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# The Wisconsin Light

#### Victory Fund to Hold First-Ever White **House Meeting With Gay Elected Officials**

Washington, D.C.--More than half the members of the GOP-controlled 104th Conhave established discrimination policies covering Lesbians and Gay men according to a poll released by the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) on

Thursday, April 13. HRCF surveyed all 535 members of the House and Senate and found 287 would confirm in writing that sexual orientation is not considered in the hiring, promoting or firing of employees in their congressional offices.

Slightly more members, 296, had such policies in the Democratic-led 103rd Congress, the organization found. But HRCF officials said they were happily surprised to find as much support as they did, given the election of nu-merous conservative Republicans last Novem-

#### Wisconsin

In the Senate According to the HRCF report, both Wisconsin Senators Herb Kohl and Russ Feingold signed the document saying that they do not discriminate in hiring on the basis of sexual orientation.

#### In the House

Among Wisconsin's House delegation, Congressmen Tom Barrett, Steve Gunderson, Gerald Kleczka, Scott Klug and David Obey signed the document saying that they do not discriminate in hiring on the basis of sexual orientation.

Congressmen Mark Neumann, Tom Petri, Toby Roth and Jim Sensenbrenner did not sign the document.

"It is encouraging that the critical bloc of moderate swing votes in this Congress supports the concept of equal treatment for Gay Americans," said Elizabeth Birch, the group's Executive Director. "We often hear from a virulent minority of anti-Gay extremists, but the majority of this Congress has taken a personal stand against discrimination," she said.

When Congress tackles contentious Gay political issues, she told a news conference, "We hope that the fair-minded majority will vote with their consciences when they come under pressure from extremists.

Federal civil rights laws do not forbid dis-TURN TO GOP, PAGE 15

#### Congressional **Majority Forbids** Discrimination in Office Hiring

Washington, D.C.- For the first time in history, the White House has scheduled a meeting with Gay and Lesbian elected officials. According to San Francisco Supervisor Susan Leal, the liaison between the Administration and Gay and Lesbian elected officials, the meeting will be held at the White House on Tuesday, June 13, 1995.

"This much awaited meeting will give Gay and Lesbian officials the opportunity to provide input to the Administration and to discuss with Administration officials issues of common concern," said Leal.

On the morning before the meeting, the Gay TURN TO WHITE HOUSE, PAGE 12

#### Eau Claire Man Convicted in Gay **Bashing Case**

Eau Claire, WI- One of three tavern patrons accused of making homophobic remarks about Gay men was convicted of battery and disorderly conduct stemming from an attack on two men.

The Circuit Court jury deliberated about two hours Thursday, April 13, before convicting Thomas Alley, 42. Jurors declined to apply a hate-enhancer law that increases penalties for

crimes motivated by prejudice.

Two other Eau Claire men were previously convicted. Jurors were told the men made anti-Gay remarks in a tavern Sept. 12, 1994, before two men were assaulted outside.

Alley's sentencing hearing is May 3.

## State Representative Tammy Baldwin Chosen as Wisconsin PrideFest '95 Grand Marshal



Colonel Chabert (Gerald Depardieu) and Countess Ferraud's (Fanny Ardant) countryside reunion is rife with sexual tension, bitterness and pernicious gamesmanship in a scene from Yves Angelos' film adaption of Honore de Balzac's "Colonel Chabert." The film opens May 5 at Milwaukee's Downer Theatre.

#### Candace Gingrich to Visit Milwaukee and **Madison as Part of National Tour**

Washington, D.C.- The Human Rights ity and attendance at Gay pride events. Campaign Fund (HRCF), the nation's largest All that changed last November, v Gay lobby has hired Candace Gingrich, Lesbian sister of House Speaker Newt Gingrich, (R-GA), and is sending her on a 34-city tour of the country which will include Madison and

Gingrich, 28, started work Tuesday, April 18, at the HRCF as spokeswoman for its National Coming Out Project, a campaign to encourage and empower ever Gay person to make a difference in educating America by letting others know who they are.

"We're going to be going all over the country basically to talk about coming out and helping people realize that there are things that they can do to help make the world a better place for us," Gingrich said in an interview

Gingrich will split the next six months between traveling and working at the Campaign Fund's Washington office as a health policy intern, said David Smith, an HRCF spokes-

Gringrich is already on her way, stopping first at an April 25 town meeting in Seattle. Similar town meetings will be conducted in other major cities across the United States including Madison and Milwaukee

A spokeswoman for HRCF told Light that the dates for Gingrich's appearance in Madison and Milwaukee had not yet been decided, but that it would be "in late Summer.

A flyer that advertised her Seattle appearance proclaimed: "Your brother doesn't have to be speaker for your voice to be heard in America. Listen to a Gingrich who speaks YOUR language.

"Many members of Congress remain out of touch with the rest of the country on the issue College of Wisconsin researchers have impli-of Gay and Lesbian equality," said Elizabeth cated the human herpes virus or HHV-6 as the Birch, HRCF's Executive Director. "Candace will deliver her message to voters in Congressional Districts across the country, while urging Gay people to be open about their sexual orientation, educate others about their lives and get involved with the effort to secure equal rights at the national level."

Gingrich, who has been a computer technician and box-sorter for United Parcel Service, described the new job as a fantasy come true.

"My dream when I was in college was to be a woman's studies prof, to teach at the college level." she said. "That's kind of how I feel about this. I mean, it's something very important to me, it means a lot to a lot of people that I care about, and I just feel kind of special."

HRCF approached Gingrich in January about working on National Coming Out Day, which is Oct. 11. Eventually, the offer mushroomed into a much bigger, full-time job.

"We had been discussing for some time how to expand the program to a year-round campaign, to urge people to come out and get involved," Smith said. "Candace seemed to be a perfect fit for our program... especially with what many people consider to be a treacherous political landscape here in Washington.

Gingrich, who plans to move from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, to the Washington suburbs, said her political involvement up to now had been limited to some abortion rights activ-

All that changed last November, when her brother was poised to become speaker of the House, and it was reported that he had a Gay

"In the back of my mind, I knew that eventually the question would be posed to me and I had always pretty much known that when asked, I would tell the truth and then go from there," she said Tuesday.

'From there' has meant major media interviews and, in March, being invited by HRCF to lobby her congressman--and her brother--on Capitol Hill, tailed by a pack of reporters, camera crews and photographers.

Gingrich said her mother told her brother about her sexual orientation about seven years "He told my mom it was my life, I should live it the way I want to and kind of left it at that," she said.

She agreed that she might have missed an opportunity in those years to influence Newt Gingrich's thinking about homosexuality--he has compared it to alcoholism or nearsighted-

"My mom talks about him a lot and I just kind of basically blocked out whatever he was doing, whether it was good or bad," she said. "But I think, regardless of whatever my reasons, I can't change what I haven't done. So it's up to me now to hopefully do whatever I

Milwaukee-PrideFest is pleased to announce that State Representative Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) has been selected to be the Grand Marshal of the Sunday June 11, 1995 Pride

A statement issued by PrideFest praised Baldwin and the work she has accomplished for Wisconsin's Lesbian, Gay Bisexual com-

"More than any other person Tammy Baldwin is the recognized leader of our Wisconsin Gay and Lesbian community. Not only has she shown the courage to run for public office as an open Lesbian, she has continued to show leadership with her work to get Action Wisconsin organized and on numerous issues of importance to the Gay community put before the state legislature.

Baldwin is a trusted adviser to dozens of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual leaders and organizations. She has gone around the state bringing our issues to the forefront.

It is therefore fitting that we bring her to the forefront of our 1995 Pride Parade. "Tammy Baldwin is being recognized for leadership, her vision and her courage. are pleased that as she has every year, Tammy Baldwin will again be participating in our parade," said Bill Meunier, the Co-Chair of the PrideFest.

Baldwin's reaction to being selected was typical of the grace she has always shown, "I am deeply moved to be selected for this important honor. Its always a great time to come to PrideFest and to march in the parade. Now I am looking forward to participating again with even greater anticipation.

Previous Grand Marshals for the Wisconsin Pride Parade include: AIDS activist and wife of former Milwaukee Mayor Henry Maier, Dr. Karen Lamb (1989), Queer TV host, and nationally recognized leader on the issue of banning Gays and Lesbians from the military, Miriam Ben Shalom, (1990) Gay activist Michael S. Lisowski, (1992), represent-atives of the Gay and Lesbian Veterans of America and last year's Grand Marshals. Wisconsin Light publisher, Jerry Johnson and In Step editor and publisher Ron Geiman.

The parade will assemble on the PrideFest grounds in front of the Cream City Foundation Alyn Hess Stage. It will commence at 12:30

To encourage participation, PrideFest is offering free admission to everyone who enters the grounds prior to 12:30.

For more information about the Wisconsin Pride Parade call Rick Finger at (414) 289-

#### Medical College Researchers Find HHV-6 **Implicated in AIDS Dementia Complex**

cause of a major form of central nervous system disease in patients with AIDS.

"We have caught this virus at the scene of the crime and believe that HHV-6 is responsible for some cases of AIDS Dementia Complex," said Konstance Kehl Knox, Ph.D., senior research scientist at the Medical Col-

Dr. Knox and Donald R. Carrigan, Ph.D., associate professor of pathology, published their results in the current issue of the Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes and Retrovirology.

In a previous study published a year ago in Lancet, the researchers had found that active HHV-6 infection was present in every type of tissue sample taken from nine AIDS patients who had died.

In the new study, they examined the brains of six of the same patients and found active HHV-6 infection in four of them which strongly correlated with demyelination or white matter damage of the brain. Such white matter damage is frequently seen in AIDS patients and is known as AIDS leukoencephalopathy, according to Dr. Knox.

In a related paper published this March, Dr. Knox and colleagues were the first to describe an HIV-infected infant who died with severe acute encephalitis caused by brain infection with HHV-6. While self-linking involvement

Milwaukee- Further study by Medical of the central nervous system is a relatively common complication of primary infection with HHV-6 in normal children, this is the first demonstration of invasive tissue disease caused by HHV-6 in an HIV-infected infant.

"We believe that when taken together, these two reports clearly show that HHV-6 is a major pathogen in HIV-infected adults and children. The good news is that HHV-6 infections are treatable with currently licensed antiviral agents and should be targeted for treatment in HIV-infected patients," Dr. Knox said.

The researchers' interest in HHV-6 grew from their study of bone marrow transplant patients at Doyne Hospital, a teaching affiliate of the Medical College. They first noticed that HHV-6 was destroying the white matter in the brains of bone marrow transplant victims.

Further research in HIV-infected patients led the researchers to theorize that HHV-6 could be destroying the white matter in the brain in a similar fashion.

In fact, up to 10% of HIV-infected patients first manifest their disease through clinical symptoms involving the brain. These symptoms can include forgetfulness, disorientation and social withdrawal known as AIDS dementia complex.

"We hope our findings will emphasize the importance of new herpes virus in the progression to AIDS and that other findings may reveal the cause of some cases of AIDS-related dementia," Dr. Carrigan said.

#### **Idaho Right Wing Christian Group Gets Set** to Try and Deprive Gays of Rights--Again

Twin Falls, ID- Barely five months after Idaho voters narrowly rejected its anti-Gay proposal, the Idaho Citizens Alliance, a Right Wing Christian Group, is at it again. They are about to launch two new initiative campaigns.

But opponents contend Idahoans already

have voted against prejudice.

Alliance Chairman Kelly Walton on Tuesday, April 18, said his group will introduce a "school choice" initiative this month, and a new measure designed to deprive Lesbians and Gay men of their civil rights--similar to last year's Proposition One-- in May.

The Heyburn-based alliance is connected to Christian Fundamentalist organizations nationwide and receives funding and other forms of support from them. The Alliance hopes to place both initiatives on the November 1996 ballot. Walton said the wording is being ironed out, but indicated the concepts will be simple.

The school choice measure would seek tax dollars for private schools, particularly schools operated by Fundamentalist Christian groups.

Opponents say that the curriculum in these schools will include biblical creationism as an established "fact," and teach the bible's penalty for being Gay.

"Basically, we're going after a \$1,000-per-child tax credit for non-government schools," Walton said.

As for the reworked anti-Gay measure: "It'll be shorter and more to the point," Walton said. "There will be some subjects that were in Proposition One that are not in the new one.'

Proposition One would have barred the state from granting minority status to Gays and Lesbians. It restated Idaho's ban on same-sex marriages and provided statewide guidelines for how schools, libraries, and government agencies would address sexual orientation.

Opponents claimed the initiative attacked the

civil rights of Idaho's Gays and Lesbians.

The new initiative will omit language dealing with the employment of Gay people in government, Walton said.

