Memphis Gay and Lesbian Community Center Targets Grand Opening

The Memphis Gay and Lesbian Community Center (MGLCC) is ready to take its biggest step. A lease has been signed, and the site is pending city inspection. The landlord feels it will pass without any problem. From then on, the Center will begin serving the needs of Gay and Lesbian Memphis. The MGLCC Board has targeted the first week in December for the center's grand opening. More specifics about the actual date will be in the next issue of Gaze.

In the meantime, a pot luck dinner will be held at the newly opened center on Sunday, Oct. 1 at 5 PM. On Saturday, Oct. 21, a town meeting will be held at the community center from 12:00 N to 1:00 PM to present the center to the community.

The center is in the heart of midtown Memphis at 1291 Madison. Though the space is modest in size and design, its purpose is grand in scope and full of promise. It will be a place where the Gay and Lesbian community can gather for meetings, fundraisers, social events, videos, educational endeavors, and counseling. The board has established rules which make the Center a drug and alcohol-free environment. The Center will offer the many groups involved a place where they can meet with a minimum of scheduling and space problems. The MGLCC board feels that the benefits this place offers the community far outweigh the cost to the community.

All Gay and Lesbian groups or individuals are invited to be a part of this center. The Center will be run by volunteers who will rely not on the Center's needs being met, but rather on the Center meeting the needs of the community. The Center will begin serving the community far outweighthecost to the community.

HEART STRINGS -- An Evening of Hope

HEART STRINGS — the Atlanta AIDS revue gone national — will be at Vincent DeFrank Music Hall Monday, Sept. 25, culminating almost four months of work by over 250 volunteers. The first national AIDS fund-raiser of its kind, HEART STRINGS promises to raise about $4 million in the thirty cities in which it will play.

Each city's performance is being customized with its own choruses and celebrities. The Memphis production will feature actor Larry Riley of TV's Knots Landing. Participating choruses will include the Memphis Symphony Chamber Singers and the Angelic Voices of Faith.

The touring production is being produced by the Design Industries Foundation for AIDS (DIFFA) and sponsored by The Prudential Foundation, Allied Carpet Fibers, Enron Corporation, Continental Airlines, and Ogilvy & Mather Public Affairs.

Local corporate sponsors include the Holiday Corporation, the Wimmer Companies, and Regency Travel, among others.

About 250 volunteers, many from the Gay community, have worked hard on ten different committees to make the event a success. "It's been extremely rewarding," said Rebecca Locke, co-chair of HEART STRINGS/Memphis, "to see the different elements of our community come together in concert for this event. Our host committee reflects the commitment of our community to making this event a success."

According to Allen Cook, the event's other co-chair, 85% of the proceeds will remain in Memphis to be disbursed to the two beneficiaries — ATEAC and the Memphis AIDS Coalition. "The remaining 15% is being pooled nationally to benefit organizations in cities not on the national tour schedule," he said.

Organizers report that a little over $26,000 has been raised from the corporate and business community through the sale of advertising in the show program and through corporate sponsorships at various levels.

"Being the third stop on a national tour has its advantages and disadvantages," said Cook. "On one level, we will benefit from the national publicity the premier will create in Atlanta. On another level, we've had a relatively short time frame to get everything together."

Volunteers have been working since June, the protocol for producing HEART STRINGS calls for a 27-week lead time. "We're doing a 27-week project in 16 weeks," said Cook.

Tickets are on sale through the TicketHub (725-HUBB) for the black-tie optional event. Ticket prices are $25 for the performance, $75 for the performance and a champagne cast party at the Crown Plaza after the show, and $200 tickets which include admission to those events plus a gala brunch at Galloway Mansion Sept. 24.

A sell-out crowd will net over $60,000 in addition to the corporate sponsorships.
Domestic Partner Issues Move to the Fore

Tim McFeely

We've all recently noticed a good deal of discussion regarding domestic partners. Opponents of theextension of benefits to domestic partners generally argue that it's too difficult to define a domestic partner outside marriage. Proponents cite anecdotes of 20 year old relationships which appear no different from the "Ozzie and Harriet" model, while the opponents focus on the casual encounter.

There are two possible solutions. The first is a traditional, substantive approach in which the relationship is examined functionally to determine whether it has more of the characteristics of a marriage than not. This analysis was used by the New York Court of Appeals in the Braschi case (Braschi v. Stahl Associates, Court of Appeals, No. 108, July 6, 1989) where the court states: "...a more realistic, and certainly equally valid view of family includes two adult lifetime partners whose relationship is long-term and characterized by an emotion-aland financial commitment and interdependence."

This is the type of analysis used for centuries to define "common law marriages", generally in the context of imposing obligations on one of the partners or legitimizing offspring. The alternative solution to the definitional issue is to refrain from any functional analysis at all and simply apply a procedural or licensing approach. Thus, the parties file a public document, like a marriage license, and they are, in the eyes of the state, "spouses" or "domestic partners" ipso facto without regard to financial or emotional commitment. This approach also requires termination or divorce procedure whereby the partners either unilaterally or mutually revoke their relationship.

The domestic partner discussion generally focuses on benefits and rarely on burdens. Yet the real issue is not definitional but whether the domestic partners will be willing to take on the obligations of commitment as consideration for the advantages. In the Court of Appeals' Mr. Braschi was entitled to the benefits of the rent control law because he had assumed the obligations of a partner-sharing financial burdens and social responsibility for his deceased partner. What if the case were brought by the landlord against Mr. Braschi for rent under the theory of "necessaries" - that spouses are liable for the debts of their mates for certain essential goods and services such as housing? The same analysis and language could be used to enforce obligations on Mr. Braschi.

