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## 3,000 Protest New York's AIDS Policies

New York—The AIDS Coalition To Unleash Power (ACT UP) swept through City Hall Plaza here last Tuesday with over 3,000 demonstrators and supporters to protest the city's AIDS policies under the administration of Mayor Ed Koch, according to reports in the *Washington Blade*.

"We're here at City Hall today because we're dying and we're angry," said ACT UP's Ann Northrop.

This demonstration was the largest ever staged by ACT UP, and was preceded by a "zap" on the Brooklyn Bridge during rush hour. The AIDS civil disobedience group used the wave format to successfully close down the bridge and its exit/entrance ramps three times during the actions. CHER! (Concerned Homosexuals Examining Reality!) was the first group to successfully penetrate police barricades and block traffic from the bridge. New York Police arrested about 200 demonstrators, who had to be bused to several different precincts around the city for processing.

Ron Goldberg, an ACT UP organizer, said the demonstration was highly successful.

"We're taking the issue of health care to the streets. It will be a major issue in [this year's mayoral] election," he declared.

ACT UP member Michael Nesline, who is also a registered nurse at Bellevue Hospital, said the metropolitan hospital system is in a state of crisis, largely due to New York Mayor Edward Koch's policies, which Nesline believes are criminally negligent. Charles Barber, another ACT UP member, said the Koch administration cut the city hospital budget by \$20 million last year.

Koch held a news conference at City Hall while the demonstration was going on. He said that he understands the frustration and anger that the demonstrators feel. Koch also said that New York does "more than any other city or state" to serve the needs of people with AIDS, but that the city's limited budget prohibits it from doing more.



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## 41 Arrested Protesting S. C. AIDS Law

Columbia, S.C.—ACT UP (AIDS Coalition To Unleash Power) staged its first major demonstration in the Deep South on Thursday when forty-one demonstrators who blocked a major street in front of the South Carolina state capitol building were arrested. Police officers quickly moved in after the demonstrators, in two separate groups, lay down on Gervais Street blocking the two east bound lanes. They were cuffed and carried on stretchers to waiting buses for transportation to a nearby processing center.

The 41 were charged with blocking traffic—disobeying instructions of a police officer—and posted bonds of \$100, the maximum fine for the misdemeanor offense. All of the demonstrators were released "within a couple of hours," according to Heather Wilson, ACT UP/Atlanta's logistics coordinator. Bob Hallman, one of two Columbia attorneys who represented the ACT UP group, said he observed only one police officer who "got a little rough" during the two rounds of arrest.

The demonstration was a scaled-down version of the one announced by ACT/UP Atlanta on March 1. At that time, activists stated they intended to "take control" of the South Carolina statehouse to protest the state's new AIDS law, considered to be

one of the most oppressive in the nation. ACT UP/Atlanta backed off from that objective after South Carolina officials pointed out that any unauthorized entry or use of the statehouse carries with it a penalty of five years in prison and/or a \$5,000 fine. ACT UP/Atlanta coordinated a two-hour demonstration at the statehouse before the arrests took place.

South Carolina's AIDS law, passed by the general assembly last year, prohibits confidential or anonymous HIV testing, established quarantine provisions for certain HIV-positive persons, and extends prison sentences for positive-testing inmates. The law also requires state disclosure of HIV status for persons suspected of carrying or transmitting the virus.

"Legislation such as this, which serves to foster fear and drive the disease underground, must not go unnoticed," said Chip Rowan, ACT UP/Atlanta's legal coordinator. "This action is being coordinated in protest and disgust for the most oppressive AIDS law in the country."

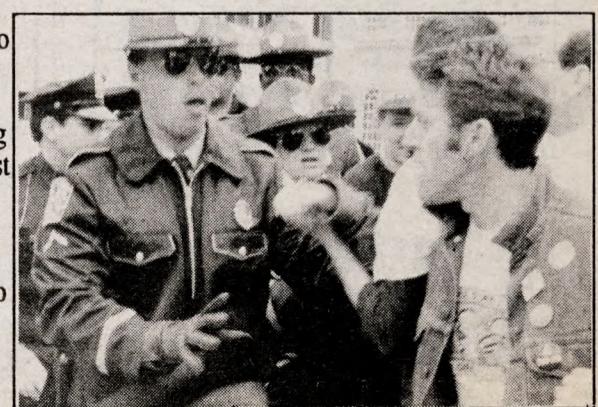
The street-blocking tactic apparently came as no surprise to South Carolina law enforcement authorities, who had several meetings with ACT UP

coordinators during the last month. "We've watched videotapes of other ACT UP protests, and they sit down in the street completely passive," said Hugh Mann, press spokesperson for the state's law enforcement division. "You have to pick them up and carry them off."

Most of the officers wore rubber gloves during the arrests. "We offer gloves to officers in every instance where we're going to have multiple arrests," said John Spade, a Columbia police department spokesperson. "This is standard procedure. You can catch a common cold with a handshake. You don't know what people have," he said.

Although estimates of the total number of people who participated varied widely,

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# NEWS IN BRIEF

## Gay Man Seeks Miami Mayoral Seat

Gay businessman and political activist Jack Campbell announced March 22 that he will be a candidate in the November Miami (Florida) mayoral race, according to *TVN*.

Founder of a chain of gay spas called Club Body Center, and president of the Lesbian and Gay Democrats of America, Campbell is making his third bid for public office. He lost a 1975 bid to unseat Miami City Commissioner J.L. Plummer, and in 1986 he fell short in his attempt to become a state representative.

"I don't want to launch a vendetta against Suarez," Campbell told *TVN*. "His being in the job has attested to what the Cuban-Americans can do in this city. I just think that my candidacy can do the same for gay people. Just think what four years under Jack Campbell would be like." Suarez is Miami's first Cuban-American mayor.

## Lesbian Co-parent Can Seek Custody

*Los Angeles* — A lesbian co-parent's suit seeking joint custody of the child her ex-lover gave birth to was supported by a judge here on March 16. According to reports in the *Montrose Voice* and *Gay Community News*, Superior Court Commissioner James Endman ruled that Terri Sabol could seek custody of the child she and her partner conceived through artificial insemination.

"This case is an inspiration to persons who have been in same-sex relationships and who would like to have access to courts to protect

their rights," said Gloria Allred, Sabol's attorney.

Sabol's lover gave birth to the child after both women agreed that they wanted to have a child through artificial insemination, according to news accounts. Using semen from a relative of Sabol's, her partner conceived in 1986, and subsequently gave birth to the child who was given Sabol's name. Sabol allegedly contributed financially to raising the child before the two women split in July 1987. Sabol was denied visitation rights by her ex after October 1988.

A hearing was scheduled for March 30 to determine if the case will go to trial.

## N.C. Considers Two Anti-Gay Bills

Gay and lesbian activists in North Carolina are worried about two new bills recently introduced in that state's legislature which could lead to discriminatory treatment against homosexuals, according to a story in *The Front Page*.

Both proposals rely on the state's Crimes Against Nature (CAN) laws as the justification for limiting homosexuals. The first proposal is an amendment aimed at sexually active gay men and lesbians.

The proposal would allow landlords to deny housing to anyone if the landlord "has a reasonable basis to conclude that the applicant has committed a felony."

The second proposal would require teachers to teach school children the penalties for acting on one's gay or lesbian orientation. Included with those penalties is being charged with a felony, as dictated by the CAN laws.



## FAMOUS FACES

### Who Framed Grace Jones?

Multitalented star Grace Jones spent a few days in the less-than-sunny side of Jamaica last week following an encounter with the law. Police arrested Jones after finding .006 of an ounce of cocaine in her home in Kingston and kept her in a local jail for three days. Jones, who starred in the 007 thriller "A View to a Kill," maintains she was framed by a "third party" and vows to fight the charges in court. The hours of captivity proved productive, though. She wrote six songs, planned a music video and confounded police by asking for permission to return to the jail for artistic purposes. Jones' angular face will soon appear behind bars in an anti-drug video named "Crack Attack."

### Who Was That Masked Patient?

The Lone Ranger's heart is giving some trouble to the legendary avenger of evil. Clayton Moore entered a hospital in Malibu, California for tests and observation after experiencing an irregular heartbeat. Moore, now 74 years old, galloped on his trusted horse "Silver" into American homes in the 1950s. He deftly destroyed opponents of good and the American way before disappearing into the sunset until the same time next week.

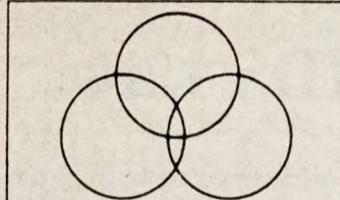
### Who Was That Naked Woman?

The Santa Ana Freeway has seen few traffic jams quite like the one that snarled traffic for miles on April 10 and sent drivers into a mad scramble for flying bills and naked skin. When highway patrol officers arrived at the scene of the disturbance, they found a woman sitting on the hood of her car, naked from the waist down, tossing \$20 bills into the road and swinging a metal chain at nearby cars. The woman explained she was out of gas and wanted to get the other driver's attention. Police started her car without any problem before taking her into the local psychiatric hospital.

- F.G.

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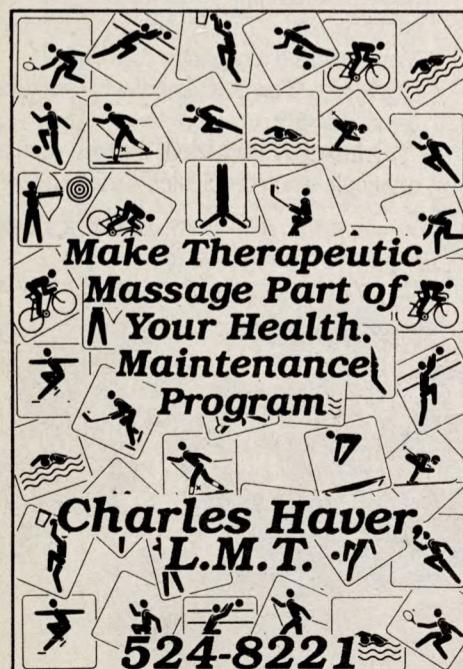


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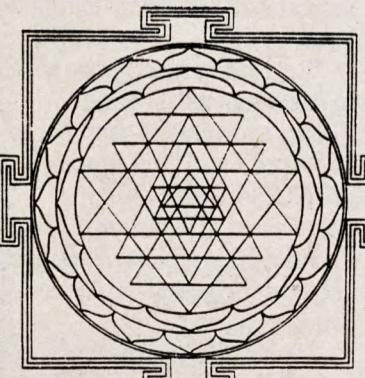
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## Sun Discovers "Lesbian City" In Sweden

"Lesbian city of 25,000 bans men" trumpeted the headline over a story in the April 18 edition of the *Sun*, a supermarket tabloid, that asserted "each and every one of these gals is a man-hating lesbian."

The article said that the city of Sapphoborg, Sweden is surrounded by barbed wire and armed guards to protect unsuspecting men who stumbled upon the town.

"We used to have a scattering of men here," said Mayor Helga Gornblad, "but they were being constantly harassed and beaten up. We banned them for their own

protection."

If a man must enter the city, Gornblad said, he is given a special day-pass so the guards will "let him pass."

Once inside the gates, the *Sun* reported, life is fairly normal in the city "where women fill every position from corporate executive to firefighters."

"I imagine the world would be surprised by how simple and happy our family lives are," Gornblad said. "We women know how to please our women better than some fat, beer-guzzling husband."

## Arrests

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the event attracted fewer participants than ACT UP organizers predicted. ACT UP/Atlanta media coordinator Linda Meredith told reporters on Wednesday that 200 would be at the statehouse on Thursday. But the actual count of protesters was closer to 85, which was also the figure announced by police authorities. Rowan stated, "We had the numbers we expected." But he also expressed disappointment in the turnout.

