

Holy Trinity Pastor to Relocate

Rev. Ethan Pruett, Senior Pastor of Holy Trinity Community Church, announced his resignation July 17.

Pruett will leave at the end of August to become director of evangelism at Metropolitan Community Church in Long Beach, Calif. "We have worked very hard to strengthen the church this past year and I feel it is strong enough to allow me to answer God's call to this new ministry," he said. He will be working with Rev. Dusty Pruett, pastor at MCC Long Beach.

Rev. Ethan Pruett became pastor of Holy Trinity shortly after their move to the sanctuary at 2323 Monroe in 1991.

Under his pastorate the membership has grown significantly and programs such as We Care AIDS ministry and The Wellness Center were founded.

A committee has already begun the search for a new senior pastor;



Rev. Ethan Pruett

Rev. Ed Hammett, assistant pastor, will continue in his full-time position. The present ministerial staff consists of two full-time and three part time ministers.

Holy Trinity is the eighth largest primarily Gay and Lesbian congregation in the country and has the most members of any Gay/Lesbian organization in Tennessee.

Gay Softball World Series Slated For Nashville

By Chuck Saylor

The Gay Softball World Series is scheduled for August 16 - 21 in the Music City.

The event will feature approximately 100 Gay and Lesbian softball teams from the U.S. and Canada competing in this annual event sanctioned by the North American Gay Amateur Athletic Alliance (NAGAAA).

The tournament includes men's & women's division play, with three different team classifications.

Team classifications are determined by their win/loss record in their respective city league, number of games played during the year and last year's World Series record if applicable.

The A & B teams feature out-

standing athletic talent on all teams.

Nashville lobbied hard for the honor of hosting the World Series and was selected over several other cities vying for the event.

The Crowne Plaza Hotel is booked for the entire week, (all 22 floors) with additional rooms at the Hermitage next door for hosting all the softball players.

The week will be capped by an event promoters are calling "The Hard Ball," an outdoor block party at The Cannery. The indoor stage will feature "a night of erotica and the hottest construction dance party."

Sponsors include Nashville CARES and Nashville Lesbian and Gay organizations. Tickets are \$20 plus tax in advance or \$25 plus tax at the door and are available through Ticketmaster.

Cohen Seeks Gay & Lesbian Vote For Governor

By Allen Cook
TJN Co-Editor

For the first time in the history of the state of Tennessee, a major candidate is openly soliciting the Gay and Lesbian vote.

Sen. Steve Cohen (D-Memphis) has long been a supporter of both the Gay and Lesbian community and the HIV/AIDS community. He has popped up at fund-raisers and even served on host committees for some events.

Now, as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor of Tennessee, he is actively seeking the Gay and Lesbian vote.

Cohen says he will seek repeal of the state's so-called "sodomy law" which classifies sex between members of the same sex as a Class C misdemeanor.

Cohen spoke at the Nashville-based Lesbian and Gay Coalition for Justice (LCGJ) on July 21.

"If you do not stand up for your rights, no one will stand up for you," Cohen told about 700 gathered for the Gay Pride celebration June 18 in Nashville.

Cohen says he stumbled into the Gay rights issue almost by accident.

He says as he left the Hermitage Hotel on June 18, he saw the Gay rights rally at Legislative Plaza.

"I just thought, why not? Five years ago I spoke at the same place at a pro-choice rally when no one else would touch the issue. Now everybody's clamoring to be pro-

choice. You can take a position on an issue like this without having the world fall out from under you politically."

Cohen's support has not been without its detractors, however.

Public Service Commissioner and fellow Democratic candidate Frank Cochran chided Cohen for his appearance at the rally. Cochran vowed to "lead the opposition" to special rights for Gays.

"I'm going to speak out for every child God has created," Cohen said.

"Every human being deserves the same rights. Whether a person is Gay or not should make no difference," Cohen continued.

At a press conference on July 5, Sen. Cohen once again raised the issue of Lesbian and Gay rights.

"I have never been so proud as I was the day I spoke to 1,000 Lesbian and Gay rights supporters at Nashville's Lesbian and Gay Pride rally," said Cohen, according to the *LGCJ Communicator*.

He also indicated a tremendously positive response from Lesbians and Gay men thanking him for standing with us in our struggle for fairness.

In a survey conducted by *The Nashville Tennessean*, Cohen was the only gubernatorial candidate favoring legislation protecting Gays and Lesbians from discrimination or harassment.

Cohen says he favors adding sexual orientation as a classification



Steve Cohen

to the state's hate crimes law.

The Tennessean asked the question, "State law currently outlaws homosexual activity. Would you support or oppose the General Assembly repealing this law?"

Cohen was the only candidate flatly stating that he would support repeal.

Among the other candidates responses:

- Morris (D): "Unsure"
- Bredesen (D): "Not proposing any changes."
- Chesteen (D): "State law shouldn't intrude into the bedroom"
- Cochran (D): "Morally opposed to homosexuality, but law is intrusive."
- Hewlett (D): "Has not considered, does not know"
- Wallace (D): "Would leave it up to the lawmakers."
- Copeland (R): "Opposed to repeal."
- Sundquist (R): "Present law is acceptable."

Congressmen Hear Testimony About Harassment at Overt Retreat

By Toni Williams
Associated Press Writer

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — The Lesbian founders of a retreat for battered women told a congressional panel July 6 of finding a dead dog draped over their mailbox and other harassment they claim authorities mostly ignored.

Reps. Barney Frank, D-Mass., and Jerrold Nadler, D-N.Y., convened a hearing into how authorities responded to problems at Camp Sister Spirit, which opened a year ago near Overt in southern Mississippi.

Brenda and Wanda Henson claim police, the local courts and FBI agents have ignored their complaints and contributed to the harassment.

Residents packed a courtroom for the three-hour hearing, some wearing T-shirts emblazoned with the words "Mississippi for Family Val-

ues." The Hensons accuse the group of harassing and threatening retreat residents.

The U.S. Congress can't change how residents feel about the camp, Frank said. But it does have a responsibility to ensure that local law enforcement does not act unconstitutionally, he said.

"This is not a question of name-calling," said Frank, chairman of the civil and constitutional rights subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee. "The right to dislike and disagree with one another is one right that many Americans take advantage of regularly."

The Hensons also recounted shots being fired at their property and being bothered by trespassers.

"When a dead dog with bullet holes was placed on our mailbox, the police report reflected that the dog was found in a ditch near our mail-

box," Wanda Henson testified. "Some deputy sheriffs have also been openly hostile to us and refused to investigate many of the offenses that occurred."

James Hendry, president of Mississippi for Family Values, denied the group harassed the Hensons.

"We are trying to seek a peaceful, legal resolution to this problem," Hendry said. "This is not a bigoted witch hunt."

Hendry said he has received death threats by mail and phone.

He also suggested the congressmen might be biased in favor of the Hensons, noting that Frank is Gay. He retracted the comment when Frank noted that both sides had been invited to speak.

The subcommittee will review evidence before submitting its report to the full Judiciary Committee and the House of Representatives.

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News: Images vs. Reality

By John Stilwell
TJN Co-Editor

I'd like to join Mike Morgan (see last month's commentary in this space) in attacking the media, in particular television, and their selection of what stories are worthy of reporting on, what stories are worth milking to death and how these stories are to be treated.

I've seen the stories that TV has chosen to air on such things as the Gay Pride marches and I've seen what images they chose to show—the colorful, the outlandish, the drag queens, the stereotypical “dykes,” anything that will shock. These same images are the ones that the religious right tape and use on their television programs and in the propaganda they send to their supporters and potential supporters. Just as the religious right use these images to influence their supporters, mainstream television, either maliciously or unthinkingly (I hope the latter), influence the general viewing public's opinion negatively.

I remember during the Gay Games people I knew saying things like, “I wonder if there will be any TV coverage,” “Check CNN, they are most likely to be covering the events,” and “Have you seen any coverage of the Gay

Games?” Sure, there were short stories and some comments on some of the record breakers. And in these stories, of all the multitude of events to use as background shots what did we see? Couples figure skating. I never even thought about figure skating as one of the events, but there it was — the one image that had the most potential shock value. I've got to believe that was a conscious choice and not just happenstance.

In all fairness, the C-SPAN coverage of the “March on Washington” was extensive. While the coverage did seem to be more balanced, showing the “regular” folks as well as the outrageous, the images that stuck in my mind were those of the outlandish drag queen performing on stage and shots of women baring their breasts, leather people, etc. At least there was some balance so open-minded people could compare the various aspects of Gays and Lesbians. Unfortunately, this balance is the exception rather than the rule.

I know they televise golf tournaments, basketball games, baseball games, extensive coverage of the Olympics, tennis matches, auto racing, and on and on. I've heard of bidding wars by the major networks for various sporting events. So why didn't anyone even care to

spend the time and money to cover the Gay Games event by event? Are those records that were broken invalid because the media wasn't there to record them? Is the viewing public being protected from a well-known and well-liked person such as Greg Louganis coming out? Is the viewing public being protected from the “normal image” of Gays and Lesbians competing and striving to excel just as heterosexuals do in sporting events? Is television undermining the Gay Rights movement by refusing to show images of Gays and Lesbians that might be acceptable to the American public?

And what do they offer us instead?

I sat here and watched at least two-and-a-half hours of three major networks and I believe both CNN services and I don't know who else follow a white Bronco down the freeway. Unfortunately, I was unemployed during the week that the preliminary hearings in the O.J. Simpson case were aired. I was interested in how the system worked, but I was surprised at how slow and uninteresting court procedures are. Anyone who knows me will immediately say “He's just pissed because he missed *Loving* and yes, they are right. Believe it or not, I am more concerned about the goings on of these imaginary characters than I am about watching minute-by-minute reporting of the O.J. Simpson case.

Everything that happened in the courtroom could be summarized in a five minute news spot including the few moments of humor, and clever banter between the attorneys during the trial. Several times I saw witnesses showing irritation or impatience at the proceedings. If they thought it was tedious and unnecessary, and they're directly involved in the hearing, then imagine how bored people sitting at home must be. But at least five stations offered us the exact same shot for the entire time court was in session. And as if that weren't bad enough, we then had to watch the various commentators go over every bit of testimony, and then the various “experts” analyze everything right down to the body language of the participants. Talk about milking something to death

So what choices does TV make for us? A minute-by-minute report of every aspect of the O.J. Simpson case, a brief mention of the Gay Games, a brief mention of the 25th anniversary of Stonewall; and whereas I am offended by the omission of the Gay events, I am more offended by the actions of the media as far as O.J. Simpson is concerned. How can they ever seat a jury of twelve men and women? Among the tasteless jokes circulating surrounding the O.J. Simpson case is one that brings everything into focus. It's a knock-knock joke.

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“Knock, Knock,” “Who's there?,” “O.J.,” “O.J. Simpson, who?,” “Congratulations, you're on the jury.” How can the media continue to televise every aspect of this case and still expect to find 12 individuals who have not formed an opinion about this case? I really begin to question whether TV is reporting the news or creating the news.

I know television is driven by ratings, and I believe the Gay Games would have done well in the ratings. There would be the families and friends of the participants watching. Most of the Gay and Lesbian community would have probably tuned in. People interested in the various events and curious on-lookers would have at least tuned in for a while. Even our detractors would have probably watched to see what “those crazy homos are up to now.” It would have certainly been controversial, and what's better for ratings?

I know why TV brings us the outrageous, the horrible, the scary. As much as people may deny it, they're fascinated by it. It's the same inexplicable reaction that makes people slow down and look when they pass an accident on the road. But it's time for TV to offer more balanced news coverage. Gays and Lesbians are making news when our drag queens, dykes and various other “colorful” individuals are marching down the street. We're also making news when thousands of us gather to compete in sporting events. Or when thousands gather to compete in rodeo events. I think the viewing public needs to see that, too. I think TV needs to report all the news and let us decide what's important or what we care to watch. They need to stop participating in the news by placing too much emphasis on some stories and making them major media events.

I've gotten in trouble in the past for speaking for the whole Gay and Lesbian community and saying we're just like everyone else. I've had it pointed out to me that some of us are not just like everyone else. Some of us are very singular and unique individuals and they chose to be this way and are proud of the fact. But for those of us who are like everyone else and chose to be like everyone else, it's time for the TV news to present us to the viewing public.



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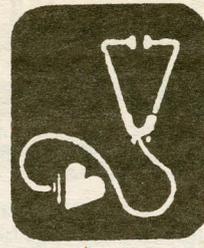
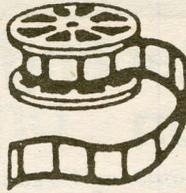
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Goldwater Speaks Out For Protecting Gays Against Job Discrimination

By Cassandra Burrell
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Republican Sen. Barry Goldwater, who last year proposed lifting the military's ban on homosexuals, is urging Congress to approve legislation protecting Gays against job discrimination.

"Job discrimination excludes qualified individuals, lowers work-force productivity and eventually hurts us all," the former Arizona senator said in a column published July 13 by *The Washington Post*.

"Topping the new world order means attracting the best and creating a workplace environment where everyone can excel," he wrote.

Goldwater, one of the country's most conspicuous conservatives, surprised some when he urged the government to lift the ban against Gays in the military in a June 1993 *Post* opinion piece.

"You don't need to be 'straight' to fight and die for your country," he said then. "You just need to shoot straight."

Goldwater, the 1964 Republican presidential candidate against Lyndon Johnson, argues in support of a bipartisan coalition in Congress that has proposed legislation outlawing job discrimination against Gays and Lesbians.

"Congress is waking up to a reality already recognized by a host of Fortune 500 companies, including AT&T, Marriott and General Motors," he said. "These businesses have adopted policies prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation because they realize that their employees are their most important asset."

Discrimination hinders America's struggle to reduce the deficit and compete in a global economy, he said.

"It's not just bad — it's bad business," he said.

It also adds to the welfare rolls, Goldwater said.

"In urban and rural communities, hatred and fear force good people from productive employment to the public dole — wasting their talents and the taxpayers' money."

In the essay, Goldwater speaks out against the radical right, but assures the public he's still a conservative Republican who believes in democracy and the separation of church and state.

"The conservative movement is founded on the simple tenet that people have the right to live life as they please, as long as they don't hurt anyone else in the process," he said.

"No one has ever shown me how being Gay or Lesbian harms anyone else."

Goldwater, who has publicly discussed his grandson's homosexuality, also challenged the consistency of those who support booting Gays out of the military but say they're opposed to discrimination.

"Last year, many who opposed lifting the ban on Gays in the military gave lip service to the American ideal that employment opportunities should be based on skill and performance. In civilian life, they'd never condone discrimination," he said.

"Well, now's their chance to put up or shut up."

Prosecutor Arrested After Melee in Gay Bar

BOCA RATON, Fla. (AP) — A Broward County prosecutor has been suspended after being accused of storming into a Gay bar with a gang of men in drag, trashing the place and hurling insults at patrons.

Also July 21, Palm Beach County prosecutors said they are considering filing a hate crime charge against Mark McHugh, 32, a six-year veteran of the Broward State Attorney's Office. He denies he ever went to the Paradise Club.

The hate crime statute becomes applicable in cases where there's evidence of prejudice, including sexual orientation.

The incident began when a group of rugby players, including McHugh, decided to go bar-hopping early Sunday, hours after finishing a golf tournament in which they played in women's clothing as a spoof of the LPGA.

The Paradise Club's owner, Kenneth Rohlman, and police said 10 men from the group, wearing wigs, dresses and stockings, walked into the club and caused a disturbance.

"The men ripped pictures off the wall and tore up plants, shouting

words like, "Fags! Homos!" police Sgt. Bob Rutter said. "They paraded around the bar ... then jumped up on the tables and bar, and began to strip off their women's clothes and attempt to get free beer."

McHugh and three other men were arrested on disorderly conduct charges about 15 blocks away after an officer noticed one of them holding the top half of a plastic torso.

Bar employee Steve Pace and another witness came to the scene and identified McHugh and the others.

The men were booked on the misdemeanor charge and released.

McHugh admits dressing in drag for the golf match but told his supervisors he was not wearing women's clothes when he was arrested.

McHugh stayed at a nearby bar called Jumbo's while some of the rugby players went to the Paradise Club, said his attorney, Dave Bogenschutz.

"This was an error, and people do make mistakes," Bogenschutz said.

Scouts Lose United Way Funding in Connecticut

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — A local Boy Scout council has lost its funding from the United Way because of its decision to fire a Scout leader who is Gay.

The board of the United Way of Greater New Haven voted 20-4 on June 29 to withhold \$60,000 it planned to give next year to the Quinnipiac Council of Boy Scouts.

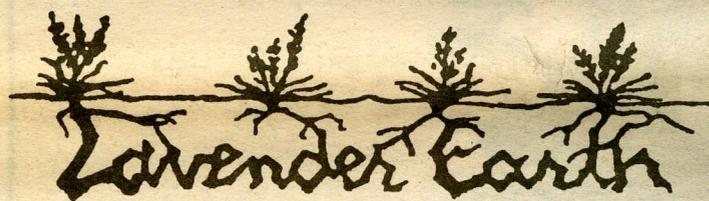
The board said the council had violated the United Way's anti-discrimination policies.

In December, the council ousted David Knapp, 67, a respected volunteer Scout leader from Guilford who had a 25-year affiliation with the organization. There were no complaints of misconduct against Knapp, a decorated former Eagle Scout who realized he was Gay at age 50.

"I feel very sad that this has come about," Knapp said. "I would like to see it grow, expand and get more money, but they have indicated they have no intention of changing the policy that is very cruel and insidious as well as unfair, unjust and stupid."

The United Way last year asked its affiliates to abide by its rules, including an anti-discrimination policy.

The Boy Scouts of America contends that it is a private membership group that is exempt from civil rights laws that apply to public organizations.



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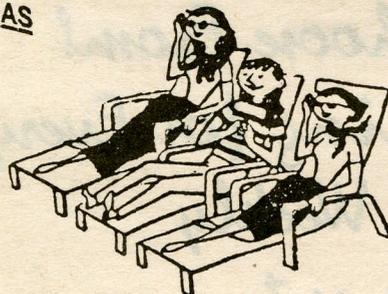
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ICA Submits Enough Signatures To Earn Ballot Status in Idaho

BOISE, Idaho (AP)—The Idaho Citizens Alliance earned a spot on the November ballot July 6 when it submitted more than 38,000 registered voter signatures in support of its anti-Gay initiative.