National surveys have shown that the great majority of Americans are against job discrimination based on sexual orientation.

However, Walton added, regulations restricting how libraries can handle material addressing Lesbians and Gay men likely will re-

The alliance chief, who predicted victory for Proposition One and then watched it lose is not guaranteeing success this time. But he said alliance opponents will have a tough time stopping the new effort.

"It's going to take twice the energy and twice the money ... to beat us next time," he

In 1994, Proposition One opponents spent \$562,740 and the alliance \$192,778. Win or lose, critics say the new initiatives will waste time and money

Jill Kuraitis, a leading Proposition One opponent, called the latest efforts "not only frivolous, but outrageous.

"The people spoke once. What kind of proof does this guy need that discrimination is un-wanted here?" she said.

The school choice initiative will not get any help from the Idaho Education Association, teachers union executive director Jim Shackelford said.

"We would oppose it vigorously," he said. "Any effort to dilute the already inadequate funding provided for public schools does not bode well for the educational future of our students."

Others added that students coming from Fundamentalist Christian schools would be unprepared to handle university subjects.



Mel White, author of the bestseller "Stranger at the Gates: to be Gay and Christian in America" visited Milwaukee April 25. He is shown above with Jonathan Kuhaupt (right) and Bill Duane at AfterWords Bookstore and Espresso Bar.

#### **Illinois Senate Committee Nixes Human Rights**

Springfield-AP- A Republican controlled Senate Committee has shelved a proposal designed to protect Lesbians and Gay men from job and housing discrimination. The action came on April 19, as GOP members of the Senate Executive Committee sent the measure to a subcommittee despite the objections of Democratic senators who wanted to take up the matter immediately. Sponsoring senator David Barkhausen (R-Lake Forest), said the committee's decision probably kills the bill for the session.

Rick Garcia, a spokesman for the Illinois Federation for Human Rights voiced outrage at the committee's vote. "You have a roomful of senators who have turned their back on what is right and have followed the lead of a bigot," he said. "The president of the senate wears ignorance and bigotry like a badge.

#### **Jurors Reject AIDS Fear Defense**

Brownsville, TX-AP- Jurors have rejected a man's claim that he was justified in killing a Gay teacher out of rage over sexual abuse and fear of catching AIDS. Edgardo Arrona, 21, was sentenced on April 19, to life in prison with no chance of parole for 35 years for the murder of Oscar Anderson, 53. Testimony revealed that Anderson was infected with HIV. Arrona admitted shooting Anderson, an elementary school teacher, and taking a video player from his apartment, which he said, he had not stolen, but taken "as a symbol" of the "pain he had suffered" over the years. Arrona later sold the video player for \$20 which, police said, he spent on co-

Defense attorney Ernesto Gamez told the jury that "The only thing that was going to stop him (Anderson) what happened. He'd still be a teacher. How would you like him teaching your

The state portrayed Arrona as a willing participant who kept returning to Anderson's apartment for sex.

#### Mormons Assert Right to Intervene In Hawai'i

Honolulu, HI-AP- The Mormons have appealed a state court ruling that denied them the right to intervene in the Hawai'ian same-sex marriage case. "We are urging the court to support Hawai'i's (heterosexual) families and not undermine them by radically redefining the institution of marriage," said Don Hallstrom, the church's legal representative for Hawai'i. Dan Foley, attorney for the Gay couples who filed the original suit said that the Mormons' motion to intervene was filed too late and has no legal standing.

News Briefs are compiled by the Editor from mainstream newspapers and wire services, organizational press releases and Gay and Lesbian papers from across the U.S.

#### **NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

#### Achtenberg to Run for San Francisco Mayor

Washington, D.C.-AP- Assistant Housing Secretary Roberta Achtenberg will resign to run for mayor of San Francisco. Achtenberg is the highest level, openly Gay person, in the Clinton Administration. Her resignation will be effective on April 30. While Achtenberg declined to release her letter of resignation, she told reporters that "I feel the need to return to the city I call home. She went on to thank the President for all of his support.

#### The Buns of a Bigot

San Francisco-- The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) reports that Dave Thomas, founder of Wendy's hamburger chain, has written a book entitled Well Done. In his book, Thomas relishes praise upon homophobe and media mogul Pat Robertson. Specifically, Thomas commends Robertson for "doing things right" and promoting "wholesomeness and family values.

Not surprisingly, GLAAD says, Wendy's advertising dollars have provided further support for Robertson's media interests, while Thomas makes appearances on Robertson's show, 700 Club." Thomas can be contacted at Wendy's corporate headquarters, 4288 W. Dublin-Granville Road, Dublin, OH 43017; tel. (614) 764-6800; fax, (614) 764-6894.

#### Log Cabin Petitions FDA to Speed AIDS Drug

Washington, D.C .- Log Cabin Republicans (LCR), a LesBiGay group in the GOP, has met with officials of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to speed the approval process of three vital AIDS drugs. Charging that the FDA has dragged its feet in implementing Bush Administration reforms, LCR has asked the FDA to take specific steps to streamline the approval of key AIDS drugs. LCR stated that despite some regulatory innovations to speed AIDS drug approval at FDA, the pace of drug approval is still too slow. "Delays on these drugs will cost lives," said LCR AIDS policy advisor Jim Driscoll.

#### Republican to Lead Senate Sponsors of ENDA

Washington, D.C .- U.S. Senator James Jeffords (R-VT) has agreed to serve as the lead Senate sponsor of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) when the bill is introduced in May in the 104th Congress, according to the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF). HRCF asked Jeffords to lead the effort to advance ENDA in the Senate, along with Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-MA). In the House of Representatives, a bipartisan group will also spearhead ENDA.

Leading the effort in the House will be Reps. Gerry Studds (D-MA), Barney Frank (D-MA) and Connie Morella (R-MD).

ENDA would prohibit job discrimination and special treatment on the basis of sexual orientation, ensuring the same basic rights in the workplace for Gay and non-Gay Americans. The bill also would prohibit quotas and would not apply to religious organizations, small businesses and

"It is critical that ENDA be introduced in this Congress," said HRCF Public Policy Director Daniel Zingale. "Without ENDA, we are relegated to playing defense in this Congress. ENDA gives us a focus for positive activity."

#### Irish-American Gays Take Case to Supreme Court

Washington, D.C.- Attorneys for the Irish-American Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Group (GLIB) began arguments of their case before the U.S. Supreme Court on April 25. The case of "Hurley v. Irish-American Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Group" seeks to determine whether the Massachusetts Public Accommodations Statute, which guarantees equal access to public accommodations regardless of sexual orientation, insures GLIB's right to participate in the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. The South Boston Allied War Veterans Council, which serves as the trustee of the parade, has sought to exclude GLIB from participating because those of its members marching wanted to carry a banner with the group's name on it.

Massachusetts courts found the parade as it is historically constituted, to be an open recreational event, with a long history of inclusion of every conceivable type of group.

A spokesman for the South Boston Veterans group said they weren't trying it discriminate because it was okay for Gays to march "as long as we don't know who they are."

#### YWCA Turns Down Money for Lesbians

Bangor, ME-AP- The Bangor-Brewer YWCA turned down a \$25,000 grant for cancer screening and education for Lesbians because it seeks to avoid advocacy for a particular group, its executive director said. Lynda Clyve said the YWCA's basic mission is to provide health services "to all area women without regard to sexual orientation, ethnic origin, economic status or religious affiliation." She added that accepting the money would "violate a long-standing policy of the YWCA not to advocate the rights or positions of a particular group or issue." The grant to screen and educate Lesbians in breast and cervical cancer included \$20,000 from the Centers for Disease Control and \$5,000 from the state.

Ruth Lockhart, director of the Mabel Wadsworth Women's Health Center, said that Lesbians have needs not being met in ordinary women's health facilities. For example, women who have never born children are at greater risk for breast cancer and often aren't in the habit of getting regular medical care. Many Lesbians too, she said, often worried about the kind of response they are going to get from health care providers.

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#### **Out and About in Madison**

#### Alumni Group Thrives, Action Wisconsin Grows, Openly L/G Alders Gain Coveted Appointments

By John Quinlan

As this issue goes to press, the UW-Madison Ten Percent Society's 12 annual Out and About Week is underway with its usual outstanding mix of speakers, entertainers and films. The week kicked off on April 23 with the second annual Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Graduation Reception, which was co-sponsored by the Wisconsin Alumni Association and the Dean of Students Liaison to the LGBT community.

At a university that graduates thousands of students each semester, most grads get lost in the shuffle. That's why the LGBT reception, with its warm sense of family and community, has proven to be an especially moving ritual for graduates and alumni alike. In the last couple of years, the UW's LGBT Alumni Association has become one of the Wisconsin Alumni Association's most visible and actionoriented groups. For more information, contact Ken Chraca at (608) 263-4086.

Look for our coverage of the Out and About Week events in the next edition of the Light, including an interview with featured speaker Ann Northrup, a nationally renowned journalist and LGBT media consultant.

Northrup, known affectionately as the "Dyke Activist from Hell," is a former network news correspondent renowned for her work with ACT UP, but best known for her leadership in their landmark demonstration inside St. Patrick's Cathedral several years ago.

Things are moving full steam ahead for the statewide LGBT political group, Action Wisconsin: A Congress for Human Rights as the organization's leaders look forward toward its second annual General Assembly at Milwau-

kee's PrideFest on Saturday, June 10.

Last year, many ideas and much enthusiasm was generated at this event, which was a rallying place for activists from around the stateit's an event that should not be missed given the political challenges facing our community

Not surprisingly, forming a strong, broadlybased organization has been no easy task. But after a year of seemingly endless meetings, the laborious, but necessary, job of passing bylaws and recruiting and electing a leadership is over. And for the first time in more than a decade. Wisconsin now has a truly state-wide GLBT organization that is ready for action.

Everyone involved is to be commended for Mukwonago High School Gay Teens Let

Their Voices be Heard

their hard work and perseverance. For more information about Action Wisconsin, call (608) 231-1099 or send Email to: Act-Wis@aol.com.

As the Light predicted last issue, openly Gay Madison Alderperson Mike Verveer was appointed to the city's powerful Board of Estimates. Now comes the news that Alderperson Judy Olson, his newly elected openly Lesbian colleague, has been appointed to the equally prestigious Organizational Committee.

Each of these appointments represents an almost unprecedented coup for a freshman alder, and council leaders say that it is a sign of the enormous depth of experience that each brings to the job. Our community is being well-represented indeed.

At press time, Verveer's boss, State Rep. Tammy Baldwin was about to enter University Hospital to take care of some important unfinished business of a non-legislative nature. As you may recall, it was last Fall that Baldwin had doggedly pursued a busy schedule of events despite a growing sense that something was amiss with her health. It turned out that she'd been giving speeches and traveling around the state with what later turned out to be a burst appendix.

After the potentially serious problem received treatment, she was soon more or less back to feeling her normal self. However, her initial hospitalization and surgery last Fall left some important internal clean-up work un-

After surgery on April 23, she'll be recuperating at home for a week or so, leaving the whole unexpected episode behind her.

We wish her all the best.

The number of new books of interest to our community seem to be increasing at an exponential rate. As a reaction to this, a new Gay Men's Book Discussion Group is forming. There will be an initial organizing meeting on Sunday, May 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the office of The United, 14 W. Mifflin Street. For more information, contact Rob Winters at (608)

Your comments, observations and story ideas are much appreciated. Leave a message at (608) 257-3744 or Email to: JLQuin-

# lie I was living, so I told my mom. I was real

Editor's Note: Mukwonago is a small farming community located about 30 miles southwest of Milwaukee. Recently the high school's news publication, MHS Magazine, invited Gay students to write short articles for the publication. Three of these were published in the March, 1995 edition in a section entitled "Voices Seldom Heard.

We thank Michael S. Lisowski for bringing this to our attention. Lisowski is the coordinator for Gay Youth Milwaukee (GYM), a support group for Gay teens. Though all the articles are anonymous, Lisowski said that two of them were written by members of GYM. We

re-publish them here unedited.
The publisher of Wisconsin Light, Jerry Johnson, is a graduate of Mukwonago Union High School.

I'm Here And I'm

Not Going to Go Away

"Growing up Gay is not easy. I find that teachers teach acceptance of others regarding their appearance, financial background, race, and just about anything except sexual orientation. They always avoid the topic. We briefly skimmed it in health class for about three

Gays are expected to do whatever they can to understand straight people, yet most straight people don't even attempt to look at the Gay perspective. Most straight people say they don't mind Gays, as long as they don't have to see or deal with them. I feel this is hardly fair when I have to see "Sally and Bill" groping each other and joined at the mouth every day I enter study hall. I really find that gross!

