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## King Day: "The best way to honor his memory"

by KC Wildmoon

Atlanta—U.S. Congressman Barney Frank (D-MA) joined Coretta Scott King, Winnie Mandela, Cherokee Nation Chief Wilma Mankiller, singer Kris Kristofferson, Reps. John Lewis and Ben Jones (both D-GA), and other leaders of the civil rights movement to lead the National March of Celebration here on January 20. The march, honoring the 7th federal holiday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday, capped a week of festivities honoring Dr. King. Rep. Frank was the first openly gay person to participate in the King Day march as a co-marshal.

"I am here to join my fellow gay men and lesbians in making clear that the fight against discrimination is one that has many aspects," the congressman said at the rally following the march. "Before Martin Luther King, bigotry was respectable. The best way to honor his memory is to continue to fight and fight and fight until every single citizen of this country is judged on his or her merits alone."

During his speech, Rep. Frank said that the country was in "a worldwide economic competition to keep a good standard of living." He said that bigotry had become "too expensive" for this economic struggle.

"We need to mobilize every single one of us," he said. "We cannot let the racists, and the sexists, and the homophobes tell us that some of us are not eligible to participate in this national effort."

Frank's lover, Herb Moses, led a contingent of nearly 200 gays and lesbians in the 1.5 mile march through a windy downtown Atlanta to the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change, where the rally was held.

"The struggle for civil rights is a struggle for all people who are not getting their rights in our society," said Moses. "To lead the gay contingent in the King Day parade exemplifies to me what the struggle for our rights means—the non-violent expression of who we are by being out."

Lesbians and gays participating in the march were clearly committed to showing the strength of the community, as well as excited that Rep. Frank had been invited to be a co-marshal.

"I thank God I lived long enough to see this day," said Gene Holloway, an African-American gay man who participated in Monday's march. "I believe that King's dream encompassed all of humanity."

Reaction from the crowd of over



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U.S. Representative Barney Frank (D-MA), pictured here at the front of the march next to U. S. Rep. John Lewis was the first openly gay person to participate in the King Day March as a co-marshal.

100,000 lining the march route was mixed, with most march watchers nodding or even applauding in approval as the lesbians and gays marched by. Only one anti-gay sign was in evidence, that held by a man who said he was there "because of that congressman from Massachusetts," referring

to Frank. The lesbian/gay contingent chanted "Shame, shame" as they passed the man's position. A woman nearby remarked "Prejudice is prejudice and he's prejudiced" and shouted support as the contingent passed.

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## Roe v. Wade under fire

by KC Wildmoon

Georgia activists feel a new sense of urgency as the 19 year-old abortion law faces further erosion in the Supreme Court



LIZ STEGER

On the eve of the 19th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark 1973 abortion decision, the nation's highest court announced that it would hear arguments on a Pennsylvania law that continues the erosion of rights guaranteed by *Roe v. Wade* that began in 1989. The announcement lent a new urgency to local events celebrating the anniversary of *Roe*, which proclaimed that abortion was a constitutional right.

In Atlanta, over 500 people marched and rallied on the Capitol steps on January 25. Speakers at the rally, including U.S. Rep. John Lewis and State Reps. Rita Valenti and Cynthia McKinney, cited the Supreme Court's announcement and said that now was not the time for complacency.

"We can have our fingers on the buttons of power," McKinney told the crowd, "or we can continue to beg others."

McKinney said that the only way to stop the erosion of reproductive freedom is to "take care of business ourselves."

"Our highest priority is to elect women to office," she said.

Saturday's rally was sponsored by several local organizations, including the Lesbian/Gay Rights Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Georgia. Lynne Randall, director of the Feminist Women's Health

Center, noted that gay and lesbian issues and pro-choice issues have common themes.

"It's important that the pro-choice community and the gay and lesbian community work together," she said. "These are issues about the repression of our sexuality. That's what we're fighting for."

No problems with anti-abortion protestors were reported at the rally and march, but police stopped three women as they drew bodies on the sidewalk with chalk. The women were not arrested.

The anti-abortion movement has been very vocal this week, both locally and nationally. Thousands of protestors marched in Washington, DC, on January 22 in what has become a yearly "pro-life" demonstration since the 1973 court ruling. The marchers were elated over the Supreme Court's decision to hear the Pennsylvania case.

