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Judge Rules in Favor of Surviving Lover of PWA

According to the *Montrose Voice*, Judge Pat Gregory ordered the Warren family to sell a portion of their large Harris County ranch to comply with the terms of a will left by William Warren II leaving a portion of the estate to his lover of 17 years, John Albright.

One of 13 heirs to the Warren estate, William II died in 1986 of AIDS complications. In his will, he left his lover, John Albright, \$100,000 in cash and the interest on one third of William Warren's estate. The will stipulates that the distribution not create a hardship on the estate and that Albright must be alive to receive the money.

According to Ralph Midkiff, the attorney for the two surviving brothers, "It is an inopportune time to sell to obtain the true value of the estate," the *Montrose Voice* reported. The family claims that due to depressed real estate values, the sale would create a hardship.

Albright went to court claiming the brothers are waiting for him to die so they won't have to pay off. He is currently under treatment at the VA Hospital in Memphis, for complications from AIDS. He is virtually penniless and needs the settlement. Albright was heartened by the judge's decision requiring the family to sell approximately 350 acres of the 7000 acre ranch. The total ranch is appraised at between \$11 and \$35 million. The settlement will be between \$500,000 and \$1 million.

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Kowalski Secure, National Committee Closes Down

"Everything is set in place for a secure future for Sharon," said Tacie Dejankius, co-chair of the National Committee to Free Sharon Kowalski. "With Sharon's move, we have substantially completed the agenda around which we organized in 1987. Sharon is getting good rehabilitation; she has contact with Karen Thompson and her other friends; she has returned to the Minneapolis area, where she had made her home; we've promoted the book Karen wrote with Julie Andrzejewski, *Why Can't Sharon Kowalski Come Home?*, to get the facts of the case out to the public; and, as a bonus, Donald Kowalski will be replaced as guardian. "We're proud of what we've accom-

plished."

On June 12th, Sharon Kowalski moved to Trevilla of Robbinsdale, an extended care facility near Minneapolis, that provides rehabilitation and transition to less structured care for brain-injured persons. The move is the first step in the rehabilitation plan recommended by Kowalski's therapists at the Miller-Dwan Medical Center in Duluth, as reported to St. Louis County District Court Judge Robert V. Campbell. Meanwhile, Kowalski's father, Donald Kowalski, has requested that he be removed as her guardian.

Kowalski, 32, had been moved to Miller-Dwan by Campbell's order in January for

a period of rehabilitation and further evaluation. Prior to that time, she had been kept since 1985 in a nursing home in Hibbing by Donald Kowalski. While there she received little rehabilitation and was prevented from seeing any visitors not approved by her father. Although he became her guardian in 1984, following her 1983 auto accident, only in September 1988 did she receive full competency tests, which are required at least annually by Minnesota guardianship law.

Kowalski's tests and the subsequent beginning of her rehabilitative care were ordered by Campbell after a motion for Kowalski's restoration to capacity was filed by attorneys for

Karen Thompson. Thompson, Karen's partner, has been pursuing legal action since 1984 for proper medical care for Kowalski as well as for her right to choose her own visitors. The tests and care program were vigorously opposed by Donald Kowalski, who attempted to prevent them via appeals. Thompson and Kowalski, separated since 1985, met again this past Feb. 2.

Sue Wilson, Thompson's attorney, said Donald Kowalski has asked Campbell to terminate his guardianship of his daughter, "because if he can't do it his way, he doesn't want to do it." Campbell has specified that he will not appoint

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AZT Proved Effective in Early HIV Infection

Zidovudine, commonly called AZT, significantly slows progression of HIV infection when given to persons with early AIDS-related Complex (ARC), according to results from a placebo-controlled, multicenter clinical trial supported by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases in collaboration with Burrough's Wellcome Co.

Health and Human Services Secretary Louis W. Sullivan, hailed these results as offering new hope in the struggle against AIDS. "We are on the threshold of a time when advances in biomedical research will enable HIV-infected individuals to live longer, more comfortable lives," Dr. Sullivan said.

NIAID Director Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., reported that NIAID has stopped the study on the recommendation of the Data and Safety Monitoring Board reviewing the trial data. The trial has been underway at 29 units of the NIAID AIDS Clinical Trials Group since August 1987.

All study participants will now be offered AZT.

"In this study, significantly fewer persons receiving zidovudine progressed to advanced ARC or AIDS," said Dr. Fauci. "This finding could extend treatment to an estimated one to two hundred thousand persons with early symptoms of HIV infection. It also emphasizes how critical it is that persons at risk for HIV infection be tested and seek prompt medical care."

The study also showed that fewer of AZT's side effects showed up in the more relatively healthy members group studied.

Questions still to be answered: Will insurance companies pay for AZT in HIV positive patients? Will the extend its AZT programs to include HIV-positive people? Will this study slow the development of other AIDS drugs?

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3rd Mr. Southern Leather Contest to be held Sept. 2



Mr. International Leather 1989, first alternate, second alternate.

The highlight of the Flight 5 Run, hosted by the Wings club, will be the third annual Mr. Southern Leather Contest. Each year's winner is sponsored at the annual Mr. International Leather Contest in Chicago. Last year's winner, Rick Turner, is scheduled to return to pass on the title.

Flight 5 is the fifth annual anniversary celebration of the founding of the Wings Leather/Levi club. This gathering of leathermen and women has participants from 13 states and Canada.

Introduction of this year's contestants will take place at Chaps on Friday September 1, with the contest itself on Saturday September 2. Ticket information is available at Chaps or Men of Leather.

Gazing

Now, More Than Ever, It Is Time To Be Tested

by Martin Katz

Just a few months ago, *Gaze* recommended being tested for HIV. Even then, it was difficult to point out specific reasons to be tested. However, this week it became clear there are distinct advantages to being tested early for HIV. Studies released the week of August 17 note that the earlier treatment with AZT is started, the less likely a person is to progress towards AIDS.

What does this mean for you? If you are at risk for AIDS, now is the time to get tested. Who is at risk for AIDS? I know that

this seems basic, but the AIDS Switchboard still gets phone calls on this topic. **Any Gay man who has had unprotected sex with another man since 1977 is at risk for AIDS.** Obviously, those who have had more sex partners or more possible exposures are more likely to have been exposed than a person who has had fewer sex partners. You are also at risk if you have shared IV-drug needles (or, for you body-builders, shared needles used for steroids).

Here are some common questions received over the AIDS Switchboard about testing:

Why be tested now? As already stated, there is now proof that early intervention can slow down or halt progression from HIV-infection to AIDS. Those of us who work in AIDS-related areas have been saying for a long time that AIDS is a chronic manageable disease. Secretary of Health Sullivan said that while no cure has been found, AIDS is becoming a chronic manageable disease. For those who don't understand what that means, diabetes is a chronic manageable disease. It doesn't mean you want to go out and get

it; and while you may still die from it, it can be controlled in a large number of people.

What about the emotional side effects of testing positive? Well, there is no question that testing positive has profound emotional effects. But, there is a place to turn to. ATEAC offers support groups for people who have tested HIV+. These groups are not bitch and moan sessions, but a place where anyone who is HIV-infected can come and talk calmly and openly about their fears, concerns, and feelings. These confidential groups offer a safe environment to talk about being HIV+ and to deal with the emotional side effects.

Will the results of my test be reported to any state agency? Not right now. But, there is a move on to make testing positive reportable. This means, if you get tested now, the results won't be reportable. If you delay, you may have no choice.

Where is the best place to get tested? The best place is the Memphis & Shelby Co. Health Department. It is the only place currently available that offers free, confidential or anonymous testing. If you get tested any place else, it may wind up as part of your medical record. Once it is there, you may not be able to control who has access to that information. There are reports of insurance agencies denying insurance to someone because they have taken the test, regardless of the test results. While that isn't the everyday occurrence, it can happen.

What is the difference be-

tween confidential and anonymous testing? The difference is big. Confidential testing is testing under your name where no one has access to the results. However, anonymous testing is testing under an assumed name. The only way to get anonymous testing is to never give the health department your real name and never produce any identification. The only reason that the health department should ever ask for identification is if you want results in writing. But, don't you think you can remember the results? Do you really need them in writing? If they ever ask you for identification at the Health Department, walk out and call the ATEAC office. We are very interested in reports like that. So, when you go in for testing, tell them that your name is Ronald or Nancy Reagan.

What is the testing process like? First, you must call and ask for an appointment (576-7714). This is not a cattle call or a first come, first served test like the VD clinic. There will be very few people in the waiting room when you get there (I believe they only have two chairs). You will be shown into an office. The test will be explained, and they will ask you some questions about drug use and Gay sex (like do you do them?). You will be given an appointment to come back for your test results, and then they will draw the blood. When you come back in two weeks, you will get your results.

Why does it take so long to get results? The Health Department is very thorough. If

the first test comes back positive, they will run more tests to eliminate the possibility of a false-positive. They allow two weeks for completing all three tests for everyone.

What happens if the results are positive? You panic. But then you get over it, and start getting things back together. Don't be afraid to call the AIDS Switchboard. They'll be glad to talk to you, and they'll refer you to the proper support group. The support group facilitator will be glad to listen to you; and will probably be able to make some more concrete recommendations for some reading material, doctors, medical care, and anything else you can think of.

What happens if the results are negative? Well, that depends on how long it has been since your last possible exposure. If you haven't been exposed in a number of years, congratulate yourself. If you may have been exposed recently (within 6 weeks), you may want to wait three months and get re-tested. You should still be re-tested every 6 months for at least two years. You may want to get tested for up to four years from your LAST possible exposure. If you slipped 3 weeks ago and forgot to use a condom, you have to start over again. In the meantime, rejoice in your negative test result, but reach out to a friend who may not have been as lucky as you were.

All of this is awfully complicated, is there anybody who can talk to me about this? Yes, you can call the AIDS Switchboard at 458-AIDS. They'll be glad to talk to you.



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Thanks for Gaze

This letter is concerning the *Gaze* newspaper. I just wanted to let the publishers know, "I think it's wonderful." It has very good articles and advertisements, especially about the clubs. I just moved back home from living in Houston, Texas for 8 months. I guess you could say I've been "Houstonized" (ha, ha). I came home and found nothing to do and no where to go! A lady at the Raleigh Springs Mall told me about a club call GDI's. After going there Friday night, I met some

new friends. It's the exact environment that I clubbed at in Houston. The music, the style, the people - everything was perfect.

It was at this club I found your newspaper. Thank you so much for publishing this paper! You should be receiving a money order sometime this week, when I get my new address, for my subscription to *Gaze*.