Both houses of the legislature remained in session throughout the demonstration, and only a few legislators came out onto the capitol steps to watch the protest. One legislator commented he thought one of the demonstrator's poster was "distasteful". He was apparently referring to a placard that advocated legalizing anal intercourse, using graphic language to describe the sex act.

Tom Whalen of Columbia said he came to join the demonstration, but was turned off by signs carried by some of the demonstrators. "Their signs offended me. I don't think they're doing a bit of good," he said. "As a matter of fact, I think they're hurting the cause."

Many of ACT UP's tactics were intended to elicit maximum shock value. When the group first arrived at the capitol and began to march around the building, they chanted: "We're here! We're here! We're loud and rude, strong and queer!" Then the demonstrators staged a "kiss-in" on Gervais Street, coinciding with an increase in lunchtime traffic.

Some gay and lesbian groups flinch at some of ACT UP's strategies, and others believe the group fills a vital need for direct action. "There's a certain complacency that sets in as the AIDS epidemic drones on," said Urvashi Vaid of The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force a few weeks ago. "ACT UP rocks the boat, and that's good. But tactics that confront and provoke can alienate, too."

Nearly half of the demonstrators came from New York where some had been among over 200 arrested in an ACT UP-sponsored demonstration that attracted 3,000 to New York's city hall on March 28. Some of the women



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arrested in the New York demonstration reportedly were subjected to strip searches by police there. "I'm willing to be arrested," said Maxine Wolf of New York. "But I didn't come down here to be arrested."

25 of the protesters were from Atlanta and another 20 were from the Greenville, S.C. area. "There were only four or five from from Columbia," said Brian Costner of the Carolina Peace Resources Center.

One man, Scott Ayers of Atlanta, became a drop-in demonstrator Ayers was staying in a nearby town to attend a funeral. "I saw it announced on television last night, and pulled off the interstate this morning on my way home and joined in."

Joe Selby of Greenville wore a surgical mask, the same mask Selby's friend wore when he died of AIDS last year. "I'm here for those who are sick and too afraid for their own lives to be here," he explained.

Only two counter-demonstrators were present, two men standing beside a lone, laminated poster which read, "There is a cure for AIDS and all other sin - Repentance to God and faith in Jesus Christ."

- Matt Moline

## Jackson Continues Bid For Gay Vote

Mayoral candidate Maynard H. Jackson reiterated his campaign promise to Atlanta gays and lesbians to immediately reform the current police procedures for reporting Hate Crimes during a wide-ranging address to the Georgia Association of Physicians for Human Rights (GAPHR) April 9.

Jackson's position on the documentation of hate crimes, those crimes motivated by malice toward an individual's perceived race, sex, religion or sexual orientation, is the boldest of the any candidate's early campaign promises to the gay/lesbian community. Fulton County Commission Chair Michael L. Lomax, Jackson's main opponent, has previously promised his cooperation in working with the Atlanta police department to get hate crimes documented, but only Jackson has taken issue publicly with the policies of the current administration and promised to get the issue resolved.

"No one - regardless of their race, sex or sexual orientation ever should have to worry about how they are treated by the police or anyone else," Jackson said.

"Hate crimes, by whomever perpetrated, if they're in this city, we need to know about them, chronicle them and we don't need to wait on the federal government to pass any kind of law. We're going to do it because it's the right thing to do," he added.

Jackson also vowed to re-establish a city-wide Human Relations Commission to replace the current City Council Human Relations Committee which the mayor plays no part in.

"It has been my commitment throughout this campaign to establish a Human Relation Commission in the City of Atlanta," Jackson said. "I think it is necessary for people of different backgrounds, different orientations, different policies, parties and so forth, to come together and talk to each other, and advise government in turn."

In a related development, Jackson said that although he was unfamiliar with the wording of an ordinance that bans city employment discrimination based on sexual orientation, he was aware that most people at the meeting felt it was inadequate.

"To whatever extent that law is not adequate, we are going to do everything that legally and ethically can be done to insure that all aspects of life for people who are qualified (are protected)," he said.

Jackson was questioned the closest, and received his greatest criticism around, housing for the homeless, in particular the homeless with AIDS. Although he admitted that he had not worked out a plan in response to the problems of homeless PWAs, Jackson said, "I've got a program that would apply to the question. Let's build housing."

His housing plan would be financed by issuing tax-free revenue bonds, that he said would place "no call on the tax payer." Jackson said that the plan he was thinking of would build four-family housing units that would place up to two homeless PWAs paying sliding-scale rents with two renters paying the full price for their units, which he predicted would in turn raise enough revenue to retire the bonded indebtedness.

Jackson said that the way to avoid neighborhood hostility toward housing units being built in their area was to search for a "proactive solution" that would involve all parties in the planning process.

Although Jackson offered GAPHR a seat on his transition team if elected, GAPHR treasurer Rick Hudson stressed that the group would remain impartial throughout the campaign.

-Chris Duncan

## Vote '89 To Register 3,500 Voters

When the politicians are analyzing the impact of this year's gay/lesbian voter registration drive, a snapshot of Judy Quick isn't going to pop into their heads. Gary Donult's framed portrait probably will.

Quick, who is an African-American woman with a 9-year-old son is not the typical image Southern politicians conjure up when they hear the "g" or "l" words. Donult, on the other hand, fits the standard stereotype of a single, white male living in town. Jim Gilkeson, a registrar working with Vote '89, a loose coalition of gay/lesbian politicos, doesn't know if either Quick or Donult are gay. And he doesn't think it will matter when the final results are tallied.

"You can't walk up to people and say 'Are you going to vote this way, good lets come register you,' so we just register everybody," Gilkeson explained. "So, you go to the areas where you know your people are, you get folks to register to vote and your percentages are good."

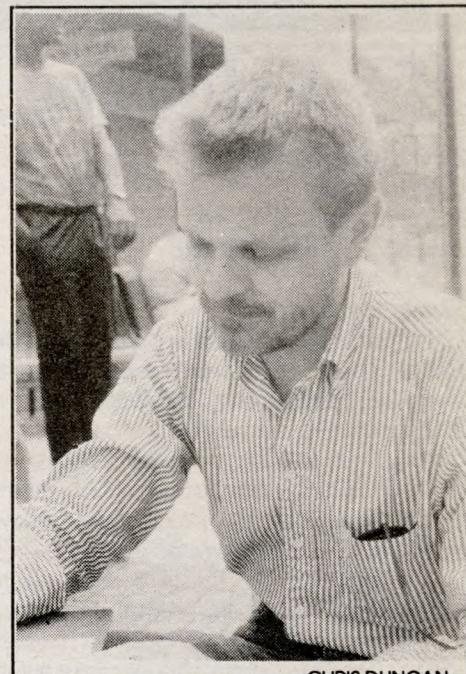
Gilkeson and two other members of Vote '89 were out hustling the Saturday shopping crowds at Ansley Mall April 15, making sure they gave everyone the opportunity to sign up for this fall's elections. Sounding more like carnival barkers than the demure voter registrars we have become used to seeing in the malls, the three signed-up over 50 new voters before their four hour shift was up.

Straight or gay, it all comes down to numbers for Gilkeson and the other members of Vote '89 since they plan to register at least 3,500 voters in the coming months.

"What we're doing," explained registrar Rich Jones, "is targeting areas and specific locations that we know have a lot of gay traffic in them. There will be some straights in our numbers, and that's okay."

"The politicians know where we're doing our registration," he added, "and they know it's heavily gay."

The primary goal of Vote '89, according to Jones and others, is to activate the gay/lesbian



CHRIS DUNCAN

**Gary Donult, a Fulton County resident, registered to vote with Vote '89 at Ansley Mall April 15.**

community of Atlanta, and provide local activist with solid numbers to show to politicians when they are jockeying for power with other special interest groups. And votes, of course, are the key to a politician's heart - not to mention their support of any particular cause.

Long used as a means to keep minorities and women from voting, voter registration is now used prevalently by minority groups like Vote '89 to ensure their voice is heard by politicians, according to Bonnie R. Colson with the Fulton County Registrar's office. She added that although this is not the first gay/lesbian voter registration drive in Fulton County, it is the most concerted effort in her memory.

-Chris Duncan

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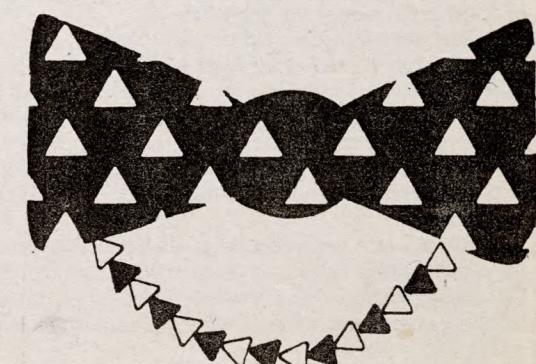
... by backing the Omnibus Health Amendments Act, authorizing research, care, educational programs and grants for anonymous HIV testing and counseling...

... being instrumental in the passage in the House of the Hate Crimes Statistics Act requiring the Justice Department to compile information on gay and lesbian related violence...

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Atlanta, Georgia 30335-0313

### Members of the Board:

I am writing to urge you to grant a Community Services Special Use Permit to Jerusalem House - a proposed residence for homeless persons with AIDS. The need for such a residence cannot be stressed enough, and the property at 831 Briarcliff Road is an excellent location due to its centrality and accessibility to public transportation.

As you are probably aware there are only 32 non-hospital beds available to persons with AIDS (PWAs) in the entire State of Georgia, all operated by AID Atlanta. According to Joan Garner, Social Services Director of that agency, some 30% of their 700+ clients will be homeless, or have problems paying for housing within the course of their illness.

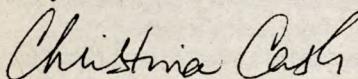
The math is simple. 32 beds cannot accommodate the current need - nor can it accommodate the growing number of homeless PWAs the State is sure to see.

The board of directors of Jerusalem House have a commitment to caring for our State's PWAs. The time and planning they have put into this project is indicative of that care. Their efforts bring a ray of hope into a city that is darkened by the disease and the State's woeful response to it.

Atlanta is expected to lead the way in times of crisis. The city has a responsibility to be the "first" in dealing with AIDS in a fair and humane fashion - and in doing so lead the way for the rest of the State.

If we are truly "the city too busy to hate" then we must first be the city not too busy, or too bigoted or too frightened to love.

Sincerely,



Christina Cash  
Publisher/Editor  
*Southern Voice*

We at Southern Voice urge you to write your own letter to the Zoning Review Board or to clip this letter, sign it and mail it. The need is immediate and your input is important. The Board of Directors of Jerusalem House is trying to gather all letters of support before the meeting so that copies can be distributed to all members of the Zoning Review Board. If you choose to participate in this letter writing campaign, please address your correspondence to the Zoning Review Board, but mail it to Jerusalem House, 1790 LaVista Rd., NE, Atlanta, GA 30329.

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### Guest Editorial

## Gay Theatre - We Need More

Where is gay theatre in Atlanta? Just glancing at the Sunday arts section in newspapers from other major American cities will tell us Atlanta is a virtual desert for this great communal need. We have to wonder how and why such a huge, diverse gay and lesbian population could fail to support its own consistently respected on-going theatre.

We do (I hope) realize how important the theatre is to us. Where else can we go for such an immediate reflection of our own problems? In the theatre we are challenged to think, transported to other worlds (past, present, and future), made to laugh or cry, and taken outside ourselves for an ultimate perspective. And the focus is always on human beings; we *need* to learn about ourselves and the universal presence of our problems.