"*Roe* is going down," said a jubilant Randall Terry, director of Operation Rescue, which demonstrated at two Washington abortion clinics on Wednesday. Several hundred arrests were made when Operation Rescue members attempted to block the entrances to those clinics. At one clinic under siege from the demonstrators, over 100 counter-protestors linked arms to clear a path to the entrance.

Operation Rescue staged a series of protests in

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## Gay couple cannot seek marriage license says D.C. Judge

A gay couple in Washington, DC, plan to appeal a ruling by a DC Superior Court judge dismissing their lawsuit seeking a marriage license from the city. According to a report in the *Washington Blade*, Craig Dean and Patrick Gill filed their lawsuit in November 1990 after they were denied the marriage license. Judge Shellie Bowers' decision was made on Dec. 30, but that decision was not made public until last week.

"We have been told by a court of little courage, little wisdom, and very little compassion that although the state is happy to take our taxes, it will not recognize us as full citizens, because of who we love," said Gill at a press conference on January 13.

Gill and Dean were particularly incensed by the judge's biblical references throughout the proceedings. During a hearing last July, Judge Bowers ordered attorneys to "go all the way back to Genesis" for definitions of marriage. And in his ruling, Bowers' wrote "The Ten Commandments are as relevant today as they were at Mount Sinai, and their observance or non-observance no less consequential."



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Craig Dean and Patrick Gill were told by Judge Shellie Bowers that homosexual marriages were "morally repugnant."

Bowers' continued by writing, "Thus, if homosexual marriage were anathema to Christian religious dogma and morally repugnant, it would still be so, regardless of the number of clergy willing to participate in such a ceremony."

Dean, who is an attorney, charged that the judge continually referred to "the Church, with a Capital C," thereby creating "state establishment of one religion over another."

"I ask you," said Dean, "whatever happened to the separation of church and state?"

Dean and Gill had based their lawsuit on "gender-neutral" language in the DC marriage code, as well as provisions banning discrimination based on sexual orientation in DC's Human Rights law. Bowers stated in his ruling that the Human Rights law did not pertain to the marriage code, and even if it did he would not change his ruling because the marriage code requires one male and one female participant.

The couple will appeal Judge Bowers' ruling before a three-judge panel in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

## Irish say no to gays

The New York State chapter of the Ancient Order of Hibernians announced on January 21 that a gay group may not participate in this year's St. Patrick's Day parade, according to *The New York Times*. The organization made the announcement two weeks after New York Mayor David Dinkins transferred the parade permit from the Manhattan chapter of the organization to the state chapter.

In its statement banning the gay group, the Hibernians charged that the gay group behaved in an "outrageous" manner, and that the ban constituted steps "to insure that no organization or organizations are allowed to use the parade as a vehicle to publicly insult any person or group watching or reviewing the parade."

The Manhattan chapter last year banned the Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization (I.L.G.O.), but the group marched anyway with an invitation from Division 7, a division of the Manhattan group. Mayor Dinkins broke precedent during the march when he declined the traditional mayor's position near the front of the parade, instead marching with I.L.G.O. members. Parade watchers jeered the mayor and gays and lesbians for the entire parade route, and doused them with beer.

This year, the Manhattan group again banned I.L.G.O. and added an additional ban to Division 7. Dinkins then moved to transfer the parade permit in the hopes of easing tensions on both sides.

## ACT UP pushes for IDC

by KC Wildmoon

Atlanta—About 25 members of ACT UP/Atlanta staged a protest in the lobby of Grady Hospital on January 15, protesting continued delays in expanding Grady's Infectious Disease Clinic (IDC). Protestors began at the construction site of the Hughes-Spalding Annex, where demonstrators wrapped construction signs in red packing tape, symbolizing their contention that the construction is bogged down in administrative red tape.

Grady officials still contend that the annex, where the IDC will be relocated, will open by the announced March 1992 date. ACT UP claims that while the project is behind schedule, it is still possible to meet that deadline.

"We're waiting to see how the new construction progresses," said ACT UP's Jeff Graham.

Graham said that if the March deadline is not met, "We will be protesting again."

