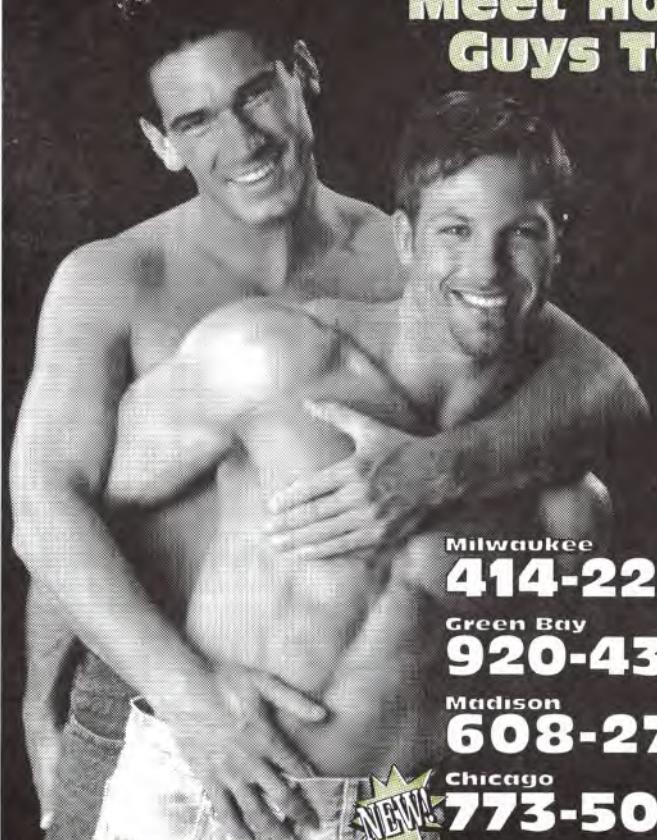


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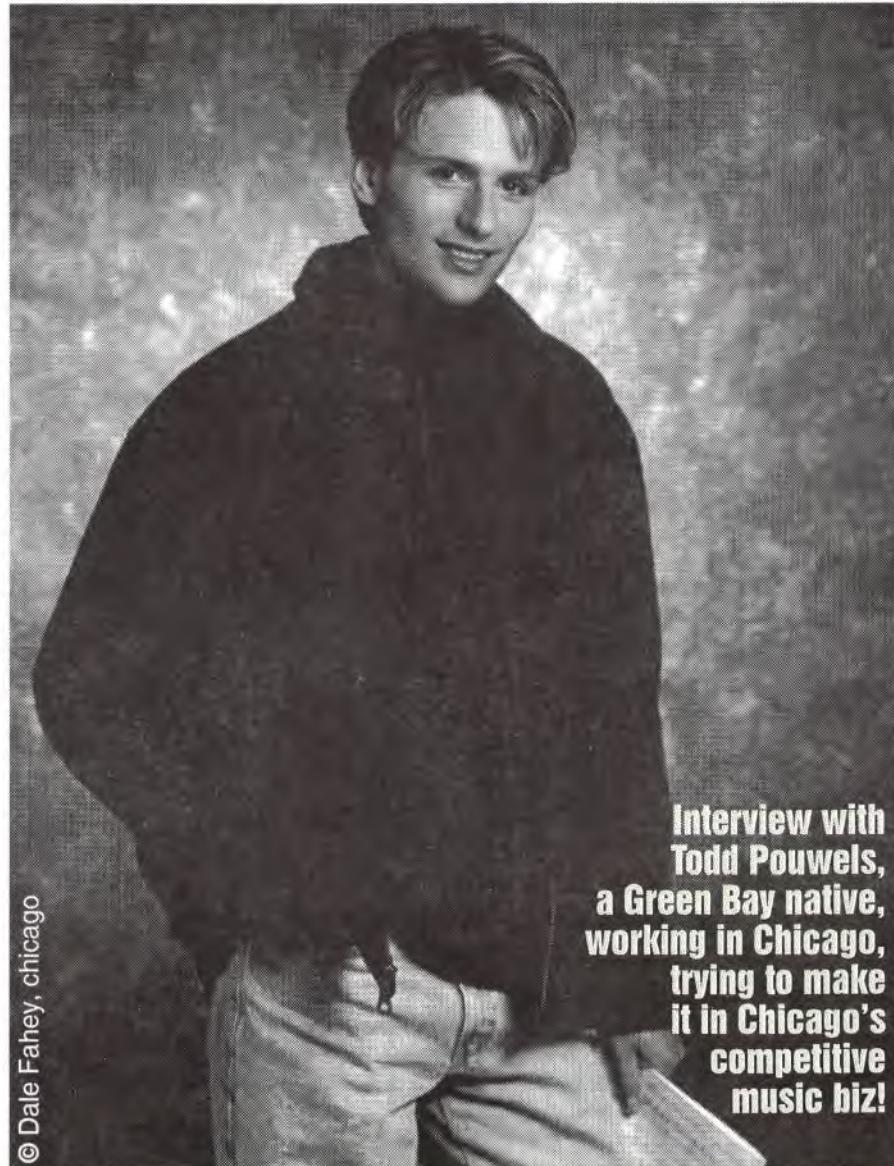
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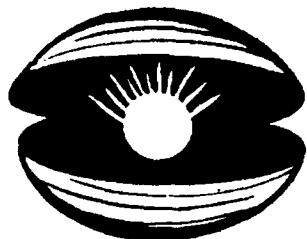
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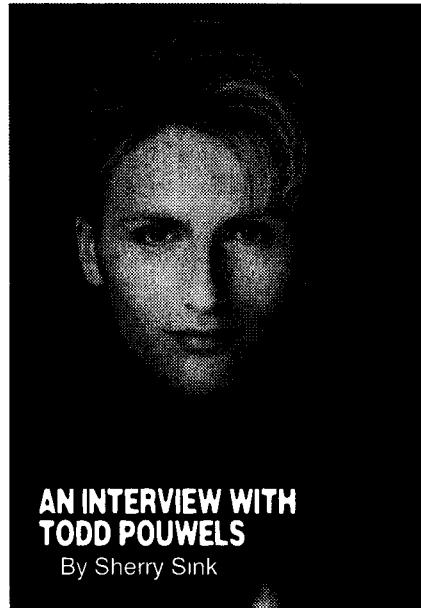
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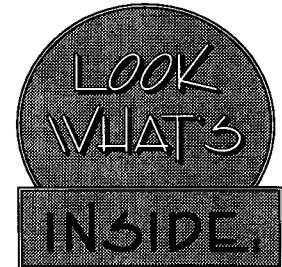
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night by night

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WEDNESDAY

Milwaukee

1100 Club Bar/kitchen open 7 am everyday; 2-4-1 happy hour Mon-Fri. 4-7
Ballgame 9pm - 1 am/Beer Bust \$4 or 80¢ glass beer
C'est La Vie \$1 all bottle beer
Club 219 Male strippers
Cream City Chorus rehearses every Wed. eve., First Unitarian Society, 1342 N. Astor
Grubb's Pub Open 8 pm until after hours; serving char-broiled sandwiches & appetizers
In Between 2-4-1 Cocktail hour 4-9
Just Us Margarita pitchers \$3.50 all day; \$1 off imports 8-close
Kathy's Nut Hut \$5 beer bust 5-10 pm
LaCage Super Bust
Mama Roux Double Bubble
South Water Street Docks Double Bubble all day; 2-4-1 open to close
Triangle \$5 Superburst - tap beer, wine, soda
Walkers Point Cafe Psychic readings noon-5

Madison

Kirby's Klub Bottles of Rolling Rock, \$1.50
MAD Bar All rails \$2, shots of Jack Daniels \$2
Manoeuvres All rail drinks \$2, shots of Jack Daniels \$2
Shamrock Beer bash 9-1, \$5

Green Bay/Fox Valley

Brandy's II (Green Bay) Men's Nite! \$6 beer bust 8-1
Gay/Lesbian Education & Economic Development Alliance
Diversions (Neenah) \$6 beer bust 9-2
(GLEEDA): 2nd Wed. of ea. mo. Call Tim Persing (414) 727-1515 FMI
Napalese (Green Bay) Vegas Dice (cherries are wild)! Domestic bottle beer/tappers, soda & bar rail 3-7
Rascals (Appleton) Happy hour 5-8
ZA's (Green Bay) Open 8 pm w/ SuperBust \$6, VJ Sean spins.

Other Cities

Cell Block (Chicago) \$2 Bud/Bud Light longnecks
Club 94 (Kenosha) 2-4-1 rail, 7-11:00; 50¢ tappers & \$2.50 pitchers all nite
Jo'Dee's (Racine) \$1.50 can beer 7-2; Free Pool!
JT's Bar & Grill (Superior) Balloon Wed.! Bust a balloon for a buck & win a prize! Happy hour 3-10
Office (Rockford) 50¢ drafts, \$2.50 pitchers
Oz (Wausau) Beer, wine, soda bust, 7-mid., \$6
Players Theatre Bar (LaCrosse) Happy hour 5-6:30
Wolfe's Den (Eau Claire) Buck Nite - bar rail & reg. bottled beer

THURSDAY

Milwaukee

1100 Club Open 7AM; 2-4-1 4-7:00
Ballgame \$1.75 rail 9-2
BESTD Clinic "A Course in Miracles" group studying & discussing the spiritual path, 7:30 pm, north room, 2nd floor. FMI Ross Walker or Erv Uecker 353-4798
C'est La Vie 25¢ pizza 9-mid.
Club 219 Lilly White's Talent Show or Nova's Variety Nite (alternating Th.)
Grubb's Pub Open 8 pm until after hours; serving char-broiled sandwiches & appetizers
In Between Spin the Wheel for your drink price, 9-2 Just Us Men's Nite, 2-4-1 for all men, all nite rail, call & domestic bottles (made to order sandwiches & appetizers served 6-10)
Kathy's Nut Hut 2-4-1 Doctors
LaCage Super Bust
Mama Roux Live entertainment tonite
South Water Street Docks 2-4-1 cocktails 3-8; 75¢ tappers 4-2
Sexual Compulsives Anonymous, 7 pm, Galano Club, 2408 N. Farwell Av. (299-0755)
Triangle \$6 rail bust all day & nite

Madison

Kirby's Klub Live DJ 10-2 Rails, \$2; domestics \$1.50
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Lkg for roommate. GWM, 27, seeks G M/F to share house in Fox Valley area. Candidates should be responsible, clean N/S & honest. \$295 per mo. incl. all utilities, except phone. Respond via E-mail @ Whynot 1011@aol.com [1]

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Appleton North: For rent Jan. 1, 2 bedrm upper near Erb Park, spacious rooms, newly remodeled, stove, refrigerator & water incl. Parking available for 2 cars, separate furnaces. No pets, please. \$375 + sec. (920) 830-1100. Lv. msge. [2]

Diversions (Neenah) wants to hire bartenders, door folks & coat checkers. Apply in person to manager David.