I'm here, and I'm not going away. There's lots of students I know who feel the same way. We're tired of being made to look like deviates. Though we're perceived as being difference, we're human, and deserve the same respect and courtesy everyone else gets!

Luckily, I've met some other Gay students at Mukwonago and have had some good times. I also told my guidance counselor, who has helped me out a lot.

Everyone I've Told is **Extremely Supportive** 

It took a long time for me to admit that I was Gay. I thought that I was all alone. The first couple of years of high school were hard. I was ashamed to be Gay and tried to cover it up as much as possible.

Last Spring, however, I couldn't stand the

nervous, but after I told her, she gave me a big hug and told me she'd always love and support

Since then, I've told more of my family and friends outside of high school. Everyone I've told is extremely supportive, even my

School is different though. I've only told one friend, who took it very well, and my guidance counselor, who's given me support.

People always tell Gay jokes that really hurt me. They stereotype masculine, butch truck drivers. Little do they know that most Gays don't fit these stereotypes.

I'm also sick of being made to look inferior. Michelangelo, Tchaikovsky, and Alexander the Great are some of the many Gays that could hardly be called inferior. I really hope teens start realizing we're just like everyone else, because in the real world we are every-

It's Okay...You Are Not The Only One

I am writing to the school newspaper because I am Gay. I've known I'm Gay for a long time. I've learned that students between the ages of 12-18 don't know any Gay people. It took me a long time to accept myself and for me to tell my friends and family that I am

A lot of Gay people are in the closet and depressed about being Gay because it is not socially acceptable. They shouldn't feel this

I just want all Gay students who are reading this now to know that it's ok and you are not the only one. There is more to a person than being Gay. How a person acts and what their personality is like are parts to a person. You should not judge someone on being Gay before you even know them.

So all I want the students of Mukwonago High School to know is that I'm proud of who I am and accept who I am.

Editor's Note: Included with these little articles was a statement of the School Board's statement on homosexuality. It really is quite liberal, but I find it amusing that at one point the statement says, "As an adolescent, it is unlikely that anyone can identify that they have or do not have homosexual tendencies . .

Yeah, sure.



Comedian Kate Clinton entertained over 800 at Milwaukee's Pabst Theatre on April 21 with her satirical and political wit with no subject being sacred.

#### Newly Released Poll Shows Republican Anti-**Gay Agenda Hurts GOP with Moderates**

Washington, D.C .- In a highly regarded national study of the American electorate, the prestigious Times Mirror Center for The People & The Press has found that the American public heard more about House Speaker Newt Gingrich's recent proposal to revive the old ban on Gays in the military than it did about provisions of the "Contract With America." And Americans overwhelmingly disapprove of Gingrich's idea of returning to the old policy under which recruits were asked about their sexual orientation, Times Mirror

Gingrich said on April 2 that the Republican-controlled Congress would revive the policy on Gays in the military that existed before the "don't ask, don't tell" so-called "compromise" enacted by the Clinton Ad-

As reported in Light, after the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) released Gingrich's voting record on the issue and held a press conference with members of the House National Security Committee, Gingrich retreated from his position on April 4.

Times Mirror asked 1,800 voting-age Americans about the issues they had "heard or read a lot about" in the first 100 days of the 104th Congress.

"More respondents (49%) said they had heard or read a lot about Gingrich's proposal to restore the ban on Gays in the military than any of the Contract proposals," the report said. "Unlike Contract items, which are being followed most closely by Republicans and others sympathetic to the GOP agenda, this proposal caught the attention of about as many Democrats (49% heard/read 'a lot') and Independents (47%) as Republicans (51%).

Anti-Gay Agenda Hurts GOP In its analysis of the findings, Times Mirror reported that an anti-Gay agenda hurts the Republican Party among mainstream voters. The critical bloc of Independents are "critical of the Party for its stand on cultural issues such as restoring the ban on Gays in the military,' Times Mirror reported. An anti-Gay agenda,

the report said, "hurts the Party with swing voters and potential Democratic crossover vot-

"Restoring the ban on Gays in the military is, ironically, causing problems for Gingrich much as it did for Clinton in his first 100 days," Times Mirror said. "Most people are not inclined to change the "don't ask, don't tell" policy on Gays in the military: 54% disapprove of restoring the Gay ban while 38% approve.

The results were based on a random telephone survey of 1,800 adults aged 18 years or older, conducted April 6-9, 1995, under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates. Margin of error +/- 2.5%.



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#### EDITORIAL

#### In Spewing Hate Over the Airwaves, the **Basics of Democracy are Theatened**

There is a poisonous atmosphere in this country, one of hatred, paranoia and fear, one calling into question our institutions and endangering democracy itself. Civil discourse has become virtually an oxymoron. Ad hominem attacks and demonization are the order of the day, much of it, as President Clinton says, spewing out over the nation's airwaves in a sickening and unend-

Radio talkshow hosts in the name of entertainment, scapegoat not just individuals, but whole groups of people as being responsible for the country's ills: immigrants, women ("feminazis"), people on welfare, Lesbians and Gay men, certainly. They whine and moan constantly, mistaking stridency for profundity, appealing to the most base that is in us all.

These people, Rush Limbaugh, Ollie North, and the rest of their kin, here in Milwaukee too,

claim that all they are doing is using words, only words. And words, as Limbaugh said, didn't drive the truck that carried the bomb in Oklahoma City. Words may not have been at the wheel, but words have power, great power, and they drive people. Venomous words create the climate in which death and destruction are acceptable.

And to the radio talk must be added Cal Thomas, Joe Sobran and others whose columns in the Journal Sentinel, constantly condemn Gay people (among others) who are sinners, the say, immoral, incapable of building families. Consequently, they belong in the hands of some angry god. How wonderful it would be, they seem to say, if we could just get rid of all "those" people, the ones who don't fit into white male America and then wouldn't everything be wonderful

The "citizen militias" are as homophobic as they are anti-Semitic, racist, sexist and a good deal else, and they thrive like algae in a stagnant pond in the climate created by hate-filled words. Right Wing Christians, with the militias in spirit if nothing else, and who fill the airwaves, too, gave them their god's sanction for whatever they do.

If those responsible for the horror of the Oklahoma City destruction really view government, Blacks, Gays, immigrants etc., as being responsible for the nation's ills, then the responsibility for that delusion has to be borne in some great degree by those who preach the hatred.

The story out of Oklahoma City boggles the mind. But so, we believe, should the killing of a Gay person in some lonely park by someone who thinks it's okay to spill our blood. Sadly, the difference between the terror in Oklahoma and in that lonely park is one of degree, not kind.

One radio talkshow host heard recently protested that he wasn't responsible for anything. He was only engaging in hyperbole. Maybe. But the gap between hyperbole and death isn't all that

#### FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

#### Like it or Not, Same-Sex Marriage is a **Battle We Must Fight**

By Terry Boughner

Meade didn't choose it and Lee certainly did not, but circumstances determined otherwise, a configuration of forces if you will. The two great armies came together at a little Pennsylvania town called Gettysburg.

It just goes to prove, I think, that sometimes you get to choose your battles and where to fight them. But sometimes, more often, perhaps, you have no choice. A battle is thrust upon you and you fight because you must. Such is the case with same-sex marriages.

This is not a battle that many LesBiGays would have chosen to fight. There are many in our community who believe that marriage in its traditional form, anyway, is unnecessary to family life. That idea deserves respect.

There are many LesBiGays who are not in relationships and so may wonder how the issue can affect them at all.

In the final analysis however, the issue of same-sex marriage comes down to two points.

First, in my mind, is the fact that marriage is not a simple religious function. If it were just that and nothing more, then, as far as I'm concerned, the churches, synagogues and temples could keep it and they wouldn't hear word one from me.

But marriage is redolent of legal implications, everything from insurance policies and inheritance rights to taxes, joint checking accounts and the adoption of children. Married couples have these rights and we should have them too.

In my mind, there is absolutely no justifiable reason why a same-sex couple should be denied these things. But we are and since we are and as long as we are, it is the state supporting religion that is trying to define what is and is not a family.

Back, not too terribly long ago, the state tried to do this with bans on interracial marriage. The churches of the time supported this too and both were wrong just as they are

If two single adults determine it is right for

them to form a family, then they should do it. The state has no business nor any right to say

The state may have a duty to promote family life. I, for one, think that it does. But has absolutely no right at all to say (as it does by denying marriage if I and my partner choose to have it) that our love, our same-sex family is any less valid, any less moral, that the straight couple's down the street.

In fact, if the state understood its proper interest, it would understand that promoting the stability of same-sex families would add to the community's over-all stability, not detract from it as some seem to think.

As I've said, there are those in our community who don't wish to marry, but the thing is we have should enjoy the right of choice. As it is now, we have no choice in that regard at all and to that degree, our dignity as human beings is made less.

The second point is that whatever you may think of marriage, the battle is now joined. Even those Gay leaders like Robert Bray, field organizer of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF), admit that while they may not have been thinking about marrying their partner, the question is up now and it

For many, this is an issue rooted squarely in their love for each other. They want the outward symbols of their interior reality

Others see that as unnecessary and/or unimportant, but in my opinion, they should see it as an issue of civil rights. And both groups should understand what the Right knows so very well: that same-sex is the keystone in the arch of our rights. Once it falls, the other legal sanctions against us will collapse as well.

We may not have chosen this battle and there may be those who think it is not the one we should be waging right now, but it can't be

Like Meade and Lee, we have no choice now but to get in there and fight.

#### **To The Community**

Dear Friends,

I know your time is precious so I'll come right to the point. Over this Memorial Day weekend, my spouse, Stephen Rose and I will be traveling to Ovett, Mississippi to Camp Sister Spirit. This, in response to the call of Rev. Elder Troy Perry and activist Robin Tyler.

We will be helping Wanda and Brenda Henson finish fencing in their property and re-side one barn, possibly two. Now, you all remember them from their national exposure when some of their so-called neighbors draped a dead dog on their mailbox and attempted to run them out through intimidation.

This is quite a bit different form of activism from marching in Washington, because this is going right to the heart of hatred, bigotry and yes, ignorance. I want it very clearly understood, I said "different," not better, as both types of activism are needed to help our cause.

The camp is located only 15 miles from the killing of two Gay men that happened last year in Laurel, Mississippi. Steve and I aren't on some kind of martyr trip. We simply desire to help these two wonderful women and let the "good ol boys" know that this is the U.S. where anyone has a right to own land and we aren't going backward out of fear and intimidation.

I remember when I was pastor of our church in Jackson, Mississippi and the horrible feeling of isolation that sometimes goes with living in a remote area that no one else in the country knew or cared about our struggle against ignorance and

Some of you reading this may think to yourselves, what has anyone in Mississippi ever done for us? I'll be the first to tell you, that type of cynicism is all too prevalent in our movement. Right next to apathy, cynicism is our greatest foe. So-get over it!

I recall being one of the very few out and open individuals, doing radio and newspaper interviews in an effort to bring some sense and reason to our

I need your help in two ways.

First, your prayers, from the Tuesday before Memorial Day, through the Thursday after. Steve and I will be telling you through the pages of Wisconsin Light about our adventure.

Secondly, your contributions. Please put check in the mail today, made out to "MCC-Ovett Fund" in order to help us make this trip a

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Won't you help us to let others know that we in

Finally, if anyone wants to join us, there is still time. Just pick up the phone and call us at (414)

Thanks for your help. Rev. Lew Broyles Milwaukee

#### In Very Bad Taste

#### TO THE EDITOR:

I feel your paper should comment on Kathy Cave's "The Lake Effect" column, Thursday, April 20, 1995 in the Journal-Sentinel entitled "Cheesy Slogans Offered" in which contributors suggested a new city slogan. From Norb Kringle came "Milwaukee: Dumb and Dahmer."

I take great offense to this remark and greater offense to Kathy Cave and the paper for printing it or thinking it is humorous. It is not so to the families of the victims or our community

Please, Kathy Cave, let this issue rest. It is not funny nor is the insult to our city."

#### Milwaukee

Editor's Note: I agree heartily that the remark was in incredibly bad taste. I sent off of phone mail message to Cave telling her so. That kind of thing is so utterly stupid and without any justification whatever.

In a very personal note, I'm not particularly fond of the Journal's new layout and I don't care at all for what I see as their Right-ward swing.

#### Hi To Old Friends

Editor's Note: The following letter was sent to Michael Lisowski who sent it on to us. We print an excerpt of it here for all those who knew Greg in far off days.

I remember you fondly, especially your kindness to me, a pretty lost young man. I met you in the " in the mid to late '70's in Milwaukee once and that is about the last time I saw you in person. I was coming out then and very unsure of my-

I live in California now, for the last 13 years. I go to the Castro District of S.F., practically every week and faithfully pick up a copy of Wisconsin Light where I almost always see either your name or picture. I wanted to write to you for years and let you know how proud I am that you have remained OUT THERE and active in GAY and HIV/AIDS issues. I respect you all the more for your current activism. You didn't know you were being watched from afar, eh?