The move to the Hughes-Spalding Annex is a temporary fix for the space problems plaguing the IDC, which have caused an up to 6 month waiting period for new patients. Grady officials are looking for a permanent location for the clinic. Last month, administrators said they were close to locating that building, but no specific announcements have been made.

"They must come up with a definite plan for moving to a permanent location," said Graham, "or we will increase the pressure."

## Frank leads 300 Cracker Barrel protestors

by KC Wildmoon

Over 300 people, led by U.S. Rep. Barney Frank and several local and state elected officials, braved the results of Atlanta's first snow storm in four years to march on the Cracker Barrel restaurant in Lithonia on January 19, protesting that company's anti-gay employment practices.

"It just takes one rotten cracker to spoil the whole barrel," Frank told the crowd after marching with the group through two lanes of Panola Road near

the restaurant.

"We're going to live up to the American ideal that individuals are treated on their own merits," he said, "regardless of the bigotry about race or sex or sexual orientation or handicap or age or any other factor that's important to the individual but is not something that ought to be a matter of importance to other people in the economic situation."

Other speakers, including State Reps. Nan Orrock and Cynthia McKinney, pledged their support in the struggle against anti-gay discrimination.

"I think Cheryl [Summerville, a lesbian fired by Cracker Barrel] is the Rosa Parks of this movement," said Orrock, who also told the crowd that she would again support hate crimes legislation in the Georgia General Assembly. Last year, the legislation lost in the House of Representatives by 27 votes.

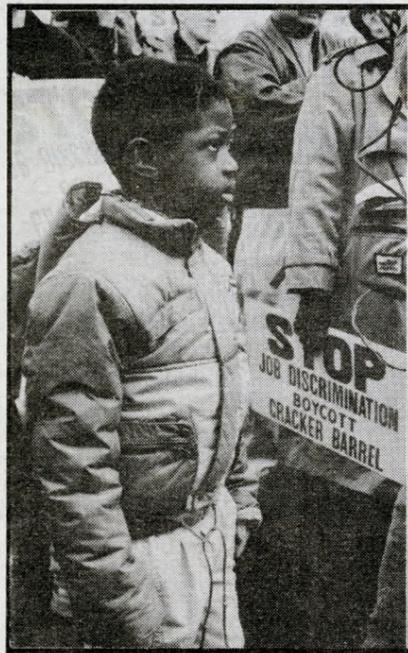
Queer Nation/Atlanta chair Lynn Cothren announced that his organization, which has led the fight in Atlanta against Cracker Barrel, has built strong coalitions with other groups, and was plan-

ning further actions for 1992.

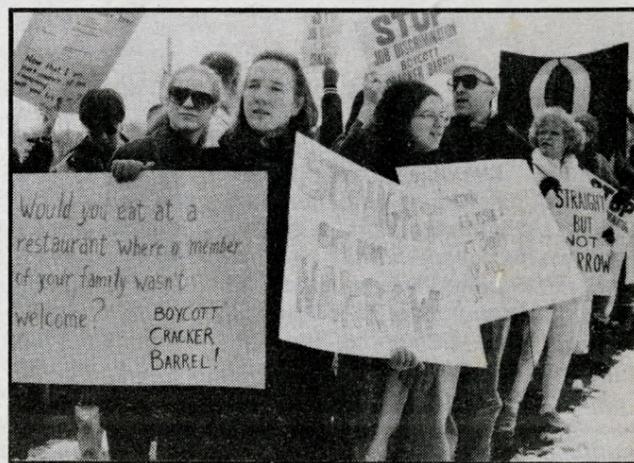
"You'd better look out Mother's Day," he said pointing at the restaurant about 100 feet away, "if you haven't gotten [the anti-gay policy] changed by then."

After the rally, Frank said that demonstrations like this one would help efforts to pass a lesbian/gay civil rights bill in the U.S. Congress.

"Politicians everywhere see that you got this many people out, even in this weather, and that helps in Georgia and it helps elsewhere," he said. "Anything that activates people helps not just with a specific cause, but as a general indication that there's a lot of political activity. People who show up on a day like this are people who will vote and participate."



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## King March

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All was not completely harmonious, however, as some participants in the march were upset that the lesbian/gay contingent was placed in the back of the march.

"Tell me it's not what I'm afraid it is," said marcher Al Cotton.