Opponents of domestic partner proposals (whether for Gay or straight couples) are probably less concerned about the "sanctity" of marriage than they are with the need for fairness and balance in extending benefits and burdens equally. Yet rarely do proponents of domestic partner benefits acknowledge, let alone accept, these obligations, such as sharing community property, solemnizing divorce so that reasonable financial expectations are accommodated, custody burdens regarding children, inheritance presumptions, etc. Millions of Gay people now live (and millions more have for many years lived) in domestic partnerships in which they have assumed the mutual burdens of care, financial responsibility, and sharing without any of the emotional and financial benefits of marriage. We expect the discussion to shift to acknowledge the willingness of domestic partners to assume these obligations in order to justify and promote the extension of benefits to them. Society benefits greatly from domestic partnerships. It's too time for society to acknowledge those benefits.

Support HEART STRINGS

by Allen Cook

HEART STRINGS
Co-Chair

If you don't attend any other AIDS fundraising event this year, attend HEART STRINGS.

I, along with almost 250 other people (a seeming majority of them Gay) have been working on this project for almost 4 months now and, with any kind of luck, you haven't been inundated with information about the event for weeks now. It has been, without a doubt, the most rewarding project I've been involved with in a long, long time. Volunteers, straight and Gay, working side by side, for a project we know all too well disproportionally affects the Gay community.

Yes, we have had a few doors slammed in our face. Yes, there are Gay people still unwilling to help because their name might become associated with the issue and "people will put two and two together." But make no mistake, the pluses have outweighed the minuses.

For the record, the two benefitting organizations - the ATEAC and the Memphis AIDS Coalition - are both extremely accountable. Initial reports of other groups being beneficiaries were in error.

Every volunteer who has worked on the project is buying a ticket. You can show your appreciation for the work they've done by buying one, too. Together we can raise $100,000 in the fight against AIDS.

Gaze encourages letters from its readers and provides this space as a public forum for its readers to express their opinions. Gaze takes no responsibility for the opinions expressed. Letters over 500 words may be edited for space requirements, but original meanings will not be altered. Letters should be as short as possible and must be signed. Names will be withheld by request, but anonymous letters will not be printed.

National Day of Prayer for AIDS

Sunday October 15, 1989
5:00

Calvary Episcopal Church
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Miss J-Wag's Pageant

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PLUS
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Door Cover $4.00
(Includes First Drink or Beer Bust)

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October 4
10:00 PM
$4.00 Cover
Includes First Drink or Beer Bust
All Proceeds Go to ATEAC
(Aid To End AIDS Committee)

SPECIAL CO-HOSTESS

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Regular Shows
Tuesday, Thursday
Friday, Saturday, & Sunday
Disco Downstairs Every Night

Coming in November
Miss Gay Memphis Pageant
Frank Defends Relationship with Male Prostitute

Newton Mass — Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) confirmed that a male prostitute he hired as a personal aide used his apartment to run a male prostitution ring, but insisted that he was unaware of the operation and fired the man when he learned of it.

According to various press reports, Frank said he was "conned" by the male prostitute and has invited a Congressional inquiry into the facts of the case. Frank denies any public monies were used to pay the man.

Frank said he met the man, identified as Steve Gobie, through an escort service three years ago and paid to have sex with him. He later hired the man in an attempt to "rehabilitate" him. Gobie was reportedly paid $20,000 a year.

"I made a misjudgment," said Frank in an interview with United Press International. "I thought I was going to be a liberal who got involved directly with an individual who needed help, that I had an individual who was going to get help and he took me."

Man Gets 5 Years for Oral Sex With Wife

Atlanta — James Moseley is sitting in prison with murderers, rapists, and other hardened criminals for having had oral sex with his wife. The Georgia parole board has refused to review his case for two years. Normally, he would have been out in 3-4 months during instructions that oral sex was a felony in Georgia. Moseley was convicted under the statute that the U.S. Supreme Court upheld in 1986 in the Hardwick v. Bowers case.

As part of its case against the Navy, Lambda would like to present an affidavit and possible trial testimony from a retired, high-ranking Navy officer. The affidavit would make four points:

- Lesbians and Gay men are serving and have served effectively in the armed forces both as enlisted persons and officers.
- Gay people in the services are accepted, by and large, by their peers, and do not pose a threat to security or to the accomplishment of the military mission.
- To the extent that issues do arise with respect to Gays in the military, those issues are a function of the private biases of certain members of the service and not of deficiencies in the personality of Gay service people.
- Commanding officers do not seek the discharge of homosexuals under their command unless the soldier's sexual orientation creates a problem.

If you or anyone you know would be in a position to provide such testimony, please contact Lowe at (212) 995-8585.

Ex-Naval Academy Midshipman Looking for One Good Man or Woman

New York — Joseph Steffan and Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund are looking for a retired high-ranking Naval officer to submit an affidavit testifying to the feasibility and effective service of Lesbians and Gay men in the armed forces. Navy regulations, like all the armed services, state that homosexuality is incompatible with military service.

In response to Steffan's discharge, Lambda filed a suit against the Navy, charging it with unconstitutional discrimination. Lambda recently won the first round of its challenge when Judge Oliver Gasch of the Federal District Court in Washington, DC denied the government's motion to dismiss the case. The court has set a schedule for deciding the constitutionality of the Navy's regulations. Currently the Lambda is preparing briefs and affidavits which must be submitted by this fall.