"Let's let the people decide for themselves," alliance founder Kelly Walton declared in opening the next stage in the battle over discriminatory treatment of homosexuals. The initiative will be designated "Proposition One" on the ballot.

Walton gathered over 55,000 signatures in all but the secretary of state found only 38,510 were certified by county clerks as belonging to registered voters.

While more than enough to put the proposition before voters this fall, it falls far short of the 100,000 signatures Walton told supporters last December that he wanted to gather for the ban on state and local laws protecting homosexuals from discrimination. A fifth of his total came during a push in the last three weeks before the deadline.

"Throughout my life, I usually set higher goals than I probably could attain, and this is another example," Walton said during a half-hour ra-

dio broadcast just before he appeared at the Capitol to submit the six boxes of petitions.

Initiative critics, however, claimed Walton's failure to hit his goal showed a lack of support — a contention Walton rejected.

The opponents, which include nearly every political and civic leader in the state, claim the initiative is grounded in discrimination and hatred and would actually strip homosexuals of basic constitutional rights.

But Walton and his allies call it a pre-emptive strike to assure what they label as special rights are never granted to homosexuals in Idaho. They cite the recently enacted policy in the city of Troy that prohibits officials from denying municipal jobs solely on the basis that the applicant is homosexual.

A day earlier, Walton responded to claims that the initiative is unconstitutional by calling for the ouster of any of the state Supreme Court justices who fail to support it in the legal challenge that the American Civil Liberties Union has promised should voters adopt it.

A similar amendment has already

been declared unconstitutional in Colorado, but that decision is being appealed.

Opponents, led by the group Don't Sign On, had expected to fall short in their bid to keep the initiative off the ballot and were preparing for what many expect to be a heated fall campaign. Anti-initiative leader Brian Bergquist said opponents, who were outspent by the alliance during the signature-gathering phase, hope to raise \$500,000 for that campaign.

Walton, a Heyburn businessman, said he expected to raise \$150,000 and predicted a landslide victory if initiative forces could generate \$400,000.

Walton acknowledged that he paid about \$1,000 to people to gather additional signatures as insurance because after spending over \$100,000 to qualify the initiative, "I didn't want to come up 500 signatures short. We really didn't need them," he added. "I wish now I hadn't done it."

Anti-initiative forces have reported spending less than \$15,000 through March.

Alliance Manual Calls Gays Demonic, Violent

TWIN FALLS, Idaho (AP) — Homosexuals are "spawn of the devil" and contribute to the destruction of the family, according to a manual distributed among the Idaho Citizens Alliance.

The "debate manual" has been sold to alliance members who are pushing the anti-Gay initiative on Idaho's November ballot.

Gay-rights activists, however, denounced the book and Kelly Walton, Idaho Citizens Alliance chairman.

"The danger to Mr. Walton is that out of one side of his mouth, he says he loves Gay and Lesbian people, and out of the other side of his mouth, he provides his supporters with a manual that is filled with out-and-out lies," said Brian Bergquist of Boise, co-chairman of Don't Sign On.

The guide says "promiscuous sodomite activists are the most violent and irrational group of people on earth." It denigrates feminists and says "from God's point of view," contraception is wrong.

"Debating the 'Gay Rights' Issue" was written by Brian Clowes,

an anti-Gay-rights activist from Vancouver, Wash., and distributed by the United States Citizens Alliance, the Idaho group's parent organization.

The Idaho alliance distributed the document to about a dozen of its county leaders, said Walton, who added he has not yet read the entire guide and disagrees with some of its claims.

However, Carol Patrone of the Oregon Citizens Alliance said her group has distributed hundreds of them to conservatives across the Northwest.

The guide says Gays "aggressively demand: the closing of all churches that oppose them; the total destruction of the family; exile and actual murder of those who oppose them in any way; the 'conversion' by forced sodomy of all young men to homosexuality; the official condemnation of normal love between men and women, and the raising of private armies of thugs to enforce their agenda."

The guide also contends many Gays are masochists and enjoy be-

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Cobb's Anti-Gay Resolution Gets Support of Reformist Group

ATLANTA (AP) — A Georgia-based group of Christian reformists is supporting Cobb County's anti-Gay resolution, but denies allegations that it wants to put practicing homosexuals to death.

American Vision, a 15-year-old group based just north of Atlanta, is devoted to infusing fundamentalist

Christian ideals into public policy.

"There is no push to put laws on the books to put practicing homosexuals to death ... All I'm asking is that the homosexuals go back in the closet and that we don't pass special laws based on their behavior," said Gary DeMar, the group's president.

Leaders of American Vision

turned out at meetings and news conferences over the past few months to support the Cobb County Commission's resolution condemning the Gay lifestyle. And a report by Neighbors Network, a Gay rights group, called them the primary engineers of the resolution.

But DeMar plays down the role

of his group.

"We could never orchestrate something like this because of our size," he said. "In essence, we're kind of nobodies. Nobody's going to listen to me."

The group wants an Old Testament-based legal code that includes indentured servitude, elimination of all income and property taxes, and expanded use of the death penalty as a maximum penalty for crimes, including sodomy, DeMar said.

DeMar and American Vision Vice President Ralph Barker produce tapes, books, seminars and a 4,500-circulation magazine out of their offices, generating an annual operating budget of about \$230,000. The group has a paid staff of five.

DeMar has used the word "radical" to describe his ideas, but he denies that he wishes to impose them before the world is ready.

Rallying against homosexuals has brought the group into an uncomfortable alliance with more mainstream Christian factions.

The Rev. Nelson Price, pastor of Roswell Street Baptist Church, one of Cobb's largest congregations, said the alliance depends on a single issue — opposition to special rights for homosexuals.

"I have no desire to see the civil law of the Old Testament utilized today," Price said. "The fact that I may agree at some point with one group doesn't mean I endorse everything they advocate."

Gay Bias Still Accepted, Rights Advocates Say

CINCINNATI (AP) — The relative youth of the Gay-rights movement is one reason that bias against homosexuals is still publicly tolerated, Gay-rights advocates say.

"We have been combating or trying to combat racism since before the Civil War," said Harold Fishbein, a University of Cincinnati psychology professor.

The Gay-rights movement, on the other hand, traces its roots to the Stonewall riot, which erupted when police raided a Gay bar in New York's Greenwich Village.

Gays and Lesbians make up "the last group of people it's acceptable to hate," said City Councilwoman Bobbie Sterne, who hopes a city ban on civil rights protections for Gays is overturned.

Voters passed the ban in November by approving a city charter amendment that bars the city from enacting or enforcing civil-rights protections for Gays. The vote removed sexual orientation as a basis for discrimination claims under a human rights ordinance the City Council enacted in 1992.

Gay rights advocates filed a lawsuit to overturn the amendment. A weeklong trial on the lawsuit

wrapped up Friday, June 24 and U.S. District Judge S. Arthur Spiegel was not expected to make a decision for several weeks. Spiegel blocked the law from taking effect pending his ruling in the case.

Martha Morgan, a University of Alabama law professor who specializes in the Constitution and civil rights, said people are less likely to make public slurs about racial or ethnic groups than about Gays.

"People are more open in their comments against Gays and Lesbians," Morgan said. "As the movement for Gay and Lesbian rights progresses, that will become less acceptable in our society. I certainly would hope that's true."

Racial epithets are not publicly acceptable, but it still is acceptable to use derogatory terms against homosexuals, said Barry Grossheim, co-chairman of Stonewall Cincinnati, a Gay-rights advocacy group.

Some recent examples illustrate the difference in treatment of Gays and Lesbians, advocates say.

There was far more outrage over Reds owner Marge Schott making ethnic and racial slurs than over her remark in May that "only fruits wear earrings."



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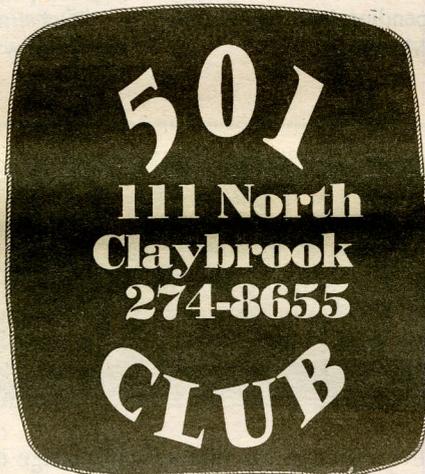
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Virginia Governor Says Homosexuality Unnatural and Illegal

RICHMOND (AP) — Homosexual relationships are illegal and it is "not in the best interests" of children to be raised by Gay parents, Gov. George Allen said during his monthly radio call-in show in June.

A caller asked Allen about a recent Virginia Court of Appeals decision returning custody of a 2-year-old boy to his Lesbian mother. The boy's grandmother convinced a Henrico County judge last year that her daughter's homosexuality hurt the boy and made her an unfit mother.

Allen responded that Gay relationships are "unnatural." He said society shouldn't condone homosexual relationships, and he emphasized that under Virginia law homosexual sex acts are illegal.

Allen said he was even concerned that his children, Tyler, 6, and Forrest, 3, might hear news reports about the case.

Gay Naval Officer Asks Board to 'Do The Right Thing'

By Marcy Gordon
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Navy Lt. Tracy Thorne, facing possible discharge for revealing he is Gay, told members of a Navy panel considering his case that he hoped they would "do the right thing."

"I'm an American, I'm a naval officer, and I'm a Gay man," Thorne said on the third day of a hearing before the three-member Navy Board of Inquiry.

"I will place in your hands as my fellow officers my hopes and dreams, and ask simply that you do the right thing," he said.

Thorne's case has become a major test of the Clinton administration's new "don't ask, don't tell" policy on Gays in the military.

The board's decision to grant an honorable discharge will be reviewed by Navy Secretary John Dalton. Thorne's attorneys have said they will appeal any discharge in federal court.

In a similar case, another Navy board of inquiry in Norfolk, Va., on July 13 recommended the honorable discharge of Lt. j.g. R. Dirk Selland, who disclosed his homosexuality in the belief President Clinton would keep his promise to lift the ban on Gays in the military.

The Norfolk board unanimously concluded that Selland, by notifying superiors he was involved in a monogamous Gay relationship, violated the "don't ask, don't tell" policy that took effect March 1.

At the hearing July 13, the author of the

Pentagon's policy on homosexuals during the Reagan administration, said it would be a mistake to discharge Thorne. That policy authorized the military to discharge service members who engaged, or showed a propensity to engage in, homosexual conduct.

Lawrence J. Korb, who was assistant secretary of defense for manpower, reserve affairs, installations and logistics from 1981 to 1985, testified as a witness for Thorne.

"Everything in his record leads me to believe that he is and will continue to be an outstanding officer," said Korb, a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution, a Washington think tank.

He said the mere admission of homosexuality is insufficient grounds for discharge.

But two members of the board suggested that Thorne's statements declaring his sexual orientation could indicate homosexual conduct.

Capt. Douglas W. Cook, president of the board, said Thorne's written statement that he considered his sexual life to be private meant that he likely engaged in homosexual conduct. "A reasonable person would assume that he has a sexual life," Cook said.

Another board member, Capt. Eben E. Barnett, said the fact that Thorne, 27, lives with a Gay male and has changed his life insurance policy to make him a beneficiary indicates homosexual conduct.

Navy attorneys have said Thorne's public statements declaring his homosexuality cre-

ated the presumption that he engaged in homosexual acts, and he has not rebutted that presumption.

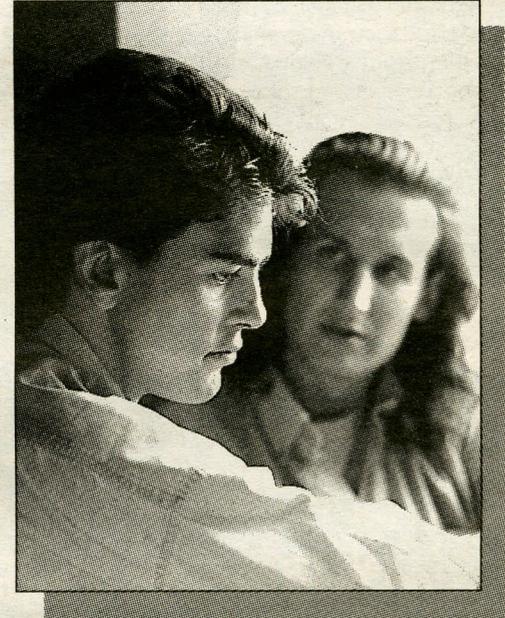
Thorne disclosed his homosexuality on ABC's *Nightline* in May 1992.

In his courtroom statement, Thorne said, "In reality, there is nothing for me to rebut. I have made no statements about conduct; I have made statements about who I am."

He was placed on inactive reserve in May 1993, but the Clinton administration agreed in January to return him to active duty while it seeks to discharge him.

A former member of the Navy's "Flying Tigers" bomber squadron, Thorne worked on computer information systems at the Naval Air Systems Command in Arlington, Va.

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Navy To Press Charges Against Sailors Who Staged Attacks

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The Navy says it will press charges against two sailors who admit they arranged for a third sailor to intentionally maim them to avoid serving with allegedly abusive shipmates.

One man was the repeated target of anti-Gay harassment although he is not homosexual, he says.

The other, whose ear injury makes him sensitive to noise, suffered after assignment to one of the Navy's noisiest places, he says.

The Navy failed to heed both sailors' repeated calls for help, the men contend.

Now the Navy is preparing to try the two and the third sailor who carried out both the attacks, for conspiring to avoid duty aboard the carrier Constellation.

One sailor's leg was broken. The other was shot in the shoulder.

Navy officials refuse to comment. "We are not supposed to try the case in the media," said Lt. Michael Shane, the prosecutor.

The men say the incident began Feb. 19 near the city's naval hospital. Naval airman Wes Newell raised a steel pipe and brought it crashing down on the leg of his close friend, Garrett Trance.

But the leg didn't break. "I begged him to do it, and he did it again," said Trance, a 24-year-old petty officer third class from Fort Lauderdale, Fla. "It didn't break. He hit me a third time and it finally broke."

Newell then drove Trance to the naval hospital, where Trance told doctors he had been

mugged.

Three hours later, airman James Kinsey, 23, of Twin Falls, Idaho, walked onto a Coronado golf course, put a pad over his shoulder and held it with the barrel of a .41-caliber pistol. Newell pulled the trigger.

The bullet tore through Kinsey's shoulder. Bleeding profusely, Kinsey drove himself to the naval hospital, shouting that he had been robbed and shot.

But by the next day, the sailors' stories had fallen apart. Coronado police accused Trance of shooting Kinsey during a fight and threatened to jail him. All three men then confessed the assaults were staged.

Trance was being hounded by a rumor that he and another sailor were homosexual lovers, he says.

A chief petty officer and another supervisor joined in the harassment, instead of trying to end it, the men charge.

"It was a constant thing for a year, 'Where's your girlfriend, where's your butt buddy,'" Trance said. "I was

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Church Group Blasts Sodomy Law, Calls for Gay Acceptance

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP)—About 200 Unitarian Universalists marched through downtown Fort Worth June 27 in a show of support for abortion rights.

Enduring triple-digit temperatures, the marchers sang songs, carried signs and listened as speakers urged vigilance in combating the Christian right's campaign to outlaw abortion.

"We remember too well when coat hangers were pervasive and when women wanting an abortion were unsafe," said the Rev. John Buehrens of Boston, president of the Unitarian Universalist Association.

On June 26, Unitarian Universalist church leaders said Texas' sodomy law is unfair and that it's time for the public to accept

homosexuals.

"It is the mission of the religious community to tear down walls because the idea of acceptance is still unknown to many," Buehrens said.

The Protestant denomination, which held its national convention in Fort Worth, has been in the forefront of supporting Gay and Lesbian rights.

Episcopal Church Ordains Gay Man

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Oregon has its first openly homosexual Episcopal priest.

Roderick J. Thompson, 36, of Rochester, N.Y., was ordained June 25 at a service attended by about 120 people at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in downtown Portland.

Near the end of the homily, the Rev. L. William Countryman, a professor at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, told Thompson that he may encounter some opposition.

But Countryman urged Thompson to return prejudice and hatred with "God's goodness."

Only one of the half-dozen people expected to oppose the ordination spoke against it during the service.

The Rev. James Likouski, a retired Episcopal priest who served at Good Samaritan Hospital, said Thompson's "manner of life disqualifies him for ordination."

Likouski also said that a 1979 Episcopal convention of bishops found it inappropriate to ordain a homosexual because the church was against sex outside of marriage.

But Bishop Robert L. Ladehoff, leader of the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon, responded that Thompson had met the requirements to be ordained.

Police had been alerted because someone circulated a letter asking area Episcopalians to picket the ordination, but there were no protests nor disruptions in the service.

Clergy Group Opposed Proposed Amendment

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—A coalition of ministers has come out against a proposed amendment to the Missouri Constitution that would prohibit specific legal protections for homosexuals.

The amendment "would threaten basic human freedom that Christian churches in America have long defended," according to a statement by the group calling itself Clergy United for Justice.

The coalition, which includes 275 ministers from several Christian denominations, announced its position at a news conference June 27.

"We firmly oppose government measures at any level to restrict civil rights based on sexual orientation," said the Rev. Jane Ralph Rehwaldt, minister of St. James Lutheran

Church in Kansas City.

A lawsuit pending in Cole County Circuit Court alleges the proposed amendment is unconstitutional. No hearing has been set for the lawsuit filed by Show Me Equality, a coalition that includes Gay rights groups.

There is no special language protecting homosexuals in either state law or the constitution. Cities which have enacted specific legal protections for homosexuals include Kansas City, St. Louis, Columbia and Festus.

The ministers' group came together "to safeguard the human and legal rights possessed by all citizens," said its president, the Rev. Mark Miller.

Pope Exalts Marriage A Day After Gay Pride March

VATICAN CITY (AP)—A day after a Gay pride march in Rome, Pope John Paul II proclaimed the "unique and exclusive" nature of marriage.

The pope condemned the "reduction" of sexuality to "pure erotic experience" and repeated the church's ban on sex outside marriage.

