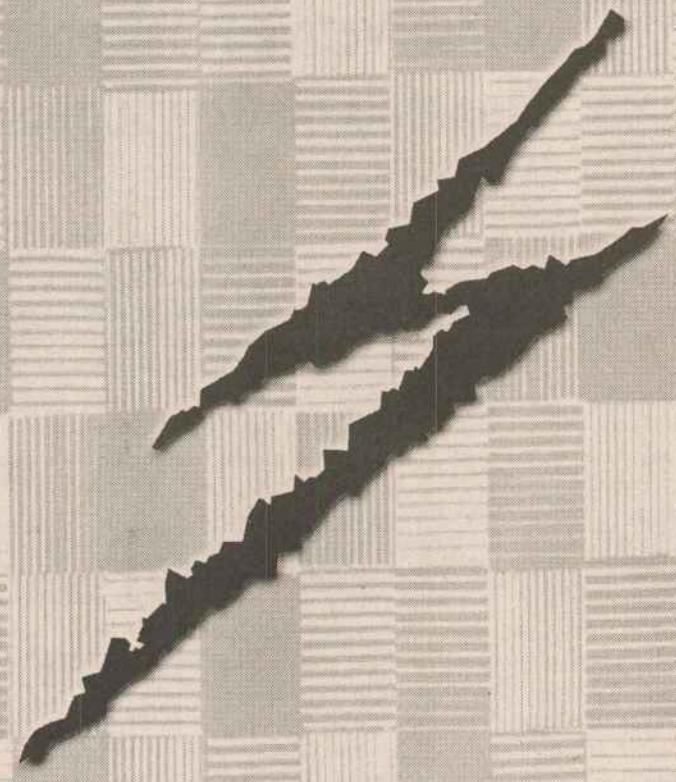
Beyer said no one made an issue of her transsexualism during the campaign except the media.

"They always seize upon it as a novelty and it usually ends up working in my favor when they do that because the angle that they try to take, it doesn't discredit me but it certainly tries to push it out there as an issue as to why people would not vote for me," she said.

"I have always maintained that the gender question is not the issue. It is the ability of the person to be able to do the job. With the experiences I've had in my life — but also in my local government career — I believed that I was the person that was going to be the best for the constituency."

Beyer says she'll work on gay and lesbian issues with New Zealand's two openly gay members of Parliament — Tim Barnett and Chris Carter. Barnett, who represents Christchurch Central, was re-elected Nov. 27. Carter, who will represent the Auckland suburban region of Te Atatu, was re-elected Nov. 27 after having been ousted in the previous parliamentary election.

"I also serve as a board member of the New Zealand AIDS Foundation and have worked with the gay/lesbian/transgender community in the past — so I'm definitely part of that community and I'm proud of who and what I am," she said.



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# Rev. Jimmy Creech Loses Methodist Credentials

Grand Island, Neb. — A jury of Nebraska United Methodist Church ministers has taken the pastoral credentials of the Rev. Jimmy Creech away. The action comes following a 90-minute church trial that was the focal point of protesters outside.

The 13-member ministerial jury unanimously declared Creech, a former Omaha pastor, guilty of violating church rules against conducting same-sex unions when he married two gay men in Chapel Hill, N.C. earlier this year.

After the jury's verdict, Creech, a minister for 29 years, told reporters, "This is a loss of something I love dearly. This is the pettiness of the Church and not the spirit of God that has acted here today. It is a scandalous day for the United Methodist Church."

Creech had himself refused to participate in selecting the jurors who would hear the case and offered no formal defense, insisting that it would give credibility to what he views as a wicked and unjust Church rule. Instead, Creech said he would answer questions from the prosecutor and make a final statement.

The day before the trial got started, Creech and his supporters presided over a ceremony for Larry Ellis and James Raymer, the two gay men whose union in North Carolina prompted the current trial.

Earlier in the day, some 74 Creech supporters were arrested outside, in a symbolic blockade of the church where the trial was taking place, singing hymns and arms locked together.

Methodist Church officials said that Creech has the right to appeal the jury's verdict, but Creech had earlier said he would not appeal any decision by the jury because he said it would only validate the process, which he feels is illegal and unjust.

## Calif. Drops Objection to Gay, Lesbian Adoptions

Sacramento, Calif. — California Gov. Gray Davis has rescinded a long-standing order making it difficult for homosexual and other unmarried couples to adopt foster children.

The state's social services department sent letters to all county adoption agencies in the state saying they should stop automatically opposing such adoptions, a policy that's been in place since the mid-1980s.

Attorneys for the department agreed with the Davis administration that the ban was essentially an "underground regulation" that wasn't approved through normal regulatory procedures.

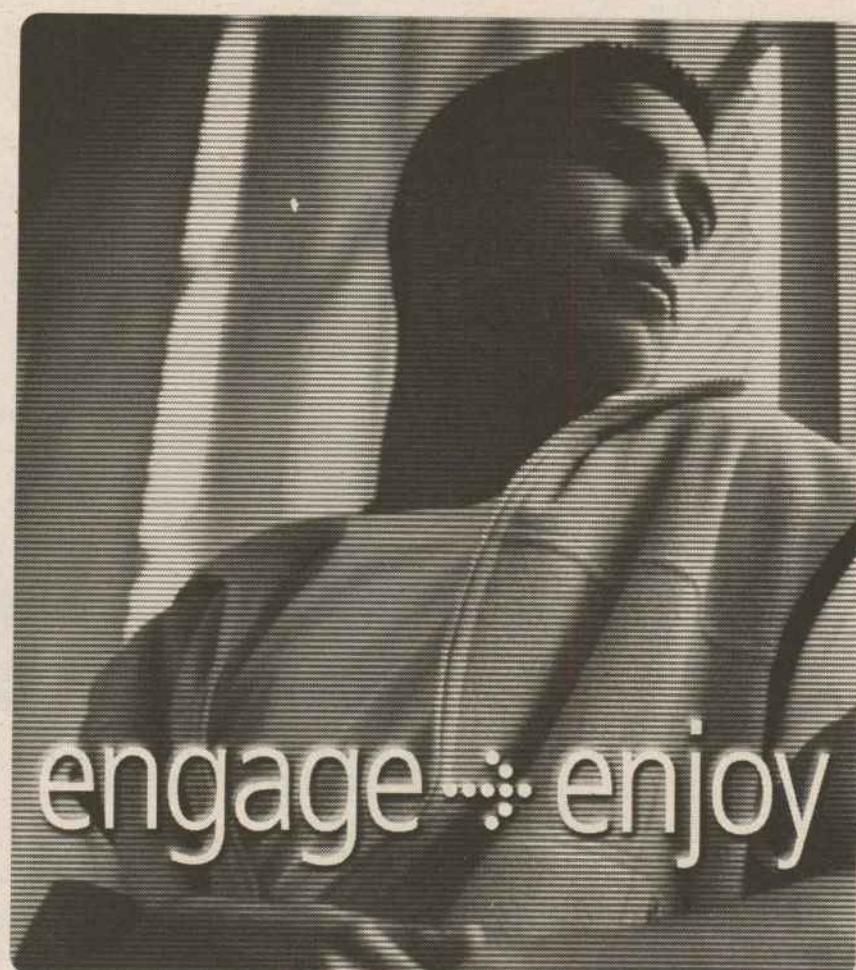
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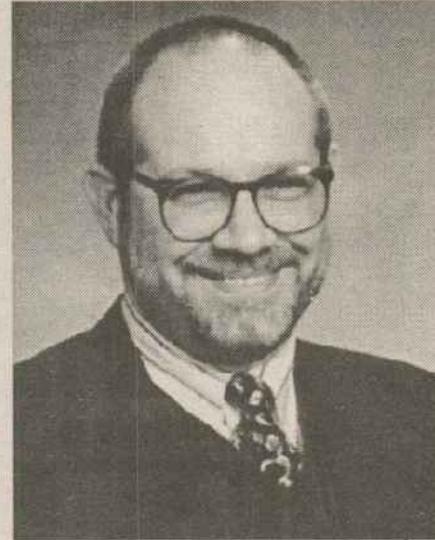
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### Bricker Named New AChoice Director

Milwaukee — AChoice, an 18-year old giving federation of 42 social justice organizations, has hired a new Executive Director to lead the organization into the new millennium. Earl Bricker left his post as Director of Technology Programs for Marquette University's College of Professional Studies to oversee AChoice.

A large part of Mr. Bricker's new job will be raising funds and awareness to support and facilitate the important work of AChoice agencies. Every day these agencies are in the front lines helping to achieve greater social, racial, economic and criminal justice for people in Milwaukee and Wisconsin. member agencies include Legal Action of Wisconsin, The Wisconsin Humane Society, Hope House, Esperanza Unida, The Guest House and the Campaign for a Sustainable Milwaukee.

"The AChoice Board is excited to work with Mr. Bricker," says Board President Lucy Jansen. "His ability to involve the community and spur people to action will help empower and support the work of federation members."

Bricker's background is particularly well-suited to enable AChoice agencies to make change happen. His background of management, fund-raising, planning and program development skills will help ensure the success and growth of the federation. Ms. Jansen adds, "Mr. Bricker motivates others through his personal commitment, energy and initiative, which is exactly what we were looking for in an Executive Director."

For more information call (414) 276-8787.

### Wisconsin Ameritech Chorus Concert

West Allis — The Wisconsin Ameritech Chorus, under the direction of Dr. James Norden, will present their Christmas Concert, *Memories of Christmas in Song* on Sunday, Dec. 19 at 2 p.m. The concert will be held at the First Lutheran Church, 7400 W. Lapham St. There is a handicap entrance at the rear of the church in the alley.

Refreshments will be served by chorus members in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level following the concert. Admission is \$5 and tickets are available by calling Joyce at (414) 453-7854. Please leave a message if there is no answer. Tickets will be available at the door on the afternoon of the concert.

The Chorus is also looking for singers for their Spring Concert season. Rehearsals begin on Monday, Jan. 7 at 5:30 p.m. at the Ameritech building located at 845 N. 35th St. All voices are welcome but there is a greater need for male voices. No auditions are necessary. For more information call Joyce at the above number.

### SAGE Schedules Holiday Dinner

Milwaukee — SAGE-Milwaukee (Senior Action in a Gay Environment) will hold their annual holiday dinner on Sunday, Dec 19 at 1 p.m. at the LGBT Community Center. This is one of the really big events of the SAGE-Milwaukee year; a full holiday meal with all the trimmings. SAGE members should make their reservations now. The event is free, but the hat will be passed to help cover costs.

SAGE-Milwaukee has also passed along a SAGE tip. If you have a limited income you may qualify for Energy Assistance. If

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SAGE-Milwaukee also reminds everyone that when you shop for your groceries at Pick & Save, please go to the office and register your Advantage card for SAGE's Non-Profit Organization Charity number. Once you are registered and each time you shop, SAGE-Milwaukee will get a percentage of every purchase you make. You do not have to be a SAGE-Milwaukee member to do this. SAGE-Milwaukee's Charity Number is 69-4300.

## Bay View Rainbow Plans Social

Milwaukee — Over 60 Bay Viewers attended the first meeting of the Bay View Rainbow Association (BVRA) on Nov. 6. The meeting at Bay View Library drew many community members interested in meeting their neighbors, socializing and becoming more familiar with local political issues and public officials.

Organizers of the event had anticipated 40-50 people would attend. "We are very excited about the community's interest in forming an association," said Jean Ligoiki. "Many people said they knew there were a lot of gays and lesbians in Bay View, but just didn't know who they were or how to meet them. The Rainbow Association may help provide that opportunity."

"We were somewhat surprised at how strongly people felt about the need to get involved with political advocacy," said Neil Albrecht. "Many people expressed disappointment with Alderperson Sue Brier for her stands against Gay and Lesbian issues such as the Domestic Partner Registry."

Those in attendance at the meeting agreed to make the BVRA as inclusive as possible. The group will welcome Gays, Lesbians and their allies as members and will extend the boundaries of Bay View to include the south and southwest sides of Metro-Milwaukee.

The next meeting of the BVRA has been scheduled for Saturday, December 4th at the Marion Center. The event, a holiday potluck social, is scheduled from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

On Sunday, January 8 the BVRA will hold its first business meeting to elect officers, set membership dues, and discuss the Association's structure.

Anyone interested in more information can contact Neil Albrecht at the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center at 271-2656.

## Cream City Chorus Holiday Concert

Milwaukee — Diversity is back this holiday season as the Wisconsin Cream City Chorus (WCCC) looks at the season's many reasons for song. The Chorus, under the direction of Kristi Uitts, will present *Fall Into Winter* at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 12 at Plymouth Church, 2717 E. Hampshire Ave. They will bring you an unusual assortment of traditional holiday tunes, inspirational pieces and humorous takes on this snow-filled time of the year. You

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## Volunteers Sought in Mazo Beach Fight

Mazomanie — An activist group is looking for a few people to put in some very valuable time. Help is needed in such areas as organizing, collating, sorting, data entry, and reading through records that could show discrimination and harassment at Mazo Beach. For more information, please contact Michael Miller via e-mail at [MazoAdvocate@HotMail.com](mailto:MazoAdvocate@HotMail.com).

## Hotel Washington Reunion Slated

Madison — A reunion of former employees and friends of the Hotel Washington is now in the planning stages. The reunion is scheduled to take place at Fyfe's Corner Bistro in Madison on Feb. 13 at 9 p.m. The Hotel Washington burned down on Feb. 18 1996.

There will be lots of old photos and videos from the hotel days as well as a DJ. For more information, please contact Craig via e-mail at [Qman66ml@aol.com](mailto:Qman66ml@aol.com).

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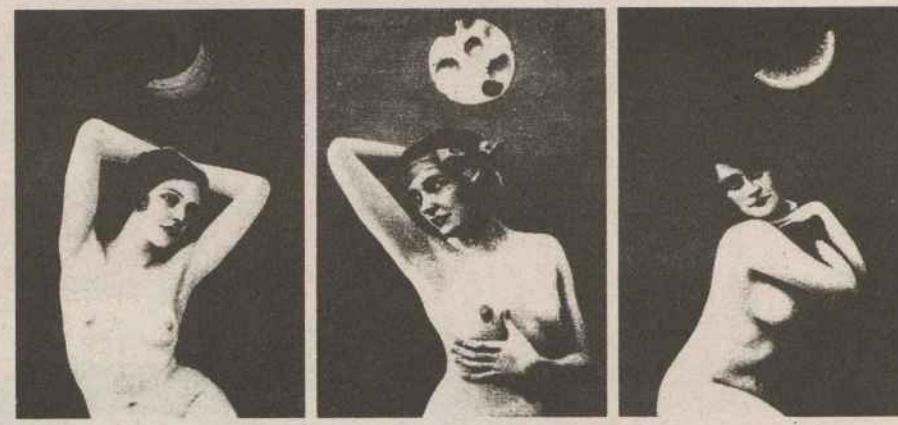
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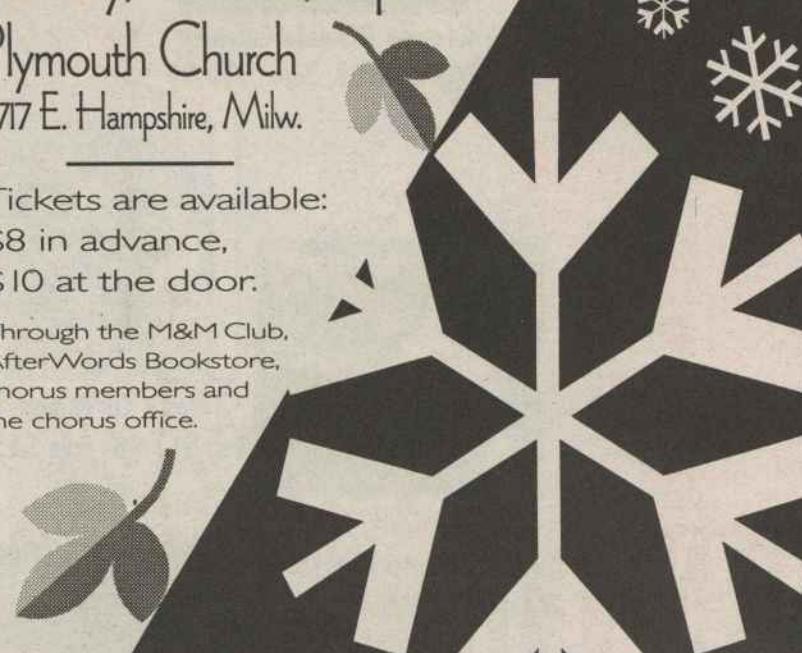
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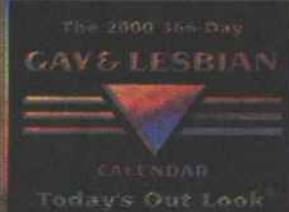