Karen
Dyersburg, TN

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Why Do We Have To Hurt Each Other?

One of the worst things I have seen since coming out of the closet as a Gay man is the way we all seem to find it required of us to do anything we can to harm those around us. We are all guilty of this horrible act. At one time we have either done it to someone or we will. The question I am asking here and now is why?

I have been out of the closet for about 6 years now, and for almost 3 of those years, I have

worked in the Gay community at a local bar. In the two years that I have been there, I have noticed, on more than one occasion, people come into the bar and they are the best of friends. Then before the night is over, they are bitter enemies because one has said things about the other behind their back. It always seems to be that the major cause of this is the desire to take the date or lover of their friend just to sleep with them. I cannot understand this. I have always

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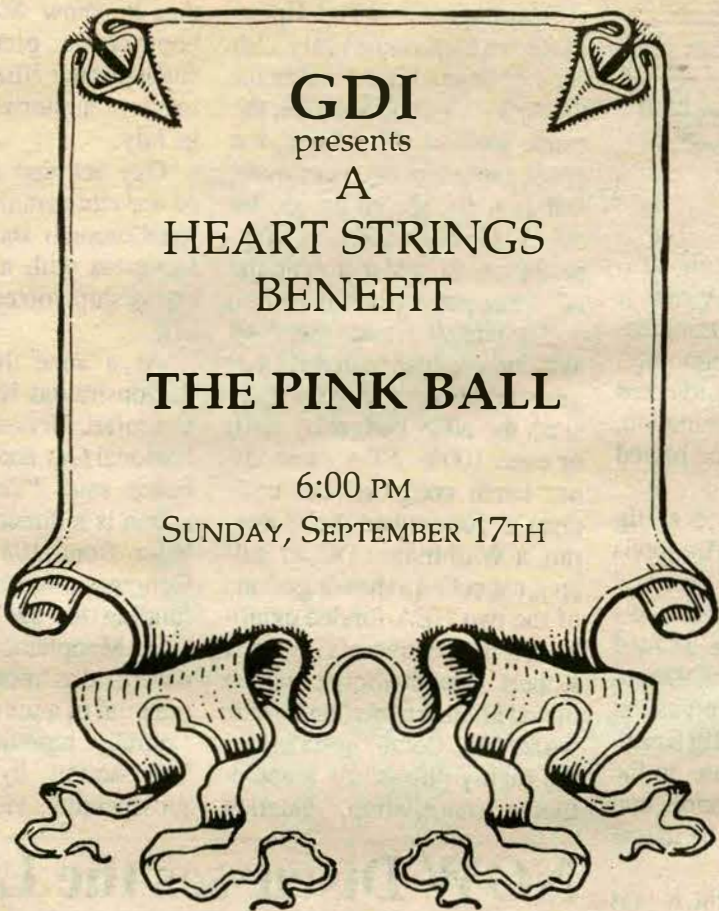
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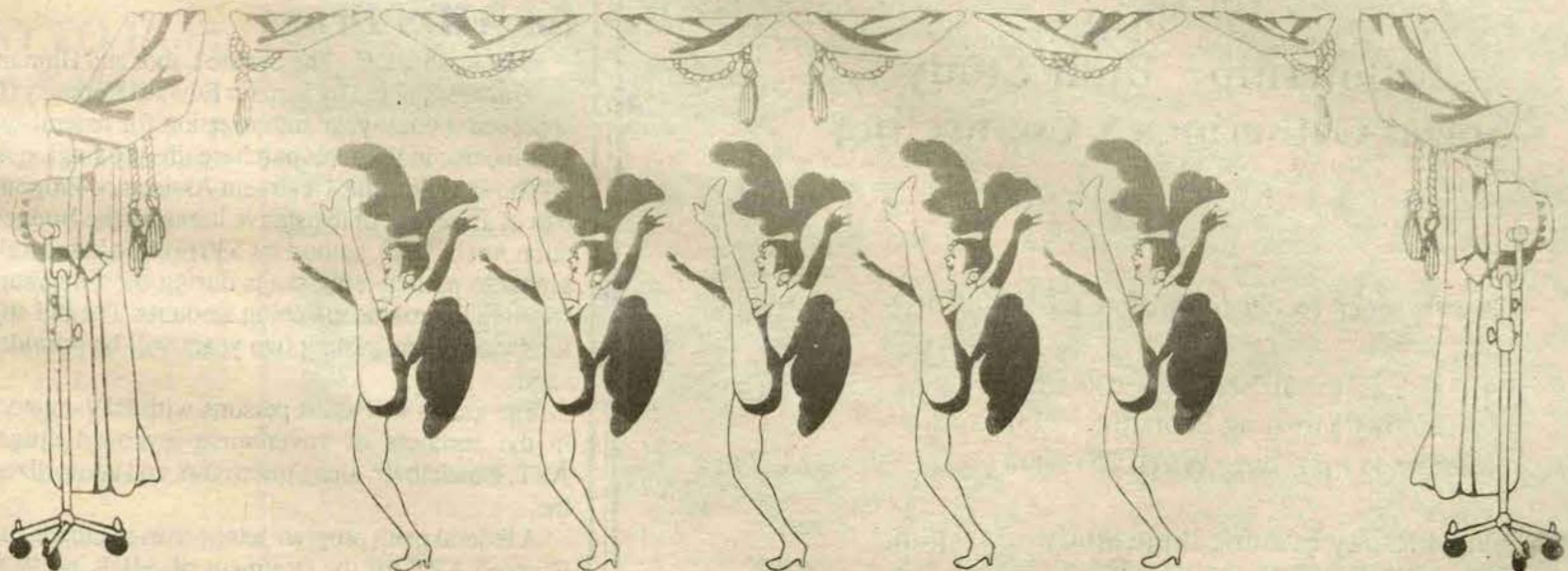
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Big Brothers Sued

New York — Big Brothers of the National Capital Area, an agency that matches adult volunteers with boys in need of role models has lost the first battle in a sexual discrimination lawsuit. Big Brothers refused to allow Jeffrey Gould, an experienced health educator with a master's degree in counseling, to volunteer with the agency and become a "big brother," solely because he was Gay.

The DC Office of Human Rights (OHR) ruled that Big Brothers is not exempt from the DC Human Rights Act which bars discrimination on sexual orientation. OHR rejected Big Brothers' assertion that, as a non-profit volunteer organization, it was not bound by the law and could freely discriminate. OHR held that Big Brothers is a "public accommodation" subject to the anti-discrimination laws that govern most establishments.

"This decision has implications far beyond this case," stated Evan Wolfson, Gould's attorney. "It represents a victory... to all individuals who are

told that because of their race, gender, or religion, they cannot participate in various organizations serving the community. Everyone should be protected against unfair discrimination, and everyone should be barred from discriminating."

Gould applied to be a Big Brother in July 1988. The application materials he received asked specifically about his sexual orientation. Gould called and spoke to the Acting Director of the local organization who assured him that Big Brothers did not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation, and that, in fact, it would be illegal for them to do so.

Gould, who thought it was important for "role models" not to lie, answered the question honestly. A week later he received a letter warning him to expect a rejection letter because of his sexual orientation. After a two-month delay, he did receive a rejection letter. When Gould contacted the organization, the director explained that they did not accept Gay men as Big Brothers.

Endowment for Arts Reprimanded

Washington — The House of Representatives on July 12th cut the National Endowment for the Arts budget by \$45,000, the exact amount of money the agency spent for two controversial exhibits, including one by openly Gay artist Robert Mapplethorpe. Senate action on the NEA budget is pending.

The budget cut was proposed as a compromise to divert Congressmembers stampeding to slash the NEA budget by 5, 10 or even 100%. NEA came under harsh congressional criticism in June when the Corcoran, a Washington DC art gallery, cancelled a showing of one of the two NEA-funded exhibits, a retrospective of Gay artist Robert Mapplethorpe which included some of his homoerotic work. The Corcoran defended the highly publicized Mapplethorpe cancellation, claiming

that to show Mapplethorpe's homoerotic pictures would endanger the NEA budget during its re-authorization hearings in July.

Gay activists and members of the arts community charged the Corcoran and members of Congress with acts of blatant censorship, rooted in homophobia.

At a June 16th noontime demonstration in front of the Corcoran, Urvashi Vaid of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force said, "The Corcoran's action is a direct response to a letter from 108 members of Congress... questioning NEA funding for the Mapplethorpe tour. Mapplethorpe's work is described as 'morally repugnant material of a sexual nature' and 'morally reprehensible trash.' The action by these Congresspeople... violates the spirit

and the letter of the First Amendment."

At an evening rally on June 30th, also in front of the Corcoran, slides of Mapplethorpe's work were projected onto the building by a group called the National Committee Against Censorship in the Arts. Among the speakers was Sue Hyde of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. Hyde said, "We all agree that we need art, not bigotry. It is no accident that Robert Mapplethorpe, a Gay artist and social critic, should be at the center of this profound attack on the First Amendment, engineered by Jesse Helms and other right wing elected officials."

Gay and Lesbian activists are urged to contact their Senators and ask that Senators reject any Helms-led attacks on the NEA budget.

NOW Discusses the Lesbian Rights Agenda for '90s

Delegates to the National NOW Conference enthusiastically endorsed a call for an "expanded Bill of Rights for the 21st Century" to be added to the U.S. Constitution. Freedom from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation is one of seven major points of that proposal.

The National NOW Conference, held in Cincinnati, Ohio on July 21-23, focussed primarily on post-Webster strategizing. Recognizing the reactionary trend of the Supreme Court, the Conference realized that all of our rights must be specifically laid out in the Constitution. Along with passage of the Equal Rights Amendment, the expanded Bill of Rights includes Lesbian and Gay civil rights; freedom from race discrimination; freedom from government interference in abortion, birth control, and pregnancy; a right to a decent standard of living; right to a clean environment;

and the right to be free from violence. The possible formation of a new political party with a platform containing the "Expanded Bill of Rights" also was unanimously endorsed and will be explored through the appointment of a commission.

Other issues, including Lesbian rights and specifically the issues of Lesbians of Color, were also addressed at the Conference. "NOW recognizes that Lesbians of Color have additional issues facing them, namely racism, cultural diversity, classism, and economic condition," the Lesbian rights resolution stated.

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Senate Committee Extends Funds for AIDS Drugs

Washington, DC - The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee, chaired by Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA), has approved a three-year authorization for federal funds to help low-income individuals purchase life-prolonging AIDS drugs.

The Low-Income Treatment Assistance Program (LITAP), part of a package of legislative items for the Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989, authorizes \$30 million in federal AIDS drug grants to participating states during the first year. States are required to provide matching amounts. The bill stipulates that funds for the remaining two years will be provided as necessary.