Ricky Wilson, Outreach Coordinator for the Lesbian and Gay Contingent, said that no slight was intended.

"This is just where the group fell in the line-up," he said. The march started at Peachtree and Baker Streets, with various contingency groups joining the march at various side streets as the main body proceeded through downtown. The



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Herb Moses, Frank's lover, led the lesbian and gay contingent in the MLK March.

lesbian and gay group, along with several others, joined at Houston Street.

While in Atlanta, Congressman Frank was honored at a tribute hosted by the Atlanta Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee at Petrus.

"It's an honor to have the congressman here with us," said Lynn Cothren, co-chair of the Atlanta Pride Committee.

The tribute was a benefit for Atlanta Pride, attended by 500 people, among them City Council members Myrtle Davis and Mary Davis, DeKalb Commissioner Jackie Scott, State Rep. Nan Orrock, and State Senator Steve Henson. Organizers of the tribute were pleased with the turnout, which netted \$3,000 for the 1992 Atlanta Lesbian/Gay Pride Celebration.

The Atlanta City Council also honored the Massachusetts congressman, proclaiming January 19, 1992 "Barney Frank Day" because of Frank's continued leadership in the fight against bigotry and discrimination in Congress.

## NEWS

### Handcuff Man Rearraigned In Tampa

Robert Lee Bennett, Jr., accused of being the "Handcuff Man" in Atlanta and Tampa, was rearraigned on January 23 in Tampa when prosecutors added use of a deadly weapon to the original attempted murder charge. Bennett is accused of drugging victims and setting them afire in one case in Tampa and two in Atlanta. The new charges raise the possible sentence to life in prison upon conviction. Bennett's trial date is scheduled for March 9.

**Lesbian Fired By Domino's:** A lesbian who claims that she and her lover were harassed by a manager at Domino's because of their sexual orientation was fired on January 21. Eleanor Wiley, who last month told *Southern Voice* that her lesbianism had become an employment issue, said that she contacted the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, but was told that they did not handle anti-gay discrimination cases. "I am going ahead with my own attorney," she said. "We're looking at harassment and wrongful termination." Wiley, who managed a store in Austell, said that her supervisor found questionable excuses to harass her since he learned she was a lesbian late last year. Domino's officials denied any harassment, claiming that an employee's sexual orientation did not come into play during job performance evaluation.



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**"...or else":** A group of activists held a press conference on the Georgia state capitol steps on January 15 announcing plans to "Queer the Olympics." "...or else" was born from an idea presented by comic Robin Tyler at NGLTF's Creating Change conference, according to ...or else member Pat Hussain. "She called this the 'decade of demonstration,'" said Hussain. "When she mentioned the Olympics in '96, the room came to its feet." Hussain said ...or else is putting the Georgia General Assembly on notice that the world's eyes will be on Georgia in 1996. "We intend to tell the world that we are 2nd class citizens in the U.S." said Hussain. "And we promise there will be a protest here in 1996 if sodomy laws are still on the books."

**'93 March on Washington Gets A Name:** The organizers of the 1993 March on Washington came out of a January 18-19 meeting in Los Angeles with a name and an executive

committee. After over a day of discussions, the 125-150 members of the steering committee present settled on—"1993 National March on Washington for Lesbian Gay and Bi Equal Rights and Liberation"—for the march scheduled for April 1993. The members also elected a nine-member executive committee which includes Pat Hussain from Atlanta. The next planning meeting is set for Mother's Day weekend in Dallas. "We're divided into committees right now to collect information so we'll have it ready for that May meeting," said Hussain, "and then we'll have a lot of information for Pride celebrations in June."

**ACLU Will Take PWA Case:** The American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia will take the case of the family of Kevin Fee, a PWA who died while in the custody of the City of Atlanta Department of Corrections last month. Fee, who suffered from dementia, was arrested twice and held at the Pre-Trial Detention Center for a total of nine days before being transported to Grady Hospital, where attempts to revive him failed. "Our board of directors voted unanimously to pursue litigation in this matter," said ACLU/Georgia executive director Teresa Nelson. Nelson said that the attorneys who will handle the case have not yet been selected.

