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## Buddies To Show at Circuit Playhouse

Arthur J. Bressan, Jr's second lover who "was a film about the unsung lot of fun until I got heroes of the AIDS crisis... the volunteers through the '70's and who visit people with "still trying to change AIDS; help with the things that are beyond chores and errands; and me," Robert has a spirit provide friendship for it that is holding up those who may have been better than his body. So abandoned by friends, are his sex drive and families, roommates, his sense of humor. and lovers -- will be Bressan says: "On the shown in Nashville on surface, *Buddies* is the Jan. 19 and Memphis simple story of two Jan. 20, guys who meet in crisis, strike up a relationship, and change AIDS and premiered at each other's lives. On the famed Castro Theatre in September. *Buddies* has been received unique love that transcends pain, fear, and even death. According to reviewers, *Buddies* is not a *Love Story*. A kind of love develops between the two men, but nothing happens that David can't go home and tell his lover about.

*Buddies* was the first dramatic film about AIDS and premiered at the famed Castro Theatre in September. *Buddies* has been received well in the communities in which it has shown. Shot in New York, Washington, D.C., and San Francisco, *Buddies* is the story of Robert Willow (Geoff Edholm), a Californian dying of AIDS in a New York City hospital and David Bennett (David Schachter), a 25-year-old guppie (Gay Urban Professional) who volunteers to become his buddy.

David is not sure why he volunteered to be a "buddy," but his first assignment is almost too easy at first.

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## Apartment Ouster Resolved, PWA Remains

The request by a land-lord for an AIDS patient to vacate his apartment as the result of a friend's suicide attempt has been resolved.

Last month Memphis police were called to an East Memphis apartment complex as the result of an attempted suicide. The person who leased the apartment, an AIDS patient, was subsequently asked to vacate his apartment.

The friend's suicide attempt resulted in coverage of the incident. Tommy Stewart, President.

## NY Sex Ban Extended to Hotels

New York -- Dr. David Axelrod, a New York Commissioner of Health said the state's drive to regulate "unsafe" sexual activity in baths and bars may be extended to any hotel in which such activity is found.

"We won't inspect hotel rooms" routinely, to be taking place, said Axelrod. But, he added, "if we find that the hotel, by virtue of the information we obtained, is catering to that kind of activity, then I think we will have reason to take action; and, if necessary, a warrant to go into the rooms if it becomes essential."

axelrod appeared on WNBC-TV Nov. 16 to talk about the state regulations governing "high risk" sex which went into effect Oct. 25. The regulations resulted in the closing of one of New Yorks more infamous bars, the Mine





## A Family Is A Family

by John Stilwell

The following is reprinted from the January '85 issue because the feelings expressed bear repeating.

The term "lifemate" may be unfamiliar to you, but its usage is becoming more and more wide-spread. Gay people are in the unique position of being involved in the process of establishing words and names to describe us and our relationships. Many feel that the term "lover" denotes a brief, non-

relationship and also seems to indicate that that relationship is based on sex only. Any of us that have had any sort of relationship know that nothing could be further from the truth. So "lifemate" seems to more accurately describe the relationships that we have.

And I said all that to say this... The holiday season that begins around Thanksgiving and ends after New Year's is a time when a great emphasis is placed on family and loved ones; on being together; on sharing dreams for the future... It's just a very emotional time. It's also a time when many people, and espe-

cially Gay people, go into deep "blue funks" because some of those elements seem to be missing from their lives.

If you choose to remain in the closet for whatever reason, that decision ultimately affects only you. If you choose to remain in the closet and you have a "lifemate", that decision and your actions can hurt the one you care the most about; and, as strange as it may seem, few people seem to give that a lot of thought.

In Gay relationships, we are trying to establish the same sort of relationship a husband and wife have without many of the hang-ups and role playing that they have attached to them.

But think about that. When a man marries, he leaves home and establishes a new family unit. His wife leaves home and becomes a part of that family unit with him, as do any children they may have. The point is that they behave as a family. At Christmas, the wife doesn't take off and go home to her parents nor does the husband take off a week and go home to his parents. They both go to one parent or the other, together, as a unit. Usually, they trade off or spend equal amounts of time with each group of parents.

We Gays have reached a point where we are defining our relationships and role models on you, better. Yet at a time when we should be sharing our time with the one person that means the most to us, we are letting fear and cowardice separate us from Dad, I'm Gay." Just let-

ting them know by your actions that this other person (your lifemate) is someone special to you, you tell them everything without telling them anything. That also puts the ball in their court. If they want to accept the situation, that's fine. If they want to talk it out, that option is left open to them; but they have to say to you, "I want to know more about this." If they chose to be rude or unkind to your lifemate or you, it may be time to break with them.

We have often said in these pages that the decision to "come out" has to be made by each person in their own time but that nobody has the right to "make you crazy," and that includes your family by birth.

Ultimately, our goal is to attain acceptance and respect for ourselves and the relationships we form. We make the same commitments, emotionally and financially that heterosexuals make when they embark on marriage. But until we give our lifemates the same love and respect and consideration that heterosexuals give their spouses, how can we expect non-Gays to respect our relationships? In this case, the ball is in our court. We have to like ourselves. We have to like the one we love. We have to respect the commitment we have made to our lifemate. We have to start acting like our lifemate is what we claim our lifemate is... the single, most important person in our lives.

1. In spite of everything, most people have already figured out that you are Gay, especially if you and your lifemate have been together for any length of time.

2. Of those who have figured it out, 99.99% don't care. The rest aren't worth worrying about.

3. If your parents really care about you and are truly concerned about your well-being, all they want is your happiness. They want you to find someone to love who loves you in return. If they want more, they insist on forcing their old world prejudices, misconceptions, and role models on you, when we should be sharing with them anyhow.

4. Finally, you can do all this without coming out and saying, "Mom, I'm Gay." Just let-



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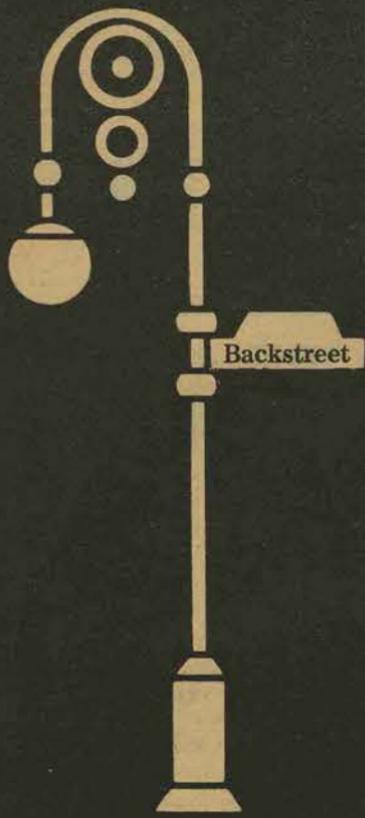
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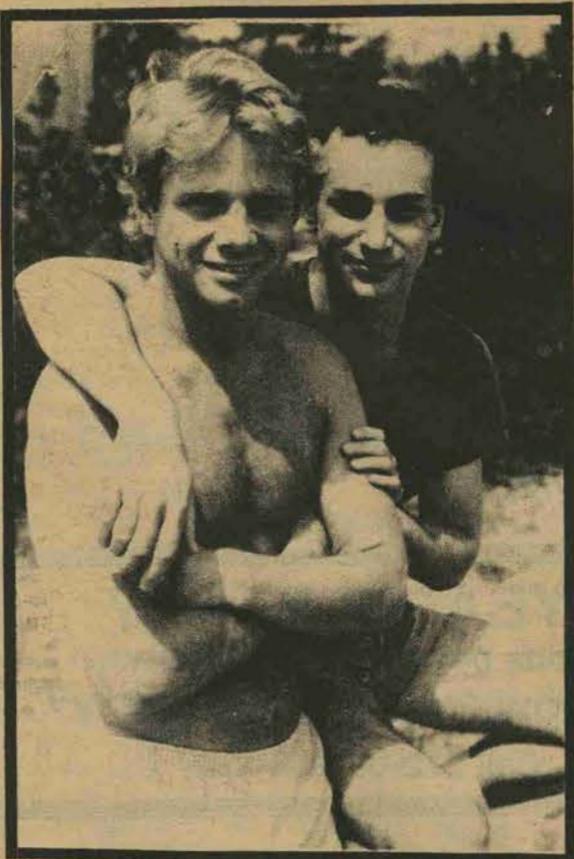
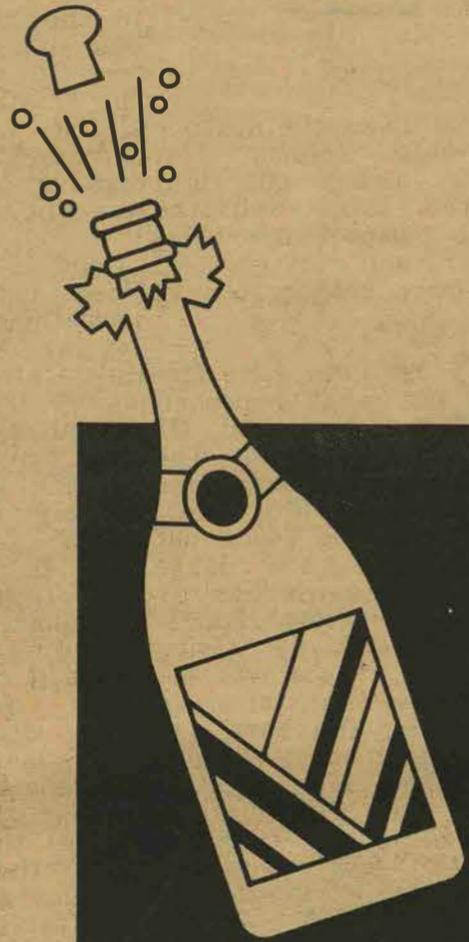
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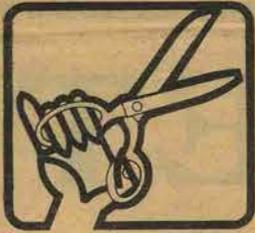
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# Quick Clips

## Kristie Acquires New Pageant

by Allen Cook

Sorry about the absence of this column last month. Things got tight in the paper and the least important thing

(alas) had to go. All the more reason to save up!

