

# QUEST

Volume 15 Issue 8 May 29 - June 18, 2008

**You Can't Keep  
A Good Queen Down!**

**Kevin Aviance**

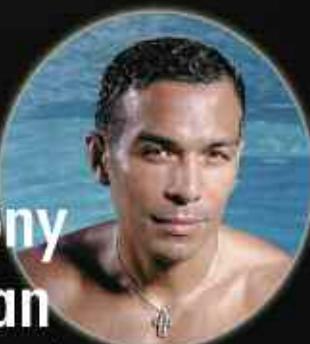
**Performing Live**

**Sunday June 8**

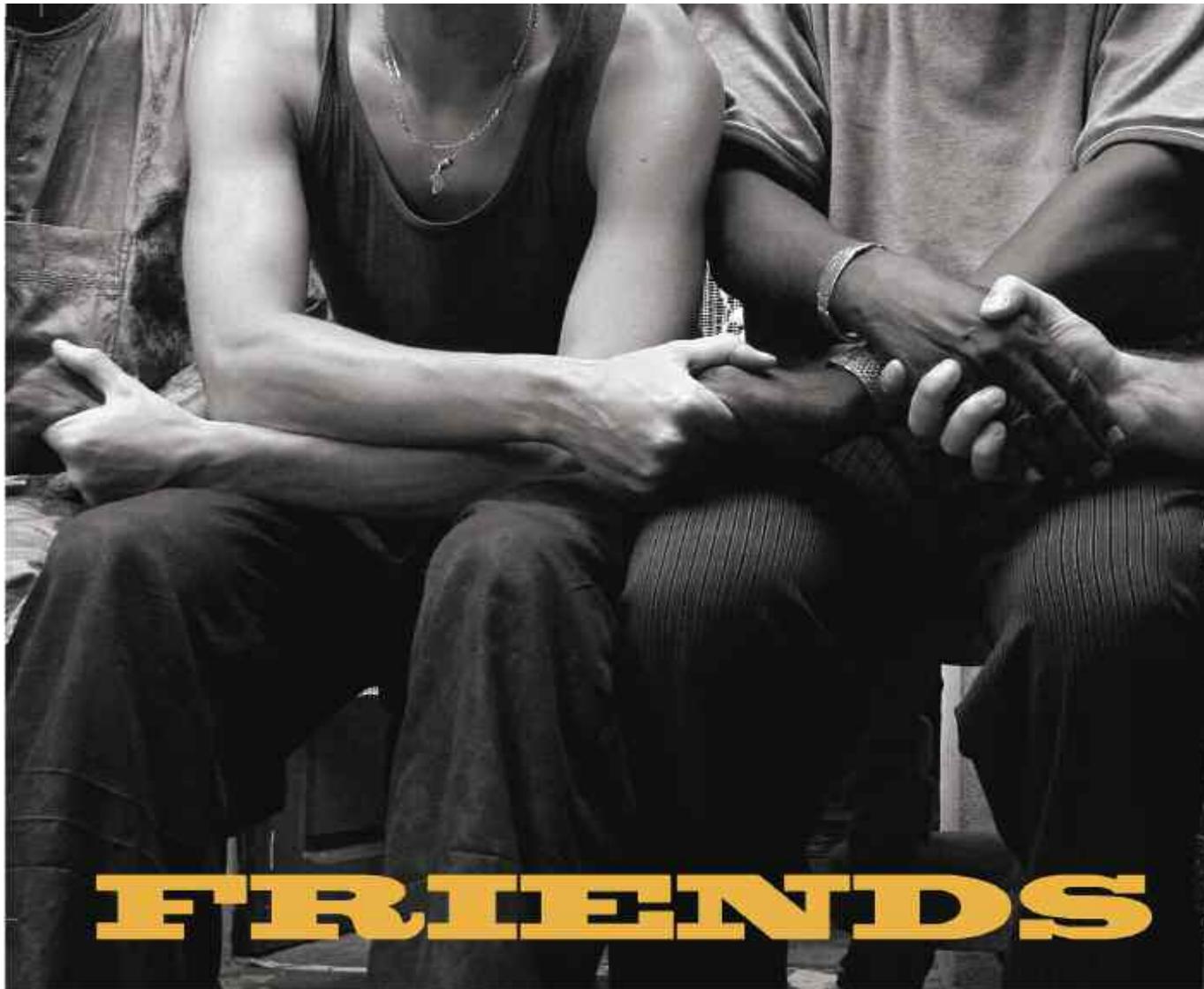


Also  
**DJ Tony  
Moran**

Saturday June 7  
See our feature inside



International nightlife superstar Kevin Aviance performs live Sunday, June 8th. Kevin will also speak at PrideFest's opening ceremony Friday, June 6th about the brutal hate crime he suffered in 2006 and his journey to renewal.



# **FRIENDS**

## **GET TESTED TOGETHER**

Bring your friends and get tested for HIV at BESTD Clinic. It's free and it's fast, with no names and no needles. We also provide free STD testing, exams, and treatment. Staffed totally by volunteers and supported by donations, BESTD has been doing HIV outreach since 1987. We're open:

- Mondays 6 PM–8:30 PM: Free HIV & STD testing
- Tuesdays 6 PM–8:30 PM: Free HIV & STD testing & STD diagnosis & treatment

Some services only available for men. Visit our Web site for details.

Brady East STD Clinic • [www.bestd.org](http://www.bestd.org)

1240 E. Brady Street • Milwaukee, WI 53202 • 414-272-2144

**BESTD**  
CLINIC

## ON THE COVER – Top Stories

### KEVIN AVIANCE TO OPEN, CLOSE PRIDEFEST

**Milwaukee** - He's had four #1 dance hits top the Billboard charts. His brutal gay bashing stunned the LGBT world in 2006. His valiant comeback from his serious injuries have been an inspiration for his legions of fans. Performer, musician, illusionist, designer and all around "force of nature" Kevin Aviance will share both his story and his art in both the opening and closing hours of PrideFest here June 6-8.

For those unfamiliar with Kevin Aviance, it is likely that they have never stepped foot into a dance club anywhere in the

world in the last decade. With two albums under his designer belts, those four #1 Billboard Dance hits, nearly a dozen groundbreaking music videos and a fan base stretching from New York to Tokyo, Kevin Aviance is a force that cannot be denied. His innovative, gender bending avant-garde style has made him a "style icon" in the world of high fashion, his chart topping dance hits and energetic, commanding and innovative live performances have made him a "dance icon" in the international dance music scene, and his proud presence and political activism solidified his status as a "gay icon" for the global gay community.

Aviance's darker journey made headlines two years ago. On June 11, 2006 he was attacked after leaving the Phoenix, a trendy East Village club in lower Manhattan by a group yelling anti-gay slurs. A group of six or seven men attacked Aviance and passers-by did not stop to help as they threw objects at him. Aviance suffered a broken jaw in the attack that required emergency surgery. Despite his injuries, Aviance insisted on appearing in the city's gay pride parade later that month. Four people were arrested and were later convicted on hate-crime charges.

Kevin will share his story during the opening cer-

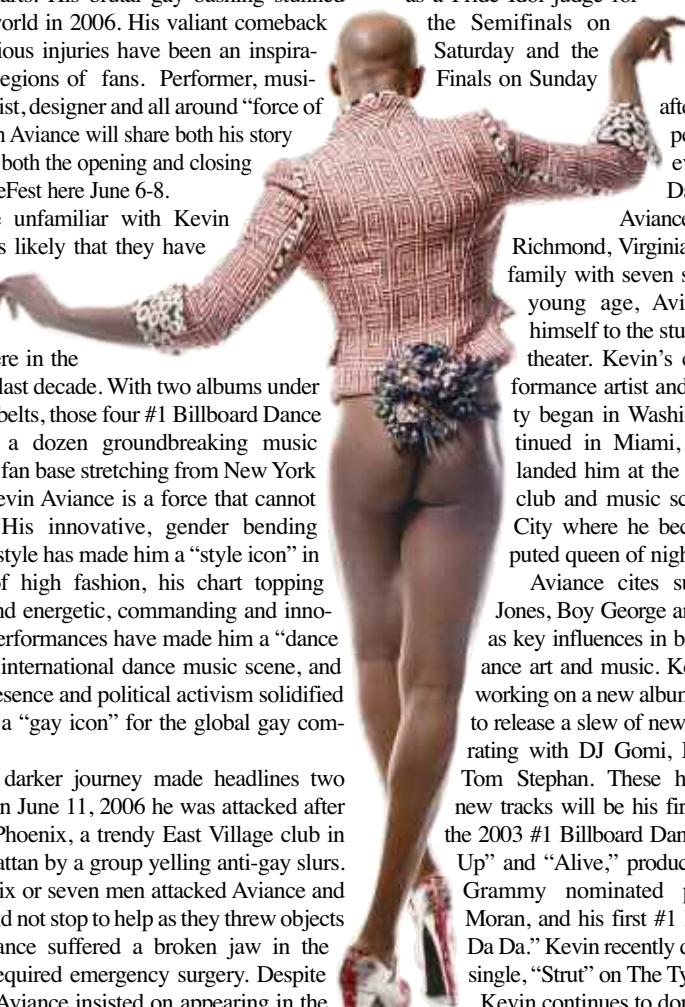
emony at PrideFest Friday night. He also will serve as a Pride Idol judge for the Semifinals on Saturday and the Finals on Sunday

afternoon. He will perform Sunday evening in the Dance Pavilion.

Aviance was raised in Richmond, Virginia, in a close-knit family with seven siblings. From a young age, Aviance dedicated himself to the study of music and theater. Kevin's career as a performance artist and club personality began in Washington DC, continued in Miami, and eventually landed him at the epicenter of the club and music scene: New York City where he became the undisputed queen of nightlife.

Aviance cites superstars Grace Jones, Boy George and David Bowie as key influences in both his performance art and music. Kevin is currently working on a new album and gearing up to release a slew of new singles collaborating with DJ Gomi, Mike Cruz, and Tom Stephan. These hotly anticipated new tracks will be his first releases since the 2003 #1 Billboard Dance hits, "Give It Up" and "Alive," produced by two time Grammy nominated producer Tony Moran, and his first #1 hit, 1997's "Din Da Da." Kevin recently debuted his latest single, "Strut" on The Tyra Banks Show.

Kevin continues to donate his energies and time to the fight against HIV/AIDS and the fight for human rights. His bookend appearances at this year's PrideFest will only serve to reinforce the festival's 2008 theme: "Live. Love. Be."



### FALLOUT FROM CALIFORNIA GAY MARRIAGE RULING CONTINUES

Dobson's "SpongeBob" Defense Team Asks Court To Stay Implementation Pundit Claims Decision May Secure Presidency For McCain

**Sacramento** - Two weeks following the California Supreme Court's landmark May 15 ruling to overturn the Golden State's gay marriage ban, the fallout from the 4-3 decision continues.

Celebrity couples from *Ellen & Portia De Rossi* and *Star Trek's "Sulu"* George Takei and his 21-year partner Brad Altman have joined the not-so-famous in planning their nuptials - currently set to begin June 16.

Pundits, social and political, from left, right and middle, have pored over and pontificated on the massive 72-page document that derailed every argument the Religious Right had put forth over the last decade and a half: gay marriage was not a "special right;" marriage is not solely for procreation; and there was no meaningful "slippery slope" toward depravity if same sex couples were allowed to wed.

Indeed the majority opinion, penned by Chief Justice Ronald M. George, had declared that any law that discriminates on the basis of sexual orientation will from this point on be constitutionally suspect in California in the same way as laws that discriminate by race or gender, making the state's high court the first in the nation to adopt such a stringent standard. The decision had been a bold surprise from a moderately conservative, Republican-dominated court that legal scholars have long dubbed "cautious." Judicial experts believe the ruling was likely to influence other courts around the country.

That doesn't mean opponents of equality will not try their best to undo what they perceive as "profound damage" to so-called "traditional marriage." A ballot initiative to add an amendment banning same sex marriage to the state's constitution was already apace, with signatures turned in, reviewed and approved in numbers sufficient to cause a

## Out & Proud Year 'Round

**Proud PrideFest Vendor/Sponsor Since 1993**

**10th Annual PrideFest Weekend Book Sale 3 Days Only: Friday, June 6th – Sunday, June 8th**



**OUTWORDS**  
BOOKS, GIFTS & COFFEE

Hours: Mon-Wed 11am - 7 pm Thurs-Sat 11am - 9 pm Sun Noon - 6 pm

Visit us on Myspace: <http://www.myspace.com/outwordsbooks>

2710 N. Murray Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53211 (414)963-9089

[www.outwordsbooks.com](http://www.outwordsbooks.com)



**Hot  
New  
T-Shirts  
In  
Stock  
Now!**

November vote. Moments after the ruling was announced Catholic bishops and faith-based "family" groups denounced the decision. So-called "social conservatives" vowed legal moves to blunt the gay ban's overturning.

On May 22, the Alliance Defense Fund, founded by James Dobson and infamous for claiming cartoon character SpongeBob SquarePants was turning tots gay, asked the California Supreme Court to put a hold on the ruling. The maneuver is now likely to push the first gay weddings into at least mid-July and possibly August because of routine procedural delays.

The out-of-state legal group's key argument: the ruling should be stayed until after the November elections, when voters are most probably will consider a ballot initiative that would amend the state constitution to ban gay marriage, effectively overruling the court and undoing any same-sex marriages already conducted.

Historically, California's Supreme Court seldom has agreed to reconsider its rulings. However, Alliance attorneys feel their argument for a "temporary freeze to avoid legal chaos" might be the exception that proves the rule. "What we're doing essentially is asking the court to maintain the status quo," Alliance attorney Glen Lavy told reporter Howard Mintz of the *San Jose Mercury News*.

Top court officials have indicated that the Alliance legal team's request will be addressed no later than August, meaning couples will have three months to wed before the November election if the justices refuse to stay their ruling.

A spokesman for Attorney General Jerry Brown said state officials would not back the request for a stay. The state defended the law in the Supreme Court, but Brown and Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger both said last week that they would respect the outcome of the ruling.