The pope recently has spoken out against same-sex marriages, and has been waging a campaign against liberal abortion and family-planning policies proposed for September's U.N.-sponsored population conference in Cairo.

"The bond which is born from the valid consensus of marriage is by its nature unique and exclusive," John Paul said, speaking during the traditional Sunday address from his balcony over St. Peter's Square.

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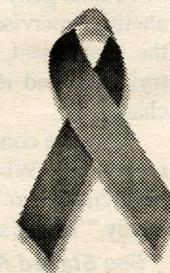
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Circuit Playhouse To Host AIDS Benefit Aug. 4

The opening performance of *Marvin's Room* on Aug. 4 at Circuit Playhouse will be a special benefit for Friends For Life—HIV Resources. Tickets will be \$15 each with \$5 of each ticket being donated to Friends For Life.

Marvin's Room is an unusual and engaging drama of laughter and loss, telling the story of Bessie who has cheerfully devoted her life to caring for her invalid father and eccentric ailing aunt. When she is diagnosed with leukemia and learns that she must face death herself, her sister, long estranged from the family, returns with her own sons, allegedly to relieve Bessie and provide emotional support. What actually hap-

pens is considerably more complicated—and far more interesting.

This story of reconciliation focuses on the fragility of life and the endurance of family relationships. The stresses and triumphs of this offbeat family provide a laugh-filled and uplifting evening. The playwright, Scott McPherson, died with AIDS last year.

Marvin's Room is the opening show of Circuit Playhouse's 25th Anniversary Season. It is sponsored by Star Distributors and will run Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Sept. 4. Tickets for the benefit and other performances may be reserved by calling 726-4656.

Community Center Meets Success in First Year

By Michael Schiefelbein
MGLCC President

One year ago this month, the Memphis Gay and Lesbian Community Center opened at its new location, 1486 Madison. The following events are only highlights of some of the activities that took place at the Center during the past year.

Courses and Workshops: Landscape Design; Strategies for Enriching Your Life; Healthy Relationships; Cookin' Better Than Your Mama! 101; Profiles in Courage—Homosexuals in History; Eroticizing

Safer Sex, sponsored by Friends for Life; and training for the Gay/Lesbian Switchboard, operated by the Center.

Support Groups: Coming Out Group; Youth Group; Women's Discussion Group; Bisexual Support Group; AA Group; and Plus, an HIV support group.

Cultural Events: Grand Opening, featuring harpist, Marian Shafer and violinist Charlie Friedman; Women's Poetry and Prose Reading, music by "Search"; Brian Ray piano recital; and "Beat Your Face, Mary," a one-man show by Kevin

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Our community mourns the loss of yet another fine young individual.

Jackie Wilson came to our city in the late 70s from Mayfield, Kentucky. He took employment as a bartender working at Terri's Townehouse, the Front Page, the Psych Out and at Sharon's.

He later bought that bar and renamed it Jackie's. He was partner in the Pendulum/Backstreet/Temporary Quarters as well as G.D.I. on the River.

His last business venture was Numbers on Marshall St.

Jackie was a helpful young man and held many benefits for our community. He was a mild-mannered man who could win your heart, confidence and trust with just a smile. His bar hosted many Aphrodite shows and the original Gay-Ho fund-raisers for MGLCC.

Jackie was a member of Tsarus and Jackie's was the club's home bar during his ownership.

The community's loss is Heaven's gain and he will be missed. Jackie passed away in June of complications due to AIDS. He is survived in Memphis by his sister Julia and his eight-year companion Lamar Jones.

"To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die."

—Submitted by Sharon Wray

Jones, the proceeds of which went to the Center's library fund.

The Center's potlucks, honoring community groups, were especially

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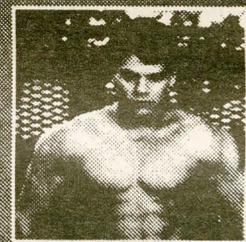
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Teacher Reprimanded After Gay Son Talks To Second-Graders

SAN DIEGO (AP) — When her second-grade students spoke disparagingly of Gays, teacher Toni Wanic thought she knew a simple way to teach tolerance.

She invited her 27-year-old son, who is Gay, to come to her class and answer questions.

Wanic's students asked: Do all Gay people have AIDS? Does everyone with AIDS die? When did you know you were Gay? Was your mother mad at you when you told her? Have you ever had sex with a man?

"I just told them: 'Hey, whatever you are, be happy with that,'" said Wanic's son, Nick Ashton-Hart. He told them he'd had sex with a man, "and that was the end of it."

Wanic, 48, considered the session "a supreme education moment" because it allowed her students' questions to be answered and their fears of the unknown to be overcome.

But when the principal at Oak Park Elementary School heard that Ashton-Hart had talked to his mother's class, she demanded Wanic apologize to parents for not notifying them in advance.

That would have allowed parents to withdraw their children from the class if they did not want them to hear the discussion, said Principal Juel Moore.

When Wanic refused, Moore formally reprimanded her for breaking district policies, which require a teacher to notify both parents and the principal before bringing in an outside speaker, particularly on a controversial topic.

"At the beginning of the school year, we discussed the district-approved curriculum," Moore wrote. "Currently, alternative lifestyles are not among subjects we are permitted to teach."

One father said he asked his daughter what she had learned at school that day and she "proudly pronounced, 'I learned that Gays are born that way, and that we shouldn't

make fun of them or tease them because what they do is not wrong,'" the father said.

Kimiko Fukuda, an assistant area superintendent for San Diego schools, said "parents were upset, and they had every right to be."

Wanic is backed by Al Best, chairman of the San Diego Civil Service Commission. Although the commission has no authority in school matters, Best, who is Gay, wants to take the issue to the school

board.

He is upset at the idea that having someone discuss the need to respect Gay people is tantamount to teaching an alternative lifestyle.

Wanic, too, is concerned that the mini-controversy could have a chilling effect on other teachers who want to curb homophobia.

"If we're ever going to teach people not to hate each other," Wanic said, "we've got to start before they are 30."

School Board Votes to Ban Ryan White Autobiography

RENSSELAER, Ind. (AP) — Scott Potts didn't think it was appropriate for sixth graders to read about safe sex and said the autobiography by AIDS crusader Ryan White shouldn't be added to their curriculum.

The Rensselaer School Board agreed with Potts and voted 7-0 to ban *Ryan White: My Own Story* from the curriculum July 19.

White, of Kokomo, died of AIDS complications in April 1990 when he was 18 years old. He attracted national attention during his battle to attend public schools during the mid-1980s and became a leading spokesman in AIDS awareness.

Potts led the fight to have the

school board reconsider its May decision to approve the book. The state Department of Education provides White's book in its resource materials.

"Basically, it's not a bad book, but there is one chapter in the back that we have problems with," Potts said.

Potts said he was opposed to the book's contention that using a condom is safe sex. He believes only abstinence is safe.

None of the board members could be reached to comment on the vote.

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Author Writes Book After Learning of Son's Homosexuality

By Kathy Lauer-Williams
The Allentown Morning Call

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (AP) — When, in 1975, Mary Borhek learned her son Eric was Gay, she decided to write a book.

"This was going to be a book about how one person changed from Gay to straight," said Borhek, a Bethlehem native.

"Along the way, I discovered I was the one who was changing."

Borhek, who lived in Minnesota, said her first reaction to her son's declaration that he was Gay was to "get him fixed" by finding a therapist.

But in the months that followed, Borhek discovered it was her perceptions of homosexuality that were being "fixed."

"I changed 180 degrees," she said.

Borhek wrote *My Son Eric* to document the changes she went through as she began to understand and accept her son.

"My whole objection to homosexuality was based on Biblical verses," Borhek said. But in researching the subject, she said, she discovered only seven or eight verses in the whole Bible dealing with homosexuality. Jesus never mentioned it.

"What we think the Bible says has to be taken in context of the conditions of the time it was written," Borhek said. "Many people simply pass over what doesn't fit in with their interpretation."

Borhek said she was in counseling and "learned it was not homosexuality but my own stuff causing the problems. I had gotten to the point where I felt I had accepted who my son was."

Though she and her son had discussed homosexuality abstractly in the past, she said she discovered she really didn't know anything about it.

"I began to see it was quite different from what I thought," she said. "When you hear the word 'homosexual,' the part of the word that jumps out is sex. But the amount of time people spend in bed is quite small compared to other things everyone must do to maintain ourselves."

Her second book, *Coming Out to Parents*, was written after she heard a speaker discuss how parents went through typical stages of grief response when they learned their child had cerebral palsy.

"Parents go through the same reaction when they learn a child is Gay," Borhek said. "That opened my eyes. I had the typical reaction most

parents have. They go into a grief reaction because they have lost their mental picture of their child."

Coming Out deals step by step with the stages of anger, denial, guilt, bargaining, depression and acceptance. One chapter deals with the religious connotations of homosexuality.

"I dealt with deciding whether to even tell parents," Borhek said. "There are many reasons people don't. The issue of sex is very explosive and that's why parents get so upset. They don't realize they are going through the stages of grief."

After she wrote the original text of *Coming Out* she asked a Lesbian and a Gay therapist to read it.

"They made some substantial suggestions," she said. "There was a lot I had picked up in parents' groups and I wanted to give something out."

Writing was not new to Borhek. She had written in college, had articles published, and had been office manager for *The Moravian*, a denominational publication.

"I wrote four books that were never published," she said. "Through them I learned discipline."

Both books were published by Pilgrim Press, which is affiliated with the United Church of Christ.

Borhek said she was rejected by 24 publishers before she found Pilgrim.

"In a way I lucked out," she said. "A nonprofit publisher can keep my book in print for a long time."

A new edition of *Coming Out* published last year included a chapter on AIDS and updated the chapter on religion.

"I made major changes in the religion chapter and did more dealing with the Jewish faith," Borhek said. "When I wrote the original edition in 1981, only a few people realized something was going on with AIDS."

Borhek said she began to learn about AIDS from the news media and realized there was nothing in the book about it.

"Pilgrim Press wanted a revision," she said. "I went out and talked to people who had AIDS. The angle I took had nothing to do with medical aspect, but how a person deals with it and how to tell the family. It's the same issues of grief but including mortality, too."

"I see it as a justice issue," she said. "I see the freedom I have and think, 'Why shouldn't my son and his friends have same rights and freedom?' Gays and Lesbians are not asking for special rights — they are asking to be first class citizens along

with everyone else."

Borhek, who had left Bethlehem, Pa., when she married a Moravian minister, returned to her roots in 1992. She divorced and returned to the area to be near her daughter and son-in-law in Nazareth, Pa.

She also returned to the church in which she grew up — Central Moravian.

"I've been doing other things which involve the Moravian Church and bringing homosexuality into the church's eye," she said.

She has written letters about homosexuality to *The Moravian* and prepared two pages of resolutions on the subject for the Moravian Synod.

"I've done what I could," she said. "I started a Gay-Lesbian Moravian group in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. These are things that don't show but take time."

She credits the Moravian church for being "forward thinking" about homosexuality and cites a resolution the synod passed in 1974 that says homosexuals are not responsible for their sexual orientation and reaffirms an open welcome to all people.

"It is incompatible with Christian love to turn our backs on Gays and Lesbians," she said. "These are issues their members are talking about and churches will have to deal with them."

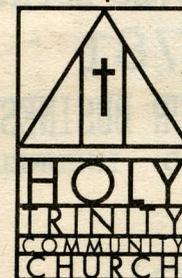
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I Am Woman

By Marilyn Hartley

"I am woman, hear me roar"... With these words Helen Reddy, in the year of 1972, started a hit song. I am writing now about a very special type and kind of woman. This woman is not by birth a woman, but a woman nonetheless. This time around I want to address the woman who is transsexual... some of the causes and some of the effects of being transsexual.

First thing to do is to define sex and gender. According to the Webster's Dictionary, sex is defined as male or female. The same publication defines gender as masculine or feminine. The terms sex and gender are used interchangeably in the world. They are not interchangeable. For the male-to-female transsexual, the body (sex) is male and the mind (gender) is feminine. For the female-to-male transsexual the body (sex) is female and the mind (gender) is masculine. What causes this abnormality in an otherwise normal world? At this point, I ask the question "What is normal?" The answer is genetics. I have been told by researchers that the gene that controls

transsexualism can lie dormant for 100-150 years and it is not known what triggers it. According to the experts, depending on who you talk to, within 2-6 weeks of conception, a series of hormones come into play.

Think of the mother's uterus as a building site. Instead of putting up a building, we are going to build a baby. The worksite is prepared and within 2-6 weeks of conception, the

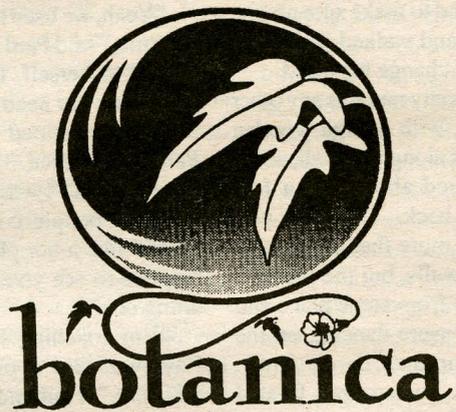
work crews come on site (hormones). Now, there are two crews and if the foremen shake hands, then you have a child that is male-masculine or female-feminine. If the foremen do not shake hands, then you have a child that is male-feminine or female-masculine. All this because of genetics. The doctors do not know what triggers the gene(s). They do know that once the hormones do their work, they are gone. It also leaves a time bomb with an unlit fuse that is triggered in later life.

The male-to-female transsexual wants to wear the clothes of the "opposite sex," play with toys and play with other girls because it is right. Same for the female-to-male transsexual. These children are pushed away by their peer group because they are boys or girls. The interests in sports are generally reversed also. The boys are forced to do "boy things" and the girls "girl things."

When grown, the hormones kick in again and we start to look at sexual

intercourse for the purpose of reproduction. Unfortunately, that does not work too well because it is not "right." In the real world, the transsexual is labeled "homosexual, queer, and whatever else comes out of the bucket of red paint" called "homophobia!" We are born the way we are. In the normal world, the transsexual is lower than the person who is homosexual and is treated as

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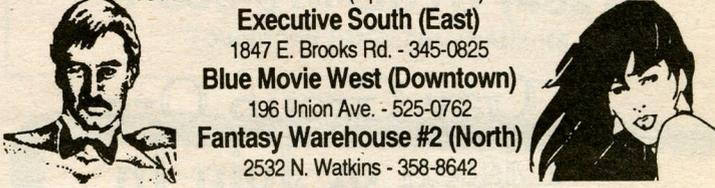
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BAR NIGHT

Fiction by Jim Norcross

It's just a goddamn bar, Paul Brady thought to himself as he sat in his car looking across the street at the rather ordinary looking building. It was probably no different from a hundred other bars he had been in, certainly it was not as rough as some of the ones he had been in overseas when he was in the Ma-

rines. But, still he could not find it within himself to get out of the car and walk across Troost Avenue and into the establishment.

He had driven past the location twice before he had finally stopped and he had done the same thing the two weeks previous. But, tonight he was determined that he was going in. Everyone knew about the Colony Club, and the mention of its name

never failed to elicit some reaction from people... a sneer, a smirk, a raised eyebrow, a look of disgust, but always some sort of reaction.

For the past three weeks, ever since he had filed for his third divorce, Paul had been trying to find the courage to go in. Now he watched as several well-dressed couples entered the bar; which did not have a name displayed, just well-lit street numbers over the door. Finally, he pulled out a half pint of Jack Daniels from under the seat and took a drink, then got out of the car. Looking around to make sure no one was coming and walked inside before he could change his mind.

It looked pretty much as any other tavern inside, with a large wooden bar and stools along one wall, some tables scattered about and a few booths in the back. The decor was austere, little more than some beer signs on the walls, but the jukebox played loudly from some place and a few people were dancing on the postage-stamp-size dance floor. Laughter and conversation floated through the air. Paul stood watching the dancers with fascination for a moment and then took a seat at the bar. A funny feeling came over him, a feeling he could not explain, but he suddenly felt that he belonged.

Behind the bar was a small middle-aged woman with an abundance of green eye shadow and bright mercurochrome colored hair of cotton candy consistency. "Hello good looking," she said "You must be new. I'm Helen and I own the joint. Know where you are?" She studied him carefully. "You a cop?" "No, of course not. I have an insurance agency over near 63rd and Brookside." Paul, out of force of habit started to pull out his business card but stopped.

"Well, just wanted to make sure you know where you are. What ya' havin' big boy?"

"Double Jack. Water back."

"Hitting it heavy, eh? It must be your first time here," said Helen, handing him his drink.

Paul's eyes cleared and he saw across the bar a good looking blonde, tall and well made up, wearing a pink cocktail dress. Paul signaled to Helen.

"I want to send the blonde a drink. What's her name and what's that she's drinking?"

Helen looked at Paul closely. "Well, that's a Rusty Nail and HIS name is Frank." Then Helen threw back her head and laughed. "Thought you said you knew where you were."

Then, from the area of the booths came a loud familiar voice. "Paul. Paul Brady. You old son of a gun. I wondered when I would run into you in here."

Paul cringed and tried to ignore the voice and looked around for an exit. It was too late. Suddenly, a powerfully built man with sandy curly hair was behind Paul. He

draped his arm around Paul's shoulder.

"Helen, this is my old college roommate," said the big man. "Haven't seen him in years. We used to play football together over at State College. Damn, it's good to see you, Paul. Come back to the booth where we can talk. Helen, bring us a round of drinks."

Paul turned to face Bobby Cheatham, a person that he certainly had not counted on running into here, but there was nothing he could do.

"Yeah, we used to double date all the time," said Paul to Helen. Helen smiled to herself, looked at Frank and shook her head.

"I just stopped in by chance." Paul stammered. "I had no idea where I was. I was just driving by and saw people coming in and it looked like a hot place. It's sure a surprise to see you. What are you doing now?"

"I'm coaching football over at Raytown. Got a pretty good team this year." Paul and Bobby moved to the rear booth.

"You married?" asked Paul. "I just got a divorce myself."

"No, I never married." said Bobby smiling. "Guess I found who I was before you did."