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SF Gay Men Not Relapsing from Safer Sex

Nearly 20% in San Francisco still do not use safer sex practices on a consistent basis, according to a study presented in June at the 5th International Conference on AIDS in Montreal. The preliminary results of this study, and of a second showing the number of San Francisco Gay men not regularly practicing safer sex to be only 5%, were presented by Dr. Maria L. Ekstrand, a research psychologist with UCSF's Center for AIDS Prevention Studies. Both studies are incomplete and will not be published formally for another several months, although preliminary data have been finalized.

The researchers considered only unprotected anal intercourse in the definition of unsafe sex and “did not look at oral sex at all,” according to a report in the Bay Area Reporter. While the two studies show significant differences in the rate of relapse into unsafe sex practices, they also confirm that the “vast majority” of Gays in San Francisco have maintained a commitment to safer sex.

MGC 10th Anniversary in September
Gay/Lesbian Ads Blanket Maine; 15 Papers Refuse

Portland, Maine — During the week of June 1, 32 Maine newspapers carried ads from Our Paper, a Gay/Lesbian newspaper, offering subscription information and a free sample.

Fifteen papers, including the Bangor Daily News and the Lewiston Sun, refused the prepaid ads and returned them to Our Paper without explanation. Ironically, the Sun had recently conducted a poll of its readers which showed that an overwhelming majority (77.3%) supported an extension of the Maine Human Rights Commission's jurisdiction to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

One publisher, however, did explain his paper's rejection of the ad. Ferguson Calder, publisher of the Calais Advertiser, said, "We have to be careful about content. We're a small paper, and we have to base these things on our morals."

Despite the refusals from the newspapers, Our Paper received over 300 individual requests for subscription information.

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GDI Pink Party Raises Thousands for HEART STRINGS

A pink party held Sept. 17 at GDI on the River raised over $3000 dollars in cash and several hundred more in pledges for HEART STRINGS.

Hosted by Summer Holiday (out of drag) and B.J. Hefner, the show featured drag numbers and mini-auctions. About 250 people attended the event designed to provide money for local AIDS organizations.

Among the performers were Melina, Laura Lee Love, Billie Jo Casino, Leslie Cartier, Betty Sue Gibson, Sofonda Peters, Kirby Kincaid, Hettie McDaniel and Jackie O'Dare.

Among the highlights were performances by Lady Rae, Lady Astor, and auctions of T-shirts modeled by some of the hottest men around — David, Keith, and Chip.

The highest contribution of the evening came long-distance from GDI owner Steve Cooper who donated $500 to the cause.

HEART STRINGS, a project of the Design Industries Foundation for AIDS, will stage its performance Sept. 25.
Memphis Gay Coalition To Hold Annual Meeting and Elections

On October 2, the Memphis Gay Coalition will hold its annual meeting at the Memphis Public Library located at Peabody and McLean in Meeting Room A. The meeting will begin at 7 PM. In addition, the election of officers and board members will be held. Also on the agenda will be a discussion of the Coalition’s successes and failures in ’89 and goals for 1990.

At the meeting held on September 5th, the nominating committee consisting of Vincent Astor, Bob Dumais, and Allen Cook presented a slate of recommendations. Running for re-election will be president Ken Horton, vice president Vincent Astor, treasurer Cecil McLeod, secretary John Stilwell, and at-large board member Allen Cook. In addition, the nominating committee recommended Steve Solomon and Matthew Presley for at-large board positions. Also nominated for an at-large board position was Marty Katz. The officers and new board will take over January 1, 1990.

Anyone holding an active membership in the Coalition is eligible to vote. If you have any questions about your eligibility to vote, check the expiration date on your membership card. Associate members of AGAPE, New Life Church, the Gay Bowling League, and the Gay Women’s Social Group are eligible to vote. These organizations accepted the Coalition’s invitation to offer their members Associate Memberships in the Coalition.

Associate Memberships are still available to any Gay organization that may be interested. For more information about how the members of your organization can become Associate Members in the Memphis Gay Coalition, contact John Stilwell at 454-1411.

After the election, the remainder of the meeting will be used to discuss goals for 1990. One of the primary goals of the Coalition continues to be to escape the perception that the organization is for white males. Also on the agenda will be a discussion of the Coalition’s role in supporting the Gay and Lesbian Community Center.

Members and non-members alike are encouraged to attend this annual meeting to offer opinions and suggestions to help us make the Memphis Gay Coalition more responsive to the needs of the whole community.

Wagettes Raise $2300 for AIDS

The Wagettes held a 3-day fundraising event at J-Wags over the Labor Day weekend which raised $2300 for ATEAC. As a part of the fundraiser, an auction was held on Oct. 4th.

There was a show Sunday evening which brought Granny Weaver out in drag for the first time since the “Queen’s Men” were active, and had Wayne Newsome performing “Where’s the Dress?” Also performing were Lady Vic, the Wagettes, Billie Jo Casino, and many more.

The show, hosted by Miss Peaches and Mattie Mae, concluded with the cast and audience joining hands and singing.

Monday’s event was a patio cook-out and pie throw. This was the major fundraising event which featured celebrity faces including Mattie Mae, Granny Weaver, Bobby Bessinger, Trixies Thunderpussy, and Tommy Stewart.