The grants will assist persons with HIV-related conditions in the purchase of government-approved drugs, including AZT, ganciclovir, alpha interferon, and aerosolized pentamidine.

A federal grant program has been in existence since the FDA licensed AZT for the treatment of AIDS in 1987. However, authorization and funds for the program expired at the end of last March after Senator Jesse Helms (R-NC) killed a bill in Congress that would have extended the program.

NGRA Convinces INS of Error

San Francisco — National Gay Rights Advocates has successfully convinced the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to depart for the first time from its restrictions on travel by foreign nationals with HIV. An INS decision announced on July 20 allows Knud Josephsen, a Danish social worker with HIV, to remain in the U.S. for a full seven weeks. The INS had previously restricted Josephsen's stay to only 30 days. This was based on INS guidelines which allow HIV-infected foreign nationals to remain in the U.S. for a maximum of 30 days to conduct business, attend conferences, seek treatment, or visit relatives. Josephsen is funded by the Danish government to conduct seven weeks of AIDS research in the U.S.

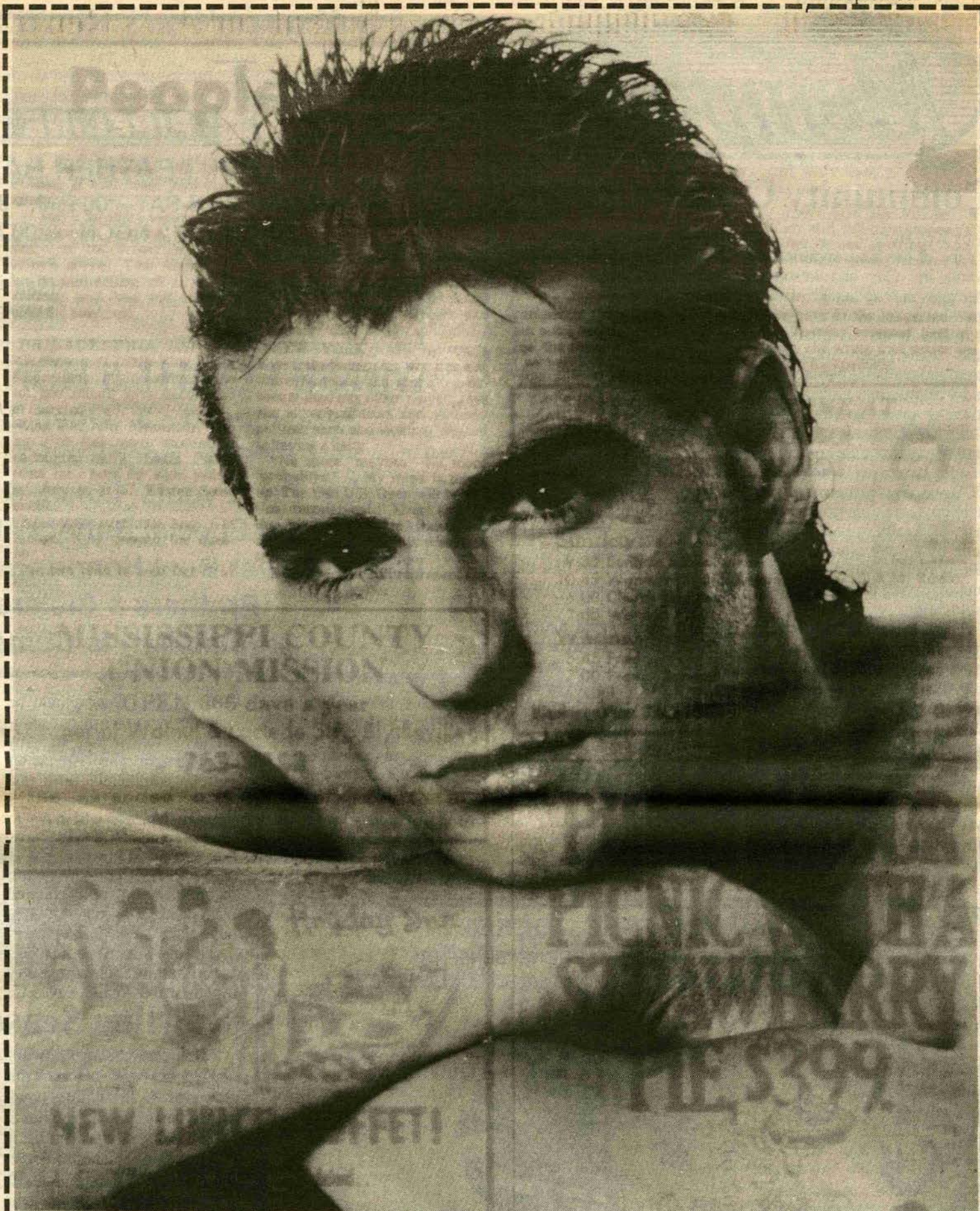
Attorney Benjamin Schatz, Director of NGRA's AIDS Civil Rights Project, said, "By extending Josephsen's stay beyond the officially permitted time period, the INS has implicitly acknowledged the unworkability of its restrictive AIDS policy. We hope this will be the first step in a larger move to allow foreign nationals with HIV to travel freely in our country. The United States will never be able to fight AIDS by erecting barriers at our borders."

Knud Josephsen expressed pleasure at finally being "legally in the United States," and able to complete his research of AIDS programs throughout the country. Josephsen expressed his concern, however, that present U.S. policies obstruct the flow of international communication which is vital to preventing the spread of AIDS.

IGLOO TO Hold 6th Jamboree

The International Gay & Lesbian Outdoors Organization (IGLOO) is a network of regional clubs and newsletters — loosely knit and unincorporated — which exchange information and sponsor joint events. It promotes outdoor recreational activities for all Lesbians and Gays and works together to increase our awareness and appreciation of our environments and ourselves.

IGLOO has announced plans for the Sixth Annual Jamboree in Northern California for Oct. 12-15, 1989. Many outdoor activities including hiking, bi-



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cycling, and swimming are planned for the Jamboree, the first in the west. A number of western clubs are hosting the event, and hope to

bring many attendees from all over the United States and perhaps other countries as well. Special accommo-

dations are available, as are airline discounts.

For further information about either IGLOO or the upcoming

Jamboree, write or call: Great Outdoors c/o 3750 North Country Club #44, Tucson, Arizona 85716, (602) 325-7607.

Memphis

Community Center Update

by Ken Horton

One of the most significant events in Gay and Lesbian Memphis may soon take place. For those of you who have given countless hours in planning, fund-raising, paperwork, organizing, and searching, we are now under negotiations as this paper goes to press for a center. Though I cannot reveal the place until negotiations are complete, we may have a center ready for YOU within two months. This is, of course, a time-consuming task, especially since it is being done by an all-volunteer staff. We appreciate your concern and support during this long year of preparation.

There have been many disappointments and some triumphs along the way in getting this center opened. In all honesty, our negotiations could fall through on the current hoped-for center; but if they do, we will just keep trying. The place which we are currently trying to get is in mid-town, as was our intention all along. Though it is not large, it has all that we will need to make an

active and thriving center.

For those of you who are not aware of the work of your community center committee, we are a body incorporated by the state of Tennessee seeking to have a place which will help the Lesbian and Gay groups in Memphis to serve our community better. Thanks to the effort of Matt Presley and his fund-raising crew, we have some front money; and support from our community is virtually unanimous. There has never been anything to my knowledge in our Gay and Lesbian history which has united us like this effort. We are asking just a little support from a lot of people — not only in financial matters, but also in just a little bit of work such as helping out with raps, video-nights, social events, our resource and information shelf, and anything else which can help serve the too often forgotten needs of our minority. As soon as we are up and running, we will initiate our calls for funds to you.

Gay and Lesbian Memphis cannot progress without a space

of its own in which to have regularly scheduled meetings and events. With a lot of people participating and the proper organization and planning, work should be kept to a minimum for the all-volunteer staff. Since all the funds which are coming into the center are donated, we



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feel that the center should be open to everyone in our community as long as they abide by a few simple rules. The center will be completely drug and alcohol-free; and because of its limited size, we will have to reserve some nights for some of the larger groups in town. However, no group from our community will be prohibited from using the center if they have a legitimate need to use it.

The committee is now meeting on the third Saturday of every month at the Agape New Life

Church, 405 N. Cleveland, Suite 3, with the board meeting at 11:00, and the general meeting starting at 12:00 noon and ending at 1:30. All are welcome for the whole session, and a volunteer for this center can put in as much or as little time towards its needs as one wishes.

We'll keep you posted on our progress. If you or your group have any questions, please call me on the Gay Switchboard (324-GAYS) on Wednesday evenings between 7:30 and 11:00 pm.

Bowling Season Kicks Off

Brothers and Sisters bowling league will begin its season this year with the first night of bowling to be Friday, September 8, 1989. We will again be using the Big Daddy Lanes at Poplar Plaza, but due to a conflict with the lane reservations, our league will begin bowling at 9:00 PM. We have had a wonderful season for several years, and this year looks to be even bigger and better.

There will be an organizational meeting on Wednesday, September 6, 1989 at 7:00 PM at Big Daddy's for all team captains and interested persons. All Gay men and women who are interested in joining us for a season of fun and bowling should attend this meeting. There should be positions available on several teams, and we encourage any group of four

who would like to bowl to come and join us.

The season will be shorter this year running from September 8, 1989 to May 4, 1990. We will not bowl on the Fridays of Thanksgiving and Christmas. The season will be split in half as far as team standings are concerned so that more teams will have an opportunity to finish in the top ranks and qualify for the May 4 roll-off. May 4 will also be the jackpot night where all teams compete for money. Every team will win money, and last year, the last place team received \$14.50 per person. The cost of bowling will remain \$6.00 per person per night. All interested persons should call Tony or Mark at 726-4890, or come to our pre-season meeting or first night of competition. Hope to see you there.

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How To Really Talk To The Person You Love

by Becky Caperton, M.S.

Have you ever tried to tell the person you love something about the way you feel, only to have it misunderstood? Not to worry - feelings are funny. Expressing them is an art. But it can be learned, and armed with that knowledge, your love life can be healthier, not to mention happier!

I have a rule in couples therapy that I regularly repeat: your partner cannot read your mind, contrary to what you may think. Second-guessing what your partner really wants usually backfires. This frustrates all communication. Why talk, if no matter what you say, your words are not believed? There is a better way.