"What the hell do you mean by that?" said Paul taking a big swig of his drink and signaling for Helen to bring them another round.

"I think you know what I mean. You're just fighting it so hard."

"I don't know what the hell you're talking about. I'm straight. Hell, I like women. I've been married enough times." He gulped down the rest of his drink and started on the one that Helen had just brought.

The men sat drinking silently for a moment and finally Bobby said, "Paul, remember the times we roomed together at the dorm and when we were on the road with the team? I think about those days a lot. I'm surprised everyone didn't know what was going on some of those nights as I will have to say you are not the most silent of lovers. I thought by now you would have it together."

"Of course, I thought that back in college and was hoping we had something, but you freaked out, dropped off the team and got married the first time before you were even out of school. How long did that last?"

"Well, I know now that was just an impulsive kid thing to do. We eloped and were divorced in less than a year."

"But you still couldn't look me in the face, kept avoiding me and be-

damn if you didn't up and get married a second time right after graduation. Now a third time!"

"Oh, this last wife was a bitch."

"Why didn't you ever return my calls?" said Bobby. "I called you often enough over the years, left messages and no response. Why?"

"Because I'm not Gay, I tell you. Hell, I was captain of the football team in high school. Women have always gone for me. I like women."

"You couldn't have proven that by me some of those times when we were alone."

Paul took another long drink, suddenly aware of Bobby's knee against his under the table. He groped for a change of subject and said, "What's the story on that Helen?"

"Oh, she's straight, and one of the nicest people you will ever meet." Bobby leaned over and put his hand on Paul's arm. "Paul, quit fighting it."

"I'm not Gay. Damn it. I just haven't met the right girl."

"Or the right guy," said Bobby. "I used to hope that I might be the right guy."

"I'm confused," said Paul drinking steadily, his words beginning to slur badly now.

"Paul, guess who was in here the other night? That Claudia that you used to date in high school. You told me about her. She and her lover run a fishing lodge down at the lake. After I met her I realized who she was. The two of them seem quite happy. Frankly, I envy them."

"Yeah, I understand she turned into a real diesel type," said Paul his hand slipping from around his glass, causing his drink to slosh over. "I guess I had better be going. I'm getting drunk." He was suddenly more conscious of Bobby's hand on arm, and for some reason it felt comforting.

"Paul, you have no business driving tonight. Come to my condo, I'll drive, it's close. Your car will be all right where it is. We can get it in the morning."

"I would like to, but — I'm scared. I really am." Paul was silent for a moment he as finished his drink and then said. "Yes, let's go to your place where we can talk. I need to talk and I could always talk with you."

"Here, lean on me." Bobby led Paul outside to his car.

Frank turned to Helen as the two exited. "Doesn't that piss you off? The only two butch men we've had in in months, and wouldn't you know it, they leave hand in hand."

"Oh, I know it, girl," said Helen as she wiped the bar.

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Brothers and Sisters Bowling League Set to Begin 9th Season

By Tony Matics

It was one of those searing humid summer days when Jeffrey finally realized that now was the time for him to take matters into his own hands Wait a minute, this is not my book Gee, just because we take a hiatus for a month, we lose our mind!!!

Well, the summer is almost done, and that only means one thing

Brothers and Sisters To Begin Their 9th Season

That's right gang, another fall is upon us and so is the beginning of the new bowling season. The Brothers and Sisters Bowling League will begin its ninth consecutive season of great fun, wild debauchery, and just plain bowling. This year's league will begin on Friday, Sept. 9, (the traditional Friday after Labor Day), and once again we shall be bowling at that great bowling palace Park Lanes on the corner of Park and Getwell.

To begin the season, we will be having a pre-registration for teams and any individuals looking to form teams, on Aug. 26, beginning at 7 p.m. at Park Bowling Lanes. The pre-registration party will include a brief organizational meeting, and will be followed by the St. Patrick's Invitational Tournament committee's fund-raiser, the infamous **Moonlight Madness Bowling**.

This year the league is gearing itself toward fund-raising, not only for our Jackpot Fund (you think we bowl for fun?), but also for a very good cause ... Friends For Life HIV Resources. It is our goal this year to raise at least \$1,000 through various fun-filled means such as Strike Pots, Doubles Competitions and other raffle-related enterprises. We have many bowlers who remember good

friends from years past, and we all know many others who may have that potential. It is only fitting that this organization use its resources, talents and skills to help our friends. Stay tuned to this column in the months to follow for ways that even you may be able to help.

For those of **you** who have not bowled with us in past years, you are certainly missing out on the biggest social engagement of the fall., and winter months. Every Friday night for approximately 26 weeks (yes, Einstein, that is one-half year) some of the funnest, friendliest and fantastic Gay/Lesbian individuals in this city enjoy a few hours of merriment, hell-raising and just plain good competition in Memphis' oldest sports organization. The cost each week is \$9 each night and includes three games of team-oriented bowling each week. There is a one-time sanction fee for membership in national organizations such as the American Bowling Congress (ABC) the Womens International Bowling

Congress (WIBC) and the International Gay Bowling Organization (IGBO). These one-time fees will amount to about \$13-\$15 per person depending upon your gender (oh, how 1980s). Last year we had 16 four-person teams, and this year we hope to add at least four more.

We encourage all club organizations, church organizations, bars, individuals of every gender, race and even hair color to come out and join the fun. You will meet a lot of new friendly faces, and I assure you a great time. You need not be a great bowler or even a good bowler as this is a handicapped league. As in golf, it's just a way of adjusting your scores so that the game you bowl is competitive with those who may be better, or even worse, than you are.

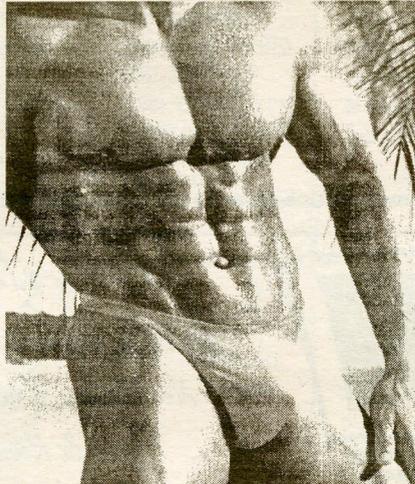
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Well, another column done and now I can go back to my book ... until next month, remember. its not how well you scored it, it's if you scored at all!!!

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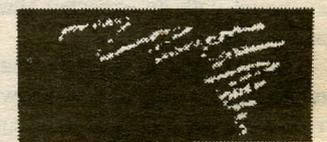
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HHH III Set for October 29 New FFL Board Members Elected

Even though it's only August, a group of people has been busily planning this year's High Heels, High Hats and High Times III (HHH III) Halloween Party since early July. And, according to them, four months lead time is none too much.

HHH III is planned for Sat., Oct. 29.

The first Halloween party was held at Number One Beale St. It was moved to the Cook Convention Center last year.

The planning committee had hoped for the Convention Center again this year. Unfortunately, the Cook Convention Center is already booked for both this year and next, so, alternative sites had to be found.

The committee has selected the Youth building at the Fairgrounds. The building boasts a football-sized, unobstructed space to work with and lots of free parking. Space considerations are paramount with an expected attendance of 900-1000 people.

The party will feature a live band and the best costume contest in town. Prizes are being solicited for the contest and an announcement will be made. Last year, the winners of the costume contest were awarded a \$500 cash prize.

The committee has booked "Black Widow," the Nashville-based band which played at the first Halloween party in 1992.

"We tried to get them last year, but they were already booked for Halloween," said Paul Kelly, one of the committee members. "This year, by starting early, we snagged them," he said.

General admission tickets this year will remain at \$20 per person and will be available through TicketMaster as well as the usual locations.

VIP tables for 10 are available for \$250, and the host committee tables are available for \$500. About 12 of the 20 available host committee tables have been spoken for.

Of course, all proceeds will benefit the programs of Friends For Life HIV Resources.

Anyone wishing to help plan or contribute to the party is encouraged to call Allen Cook at 454-1411 to get information on the next planning meeting.

If you are interested in buying a VIP or host table, call Jim Farris at 276-2773. General admission tickets will go on sale in late September or early October.

Four new board members were elected at recent Friends For Life board of directors meetings filling vacancies. The elections represent milestones for the organizations in that two members of the medical community and one from the legal community were elected.

Elected were Dr. Marshall Koonce, a retired rheumatologist and community activist; Yvonne Yetman, R.N., who served as a volunteer co-chair for this year's Auction for AIDS; Jim Farris, a Memphis attorney involved with the Young Lawyers Pro Bono Panel; and Bill Andrews, president of Memphis Scenic, were elected.

Dr. Koonce has long been active in community affairs. He has served as chairman of the Shelby County Democratic Party, is a former member of the Memphis School Board, and spearheaded drives to provide information about sexually transmitted diseases to the youth of our community.

Yvonne Yetman has served as a Friends For Life volunteer for several years. Her work has been in the home health care area and she is familiar with the needs of the home-bound HIV and AIDS patients. Last

year she organized a successful fund-raising auction for the American Cancer Society.

Jim Farris, an attorney, helped develop the relationship Friends For Life enjoys with the Young Lawyers group of the Memphis Bar Association. That organization provides free or low-cost legal assistance for FFL clients in need of such services.

Bill Andrews has been active on the Friends For Life Advisory Board and is currently working on a plan to revamp our food pantry operation. Bill helped develop the "Feed the

Need" program now in place at many area grocery stores.

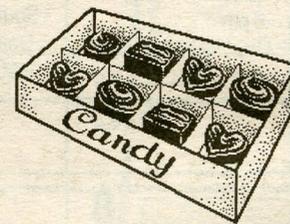
The elections replaced vacant positions currently on the board. Additional board members will be elected at the August annual meeting to replace those whose terms have expired.

Friends For Life board members are elected to serve three-year terms. Replacement members are elected to serve out the terms of former board members and may be elected for shorter terms.

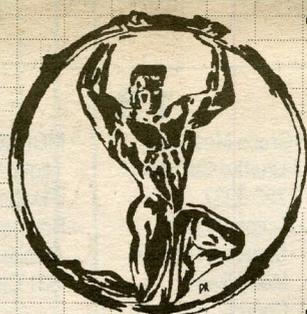
Delectables Gold Benefits FFL

Delectables, which sells novelty items, candy, custom baskets, etc., recently announced a new program to benefit non-profit organizations. The program, "Delectables Gold," provides for agency supporters to make purchases and the amount will be credited, when requested, to the Friends For Life HIV Resources account. The agency will

receive one point for each dollar spent. After points have accrued, the agency will be the recipient of a gift, the size of which will be determined by the amount credited to our account, which can be used for an auction item at our annual auction. Delectables is located at 4741 Poplar.



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National Youth Sports Program & FFL Team Up

Can our youth be saved and what will it take? This seems to be a problem that plagues our society. Many programs have set about tackling this matter. One such program is the National Youth Sports Program.

The NYSP makes available to many American young people important experiences in sports and enrichment activities. One of the program objectives is to help youth from low-income families to acquire good health practices, to help them become better citizens, and to acquaint them with career and educational opportunities by utilizing the personnel and facilities of institutions of higher education. Furthermore, it enables the institutions and their personnel to participate more fully in community life and in the solution of community problems.

One such community problem is the lack of appropriate HIV/AIDS education provided

to youth and the consequential spread of HIV infection among youths. To address this problem, Friends For Life educators provided an opportunity for approximately 400 youths in the program, both male and female, to receive information on HIV infection and AIDS. The presentations were very interactive with the youths asking very pertinent and personal questions and receiving direct answers.

This was the second year Friends For Life has been invited by the NYSP to perform educational outreach to its participants. Friends For Life understands the importance of arming our youth with appropriate information to assist them with their decision making process.

Friends For Life educators are available to provide presentations and workshops to groups. For further information, call Virginia Stallworth or Anthony Reed at 272-0855.

FFL Works With Sheriff's Dept. to Fight Drugs & HIV

In the last year, Friends For Life HIV Resources educators have been participating in conferences on drugs in our community, sponsored by the Shelby County Sheriff's Department. The conferences, held on weekends throughout the city at such locations as the University of Memphis, Martin Luther King Jr. Educational and Cultural Center, Orange Mound Community, LeMoyne Owen, and Northside High School, focus not only on the issue of drug use, but on the causes of drug use, and the results of drug use, including crime, violence, STDs and HIV. Most recently, Friends For Life educators have been a part of a panel called "Straight Talk About Sex." This

panel has been one of the more engaging and question-provoking sessions at the conferences.

Any community interested in hosting a conference may call Maurice Hulon at the Shelby County Sheriff's Dept., 576-3677. Also available is a magazine, "Let's All Work to Fight Drug Abuse." It includes a wealth of up-to-date and very straightforward information on drugs and related issues such as suicide, HIV/AIDS and gangs. Call the Shelby County Sheriff's Dept. for a copy. To get involved in educating the public about drug use and HIV, call the FFL Education Dept. at 272-0855.

Weekend Camp for PLWAs Announced

Camp Shalom is designed to provide a camping and recreation experience for persons who are either infected or affected with HIV/AIDS. Sponsored by the Tennessee Conference of the United Methodist Church, Camp Shalom is scheduled for Fri., Sept. 23 to Sunday, Sept. 25 at Cedar Crest Camp near Nashville. Activities will include canoeing, night-hiking, singing, storytelling, small group forums, fishing, swimming, crafts and community life activities among others.

Costs for the weekend camp are: \$5 for children under 12, \$10 for adults, \$25 maxi-

mum for families. The registration deadline is Sept. 20. To register, write: Camp Shalom, P.O. Box 120607, Nashville, TN 37212; or call Jim Hughes at (615) 327-1533. Children and youth are especially encouraged to attend. Activities for all age levels are planned. Parent(s) or primary caregivers are encouraged to accompany children. All persons age 5 and up are welcome. Professionals from many areas including medical and social caregivers will be available and serving as volunteers. If you wish to volunteer for the staff, please contact Jim Hughes.

FFL Expands Newsletter with Premiere of *LifeLine*

Friends For Life has expanded its newsletter into a publication which will have distribution throughout the city.

LifeLine premiered in late July and will be published every other month. According to Virginia Stallworth, the publication's editor and FFL's Education Director, *LifeLine* is designed not only to function as a newsletter for the organization, but a way of distributing news and information of interest to the HIV/AIDS community as a whole.

AIDS community as a whole.

Stallworth says the 8-page tabloid will feature nutrition news, news of significant research and education efforts from around the country.

Shenoted that the cost for 5000 copies of the newsletter was only slightly more than the 2500 produced previously.

"Not only that," she said, "but I've got twice the space to fill with good information."

May/June 1994 Friends For Life Statistics

Client Services

- Number of New Clients: 28
- Current Active Caseload: 448
- Number of Cases Closed: 41
- Number of Clients Served by the Food Pantry: 250
- Number Served at Feast For Friends: 274

Education

- Number of Presentations & Workshops: 30
- Number of Informational Tables: 11
- Number of Safer Sex Kits Distributed: 1292
- Number of AIDS Hotline Calls (business hours): 74

Volunteers

- Number of Volunteer Hours Utilized: 592

Funding

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- Total Client Services Expenditures: \$1570.53

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Study: Drug for Fever Blisters Helps HIV Patients Who Take AZT

BALTIMORE (AP)—Teaming the drug AZT with a medication used to treat herpes and fever blisters could help men with AIDS live longer, according to a new study published July 15.

"It's not a cure but it's a significant advance," said Dr. Neil M.H. Graham, an author of the study and an associate professor of epidemiology at Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.

"It's the first evidence we've had that the combination of antiviral drugs can work together to defeat HIV," he said.

Both AZT and acyclovir are manufactured by Burroughs Wellcome Co. in North Carolina, the U.S. subsidiary of a large British drug company, Wellcome PLC.

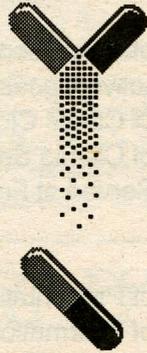
Test subjects already taking AZT who also took the drug acyclovir after developing AIDS had survival rates 44 percent greater than those who did not take acyclovir, according to the study published in the *Annals of Internal Medicine*.

For men who started acyclovir one year after developing AIDS, 93.9 percent survived for two years, compared with 86.2 percent who never used acyclovir.

For sicker patients, the results were more dramatic. Men who started acyclovir only after their immune systems were severely impaired had two-year survival rates of 69.8 percent, compared with 31.4 percent among those who never used the drug.

Acyclovir did not delay the onset of AIDS in men who were HIV-positive.

The study was conducted by researchers at Johns Hopkins Medical Northwestern University, the University of Pittsburgh and the Albany (N.Y.) Medical Center. It duplicates findings of European and Australian researchers made about five or six



years ago.

The study included 786 HIV-positive men who began taking AZT before being diagnosed with AIDS. Of those, 488 subsequently took the anti-herpes drug acyclovir either to treat herpes infections or to treat AIDS or HIV, and 242 used acyclovir only to treat AIDS or HIV infection.

"Not only does the study suggest that acyclovir prolongs survival in AIDS patients, but the dose needed appears to be no more than that required to suppress a herpes simplex infection," said Dr. Daniel Stein, director of the clinical pharmacology studies unit at Albany Medical Center and senior author of the paper.

Researchers believe that the herpes virus increases the reproduction of the HIV virus.

"We think acyclovir suppresses the herpes and doesn't stimulate the HIV to replicate faster," Graham said.

"This observation provides important information on the potential benefit of using acyclovir and zidovudine (AZT) in combination in treating AIDS patients," said Dr. Lewis Schragar, medical officer in the Division of AIDS at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, which funded the study.

"It will be important to study this further in controlled clinical trials," he said.

Clinical Trials For HIV Drug to Begin

By Brigitte Greenberg
Associated Press Writer

WEST HAVEN, Conn. (AP)—The West Haven Veterans Affairs Medical Center will study the effect of an experimental drug on volunteers to determine whether it can combat the virus that causes AIDS, doctors announced July 13.

According to the drug's manufacturer, Merck & Co., Inc. of Whitehouse Station, N.J., the medicine is believed to inhibit the ability of HIV to reproduce and infect other cells.

The test, which will be conducted on 10 patients, is designed to determine whether the drug is safe and effective.