The final event will be the auction held at Reflections on October 4th from 8 PM to about 9:45 PM. Among the items being offered are a microwave, a hand-made quilt, art work, a trip for 2 to Florida, and your favorite magazines in bundles of 4 or 5 magazines to the bundle.

A new group in town, the Wagettes were formed as a social club to be cheerleaders for J-Wags and to raise money through fun activities for ATEAC. The Wagettes are Mike Weaver, Bobby Bessinger, Trixies Thunderpussy, Jerry Attaway, Richard Andrews, Mike Cline, and Billy McCew.

GayRap Explores Leather

The September GayRap explored a segment of the Gay and Lesbian community that finds many people curious, some intimidated and few informed. The subject was—Leather. Some historical background and much philosophical discussion took place. Representatives from both men’s clubs and the Pipeline, as well as non-affiliated persons, spoke from a variety of perspectives. The female/feminine side of this lifestyle was touched upon and will be examined more closely next month.

Granby Weaver To Be Roasted

On Wednesday evening, Oct. 11, the Wagettes will hold a dinner and show at J-Wags. The cost of the dinner (spaghetti, salad and garlic bread) is $2, and the Wagettes will begin serving at 7 PM.

The show will be $2, and the hosts for the evening will be George Wilson and Trixy Thunderpussy. Guest of "honor" Granny Weaver will be honored in a traditional "roast."

All proceeds from the events will go to ATEAC’s Patient Aid Fund.

First Annual TTP Awards

The first annual Trixie Thunderpussy Awards will be held Wednesday, October 4 at 10 PM at Reflections. Prior to the awards show, an auction will be held. The auction is the culmination of the Wagettes’ Labor Day Weekend Fundraiser. All profits from the auction and the awards show will be donated to ATEAC.

To date, Trixie has raised over $4800 for ATEAC making her the Number One single entertainer raising funds for ATEAC.

Some of the awards to be presented will include: Best D.J., Best Up and Coming Performer, Most Cordial Bartender, Most Versatile Performer, and of course, some Trash Awards. Organizers promise a fun evening. The identity of a shocking surprise co-host for the evening is a carefully guarded secret. But drag queens are cautioned to "watch out—here comes stiff competition."

Kim A. Moss, M.S.

‘Dealing With Gay and Lesbian Life Issues’

This is an excellent opportunity to discover what persons of leather have on their minds and lives and to ask questions.

The next GayRap will be on October 16 in Meeting Room A of the Main Library. It will be a continuation of the September topic with emphasis on masculinity, femininity, and leather. It should be very interesting.

Our GayRap group is getting to be one of the most fun and interesting groups in town. What a great place to meet people and have good discourse without the standard pitfalls of Gay and Lesbian social life. This group is currently meeting in the Main Library at the corner of Peabody and McLean at 7:30 PM on the third Monday of every month unless otherwise announced in this newspaper. We have become a group of professional “rappers,” sometimes given over to rather shocking details of Gay and Lesbian life which could turn the heads of even the most seasoned of us. We sit in a large circle and once the topic has been introduced by the discussion leader, the floor is open to whatever might arise. No one leaves without having met some great people and without having had a wonderful time. See you there.
Lesbian and Gay Leaders Sponsor National Coming Out Day Oct. 11

Sanie Fe — The second annual National Coming Out Day, October 11, is being co-sponsored by a broad base of highly respected community leaders and organizations. The goal of NCOD is to increase the visibility of the more than 20 million Gay people in the United States. Last year's activities received positive media coverage throughout the country, including coverage in USA Today, CNN, National Public Radio, This Way Out, and the Oprah Winfrey Show.

October 11, the day of this annual event, commemorates the 1987 March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. NCOD organizers invite individuals and organizations to become co-sponsors by making financial contributions to support the central office and by planning local activities. "This is a grassroots campaign, and its success depends on the willingness of local groups to plan and carry out events that support people to take their next step in coming out," says NCOD co-chair, Dr. Rob Eichberg.

As coming out is a process and not a singular event, individuals are being asked to "take the next step" in their coming out process - a step which may be very personal for some and very public for others. "Our power is awesome, and it's time we use it. NCOD is a chance to take the spirit and message of the March on Washington home to communities throughout the country," says NCOD co-chair Jean O'Leary, Executive Director of National Gay Rights Advocates.

For more information, or to contribute to NCOD, write to NCOD, P.O. Box 15524, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87506 or call (505) 982-2558.

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Supreme Court Porn Ruling: New Threat to Free Speech

Washington, DC — In a decision that raises the specter of ex post facto legislation and unchallengeably overbroad laws, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that a conviction obtained under a 1982 Massachusetts pornography law could still stand even though the law was ruled unconstitutional by Massachusetts' highest court in 1988.

In a confusing decision that sharply split the justices, the Court remanded the case back to the state's Supreme Judicial Court (SJC) to decide whether a photo Douglas Oakes took of his partially naked 14-year-old stepdaughter was expression protected by the First Amendment.

Douglas was convicted in 1985 and sentenced to ten years in jail for the photo, which showed only the young woman's breasts exposed. He served two years before being paroled. He was charged under a 1982 state law that declared any photo of a person under 18 depicting genitalia or female breasts constituted "child pornography."

In January 1988, the Massachusetts' Supreme Court struck down the law on the grounds that it unconstitutionally restricted free speech. The court noted that parents who took pictures of their naked babies could receive 10-year jail sentences. Because the law was unconstitutional, the SJC reasoned, Oakes' conviction should be thrown out, even though he had already served his sentence.