We never have quite figured out what happened to The Refuge and Ilusions (aka as Court of the Three Sisters, DR's, etc, etc.) We have found that there are large holes in the windows of the second floor reportedly caused by flying barstools. There was a fire downstairs. In any case, the bars are no longer open. Across the Street is now Uncle Sam's and nobody has guts enough to find if it's Gay (actually we're sure it's not).

Steve Wesson, formerly of The Refuge, was seen in waiter-training drag at Perkins Restaurant on Poplar. We are told Swamp Woman is now a regular there. Anybody seen the public service announcements for MIFA? Don't get me wrong, they're great and MIFA does a terrific job. It's just that one Gay woman said she just about fell off her couch when she saw the tag line which reads: "Stick Your Finger in the Dike." She is sure some Gay copywriter is laughing her head off at that one. John Malmo produced the spots. ATEAC's rubber chins have been painted a lighter color accounting for some of the delay in getting them up (so to speak). Someone suggested, and the board agreed, that black was not an appropriate color for the machines will read "Play Safe -- Don't Get Your Rubbers."

The Lady Astor once gain provided her flour (The Orpheum) for three bucks, you can't go wrong.

the annual Gay Coalition Christmas Dinner/Dance. It was decked out to the hilt for Christmas and so was she. About 50 people attended the affair which boasted a fine fare of turkey, ham, and lots of covered dishes. And yes, there was quiche.

The Board of Directors of Norma Kristie, Inc., the producers of the Official Miss Gay America Pageant, is proud to announce the acquisition of the rights to the title of "Female Impersonator of the Year".

This pageant will be held annually for female impersonators who possess the ability to provide excellent public entertainment. The contest will be based on entertainment alone and will involve no interview section of competition.

The rules and regulations for this pageant will differ greatly from those of the Official Miss Gay America Pageant.

## BWMT Spaghetti Dinner

October 27 marked the 2nd Annual BWMT Spaghetti Dinner at the Pendulum. The event net-

ted \$222.29 for BWMT's community service projects. In attendance were members of ATEAC, Wings, Aphrodite, MGC, and MCC. A special service award was presented to Irwin Rothenberg for his contributions to BWMT/Memphis and his service to the Gay community. This year the dinner was concluded with a show featuring the talents of the women of Aphrodite, Sable Starr, La Kecha, Wendy James, and Paula Poindexter.



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## BWMT Issues AIDS Pamphlet Geared to Blacks

A new pamphlet has been developed in the on-going effort to educate the public on AIDS. There has been criticism voiced that while there has been a lot of information disseminated, the Black Gay community has not had the same access to information the rest of the community has. This problem is not unique to Memphis. Until now, there has been no information printed specifically for the Black Gay man. In response, BWMT/Memphis put together a pamphlet designed to speak directly to the issue of AIDS in the Black population and ways for Blacks to be sexually responsible to themselves.

The pamphlet uses "11 myths about Black men" approach to make the reader aware that Black men are not exempt from the attack of AIDS. The creative approach, as well as the original prototype, was the work of BWMT's Durrell Newsom, BWMT Health Services Committee Chairman Irwin Rothenberg drew from his inexhaustible source of contacts and produced a finished product that will have a far reaching effect in the months to come. Response from around the country has been great with requests for more copies and offers to help with further printing. You can find copies of the pamphlet several Gay owned establishments in Memphis. BWMT is also in need of more funds for further printing. If you would like more information on this and/or other BWMT projects or can donate money to print more pamphlets, call Irwin at 726-1461. Any assistance you can give will be greatly appreciated.

Another project of BWMT/Memphis has been the distribution to local Gay bars of the

AIDS rap record "Respect Yourself." Copies have been distributed to The Apartment, George's, and Backstreet. Please ask the DJ's to play it.

Submitted by BWMT

## TSARUS Man of Year Awards Slated

1985-- And we survived! A year of achievement! But, WHO should represent these achievements more than the Man of the Year? Again, TSARUS will honor the recipient of the Man of the Year Award at their second annual awards banquet.

The Man of the Year award is presented to the person(s) who have made an outstanding positive contribution to the Gay community in the past year. The recipients of last year's award were two well-deserving men, Allen Cook and John Stilwell, co-editors of Gaze. The Aid to End AIDS Committee (ATEAC) was chosen to receive the proceeds from the first annual Man of the Year Award.

The banquet will be held on Thursday, Jan. 9, 8:00 PM, at the French Connection, 598 Marshall. The dinner will be prepared and served by TSARUS members. Tickets may be purchased in advance from any TSARUS member for \$10.00 each. We welcome you to join us in honoring our Man of the Year.

--Submitted by TSARUS

## Cross Dresser Convicted

A Criminal Court jury convicted Billy "Lady Rose" McGee of aggravated rape Dec. 11. McGee is scheduled to be sentenced Jan. 9.

According to various reports, six youths told jurors that they participated in anal and oral

sex with McGee at his apartment near the Dixie Homes housing project.

McGhee is charged in 10 indictments of aggravated rape. Six of those indictments are pending. Penalties may range from 20 to 40 years for each offense.

Because of the nature of the charges, McGhee's lawyer, William Johnson, requested that McGhee be segregated from the general jail population.

Asst. Dist. Atty. Gen. Henry Williams said all of the victims were under the age of 13. Those who testified said they went to McGhee's home voluntarily and that they were not forced to have sex with him. Testimony indicated the incidents began about a year ago.

An investigation was begun in September after a runaway boy who stayed for a week at Mc-

Ghee's home, made statements to juvenile authorities.

## Syphilis On Rise in Tennessee

With all the talk about AIDS, yet another disease seems to be increasing in Tennessee. According to the monthly *Tennessee Communicable Disease Bulletin*, there were 834 cases of syphilis reported in Tennessee. The majority of the cases were in the five metro areas of the state, with 533 in Memphis alone.

The *Bulletin* reports cases of syphilis are up 12% over the same period in 1984. It notes, however, the rate of increase has dropped compared to last year.

Current case totals indicate that the 6-month period from July-December 1984 may have marked a peak from which there has been a steady decline.

The Health Department said improved communications with private hospitals and increased screening at local correctional facilities contributed to a 23% increase in reported syphilis cases.

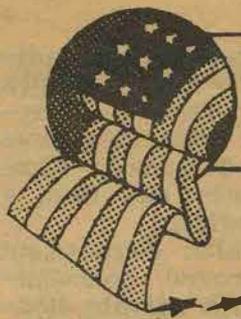
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# National

GRNL's Executive Director Nancy Roth and Maccubbin said they will continue to push for more cooperation between the two national organizations.

placement for Margaret Heckler as Secretary of Health and Human Services is probably going to be a country doctor and the former Republican governor of Indiana. Reagan has named Otis "Doc" Bowen "because of all the qualifications he has in excess for this particular position." Fast Senate confirmation is expected, but Bowen may face serious questions about the drugs he prescribed for his wife who died of bone cancer.

ogist for practicing psychology in an unethical manner, and for \$200,000 in damages.

## Fairies Need Not Apply

It's probably not a good idea for Gay organizations seeking funding in Chicago to approach the Joyce Foundation. At a recent meeting, outgoing president Charles Daly was asked about helping Gay organizations seeking AIDS funding. Daly said, "My board and I don't like fairies. They make foundation directors nervous. I would advise these groups to go out and bite a banker to get funding." These comments brought more than a few squeamish looks, according to reports, including those from Bill Young of the Harris Foundation who was seated nearby. "This is a homophobic statement of the first order," he said. "A strong response is required by Gays -- perhaps a candlelight procession in honor of those Gays who have died from AIDS."

## Hudson's Lover Sues Estate

Los Angeles -- A 31-year-old man who says he was the lover of Rock Hudson is suing the late actor's estate for \$14 million. The man claims Hudson continued to have sex with him after he was diagnosed with AIDS.

Marc Christian is being represented by the famous palimony attorney Marvin Mitchelson in the suit which alleges bodily injury, mental suffering, fraud, and deceit. The suit claims Christian asked Hudson about his diagnosis, and Hudson repeatedly denied it claiming to be suffering from anorexia nervosa and was intentionally trying to lose weight.