I just wanted to get this note off to you and let you know that you are an inspiration still to this now 40-

I visit Milwaukee every year. I will be there the

end of May and into June. Thanks again for your

Greg Starr Oakland, California

#### GOP

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elected officials will conduct a coordinated series of Congressional visits to meet with key legislators.

Wisconsin State Rep. Tammy Baldwin's (D-Madison) office said that Baldwin had been invited but unfortunately would be unable to attend due to the fact that the Legislature would be in floor session.

Elected by popular vote, openly Gay and Lesbian officials epitomize the strides the Gay and Lesbian community has made towards dispelling anti-Gay stereotypes and achieving political equality.

"We have spent the last two years laying the groundwork for this unprecedented event," said Leal, "and now, to paraphrase Harvey Milk, we will give the American people the chance to judge us by our own leaders and by our own legislators.

Among the 32 Victory Fund winners invited to the meeting are Leal, Congressmen Barney Frank and Gerry Studds and California State Assemblymember Sheila Kuehl.

The Victory Fund is assisting Leal in convening this meeting. The Fund will also sponsor a reception and banquet on Saturday, June 10, to honor openly Gay elected officials and members of the Administration.

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#### ETTERS

#### Concert was Great

#### TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing in reference to Mr. Meunier's critique of "The Gay Concert", appearing in the 4/13/95 edition of the Wisconsin Light.

I believe Mr. Meunier misses the point of the concert entirely. He is correct in his assessment that some of the performances did not "stack up" in comparison to others. He is also correct in his assessment that the sound system had more than its share of problems.

The concept of the Concert was not to simply showcase the "best" the Chorus had to offer. Any Chorus member who wanted to perform a solo or ensemble was encouraged to do so. This was their opportunity to do the very best they could toward what I believe was a thoroughly enjoyable evening for everyone who attended.

This was a "fun" concert. Friends came to see friends "workin' it" in a fundraising event that was never meant to be a tear at your heart, gut wrenching choral "experience.

I heard nothing but positive comments from everyone who approached me in the three days following the Concert. I can assure you that if my peers had any criticism or negative comments to make, they would have done so. I applaud each and every person who stood out there on that stage and did the very best they could. I am certain that "The Gay Concert" will become an annual event for the Cho-

I find abrasive the fact that Mr. Meunier feels himself the unofficial barometer for the success or failure of Milwaukee's Gav choral movement. He should confine his energies to PrideFest, which he has done a wonderful job overseeing, and leave musical criticism to someone who understands better the true spirit of performance.

Focus your energies, Mr. Meunier. You're all over the place.

William G. Schumacher

Tampa, Florida

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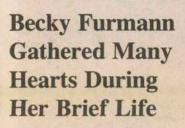












By Sue Burke

At the age of 3, Becky Furmann knew she was going to die, but she promised her papa, "I'm not going for awhile.

Sixteen more months might have seemed like a long time to a little girl, and in her short life many people fell in love with her. But on April 19, at the age of 4 1/2, Rebecca Anne Katherine Elizabeth Furmann died of AIDS, the last survivor among five children with AIDS in Milwaukee infected by cryptosporid-

Becky was the adopted daughter of Larry and Ric Furmann, her "Papa" and "Daddy." She came to them at the age of 10 months through the Milwaukee AIDS Project. Despite the seriousness of her illnesses, which left her unable to eat for the last years of her life, she remained a happy and gregarious child who stole hearts everywhere and who looked forward to meeting Jesus in Heaven.

An overflow crowd said good-bye to her April 21 at the Max A. Sass & Sons Funeral Home. Her small white casket was surrounded by balloons, stuffed animals, toys and flowers.

Becky attracted a "diverse and eclectic crowd," noted Brother Steve Braddock, who officiated at the service. Clergy from several denominations, a clown with a big red nose, medical professionals and many other friends of all ages came to hug Ric and Larry, pray with them and weep with them.

Bottles of soap bubbles, one of Becky's favorite toys, sat around the room, and some of Becky's young friends played with them. Photo albums documented the many happy moments of her life.

Mourners were asked to take home packages of morning glories as a remembrance of Becky to plant "in a bit of earth you love." The Furmann's often called Becky a "morning glory child" because morning glory flowers are "beautiful and open, and with us for too short a time" but they "climb towards the heavens."

The prayer service included the words of Becky's 4-year-old friend Rachel, who had tried to comfort her mother saying, "Now that Becky's gone to heaven, she doesn't have AIDS anymore." Braddock emphasized the Easter promise of resurrection and mourners each lit a candle to symbolize the rebirth and renewal of divine light.

The service closed with a recital of Becky's evening prayer, which asked for blessings for all the people she knew--her family, the many "aunts" and "uncles" in her life, her mother, the staff at both hospitals and the members of both churches who cared for her "and all the



**Becky Furmann** 

children with AIDS."

She was interred privately at Woodlawn

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, May 6, at the Bay View United Methodist Church, 2772 S. Kinnickinnic Avenue, Milwaukee, officiated by the Rev. Lowell Bartel. Those attending are asked to wear red to honor Becky.



Raymond Murray autographed "Images in the Dark", his new book on Gay and Lesbian films for Peter L. Gebbardt at AfterWords Bookstore on April 14. A 25 minute retrospective video of Gays and Lesbians in the history of film was shown to an appreciative audience.

#### **Musicians Needed to** Join the Band for the 1995 Pride Parade

Milwaukee-- PrideFest is looking for musicians to join with members of the Minnesota Freedom Band to march in the sixth annual Wisconsin Pride Parade on Sunday

The only Gay and Lesbian band in the Upper Midwest will be participating in the 1995 Pride parade which will assemble on the PrideFest grounds and step off at 12:30 p.m.

Harvey Zuckman, Director of the Minnesota Freedom Band, is excited about its participation at PrideFest. "We love to play, especially when we are in a Pride Parade. We look forward to joining with musicians from Milwaukee and Chicago and marching through downtown Milwaukee," he said.

Anyone interested in joining with the Freedom Band in the Wisconsin Pride Parade should call Rick Finger at (414) 289-8322.

#### **Common Bond Exists** to Help Gay Former Jehovah's Witnesses

Butler, PA-- Common Bond was founded in 1987 as a non-profit support group for Gay Jehovah's Witnesses. Each year hundreds of Jehovah's Witnesses are excommunicated (disfellowshipped) for "conduct unbefitting a Christian" and are cut off from all association with friends and family members within the Witness community.

Common Bond has members throughout the United States and Canada who have come out of the Witness organization and wish to help others in their struggle to do so. A newsletter is published six times a year and is available free of charge. All expenses are paid for by contributions.

Jehovah's Witnesses believe they are Christians. They teach that the bible is the inspired word of God and they are the only ones who can translate it properly. Many Gay witnesses know no one outside the Watchtower organization, making it very difficult for Gay Witnesses in small towns and rural areas.

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Miriam Ben-Shalom (1975 photo).

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May 20- 12:30 p.m. kite flying at Gov. Nelson State Park. Combined picnic with the Mendota Bikers. FMI- (608) 241-2500. May 25- 7:00 p.m. man to man rap ses-

sion, FMI-- (608) 241-5769.

May 26-27- Annual Peshtigo River rafting trip--Camping or trailer housing available. Be sure to book space. FMI--Dave,

(608) 241-2500. May 29-- 4:00 p.m. cook-out in Cooksville. FMI--(608) 2443351.

#### **Tammy Baldwin** On the Ode to Recovery

Last Fall Tammy's appendix, it perfo-

The surgery, they said, might be compli-

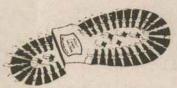
So, she thought it best,

You might even say she procrastinated.

But this morning, she had her operation. It went well, without complication. At UW Hospital she stays,

For a couple of days, Then it's home with her pain medication.

Editor's Note: The above ode came to our office anonymously--however, we think we know who the laureate is. Mike Verveer??? In any case, Wisconsin Light wishes Tammy a speedy recovery.



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"Even if you've NEVER touched a computer you will enjoy using the equipment we are setting up at PrideFest," said Bill Meunier, PrideFest Co-chair. "They will be VERY easy to use and very user friendly.

Meunier adds, "PrideFest is deeply honored that Apollo Media chose PrideFest to unveil the first ever CD Rom about our history.

The producers at Apollo Media have chosen Milwaukee and Wisconsin to host this event for several very specific reasons.

In the words of producer Clinton Fein, "Wisconsin is at the heart of the movement for civil liberties for Lesbians and Gay men. It was the first in the United States to have a state wide 'Gay' civil rights law.
"In addition," Fein continued, "Wisconsin

and Milwaukee are important in another aspect of our struggle--the addressing of military discrimination against Gays and Lesbians. I wonder, do people know that Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is the home of the very first person ever to win and go back into the military? Miriam Ben Shalom

"We chose deliberately to honor the foresight and integrity of Wisconsin and Miriam Ben-Shalom, its remarkable and history-making daughter. We could think of no finer a place to have the national premier of

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April 27, 1994-May 10, 1995-WISCONSIN LIGHT-7 quickly generate letters, Email and faxes to elected officials, and send them immediately.

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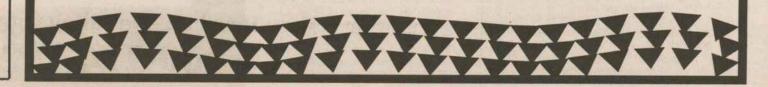
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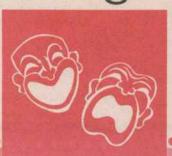
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Once Were Warriors is a powerfully raw and deeply affecting story of a contemporary Maori family in urban New Zealand. Nig Heke (Julian Arahanga) is flashed above by Toa Aotearoa gang members. The film opens April 28 at Milwaukee's Downer Theatre.

# Insights from an Image Maker: A Talk With Milwaukee Photographer Richard Waswo

By Lawrence Tegel

Whether stalking images in the jungles of India or the coffee houses of Amsterdam, photographer Richard Waswo has shaped his own vision of different cultures and environments. His images range form the bulbous phallic symbols at a Thai fertility shrine, to the dome over the Papal Throne. I recently interviewed Richard at Milwaukee's Fuel Cafe, where he shared some thoughts with me about his upcoming show.

"In the late '70s, I was caught up in doing very abstract drawings to the point where I felt I was losing my grip on reality. I sort of approached photography as a way of coming back into contact with what is real because my art was becoming so removed from that. I don't manipulate my photographs in any way. I see my photos as an attempt to capture what is real."

Noting the successful gallery showings of his aerosol paintings, I asked Waswo if there was a correlation between his painting and his photography?

"Painting is wonderful because you can break free from what's real and explore your subconscious: the surreal, dreams, the whole spiritual side of nature. Not that photography can't capture a spiritual side, but a photograph tells you what's there. It is the light projected on paper--it's there, it's real. The two are very separate forms of expression."

Waswo's upcoming show is the first gallery presentation of his photographs. They are photos culled from trips made between 1985 and 1995. His subjects vary from architectural shots to "confrontation portraits", which Waswo describes as street photography done with the consent and cooperation of the subject

"I don't like doing candids. There's something inherently dishonest about doing a candid. I don't like stealing someone's images while they are unaware—I like them to know they are being photographed.

"You have to realize that these are travel photographs, so I never knew what I'd encounter. For example, one of my favorite photos is of the steps of Malcolm Forbes' home in Tangier. I went to see the house and was so struck by how beautifully the light was falling on the steps at the rear of the home that I made an architectural shot of it, resulting in a photo that I hadn't anticipated."

Moving on to a more personal level, we discussed the impact of the photographer's homosexuality on his work as well has his life-long affinity with such "beat" writers as Jack Kerouac and Allen Ginsberg.

"Growing up in the '60s, I was strongly influenced by them. From day one I don't think I've ever lost this 'beat consciousness.' Part of that is wanting to be on the road, the lust for travel. Part of that is wanting to mingle with all segments of society, being able to talk with a homeless man in New Zealand or a man who sold hashish in Marrakech and interact on their level

"I gravitated toward 'beat' writers early on mainly because they were open with their sexuality, liberated and free. Not just limiting themselves to homosexuality, they were 'omnisexual' in their outlook on life. "Most of the subjects I choose are male. Even my architectural photos have a certain masculinity to them. I think that's probably a subconscious thing. I simply am more interested in what's masculine than what's feminine"

Waswo's photographs are exhibited in cherry wood frames with the titles and locales of his subjects deliberately screen printed on the matte.