Dr. Michael Rigsby, the principal investigator, said it's too early to tell whether the drug will fight AIDS.

"Our hope is that this drug, either alone, or in combination with currently available drugs, may be of additional benefit," Rigsby said.

"It would be inappropriate to be overly optimistic in terms of a cure, but I think we have reason for at least some cautious optimism that this may be a useful adjunct to what we currently have available," he said.

The West Haven study site is one of 11 around the country where the drug is being tested on a total of 75 people, Rigsby said. Hospital officials said this was the only veterans hospital chosen for the study.

Doctors want to compare the drug with other medicines used to treat AIDS patients, such as AZT or ddI.

Participants would be placed in three groups, with the first group receiving only the new drug. The second group would get the new drug, plus AZT and ddI, and the third group would receive only AZT and ddI.

No patients would be given a placebo, and the participants would be informed about which drugs they are receiving.

Previously, preliminary studies showed the drug helped increase patients' number of T-cells, which help fight off infections in the body, doctors said.

However, there is some indication that people may build a resistance to the drug over time, so patients in this study would be given higher doses, doctors said.

Volunteers for the study still are being sought for the clinical trials, which doctors hope to start in August. Men and women veterans and non-veterans alike are eligible, Rigsby said. But doctors want volunteers who haven't been using AZT or ddI.

The volunteers would be in the moderately advanced to the advanced stages of the disease, with T-cell counts below 500, he said. A healthy person usually has about

1,000 T-cells, although that can vary.

The patients would take the drug in pill form at home. Instead of being hospitalized, they would make regular visits for physical exams and evaluations.

Side-effects of the drug may include jaundice, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, headache or dizziness.

If the new drug appears to be safe and beneficial, broader studies would be conducted, doctors said.

"What we can offer I think is the opportunity to ... contribute something to our knowledge about this disease and about this particular drug," Rigsby said. "While we certainly hope that we will be able to show that this drug is beneficial, we can't say that at this point."

New AIDS Anti-Viral Drug Offers PWAs Another Chance

By Paul Recer
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—AIDS patients who fail to improve or who react poorly to the anti-viral drugs that have been in use for years now have another chance at finding something that works.

The Food and Drug Administration on June 27 approved an AIDS drug called stavudine, or d4T, as an alternative to the three other anti-viral drugs used to treat AIDS.

Bristol-Myers Squibb Co., which developed and tested stavudine, said the drug will be sold under the name Zerit. The company said it was shipped to distributors on July 8 and should be available now for prescription use.

None too soon for some people with AIDS and HIV.

The currently available anti-viral drugs have proven to be toxic or of diminishing value to many patients. Those infected with HIV and their doctors have been looking for some-

thing new to try against the sometimes rapid progress of the disease.

Donald Hayden, a Bristol-Myers vice president, said that clinical trials of stavudine proved there is a need for a new weapon against AIDS. The drug was offered on an experimental basis and the company was swamped with volunteers.

"We put 13,000 patients into the 20-month trial," said Hayden. "That shows that there are a number of patients in need."

Stavudine joins three other products — zidovudine (AZT), didanosine (ddI) and zalcitabine (ddC) — in a class of AIDS drugs called nucleoside analogs. All slow the spread of the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, which causes AIDS, by blocking the action of an enzyme essential to making new viral particles.

The new drug is to be prescribed for patients who have shown no benefit or who have developed a toxic reaction to the other drugs.

In clinical trials, the health of HIV-infected patients taking stavudine was compared to patients taking AZT.

After 12 weeks, patients on stavudine showed a slight increase in the blood cells that are killed by HIV, suggesting that spread of the disease was slowed. Patients on AZT in the trial showed a decline of the same kind of blood cells.

The major side effect of stavudine is pain, tingling and numbness in the hands and feet, a symptom experienced by 15 to 21 percent of patients in the trials, officials said.

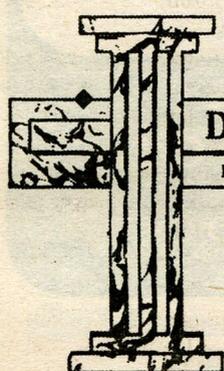
Stavudine is taken every 12 hours. The wholesale price of the drug will be \$186.72 for a bottle of 60 capsules of 40 mg strength, giving a daily wholesale cost of \$6.22. Price to the consumer will be higher.

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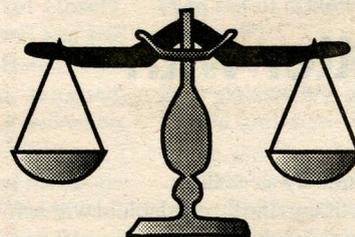
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Studds Challenges Top Health Officials on HIV Prevention

By Marcy Gordon
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Gerry Studds, one of two openly Gay members of Congress, challenged statements July 12 by the government's top health officials that progress has been made in preventing HIV infection.

Studds, D-Mass., sharply questioned the officials at a hearing of the House Energy and Commerce subcommittee on health. They estimated that between 800,000 and 1 million Americans are infected with HIV.

"I happen to believe that the fact that the numbers are not going up suggests that we probably are making some progress with our community (prevention) efforts," said Dr. David Satcher, the new director of the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

Studds retorted, "Do you really believe that? Every number I've ever seen, every community that we're concerned about, has increased."

While there has been a dip in HIV infection among adult Gay men, it is increasing among young people, Studds said.

"I would briefly conclude that we don't have a clue, basically," he said. "We can't speak with any precision about this. It clearly ... is increasing among people of color in the inner city; it appears to be increasing among

young Gay people again. ... Where the hell is it decreasing?"

Dr. Philip Lee, director of the Public Health Service and assistant secretary for health, said the incidence of HIV had declined among older Gay adults.

"The fact is that we have not been as direct and as frank as we need to be," Lee said. "The fact is that we have not targeted our efforts in a way that we are attempting to do with this new approach through CDC. But I would say we share your deep concern."

Satcher said, "We don't take anything for granted. We're intensifying all of our programs. We happen to believe that we're headed in the right direction."

Dr. James W. Curran, the CDC's associate director for HIV and AIDS, said HIV prevention programs must be tailored to the needs of different communities.

Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., the subcommittee's chairman, asked Curran how to reach "outcast" and runaway teen-agers who could be susceptible to HIV. "I think they're hard to reach," Waxman said.

"They're not hard to find," Curran replied. "They may be hard to engage, or they may be difficult to deal with, in part because we haven't dealt with them in the context of their needs. They don't want to get AIDS. They have a lot of other things going on, but they don't want to get AIDS."

Kathy Mattea Wonders Why Some Stars Didn't Help AIDS Benefit

RADNOR, Pa. (AP) — Kathy Mattea has played an integral role in recruiting some of country music's biggest names to participate on an AIDS benefit album.

Clint Black, Dolly Parton, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Brooks & Dunn and Johnny Cash highlight the album *Red, Hot and Country*.

But other artists shied away from the project, Mattea told the July 9 issue of *TV Guide*.

"We got every kind of response," she says. "There were people who called us, saying 'Please use me.' There were people who wanted to be involved, but their record companies said, 'No way.' And there were some people who just never returned a phone call. I don't know if it's homophobia or not."

Mattea, a native of Cross Lanes, W.Va., traces her own awareness of AIDS to the death of a friend in California. She hadn't known he

had AIDS.

"The idea that it's something you have to hide from people you work with, your family, your friends — it just broke my heart," she says.

Mattea defied the establishment during the 1992 Country Music Association awards show by wearing three red ribbons in memory of three friends.

The CMA threw a 35th-anniversary celebration a few months later and she was not invited.

But Mattea says she sees no contradiction between AIDS activism and the religious faith shared by much of country music's largely conservative blue-collar audience.

"To say, 'Oh, well, they're just Gay people and IV-drug users. It's God's scourge. We don't need them anyway' — I can't believe people can think like that," Mattea says.

Drexel University Urges AIDS Education in Classrooms

By Sharon Ching
Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Gary Bailey uses a combination of humor and honesty when he talks about living with full-blown AIDS. His doctors say he should have died a few years ago but he quips about not having time for death.

Although he has to take 42 pills a day, Bailey believes that his iron will to live, his positive attitude and his deep respect for human life helps to keep his spirits from faltering.

But more importantly, he has a message to deliver to the young and impressionable: AIDS kills and no one is immune to it.

Gail Dinter-Gottlieb said she couldn't agree more.

The professor and AIDS researcher at Drexel University is the brainchild of AIDS 101, a classroom course on the various, known facts of acquired immune deficiency syndrome, plus a volunteer service program. The college-level course started four years ago.

"It's a multi-disciplinary course," said Gottlieb. "The core requirements entail looking at every aspect of the epidemic and students actually get out and do something."

The coursework's primary objective is to expound on the effects of AIDS and dispel pre-conceptions, Gottlieb said July 11 at the beginning of a three-day conference on developing AIDS curricula in schools.

Gottlieb remembers how moved she was when she first studied the AIDS quilt up close. Each of the carefully sewn squares seemed to serve as a portable tombstone for victims of the epidemic.

She then realized she needed to teach others that AIDS kills and does not take time to discriminate.

"The idea is that students will be living with AIDS," she said. "Their lives will be impacted by AIDS. They must learn to protect themselves and make intelligent, informed decisions not based on fear and ignorance."

Bailey, an outreach director at Action AIDS in Philadelphia, who spends his time lecturing in schools that allow him access, said that he is exhausted by myths surrounding the disease.

"You wouldn't believe how many people still ask me about the mosquito theory," he said, referring to the discredited notion that insect bites can inject the deadly virus into the human bloodstream.

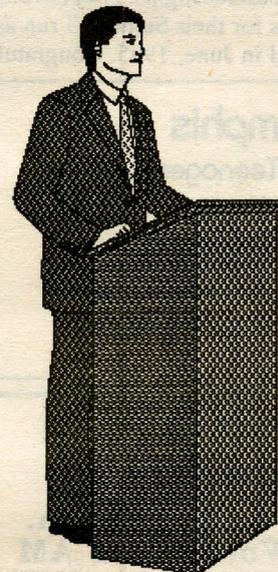
The discrimination people with AIDS and HIV have to endure is another perverse part of the pain, said Bailey, who also spoke at the conference.

No formal, written examinations are conducted in Gottlieb's class. She does require her students to engage in class discussions, question and answer forums and report on their community projects.

As part of the volunteer work, students assist researchers, prepare and deliver meals for patients and perform clerical work for AIDS outreach programs.

"I teach 1,000 students a year in this course...," Gottlieb said. "And I've never been disappointed by any of them."

Other schools involved in the program are Gannon University; Villanova University; Georgian Court College; the University of Pennsylvania; Wilkes University; Kutztown University; and Beaver College.



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Cut The Sweet Talk Department

I have an idea. Why don't all the whiners who seem to be more preoccupied with image than issues get busy for a change. Why don't *you* organize a parade or a rally or a concert or something suitable to your sensibilities for Pride month. Remember, it needs to produce some sort of numbers because visibility is what it's all about; we are supposed to be an economic and political force to be reckoned with. Until *you* do some organizing, all your criticism is just so much whining. That will leave *us* to concentrate our partygiving efforts someplace like Mardi Gras where we can be as wild and flamboyant as we like *and* make lots of money off the gawkers like they do in Australia.

Think about it.

Snippets Department

In our preoccupation with Memphis and Stonewall events, we let slip a Memphian's participation in another far-flung Pride event. David Bulliner, owner of the Construction Site, happened to be in San Juan, Puerto Rico, for their Pride celebrations. He carried the American flag at the head of the parade which, though not without opposition both official and not, marched down the center of the main street in San Juan. Bars and businesses joined together in support of the event and the gathering to follow, and he had a wonderful time. We can't remember all the tales, but he will be delighted to relate them, just ask.

Shirley tells us that a whole new group of people have discovered Nikita's after the Pride rally. One thing to discover is another handsome Gay presence behind the bar on Fridays and Saturdays. It is refreshing to see such prime meat...er...pleasant service behind Shirley's bar. Being bored in Millington certainly has its advantages, at least to the observer.

Dear clubs, organizations, etc. One of the purposes of disere colyumn is to advertise special events and noteworthy happenings. Please give a call or drop a note. We may not remember everything, but there are enough people working on the calendar to get your event in. We really do want to know and we might even show up. We also love to know how your benefit turned out, even if we didn't know it was happening.

We know, for instance, that Tracy Alé

always puts on a splendid effort, we would be delighted to acknowledge her contribution to Friends For Life but the amount was not available at press time.

Check out the Gay and Lesbian comedians on HBO comedy Half Hour, Bob Smith and Suzanne Westenhoefer. Is this mainstream or what?

Circuit Playhouse will devote the opening night of Marvin's Room on Thurs., Aug. 4, to benefit Friends For Life. There is a story and ad elsewhere.

We have not seen Zippers in full swing but we did get a daylight preview just before opening. It is a handsome space, both in natural light, and by bar lights with plenty of room. We were impressed by the quantity of fine woodwork, the varied seating arrangements, the fine dressing room and the kitchen and bar facilities. We shall see what we shall see. There is a review elsewhere of the nighttime aspects. We encourage y'all to attend the grand opening festivities the Aug. 5 & 6 and peruse the legendary Charlie Brown from Atlanta who is an even bigger bitch than Trixie, Tommy or moi.

On the other hand, we did see the petite little swimmin' hole that has been installed at Amnesia. It seems a very pleasant place to get wet, but no Olympic laps. The volleyball area, mit sand, also looks a lot of fun. Swimwear is necessary (and they say the scenery is excellent), but the temptation is very strong otherwise. Anyhow, we approve.

Melina is in a matchmaking mood for an old acquaintance of hers. She says she will even cook dinner (with biscuits *and* gravy) to marry him off. Call her at Amnesia for details. She is also organizing a pageant in September called Little Miss Amnesia. We are not sure if the categories include little-girlishness or spaciness but either would work. We are not going to think very hard about this.

Our Whoops we Forgot of the Month goes to the crowd at Amnesia for raising over \$1,000 for Friends For Life at their Drag Olympics last May. Winner was Gemini.

Congratulations to Amber Starr for winning Miss Continental Mid-South.

Tsarus and the Pipeline will have a Summer Nocturne Beach Weekend on Aug. 26-28. Sand, margaritas, special events and a tattoo artist will be available.

Alliance will hold a Short People's club night at the Pipeline on Aug. 6 at 11 pm. This club travels frequently outside of Memphis to hold club nights. They have announced the dates for their Summit 3 run as the first weekend in June, 1995. Congratulations to

the new officers (who we think are the same officers but have swapped job descriptions).

Members of the Cruisers softball team will participate in the Gay Softball World Series in Nashville this month. Please tell them you support them. We plan to have a lot to say about this event next month.

Congratulations to the new (finally!) Miss You Ain't Right—Poof. This is a truly American distinction; in England, everyone is a Poof whether they ain't right or not. The pageant raised \$550 to go toward the funeral expenses of Greg Brantley.

The Rainbow Recipes Cookbook is still in process; all of those with the best intentions in the world need to turn these into at least the most mediocre transcribing, photocopying, calligraphy or whatever. Get those recipes in (forget the deadline for now); donor forms are available at the Pipeline or MGLCC.

Wednesday, Aug. 3, there will be a gathering of those people who went to Stonewall and the Gay Games in June to record some thoughts and reminiscences for posterity. These will meet at MGLCC at 7:30 pm.

We finally were able to visit the Memphis Transgender Alliance meeting last month. It certainly takes us back. Though their agenda isn't necessarily exactly the same

as ours, we gotta hand it to these girls for courage.

We were made aware of a very pleasant state of affairs after Pride this year. An openly Gay activist was the cause of unkind phone calls from some busybodies who tried to make life unpleasant at his place of business. He, in turn, was informed that El Chico Restaurants have a very comprehensive non-discrimination policy and his employee record warranted only the strongest support at local, regional and corporate levels from his employer. Consider this sometime when dining out. We shall.

Notes of Passage

Jackie Wilson, owner or partner in several bars in Memphis' past, died in June at the age of 39.

Michael Marion Jordan, winner of the first Miss Mess Memphis in 1983, died in June in San Francisco, CA, at the age of 47.

Charlie Lewis, longtime member of Tsarus and longtime volunteer at Friends For Life died in June at the age of 43.

Final Round

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Aloysius Home—Emphasis on “Home”

by Vincent Astor

The board of Aloysius Home, Inc., is very specific about the word “home.” It is described as a care facility for persons living with HIV/AIDS but its primary focus is residential rather than medical or hospice. The residence is scheduled to open in the early fall after the building has been brought up to code and its facilities adapted and remodeled. It is in a former quadplex apartment building at 28 North Claybrook in Midtown which has housed a clinic and several previous agencies on its first floor, the latest being Teen Challenge.

A residence was maintained by Friends For Life (then called ATEAC) called Alpha House during the late 1980s. It only accommodated two residents at a time and during its short life provided housing for 12 clients. The need decreased and maintenance of the

facility became complicated so the emphasis of the agency turned toward maintaining clients in their own spaces. Roommates could be referred and financial aid was focused in that direction.

Three years ago, several individuals saw the renewed need for a residential facility and began to assemble information and a board. This project was originally intended to be a hospice for terminally ill AIDS patients. Two years ago it was incorporated as Aloysius Home, named for St. Aloysius Gonzaga, an Italian Jesuit saint who lived from 1568 to 1591. He was called Luigi by his family and known for his pleasant nature, dedication and kindness. His willingness to minister to the plague-stricken resulted in his death when in his early twenties. He volunteered for the most menial tasks during this plague and was recognized by the Catholic church only 15 years after he died.

The early board included partici-

pants from the medical community, religious community, AIDS service community and Associated Catholic Charities. During this time, the state of Tennessee passed regulatory legislation which made it prohibitively expensive for Aloysius Home to open as a hospice. Therefore, the focus was shifted to providing the residence with existing agencies providing the additional care. Aloysius Home will be more structured than Alpha House in that residential services will be provided such as food service, laundry service and 24-hour support personnel.

Much of the initial organization

was done by the director of Catholic Charities and through financial assistance from the Sisters of Mercy the building was purchased in December of 1993. The agency, however, is independent and solicits support from the community as a whole. Dr. Jim Shaw was hired this summer as Executive Director.