The Alliance Defense Fund's challenge has already caused some confusion. Following the request, Secretary of State Debra Bowen and the state's legislative counsel issued statements saying that the court's ruling giving gay couples the right to wed does not impact the legal rights of registered domestic partners. Bowen said her office has been getting dozens of calls each day and wanted to assure same-sex couples that getting married would not jeopardize their domestic partnership status.

While the future impact of the California court's ruling may have left doubts in the minds of gay couples eager to wed, the rulings' impact of another landmark event - the first election of an incumbent-free Presidential race in a half century - was also mulled by political scientists. Peter Brown of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute, writing in the *Wall Street Journal* May 19 thinks the ruling may have just handed the election to the presumptive Republican nominee John McCain.

"Senator John McCain's presidential campaign, facing the most anti-Republican mood

Three Strikes Productions Presents

# MISS BREW CITY

Wisconsin USofA Pageant 2008

MONA's  
Milwaukee's Out N About Post

Hosted By  
Candi Stratton

Featuring  
Miss Gay WI USofA 2008  
Christina Chase

Miss WI Continental Plus 2008  
Janice Colby

Miss City Of Festivals WI USofA 2008  
Betty Boop

Miss Cosmopolitan WI USofA 2008  
Toi Divine

Sunday June 29th

@ MONA's  
Milwaukee's Out N About  
1407 S. 1st Street

Miss Brew City Wisconsin USofA Is A Preliminary Pageant To The Miss Gay Wisconsin USofA Pageant Held This Autumn In Milwaukee WI

**\$300 Cash Prize**  
~ \$150 Night Of Win & \$150 Night Of Step Down ~

Categories

Blue Presentation **Not Judged** - Interview, Evening Gown, Talent  
\$35 Entry Fee - Registration @ 7pm - Interview Starts @ 7:30pm  
Showtime @ 9pm - \$5 Cover - Must Be Over 21 With ID.

fm: Contact Kenny & Kelvin @ [threestrikesprod@yahoo.com](mailto:threestrikesprod@yahoo.com) Or  
Check Out [www.m-o-n-a-s.com](http://www.m-o-n-a-s.com) & [myspace/clubmonas.com](http://myspace/clubmonas.com)

Miss Brew City Wisconsin USofA Pageant Is Sponsored By:  
MONA's - Milwaukee's Out N About & Three Strikes Productions

since Watergate, may have finally caught a break," Brown wrote. "It's not enough to change the election by itself, but the California Supreme Court may have handed him an issue from which he can profit."

"By overturning a ban on gay marriage that was approved by 61% of California voters, the judges have helped revive an emotional issue that seems likely to work to Senator McCain's benefit and to Senator Barack Obama's detriment," Brown continued.

"Until now Senator McCain has opposed gay marriage," Brown noted. "His immediate reaction after the decision was to castigate the court for overruling the will of the people..."

Brown then pointed out the problem faced by McCain's opponent. "...Senator Obama, the almost-certain Democratic nominee, has less wiggle room. He favors civil unions - unlike

Senator McCain - and says the legality of gay marriage should be up to the states." To Brown, it was advantage McCain.

However in the first new poll released since the California ruling, the number suggest Brown may be mistaken. A new poll released today in California finds political momentum shifting dramatically toward Barack Obama - and away from both Hillary Clinton and John McCain - in the nation's most populous state. According to the May 23 results of a survey conducted over the past 10 days by the Public Policy Institute of California, 59% of likely voters here now have a "favorable" impression of Democrat Obama, while a majority view both of the other candidates unfavorably. 51% of voters now say they have an unfavorable opinion of Clinton while 53% percent of voters feel the same way about McCain.

## MICHIGAN SUPREMES: MARRIAGE BAN AMENDMENT NIXES DP BENEFITS

Lansing - The Michigan Supreme Court ruled May 7 that public employers are barred from providing health care benefits to the partners of gay and lesbian employees.

The 5-2 ruling found that an amendment to the Michigan Constitution approved by voters in 2004 to define marriage as the union of one man and one woman also applied to employee benefits. Specifically, the court found that language in the amendment prohibiting recognition of other unions "for any purpose" effectively bans same-sex partner benefits.

In providing benefits to same-sex domestic partners, employers recognize those relationships in a way indistinguishable from the way a marriage is recognized, the court majority found.

There is likely to be no immediate impact from the ruling because public employers in Michigan who had offered such benefits already had changed their policies to ensure their employees' partners would remain covered. But lawyers and gay rights advocates said the ruling has sent a "devastating" signal about the state's attitude toward gays, lesbians and their children.

"I think it's a sad day in Michigan when we decide which children and families are valuable enough to

cover," Tom Patrick, a plaintiff in the lawsuit, told the *Detroit Free Press*.

Other states are also grappling with whether marriage amendments passed in their states apply to same-sex benefits, though currently no case has been filed in Wisconsin. Efforts to pass a federal constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriages recently resumed following the California Supreme Court decision overturning that state's Proposition 22 gay marriage ban.

The immediate practical impact of the Michigan ruling is not expected to be dramatic. Although no precise figures were ever compiled, same-sex benefit policies were available at a limited number of public employers before the amendment was adopted. The most prominent among them, the University of Michigan and Michigan State, have since revised their policies in ways that avoided cutting benefits to same-sex couples.

Nationally, the Michigan ruling is unlikely to have wide implications because it was based on the specific language of the state's amendment. Amendment authors inserted the "for any purpose" language because in other states, advocates for gay rights allegedly had exploited loopholes in statutes and amendments.

## FEDERAL JUDGE: GAY PRIDE SYMBOLS OKAY TO WEAR TO SCHOOL

Ponce De Leon, Florida - A 17 year old junior at Ponce De Leon High School won her "gay pride" lawsuit here May 13.

Judge Richard Smoak of the United States District Court, Northern District of Florida, Panama City Division, issued an order that forces the school to stop its unconstitutional censorship of students who want to express their support for the fair and equal treatment of gay people. The judge also warned the district not to retaliate against students over the lawsuit.

"Freedom of speech for every person and every idea is one of the bedrock principles on which America was founded," Christine Sun, a staff attorney with the ACLU national Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Project, said following the ruling. "Censorship reflects a deep lack of faith in the American system, and it teaches students exactly the wrong lesson on what America is about. We are thrilled that the court in this case made the importance of students' First Amendment rights so completely clear."

Heather Gillman sued after the school's principal and the Holmes County School Board prohibited

# "Summer of Love"\*

2008

June 20, 21 & 22

Carl Whitford's Hobby Farm

2527 County Road MM

Sturgeon Bay, WI. 54235

30 minutes from Green Bay  
2.5 hours from Milwaukee  
3.5 hours from Chicago



HORSEBACK RIDING  
(KURTZ CORRAL)

BONFIRE COOKOUTS



FREE CAMPING (FRI, SAT, SUN)



SHOWERS & UTILITIES PROVIDED!

FOOD & COCKTAILS

CARL'S FAMOUS FISH BOIL (SATURDAY)

"Join us for a Nostalgic weekend at Carl Whitford's 8 Acre hobby farm in southern Door County. Come as early as Friday afternoon and set up your campsite for the weekend! Meet friends from around the state and enjoy the relaxation with a few cocktails. Bring all the necessary supplies you would normally take camping, showers and utilities will be provided at the farm. The fun lasts all weekend! This is FREE for everyone, donations will be accepted for the fish boil on Saturday and drinks. Commuting guests who like to get inebriated will need to have a designated driver or plan to stay over."

Hosted by Carl & Freddy Call for info - 920-743-4207

students from wearing clothing or putting stickers on their books that show support for the fair treatment of gays and lesbians.

School Board Superintendent Steve Griffin had claimed that the District did not restrict gay pride slogans and symbols until they "caused a disturbance in school, thus violating School Board policy."

Ponce de Leon High School principal David Advise also admitted under oath that he had banned students from wearing any clothing or symbols supporting equal rights for gay people. Advise also testified that he believed rainbows were "sexually suggestive" and would make students unable to study because they'd be picturing gay sex acts in their mind. The principal went on to admit that while censoring rainbows and gay pride messages he allowed students to wear other symbols many find controversial, such as the Confederate flag.

Student witnesses say many students wore shirts, made posters, and wrote gay slogans and drew rainbows on their arms and face. Those students were suspended for five days.

### **BRAVO TOPS SURVEY OF GAY-FRIENDLY COMPANIES**

**Los Angeles** - Cable channel Bravo and iPod maker Apple have emerged as the most "gay-friendly" companies in the United States, according to a recent survey from Prime Access and PlanetOut. Four of the five top-ranked brands were from the media and technology sectors. Following Bravo and Apple, were Showtime and HBO.

52% of gay consumers polled recognized Bravo, which has aired series such as *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy*, *Project Runway* and *Working Out*, as gay-friendly. Bravo also was perceived as highly gay-friendly by 28% of straight consumers.

Among gay consumers, Apple finished second with a 39% score, followed by Showtime (35%) and HBO (34%). The list was rounded out by non-media companies including Absolut, Levi's and American Express.

### **STUDY: NEARLY 1 IN 4 GAY AND LESBIAN PATIENTS LACK HEALTH INSURANCE**

**Washington, D.C.** - According to a recent national survey conducted by Harris Interactive, nearly one in four gay and lesbian adults lack health insurance and are nearly twice as likely as their heterosexual counterparts to have no health insurance coverage. When asked, 22% of gay and lesbian survey respondents reported having no health insurance, compared to only 12% of heterosexual adults in the survey.

"We know the problem of the uninsured has reached crisis proportions in this country and, unfortunately, this survey shows that the LGBT community is today at greater risk. What LGBT households and all Americans deserve and need is affordable access to quality health care that results in positive outcomes and facilitates prevention, wellness and chronic care coordination," Peter Francel CEBS, Head of Sales-Product Group for Aetna said. "We must step up all efforts to serve



# **After 24 years RSE Video is GOING OUT OF BUSINESS**

## **\$\$One Million Dollars in Inventory \$\$ LIQUIDATION! PRICES SLASHED EVEN LOWER!!!**

### **ADULT DVD & VHS MOVIES**

**10 FOR \$29**  
Reg. \$9.95 - \$12 ea.  
1000's to Choose From!  
Brand New!  
Rental Inventory 60% off!

### **GENERAL MOVIES DVD & VHS & GAMES**

**60% OFF**  
Lowest Marked Price  
Reg. \$4 & up

## **EVERYTHING GOES!! Including Fixtures & Equipment**

the uninsured and take the lead in transforming our health care system for not only our LGBT members but all those who are not covered by health insurance today."

When asked about factors that influence their likelihood to consider specific health insurers, almost the same number of gay and lesbian adults said that it was important to them that the health insurance company provide domestic partner health coverage for companies to whom they supply health insurance (85%) and to their own employees (84%).

Also, 79% of gay and lesbian adults also reported that seeing a print advertisement for a health insurance company that provides information about insurance products and speaks to gay per-

sons with images of gay and lesbian people would be an important factor on their likelihood of considering the company's health insurance products.

"Studies consistently show that gay and lesbian consumers are far more likely to focus their spending on companies that sensitively and specifically reach out to them," Colleen Dermody, Vice President of Witeck-Combs Communications noted. "LGBT consumers place a high value on brands, including health insurance companies, that earn and grow respect within the community. LGBT consumers are among the most motivated to 'vote' with their dollars and to seek out brands they believe to be very friendly and supportive of the LGBT community."

## GAY MARRIAGE BAN CHALLENGE HEARING SET FOR MAY 30

Madison - Though all eyes may seem to be on the recent California Supreme Court ruling overturning that state's gay marriage ban proposition, attention may soon turn back to Wisconsin where a married Oshkosh professor's one-man battle to challenge the Badger State's so-called "protection of marriage" amendment will shortly have its day in court. Dane County Judge Richard Neiss has scheduled oral arguments on May 30 on what remains of William McConkey's one-time *pro se* lawsuit: whether the referendum on the fall 2006 ballot asked two questions rather than one.

McConkey now has attorneys Tamara Packard and Lester Pines from the Madison law firm Cullen, Weston, Pines & Bach advocating his position along with the support of Fair Wisconsin. Packard submitted her 13-page argument in support of McConkey's position to the court May 19.

In the brief, a copy of which was obtained by *Quest*, Packard argued the state legislature violated Article XII of the state constitution, which specifically requires all referenda put to the voters to contain single questions only.

Packard wrote that the two questions contained in the marriage ban amendment - defining marriage and prohibiting legal recognition of civil unions - were not sufficiently interrelated and failed to pass an earlier Wisconsin Supreme Court ruling invalidating another multi-part referendum identified by Packard at the Hudd Test.

Packard also wrote that the issue in front of the court is how the ballot was offered to the voters, not the meaning of the amendment as perceived by proponents and opponents of the marriage and civil union issues.

Packard also argued that how other supreme courts in other states decided lawsuits about the wording of their marriage referenda was irrelevant as the question for Wisconsin courts is how the wording of Article XII impacts the questions presented in the 2006 marriage amendment ballot. "The interpretation of our Constitution should be based only on the laws and policies of this State," Packard wrote. "The constitutions, laws and policies of Georgia, Louisiana and Florida have no relevance here."

Though it could take up to 90 days following the hearing for Judge Neiss to issue a ruling, Packard believes it is also possible he might issue a ruling May 30. "The newer judges, because of the way they are trained these days, do tend to rule from the bench," Packard told *Capital Times* reporter Judith Davidoff. "That's great for litigants because we then keep things moving, we know what's going on and we don't have to sit around waiting."

If Neiss rules in McConkey's favor, the amendment would be considered overturned. However Wisconsin Attorney General J. B. Van Hollen, who has argued against McConkey's suit on behalf of the Department of Justice, is expected to appeal such a decision to the state Supreme Court.

According to Packard, Wisconsin's high court has only decided on referendum questions three times in the past 124 years. Two referenda were thrown out.

# \$18.88 UNLIMITED TANNING

\*SIGN-UP FEES MAY APPLY

### UNLIMITED SURF CLUB MEMBERSHIP

MONTH BY MONTH, ONLY \$18.88 FOR  
LEVEL 2, \$28.88 FOR LEVEL 3  
AND WE MEAN UNLIMITED

NO 12 MINUTE LIMIT LIKE OTHER  
SALONS. FULL TAN TIME!