"I think that's the Germanic side of my nature. I have a radical side that expresses itself in the belief that art is basically a collectable object. Art is something to be treasured and ought to exhibit a high degree of quality. Even if my subject is a phallic monument in Bangkok, I want it to be exhibited in a traditional, dignified way."

When asked what elements influence the taking of a photograph, Waswo responded by citing an example from a recent trip to Venice.

"You're in the middle of St. Mark's Square, there is beautiful architecture everywhere you look. You see tourists feeding pigeons and you think it would make an interesting photo. But the lighting is bad, so you pass it by.

"Then you swing your camera's eye around and see the beautiful homo-erotic statues of male nudes in front of the Doge's Palace, sculpted in a way that every muscle and sinew shows, robes falling off them almost in a strip tease. And suddenly you realize, that's it! The form is right, the subject is right, so that's what you take a photograph of."

As we finished our cappuccinos, I asked Waswo what feelings or impressions he would like the public to take from his show?

"I would like people to walk away from my show with an expanded awareness of the world in which they live. I hope my show will give small glimpses into other worlds, other cultures and perhaps, jog their mind enough to that they'll walk away and realize it's a big world out there—it's very wonderful and they should open themselves up to it."

#### Michael Stellpflug Memorial Organ Recital to be Held in Madison

Madison-- On Sunday, May 21, 1995 at 3:00 p.m. in the Eastman Organ Recital Hall in the Humanities Building on the UW-Madison campus, friends of Michal L. Stellpflug (July 20, 1958-May 7, 1994) will present a Memorial Organ Recital. The program will consist of pieces Michael studied while a student at UW. Performers will be Bruce Bengtson, Linda Krueger, John Stowe, Alice Caldwell, John Harvey and Mark Miller.

A native of La Crosse, Michael earned degrees in music and library science at UW. While a student, he held a number of jobs which included working at the Madison Public Library and the State Public Defender's Office. In 1989, Michael moved to Washington, D.C., where he worked at the Georgetown University Medical Library and at the ICMA Retirement Corporation.

# Lynn Lavner, Leather-Clad Lesbian Comic to Appear in Milwaukee in May

Milwaukee— First there was Lily Tomlin. Then along came Robin Tyler, followed by Kate Clinton, who was succeeded by Paula Poundstone, Lea DeLaris, Suzanne Westenhoefer and finally Ellen DeGeneres (You know, the Lesbian who plays a funny straight woman on television). But now, there's Lynn Lavner, the leather-clad, politically incorrect, bad-ass Lesbian comic of the '90s.

The Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee Education Fund (LAMMEF), welcomes this international, multi-talented singer, musician, songwriter and comic to Milwaukee's Performing Arts Center, Vogel Hall, 929 N. Water Street, on Saturday, May 20, at 7:30 p.m.

Lavner has played in 40 states and five foreign countries. Her appeal to both Gay men and Lesbians is evidenced by winning the 1991 Christopher Street West Award for extraordinary creativity in Gay and Lesbian music and entertainment.

She's also performed at events as diverse as the 25th anniversary gala of the National Organization for Women and the International Mr. Leather Contest.

Her quick wit has served her well at Pride celebrations, political and AIDS fund-raisers, women's festivals, on college campuses and at special events throughout the United States and overseas.

Opening for Lavner will be Milwaukee's own, the very dynamic Mari Hang. Hang has appeared at numerous Gay and Lesbian events in the Midwest, including last Summer's LAMMEF Variety show.

Tickets for Lynn Lavner and Mari Hang are \$15 in advance and \$18 at the door. Outlets include OutPost Natural Foods, AfterWords, People's Books, Just Us and High Wind Books. Tickets can also be charged to your Visa or MasterCard by calling (414) 264-2600. To pay by mail, send a SASE and a check to LAMMEF, P.O. Box 99323, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

The show will be ASL interpreted. For more information, call the LAMM office at (414) 264-2600.

#### Present Music to Hold Second Annual Fundraiser on Friday, May 5

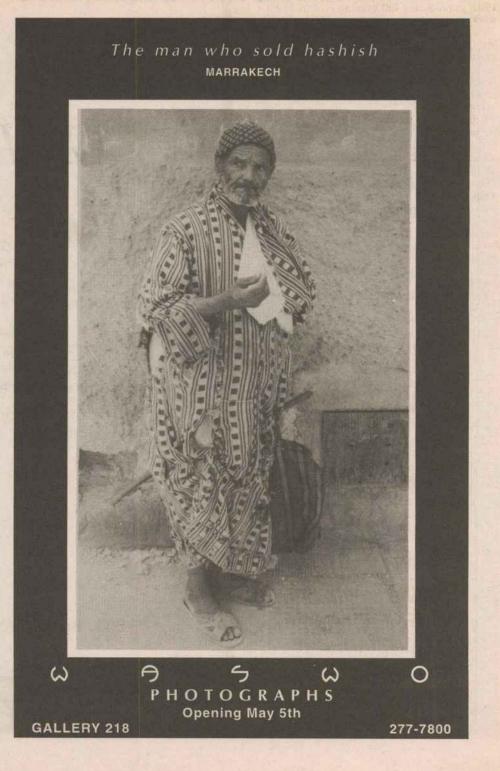
Milwaukee-- Present Music will hold its Second Annual Fundraising Event on Friday, May 5, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at The Tannery, Urban Business and Living Center, 700 West Virginia Street.

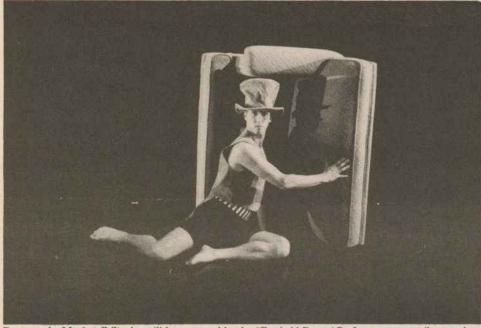
Entertainment for the evening will be provided by The Rolling Cohens, Sigmund Snopek III, and the Terry Smirl Jazz Trio. Present Music will also be holding a silent auction and a voice auction throughout the evening, offering bidders a chance at over \$15,000 in artwork, merchandise, tickets and services. The admission charge is \$25 per person and includes all food, an open bar, entertainment and the chance to bid. In addition, there will be multiple surprises, fun and games spread throughout the evening.

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Marty Burns Wolfe, of TV Channel 12, will be the auctioneer for the voice auction. Over 100 items will be on display beginning at 5:30

For more information and reservations, call Present Music at (414) 271-0711.





Dance make Music tell Stories will be presented by the "Foothold Dance/ Performance as a tribute to the work of Tom Thorenson (see related story as well).

#### 'The Cure' is a Tender, Compelling Drama of Two Friends Embarked on a Quest

The AIDS epidemic, with all its unique ramifications, has provided potent drama for movies, mostly on television, and a few-Longtime Companion and Philadelphia--in theaters. Add The Cure, a compelling heartbreaker dealing with a boy named Dexter who is infected with HIV.

Erik is a young loner taunted by the school homophobes as a "homo" and "Queer." His major interests are video games and candy bars. He lives in a Mississippi River town with his mother, a wine-drinking despot who

is mostly absent at her two jobs.

Dexter lives next door. He has devised his

#### **Foothold Dance Presents 'Dance make** Music tell Stories'

Milwaukee- Tom Thoreson is a founding member of the Wild Space Dance Company and the president of the collective Foothold Dance/Performance. He is the recipient of a 1994 Individual Artist's Grant from the Wisconsin Arts Board. This award has allowed Thoreson, a dancer and choreographer since 1980, to produce a full evening concert of his

"DANCE make MUSIC tell STORIES" is bringing together an exciting group of 15 dancers, some of Milwaukee's finest. New music has been composed by both Tony Finlayson and John Kruth. This playful evening of athleticism, amusement and amazement should not be missed.

Kruth and his trio will be performing original tango music for a duet with Carolyn Thomas and Thoreson.

Finlayson's driving percussion and panoply of instruments will accompany a premiere, "Going Into The Yellow," a dance for six

A men's quartet, The Air Pushes Around You," combines athletic partnering and fullbodied dancing.

The humor and drama of family life pictures into "Room Service & The Sisters of Mercy," performed by Thoreson and Joseph Rabens-

Performances will take place on Friday and Saturday, May 19 and 20 at 8:00 p.m. at Danceworks, 727 N. Milwaukee Street. Call (414) 276-3191 for ticket and other informa-

own solitary games, because no one will play with him. He has AIDS, acquired from a blood transfusion. Erik fears association with him, but Dexter assures him the disease isn't contracted through the air, by casual contact or other means that the local ignorentsia and ministers yammer about.

They soon become constant, inseparable companions, inventing games and pranks and floating on the river. Then, the sunniness

The headstrong Erik loves Dexter deeply and decides they must find a cure. First, they experiment with potions extracted from plants. The results are disastrous. After reading a tabloid headline, Erik decides they must seek out a New Orleans doctor who supposedly has found a cure for AIDS. They sneak away from their homes and start down the Mississippi on a Huck Finn raft.

Their adventure is a welcome diversion from the grimness of Dexter's plight. Indeed, The Cure might have been a total downer except for the sensitive direction by Peter Horton and terrific acting by two young pros.

Both Brad Renfro (Erik) and Joseph Mazzello (Dexter) have hit movies on their records. Mazzello was the young dinosaur expert in Jurassic Park; Renfro played the murder witness defended by Susan Sarandon in The Cli-

Their performances here are flawless: Brad the brash but compassionate chance-taker, Joseph his doomed friend, devoid of self-pity.

The two boys dominate the film, but Annabella Sciorra lends dignity and strength as the sick boy's mother. Diana Scarwid has the less attractive role as Erik's unfeeling mother. Bruce Davison, nominated for a supporting Oscar for his role in Longtime Companion, appears in a brief but telling scene as Dexter's

Actor Peter Horton (Thirtysomething) makes his debut as a feature director, and he shows great promise in dealing with human relationships, especially a loving closeness between two boys. The moments of sadness seem genuine, but so is the tenderness. Robert Kuhn wrote the script with a fine knack for the way boys talk. Their search for a cure seems foolhardy and dangerous, but it gives the film

A production of Universal Pictures and Island Pictures, The Cure was produced by Mark Burg and Eric Eisner. Rated PG-13, for language and children in peril.

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#### Joe Rabensdorf and **Neurotica to Perform** at Late Night Theatre X

Milwaukee-- Neurotica Productions announces its second production, Titanic, by Christopher Durang, and an original work by performance artist Joseph Rabensdorf, Sir Prize, to be performed for the Late Night Theatre X series at the Studio Theatre in the Broadway Theatre Center, 158 N. Broadway in Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward.

Sir Prize, a performance piece by Rabensdorf, presents an otherworldly character who is responsible for giving out life's surprises. It follows the path of two people from infancy to old age as Sir Prize transforms frozen moments by introducing objects that alter the characters' destinies.

Durang's Titanic follows the Tammurai family on their fateful ocean crossing aboard the ill-fated luxury liner. The Tammurais move unknowingly toward disaster as they engage in sexual seduction with each other and the ship's captain. A mysterious on-board guest disrupts the sexual chaos as the ship begins to sink.

Preview will be May 16 at 9:30 p.m. Preview price is \$3 Show dates are May 17-18 at 9:30 p.m., May 19-20 at 10:00 p.m. and May 21 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5. All ticket sales for the May 17 performance will benefit the Milwaukee AIDS Project. For more information, call (414) 276-2243.

#### Lesbian/Feminist Art Gallery to Open on the World Wide Web

Colorado Springs, CO- Mirror Images Gallery, the only Lesbian-Feminist art gallery on the World Wide Web, will be celebrating another first. On May 17, 1995, between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. MST, the Mirror Images Gallery will be hosting its first electronic gallery opening on the Internet's World Wide Web. (Http://www.acmeweb.com/mi/)

This is a significant event for the LesBiGay community. The opening will spotlight Lesbian artist Sandra Marin, whose work focuses specifically on Lesbian culture. Marin's collection of work portrays the gamut of Lesbian emotional experience. Her pencil and ink cameos employ striking lines that imply grace, elegance and strength of emotion. The body language is truly dynamic.

The celebration will be conducted using state of the art WebChat technology and will be moderated. To attend, simply visit the Mirror Images Home Page and click on the GallervChat button.

The GalleryChat rooms will be open on May 10 and will be available free of charge until June 18, 1995 so Gallery visitors can talk 'till they drop for one month.