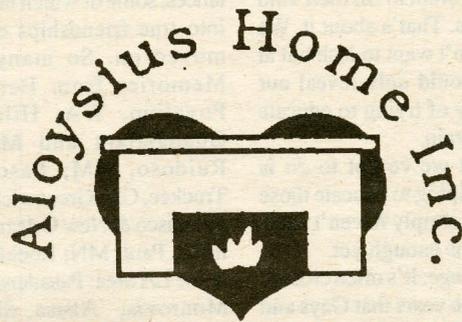
Potential residents of Aloysius Home may fall into three

categories. Persons with a recent HIV/AIDS diagnosis may need a place to stay due to personal trauma or family problems. The residence can serve as a transitional facility providing non-residential services and assistance in finding another

place to live. A social worker will provide counseling and help residents acquire assistance from other agencies. Others may be progressed in the disease and cannot care for themselves properly though still be somewhat independent. These residents will benefit from food and personal care services. Others will need nursing care. The residence will not provide this care but will provide a place to live and the same residential services with nursing or hospice care provided by a home health care or hospice care agency.

Aloysius Home has its own admissions committee and will work with references from other agencies. Charges for residency will be determined on an individual basis, clients will receive help to apply for financial assistance and their physicians will be involved in the admissions procedure.

As for the need, Dr. Shaw “could fill this space overnight.” He has *See Aloysius on Page 26*



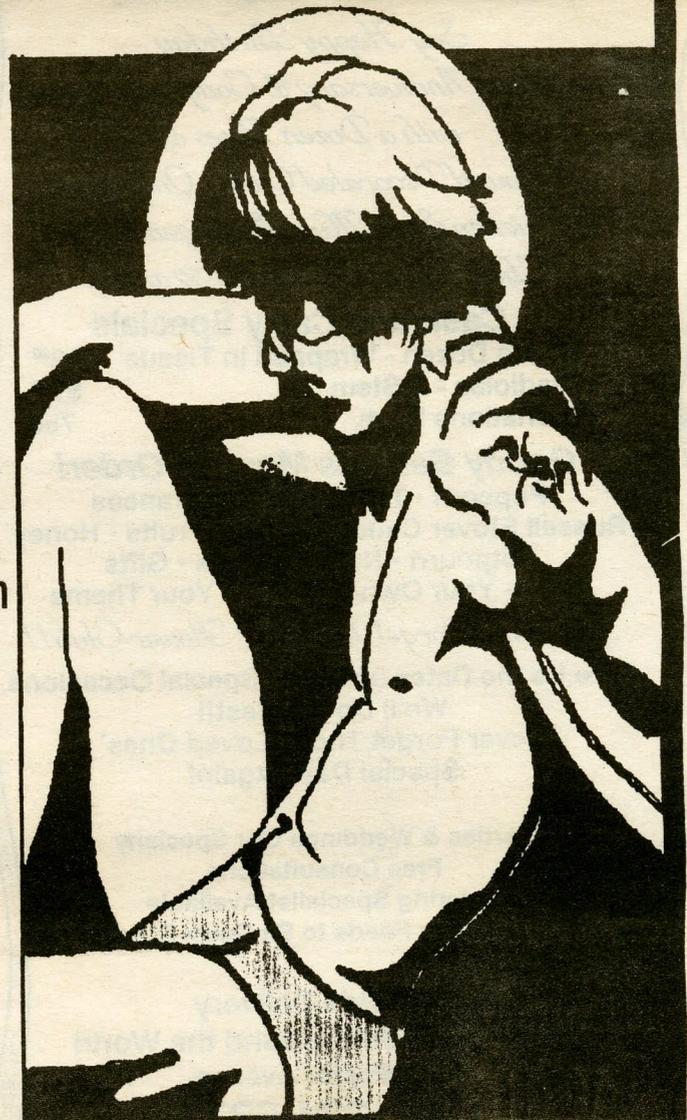
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Modern Day Nomads

By Ace Lunden
Nationally Syndicated Columnist

Well kiss ma' grits and butter ma' buns! Dang'd if'n I didn't hear someone say the other day: "you can always spot one of them dykes. They're always overweight and no man wants 'em so they become lezzies and never shave their legs and armpits."

I couldn't help saying to myself "now there's a real educated man! Wonder where he got his degree!" That portion of Scripture also came to mind where it says "God winked at their ignorance." It really is hard to believe there are folks out there like that isn't it! This is the 1990s! Do you think they have any idea at all how dumb they appear to others? Probably not; no one really wants to appear stupid. So, when someone like this pops up with such a stupid statement, what should we do? Since they truly are

such ignoramuses, would it do any good to get upset and try to "correct" them? I seriously doubt it. It would be like trying to carry on an intelligent conversation with a drunk. Pity might be an honorable response. Maybe we could even breathe a prayer that God might provide a brain to fill their void between the ears. That's about it. We certainly wouldn't want to lash out at them since it would only reveal our own incapability of trying to educate a non-existent brain.

Maybe what we've got to do is work hard on helping to educate those with brains who simply haven't exercised those brains enough yet.

Channel Change: It's often crossed my mind over the years that Gays and Lesbians in the 1900s may be the modern day nomads; we do seem to move around a lot. It's as if our lives are a part of a traveling circus and we've got our bag packed and ready to get

our show on the road. We learn early to accept and blend in; sometimes only for a month here or there and we feel right at home no matter where. Oh the places I've lived and loved over the years for brief and lengthy periods! So many memories! And maybe we ought to take a moment in the present to thank ourselves for these memories. so many new-and-now-old acquaintances; some of which have blossomed into true friendships even after we moved on. So many memories. Memories from Beresford, SD; Puyallup, WA; Hillsboro, OR; Guadalajara and Mexico City; Ruidoso, NM; Paso Robles & Truckee, CA; Greenwich Village, San Francisco & New Orleans; Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN; Rockford, IL... and in the LA area: Pasadena, Hollywood, Monrovia, Azusa, Sierra Madre, Whittier, West Hollywood, Glendale, Venice, Van Nuys, riverside, Bradbury Estates, Camarillo. do you think our paths may have crossed in some long forgotten rendezvous of strangers in the night? Ah! Memories! And now my home is in Reno, NV. "Home" - where the heart is! Where we hang our hats!

Guide to Safe FAX

Q. Do I have to be married to FAX?

A. Although married people FAX

often, there are many single people who FAX complete strangers everyday.

Q. My parents say that they never had FAX when they were young, and were only allowed to write memos to each other until they were twenty-one. How old should someone be before they can FAX?

A. FAXing can be performed at any age, once you learn the correct procedure.

Q. There is a place on our street where you can go and pay for FAX? Is this legal?

A. Yes, many people have no other outlet for their FAX drives and must pay for a professional when their need for FAX becomes too great. Nevada is a unique State in this aspect of FAXing.

Q. Should a cover always be used for faxing?

A. Unless you are absolutely sure of the one you are FAXing, a cover should be used to insure safe FAX.

Q. What happens when I incorrectly do the procedures and I FAX prematurely?

A. Don't panic. Many people prematurely FAX when they haven't FAXed in a long time. Just start over. Most people won't mind if you try again.

Q. I have both a personal and a

business FAX. Can transmissions become mixed up?

A. Being Bi-FAXual can be confusing, but as long as you use a cover with each one, you won't transmit anything you're not supposed to.

Q. If I FAX something to myself, will I go blind?

A. There hasn't been any recorded case of blindness due to FAXing ones self.

And that's the straight poop from the Poop Sheet.

Mr. Lunden is former Mg. Editor of Zipper magazine and The Coast to Coast Times. His autobiographical legacy: The Closets Are Empty...The Dining Room's Full is in hard cover by Ponderosa Publishing House. Visa/MC orders: 800-356-9315.

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successful. Honorees included Loving Arms, Holy Trinity Community Church, Lambda Men's Chorus, Aphrodite, and Southern Country Memphis. Many organizations also made use of the Center throughout the year, including Black and White Men Together, Lambda Mens Chorus, the Memphis Transgender Alliance, and the Pride Committee. The Health Department used the Center to conduct HIV testing for several months.

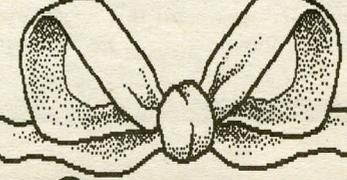
Fund-raisers sponsored by the Center generated respectable interest. The annual Pride Week River Boat Ride drew almost 250 people. An Evening on Ice at the Fairgrounds' Coliseum, a first for the Center, drew over 30 people, and the 2nd Annual Mardi Gras Ball, a fairly impromptu event, brought together over 100 people.

Administratively speaking, the Center achieved some important goals. The three-fold objective of providing educational, counseling and cultural programs was successfully implemented. The new monthly contributor program raised over \$400 per month providing the Center with some financial stability.

Finally, the Center received tax-exempt status, legitimizing it as a non-profit organization designed to serve the community, and qualifying it for a number of grants.

Goals for the coming year include more classes, more informal social events like video nights, a bigger Mardi Gras Ball, and the purchase of an electronic bulletin board and a hard drive for the computer. The most important goal is to involve more organizations and individuals in all the Center's activities.

Especially needed are board members for the new administrative term. Board elections will be held on September 2 at 6 p.m. Anyone wishing to be nominated for the board should contact Michael Schiefelbein by August 5. Leave a message at 726-5790. Also, on August 20 at 7 p.m., plan to attend the special potluck celebrating the fifth anniversary of the Community Center in Memphis.



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Staged Attacks

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like an outcast."

In sworn investigation statements, many sailors confirmed they saw anti-Gay harassment.

"Yes, many men of every rate and rank poked fun at A03 Trance, calling him a faggot and a homosexual," one man wrote, according to the *San Diego Union-Tribune* newspaper.

Kinsey's story is different. He suffered aboard the ship, too, but from extreme noise.

In 1989, he had suffered ear damage from the noise of a gunshot, causing partial hearing loss.

He was allowed to join the Navy under a hearing waiver and was told he would be given low-noise assignments.

Instead, he was assigned to the *Constellation*, whose jet catapults and air hammers make it one of the Navy's noisiest places.

He developed pain, headaches and ear ringing.

He repeatedly complained and went to the ship's infirmary. But his supervisors told him he would have to get used to the noise, and his requests for a specialist were rejected.

Manual

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ing beaten.

"One statement that is sure to get an outraged response from sodomites and a chuckle from normal onlookers is an innocent observation that 'Gays' should enjoy getting beat up by 'homophobes,'" it says.

Walton said the notion Gays should enjoy getting beaten by homophobes "does not necessarily reflect the views of the ICA at all."

"I hope you take that in the jest (the author is) delivering it," he added.

Gay rights activists do not find it funny.

"The similarity between the type of deceitful rhetoric the ICA is selling in this manual and what Germans heard about the Jews from the Nazis is uncanny," said Mary Rohlffing, co-chair of Idaho for Human Dignity.

The guide also opines:

Homosexuals may be infiltrating the Catholic priesthood so they can abuse young children and destroy the credibility of the church.

"The average homosexual male is 34 times more likely to commit mass murder and 196 times more likely to be a serial killer than a heterosexual male" and 90 times more likely

to molest children.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Richard Bevan said that in his experience, about 80 percent of molesters choose victims who are of the opposite sex.

Bergquist said he doubted "any rational person" would believe the allegations.

"This sounds kind of like desperation to me," he said.

David Smith of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force said Gay opponents are softening their rhetoric as November approaches.

"They do focus groups, polling, and research just like we do. They know hateful, acerbic messages aren't resonating with people," so they're trying a new approach, Smith said.

Walton said the manual should be judged in its entirety.

"I'm sure if you went through any book and took some of the most outrageous things you could find, you could do a pretty good job of mischaracterizing it."

But after hearing some passages, he distanced himself from the manual.

"(The author has) gone off the deep end on some of those quotes. It's almost funny if he wasn't being serious," Walton said.

I Am Woman

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if he or she does not exist and has no rights.

For the transsexual, it is not a matter of getting the mind in line with the body. This leads to a high rate of suicide. The nearest thing there is to a cure is sex reassignment surgery. The costs are high and not just in the money. Friends and families desert the transsexual, jobs are lost, all due to discrimination, lack of education, compassion and caring if you will. According to the American Psychiatry Asso-

ciation, 40 percent of all male-to-female transsexuals identify as Lesbian to continue a relationship started as male. Supposedly the transsexual represents less than 1 percent of the overall population. I think that the percentage is closer to 4-5 percent.

With the next article will come the insight into what it is like to be transsexual and some of the details of the transformation. The woman after surgery is a woman and should be treated as such. She should also conduct herself as a lady.

Until next time remember, *I am woman.*

Aloysius

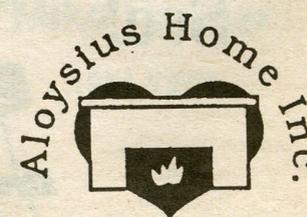
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experience in the counseling of HIV/AIDS clients both through Midtown Mental Health Center and St. Francis Hospital.

The focus of this agency is to maintain a homelike atmosphere with eight residents. Any expansion would require another building. Support in the community has been growing and the name Aloysius Home is beginning to be known throughout both the Gay/Lesbian community and the larger Memphis community. One of the greatest needs is volunteers. Donations of money are also needed to complete the renovations and for day to day operations. The services to be provided, especially 24-hour availability, make Aloysius

Home a very expensive facility to operate. The kitchen and lounges need furnishings; seven interior design firms have agreed to decorate and furnish the residents' individual rooms.

Aloysius Home will fill a void in HIV/AIDS services in the Memphis area and will join with the established agencies and medical facilities in the continuing care of those living with HIV/AIDS.



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One Reader Agrees....

My father taught me to judge a man by his accomplishments. I have pride in myself and my friends for what they have accomplished and are still trying to. I'm proud of a scientist friend of mine who is creating technology to better diagnose and treat heart patients. I'm proud of my architect friend who has created all the most fun restaurants in town. I'm proud of a developer friend who has visions of turning the ghetto into a wonderful place to live. I'm proud of the Lambda Men's Chorus and its recent successful fund-raising concert for Aloysius House. I'm proud of Mike Morgan, I didn't know you were such an eloquent writer.

You're right. It will take tact to impress straight people. Maybe next year, instead of television coverage of Gay Pride parades, we could see a special on the Gay Pride of accomplishment. Have any connections in television, Mike? I'd bet there would be lots of people in this community willing to help.

John Billis
Memphis

...Another Dissents

This is in response to Mike Morgan's letter printed in the July issue of *Triangle Journal News*.

I am a 25-year-old gay man who has lived in New York, Chicago, Houston, Nebraska and Memphis; and I can tell you that Mr. Morgan's self-hating viewpoint is one I'm all too used to hearing from all of those corners.

I could make this letter short and urge Mr. Morgan to read *After the Ball*, a wonderfully pathetic tome about the kind of assimilation he speaks of, but I am not as tactful as he would wish.

In the black community, he would be called an Uncle Tom, and deservedly so, for his bowing to his oppressor's standards is nothing short of what Erich Fromm calls "Necrophilia." Fromm says that the desire to bend someone else to your will, to break his spirit and have him totally on whatever you consider his "best behavior" is indeed necrophilia: These things would require nothing short of a death-state from that other party. "The aim of the necrophilic character-type," he writes, "is to avoid the inconvenience of life by transforming others into obedient automatons,

robbing them of their humanity."

Our oppressors are going to see us any way their hate impels them to, regardless of whether we are in dresses, heels, suit and tie, or a big white suit that reads "Ready for your imprint." We are unacceptable to them because they hate us, and people can only hate someone when that someone is objectified (read: invisible). A parade is not about us being palatable. A parade is about us being seen. Period. So that we are no longer an enigma.

Need I be another to repeat that Gay liberation as it is now known was begun by these drag queens that Mr. Morgan wants so desperately to send home, just as a crew of randy cops would have in 1969?

I think the issue here is much more about a general loathing of the feminine. I've seen this, too, in all the places I've lived, but never so rampantly as in Memphis and the south. Women are to be seen and not heard here, unless the noise they're making is the rattling of dishes being washed. After all, being closeted, being protected, means being masculine—hiding the feminine aspects of ourselves, just because the men who oppress us have imprisoned or killed those aspects in themselves. Can we get over it, or must we continue to loathe and reject our mothers and sisters, for that is assuredly what we do when we blast the feminine into hiding.

Mr. Morgan, showing them we are "normal" is what we've been doing all along by being closeted and pretending that we don't have hanky-panky with each other. Being out means addressing and confronting the fact that we do have sex with the same sex, even though it is decidedly **not** considered normal. The point of Gay and Lesbian liberation is not to convince them that we are **normal**: The point is to reveal that the norm, the standard, is nothing of the sort.

And on this I cannot resist:

America loves a drag queen, black or white. How else to account for a long tradition with recent additions such as Martin Lawrence, Rupaul, Flip Wilson, Dame Edith, and many others?

Mr. Morgan, I love you as a gay brother and support your equality (not your normalcy), but do not tell me to be a good little Jew, or a good little Black, or a good little Gay, because I have heard that line before and know what dark room it leads to.

By the way, Mr. Fromm says that the opposite of a necrophilic is a biophilic: "one who appreciates and fosters the variety of life forms and

the uniqueness of the individual."

Fred Pera
Memphis

Is Tactfulness The Key?

In response to "Viewpoints" (July,) many of us have held that view. But the "wierdos" are just human beings expressing themselves in very human ways. They are not to blame for our oppression. Just what is "ordinary" anyway, and who are the regular guys?

The "wierdos" have a right to be who they are out in the open just like everyone else. If they don't represent you, then you must represent yourself. Not one of us is to blame for the shameful way our society has treated us.

Being open with our differences isn't "forcing" them on anybody. The notion that we should make ourselves "presentable" to "straight America" is self-oppressive. They have wronged us. Are we to pretty ourselves up and ask them to "accept and embrace" us? That is bizarre behavior. The shame they have given us should be given back. It belongs to them.

The fact that Gay people are made to feel a need to seek "approval" is the most insidious and horrible aspect of our oppression. We must overcome the tendency to blame each other for what is clearly not our fault.

Those who have relegated us to this "queer" status and shamed us because we are not like them—they are at fault. I don't want their approval or respect. They should be on bended knees tactfully imploring us to forgive them.