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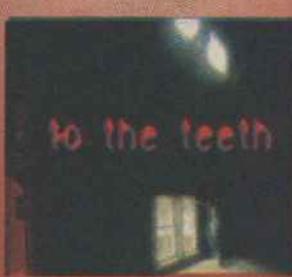
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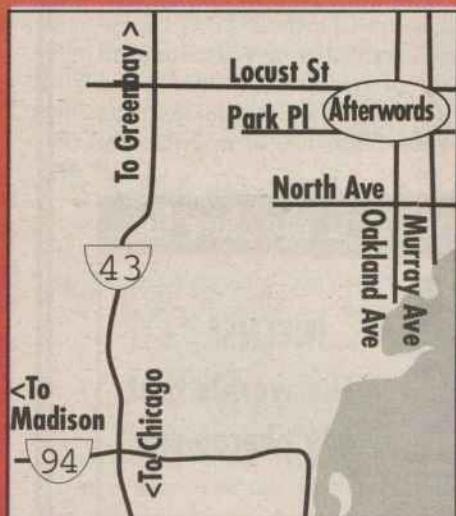
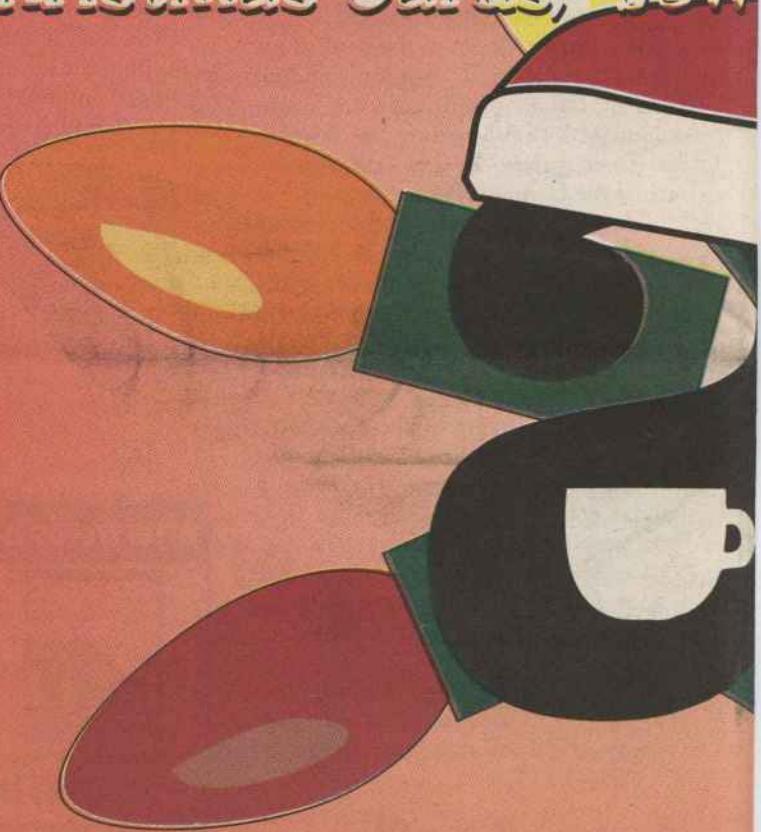


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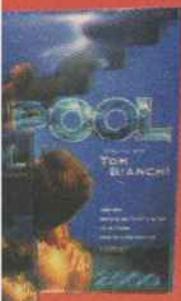
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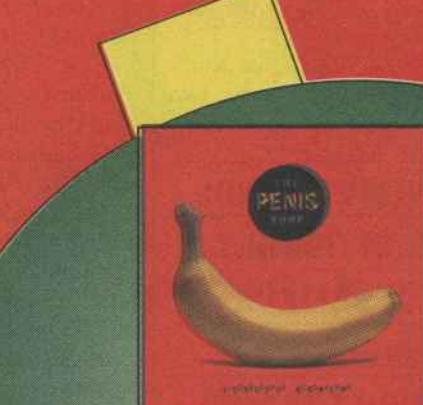


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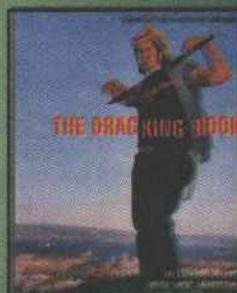
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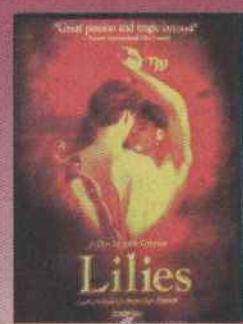
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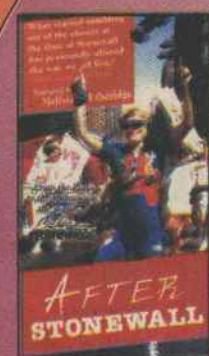
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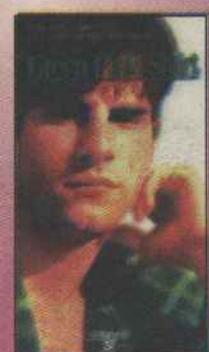
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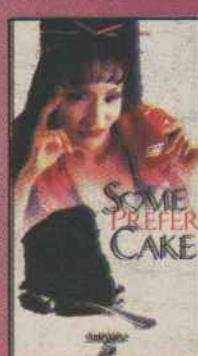
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# 'Christian Identity' & Murder in the Millennium

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President Clinton didn't make any public statement about the murders, the White House didn't send any representatives to the funeral, there weren't dozens of Internet Web sites memorializing the victims, and there weren't any rallies around the country condemning the killings.

But the July 1 shooting deaths of Winfield Mowder and Gay Matson in the small rural community of Happy Valley near Redding, Calif., has developed into virtually a classic study in anti-gay hate crimes stirred up by religious fanaticism.

Shasta County District Attorney McGregor Scott has announced he will seek the death penalty against Matthew and Tyler Williams, two brothers charged with murdering Mowder and Matson, a well-liked openly gay middle-aged couple in Northern California.

The decision to seek the death penalty comes largely because prosecutors expect federal officials to file charges against the Williams brothers soon in connection with the arson attacks of three Sacramento synagogues and a business housing a women's medical clinic that performs abortions at about the same time. Sources close to the case have said investigators have found links between the two brothers and hate groups in the state and elsewhere around the country.

The Williams brothers have pleaded innocent to the charges of murdering Mowder and Matson, but in a jailhouse interview earlier this year with the *Sacramento Bee*, Matthew Williams, 31, said he had shot the two men to death because they were gay. He insisted that he acted alone.

But authorities investigating the Sacramento arson cases have indicated they found clear forensic evidence connecting the two brothers to a fire at the building

housing the Choice Medical Group and witnesses who have identified Matthew Williams and at least one other man outside Congregation B'nai Israel, also in Sacramento, shortly before it was set afire. State investigators also say they believe the two brothers did not act alone in the fires and that they expect to charge the men with sometime this month.

Reportedly, federal officials are handing over evidence connecting the two brothers to the Sacramento arson cases,

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along with evidence that at least Matthew Williams met with members of a Sacramento-area extremist hate group at the time. Shasta County prosecutors say they will use the evidence during the penalty phase of the murder trial in seeking the death penalty.

### 'God's Will'

Linked to active Christian extremist hate groups, Matthew Williams said during one of his jailhouse interviews that killing homosexuals isn't murder, but carrying out God's will.

"I'm not guilty of murder," Williams told the *Sacramento Bee* during an interview shortly after his arrest, "I'm guilty of obeying the laws of the Creator."

Williams, who also espoused his anti-

Semitic and white-supremacist views to the newspaper during the interview, said he was prepared to be executed and hoped to become a "Christian martyr" whose death would spur more attacks against Jews, gays and other minority groups in the country.

Describing himself in a letter to a local newspaper as a "reformed Christian" who will be "precious in the sight of God," Williams said he felt "betrayed in a dark hour" by the lack of support from the "fine Christian institutions that we once studied under."

The sense of fear in the wake of the killing of Matson and Mowder has been significant enough that members of a new local Redding gay rights group, the Matson-Mowder Pride Alliance, have asked that their names not be used in news reports out of fear.

The connection of the Williams brothers with other hate groups is particularly chilling, activists say, because some of them have become increasingly active and murderous recently.

Hate literature authorities found at the Williams' shared home links them to the Christian Identity group, and especially one organization called the World Church of the Creator. While the two groups disagree over some basic views, they both advocate hatred against a wide array of minority groups.

"What both groups have in common is hatred of Jews, homosexuals and others, and both hide behind a facade of religion," said Jonathan Bernstein of the Anti-Defamation League. "That's why I don't think the Williams brothers made a distinction. It looks like they were dabbling in all of it."

Anti-violence organizations, such as the Southern Poverty Law Center, have warned that Christian Identity and other extremist religious groups may well be acting on their apocalyptic worldview as the millennium approaches, targeting homosexuals, African-Americans and Jews — including synagogues and black churches.

Among other recent examples of that increased activity is Eric Rudolph, who is still being sought in North Carolina by federal officials, is the main suspect in a bomb set off at the Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta as well as a nail bombing at a lesbian bar and another bombing at an abortion clinic in Alabama. He has been linked to the Christian Identity movement.

Also, earlier this year Buford Furrow Jr in Los Angeles was charged with shooting five people — including three small children — at a Jewish day-care center and later killing a Filipino-American postal worker he has also been linked to the Christian Identity movement. Police say when they interrogated the man he told them he had considered targeting a San Francisco gay bar as part of his killing spree.

"This is war to these people," says Brian Levin of the Center on Hate and Extremism. "In the twisted minds of these individuals, they really believe there's a biblical justification for this kind of violence that supersedes any man-made law."

### 'Higher Law'

A tape-recorded conversation that Matthew Williams had in jail with his mother shows that Levin may be right. In that jailhouse talk, Williams clearly seems to be trying to justify his actions based on his biblical beliefs.

"I kinda think that God has put me here as a witness, because what I planned as my testimony at the court, a lot of people will hear," Williams said to his mother during the often rambling conversation. "And basically, basically society now calls what's bad good and they call what I've done as bad and I want just, just to tell them, you know, if you love me keep my commandments."

"I'm going to give them some of the commandments and I'm going to say basically that it's a jurisdictional problem, you know. I have followed a higher law. I have to obey God's law rather than man's law."

Sally Williams, his mother, cautioned that "a lot of people will hear it with their ears but not with your understanding."

"Well, they might, they might think I'm insane, too, that might be to our advantage," he replied.

"That will be a good thing," his mother agreed.

"I didn't want to, I didn't want to do this," he said.

"You didn't?" she asked.

"No, I thought I was supposed to, though," he added.

Williams did not expand on that statement, but earlier in the conversation his mother told him that she did not believe he was guilty of the charges.

"What do they say I did?" he asked her.

"They say you took out two homos," she said.

"Huh. Why wouldn't you think I'd do that?" he asked his mother.

"I just don't think you would," she responded.

Later, he added, "I think they have some pretty good evidence."

### FBI Warning

Police agree and say part of that evidence is the wealth of anti-Semitic, anti-gay and white-supremacist literature at their home after arresting the two Williams brothers that they say the men apparently relied on for their own interpretation of the Bible as justification for the murders they've been charged with.

"These guys had no prior criminal record," one investigator told reporters. "They're not criminally cunning, but I think it's just a matter of them being so firm in their religious beliefs they felt no need to cover up what they did. They believe their religious convictions made it permissible to commit these crimes."

This sort of rigid adherence to religious views, even views that may call for violence, is very common among racist, anti-Semitic and homophobic groups, anti-violence experts say.

"The world of ideological extremists is divided into two parts, the political and the theological," Levin said. "And, by far, the theological extremist is the one that is really the most difficult to deal with because there is not a whole heck of a lot of ground for compromise. Political extremists often times recognize they're in a chess game, but these theological extremists look at it as a battle of good against evil. That's it."

What is new in the case, investigators and anti-violence experts say, is that it appears to be the first anti-gay murder case that's clearly linked to the religious beliefs of the men charged in the killings.

With the National March on Washington in April 2000 expected to draw perhaps upward of a million people, and with many militant far-right groups convinced the year 2000 is the beginning of Armageddon — the end of the world that they say is forecast in the Bible — the question of providing security during such an enormous sprawling gathering nevertheless seems to be about the only criticism that hasn't been raised about the controversial event.

In a telephone interview earlier this year with Robin Tyler, then in charge of organizing the March, would only say that "appropriate security precautions" were being taken. But with extremists clearly willing to set off bombs at large public gatherings such as the Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta, federal officials are less than sure.

In fact FBI officials have already distributed a 32-page assessment of the potential for domestic terrorism in 2000 which concluded that "religiously motivated extremists may initiate violent conflicts ... in an attempt to facilitate the onset of Armageddon, or to help fulfill a prophecy. For many on the extreme right-wing, the battle of Armageddon is interpreted as a race war to be fought between Aryans and the 'satanic' Jews and their allies."

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Phoenix — Defense Department officials say they will not stop an investigation of Arizona state Rep. Steve May, who is openly gay and serves as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army reserves.

May said that Army lawyers said they



Steve May

had no authority to stop the investigation as the Arizona lawmaker demanded earlier in November, citing legislative privilege which exempts him from prosecution for statements he makes while serving as a legislator.

Although May had come out before he was elected to the Arizona legislature, the Army only began investigating him after he made a statement about his sexual orientation during a debate in the legislature.

In a press statement, May said, "The 'don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue' policy cannot be used by the Army to gag me in the performance of my official duties. That result would be an insult to bedrock principles of our democracy, principles that I joined the Army to uphold."

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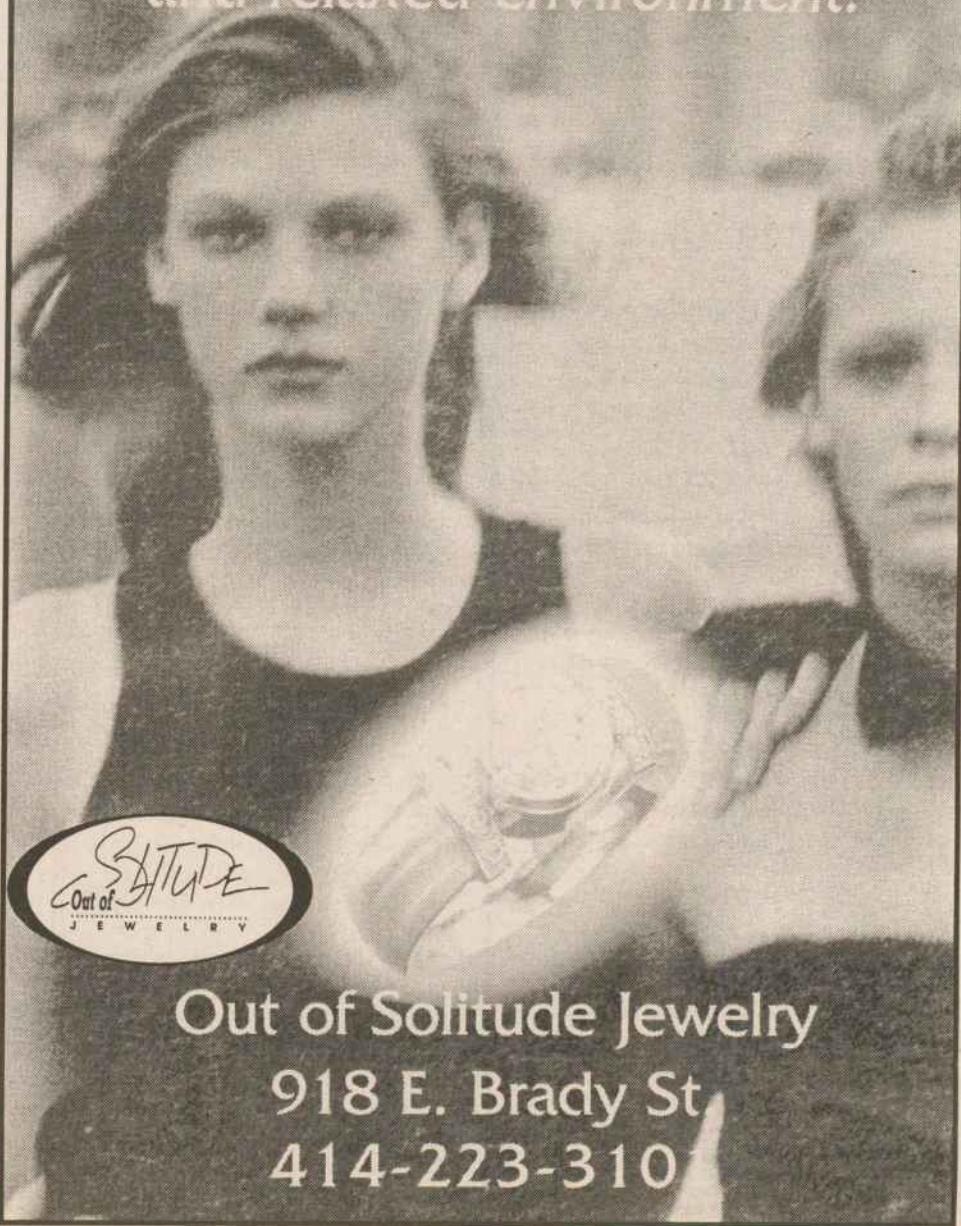
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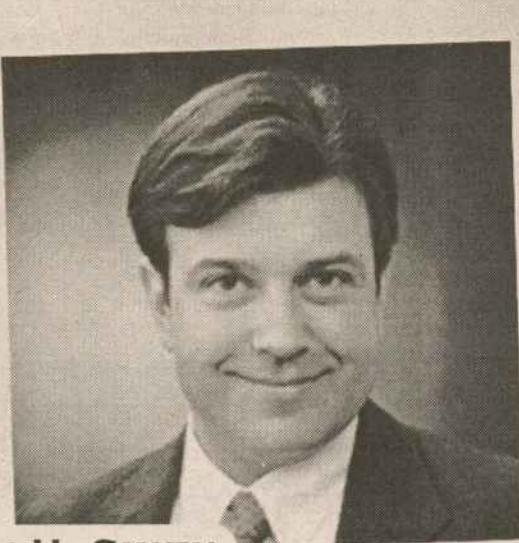
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## Standing Up to Create Change

by Neil Albrecht

Two weeks ago, I attended the "Creating Change" conference in Oakland, Calif. The conference, focused on progressing the human rights of Gays and Lesbians, offered a full day institute for community centers. The focus of the institute was on the Community Center Movement: A national movement where gay and lesbian community centers are serving as catalysts for social change.