The lawsuit further charges that Hudson learned he had the disease in June 1984 but continued to have sex with Christian until Feb. 1985.

Mitchelson, who is noted for litigation involving Hollywood personalities, says the suit is the first in the nation to involve AIDS. He says he hopes to prove that Hudson's doc-

## Gay Mother Persecuted

Perth, Australia -- Gay organizations here are charging police with "unjustifiable harassment" of a Gay mother and her children.

Apparently two male police officers, claiming to be investigating a complaint that Rosalyn Savage's children were being neglected or abused, arrived at her home and demanded a strip search of her three children, ages 14, 12, and 11.

The Campaign Against Moral Persecution (CAMP) has requested the Commissioner of Police explain why the visit took place late at night, why one of the officers refused to give his name and why no female officer was present as is customary.

## College Refuses Degree; First Hearing Set

When Lincoln Christian College refused to award a degree to Greg Johnson in 1981, Johnson threatened legal action. Last November, National Gay Rights Advocates filed against the private southern Illinois college.

The college has asked the court to dismiss the suit, but NGRA was there to argue against the dismissal.

Johnson had completed all the requirements for graduation when a fellow student told a dean that Johnson was Gay. The college then withheld his diploma. Thomas Ewald, LCC's Dean of Students, told Johnson he would have to seek professional help and sent him to Kent Paris, a psychologist who attempted to "convert" Johnson.

NGRA sued LCC to compel it to issue Johnson his degree, the psychol-

## Second Sex Club Closed in New York

New York -- City officials have closed a second club in a crackdown aimed at slowing the spread of AIDS. Plato's Retreat, the notorious "swinger's club" was closed just two weeks after the Mine Shaft was closed.

The Retreat reportedly had lost a lot of business "since the AIDS scare." Undercover police indicated they had seen group sexual activity when they entered Nov. 11.

Emergency state health orders forbid any establishment from allowing anal or oral sex to occur on its premises. Officials closed the club on prostitution charges and for operating without a certificate of occupancy but may use the newly passed laws in prosecution.

## Conservative May Replace Heckler

Washington -- The re-

the fact that some firefighters have reportedly refused service to AIDS victims for fear of contracting the disease.

The AFL-CIO has also reaffirmed its policy against discrimination due to sexual orientation.

## NGTF Refused

## GRNL Merger Plan

Washington -- Officials with the Gay Rights National Lobby (GRNL) have expressed disappointment and surprise over the decision of the National Gay Task Force not to merge the two organizations, according to the Washington Blade.

Deacon Maccubbin, GRNL's co-chair said he felt the proposed merger would have strengthened both organizations from a financial standpoint.

"We expected an announcement of intent to merge would lead to greater support from the community for debt reduction," Maccubbin said.

## AFL-CIO Wants More AIDS \$\$ Allocated

Chicago -- The AFL-CIO has called for increased funding for AIDS victims and more educational efforts about the disease.

A statement released by the union said, "We must protect the right of union members who are AIDS victims against unwarranted intrusions and other workers whose rights are threatened by the disease."

The union has come out against blood testing in the statement "unless and until the Centers for Disease Control recommends such action either for all employees or for specific job classifications."

Union insiders indicate that the union's position is low-key but sympathetic.

Oddly enough, some of the resolution's strongest support came from the firefighter's union, a surprise considering

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tors had an obligation to warn Christian of the dangers involved in having sex with Hudson.

### Embattled Couple

After 10 years of battling the U.S. Courts, America's most famous married Gay couple have given up this country for a life in Europe.

Anthony Sullivan, an Australian, and his lover, American Richard Adams, left the country. The pair was married by a Colorado clergyman in 1975, but the Immigration and Naturalization Service refused to recognize the marriage. Stating that Sullivan had no grounds for permanent immigrant status, the INS ordered him to leave the country. Australia turned down a request for Adams' immigrant status a year ago, and the couple lost its last appeal in September.

"It does disappoint me that America is casting us out. I think it's contrary to the principles of this country," Sullivan said. "We could have lied and gone underground, but that's not what we want for our-

selves as individuals. Also, Richard and I share a very deep belief that you should not lie to your government."

### Gay High School Students Taunted

Three Gay women high school students in Tacoma, Washington were threatened and harassed after a student saw them show affection towards one another. The Gay women said a male student threatened to rape them and began carrying signs at school announcing "National Kill-A-Dyke Week." Effigies of the women were also displayed on school grounds with "Kill-A-Dyke" signs.

When the women reported the harassment to the school principal, he responded by giving only verbal reprimands to the students responsible. The principal also reprimanded the women for "provoking" the male students by their public displays of affection.

### Bumpers Beware

U.S. Rep. Tommy Robinson (D-AR) was reportedly considering switching parties in order to

challenge Dale Bumpers' Senate seat in 1986. The Arkansas Advisor reports that Robinson now wants to remain a Democrat to help rid the party of "homosexuals and weirdos."

"It doesn't send out a good signal when you go out there (to San Francisco for the convention) and play around with those queers," Robinson reportedly said.

### Rep. Dannemeyer Hires Anti-Gay Psychologist

Paul Cameron, an anti-Gay psychologist, who advocates quarantining homosexuals has been hired by Rep. William E. Dannemeyer as an advisor on AIDS.

Rep. Dannemeyer (R-CA) is a member of the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Health and Environment. That committee has jurisdiction over AIDS research monies.

As a result of Cameron's advice, Dannemeyer is planning to send a letter to HHS Secretary Margaret Heckler calling for a national ban on blood donations by male homosexuals. That plan has been attacked

as discriminatory and unnecessary.

Cameron was expelled from the American Psychological Association last year and has been hired by a number of groups opposing Gay rights legislation. He recently made a quarantine proposal before the Houston City Council.

### Dildo To Remain So

Residents of Gayside, a northeastern coastal city in Newfoundland want to change their name to avoid the jokes. New Name? Baytona.

By the same token, many of the residents of Dildo wanted a name change. According to McLean's "Young Dildoans find it embarrassing that dictionaries define dildo as an object serving as a substitute for the male sexual organ." Almost half of Dildo's 950 residents signed a petition to change the name, but the majority did not. Dildo remains Dildo.



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## One To Share . . .

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To many of the younger generation of Gays, having heard the stories of how unthinkably closed the closet of Gay society was 20 or 30 years ago, there is not much that the older generation or that time had to offer. Here is proof that they are wrong. Written in the '60's, One To Share is a novel that surpasses many of the writings that have come out of this generation. Simply a romance novel, it is definitely a work that will be enjoyed by young and old.

One To Share is the story of Thad Cochran, a young man living in St. Joseph, Missouri in 1849. He is looking for his future, not to mention his destiny and

himself. Through a meeting with a soon-to-be friend named "Tom," he finds that his future west in California that a major factor involved with his destiny is the group of men heading to the west coast to make their dreams getting in on the gold rush a reality.

Along the way, Thad encounters several characters who play into his life as lovers, friends, confidants, and heroes. The first of these is a spry 16-year-old named Jimmy Lucas whose parents happen to be traveling the same road on their way to Oregon. The two males experience a brief encounter which gives way to Jimmy's rose-colored view of love and romance. After Thad runs across a soldier at a fort at which he has stopped.

Dennis O'Hara brings to life all the myths of Irish romace and a love of life. Their encounter also leads to the Irishman turning to thoughts of love.

The aforementioned confidant in this piece it the mysterious and alluring Standing Wolf who, during the excursion, comes to teach Thad much about himself, love, and what it really takes to be a man. It is put beautifully in an exchange between the two men when Standing Wolf reveals: "...when you give your love without expecting anything in return, give freely; then you will be a man. It is precisely Kovar's style that makes this the Gay literary treasure that it is, along with his ability to put the reader in the picture. Not being one for romance novels, I

The hero of the story, Brandon, "Brandon" to the men he leads. Brandon plays in and out

of Thad's life on the trail and, to Thad, is everything he has ever wanted. The interplay between these two is written perfectly in that the reader is shouting "get together, you two!" through the whole book.

Through the entire writing, Kovar takes the reader through Thad's incidents in a style that makes the reader feel as if he is seeing it all first hand. You will laugh and cry with Thad; you will feel all of his feelings; and, with few exceptions, there aren't many writers who can accomplish this.

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must say that I was terribly impressed with this one; and, if there were more like this, I would be their biggest consumer.

As to the availability of the book, it might be found through friends or other second-hand means. It is unfortunate that it is not readily available as the market for it would probably be quite extensive. A letter has been sent to Greenleaf Classics, Inc., as well as a few Gay publishing houses to see if enough interest can be raised to republish the book as well as its sequel which I have been unable to locate. Hopefully, this project will be looked upon with favor as it will definitely be quite an addition to annals of Gay literature.

## Holly, Arlo, Ronnie, and Pete equal H.A.R.P.

by Charlie McMullen

The album H.A.R.P. on Redwood Records brings to light the different perspectives of folk music legends who gathered to make a live album. Recorded in 1984, the album features Pete Seeger, Ronnie Gilbert, Ar-

lo Guthrie, and Holly Near in a concert of traditional folk songs, new songs by Holly Near, and some interesting combinations of performance.