Send ltr of interest, experience (if any) and a recent photo. Experience helpful, but not necessary. Great opportunity! PO Box 731, Sun Prairie, WI 53590 [1]

Wanted! Part time bar back, door person & cleaning. See Ken or Greg at ZA's, 1106 Main St., Green Bay

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Personals

Appleton, WI: Easy going LTR-minded GWM seeks GWM. I'm 25, 6', 165 lbs., brn., grn., enjoy photography, keeping fit & more. What am I looking for in a man? Someone around my age, or younger; am a full-time student at UW-Oshkosh. Love music & having fun. If you wish to find out more, call me at (920) 232-9365. Ask for Eric or E-mail me at strongm69@aol.com. I have a web page with pic in it. [1]

Notice
Checking with all readers of *Quest*, we are building a new website - www.QMen.com - and are seeking input from gay men and women about what you would like to see on a new site serving the midwestern U.S.; one of the planned services is a gay dating service and shopping area for all things queer. Any ideas or insights are most welcome. Your ideas included on the site will earn you a cool sweatshirt free!! [1]

GF, femme w/college ed. lkg for same. 32-y.o. full-figured, w/ red hr. & gr. eyes. I like movies (incl. foreign films), art galleries, theatre, museums and long nature walks. Recently moved back to Green Bay and lkg for friendship & maybe more. Write: Jan, c/o *Quest* (#90), PO Box 1961, Green Bay, WI 54305 [1]

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23 GWM, 235, fairly well built. More like a power-lifter or a defensive lineman. I'm not fat. Lkg for someone around my age or younger; am a full-time student at UW-Oshkosh. Love music & having fun. If you wish to find out more, call me at (920) 232-9365. Ask for Eric or E-mail me at strongm69@aol.com. I have a web page with pic in it. [1]

GWM in the northwoods! 38, 5'7", 195 br/br, educated, financially stable, loves a hairy man that can communicate in/out of bed. Seeking a soul mate. Versatile. Passion, intimacy, honesty & personality a must. Truly a romantic and want same. Interests: flying, snowmobiling, skiing, cars, music. Non-smoker & drug free. Range: 29-50 yrs., 180-230 lbs., HIV-, average to husky build & can match above qualities. Don M., PO Box 46, Phillips, WI 54555-0046 [1]

GWM, 34; I do not know any gay people in the Clintonville area. Lkg for other gay men & women in my area to socialize with. (715) 823-2684. Scott [1]

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Rascals (Appleton) Happy hour 5-8 pm
ZA's Opens 8 pm w/ SuperBust \$6 rail, wine & tap; VJ Marky Mark

Other Cities

Cell Block (Chicago) \$2 well/wine & domestic beer
Club 94 (Kenosha) \$5.50 beer & wine bust all nite
Duluth-Superior support group for HIV+ folks, 7 pm, 2nd flr. conference room at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 219 N. 6th Av., East, Duluth Duluth-Superior Womyn's Outdoor Network, Sara's Table, 6:30 pm. FMI Cynthia 218/720-6275
JT's Bar & Grill (Superior) Karaoke 8pm; all lite beer \$1.50 all nite. Happy hour 3-7
Jo Dee's (Racine) All rail juice drinks \$1.50 7-close
Office (Rockford) \$1 beer, \$1.50 well - DJ Jes One
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Grubb's Pub Open 8 pm until after hrs.; serving char-broiled sandwiches & appetizers
In Between 2-4-1 Cocktail Hour 4-9
Just Us Fri. fish fry + full menu 5-10; DJ Doug 10-close, no cover; \$7 beer bust, \$10 rail bust, \$15 call bust
Kathy's Nut Hut Pull tabs 5-7 pm
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Diversions (Neenah) \$1.50 domestic beers & rail drinks 'til midnite; DJ spins

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Rascals (Appleton) Fish-perch, haddock, shrimp, 5-10
Sass (Green Bay) Free pool 5-8; DJ 10-2
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Club 94 (Kenosha) DJ Jeff 10-2
Club Xpress (Escanaba) Bottle beer \$1.25 6-9; Schnapps \$1 9-11
Duluth-Superior area Men's Social w/ gay feature film, 7 pm, Northland Gay Men's Center, FMI 218/722-8585
JT's Bar & Grill (Superior) Fish Fry 3-10; 2-4-1 9-10 pm; DJ 9:30-1. Happy hour 3-7
Jo Dee's (Racine) Jello shots \$1
Mothers Organizing for Duluth, 12:30, Damiano Center, rm. 112
Office (Rockford) DJ Cris
Oz (Wausau) DJ/VJ 10-close; happy hour 4-7
Players Theatre Bar (LaCrosse) Piano stylings of Marion Dunn 6:30-8:30; happy hour 5-6:30; DJ 10-2:30
Scooter's (Eau Claire) FREE Tap Beer 8 - 10
Wolfe's Den (Eau Claire) Pull Tabs
Womyn's Coffeehouse (Duluth-Superior area), 1st Fri. of ea. month, Building for Women, 32 E. 1st St., 7 pm. FMI 218/722-4903

Book in Review

by Jerry Wellins

VIOLENCE IN GAY AND LESBIAN DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIPS

By Claire M Renzetti, PH.D. and Charles Harvey Miley, PH.D., Editors, Harrington Park Press, An Imprint of The Haworth Press, Inc. New York 1996 121 pages paperback.

This book contributes to a growing literature on the causes, manifestations, consequences, and responses to violence in gay and lesbian domestic partnerships. Taken together, the 11 chapters in this book present a plethora of empirical facts about violence in same-sex partnerships, identify a range of factors that render violence within the confines of gay and lesbian partnerships predictably similar to domestic violence among heterosexual partners, as well as dramatically dissimilar from that which occurs among heterosexual partners; it critically examines the vast array of institutional and service sector responses that have been and continue to be used to control domestic violence among gays and lesbians. The book indicates that preliminary studies show that 22% to 46% of all lesbians have been in a physically violent same-sex relationship. The Gay and Lesbian Community Action Counsel in 1987 found that 22% of 900 lesbians surveyed in the Twin Cities area of Minnesota had been in a physically violent lesbian relationship. In the Gay and Lesbian Community Action Counsel survey, one of the few prevalence statistics on gay male violence, showed that of the 1,000 gay men surveyed, 17% reported having been in a physically violent gay relationship. The unique type of psychological abuse for gays and lesbians is the threat of "outing" to family, landlords, employers, or others. This "blackmail" potential for same sex abusers often isolates gay and lesbian victims to a greater extent than their heterosexual female counterparts. This book indicates that lesbians and gay men abuse their partners in the same manner heterosexual men abuse their partners. Abusers of any sexual orientation rape, beat,

insult, and sometimes kill their victims. However, seeking help as a gay or lesbian victim is tantamount to "coming out" and a major life decision. The authors indicate that experts in the field of domestic violence estimate that violence in same-sex relationships occur at approximately the same rate as in heterosexual relationships. That is, about 1 in 5 men in an intimate relationship with another man will be battered. In terms of actual numbers, authors Island and Letellier in 1991 estimated approximately 500,000 gay men will be victims of partner violence each year.

The authors indicate that perpetrators of domestic violence report that they use physical violence against their partners because it is a highly effective means of control. Physical violence, however, is but one means of coercion and perpetrators may use whatever is available to them to dominate and control their partner. Most literature on batters' coercive behavior is based on studies on heterosexual men, recent research on lesbian battering demonstrates that lesbian batters, too, display a terrifying ingenuity in their selection of abusive tactics, frequently tailoring the abuse to the specific vulnerabilities of their partners. Abusive gay and bisexual men are likely to be equally ingenious in choosing their weapons of control, and HIV can be a very powerful weapon. Perhaps even more insidious is the perpetrator who deliberately infects his partner with HIV so as to keep the man from leaving. The perpetrator may reason that infecting makes his partner less desirable to others and make him more dependent on him and the relationship.

A major problem confronting gay and bi-sexual men is the inability or unwillingness of other people to accept their victimization as legitimate. From a variety of different and influential sources, these men often get the clear message that they are not "real" victims, despite the violence they experience. In other words, women are much more easily seen as victims than men are.

This book provides the reader with a thoughtful and enlightening analysis of factors unique to same-sex domestic violence. The issues raised challenge many assumptions and limitations inherent in traditional domestic violence theory and the battered women's movement.