AUTO-PAY EACH MONTH ON THE 1ST  
AUTOMATIC PAYMENT VIA CREDIT OR  
DEBIT CARD, NO CHECKING ACCOUNT  
NEEDED!

NO LONG TERM CONTRACT

CANCEL ANYTIME, NO LONG-TERM  
CONTRACT TO SIGN!

SURF CLUB MEMBERSHIP NOT FOR YOU? CHECK OUT THESE OTHER PACKAGES!

LEVEL 2: BUY ONE MONTH AT \$49 GET SECOND FOR HALF PRICE.

BUY 10 VISITS FOR \$50 (180 MINUTES WORTH)

BUY 15 VISITS FOR \$60 (270 MINUTES WORTH)

BUY 20 VISITS FOR \$70 (360 MINUTES WORTH)

LEVEL 3 JUST ADD \$10 MORE PER PACKAGE

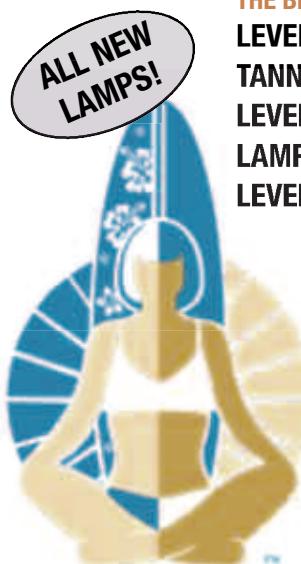
### THE BEDS

LEVEL 2: 18 MINUTE BED WITH BRONZING LEG  
TANNERS AND TRIPLE HERAEUS FACE TANNERS.

LEVEL 3: 8 MINUTE STANDUP WITH DEEP BRONZING  
LAMPS FOR QUICK COLOR.

LEVEL 4: 30 MINUTE HIGH PRESSURE MASSAGE BED.

GREEN BAY'S ONLY "FAMILY" OWNED TANNING STUDIO



PACIFIC  
TANNING  
COMPANY

1722 MAIN STREET, EAST GREEN BAY • 920.469.1501

myspace.com/pacifictanningco

## WISCONSIN HATE CRIMES ON THE RISE

**Madison, Milwaukee** - Hate crimes have nearly doubled in Wisconsin over the last decade according to recently released FBI statistics. Bureau statistics show that 43 cases were reported in 1996. In 2006, the most recent year for which statistics are available, there were 84 reported.

In a recent interview Madison Jewish Community Council Executive Director Steven Morrison admitted that he was surprised by the increase. "There's been distribution of hate literature in the last few years from various neo-Nazi groups - not necessarily directed only at Jews," Morrison told Milwaukee Public Radio reporter Ann-Elise Henzl May 8. "The literature is directed at Jews, but left at homes of a variety of different kinds of people. We get reports of anti-Semitic phone calls,"

Morrison said.

Madison's synagogue was recently vandalized twice, according to Morrison. "On April 25 two very large swastikas appeared on the front door of Beth Israel Center," he said. "And then either that same time or perhaps sometime during the weekend on a brick on the same side of the building on Mound Street here in Madison, the smaller swastika along with the words 'Die Jew.'"

In addition to racial and religious minorities, the LGBT community also has been victimized by hate crimes. Some consider the April 2007 murder of a Madison man to be hate inspired. Bret T. Turner's death was one of seventeen victims cited during last November's Transgender Day Of Remembrance. Turner had been

found stabbed 14 times. His attacker received a thirty year sentence in a plea deal.

Meighan Bentz of the anti-violence project at the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center detailed the types of reports the project regularly receives for the Milwaukee Public Radio report. "We see hate crimes involving damage to property, graffiti. We also get reports about assault, physical, sexual assault - very violent in nature - and then a lot of verbal abuse. It really is unfortunate and it puts people in a position of feeling vulnerable and not safe," Bentz said.

The increase in the Badger State's hate crimes may in part be the result of more visible activities by extremist hate groups. OutReach director Steve Starkey was recently contacted by openly gay Madison Police officer Alix Olson about plans by the neo-Nazi group the National Socialist Movement to hold a June 7 protest at the main gate of the Henry B. Maier festival grounds. Organizers for both PrideFest and the Milwaukee Pride Parade were subsequently advised of the event. Both groups have alerted the Milwaukee Police Department about the demonstration.

Police will also have to deal with a planned counter-protest by two Milwaukee-based groups - the self styled "radical transfolk and queer" organization Bash Back! Milwaukee and the Milwaukee Anti-Racist Action. In addition to the counter-protest, Bash Back! Milwaukee announced a June 6 training session and offered housing for counter-protesters in a May 23 posting on the anarchist website Infoshop News.

PrideFest has commented officially on the issue. In a statement issued to Quest and other LGBT media, festival organizers noted that "PrideFest is a celebration of the strength that diversity brings to our communities. The festival respects the right of all people to express their views and opinions. However, festival organizers are disappointed that individuals may choose our event as an opportunity to promote agendas that focus on hate and discrimination. Our most appropriate response is to make our celebration larger, louder and even more focused on the respect for diversity that is at its core."

Festival organizers also addressed the personal safety issue. "As we do every year, we will work to ensure an excellent experience for all of our patrons and are in close communication with the police and public authorities to ensure that all patrons have easy and safe access to the festival grounds," the announcement concluded.

## RURAL GAY-AFFIRMING EVANGELICAL CHURCH VANDALIZED

**Beecher** - The last thing Pastor Leonard Newlin expected to find when he checked the mail May 22 at his Northern Pines Community Church was a message that some in this rural Marinette County town harbor feelings similar to those that erupted last October in Jena, Louisiana. Hanging from the cross in front of his gay-affirming congregation's building was a toy action figure with a noose around its neck.

"It was a kid's toy but the hangman's knot around the action figure's neck makes me think that it was left there by someone a lot older," Newlin told *Quest* in a phone interview. "I think I'm the only openly gay minister north of Green Bay and everyone around here knows that. I don't think it was a prank."

**Miss Mississippi Valley Wisconsin USofA**

**Friday, June 13th**

**City Brewery Hospitality Center in LaCrosse**

**Holiday Rose Miss Mississippi Valley WI USofA '07**



**Featuring**

**Your Emcee Kylie West Miss WI USofA 2000**



**Christina Chase Miss Wisconsin USofA 2008**



**Wisconsin**

**Usofa Pageant**

**Players Bar**

**After Crowning Celebration at 'Players Bar'**  
**214 Main Street, LaCrosse**

**Don't Miss One of the Hottest Prelims of the Year**

**\*Entry Fee \$35.00**  
**\*Registration at 7:30pm**  
**\*Interview at 8:00pm**  
**• Pageant Begins at 9:00pm**

**For More Information**  
**Contact Tammy & Nick at**  
**(608) 385-3519**  
**or**  
**Reevis\_yoder@yahoo.com**



of the incident because his camera was not digital.

"I'm pretty computer illiterate and it's a half-hour to the nearest Wal-Mart where I can get the film developed," he said. The pastor has promised to send *Quest* a photo via U. S. Mail for future publication.

Newlin said though he was upset by the vandalism, his life partner was even more rattled. "He wants me to keep a loaded gun handy because he's out of town for work a lot," Newlin said.

The nondenominational evangelical Northern Pines Community Church was founded by Newlin seven years ago. At its height the church claimed 35 members, though only about 6-7 currently attend weekly services. "Unfortunately one of our most prominent members passed way last year," Newlin said. "Since he a lot of people have drifted away."

### FAIR WISCONSIN TO PRESENT 1ST ANNUAL LEADERSHIP AWARDS JUNE 16

**Madison** - Congressional Representative Tammy Baldwin and the Fair Wisconsin community will host the statewide civil rights organization's 1st Annual Leadership Awards Monday, June 16 from 5:30-8:30 PM at Samba Brazilian Grill here.

The inaugural event will thank the previous presidents of the board of Fair Wisconsin and the Fair Wisconsin Education Fund. Tickets for the event will be available shortly, and proceeds from the evening will benefit the Fair Wisconsin Education Fund.

FMI, contact Christine Callsen at the Fair Wisconsin office at 608-441-0143. You may also email her at: [ccallsen@fairwisconsin.com](mailto:ccallsen@fairwisconsin.com).

Fair Wisconsin is a statewide organization dedicated to advancing and protecting the civil rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people. They carry out this mission through education, legislative advocacy, grassroots organizing, coalition-building and electoral involvement. These efforts are designed to educate the general voting public, sensitize the media, promote a politically active and effective organizational membership, and better inform policy makers on issues of concern to our members.

### LACROSSE LGBT CENTER TO HIRE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**LaCrosse** - The Board of the 7 Rivers LGBT Resource Center has announced the beginning of the search for an Executive Director for the Center. The job posting will be published in local newspapers and nationally in other media as well. Center members and supporters are encouraged to spread the word and particularly to pass the job posting on to prospective candidates that they might know.

The Board also sent members a letter enclosed in the current edition of the Center's newsletter asking that they help support the efforts at providing the Center with an Executive Director by sending a donation to the Director Fund. Board members Mary O'Sullivan and Francie Ball had previously announced that they are contributing their tax rebate checks to get the Executive Director Fund started. The Board sees the hiring of a full time director the next step in continuing the 7 Rivers Center a major force in the LaCrosse community.

In its solicitation announcement, the Board said: "The LGBT Resource Center provides services to foster understanding and build connections on issues related to sexual orientation and gender identity to the 7 Rivers Region through education,

# Miss Gay Fox Valley



Featuring  
Miss Gay WI USofA 2008  
Christina Chase

Miss Gay Fox Valley  
WI USofA 2008  
Debra "Fox"

**June 21st**



And Your Emcee  
Mabel Kane



Mr. & Miss Club 1226  
Collin Styles &  
Pedie Burgundy

\*\*\*\*\*

Hosted By

Christopher Allans Club 1226  
1226 Oshkosh Avenue Oshkosh WI 54902



For More Information—  
Contact Mabel Kane  
[mamamahellkane@mac.com](mailto:mamamahellkane@mac.com)

- \* Bar Opens at 6:00pm
- \* Registration at 7:15pm
- \* Interview at 7:45pm
- \* Pageant Starts at 10:30pm

events and programming. The Resource Center is a public voice for the LGBT community and its allies throughout the 7 Rivers Region, an area on the Upper Mississippi River known for its bluffs, river access, and natural beauty with bike paths, hiking, canoe and kayaking trails."

"The Resource Center is located in a city population of 52,000 which encourages and embraces diversity. This is a unique opportunity to serve as the first Executive Director. You will be responsible for the administration, staff supervision, fundraising, grant writing, program development, volunteer organization and public relations efforts of the 7 Rivers LGBT Resource Center, under the general direction of the Board of Directors."

"Qualifications for the Director position include a B.A. degree or 2 years of related experience, familiarity with LGBT issues, social activism, and stan-

dard Microsoft Office software. To be considered for this position, please send a resume and letter of application to: LGBT Resource Center for the 7 Rivers Region, Attn: Executive Director Search Committee, P.O. Box 3313, 303 Pearl Street, LaCrosse, WI 54602-3313."

### MIDWEST TRANS YOUTH CONFERENCE HAILED AS "YOUTH PROGRAM OF THE YEAR"

**Milwaukee** —Laura Sorensen and Jay Botsford were recently honored at the Rainbow Alliance for Youth (RAY) Awards in Milwaukee for their work co-organizing the first Midwest Trans Youth Conference. The event was a collaboration between Sorensen, from the Michigan-based Affirmations gay community center and Botsford of Project Q at the Milwaukee LGBT Community

Center. Diverse and Resilient, a youth-serving organization in Wisconsin, named the conference the best program of 2007.

The conference, which focused on community-building, activism, and education, spanned three days and attracted over 60 young people and youth workers from 6 states to Affirmations. Participants attended over 15 workshops around the theme, "Revolutionary Voices, Transforming Choices." Youth were involved with every aspect of the planning process, from picking a host hotel to presenting workshops.

"I was lucky to be part of such an exciting event, helping to bring resources, community, and entertainment to transgender and gender non-conforming youth in the Midwest. These young people often don't have the same access as youth in other parts of the country," Sorensen said.

"It's exciting that our partnership and the hard work of all the youth and volunteers were recognized."

Last year's conference was so successful that Affirmations and Project Q plan to make it an annual event. Youth leaders and youth workers will convene for the 2008 Midwest Trans Youth Conference on November 14-16 in Milwaukee.

Affirmations is the community center for LGBT people and their allies that has been open since 1989 and is located in Detroit suburb of Ferndale. For more information, visit the center's website at: [www.GoAffirmations.org](http://www.GoAffirmations.org). For more information about Milwaukee's Project Q, visit their website at: [www.projectq.org](http://www.projectq.org).

## PRIDE ALIVE FUNDRAISER SET

Appleton - Pride Alive in conjunction with the Harmony Café and Angels of Hope MCC will host a fundraising barbecue and beer bust Sunday, June 22 from 2-7 PM at Rascals Bar & Grill, 702 E. Wisconsin Ave. here. Cost for the beer bust will be \$9. The barbecue dinner will run from 4-6 PM at a cost of \$5 per person. Attendees must be 21 year of age or older to participate.

The event will underwrite the copyright fees for the planned July 11 showings of the film "For the Bible Tells Me So" at the Harmony Café, 124 N. Oneida St. Show times will be 7 and 9 PM and admission is free. The film portrays in a "Dateline NBC" style several stories of how people of different religious beliefs react and interact when they find out they have children who are lesbian or gay.

The film will be the kick-off event for Pride Alive, the northeast Wisconsin festival celebrating the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender community, their friends and allies. The day-long music and cultural festival will run from 11 AM - 9 PM at Joannes Park in Green Bay on July 12.

## ARCW TO HOLD NATIONAL HIV TESTING DAY Activities Throughout Wisconsin

Statewide - The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin (ARCW) will expand hours and locations for HIV testing as part of National HIV Testing Day. National HIV Testing Day is a countrywide effort to encourage people at-risk for HIV infection to receive voluntary testing and counseling on June 27, 2008.