Seven months after the SJC decision, the Massachusetts legislature passed a revised pornography law which declared that only nude depictions of minors that are produced "with lascivious intent" are pornographic.

The Supreme Court did not address the part of the Massachusetts decision which said that it is unconstitutional to deem nudity of minors per se pornographic. The high court said that issue is moot because the 1988 revision adds a "lascivious intent" clause. "They used their principle of avoiding constitutional issues whereever possible," Richard Vita, Oakes' attorney, told The Guide.

But the court did reject the part of the decision which said that because the 1982 law was unconstitutional, the Oakes conviction should be thrown out. The high court said that the SJC should have considered whether Oakes' photo was itself constitutionally protected expression, independently of whether the law under which he was protected was constitutional.

Vita had argued that the photo was constitutionally protected in his arguments before the SJC. But in the Massachusetts court's sweeping ruling on the unconstitutionality of the 1982 law, it never addressed Vita's claim. Since the Supreme Court has remanded the case back to the SJC, Vita will argue that point once again before the Massachusetts court in the fall, and the case might again be appealed to the Supreme Court.

Vita said the high court ruling is disturbing because it encourages overbroad laws that restrict expression. The easy convictions such laws allow may then be immune from challenge on the grounds that they are unconstitutional. Vita said, "We'll have more overbroad, sweeping laws enacted because it will be much more difficult to mount an overbreadth challenge."

A plurality of four Justices remanded the case to the SJC. Brennan, Marshall, and Stevens voted to uphold the SJC ruling that the Massachusetts law violated the constitution while Scalia and Blackmun said Oakes' conviction wasconstitutional. (Reprinted by permission from The Guide to the Gay Northeast)
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- **Please note**: The image contains various events and contests planned for different days with specific details and prizes. These include costume contests, beer drinking contests, and music-related events.

- **Important dates and details**:
  - Halloween event details
  - WET Jockey Shorts Contest on Thursday, Oct. 5.
  - M.C. Michelle Marie hosting "Wet Down Some of the Hottest Men in Memphis After They Take It All Off" contest.
  - Prize details for contests are also provided.

- **Contact information**:
  - GDI at 526-1038 for participation or queries.

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- **Additional notes**:
  - The events appear to be taking place over a span of several days, offering a festive and competitive atmosphere.
  - Music and themed shows are part of the offerings, with different DJs and artists scheduled throughout the week.

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- **Conclusion**: This page serves as a comprehensive guide to events happening at GDI, emphasizing the uniqueness and entertainment value of their offerings during the Halloween season.
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Do You Suffer From the Pretzel Syndrome?

by Becky Caperton, M.S.

Do you suffer from the "Pretzel Syndrome?" What about those occasional painful twinges you get from simultaneously aiming to please, holding your tongue, trying to fit in, and bending over backward? They're nothing, you say. You're bending over backward? yourself as an emotional conning for tasks you'd rather avoid. Pretzeling can be especially disastrous in a romantic relationship, where it results in subtle sabotage, depression, or a seemingly inexplicable blowup, complete with tears and accusations, after which your puzzled and angry mate wonders why you changed the rules on him. He is angrier, in fact, then he would have been if you'd confronted him with your displeasure at the time it occurred.

You can fix this. It means working on self-esteem (what doesn't) and practicing surviving the displeasure of others. You'll get through it, and they will get over it. Not everyone in the world has to love you. In fact, to have certain jerks dislike you is an honor! We're all happier when the way we behave reflects the way we really feel, but practice is required. You might as well start now. Stop being a pretzel, and let the chips fall where they may!

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A Lesbian Love Advisor

Illustrated by Nicole Ferentz

"Let us begin with flirting. Isn't that where it usually begins?" So also begins A Lesbian Love Advisor, a practical guide, bold and sassy, with a welcome disregard for convention and with a tongue-in-cheek that would make Miss Manners blush. From the "sweet arts" of Lesbian flirting, courtship, and romance, A Lesbian Love Advisor sweeps its readers on to bedside manners (including the seduction dinner, complete with recipe), the delightful erotica of the pleasure dome; jealousy "heartburn", the Lesbian love relationship (including wills, powers of attorney, and partnership accords); fair fighting, and relationship endings. The book closes with ceremonies of Lesbian spirituality, including a circle of commitment ritual for Lesbian lovers.

"Celeste West has birthed a book; the Lesbian love advisor. Wise and witty advice will surely guide Lesbians on their way to the Goddess." - Hallie Iglehart Austen, Womanspirit.

Author Celeste West is manager of Booklegger Publishing and the library/bookstore of San Francisco's Zen Center. Her books include Revolting Librarians, with Elizabeth Katz; The Passionate Perils of Publishing, with Valerie Wheat; Words In Our Pockets: the Feminist Writer's Guild Handbook; and ELSA, I Come With My Songs, with Elsa Gidlow. Cleis press will release A Lesbian Love Advisor in September in plenty of time for holiday giving. Individual orders must be prepaid. Copies cost $24.95 (cloth) or $9.95 (paper). Add 1.50 shipping for the first book; $7.5 for each additional book. Send to Cleis Press, P.O. Box 8933, Pittsburgh, PA 15221 or call (412) 731-3863.
We have been running in overdrive for the past few weeks and Heart Strings is yet to come. Here is what the wind blew by.

**Social Butterfly Department**

There seems to be no bottom to the hearts of Gay Memphians. The turnout for the benefits just this month has been extraordinary.