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Other Cities

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Club Xpress (Escanaba) Bottle beer \$1.25 6-9; Schnapps \$1 9-11
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I want to make special mention of the decorated tables on Thursday. They kept with a bunny theme right down to bunny Beanie Baby's on each table and an assortment of goodies courtesy of Winston. Nice job guys! Good work Brian!



PAST OUT

BY DAVID BIANCO

December 30, 1977 (20 years ago this week): Toronto police raid the office of gay newspaper The Body Politic.

What was the The Body Politic raid?

On Friday, December 30, 1977, the staff of The Body Politic, at that time Canada's largest gay newspaper, got an unwelcome surprise. Waving a search warrant, five police officers arrived at the newspaper's Toronto office to hunt for evidence supporting a charge that The Body Politic (which was collectively operated) had violated Section 168 of the Canadian criminal code - "use of the mails for the purpose of transmitting or delivering anything that is obscene, indecent, immoral or scurrilous." The raid - along with ensuing brouhaha - marked a turning point in the maturation of Canada's lesbian and gay community.

The incident actually started a month earlier, when The Body Politic published its December-January issue. In it was an article by collective member Gerald Hannon, which was titled "Men Loving Boys Loving Men" and explored the controversial topic of man-boy love. Hannon argued that men who

had sex with boys were not child molesters, as a homophobic society tended to view them, but responsible citizens performing an educational service for gay youth - liberating their sexuality. The real victims of molestation, rather, were all gays and lesbians. "Every homosexual's sexuality has been interfered with," Hannon wrote, "impeded, strangled, diverted, denounced, 'cured,' pitted, punished. That is molestation."

The Body Politic's staff was well aware that Hannon's take on the subject might cause an explosion of public outrage, both from outside and inside the lesbian and gay community. Consequently, the paper opted to run a preamble to the article, explaining that Hannon's piece had been typeset and laid out for nearly six months before the staff could agree to publish it. They had finally made the decision to run it because "the 'climate' will never be right . . . but the discussion must be opened up."

The political climate was, in fact, extremely volatile. The Ontario legislature was considering passage of a gay rights bill, and the issue was being hotly debated in the mainstream press. Opponents of the bill painted lesbians and gay men as child molesters, much as Anita Bryant and her followers had successfully done in their "Save Our Children" campaign in Dade County, Florida, earlier that year. In addition, a public furor had followed the August 1977 killing of a 12-year-old Toronto boy by four men, a crime that the tabloids sensationalized as a "homosexual orgy slaying." It was in this atmos-

sphere that The Body Politic printed Hannon's article - which from their perspective was an attempt to set the record "straight" on child molestation.

Predictably, the attempt backfired.

The mainstream Toronto press had a field day with Hannon's article. In five separate editorials the week before Christmas, one of which was titled "Bawdy Politic," the Toronto Sun blasted the gay newspaper. One conservative columnist, who had often attacked the lesbian and gay community in print, personally lobbied the attorney general to take action against The Body Politic. On December 30, the day the Sun announced in a headline, "Crown to Study Sex Mag," police officers raided The Body Politic's office. More than three hours later, they carted off twelve boxes of manuscripts, correspondence, financial and advertising records, and subscription lists.

The week after the raid, the Canadian government brought criminal charges against the paper's nonprofit publisher, Pink Triangle Press, and three of its officers, one of whom was Hannon. Canada's lesbian and gay community was split in opinion about the case. There were those who believed that The Body Politic had provoked the raid by publishing the controversial article, while others were alarmed about the dangerous precedent set when police were able to seize a gay publication's records, particularly subscription lists. Many thought the charges had been trumped up in order to damage the chances of the gay rights ordinance.

It took a full year for the case to come to trial. By that time, much of the hostility against the paper had died down, largely because Toronto's new mayor, John Sewell, publicly supported The Body Politic and denounced all attempts at censorship of the press. In February 1979, the newspaper was acquitted of the charges. The publication promptly reprinted Hannon's article in its next edition, along with analysis by lesbian novelist Jane Rule and an assessment of the controversy by three staff members.

But the case wasn't over. The Canadian government appealed the decision, and the officers of the paper were retried in May 1982. Once again they received an acquittal, and the charges were finally laid to rest. At that time, the materials confiscated by the police in the 1977 raid were finally returned to the paper.

The ordeal cost The Body Politic 100,000 Canadian dollars in legal fees and six years of aggravation. Though the collective attempted to regroup and start over, the paper never fully recovered from its financial problems. In February 1987, after celebrating its fifteenth anniversary, The Body Politic closed shop, citing its outstanding debts as the reason. Ironically, just two months earlier, the Ontario legislature finally passed a provincial gay rights ordinance, banning discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

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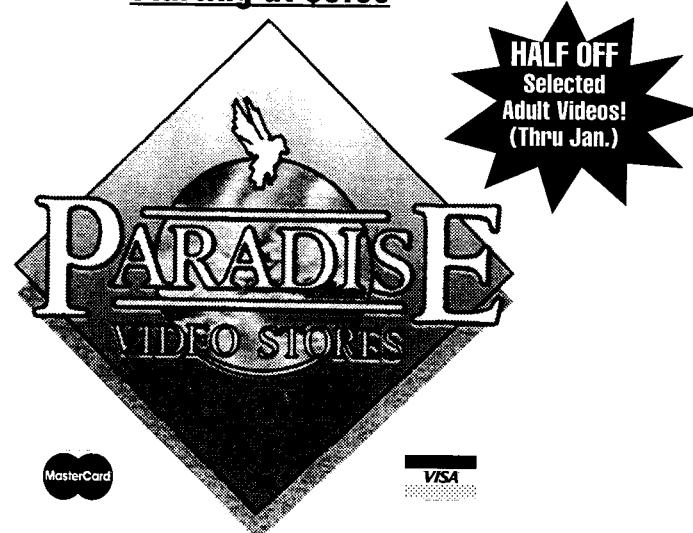
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Green Bay/Fox Valley

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Record Reviews

Edited by ZA



Clubheads unite-your album is here! In association with the legendary Canadian dance label Hi-Bias, Popular Records presents a special double-CD (also on cassette) aimed squarely at the club music lover in all of us.

A banging collection of big club remixes on two CD's. One has been DJ mixed for non-stop dancing. The second one is made up of separate cuts. Every single on this album was or will soon be released on vinyl specifically for DJs. Over half of them are Popular singles.

Massive Club hits such as Alexia - "Number One," Gusto - "Disco Revenge," Porno Kings - "Up To No Good" and D&G - "Music" are Popular releases on this compilation. Hi-Bias includes Temperance - "Forever Young" and "Lost In Love," Shauna Davis - "Get Away," Oval Emotion - "Higher & Higher," even Elastic Band with their brilliant cover of Kate Bush's "Running Up That Hill."

Hi-Bias has launched many artists careers both in Canada and abroad. Rhythm Formula "USA" is an integral part of their next phase of their musical journey.

While DJ's who have had trouble getting some of these singles will love this set, anyone who loves to dance and is looking for a great collection of hits that span mainstream dance to house hits will find this set a goldmine. The first CD with it's DJ mixed non-stop action is an added plus that's great for home parties over this holiday season.

Popular records has also released a second CD -single by Italian designers Domenico Dolce & Stephano Gabbana. "More More More" is the latest from this dynamic duo. You may remember their recent hit single and music video "Music" which made it to #13 on Billboards dance chart.

"More More More" is produced by the same team that made "Music" a hit. If you loved that retro disco sound updated nicely, you will also love this new one.

I remember playing the original club hit done by Andrea True Connection (a famous porn star) and wondered if I would enjoy this

remake as much as I still love the original. A quick run through of all the mixes gave me at least two new versions to love.

The remixes are done by the best in the biz. New York City's superstar DJ Junior Vasquez and Milan's Alex Natale both whom contributed mixes to the "Music" CD. The 12" DJ vinyl single came out early December and was released on RED VINYL. (Of course I didn't get one of those! hint hint)

Vocals for the song were sung by American singer Dana Dawson who has had notable import success with her EMI/UK single "3 Is Family." As with "Music" the Italian designers actually appear on the record, dropping in catchy spoken loops "D&G is more."

Through the release of "More More More" Dolce & Gabbana are able to continue to explore other worlds surrounding fashion and to tap into the energy and excitement of nightclub culture which they love so much.

For this VJ reviewer I can't wait for the Video release! For those of you who run out and buy the CD-single, you'll get an extra treat! Each stickered commercial CD package has an entry form you can mail in to enter a drawing to win a \$1000 D&G Shopping Spree at the new D&G boutique located on West Broadway in New York's hot SoHo neighborhood!