#### First Entertainer of the Year Pageant to be Held in Madison

By H. Lee Lewis

Madison-- On May 7, The New Bar at the Hotel Washington in Madison, will hold Wisconsin's first annual Entertainer of the Year (EOY) Pageant. The winner and first runnerup will be sent to the National EOY Pageant in August. On top of that, the first, second and third places will win \$1,000 in cash and prizes. Applications are now available at Za's, In Step, The New Bar, and The Office.

Applicants must be from Wisconsin or up to 50 miles from its border (this includes you Chicago and Minneapolis). There is a \$75 entry fee and participants will be judged on Presentation, Creative Evening Wear, Talent and a Live Interview.

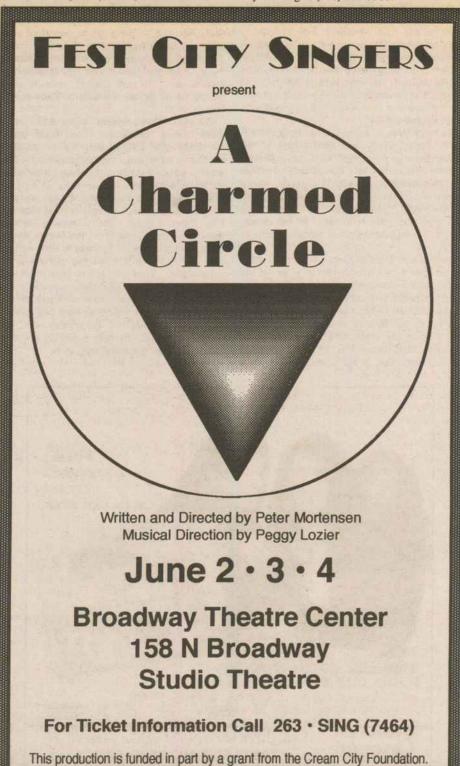
Wisconsin is lucky to have an EOY state pageant and we owe it all to one special woman: Simply Divine. Simply Divine was first introduced to the EOY system while involved in the Florida EOY pageant last Winter where she took first runner up to Electra who then went on to win the National EOY crown.

While involved with the pageant at the national level, Simply Divine thought to herself, "How peculiar to think that my home state of Wisconsin, which enjoys female impersonation so much and has so much talent, would not have its own state entry."

She decided to change all that and bought a franchise for our state. In 1995, Wisconsin will have an entry at the national level.

Not only will Electra be our special guest at The New Bar on May 7, but there will also be a raffle. The raffle costs \$1 and gives participants the chance to win fabulous prizes.

Show time is at 10:00 p.m., admission is \$5 at the door. Reserved tables are available for \$25 on request. For more information, call Amy or Greg at (608) 256-3360.





Nancy Allison (left) stars with Liza D'Agostino in the romantic comedy "Bar Girls."

# Finally! A Real Lesbian Movie

By Mary Shafer

WARNING: The Following Review Contains Language that May Offend some Politically Correct Dykes. Read it at Your Own Risk.

Bar Girls, a new flick written and coproduced by Lauran Hoffman and directed by Marita Giovanni, also co-producer, opens for an exclusive engagement at Milwaukee's Oriental Theater on Friday, April 28. I unequivocally encourage any Lesbians who were spectacularly underwhelmed by Claire of the Moon or who felt slightly PC'd to death by Go Fish to see this film. On a scale of one to five, I'd give it a four.

From the very start, Bar Girls gives the impression that it doesn't take itself too seriously, with fun little neon graphics to dress up the opening titles (all very nicely designed, by the way), slightly off-key but fun music and a good overall impression. Refreshingly, the entire movie follows through with this upbeat promise!

Distributed by Orion Pictures, Bar Girls is an extended vignette of seven women who most often come together in a familiar milieu, their neighborhood women's bar (shot on location at Girl Bar in West Hollywood). If the cardinal rule of writing is "write what you know," then Lauran Hoffman's screenplay (adapted from her original stage play of the same name) was obviously done by a pro.

She's got the setting down pat, from the slightly run-down, just-short-of-seamy atmosphere to the tired, guarded, but hilariously horny bartender. She gives us all the requisite characters from your typical bar crowd: the friendly but swaggering butch, the curious straight woman, the ever-present barflies and the preening, overconfident cop-on-the-prowl. Ms Hoffman has been a diligent observer--she hasn't missed a thing.

The story line, as presented in the press kit, is "a funny, feisty and honest look at the mating dance as performed with varying levels of grace and agility in a Los Angeles Lesbian bar. The romantic comedy is a gender variation on one of the world's most popular plots. In this one, girl meets girl...girl loses girl...girl gets girl. It touches on the hopes, fears and disappointments of women trying to fall in love."

Guess what, theater-goers? It's really true! Unlike some of the over-hyped tripe we've had thrust upon us as being "the best thing since Desert Hearts and such, this film really is what it purports to be: a look at how life really is or can be for those of us who have spent any time playing the cruise-and-lose game of the bar scene. And therein lies the rub: the truth is the best part-this is an honest look at how some of us really live.

The worst part? This is an honest look at how some of us really live!

What I mean is that we not only get to indulge in watching our hot, quirky, sexy, funny and complex selves gallivanting about in droptop sportscars, cute outfits and exchanging wonderfully clever, but believable, dialogue, we also must face up to our trippy, gamey, self-conscious, jealous, insecure behavior right up there where everyone can see it.

Some people who have a vested interest in presenting Lesbians as too-pure-for-that-kind-of-thing are not going to like this; it shows us whole, warts and all.

I loved it. Witty, refreshing, with great production values—just like downtown—this film just begs to be shown inside an actual Lesbian bar.

I recognized every one of those flawed, wonderful women up there (including Chastity Bono, who has now confirmed the Gay rumors with a cameo so brief that if you blink you'll miss it), and I've even been some of them, I'm not too proud to say. (No, I was never Chastity-honest).

I was thrilled to see that most of the characters actually appeared as self-confident women comfortable with their femininity and not just a bunch of recycled hippies with bad hair and sensible shoes. It reinforces my joy at the emerging culture of "girlie girls" (as a friend is fond of calling them) who don't feel the need to bow to the bold butch/femme roles or to fit someone else's idea of how Lesbians ought to look.

What kept the movie from being a five? A rather slow pace in the beginning makes the story drag slightly until our two heroines meet. But it does serve its purpose in giving us character background which is important to the plot, so I find it forgivable.

Also, there is one scene where a rather too "arty," jumbled voice-over technique (a la John Sayles' '70s film Lianna) is employed to the detriment of the mercifully short scene's clarity.

The only other problem is that a few of the more minor characters are acted rather woodenly with halting delivery of dialogue, but this is more than compensated for by main actresses Nancy Allison (Loretta), who is way at home with herself and Liza D'Agostino (Rachael), who is not only a natural talent but whose visage is frighteningly similar to actress Rae Dawn Chong. The chemistry between these two clicks right from the beginning, actually saving a few scenes where their scripted behavior seems just a bit too aggressive for believability. They manage to pull it off with aplomb and keep our disbelief suspended.

A hip, contemporary look at Lesbians now (complete with references to such pop icons as k.d. lang and Melissa Etheridge), this is a great date movie, lovingly exploring the many facets of who we are and long to be.

Oh, yeah--the sex isn't bad, either.



# Dave O'Meara to Perform 'Group Theory' at Milwaukee's Theatre X in May

Milwaukee-- O Tempora! O Mores! Productions and Theatre X will present Group Theory, a new play for one actor written and performed by Dave O'Meara, May 16-21 in the Studio Theater of the Broadway Theatre Center, 158 N. Broadway in Milwaukee's Historic Third Ward.

The story of an apartment dweller who finds himself mysteriously linked to five of his neighbors by a week's worth of misdelivered mail, Group Theory is set in a city much like Milwaukee, where a fictional killer much like you-know-who has recently been arrested, throwing a diverse neighborhood into edgy suspicion.

#### Cream City Chorus Holds Annual Meeting

Milwaukee--On Wednesday, April 19th, the Wisconsin Cream City Chorus held its annual meeting. Primary on the agenda were elections for Vice President and Treasurer.

John Chartre, current Treasurer for the Chorus, ran unopposed and was re-elected by acclamation.

The Chorus would like to announce that Mark Waldenberger was elected as Vice President and welcome him as he assumes his duties.

A non-singing member of the Chorus for a number of years, Waldenberger has played a very active and supporting role in a variety of capacities, including that of Artistic Committee member.

Waldenberger will take office immediately, filling a vacancy left by previous Vice President Bill Schumacher. Schumacher, whose term of office was due for re-election at this time, resigned in March, due to relocation out of state.

Currently serving on the Board of Directors in addition to Chartre and Waldenberger are Scott Sowlles, President; Terri Wedner, Secretary; Scott S. Stewart, Musical Director; and Emory Churness, Publicist.

Rehearsals for the Wisconsin Cream City Chorus are held each Wednesday at the First Unitarian Society, 1342 N. Astor, at 7:00 p.m. New members are welcome. For more information, call (414) 344-WCCC, or write: P.O. Box 1488, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1488.

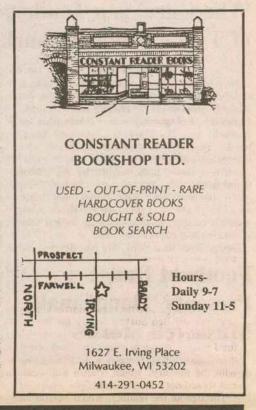
Show times are Tuesday through Thursday at 7:30 p.m. (May 16-18); Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. (May 19-20); and Sunday at 3:00 p.m. (May 21). Admission is \$3 for the Tuesday preview, \$5 Wednesday and Thursday and \$8 Friday-Sunday.

All ticket sales from the opening night performance on Wednesday, May 17, will benefit

the Milwaukee AIDS Project.

Though a fictional version of Jeffrey Dahmer lurks in the background of this neighborhood tale, O'Meara says that Group Theory isn't really about Milwaukee's most infamous murderer. "It's about living in the shadow of disturbing events," O'Meara said, "and about maintaining a sense of humor amid the sometimes baffling ironies of modern life."

Opening each night for O'Meara's long oneact monologue will be performance poet and multi-media artist T.J. Richter, a New York City native whose own distinctive take on contemporary urban life combines high-energy street talk with skateboards, invading aliens, pulsing rhythms and hand-drawn cartoons.



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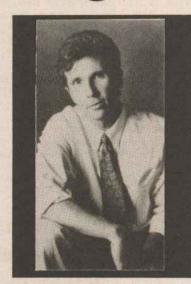
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#### Lesbian Pioneers, Phyliss Lyon and Del Martin, Speak at AfterWords Bookstore

By Susan Cook

Milwaukee-- Phyliss Lyon and Del Martin, came to Milwaukee (for the first time) to speak at a conference for older Lesbians. On Thursday, April 20, they stopped at After-Words Bookstore, to talk about their lives and read from the 20th anniversary edition of their book, Lesbian/Woman. The book was first published in 1972 and now, with its various updates, contains nearly 40 years of the history of the Lesbian and Gay movement in the U.S.

"Mostly the Lesbian movement," as Lyon said, adding, "But you can't always separate the two."

Martin, 74, and Lyon, 70, are pioneers in the fight for equal rights for Lesbians and Gay men having founded the Daughters of Bilitis, the first-ever Lesbian organization, founded in 1955. The organization was named after a Lesbian who lived at the time of Sappho. That way, Lyon said, they could always describe themselves as a poetry club.

Lyon sharply criticized "certain academicians," saying that she wished they would take her book more seriously because much of what they're writing about the history of the Les/Gay movement "hasn't exactly been correct."

The writers of these books, she said, "are white men, mostly from the east coast and mostly they haven't said much about the Lesbos" when, in fact, the movement started with the Lesbos and it started in California, not out east, Los Angeles and San Francisco, to be exact

#### Miriam Ben Shalom

Martin said that she wanted to read from her book about someone in Milwaukee "a wonderful woman who's created a lot of history," especially in regards to the military issue.

Martin paused, then added that the Daughters of Bilitis had a lot to do with Lesbians serving in the military. They served with distinction during World War II, she said, "but after it was all over, they were dumped."

She then began to read a lengthy section of the book devoted to the battle with the military conducted by Miriam Ben Shalom.

In the passage Martin read, Martin and Lyon have praised Ben Shalom highly for her courage, energy and great dedication to the battle for Les/Gay rights in which she laid much of the foundation for today's LesBiGay battle with the military, which Martin said "cannot and should not be overlooked."

Throughout the reading, which Martin alternated with Lyon, the high respect the two pioneers have for Ben Shalom was obvious. They likened her struggle to the struggle of African Americans for equality in the military.

Lyon said they were going to present a copy of their book to Ben Shalom who was present, inscribing it to her "With thanks and appreciation for your pioneering efforts, your honesty, your fearlessness and your indomitable spirit and leadership."