Arlo and Holly singing "Fine Time" is a study in contrasts. The pop-sounding ditty by Near evokes a fifties-rock theme and may fit better into Arlo's repertoire, but then Holly is known for her gutsy songwriting. Holly and Gilbert do an outstanding duet on a haunting combination of "What's Going On," the Marvin Gaye anti-war classic, and "Foolish Nation," the anti-war a la Holly. I first heard Near and Gilbert sing this in Kansas City two years ago and was taken aback by the energy of this vocal and song combination. Pete Seeger, former Weaver as Ronnie Gilbert, lends his standard touch with the Spanish/English "We Are The Boat." I'm sure a large screen on-stage featured the Spanish words for the audience to learn. As Seeger evokes sweet folk sentiments in the liner notes, he did the same as much to learn from the other performers as to recapture feelings of the past.

H.A.R.P. is a sort-of reunion album; Seeger and Arlo Guthrie toured together a few years a-



Holly Near, one part of H.A.R.P.

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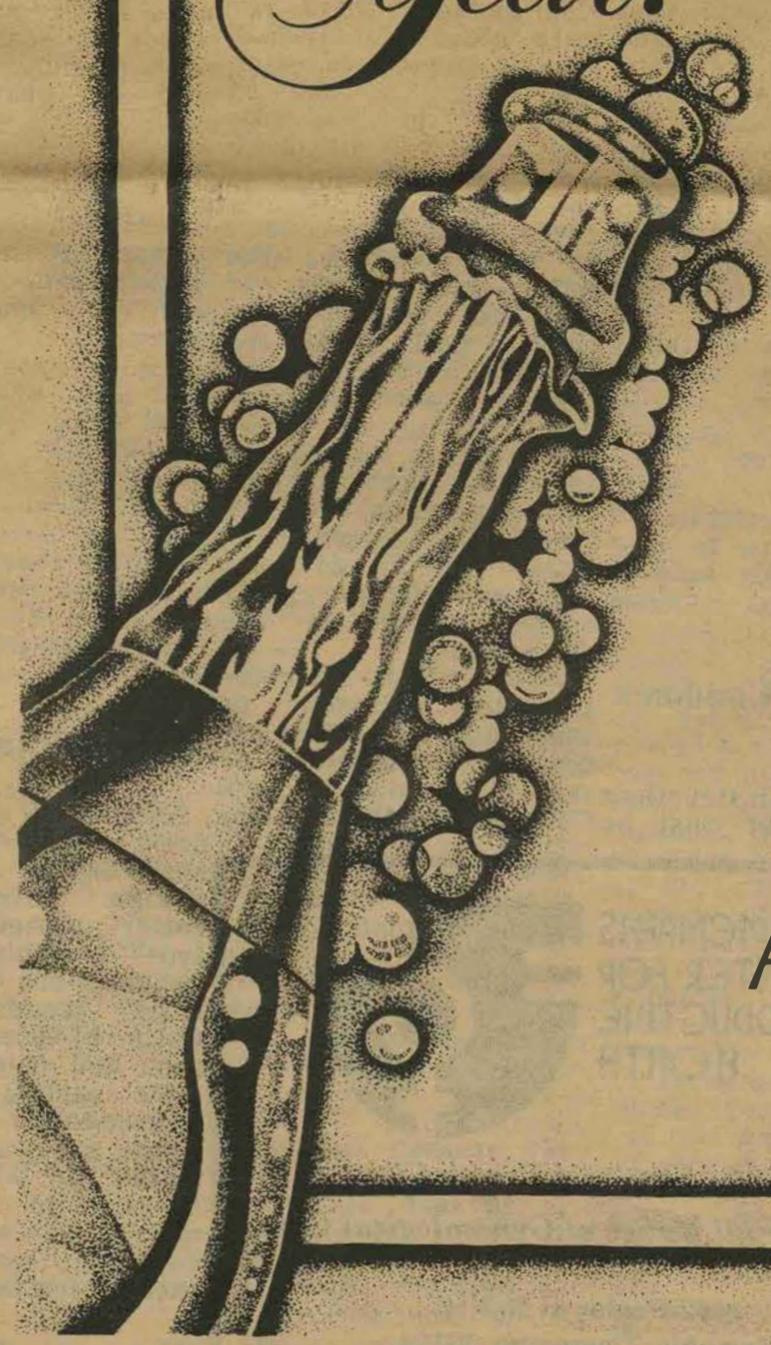
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# Health/AIDS

## Basic Condom Sense is Good Sense

For many reasons, condom use reached an all time low during the '60's and early '70's. Now, because of AIDS, rubbers have become more important than ever. Accordingly, this article provides basic information on how to use and enjoy condoms in order to help prevent AIDS transmission.

The instructions for proper condom use provided below are sized from a number of scientific articles. The article is intended as sex education -- not medical advice. Before proceeding, must stress an obvious point that is forgotten: condoms are extremely important for safeguarding your sexual health, they

are not a total solution for AIDS prevention. Obviously, the more of risk reduction we use and the healthier lives we lead, the greater chances are that we will survive the AIDS epidemic.

### Are Condoms

### Effective Against

### AIDS?

When properly used, latex condoms create a strong protective barrier. Though rubbers effectively prevent the exchange of bodily fluids, there is a question about whether they stop the AIDS virus itself. However, HTLV-III is roughly the size of herpes and other viruses which are unable to penetrate latex. Neither air nor water can pass through rubbers even though their molecules are 1,000 times smaller than the virus. Condoms also help prevent several opportunist

infections and possible co-factors associated with AIDS. For example, they stop genital transmissions of candidiasis (yeast infections), cytomegalovirus (CMV), and Epstein Barr Virus (EBV). And, of course, they also protect against herpes, gonorrhea, and syphilis.

To present a striking example of the effectiveness of condoms, a French study of 784 men who were sexual partners of women with gonorrhea found that less than 1% of the 303 men who consistently used rubbers contracted the disease. Meanwhile, 97% of the 480 men who did not use them came down with the disease. Other studies of condoms and sexually transmitted diseases show similar results.

One study found that even in some diseases which can be transmitted in several ways during sex, such as syphilis, the use of condoms tremendously reduced the rate of infection non-users suffered. We hope this is true for AIDS and herpes as well. While this is certainly encouraging news, enthusiasm for condoms should always be kept in perspective. Condom effectiveness against AIDS is not an established fact. Their use is considered possibly safe in risk reduction guidelines.

### How To Use Condoms Correctly

Condom instructions are simple but must be

followed carefully. The main reason that rubbers fail is incorrect usage. They seldom leak or break due to faulty manufacture.

\*\* Keep a convenient supply of condoms in a cool, dry place for every time use.

\*\* Do not test rubbers by inflating or stretching them (and then use them with a sex partner).

\*\* Use condoms every time you have sex, even for oral sex.

\*\* Open the package carefully. Tearing it open can damage the rubber, especially if one's nails are long or jagged.

\*\* Gently press air out of the receptacle tip before putting on the condom -- air bubbles cause the plain-ended rubbers to require about a half-inch free at the tip to catch the sperm. A dab of lubricant in the tip will solve the air problem and greatly increase sensation.

\*\* Unroll the condom so that it covers the entire erect penis. If the man is uncircumcized, pull back the foreskin before covering the head with the condom. Fitting an erect penis with a condom ensures the best fit, but if the penis is soft, sure to unroll the entire condom down to the base as the organ hardens. Eliminate any air bubbles.

\*\* Use plenty of water soluble lubricant on the outside of the condom and on the anus or vagina before entry. Cavities which are too

dry can pull condoms off and tear them as well. Oil-based lubricants like Crisco or Vaseline cause rubbers to deteriorate quickly and gum things up. \*\* Hold on to the base of the rubber when you need to so that it won't slip off. If the penis is getting soft, or if the opening is very tight, the condom may tend to slip. Certain sexual positions also tend to cause slippage. Holding on to the base of the condom will solve the problem.

\*\* After ejaculation, hold on to the condom around the base to avoid spilling the ejaculate or losing the rubber inside the partner. Withdraw gently.

\*\* Throw used rubbers away. Condoms should never be used more than once. Never go from one person to another without cleaning yourself well and changing rubbers.

### Picking the Right Condom

When looking for the "right" condom for yourself or possible sex partners, the main thing to do is experiment. Try out lots of different kinds using low risk activities such as masturbation and rubbing between thighs as test runs. Be sure to break some so that you know how much stress they can take and what it feels like when one is torn.

### Latex or Natural?

Some users prefer condoms made from the appendix of sheep even though latex offers better protection. Both types are highly impermeable, but the animal fiber condoms have walls of unequal thickness and thus may leak more easily. They are recommended for those who are allergic to rubber or who have an aversion to latex. They may also work better for those who are hung extra thick and/or long.

### Wet or Dry?

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do unlubricated ones. standards. They also give a moist, natural sexual feeling to the skin in contrast to the dry powdered ones. This creates enhanced sensation for the wearer.

Rubbers are lubricated with gels or silicone based products. Gels heat and coat the rubber unevenly inside the package while silicone products lubricate all parts of the condom equally. The silicone coating is less goeey when you open the package. Also, the thorough wetness means that they are less likely to break from grabbing on dry spots during use.