We must respect ourselves and each other. That is the key to winning the war that is being waged against us. We use words like "pride" and "dignity" and "integrity" because those things have been taken away from us. We must take them back. From that, all else will come.

Bill Johnson
Bakersfield, Mo.

Lady A's Views

This is in response to last month's editorial by Mike Morgan. I will give Mr. Morgan credit for participating and not just sitting at home, but somebody who has so much to criticize should get more involved. The only way for these issues to be addressed is for more people to get their hands dirty and help to organize these events. As for the media, I agree that their fascination bordering on sensationalism with the extraordinary does not translate to good coverage. However, what coverage would we get if there wasn't any color at all?

One on one interaction is very important, but so are actions to get attention. We cannot change opinions one by one until we are vis-

ible—both as individuals and as a community. So, organize a parade, or a softball team, or a discussion group. Each will have its own merit.

Vincent Astor
Memphis

An Editor's Two Cents Worth

When Mike Morgan brought his commentary to us for publication last month, he told us it was going to make a lot of people mad. Fine, we said. Go for it. One of the things he wanted to accomplish was to create some dialogue in these pages. To that end he succeeded.

The subject of how we should appear to the general public in order to obtain our full civil rights is one which continually divides the Gay community. In fact, there are those of us among the staff of TJN who violently disagree with each other on this subject.

Those who don't think we should tone it down, sometimes call us Uncle Toms. But I believe there is a signifi-

cant difference.

I don't believe that we saw "stereotypical" (whatever white America perceived that to be) behavior among African-Americans fighting for their rights in the sixties, for example.

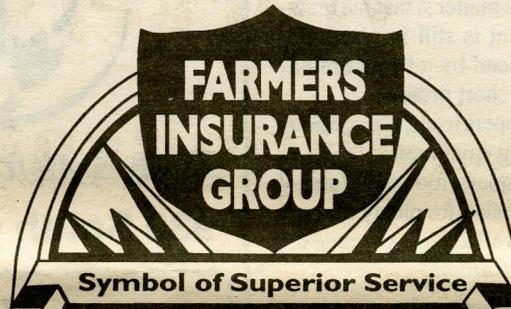
There are fundamental differences between what is acceptable in private (or, culturally, in a culturally homogeneous setting—e.g., bars) and what is acceptable in public.

Be strong, yes. Be defiant, yes. But is our goal to be allowed to go half-naked on the streets? Is it to be allowed to simulate sex for the TV cameras? Is it for women to go bare-breasted in public? Is it to exhibit tit rings, dog collars and bondage gear?

What do these behaviors say about us? Do they engender respect for our views? I think not. Straight people doing these things in public would be offensive to me.

In my opinion, our movement is not about public sexual acts, it is about privacy and the right to be who we are.

Allen Cook
TJN Co-editor



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Review by Allen Cook

It's been several years since Memphis has seen the premiere of a major new Gay bar, so it came as a pleasant surprise when Zippers opened July 3.

The surprise was not that it opened (it's been rumored for awhile), but that it opened so quickly.

The Zippers building has had two previous lives — first as the Continental Trailways Bus Terminal (Knock off the cracks about turning a bus terminal into a Gay bar!) and most recently as The Brewery, a sort of yuppie beer bar complete with hops and vats on site.

Fact of the matter is that the brewing equipment is still in place, but will be replaced by a bar-within-a-bar in pretty short order.

As for Zippers itself, it's spacious without being cavernous.

A 1000-square-foot raised stage/dance floor makes for plenty of room to dance as well as a good venue for the show performers.

Fox Defends Cutting Gay Kiss on *Melrose Place*

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Is one kiss worth a million bucks?

Fox Broadcasting Co. didn't think so — and the network's programming chief still defends the decision not to air a kiss between two Gay characters on the popular show *Melrose Place*.

Advertisers would have pulled out in droves had Fox showed Matt Fielding (actor Doug Savant) kiss another man after their first date, Fox's Sandy Grushow said July 14.

The scene included a kiss when it was filmed. But when the show aired, viewers only saw the two men shake hands and share a meaningful look.

"The bottom line is, we're in a business," Grushow said after repeated questions about the unseen kiss at a Television Critics Association meeting. "We would have lost up to \$1 million by airing that kiss."

ABC didn't mention any losses last season after a *Roseanne* episode in which Roseanne kissed Mariel Hemingway. But a 1989 episode of *thirtysomething* showing a Gay couple talking in bed reportedly cost ABC \$1 million in ad revenue.

About 450 people attended the word-of-mouth "soft" opening on July 3.

The beautiful curved-bar is set off from the main area by a wall which also encloses a few tables for an area shielded somewhat from the music. Zippers features a full liquor menu and the frozen drinks (frozen margaritas, daiquiris, etc.) are very popular right now.

Plans are to have hors d'oeuvres and happy hour every day from 3-10 p.m. Monday night will be "Pizza Night" (all you can eat pizza and beer for \$5 from 6-9 p.m.).

One of the things we haven't seen in a Gay bar since perhaps the days of the *old George's* is booths. About a dozen booths combine with about 30 4-person tables to provide plenty of places to perch. Even so, there's still plenty of meandering space including a two-table pool room tucked away in a corner.

Although it never occurred to me,

a friend of mine was very impressed with the fact that the rest room stalls have doors on them. Seems he's peeshy and won't patronize a place that doesn't have doors on the stall. Anyway, he's happy.

There are shows four nights a week — Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Trixie Thunderpussy is the show director and regular performers include Simply Vonna, Beverly Hills, Jackée, Tennesha Cassidine, Sofonda Peters and Pebbles. Miss Charlie Brown is coming in from Atlanta for the grand opening Aug. 5.

All in all, Zippers strikes me as a great place. It's great for tourists who are already downtown in many cases. It's great for Beale Streeters looking for a little Gay action off the beaten path. And it's great for Memphis to have another first class Gay and Lesbian bar.

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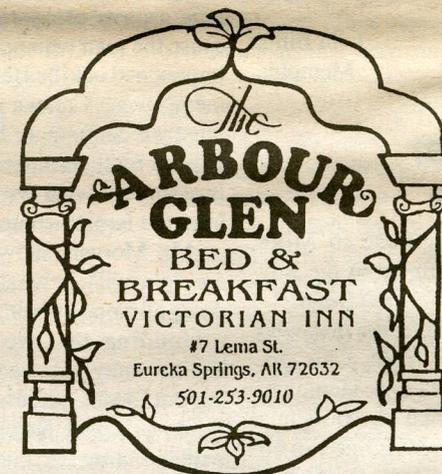
Grushow said Fox arrived at the \$1 million figure after speaking with advertisers. He said the network couldn't absorb the loss be-

cause Fox programs one-third less prime-time hours than the other networks.

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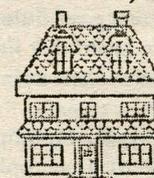
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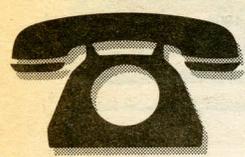
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Chattanooga **CHATTANOOGA CHOO-CHOO:** 43 yr. old, 5'11", Brn/Blu, versatile would like to meet guys 18-25 yrs. old. ☎26679

Memphis **THANKS FOR THE GOOD TIMES:** GWM, 23 yrs. old, looking for friends and possible relationships and good times. ☎32711

TN **DISCREET TREAT:** 35 yr. old attractive guy looking for a mature 50-70 yr. old for discreet encounters. ☎28119

TN **BUNLESS HOT DOG:** Black male, professional model, looking for a masc black male, 20 or older and physically fit. ☎29696

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Memphis **SPARK MY INTERESTS:** GWM, versatile, 34, 5'10", 190 lbs, professional, tired of the bar scene and looking to meet somebody with the same interests. ☎33046

Memphis **I COME THERE, YOU COME HERE:** Josh, looking for some other young guys who I can visit or who can visit me. Let's get together. ☎33282

Memphis **WORK IT OUT:** 28 yr. old GWM, looking for young, BTM's. I am aggressive and you work out and have a nice body. ☎33383

Memphis **SPIRITUAL QUEST:** 40's, male looking for men over 45 yrs. old. I am into a variety of things; join me for the celebration of the spirit. ☎33977

Memphis **NEW KID IN TOWN:** New to Memphis area mid 40's seeks same non drinking non smoking well built dominant. ☎33206

Memphis **ZESTY:** GWM 40's join me looking for masc 45+ to spice up my summer ☎33977

Memphis **LOCAL FUN:** GWM 30 5'11 180 brn/brn looking to meet 21-35 in Memphis area. ☎34353

South Haven **LATIN LOVERS:** Looking for young BTM's who are looking for a relationship. Latins or Italians a big plus. ☎33949

TN **HAPPY AND HEALTHY:** 23 blnd/ blu 6' 160 into hiking, camping, skiing, outdoors, healthy lifestyle into music, Calvin and Hobbes, fun, creative spontaneous. ☎34333

TN **BLACK AND WHITE:** Robert - looking for single blk male for a good time. ☎34369

Kingsport **SHARE IN THE ENDOWMENT:** 23 yr. old SWM, very attractive, impressive endowment, clean shaven, looking for black males only. Well endowed a plus. ☎30385

Knoxville **MUTUAL ATTRACTION:** Attractive man, clean shaven looking for other attractive guys who want to hang out. ☎32074

Knoxville **HELLO OUT THERE:** 5'8", Blu/Brn, hairy seeks friendship with a caring and loving companion. ☎19381

Memphis **THE SEEKER:** 23 yr. old, pos, in shape, good looking, seeking a quality relationship with someone who never wants to go to another gay bar for the rest of their lives. Stach a plus. ☎31357

Memphis **CUB LOOKING FOR HIS BEAR:** SWM cub, 6', stach and beard looking for single white hairy bears. I am a non-smoker and you should be too. ☎1654

Memphis **WALLY TO MY BEAVER:** GWM, 23, 5'10", nicely built seeking someone who is like a big brother and likes to go out and likes the outdoors. ☎31744

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Memphis **LET ME TEACH YOU:** Older guy looking for younger dudes black or white. Need a mentor? I'm your man. ☎12080

Nashville **I CAME, I SAW, I CAME AGAIN:** 28 yr. old bi male, healthy, seeks someone under 35 yrs. old who is healthy and masc. ☎31376

Nashville **HEAD MATTERS:** 5'10", hairy GM, good looking, looking for as guy 25-50 yrs. old. Nothing has to be large except your brain. ☎32186

Nashville **IN THE COMPANY OF MEN:** 39 yr. old, 6'5", masc, looking for the company of other men for friendship and more. ☎32241

Nashville **ANY RACE'LL DO:** 23 yr. old, GWM, 6'2", looking for a TP man 18-50 yrs. old. Any race is fine. ☎15096

TN **COME OUT AND PLAY:** 27 yr. old GWM, 5'9", hairy, into playing all sorts of ways, seeks others to play with. ☎31224

TN **BLOWN AWAY:** GBM, 20, musician, looking for someone who is interested in having a good time and possibly a relationship. ☎18856

Chattanooga, **CHOO-CHOO:** GBM looking for 25-30 yr. old GBM who likes movies and spending the good times together. ☎29378

Chattanooga, **CHUM SEEKER:** 21 yr. old GWM, 6'6", good build, looking for someone to talk to and to become friends with. ☎29613

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Memphis, **BACK TO BLACK:** Looking for young Black men in the early 20's. If this is you, give me a call. ☎30136

Memphis, **LET'S HOOK UP:** GBM, interested in meeting any guys 30-60 yrs. old. Looking forward to meeting you. ☎30740

Memphis, **COMMON GROUND:** 26 yr. old GBM, new to Memphis into theater, dancing and more seeks friends to share in similar interests. ☎30861

Nashville, **CAN YOU RELATE?:** GM, 5'7" attractive seeks a friendship and relationship race unimportant. ☎30624

Nashville, **SUNNYSIDE UP:** 22 yr. old, GWM into hairy men 18-40 yrs. old for some really fantastic times. ☎30639

TN, **SHOW ME YOUR BADGE:** GWM, 5'8", masc, BTM, looking for cops to massage. I want you to be my master. ☎31050

Chattanooga **CHOO-CHOO:** GBM looking for 25-30 yr. old GBM who likes movies and spending the good times together. ☎29378

Memphis **'TIS BETTER TO RECEIVE:** Seeking yng dudes who like to receive. Call me at home. ☎27607

Nashville **WHITE SEEKS BLACK:** WM seeks extremely well-endowed dominant blk men. ☎27329

Nashville **MIRROR IMAGE:** GWM seeks same. I am 6'2", blonde/blu vers BTM. Call if you're H-O-T. ☎28311

TN **IT'S LIKE A JUNGLE IN THERE:** GWM, 30, 6', 175, professional. I am into masculine, hry chested men. ☎27102

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TN **BREAK ON THRU:** Shy GWM, 26, 5'9", 155. Seeking another GWMs 21-30 who are shy. Call me and we'll talk. ☎27134

TN **FULL LOAD:** 35 yr old WM. I am great looking and seek masc guys for a good time. Call me at home. ☎27396

TN **ANYTHING FOR YOU:** 24 yr old WM, 6', 160, semi-hry. Seeking a WM, 21-50 for an LTR. I am willing to relocate. Into cooking, walks, music and romance. ☎2617

Memphis **BIG IS BETTER:** 24 yr old seeks GMS, 18-30, heavy A+. Call for home number. ☎25705

Memphis **JET-SET:** Cosmopolitan masc top. GWM, fit, intelligent seeks a masc BTM for relationship. ☎26503

Nashville **JUST STARTING?:** 23 yr old Bi-WM, clean and discreet, 6', 150. Into movies and C&W. Inexperienced and seeking same, 18-25. ☎21655

TN **READY FOR THE REAL THING:** I am tired of dreaming about it (so's my hand). I need a firm but gentle top to make it all happen. I am 40, 5'11", 145, outdoors type. ☎24197

TN **SMOOTH/TRIM:** 28 yr old WM, 5'6", 150 and athletic. Smooth guy seeks others, 18-22. Built is A+. ☎24918

TN **WHAT WOULD YOU GIVE ME?:** My B-day is coming up. 29 yr old GWM, 5'10", 145. Seeking a GWM, 25-45. I am into movies, dancing and poetry, whips, chains, Annie Lennox and more. ☎24994

TN **NOTHING RISKY:** 24 yr old Bi-WM, brn/blu. I am clean and discreet and expect same. ☎21655

TN **CARE TO DOMINATE?:** 29 yr old hot hairy handsome btm seeks carefree domination. ☎25821

TN **SINGLE AGAIN:** 6'2", 200, blk male, very attractive. Into singing, quiet evenings at home, going out. Seeking blk males 25+. ☎26184

Batesville **FRAT PRES. HAS PROOF:** 23 yr old black hair and grn eyes seeks to exchange amateur videos. Mine star me and my frat bros. ☎23655

Clarksville **STUD ROMP:** 35 yr old, 6'2", 220. Big hry guy seeks other masc studs to romp with. ☎24150

Fort Smith **FULLY LOADED:** 25 yr old GBM, 6'2", 160. Into art, music, dancing and am seeking a friend for a possible relationship. ☎24166

Hot Springs **WHERE ARE THE BABES?:** Just moved and am having trouble meeting good-looking guys. I am 5'10", 165. Sick of mind games. ☎24956

Knoxville **ROD CASTING:** 35 yr old WM, blonde and blue. Into camping, the outdoors, hiking and fishing. Hoping to build a relationship with a guy, 33-40. ☎23441

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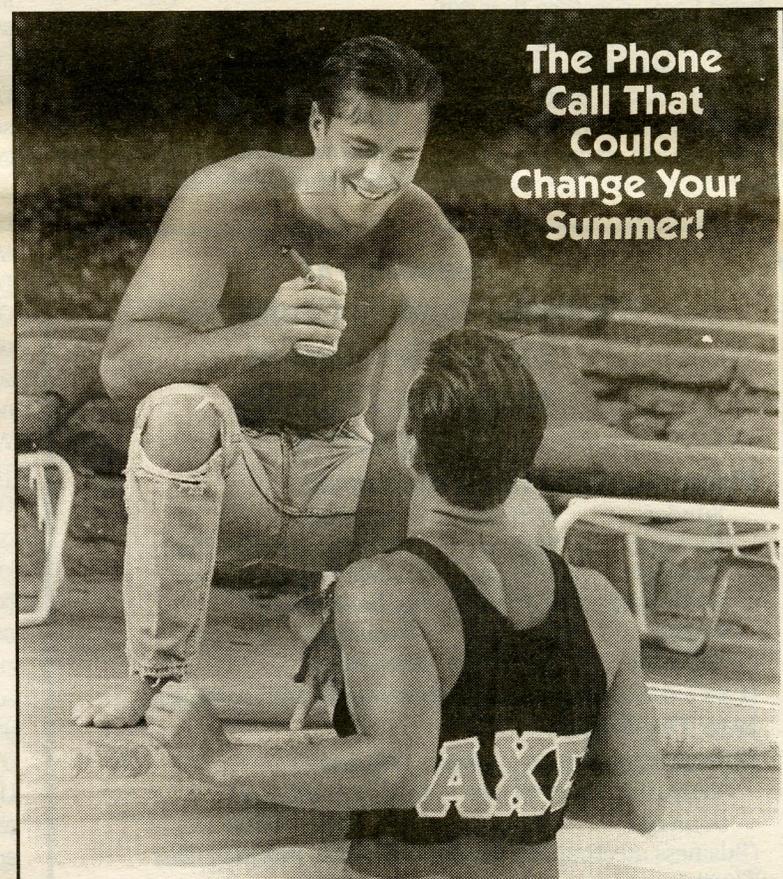
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Memphis **RING MY BELL:** 6', 33, 180. Into outdoor sports and music. Call me at home. ☎20811

TN **GLORY BE:** 23 year old guy is into history music and seeking a Christian mate. ☎18622

TN **BIG HAIRY HOUND DOG:** I am 32 call me. I am ready to howl. ☎18925

TN **LOTS OF OPTIONS:** WM, very sub, seeks dom men. Blk a specialty. I am into lthr, kink and phone fun. Call for my home number. ☎1638



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GWM, 35 y.o., 5'8 1/2, 150#, Br.Gr., in good shape, very employed and stable, looks OK, great sense of humor, fantastic bottom, in search of intelligent, big-brother or young father types. Friendship is important to me more so than sex, sometimes it's everything. Please no unemployed, fats, fems, or druggies. Bi or Ethnic OK. J.B., Route 3, Box 280 C, Linden, TN 37096. What's a stamp? Go ahead and write, discretion assured and appreciated.