TOP 10 DANCE MUSIC PLAYLISTS

Club Xpress--Escanaba, MI
DJ William A. Pops
1. Quench....."Dreams '98"
2. Dusted....."Deeper River"
3. d.j. dado....."Coming Back"
4. Prima....."New Year's Day"
5. Mu-Tron....."Musica"
6. Boy George...."When Will You Learn"
7. Dance 2 Trance...,"Power of
American Natives"
8. Chicane...."Lost You Somewhere"
9. Lustral...."Everytime"
10. Paul Van Dyk....."Words"

The Main Club-Superior, WI DJs Ed & Craig

1. No Mercy...."Please Don't Go"
2. Abbacadabra...."Lay All Your
Love On Me"
3. Byron Stingly...."Sing-a-Song"
4. Olive....,"You're Not Alone"
5. Lucious Jackson...."Naked Eye"
6. The Original...."I Luv You Baby"
7. Real McCoy...,"One More Time"
8. Whitney Houston...."Step By Step"
9. Truman...."Underwater"
10. Rochelle...."Think Twice"

Manoeuvres---Madison, WI DJ/VJ Tony Ritschard

1. Urban Soul....."Show Me"
2. Erasure.....,"Rain"
3. Staxx.....,"Joy '97"
4. Martha Wash...."Catch the Light"
5. Rosie Gaines...."Be Strong"
6. Ducearella....."Top of the World"
7. Club 69.....,"Much Better"
8. No Mercy....."Kiss You All Over"
9. Regina.....,"Day by Day"
10. Erasure.....,"Sometimes '97"

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JT's Bar & Grill (Superior) Open 1 pm. Bloody marys \$1.75; cheeseburger & fries \$3; beer bust 8-10, 50¢ tappers

Jo'Dee's (Racine) \$1.50 rail 7-close

Office (Rockford) \$1 bloody marys (karaoke twice monthly)

Oz (Wausau) Beer, wine, soda bust, \$6, 4-10; bloody marys, \$2.25

Players Theatre Bar (LaCrosse) Schreder-James Quartet 8-11; jazz & standards

Wolfe's Den (Eau Claire) Karaoke with Robin

Milwaukee

1100 Club Open 7 AM; 2-4-1 4-7

MONDAY

Ballgame 9 pm on ... Domestic beer \$1.25; \$1.75 rail
C'est La Vie Beer Bust 8-close

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Cocktail hour 5-9

Just Us \$1.75 Miller brands 8-close

Kathy's Nut Hut Pull tabs 4-7

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Triangle Melrose Place Mondays; \$1.50 shots
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Woody's 80s Nite! Music of the 80s & drink specials!

Madison

Kirby's Klub X & X lite, \$1.50

MAD Bar All rails & domestic bottles of beer, \$2

Manoeuvres Domestic bottled beer & Miller Lite taps & rail drinks \$2

Shamrock 50¢ off domestic taps

Green Bay/Fox Valley

AA (Green Bay) 8 pm, Recovery Works, 906 E. Walnut St.

Brandy's Women's Nite! \$6 beer bust 8-1

Diversions (Neenah) \$1.50 bloody marys

Lawrence Univ. GBLASS (Bixexual, Gay, Lesbian & Straight Society): 7:30 pm, Rm. 109, Coleman Hall. FMI: GBLASS, Memorial Union, 615 E. College Ave., Appleton, WI 54911

Napalese (Green Bay) Bingo Nite! \$10 payout for each of 2 special games & Blackout, \$30.. No charge to play! 75¢ tap beer & \$1.50 bar rail 3-7

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Other Cities

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Duluth-Superior area Women's Closed AA, 8 pm, Sara's Table, 728 E. Superior St., Duluth

JT's Bar & Grill (Superior) Free pool 4-10;

Bucket nite - 4 for \$5 all nite; happy hour 3-7

Jo'Dee's (Racine) Double Down Nite! Get a double for only \$1 more (rail only)

Northland Gay Men's Center (Duluth-Superior) discussion group for men 18-25, 5 pm

Office (Rockford) \$1.50 Miller products

Out Up North (social organization of les-bi-gays in Northern Wis.), 6:30 pm, Black Cat Coffee Shop, Washburn, Wis.

Oz (Wausau) 50¢ tappers

Players Theatre Bar (LaCrosse) Happy hour 5-6:30

TUESDAY

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1100 Club Open 7 AM; 2-4-1 4-7

AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin Boyz Nite Out, ARCW, 820 N. Plankinton Ave., Milw., 6:30-8:30 pm - open to all gay men regardless of HIV status; fun & socializing assembling safer sex kits and condom packets for the GLBT community

Ballgame \$2.50 top shelf, \$1.75 rail 9-2

C'est La Vie Beer Bust 8-close

Club 219 Brain Dead Revue

Cell Block (Chicago) \$2 Goose Island pints

In Between Shake a Dice for your drink price 9-close; 2-4-1 cocktail hour 5-9

Integrity/Metro Milw. (Episcopal, open), 912 E. Knapp (tele 276-6277) 1st Tues. of each mo. 7 pm

Just Us Happy hour w/ Rich - 2-4-1 on all rail, call & domestic beer 5-8 pm

Kathy's Nut Hut Tequila, 2-4-1, 7-10 pm

LaCage \$5 Beer Bust w/ Joan... & shots of Cuervo for rail price!

Mama Roux 50¢ off everything

Sexual Compulsives Anonymous 7 pm, Galano Club, 2408 N. Farwell (299-0755)

South Water Street Docks 2-4-1 cocktails 3-8
(tickets good 'til 9); pull tabs 9-2

Triangle \$6 rail pitchers

Woody's 80s Nite! Music of the 80s & drink specials!

Madison

Kirby's Klub Domestic taps

Mad Bar Miller Lite bottles, \$2; any \$3 or less shot for \$2

Manoeuvres All tappers 50¢ off, shots of Pucker \$2

Shamrock Two dogs \$2; free pool, \$1 tacos

Green Bay/Fox Valley

AA Appleton group meets 6:30 pm at MCC

dancing after show

Napalese (Green Bay) Karaoke 10-1 w/ Rascals' Johnnie B

Friday, January 16

BESTD HIV testing (Ballgame, Milw) 7-10 pm

Saturday, January 17

Napalese (Green Bay) Beach Party! 10:30 pm Join us for summer fun!

Rascals (Appleton) Sheepshead Tourney

ZA's (Green Bay) Miss Gay Green Bay America, an official preliminary to Miss Gay Wisconsin America, 10 pm, \$3 cover. (see ad this issue)

Sunday, January 18

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The United-Madison Hosts Third Annual NEW YEAR'S EVE Party!

Live jazz, country line dancing and a countdown dance party will highlight the entertainment December 31 at The United's Third Annual New Year's Eve Out! The Pink Party. This benefit for the United will be held at The Madison Civic Center, 211 State St., from 9 pm to 4 am.

A number of events will be a part of the celebration. The Pink Party Package starts at 9 pm and includes live jazz, hors d'oeuvres, dancing, party favors, a complimentary champagne toast at midnight and cash bars. Tickets are \$30 each or \$50 for two and must be purchased in advance.

The Countdown Dance Party with DJ Tony

Ritschard will take place from 10:30 pm to 4 a.m. in the Civic Center Crossroads.

FMI, call (608) 255-4297.

Green Bay Gay Mens Chorus

An organizational meeting for the Green Bay Gay Mens Chorus will be held on Sunday, January 18, 7 pm, at Angels of Hope Metropolitan Community Church, 3607 Libal Street.

Sixteen men have already committed their intentions to join, says founder Steve Jones (920) 494-5029.

This will be a joint meeting with remaining members of Bay City Chorus.

Angels of Hope MCC Sets '98 Budget

At the Dec. 14 congregational meeting of Angels of Hope Metropolitan Community Church, Green Bay-Appleton, a 1998 budget of \$35,285 was adopted.

Angels membership, according to their newsletter - *Angels' Voice* - now numbers 71!

The first session of new Bible study will be held on Tuesday, January 13, with Randy as the guide for the lessons. The course is named *"Claiming the Promise; an Ecumenical Welcoming Bible Study Resource on Homosexuality."*

Other tidbits gleaned from the newsletter include news that the pastor, Rev. Ken Hull, and his partner, Harry, will journey to Indianapolis to spend "Christmas" with Ken, Jerry, Chris and Mike Dec. 29-Jan. 2.

Chicago's Bear Naked Celebrates New Year's Eve

Bear Naked Chicago announces its New Year's Eve party!

Doors will be open 9-10 pm. For location, call the Bear Naked Hotline (312) 409-0269.

Bear Naked is a social, sexual, male bear nudist group united toward the goal of bringing together the Bear community in brotherhood.

New Book on Porn Superstar Ken Ryker is Now Available

Ken Ryker has created the biggest splash in the gay porn industry since Jeff Stryker, sparked the most buzz in the business since Joey Stefano and sells more videos than Ryan Idol. He has picked up more awards in a shorter time than any other pornstar before him. He's so famous, even notable Hollywood celebrities want to meet him.

The FILM S OF KEN RYKER by award-winning author Mickey Skee is a tribute to this super sex symbol. It's available at adult bookstores and online through a variety of gay websites and directly from the publisher by sending \$18.95 + \$3 postage to Companion Press, PO Box 2575, Laguna Hills, CA 92654.

INVERSION of the DAY

Wednesday, Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve!

Angels of Hope MCC (Green Bay/Allouez)
Candlelight worship 11 p.m., w/ special music from the choir. Welcome!
Manoeuvres & MAD Bar (Madison) Open 8 pm
Napalese (Green Bay) Nancy & Ann invite you to our Christmas Eve party. Lunch served at 7, mystery guest at 9. Drink Special - Christmas slush, \$1
Scooters (Eau Claire) Open today at 5 pm
ZA's (Green Bay) Open later than usual Christmas Eve, 9 pm w/ Superbust \$6 and Christmas Cheer!
DJ Za spins

Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Day!

Manoeuvres & MAD Bar (Madison) Open 8 pm
Napalese (Green Bay) Open 3-close today;
Food! drink special - Christmas slush, \$1
Scooters (Eau Claire) Open today at 5 pm
ZA's (Green Bay) Open later than usual 9 pm w/ \$6 Superbust and dancing w/ DJ Marky Mark

Friday, December 26

Cell Block (Chicago) Fetish Nite! Annual Underwear Party! Get out your long johns and union suits!

Wednesday, December 31 New Year's Eve

Bear Naked (Chicago) New Year's Eve Party. Doors open 9-10 pm. Call hotline (312) 409-0269 FMI. (see news article this issue of *Quest*)
Brandy's II (Green Bay) New Year's Eve Bash! Open continuously Wed. 11 a.m. to Fri., 2 a.m.
Cell Block (Chicago) New Year's Eve Party!
Club 94 (Kenosha) New Year's Eve Bash! Open 7:00-???, food after midnight, door prizes every hour, party favors, "Rock until the sun rises at the biggest & best dance bar!"