Effective communication contains five simple but necessary ground rules:

1. Say what you mean.
2. Believe what you hear.
3. Trust that you're both on the same side.
4. Be clear.
5. Listen carefully.

You must believe that your partner is on your side and would not hurt you on purpose, just as you would not set out to hurt

them. When problems occur, you must feel sure that they were either accidental or unavoidable. Deal with the consequences instead of attacking each other. Otherwise, you will be the victim of perpetual suspicions and insecurities. Sounds so simple, doesn't it? But it is so tough to really make these rules habits in your communication.

Here are some other tips for expressing your feelings that also aid in more effective communication.

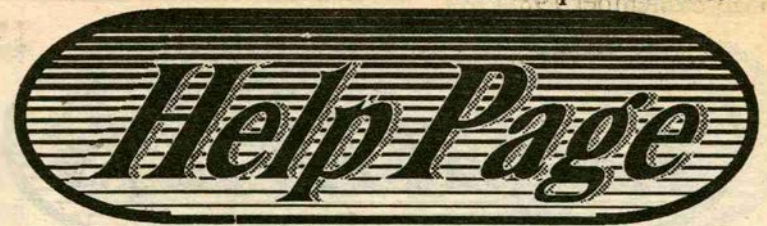
1. Start every sentence you speak with the pronoun "I." It may sound selfish, but it is not. It is clear and honest. It is more selfish to make someone guess what you are really thinking.

2. Avoid starting sentences with any of the following: "You...", "Let's...", "We...", "I think you...". "You" is speaking to someone else, and is often accusatory. "Let's" and "We" incorporate the other person without consulting them. "I think you" is not "I" language. It only looks like it. You are talking about the other person, not your feelings.

3. Do not make absolute statements. Eliminate "that is" state-

ments and substitute "I prefer," "I like," "I dislike," etc. It is risky to impose your perception on someone else through absolute statements.

Remember: your partner cannot read your mind. Owning



your feelings makes communication more effective, and your chances are much better that

you'll be understood, not merely heard.

Lesbian and Gay Male Couples Do It Differently

Lesbian couples are likely to meet under different circumstances than those common for Gay male couples, according to preliminary results from a survey of same-sex couples. Lesbian couples most often met through friends or at work, while male couples met at bars more often than any other way.

The "how they met" question was among more than a hundred put to the same-sex couples in a national study undertaken last year by *PARTNERS: The Newsletter for Gay and Lesbian Couples*. The publication has issued selected preliminary results based on 812 respondents, representing 390 Lesbian couples and 273 Gay male couples. The survey drew about 1600 responses in all.

More than one in five of the Lesbian couples met at work, but fewer than 5 percent of the men did.

While 24 percent of the men met in a bar, the venue is becoming less prominent as a

meeting spot. The newer the relationship, the more likely the couple had met at a social event instead.

Friends, an enduring source of introductions, were responsible for the meetings of 28 percent of the Lesbian couples and 19 percent of the men.

The sex quotient

Male couples were far more likely than women to have met through sexually charged arenas, such as baths, cruising, or

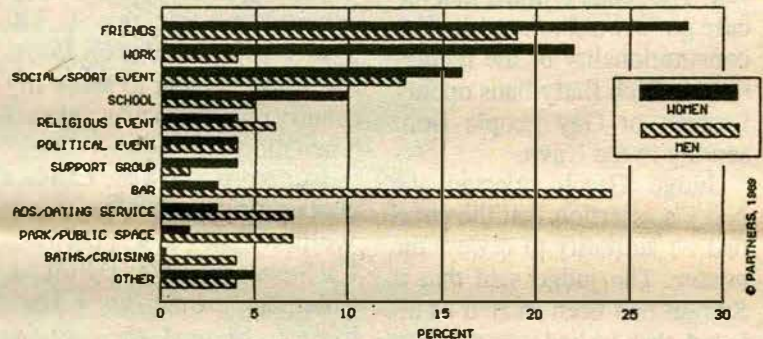
classified ads. The male couples also had more sex together, but the female couples enjoyed their sex more.

Male couples had sex nine times more sex per month on average, while Lesbians averaged seven times. However, these figures were boosted by the 21 percent of men and 11 percent of women who shared sex at least 15 times a month. Most active were couples

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HOW SAME-SEX COUPLES MET

Preliminary results from a national survey of gay and lesbian couples conducted by *PARTNERS: The Newsletter for Gay & Lesbian Couples*. Based on 663 couples, about half the data available. Respondents answered more than 100 questions; in this case, completing the sentence "We met through:"



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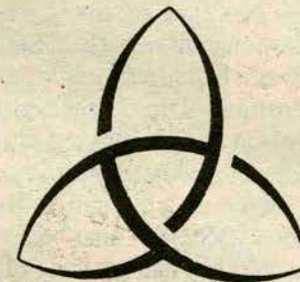
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Legal Briefs

First Battle Won Against Naval Academy

New York, NY - Lambda Legal Defense has won the preliminary round in a suit that charges the U.S. Navy Academy with unconstitutional discrimination when it forced Joseph Steffan, a highly commended midshipman, to resign simply because he was Gay. The Superintendent of the Naval Academy separated Steffan from the institution less than two months before he was to graduate and receive his commission in the U.S. Navy.

In a significant development, District Court Judge Oliver Gasch denied the Navy's motion to dismiss Mr. Steffan's suit. The judge ordered that the case go forward to examine the constitutionality of the regulations, which flatly bans openly Lesbian or Gay people from serving in the Navy.

Judge Gasch rejected the Navy's assertion that the court had no authority to review the matter. The judge said that if Steffan had been treated as alleged, then he had stated a valid claim under the constitution. The judge also noted that because of the Navy's attitude toward Lesbians and Gay men, it would have been futile for Steffan to pursue his case through the Navy's internal administrative review process.

Sandra J. Lowe, the Lambda Staff Attorney who represents Steffan, noted that the judge's ruling assured that the constitutional issues presented by the Navy's discriminatory policies will be examined by the court - in and of itself, a victory.

"This decision has implications far beyond this case," noted Lowe, "since it indicates that the military will no longer be allowed to force people to resign and then use that resigna-

tion to block them from going to court to challenge the constitutionality of being dismissed because of their sexual orientation. The smoke screen of 'voluntary' resignation precludes judicial review of the constitutionality of the regulations. It is a victory for Joe Steffan that the court has declared its intention to examine the constitutional issues at stake in the case."

In response to the court's denial of the Navy's motion to dismiss his case, Joe Steffan stated, "I'm very heartened by the judge's decision and gratified that I will have my day in court. I know I still have a long way to go in my fight, but I remain confident that I will receive my commission in the Navy and be able to serve my country regardless of my sexual orientation."

Currently, Lowe and Lambda cooperating attorneys Marc Wolinsky, of New York, and Cal Steinmetz, of the District of Columbia, are already preparing for the next stage of the litigation. The parties will now be setting the schedule for briefing on the constitutionality of the U.S. Navy's regulations stating homosexuality is incompatible with military service.

At the time of his forced separation in March 1987, Steffan was a battalion commander and member of the Brigade staff, a position that belongs to a very select group of the highest-ranking senior midshipman at the Academy. Steffan also had an outstanding academic and military record and would have graduated in the top 10% of his class had he not been forced to choose between submitting an involuntary resignation or being discharged just weeks before getting his diploma.

Florida Sheriff Who Forced Bisexual Deputy to Resign Sued

New York, NY - Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund has filed a lawsuit against Walter J. Gallagher, Sheriff of Orange County, Florida, for violating Deputy Sheriff Thomas Woodard's constitutional rights, including his right to privacy under the Florida State Constitution. Sheriff Gallagher forced Woodard to resign after mounting an unconstitutional investigation into Woodard's off-duty private sexual activity.

During his five-year tenure with the Orange County Sheriff's Office, Woodard had been promoted three times and had received consistently high recommendations and evaluations by his supervisors and co-workers. In October 1988, Woodard was appointed Deputy Sheriff by Gallagher. Six months later, despite Woodard's continued exemplary service and professional conduct, the Sheriff's office began to probe Woodard's private life, including his off-duty sexual activity. The investigation was based on an allegation that Woodard, over a year and a half before, and while off-duty, had engaged in a sexual relationship with a consenting adult male in the privacy of Woodard's own home.

Lambda Staff Attorney Sandra J. Lowe representing Woodard noted that Sheriff Gallagher used the power of his publicly-elected office to conduct an

unjustified intrusion into Woodard's private sexual life without any connection to Woodard's performance on the job or conduct in the community.

"This complaint has far-reaching potential beyond this case," said Lowe, "because it says that the right to privacy and simple fairness - which a majority of Floridians voted for and all are entitled to - prevent a government official from snooping into the private life of an employee, solely because of his sexual orientation. It says that no one should be fired simply because of the prejudices and hostilities of his or her boss. Article 1, Section 23 of the Florida State Constitution provides that a person has a fundamental right to be let alone, to be free from governmental intrusion into one's private life, and to autonomy in making important decisions."

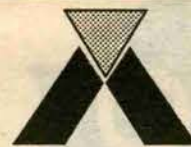
As part of the investigation, an investigator called Woodard in after he had worked a full night shift, and subjected him to a demeaning inquiry regarding intimate details of his life history. In response to this interrogation, Woodard stated that he

is bisexual.

Based on this, Woodard was labeled a "homosexual" and was told he must resign or be terminated. Under duress, Woodard agreed to resign, but only after being assured that such resignation would ensure the confidentiality of the investigation. Despite this representation, the private details of Woodard's sex life and termination were made available to the local press and were widely publicized. As a result, Woodard has been unable to find other work in law enforcement.

Woodard is suing Sheriff Gallagher for violations of his right to privacy, due process, freedom of expression and association, and equal protection of the laws. Woodard also charges the Sheriff with fraudulent and negligent misrepresentation regarding the confidentiality of the investigation.

The Woodard case is a striking example of an employer - in this case, a governmental institution - which spitefully ignored and willfully violated the privacy rights guaranteed under a State Constitution."



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HEART STRINGS/ Memphis

HEART STRINGS/Memphis will be the third stop on a 30-city tour of an upbeat musical event designed to raise money for local AIDS organizations. It will be presented September 25 at Vincent DeFrank Hall at 8:00 PM. Sporting a cast of 30 and two local choirs, the musical revue is the first national event of its kind.

HEART STRINGS was presented twice in Atlanta in 1967 and 1968 and raised over \$400,000 for the sponsoring organization, the Design Industries Foundation for AIDS (DIFFA), which then distributed the money to local organizations.