"One of the most important things people can do

to keep themselves healthy and prevent the spread of HIV is to get tested," Paul "Cricket" Jacob, a prevention specialist with ARCW in Green Bay, told *Quest*. "Early detection of HIV enables people to start receiving life saving care and treatment as soon as possible and reduces the likelihood of further transmission of the virus." It is estimated that between 180,000 and 280,000 people are living with HIV in the United States but do not know it.

Today, more than one million people are living with HIV, 6,400 in Wisconsin alone. So far in 2008 there have been 127 confirmed new HIV infections in the state and more than 10,000 since the beginning of the AIDS epidemic in 1983.

"We encourage sexually active gay men, injection drug users who share equipment or people with multiple sexual partners to get tested," Jacob said. "ARCW uses rapid tests that require just a small amount of blood, taken from the finger tip, with results available within 20 minutes."

ARCW has nine locations across Wisconsin where HIV testing is available. To get information about expanded testing hours and additional testing venues in these communities, visit the agency website at: [www.arcw.org](http://www.arcw.org). Information is also available at the Wisconsin HIV/STD/Hepatitis C Information and Referral Center at 1-800-334-2437 or online at: [www.irc-wisconsin.org](http://www.irc-wisconsin.org).

While there is no cure for HIV/AIDS, advancements in medical care and treatment are helping people live long and healthy lives with HIV. HIV care and treatment regimens are most effective and offer the best chance for long-term survival if people who are living with HIV learn their status as soon as possible.

3 RD ANNUAL BEAR BBQ  
www.bc4m.com

YUM!

PRIZES COME ON!  
Saturday 6:00 — ? JUNE 14

RAFFLE SUPPORT ARCW

DRINK SPECIAL LICK YER PAWS!

RASCAL'S PUB & GRILL  
702 E. WISCONSIN ST. APPLETION, WI

Drink Specials Every Night

No Cover Charge

Open at 6 p.m.

Wednesday thru Sunday

Friday, June 13 - Sign up at 9 p.m.

Amateur Night

Sing - Dance - Tell Jokes

Hosted by Pedie Burgundy

Saturday, June 21 - 10:30 p.m.

Miss Gay Fox Valley USofA Pageant

With Special Guest Christina Chase

Featuring Katrina Kay and Mabel Kane

Saturday, June 28

AIDS Walk KickOff

Join us as we begin our fundraising campaign for

AIDS Walk 2008

Show Starts at 10:30 p.m.

## PAUL WILLIAMS LANDS COMMUNICATIONS ROLE AT LGBT CENTER

Milwaukee - The Milwaukee LGBT Community Center has named Paul Williams as its new Director of Communications. Williams, who currently handles public relations for PrideFest will assume begin at the Center June 23.

Williams has been a Milwaukee resident for 21 years and has been active in the local LGBT community in many capacities. He has worked for eight years as Administrator of the Hillside Family Resource Center, a social services center of the Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee. Since 2004, he has served as a Board Director of PrideFest and since 2005 as the festival's Director of Communications, overseeing marketing efforts that have helped establish the festival as one the nation's most unique and fastest-growing LGBT pride events.

Williams previously served as President of the Human Rights League-Political Action Committee, as a Board Director of the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, and a leader of the Milwaukee Domestic Partner Task Force. Prior to his work with the Housing Authority, he worked as a Research Writer for the Medical College of Wisconsin.

Williams holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications from Marquette University. Paul's communication skills will guarantee that Center members and donors have timely and relevant information about Center programs and activities.

## OUTREACH SEEKS 2008 AWARD NOMINATIONS

**Madison** - OutReach has announced that nominations are currently being accepted for the organization's annual leadership awards. Nominations are being solicited for the Man and Woman of the Year, Ally of the Year, Organization of the Year and Volunteer of the year. Nominations may be made at the OutReach website at: [www.outreachinc.com](http://www.outreachinc.com) or by obtaining forms at the agency's office at 600 Williamson St.

Award winners will be announced at the 16th Annual Awards Banquet on Friday, July 18 in the Grand Ballroom of the Monona Terrace. US Representative Tammy Baldwin will be the keynote speaker. Baldwin will be addressing health care issues as they relate to the LGBT communities. Susan Siman of WISC-TV will serve as emcee.

The 2008 banquet's theme will be "35 Years Under the Rainbow," a salute to OutReach's 35th Birthday. Tickets for the event can be purchased by calling OutReach at: 608-255-8582, or stopping at the office.



### 14 YEARS SERVING WISCONSIN'S LGBT COMMUNITY WITH PRIDE!

P.O. Box 1961  
Green Bay, WI 54305  
800-578-3785  
fax 920-405-9527

When sending a fax please call us first to activate machine.

email: [editor@quest-online.com](mailto:editor@quest-online.com)  
[www.quest-online.com](http://www.quest-online.com)

Publisher: Mark Mariucci (ZA)  
Contributors: News Editor: Mike Fitzpatrick  
Columns: Glen Bishop, Uncle Barbie,  
the Leather bois  
Printing /Bindery: Marti, Shawn, Howd, Za  
Photography: Mike Fitzpatrick,  
Milwaukee: William Sharkey  
Madison: Tony Ritschards

Tickets are \$60 per person and \$110 per pair. The agency will also offer a sliding scale, as well as a \$30 rate for students and those living on limited incomes.

## ANGELS OF HOPE TO HOST HIV TESTING DAY

**Green Bay** - The Angels of Hope Metropolitan Community Church, in conjunction with ARCW will host an HIV Testing Day June 22 from 1-4 PM at the church site, 3607 Libal St. here Testing will be done on a first come, first served basis. Refreshments will also be available on site. There is no fixed charge for the rapid antibody testing, and results will be available within 20-30 minutes. Donations either of cash or items for the ARCW food pantry are encouraged. For more information, or directions contact the church at: 920-983-7453.

## MONA'S STIRS UP PRIDE WEEKEND FUN

**Milwaukee** - Those coming to town for PrideFest weekend June 6-8 will find the fun won't end when the festival closes - or before it opens, for that matter. MONA's (Milwaukee's Out 'N About) will feature special music and snacks during the weekend and reprise their legendary Sunday Brunch prior to the Pride Parade Sunday morning.

On Friday & Saturday after PrideFest MONA's will offer non-stop DJs to keep everyone dancing right up until closing time. The club will also offer late night grilling treats - from burgers to brats to soothe those hungry bellies.

Sunday morning MONA's will serve up its infamously decadent AYCE Pride Brunch from 10 AM to - 2 PM. The menu will feature MONA's irresistible cream cheese-stuffed French toast, plus pancakes with fruit toppings, sausage, bacon, eggs, biscuits and sausage gravy, potatoes, toast, bagels, muffins, desserts, and more for the low price of just \$10 per person.

Serenading Sunday brunch crowd will be - fresh from Key West and on his way to Sturgis - singer Scott Yvonne. Scott will be performing outside during the meal. At Noon, 3 Strikes Productions will present drag queens Shawna Love & Betty Boop for a sassy show.

MONA's will have the parking lot set up with an outside bar, a Miller Beer Truck, & tables and chairs so you can enjoy your brunch al fresco, or just savor a cold beer, mimosa, bloody Mary or your favorite libation. It also will be the perfect place to watch the Pride Parade get ready to roll.

MONA's will cap the Pride weekend on Sunday evening with the refreshing sound refreshing sounds of the eclectic al-girl rocker Infinity Is She. The show will start at 7 PM and there is no cover charge.

MONA's is located on the corner of 1st and Greenfield Avenues. For more information about MONA's weekend plans, visit the club's website at: [www.m-o-n-a-s.com](http://www.m-o-n-a-s.com).

## POPULAR NOVELIST NICK POFF TO APPEAR AT OUTWORDS BOOKS

**Milwaukee** - Nick Poff, author of the popular Handyman series is a novelist on the rise and the Outwords Books Gifts & Coffee is pleased to welcome him here Tuesday, June 24 at 7 PM.

Just published is "The Handyman's Promise" (Authorhouse paperback \$15.95), the third book to feature handyman Ed



Stephens and his dream man Rick Benton. The first book in the series, "The Handyman's Dream" was published in 2005. The follow-up, "The Handyman's Reality," was published in 2007, and is currently a finalist for Foreword Magazine's Book of the Year in the category of gay/lesbian fiction.

"The Handyman's Dream," a humorous, heartwarming love story of two "average Joes" set in small town America, is just the sort of story which has been practically unheard of in Gay Men's literature. Setting the series in the early 1980s offered Poff the opportunity to recreate a portrait of gay life before AIDS, complete with references to all of the popular songs and important world events.

"For many years I felt there was room in the gay fiction world for some tender, romantic, optimistic stories about average guys in the Midwest," Poff said. "The Handyman series was born of that belief."

Nick Poff is an Indiana native, currently living in Fort Wayne. He began a long career in the radio business at the tender age of 16. He cheerfully admits that was back in the days when disc jockeys actually spun records. He had always harbored a desire to write stories, and has taken a break from full-time radio work to pursue that goal.

Poff has been gratified at the enthusiastic response to Ed and Rick - the heroes of the Handyman series - and believes readers will be equally responsive to "The Handyman's Promise."

"Faithful fans will be pleased to find answers to some lingering questions in this latest book," Poff said.

Nick Poff will read from "Handyman's Promise" beginning at 7 PM on Tuesday, June 24 at Outwords Books, Gifts & Coffee. This is a free event and all are welcome. Outwords Books is located at 2710 N. Murray Ave. in Milwaukee. For further information, please call 414-963-9089.

## Buffet Brunch - Pride Sunday

**M** 10 am - 2 pm AYCE - \$10  
**M** Watch the Pride Parade Set-Up,  
**O** Enjoy Mimosas, Bloody Marys,  
**N** Cold Beer, Singer Scott Yvonne,  
**A** a "3 Strikes" Drag Show,  
**’** & An Amazing Brunch  
**S** On MONA's Beautiful Patio!  
**’** \*Buy 1 Mimosa & get 1 for FREE! with this card!  
**S** "Infinity Is She" Performs @ 7pm! No Cover!  
**’** Be part of the tradition!  
**S** [www.m-o-n-a-s.com](http://www.m-o-n-a-s.com) 1407 S First Street / 643.0377

# Wear Pride on YOUR Sleeve

Whether you hold hands with your partner in public, wear a bright rainbow boa or tell someone that you're L, G, B or T, *it's time to wear your pride* like it's your favorite t-shirt.

Let's honor history by making history today!

## Visit the LGBT History Exhibit in the Arts & History Pavilion at PrideFest

- Historic T-Shirt Display
- "Shall Not Be Recognized" Photo Exhibit
- Artwork by David Harrison, Joe Simon and Carolyn Snow
- and More!

Sponsored by



**QUEST  
OUT**



### OPEN

Friday, June 6th:  
5pm - 10pm

Saturday, June 7th:  
11am - 10pm

Sunday, June 8th:  
11am - 10pm



# arts & entertainment

## NATIONALLY TOURING LESBIAN MUSICIAN JULIE SCHURR TO PERFORM

**Green Bay** – Nationally touring lesbian musician Julie Schurr will perform her unique fusion of folk rock and comedy at Sass bar in Green Bay on Friday, June 6 at 10:30 PM.



Julie Schurr has headlined Pride and women's music celebrations around the country and has been featured on Curvemag.com and in the Advocate. Her two hour performance will include acoustic music from her current album as well as her unique style of audience participation and comedy.

More information on Julie can be found online at: [www.julieschurr.com](http://www.julieschurr.com) & [myspace.com/julieschurr](http://myspace.com/julieschurr)

## PROUD THEATER TO BE HEARD LOUD AND CLEAR MAY 29-31

**Madison** - Proud Theater Productions, in conjunction with StageQ, presents Proud Theater: Loud and Clear, a fun and exciting evening of theater, music, poetry and dance written by and starring the talented youth of Proud Theater, Madison's very own lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or queer/questioning (LGBTQ) youth theater troupe.

Proud Theater is an award-winning, exciting and innovative youth theater program designed to foster self-expression and self-empowerment for Madison-area youth ages 13 to 19 who identify as LGBTQ, are the sons or daughters of gay parents, or allies of the queer community at large.

As with their earlier well-received productions - R Evolution and Plugged In, Loud and Clear tackles many of today's issues that affect youth and does so with humor, heart and honesty as only the young adults of Proud Theater can do. Sometimes outrageous, sometimes profound, the youth share their voices with the community in a no-holds barred and uncensored way. This year the youth look at personal acceptance, family issues, history, dating and more.

Proud Theater: Loud and Clear will run May 29, 30 and 31, 2008 at 7:30 PM, with a matinee on May 31 at 2:30 PM in the Ejvje at the Bartell Theatre, 113 E. Mifflin Street. Tickets are \$10, and can be reserved by calling 608-661-9696, Ext. 3 or by going to [www.stageq.com](http://www.stageq.com). For more info on the show, contact Proud Theater by email at: [proudtheater@gmail.org](mailto:proudtheater@gmail.org) or online at: [www.proudtheater.com](http://www.proudtheater.com).

Founded in 1999 by Sol Kelley-Jones and Callen Harty, Proud Theater's mission is to change the world in a positive way through the power of theater and the theater arts. The teens of Proud Theater collaboratively create theatrical pieces and original music through improv, group discussion and guidance from Proud Theater Artistic Director Brian Wild and other adult members of the Madison community.

Proud Theater is currently a program of Outreach, Inc. and is also sponsored in part by a grant from the New Harvest Foundation. Tax-deductible donations can be made to Proud Theater and sent to Outreach at 600 Williamson Street, Madison, WI 53703-3588.

## NATIONAL WOMEN'S MUSIC FESTIVAL TICKETS AVAILABLE

**Madison** - This year the National Women's Music Festival (NWMF) will be held for the first time in Wisconsin at the Alliant Energy Center here, June 19-22. Begun in 1975 and featuring four days of women's music, comedy, drag kings, a marketplace, and other special events, the NWMF welcomes people of all genders to celebrate the creative talents and technical skills of women in the visual, performing, and fine arts.