After the presentation, Martin commented that "You really need to know some of your history here in Milwaukee."

With a twinkle in her eye, Lyon added, "Lots of good things happened here, besides (Sen. Joseph) McCarthy." She also praised Wisconsin for being the first Gay rights state.

When the floor was opened for questions, I asked them if they had a time that they would consider "the good old days?"

Martin replied that there were times that were more "exciting" than others, adding that "what kept us going was that we were having fun." She added that her "good old day" was in 1960, when the first National Lesbian Conference was held in San Francisco.

She noted that at lunch time, the cops arrived and seemed mainly concerned if the group advocated wearing the clothes of the opposite sex?

Martin said everyone there was "all dressed up in heels and hats." So she told the cops, "Just look around you" and they went away.

Lyon said she looked back fondly on the early days of the Daughters of Bilitis, the first meetings, the first meetings with the six other women, "three of which were pretty butch," who were founders of the group.

"In the beginning," Martin said, "there were so few of us, so some real strong friendships developed."

The Daughters of Bilitis still exists and celebrated its anniversary last November.

With humor, they remembered the pictures taken in those days when "everyone had their back to the camera."

She also remembered how the "boys" were disturbed over an all-female organization, protesting that their groups were all co-ed. "Of course," Martin added wryly, "they had

Support Those Who Support Your LIGHT no women to speak of, their leadership was all male and their programs were all male oriented."

Lyon said that even in the early days, "We couldn't get over the sexism in the Gay male community."

Lyon and Martin talked about their "breaking the heterosexual barrier" in the National Organization for Women."

"Betty Friedan was all afraid that we (Lesbians) would screw up the women's movement," Martin said with a chuckle. But they received a great deal of support from other chapters around the country and, eventually, Friedan had to give way. When the resolution was passed for NOW to accept Lesbians, Friedan was most noticeable for her absence from the meeting.

Getting Old

They continue to be active, working for Lesbian/Gay acceptance at the upcoming White House Conference on Aging. There, Martin said, they'll be interested in such issues as Social Security and Medicare, housing for Gay and Lesbian seniors, basic kinds of things seniors, need, she said, "things this Congress is trying to take away."

They will also be working to have the conference include Lesbians and Gay men among the special categories that need attention. "We think we're special too," Lyon said.

She conceded that Lesbians and Gay men could be included in other categories, but, she added, "unless those words (Gay and Lesbian) are there, there's no assumption that we exist. They can just ignore us and they do."

They both decried the fact that among the general population of Lesbians and Gay men, "nobody wanted to even admit they were get-

Both also said sadly that there were so many younger Lesbians and Gay men "who don't even want to be friends with older Gay people," Martin said.

In-fighting and Gays in the Military

Are they ever bothered about all the infighting that goes on in the Les/Gay community, they were asked.

Martin answered with a sigh that "It does get tiresome at times," but they have found that everytime there is a crisis, everyone pulls together-- "for awhile, anyway."

Lyon added that she and Martin had never thought that any group in the community has THE one way to get to the goal of equal rights. Everyone should have "input," but noone has "one right way."

For example, Lyon asked, "Who asked President Clinton to take on the issue of Gays in the military? Who made that decision?" she asked incredulously.

Martin added that the battle should have come later and that "it needed a lot more planning" than it got. We were naive, she said, to think that all the president had to do was sign an executive order and that would be it. "And he (Clinton) was naive to believe it."

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"If you think we're upbeat," Martin said, "and we are, if you look at where we were in the '50s and where we are now, we've come a very long way."

They cited the first time they went for a booksigning. It was in a San Francisco bookstore and people stood around "behind the bookcases, just so they could see real live Lesbians."

They ended, urging Lesbians and Gays to come out-and to vote. Martin pointed out the Religious Right was "really a minority" but that they knew how to raise money and how to use the phone. Lesbians and Gays, she said, had to get organized.

Martin quoted FDR saying "You have nothing to fear but fear itself."

"That's so true." she said. "So true."

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Phyllis Lyon (left) and Del Martin appearing at AfterWords Bookstore on April 20.

#### 'A Language of Their Own' Tells of Asian Gay Men and Their Search for Love

By Mary Campbell

New York, NY- A Language of Their Own, by Chay Yew, is a carefully crafted play about Asian Gay men.

The play, which opened Thursday, April 20, at the Joseph Papp Public Theater, compellingly allows four men to reveal the universality of human nature.

Act 1 follows Ming and Oscar who are lovers and who have lived together in New York City for four years and have adjustment problems. Each prefers doing certain things the way in which he was raised. For example, Oscar's family didn't show affection in public; Ming's family was affectionate.

Oscar learns he has AIDS. Ming wants to take care of Oscar but instead avoids him.

Oscar decides for Ming's peace of mind they should separate. After six months apart, Oscar finds his decision increasingly painful; he asks Ming to return. But it's too late for Oscar and Ming because they now have new commitments.

Act 2 shows them with their new partners. Young and flippant, rosy-cheeked Daniel moves in with Oscar and takes care of him. Ming and Robert, who is white, move to California. Ming, ever restless, says they should date others, but he gets terribly jealous when Robert does exactly that.

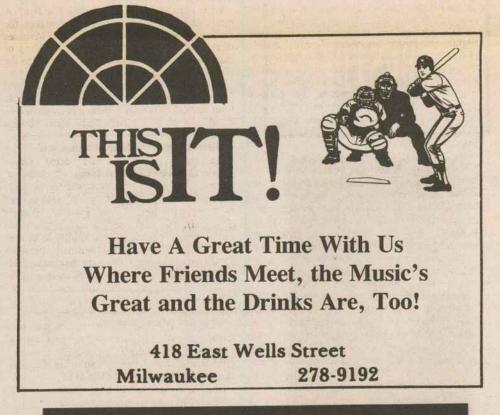
Oscar and Ming seem determined to change their patterns in the new relationships. Oscar now is demonstrative; Ming isn't.

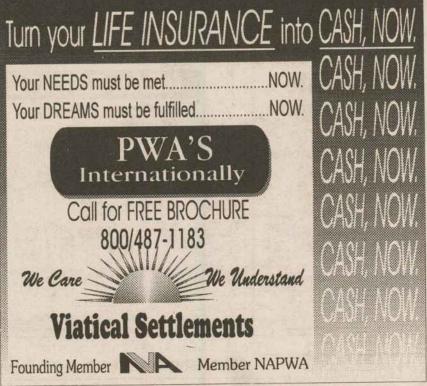
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Ming, played boyishly by B.D. Wong, is the play's most unsettled character. He says he'll attend Oscar's funeral but doesn't. While Robert (David Drake) primarily wants stability, the volatile Ming doesn't know what he wants.

Francis Jue keeps a poker face as Oscar. Alec Mapa plays Oscar's last lover, comforted because Oscar, at his death, knew he was there. It is one of several ironies. The audience realizes, poignantly, that Oscar thought it was Ming.

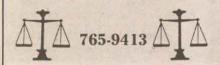
The play is directed by Keng-Sen Ong directed. He and Yew are from Singapore.





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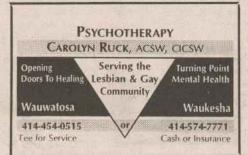
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#### New AIDS Network Forms In Bayfield and Ashland Counties

Washburn, WI- A new organization has just formed in the Bayfield and Ashland County areas. The Bayfield and Ashland Counties AIDS Network (BACAN), is a volunteer network working in the two county area in HIV prevention. Covering two counties and dealing with this issue in such a remote area is a large undertaking.

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We at BACAN recognize that there are people with HIV and AIDS in the area and there must be an effective and compassionate response from the community. We also recognize that there is not nearly enough preven-

tion education going on. We will correct this through our efforts.

On June 4, between the hours of 2:00 and 6:00 p.m., BACAN will be having a fundraiser to raise the start-up funding the organization needs to carry it through until some grant money can be obtained. The Brokedown Palace in Washburn has offered to let the group have the event there.

Many local performers have agreed to provide music and other entertainment to help with the event. Local artists and others from around the state have agreed to donate pieces for the auction.

BACAN is soliciting pieces from anyone who would care to contribute to this event. Please contact Jeff at (715) 682-2890 or write: BACAN, P.O. Box 695, Washburn, WI 5489. Donations may also be sent to the above address made out to the Bayfield and Ashland Counties AIDS Network.

#### Gay and Lesbian Educators' Group Meeting

Milwaukee— The Gay/Lesbian Educational Employees of Metropolitan Milwaukee (GLEEM) will be meeting on Thursday, May 18, at 6:00 p.m. A pot luck dinner will start the evening with business starting at approximately 6:30 and running until 8:00 p.m. This will be the final meeting of the school year as a whole group. However, the group will be finalizing their plans for PrideFest at this meeting and everyone is encouraged to attend.

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Social events for GLEEM members and friends will be planned for the Summer--so watch for announcements. The group's recent successful visit to Theatre X to see the play Bent, went

All Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual employees and educational support staff from the metropolitan Milwaukee area are invited to join GLEEM members for the May 18 meeting. For more information, call Larry at (414) 384-9695.

#### LOC/Women of Color Launches SWV Program

Milwaukee- LOC/Women of Color, hosted by Ujima, will be holding monthly workshops in May. SWV is a grassrooted community outreach program that will touch on issues such as addictions, healthcare, self-love and empowerment for the multi-cultural or African-American LesBiGay woman. LOC is looking for participants for their first session on addictions (sexual, chemical, food, etc.) to be held on May 20 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Workshops are held in Ujima's Suite 301 in the Fennwick Building, 1442 N. Farwell (eastside). LOC/Women of Color encourages everyone to attend these free workshops. For more information or preregistration, call LOC's Hotline at (414) 545-9300 and leave a message.

#### **Band Group Looking for Members**

Minneapolis- Lesbian and Gay Bands of America (LGBA) is holding its semi-annual conference in Indianapolis, Indiana, on September 29, 30 and October 1, 1995, concurrently with the annual conference of PFLAG. If you are interested in attending the conference and performing with the special band being formed for two or three performances over the weekend, contact Harvey Zuckman, LGBA Vice President for Community Outreach, 3500 Holmes Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55408-3835; Email: Harveyhz @ aol.com, (612) 374-8036.

#### Call for Craftswomen

DeKalb, IL-- The first annual Midwest Womyn's AutumnFest will be held on Saturday, September 23, 1995 at a site approximately 23 miles from Rockford, Illinois. This festival will feature well-known women performers and craftswomen from across the United States. The Midwest Womyn's AutumnFest is the only outdoor women's music and cultural festival in Illinois. The festival planners are currently seeking craftswomen to participate. For an application, please send an SASE to: Athena Productions, 217 S. Second Street, Suite 193, DeKalb, IL

#### Steppin' Out Presents December Dance in May

Chicago- Steppin' Out, a Lesbian/Gay Country Western couples group, presents its first-Saturday-of-every-month December dance on Saturday, May 6 at 8:00 p.m. It is a non-smoking, non-alcoholic event at Chicago's Dancer's Delight, 1623 W. Melrose (Lincoln/Ashland/Belmont). Country/Western couple and line dancing, with a \$5 donation. For more information, call (312) 477-4196.