Club Xpress (Escanaba) New Year's Eve Party!
Diversions & Back In Black (Neenah) New Year's Eve Party! \$15 per person or \$25 couple - includes open rail or beerbust, buffet, champagne, party favors 'til 4 a.m., special appearances, dancing
Madison Gay Video Club - Free New Year's Eve Party! Open request; continuous videos all nite, start 8 pm. FMI (608) 244-8675 eves.

Manoeuvres & MAD Bar (Madison) All Nite New Year's Eve Party! DJ & dancing, party favors, buffet & champagne toast at midnite.

Napalese (Green Bay) Open 3 pm; New Year's Eve Party ends whenever?! Food, party favors, free champagne!

Pink Party (Madison's) only gay/lesbian/bisexual New Year's Eve Party, 9 pm to 4 am, Madison Civic

Center. \$12 at door, a United benefit!
SASS (Green Bay) New Year's Eve Party! Open 6-??? Food, champagne, music, party favors!
Scooters (Eau Claire) Open 3 pm until 2 am Friday morning.
ZA's (Green Bay) Our annual New Year's Eve Bash! Open 9 pm. Complimentary Champagne toast, buffet after midnight. Dancing until???

Saturday, January 3

B Definition (Milw) 2nd Annual Anniversary party, featuring bisexual comedian Mike Selha, starts 7 pm, at BESTD Clinic, 1240 E. Brady St. Chili dinner! FMI Steve (414) 483-5046 [1]

Thursday, January 8

BESTD HIV testing (LaCage, Milw) 10-1

Friday, January 9

BESTD HIV testing (South Water Street Docks, Milw) 7-10 pm

Saturday, January 10

Brandy's II (Green Bay) Stacy's All Day Birthday Bash! Cartoon Club at 7 am (food served), \$5 per person cribbage tourney at 10 am (1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes), beer bust 11 am-5pm, beer bust repeats 7 pm-1 am, Drag show at 9 (featuring Kelli Jo Klein & many others). Daytime proceeds benefit ROW!

Diversions & Back In Black (Neenah) LaCage (from Milw) Showcase, show starts 11:00, \$3 cover,



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Rascals (Appleton) Happy hour 5-8. Game nite - Sheepshead, cribbage, jenga, etc.

ZA's \$1 Rolling Rocks, \$1 Captain & coke & \$1.75 shots

Other Cities

Cell Block (Chicago) DV8 Nite; \$2 Skyy vodka & \$2 pints Goose Island; free pool/darts

Club 94 (Kenosha) \$1.25 rail drinks & \$5.50 beer bust 7-close

HIV+ folks in Duluth-Superior meet at Community Health Center, 3 pm, 2 E. 5th St., Duluth
HIV+ support group for caregivers, friends, family, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Duluth, 7 pm

JT's Bar & Grill (Superior) Pitchers of beer \$3, tappers 75¢, happy hour 3-7.

Jo'Dee's (Racine) \$1.50 Dr.'s 7-close

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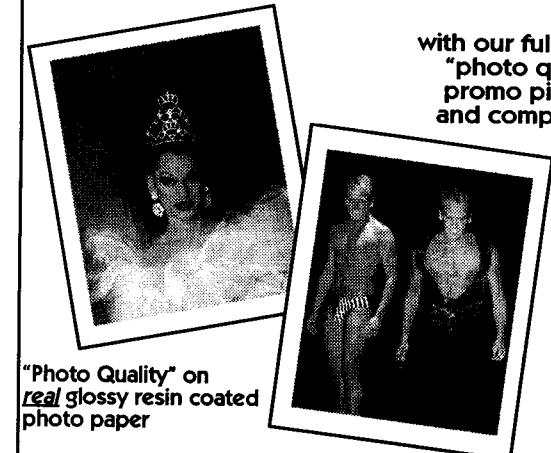
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Interview with Todd Pouwels

by Sherry Sink

Imagine if you will a cozy coffeehouse, not unlike the one inhabited by the cast of you-know-what Thursday night show, with music jamming in the background and the aroma of hot fragrant mocha latte wafting through the air. Todd and I sink into the soft, squishy cushions of the couch and begin our talk, a philosophical discussion of life, the future, and rockin' music.

Okay, okay...so we really met over the phone. I put him on hold too many times and he hung up on me. But then I called back, apologized profusely, and thus, our new friendship was born. I'm really glad too because we had such a great time talking and I got to know him pretty well.

For example, so far I've learned Todd is an up-and-coming new musician who started singing at a very young age, studied and earned his music degree at St. Norbert College in DePere, Wisconsin, dabbled in backup singing (including a one-concert gig with Poison one summer), and then moved to his current home in Chicago, Illinois. Since then, Todd has played the lead character in the musicals *Working* and *The Fantastiks*, sung for political and sporting events, and lately, has been recording his latest music in Minneapolis and Chicago studios. He seems to be a talented singer whose positive attitude and great determination are sure to get him far. Here is just a little bit of the conversation we shared.

Sherry Sink: Let's start off with something easy, Todd. You once studied opera at St. Norbert College, yet your newest recording is complete pop ballads and dance music. What made you switch your focus?

Todd: I find it easier to express myself as an artist through the pop and dance medium. Although I appreciate all styles of music, I found opera to be too confining and regimented for me.

SS: Cool. What has given you a stronger motivation to pursue this music?

Todd: My first demo, at age 19, was a tape of standards and contemporary jazz. It was noticed by CBS, and thus landed me a job in Chicago.

SS: What is the most creative part of the job for you?

Todd: When the band actually gets together and we rehearse, it can be really creative. I learned over time that, at least with live recording, you don't have to have everything mapped out perfectly right then and there, you kind of improv a little bit and feel the music at the moment and let everyone contribute their own thing to the project. And you don't know exactly what it's going to sound like until it's done, but that's kind of the beauty of it, 'cause you sort of make it happen together. As individuals we add our own perspective to it, and I think that's the

most creative aspect.

SS: What's the least creative part of the job?

Todd: When you're working on a song and you just come to this block in the road -- you look at this thing you've written and have no idea why you wrote it or if it's going to work. You put it on the shelf, then take it off the shelf, put it back on the shelf, take it off. You look at it again. Nothing happens. You feel totally dry, like you have a cement brain with no creative juices flowing whatsoever in your body and you wonder why you're even a writer.

SS: Sounds inspiring.

Todd: (laughs) Well, ultimately, HOPEFULLY, it pays off in the not-so-distant future. Everyone goes through dry spells, but then all of a sudden you're sitting in a taxi and you wish you had a tape recorder with you because you have all these ideas floating through your head and you have no idea why the sudden spurge of creativity starts leaking from your brain. Then you rush home to the piano, wishing you had eight hands, two to play the piano, two to write out the music, two to record the "session," and two to do...whatever, I guess.

SS: Do your parents understand your passion for show-biz?

Todd: They know there's this driving force somewhere within me that I can almost not control. I can't calm this wild beast passion thing inside me (laughs). Sometimes I wish I could and sometimes I think my parents wish I could too.

SS: How have they reacted to your music?

Todd: They like my music for the most part. They've had to adjust to certain styles of music I've done. For example, they loved listening to my theater songs earlier in my career but had to re-vamp their ears for my current album, which has a dance focus to it.

SS: How would you describe your style?

Todd: Well, my dance music is Erasure-Depeche Mode-ish/current U2-ish. Some of my softer ballads might be described as Elton John meets Annie Lennox in the back of Mariah Carey's van (laughs). It took me a while to find my style. I was first in music theater, then doing standards at various jazz clubs in Chicago, performing live and trying to find my niche. Then I started writing my own music, writing for my own voice, not trying to be a Harry Connick Jr. or an Elton John, or any other personification. Through writing my own stuff, only then did I mold myself into the artist I am now, the artist currently known as TODD (laughs again).

SS: Would you ever change your name?

Todd: No. I don't want to be the artist formerly known as anything. I just want to be Todd, because that's the name I was born with. I'm not a Prince or a superhero.



Public Notice!
RAINBOW OVER WISCONSIN
ANNUAL MEETING
Monday, January 19, 7 pm
At Sass, Green Bay

Open to the public. We will elect the officers for 1998 at this meeting.



Pictured Left: Some of the members of Rainbow Over Wisconsin got together for dinner over the holidays.



The word is official - Saturday, Jan. 31, Leather Swap Meet will be at Woody's, 2nd and Lapham (Polish Moon area), Milwaukee. Set up time for vendors will be 6 PM with sales to start at 7 PM. Vendors will be there all evening or until they run out of stock.

This event is hosted by the Great Lakes Harley Riders and the Wisconsin Boot Men. Both of these groups are not "formally" clubs, just men who share common interests and know how to keep in touch.

Later that evening a 10 P.M. beer bust co-hosted by the Argonauts of Wis. and The Castaways M.C. Didn't get word if this is just a social or a fund raiser.

This was just firmed up so you can expect one or more of the other area clubs to host something in conjunction with same. I tend to suspect an after-hours and some sort of Breakfast/brunch gathering will also happen. I'll keep you posted.

Last year's swap meet was the first time. It was a lot of fun and very successful, with men from Chicago, Minneapolis as well as all of Wisconsin coming to town for the weekend. Expect the same this year.

Many persons couldn't find space so they sold out of their bags, on the ends of the pool table and even bar stools.

Most everything was under-priced and went in a hurry. One guy brought in something he outgrew, sold it and with \$5 more, ended up with a pair of expensive boots he had always admired.