**Philadelphia Retirement Fund Joins Cracker Barrel Protest:** The Philadelphia Municipal Retirement System voted on January 7 to support a resolution put forward by the New York City Employees Retirement Fund calling for Cracker Barrel to add a prohibition against anti-gay discrimination to its anti-discrimination policy. According to the *Philadelphia Gay News*, the Philadelphia system owns 3,300 shares of Cracker Barrel stock, valued at over \$150,000. The New York fund, which owns almost \$3.5 million in Cracker Barrel stock, filed the resolution at the stockholders' meeting last November. The resolution is expected to be voted on by all stockholders at the annual meeting in 1992.

**Milwaukee Mayor Cuts Pride Fund:** In another staggering blow to Milwaukee's gay community, already reeling from homophobic backlash unleashed by the Dahmer murders, Mayor John O. Norquist on January 21 vetoed a \$5,000 grant of city festival funds to the Milwaukee Gay/Lesbian Pride Committee. In his veto message, Mayor Norquist cited the "controversial" nature of the event and said that "using taxpayer dollars for this type of parade is inappropriate." Norquist is up for reelection this April. His only opponents are viewed by many as even more hostile to the gay community. Since the Dahmer murders were exposed last summer, the gay community here has been hit by a wave of bashing in the streets as well as in the media and halls of government. —Jamakaya

**NJ Bans Anti-Gay Discrimination:** Gov. James Florio signed a bill on January 19 banning discrimination based on affectional or sexual preference in employment, public accommodations, housing or public contracts, making New Jersey the fifth state in the nation to recognize the rights of lesbians and gay men. The law was passed by the New Jersey Assembly and the Senate on January 13. Other states banning anti-gay discrimination are Wisconsin, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Hawaii.

**Gay Man Granted Refugee Status In Canada:** A 28-year-old gay man from Argentina has been granted refugee status in Canada after he told Canadian immigration officials that he was being persecuted in Argentina because of his sexual orientation. Jorge Alberto Inaudi has been in Canada since March 1990. He testified that he was arrested, raped and tortured by federal police in his homeland because Argentine law allows police to arrest homosexuals.

**No Gays In Dallas Police:** The Dallas City Council voted on January 23 to retain a ban on hiring gays and lesbians in the Dallas police force as long as a state law criminalizing sodomy remains on the books. The Council heard over 300 speakers during a 5 hour meeting before reaching their decision. Gay activists in the Texas city were disappointed, but hopeful. A state judge has ruled the sodomy law, which makes sexual relations between people of the same sex a misdemeanor, is unconstitutional. That decision is under appeal.



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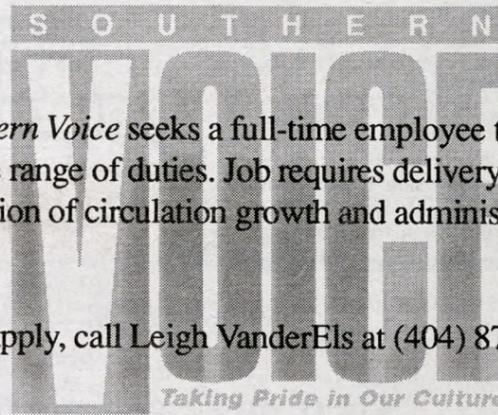
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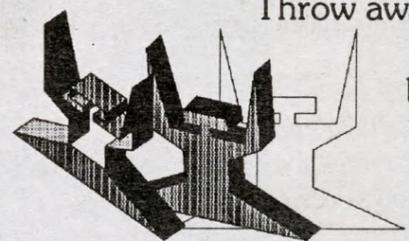
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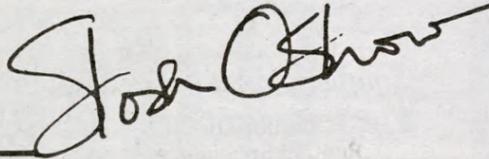
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## AIDS UPDATES

### Georgia General Assembly To Get AIDS Bill

As this issue went to press, *Southern Voice* learned that a bill requiring AIDS testing was set to be introduced into the State Senate on February 3. "This bill would mandate testing for anybody who sees a doctor or goes into the hospital," said Nick Danna, lobbyist for the Georgia AIDS Coalition. Danna said that Senator Charles Walker, chair of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee, would introduce the bill on behalf of the Medical Association of Georgia. "Obviously this is not a good bill for us," Danna continued. "And not only are we opposed to it, but so are other groups like the Georgia Hospital Association." Danna urged concerned citizens to call Walker's office at 656-0040, and committee vice chair George Hooks' office at 656-0061 with comments.