Someone said to me recently that gay theatre is, by definition, always political. But that is just an example of the mentality that has fixated gay theatre on one specific topic: AIDS. I cannot argue that AIDS theatre has run its course, or that it should be ignored. We have been helped through a very difficult time with works like *As Is*, *The Normal Heart*, and local AIDS plays. But in Atlanta gay theatre has become defined as AIDS theatre, and we are faced with plenty of other concerns. Education is needed on other subjects as well. For example, the change in our sexual behavior, gay bashing, lesbian motherhood, the rise of the conservative gay, and so on.

Of course, some of these suggestions are but responses to the AIDS epidemic. But I would like to see AIDS simply accepted as the terrible truth that it is and see more observations of how we are growing in our

own response. Let's see some gay theatre which takes for granted that we are a part of this society, rather than blaming society for our exclusion.

I believe this opening up of subject matter will invite strong support from our community. Since the lesbian and gay population is not really centralized in Atlanta, it is more difficult to find a good location for the gay theatre. Moving forward from AIDS theatre should also encourage the support of a straight audience; "they" can learn so much about us through this forum. (By the same token, we should be open to learning from theatre that is not gay-oriented.)

Even if the audience does exist for such theatre, who would tackle the job of producing the work? I know the talent needed for ongoing production is in Atlanta, but it seems either too scattered in direction or driven to burnout from over-commitment.

I can testify from my own experience that one person cannot do this alone. If we could break down what barriers must exist, and consolidate and organize the talent into a production team with a specific vision (and put our politics aside), I imagine the work would be important and well worth seeing.

So let's not deny ourselves this beautiful gift. Collaboration, *not* division (I hope we have learned by now) brings progress. The lesbian and gay community can only profit from the effort.

- Harold Leaver  
Producing Director  
*THE ACTOR'S EXPRESS*

## The Name Game Continues

### To the Editor:

I was fascinated by Sherry Sinclair's letter over her indignation at being referred to as a gay woman instead of a lesbian, and I feel compelled to enter this debate.

As a technical writer, I am very concerned with the precise use and meaning of the words. And as a female homosexual, I prefer to call myself "gay".

Perhaps it's just the practicality of the word; GAY - G-A-Y, three little letters, short and to the point. Lesbian, on the other hand, is three syllables long and difficult to pronounce. I also appreciate the positive definition of the word gay - "keenly alive and exuberant". "Lesbian" has an almost evil connotation for me, like hissing snakes; "lesbian" recalls memories of lecherous high school boys whispering "lezzie" in my ear and laughing as they walked away.

According to Webster, the first definition of a Lesbian is a native or inhabitant of the island of Lesbos. This disqualifies me as a Lesbian, since I couldn't locate Lesbos if it was highlighted.

But I would never insist that Ms. Sinclair call herself a "gay woman" simply because I personally don't like the sound of "lesbian".

It's absurd to insist that our diverse and rich female culture should all use the same label. What about boogies wimmin, leather dykes, fat dykes. We have many names, because we have chosen to be distinctly different.

I suppose we must have some sort of broad label to fall under (no pun intended), but what disturbs me is that the use of "lesbian" and the insistence of the use of "lesbian" has overtones of separatism. I don't know what committee appointed themselves and decided we were "lesbians", but they didn't ask me. Because I would have told them to can the separatist crap and let us be gay men and gay women.

As homosexual humans in our quest for human rights, we are all distinctly the same. And I believe that the power of words, even little words, can unite us or divide us. We are a minority who cannot afford to be divided against our homosexual brothers or sisters.

I am the voice of one gay woman, but call me what you may. I have only one name.

My name is unity.

Sincerely,  
Pamela J. Cole



Our special thanks to Mark Hodgson and his staff at Hodgson Photo Service for the extra time and care they spent helping us get photographs from the South Carolina ACT UP demonstration ready in time for this issue. It is a pleasure to work with such a talented group of professionals.

# Nurses, Others Should Investigate Suspect Facilities

Buren Batson, Executive Director  
AID Atlanta  
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Dear Mr. Batson:

As a Registered Professional Nurse I was shocked to read, as reported in the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, March 27, of the deplorable conditions and care administered in a personal care home operated by Sara Alice Brown, presumed L.P.N. If this person is truly an L.P.N. a formal investigation through the L.P.N. licensing board of its licensee is appropriate. As a patient advocate and Professional Registered Nurse I have requested such and encourage you to request the same. Immediate action will prevent future patient neglect, abuse and exploitation.

Please address your request, inquiry to:  
Ms. Pat Swann, Executive Director  
L.P.N. Board of Nursing  
166 Pryor Street  
Atlanta, Georgia 30306

Sincerely,  
Arthur D. Krotz, R.N., CCRN

cc: Georgia Nurses Association  
Southern Voice

## Southern Voice 'Straight-forward' On Gay Politics

To the Editor:

I have never written to a gay paper, and only recently gotten up the guts to begin picking up the paper at places like Woody's. But I have to say that the prospect of what I find inside *Southern Voice* helps to alleviate some of my fear.

One of the things I like most about *Southern Voice* is the straight-forward approach you take to national, state and local politics. I can pick up your paper and make my own decisions about what's going on in the world without worrying that I'm being unduly influenced by some invisible reporter. Keep up the good work!

I hope I'll be able to sign my real name next time I write, until then, sign me

Sincerely,  
A Faithful Reader

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# Protection, Not Neglect, Reader Says To Napper

To the Editor:

I have been following the stories about hate crimes with interest, but hadn't felt compelled to enter into the fray until I read the so-called statement by Public Safety Commissioner George Napper in your last issue.

I ask you, am I crazy or was that not one of the most condescending and uncaring responses to a problem since Marie Antoinette's "Let them Eat Cake" solution to hunger and poverty in 18th century France.

From the very first sentence, Napper takes a condescending air that would be called racism if it were directed at blacks. "There seems to be confusion among some in the gay/lesbian community" sounds a hell of a lot like 'You don't know what you're talking about' to me.

The only thing more insulting than Napper's opening sentence is his closing one. Quite frankly, Mr. Napper, a four paragraph, impersonal statement filled with beauracratize does not make me feel that you have any concern about the fact that my friends and I are constantly in danger of being yelled at, spit upon, beaten and possibly killed every time we let our guard down.

The time has come for Atlanta's (and other cities') gay/lesbian community to rise up and demand that the Public Safety Department - including both the police and fire departments - protect us from the idiots our society continues to produce. I have been paying taxes for all of my adult life Mr. Napper, and if it means that you have to spend a little bit extra money to do it, I give you permission to use my share to make certain I don't have to comfort another friend who suffered at the hands of the roving rural bandits who prowl Midtown and other "queer" areas knowing you're not going to act until Congress gives you a little bit more of a leash.

Lastly, I take issue with your refusal to



WOULD THE INCREASE IN HOMOPHOBIC VIOLENCE BE HALTED IF IT, IN PARTICULAR, WERE PUBLICALLY CONDEMNED? PERHAPS NOT, BUT ISN'T IT WORTH A TRY, COMMISSIONER NAPPER?

be more pro-active by using the media to decry hate crimes. I have seen the public service announcement you filmed - once, late at night on an independent channel. You could certainly use the prestige and power your office engenders to get such a "safe" PSA aired on more channels, more often.

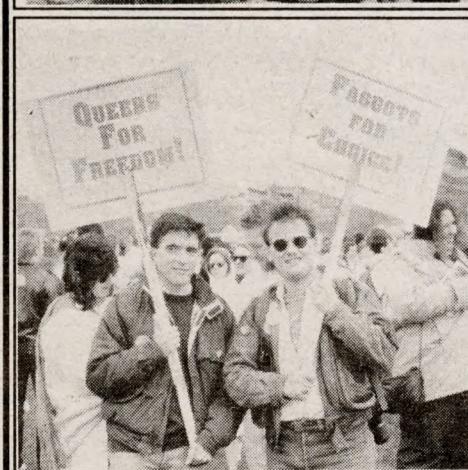
Your assertion that if you film an anti-violence commercial for one group you would have to do it for all, smacks of outright homophobia. It sounds to me like you are more afraid of being identified with gays than you are of filming four or five commercials instead of one.

Please hear the intelligence behind my anger, Mr. Napper. I am tired of being endangered by public officials afraid of a

little controversy. We all know the politics that work at City Hall, and our community is quickly learning how to play them in earnest. Unemployment beckons to those who continue to think of gays and lesbians as powerless and unwilling to fight back.

And if fear of your job won't motivate you sir, think about this. I was one of the few white men out there on the lines with you in the 60's because I believed that simple humanity demanded it. This is such a case, and you owe me and mine. Personally.

Sincerely,  
Sam Kirby



The March for Women's Equality, Women's Lives on April 9 drew between 300,000 (Park Police estimates) and 600,000 (organizer's estimates) people to Washington, D.C. as part of a nationwide campaign to demand equality and unlimited access to abortion. "We are here to say that Roe v. Wade was right and you shall not change it," said Sarah Weddington, the lawyer who filed the landmark case which legalized abortion. She was referring to the recent decision by the U.S. Supreme Court to hear Webster v. Reproductive Health Services, a case that many fear will be used to weaken the Roe decision. Although organizers declined to designate an official gay/lesbian contingent, officials with the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force and the Human Rights Campaign Fund reportedly took the matter in hand and formed an ad hoc contingent with "several thousand" gay/lesbian representatives at the event. Pictured at left are Joe Chappel and Mike Friedman from Boston, Mass. Photos by Tad Gardocki.

**heterodoxy, n.**  
the quality or fact of being  
an opinion contrary to that  
which is established or  
generally received.

A monthly column by KC Wildmoon

## Words Can Make You Pay and Pay

I've heard it said, quite disparagingly, that English is a limited language, inferior to other languages which contain countless words indicating different degrees of the same thing. Statements like that have got me thinking, thinking that if indeed English is such a limited language (and it is, really) then it's all the more important for us to understand it, to think about the words we use, how we use them, what they say about us, and how we feel/think about ourselves and the World Around Us.

Take this word, for example. Victim. Seems like everyday I read/hear our Leaders tell me how victimized I am. Victims of Homophobia, Sexism, Hate Crimes, Rape, Murder, Brutality of All Kinds. I am constantly a victim of The System, which apparently has been set up, by a mysterious Them, just to victimize me. Funny thing, though. I don't feel like a victim. I used to. I remember being angry, put upon, miserable, afraid to walk out my front door...

But not any more. I've been raped, called a fucking dyke by a passing motorist, and kicked out of a restaurant (owned by a Lesbian at that) for resting my head on my lover's shoulder. And yes that makes me a target of a variety of disagreeable things...but I still don't feel like a victim. I cannot live my life ducking for cover, being angry at that mysterious System for what it's done to me. It's certainly not made my life any easier. I'm at risk everyday. Because I'm a

woman, because I'm a Lesbian, because I'm alive. But I am Proud of all that I am. I can't be proud if my main frame of reference for myself is as a victim.

A victim looks at shouting motorists, uncompromising laws, the ugly hate leveled at us and says "I'm oppressed. I can't be myself in this World." Oh, so wrong. We can – and do. Refusing to look at ourselves as victims frees us from a mental stigma that stops us cold, keeps us from fully living our lives, hides from us even the realization that there are ways to be ourselves *in spite of* the everyday unfairness that surrounds us.

I can't "marry" my partner, get a piece of paper that says forever, and take advantage of various laws and regulations designed to aid married couples. But I can pledge a strong, lasting commitment to her, one that doesn't need a piece of paper to make it legitimate. I can hold her hand whenever I want to, shouting motorists notwithstanding. And I can sit down with my accountant and figure out ways to get around some of those laws and regulations.