Kerry Lobel, executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, called community centers the "driving force for creating change." Katherine Pease, executive director of the Gill Foundation, said community centers make up the "single most powerful and passionate aspect of the LGBT movement."

I listened intently through the session's introductions. Those in attendance represented the gamut of community centers — from those struggling to exist to those firmly established: executive directors, lobbyists and advocates from New York, San Jose, New Haven, Cleveland, Minneapolis — and the soon-to-be-built \$12 million community center in San Francisco. Volunteer board members from Atlanta, where their center is losing its home, New Haven, where financial struggles almost closed the center, Philadelphia, where a new executive director inherited a center in chaos, and three representatives from UW's flourishing gay and lesbian student center.

The Milwaukee LGBT Community Center is a respected member of the National Association of Gay and Lesbian Community Centers. At a breakout session in the ballroom of the San Jose Community Center, we spoke — at first hesitantly — and then passionately about the Community Center Movement.

Everywhere, across the country — more in Des Moines than Denver, less in New York than Lansing, more in Milwaukee than Oakland — homophobia still oppresses gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people. There is housing and job discrimination. Hate crimes occur and go unreported on our streets. The police raid our bars and most public officials marginalize our existence.

To avoid it, we embrace a strategy that

subtly and tirelessly eats away at our self-esteem: in a room full of people that just might include our boss, neighbor, banker, barber, future employer, doctor, health insurance agent or family member, we do not come "out." In our fear, we are silent.

The community center movement is about creating institutions that are safe, visible and empower the community. Safe, as in a place where you can speak freely and openly about your life. Or you can hold your partner's hand or embrace a same-sex friend and not have to worry about who might be watching (the boss, neighbor, banker, barber, future employer, doctor, health insurance agent or family member).

Visible, where the community is able to cohesively and coherently raise and respond to issues and push back our invisibility.

Empowerment, meaning organizing and advocating for equality, human rights and our dignity.

There are now 101 community centers nationwide. They are catalysts for creating local and national change. But only if they survive. At the conference, every



executive director shifted nervously when the closing of the St. Louis center was referenced. St. Louis — LGBT community "lost interest" in their center. Three other major cities, including Chicago, have not been able to sustain the planning process for a community center.

Other cities spoke of the crippling effect of community fragmentation. LGBT organizations that will not share in a community vision. Our Center is fortunate to have nine partners sharing a vision for the community: ARCW, BESTD, Bi Definition, Cream City Chorus, Cream City Foundation, LAMM, Metropolitan Community Church, PFLAG, and SAGE. They are the Center's "tenants," and together they provide a central access to the community and unique compo-

nents to the Community Center Movement.

Carlie Steen, with the public policy division of the New York Gay and Lesbian Community Center, spoke of a summit scheduled for March 2000 that will teach LGBT centers how to engage in political lobbying for fair access to local and federal funding. Funding that will support youth programs, AODA treatment options, mental health services, legal programs and other essential services. St. Louis, Chicago and many, many other cities will not have representation at that table. Milwaukee will.

After one year of operations, Milwaukee's LGBT Community Center is strong, focused and organized. However, there is still much to do. In Milwaukee, we do not have designated drop in space for youth — a place they can call home. We have a domestic partner registry but we do not have benefits. The majority of our public officials do not recognize our needs. It is still not completely safe to stand up in the room and say, "I am gay."

As the executive director of Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, I have, without question, a bias. My bias is this — I have lived my whole life in this city and most of my professional career has been dedicated to the LGBT community.

There is a movement in this town. Sometimes, as with the recent adoption of a Domestic Partner Registry, the movement's effects are loud and felt by many. Other times — most times, the effects are subtle: A library book for a person newly out, a support group for youth, a phone number to call when you're new to the city or a dollar donated back to your community.

As the Community Center Movement unfolds, pushes forward and challenges society, I hope that Milwaukee's LGBT community remains at the front of the crowd and does not drift into the sidelines. Every step forward, small or big, will make it easier for the next person in the room to stand up.

Eventually, we will all be standing and we will not remember why we didn't stand sooner. ▼



# IN MEMORIAL

## On Death

by Quentin Crisp

I'm 90 years old. The advantage of being 90 is that you can look forward to death. The world is getting noisier, sexier and more horrible by the minute, but at



least I can comfort myself with the fact that the end is in sight. Or so I thought. Imagine my horror when I opened the newspaper and discovered they were going to make us live till 130. When you're 60 or 70 the thought of death crosses your mind like a shadow. It disturbs you, it worries you. But by the time you reach my age you are longing for it.

My body is dying on me. I carry it like an old overcoat. It's horrible. You start to smell — the smell of death — and you can do nothing about it. I can no longer see properly. I need to wear glasses when I go out, but am far too vain, so I walk the streets blind. You go deaf, and people talk to you as if you're a non-comprehending child. Your legs give up on you. Nowadays I spend so much time working out how to avoid making the trip downstairs more than once a day. When I do get out, I can barely walk more than a few yards at a snail's pace —

and according to those who know, I'm lucky; in good shape for my 90 years.

Writers have often dreamed of immortality. Mr Swift in *Gulliver's Travels* told us about the Struldbrugs, who devised a way of living long past their sell-by date. And what a pathetic sight they were. Then there was Mr. Shaw and his tragic Methuselah. If memory serves me right — and, of course, that is one of the first things to go — he lived for a thousand years, and what a curse that proved.

This isn't a world for old people. Every few minutes there are adverts on the television telling you how to keep young, keep the lines from your face. When you're 90 you have lines all over your body, never mind your face. There is no work for old people. What, would we spend 65 years or more in retirement, remembering a time when we were useful?

Everything today is geared toward the young. There's a terrible feeling of exclusion even for moderately old people. Where would we hide when 130? We'd become the Disappeared. And just think of the gadgets we'd need — every house with an elevator.

Ah, but the world would be so much wiser, say the optimists. I'm afraid that's an illusion. As we get older, we lose our wisdom, our mind, our language. We would have a world in which no one could communicate because we'd have forgotten how to.

No. The absolute nothingness of death is a blessing. Something to look forward to. If I discovered a potion to make people live until 130, the first thing I'd do is bury it.

**Editor's Note:** Quentin Crisp died in his sleep of a heart attack on Nov. 21. He was 90. He wrote this piece earlier this year for the 'The Age.' The 1980 movie 'The Naked Civil Servant' was based on his 1968 book of the same name. The 1994 documentary 'Resident Alien' surveyed Crisp's daily life and cultural significance in the United States. The outspoken Crisp published several books and also appeared in movies.



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## Bishops and Bigots

by Chris Ott



A few weeks after Matthew Shepard died last fall in Fort Collins, Colo., the archbishop of Denver wrote about it in the Denver Catholic Register. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput condemned the crime, but he also wrote that homosexuality is "individually and socially destructive." He wrote that homosexuality is "ordered away from the purpose for which God created human sexuality." He wrote that homosexuality is "gravely wrong."

I used to live in Denver, and I wrote to the archbishop to ask if he thought there might be any overlap between what he wrote and the things that spin through the minds of antigay killers. He didn't, but we exchanged letters over the course of the next year.

It's been a revealing correspondence. It shows where orthodox Catholic thinking is on this issue, and exactly where it goes wrong.

Our correspondence came down to this. The archbishop claims that he already knows everything he needs to know about homosexuality, and is in a position to pass judgment. "I do understand how you think," he wrote in his last letter, "and I do understand the issues facing homosexual persons."

This claim is ironic, because throughout our entire correspondence, the archbishop declined to tell me exactly what he believes about me. More than once, I

asked him to apply his supposed understanding of homosexuality in general to the level of the individual. I asked him to tell me how my relationship with my partner began, and what it is based on. I asked him to tell me how it works, or how he thinks it fails to. I asked him to tell me about our strengths and weaknesses, as individuals and as a couple, and what we aspire to. I asked him to tell me how I am, as he put it, "individually and socially destructive."

He wouldn't do it, and the reason, of course, is that he can't, because he has nothing to go on. The mystery is why he doesn't see that his lack of information about the specifics means that he should stop before he says another word about gay people in general.

Although the archbishop rightly avoids saying anything about the details of my life, he does say things — very dangerous things — about me and every other gay person whenever he speaks about us as a group. It's as if he said to a black man, "I don't know anything about you personally, but your race is inferior." It's as if he said to a Jew, "I have nothing against you, but your people are thieving parasites." He's trying to have it both ways, and he's in some very bad company.

A few weeks ago I was walking into Madison's Memorial Union to meet someone, and I passed by an example of the day-to-day bigotry that gay people live — and occasionally die — in the midst of.

As I hurried through the doors, I overheard two people who were talking in front of the building. I only caught the tail of one sentence, but one of them said "the homosexuals."

The man she was talking to expanded on the thought.

"You can't even really call 'em human beings, can you?" he said, with a tone that was a mixture of blame, regret and disgust.

At first, it seems like there is all the difference in the world between what I overheard at the Union, and what Archbishop Chaput writes in his public statements. Chaput says almost all the right things, and after Shepard's death, he emphasized, "Every person is a child of God." The people I overheard probably do not agree with him.

There is, however, one essential similarity.

The awful thing that both bishops and bigots have in common is their willingness to denounce gay people en masse. Although Chaput is far more polite about it, his statements are just as dehumanizing as what the man in front of the Union said. There can be no "respect for human life and the sacredness of the human person," as the archbishop has written, when you condemn whole categories of people out of willful ignorance of the individuals who make up those categories. That is what is truly "individually and socially destructive."

This is a sad thing for the archbishop.

I think he honestly does not understand the monster he has lent his voice to. But no matter how you try to dress it up, bigotry is bigotry, and it will continue to kill people: maybe you, maybe me.

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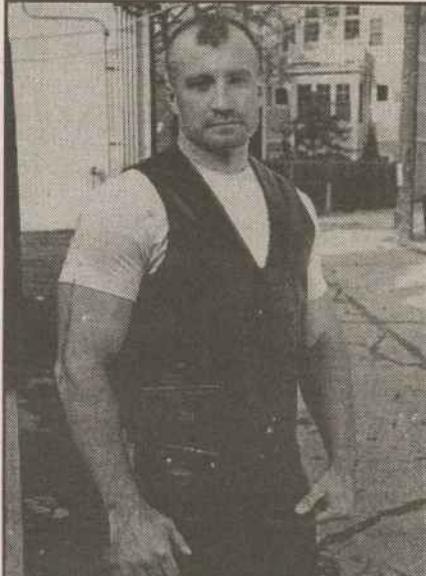
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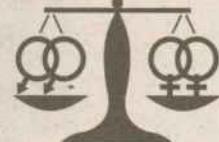
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## Taking a Big Bite

by Michael Johnston

And now it's "Cordially Yours", I'm baaack and thankful to be so!

I hope you all had a thankful and thankfilled Thanksgiving. My Thanksgiving was a hit, and my heartiest congratulations go out to **David Kiefer** and the entire H.I.T. Board for yet another successful Holiday Invitational Tournament.

New York was a blast! First off there was a problem with our plane and Continental, made us deplane, I've never done that, before. It was fortunate that **Craig** from **Switch**, was not only there, but took the bull by the horns... One of his dearest friends a woman named **Brenda**, a super Supervisor pulled the necessary strings and had us all on the next flight to Manhattan, on Midwest Express! **Mr. Hoeksema's** airline has yet to disappoint me and truly the best way to go, if your broom happens to be in the garage. Our stay at The Broadway Millennium Hotel was simply the best, right off Time Square! Across the way from the new ABC Studios and MTV. I saw **Connie Chung** (Mrs. **Maury Povich**) high-tailing it to do 20/20, unfortunately, **Barbara Walters** was off or hiding from me. My first night we took in *Naked Boys Singing*, because of the mishap with our flight I missed my matinee of *Annie Get Your Gun* starring **Bernadette Peters** and **Carol Burnett** who is now busy in *Putting It Together*, was in preview, became ill with food poisoning, alas, no show. *Naked Boys Singing* was an eye opener and quite amusing, just think of all the money they saved on costuming! Afterwards down through

the Village, I went. Great clubs, bars and for a Sunday night, maintaining the reputation of being a city that never sleeps. The next day Fifth Avenue on foot, I must have trotted at least twelve miles! Never feeling afraid or threatened and enjoyed the sights, in person, I've dreamt of my entire life. After a lift to The Empire State Building, back for a nap. A lovely dinner at Molony's & Porcelli's on Park and Madison Avenue then a "night on the Town." Monday night I was able to pay homage to Stonewall, a visit to The Duplex where many a great star, started twinkling, got in the swim of things at splashed and shined at The Limelight Oooh, what a nigh!, Before you knew it, it was Tuesday! The bars keep very long hours, most places open till 4 a.m. My last day in the Apple, I went to The Fashion Institute and took in a retrospective of **Bob Mackie**. His creations can only be described as "A picture being worth a thousand words." An optic (multiple) orgasm! Across the way, was a **Kenneth Jay Lane** collection, showing his exquisite jewels. Baubles, bangles and beads a-go-go! While Macki has gowned the town for such talents as **Cher**, **Carol Burnett**, **Lucy**, **Channing**, **Juliet Prowse**, **Mitzi Gaynor**, **Karen Valentine**... Mr. Lane bejeweled the likes of: **The Duchess of Windsor**, **Jackie O** and every other patroness of the Arts on Park Avenue. Lane's costume creations cost more than most people's real gems. This tour could have taken up a full day and all free! Unfortunately, it was finale time, once more... always too soon. What better way to say bye-bye to the Big Apple, but in a big way: Luncheon at Sardi's. What a manor of memories, I've seen the post card, the book, but now I was finally in

the hallowed halls. Sitting in a dining room with caricatures of all my idols living, dead and not sure... **Kitty, Arlene, Ruth, Angela, Ethel** (all four **BARRY-MORE, Merman, Waters** and **Mertz**), **Bea, Marian, Elaine**... if those walls could talk, sing, dance! We were fortunate enough to have the restaurant almost to ourselves it was about 2 p.m. The table we were seated at was the same one **Arlene Francis** did her infamous radio program for WOR-AM for ten years, oh my heart, oh her heart! After 48 hours, it was time to bid a tearful adieu to New York City, until next time...

Don we now our gay apparel...

On Sunday, December 5th, **The Community Center Trust Fund** will be holding their "Boot Camp's Holiday Dinner Party and Silent Auction." This event will take place at **The M&M Club**, cocktails at 5:30 p.m., dinner to follow at 7 p.m.

The **Cream City Foundation** will be holding their "Major Donor Party" on Thursday, December 09th. The locale of this seasonal soiree, will be at the chic condo of ARCW's **Paul Milakovich** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Paul's home has been the scene of many a festive fete through out the years. I always cherish/treasure my invitation there and the memories made... His place is stunning, with many a masterpiece, almost a gallery-like motif. Your contribution will help CCF in the coming year and enable you a chance to check out Paul's "etchings"...

My dear musical pals of **The Wisconsin Cream City Chorus, LTD.** will be ushering in the Holidays with their annual Christmas songfest on Sunday,

Dec. 12. Nothing can get you more in the mood, than music...

On another musical note, my friends of the **Florentine Opera Chorus** are pulling together a show of their own to celebrate/commemorate this time of enchantment. "Amahl And The Night Visitors" by Gian-carlo Menotti. Proceeds to help two most worthwhile causes - The Hunger Taskforce Of Milwaukee and ST. Casimir Parish - Human Concerns Outreach, The Heart Of Riverwest. Not only sweetening someone's Holidays, but adding some good nutritional value. Because, nothin says lovin, like something from the oven! December 10 and 11 at 7:30 p.m. and on the Dec. 12th at 2:30 p.m. at **St. Casimir Parish**. For more information call (414) 271-2135.

Did you all enjoy the many talents of the legendary **Bette Midler**? I told you, you would. She is such a dynamo... truly, Divine!