**Church Will Go Ahead With SRO Plan:** Despite a local bank's backing out of a plan to help provide \$500,000 for renovation, Antioch Baptist Church North will go ahead with plans to open Walton House, a single room occupancy (SRO) project in downtown Atlanta's Fairlie-Poplar district. Joe Beasley, human resource director at the church, said that the setback caused by Bank South's refusal to put in a grant request for the church will not delay opening the project. "We will have sufficient money to bring it on line," he said, adding that the church "hopes to have some people living there within a month." The SRO will have 128 rooms for the working homeless and HIV+ individuals. Downtown business leaders with Central Atlanta Progress oppose the project, saying it will damage revitalization of the district.

**Activist challenges Johnson at hearing:** According to the *Washington Blade*, Magic Johnson was challenged by an angry activist during his first meeting with the National Commission on AIDS. Johnson, who was appointed by the commission by Bush to replace late Commissioner Belinda Mason, attended the January 14 meeting on the future course of the HIV epidemic. Halfway into the hearing Derek Hodel, executive director of the People With AIDS Health Group in New York City, offered a commentary that silenced the group and then brought applause from panelists and audience members. "While someone with AIDS dies every seven minutes, you have spent countless dollars and untold time preparing reports that by all accounts...have been virtually ignored by a callous, mean-spirited White House," Hodel charged. "You already have the answers. You already know what you need to know." Hodel then turned his attention to Johnson and challenged him to push President Bush to... "do more towards research and treatment for AIDS." "We are a thousand points of light and we are being extinguished one by one." Johnson replied that he was helping in every way he could and asked Hodel what could be done to better take the message of prevention to communities of color. Hodel responded that the answer was to make AIDS a problem of all people. After the hearing, Johnson joined President Bush for a photo session during which the president referred to Johnson's education efforts as "the Lord's work." When questioned about funding, Bush said the federal government was doing all it could.

**PWAs Sue Hospital:** Five people with AIDS sued a hospital in North Hollywood, California, for allegedly using them for experiments in a bogus AIDS cure. The suits charge the Medical Center of North Hollywood with fraud, negligence, conspiracy and other offenses, and seek damages of more than \$8 million for each patient. A former radiologist, Stephen D. Herman, marketed and sold a potion he called Viroxan, claiming that it successfully fought AIDS. Herman voluntarily surrendered his license last summer when state prosecutors agreed to drop charges of gross negligence, incompetence and dishonesty. Herman, who is a co-defendant in the patients' lawsuit, still faces charges of false advertising and selling Viroxan.

**New Hampshire TV Station Pulls ACT UP Ad:** New Hampshire's only television network affiliate, WMUR-TV, pulled a paid public issue ad campaign early this month because of "sexually explicit visuals." The ad, put together by ACT UP/New Hampshire, shows photographs of homosexuals kissing while a voice over challenges viewers to question presidential candidates about AIDS. Larry Gilpin, vice president and general manager of WMUR, an ABC affiliate, said, "I decided this portrayal of sexuality isn't the appropriate way to communicate the problem of AIDS to New Hampshire."

**More news from New Hampshire:** In an effort to challenge presidential candidates to address AIDS issues and the health care crisis, ACT UP/New Hampshire, along with ACT UP of Portland, Maine have announced plans for a march through downtown Manchester the weekend before New Hampshire's presidential primary. Participants also plan a rally in front of the Bush/Quayle re-election headquarters.

**Bergalis Leaves Money For AIDS Research:** In her will, the woman who allegedly contracted AIDS from her dentist, left thousands of dollars for AIDS research. Kimberly Bergalis, who died on Dec. 8 shortly after testifying before Congress for mandatory AIDS testing of healthcare workers, also left her aunt money to buy a Porsche, and the rest of over \$1 million in insurance settlements to family and friends.