Some condoms are lubricated with Nonoxynol-9, a substance which kills AIDS virus in test tube studies. These are advertised as spermicidal lubricant. Important considerations in choosing such condoms are:

(a) they may provide local protection against AIDS in case the condom breaks, leaks, or spills; however, (b) Nonoxynol-9 condoms have only been tested for vaginal intercourse. Accordingly, some using them for anal intercourse may wish to wipe off the outside so as to have protection on the inside of the rubber without subjecting it upon anal tissue; and, (c) Some people find Nonoxynol-9 mildly irritating. It should be tried first using low risk activities before taking a chance on becoming chapped and creating a possible route for infection. The problem is usually solved by simply changing spermicidal brands.

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(e) they are too drunk or high on drugs to care, remember, or even to be able to put their rubbers on.

Don't let this happen to you. When you're going to use penetration during sex, be prepared, willing, and able to use condoms.

The second most important reason condoms don't prevent disease is that they break or leak. An occasional rubber is poorly manufactured. Many fail because they are old, or have been exposed to heat or extreme cold. But the most common reasons are rough treatment and oil based lubricants.

Never use oil based lubricants on condoms. They gum up rubbers, required by federal make them brittle, and

### What About Different Shapes?

Condoms with receptacle tips are recommended over rounded ends, but both are OK.

Ribbed condoms have little nubbies on the outside which provide added sensation to the person receiving. Some people like this; others don't. Try switching from ribbed to unribbed if your partner has had

### When Rubbers Don't Work And What To Do About It

The major reason condoms fail to prevent disease is that people only use them part of the time. Wear them every time! Researchers state that the most common reasons people give for not wearing rubbers are:

(a) they think a partner is not infected; (b) they don't think rubbers really work; (c) they forget to carry them;

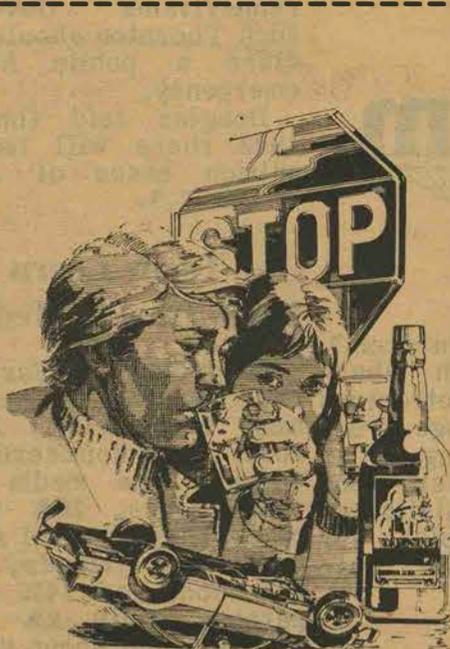
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cause them to dissolve quickly. If you masturbate hard, stretch the receptacle tip or twang it on the tip of the urethra, be sure to put on a new rubber before penetration. Even if the rubber seems OK, you may have weakened it.

If a rubber breaks during intercourse, withdraw, urinate or defecate, and clean up well. If sperm has escaped into the vagina or intestines, consider immediately inserting a spermicide with 5% or more of Nonoxynol-9.

Rubbers only cover the penis and therefore only protect the organ and what it touches. Unfortunately, this is not enough protection against AIDS (or herpes or syphilis) since infected body fluids which can get into cuts, abrasions, ingrown hairs, pimples, bleeding gums, or other broken skin may spread the disease. Be sure to check out yourself and your partner to avoid unnecessary risks.

Consider placing band-aids over small problem areas for protection and to serve as a gentle reminder during sex. If you have broken skin on your hand, try latex or vinyl examination gloves. They are cheap and sold at most drug stores. In addition to giving protection, they are great for anal play because they cause less friction than bare hands and help keep nails from

scratching or pinching intestine walls. They also keep the hands clean so that after the gloves are removed, a person doesn't spread amoebas, AIDS virus, or other pathogens around during the rest of sex. Ordinary 3% hydrogen peroxide that you can buy from the drug store kills AIDS virus on contact when diluted with 3 parts water to 1 part peroxide. It is a good thing to have around for cleaning up after sex. For a gargle before and after kissing or oral sex, a 3 to 1 solution is recommended.

is considerable variety in the taste and smell of condom lubricants, so pick what turns you on. Though most colored condoms are fine, a few have unsuitable dyes and may run. Pastel colors are better than the most vivid blues.

### Learning to Enjoy Condoms

First, experiment all you want. If you're clumsy, don't sweat it. If you make a mess, open another one and try again. If the going is easy, that's fine too. Keep several types and sizes around so that you and your partners will have a choice.

Now that you know some of the basics, don't stop here. Ask around and try out some of the ideas that are interesting to you.

[Written by Clark L. Taylor, Ph.D., Ed.D. Reprinted from The Baltimore Gay Paper.]





# Spectrum

## Jewish Group "Excommunicates" Koch

Two days before the recent New York elections, an ultra-right Jewish group "excommunicated" Mayor Ed Koch because of his support for Gay rights. According to

*The Weekly News*, the mayor said the group, Jews for Morality, should be "ashamed of themselves."

Rabbi Issac Levy, JFM's leader, defended the action saying the action was taken for Koch's "unequivocal support for homosexuals." He denounced Koch for not shutting down bathhouses, for speaking at a Gay synagogue, and for marching in last year's Gay Pride Parade.

"The excommunication is based primarily on the mayor's zealous support of the homosexual cause and its harmful effects on the public,

primarily children." TWN said, Koch characterized his detractors as a "small fringe group who are engaging in an exploitation of very sensitive and sophisticated religious principles for vulgar political purposes."

## Don't Touch!

Steven Douglas, who is running for Pennsylvania governor on the Lyndon LaRouche party ticket, says he won't shake hands with well-wishers because of his fear of contracting AIDS.

The *News Journal* reports that Douglas said, "AIDS is the leading issue for all politicians this year, next year, and in the presidential election." He does not believe health officials who say that AIDS is not transmitted by casual contact. Douglas also does not dine out for fear of contracting the disease and believes

Pennsylvania Governor Dick Thornton should declare a public health emergency.

Douglas said that by 1992 there will be 192 million cases of AIDS in the U.S.

## Gay Teens Learn From Books, Media

According to *Sex and the American Teenager*, most teens (35%) learn about homosexuality through the media and from books. 26% indicated they learned about it through friends, 22% in school and 14% from parents. Only 2% said they learned about homosexuality from their siblings and 1% from a sex partner. So much for the recruiting argument.

## Gay Anti-Defamation League Organized

In response to various media attacks, primarily in the *New York Post*, a new organization -- The Gay and Lesbian Anti-Defamation League -- has been formed. Its founding statement proclaims that its purpose is "to speak out forcefully when our civil liberties are attacked." The first GLAD League meeting was held on

Nov. 14 in Manhattan and featured Jewelle Gomez, Andy Humm, and Vito Russo. The event itself was given extensive media coverage.

## Gay Duo Refused Record Contract

Romanovsky and Phillips, a Gay singing duo which had toured the Tennessee and Arkansas areas, have been rebuffed by a record company who "doesn't want to promote the Gay lifestyle." Master Track executives said they listened to the album before they made their decision.

R&P's attorney, Jon Kouba, wrote a letter to Master Track president Don Ellis: "My clients think you ought to abandon your irrational and discriminatory conduct, or at least be open and honest about your homophobic policy to all peo-

ple with whom you deal who are Gay. Romanovsky and Phillips currently record on "Fresh Fruit Records" and have recently completed an album entitled *I Thought You'd Be Taller* which has already sold 3,000 copies.

## Priests Jailed for Kid-Sex

Two priests received stiff jail terms for having sex with underage boys in two separate cases.

Judge John Orton of the state Superior Court in Providence sentenced Rev. Paul Leech to 3 years in prison for having sex with four teen-aged boys.

In Lafayette, La., Gilbert Gauthier, a former priest, was sentenced to 20 years of hard labor after pleading guilty to charges of pornography involving children and other sex-related char-

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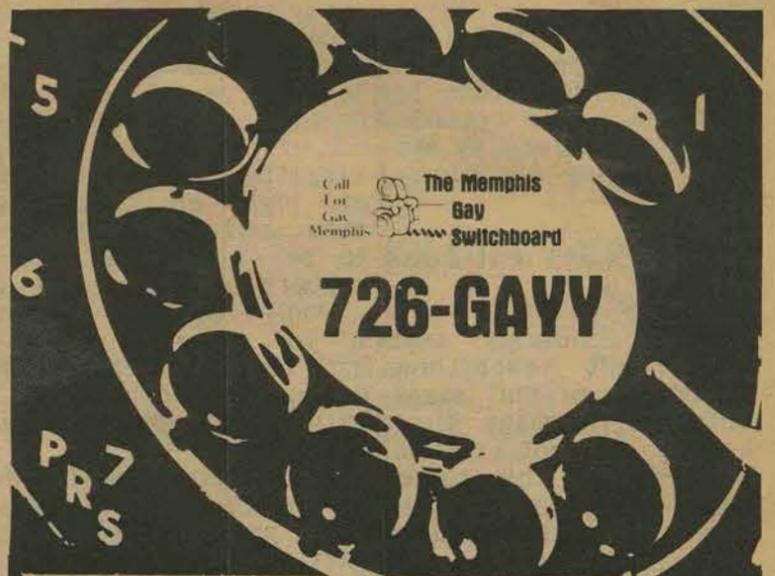
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ges. In his deposition, Gauthe said he engaged in sodomy with both boys and girls in his small town parish. The Catholic Church has paid more than \$5 million in settlements with parents.