We can't sit around waiting for the bigotry, the laws against us, to go away, before we stand up and be Proud of who we are. If there is a Them that created this System, that's just what They'd want us to do. Beg for mercy, because we're just poor, helpless victims of injustice, and then half kill each other diving for the kernels of relief that occasionally get dropped out the back door. But it don't have to be so, my Friends. We can start making changes right now, here in the comfort and safety of our own living rooms, in a seat on the train, behind our desks...just think about what you're saying next time you feel the urge to call yourself a victim.

Oops. Looks like I got carried away with "victim", leaving me with no room to talk about the differences between "recovery" and "discovery", between "react" and "respond"... Maybe another time. But between now and then we can all think about it a little more, a little longer, and decide what it is we really want to say, and whether or not it's what we mean.

# National Museum Created For Lesbian & Gay History

"There's not another museum like this in the world," said Ron Cohn, describing the creation of the National Museum for Lesbian and Gay History in New York City.

Cohn, who is the director of development for the Lesbian and Gay Community Services Center in Manhattan, said there was a temporary exhibit on the west coast which tried to serve as a museum for a while, but the new site at the Center is more stable and permanent.

The museum is located within the Center, 208 W. 13th St., Manhattan. It will be devoted to lesbian and gay history and contains the International Gay History Archive, periodicals, books, memorabilia and records of the Mattachine Society, the Gay Activists Alliance and the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard.

"This is a crucial step in preserving our heritage," said the Center executive director Richard D. Burns.



Keith Haring, one of many artists who will participate in the multimedia exhibit

"Imagining Stonewall" scheduled to open June 1 along with The National Museum for Lesbian and Gay History.

The International Gay History Archive is a museum coup. It represents a major collection of material amassed over a decade by John Hammond and Bruce Eves. The archive will be stored in rooms in the basement of the Center that are now being cleaned and repainted. It will be exhibited in the Center's meeting spaces on a rotating basis, with all of it accessible to students, scholars, historians and writers—by appointment.

"The Center will serve as a safe place to store the archive and the many items we expect to add to it in future years," said Burns.

"But it is the art element that will be tied into this museum which makes it extraordinary," stressed Cohn.

The museum's first independent project is a multi-media exhibition commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Stonewall rebellion. The museum is set to open, along with the exhibition, June 1. June is Lesbian and Gay Pride and History Month.

"We want the museum to be an archive for study and research," explained Cohn. "But we also want to mount shows for exhibit here and to eventually take on the road."

The first exhibit, "Imagining Stonewall," includes audio, video, picture and documentary displays. Among the many nationally and internationally known artists who are scheduled to participate are Keith Haring, Leon Golub, Jane Dickson, Rhonda Swillinger, Judy Glantzman, Mike Glier, Group Material and Chrissy Schlesinger.

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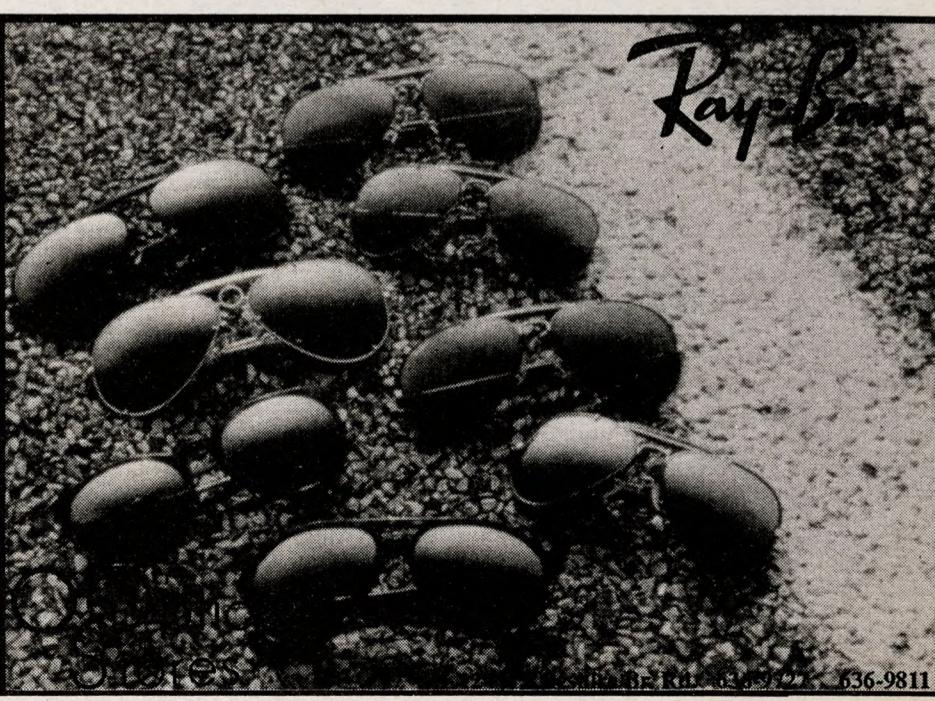
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## New York Stories: Scorsese Scores Big While Coppola Fades

Nick Nolte is a smashingly gifted actor. In the anthology film *New York Stories*, a compilation of three short films directed by Martin Scorsese, Woody Allen and Francis Coppola, Nolte plays an Action painter named Lionel Dobie who is obsessive about having his surroundings in the perfect order/disorder to fire his creativity.

In Scorsese's *Life Lessons* (45 minutes), Nolte portrays to the hilt the artist as sensualist. He prowls back and forth in front of his immense canvas like a tiger



Rosanna Arquette and Nick Nolte in Martin Scorsese's *Life Lessons*

eyeing fresh human prey from behind protective steel bars. You feel that he'll leap into his imagination even if it breaks his face to bits.

One of the things that Dobie is obsessive about, besides the driving pulse of rock and roll played loud when he paints, is his assistant/girlfriend Paulette (Rosanna Arquette). She's roughly half his age and ready to walk away from the downed-wire emotions of their relationship, but Dobie can't let go. The movie concerns the battles of their wills, their vanities, and Paulette's determination to define herself outside their relationship.

Lighted and shot by the great cinematographer Nestor Almendros (himself the director of a superb documentary on the persecution of gays in Castro's Cuba), *Life Lessons* is set amid the glittering milieu of New York's moneyed downtown art scene. The film is all of a piece. Scorsese works fast yet the film has a leisurely air: the plot, the atmosphere, the characters and their conflicts, finally all flow together like one

of Dobie's paintings. The film unfurls, it glows.

The middle story, Francis Ford Coppola's *Life Without Zoe* (34 minutes), was photographed by Vittorio Storaro (*Last Tango in Paris*) and written by Coppola with his seventeen-year-old daughter Sophia. One need note only that their collaboration is the latest indication of Coppola's sad decline as a filmmaker.

Woody Allen's *Oedipus Wrecks* (39 minutes) concerns an easily wounded attorney named Sheldon, who confesses to his analyst that his relationship with his mother is unresolved.

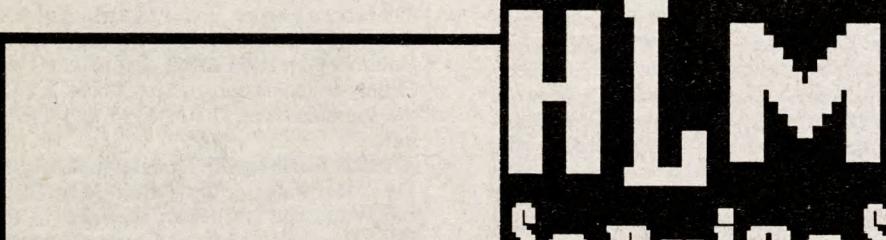
But when we meet his mother, we instantly understand why: Mrs. Millstein is a walking, talking landmine. Played in a spirit near revenge by Mae Questel, Mrs. Millstein warns Sheldon's Gentile fiancée (delicately played by Mia Farrow) of his impending baldness, though his head at the moment is clearly swathed in hair. Yet she makes you believe it could vanish overnight.

Suddenly Sheldon's mother disappears herself, and he experiences some relief in his life. At his analyst's urging, however, he contacts a clairvoyant (Julie Kavner, brilliant as always), in whom he recognizes the qualities that more brightly complement his own spirit.

There is a sense about *Oedipus Wrecks* that one has already seen all this before, including from Woody Allen. And there is also a whiff of well-bredness that robs many of the jokes of their cheeky edge. Still, the film is a reprieve from Allen's recent pretensions, and there are enough laughs even to hold some of Allen's better past comedies partly at bay.

Anthology films are a rarity nowadays, even in Europe where they were popular in the sixties. Reportedly there was more than the usual business hell to be got through before *New York Stories* could be made. One hopes the film will not be an anomaly. Working in the short form, imagine what a trio like David Lynch (*Blue Velvet*), Suzana Amaral (*The Hour of the Star*) and Tim Burton (*Pee Wee's Big Adventure*, *Beetlejuice*, the upcoming *Batman*) might come up with!

- Terry Francis



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**Equal Affections**  
by David Leavitt  
Weidenfeld & Nicholson, 1989  
268 p., \$18.95

Louise Cooper is dying, has been for years; husband Nat went the wrong direction in the early years of computer-dom and is now having an affair to take his mind from Louise's illness; son Danny is a lawyer living in suburban New Jersey with his lover Walter; and daughter April is a "women's" music star (yes, that means Lesbian).

That's the premise for David Leavitt's latest novel, *Equal Affections*. The story here is not about the children's homosexuality — that's an intricate part of it, but not the crux — but rather about the workings of this family — how they cope with Louise's illness, April's stardom, intimacy, all the other parts of this and any other family relationships.

Up to the point of Louise's death, *Equal Affections* moves in a web-like fashion from California (where Nat and Louise live) to the East Coast (Danny and Walter) to wherever April is, and back and forward through time to give the reader an in-depth look at the Coopers and the inner workings of the family. After Louise's death however the novel becomes less satisfying, almost as if to say that no matter what happens, they'll work it all out. This is of course a good attitude to have in this world, but here it serves to diminish the power of the story, lessen the impact of the Coopers and their lives. The working conflicts of the first half of the book vanish in the second half, as resolutions, or the beginnings of them, become too predictable.

With the exception of April, who appears to have been drawn from the letter pages of any number of lesbian/feminist magazines instead of from real life, these characters come alive with Mr. Leavitt's clear writing. Louise suffers not only from cancer but from lost dreams, lost youth. Nat has difficulty dealing with almost everything, but yet Mr. Leavitt does not abandon him to the ogre father role of many novels of this type. Danny's shift from April's little brother to Big City Lawyer is believable, and his struggles, with Walter, to understand the complexities of their own intimacy (or lack of it) offer a telling portrait of at least this relationship.

But the real story of *Equal Affections* is Louise's own journey to her discovery of Faith. Throughout the novel this journey winds through the back roads as it does the back roads of Louise's consciousness coming ever closer to her realization of just what it is she has been searching for all these years. And that is worth the trip, both for Louise and the reader.

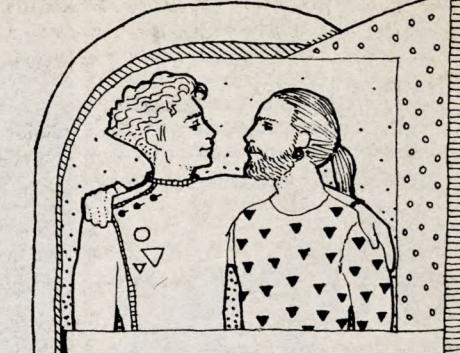
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David Leavitt, also the author of *Family Dancing* and *The Lost Language of Cranes*, will appear at Border's Books on May 2 from 7-9PM. Leavitt will read from and autograph *Equal Affections*.