**Pneumonia vaccine helps with infection:** Researchers at Johns Hopkins report that vaccinations against a pneumonia-causing bacteria may give additional disease-fighting protection for persons in the early stages of AIDS. Their work, published in the Dec. 26 edition of *The New England Journal of Medicine*, focused on a vaccine to combat the *Haemophilus influenzae type b* (Hib) bacteria, which can cause pneumonia and other infections. The study involved 248 HIV-infected men who were given two forms of the vaccine. More than 95 per cent of the men without AIDS who received the Hib vaccine developed protective levels of antibodies, whereas only 80 per cent of men with AIDS had protective antibody responses. The researchers found that the level of Hib antibodies after immunization was related to the number of T helper cells. The vaccine is currently licensed but used primarily in children.

**Aloe Vera Exhibits Anti-HIV Properties:** Recent reports on the antiviral properties of acemannan (Carrisyn), an active ingredient extracted from the aloe vera plant, has renewed interest in the compound. A team of researchers, after completing test tube experiments on acemannan, reported that the complex carbohydrate worked synergistically with other antiviral drugs such as azidothymidine (AZT) and acyclovir (ACY) in blocking the function of the HIV and herpes simplex viruses. The researchers also stated that in subsequent testing, acemannan was able to interrupt the ability of HIV to reproduce once inside an infected cell. The team of researchers included Texas A & M University, Carrington laboratories, Inc., Southern Research Institute, and the Dallas-Fort Worth Medical Center. The research findings were reported in the science journal, *Molecular Biotechnology*, in its Volume 3, September 1991 issue.

The test tube experiments showed that acemannan inhibited HIV initiated cell fusion, suppressed the production and release of virus from HIV infected cells, and reduced the overall population of HIV infected cells present in the sample. Researchers stated that the amount of inhibitory effect produced by acemannan was dependent on the concentration level of the purified aloe extract present in the testing experiment.

An important aspect of the research was in identifying the synergistic abilities of acemannan to enhance the antiviral aspects of AZT. Researchers stated that in the research protocols, they were able to reduce the level of AZT with the adjunctive use of acemannan, and thereby reduced the likelihood of AZT manifested toxicity, without a reduction in antiviral benefits from the drug. Final research results from a recently completed trial in Canada which had been monitoring the effects of acemannan in combination with AZT, may be released as early as next month.

— Arturo Jackson III

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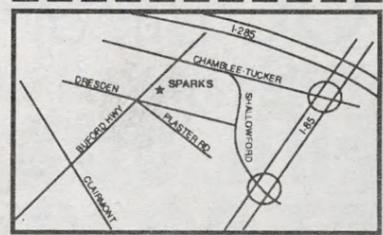
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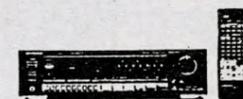
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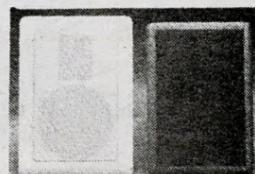
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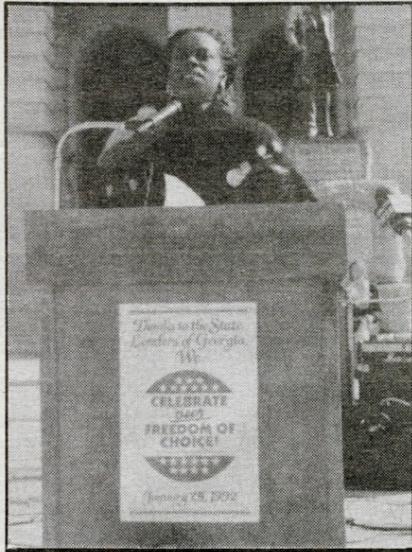
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# Roe v. Wade



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State Rep. Cynthia McKinney told the crowd that the only way to stop the erosion of reproductive freedom is to "take care of business ourselves."

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Atlanta in 1988, with over 1000 members arrested, some more than once. Atlanta pro-choice advocates, including many lesbians and gays, volunteered as "clinic escorts" to help women seeking abortions get past the anti-abortion protestors who lined the streets in front of the clinics.

"The people who would restrict reproductive choice for women are the same ones fighting against civil rights for lesbians and gays," said Cathy Woolard, who coordinated the escorts in 1988. "It's the same as the government deciding who I can have consensual sex with. It's anathema to what role I think the government should have in our personal lives."