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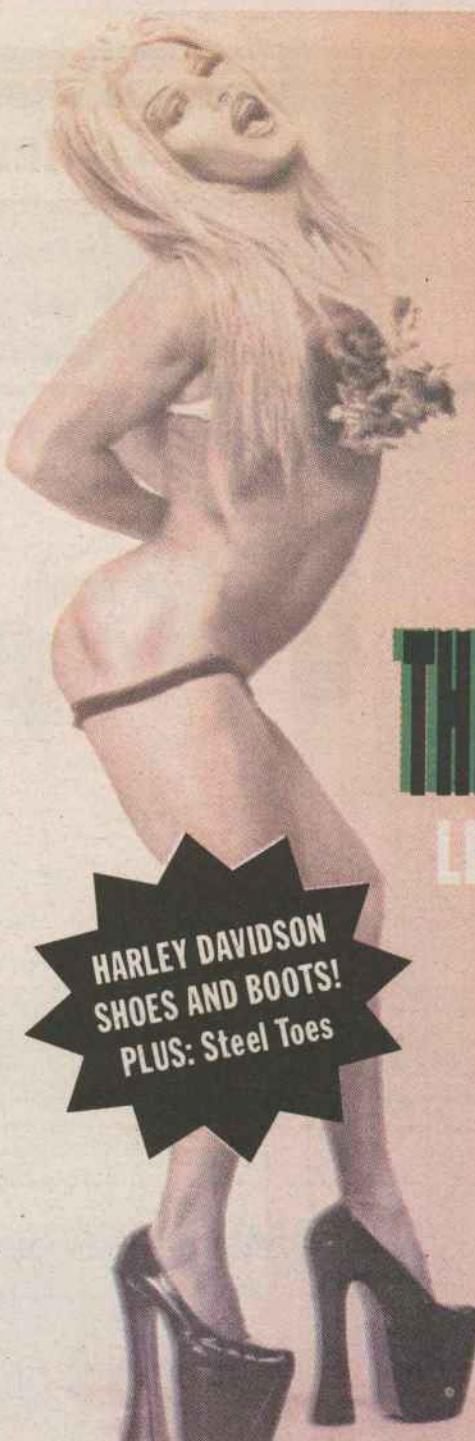
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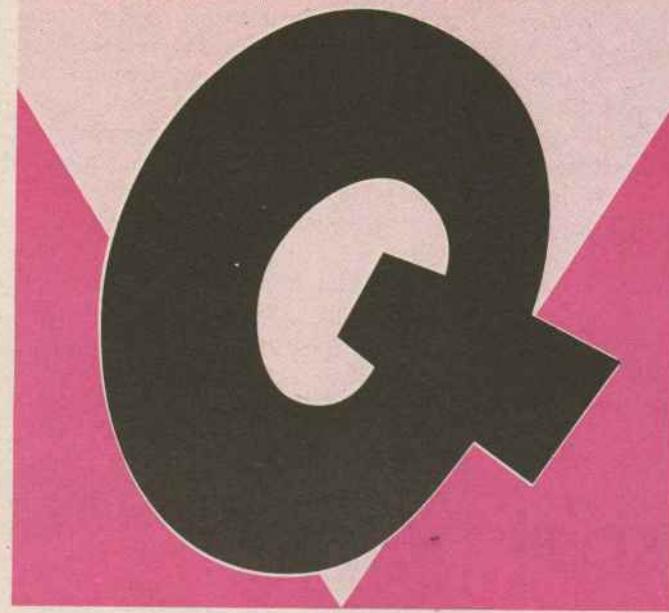
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## HOMO for the HOLIDAYS

**D**o you really want to trudge off to Wal-Mart and fight big crowds under that ugly metal roof? Do you want to be one more lemming stampeding to Southridge. Is wading through hordes of teen-age mall-clones your idea of fun?

If not, listen up. There are plenty of queer-owned and queer-friendly businesses that will help with your holiday needs. Shopping at these places not only supports the LGBT community, but is actually a hell of a lot more fun than getting your ass rammed with a shopping cart at the local strip mall.

Yup, we're asking you to support our advertisers. But more than that, we're asking you to do yourself a favor. Using this holiday gift guide can save time, reduce stress, and generally make your holidays more merry. So don your gay apparel and let's get ready to shop! Or would you rather wait another 20 minutes watching some check-out clerk chew gum? Hey, it's only her third mistake she's voiding from the cash register...

### One-Stop Queer Shopping

Milwaukee doesn't have a Gay-Mart, but it does have **Designing Men**. This is a great place for all your homo needs. Cards, t-shirts, leather goods, rainbow flags, bumper stickers, swimwear, underwear, tons of calendars, magazines, CD's and novelties. Imagine the fun you'll have when that butch number you've been dating models his new leather jock strap. New this year is the Trailer Trash and Drag Queen Dolls... I wonder what is under that dress. Designing Men has something for everyone: gay, lesbian or transgendered. Conveniently located at 1200 South First Street, just down the street from the 1100 Club.

### Keep 'Em Booked

Whether you're shopping for that persnickety intellectual, or just want a non-reading friend to have something pretty for the coffee table, bookstores are a great place to find gifts. Why make a bee-line to the mega-stores when there are so many great, small, bookshops?

**Afterwords Books and Espresso Bar**, at 2710 N. Murray Avenue, continues with its fine selection of gay greeting cards, calendars, videos, gifts, music and more. This is a good place to relax from the Christmas bustle. Sip a cappuccino as you browse the biographies of historical queens or Bel-Ami picture book. Afterwards has one of the friendliest atmospheres in town.

Personally, we're wondering about the N10Z pheromone for gay men... does it really work? Let us know.

**Constant Reader**, next to the Comet Cafe at Farwell Ave. and Irving Place, specializes in used books. Constant Reader has a huge selection of gay and lesbian titles, as well as a truly impressive children's selection. This is the place to find used books on art, music and photography.

All three, Afterwords, Constant Reader, and The Red Wheelbarrow, gladly give holiday gift certificates.

### Dazzle Them with Jewels

What would the holidays be without something sparkling? **Out of Solitude** located at 918 E. Brady Street. Just in time for the holidays, owner Charles Bahringer is now holding a 50% off gold sale, their first ever. Out of Solitude has a wide assortment of hand-crafted jewelry including some wonderful bracelets, one of which graces this page on the left.

Goldsmith Janet LaPaz is proud of her new store **Genesis Jewelry** located in Greenfield at 6011 W. Layton Ave., and she should be. Genesis offers custom ring design and jewelry repair. Her store surely worth a visit.

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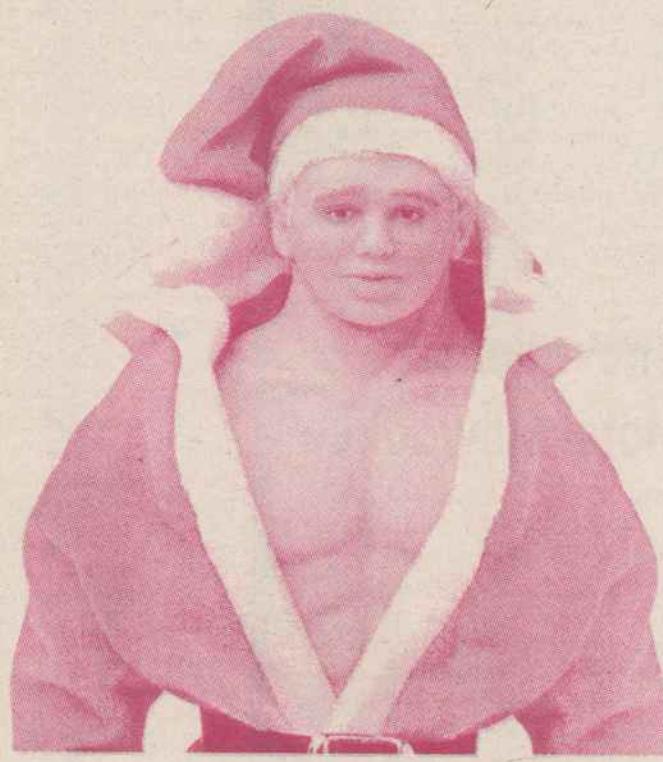
Got a friend with an annoying leaking faucet? Know a queen just dying to wallpaper his foyer? Maybe you and your lover are planning to change a couple of rooms from mauve to taupe. Or do you want to replace that ugly linoleum with some nice ceramic tiles?

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Remember the **American Civil Liberties Union**, **National Public Radio** or the **Society for Breast Cancer Research**. A gift to a good cause says a lot about your priorities, and might just be the most special gift you can give.

Happy Holidays!

## A Carolin' Carolynne Christmas

**Milwaukee** — Carolynne Warren returns to the Broadway Theater Center with *A Carolin' Carolynne Christmas* on Monday, Dec. 13 for her only Milwaukee appearance this season. Called eccentric, off-center, earthy, warm and rebellious among other things, Warren is perhaps the funniest singer-actress working in musicals today. She will include her crowd-pleasing beatnik ode to Christmas in her holiday show, along with her special rendition of "The Twelve Days of Christmas" and new material

written especially for this appearance. For more information and tickets (\$20) call (414) 291-7800.

## Christmas Festivities at The Grand Opera House

**Oshkosh, WI** — On Sunday, Dec. 12, at 7 p.m. a dash of holiday spice will take place at the Grand Opera House, 100 High Avenue in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Riders in the Sky will deliver a great big western Ho, Ho, Ho! with their special Christmas Program \*Riders in the Sky Christmas\*. Tickets are avail-

able at \$18, \$21 and \$23 by calling the Box Office at the number below.

On Saturday, Dec. 18 *A Scottish Christmas* will offer traditional carols, wassail tunes, and Highland music and dance. There will be fiddle and pipe solos, fiery Scottish dances and an emotional finale with the audience linking arms and singing "Auld Lang Syne." Tickets are available for \$20, \$23 and \$25 by calling the Box Office at (920) 424-2350.

## National Bridge Tourney Slated

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Tournament to be held in St. Petersburg, Florida February 11th through the 13th. The tournament will be hosted at the Suncoast Resort Hotel.

Pre-registration is available for \$29, which includes four entry coupons (a \$34 value). Pre-registration is available through January 31st, 2000, and is fully refundable. For registration forms contact Jerry Keenan, the tournament organizer, at 813-258-6274 (813-839-2660 after December 13th), or via e-mail at jkeenan@cftnet.com.

## Theater X Announces Late Night Series

Milwaukee — The Theater X 1999/2000 Late Night Series will be a one-of-a-kind experience, consisting of four shorter productions at half the ticket price. The Late Night Series, produced by Associate Director Anne-Marie Cammarato, was created to include Milwaukee and World Premiere plays for their younger and alternative audiences. Four diverse plays are being offered in the Skylight Bar of the Broadway Theater Center, 158 N. Broadway, for the cost of a movie. The plays include everything from a wacky holiday comedy to science fiction and are guaranteed to satisfy all theatrical tastes.

On Dec. 4, *Holiday Hell* opens and runs through Dec. 19, 1999. The play has an irreverent look at traditional holiday fare and was conceived and written by local actors, writers and comedians. This In Tandem Production will have Friday and Saturday performances at 10:30 p.m. and Sunday performances at 5 p.m. Due to strong language, no one under the age of 17 will be admitted.

*Line* by Israel Horowitz runs Feb. 24 to Mar. 11, 2000, with Thursday through Saturday performances. The play tells what happens when five GenXers wait in line. Through violence, sex and Mozart, *Line* examines the importance of "finishing first." *The Twilight Zone Live On Stage* runs from March 30 to April 15, 2000. Two episodes from the 1950s hit sci-fi television show will come to life, complete with commercial breaks and a visit by Rod Serling.

A new one-woman play by Jamie Callan, called *Talk About Sex*, closes the series May 5 through 20, 2000. The play is a brutally honest examination of the fine line between communication and fantasy. For more information and tickets, please call the Broadway Theater Center Box office at (414) 291-7800.

## Renovations at "Hotel Milwaukee"

Milwaukee — A few new characters and a new writer have moved into *Hotel Milwaukee* this season, creating an episodic format for the weekly radio program. Each one-hour show follows a single storyline written by Dave O'Meara, a Milwaukee-based playwright and actor. The story weaves in vignettes of Milwaukee's past by historian John Gurda and performances by local and regional musicians, poets, and writers.

Hotel desk clerk and notary public,

Wendell Kendell, played by John Schneider continues as the principal character, surrounded by hotel favorites Mona Deere (Flora Cocker), Jake the bartender (Jacob Mills) and Art Kumbalek (Rip Tenor). Joining this zany group are Ken Kendell, Wendell's nephew and new boss (Bill Clifford and Jonathan West); Ace Monihan, the Irish hotel security guard and ex-cop (Dave O'Meara); Thelma, the elevator operator (Marcie Hoffman); Wassily Zthropoff, a Zendrovian poet (Dave Maleckar) and Mrs. Vanderlander, a wealthy dowager (Katie Maleckar). Adekola Adedapo with Dean Lea on piano and Dave Maleckar on bass continue to provide a rich blend of contemporary jazz and familiar standards.

*Hotel Milwaukee* is offering an Internet auction of hotel packages to raise funds for the show's season. Visitors to the web site can browse through the packages, then place bids on their favorite choice. The auction will begin Dec. 1 with winners announced on Dec. 21. The newly renovated *Hotel Milwaukee* can be heard on RealAudio at its web site [www.hotelmilwaukee.com](http://www.hotelmilwaukee.com) and on WHAD-FM (90.7) at 7 p.m. on Fridays and at 4 p.m. on Saturdays. It can also be enjoyed live during its 5 p.m. Sunday tapings at Hotel Metro, 411 E. Mason St. in downtown Milwaukee. For more information call (414) 352-3331 or MIAD at (414) 276-7889.

three-dimensional boxes ranging from matchbook size to three feet or more. May have wooden doors, are crowned by a triangle and painted in bright colors.

Retablos are often framed in wood or in tin that has been scored, painted, crimped, punched or otherwise altered, and decorated with colored glass and painted aluminum. The Retablos featured in this exhibit come from private collections of members and friends of WPCA. The opening night reception on Friday, Dec. 3 is from 6 to 8 p.m. Admission is free. For more information call (414) 672-2787.

## Retablo Exhibit at WPCA

Milwaukee — Walker's Point Center for the Arts (WPCA), 911 W. National Ave., will present an exhibit of traditional *retablo* artwork from Dec. 3, 1999 through Jan. 8. A *retablo* is a miniature shrine or votive painting used historically by Latin American cultures to give thanks in pictorial form for divine intervention. Retablos often depict saints, Christ or the Virgin. The term comes from the Latin retro-tabula, meaning "behind the altar."

Retablos appeared after the Spanish conquest of Mexico, when many spiritual beliefs underwent a transfer from pagan images to those of the Catholic Church. Historically they were considered personal shrines because of their size and portability. They were often carried by tradesmen for protection against evil, or placed on home altars to remedy mental or physical illnesses.

The *retablo* tradition is common throughout Latin America, but flourished in mid-nineteenth century Mexico. Native and itinerant artists often used tin-plated iron sheets for creating these religious images. The use of tin as a painting surface is unique in Mexico. Peruvian Retablos are

## Mrs. Fun CD Release

Milwaukee — Milwaukee-based musicians Mrs. Fun will hold a CD release performance on Thursday, Dec. 9, 1999 for their newest release, "Christmas Fun." The release features holiday classics done in the Mrs. Fun style, which is often described as a provocative blend of off-



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## Stage Review

### Fiddler on the Roof

As any real devotee of the Broadway musical will tell you, the problem with modern composers is their complete inability to create shows with even a single hummable tune. For instance, can anyone truthful say that they hummed anything from the score of *Cats* or *Phantom* as they left the theatre? Truthfully? Didn't think so. Certainly no such complaint can be made of that Broadway classic, *Fiddler on the Roof*, revived this holiday season by the Skylight Opera Theatre.

*Fiddler* is set in the Russia of 1905. It is a time of tremendous political and social upheaval but seemingly a million miles away from the small rural Jewish village of Anatevka. Tevye (William Theisen), a poor dairyman makes his home. Through the show's thoughtful book and superb lyrics (by Joseph Stein and Sheldon Harnik, respectively), illustrate the struggle Tevye faces in attempting to keep his large family together, whether beset by such modern ideas as daughters choosing their own husbands to reprehensible government supported anti-Semitic pogroms.

"Tradition," a marvelous song outlining all of the old-fashioned ideas that Tevye holds dear, opens the show and is just the first in a veritable hit parade of musical standards including "Matchmaker", "If I Were a Rich Man", "Miracle of Miracles" and "Sunrise, Sunset" that has many in the audience humming and tapping along.

Even as wonderful a show as *Fiddler on a Roof* requires a suitably wonderful production and members of the Skylight Opera Theatre acquit themselves admirably.

Directors Richard Carsey and Pam Kriger manage to elicit fine performances from all in their large cast.

Anchoring the show is William Theisen's wonderfully open and gregarious Tevye, the Poppa who cares about his faith and his traditions but still manages to care for his family most of all. From the moment that he walks onstage, Theisen's Tevye commands our attention and our hearts. One only wishes that his Tevye accepted his adversity a wee bit less philosophically.

In Leslie Fitzwater's Golde, he more than meets his match. Her Golde emerges as a deeply caring wife and mother who has learned that one must toughen oneself against life's struggles.