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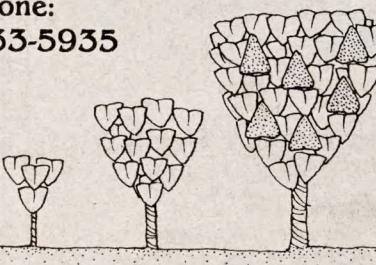
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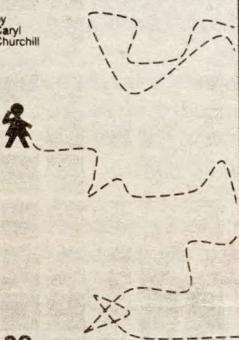
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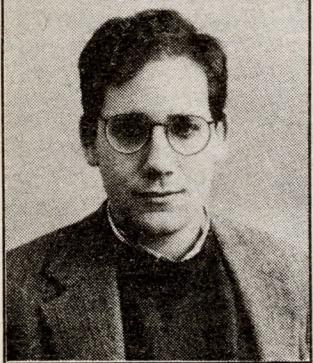
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# CALENDAR

## Arts

Spring Into Art Day at Emory Univ. Sun, April 30, 1 - 5 PM. Arts, crafts, enter., food. McDonough Field on Asbury Cir. Rain location: Dobbs Univ. Ctr. 727-2787.

Decatur Arts Festival scheduled for May 26 - 28 seeks performers, artists and concession stands. Call 373-9906.

Call for Artists. Midtown gallery is searching for artists to represent. Call 875-8458 or 873-2760 for an appointment.

MLK Center for Nonviolent Social Change. Cultural Affairs Program is now accepting applications for KINGFEST '89. Persons interested in exhibiting or vending arts and crafts may obtain an application by calling 526-8947. Deadline is May 12.

of a combat photographer. Opens May 5 at the Lefont Tara.

Scandal - details the political scandal that rocked the British gov't in the 1950's. Opens May 5 at the Lefont Tara.



"Required Of Us A Song" will premiere in the dance concert of Louise Runyon Barth and Friends, May 9-11 at 8 PM at Seven Stages Theatre. \$7. 523-7647. Photo by Marjorie Jordan

## Benefits

Seven Stages Garage Sale. Sat and Sun, April 29 & 30, 10 AM - 7 PM. Theater props, old set pieces, furniture, books and much more. Donations tax-deductible. 1105 Euclid Ave.

"Hollywood Hots," a gala fundraiser for Project Open Hand, will be held Sat May 6, 7 PM - midnight. Music and entertainment by a multitude of Atlanta "stars;" the evening will recall the heyday to Hollywood. Dress up or dress down - just be Hollywood! Also, there will be an auction, door prizes, and an art show and auction. \$10 donation (\$15 at the door) covers all activities as well as food and refreshments. Morningside Chase Apts. 1445 Monroe Drive. 222-4600.

## Dance

"Why!", a dance/theater piece that explores the message that AIDS can be dealt with on a non-hysterical level. Fri. - Sun., May 5 - 7. Fri. & Sat. at 8 PM. Sun. at 5 PM. Nexus Contemporary Arts Center. \$8, \$6 for Nexus members. Reservations, 688-2500.

Opening night, May 5, will be a benefit performance with all proceeds going to local AIDS organizations. Food donated by local restaurants and catering companies. The evening is sponsored by Deana Collins. \$15 donation requested. For more info call 373-1872. Louise Runyon Barth and Friends - Choreographer Barth presents four of her works including a new piece "Required of Us a Song" set to the music of Sweet Honey In the Rock. The evening has a strong women's focus, exploring the experiences of women in both childhood and adulthood.

Two pieces by choreographer Patty Cole Gregory and Martin R. Keefer will also be shown. Tues. - Thurs., May 9-11 at 8 PM. The Collective Theatre at Seven Stages, 1105 Euclid Ave. \$7. 523-7647 for reservations.

## Festivals

Inman Park Festival & Tour of Homes - Sat & Sun, April 29 & 30. Street festival starts at 11 AM on Sat. Entertainment from 12-6 PM. Arts & crafts, food. Antique market at Trolley Barn. Tour of Homes, 12-6 PM. Intersection of Euclid between Waverly & Elizabeth St. 242-4895 for more info.

## Film

"Bernardo Bertolucci: 1964 - 1972", The High Museum of Art concludes its tribute to Bertolucci, the most significant director to emerge from Italy in 25 years, with two films. A brilliant stylist, Bertolucci is obsessed with politics, sexuality and identity. Both shows at 8 PM in the Rich Auditorium. \$3, \$2.50 for students and senior citizens, \$2 for Museum members. Fri., May 5: *The Conformist* - A powerful investigation of hypocrisy, cowardice and betrayal during Mussolini's reign. Italian with English subtitles. Sat., May 6: *Last Tango in Paris* - NO ONE UNDER 18 ADMITTED. The story of an aging American (Brando) working out his aggression via an affair with a young middle-class French girl (Maria Schneider). English and French with English subtitles.

13th Annual Atlanta Film & Video Festival sponsored by the High Museum of Art and IMAGE Film/Video Center will showcase outstanding new works by independent media artists. Tues - Sun., May 9-14. All shows at 8 PM in the Rich Auditorium. \$6, \$4 for IMAGE and Museum members, unless otherwise noted. Tues., May 9: *Building Bombs*

Wed., May 10: Feature Film Premiere (to be announced). Admission is \$15, \$10 for IMAGE and Museum members.

*High Hopes* - a bitterly funny look at Thatcherite England. Opens April 28 at the Lefont Tara.

*84 Charlie Mopac* - a harrowing action drama that recounts the Vietnam war through the eyes

## Health

AIDS Awareness & Action Weekend - April 29 & 30. Sponsored by AID Atlanta. The agenda includes medical updates, available social & educational services, living with death & dying, volunteering with AID Atlanta and more. Sat.: 9 AM-5 PM. Sun.: 12:30-5 PM. \$30. Scholarships available. 872-0600.

Circle of Healing - Sun., May 7, 3:45 PM-5:30 PM. Jim Sacco, MSW, offers "A Meditation for Forgiveness." Free and open to all. First Existentialist Church, 470 Candler Park Dr.

## Literature

Evelyn Kennedy will read from and autograph her new book, *Of Love and Glory*, a lesbian love story set in WWII England. Fri, April 28 at Oxford Books, 2345 Peachtree Rd. 8 PM-9:30 PM. 262-3333.

David Leavitt will read from and autograph his new book, *Equal Affections*. Tues, May 2 at Border's Books, 3655 Roswell Rd. 7-9 PM. 237-0707.

Shay Youngblood will read from her book *The Big Momma Stories* and from her next book, a novel about Paris. Thurs, May 4 at Charis Books & More, 419 Moreland Ave. 7:30 PM. 524-0304.

Alice Walker will sign her new novel, *The Temple of My Familiar*. Tues, May 9 at Charis Books & More, 419 Moreland Ave. 6-7PM. Also on Wed, May 10 at Oxford Books, 2345 Peachtree Rd. 6-7PM. 262-3333.

## Miscellaneous

Ah, Aphrodite - Thurs, April 27. Celebrating the approach of May Eve, a time on the Wheel of the Year when we have the opportunity to renew ourselves as virgins - as women unto ourselves. Bring three small precious objects for the evening ritual. Charis Books & More, 419 Moreland Ave. 7:30 PM Free. 524-0304. Interpreted for the hearing impaired.

Voter Registration - Sun, April 30 for Fulton County residents only. Charis Books & More, 419 Moreland Ave. 11 AM-4 PM. 523-4167 for info.

Atlanta Business & Professional Guild - Tues., May 9. Topic: "Insurance: Home, Health, Life, Auto and Business Coverages." Lanier Plaza Hotel & Conference Center. Cocktails at 6:30 PM, dinner at 7:30 PM. For reservations, call 662-4202.

## Music

First Annual Atlanta Women's Music Showcase will feature Leigh McClelland, Angela Motter, Ann Duckworth, Michelle Martin & Moral Hazard for one evening only on Sat, April 29. Funk to rock 'n roll and a lot in between! tunes. Center Stage Theatre, 1374 W. Peachtree St. \$15.50 at the door, \$14.50 in advance by calling 873-2500 or from Turtle's and all SEATS outlets.

The Atlanta Symphony Youth Orchestra and the Morehouse College Glee Club perform together for the first time on Sun, April 30. The program will feature Alan Hovaness' *Mysterious Mountain*, Grieg's *Land-Sighting*.

# April 27 - May 10

Wagner's "Pilgrims' Chorus" from *Tannhauser*, Saint-Saens Symphony No. 3, and an a capella selection by the Morehouse College Glee Club. Free and open to the public. MLK, JR. International Chapel on the Morehouse campus. 8 PM. For more information call 898-1192.

**Sweet Honey In the Rock**, the powerful a capella group of black women perform Sun, April 30. Don't miss the voices and the strong political statements of Sweet Honey. Atlanta Symphony Hall, 1280 Peachtree St. 8 PM. \$16, \$14 reserved seating. All SEATS outlets including Turtle's. Charge by calling 577-9600 or 892-2414. Interpreted for the hearing impaired.

**Violent Femmes** - Sun, April 30. Fox Theatre. 9 PM. \$16.50. All SEATS outlets. 881-2000 to charge by phone.

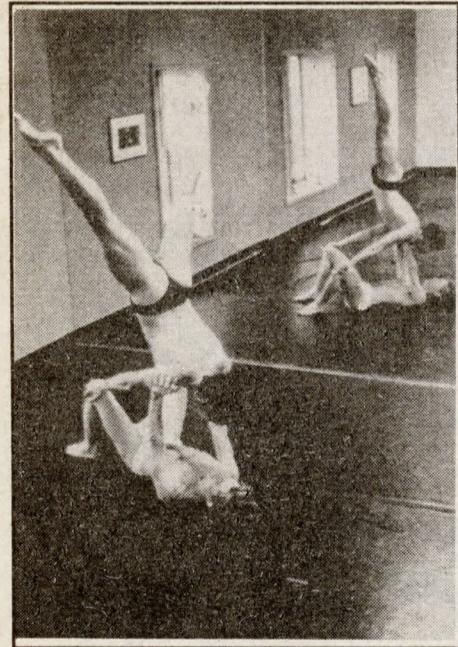
**Emily Collette, harpsichordist, and Ruth McDonald**, pianist perform keyboard music spanning more than three centuries, with contemporary compositions for piano by American women. Fri. May 5 at 8:15 PM, Cannon Chapel, Emory Univ. \$6 at the door, \$4 in advance from Metronome, Border's, Charis, Oxford & Wuxtry Records. 727-4449.

**Cris Williamson & Teresa Trull** in concert in celebration of their new release, *Country Blessed*, their first collaborative effort. Trull, one of the finest producers anywhere, gives the album its fire while Cris provides the sweetness. Sat, May 6 at 8 PM. Center Stage Theatre. \$18.50. Reservations: 873-2500.

**Lee Ritenour** returns with his own blend of jazz guitar and acoustic mood music. Sun, May 7 at 8 PM. Center Stage Theatre. \$17.50. All SEATS outlet. Reservations: 873-2500.

## Photography

"Subjective Vision: The Lucinda W. Bunnen Collection of Photographs" - through June 11. This exhibition of over 70 photographs is the High Museum's celebration of the 150th anniversary of photography. The Bunnen collection feature contemporary works that have extended the parameters of photography. Southern photographers play a prominent role in the collection. High Museum of Art, 1280 Peachtree St. Tues. - Sat., 10AM-5 PM, til 9 PM on Wed; Sun, Noon-5 PM. Closed Mon. 892-HIGH.