The Wagettes raised $1,600 in cash and another $500 in pledges at their first annual Labor Day weekend benefit. Their production number was a dramatic interpretation of a regular Saturday night at J-Wag's and this worthy cause also brought Granny Weaver and Phyllis out of retirement.

Several genuine drag performers turned up, just to bring the audience to their feet. We were sorry we missed the opportunities provided by the pie throw at the cookout. Of the two contests advertised, the Mr. Cowboy lost out to the wet jockey shorts and their auction will be held before the TTP (Trixie Thunderpussy) awards scheduled for October.

A smaller benefit held at Lorretta's raised $519 and was enthusiastically received by a generous crowd. ATEAC was the beneficiary of both fundraisers.

We had to find out second hand that Lorretta has moved! Lorretta's Cut Rate Saloon and Bait Shoppe has opened at 598 Marshall St. (nee' Chaps, The French Connection, Lonnie's etc.). At least we can give her our credit for seeing that it at least got back to moi, which is more than some people.

Wings' Flight 5 was a success, with around 80 participants. Significant cocktail parties were Women of Leather (with the firecracker suits for July 4th), Tarsus with their Labor Day skit (we won't go into detail, you figure it out), and Gateway for the red hearts on, or was it the red heart-sons, (we don't remember) for Valentine's Day. The real competition came on Sunday afternoon, after the run was technically over. The turkey and trimmings at the Pipeline buffet and the Cajun delights at Chaps were both so delicious as to preclude choosing one over the other.

Congratulations to Chip Hunter, sponsored by GDI, Mr. Southern Leather 1990. John Foole, sponsored by Second Skin Leather in New Orleans, won first alternate; and Ray Webber, sponsored by Chaps, won second alternate.

Congratulations and felicitations to this year's Mr. Southern Naugahyde (name withheld) who was selected at a very discreet and closed meeting of GHOUl (Germantown Housewives of Uniform Leather) held at an undisclosed location where we know to be hiding behind a very ostentatious row of elephant ear plants. Vespa 3 will take place in the very near future (Vespa 2 went by completely unnoticed during the After Christmas sales rush). We weren't invited to attend, so we really can't care much.

Tarsus' 9th annual Aida run takes place this weekend. More next month.

We were immensely pleased to be asked to perform at the Pink Ball at GDI. To be performing alongside so many legends might just turn our head, under other circumstances. We were thrilled and pleased to be in such good company: Melina, Lady Rae, Laura Lee Love (who traveled all the way up from Houston with her good friend Jackie O'Dare), Billie Jo Casino, Leslie Cartier, Betty Sue Gibson, Sofonda Peters, Kirby Kincaid, Hettie McDaniel, and Marilyn Mansfield with hosts Betty Hefner and Mr. Summer Holiday.

Several bars, now and then, were represented on stage by two of the most beloved and famous of her. Jackie O'Dare and Trixie Thundepussy were doing their best to be asked to perform. We are very grateful that they were selected to be the beneficiaries of both fundraisers.

Public Service Announcement Dept.

We expect to see each and everyone of you at Heart Strings, one show only, Monday, September 25, at De Frank Hall (the South Hall) of the Auditorium at Cook Convention Center. For ticket information, call 725-HUBB, or 726-HOPE. This is the biggest benefit for AIDS that has ever taken place and we can do a lot of good. Be there. Aloha.

Warm Fuzzy Dept.

Bob Dumais, longtime staff member of Gaze, longtime Gay Switchboard volunteer, twice MGC president, and hardworking volunteer for Heart Strings was honored at GDI's Pink Ball benefit by a plaque from the Coalition for his years of service to the Memphis Gay and Lesbian Community. He certainly deserved it; also, he can count among his numerous achievements the instruction of the rest of the Gaze staff in the proper and frequent use of the semicolon. Mazal Tov and Bonne Chance!

**Woman on the Street Dept.**

The Apartment Club will host the Ms Junior Miss Coronation on October 1, and will feature Wendy from Houston on October 7.

Many habitués of the Pipeline will be doing a lot of traveling this month to anniversary runs of two clubs, Gateway's 16th and Knights D'Orleans' 15th. On the home front, Jeff is whipping up a Toga Party for September 29th and the next Wild West Night will take place on October 4. There are plans for a surprise celebration shrouded in the psychic mists, but the who and the when are cloudy. Where is Maria Ouspenskaya when you need her?

Funny how coincidences coincide. In the same breath, and you know how long winded she can be, Tommy Stewart told us that Billie Jo Casino will be joining the cast at Reflections and that Trixie Thunderpussy will be giving her set of opinionated trophies at J-Wag's on October 4.

A surprise hostess will be a feature, a first-timer, they say. Now just how many times have you ever believed what "they" say? Miss J-Wag's will be selected on October 18 and the famous former Memphian Tracy Lee will perform at Reflections the 22nd, 23rd and 24th of October.

Chaps, where the dust has finally settled after the Wings run, is offering Country Dance Lessons every Wednesday night.

WKRB will host a special show with Lorretta, Billie Jo and Angie on September 24. Congratulations to Women of Leather on their 2nd anniversary.

GDI will host the Miss Southern Belle Pageant on September 26. Read the ad, there's just too much for moi to fit in.

**Rumour of the Month**

Rumour had it during Flight 5 that Dennis Kijowsky had taken the Widow McCain as his mistress. When questioned, she replied, "Does he think I'm some kind of Lesbian or something?" We decline further comment.