Still, if there is a weak link in this production, it is with the choreography. Much is made in the program notes that one and all must reproduce Jerome Robbins' original musical staging if they wish to stage *Fiddler* at all. Other than with the show-stopping "bottle dance", too many the dance numbers seemed somewhat under-rehearsed and occasionally slightly out of sync.

Lacking mistletoe, egg nog, jingle bells, any reference to Bing Crosby and with nary a Santa in sight, *Fiddler on the Roof* might at first glance seem an odd holiday choice. Yet Christmas is not the only approaching holiday and there is such a sense of warmth and true family values about this show, that it seems a perfectly appropriate substitute for the usual holiday theatre chestnuts.

—Carl M. Szatmary

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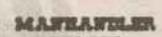
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#### Saturday, December 4

**Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Milwaukee):** DCC will visit their Shoreline friends in Milwaukee at 8 p.m. for a dance at Fannie's 200 E Washington Ave. This is also Shoreline's Holiday party. FMI call (414) 649-9003.

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

**LGBT Community Center - Lesbian Holiday Art Fair (Milwaukee):** L2K, LAMM, Wisconsin Corporate Alliance and the LGBT Community Center are sponsoring a Holiday Art Fair for and by women at the Center from noon to 5 p.m. Also on Sunday. There is a \$2 donation requested. FMI call (414) 271-2656 or (414) 615-6474.

#### Sunday, December 5

**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.

#### Tuesday, December 7

**Milwaukee Pride Marching Band - Bi-Weekly Practice (Milwaukee):** Practice for the holiday concert season will take place at 7:30 p.m. on the first & third Tuesday's at the M&M Club (upstairs), 124 N. Water St. FMI call (414) 933-3743.

#### Wednesday, December 8

**Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison):** At 7 p.m. there will be Beginning Line Dance lessons with John C. At 8 p.m. there will be Couple Swing Dance lessons led by Kris. 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.

**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.

#### Thursday, December 9

**LGBT Community Center - Parenting Support Group (Milwaukee):** Meets 1st Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m. The Parenting Support Group grew out of the "Maybe Baby" Rainbow U lecture. The group is for people who are considering adoption or conceiving their own children. FMI contact Andrew Warner at (414) 964-9505.

#### Friday, December 10

**Chicago Gay Men's Chorus - Concert (Chicago):** The Chorus presents HO! HO! HO! At 8 p.m. at the Anthenaeum Theater, 2936 N. Southport. Also on 12/11 at 5 & 8:30 p.m. Tickets available at the Box Office, Unabridged Books or TicketMaster (312) 902-1500.

**Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison):** At 8 p.m. there will be a Review. From 9 p.m. to close there will be Open Dancing at the Sapphire Ballroom, 1133 N Sherman Ave. in the Northgate Mall. Smoke-free & a cash bar. There is a \$3 suggested donation. Everyone is welcome & Western Gear is not necessary. FMI call (608) 245-0627.

#### Tuesday, December 14

**Milwaukee Pride Marching Band - Bi-Weekly Practice (Milwaukee):** Practice for the holiday concert season will take place at 7:30 p.m. on the second & fourth Tuesday of each month at the MCC Church, 1239 W. Mineral Street. FMI call (414) 933-3743.

#### Wednesday, December 15

**Dairyland Cowgirls & Cowboys - Dancing (Madison):** At 7 p.m. there will be Intermediate Line Dance lessons with David. At 8 p.m. there will be Mixer or Cha-Cha lessons 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.

### BAR SPECIALS:

#### Sundays:

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

**Club 5/Planet Q/The Barracks (Madison):** 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!

**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.

**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):** \$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):** Patio bar open at 2 p.m. Beer Bash from 2 to 8 p.m. Open volleyball. Food available from 2 to 6 p.m. 2/4/10 p.m. to close

**South Water St. Docks (Milwaukee):** During the day there is a \$1 beer sale from 3 to 9 p.m. on selected varieties. Shirtless Sunday Nights with Joke 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):** \$11 Night

**The Ballgame (Milwaukee):** Bloody Marys, Screw Drivers, Grey Hounds \$2.50. Tap beer 90¢ 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!

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

#### Mondays:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Naples Lounge (Green Bay):** 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):** 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):** \$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.

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

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**The Ballgame (Milwaukee):** Domestic beer \$1.50, rail drinks \$1.90. 9 p.m. to close.

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

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

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

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

#### Tuesdays:

**Barracks - Levi/Leather (Madison):** 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 tabs of Lite from 8 to 9 p.m., plus all rail drinks & domestic bottles are only \$1. 9 p.m. tabs of Lite, domestic bottles of beer & rail drinks are \$1.25. Price goes up 25 cent every half hour until 11 p.m. From then to close tabs of Lite, rails & domestic bottles are \$1.25. Shots of Pucker & Hot Sex are \$1 from 8 p.m. to close. Dancing & DJ at 10 p.m.

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

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

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

**Club 5/Planet Q (Madison):** 2-4-1 Happy Hour 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. Shot 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. Shots of Hot Sex or Pucker are \$1.50. Rail mixed drinks \$1.25. Rail & domestic bottles \$1.25.

**OH ZONE (Rockford, IL):** \$1.50 Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. Doubles for \$1 more up to \$3.25 regular drinks. Shot of Hot Sex or Pucker are \$1.50. Rail mixed drinks \$1.25. Rail & domestic bottles \$1.25.

**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 - 5 to 9 p.m. Boyz Night! 2-4-1 top shelf and rail mixed drink and tabs for the guys.

**The Ballgame (Milwaukee):** Special Export \$5 pitchers and 90-cent mugs from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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

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

**Woody's (Milwaukee):** Double bubble, all day, all nite.

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

#### Thursdays:

**Barracks - Levi/Leather (Madison):** 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):** 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. Shot of Hot Sex or Pucker are \$1.50. Pitchers of Long Islands are \$10 from open to close.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**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.

**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 Ballgame (Milwaukee):** \$2.50 bloody's screw and greyhound & 90-cent tops... 11am to 6pm.

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

**The Trading Company (Eau Claire):** 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):** Levi/Leather/Uniform Night! 50¢ off every drink for proper L/L/Uniform attire. 2-4-1 Happy Hour on all drinks \$350 and under. \$1 off all drinks over \$3.50, plus spin the Happy Hour Wheel from 4 to 8 p.m.

**Dish (Milwaukee):** The new night spot for women! Join DJ Amber for dancin' & romancin'.

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

**Jo'Dees International (Racine):** Vanilla & Original Doctor's, Cherry Cheesecake, Cherry LifeSaver's and Viagra shots - \$2.50. \$1.25 Top MGD & Miller Lite, \$1.75 Pints of Leinie's Red, \$2.50 Pints of Hocke-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):** 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):** 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. Top beer 80¢ from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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

**Woody's (Milwaukee):** Interactive TV Trivia Day!

#### BAR EVENTS:

#### Thursday, December 2

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

#### BOOK READINGS, CLASSES & CLUBS:

#### Thursday, December 2

**LGBT Community Center - Gay Men's Writing Group (Milwaukee):** Meets 1st Thursday and 3rd Monday

of the month. For writers, poets, essayists and all others to create an environment where members write together, share together and critique together. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

#### Friday, December 3

**Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (2559 N. Downer Ave.):** Pamela Gemin & Paula Sergi will discuss their new collection of coming of age poems BOOMER GIRLS at 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 332-1181. Saturday, December 4

#### Monday, December 6

**Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (2559 N. Downer Ave.):** Thomas McGuane will discuss his new book THE LONGEST SILENCE at 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 332-1181.

#### Tuesday, December 7

**Gerber/Hart Library - Lesbian Book Club (Chicago):** The Lesbian Book Discussion Group meets weekly 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.

#### Thursday, December 9

**LGBT Community Center - Pink Ink Writers Group (Milwaukee):** The group is open to all LGBT writers. Each person is given

the opportunity to read his/her work in a gentle and supportive environment and to draw encouragement from the experience of others. New members always welcome. FMI contact Cindy (414) 444-0258 or CindyV@aol.com.

#### Friday, December 10

**A Room of One's Own Bookstore & Coffee House - Poetry Reading (Madison, WI):** Louisa Loveridge-Gallas will read from her new collection of poetry, REVELATIONS ON LONGING STREET, at 7:30 p.m. FMI call (608) 257-7888.

**Harry W. Schwartz Bookshops - Author Appearance (4093 N. Oakland Ave.):** Harvey Taylor reads from his new book SWIMMING TO THE ISLAND at 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 963-3111

#### Saturday, December 11

**A Room of One's Own Bookstore & Coffee House - Motivational Speaker (Madison, WI):** Come and celebrate an evening of renewal & inspiration at 8 p.m. with JECOBIE ROBERTS, a nationally recognized author & teacher. FMI call (608) 257-7888.

#### COMMUNITY MEETINGS & EVENTS:

#### Thursday, December 2

**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 call (906) 734-2222.

**Integrity/Dignity - LGBT Religious (Madison, WI):** The group will meet at area nursing homes. Meet at St. Francis House, 1001 University Ave., at 1 p.m. FMI call (608) 836-8886.

**Northland Gay Men's Center - Social-Night (Duluth, MN):** Meets every Saturday. Activities include games, videos and other social

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

#### Sunday, December 5

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

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

**James Reeb Unitarian Universalist Church - Worship Service (Madison, WI):** Services are at 9 and 11 a.m. at 2146 E. Johnson St. FMI call (608) 242-8887.

**LGBT Community Center - Meditation Circle (Milwaukee):** The Circle will begin with centering and grounding exercises followed by guided meditation. It will evolve as the group desires, and meets from 10 a.m. to noon on the 1st Sunday of the month at the Center, 170 S. 2nd Street. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

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

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

**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.

**Rebuilding faith - LGBT Catholics (Milwaukee):** The group meets monthly from 10:30 to noon at Holy Trinity/Guadalupe, 613 S. 4th St. This month's topic will be Advent: Waiting in Hope. FMI call (414) 481-8543.

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

**Silver Space - Older Lesbian Discussion Group (Milwaukee):** The group meets on the third Sunday of the month at the Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett Ave. from 6 to 8 p.m. \$3 donation. FMI call (414) 271-2565.

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

#### Monday, December 6

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

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

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

**LGBT Community Center - Membership Drop In Nights (Milwaukee):** These are low-key, casual nights on the first Monday of the month. Board games, pool and Ping-Pong are available, along with snacks and coffee. Not a member? Stop by and see about the benefits. Free for members, \$2 for non-members. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

**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.

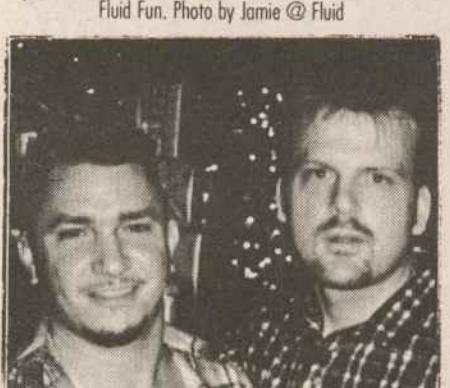
#### Tuesday, December 7

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

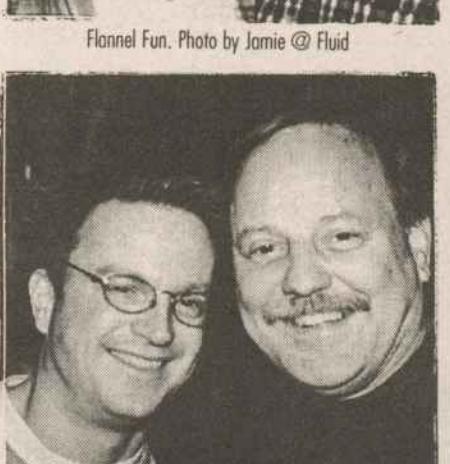
**LGBT Community Center - Lesbian 12-Step Al-Anon Group (Milwaukee):** Al Anon is a 12-step recovery program for relatives or friends of alcoholics. This new group meets from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The only requirement for membership is that there be a problem of alcoholism with a relative or friend. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

**LGBT Community Center - Project Q Youth Drop In Night (Milwaukee):** The group meets Tuesdays from 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Fridays from 5 to 10 p.m. Drop In nights provide a variety of youth

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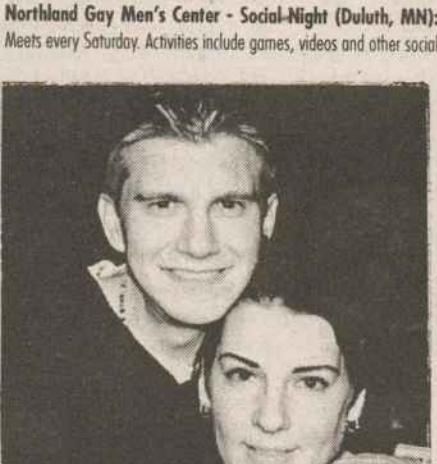
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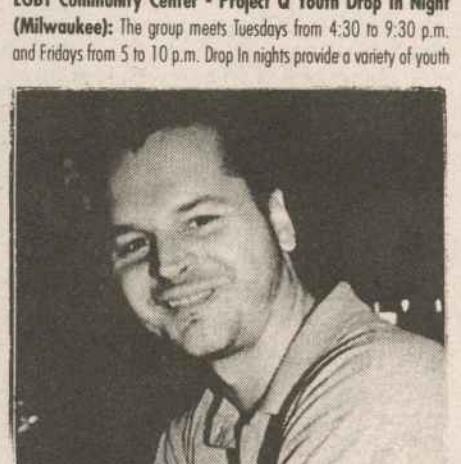
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activities in a space that is welcoming, safe and accessible to LGBTQ (questioning) youth. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

**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.

**PFLAG -Milwaukee - Open Office (Milwaukee):** A representative of the Milwaukee Chapter will be at the LGBT Community Center and available to speak to parents, youth or anyone who wants to stop and say hello each Tuesday evening from 6 to 9 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

**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, December 8

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

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

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

**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 Langdon 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.

#### Thursday, December 9

**CAIR Research Conference - AIDS Research (Milwaukee):** CURRENT ACTIVITIES OF THE CENTER FOR ADDICTION AND BEHAVIORAL RESEARCH will be discussed at 3 p.m. in the conference room at 2071 N. Summit Ave. FMI call (414) 456-7731.

#### Saturday, December 11

**Integrity/Dignity - LGBT Religious (Madison, WI):** An Advent Liturgy will be held at St. Francis House, 1001 University Ave., at 6 p.m. FMI call (608) 836-8886.

#### Wednesday, December 15

**LGBT Community Center - Wisconsin Corporate Alliance (Milwaukee):** The regular monthly meeting takes place at the Center from 5:30 to 7 p.m. FMI call (414) 271-2656.

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

#### Friday, December 3

**Charles Allis Art Museum - Classic Film (Milwaukee):** 100 MEN AND A GIRL starring Deanna Durbin, Adolphe Menjou and Leopold Stokowski will be screened at 7:30 p.m. in the Great Hall of the museum at 1801 N. Prospect Ave. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1 kids and FOCAL members. FMI call (414) 278-8295.

#### Sunday, December 5

**Cable Channel 4, Public Access TV, WYOU - Weekly TV (Madison, WI):** NOTHING TO HIDE runs every week from 2 to 3 p.m. Today: LGBT Programming. Re-runs the next day at 8 a.m.

**Hotel Milwaukee - Live Tapings (Milwaukee):** This weekly radio taping at Hotel Metro, takes place at 5 p.m. It is rebroadcast over WHAD 90.7 at 7 p.m. Fridays and 4 p.m. Sundays. FMI call (414) 352-3331 or (414) 276-7889.

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#### MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

#### Friday, December 3

Walker's Point Center for the Arts - Exhibit Opening (Milwaukee)

**waukee)** An exhibit of TRADITIONAL RETABLOS (shrines and altars) lent by WPCA members will be on display through 1/8/2000 at 911 W. National Ave. Today's reception is from 6 to 8 p.m. FMI call (414) 672-2787.

#### Sunday, December 5

**Charles Allis Art Museum - FOCAL Collects & Holidays at the Allis (Milwaukee):** A reception for this exhibit will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. along with HOLIDAYS AT THE ALLIS. There will be holiday music & refreshments at this juried exhibit of fine art that has been collected by FOCAL members. Also don't miss the COMMUNITY TREE with handmade Celtic ornaments. There will be docent-led tours on Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3. FMI call (414) 278-8295.

**Villa Terrace Decorative Arts Museum - Holidays at the Villa (Milwaukee):** See the elegantly decorated DELLA ROBIA decorations created by members of the Renaissance Garden club. There will be holiday music and refreshments. Today is also SHARE YOUR STEIN DAY from 1 to 4:30 p.m. ALFRED MAHR will be there to examine and discuss individual steins. There will be docent-led tours on Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3. FMI call (414) 271-3656.

#### Friday, December 10

**Grava Gallery - Exhibit opening (Milwaukee):** Recent sculptural, functional and decorative ceramic art pieces by JILL ENGEL and colored drawings and prints by MICHAEL DIMILLO will be on exhibit through 1/20/2000. There is an artist's reception today from 6 to 9 p.m. FMI call (414) 277-8228.