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West Ellis LIKE B/D? : passive biwm 47, 155, 5'7 new to area and scene iso younger aggr WM for friendship iso BD french, camping and fishing =38703

Milwaukee INTO WRESTLING: Mike, inexp subm bi male, 137 in shape iso expd guy who likes wrestling give me a call-

Milwaukee STOCKY BUILD: Tom GWM, 37 260 stocky build gdlkg iso other stocky GWM like to have fun and more- =38823

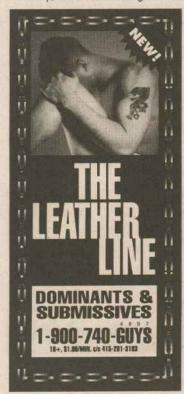
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Milwaukee CD OR TV: SWM inexp iso CD, TV, int are politics sports theater plays movies and quiet eves at home, iso romantic and passionate, looking for a rel-give me a call- =39120

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Ogdensburg ANDY 19, 5'9, 150, brn/brn, lkg for someone in the area, or nearby, love to hear from you- =39491

Milwaukee MY FIRST TIME: Gayle 5'6 135 brn/grn 34 iso my first exp would appr some responses and getting together with someone give me a call #39512

Green Bay ROOMMATE WANTED: Pete 6'1, 200, just moved here, looking for roommate poss lover, give me a call- =39577

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Milwaukee NEW TO AREA: Steve, east side int in guys in their 20s to work out in the evenings, 6'2 brn/brn, 250 lkg to work on aerobics and serious wt training looking for someone to help me work out poss friendship, relationship- #39681

Milwaukee DISCREET TOP: Dom top 43 WM lkg for subm btm must be discreet give me a call- #39691 Lake Geneva **DOMINANT GUY:** very dom top looking for very passive bottom, if youd like to discuss it give me a call- #8254

Milwaukee PARIS 19, GBM, iso someone 18-40, int are going to the movies mall library sporting events and concerts, and a good conversations, iso a top, but vers- if this interests you ly a message and the best time to call - bye! =37368

Ironridge MORNING FUN: Dwayne 47 BIWM married looking for times with other men mornings only thanks! =37441

Wausau BI MALE, Brian, give me a call waiting to hear from you iso a male 18-20 for a relationship- #31045

Oshkosh COLLEGE STUDENT: Brad, 20 coll student, like music conv and quiet nights out-lkg for someone caring and sensuous, if u match that give me a call #37472

Milwaukee WANNA WATCH? 25 GWM, true voyeur, if u have a show for me to watch, let me know when and where-

Hurley COLLEGE STUDENT: 19 5'6, 145. brn/brn, like music and movies, non smoker/drinker new at this lv a message-#37495

Milwaukee BEAR DADDY: Brian, 36 5'9 185, must hairy chest, iso a new facet to my life, iso bear daddy 40-45 in the area-like to be outdoors, nature, movies to reading to dining, trying new things iso some wild sizzling nites, give a call- #37541

Milwaukee HAIRY ARABS wanted by GWM, 38, very hairy orally excellent, give it a try-

Milwaukee NEW TO SCENE bi male, 47 164, iso younger GWM, top bottom int in b and d and french, to show me the ropes-

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Sheboygan SKY DIVER: Eric, 20 Bi WM, major in criminal justice 5'8 140, blnd/blu, like sky diving, and riding a horse, if ur bi or gay 18-22 and have a keen sense of adventure! #37712

Madison PEOPLE WATCHER: Nick, 22, 5'10, It brn/blu, just moved here, dont know too many people, like to get to know in the area like hiking being outside, theatre, like all kinds of music, like to hang out, if ur interested give me a call- =37723

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Plymouth FISHINIG AND CAMPING: John, looking for some big guys to do some fishin' and camping give me a call- =37931

Milwaukee INTO SHAVING: 5'5, short brn hair goatee, into shaving and fun kink, like big nipples- must be discreet- nice body and masculine looks- =37965

Milwaukee GM 21 6'2, 190, blk/brn mustache, smoker, int are like volleyball, pool, swim, have a good time, go to bars and have a great time, iso a serious rel, lkg for someone fairly attr, close to my age-

Milwaukee THEATRE ARTS: Robert GWM, 32, 6', 190, med brn/hzl, like working out, music, into theatre, arts, musical theatre, community theatre, prof1, looking for a long term rel, like to find some good friends, best friend and lover, =19866

Madison NICK, 22 5'10, just moved here like quiet nights at home, theatre, music dancing, not really into bars iso someone career oriented give me a call- #38079

Green Bay FEMALE IMPERSONATOR: Gay Indian Male, 30 5'9 130 like to party have fun times, alone together snuggling, female impersonator/entertainer, long hair is a plus- butch and short men- =38099

Milwaukee LET'S EXPERIMENT: GM 34 5'11 attr, like to find someone to have fun with, vers like to experiment call me-

Sheboygan GWM 20 5'8 140 blnd/blu iso 18-20 GWM into dining out, movies, travelling or whatever give me a call-

SE WI BI OR GAY MEN: Terry 30 iso bi or gay men in the SE Wi area, like outdoors, 18-40 like to talk to me or get together give me a call- ≈38237

Milwaukee AGGRESSIVE MEN: John, 48, 5'9, 160, passive btm, iso men that are aggressive, if ur interestedl- =38262

Madison JEFF GWM, 26, 5'2, 120 lt bnr/blu, iso GWM 21-30 who has a var of interests like biking, long walks, night on the town iso friendship poss long term rel-

Milwaukee BLOND WEIGHTLIFTER: Tim, East Side, 23 5'4, 130, lt blnd/grn, slightly hairy like wtlfting, like to dance, plays movies, avant garde independent, open minded and have a good sense of humor, lv a message- #38315

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Milwaukee MARRIED WM 6'4, 230, iso of men in the area to get together with morning or aft, to iso btms like men who are willing to pls - = 36390

Milwaukee GWM, 24, STUDENT lkg for same 18-25, 150-200 5'9 6'2 190, lkg to have fun and exciting times, new to scene-

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Milwaukee DANCING AND SINGING: Evan BM 5'9 160, like to go shopping travelling dancing singing much more iso WM 18-33, give me a call- =36589

Browndale MOVING TO YOUR AREA: Brent, 42, 5'10 180 brn/blu must fairly hairy, moving to Cedarburg/Port Washington area, looking to make friends ahead of time, like leather bars, btm lkg for friends, people to hang out with- #36619

Wausau OUTDOORS AND NATURE: Tom, 30, 5'8, 155, good shape honest non smoker not into bars, like outdoors, nature and working on my cottage, iso 25-35 new to scene inexp, friends first, pls write! #36694

Milwaukee HAIRY ITALIAN: Peter, 5'8, 150, Italian blk hair must grn, 31w, nice legs, hairy chest, iso other Bi guys that are looking for a good friend, like football baseball kick boxing, iso a driving companion to go to AZ- pref hairy chest-

Milwaukee MASCULINE BLONDE: 29 blnd/blu masc nice guy iso guys in the area lkg for tall big, dk/dk, lv a message or give me a call- #36781

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Milwaukee PROFESSIONAL BLACK MALE: Attn Black men gdlkg fit bi WM 6'2 185 iso mature profil gay bi BM 40-45 for occasional private get togethers- =36794

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Milwaukee LOVE THE OUTDOORS: Brian, 26, 5'8, 160, lkg for guys ages 18-28, int are outdoors, just about everything, lv a message- ≠35354

Milwaukee INEXPERIENCED BM, like a teacher, to teach me the fonder things of Gay life, pref WM or HM, tp, could be btm, if ur interested, give me a call, 6'2, 210, like to meet that perfect or close to perfect mate-

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Milwaukee POLISH YOUR BOOTS, SIR? Rich, 26, dk hair/eyes hairy and cln cut, int in being dom, like to svc, boot svc int in under 35 = 35063

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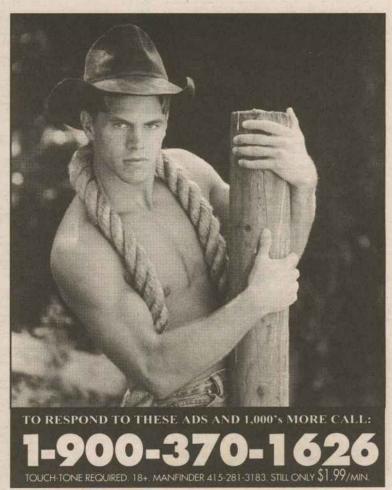
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La Crosse BITV like to meet anyone int in fun, anything to pls, give me a call- =35108

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GWM, 5'7, blond, blue eyes, 38, goodlooking, well-endowed, muscular, thin, ISO top, HIV-, goodlooking man to love. (Call Thru) Box# 8547

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GM, Mike, looking for people to party with. (Call Thru) Box# 1595

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eyes, ex-military man, business student, like weightlifting, outdoors, ISO a muscular M, 22-35. (Call Thru) Box#

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Scott, 30, 6', 200, brn hr, hzl eyes, mustache, ISO guys 25-30's. Box# 2556

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John, ISO a fine, sexy Italian guy. (Call Thru) Box#9138 Paul, professional, fun, ISO professional, well-groomed, hairy, aggressive male. (Call Thru) Box# 3752

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Alex, 25, 5'11, 175, ISO relationship. Box# 2885 Mike, 32, versatile, 5'6 165, bm hr, gm eyes, ISO compatible M's to share my house I just purchased.

(Call Thru) Box# 9644 Tyrone, GM, 23, call. Box# 6310

Terry, 35, WM, brn hair/ eyes, thin build, ISO M 18-35, any race for good times, movies, concerts, clubs, fems okay. (Call Thru) Box# 7583

DJ, 37, bi-WM, very oral, ISO afternoon or evening encounters. Box# 8718 GWM, 22, 6'5, 180, sandy blonde, mustache, thin beard, hairy chest, ISO guys 22-35, friends, poss. rel. (Call Thru) Box# 9782

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Bill, 32, 5'5, 150, ISO slim, smooth, GWM's for good times. (Call Thru) Box# 1713

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Peter, looking for a friend for hot times, someone who is fit, likes to workout, bottom, hairy, loves to be licked. (Call Thru) Box# 5782 Richard, 25, WM, I like dancing, sports, ISO someone who's comfortable with themselves. (Call Thru) Box#

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cute, clean shaven, smooth. Box# 2400 Bill, HIV+, bottom, 5'9, 220, butch bear, ISO a tough

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John, 5'9, red hair, blue eyes, good shape, bottom, college jock, ISO well-built, top, 30+, well-hung. **Box# 6513** Jim, 29, ISO BM, 18-35. (Call Thru) Box# 9922

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Steve, 44, bottom ISO tops. Box# 7381 GWM, Garrett, 27, ISO young, GWM. (Call Thru)

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Jack, 36, ISO M, same age, open-minded, friendship, poss. rel. (Call Thru) Box# 3143

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GWM, 21, 6', 140, good-looking, ISO GBM, 20-30 for friendship and relationshp. Box# 2429

GM, ISO very discreet guy who has 10 inches or more and loves to have a very good time. Box# 9501

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#### WHITE HOUSE

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crimination based on sexual orientation, although legislation has been introduced repeatedly in Congress to add that category.

Most of the 223 House members and 64 senators with office policies banning discrimination against homosexuals were Democrats. the survey found. Only 62 of the representatives and 24 of the senators were Republicans.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, (R-GA), and Majority Leader Dick Armey, (R-TX), do not include sexual orientation under their nondiscrimination policies.

Armey once referred to Rep. Barney Frank as "Barney Fag." Armey later apologized, saying it was s "slip of the tongue" and that he "hadn't had his coffee yet."

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., does, the campaign fund said.

Last year, HRCF found 225 members House members and 71 senators who had such antidiscrimination policies. Of those, 58 were House Republicans and 24 were Senate Republicans.

The campaign fund began seeking antidiscrimination pledges from House members after a 1993 furor in which three Oklahoma congressmen, Republicans Ernest Istook and Jim Inhofe and Democrat Bill Brewster, told the Tulsa World newspaper that they would not hire Gay people for their congressional

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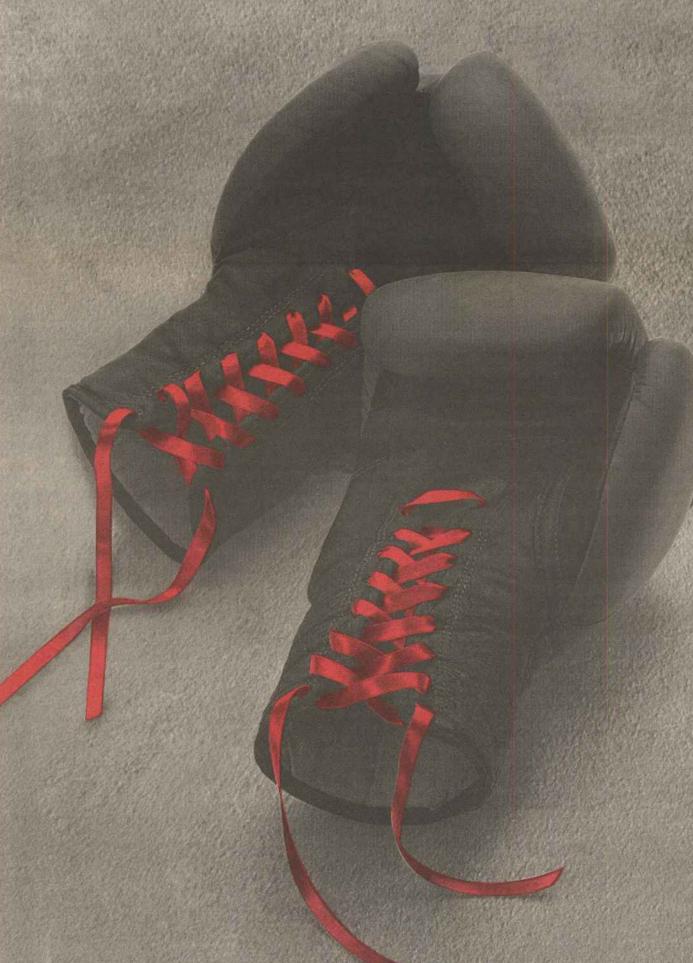
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