Local beneficiaries include the Memphis AIDS Coalition and the Aid to End AIDS Committee (ATEAC). Eighty-five percent of all local monies raised will be disbursed to the two organizations. The remaining 15% will be held in a national pool to be distributed to AIDS organizations not on the tour.

All touring expenses, estimated by the producer to be \$40,000 per week, are being borne by DIFFA. Local expenses are expected to be about \$25,000. Local revenues are expected to exceed \$100,000.

The Memphis AIDS Coalition is expected to disburse its share of the donations through a grant-making process to local organizations dealing with the issue of AIDS. ATEAC will use its share to support and expand services to PWA's.

"The whole idea," explained Allen Cook, co-chair of HEART STRINGS, "is to take groups with grass-roots fundraising efforts and move them into the 'big time' of fund raising. HEART STRINGS has a corporate donor program and a solid sales effort for sales of advertising in the local program." The

local program will be a 130-page, 8 1/2 by 11, inch slick bound magazine.

Ticket prices range from \$25 to \$200 depending, as Gene Katz of Playhouse on the Square noted, "on your capacity for partying." A \$25 ticket entitles the bearer to go to the show; a \$75 ticket also includes a Champagne Cast Party at the Crowne Plaza after the show; and a \$200 ticket includes the event, the cast party, and a formal brunch at Galloway Mansion on Sunday, Sept. 24.

Volunteers Are at the Heart of HEART STRINGS

With volunteers numbering now over 200, the HEART STRINGS concept of uniting the community in its fight against AIDS seems to be working. "From the moment we began," said Allen Cook, "the number of people wanting to be involved has been two or three times what I expected."

An organizational meeting held in late June marshalled about 80 people — twice the minimum required to stage the event, according to Cook. "I really expected to have to call the organizers and tell them

'Sorry, but we can't do it.' What happened, though, is that not only did those volunteers sign up for committees and work, but they brought their friends.

About 60 volunteers have been meeting weekly as a group to hand address, stuff, and stamp the over 10,000 pieces of direct mail campaign invitations. The remaining 140 volunteers are spread out over the Administrative, Public Relations, Party, Gala/Reception, Production, Graphics, Corporate Sales, Ad Sales, and Ticket Sales committees.

Believe it or not, HEART STRINGS can still use volunteers. For more information about how you can help, call 726-HOPE.

Theatres Rally for HEART STRINGS

Playhouse on the Square, Germantown Community Theatre, and Theatre Memphis all planned events in August to support HEART STRINGS.

Playhouse on the Square donated the proceeds of its August 10th preview performance of *Anything Goes*, and Germantown Community Theatre the proceeds its August 24th preview of *Fiddler on the Roof*. Theatre Memphis will host a ticket sales wine and cheese party at its facility between 5:30 -7:30 pm on August 28.

Galloway Mansion Site of HEART STRINGS Gala Brunch

Galloway Mansion, the home of Dr. Marshall Koonce and site of a recent Decorator's Showcase, will play host to VIP's for the HEART STRINGS Gala Brunch. The brunch, open to those buying \$200 tickets for HEART STRINGS will be held on Sunday, Sept. 24 beginning at 1:00 PM.

Chefs and restaurants from all over town will join ranks to provide food for the expected 250-300 people who will attend.

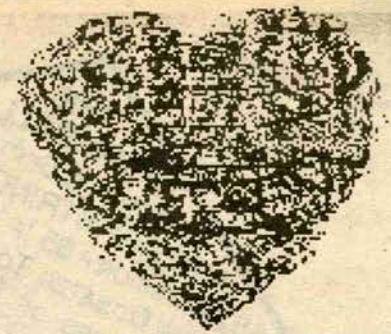
The event will take place both inside the mansion, as well as outside with servers working under colorful tents on the grounds of the mid-town home. Dr. Koonce is a member of the Host Committee of HEART STRINGS — a group numbering 105.

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DRINKS AND SNACKS PARTY

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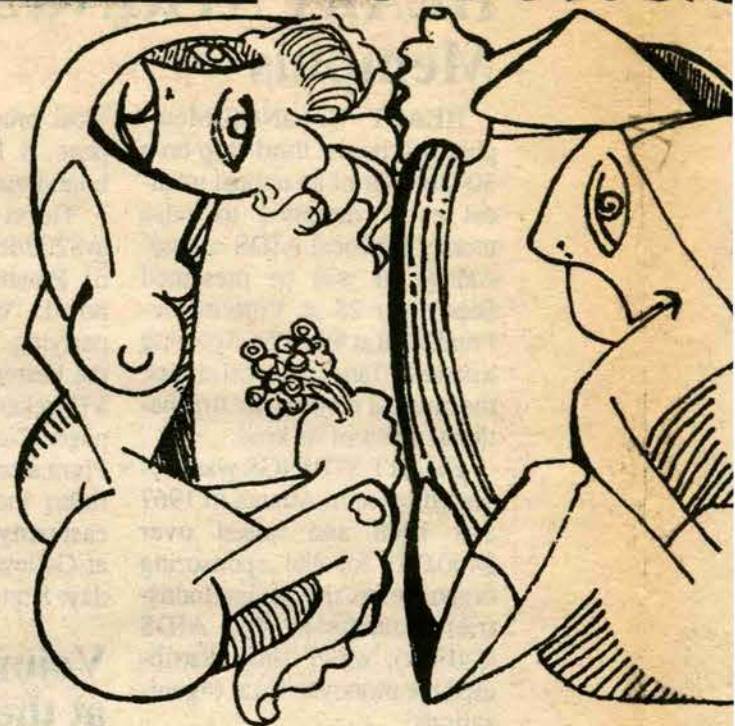
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Quick Clips

Well, it's been about six weeks and a lot has happened. Florida was wonderful and you will hear more below

Travels With Your Aunt

Yes, Mavis, we did spend quite a bit of time on the road on our recent vacation (no quick quips about rest areas, Miss); and we managed to attend one or two saloons of Gay in the meanwhile.

We Delta girls do not get as far east as Knoxville very often, but the scenery was lush. We visited two establishments there, the Carousel II and Peppertree. Both are multi-use, spacious places (with dance floors, drag shows and all sorts of people). Both are two-storyied. Carousel II is right in the navel of UT Knoxville. In fact, we were parked in front of a dorm. It is a split level building with a ground level entry, a wild sunken

dance floor, and a stage and runway upstairs. We did not take note of the names of the performers, but this bar was hosting a Drag-A-Thon for local AIDS funding later in August. The bartenders were friendly enough, the owner was not present, and the doorperson was just this side of mongoloid. We suppose it was he who answered our initial call and did not direct us to the local helpline, tho' it is posted right above his head with a long list of Gay and Lesbian things to do in Knoxville. He was about as friendly as an old maid librarian during menopause. We did not stay for the show.

We must say, that the Peppertree was a bit warmer. The owner was on duty at the door himself, and we had a fine conversation with him. The tea is that they hope to soon move from their present Gay St. loca-

tion (yes, dear) to a much larger space. This bar is the site of the notorious Badlands bar which we were told had quite a reputation during the Knoxville World's Fair. The bartender was friendly too and the show had some very creative moments. There is one drag there who would look exactly like Rosalind Russell if her hair were black. Again, the lower floor was dark and butch-bar looking with a fair-sized showbar upstairs. The patio was nicely landscaped and almost lit, but aren't most patios almost lit? We look forward to hearing more. It was pleasant to note that some people in Knoxville did miss *Gaze* when we quit distributing there, but the husband is always the last to know.

We attended one similar bar in Daytona Beach, Boulevard. It too is multi-purpose—we saw dancing, drag, and a male stripper contest all the same evening. It too is upstairs, modern, and very pleasant.

Benefits, Cookouts, and Parties, Oh My!

It is nearly September and Memphis is cluttered with spe-

cial events. It is definitely the month for butchitude. *Wings* will host their Flight 5 run on Labor Day weekend, September 1, 2, & 3. A multitude of events will be held at the hosting hotel and at three bars in Midtown. The centerpiece will be the 3rd annual Mr. Southern Leather Contest on Saturday evening. Details can be discovered in the Chaps ad or from a Wings Member.

Tsarus, on the other hand, will host *Aida*, an out-of-town camp-out run, on September 22, 23 & 24. Details may be had through WKRK, the Pipeline, or from *Tsarus* members.

Labor Day weekend will also contain a major fundraiser at J-Wag's organized by the *Wagettes*. The three-day affair will include a show, an auction, a Mr. Cowboy Contest, and a cookout during which the large back 40 at J-Wag's will be used in its entirety for the first time. The *Wagettes* pulled off a very successful fundraiser in July at *Barbara's* which not only raised \$2,105 for ATEAC, but managed to bring *Marilyn Misfit* out of retirement for the occasion. This new group, which we

are dying to find out more about, will also be performing at an AIDS benefit at *Lorretta's* on August 27 with a cavalcade of performers.

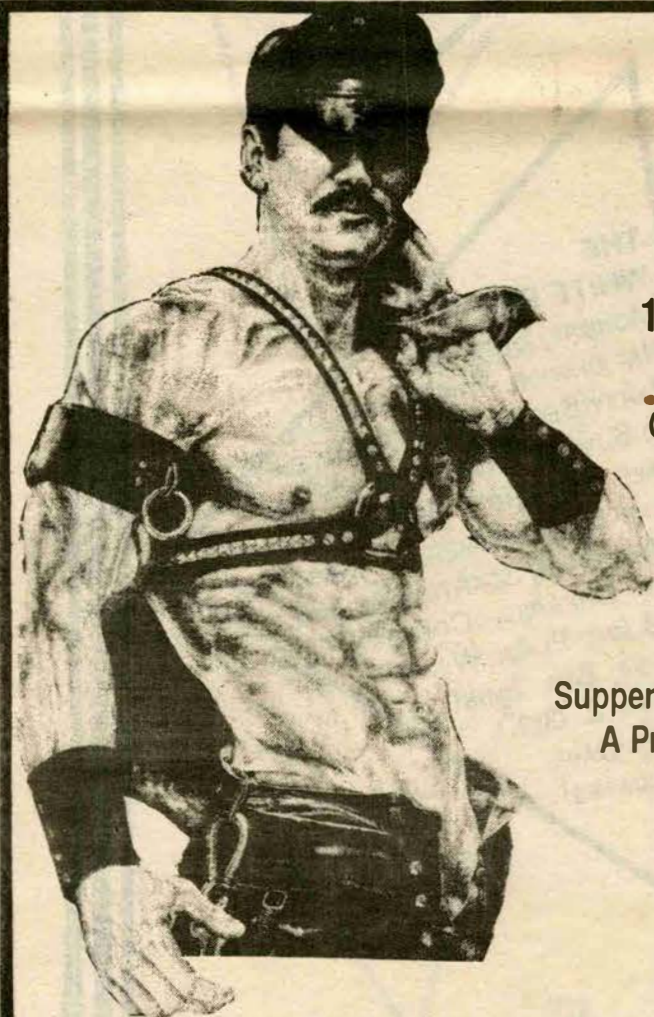
A Yard Sale will be held at 1526 Court St. on September 9 & 10 for the Agape new Life Church AIDS Ministry. Saturday hours are 8 AM-until..., Sunday 1 PM-until...