One-night tickets for either Friday or Saturday concerts at the NWMF are now available at A Room of One's Own Bookstore, 307 W. Johnson St. Tickets in this limited time offer are \$45 each night.

The Friday night line-up includes Paprika, Sonia and Disappear Fear, Tret Fure with her band (Pamela Means, Lyndell Montgomery, and JJ Jones), Martine Locke, and comic Mimi Gonzalez. On Saturday night festival attendees will enjoy Andrea Gibson, Cris Williamson and her band (Jen Todd and Mel Watson), comic Karen Williams Ellis, and the drag cabaret of All the King's Men.

Work-exchange and volunteer opportunities are also available for those who need financial assistance to attend. Lodging is available at hotels next to the Center, or camping is available right on the Center's grounds, with showers and electric hookups available. For more information, check out the festival's website at: [wiaonline.org](http://wiaonline.org).

**MONA'S**

**MONA's Kitchen**  
Open Late!!!

**Sun & Mon:**  
6pm - 1am

**Tues - Fri:**  
4pm - midnight

**MONDAYS**  
OPEN 6PM  
2-4-1 ALL NIGHT!

*Mondays, \$6 Pizzas, Get 2nd Appetizer, Buy 1 Appetizer for 1/2 !*

**WEDNESDAYS 9pm - Close**  
.50 Taps  
\$2 Cans PBR & Blatz  
\$2.50 Bottles  
\$3 Smirnoff Twisted & Mike's  
Chicken Sandwiches & Wraps -  
Buy 1 Get 1 for 1/2 !

**TUESDAYS**  
FREE POOL ALL NITE!!!  
9pm - 2am  
Karaoke  
\$6 Pizzas & \$6 Pitchers

**2-4-1**  
**HAPPY HOUR**  
**TUES - FRI**  
**3-7PM**

**1407 S First Street**  
**Milwaukee**  
**414.643.0377**

**m-o-n-a-s.com**

## "BOLD AND RACY" GILBERT & GEORGE COMES TO THE MILWAUKEE ART MUSEUM



Milwaukee - The first major retrospective in over twenty-five years of the British artists Gilbert & George makes the only Midwest stop on its international tour at the Milwaukee Art Museum, June 14 - September 1 here. The exhibition is the largest ever mounted of their art, with more than 45 pictures from 1971 to the present and a host of archive materials that follow the prolific forty-year career of these iconic provocateurs, called "bold and racy" by the Associated Press.

The art of Gilbert and George encompasses an astonishing range of emotions and themes, from rural idylls to gritty images of a decaying London; from fantastical brightly colored panoramas to raw examinations of humanity stripped bare; from sex advertisements to religious fundamentalism. Since they began creating art together, the artists have always wanted to communicate beyond the narrow confines of the art world, adopting the slogan "Art for All."

Gilbert & George is a thorough presentation of the large-scale pictures for which the artists have become renowned, and provides a comprehensive overview of the other artistic media explored by the artists since the late 1960s. The artists themselves and over 30 public and private lenders have contributed six films and several hand-drawn preparatory sketches, as well as books, historical photographs, announcements, and other documentation from throughout their career. Gilbert & George also features new works made especially for the exhibition.

Since their meeting at St. Martins School of Art, London, in 1967, Gilbert and George have presented themselves as a single artist, united by the unwavering maxim, "Always be smartly dressed, well groomed relaxed friendly polite and in complete control." Self-proclaimed living sculptures, the two use their own bodies to boldly present subject matter addressing universal themes such as birth, death, and bodily functions. Conceived and organized by Britain's Tate Gallery with their full support and collaboration, the artists consider this the definitive presentation of their work to date.

The Milwaukee Art Museum is the second of only three North American venues for Gilbert & George. Prior to coming to Milwaukee, the exhibition was on view at the Tate Modern, London, from February through May 2007; Haus der Kunst, Munich, from June through September 2007; Castello de Rivoli, Turin, October 2007 through January 2008; and the de Young Museum, San Francisco, February through May 2008. Gilbert & George will end its international tour at the Brooklyn Museum of Art October 2008 through January 2009.

A Tate Modern, London exhibition in association with the Milwaukee Art Museum. The exhibition is curated by Jan Debbaut and Ben Borthwick, and coordinated at the Milwaukee Art Museum by Chief Curator Joe Ketner.

Gilbert was born in San Martino, Italy, 1943. He studied at Wolkenstein School of Art, Hallein School of Art in Austria, Munich Academy of Art, and finally at St. Martins School of Art, London, where he met George in 1967. Born in Devon, England, 1942, George studied at Dartington Adult Education Center, Dartington Hall College of Art, Oxford School of Art, and St. Martins School of Art.

There will be Preview Celebration for museum members on Thursday, June 12 from 5-8 PM.

Doors to Lubar Auditorium will open at 5:30 and seating is limited. The event is free for members. Non-members may also attend for a \$20 fee.

Special guests at the preview will be Gilbert & George. Curator Jan Debbaut will engage the artists in discussion and introduce the exhibition to members and the general public. A video of the program will be screened immediately following. Music provided by 88Nine Radio Milwaukee. A cash bar, and complimentary appetizers round out the evening.

The preview celebration caps the first of two "member only" preview days of the exhibit. A second, member-only exhibition talk is set for Friday, June 13, at 1:30 PM in the Lubar Auditorium. Attendees can expect a lively discussion between the artists Gilbert & George, exhibition curator Jan Debbaut, and Museum Chief Curator Joe Ketner.

The Milwaukee show is being sponsored by Argosy Foundation, Donald and Donna Baumgartner, Suzanne L. Selig, Lynde B. Uihlein, Lehmann Maupin Gallery (New York), Sonnabend Gallery (New York), and the Wisconsin Department of Tourism.

Additional support has been provided by Greater

Milwaukee Foundation Terry A. Hueneke Fund, Tony and Sue Krausen, Jon Schlaginhaufen & Curt Stern, Jean Friedlander, David and Maggi Gordon in memory of Max Gordon, Marc and Jacqueline Leland in honor of Max Gordon, Susan and Lew Manilow, Cream City Foundation's Joseph R. Pabst LGBT Infrastructure Fund, Reva and Philip Shovers, Leonard Sobczak, and Richard W. Weening.

The Milwaukee Art Museum's far-reaching holdings include more than 20,000 works spanning antiquity to the present day. With a history dating back to 1888, the Museum's strengths are in 19th- and 20th-century American and European art, contemporary art, American decorative arts, and folk and self-taught art. The Museum is open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., except for Thursdays when the Museum stays open until 8 p.m. (supported by Greater Milwaukee Foundation). General admission tickets are \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, \$4 students. Members and children 12 and under are admitted free.



## TONY MORAN SPINS MILWAUKEE PRIDE

Fresh Off Success of 'The Event' Compilation, Tony Moran Comes to Town to Celebrate Pride

By Mitchell Hammer

Gay club goers literally crawl out of the woodwork from all parts of the USA for a chance to hear Tony Moran play. It seems fitting, then, that Moran will spin Milwaukee Pride on Saturday, May 7. We think it's a match made in heaven.

The past two years have been busy ones for Moran. He slid into 2007 with his full length "Tour de Beats" and the now-famous collaboration with Manny Lehman on the remix of the "Brokeback Mountain" theme, "Wings." Later that year, he was in a sound booth with Cher. Then this year, he released his biggest album to date, "The Event."

Moran did "The Event" the hard way: he single-handedly recorded, remixed and produced the album. The result is a two-CD limited edition that has become a testament to the handsome DJ's staying power in the fickle world of dance music.

"I'm very happy with the result, because I always feel that it's best to really test myself. Sometimes it's a success and sometimes it's a failure," Moran told Quest despite the onset of a hiccupping episode brought on by novocaine from a visit to the dentist only minutes before our interview.

"I guess I really should apologize in advance. I just can't stop, but I really wanted to make sure that we got the chance to talk."

It's another Moran trademark: never give up and give it your best.

As for "The Event," it worked. Few DJ/producers today can claim to craft an album from scratch, working closely with vocalists and other remixers to get everything just right, but "The Event" is just that, and patently Moran. From the "Brokeback" theme, to collaborations with Kristine W, Danielle Bollinger, Zhana Saunders and Deborah Cox, "The Event" has packed a punch among Moran fans, and the jock says that he'll be bringing much of it with him to Milwaukee.

"Of course, it's going to be a great night. And it will be like the album. With the CD, I wanted to go beyond what is expected from a compilation," says Moran, adding that every

gig is an opportunity for him to best his last.

For sure, Moran is a true rarity in the industry. Few can say they've stood in the sound booth with the likes of Cher, Bruce Springsteen or Luther Vandross, helping them along as they make tape after tape of vocals for their next big album. Fewer still can claim a recording career of their own. What card-gay man can honestly say he hasn't heard Moran's "The Promise" — it's part of our lexicon.

Openly gay, himself, Moran hit another milestone in the past couple years: he segued out of his 30s (wasn't that polite?). But, while industry folks and observers alike are bemoaning the state of gay nightlife, Moran continues to be an incurable optimist.

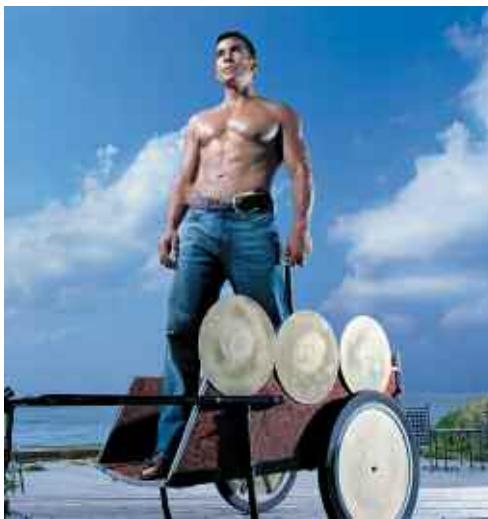
"It's not just about the club world, it's about the entire gay genre. But, I prefer to think of it as evolving. 20 years ago, we were packed into small rooms. Then we went into big rooms. And now we're all

getting together on enormous, lavish cruises. Who would have thought that would happen?" says Moran. "I think gay people are actually just now giving themselves the opportunity to travel more, and have bigger experiences. Sure, places like The Roxy (NYC) are closing and that may be a downside, but, on the other hand, that became a weekend routine for people for 20 years. There are lots of other things for people to look forward to, new ways to be free and express yourself and be different."

Moran says that he still loves to travel, but with some coaxing from his long-term boyfriend, he does take enough time off for a love and social life.

"I'm very lucky to have him because I'm usually looking at a big calendar and will be booked six months out with traveling and studio work — he'll remind me that I have to block out a bunch of those days at the end of those months," says Moran, who like many of the rest of us, often enjoys just doing nothing at all.

But, don't worry — Moran is already pumping out remixes, and he's set to release a new Alegria compilation that, like "The Event" promises to be a real KO.



### NOW PLAYING IN THE CLUBS

#### MONA's, Milwaukee (DJ not specified)

1. Cupid - Shuffle
2. Rihanna - Don't Stop The Music
3. Pieces of Me - Britney Spears
4. Break The Ice - Britney Spears
5. 4 Minutes - Madonna
6. Pocketful Of Sunshine - Natasha Bedingfield
7. In My Arms - Kylie Minogue
8. Touch My Body - Mariah Carey
9. I'm A Fire - ?
10. Everytime We Touch - CASCADA

#### Calling ALL DJ's

Get us your fav's by deadline June 10  
email [editor@quest-online.com](mailto:editor@quest-online.com)

c'mon, ya kow you wanna!

#### DJ Tony Ritschard, Club 5 Madison

1. Donna Summer-Stamp Your Feet-escape & collucio mix
2. Leona Lewis-Bleeding Love-moto blanco mix
3. Cyndi Lauper-Same Ol' Story-radio edit
4. Kylie Minogue-WOW-guetta & garraud mix
5. The B-52's-Funplex-css extended mix
6. Madonna-4 Minutes-peter saves london mix
7. Janet Jackson-Rock With You-extended mix
8. Tracy Young / Ceevox-What's Done Is Done -tracy young club mix
9. Kimberley Lock-Fall-almighty mix
10. Planet Soul-Set You Free-friscia & lamboy mix
11. Gusto-Disco's Revenge '08-freemason's club mix
12. Veronica-The Way He Makes Me Feel -friscia & lamboy club mix
13. Suzanne Palmer-Fame-edson pride mix
14. Moby-Disco Lies-spencer & hill
15. Shawn Christopher-Don't Lose The Magic '08 -cube guys mix

#### DJ Carl, XS Niteclub Green Bay

1. Madonna - 4 Minutes
2. Usher - Love in this club
3. Rihanna - take a bow
4. Jesse McCartney - Leavin'
5. Jordan Sparks - No Air
6. Leona Lewis - Bleeding Love
7. Ashlee Simpson - Outta My Head
8. Mariah - Touch My Body
9. Natasha Bedingfield - Pocket full of Sunshine
10. Kat Deluna - Run The Show
11. Duffy - Mercy
12. Miley - See You Again
13. Kylie - All I See is You
14. Moby - Disco Lies
15. Janet - Rock With U

NEW ON DVD

# IN THE BLOOD

Reviewed by Glenn Bishop

Appearances can be deceiving. A quick glance at the DVD box for "In The Blood" suggested to Glenn a vampire flick. Sadly, Glenn was to be disappointed. In the end Glenn was left to ponder: Is "In The Blood" a hip mad slasher flick with an intriguing gay sensibility? Or rather, could "In The Blood" be better described as a blood drenched coming out story?