BTW - for you guys who know Nature (formerly of L.V., now Salt Lake City). He is wheelchair bound. He had to sell his bike and is selling off his boot collection. Bob G. of Wholesale Boots is assisting by listing the boots on his web site. The site address is www.tcbi.com/wbs/. If you are interested, let him know.

You can also contact Nature at Boots2707@aol.com. I am sure he would enjoy hearing from you.

Any of you have a picture of him in all his leather, big boots, on his Bike with the large flags mounted and the pink feather boa flowing in the wash? This was a sight to see and if I could borrow it, I would like to publish it. This man was fun to be around.

You folks in South Central Wisconsin seem to have been holding out the rest of us. (well at least me).

Cardinal Bar, 418 E. Wilson, Madison, (608) 251-0080, **Fetish Night each first Tuesday** of the month. (Very eclectic crowd, straight, bi, gay, pansexual, diversity of faces and ages. Gets crowded from 10 pm to 11 pm night. Nice atmosphere to relax, whatever scene one's into).

Inferno, 1718 Commercial Ave. (no phone listed in book). They have occasional **L/L, B/D** demonstrations. They advertised "**Industrial Bondage w/Scary Mike & the Torture Garden** at 9 pm, Dec. 12."

Thanks, Gus and Roy.

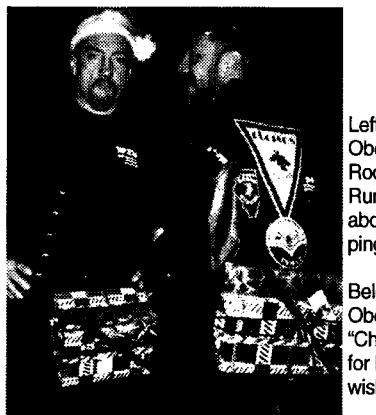
Here's another thing that pissed me off about the damn computer. The ONYX sent me a mime (what ever the heck that is) and when I opened it, it came out jumbled up. I did pick up the fact that the Club, made up of men of color, is hosting a party at Mid Atlantic Leather (MAL), Sat., Jan 17, 2 to 6 PM.

MAL is like a run, complete with a contest, some-

where between IML and Northwoods, held in Washington, DC. The Saturday night buffet tables are spectacular, as in unbelievable, -- but the lines to get to the tables are even more spectacular -- and to get some of the whole meal, i.e., salad, appetizers, entrees will put you in 3 different and very long lines. Life is too short for that, but I am going again this year. Dinner at a downtown restaurant in DC can be great.

Anyway, Back to the Onyx message. Try to make sense out of This " - - PRESENTS AFTERNOON AFTER HOURS COCKTAIL PARTY - - " an afternoon after hours cocktail party??? - admission is free, so I will be there. They also will be introducing the **Onyx Pearls: Women of Color**, then. FMI E mail ONYXmail@aol.com or the ONYXline @ 312.329.6141

A final thought - Before you criticize a man, walk a mile in his shoes. That way, if he gets pissed off, he's a mile away and barefoot. Author unknown. Love, Papa



Left:
Oberons at
Rodeo Riders
Run. "Talk
about wrapping
a box!"



Below:
Oberons
"Christmas
for Kids"
wishing well.

SS: (laughs) While we're on the subject, if you could be a superhero, who would you be?

Todd: Hmm, I guess the one that can read people's minds, so I could know what they were really thinking. It seems as though so many people say one thing, but then they do another. I guess it makes for interesting songwriting, but I still want to know what people are thinking, dammit!

SS: Who has given you the best career advice?
Todd: I follow my own intuition. As far as getting the best career support I'd have to give the gold medal to my family. They've always believed in me and encouraged me to follow my dreams.

SS: What was the first thing you auditioned for?
Todd: I was about seven years old and auditioned for a commercial at WBAY-TV in Green Bay. I wore an oversized mint green suit, was very shy, and barely read my lines louder than a half-assed whisper. I didn't get the part -- surprise, surprise.

SS: Cute. I assume you gained some confidence from grade school age to high school. What was your first musical audition?

Todd: The Wiz, when I was in high school. I almost got the part of the Scarecrow but the director didn't think I was flexible or agile enough for the role, so I was offered to be a Pitt Singer.

SS: That's the pits.
Todd: Actually, I had a lot of fun. I sang in almost every musical number, and I was the voice of the

cyclone-- ooohhh (laughs).

SS: You took acting in college. What has that experience done for you?

Todd: Acting really opened me up. It helped in finding myself and getting in touch with "me," getting in touch with who I really was. It helped me get in touch with my inner writer and what I wanted to do with writing music, what really influenced me, and not just being a puppet on an operatic stage, but to be a more creative musician, able to do my own thing, express my music in my own way.

SS: Why do you think this style of music allows you to be more creative than if you had stayed with opera and more classical styles of music?

Todd: As mentioned earlier, I feel most natural and comfortable in relating this style of music to people. Don't get me wrong -- I love classical styles of music, but it's not the best avenue for me to express myself.

SS: What did you do before you started pursuing music?

Todd: I've always felt like I've been pursuing music all my life. It's in-born in me, God-given or something like that.

SS: God-given? That's intriguing. Do you consider yourself a spiritual person?

Todd: I am very spiritual. I was raised in a Christian household which, I think, gave me good morals and values. I branched out theologically to study other religions, such as Buddhism, Judaism,

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the Qaballah, and anything that helped center me as a human being. My spirituality has really helped me make it through some of the rough times, like when I was unemployed and my self-esteem was low.

SS: That's terrific. Let's discuss a more pleasant time in your life. What has been your favorite experience so far in all of your performing?

Todd: I love all of it -- from the music theater to the jazz clubs to the live recording sessions. I love performing, but especially when it's my own material -- it's more intimate, you know.

SS: What has been the strangest experience you've had in your music?

Todd: Oh, God -- a lot! The strangest gig I did was dressing up as a Diva Queen in drag, going to Chicago O'Hare Airport, and singing torch songs to some man for his birthday, while he waited for his luggage at the carousel along with five hundred other people. I told him how much I loved him and that I was having his baby.

SS: (laughs) That's pretty strange. What did the security at the airport do?

Todd: They knew I was coming and did nothing. I followed the guy all the way to his car and he offered me \$200 to leave him alone. I took the money and then gave him a big fat kiss. And the whole thing was videotaped! I made a lot of money that day.

SS: I should think they should pay you a lot to go that far. Were you this adventurous as a kid?

Todd: I was very shy and reserved in grade school. My family moved from city to city, district to district, so I had to adjust to different school settings, fitting into whatever mold I needed to survive.

SS: Sounds rough for a young kid. Did being involved in music help you "survive" childhood too?

Todd: Definitely. Music became my playmate, so to speak, and became very therapeutic for me.

SS: What are your career goals now?

Todd: My career goals are to finish fine-tuning my album, manufacturing my CD, and finding an agency or manager to represent me as a solo artist.

SS: Explain to me the importance of a manager or agent.

Todd: It's important to have a manager or agent represent you in the music business. A person cannot send unsolicited materials to a record label without having it handled through a manager, agent or an entertainment attorney. It's very important. And finding the right person or persons to work with can be difficult and takes time.

SS: If a manager were reading this interview and wanted to reach you, how could they contact you?

Todd: They could contact me at Hot Toddy Productions, 830 W. 75th Street, Suite #173, Willowbrook, Illinois, 60521 or leave a message at (920) 434-1561. I would be glad to send a demo tape to anyone in the industry.

SS: So now we know you're working hard on your recordings and on finding a manager. What are

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LEATHER/FETISH

by Papa Joe

HAPPY HOLIDAYS, whether it be Hanuka or Christmas and much joy, happiness and good fortune in the New Year.

I want Santa to bring me a tutor for this damnable machine. Maybe then, you won't have to stare at a blank page where this column is supposed to be.

Thanksgiving Saturday, Lee and I ventured to Green Bay. We took in Brandy's II for a couple of beers, from there went a few blocks further East to Buddy's or is that Buddies', where I ran into Tom and Jeff, longtime friends, now in Iowa just east of Omaha. Caught up on the news with Jeff and John while Thom T was picking Tom W brains about computers. Those four guys know all there is to know about these damn machines and I am green with envy.

Anyway, like it said, I dumped the thing and the column didn't get out. I didn't have time to redo before taking off for London. The end result was I lost a bunch of information and didn't mention the Atoms and the Oberons who were holding fundraisers for their very worthy causes. My apologies, I hope they were successful.

Please note, if you had copied *Quest* in the mail you sent to me, (like the Unicorns did) *Quest* could have printed it. See, except for my charm and beauty, you don't need me at all.

Also lost with the info about Buddy's, a really nice lounge/bar in Green Bay, which open a few weeks before and located a few blocks east of Brandy's II on Main St. I write this without the dates, address or even the names of the owners. It used to be a biker bar when I was hanging out in GB. They have cleaned and brightened it up. The name on the



Oberons Dec. Club Nite

awning had not been changed. When we were there, it had Knights something or other on it.

Tell you what you can do for me. Go to Buddy's, have a drink or two and ask them for the information and send it to me. Don't mention my name, I don't wanna seem more stupid than necessary.

BTW Thom, would you please send Tom W. E mail address? Tnks

About London, the weather, I kid you not, was near perfect -- like spring. Only one AM with showers and the daytime temps in the 50's. Getting there on NorthWorst out of O'hare was a bitch -- our bags arrived on United before we did on American, go figure.

The other Queen was having tea with someone more important than me, so I didn't get to see the newly rebuilt Windsor Castle. -- The Abby had something happening till 4 PM and my feet were killing me, so back to the Colherne Tavern and cooled our heels with a pint or two of lager. Met some very nice men.

Overall, a great city to visit and sight see. The people are quite open and friendly. Only three complaints, food lacks taste, lousy/overpriced drinks and too damn expensive. Is there anything left?