Women of Leather held two successful fundraisers in August, a show which raised \$514 and an auction which raised \$722. These funds will go toward their big event to come in October. We heard the oft-repeated line "Of course, we are not a showclub...." and we didn't believe it this time either. Is this a symptom of *Wings* syndrome?

By the way, offer Sharon Wray \$40 and ask her what comes with dinner.

Speaking of leather, if you, gentle reader, have had burning questions about who these people are and why they do those things, the September and October Gay Raps are for you. A panel of representative men will speak in September with female representation in October.

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CHAPS

111 North Claybrook - 722-8963

Home Bar of Wings

Congratulations on Flight 5 Anniversary

September 1-4, 1989

Thursday, August 31

Salute to Mr. Southern Leather 1989

Rick Turner

Friday, September 1

Supper Buffet and Cocktail Party for Run Participants

A Preview of Mr. Southern Leather Contestants

Saturday, September 2

9 PM Mr. Southern Leather Contest

Advance Tickets on Sale at Chaps

Sunday, September 3

4 PM Buffet on Patio

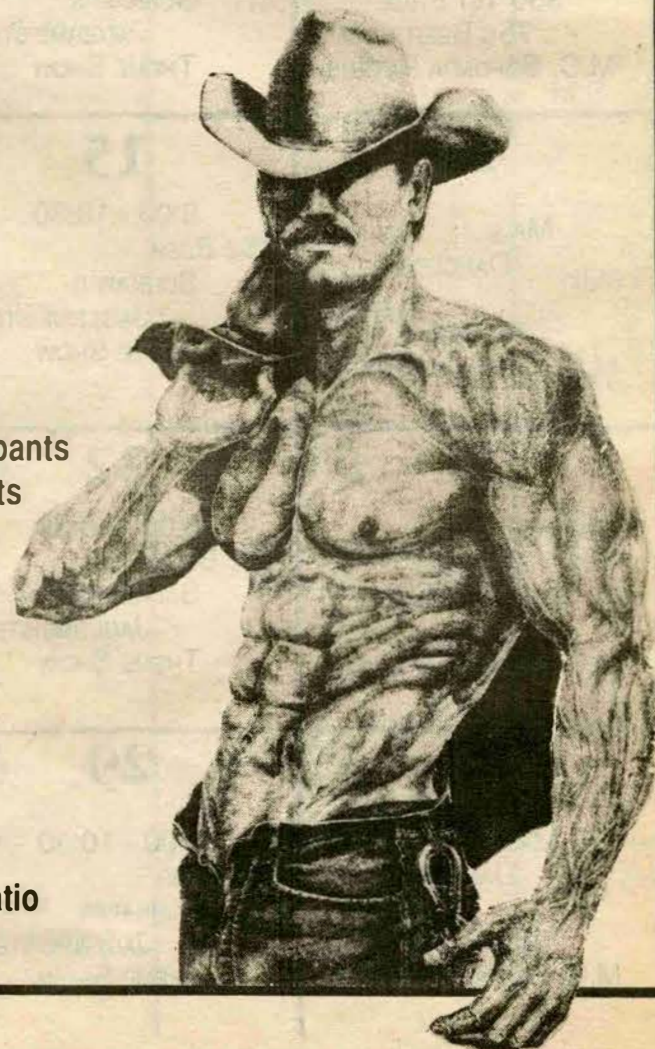
8 PM Leathermen's Ball

Monday, September 4

9 AM - 3 PM Continental Breakfast

With Bloody Marys and Screwdrivers on the Patio

Chaps Will Be Open 24 Hours a Day
Friday & Saturday, September 1 & 2



The winner of the Mr. Chaps contest was **Ray Weber** from North Little Rock representing the Officers Club.

Woman on the Street

Last Stop on Marshall St. will have a special **Labor Day Show and Dance** on September 4. September 10 there will be a **Birthday Party for Gee Q.** See their ad.

WKRBB will host **Connie, Lisa, and Brandy** from Little Rock on August 26 and **Connie, Willie, and Denise** from Oklahoma on September 10.

Aphrodite has scheduled one of their extraordinary fundraising **Variety Shows** for August 27 at **WKRBB**.

Chaps is holding drawings each Friday and Saturday night for either a **turkey or ham**. Now which members of the **Wings** club do you suppose fit those descriptions? Anyhow, each beer purchased will come with

one ticket for the drawing. A salute to **Mr. Southern Leather** will take place on August 30 **Flight 5** events all weekend will include an all day continental breakfast on Labor Day. See their ad for more details.

George's GDI has filled an entire calendar of their own with various special events. The highlights include the **White Party**, a farewell to summer on September 4; the **Heart Strings Benefit Pink Ball** on September 17; and the **Miss Southern Belle** pageant on September 27. See their ads; they give us only so much room.

Tommy Stewart and his faithful sidekick **Trixie** will be embarking on several **Talent Search** trips, the first of which will be to Oklahoma to glean new guest talent for **Reflections**. The crowds are growing, and the video prevues of coming attractions are a nice touch. Oh yes, **Tommy and Trixie** will be

taking separate casting couches (Whew!).

J-Wag's will host the "We Are Not A Showclub Club Night" for the **Flight 5** run and is promising a newly remodeled patio.

The **Pipeline** will be open 24 hours Friday through Sunday over Labor Day weekend and an extended beer bust. A **Very Special Buffet** will accompany the regular Sunday Tea Dance and Beer Bust in honor of their



Flight 5 brothers and sisters. Another **Country and Western Night** is scheduled for Wednesday, September 6, with western finger food and a **Country and Western DJ**, 9 - 12 PM.

If we survive Labor Day weekend, we will see you at **Heart Strings**.

Ta, ta.
Lady A.

GayRap To Explore Masculinity/Gayness/Leather

The September **GayRap** will focus on what is perhaps the least understood facet of the Gay lifestyle. A panel will discuss the reaction of masculine Gay men historically to effeminate stereotypes. This discussion will include the history of the **Leather** lifestyle among Gay men.

Many unknowing souls expect their hairdresser, florist, or interior decorator to be both effeminate and Gay. Very few expect a man who looks and acts like a biker, truck driver, or athlete to be Gay. There is one recorded instance in Memphis history of a highly respected leatherman, with all the trappings, having been an interior decorator for a large hotel chain. This **GayRap** will provide some insight into the attitudes and lifestyle of those who are masculine and also Gay, sometimes overwhelmingly both.

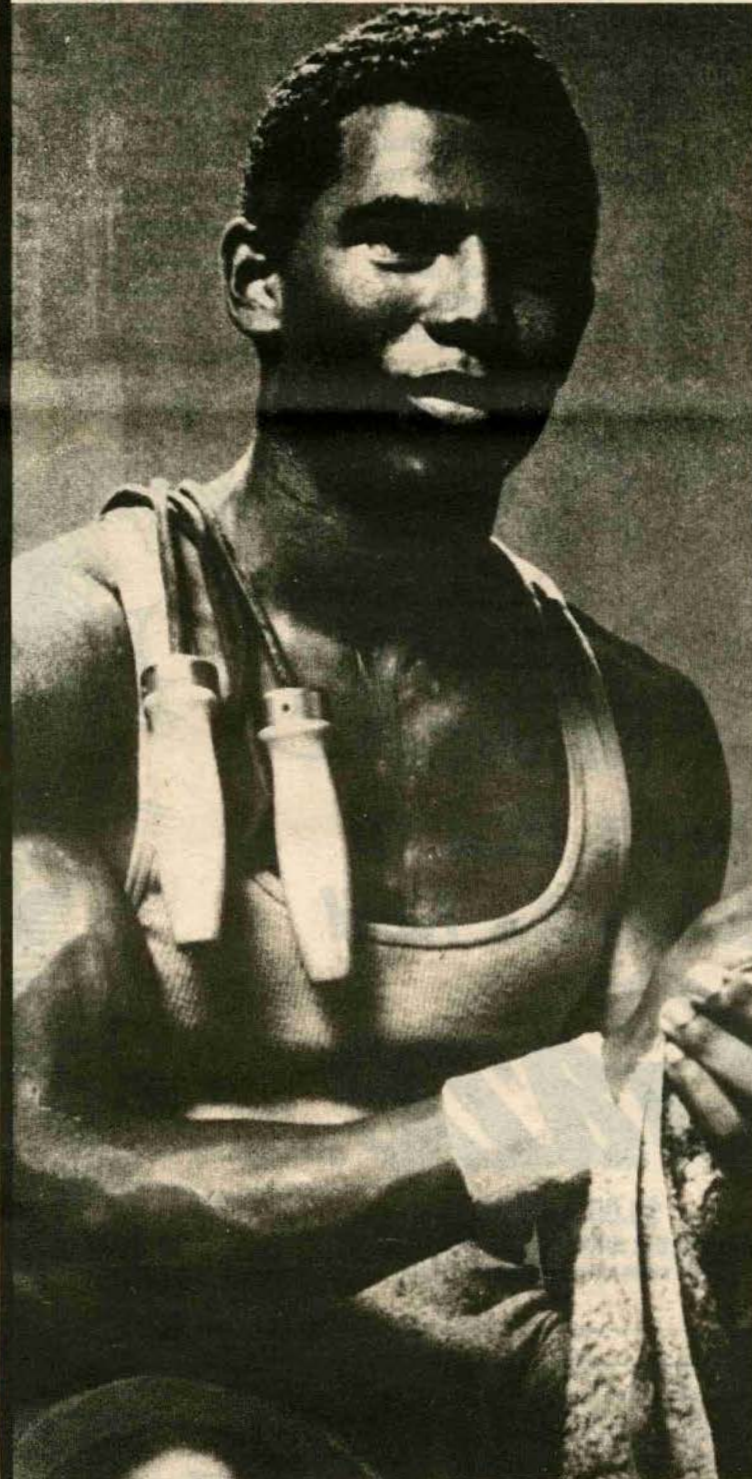
Representatives from the **Pipeline**, **Chaps**, **Tsarus**, **Wings**, and also some non-affiliated leathermen will comprise the 5-member male panel. The October **GayRap** will continue this discussion with female representation as well. This is your chance to find out where these people are coming from.