**UWM Fine Arts - Gallery One & Four (Milwaukee):** Works by MARK LEWIS, MANFRIED PENICE and BERNADETTE SEARLE will be on exhibit in Gallery One, and works by URI TZAG will be on exhibit in Gallery Four through 3/10/2000. Both galleries are located at 325 N. Downer Ave. FMI call (414) 229-5070.

#### THEATER ARTS:

#### Thursday, December 2

**Baileystock & Bloom - Current Production (Milwaukee):** THE SANTALAND DIARIES is currently running at Walker's Point Center for the Arts, and will run through 12/20. General admission \$12, Students \$10. FMI & times call (414) 221-7055.

**Pabst Theater - Holiday Theater (Milwaukee):** Charles Dickens' classic holiday extravaganza, A CHRISTMAS CAROL returns & runs through 12/26/99. FMI & tickets call (414) 224-9490.

**UWM Fine Arts - PTP Theater Company (Milwaukee):** Director James DePaul presents a production of Moliere's TARTUFFE at the theater at 2400 E. Kenwood Blvd. on the UW campus. Tickets are \$15 general, \$9 students & seniors. FMI call (414) 228-4308.

#### Friday, December 3

**Milwaukee Symphony Pops - Doc at Yuletide (Milwaukee):** DOC SEVERINSEN leads the Milwaukee Pops in a concert of seasonal favorites at 8 p.m. in Uihlein Hall. Also at 8 p.m. on 12/4 & 7:30 p.m. on 12/5. FMI & Tickets call (414) 291-6010.

**Steimke Theater - Opening Night (Milwaukee):** Next Act Theater presents ROOM SERVICE, a 1930's farce made famous by the Marx Brothers movie of 1938. The curtain goes up at 8 p.m. and the production will run through 12/19. FMI times & tickets (\$18 to \$26) call (414) 224-9490.

**Theater X - Opening Night (Milwaukee):** Truman Capote's HOLIDAY MEMORIES pairs the author's A CHRISTMAS MEMORY & A THANKSGIVING VISITOR through 12/19/99 at the Broadway Theater Center. FMI & tickets call (414) 291-7800.

**Theater X - Late Night Series (Milwaukee):** HOLIDAY HELL opens at the Broadway Theater Center at 10:30 p.m. and runs on weekends through 12/19. Due to strong language, no one under age 17 will be admitted. Tickets are \$10. FMI call (414) 291-7800.

**UWM Fine Arts - New Generation Concert (Milwaukee):** Music by Mozart, Amy Beach, Torino & Dvorak at 3 p.m. at the Recital Hall at 2400 E. Kenwood Blvd. on the UW campus. Tickets are \$12 general, \$6 students & seniors. FMI call (414) 228-4308.

#### Sunday, December 5

**CFS Assn. - Benefit (Milwaukee):** A benefit for the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Assn. will be held at Mel's Corner Tap, 158 E. Juneau, at 7:30 p.m. There is a \$12 donation. Entertainment by BILL CASTAGNOZZI and a theatrical piece by BOULEVARD ENSEMBLE. Also a silent auction. FMI call (414) 272-6951.

#### Thursday, December 9

**Broadway Theater Center - Free CD Release Performance (Milwaukee):** MRS. FUN will have a CD release performance of their latest release CHRISTMAS FUN at 10:30 p.m. at the Skylight Bar of the Broadway Theater Center, 158 N. Broadway. The event is free (buy a drink). FMI call (414) 291-7800.

#### Friday, December 10

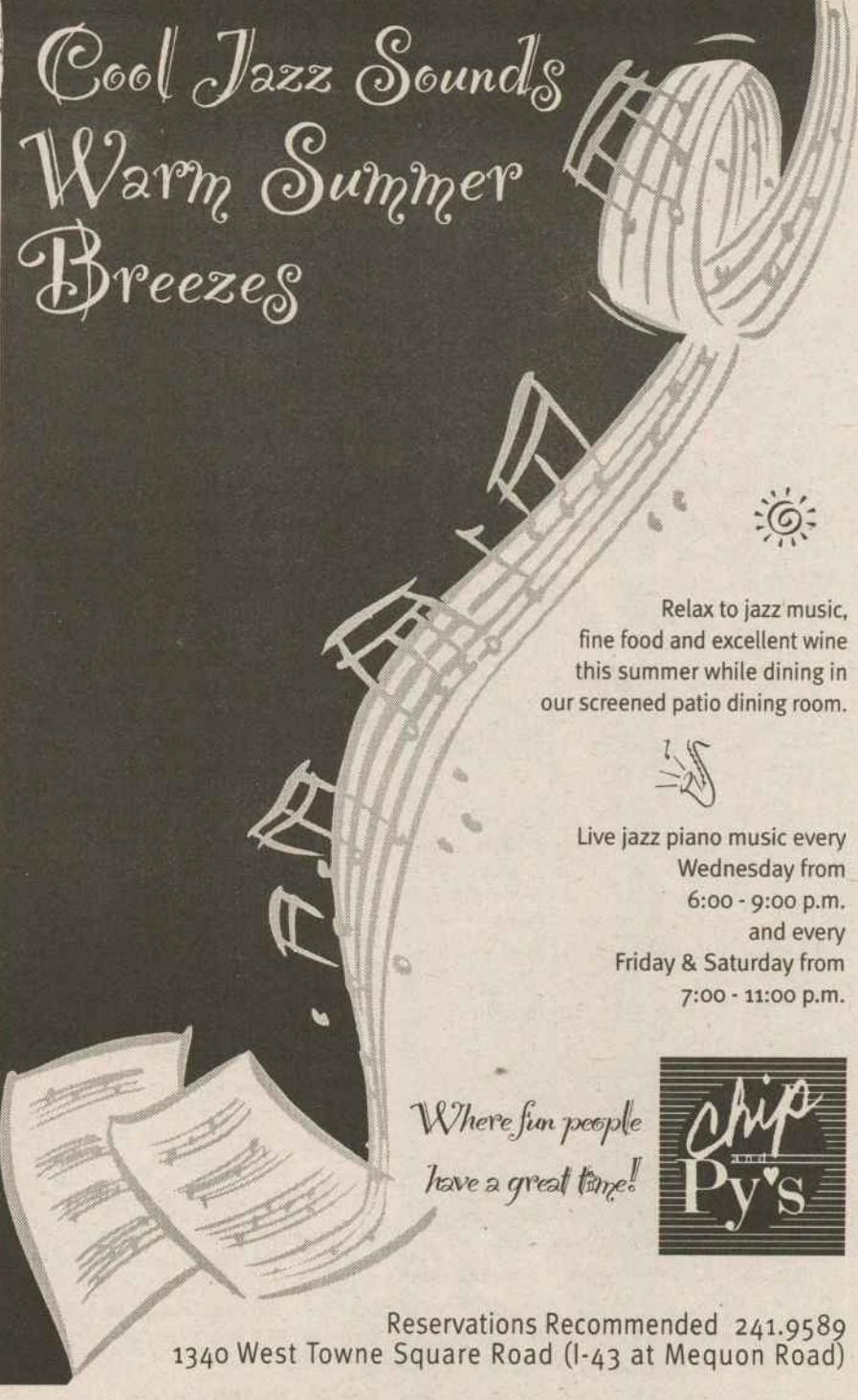
**Florentine Opera Chorus - Benefit Performance (Milwaukee):** Members of the Chorus will present AMAHL & THE NIGHT VISITORS by Gian Carlo Menotti at 7:30 p.m. at St. Casimir Parish, 924 E. Clarke St. Also on 12/11 at 7:30 p.m. & 12/12 at 2:30 p.m. The performance benefits St. Casimir & the Hunger Task Force. Tickets are \$5. FMI call (414) 271-2135.

**Milwaukee Ballet - Ballet (Milwaukee):** The Ballet's acclaimed production of the NUTCRACKER opens and will run through 12/29/99.

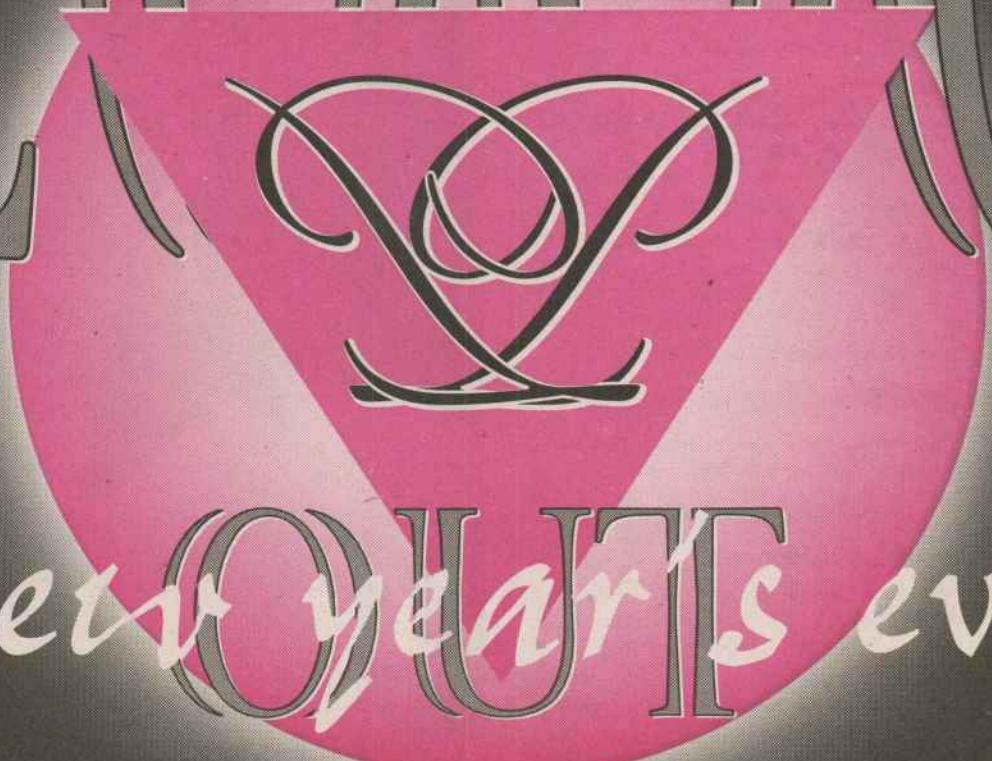
#### Sunday, December 12

**Grand Opera House - Holiday Concert (Oshkosh, WI):** RIDERS IN THE SKY delivers a great big western Christmas special at 7 p.m. The Opera House is located at 100 High Ave. Tickets are \$18, \$21 & \$23. FMI and to charge VISA & MC, call (920) 424-2350.

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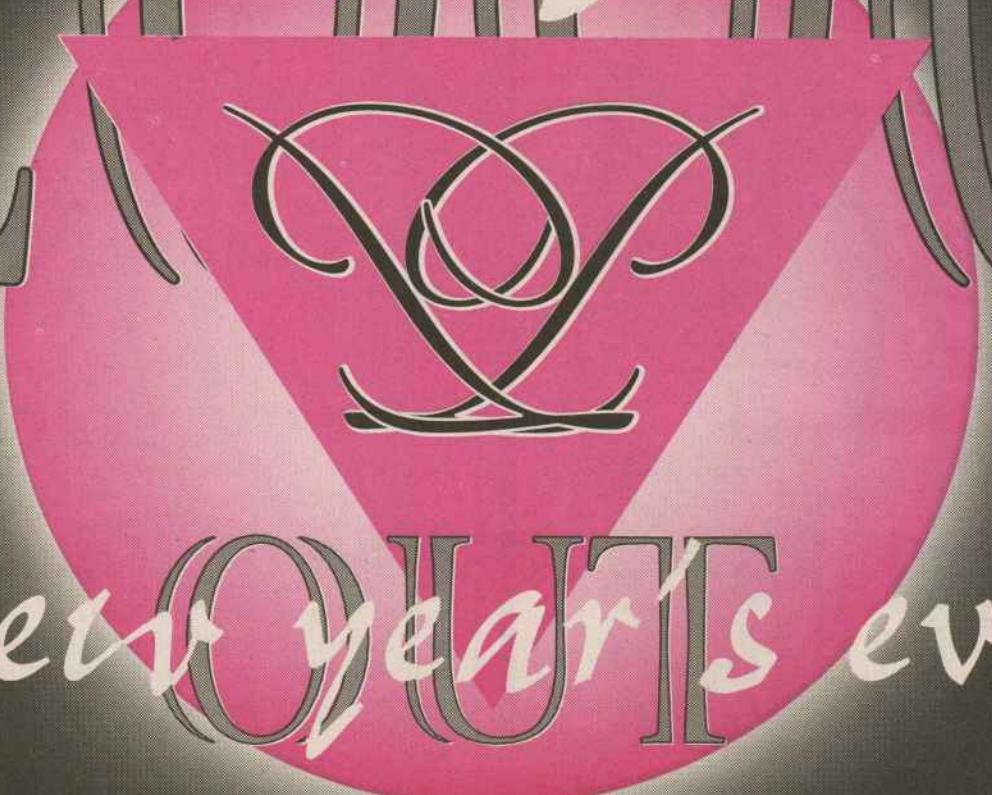
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by Giotto. There's lots of sumptuous drapery in the painting and Scot is telling Ed how "you could do that with your furniture at home," while he digs in his camera bag for something. The guard tells him that no pictures are allowed, but Scot has something else in mind. He pulls out a vial of fragrant pink lotion and jiggles a blob onto his palm. Everyone sniffs, wrinkles their noses, makes derogatory comments and splits, while Scot calmly tells Ed that, "It's called Pink Gardenia... I also bought the bath splash."

Scot manages to collect some friends at school; there's his budding gay friend Joey Morita and Carla who has acne and seeks advice from our little makeup pro! One day when Scot is discovered wearing pantyhose, eyeliner and perfume, the boys realize they have a problem on their hands. There is an emergency meeting at home that ends up with an old tool box—with a lock—that's full of "forbidden" things being placed in the basement. One reviewer calls Scot "a pre-pubescent version of Quentin Crisp."

Some of the other funny bits are "curling the crabs," "cheer-leading" at the Koesters during a Thanksgiving football game, and a wonderful passage in which the Cub Scouts come recruiting—it's not Scot who can't join the club. When Scot decorates the front door with appliqués of tea roses, that no one can get off, his cries of "Nobody understands me," rang loud in my ears and an image of myself at eleven or twelve flashed before my eyes; I seem to remember saying something like that to anyone who would listen.

The story is narrated by Ed with plenty of witty observations. The two men, much to the glee of their straight neighbor, Joan Koester, have readied a spare room and put up a swing in the front yard made from an old tire. Joan tells them they're "screwed and not to expect to see a movie or eat in a real restaurant for the next eight years." And, this is before anyone has even seen the kid, who is now an eleven-year old redhead who has a penchant for makeup and is, well ... read on!

We hear a lot about Ed's fellow editor Nula, and their weird bosses who won't supply heat for the office. Then, there are the neighbors on Fenn Street; the aforementioned Koesters, Mildred Monterosso and the two George's and Andrea Burlington, who wears a face mask and has two skin-head sons; Ryan and Tony. Sam's business partner, Jeremy, and Sam's female lawyer who wears the office supplies in her hair, plus a few of their gay friends in Boston round things out. All in all it's a jolly cast of characters.

Right off the bat, we get the full impact of the kind of discomfort Scot can inflict on people when he and Ed visit the Isabella Stuart Gardner Museum in Boston. The kid suffers from vertigo (fear of heights). When he asks a guard how long a fall it is to the ground-floor, the over-friendly guard touches his shoulder and Scot collapses, shrieking. The poor guard, afraid of being called a "molester," makes a hasty retreat to the next gallery, while he mutters unkind words.

By the time he returns, Ed and Scot are looking at a painting of the baby Jesus

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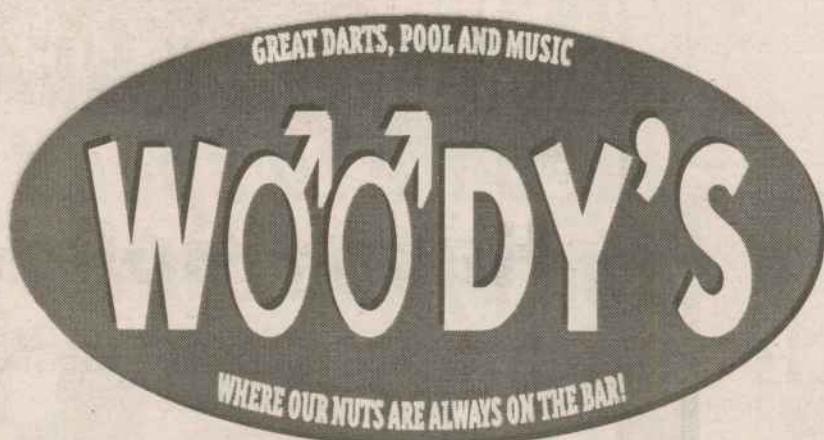
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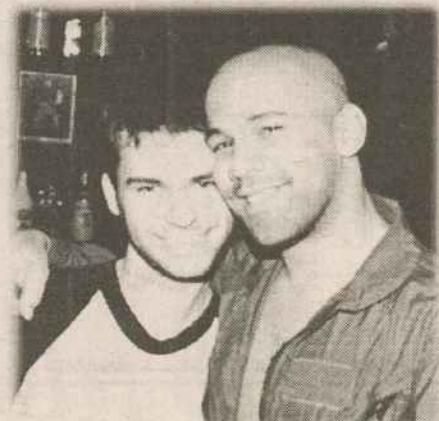
With Thanksgiving behind us, it is officially the holiday season. That time of year that many of us dread. You know, shopping for that perfect gift in packed malls, getting Christmas cards out on time and not looking forward to visiting your family. That's the story for me at least. I've been promising my parents that I'll get up north to visit them "soon." After all, it's been way over a year since I've been to Wausauke.