The Argonauts of Wisconsin celebrate twenty-four years as a club Saturday, January 17, in Green Bay. They will be offering party options allowing you to take in just cocktails and dinner or everything including an after hours party. (or the other way around) The AOW is known for their good food and fun times, all at very reasonable prices.

Some housing by members is available on a first come first serve basis. Other housing options are available. Indicate your needs for hotel/motel accommodations and they will put you in touch.

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While on the subject of the Argonauts, I received a lengthy message relating to Argonauts Charities, which recently incorporated and now is applying for grants to assist PWAs in the NE Wisconsin area. The AOW has been doing this for quite a number of years, and with incorporation, will expand their scope. Due to the length of the message, I will edit and submit separately, so when room allows, Mark and/or Ted can insert it.

I am very proud to say I have been supporting this cause from the beginning and will continue whenever I can. Be sure you know, I am a cynic when it comes to being asked for money for charities and other do-gooder things. I encourage you to be the same.

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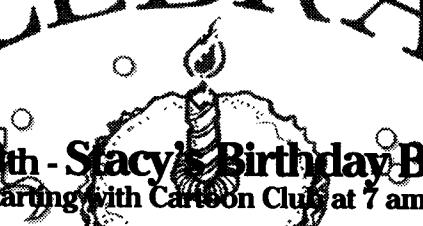
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your more personal goals?

Todd: It's important for me to spend time with my family when I can, especially the nieces and nephews. I also like to keep myself physically fit, so my goal is to work out at least three times a week.

SS: Are you dating?

Todd: I was afraid you were going to ask that question. No, I'm not dating anyone. I've decided to focus on my career and let the romance thing unfold on its own in the future.

SS: Ah, a romantic at heart. Do you think it's easier to date someone in the music industry, someone who understands the demands of the job?

Todd: I don't think it would matter what the person's job title would be. I think I'll know when the right person comes along -- a chemistry thing, you know.

SS: What aspect of your career has been least realized so far?

Todd: Tough question. I think I'm a fairly young musician still evolving. I consider myself a "work in progress." Once I find representation I think more doors will open for me. I have great faith in people.

SS: You seem very confident in this interview. Have you ever met anyone who has thrown you?

Todd: Not yet.

SS: We'll see. I bet meeting some of your favorite artists would make you pause for a second. What kind of music do you like to listen to?

Todd: Lots. I could go from Elton John to Alanis Morissette to Maria Callas to Garth Brooks to Barbra Streisand to Poison. I'm very eclectic with my music.

SS: Your lyrics are innovative. What inspires you to write songs?

Todd: I've been inspired by people, circumstances, and situations in my life. My songs reflect what is important to me, whether it's autobiographical or simply empathy regarding a situation, not unlike other songwriters.

SS: What was the inspiration for the song "Desolate Helter Skelter"?

Todd: These lyrics could almost be taken directly from my journal entries last February. The song was inspired by a relationship gone bad, suffocation within self-built prison walls. The lyrics wrote themselves, with a lot of anger.

SS: The phrase "helter Skelter" was used by killer Charles Manson, stolen from a Beatles song. Are you afraid using that in your song could stir disciples of Manson?

Todd: Not necessarily. My song's character was a person literally living in a world of utter chaos, a self-made hell. This person is perhaps a disciple of their innermost fears. This line sums it up: "You're seeking safety, seeking a kind of shelter. Living in a world, a desolate helter skelter."

SS: What was the inspiration for the song

"Sometimes I Wonder"?

Todd: That was another broken relationship, which is probably why I'm not dating right now (laughs).

SS: Why did you also record this particular song in Spanish and French?

Todd: I think people all over the world could relate to the lyrics of the song, the message. And I wanted to reach people in different cultures.

SS: Do you ever worry that some people might not "get" your music?

Todd: No, if somebody doesn't "get" it, they can ask somebody who does (laughs). I have to write the way I feel and write what is inherently in me to do so, and if somebody doesn't understand that, then I guess that's okay. But maybe my music can open a door for someone, give them a different perspective.

SS: You seem to speak very intelligently. Does this somehow reflect in your music?

Todd: I don't know how I'd rank on the IQ test, but I try to write innovative songs, including the lyric and the chart. I am currently writing a song dealing with certain political issues and another about environmental concerns.

SS: Where are you sending your demo CD once it's finished?

Todd: I plan to send it to anyone who wants to hear it, and I have a special list of entertainment attorneys, managers, and agents who will definitely

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SS: What advice would you give to young aspiring artists?

Todd: I think it's important that you find a reason to stay driven. Find what motivates you, or why you have this need to do whatever it is you're doing. I have to do this because I feel like it's my life. I'm not happy if I don't do this. I feel I was born to do this. If you have a dream don't give up on it because it will happen. But it's up to you to make it happen, and nothing is impossible. Be genuine, hard-working, true to yourself, and then doors will open to you. It will happen, but you have to believe in yourself, even when the chips are down. You need to always have that focus, have that belief, have that drive. Make it happen!

As you have now read, Todd and I talked quite a bit. He had many more insights to share, much more than will fit in this interview. When we did finally hang up our phones, I was sorry to say good-bye. But you know what? I believe we'll all hear more of those insights, through his music. With such a focus on what he wants, I know he'll "make it happen." You heard it here first, people. Spread the word.*

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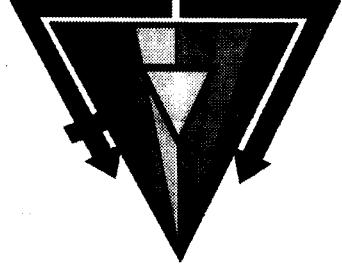
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Station 2 1534 W. Grant Milwaukee 383-5755	Bar	Open 2pm	Men & Women			
Scooter's 411 Galloway Street, Eau Claire (715)835-9959	Dancebar	Mon-Sat 6pm Sun 3pm	Men & Women	Jukebox, Darts, pool, pinball	DJ on Saturday.	
Shamrock 117 W Main St., Madison (608)255-5029	Bar	Open 2pm	Mostly Men	Various Games Jukebox	This cruisy bar is a Madison classic. Mixed men women all ages, grill serves food.	
South Water St. Docks 354 E. National Milw (414)225-9676	Lounge	Open 3pm	Mostly Men	Various Games Jukebox	Popular neighborhood bar. Some leather.	
This Is It 418 E Wells, Milwaukee (414)278-9192	Dancebar	Open 3pm	Mostly Men	Jukebox	A Milwaukee Classic This bar gets a crowd ranging from 21 - 60 & older. Usually very busy especially early evening.	
Triangle 135 E National, Milw. (414)383-9412	Videobar	Open 4pm	Mostly Men	Pool, Darts	Newly remodeled! Video screens play showtunes, comedy and music video. This hot cruisy bar is filled with cute guys! Patio open summers.	
Trio 820 Tower, Superior (715)392-5373	Bar	Open 1pm	Mostly Men	Jukebox, darts, pool	A neighborhood type bar, everybody welcome.	
What About Me? 600 6th St. Racine (414)632-0171	Bar	Closed Mon Tue& Fri 3pm 6pm other days	Men & Women	Jukebox, darts, pool		
Walker's Point Cafe 1106 S 1st, Milwaukee (414)384-7999	Cafe	Open 10am	Men & Women	Jukebox & Games	Open daily serving home style cooking. Very popular with underage persons, Fav. hangout after hours! Back dining room.	
Wolfe's Den 302 E. Madison Eau Claire (715)832-9237	Bar	Open 6pm	Men & Women	Jukebox, darts, pool	Drag shows & male dancers occasionally	
Woody's 1579 S. 2nd, Milwaukee (414) 672-5580	Bar	Open 4pm	Mostly Men	Jukebox Pool, Darts, video	Funtime bar where attitude is not allowed.	
Za's / Java's 1106 Main St. Green Bay (920)435-5476	Video Dancebar & Lounge	Mon-Fri 3pm Sat/Sun 2pm	Men & Women	Pool, darts pinball, jukebox	N.E.WIS Premier Dance Video Bar. Lots of shows & pageants. Hot Fri.-Sun. Mixed (some straight) Young & good looking! Sunday Dry Dance (16 & Up - Alcohol upstairs.)	