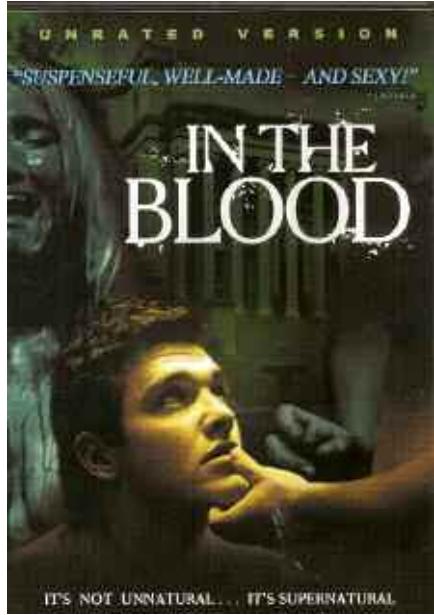
In either case, cute co-ed Cassidy Clarke (Tyler Hanes) would seem to be your typical All-American college jock. He's good-looking, athletic plus a conscientious student. He's even protective of his younger sister. He's just the sort to have been a boy scout once upon a time. Now, unfortunately, he's buried deep in the closet, forever drooling unrequitedly over his totally hot, totally straight best friend Michael (Robert Dionne).

Now Michael, on the other hand, is the real deal – a gorgeous frat boy who happily chats up and beds any and all cute females who come within range and that includes Cassidy's blond little sis (James Katherine Flynn). Thanks to his studly physical attributes, not to mention a killer smile and delightfully cleft chin, Michael has a terrific success rate. All poor Cassidy can do is – well, drool unrequitedly.

Eventually it all becomes too much for Cassidy. After one of Michael exceptionally boisterous liaisons, Cassidy is finally pushed over the edge. More accurately, Cassidy is driven into the brawny arms of a hunky Latino hustler named Victor (Carlos Alberto Valencia).

But what about the blood, you ask.

Tormented soul that he is, Cassidy again weenies out. "This isn't me," claims Cassidy, buttoning up his pants. But Victor isn't going to let him off quite so easily. Nope. Not only does Victor insist upon



being paid, he decides to leave Cassidy with a sample of what the young virgin will be missing. Whereupon Victor then lays a manly lip-lock on Cassidy that surely loosened a few teeth. Cassidy totally freaks, fleeing into the bathroom with blood pouring from his nose.

But wait! This isn't the first time Cassidy's had a bloody nose. Oh, no. His first bloody nose happened when Cassidy was dreamily checking out Michael in class. Another nosebleed happened while Cassidy cruised – well, it sure looked to Glenn like he was cruising – another collegiate hottie (Brian Lesieur) in the shower. As much as a bloody nose might prove a bit of a sexual turnoff, even more unsettling to Cassidy are the accompanying visions of his pretty blond sister drenched in blood.

Did Glenn happen to mention that there is a maniac on campus, raping and killing pretty young blond co-eds? Oops.

## Buy it, rent it or forget it...

"In The Blood" proves to be an entertaining little thriller if you can suspend disbelief over the whole bizarre notion of having nightmarish psychic visions (not to mention nosebleeds) while orgasming. Director Lou Peterson has assembled an attractive young cast and wisely allows his camera plenty of time to linger longingly over firm male flesh. Still, Cassidy's self-loathing grew increasingly tiresome. And for goodness sakes, who on Earth did Alison Fraser use as inspiration for the role of Aunt Helen – a drunken drag queen pretending to be Bette Davis as Baby Jane?

## Just the facts...

"In the Blood" has a running time of 83 minutes and is in English. "In The Blood" is available now on DVD with a SRP of \$19.95. DVD extras include commentary from director Lou Peterson plus an alternative opening sequence.

And thus Cassidy's tender coming out story manages to lock cinematic horns with writer/director Lou Peterson's curious notion of the slasher flick. Peterson then adds the 'piece of resistance,' Cassidy's crazy Aunt Helen (Alison Fraser), who claims her psychic gifts climax whilst copulating with her clients. Aunt Helen pleads with Cassidy to do whatever he must do to save his sister. And Aunt Helen means "whatever." Still in his state of sexual disorientation, Cassidy tries to bed his girlfriend. Sad to say, there's no nosebleed, no vision and by process of deduction, no full release in this rather limp scene. In desperation, Cassidy again turns to his favorite Latino hustler. There'll be no backing out this time and the subsequent, sizzling encounter leaves Cassidy in a nearly catatonic state (afterglow, mused Glenn?), with blood covering the pillow he'd just finished biting.

No matter. The accompanying vision convinces Cassidy of the identity of the man he must stop from killing again, from killing his sister Jessica. But will he be in time?

## PLEASE THANK OUR ADVERTISERS!

Quest has been serving Wisconsin's LGBT community for 15 years. Our advertisers make this possible. Without them, there is no Quest or our coverage of arts and special events in the LGBT community that may not get noticed without the support of LGBT owned news media. Please choose to patronize the advertisers of Quest, Outbound, Queer Life Madison Men & Our Lives. Let them know you saw their ad in the magazine. They care about you and your community!

**NEXT DEADLINE: Tue., June 10**

**Runs June 19 - July 9, 2008**

**ADVERTISERS - Call for our *fabulous* low advertising rates!**

**800-578-3785**

**email editor@quest-online.com**

**M** **Pride Sunday - Buffet Brunch**  
@  
**MONA'S**  
**10 am - 2 pm**  
**AYCE -- \$10**

**MONA'S** **Scott Yvonne Performs 11am-Outside!**  
**"Infinity Is She" Performs @ 7pm**  
**Be part of the tradition!**

1407 S First Street  
Milwaukee  
414.643.0377

[www.m-o-n-a-s.com](http://www.m-o-n-a-s.com)

# Diversion of the Day

## Quest's Events Calendar

**Thurs, Fri, Sat. May 29, 30, 31**

**Proud Theater Presents: Proud Theater "Loud and Clear"** May 29 & 30, – 7:30 PM May 31 – 2:30PM and 7:30 PM In the Evjue at the Bartell Theatre 113 E. Mifflin Street – Madison, Wisconsin \$10

**Saturday, May 31**

**MONA's (Milwaukee)** Live Julie Schurr... Julie's music is a mix of indie rock and "bitch-folk". Very unique, yet not completely off the beaten track... cdbaby.com \$5 at the door.

**Friday, Saturday, Sunday June 6 7 8**

**PRIDEFEST 2008 See ad back page**

**Saturday, June 7**

**Madison Gay Video Club "Eleven Men Out"** (Genius Ent., dir. Robert Douglas, 2005) "Fleet Week" (Falcon, dir. John Bruno,08) 8 PM, www.mgvc.org , 608-244-8690 (eve)

**Tuesday, June 10**

**The Lesbian Reading Group @ Outwords** Lisa Girolami's new romance, *Love on Location*. Everyone is welcome to join in on the discussion! 7pm

**Friday, June 13**

Club 1226 (Oshkosh) Amature Night

City Brewery Hospitality Center (LaCrosse) Miss Mississippi Valley USofA see ad

**Saturday, June 14**

Rascals (Appleton) Bear Club 4 Men present a Bear B Q 6pm til?

**Monday, June 16**

**Outwords Books (Milw)** discussion of Richard Bruce Nugent's *Gentleman Jigger*. Come and meet the group and discuss a great book 7pm

**Saturday, June 21**

Club 1226 (Oshkosh) Miss Gay Fox Valley USofA See ad this issue

**Madison Gay Video Club Shelter** (Genius Ent., dir. Jonah Markowitz, '07) *Jock Itch* (Raging Stallion, dir. Jake Decker,08)8 PM, www.mgvc.org , 608-244-8690 (eve)

## CEDAR CREEK WINERY TOUR & WINE TASTING SET

**Cedarburg** -The Milwaukee LGBT Center will hold a "Mix 'N Mingle" gathering featuring a tour of the Cedar Creek Winery here Tuesday, June 17 beginning at 6:30 PM. A wine tasting will follow at 7:30.

The Cedar Creek Winery is housed in a 1860s woolen mill and its stone wine cellars located in the historic Cedar Creek Settlement in downtown Cedarburg. The formal wine tasting will feature five to seven Cedar Creek Wines in the hospitality area of the winery with a view of the beautiful Cedar Creek waterfall that flows alongside the mill and through the heart of the town. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided during the wine tasting as well.

Tickets for the event are \$15 for LGBT Center members and \$20 for non-members. RSVPs with payment are due no later than June 10 to Patrick Price, Director of Philanthropy. To RSVP or for more information call Patrick at: 414-292-3065 or by email at: pprice@mkelgbt.org. The tour and wine tasting is limited to only 45 guests and attendees must be 21 years of age or over. as possible. Proper identification may be needed to be presented as requested..

To learn more about the Cedar Creek Winery and for directions to the event, visit the winery's website at: www.cedarcreekwinery.com. Directions found at other sites such as MapQuest have been noted as being incorrect.

**Tuesday, June 24**

**Outwords Books (Milw) Author! Author!!** Nick Poff Popular novelist Nick Poff will read and sign copies of his new novel, *Handyman's Promise*. 7pm

**Saturday, June 28**

Club 1226 (Oshkosh) AIDS Walk Kickoff fundraiser

**Sunday, June 29**

MONA's (Milwaukee) Miss Brew city USofA See ad this issue

**Saturday, July 12**

**Pride Alive! Joannes Park Green Bay 11am-9pm**

**Friday, Saturday, Sunday July 18, 19, 20**

**Madison Pride weekend to be announced**

email your event to be listed to editor@quest-online.com

Weekly Bar Specials	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>Art Bar</b>	Free Pool \$2 Mystery Beer 2fer Tuesday 2-4-1 til 12am		Double It for a Buck!		\$5 Martini	\$5 Margaritas	\$2 Shot Special
<b>Ballgame</b>	2-4-1 Rail Day	\$3 Jagermeister Bombs	Tuesday & Thursday 9pm Pull tabs	Drinks as low as 25¢	May Drink Special: \$2 Shots of Doctors	Check out the new music system!	
<b>BOOM</b>	2-4-1 Pitchers Miller Lite	Karaoke w/ 2-4-1 Leine's	Bad Boys Nite Out	\$3 Tall Pinnacle Flavored Vodka	Beer Bust 5-9 pm	Beer Bust 2-6 pm	Open 2 pm
<b>City Lights Chill</b>	\$1 Mugs	\$2 Shots	\$4 Mug and a Shot	\$2 Domestic Bottle Beer	\$4 Martini & Cosmo	12" Pizza & Pitcher for \$12	\$3 Pints Rail Mixers
<b>FLUID</b>	2-4-1 All Day & Nite	\$3 Jagermeister & Bacardi 0 Bombs	\$1 off Miller Bottles	\$3.50 Cosmos	Tue-Fri Happy Hour 5-8pm	\$4 Long Islands/Long Beach	\$3 Rail Bloody Mary, Screws & Greyhounds
<b>LaCage</b>	Movies 'n \$4 Martinis	Male Dancers \$4 Effen Mixers \$6 Effen Martinis	2-4-1 Drinks all nite	\$4 Mixers \$6 Martinis DJ Wizz Kid	Trans-Formation Female Impersonators		2-4-1 Absolute, Grey Goose & Effen Drinks
<b>MONA's</b>	2-4-1 Beer wine rails call	Happy Hour 3-7 Free Pool	Happy Hour 3-7 Chicken sandwich & wraps 2-4-1	Happy Hour 3-7 \$3 cosmos & pull tabs	Happy Hour 3-7 \$6 Long Island 9-cl	\$0 Taps \$2.50 bottles (ask) \$3 Smirnoff Twisted & Mike's \$2 cans Blatz & PBR	Beer bust 6-10 \$2.50 Bottle Beer (ask) \$3 Smirnoff etc
<b>SWITCH</b>				Karaoke after 8pm	Male Strippers 10:30pm	Saved@Switch DJ Doug	Male Strippers 10:30pm
<b>TRIANGLE</b>	\$2 Absolute Drinks	2-4-1 All Night	\$2 domestics & Texas Hold'em	Thursday Nite Show	Bacardi Fridays \$3 shorts \$5 Talls	2-4-1 Taps 6am-Noon Friday, Saturday, Sunday 3rd shift Happy Hour	Guise n Dolls 10:30pm

**This handy guide is available Free to any Wisconsin LGBT Bar that is a regular advertiser in Quest or Outbound**

# Ask the Irreverent, Uncle Barbie

## Your Intellectual Whore

(An effervescently gay advice columnist)

Disclaimer: Although the author of this syndicated column holds a doctorate in clinical psychology, the tongue-in-cheek advice given is for entertainment only and is not a substitute for therapy. Barbie responds to all emails...whether you deserve it or not. Send your questions to Uncle Barbie at: [askunclebarbie@aol.com](mailto:askunclebarbie@aol.com)

### Who Decides Who Is a Fit Parent?

**Dear Uncle Barbie,**

I gave birth to a beautiful boy last year in March. When I was in the hospital with him for a few days after the c-section, the social worker said that I wasn't learning fast enough to take care of him, and I was also recovering from a schizoaffective relapse. I wanted to give him up for adoption from the beginning, but the father wouldn't let me. Now he has our son and I feel really powerless. He raped me in the past, or at least I feel that it was rape. I would say no several times and he would tell me that I might as well just give up because he wasn't going to let me fall asleep until he got off. I wrote a letter to his mother, who is helping take care of our child, telling her what he did. So now they both probably hate me, and I find it extremely hard to get over the grudge I have with the father, and I don't



know what my place should be as a mother. I don't feel like I am a mother because I'm six hours away from my son, and I don't feel confident about taking care of him. I feel like a horrible mom. I don't know what I want you to tell me, or if anything would make me feel better. I don't want to be a mom. I just want my son to be happy.

--Signed, Sad Mom

**Hello Sad Mom,**

Don't be so hard on yourself. As long as you are doing the best you can with what you have, there is no need to get down on yourself for not doing more. How can you do more than what you are able to do? Who is to decide the absolute definition of a "good mom?" Just do your very best, and don't worry about what others may think. We all have our own capabilities (physical and mental). If your schizoaffective disorder limits your mental capacity, then you will only be frustrated by comparing yourself to others. (If you have a therapist, this would be a good topic for discussion during your next session.)

Since you indicated that your child was taken away from you, I am assuming that you must have gone through a court proceeding (including a psychological evaluation to determine parental competency). I have conducted such evaluations for clients who were headed to court to fight a child custody battle. As their therapist, I would give testimony as an "expert witness" on the mental state of the clients. I am telling you this because, if you went through a similar hearing, then you need to know that you have a right to an appeal. Talk to a county social worker or a legal aid service to be informed of your rights. They can give you legal advice; I can only give you emotional support and understanding.