To all who came to our July **GayRap**, many thanks. There were a large group of men and women who rapped on issues related to women. Led by local attorney, **Susan Mackenzie**, the enthusiastic crowd shared their experiences, questions, and answers as the hour flew by. The rap was continued on August 21st with another good crowd. Thanks also go to the eloquent **Ms. Mackenzie** for conducting the sessions and for her leadership role in the community.

For those of you new to the community, **GayRap** is an informal group of people who meet on the third Monday of every month except June and December, to discuss relevant pre-selected subjects. The meetings are held at 7:30 PM in Meeting Room A of the Main Library at Peabody and McLean. It is informal, fun, and very interesting. One can participate and be vocal or just sit back and listen. It's a great place to socialize and meet new people.

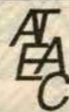
With the opening of the community center, **GayRap** may be held more than once a month. If there is a topic you would like to have discussed or presented, call the **Gay Switchboard** Wednesday evenings, 324-GAYS, between 7:30 and 11:00, or write **Ken Horton** in care of *Gaze*.

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A Bar By Any Other Name Must Be – The Psych-Out

by Vincent Astor

As late as 1983 there remained one link with the turbulent coming-out days of the 1960's in Gay Memphis. In the summer of that year, when the L & J Saloon closed at 72 N. Cleveland, it was the oldest operating Gay bar in the same location. Until it became a food shop (its present function), a very tiny sign hung over a very large lantern — The Psych-Out. This bar, under many names, had seen more than its share of Gay and Lesbian happenings and had been influenced by many of the earliest Gay and Lesbian business owners who earned many of the rights we know today.

In 1969 (as we said last month), the original Psych-Out opened for a very short while on Eastmoreland St. & Bellevue at the site of the original Entree

Nuit (since relocated to Cleveland and Linden). This building was razed for use by Methodist Hospital in 1970. Kay and Sarah, who ran Gay bars at several locations during this time, moved the Psych-Out to the Cleveland location, just south of Jefferson. It had formerly been the Red Dog Saloon; hot dogs, beer, sandwiches, and straight people. It was actually named the Psych-Out for only a few months.

Later that same year, Bob Rabb purchased the business and renamed it the Red Carpet Lounge. Six months later, it was sold to Johnny Vaughan and his mother Katie. He renamed it The Chase Lounge. The Fox, a Lesbian bar, occupied part of the space at the corner of Cleveland and Madison. The Hunt, further north on Jackson Ave., had been open

for some time. Therefore, we had The Hunt, The Chase, and The Fox, pretty much one behind the other.

Sharon Wray remembers a similar set-up to George Wilson's "Instant Dance Floor." Johnny would watch the street through a tiny window next to the front door. If there was any sign of police stopping in front, the juke box would suddenly cut off and the tables replaced on the spot used for dancing in a matter of seconds. Then, of course, all would be put back and same-sex dancing would continue.

Johnny opened a private club called the Closet in 1972 in the old Jewish synagogue on Jackson in the Pinch district of downtown. A court battle following the arrest of several dancing same-sex couples resolved the dance situation in favor of same-sex couples. In 1973, he sold his interest in the Chase to Katie and Sharon who renamed it The Fruit Jar. Katie Vaughan died in 1975 (noted in one of the earliest issues of *Gaiety* newspaper), and Sharon Wray became sole proprietor.

Somehow, during all these transitions, no one ever bothered to take down the tiny Psych-

Out sign. So the Psych-Out (or to some, the Dyke-Out) it remained.

Sharon remembers a lot about those days. "We would bar people caught using poppers. I remember many times when ID's would be arbitrarily checked, including a time when a customer, who was obviously somewhere between forty and death, could not produce an ID because he did not drive and was not carrying his wallet (his pants were too tight). He had to leave." Her favorite memory was an early drag show which used a U-Haul truck pulled up to the back door as a dressing room...in the summer. The bar had no room to spare. Many benefits, contests, pageants, and shows were held in this bar and it became an institution. It also became more mixed, male-female, and in the end became known as a primarily Lesbian bar although, there were some male employees and male regulars all the time. "The neighborhood was different then. Mostly medical students, not a place where you could not walk at night," said Sharon.

The first issue of *Gaze* in

1979 lists a bar called Johnnie's at 92 N. Avalon. By March of 1980 it had become The Pendulum and was attracting a largely female crowd. The Cleveland St. bar changed its name and format again to The Fruit Jar in early 1981. In November it was listed as The Annex and in September of 1982 once again as the Psych-Out. There came a night late that year when Sharon looked around her and found none of the crowd she had seen in years past. The neighborhood had changed; the Gay scene was changing. She had another bar called Sharon's on the corner of McNeil and Madison which was to take her in another direction. She was occupied with plans for the Psych-Out II, near George's on Marshall St. Late that night, she announced, "You have fifteen minutes to finish your beer — forever." And she meant it.

In December of 1982, there is no listing for a bar at that address in *Gaze*. From February 1983 to April 1983, there was a listing for Lorretta and Juicie's, or the L & J Saloon. After that, the tiny sign disappeared. It is not known whether there are ghosts or not.

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Couples

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together one year or less, who had sex about twice as often as the average couple.

Most of the couples had sex less often. Half of all the Gay male couples averaged sex no more than six times a month, and half the Lesbian couples had sex weekly or less often.

The sex was rated as "excellent" by 54 percent of the women and by 31 percent of the men. Another 25 percent of the women and 35 percent of the men said their sex was "good."

Sex outside the relationship was more common for men than women. Only four percent of women reported any outside sex during the previous year. On the other hand, 27 percent of the men had some outside sex during the previous year, though only 12 percent had outside sex more than once a month; 5 percent had outside sex weekly or more often.

Relationship Longevity

Despite the youth of the respondents - averaging 35 years for women, 37 years for men -

Lesbians had been together an average of 5 1/4 years and Gay men averaged 7 1/2 years.

While several couples had been together longer than 40 years, many of the relationships were only recently started. Half of all the women surveyed had been together 3 1/2 years or less; half the men had been together 5 years or less.

The survey is directed by Stevie Bryant & Demian, who hope to publish the results. Preliminary results and comments from the respondents are regularly published in their monthly newsletter *PARTNERS*.

"When data entry is complete, we will be able to draw an up-to-date picture of the families being created by Gay and Lesbian couples," says Demian, who has a doctorate in education. "This information will be invaluable to social service providers and civil rights groups."

To receive a summary of final results, when available, send a stamped, self-addressed business envelope to *PARTNERS* Survey Results, Box 9685, Seattle, WA 98109.

Kowalski

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Thompson as guardian. His selection of a third party guardian is pending.

Thompson praised the work of the National Committee. "The Committee has achieved a great deal," she said. "Any further areas of question in Sharon's future can be hammered out by my lawyer in court. This nightmare is almost over, and I can be free to determine what the future holds for us."

The National Committee reiterates that the story of Sharon Kowalski represents a powerful lesson about the need for all couples who choose not to marry or do not have legal access to marriage to create durable power of attorney documents for their own protection.

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Addenda



Country singer Dena Kaye performed before a full house Saturday, August 19th at WKRB In Memphis. Because of the great response, Dena will be returning to WKRB soon.

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believed that friendship meant more!

I will have to admit, because I worked in a bar and was watching this take place, I swore I would never be that way. Yet, alas, even I became a victim of this horrid, ugly problem. I met someone that I found to be very attractive, interesting, and highly romantic. I wanted to meet this person and get to know him better. I was at the bar with one of my friends, a certain drag queen. We had both seen this man and both wanted to go out with him. By chance, this young man asked me to go out with him. I did. At that very moment, my friend turned on me, and ever since, has told some of the most horrible things about me. Things that are not even true. One account even states that I have AIDS. I dealt with this person and problem by ignoring the issue. I had hoped that the problem would pass. It only got worse. Later, another one of my friends had the opportunity to meet my wonderful new boy-

friend. They hit it off really well. Too well to suit me. I then noticed a different side of my friend. He was making advances toward my date with no regard to me or my presence. And my date, well, he did not encourage the advances, but he did not stop them either.

The problem bloomed into something very nasty. I, as well as my friend, resorted to the underhanded tactics of trying to destroy each other. This past weekend, it all came to an end after a party to which I was not invited. My friend, and the person I thought cared about me, met. I do not know what was said at the party. All I now is the end result. The man of my dreams called me the next day to tell me to forget that he ever lived. All he told me was that he found that after what he was told, he could not be around me any longer. He would not tell me who he talked to or what was said. Later that day, my friend called. He asked me to give him the phone number of this gentleman. During this conversation, it all came out, the whole

ugly mess. He did not get the phone number from me and never will. What he did get was the loss of a friend. But I don't believe we ever were friends. See, in the Gay community, you can't be friends. You have to be a low life to survive.

No one gained anything from this ugly little show. It took only four-and-a-half weeks from beginning to end. It is over now. There are no winners only losers. My friend will go on to meet other guys, make other friends. The man of my dreams, well, I can never win him back; he is gone forever. Me, I am still just here, working at the bar, and trying to answer my own question. **Why do we have to hurt each other?**

The Gay world is full of enough problems: social, medical, legal. I look at the Gay community, as I see it from my perch at the bar, and I think to myself, **how disgusting this all is!** We are all wanting to be accepted by society, yet look at the image we are creating for ourselves. We just celebrated Gay Pride week, an event marking how far we have come since Stonewall 20 years ago. Yet, how far have we come? We spend all our time trying to break up relationships, because we think that the person our friends are dating should be with us. We fight over which bar is the best. We complain about cover charges. We sabotage different bars because someone that works for that bar makes us mad. We have drag queens doing shows and using their time on stage to talk garbage about the owners and employees of the other bars. We get angry when we are in a bar and someone forces us to do away with our drugs. We get very angry when we can't get into the bar because we are not old enough. Yet, we never love each other.

People, we are all we have. If we truly want to be accepted as a part of society, then we have got to change our ways. We need to stop this unnecessary attack on our other brothers and sisters. We need to be happy for our friends when they find that special someone. We need to support them, not try to take their man/woman just because we want to trick with them for a night. We need to support all of our bar owners. We need to support our community. We need to show that we are proud of who we are and show the world that we love each other. Then we may just be able to take our place in society. We need to get involved with the community, not just the drag shows, but the whole community. We need to support the efforts to build the Gay community center. We need to support the efforts, both financially as well as in person, of the Memphis Gay Coalition and ATEAC. We are all in this together. We all need to act

together if we ever want to make a difference.