### SAG Designs Protections for Gay Men & Leading Ladies

Los Angeles -- Actors must be told before they are hired if they will be required to perform "open mouth" kissing scenes that could possibly transmit AIDS, according to the Screen Actors Guild.

The 58,000 member group adopted a policy which requires producers to notify performers of any scene calling for intimate contact before it is filmed. If the actor does not get the notice, he or she can refuse to perform the scene without retribution, reports *The Weekly News*.

According to Carol Akiyama, executive for the Alliance of Motion Picture and television Producers, SAG does not have any medical or legal basis for the policy. "What we're saying is that, based on the medical evidence we've seen, open-mouth kissing does not constitute hazardous work that requires advance notice under the hazardous work provision of SAG's contract."

But Dean Santoro, SAG VP, said the policy was designed to prevent discrimination against Gay performers while allowing actors and actresses to work free from the worries of contracting AIDS.

### Gay Band Members To Gather in Denver

Denver -- 60 Gay men and women representing 15 cities met in Denver for the 7th annual conference of Lesbian and Gay Bands of America. Hosted by the Mile High Freedom Band of Denver, the event featured workshops, a meeting, and a concert at a local club. At the meeting, the board of directors voted to make a donation to the restoration of the Statue of Liberty in the LGBA's name. They also announced being invited to

be featured entertainment at Gay Games II opening ceremonies, slated for Aug. 9 in San Francisco.

For more information about this group, write: LGBA, P.O. Box 57099, Washington, D.C. 20037.

### Grant Awarded to Study Gay Voting Patterns

Washington -- A national study of Gay voting patterns has become a reality according to *The New York Native*. The Voter Research Foundation has been awarded a \$5000 grant by the Chicago Resource Center. It will seek to establish whether Gays can be reasonably identified for statistical purposes through attitudinal measures rather than self-proclamation.

Lynn Mattingly, chair of the VRF, said the grant is the initial first step toward educating politicians in both parties.

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# Religion

## The Problem of New Year's Resolutions

by Rev. Steven Quesnel

As we begin to look at a New Year, I have been reflecting on the problem of New Year's Resolutions. I don't know about you, but I have trouble keeping them. That may be because they usually bear with them some negativity or indefiniteness: "I'm going to stop smoking; drinking, going out so much, etc." They may carry some promise for positive action; but our mind-sets do not allow us to see, clearly and definitely, the exact nature of the action. There is no decisiveness, no date set to begin, no well-defined goal, no reward (no

punishment). They seem to carry, or suggest, a lack of responsibility (the state or quality of being responsible or a thing or person that one is answerable to: a burden, a duty, or obligation).

The above reflections caused me to look up responsible in my American Heritage Dictionary: 1) Legally or ethically accountable for the care or welfare of another; 2) Involving personal accountability or ability to act without guidance or superior authority; 3) Being the source or cause of something; 4) Capable of making moral or rational decisions on one's own, and therefore, answerable for one's

upon; 6) Based upon or characterized by good judgement or sound thinking. Responsibility lacks the implication of a single instance or constraint; it stresses that for which one is accountable.

The type of responsibility of which I'm speaking is one that concerns the self -- that part of us made in God's image. Throughout the Bible, from the Decalogue in Exodus 20, to Jesus' commandments in the Gospels (Matthew 22: 34-40, Matthew 25, Mark 12: 28-32, Luke 10: 25-28, John 15: 12-17), the responsibility for our actions, or lack of them, is placed squarely upon us. It is our duty to do these things, or not do them. We have a choice to obey or not; but disobedience leaves us with the responsibility for the consequences of our own actions and behavior.

In Reality Therapy, Dr. William Glasser talks about two kinds of behavior: 1) Responsible Behavior: that undertaken to meet one's

needs, without interfering with others' meeting their needs. 2) Irresponsible Behavior: that undertaken to: a) not meet one's needs, or, b) to meet one's needs, while interfering with others meeting theirs. Responsible behavior is the only approved behavior and leads to mental, emotional, and physical well-being (I would add spiritual health to that). Glasser goes on to say that irresponsible behavior leads to ill-being in these areas, and that people who behave irresponsibly must suffer the consequences of that behavior. He puts the onus squarely upon the individual to behave in either manner, but the individual is responsible, accountable for the results of the behavior.

Reality Therapy depends upon making the client know the difference in behaviors and attempting to produce responsible behavior as a replacement for irresponsible.

It has been my experience that, when we behave in a manner that

Glasser calls irresponsible, we end up paying a high price in terms of self-esteem, contentment, and interpersonal relationships. We all need to realize that our actions (behavior) are the basis on which we are judged. It is not our inner persons that are seen, only the outward actions. Most people have not learned to separate them from our persons--and that leads to the problems. Think for a moment about your dislike of someone -- actions, words, dress -- all are behavior, externals, behavior. We have a dual responsibility (to ourselves, if not to others): to separate behavior from people and to behave in a manner that reflects our innermost being. We

have all heard: "Your actions speak so loud, I can't hear your words." We have all suffered from being misunderstood because of something that we did. We all know the pain that that causes. We have the responsibility to adapt our behavior so

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The idea to present a photo essay on safe sex was enthusiastically received by Ralph Paul Gernhardt and Dan Di Leo, publishers of *Gay Chicago Magazine*. The calendar photos can be described as erotic; sensual; artistic; and, hopefully, educational.

All of Glenn's time and talent; plus that of the models; along with the typesetting, graphic design, and layout have been donated to turn this project into a reality.

All proceeds from the sale of the calendars will be donated to Chicago's Howard Brown Memorial Clinic (HBMC)



Glenn Mansfield, a model himself, photographed the erotic Safe Sex Calendar.

and its AIDS Action Project. HBMC, the largest Gay clinic in the nation, is a national leader in education, treatment, and research of sexually transmitted diseases.

Mansfield said, "I don't give up easily. I

"Safe sex not only can be great sex, it also is our best line of defense. We can still play - just play safe."

"My attempt in this photo essay on safe sex is to try to offer a good balance between education, eroticism, and artistry. I want to be honest about the subject, and I hope that no one is offended by this honesty."

"I approach this project with the philosophy that safe sex is not so much about what we have to give up in our sexual behavior; but rather how erotic, sensual, and sexy the touching, holding, and body rubbing of safe sex can be."

The 1986 "Safe Sex Calendar" is available by mail order from *Gay Chicago Magazine*, 1527 N. Wells St., Chicago, IL 60610. Cost of the calendar is \$8.00 plus \$1.25 for first class postage and handling for each calendar ordered.

The calendars will be mailed in a plain brown envelope with a return address of Ultra Ink, Inc. Allow 7 days for shipping. Quantity discounts are available to  
Clean Sex is Great Sex... Sharing a shower!" -- July in Glenn Mansfield's Safe Sex Calendar.



## Doing America With Bob Damron - Phoenix, Arizona

In ancient Egyptian mythology, the phoenix was a fabulous, large, almost immortal bird, connected with the worship of the sun. I cannot, of course, vouch for its immortality; but Phoenix, Arizona, is a large fabulous city - and a haven for sun-worshippers. With a population of over three quarters of a million, this is one of the liveliest state capitals in America.

The Connection at 4211 N. 7th St. and Trax at 1724 E. McDowell Road started out as leather bars; but over the years both have become discos with a macho, cruisy crowd. Hotbods at 3427 East McDowell is the big disco catering to a younger and more unisex clientele. The new Farrah's at 4158 Grand Ave. is trying for the same, while the Incognito at 2424 E. Thomas Road is most popular with women. Charlie's, in their new location at 727 W. Camelback, is packed with humpy-looking cowboy types who are into square dancing or country and western music.

Phoenix has several bike clubs and most of the guys hang out at the Apollo at 5749 N. 7th St. or the Ramrod at 395 N. Black Canyon Road - which features a 'hot' Sunday afternoon beer bust. The NuTowne Saloon at 5002 East VanBuren is a long time favorite and gets a number of students from nearby A.S.U. in Tempe, while the Phoenix Power & Supply Company at 1810 E. McDowell is looking better all the time - and packs them in with their shows on Sundays. The Cattlemens Exchange and Little Jim's get a more mature bunch of guys, while many hustlers are found at Cruisin Central. Stixx is picking up, and Shamoos features shows on weekends. The New Moon and Rag's are primarily for women.

For Gay dining, the best restaurants are D.W.'s at Taylor's,

rated adult establishment. For years I have stayed at Newton's Motor Inn, not Gay, but as centrally located as possible in this sprawling city. Wheels are necessary in Phoenix, and don't forget the bars close at 1:00 a.m. For books try Barney's, Zorba's in Scottsdale, or the cruisy Castle Adult Books. Pick up a copy of the Western Express, the top local publication for news of current events, openings, and closings. Copies are available free at all of the clubs.