"Why?", a dance/theatre piece by Jim Chappeleaux, explores the faces of AIDS and offers a positive message. May 5-7 at Nexus Contemporary Arts Center. Fri & Sat 8 pm and Sun 5 pm. May 5 is a benefit for local AIDS organizations. Reservations 688-2500, More information 373-1872

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## Sports

**Hotlanta Softball League** - Women's Division. Sun, April 30: 11 AM - Sportspage vs Rumblefish; 12:20 PM - Armory vs Sportspage; 1:40 PM Rumblefish vs Tower Lounge; 3:00 PM - Toolulah's vs Armory; 4:20 PM - Tower Lounge vs Backstreet. All Games at Piedmont Park.

Sun, May 7: 11 AM - Tower Lounge vs Sportspage; 12:20 PM - Backstreet vs Armory; 1:40 PM - Sportspage vs Burkhardt's; 3:00 PM - Armory vs Rumblefish; 4:20 PM - Rumblefish vs Burkhardt's. All Games at Piedmont Park.

**Hotlanta Softball League** - Men's Division. Sun, April 30: 11:00 AM - Bass Ale vs Lushpups; 12:20 PM - Armory vs Burkhardt's; 1:40 PM - Lushpups vs Armory; 3:00 PM - Blake's vs Burkhardt's; 4:20 PM - Moose/Etc vs Blake's. All Games at Piedmont Park.

Sun, May 7: 11:00 AM - Bulldog's vs Armory; 12:20 PM - Moose/Etc vs Bulldog's; 1:40 PM - Bass Ale vs Moose/Etc; 3:00 PM - Burkhardt's vs Blake's; 4:20 PM - Blake's vs Bass Ale. All Games at Piedmont Park.

## Television

Fri., April 28 - "AIDS: Finding a Cure"; "It Can't Happen Here"; "A Helping Hand." WGTV-Ch 8. 9 PM. Part of AIDS Awareness Month, featured on "Georgia Digest."

Mon., May 1 - "Hitler's Final Solution: The Wannsee Conference." Recreates a horrifying event of historic importance: the 1942 meeting of Nazi hierarchy to initiate the "final solution" - the complete destruction of European Jewry. WGTV-Ch 8. 9 PM.

Wed., May 3 - American Playhouse. "The Meeting" between MLK and Malcolm X at the height of the civil rights struggle. An excellent drama directed by Bill Duke (A Raisin In the Sun). WGTV-Ch 8. 9 PM.

Fri., May 5 - "Georgia Digest" explores the Latin American population, estimated at 150,000 - 200,000. Focuses on thousands of unskilled workers who need assistance and what's being done to meet their needs. Also, an exploration of the diversity of foods and people that make the DeKalb Farmer's Market unique. WGTV-Ch 8. 9 PM.

## Theatre

**W.C. Handy Blues Revue** - through May 28. A "git-down" musical revue inspired by Father of the Blues, W.C. Handy. Stars Donald Griffin as Handy and Bernadine Mitchell as Mrs. Handy, who also performs a cameo spot as Bessie Smith. Theatrical Outfit, 10th & Peachtree. Sunday evenings at 7 PM. \$10. 634-6325.

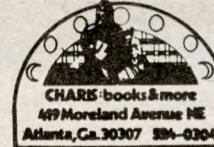
**I'm Not Rappaport** - through May 7. The Tony Award winning Best Play of 1986 stars Kenny Raskin and Rob Cleveland. Theatrical Outfit, 10th & Peachtree. Tues & Wed at 7 PM, Thurs. - Sat. at 8 PM; Sun. at 3 PM. \$8-\$15. 872-0665. **White People** - through May 7. Jim Grimsley's look at the American way. Seven Stages Theatre, 1105 Euclid Ave., Thurs - Sat at 8 PM, Sun at 5 PM. \$10.50. 523-7647.

**Extending Beyond** - through June 18. A celebration of the late, controversial Paul Robeson. Arts Exchange, 750 Kalb St. 622-4211 for details.

**Amadeus** - through May 28. A play about the greatest music ever written, about jealousy, and above all about the granting of godly gifts to the tactless, conceited and immature genius who was Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Alliance Mainstage Theatre. \$12-\$26. 892-2414 for more info or to charge.

**Three Postcards** - through June 3. Celebrates the friendship of three women as they meet for dinner and conversation in a trendy upscale restaurant in a delicious one-act musical. Previews on Tues., May 9 and Wed - Sat at 8 PM, Sun at 3 PM on May 21 & 28. Academy Theatre. \$9-\$18. 892-0880. 873-2518 for group rates.

**Rain, Some Fish, No Elephants** - May 5 - 27. Set in 2155 this outlandish comedy features a futuristic Ozzie & Harriet family who fight "progress" in their own spirited, rebellious way. Horizon Theatre, 1083 Austin Ave., Thurs & Fri at 8 PM, Sat at 5 PM and 8:30 PM. Sun at 5 PM. \$6-\$10.50. 584-7450.



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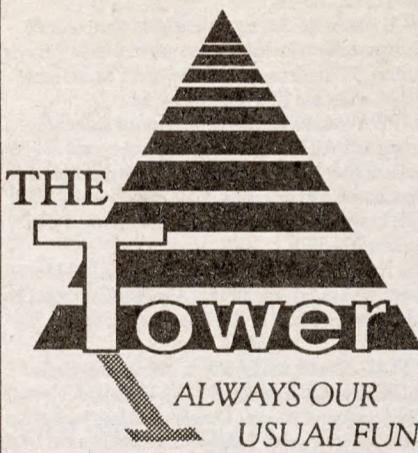


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AALGA- African American Lesbian/Gay Alliance. 1st Sunday of each month. 4:00 PM. Quaker House. A political and social organization for black lesbians and gay men. PO Box 50374, Atlanta, Ga., 30302. 691-5921 or 297-8815.

ACLU/LG-ACLU/Lesbian & Gay Chapter. 3rd Wednesday of each month. Peachtree Branch Library. 7:30 PM. Working for the civil rights of lesbians and gay men in the metropolitan Atlanta area. 231-5991.

ACT- Atlanta Couples Together. A non-political, non-religious, social organization whose purpose is to support the positive aspects of gay and lesbian relationships. Events and meetings vary. Info: A.C.T. Voice Mailbox, 365-2455, or write PO Box 723291, Atlanta, Ga., 30339.

ACT UP/Atlanta- AIDS Coalition To Unleash Power. Direct action group with the purpose of fighting homophobia, AIDS, sexism and racism. Meetings held every Tuesday. 24-hr. info line - 286-6247. Outside Atlanta, call 800-342-7038 ext. 6247.

AFC- Atlanta Faerie Circle. 1st Sunday of each month. Location and time varies. Gay men who gather to support one another and explore their connections with the earth and white light. 622-4112.

AGC- Atlanta Gay Center. 876-5372. Operated primarily by volunteers, AGC offers services for lesbians and gays men as well as educational out-reach to society as a whole. AGC Help Line-892-0661.

AGMC- Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus. A semi-professional community-oriented chorus of male voices. Membership open to all interested singers and non-singers alike. 378-9676.

ALFA- Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance. 2nd Sunday of each month. 6:00 PM. A lesbian feminist organization which welcomes lesbians of all races, religions, political orientation, economic status, occupation and degree of openness. Write PO Box 5502, Atlanta, Ga. 30307 for more information and to request newsletter.

ALGPC- Atlanta Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee. 2nd Tuesday of each month. 7:30 PM. Unitarian Universalist Church. Needs volunteers to coordinate this year's lesbian and gay pride March to insure its success.

AMC- Atlanta March Committee- More Than a Phase. 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. 7:30 PM. North Highland Branch Library. A community based activist organization that works toward promoting lesbian and gay rights through educational, social, cultural, and political events. 377-8312.

AVS- Atlanta Venture Sports. Activities and meetings vary. An association in which the membership enjoys recreational, social, educational, and sports activities. 242-4899.

AID Atlanta- A community-based, non-profit agency providing multiple services to all people with AIDS, their families and friends, and education to everyone regarding the disease and its prevention. 1132 W. Peachtree St. (Entrance 13th Street). 872-0600.

AIDS Information Line-876-9944 (Atlanta); 1-800-551-2728 (State-wide). Answers to questions about AIDS, referrals, etc., by trained volunteers staffing phone lines from 9:00 AM-9:00 PM daily. A public service of AID Atlanta and the Ga. DHR.

Atlanta Business & Professional Guild- A non-profit service organization comprised of both gay/lesbian and non-gay professionals and businesspersons. 2nd Tuesday of each month. Place varies. Membership and further information: 662-4202.

Atlanta Feminist Women's Chorus- A community-oriented choral group of women's voices. Membership is open to all women interested in singing. Chorus practice held each Sunday, 6:00-8:30 PM at the First Existentialist Church at 470 Candler Park Dr. 355-8894 or 435-4498.

Atlanta Lambda Chorale- A community-oriented choral group for both men and women. Membership open to all singers and non-singers alike. Rehearsals every Tuesday at MCC-Blessed Redeemer, 800 N. Highland Ave. 7:30 PM. 874-1622.

BWMT- Black and White Men Together. 1st Saturday of each month 8:00 PM. Location varies. A gay inter-racial organization committed to fostering a supportive environment wherein racial and cultural barriers can be overcome and the goal of human equality realized. 794-BWMT.

Circle of Healing- 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. 4 PM. First Existentialist Church. The Circle is open to anyone in need of healing, be it physical, emotional, or spiritual.

CODA - Codependents Anonymous - Lambda. A 12-step program of recovery from codependency for gays and lesbians. Meetings Tues. & Wed. at 8:00 PM. For info and locations call: 239-1657.

Congregation Bet Haverim- Services 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at 8:30 PM. Shabbat Seder, 2nd Friday of each month at 7:30 PM. Quaker House, 1384 Fairview Dr. Proudly serving the lesbian and gay community. Synagogue information line: 642-3467.

ELGO- Emory Lesbian & Gay Organization. Meetings every Wed. at 7PM. Room 363E Dobbs University Center. Box 23515, Atlanta, Ga. 30322. 377-7421.

First MCC Atlanta- Metropolitan Community Church. Sunday Services at 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM evangelistic service. Mid-week services on Wednesday at 7:30 PM. 800 N. Highland Ave. Office hours Noon-6:00 PM, Tuesday-Friday. A Christian church proclaiming God's love for lesbians and gay men. Counseling available by appointment for individuals and couples. Same sex Holy Unions performed. 872-2246.

Fourth Tuesday- A networking organization for lesbian professionals and entrepreneurs, operating through monthly dinner meetings and a variety of special social, sports and educational events. P. O. Box 7817, Atlanta, GA 30309, 662-4353.

Friends Atlanta- Activities and meetings vary. A social, recreational, and educational group for gays and lesbians. Volleyball, bowling, dinners, theater nights, and dances are among the activities. 662-4501.

GALA- Gay Atheists of America. Meetings social in nature and at members' discretion. To assure freedom of speech; freedom from religion; to defend the separation of church and state; to assist in obtaining civil rights for gays and lesbians, and to offer non-believers an alternate social scene. 875-8877.

GALA- Georgia Tech Gay and Lesbian Alliance. Every Thursday at 7:30 PM. 676-1339 or 352-9213. GALA, Programs Area, GA Tech, Atlanta, GA 30332.

GANG - Greater Atlanta Naturist Group. For gay men who enjoy nude outdoor and social activities. Not a sex club. Nude camping, swimming, parties, etc. several times per month. For info send SASE to: GANG, PO Box 7546, Atlanta, GA 30357.

GAPAC- Greater Atlanta Political Awareness Coalition. Meetings vary. The gay and lesbian political action committee monitoring and acting in the local political scene. 885-0510.

GLPCI- Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition International. 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. 7:30 PM. Unitarian Universalist Church. A support group for lesbian and gay parents. 296-8369.