For me, I learned a very valuable lesson. I am a human being; I will still make mistakes. But one mistake I will never make again is stabbing someone in the back - someone that I have called my friend. Doing so means we all lose, and I am not here to lose. I plan to continue to work at the bar, and I plan to join the MGC, and I plan to support the other efforts of this community. There is one other thing that I am never going to support again - violent, verbal attacks on my brothers and sisters of this community. All of this will make it very difficult for me to ever call anyone else a friend. It will make it even harder for me to find that someone special. I hope I do have friends again. And one day, I hope to be able to find the man that I can love. Until that day, I shall just do what I can to support this community, and watch and hope that we can all learn from this. It


is my hope that all will read this and apply it to your own experiences, then try to live the way I have described. Love each other - for we do not have to hurt each other!

Gary
Memphis, TN

While we certainly feel sorry that such horrible things have happened to you as a result of the incident you described, I cannot let go without comment some of your assertions.

What you experienced was the actions of a few people — to generalize these actions and attitudes to the entire Gay community does everyone a disservice. I, for one, do not have to be a "low-life to survive." You probably really believe that "we" need to stop doing all of these things; I do not. There are good and bad eggs in every crowd. Why should the Gay community not have its share. —Ed.

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President Names Appointments, Including Person With AIDS, to AIDS Commission

Washington, DC - President Bush has named two individuals to the National AIDS Commission, including a person with AIDS. The Commission, now complete after the U.S. Congress named its appointees earlier in the year, will evaluate and affect federal policy for fighting the epidemic.

The appointments of Belinda Mason, president of the National Association of People with AIDS and a person with AIDS, and Dr. David Rogers, a professor at Cornell Medical College in New York City, were praised by AIDS community leaders.

"We are extremely pleased with these appointments, especially with the critical and important perspective brought to the commission by Mason," said Tim McFeely, executive director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF).

"Tens of thousands of people living with AIDS around the nation are applauding the inclusion of their collective voice in the nation's preeminent AIDS policy group," said McFeely. "President Bush is to be commended for his understanding of the need to have the community most affected by the epidemic participate in the development of national AIDS policy."

Dr. David Rogers currently chairs the New York State Commission on AIDS and is widely respected by AIDS activists. He is the former president of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, one of the most active foundations involved in the AIDS crisis.

The AIDS Commission was created by the Omnibus AIDS Bill, passed by Congress last fall. Under the law, the House and Senate named five members each, while three of the Administration's nominees - the Secretary of Health and Human Services, Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Veteran's Affairs - were pre-designated by law.

The Commission will promote the development of a national consensus on AIDS policy. It will evaluate and make recommendations regarding the financing of health care and research relating to AIDS, and is expected to help implement recommendations in the report issued last year by the Presidential HIV Commission chaired by Admiral James Watkins.

Congressional appointees to the Commission are Rep. J. Roy Rowland (D-GA); Diane Ahrens, chairperson of the Ramsey County, Minn., board of commissioners and head of

the National Association of Counties' task force on AIDS; Rev. Scott Allen, Baptist minister who served on the Texas state task force on AIDS; Dr. Don C. Des Jarlais, coordinator, AIDS research at the New York State substance abuse services division; and Donald S. Goldman, former president of the National Hemophilia Foundation.

Also on the Commission are Eunice Diaz, former public health official in Los Angeles County; Larry Kessler, founder of the Boston AIDS Action Committee; Dr. June Osborn, dean of the School of Public Health at the University of Michigan; Harlan Dalton, Yale Law School professor, and Dr. Charles Konigsberg, head of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's health division.

"The AIDS Commission appears to be absent of any individuals with right-wing agendas," said Robert Bray, HRCF communications director. "We are optimistic the new Commission will roll up its sleeves and aggressively tackle the challenges posed by an epidemic that shows no signs of diminishing."



AIDS Insurance Bias Decried

San Francisco — National Gay Rights Advocates (NGRA), the California-based public interest law firm, has filed complaints against two more insurance companies engaged in discrimination against persons with AIDS.

The first offender, Commercial Sales and Service Trust of Los Angeles, limits lifetime benefits for AIDS-related treatment to a mere \$10,000 — even though it will pay up to a million dollars for expenses linked to

cancer, heart disease, and other life-threatening illnesses. The second, Self Created Insurance Services of Anaheim Hills, entirely excludes AIDS-related drugs from its prescription drug plan.

Ben Schatz, Director of NGRA's AIDS Civil Rights Project said, "It is nothing less than obscene for insurance companies to try to wash their hands of AIDS in such a callous, discriminatory manner. NGRA has successfully reversed this biased treatment in the past, and will not hesitate to fight it again in the future."

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September 1989

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• ATEAC Benefit Show by Wagettes. Lorretta s. 10 pm • Aphrodite Variety Show. WKRB	27	♥ 28 HEART STRINGS Ticket Sales Partv. Theatre Memphis. 5:30 - 7:30 pm	29	♥ 30 HEART STRINGS Volunteer Meeting, Red Cross, 1440 Central, 7:30	31	• Wings Flight 5 events	1	• Wings Flight 5 events • Mr. Southern Leather Chaps 8pm • Wagette Benefit Auction. J-Wag's, 9pm	
• Wings Flight 5 events • Special Labor Day Show, GDI • Wagette Show. J-Wag's	3	LABOR DAY 4 • White Party, GDI • Special Show & Dance, The Last Stop	5	• Memphis Gay-Coalition Meeting (SPECIAL DAY), Main Library, Meeting Room A, 7:30 pm	6	• Country & Western Night, Pipeline. 9-12 HEART STRINGS Volunteer Meeting, Red Cross, 1440 Central, 7:30	7	8	9
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♥ 17 • Pink Ball, GDI (Benefit for HEART STRINGS)	18	• GayRap: Masculinity, Gayness & Leather, Main Library, Meeting Room A, 7:30	19	♥ 20 HEART STRINGS Volunteer Meeting, Red Cross, 1440 Central, 7:30	21	22	• Tsarus Aida Run	23	• Tsarus Aida Run
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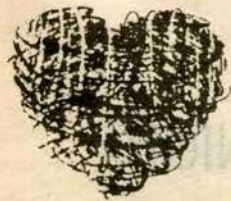
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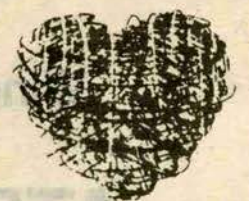
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Pipeline: 1382 Poplar - 726-5263.
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WKRBB in Memphis: 1528 Madison - 278-9321.

ORGANIZATIONS

Aid to End AIDS Committee (ATEAC): AIDS Service Organization - Box 40389, Memphis 38174-0389 - 458-AIDS, or 272-0855.
Agape Christian Church: Liturgical service Sundays at 11:00 AM and Bible Study Wednesdays 7:00 PM - 346-1436 or 353-1092.

Agape New Life Church: Worship Sundays at 11:00 AM and Wednesdays at 7:30 PM - 327-4145.

American Gay Atheists (AGA) Memphis: Box 41371, Memphis 38174-1371.

Black & White Men Together (BWMT): Box 41773, Memphis 38174-1773 - 452-5894 or 726-1461.

Brothers & Sisters Bowling League: 1161 Poplar Ave #15, Memphis 38105.

Colors: Box 1921, Memphis 38101.

Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition, Inc. of Memphis: P.O. Box 40982, Memphis 38174-0982.

Gay Women's Social Group: Lee, 327-6165.

Heart Strings: 1400 Central, Memphis 38104 - 726-HOPE.

Kinship: Seventh Day Adventist Gay religious group - P.O. Box 171135, Memphis 38187-1135 - 754-6160.

Memphis Center for Reproductive Health: 1462 Poplar Ave, Memphis 38104 - 274-3550.

Memphis Gay Coalition (MGC): Box 3038, Memphis 38173-0038 - 324-GAYS.

Memphis Gay & Lesbian Community Center (MGLCC): Box 3038, Memphis 38173-0038.

Memphis Lambda Center: Meeting place for 12-step recovery programs - 241 N. Cleveland (above United Paint Store), Memphis - 276-7379.

Minority Prison Project (MPP): For information: John Prowett, 1973 Sipes, Memphis 38127.

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

National Organization for Women (NOW): Box 40982, Memphis - 452-6983.

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

Phoenix (Gay AA): 272-9549, 276-7379, or 454-1414.

Tennessee Gay & Lesbian Gay Alliance (T-GALA): Box 24181, Nashville, TN 37202.

Transsexuals in Prison (TIP): For information: John Prowett, 1973 Sipes, Memphis 38127.

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

Wings: Leather-Levi club- Box 41784, Memphis 38174-1784.

Women of Leather: 181 N. Willett, Memphis 38104 - 278-9321

Gay Switchboard: 324-GAYS. 7:30-11pm.

LINC: 725-8895.

Narcotics Anonymous: 276-LIVE.

Rape Crisis: 528-2161.

Suicide & Crisis Intervention: 274-7477.

COUNSELING & LEGAL SERVICES

Becky Caperton, MS: Counseling - 327-9758.

Beth Causey, M.Div.: Pastoral Counseling - 454-0108.

Susan Mackenzie, Attorney At Law: 100 n. Main, Suite 3310, Memphis 38103-(901) 525-0417.

Carole Taylor, MS: Counseling - 458-7098.

Northeast Mental Health Center: 382-3880.

MISCELLANEOUS

Airport Adult Theatre: 2214 Brooks Rd E. - 345-0657.

Cherokee Adult Book Store: 2947 Lamar - 744-7494.

Economy Interiors: Antiques - 1466 Madison - 725-9222.

Fantasy World: 1814 Winchester - 346-2086.

Getwell Book Mart: 1275 Getwell - 454-7765.

Getwell Adult Book Store: 1617 Getwell - 745-9054.

Men of Leather: Leather shop - 111 N. Claybrook - 722-8963.

Paris Adult Entertainment Center: 2432 Summer - 323-2665.

Star Search Video: 1264 Madison - 272-STAR.

Tobacco Corner Newsroom: 669 Mendenhall Rd S. - 682-3326 & 1803 Union - 726-1622.

MEDIA

AIDS Update: Newspaper published by the Aid to End AIDS Committee - 458-AIDS.

Gay Alternative: Radio program, Mon. 6:00-7:00 PM, WEVL FM 90 - Box 41773, Memphis 38174.

Gaze: Monthly newspaper published by the Memphis Gay Coalition - Box 3038, Memphis 38173-0038 - 454-1411.

The Personals: Gay computer bulletin board - 300, 1200, or 2400 baud - 274-6713.

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