You mentioned in your letter that you believe you have been raped by your boyfriend. Regardless of what the criminal laws say, I believe that you **ALWAYS** have a right to refuse sex--even with a spouse. He needs to respect your answer of "No!" To be physically forced or emotionally pressured by someone into having sexual contact, of any kind, is a violation of your dignity as a human being. (Again, this delicate issue would be best discussed privately with your therapist.)

Toward the end of your letter, you expressed concern about the possibility that the child's father and his mother may hate you. There is no need to trouble yourself with such worries. It really doesn't matter what they think of you. What **YOU** think of yourself is far more important. As to your question about how to get over the grudge you have for the father of your child, I suggest that you change your thought pattern. Stop thinking so much about him, and focus more on your child. People can only focus on one thought at a time, so make that thought about caring for your baby. You can literally push the resentment out of your mind by replacing it with feelings of love for someone else. You say that you just want your son to be happy. Then let go of the bitterness regarding this whole situation, and keep your thoughts on loving your little boy. Even if you are not able to be physically involved with your child, you can still hold loving thoughts about him in your mind. I think that would make you a much happier person.

--Love & Light, Barbie

### Knowledge is Unity, Unity is Power!!!

As the nation celebrates Pride festivities throughout the summer, one day is important, yet overlooked. On June 27th, the nation participates in National HIV Testing Day. As members of the LGBT community here in Northeast Wisconsin, acquiring HIV is still an ever-present reality.

On June 22nd, Angels of Hope Metropolitan Community Church, in alliance with the AIDS Resource Center of WI (ARCW) will be hosting an HIV Testing Day to promote an inward sign of congregational solidarity and as an outward sign to the LGBT community.

Testing will be done on a first come, first served basis. Refreshments will also be available on-site. Location: Angels of Hope MCC-3607 Libal Street, Green Bay. Parking lot access will be available.

**June 22, 2008 from 1PM to 4PM.**

**Testing is free, yet priceless.**

However, a donation of a non-perishable food item will be accepted.



**MCC**<sup>®</sup>

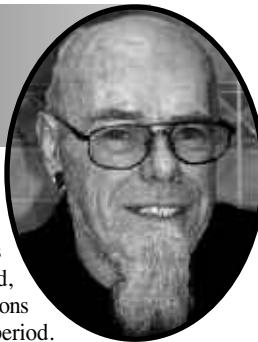
ANGELS OF HOPE  
METROPOLITAN  
COMMUNITY CHURCH  
**920-983-7453**

*Be the change you wish to see in the world-Gandhi*



# Thank You Sir:

by Jeff Hicks



How often do we wear elements of the Leather scene and why do we do it? Some of us wear leather and/or leather scene items. Modern times have made Leather jackets, vests, boots and hats an acceptable fashion element. These can be put on or taken off as desired for the moment. Thereby showing or not, our connection with the Leather Life. Why do we do it? Possibly because at specific events we want others to recognize what the items mean and convey our thoughts. Sometimes when in a non-Leather environment, we want to shock or confuse others with our displays. But most of all it is because it tells the world; Look at me, I am a Leather-person! I am involved in the Dominant / submissive life. It is ME; get over it! Or join me in recognizing the D/s in all relationships.

Then some of us have elements that cannot be taken off easily. These can be tattoos or piercings, or other marks that are very serious. We need to take time to prepare for permanent "marks"! It involves the decision of: can I be comfortable at the gym shower/locker room with this? Will I be able to share close quarters with mixed genders and not be ashamed or even feel awkward? Either way, is this right for the real me? The time spent waiting and weighing each of these points, and many other thoughts, will be very much worth it. Piercings can be taken out. Tattoos can be taken off or worked over. Cuttings cannot change. Scarification cannot be changed. Surgical body modifications cannot be put back! Branding also is not removable! Those reasons are why any sensible prac-

titioner in these arts is worth his/her salt, IF, they recommend several months of waiting be observed, with frequent discussions during that time period.

And; If significant tissue or body parts "removal", is to take place, professional counseling just might be legally required. Yes, these need to be approached over a longer period of time. Most of those that I mention take about 6 months of mental preparation. The questions again, should be: "Is this the right thing for me"? Do I really want it? Can I live with this in ALL situations? Can I handle what others will think of me? (Both Positive and Negative)? Will this satisfy something deep within my psyche? There is much to think about before doing something permanent. But There is also the gratification of a year or two later knowing that you did what was really you and you are still very proud of your "MARK". It can become and continue to BE, a special part of YOU!

Now; on to a lighter subject. That is the GrandDaddy / Daddy / Daddy's boy contest at the Napalese Lounge in Green Bay. There were two contestants for GrandDaddy, one for Daddy, and three for Daddy's boy. The results were: Granddaddy Jerry, Daddy Tim, and boy Doug. It was significant to note that there were more vests with Argonauts patches than at past occasions. My guess would be 12 to 16 of them. It would seem that the group is growing again.

Call us  
for:

**Athenet**  
we'll take you there.

Internet Services  
Web Hosting

**Serving  
ALL  
Communities**



1-888-4nobusy 920-954-9799  
[www.athenet.net](http://www.athenet.net)  
Local to over 60 Wisconsin communities

That is a good sign. Also the N.E.W Brotherhood was well represented, and enthusiastically welcomed. Overall, it was an active and enjoyable evening for all in attendance. Much greater than expected spirit and enthusiasm did reign for the evening. The Argonauts also were thankful for support and sponsorship by Milwaukee bars, Green Bay bars, Sheboygan bar, Appleton/Oskosh bars and a big thanks to Northeast WI. bearClub4Men.

Thanks guys,  
boy jeff H. bdsmboy1971@sbcglobal.net



**Ed Grunewald  
Hospice Fundraiser  
held at Club 5  
Madison**

Pics by Tony Ritschard



# QUEST FREE CLASSIFIED ADS

FREE FOR 14 YEARS!

*Quest Classified ads have been a FREE service to the LGBT Community for 15 Years! Advertise a room for rent, sell items you no longer need or take advantage of the BEST classified personals in the State. Please note...if you charge for a service (massage/escort, remodeling, cleaning, etc.), we consider these as business classifieds for which there is a \$10 charge per issue for each. You must be at least 18 years old to run a classified ad; we require your signature stating you are at least 18 along with a phone number to contact you if necessary. Emailed classifieds may use our email address in lieu of a signature. LIMIT COPY to 40 WORDS or less. (NO classified ads over the phone or from incarcerated folks) Each classified ad will run a minimum of two times unless you request a single run. If you wish to run ads longer, you must submit a new request after each ad has run twice.*

## FOR RENT / ROOMMATES FOX VALLEY/GREEN BAY

**Green Bay Sleeping room available.** Double or singel bed. DSL computer hook up included phone hook up available, satelite tv . air conditong available \$225.00 per month For more information call Mike at 920 436 9032 please leave a message, I screen calls. [1]

**APPLETON NORTH : 4 RENT** 2 Bedroom spacious, basement, 1 car garage and parking space, deck. Cat OK, no smoking inside, water incl. 1 year lease, \$575.00/mo. plus sec deposit. 1813 N. ONEIDA STREET for showing call 920-830-1100 [2]

## METRO MILWAUKEE & SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN

**Kenosha Apt for rent.** Library Park area. 1 bedroom in victorian bldg. All heat included, appliances, mini blinds, ceiling fans, air. Parking and storage. Non-smoking. No pets. Newly painted. \$575.00/month Call Don (847) 263-8290 leave message [1]

**Milw. S.W. side** deluxe large apartment, 2 bdrm, lower, clean, remodeled kitchen D/W & bath, parking, non-smoking or pets, Heat incl. Rent \$600. (414) 643-5946 [2]

**26th and National.** Male roommate wanted to share furnished 3 bedr apt. \$400 a month includes electric, AC,



## THERAPUETIC MASSAGE & REIKI

**Masterwork Massage:** Relaxation, Deep Tissue, pain and Headache relief, YuenMethod, Reiki Master. \$75/hour Joseph (414)839-6682 In calls only. Milwaukee based. You never felt so good! Peace [7/23]

**Experience REIKI Healing** - Reiki is a form of touch therapy which is effective for relaxation, stress relief and to promote the body's natural ability to heal. Reiki is not erotic and is done fully clothed. \$35/1 hr session. Call 414-793-4828 or email MilwaukeeReiki@yahoo.com [7/9]

**50 year old CERTIFIED MASSAGE THERAPIST in Appleton** offering Sweedish relaxation, sports massage and deep tissue massage in my private studio by appointment only. Please call (920)915-4318 Serious inquiries only please. [6/18]

## SENSUAL MASSAGE

**I offer very discreet relaxing, therapeutic or sensual/erotic massage services** to interested individuals. If you are in need, please contact me or more information or to set up an appointment. hungtopguy@gmail.com [8/13]

**Massage and More!** by a cute, smooth stud. (414)614-8883 Outcalls Only. [8/27]

**50 year old certified massage therapist in Appleton** offering Sweedish relaxation, sports massage and deep tissue massage in my private studio by appointment only. Please call (920)915-4318 Serious inquiries only please. [6/18]

Treat yourself to a very relaxing **full body massage**. Ladies welcome, too! **Green Bay/Fox Valley area.** Page me (920) 613-3835 [6/18]

**BODYBUILDER** certified masseur w/ table, 34, 5'9", 50" chest, 30" waist, 220 lbs. German/Italian. Very good looking, huge and ripped. Nude/erotic. **Milwaukee/ Bayview area.** In/Out. Jeff (414) 690-9706 [7/23]

**HELP WANTED:** Experienced Bartender for Milwaukee Gay Bar. Part-time or Full-time. City of Milwaukee license required. Variety of shifts available. Please send inquiries to: [bartend@live.com](mailto:bartend@live.com) [2]

**Looking for younger gay male to be a friend/companion to my 54yo husband.** Mildly handicapped. Would like to help mentor person. Call Ron at 920-738-0112 after 6pm. [2]

**AUTO TECH STUDENT** seeking part time entry-level employment in the automotive field, RACINE & KENOSHA. Serious Replies Only. Email: [enginestudent29@aol.com](mailto:enginestudent29@aol.com) [2]

## PERSONALS MESSAGES

The Rainbow Club is thanking Billy & Chuck i Ladysmith for the nice time and food spread. 14 showed up & was a nice visit with all they have a very nice home and were a very good host. Next meeting July 19th Pot luck lunch 1pm at Brads and Jeffs in Wausau. New people are welcome. Call (715)848-1728 or call Terry (715)654-5044 Central Wisconsin Rainbow Club to meet others (not drinking or sex-just to meet others. [1]

Out on the town? **Please drive responsibly. DO NOT DRINK & DRIVE**, call Yellow Cab, Green Bay 920-435-1111

## CROSSDRESSING or Bi looking for MEN & WOMEN

**MBM 40 YO BI-Curious** looking for some morning fun with women, men or couples both female or male. I'm into oral bigtime both GIVING and of course receiving. I'VE never had AN\*L to date but willing to give it a shot! I'm about 5'7", 162lbs in good shape, shaved head and D/D Free. I'm married so I must be totally discreet. I'm 7 1/2" kinda thick and would love to have ALL my holes filled. So if interested call me or write (608)906-2547 staffsgt50@yahoo.com Only serious people need respond! [1]

**Black Daddy-Master wanted:** Slender smooth, phy fit submissive WM crossdresser ISO Dom Phy Fit hung creative black male. Will wear naughty school girl outfit, dog collar & leash for you. Serious, discreet, anxious. Rachell P.O. Box 541 Kenosha, WI 53141 or (262)496-0364 Best 12:30-1pm [1]

**Hi am a cute crossdresser**, but part time. I live south of Kenosha & looking for another CD friend or lover to meet & have fun with. Also looking for a CD for a photo shoot. I am only looking for other CDs or TGs. who want to meet. I'm single and fun, call me (847)309-9125 Rainylynn [1]

**M** Kitchen Open Late!!!  
**M** Sun & Mon:  
**O** 6pm - 1am  
**N** Tues - Fri:  
**A** 4pm - midnight  
**A**

1407 S First Street  
Milwaukee  
414.643.0377

[www.m-o-n-a-s.com](http://www.m-o-n-a-s.com)



Tony from Milwaukee: We talked, loved it, want to talk more - meet? - Serious, anxious! Rachel (262)496-0364

BiWM middle aged seeks TV, TS, couple or female for friendship, possible relationship. Into oral, fancy leggings, mild S&M, uncut males, neo-pagans & female-female. Couples especially welcome 414-640-6364 9am-9pm leave message. [2]

**Calling all interested Males, Females & couples.** Very BiCurious 51 yo white male 7.5" looking for erotic adventure. New to this, but willing to

learn and try anything. Clean & disease free a must. Write me at Steve L, P.O. Box 342 Ingleside, IL 60041 [3]

**Be my hot bitch!** BiWM 39, 5'11" 180# looking for male between 20-40 to wear lipstick & nylons, make out and take it like a pussy in heat. Call T.D. (414)469-4183 [3]

**Womyn looking for Womyn** LSWF 39 5' 180# Brown hair, blue eyes searching for LSWF 39-50 who likes to drive, is honest, caring, fun and a loving woman. I love to go for long rides, movies, walks, rock con-

certs and a quiet snuggling time. I was raised you get what you receive, so please no games. Send answers to N4371 weeks Rd. Chilton, WI 53014 willing to move if you're the right one.