The Group- Thursday nights. Call the Gay Help Line at 892-0661 or write PO Box 15191, Atlanta, Ga. 30333. A support group for gay and bisexual men who are or who have been involved in marital-type situations with women.

Hotlanta Volleyball-Serious and amateur players are welcome to join. Members compete in tournaments and regulation league play. Clinics held during the year to learn and practice new techniques. Call 875-0700 for info.

Integrity- Gay Caucus of the Episcopal Church. 2nd and 4th Friday of each month. 7:30 PM. All Saints Episcopal Church-3rd floor of Ellis Hall. 875-2720.

LAMP - The Living AIDS Memorial Park Project. Second Monday of every month. 7:30PM. N. Highland Branch Library. For info: 874-3107 or 872-7568. Address correspondence to: LAMP, PO Box 301, 1579 F Monroe Drive, Atlanta, GA, 30324.

LEGAL- Legislate Equality for Gays and Lesbians. 3rd Monday of each month. 7:00 PM. Peachtree Branch Library. The voice of lesbian and gay Georgians in the Democratic party. 289-6358.

LIFE- Lesbians in Fun Endeavors. Meeting times and locations vary. Bringing professional gay women together for the fun of it, giving them the opportunity to make friends and enjoy a wide variety of events. 493-3966.

Lutherans Concerned/South Carolina- A society of gay, lesbian and non-gay Christians. All denominations welcome. We work to foster a climate of understanding, justice and reconciliation among all people. 3rd Sunday of each month. 4:00PM. 728 Pickens St., Columbia, SC. Contact:

PO Box 90537, Columbia, SC, 29290. (803) 732-0838.

MACGLO- Metro Atlanta Council of Gay and Lesbian Organizations. 3rd Thursday of each month. 7:00 PM. Peachtree Branch Library. A representative council of lesbian and gay organizations to facilitate the exchange of information. 242-2342.

MCC Southside- Serving the southside with positive Christian support for lesbians and gay men. 5:00 PM every Sunday. 575 Boulevard, SE. Office hours: Mon-Thurs. 10AM-Noon, and 1PM-4PM. 622-1154.

NAPWA- Atlanta Chapter of the National Association of People with AIDS. Regular meetings and events. 131 Ponce de Leon, Suite 233. A political, social, and educational organization confronting the AIDS crisis. Membership is open to all individuals with AIDS, ARC or who are HIV positive. 874-7926.

The Names Project/Atlanta- A National AIDS Memorial. Every Wednesday at 6:30PM at All Saints Episcopal Church. Send correspondence to: 375 Georgia Ave., Atlanta, Ga. 30312.

P-FLAG- Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays. 3rd Sunday of each month. 5-7 PM. Unitarian-Universalist Congregation of Atlanta. Committed to help parents learn what we have learned. To help change attitudes and create an environment of understanding, so all gay people can live with dignity and respect. 961-6085 or 296-0830.

PLGC- Presbyterians for Lesbian and Gay Concerns/More Light. 3rd Sunday of each month. Gays and lesbians gather over light foods to celebrate their Presbyterian heritage. 373-5830.

Palmetto Gay/Lesbian Association - A support, education and civil rights organization in S. Carolina. PO Box 10022, Federal Station, Greenville, S.C., 29603. 24-hr. switchboard - (803) 271-4207.

Pride of Peachtree - Atlanta's Lesbian & Gay Marching Band. Every Monday night 7:30PM-9:00PM at First MCC, 800 N. Highland Ave. Instrumentalists and colorguard still needed. For info call David at 434-7826 or Susan at 951-1591.

Project Open Hand - Prepares and serves meals to PWAs, PWRCs unable to do so themselves. Volunteers needed for organizing, kitchen and delivery. 248-1788.

SESA - The Southeastern Sports Alliance is a fundraising, awareness and organizer for sports and cultural events leading up to Celebration 90 Gay Games & Cultural Festival, Vancouver, British Columbia. 875-0700.

SAME- Southeastern Arts, Media & Education Project, Inc. Utilizes the arts and media as tools for exploration, education, and change in human rights, especially those pertaining to the lesbian and gay community. 584-2104.

WOW- Women of Wisdom. Usually every 3rd Monday of each month. 7:30 PM. North Highland Branch Library. Aims to facilitate women meeting together with other women in a pleasant atmosphere. Offers timely programs of interest to the community, reaches out to older women and women with special needs. 984-9929.

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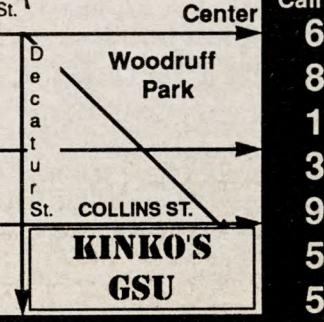
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## Lambda Celebrates 15th Anniversary

New York-Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, the oldest national lesbian and gay organization in the country, announced it will celebrate its 15th anniversary with a "Commemorative Cabaret" of music, comedy and remembrances here May 8.

Lambda will also present its Liberty Awards that evening to honor AIDS activist Michael Callen, the moving force behind the PWA Coalition; Gloria Steinem, an advocate for the rights of women, as well as



PETER CUNNINGHAM

Rita Mae Brown will be one of three presenters of the Liberty Awards at Lambda's May 8 celebration. lesbians and gays; and a group of ten individuals who were Lambda's "Founders and Creators."

Presenting the awards will be Dr. Mathilde Krim, Founding Chair of the American Foundation for AIDS Research, author Rita Mae Brown and Thomas B.

Stoddard, Lambda's executive director.

The cabaret will feature more than a dozen performers, including the comedy duo, Monteith and Rand; playwright and actor Christopher Durang; off-Broadway smash John Rand as Lypsinka; pop-jazz singer Ann Hampton Callaway; Tony Award Winner Priscilla Lopez; Lavendar Light, the black and people of all color gay and lesbian gospel group; and the American Tap Dance Orchestra.

"This event will be a celebration for everyone," said Stoddard. "Thanks to the support of our public-spirited stars and to some generous leadership gifts from friends of Lambda, we have been able to keep ticket prices within reach of almost everyone."

Tickets for the event begin at \$25 - \$15 for students, senior citizens and those in the public sector - and are available from Lambda at 666 Broadway, NY, NY 10012. For more information, call Maggie Brown at (212) 370-5804.

Lambda was founded in 1972, three years after the Stonewall riots that launched the modern lesbian and gay rights movement. With a mission to advocate for gay/lesbian rights using test-case litigation, the organization became its own first test case when the State of New York refused to grant the group non-profit status. That ruling was appealed and overturned by the New York State Court of Appeals in 1973, and Lambda has since concentrated its work nationwide. Among their successes, Lambda led the fight to overturn New York's consensual sodomy law and won the first AIDS-related discrimination case in the nation.

## Series '89 In Good Shape, Help Still Needed

The 1989 Gay World Series of Softball, to be held in Atlanta in late August, is in good financial shape and is operating on schedule, according to the Series '89 executive board. Contacts have been drawn up with city officials and vendors to reserve fields and banquet facilities, and bids have been accepted to handle concessions.

Under the committee leadership of Mr. John Foutz of Bulldog and Company, fund raising is going well. It is a "very positive note" that over \$5,000 has been raised...but there is still a long way to go. The Fund Raising Committee has planned several events to help raise money towards the Series budget. The Series plans to sponsor a "Mr. World Series" contest and will work with the River Expo organization for a dual effort River Expo Carnival the second week of May. The Series '89 Board is also working with all the local bars to coordinate a Series '89 Night which will be a cooperative event between all the Atlanta clubs.

Plans for the actual competition and associated events are well underway. Bob Schwartz of the Logistics Committee has produced "a very workable schedule" which will leave room for rainout games and can accommodate an expanded number of Series teams. A great achievement for the Series and the Atlanta community was reported on March 16 when the Names Project announced plans to bring the quilt back to Atlanta during World Series Week.

Individuals and groups who are interested in helping plan the tournament are urged to attend Series '89 meetings which are held every Wednesday night at the Armory Banquet Room. To become a part of Series '89 call (404) 881-0294.

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Sticki Ragland and Eric, members of the group El Primitivo, performed for passersby at the Sweet Auburn Good Times Summit Festival on Sunday, April 16th. The five-member reggae percussion group entertained an estimated 5,000 people near the corner of historic Auburn Avenue and Baker Street. Musical performances and a carnival were featured at the festival which celebrated the history of Auburn Avenue, the center of Atlanta black culture at the turn of the century. Auburn was also the site of Atlanta's first black-owned businesses and is considered to be the cradle of the civil rights movement.

## National Gay & Lesbian History Museum

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The works by these artists and others, are created especially for the Center and will be on view for six months. They may remain permanently.

A prestigious list of people prominent in lesbian and gay culture and politics was gathered to assist Burns on the Museum Committee. Among the committee members are Virginia Apuzzo, Allen Berube, Jonathan Katz, Armistead Maupin, Joan Nestle, Mark Johnson and Nancy Seaton.

Cohn said it is hoped that eventually the museum will be a drawing card which will help raise money to build other museums and centers for gays and lesbians throughout the country, as well as for AIDS research funding.

An Atlanta resident for 22 years before moving to New York last June to accept a position with the Center, Cohn was vice president of AID Atlanta. He said Atlanta would be a great stop for the Stonewall exhibition if enough money is raised to take that show on the road.

"It's an exciting process to see...the Center is wonderful," said Cohn.

Those wishing to make donations to the National Museum of Lesbian and Gay History, should send them to Attn: Ron Cohn, Lesbian and Gay Community Services Center, 208 West 13th St., N.Y., N.Y., 10011.

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# AIDS FOCUS

## Atlanta's Homeless PWAs May Soon Be Able To Call Jerusalem House Home

Atlanta AIDS activists charge that the damage wrought by AIDS in Georgia continues to be compounded unnecessarily by the lack of housing for people with AIDS (PWAs). It is not uncommon, knowledgeable sources say, for a PWAs' family to turn them out into the streets.

The Rev. J. Chester Grey, III, rector of Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church explains that he became involved in the fight against AIDS when he met and ministered to a parishioner with AIDS: "I visited (him) at Grady Hospital as he became worse, and I began to realize the plight of people who have AIDS - who lose their job, who lose their insurance, who have no family or the family rejects them - and I just realized what an awful situation this creates."

"In my naivete, I thought it would be easy to open a hospice for these people," Grey said.

It hasn't been easy for Grey, now vice-president of the board for Jerusalem House, a proposed home for PWAs, nor for any of the other activists who try to find a place for homeless PWAs to live between the dangerous infections that are most often the cause of death.

The recent announcement by Jerusalem House that a site on Briarcliff Road near the Druid Hills neighborhood had been chosen incited a small but vocal group of residents to oppose the plan. Generally a genial man, Grey does not waste much time trying to guess his opponents' reasons for trying to stop the proposed shelter.

"The people who have been against this project are the people whose homes are being shown on the Druid Hills Tour of Homes, (and) the gay community is one of the largest supporters of it. I think that here the gay community, again, is being exploited by the Druid Hills people. They will use the gay community to raise money, but will turn on the gay community thinking that this home is something of the devil," Grey said.

"A number of those people (opposed to the project) are physicians who make money treating AIDS patients, but they don't want them living in a home within miles of them," he charged.



CHRIS DUNCAN

Father Chester Grey tours the proposed site of Jerusalem House, a residence for homeless people with AIDS, at 831 Briarcliff Rd.

With the exception of 32 spaces operated by AID Atlanta, no housing is reserved for the special needs of PWAs in Georgia. Grey and others say that the majority of homeless shelters still refuse to knowingly accept PWAs, despite the fact that they allow people with tuberculosis to sleep inside.