If you are visiting for the first time, you may want to see the Arizona Museum, Campus of Arizona State University in Tempe; Desert Botanical Gardens; Heard Museum, Mormon Temple in Mesa; Phoenix Zoo; and Book Stores - an x-

Mixed places to stay are the Royal Villa Motel and Erotica Motel and Book Stores - an x-



State Capitol; very-wealthy Scottsdale; and nearby Taliesin West, the former home (now architectural school) of Frank Lloyd Wright. En-canto, Papago, and other parks can be cruisy but are extremely dangerous. Annual events include the World's Champion Rodeo of Rodeos, National Livestock Show, Phoenix Open Golf Tournament, Arizona State Fair, and dog racing at Greyhound Park. For music lovers, there are the Phoenix Symphony Orchestra and the Arizona Opera. Of special interest is the 40-piece Gay band known as the Desert Overture, which performs here and in other southwestern cities.

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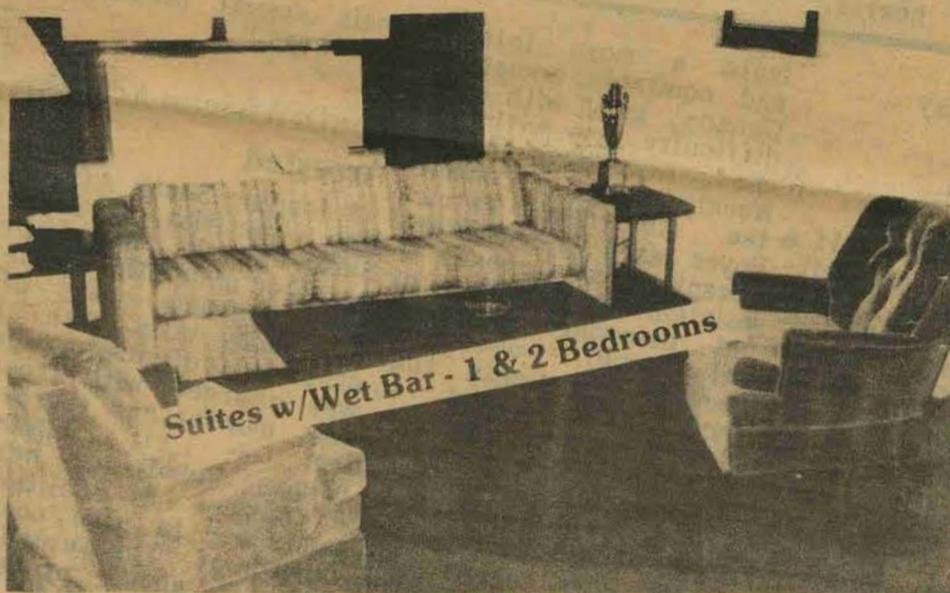
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but don't discount the stantly expanding. It is vigorous, informal, sophisticated, casual, cosmopolitan, and very western - all at the same time. The residents (mostly from somewhere '86 -- America's fore-else) are fun, friendly and sexy. The sun shines practically every day

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stores throughout America. Or send \$14.00 for your copy (which includes postage and handling) to BOB DAMRON ENTERPRISES, INC., P.O. Box 14-077, San Francisco, CA 94114. Also available is the SPARTACUS, International Gay Guide at \$25.00.

### New Year's Resolutions

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that it does not appear to be irresponsible. Our relationships with each other are governed by the constraints laid down by the precepts laid down by Jesus and the Commandments of the Old Testament. We cannot escape them, nor our responsibility to act in accordance with hearts that are ruled by them. More importantly, our relationship with God is governed by the same consideration -- with the added provision that God knows what is in our hearts.

We have had this responsibility placed upon us by a Power Greater than ourselves to conform our hearts, minds, souls, and bodies to a transcendent law that says we have the responsibility to be loving, non-judgemental, caring, in all we do and say. That responsibility is accompanied by the accountability for failing to be responsible in all we do. I think that this includes the making of New Year's resolutions -- if we frame them so

that we reflect the hearts that we are bade to have and accept the responsibility for keeping them we can, perhaps, make resolutions that have real meaning in our lives, real meaning for others, and real meaning for God. Let us make positive resolutions, a decision that we have the responsibility to carry them out, and commit ourselves to being and doing those things that reflect God's image in us.

### Canadians May Outlaw Gay Discrimination

Ottawa, Canada -- If a Parliamentary committee has its way, Canada may soon end discrimination against women and openly Gay men in the military and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). Prime Minister Brian Mulroney has promised a quick answer and said, "I am against any kind of discrimination whatsoever. We are trying to

build a more tolerant and equitable society in Canada, and, with great difficulty, we will succeed. According to *The Weekly News*, Committee Chairman Patrick Boyer said the military doesn't have a reason to maintain a hardline of not allowing homosexuals and women in combat. Arguments that Gays are subject to blackmail and have to serve in close proximity to other soldiers were based on a stereotypical view of Gays "that assumes them to be dangerous people imposing

their sexual preference on others."

### South African Activist Arrested

A leading South African Gay activist, Tseko Simon Nokoli, has been arrested under the apartheid regime's state of emergency laws. With 21 other co-defendants, he was charged with treason, murder, and terrorism -- all capital crimes. Nokoli has held a number of political posts, but is also coordinator of "The Saturday Group," aimed primarily at Black Gays in Soweto and responsible for arranging meetings of white and non-white Gays in bars and discos in Soweto.

# Classifieds

RATES FOR CLASSIFIEDS: Personal, non-commercial ads FREE. Limit of 30 words (including address or phone number) and a \$2 charge for use of our P.O. Box. Commercial ads at the rate of 20¢ per word. \$3 minimum. Phone numbers and zip codes are free. \$2 additional charge for use of our P.O. Box. Deadline for ads is 5 days prior to the publication date which is usually the last Friday of the month. Send to *Gaze*, Box 3038, Memphis, TN 38173-0038.

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EAST TENN ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLES (ETAL) has recently formed as a support, educational, and social organization for Gay, Lesbian, and bisexual people in the Tri Cities, TN and surrounding areas. Activities of the organization include discussion groups, lectures, films, AIDS outreach, public education, and social events. Meetings are held weekly and are open to all interested persons. For information call (615) 753-6237 or write ETAL, Box 23063, Johnson City, TN 37614.

BIBLICAL CHRISTIAN & LESBIAN/GAY? YES! For positive support and helpful literature contact EOM (Evangelical Outreach Ministries), Box 7882, Atlanta, GA 30357 - (404) 261-5710. What does the Memphis Gay Coalition do for you? It prints this paper for one thing. Support MGC. Meetings at Peabody & McLean Library October 7th and 21st, 7:30 PM, Meeting Room A.

GANYMEDE - Computer Bulletin Board, 300 Baud, Free, Available 24 hrs, 278-0167, Password Ganymede.

FREE GAY VISITORS GUIDEBOOK TO NEW ORLEANS and the Gulf Coast. 98 pages, maps, photos. A \$3.95 value available from Gay Tourist Council. Send \$1.10 in US Postage stamps ONLY to: Impact, PO Box 52079, New Orleans LA 70152.

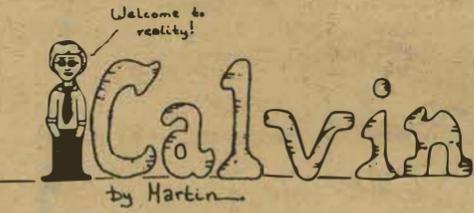
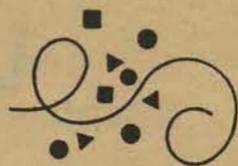
WF, 20'S HAS SMALL TOWN BLUES. Seeks companionship of discreet, femme, 20-45 in Middle or West Tenn. Photo/reply to PO Box 855 Savannah, TN 38372. Discretion guaranteed.

GAY WHITE FEMALE VERY LOVING AND CARING age 20 looking for Lesbian 18-25 for an old fashioned relationship. Please write to Boxholder, PO Box 279, Byhalia, MS 38611.

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PHOENIX - GAY AA - see listing in Information and Services Directory.

WM, 20'S, SEEKS FRIENDSHIP and possible relationship with same, 18-30 (in West Tenn). Photo/Reply to: Gene Rt 1, Box 275, Selmer, TN 38375.



# Information and Services

## MEMPHIS

### ORGANIZATIONS

A Cappella Chorus: (Church of Christ) Box 11616, Memphis 38111.  
 Aid To End AIDS Committee (ATEAC): Box 40389, Memphis 38174-0389.  
 American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU): 85 Union Ave., Memphis 38103 - (901) 521-9875.  
 Black and White Men Together: Box 41773, Memphis 38104 - 272-3705, 278-7092, or 726-1461.  
 Frontrunners of Memphis: Box 40311, Memphis 38174-0311.  
 GALA: Students for Gay and Lesbian Awareness - Room 425, University Center, Memphis State Univ., Memphis 38152.  
 Memphis Center for Reproductive Health: 1462 Poplar Ave, Memphis 38104 - 274-3550.  
 Memphis Gay Coalition: Box 3038, Memphis 38173-0038 - 726-GAYY.  
 Metropolitan Community Church of the Living Hope: Box 241592, Memphis 38124-1592 - 458-8121.  
 Mystic Krewe of Aphrodite: Box 41822, Memphis 38174-1822.  
 National Organization for Women (NOW): Box 40982, Memphis 38104.  
 Phoenix (Gay AA): 454-6048.  
 The Queen's Men: Box 3223, Memphis 38173.  
 Tsarus: Box 41082, Memphis 38174-1082.  
 Wings: Box 41784, Memphis 38174-1784.