#### **MEN looking for MEN**

**I'm looking for a nice masculine handsome hairy chested man!** Told I'm also. Me: 52 6' 175# nice package. Hot sex is nice top or bottom but I want more. A relationship would be great. Not into games so please don't waste my time, life is just too short. Let's enjoy it together. Bob (262)353-5292 [1]

**SGWM 5'9" 150#** G/Brown strong build, good looking, funny, spontaneous, looking for similar men. Friendship or more. Call (920)713-8943 or acna20082000@yahoo.com your pic gets mine. Just ask for AJ I'll be waiting for you. [1]

**Looking for M/18/40** near Marshfield. for am play on week days. cave-dog22001@yahoo.com. or call (715)897-1715 [1]

Fun, funny, creative, hiker, seeks man for cooking, playing cards, or talking & laughs! (773)585-6275 Chicago or PO

Box 63, Lawrenceville, IL. Tommy [1]

**All Male Chat!** 18+ record & listen FREE! (920)431-9000 code 4120 [P]

**I am a Gay Black guy in my 40's 5'8"** 167# smooth skin. Not into bars much. I want to meet a top gay white guy for friendship, maybe more. Call Jim (414)578-1657 [1 only]

**Mature WM** wishes to receive satisfying BJ often. Age, race, gender not important. Send phone# & vet time to call to PMB#143 1528 S. Koeller Oshkosh, WI 54902

**61 yo HIV- GWM** down to earth, stable. 6' 180# well hung. Looking for LTR and some fun along the way. Hope to find someone stable, loving, HIV- (715)324-5439 Roy PO Box 201 Pembine, WI 54156

**Want under 50s for fun** near Marshfield. Call (715)897-1715 [1]

I'm looking for men in the Janesville WI area for some fun call (608)359-3194 ask for Jeff B discreet [1]

**Man on Man Fun!** 18+ Record & Listen FREE! (920) 431-9000, code 4166 [P]

**Want a male 18 to 40 for fun.** Must be near Marshfield. and up for am week day play. (715)897-1715 [1]

**46 GWM** 200# Br/Br looking for friendship/relationship to share my life with. I'm handicapped w/ speech impediment but mobile. I'm a smoker & social drinker. Willing to relocate. (262)644-8305 Mark S 325 James St, Slinger WI 53086 [1]

**GWM 44 5'7"** 170# with dark hair/eyes. Looking for LTR with down to earth guy 30-40 Not into bars, D&D free living in LaCrosse. Into photography and 80's music. Email sglewin@yahoo.com [1]

**Looking for buddy!** Caring, loyalty, a+! love Vegas, beaches, walking, playing games, talking nutrition or travel! (773)569-6333 Tom 3658 W. 79pl., Chicago. pen pal wanted! [1]

**Closeted swm, early 50s,** attractive and fit seeks older partner for discreet relationship. Just now realizing I'm gay, I'm inexperienced but

looking forward to changing that with an honest, older man. Must be d/d free. write me with pic: sks328@sbcglobal.net [1]

Older man desires sucking cock. Call for appt. (262)639-4171 Ask for Don [1]

**54 year old white slave seeks black Master** for total ownership and slavery. Seeking strict, harsh Master who will use and abuse this slave for your pleasure. Master must believe in strict discipline and absolute control. slave is trained in domestic use, hard labor, water sports, strict discipline and bs/sm. Call slave at 414-527-1613 best times are at night although try anytime.

**GWM 46.** 180# Brown Hair Blue Eyes 7.5 bottom or top Lake Geneva, Burlington, Racine or Kenosha likes to be naked, good looking, also likes to kiss, loves to cuddle after sex, non smoker. Please ask for Gary 262-749-9811 [2]

**GWM 5' 9 1/2" Top,** 61yo 180# ISO GWM 45-65 Bottom for LTR. Looking for stimulating conversation with true soulmate. Call Brian (224)321-9809 Do not call after 9pm, Gurnee, IL No inmates, no fatties. [2]

I am laying naked at the local bathhouse. I am anxious for a sexual encounter with a guy who will discover my hidden experience with my tanned desirable body. Tommorow I will have his phone number in my hand, taste his excitement in my mouth and feel his thrust against my nice ass! am I dreaming? well I am naked at the bath, 57 years old, tall tanned, you be similar. Shannon P. 10238 West National Ave Box 130, West Allis, WI 53227 [2]

**62 year old GWM** 5ft10, 175 pounds, seeking a relationship with another gay man around my own age. I am well educated, a positive thinker, and energetic. Person must be single, clean and well groomed, H/W proportionate, and not effeminate. 920-495-9714 [2]

**Looking for BI/gay** for play in the AM. Marshfield ao cavedog22001@yahoo or 715 897-1715 [2]

**GWM 57,** 6'2" 198# dark hair & eyes bottom. Looking for

**Super Video**  
9800 W. Greenfield Ave.  
West Allis, WI 53214  
414-258-3950  
Open 8am-2am(Mon-Fri)  
8am-3am (Sat), 12pm-2am (Sun)

**Selective Video**  
2709 W. Beltline Hwy.  
Madison, WI 53713  
608-271-3381  
Open 24hrs.

**Special Souvenirs**  
9284 Skyline Drive  
Allenton, WI 53002  
920-488-2704  
Open 24hrs.

**Success Video**  
1819 Douglas Ave.  
Racine, WI 53402  
262-638-2435  
Open 9am-Midnight

**Super Video II**  
5049 S. Pennsylvania Ave.  
Cudahy, WI 53110  
414-744-5963  
Open 8am-3am

**City News & Video**  
1606 Pearl Street  
Waukesha, WI 53186  
262-513-8481  
Open 24hrs.

**Select Video**  
16475 W. Russell Road  
Zion, IL 60099  
847-395-6142  
Open Noon-Midnight, Mon-Sat

**Super Video III**  
N6441 5th Ave.  
Plainfield, WI 54966  
715-335-8277  
Open 8am-midnight

**Superb Video**  
6005 120th Ave.  
Kenosha, WI 53142  
262-857-9922  
Open 24hrs

**Supreme Video**  
945 N. Wahsburn Street  
Oshkosh, WI 54904  
920-235-2012  
Open 24hrs.

**Sheridan News & Video**  
12212 S. Sheridan Road  
Pleasant Prairie, WI 53140  
262-694-6769  
Open 9am-Midnight

**MUST BE 18 TO ENTER. VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE OR STATE-ISSUED ID REQUIRED.**

LTR Not into anything kinky or pain. Not looking for one night stand or game player. Please have a life. Green Bay 920-469-0950 drink & smoker, disease free. E-Mail tipgen1@new.rr.com [2]

I'm 50 and looking for someone to get together with for oral & jacking off please don't be fat & be under 40. Email: Dkfoxpoint@aol.com Prefer caucasian only. [2]

**GWM 44, 5'7" 170#** with dark hair & eyes. Looking for LTR with down to earth guy 30-50. Not into bars, D&D free living in LaCrosse. into

photography and 80's music. Email sglewin@yahoo.com

GWM 50's 5'7" 180# into body shaving, feet, oral & very adaptable. Seeking open minded, in-shape males for shaving fun. Also open to w/s activity. (414)234-0027 Ken

**SINGLE HOT 21 YO** White-Latino male in Racine. 6' 160 pounds of muscle, 7" cut sexy guy seeking men for adult fun. I like business men, young skinny men and you must come to Racine. I love sex and I am super hot! Contact me at awoodcock34@yahoo.com Send pics & number. contact me for details.

**ORAL INTIMACY MALE TO MALE**, very good, must be clean, drug and disease free, please call 262-994-5977. ask for Don. [3]

**HI GUYS I'm TERRY**, a single guy living alone. I've had ads in before and some just see your # and ask you all the same things that you say in your ad. PLEASE READ ALL BEFOR CALLING. I'm 5' 8" 178lb brown hair, green eyes, gotee, 7" I like fishing, camping, walks, dining, moves, like kissing, cuddeling , 69, sucking; more top but versatile to some. Not into pain. I live 4hr

north of Milwaukee, west of Wausau (45 miles) Dorchester in the country. I'smy own place, a hobby farm. NOT into PHONE SEX, dont smoke or do drugs. NOT INTO ANIIMALS, want a guy not a pet that's not into games. I do live far but it might be worth it! If intrested call (715)564-5044 email rechot@aol.com

**Still looking for young bottoms** or young willing to train in West Central Wisconsin. Will train u to be a total bottom. Call Steve, (608) 427-2269 or e-mail brownie3@mwt.net [3]

# WISCONSIN LGBT BAR GUIDE

## LACROSSE/MADISON (608)

My Place 3201 South Ave La Crosse (608)788-9073

Players 214 Main St, La Crosse (608)784-2353

Rainbow's End 417 Jay St, La Crosse

CLUB Impulse 132 W. Grand Ave. Beloit, (608)361-0000

Club 5 Bar/Restaurant 5 Applegate Ct Madison, (608)277-9700

Shamrock 117 W Main St., Madison (608)255-5029

WOOLF'S 114 King Street, Madison (608) 204-6222

Captain Dix (*Rainbow Valley Resort*) 4124 River Road WI Dells, WI (866) 553-1818

## NORTHERN WISCONSIN (715)

Diversions 202 Gibson Street Eau Claire (715)514-2337

Scooters 411 Galloway Street, Eau Claire (715)835-9959

JT's Bar and Grill 1506 N. 3rd Superior (715)-394-2580

The Main 1217 Tower Ave Superior, WI (715)392-1756

OZ 320 Washington St, Wausau [www.totheonoz.com](http://www.totheonoz.com) (715)842-3225

Club Night Out 2533 Cty. Rd. M, Stevens Point (715)342-5820 [www.club-nightout.com](http://www.club-nightout.com)

## NORTHEASTERN WISCONSIN (920)

Rascals Bar & Grill 702 E. Wis., Appleton (920)954-9262

Ravens (NEW) 215 E. College Ave Appleton (920)364-9599

Napalese 1351 Cedar Street, Green Bay (920)432-9646

SASS 840 S. Broadway, Green Bay (920)437-7277

THE SHELTER 730 N. Quincy St. Green Bay 920-432-2662 • [theshelterclub.com](http://theshelterclub.com)

X S Niteclub 1106 Main Street, Green Bay

Club 1226 1226 Oshkosh Ave Oshkosh, (920)651-1226

Blue Lite 1029 N 8th, Sheboygan (920)457-1636

## ROCKFORD, IL (815)

The Office 513 East State Rockford, IL (815)965-0344

## SOUTHERN WISCONSIN (262)

Club ICON 6305 120th (Off I-94) Kenosha, (262)857-3240 [www.club-icon.com](http://www.club-icon.com)

JoDee's 2139 Racine St, Racine (262)634-9804

## MILWAUKEE (414)

Art Bar 722 Burleigh, (414)372-7880

Ballgame 196 S 2nd (414)273-7474

Boom 625 South 2nd St (414)277-5040

Boot Camp 209 E National (414)643-6900

C'est La Vie 231 S 2nd (414)291-9600

City Lights Chill 111 W. Howard Ave (414)481-1441

ETC (Below LaCage) 801S 2nd, (414)383-8330

Fluid 819 South 2nd (414)643-5843

Harbor Room 117 E. Greenfield Ave. (414)672-7988

KRUZ 354 E. National (414)272-KRUZ

LaCage Video Dancebar 801S 2nd, (414)383-8330

M's 1101 S. 2nd Street (414)383-8900

Pumphouse 2011 S. First St. (414)744-4008

Mona's 1407 S. First St Milw (414)643-0377

Nut Hut 1500 W Scott Milw. (414)647-2673

SWITCH 124 W National (414)220-4340

This Is It 418 E. Wells Street (414)278-9192

Triangle 135 E National, (414)383-9412

Walker's Pint 818 S 2nd St (414)643-7468

Woody's 1579 S. 2nd, Milw (414)672-0806

**YELLOW CAB**  
GREEN BAY, WI

920-435-1111

Anywhere...anytime.



**Tony Ritschard**  
Realtor®

222 W. Washington Ave.,  
Madison, WI 53703

608.279.0305

608.310.8862

[ritschty@firstweber.com](mailto:ritschty@firstweber.com)  
Call me for a free market analysis

**Free UHP for all clients!**

**G3 Designs**

Fine Jewelry &  
Original Artwork

8628A S. Marketplace  
Oak Creek, WI 53154  
(414) 764-3892

**LandShark**

*Landscaping & Home  
Repair Services*



*Specializing in Naturalizing the  
Urban Landscape by Emphasizing the use of Ecologically  
Friendly Plants and Processes.*

**Will Sharkey**

Environmental Geographer / Landscaper  
414-241-5114 [sharkatk30@hotmail.com](mailto:sharkatk30@hotmail.com)

**Dr. Dennis Ian Jackson PhD**

**Psychologist**

**(414)276-8669**

*11931 West Blue Mound Road, Wauwatosa*

*(Anxiety, depression, couples, trauma, counseling)*

*MOST INSURANCE PLANS ACCEPTED*



**A Church for All People**

Independent, Affirming Nondenominational  
With a special ministry to the GLBT community

Service 4 pm Sundays 406 Grant St., Wausau.  
First Presbyterian Church Chapel

Phone: 715-355-8641

[footstepfellowship@yahoo.com](mailto:footstepfellowship@yahoo.com)

Mail: P.O. Box 171 Wausau, WI 54402

website: [www.geocities.com/footstepfellowship](http://www.geocities.com/footstepfellowship)

# Many, Many Voices. Add Yours to the Mix.

## Celebrate Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride



Friday  
June 6, 2008

Comedian **WANDA SYKES**

Saturday, June 7, 2008

Pop Superstar

**NATASHA BEDINGFIELD**

Sunday, June 8, 2008

LGBT Cultural Icons

**INDIGO GIRLS**

Over 150  
Performers On  
Six Stages

Including

Kevin Aviance

DJ Tony Moran

Hilary McRae

Ian Harvie

Marc & Fausto (Feast of Fools  
Podcast)

Sherry Vine

Bearapalooza Showcase

Kirsten Price

Britney Houston

Cheril Vendetti

Ronnie Nyles & Tallulah Who

Miss Foozie

Arson Etiquette

Martine Locke

The Kul

Frida Lay

Tret Fure

Mrs. Fun

Major Tom

Pulsation Band

Leah Jee & The Boys

Dylan Rice

Scott Free and

His Closest Friends

Shai Fahrid Bellydance

Pamela Means

Veronique

Mara Levi

The Joans

Rachael Sage & The Sequins



For reserved & general admission tickets, visit [www.pridefest.com](http://www.pridefest.com)