Ta, ta, Lady A.
Your Complete Guide to Sexual Health

Prentice Hall has introduced *Your Complete Guide to Sexual Health*, sponsored by Planned Parenthood of San Diego and Riverside Counties, California. It is a comprehensive family reference on reproductive health issues suitable for people of all ages, religions, and beliefs. Every chapter of the book has been reviewed by experts. The book is organized into three parts. Part one discusses human sexuality in general including the human body, conception, sexual behavior, talking to your children about sex, and sex and the law. Part two discusses reproduction in detail. It covers pregnancy and childbirth, unplanned pregnancy, infertility, contraception, and sterilization. The last part reviews reproductive health problems. This includes chapters on women's sexual health problems, men's sexual health problems, sexually transmitted diseases, and a chapter on AIDS.

Your Complete Guide to Sexual Health is the first book of its kind to address men's sexual health issues, legal aspects of sexual behavior, and a complete chapter on AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome). One chapter on men's sexual health covers where to get proper health care, prevention of common problems, and a detailed explanation of the common health problems of the male reproductive system. Ortiz offers a chapter that explains the legal aspects of sexual behavior. The chapter explains the definitions for incest, child molestation, rape, and sexual harassment. It also describes how these matters are handled by the legal and social service systems. In the chapter about AIDS, Ortiz defines the medically accepted definitions of AIDS and AIDS-Related Complex (ARC), causes, transmission of the disease to others, treatments, testing for AIDS antibodies, and safe sex practices. She also tells the reader how to find services available for those who test positive for the disease.

This book is an ideal resource for parents, teachers, counselors, and others who work with children and youth. Ortiz has written the book from an objective point of view stressing education and personal responsibility. The book also includes information about social problems related to sexuality including rape, incest, child molestation, and sexual harassment. There is an end-of-book index as well as suggestions for further reading for each chapter, along with names and addresses of national resource organizations.

Elizabeth Thompson Ortiz is an Associate Professor in the Department of Social Work at California State University, Long Beach. She is affiliated with Planned Parenthood of San Diego and Riverside Counties, California.

Performers, Presenters, and Staff Wanted For Womyn's Festivals


Campfest will celebrate its 7th year in 1990, and Womongathering will be held for the 3rd year. Both festivals are dedicated to presenting entertainment and workshops that represent a wide variety of topics and the broadest possible spectrum of w'myn's performing arts.

Campfest and Womongathering invite w'myn to witness and participate in the special empowerment that results from the energy generated in womyn-only spaces.

Campfest and Womongathering have openings for musicians, dance, or theatre presentations as well as workshop presenters. Deadline for submissions to be considered for the 1990 festivals is October 30th. Performers should send an audition tape and workshop presenters should send an outline or description of proposed presentations.

Campfest and Womongathering are interested in finding workshop presenters for the 14 days. Send a brief resume to Lee Clinton, Campfest Festivals, Rt 5, Box 185, Franklinville, NJ 08322 or call (609) 694-2037. Deadline for applications is February 28, 1990.

Knoxville Tapped for State NOW Conference

The state conference of the National Organization for Women (NOW) will be held in Knoxville this year. The registration fee is $15 and is on a sliding fee scale for NOW members. Molly Yard, president of National NOW, will be the keynote speaker at the Saturday lunch.

Some of the workshops to be included are:
- Reproductive Rights Strike Force
- Divorce and Child Custody
- Lobbying Your State and Federal Legislators
- Women in History
- NOW 101: The Basics of NOW
- Women's Spirituality

Memphis NOW is in charge of resolutions, so any member who is interested should call 901-452-6983 with proposals. The Conference will be held at the Best Western Campus Inn. Room rates are $40 for double, $44 for triple, and $47 for a quad. Reservations can be made by calling (615) 521-5000. Other expenses include $7 for the buffet lunch (with Molly Yard as speaker) and a Sunday Breakfast Buffet for $6.

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MEN TOGETHER
An Interracial Gay Organization for All People
Statement of Purpose

Black and White Men Together of Memphis, Inc. is a Gay interracial organization committed to fostering supportive environments wherein racial and cultural barriers can be overcome and the goal of human equality realized. To these ends, we engage in educational, political, cultural, and social activities as means of dealing with racism, sexism, homophobia, and other inequities in our community and in our lives.

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For details: Call Ed (452-5894), Irwin (726-1461) or write BWMT/Memphis, P.O. Box 41773, Memphis, TN 38174-1773

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MGC - The Gift of Enlightenment - 1979-1989

by Vincent Astor

1989 is a banner year for Gay anniversaries. This month is the anniversary of the founding of the Memphis Gay Coalition. The Coalition is 10 years old; and this much-misunderstood, much-maligned institution has outlasted most of its critics and most of the hate that it has been active at its founding in 1979. Its primary purpose has always been giving—whether it was community events, discussion forums, or information; championing Gay and Lesbian rights and continuing the quest for obtaining those rights; or providing support and enlightenment to those who sought it.

Two gay men, Ric Sullivan and Bill Johnson, had moved back to Memphis from Washington, DC in 1979. Having left such a politically active climate, they brought with them a liberal attitude, an activist lifestyle, and a burning desire to awaken activism and Gay consciousness in Memphis. The Gay Switchboard already existed, having been founded by the Sexuality and Lesbianism Task Force of the National Organization for Women in 1977. They decided to found a chapter of the Nashville-based Tennessee Gay Coalition for Human Rights (TGCHR), which had also been founded in 1977. On September 10, 1979, a group of interested people held a meeting at a private home. By November, Memphis had a new Gay newspaper, Gaze; and the TGCHR was having regular monthly meetings at the Main Branch of the Memphis Public Library. Suddenly, Gay activism had arisen and could be found at one of the most public places around. This had been fueled by the first Gay March on Washington which had taken place in October of that year and was attended by several members of the fledgling group.