### MEDIA

Ganymede: Computer Bulletin Board, 300 Baud, Free, Available 24 hrs, 278-0167, Password-Ganymede.  
 Gaze: newspaper - Box 3038, Memphis 38173-0038 - (901) 454-1411.  
 Lambda Televideo: TV, periodic programs, Views From 10%, Memphis Cable channel 7 - Box 3038, Memphis 38173-0038.

### HELPLINES

AIDS Switchboard: 726-4299.  
 Gay Switchboard: 726-CAYY.  
 Narcotics Anonymous: 276-LIVE.  
 Rape Crisis: 528-2161.  
 Suicide and Crisis Intervention: 274-7477.

## RESTAURANTS/BARS

The Alternative: 598 Marshall - 526-1038.  
 The Apartment: 343 Madison - 525-9491.  
 Backstreet: 94 N Avalon (Downstairs) - 278-9324.  
 The Eighth Day: 1382 Poplar - 725-9877.  
 George's: 600 Marshall - 526-1038.  
 J-Wags: 1268 Madison Ave - 726-9011.  
 Jackie's: 1474 Madison Ave. - 272-1104.  
 The Pendulum: 92 N Avalon (Upstairs) - 725-1530.  
 P.W. Bumps: 238 N Cleveland - 726-9953.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Advocate Book Center: 3460 Airways, - 345-1751.  
 Airport Adult Theatre: 2214 Brooks Rd E - 345-0657.  
 Aladdin's Ladds: 278-9999.  
 Book Cottage (Overton Square): 2113 Madison Ave - 726-5857.  
 The Book Mart: 852 S Cooper - 278-9546.  
 Cherokee Adult Bookstore: 2947 Lamar - 744-7494.  
 Club South: 628 Madison - (901) 525-2582 - CBC affiliated.  
 Encore Cards and Gifts: 1266 Madison Ave - 722-8963.  
 Fantasy World: 1814 Winchester - 346-2086.  
 Georgetown Inn: 628-630 Madison Ave - Reservations (901) 525-0725.  
 Getwell Book Mart: 1275 Getwell - 454-7765.  
 Getwell Adult Book Store: 1617 Getwell - 745-9054.  
 Leather Limited Memphis: 1474 Madison Ave. (located in Jackie's) - 272-1104.  
 Men of Leather: 1268 Madison (located in J-Wags) - 722-8963.  
 Mid-Town Adult Theatre: 1360 Poplar - 725-4306.  
 Paris Adult Entertainment Center: 2432 Summer - 323-2665.  
 Parkview Centers: 3340 Poplar, Suite G-107 - 327-4625.  
 Tobacco Corner Newsroom: 669 Mendenhall Rd S - 682-3326 & 1803 Union Ave. - 726-1622.  
 Veteran's Cab Co: 525-6681.

## NASHVILLE

### ORGANIZATIONS

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU): Box 120160, Nashville 37212.  
 Conductors: Box 40261, Nashville 37212.  
 Lifestyle Health Services: 1729 Church St, Nashville 37203 - (615) 329-1478.  
 Metropolitan Community Church: 131 15th Ave N, Nashville 37202 - (615) 320-0288.  
 Nashville C.A.R.E.S.: PO Box 25107, Nashville, 37202-5107 - (615) 320-0288.  
 Tennessee Gay Coalition for Human Rights: Box 24181, Nashville 37202.  
 Womankind Health Service: 1727 Church St, Nashville 37203 - (615) 329-1478.

### RESTAURANTS/BARS

B. Palola's: 1812 Hayes St - (615) 320-0713.  
 Cabaret: 1711 Hayes St - (615) 320-7082.  
 The Chute: 2535 Franklin Rd - (615) 297-4571.  
 The Jungle: 300 Fourth Ave S - (615) 256-9411.  
 Our Place: 2950 Nolensville Rd - (615) 833-2219.  
 Warehouse 28: 2529 Franklin Rd - (615) 385-9689.  
 World's End: 1713 Church St. - (615) 329-3480

### MISCELLANEOUS

Contemporary Classics: 2104 Eastwood Ave - (615) 292-1958.  
 The General Store: 2535 Franklin (located in the Chute) - (615) 297-4571.

## CHATTANOOGA

### RESTAURANTS/BARS

Alan Gold's: 1100 McCallie - (615) 629-8080.  
 Go Go: 1077 Duncan Ave - (615) 698-1023.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Parkview: 8614 Harrison Bay, Harrison, TN 37341 - TN 1-800-821-2914 - Outside TN 1-800-233-3737.  
 Riverside Adult: 1009 Riverside Dr - (615) 622-9335.  
 Startime Video: 6309 East Brainerd Rd - (615) 899-9714.

## JOHNSON CITY

### ORGANIZATIONS

East TN Alternative Lifestyles (ETAL) - Box 23063, Johnson City, TN 37614 - (615) 753-6237.

### RESTAURANTS/BARS

The Connection: 429 W Walnut - (615) 928-9925.

## KNOXVILLE

### ORGANIZATIONS

aids response Knoxville: Box 2343, Knoxville 37901 - (615) 521-6546 7 PM-11 PM.  
 Dignity/Knoxville: Box 9451, Knoxville 37920 - (615) 577-3772.  
 Knoxville's 10%: Box 9816, Knoxville 37940.  
 Metropolitan Community Church: 3219 Kingston Pike, Box 2343, Knoxville 37917 - (615) 521-6546.  
 RESTAURANTS/BARS  
 Circle J: 310 Church Ave - (615) 522-9312.  
 Peppertree (Badlands): 317 N Gay - (615) 525-5647.  
 Carousel II: 1501 White - (615) 522-6966.

## JACKSON, MS

### ORGANIZATIONS

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU): 528 North State St, Jackson MS 39205-2242 - (601) 355-6464.  
 Gay Switchboard: (601) 353-7611.  
 Integrity/Mississippi: 236 1/2 W Capitol (upstairs), Jackson MS 39216 - (601) 353-7611.  
 Lambda Group (Gay AA): 236 1/2 W Capitol (upstairs) c/o Box 8342, Jackson MS 39204.  
 Metropolitan Community Church: 236 1/2 W Capitol (upstairs) - Box 8342, Jackson MS 39204 - (601) 353-7611.  
 Mississippi Gay Alliance: 236 1/2 W Capitol (upstairs), Box 8342, Jackson MS 39204 - (601) 353-7611.  
 Mississippi Gay/Lesbian Democratic Party Caucus: 236 1/2 W Capitol (upstairs), Box 8342, Jackson MS 39205 - (601) 353-7611.

### MEDIA

This Month In Mississippi: newspaper - 236 1/2 W Capitol (upstairs), Box 8342, Jackson MS 39205 - (601) 353-7611.  
 RESTAURANTS/BARS  
 Bill's Disco and Show Bar: 200 W Amite - (601) 969-9765.  
 Cha Cha's: bar - 236 W Capitol - (601) 352-9728.  
 Jack's Saloon: 208 W Capitol - (601) 354-9588.  
 Jill's: 208 W Capitol - (601) 354-9588.  
 Zan's: bar - 944 Robinson

## LITTLE ROCK

### ORGANIZATIONS

ACLU of Arkansas: Box 2832, Little Rock AR 72203.  
 Arkansas Gay Rights: Box 3115, Little Rock AR 72203.  
 Crisis Center: 664-8834 (Toll free 1-800-482-8886).  
 Gay Counseling Service: 409 Walnut, Little Rock AR 72205 - (501) 663-6455.  
 Grassroots Women's House: 1524 South Summit, Little Rock AR - (501) 378-7851.  
 Great Men/BWMT: Box 3123, Little Rock AR 72203 - (501) 374-3217.  
 Metropolitan Community Church: Box 1964, Little Rock AR 72203 - (501) 666-2404.  
 National Organization for Women (NOW): Box 662, Little Rock AR 72203.  
 Parents and Friends of Gays: Box 1839, Batesville AR 72501.  
 MEDIA  
 Arkansas Advisor: newspaper - Universal Publishers, Box 4397, Little Rock AR 72214 - (501) 225-1300.  
 RESTAURANTS/BARS  
 The Branding Iron Saloon: 1701 University - (501) 663-8682.  
 Calamity's: 5922 S University - (501) 562-9041.  
 Discovery II: 1021 Jessie rd - (501) 664-4784.  
 Preston's: 5618 Asher Ave - (501) 562-7531.  
 Silver Dollar Bar: 2710 Asher Ave - (501) 663-9886.  
 MISCELLANEOUS  
 4-Star Video: 5300 Base-line Rd - (501) 562-4762.  
 University Adult Arcade: 6316 Asher Ave - (501) 568-2952.

## CLARKSVILLE

### ORGANIZATIONS

Clarksville Chapter TGCHR: Phone (615) 645-7118 For Information.  
 RESTAURANTS/BARS  
 The Office: 130 Franklin St - (615) 645-1157.  
 Raspberries: 125 Legion St.

## SEWANEE, TN

### MISCELLANEOUS

Boxwood Cottage: Bed & Breakfast "in our home" - (615) 598-5912. Zip 37375.



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