There are several reasons why I haven't visited. I'm not all that comfortable around my parents. I know that they feel disappointed every time they see me knowing that I will never give them grandchildren or a daughter-in-law. We never actually talk about the subject but I know what's going through their minds. I can see it in their eyes. When I was a kid I remember the sparkle in mom's eyes when things were good between us. Walking along the railroad tracks bird watching, I could feel the pride my mother had for me. I was also her favorite and all of my siblings knew it. I was her baby. Well, those days along the railroad tracks are long gone and things between my mother and I have clouded with reality. There isn't much excitement between us any more, mostly just cordials. In any case, we will eventually make the trip north to Wausauke to visit my parents. It won't be a long weekend, I'm sure I'll have to get back home for one reason or the other.

Thanksgiving was pretty nice. We (Josh, Teresa, Pamela from Texas, Mary and I) went out the night before and the clubs were packed, busier than most Saturday nights. We started at **Fluid** for their **Plaid Party**. Lots of people showed up

hoping to win the two tickets to **Forever Plaid** playing at the Marcus Center. Over at **Switch**, they were also going with the plaid-theme with karaoke. After that we went over to **Dish** but were un-able to get in. There was a party there and they were filled to capacity so we went over to **Club 219** (Mary and Josh wanted to see the strippers). We had lots of fun there but the girls wanted to go dancing so off to **La Cage** we went. Once again, it seemed as if it was New Years Eve, people everywhere. After the girls had their fill of dancing, we opted for a bit quieter atmosphere with a pool table so we headed over to **Woody's**.

After I kicked everyone's ass at pool, (hee-hee) we called it a night. Thanksgiving day, me and Josh lounged the entire day. This year we didn't feel like putting together a big Thanksgiving dinner and didn't make plans with anyone. We threw around the idea of going to **M&M** for dinner but by the time we got around to it, it was too late. We hopped in the car and headed off to the grocery store but by that time they were all closed. We finally found an Open Pantry where we bought a big hunk of deli turkey, some dinner rolls, instant mashed taters and gravy. Hey, it wasn't your traditional turkey dinner but it was turkey. We eventually wound up



Luv Bunnies. photo by jamie @ Eagle

cuddling on the couch all night watching movies. It was all very nice.

As with every Thanksgiving, the **HIT** bowlers were in town. People from all over the mid-west converged on gay Milwaukee and had a blast with our friendly folks here. **219** threw their annual **HIT Bowlers Bash** with a hilarious stage show that gets better every year. **The Ball Game** put out hors d'oeuvres and had a bunch of drink specials. As you know, the **Ball Game** has been a favorite stop for the bowlers for many years. **South Water Street Docks** also invited the bowlers, Friday night for a big party thrown in their honor. Other Thanksgiving events included a huge home style Thanksgiving dinner at **Club 5**. A couple of my sources told me the food was just as yummy if not better than mom's home cookin. Up in Green Bay at **Za's** was the **Turnabout Y2K** fund-raiser for **Rainbow Over Wisconsin**. I have been unable to pin down actual numbers, but I'm sure they reached their goal of \$2000.

There it is, the last Thanksgiving of the millenium. Now, if we can get through Christmas and New Years. Until next issue, watch those holiday calories and as always, slower traffic keep right. ▼

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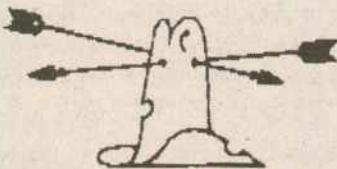
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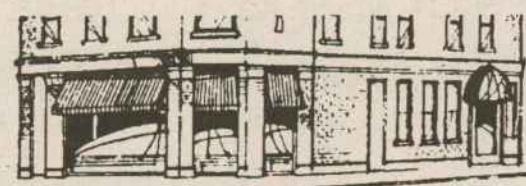
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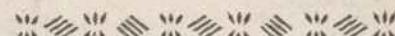
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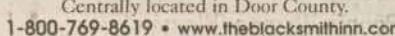
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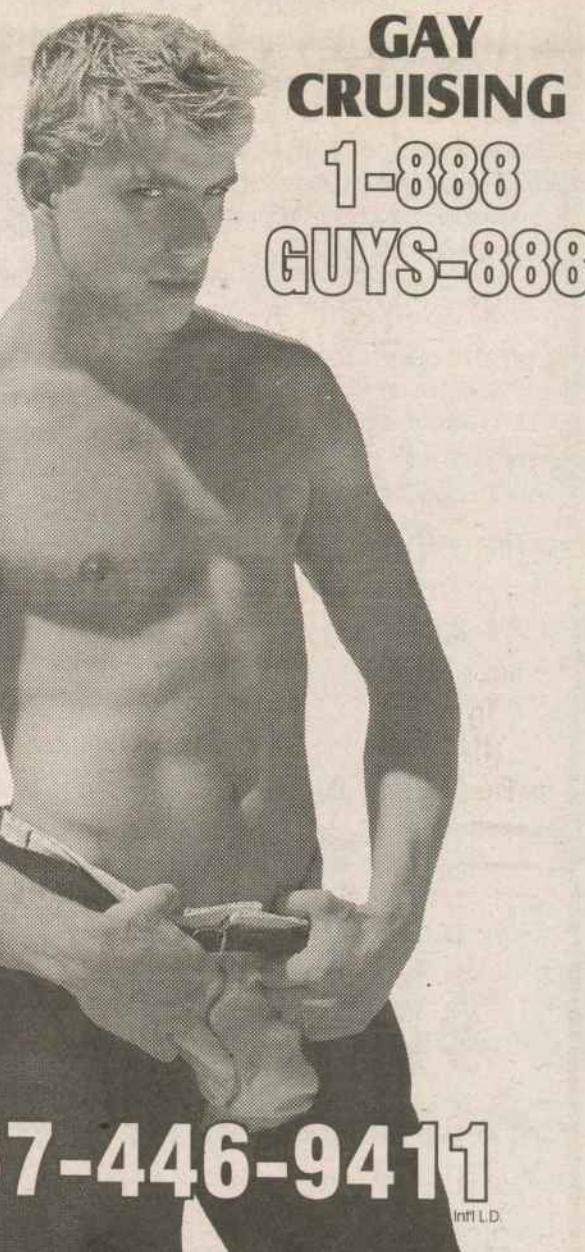
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Campus Ministry, 617 N. 14th St, 53233 . . . . . 288-6873

**Metro Milwaukee Tennis Club (Scott)**  
543-9643

**Milwaukee LGBT Community Center (www.mikelgbt.org)**  
170 S. 2nd St., 53204 . . . . . 271-2656

**Narcotics Anonymous (request gay mtgs.)**  
543-4850

**Orgullo Latino/a Latin Pride**  
1532 N. Astor (c/o Murguia) . . . . . 963-9833

**Outdoors Cooperative Sports Group**  
Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG)  
PO Box 21853, 53221 . . . . . 299-9198

**Pathfinders (Youth counseling, shelter)**  
1614 East Kone Place, 53202 . . . . . 271-1560

**PrideFest (Pride Committee)**  
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PO Box 09441, 53209 . . . . . 265-8500

**Riverwest Rainbow Association**  
1001 E. Keefe Ave., 53212 . . . . . 225-1645

**SAGE Milwaukee (For older LesBiGays)**  
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**Saturday SoftBall League (SSBL)**  
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**Sexual Compulsives Anonymous (SCA)**  
299-0755

**Sherman Park Rainbow Assoc.**  
PO Box 76115, 53216 . . . . . 777-3986

**Shoreline (Country Dancing, Instruction)**  
PO Box 510283, 53203-0051 . . . . . 962-9822

**Silver Space (Group for Older Lesbians)**  
c/o Counseling Center, 2038 N. Bartlett . . . . . 271-2565

**S.O.S. (Alcohol/Addiction Recovery)**  
442-1132

**UJIMA, Inc. (African Am. Support/Social)**  
2821 N. 4th Street, 53212 . . . . . 263-5330

**FAX**  
263-5530

**WI. Leather Mens Assoc. Inc.**  
PO Box 897, 53201-0897

#### RELIGIOUS

**ARCW Spiritual Care**  
PO Box 92487, 53202 . . . . . 225-1565

**Gross Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)**  
1821 N. 16th St. . . . . 344-1746

**Dignity (G/L Catholic Church)**  
PO Box 597, 53201 . . . . . 444-7177

**Lake Park Lutheran Church**  
2647 N. Stowell Ave., 53211 . . . . . 962-9190

**Lutherans Concerned**  
PO Box 1676, 53201 . . . . . 372-9663

**Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Church**  
UFMCC PO Box 1421, 53201-1421 . . . . . 332-9995

**Pentecost Lutheran Church (Reconciled in Christ)**  
5226 W. Burleigh St. . . . . 445-2696

**Plymouth Church-UCC (Open & Affirming)**  
2717 E. Hampshire . . . . . 964-1513

**The Sanctuary (Ecumenical, nondenominational)**  
1636 W. National . . . . . 647-9199

**St. Ann's Church**  
5933 W. National Ave., 53214 . . . . . 259-1229

**St. Camillus (Interfaith AIDS Ministry)**  
10101 W. Wisconsin Ave., 53226 . . . . . 259-4664

**St. James Episcopal Church**  
833 W. Wisconsin Ave. . . . . 271-1340

**First Unitarian Society (Unitarian Universalist Church)**  
1342 N. Astor 273-5257

**Village Church (Reconciled in Christ)**  
130 E. Juneau Ave. . . . . 273-7617

#### MEDICAL

**AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (www.arcw.org)**  
820 Plankinton Ave., 53203 . . . . . 273-1991  
(800) 359-9272

**Mark Behar, PA-C (Family/ Primary Care)**  
Family Care Center, 1834 W. WI, 53233 . . . . . 933-3600

**BESTD (Brady East STD) Clinic (STD diagnosis and treatment; HIV tests)** 1240 E. Brady 53202 . . . . . 272-2144

**BESTD Womens Clinic**  
1240 E. Brady, 53202 . . . . . 272-2144

**Gay Mens HIV+ Support Group**  
BESTD Clinic . . . . . 272-2144

**Gay Men's Support Group for Partners of HIV+ Men**  
BESTD Clinic . . . . . 272-2144

**Health Options (Holistic Health Services)**  
823 N. 2nd Street, #811, 53202 . . . . . 225-9303

**Dennis C. Hill Outreach Center (HIV testing, condoms)**  
4311 W. Vliet, 53208 . . . . . 342-4333

**Positive Health Clinic**  
Medical Center Specialties Clinic  
945 N. 12, 53233 . . . . . 219-7908

**St. Camillus HIV/AIDS Ministry**  
(Nursing Care)  
10101 W. Wisconsin Ave., 53226 . . . . . 259-4664

**STD Specialties Clinic**  
3251 N. Holton, 53212 . . . . . 264-8800

#### BARS

1 Ballgame (Mw, V, D, F)  
196 S. 2nd St., 53204 . . . . . 273-7474

Barbie's Playhouse (Wm)  
700 E. Meinecke, 53212 . . . . . 374-7441

3 Boot Camp (M, L/L)  
209 E. Nathan Ave., 53204 . . . . . 643-6900

4 C'est La Vie (Mw, D)  
231 S. 2nd St., 53204 . . . . . 291-9600

5 Club 219 (MW, DJ, V)  
219 S. 2nd St., 53204 . . . . . 271-3732

4 Dish (Wm, DJ)  
235 S. 2nd St., 53204 . . . . . 273-DISH

Emeralds  
801 E. Hadley, 53206 . . . . . 265-7325

6 1100 Club (Mw, L/L, DJ, F)  
1100 S. 1st St., 53204 . . . . . 647-9950

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200 E. Washington St., 53204 . . . . . 649-9003

9 Fluid (Mw)  
819 S. 2nd St., 53204 . . . . . 645-8330

22 Kathy's Nut Hut (WM, G/S, F, D)  
1500 W. Scott 53201 . . . . . 647-2673

7 La Cage (Mw, DJ, V)  
801 S. 2nd St., 53204 . . . . . 383-8330

21 Milwaukee Eagle (Mw, DJ, D)  
300 W. Juneau Ave., 53203 . . . . . 273-6900

10 M&M Club (MW, F)  
124 N. Water 53202 . . . . . 347-1962

29 South Water Street Docks  
354 E. National Ave., 53204 . . . . . 225-9676

20 Station 2 (Wm, D)  
1534 W. Grant 53215 . . . . . 383-5755

30 Switch (Mw)  
124 W. National Ave., 53204 . . . . . 220-4340

13 This Is It (M)  
418 E. Wells 53202 . . . . . 278-9192

18 Triangle (M, V)  
135 E. National 53204 . . . . . 383-9412

31 Woody's (Mw, D)  
1579 S. 2nd St., 53204 . . . . . 672-0806

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Azteca  
816 South 5th St., 53204 . . . . . 383-8816

Bear Brew (Coffee House)  
708 N. Milwaukee St., 53202 . . . . . 224-8877

Cafe Knickerbocker  
1030 East Juneau, 53202 . . . . . 272-0011

Cempazuchi  
1205 E. Brady St., 53202 . . . . . 291-5233

Chipp and Pys  
1340 W. Towne Square Rd., Mequon, . . . . . 241-9589

Cielito Lindo  
733 South 2nd St., 53204 . . . . . 649-0401

Fitzpatrick's  
W2596 Hwy E.S., East Troy, 53120 . . . . . 642-7999

Harry's Bar and Grill  
3539 N. Oakland Ave, 53211 . . . . . 694-6800

La Fuente  
625 South 5th St, 53204 . . . . . 271-8595

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124 N. Water 53202 . . . . . 347-1962

North Shore Bistro  
Riverpoint Village, I-43 & Brown Deer . . . . . 351-6100

Silver Dollar Cafe  
831 South 16th Street, 53204 . . . . . 645-8860

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The Force  
(referrals to GLBT counselors) . . . . . 276-8487

Gay Information Svcs.  
(referrals) . . . . . 444-7331

Gay Bash Hotline (confidential) . . . . . 444-7331

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7655 W. Luscher Ave., 53218 . . . . .