The TGCHR was informally structured. A volunteer facilitator chaired the monthly meetings, and a steering committee planned the agendas. A secretary and treasurer were also volunteers. A membership coordinator maintained membership files and conducted membership drives. The idea behind this mode of operation was to avoid "power" positions and "elected" offices, thus keeping it a group-run organization. The Coalition took over staffing, maintenance, and support of the Gay Switchboard in early 1980 and has continued it ever since.

The number of members began to swell as the first major project appeared. The 5th annual Southeastern Conference of Lesbians and Gay Men was looking for a host city. Memphis stepped forward. The result was the appearance of a large turnout of Lesbians and Gay men at the Holiday Inn Rivermont for Conference '80, an event which changed the lives of everyone who participated and made Memphis aware, on TV no less, that there were plenty of activist Gays and Lesbians right at home. Well-known activists Barbara Greer, Lea Hopkins, and the late Leonard Matlovich spoke; and Lesbian musician/songwriter Meg Christian performed.

This apparently tireless group of people then organized the very first Gay River Ride on the Memphis Queen II as a Gay Pride Celebration in June. This has become the major Gay social event of the Memphis area each year and has, in its nearly 10 year history, attracted participants from as far away as Texas.

In September of 1980, a weekend retreat held at the Orpheum produced a strong feeling toward independence and local emphasis. The Memphis chapter of the TGCHR became the Memphis Gay Coalition. 1980 also saw the first appearance of the Gay Alternatives Radio Show, begun by Coalition members. It later became independent.

In June of 1981, the very first Gay Pride March and Rally was held with Lea Hopkins as Marshal. A peaceful march, with the courteous assistance of the Memphis Police Department, marched from Cooper St. and Higbee to the Overton Park Shell. These marches were to continue for several years. Later that year, Lambda Television took to the Cabilevien public access channel with Views from Ten Percent, a regularly scheduled program addressing Gay issues.

In 1982, the political action committee spun off to become the Memphis Gay Political Caucus, which planned to research and endorse political candidates. That year, also, saw the editonship of Gaze pass from Bill Johnson to Allen Cook and John Stillwell. The group decided to promote the third Monday of each month as a program meeting.

In the autumn of 1983, as a result of monies raised in the very first AIDS benefit in Memphis, the Coalition purchased AIDS brochures and began distributing them at all of the Gate distribution points, including bars and adult movie houses—the first effort of this kind in Memphis. In October of 1984, the Coalition decided to restructure along more formal lines with an elected Steering Committee and four elected officers. 1985 saw the first Gay Rap sessions on program meeting nights once a month. 1986 found the Coalition participating as a group in Hands Across America and making plans for a Gay Community Center Building Fund. The Coalition added a much needed donation toward a specific AIDS research project.

Up to this time, the Coalition-run Gay Switchboard had been handling an increasing number of AIDS-related calls. These were taken over by the AIDS Switchboard in 1987. In 1987, the annual Gay pride picnic was revamped, and GayFest was born. Coalition representatives participated in the March on Washington in October and, as had been the case many times, sent representatives to statewide meetings in Nashville.

A social group of Mature Gays met once in 1988, sponsored by the Coalition; and the first Community service award was presented to long-time treasurer Cecil McLeod. The Coalition donated toward the production of the revue A Dance Against Darkness which benefitted ATEAC. In 1988, the Coalition began at last to seriously work toward the formation of a Gay and Lesbian Community Center, one of the original goals from as far back as 1979. The Center committee received a charter in the spring of 1989 and will open the center this fall.

Ten years of Christmas Pot Luck dinners, numerous evenings of films, and videotapes, Thanksgiving dinners, and picnics have been given by the Memphis Gay Coalition to the Gay and Lesbian community of Memphis. Gaze, published by the Coalition volunteers, has not missed a regularly scheduled issue in 10 years. Gay Pride has been celebrated every June in Memphis for 10 years. The Coalition has withstood much criticism and many harsh feelings, the echoes of which we still hear all the time. When one looks at the many events and groups which have sprung from the Coalition, or have been begun by its members with support from the group, it is strange that this stigma will not go away. Coalition members have been active in Gay churches, athletic associations, benefit shows, political lobbying, and AIDS activities and frequently have filled leadership roles.

The founders of this body were liberal, even radical. They challenged complacency. They fought against bigotry and bias...
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**Deadline April 1990.**

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ORGANIZATIONS
Aid to End AIDS Committee (AETAC): AIDS Service Organization - Box 40389, Memphis 38174-0389 - 762-8401, 458-AIDS, or 272-0855.
Agape Christian Church: Liturgical service Sundays at 11:00 AM and Bible Study Wednesdays 7:00 PM - 346-1436 or 353-1092.
Agape New Life Church: Worship Sundays at 11:00 AM and Wednesdays at 7:30 PM - 327-4145.
American Gay Atheists (AGA): Memphis: Box 41371, Memphis 38174-1371.
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HELINEIS
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Narcotics Anonymous: 276-LIVE.
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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
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MEDIA
AIDS Update: Newspaper published by the Aid to End AIDS Committee - 458-AIDS.
Gay Alternative: Radio program, Mon. 6:00-7:00 PM, WEVL FM 90 - Box 41773, Memphis 38174.
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