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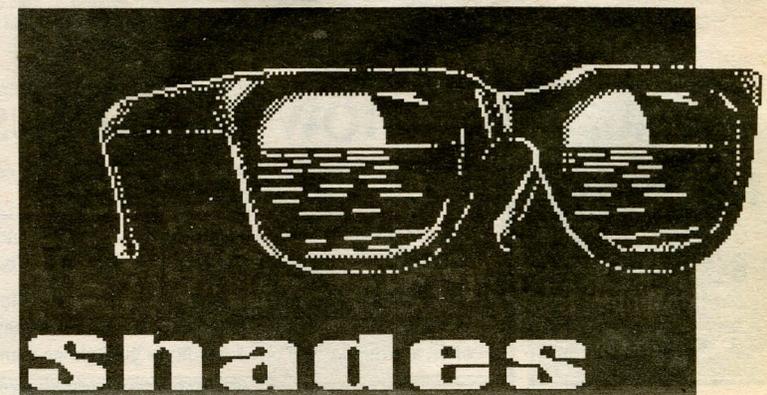
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- Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACOA)**: Memphis Lambda Center ☎ 276-7379.
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- Alliance**: Leather/Levi club • 4372 Kerwin Dr., Memphis 38128.
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- American Gay Atheists (AGA) Memphis**: Box 41371, Memphis 38174-1371.
- Black & White Men Together (BWMT)**: Box 42157, Memphis 38174-2157 ☎ 452-5894.
- Brothers & Sisters Bowling League**: 1929 Evelyn Ave. ☎ 272-3875.
- Cotton Pickin' Squares**: Gay/Lesbian Square Dance Club • Meets Thurs., 7pm Prescott Memorial Baptist Church, 3956 Blue Spruce, Lakeland 38002 ☎ 387-1567.
- Friends For Life—HIV Resources**: HIV/AIDS Service Organization • Box 40389, Memphis 38174-0389 ☎ 278-AIDS or ☎ 272-0855.
- Gay and Lesbian Alliance**: Gay and Lesbian Support Group • P.O. Box 495, Mountain Home, AR 72653.
- Gay and Lesbian American Indians**: Information ☎ 725-4898.
- Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Veterans of America Memphis Chapter**: Information: John Prowett, 1517 Court Ste. 4, Memphis 38104-2402 ☎ 272-1392.
- Gay Teen Support Group**: Tuesdays 7-8:30, Gerry Wright ☎ 388-6110.
- Gays On Cleveland Street (GOCS)**: Social Group • c/o The Hut, 102 N. Cleveland ☎ 725-9872.
- Gays Rejoicing & Affirmed in a Catholic Environment (GRACE)**: Support group for Catholics & their friends • Meets every Thurs. with Liturgy 2nd & 4th Thurs. Information: ☎ 725-5237, John.
- Girth & Mirth of Tennessee**: Statewide men's social group for larger men & their admirers • P.O. Box 40773, Memphis, 38174-0773 ☎ 274-8215.
- Holy Trinity Community Church**: Worship Service: Sun. 9 & 11 am, 7 pm;

Bible study: Wed. 7:00 pm; We Care AIDS Support Ministry: Sat. 10 am, 1559 Madison ☎ 726-9443.

Integrity Memphis: Meets the 3rd Tue., Healing Service/Eucharist, 6pm; Dinner, 7pm, \$3; Meeting 7:30pm • c/o Calvary Episcopal Church, 102 N. 2nd ☎ 726-4698 (Doug Deaver).

Into The Light (Women's AA): Memphis Lambda Center ☎ 276-7379.

Lambda Men's Chorus: c/o Calvary Episcopal Church, 102 N. Second, Memphis 38103 ☎ 278-1190 (Aaron Foster).

Loving Arms (Support Partners for HIV+ Mothers & Babies; "hold" babies at the Med): Shelia Tankersley, P.O. Box 3368, Memphis, TN 38173 ☎ 725-6730.

Mature Gays/Prime Timers: Information: John Prowett, 1517 Court Ave., Ste. 4, Memphis 38104-2402 ☎ 272-1392.

Memphis Center for Reproductive Health: 1462 Poplar Ave ☎ 274-3550.

Memphis Gay & Lesbian Community Center (MGLCC)*: 1486 Madison, Mailing Address: Box 41074, Memphis 38174 ☎ 726-5790.

Memphis Gay & Lesbian Sports Association: c/o MGLCC, Box 41074 ☎ 728-GAYS or 458-6023.

Memphis Lambda Center*: Meeting place for 12-step recovery programs • 241 N. Cleveland (above United Paint Store) ☎ 276-7379, 726-6293, 527-1461, or 327-3676.

Memphis Pride, Inc.: Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, & Transgendered Pride Events • Box 3956, Memphis 38173 ☎ 320-9015 Vincent Astor, 272-1392 John Prowett.

Memphis TransGender Alliance: TV/TS support group • Box 11232, Memphis 38111-0232 ☎ Barbara Jean 353-2612 (evenings) or John Prowett 272-1392.

MSU State University Students for Bisexual, Gay & Lesbian Awareness (BGALA): BGALA c/o Office of Greek Affairs Box 100, MSU 38152.

Mid-South Men's Council: Box 11042, Memphis 38111-0042 ☎ 278-0961.

Minority Prison Project (MPP): Information: John Prowett, 1517 Court #4, Memphis, TN 38104-2402 ☎ 272-1392.

Mystic Krewe of Aphrodite: Box 41822, Memphis 38174-1822.

National Organization for Women (NOW): Box 40982, Memphis 38174-0982 ☎ 276-0282.

New Beginnings (Adult Children of Alcoholics): Memphis Lambda Center ☎ 276-7379 or 454-1414.

Parents & Friends of Lesbians And Gays (P-FLAG): Box 172031, Memphis 38187-2031 ☎ 761-1444.

Phoenix AA Memphis Lambda Center ☎ 454-1414.

Seriously Sober (AA): Memphis Lambda Center ☎ 276-7379 or 454-1414.

Southern Country Memphis: Country Western Dance Club ☎ 278-9321 or 274-8655.

Stonewall Mission Church: A Progressive Christian Church • Sun. Service 6:30 p.m., meets at the Center, 103 Berry Rd., Nashville, TN 37204 ☎ (615) 269-3480.

Tennessee Leather Tribe: Men's & Women's leather org. 3293 Renner's Cv. ☎ 372-4426.

Transsexuals in Prison (TIP): For information: John Prowett, 1517 Court Ave, #4, Memphis 38104-2402 ☎ 272-1392.

Tsarus: Leather-Levi club • Box 41082, Memphis 38174-1082.

Wings: Social Club • Box 41784, Memphis 38174-1784.

COMPUTER BULLETIN BOARDS

- Bear Trappers BBS**: Serving Nashville & surrounding area ☎ (615)360-2837.
- Flesh Illusions BBS**: We have P.O.D.S. & Nait Net Available thru requests only. Also carries Fidonet, 2400-14,4 baud. ☎ 357-5483.
- The Personals**: Gay computer bulletin board • 300 or 1200 baud ☎ 274-6713.
- Second Wind BBS**: PO Box 280415, Memphis 38168-0415 ☎ 382-9466, StudsNet, DoorNet, ThrobNet Free Access ☎ 388-8358.
- Straight/Bi/Gay Adult Computer Bulletin Board**: Free Membership, Adult pictures, messages, & free E-mail. Male/female. ☎ 797-8006
- Two's Company**: Gay computer bulletin board and computer support. "Handles" accepted. 1200/2400 baud. ☎ 726-4073.

COUNSELING SERVICES

- Kerrel Ard, BSW**: Personal growth, spiritual counseling, alternative healing ☎ 725-4898.
- Joel Chapman, PhD**: 1835 Union ☎ 726-1284.
- Anne S. Gillis, MS**: Individual, couple & family counseling, rebirthing ☎ 761-3435.
- Patricia Goshorn, M.Ed.**: Licensed Psychological Counselor • Simmons, Kelman & Assoc., 3960 Knight Arnold Rd, Ste 316 ☎ 369-6050.
- Cliff Heegel, PhD**: Licensed Psychologist • Centerpoint, 5180 Park Ave. Ste 150 ☎ 767-1066.
- Sheridan Lambe, LCSW**: Individual & Couple Counseling, ☎ 761-9178.
- K. A. Moss, MS**: Midtown Counseling Service, 1835 Union, Ste. 101 ☎ 726-4586 • Sliding fee scale.
- Northeast Mental Health Center**: ☎ 382-3880.
- Joyce Schimenti, LCSW**: Individual & Group Counseling ☎ 761-9178.
- Susan Taranto, MPS**: Individual & group therapy • Fully Alive! ☎ 323-2078 • Sliding fee scale.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

- Ronnie Bingham, CPA**: Taxes, accounting, estate planning ☎ 756-4449.
- Charles Butler, CFP**: Financial Planner ☎ 274-2524.
- Donald Morgan Bookkeeping and Tax Service**: 3340 Poplar Ave, Ste 305 ☎ 458-0152.
- Wilma Vandermeer, CPA**: Taxes, accounting services ☎ 726-9082.

FLORISTS

- Botanica**: 944 S. Cooper, ☎ 274-5767, 1-800-769-5767, fax: 274-5688.
- Flower Market of Memphis**: 1523 Union Ave. ☎ 274-8103.
- Park East Florist**: 6005 Park ☎ 761-2980.
- Sweet Peas**: 3175 Poplar ☎ 324-6873.

GRAPHICS

- Bonehead Creative**: 1271 Poplar, Ste 103, Memphis 38104 ☎ 276-2101.
- Graffiti Graphics**: 1985 Madison #7 ☎ 278-5002.
- JRP Specialties**: Photo business cards & distinctive nature photography • Joe Pfeiffer ☎ 272-1207.
- Printers Ink**: Box 11485, -0485 ☎ 454-1411.
- That's Certainly Graphics**: Resumes, ad campaigns, letterhead, etc. ☎ 761-2980.

HELP & INFORMATION LINES

- AIDS Switchboard**: ☎ 278-AIDS.
- Gay & Lesbian Hotline**: ☎ 1-800-285-7431 (24 hr. help & information for Lesbians, Gays, transvestites & transsexuals).
- Gay & Lesbian Youth Hotline**: ☎ 1-800-347-TEEN (Thu.-Sun., 7pm-11:45pm).
- Gay & Lesbian Switchboard**: ☎ 728-GAYS • 7:30-11pm.
- LINC**: ☎ 725-8895.
- Narcotics Anonymous**: ☎ 276-LIVE.

- Rape Crisis**: ☎ 528-2161.
- Suicide & Crisis Intervention**: ☎ 274-7477.
- Transvestite-Transsexual National Hotline**: ☎ (617) 899-2212 (8-2am, Mon.-Sat.).

LEGAL SERVICES

- Wayne C. Gullede, Attorney At Law**: Rt. 1, Box 255 A, Senatobia, MS 38668 ☎ (601) 562-8738 or (901) 722-8188.
- The Höglund Law Firm at Memphis**: 165 Madison, Ste 1813, Memphis 38103 ☎ 526-7526 (24 hrs).
- David Hooper, Attorney At Law**: 1870 Union Ave ☎ 274-6824.
- Susan Mackenzie, Attorney At Law**: 100 N. Main, Ste 2518 ☎ 526-0809.
- Robert Ross, Attorney At Law**: 100 N. Main, Ste 3310 ☎ 525-0417.
- Kelly Stark, Attorney At Law**: 44 N. Second, Ste 600, ☎ 521-9996.
- Jocelyn D. Wurzburg, Attorney At Law**: 5118 Park, Ste 232, ☎ 684-1332.
- Jason O. Young, Jr.**: 147 Jefferson, Ste 806, ☎ 523-8912.

MASSAGE SERVICES

- Bodycare By Jordan**: Deep tissue massage, therapeutic touch and preparation for movement. By appointment only. ☎ 527-2273.
- Bodyrights**: Therapeutic/sports massage by appointment. ☎ 377-7701.
- Dave Everitt**: Full body Swedish massage Shiatsu, Medical Massage ☎ 722-5522, Pager ☎ 533-9492.
- Tom Pitman**: Rejuvenating full-body massage by appointment. ☎ 761-7977 or Beeper 575-1230.
- Craig von Graeler**: Professional full body massage by appointment. Please call 10am-10pm ☎ 278-9768.

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

- Dabbles Hair Co.**: 19 N. Cooper ☎ 725-0521.
- Kyla J. Dillard, DVM**: Housecall Veterinarian, Memphis Area ☎ (901) 465-2699. For emergency care call ☎ (901) 533-5084.
- David Gairhan**: A/C, refrigeration & appliance repair ☎ 274-7011.
- Great American Cruises, Inc.**: Cruise Travel Agency, Sherman Perkins, 52 N. Second ☎ 525-5302.
- Gypsy's Vintage Fashions and Antiques**: 2018 Court, (In the Mid-Town Flea Market).
- Have Bar Will Travel**: Bartending for private functions • Lisa Gray (The Peabody Hotel) ☎ 726-5910.
- Bob Hughes, EdD**: Yoga, relaxation & meditation classes ☎ 682-0855.
- John In Charge**: Household & office cleaning, errands, a personal valet • ☎ 272-2316.
- Kings Interior Painting**: ☎ 278-2835.
- Lavender Earth***: 852 S. Cooper, ☎ 272-2853.
- MT's Bakery**: Gay and Lesbian Wedding Cakes A Specialty, Mary Jane or Theresa, 2127 Frayser Blvd. ☎ 358-6689 or 388-2376.
- Mid-Town Hair***: 1926 Madison, Memphis 38104 ☎ 278-2199.
- Pass Pets**: Hickory Ridge Mall ☎ 366-4428.
- Pet Care Unlimited**: Pet sitting and/or house sitting by competent, caring couple ☎ 726-6198.
- Quality Furniture**: Gary Lewis, 1490 Getwell ☎ 360-9871.
- Enrica Ramey**: Insurance Memphis ☎ Business: 377-1075, Home 375-9584
- Sanders Facilities, Inc.**: Catering & party facility rental • Michael Sanders ☎ 948-3998.
- See-S**: Portraits & photography ☎ 327-3760.
- Star Search Video***: 1411 Poplar Ave ☎ 272-STAR.
- STUDZ**: ☎ 276-4225, for Info.
- Tom Webb Ins.**: Insuring in the Gay and Lesbian Community, 4646 Poplar ☎ 682-2170.

- Tropical Impressions**: Pet Shop & Grooming Salon • 3700 S. Mendenhall ☎ 794-3047 or 365-9716.
- Whittington Tree & Lawn Service**: Sandra & Troy Whittington ☎ 685-8410. Free estimates, 24 hr. service.

MEDIA

- Gay Alternative**: Radio program, Mon. 6:00-7:00pm, WEVL-FM 90, Box 41773, Memphis 38174.
- Hera Sees**: Bi-monthly newspaper published by Hera Sees, Inc., 1725-B Madison Ave. ☎ 276-0543.
- Query**: Weekly newspaper published by Pyramid Publishing Box 40422, Nashville TN 37204-0422 ☎ (615) 327-3273.
- Recovery Talk "In the Midnight Hour"**: Radio program, Sat. 12-1am, KWAM-AM 990. Weekly program about addictions & recovery. ☎ (901) 377-7963.
- Recovery Times**: Free monthly newspaper focusing on addictions & recovery. Distributed in Memphis, Jackson, & Nashville TN ☎ (901) 377-7963.
- Triangle Journal News**: Monthly newspaper published by Printers Ink • Box 11485, Memphis, 38111-0485 ☎ 454-1411.

NIGHT CLUBS / DINING

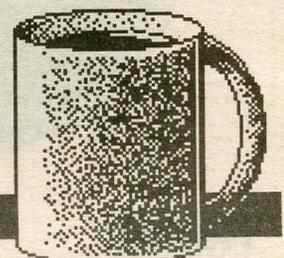
- Amnesia***: 2866 Poplar ☎ 454-1366.
- Apartment Club***: 343 Madison ☎ 525-9491.
- Cafe Samovar**: 83 Union, ☎ 529-9607.
- Club 501***: 111 N. Claybrook ☎ 274-8655.
- Club 505***: 111 N. Claybrook ☎ 274-8655.
- Club Hide-A-Way***: 2018 Court ☎ 274-6602.
- Construction Site***: 1474 Madison ☎ 278-4313.
- Hut***: 102 N. Cleveland ☎ 725-9872.
- J-Wags***: 1268 Madison ☎ 725-1909.
- Nikita's Bar & Grill***: 2117 Peabody Ave ☎ 272-1700.
- Oops***: 1349 Autumn ☎ 272-1634.
- Pipeline***: 1382 Poplar ☎ 726-5263.
- WKRB in Memphis***: 1528 Madison ☎ 278-9321.
- Zippers***: 235 Union ☎ 527-6819.

REAL ESTATE SERVICES

- Russell Armstrong, Developer, Looney Developments**: 194 Looney Ave. ☎ 525-3044.
- Glenn Moore, Broker, Owner, Woodland Realty**: ☎ 854-0455.
- Steve Solomon, Affiliate Broker, Davies-Sowell, Inc.**: 54 S. Cooper ☎ 278-4380.

TRIANGLE JOURNAL NEWS IS ALSO DISTRIBUTED AT THESE LOCATIONS

- Bookstar**: 3402 Poplar Ave. ☎ 323-9332
- Circuit Playhouse**: 1705 Poplar Ave. ☎ 726-5521
- Davis-Kidd Booksellers Inc.**: 397 Perkins Rd. Ext. ☎ 683-9801.
- Memphis and Shelby County Public Library**: 1850 Peabody ☎ 725-8800.
- P & H Cafe**: 1532 Madison Ave. ☎ 274-9794.
- Squash Blossom Market**: 1720 Poplar ☎ 725-4823
- Tobacco Corner Newsroom**: 669 Mendenhall Rd S. ☎ 682-3326. (* Indicates TJN distribution points.)



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