Bay Tax Service, Paul Rathjen . . . . . 332-9584

B&G Construction . . . . . 405-7843

Sean Buckley (Individual Psychotherapy) . . . . . 562-2403

Carlo's (Hair Styling) . . . . . 604-0713

Creative Home Concepts (Home/Remodel) . . . . . 964-5945

Downtown Autobody (Car Repair) . . . . . 964-7170

3425 N. Holton Ave. . . . . 962-1400

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6510 W. Layton Ave, 53215 . . . . . 282-6160

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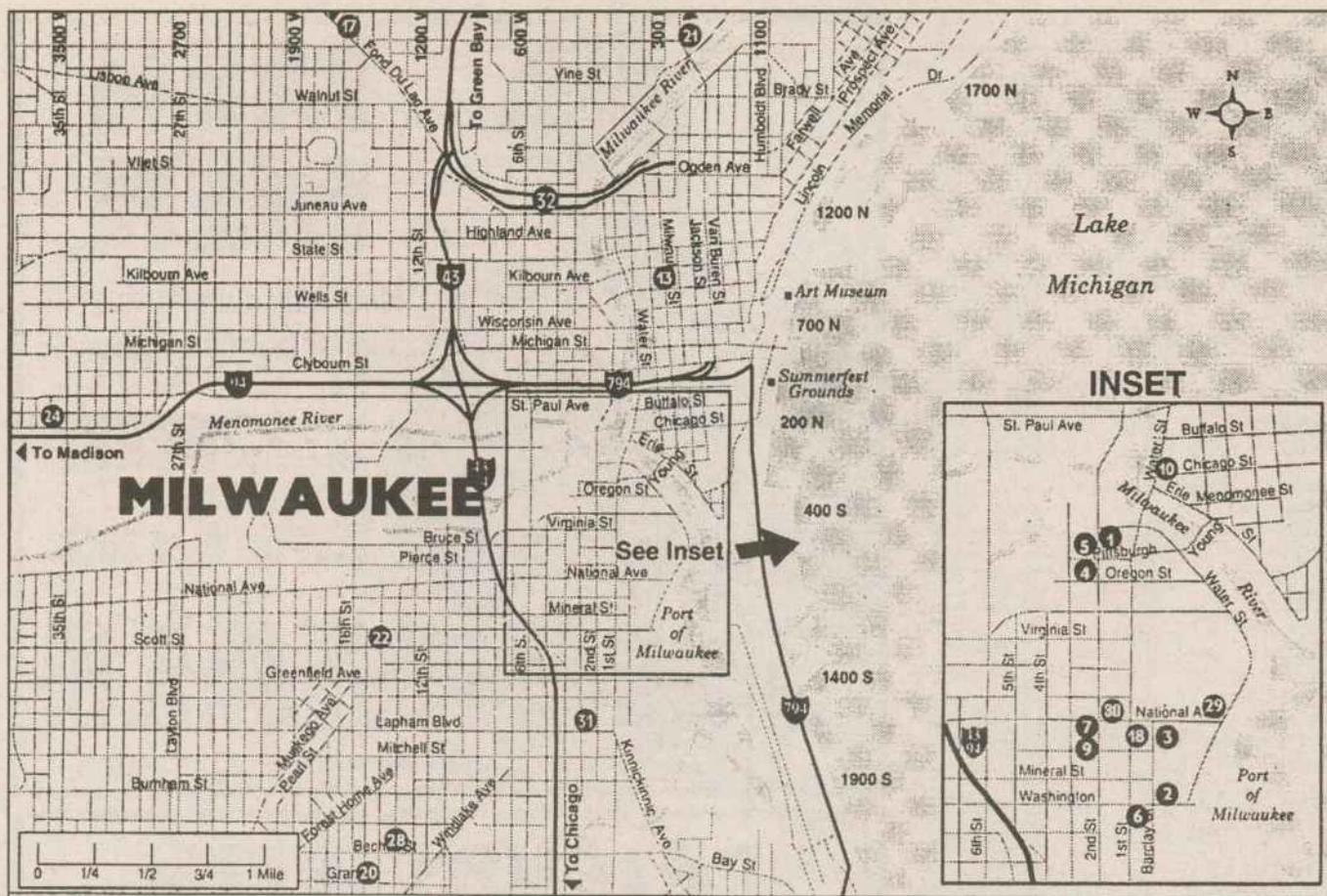
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Voice Mail 797-7600  
GLINN Network One (Internet Access, www.gn1.net)  
1618 N. Jackson, 53202 289-8640  
e-mail: sales@gn1.net

Hairy's Hair Bar 2385 S. Kinziekinn Ave. 486-9299  
Horizon Travel (Member IGTA) N81 W15028 Appleton, Me. Falls 53051 255-0704

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Denis Jackson, PhD. (Relational training, hypnosis, HIV & Vocational Counseling) 276-8669

Klaus & Meyers (attorneys) 5665 S. 108th, Holes Corners 53130 529-2800

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Side by Side (performers) 961-2135

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Jeanie Simpkins, (MS), (counseling) 282-6160

Jack Smith (Realtor) 962-4413

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Back Pages (Bookstore)

1425 W. Oklahoma Ave., 383-6464

Body Inspired (Health Club)

2009 E. Kenilworth Place 272-8622

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Video Adventures (video/dvd sales/rentals)  
1418 E. Brady St., 53202 272-6768  
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#### CENTRAL WI (715)

AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin 1105 Grand Ave., #3, Scholfield, 54476 (800) 551-3311  
Central Wisconsin Rainbow Alliance P.O. Box 390, Stevens Point, 54481 (715) 592-6245, extension 5920200  
Joseph T. Chojnicki, PhD. (Psychologist) Marshfield Clinic, Marshfield, 54449 387-5442  
The Edgewater — Inn & Resort Eagle River, 54521 1-888-334-3987  
http://www.edgeinn.com  
Empowerment/PAWS (Newsletter for PWAs)  
1932 Strong Ave Stevens Point, 54481 342-0576  
G&L Society/Wausau 848-0608  
UWSP 10% Society Campus Activities Complex, Box 68 UWSP, Stevens Point, 54481 346-4366  
LDS Brotherhood (Gay Mormons) PO Box 152, Wausau, 54402 848-0343  
Mad Hatter (MW, DJ, V) 320 Washington, Wausau 54401 842-3225  
HIV/AIDS Spiritual Support & Education 2108 4th Ave, Stevens Point 54481 345-6500  
Marshfield Gay Lesbian Orgn. (MGLO) c/o 130 S. Central Ave., #3 Marshfield, 54449 715 387-2068 Jim: (715) 384-6731  
Platow Club (MW, DJ) 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

#### NORTH CENTRAL (715)

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

#### SHEBOYCAN (414)

Blue Lite (Mw) 1029 N. 8th, 53081 457-1636  
Parents & Friends of Gays & Lesbians Shirley, 458-2504/Carolyn, 467-0422  
Sheboygan Antiques 336 Superior Avenue 53081 452-6757  
Wesley United Methodist Church (Reconciling Congregation) 823 Union Avenue, Sheboygan 458-4889

**RACINE/KENOSHA (414)**  
AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin 1212 57th St., Kenosha, 53140 657-6644  
Clubhouse Filling Station (Mw) 6325 120th Ave., Kenosha 53140 857-3744  
Club 94 (MW, DJ) 9001 120th Ave. (Hwy C & I-94) Kenosha 53140 857-9958  
Doggie Style (Pet Grooming) 6828 Shandon Road, Kenosha 53143 657-5667  
JoDee's (MW, DJ) 2139 Racine St. (Hwy 32) Racine 53403 634-9804  
What About Me? (WM) 100 E. Capitol Dr., 53212 964-7789



#### INSET

## SOUTHWEST AND WEST CENTRAL (608)

AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (www.arcw.org)	Grandview Center, 1707 Main St., #420	(608) 785-9866
La Crosse, WI 54601	(800) 947-3353	
The Alliance (LesBiGuy Social Group)	PO Box 131, Platteville 53818	348-5596
Cavalier Lounge (MW, DJ)	114 N. 5th St., La Crosse 54601	782-9061
Chela and Rose's B&B and Forest Retreat	Box 932, La Crosse 54602	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	LaCrosse 54602	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)	Code 4419, e-mail to pioneerrswi@aol.com	800-484-8131
	PO Box 53, Richland Center, 53581	

#### OUT OF STATE

A Brother's Touch Books (Books/Gifts) www.brotherstouch.com	2327 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55405	(612) 377-MARY
CDC National AIDS Hotline	(800) 342-2437	
Gay & 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 (LesBiGuy Real Estate National Referral)		
		(800) 442-9735
Douglas Dunes Resort, Blue Star Hwy, Douglas, MI 49406		(616) 857-1401
Club Xpress (MW,D), 904 Ludington, Escanaba, MI 49829		(906) 789-0140
Little Jim's (M,V), 3501 N. Holsted, Chicago, IL 60657		(312) 871-6116
Lambda Car 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
The Office (Mw,D/L), 513 E State, Rockford, IL 61104		(815) 965-0344
OH Zone (MW), 1014 Charles St. Rockford, IL 61104		(815) 964-9663
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**FIRST TIME** 36-year-old BiWM seeking hot Male, for first Bi experience. **12894**

**LEAVE A MESSAGE** 26-year-old WM, 6'1", 175 lbs., stable, secure with myself, great sense of humor. Seeking Male with same qualities, for friendship, possible relationship. (Eau Claire) **13247**

**NICE FEET?** BM mid-40s, top, foot fetish. Seeking submissive bottom with nice feet. (Milwaukee) **12926**

**ON MY KNEES WAITING** Very submissive WM, 45, foot fetish, very oral, enjoys being treated like a slave, being humiliated. Seeking dominant, overweight Males 45+, for service on a regular basis. (Milwaukee) **16640**

**BROWN HANKY MAN** Robert is a 45-year-old, well-endowed, White, macho dude, 6'2", 180 lbs., clean-shaven. Seeking other experienced WM into unusual, hot brown hanky action. (Milwaukee) **11039**

**SAFE SEX** Mike is a 48-year-old Male, 6'2", 190 lbs., enjoys the outdoors, nature. Seeking Male, not overweight or into drugs, for fun times and safe sex. **10956**

**LEAVE ME A MESSAGE** Dwayne is a 26-year-old BPM, 5'9", 200 lbs., medium build, short curly black/brown, brown-skinned, low mustache, goatee, enjoys dining out, shopping, quiet times. Seeking an attractive GPM 26+, with similar interests, for friendship, possible relationship. (Milwaukee) **10706**

**FOOT FETISH** Kevin is a cute, 21-year-old, blonde Boy. Seeking W/HM, for foot service. (Milwaukee) **10159**

**BIG MAN TOYS** Jake is a BiWM 37, 6'2", 185 lbs., enjoys playing with hot toys. Seeking hot, masculine WM with same interests. **20790**

**BAD BOY** Brandon is a 19-year-old WM, brown/blue, smoker, drinker, enjoys going out late, doing bad things. Seeking Male with similar interests. (Milwaukee) **14736**

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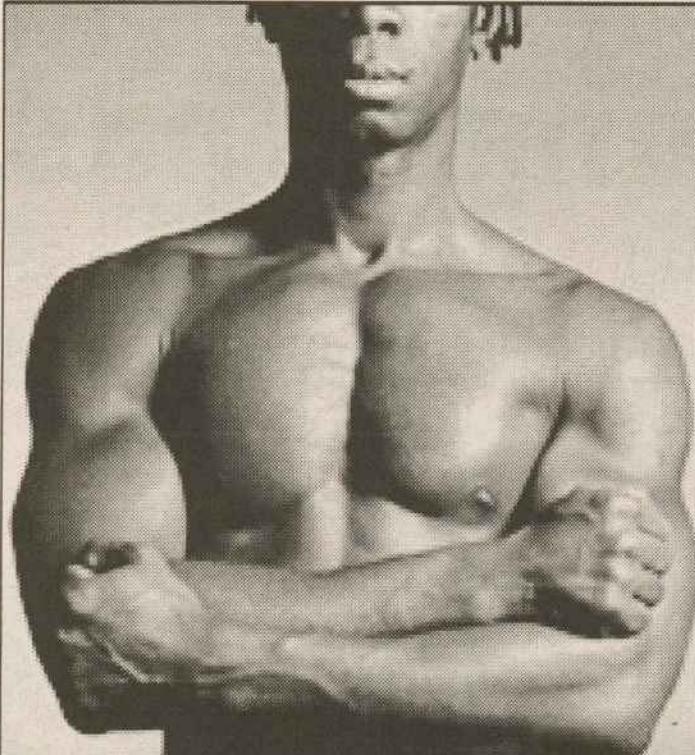
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**IN SHAPE?** Nice-looking, 36-year-old WM, in shape. Seeking in shape BM, for fun, possible relationship. (Milwaukee) **13277**

**GIMME A CALL** Andy is 5'10", 180 lbs., brown/brown, hairy all over, very oral. Seeking well-endowed Male 30-45, if you're interested, leave a message. **11440**

**LEAVE A DESCRIPTION** Masculine WM, 33, 5'7", 150 lbs. Seeking smooth, bottom Male muscular, if interested, leave a message. (Milwaukee) **12716**

**VERY ENERGETIC** Attractive GWPM 5'10", 150 lbs., blonde/blue, athletic build, enjoys dancing, the outdoors, running, movies. Seeking an attractive Male in 30s, good sense of humor, very passionate, enjoys making love. (Milwaukee) **10883**

**ON THE PROWL** Ryan is a young-looking, 32-year-old Male 5'11", 150 lbs., short brown/brown, swimmer's build, smooth, enjoys movies, dining out, hang out at home. Seeking Male with similar interests. (Milwaukee) **11010**

**FRIENDS DEFINITELY** Mike is an 18-year-old, mature GM, 6'0", 160 lbs., reddish-brown/blue, enjoys reading, movies, the outdoors, going out, quiet times, good conversation. Seeking Male with similar interests, for friendship, possible relationship. (Madison) **10567**

**LET'S KICK IT!** Bryan is 35-year-old Male, 140 lbs., black/brown. Seeking GM or BiM 18-22, to kick it with. **12240**

**JOCK-TYPE** Very clean-cut, athletic WM 6'2", 185 lbs., short blonde/blue, sports-minded. Seeking Male with similar interests in sports, to play sports with. (Milwaukee) **22272**

**TREAT HIM RIGHT** James is a 20-year-old Male, clean, enjoys music, having fun, romance. Seeking Male to treat him right. (Kenosha) **22227**

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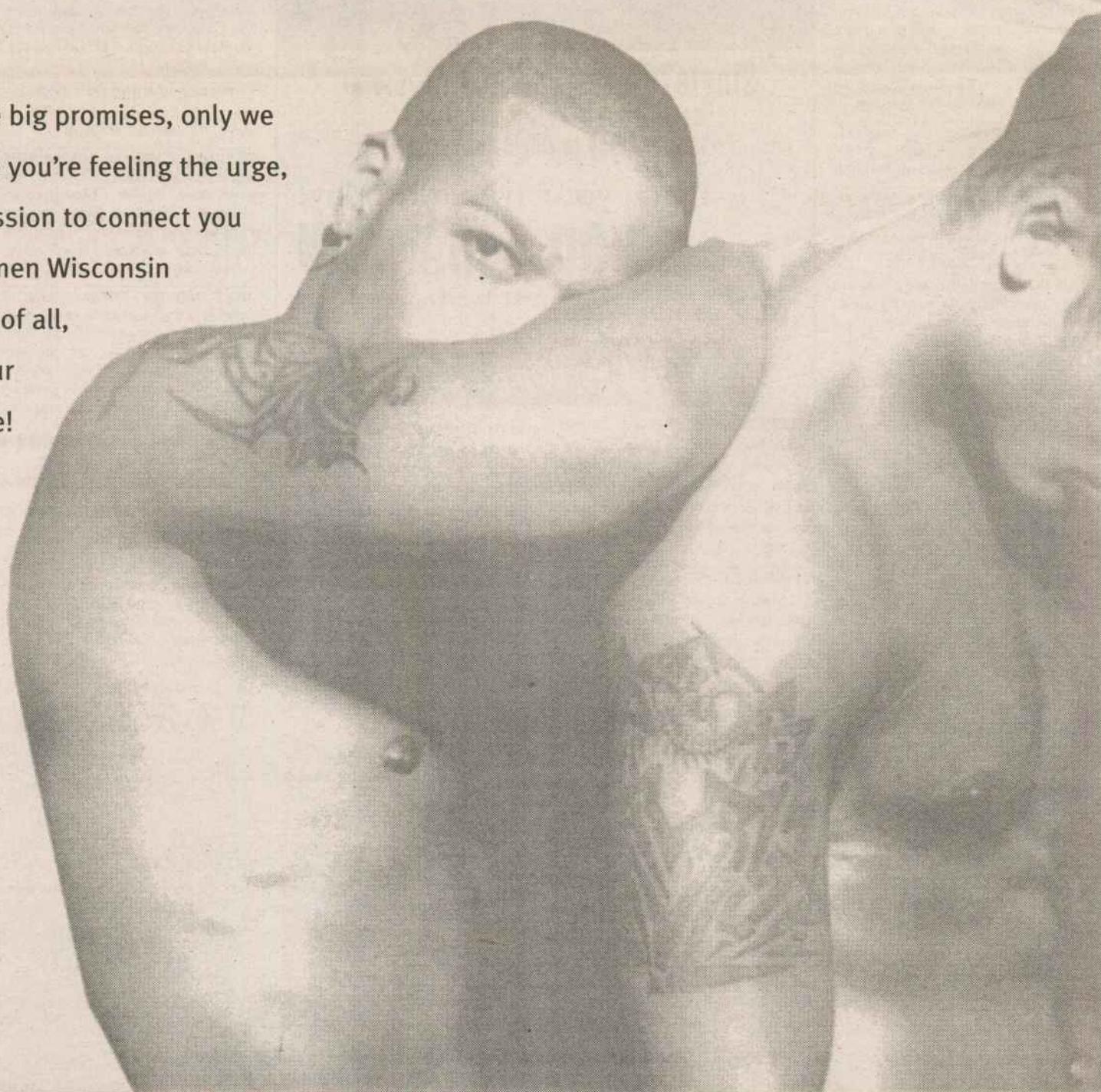
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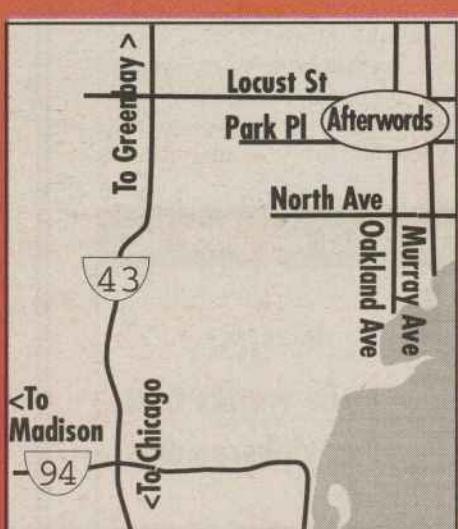


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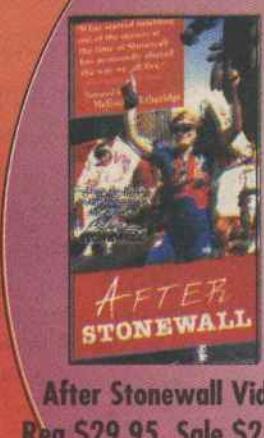
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