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1100 Club 1100 S 1st St., Milw. (414)647-9950	Restaurant & Bar	Open 7am	Men / Women, some leather	Jukebox, Pool/games	Friendly neighborhood bar. Full kitchen serving specials daily. Leather/Levi club nights.	
10% Club 4332 W Fond du Lac, Milw. (414)447-0910	Lounge	Open 3 pm	Men & Women	Jukebox, Darts Games	Formerly Loose Ends	
Ballgame 196 S 2nd Milwaukee (414)273-7474	Lounge	Open 2pm	Men	Pool, Jukebox	Time honored local hangout.	
Barbies Playhouse 700 E Meinecke Milwaukee (414)374-7441	Dancebar	3 - close 7 days/wk	mostly women	Jukebox, Pool Darts & games	A gay friendly "alternative ba" that is frequented mostly by women. DJ dancing on Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat. & Sun.	
Blue Lite 1029 N 8th, Sheboygan (920)457-1636	Lounge	3 pm Sun Tue-Sat 7	Men & Women	Pool	Friendly small town atmosphere. Great stop off point for traveling on I43. Nice decor including some antiques. Customers range from young to old.	
Brandy's II 1126 Main, Green Bay (920)437-3917	Cruisebar	Open 11am Sun. 10 am	Men, Women, some leather	Darts, Games, Pool, Jukebox	Friendly atmosphere. Strong Drinks. Pizza and snacks. Argonauts Green Bay home bar.	
Boot Camp 209 E National, Milw. (414)643-6900	Leather Bar	Open 8pm	Men & Women some leather -	Gameroom, Pool	A hot meeting place for the leather/ levi crowd. Patio open summers.	
Cardinal 418 E. Wilson, Madison (608)251-0080	Dancebar	Open 8pm Fri/Sun 6pm	Men & Women gay & straight	Darts	Thursdays are GLBT night at Madison's Classic Dance Bar. Gay-owned and always gay-friendly, each night offers different music.	
Cavalier Lounge 114 N. 5th St. La Crosse (608)782-9061	Bar	2pm except Mon/Sat/Sun 7pm	Men & Women	Darts, Pool Jukebox		
C'est La Vie 231 S 2nd Milwaukee (414)291-9600	Showbar/ Cruisebar	Open 4pm	Men	Darts & videogames	Male dancers & female impersonators weekends.	
Club 219 219 S 2nd, Milwaukee (414)271-3732	Dancebar/ Showbar	5pm M-F 4 Sat, 3 Sun	Men & Women	Pool & videogames	Milwaukee's best place to see a show! The 219 Girls perform Sundays after 11p.m. Hot male dancers featured on Wed/Fri/Sat. DJ Kim spins a mix of hot dance music & video.	
Club 94 9001 120th Kenosha (Off I-94) (414)857-9958	Dancebar/ Showbar	Closed Mon 7pm Tue-Sat 3pm Sun	Men & Women	Pool & videogames	Large dance club mixed men and women. Features male dancers and Drag Shows and pageants regularly.	
Club Xpress 904 Ludington, Escanaba (MI) (906)789-0140	Dancebar	Wed/Thur 8pm Fri/Sat 6pm	Men & Women	Pool , Darts	Popular bar in the UP. Co-owner Bill Popps spins progressive dance music weekends. Occasional shows. Lots of theme parties.	
Crossroads Bar W6642 Hwy B, Lake Mills (414)648-8457	Bar		Men & Women			

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D's Place 4025 N Port Washington Rd Milwaukee (414)962-9487	Women's Bar	3 pm -Cl.	Women	Jukebox, Pool	Saturday Night Jams with DJ Sandra Silk	
DISH 235 S. 2nd Street Milwaukee (414) 273-DISH	Party House	3 pm except closed Mon.	Women	Pool, Gameroom	A new night spot/party house for women. Cool atmosphere, hip music and beautiful bartenders.	
Diversions 1413 Green Valley Rd, Neenah (920)725-3374	Dancebar	Open 2pm	Men & Women	Pool, Darts Jukebox	Dancebar serving Oshkosh & Fox Valley. From Green Bay on US 41 take Breezewood exit then west frontage road south for 2 miles. DJ spins Wed, Fri. & Sat. Huge club!	
Emeralds Lounge 801 E Hadley St, Milw. (414) 265-7325	Lounge	Open 4pm Sun 2pm	Men & Women	Pool, Darts Jukebox	Newly Opened	
Geraldine's 3052 E. Washington Madison (608)241-9335	Dancebar	M-F 5pm Sat/Sun 3pm	Men & Women	Darts, Jukebox pool	Madison's biggest dance floor. Volleyball court & patio bar. DJ's Fri & Sat.. Sandwiches, hamburgers omelets & more served.	
In Between 625 S. Second Milw. (414)273-2693	Bar	Open 11pm	Men	Darts, Jukebox,	Located halfway between La Cage and Club 219. Friendly neighborhood bar.	
Glass Menagerie 124 N. Water, Milwaukee (414)347-1962	Restaurant	Open 9pm	Men & Women		A Milwaukee classic. Outdoor patio summers. Main dining room enclosed in a glass solarium. Menu ranges from sandwiches to fancy dinners. Sunday brunch is a regular feature.	
Grubb's Pub 807 S 2nd, Milw. (414)384-8330	Restaurant	Open 8pm Fri Sat, Sun, Mon	Men & Women	Pool, Darts Jukebox, Pinball	In the lower level below La Cage, this bar serves up hamburgers and the like. Nice decor, and a quiet break from the dance floors above.	
Java's 1106 Main, Green Bay (920)435-5476	Lounge	Open 7pm	Men & Women	Darts, Pool Jukebox, games	Second floor above ZA's. Captures an 1890's Victorian bar room look & feel. A quiet break from the dance floor below. Free pool & darts Mondays brings a crowd.	
JoDee's 2139 Racine St, Racine (414)634-9804	Dancebar/ Showbar	Mon-Fri 4pm Sat/Sun 1pm	Men & Women	Darts, Jukebox Pool	A longtime fixture in Racine! This lounge regularly features live shows & pageants. Nice, friendly atmosphere. DJ Saturdays, Off street parking, Courtyard	
JT's Bar and Grill 1506 N. 3rd Superior (715)-394-2580	Dancebar	Open 4 pm	Men & Women	Darts	Features dancing with a DJ on Fri & Sat. Karaoke every Thursday.	
Just Us 807 South 5th, Milw. (414)383-2233	Dancebar	Mon-Thur 2pm Fri-Sun Noon	Men & Women	Pool, Darts Jukebox	Milwaukee's finest "Mixed" G/L bar. Smoke-Free Lounge off main bar. Enclosed courtyard, Buffet & Meeting Facilities. Occasional Shows.	
Kathy's Nut Hut 1500 W Scott, Milwaukee (414)647-2673	Bar	Open 2pm	Men & Women			
Kirby's Klub 121 W Main Madison (608)251-1030	Dancebar	Open 8 pm	Men & Women	Jukebox, Pool, Darts	Just opened in what was formerly Scandals building. Now gay owned & operated. Features backroom dance floor, pool hall & sitting room with a fireplace.	
LaCage 801S 2nd, Milwaukee (414)383-8330	Video Dancebar	Tue-Sun 10pm	Men & Women		Milwaukee's Premier Video Dance Bar has been completely redone! Music ranges from alternative to mainstream dance. Hot young crowd.	

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MAD (Manoeuvres After Dark) 150 S Blair, Madison (608)258-9918	Leather Bar	Open 9 pm	Men	Pooltable	Back bar room of Manoeuvres for men. Popular with leather community.	
Mama Roux Bar & Grill 1875 N. Humboldt, Milw. (414)347-0344	Bar & Grill	Open 3pm	Men & Women	Jukebox	Popular east side hangout. Occasional live music featured.	
Manoeuvres 150 S. Blair St. Madison (608)258-9918	Video Dancebar	Open 4pm Sun 3pm	Men & Women	Jukebox, Darts	Dance & Video Bar with one of the largest screens in Madison. Tony Ritschard DJs most nites. Pageants, Sunday Drag shows and male dancers regularly featured.	
The Main 1217 Tower Ave Superior, WI (715)392-1756	VideoDance Bar	3pm Daily	Men & Women	Jukebox, pool, darts, games	Friendly, safe atmosphere. Video DJ weekends. Downtown location w/ accomodations next door. Gay owned/operated. Tournament Megatouch, Internet Access!	
The Milwaukee Eagle 3rd & Juneau (414)273-6900	Leather Bar Dancebar	8pm	Leather Levi	Darts & Pooltable	(formerly Unicorn Club) in the Sydney Hi Building. Caters to the Leather crowd, but open to all. Seperate room called Golden Shaft Club. Dancefloor open w/ DJ Thurs-Sun	
M&M Club 124 N Water, Milw. (414)347-1962	Lounge	Open 11am	Men & Women	Fireplace, Piano	Great happy hour bar. Always something going on. Piano lounge singers; Singsational regularly performs for an enthusiastic crowd.	
Napalese 515 S Broadway, Green Bay (920)432-9646	Lounge	Open 3pm	Men & Women	Jukebox, Darts Pool	A place to come & meet new & old friends, relaxing atmosphere, monthly shows. Private room available for meetings & parties.	
The Office 513 East State Rockford, IL (815)965-0344	Dancebar		Men & Women			
OZ 320 Washington St, Wausau (715)842-3225	Dancebar	7pm except Sun 4pm	Men & Women	Jukebox, Pool, darts	DJ/VJ spins dance music on Friday & Saturdays. Mixed men & women. Formerly Madhatter.	
OZONE 1014 Charles St Rockford, IL (815)964-9663	Dancebar	Mon-Sat 5-2 Sun 12-12	Men & Women	Pool-Jukebox Darts	DJ Dancing Friday & Saturday, Wed. Karaoke at 9pm	
Platwood Club 1730 Highway 10W, Stevens Point (715)341-8862	Dancebar	Thur,Fri,Sat 9pm	Men & Women	Pool Darts	3 Miles West of Stevens Point	
Players 218 Main, La Crosse (608)782-9279	Bar	Open 4pm	Men & Women	Jukebox, Darts	A theater bar with a great decor. DJ Fri, Sat & Sun, Schreeder-James Quartet 8-11pm Sun playing Jazz & standards. Very Gay Friendly	
Rascals Bar & Grill 702 E. Wis., Appleton (920)954-9262	Bar / Grill	Mon-Fri 4pm Noon Sat/Sun	Men & Women	Darts, Jukebox	Comfortable & relaxing serving sandwiches & occasional brunches. Food served early eve. Busy later featuring mostly men all ages. Background music with Jukebox avail.	
Renez Co-Z Corner II 3500 W Park Hill (I94 & 35th) Milw (414)933-RENE	Dancebar		Men & Women			
Sass 840 S. Broadway, Green Bar (920)437-7277	Dancebar	Closed Mon Tue-Thur 6pm Fri-Sun 5pm	Women & Men	Pool, Jukebox, Darts	Both men & women welcome, but favored by the women. Pool table, darts, DJ Friday & Saturdays. Occasional shows.	