Beginning in 1985, AID Atlanta began providing housing for PWAs with the purchase of an 8-person apartment building in the metro area. Although the agency was able to expand their number of beds to 32 by 1987, AID Atlanta's director of social services, Joan Garner, said there is an "obvious" need for more housing.

"I would say that there is a period of time at some point during the course of the illness that at least 30% of our case load will find themselves either homeless or needing support during a given period of time," Garner said. She noted that AID Atlanta's caseload stood at over 700 people as of April 3.

The spread of AIDS into populations other than white gay males has further complicated the attempt by groups like AID Atlanta and Jerusalem House to house PWAs. The rising number of PWAs who contracted AIDS through IV drug use have forced Garner and Grey to realize and confront the harm that tenant drug abuse could cause their individual programs - they could be closed down because of the actions of one resident.

In response to his own and neighborhood concerns about potential drug abuse at Jerusalem House's proposed site on Briarcliff Rd., Grey said he has become resigned to the fact that "there will be rules of conduct and rules of living" as a condition for staying at the residence. Garner said that drug abuse was the only cause for which AID Atlanta would ask a tenant to leave one of the agency's homes.

"I think (Jerusalem House) will be essentially for women and gay men with AIDS. More and more as I am dealing with all of this, I realize we will have to open a facility for people with serious drug habits and problems, (but) that is a whole other set of problems," he added.

"My dream is that we would open three or four places within the city, each specializing in certain problems - like the drug addict who has AIDS. ... In a small facility as the Briarcliff home would be, we couldn't handle all of that, so I hope that we will be able to open some other facilities within the surrounding counties," Grey said.

The City of Atlanta Zoning Review Board has scheduled a public hearing for May 11 at 6:00 PM in the new City Hall to determine the relative merits of both sides in the dispute. In the end, Grey says, he believes that Jerusalem House will prevail.

"We're doing what is right, and we're doing what we need to be doing and I'm convinced that we will open there soon," he concluded.

-Chris Duncan

### Neighborhood Decides for Jerusalem House, With Reservation

The Druid Hills Neighborhood Association will support the establishment of Jerusalem House, a home for homeless AIDS patients, at 831 Briarcliff Road.

According to Evelyn Ullman, President of the Board of Jerusalem House, the neighborhood association decided at an April 19th meeting that it would support Jerusalem House's request to the Atlanta Zoning Review Board for a special use permit. The neighborhood association will not, however, support a Jerusalem House request to build an addition to the structure, a large house that has been divided into eight apartments.

"I feel like (their decision) is overall positive, but obviously it's partly negative," said Ullman. "Because of the zoning already there, I don't see that they have a leg to stand on, but it's still up to the Zoning Review Board," she said.

Jerusalem House's permit request will be reviewed April 26th by the Neighborhood Planning Unit-N (NPU-N), which serves the areas of Poncey-Highland, Reynoldstown, Cabbagetown, Candler Park, Druid Hills, Lake Claire, the Little Five Points business community and Inman Park.

"I've talked to several people in the NPU and they feel very positive about us being there, but we have a lot more work to do before next week's meeting," Ullman said. "A huge crowd there to support Jerusalem House would be an enormous help," she said.

The Zoning Review Board will meet on May 11th to make a final decision on the permit request.

Steve Higgins, Senior Planner in the Atlanta Bureau of Planning, said the Jerusalem House application appears to conform to all zoning requirements.

"We are taking the application very seriously and we're not treating it as a casual or optional sort of thing," said Higgins.

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# Dutch PWA Imprisoned En Route To Health Conference

A Dutch man visiting the United States to participate in the National Lesbian & Gay Health Conference was stopped and imprisoned in Minneapolis on April 2 because customs officials found AZT in his luggage and he told them that he has AIDS.

Hans Paul Verhoef, 31, reached the San Francisco conference on April 8, after being held in three Minnesota prisons under a federal immigration law that bars people with contagious diseases, including AIDS, from entering the United States.

Verhoef spent a week in a maximum-security prison, going to hearings in handcuffs. When a local Immigration and



Hans Paul Verhoef spent a week in a Minneapolis prison after AZT was discovered in his suitcase.

Naturalization Service (INS) official said he would make an exception and let Verhoef go, he was overruled by the top INS official in Washington.

An INS judge reversed that ruling and said Verhoef could go free on \$10,000 bond. The INS appealed further, saying that Verhoef was a danger to public health and should not be allowed out of prison on any circumstances.

Ultimately, Verhoef was released on the \$10,000 bond under the conditions that he would leave the United States within three weeks and he would abstain from sex while in this country.

Brian Coyle, an openly gay city council member in Minneapolis, called the decision to detain Verhoef a "terrible embarrassment" to Minnesota's political leaders.

"We pride ourselves on being progressive and open-minded. The decision to detain this

man is a gross injustice," said Coyle.

The 1987 law used to detain Verhoef was approved in the form of an amendment introduced by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) to a supplemental appropriations bill. The law added AIDS to the list of "dangerous infectious diseases" which serve as grounds for excluding foreigners from entering the United States.

Verhoef is employed as the director of policy on minorities for the Dutch city of Delft. He attended the Lesbian & Gay Health Conference as an official representative of AIDS committees from Delft and Amsterdam. He was also representing the Netherlands' Regional Organization for Persons with AIDS.

"I'm here to learn how to fight the AIDS epidemic," Verhoef told the Minneapolis *Star Tribune*. "I'm not here to spread the AIDS virus any further."

Verhoef said he would go to Washington, D.C. to lobby for the repeal of the law that nearly forced him to miss the five-day meeting.

"You can't stop a virus at the border any more than you can catch water with a net," Verhoef said.

AIDS experts noted the irony of detaining a delegate to a national AIDS conference because he has AIDS.

"This incident has staggering implications for the city of San Francisco, the country as a whole and our pivotal role in fighting this worldwide pandemic," said Tim Wolfred, executive director of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation.

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## OBITUARIES

Dr. Gary E. Piccola, 38, noted Atlanta psychologist, died Tuesday, April 18 from complications arising from AIDS.

Dr. Piccola was a partner in the New South Center for Counseling and Psychotherapy; a founding member and past president of Congregation Bet Haverim, Atlanta's lesbian and gay synagogue; and vice president and board member of the Southeastern Arts, Media and Education Project (SAME), an organization promoting human rights through the arts.

Survivors include Chuck Rose, partner in life; Ralph and Dorothy Piccola, parents; Robert Powell, brother; and seven nephews.

Burial will take place Friday, April 21, in Hempstead, New York. A memorial service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 26, in Ellis Hall at All Saints Episcopal Church, 634 West Peachtree Street.

Contributions may be sent to Congregation Bet Haverim, Post Office Box 54947, Atlanta, Georgia 30308; to SAME, Post Office Box 54719, Atlanta, Georgia 30308; or to the American Foundation for AIDS Research, 5900 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90036.

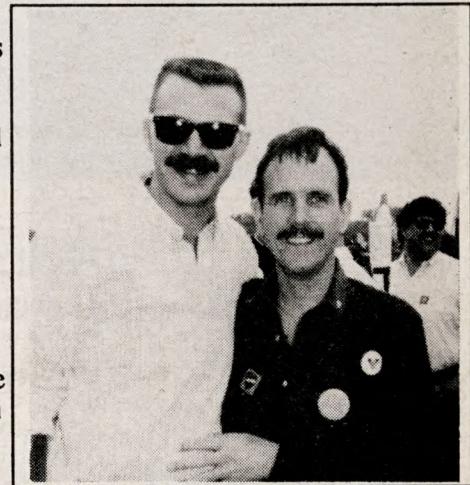
Joe E. Tomlin, a dedicated spokesman for the concerns of PWAs, died at his home of complications of AIDS on April 5, 1989. He was 39 years old.

Tomlin, a former employee of Saks Fifth Avenue, was a longtime volunteer at AID Atlanta. He worked on the AIDS information line for nearly two years prior to his election to the Board of Directors where he served on the Social Services and Executive Committees. Failing health forced his resignation from the Board earlier this year.

In September 1988 Tomlin was named to the founding Board of Directors of Project Open Hand/Atlanta where he was instrumental in laying the groundwork for client services. He was also active in Atlanta's Galano Club and Frankly Open.

Tomlin is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Tomlin, a brother, James, all of Carrollton, Missouri, and by a great number of friends in Atlanta.

Tomlin requested that any memorial contributions be made to Project OPENHAND/Atlanta, 1790 LaVista Road, N.E., Atlanta, GA 30329.



Joe Tomlin (R)

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**ARIES** - For the next two weeks pay

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**TAURUS** - The New Moon in Taurus on

the 5th should give you an emotional lift and an energy boost, so use it to be creative, widen your horizons or try something new.

**GEMINI** - Mars will be moving on by the

1st, but Jupiter will continue to expand your feelings and activities, so take time to plan before you act and stick with your schedule.

**CANCER** - Get ready for a little excitement,

Mars moves into your sign on the 29th. Expect more physical activity and try to spend more time out-of-doors.

**LEO** - Your dreams may be more active and

vivid now, so pay attention to the symbology. What are you trying to tell yourself? What is floating up in your subconscious?

**VIRGO** - If you haven't been taking care of

yourself, do it now. You may need a break from your busy schedule, so take a trip, try a new sport and meet new people.

**LIBRA** - If you've been thinking about redecorating or making changes at home, this is good time to start. Also a good time for healing old emotional wounds.

**SCORPIO** - You may meet some interesting people who could be important in your life. Communicate with relatives and plan a backyard party with your friends or neighbors.

**SAGITTARIUS** - If you find that you have no time for yourself, then gracefully decline a few social events, prop yourself up with a good book and enjoy some solitude.

**CAPRICORN** - Take a breather from pressures at work and pay attention to your health. Schedule a physical checkup and treat yourself to a massage or a weekend at the beach.

**AQUARIUS** - Spruce up the yard or bring in flowers for the apartment. You may need to eat more home-cooked meals, take your vitamins and get some real exercise, already!

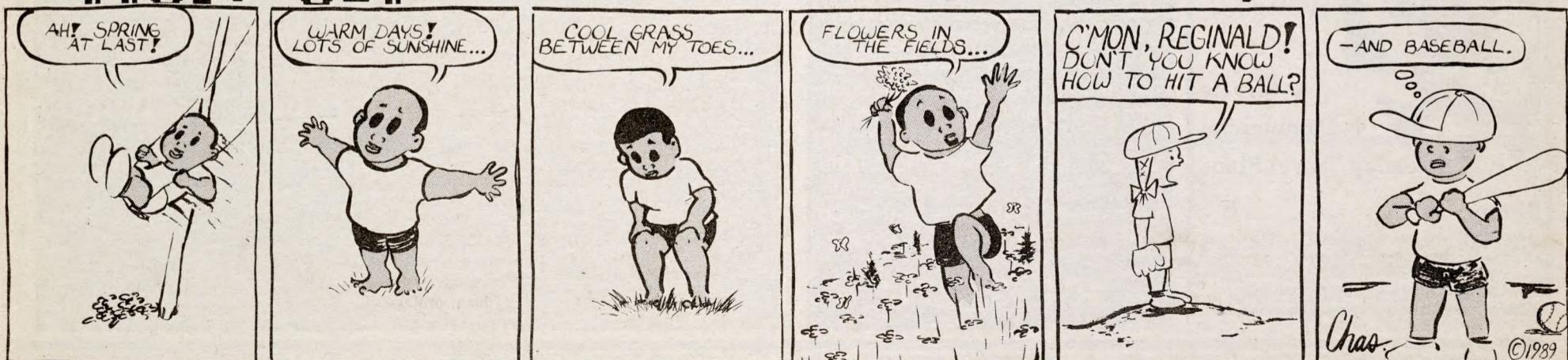
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