*Planned Parenthood of Southeast Pennsylvania v. Casey*, the case that the court will hear later this spring, restricts access to abortion on several levels. A Pennsylvania appeals court upheld requirements mandating parental consent for minors, a 24-hour waiting period, and that doctors inform women of alternatives when they seek abortions. Another requirement of the Pennsylvania law upheld by the lower court makes the names of women who have abortions a matter of public record. The appeals court called a provision requiring spousal notification unconstitutional, but the Supreme Court has agreed to reconsider that decision also.

"This law provides for parental consent, requires doctors to give lectures, all elements that sound innocuous on the face," said Kathryn Kolbert, the ACLU attorney who will argue *Planned Parenthood's* case before the court, "but these things become problematic because of the delays they cause."

Kolbert says that several points of this law have already been declared unconstitutional by early, more liberal versions of the Supreme Court.

"These laws are unconstitutional if *Roe* is still the law of the land," she continued, "so this case presents the court directly with the question of whether or not that's true. If *Roe* is no longer the law of the land, then the court must answer what is."

The Supreme Court is expected to make a ruling in *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* sometime in June, a timing that will bring abortion to the forefront of the presidential election. All five candidates for the Democratic nomination have

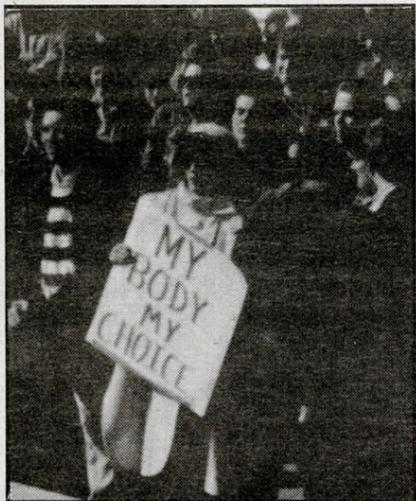
announced that they favor abortion rights, while President Bush spoke by a loudspeaker-telephone set-up in support of the anti-abortion demonstration last Wednesday. Republican candidates David Duke and Patrick Buchanan also favor banning abortions.

"The economy will clearly make this election a close race," said Kolbert. "An issue like abortion that has the potential to swing 4-6% of the vote will be a cutting edge issue."

Should the court overturn *Roe*, Georgia is considered to be one of the states in which abortion rights are still safe, at least until the results of the 1992 elections are in. On January 22, while several thousand anti-abortion demonstrators marched through downtown Atlanta to the Capitol, pro-choice advocates met inside with Lt. Gov. Pierre Howard and representatives from Gov. Zell Miller and House Speaker Tom Murphy, all of whom support the right to abortion.

"We do have a majority of both the House and Senate on record as being pro-choice," said Mary Hickey, coordinator of Georgians for Choice, a statewide coalition of 45 organizations, "but the agenda of the anti-abortion people is to come up with language that looks reasonable while further limiting access to choice. Part of our job is to continue educating both the public and the legislators about these kinds of tactics."

Abortion foes are expected to push the General Assembly to restrict abortion, but without the backing of Miller, Howard or Murphy, passage of such leg-



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islation would appear unlikely.

"Having these state leaders be pro-choice means a lot for Georgia," said Hickey. "It means that women in Georgia can depend on the current state leadership—that their reproductive freedom will not be infringed upon before November 1992."

The Supreme Court last considered an abortion-related case in 1989, when it ruled in a Missouri case, *Webster v. Reproductive Health Services*, that states may make laws restricting access to abortions. That decision also upheld the Missouri law's contention that human life begins at conception, a point widely praised by the anti-abortion, or "pro-life" movement.

Plans are underway for a national march on the nation's capital for reproductive freedom, scheduled for April 5, 1992. Locally, Georgians for Choice is working on Georgia's participation in that march.

"For now, we're not threatened here in Georgia," said Mary Hickey, "but on nationally we know that Bush is behind [reversing *Roe v. Wade*] and the Supreme Court is gung ho. This march will let the country know where we stand."

# A Gay & Lesbian Bookstore for Atlanta?

A group of us in Atlanta believe that the city needs a locally owned and operated, full-line gay/lesbian bookstore and would like to open one in Atlanta in the near future. We are interested in your views about the need for such a store, how it should be operated, and what products and services it should offer.

Please take a moment to answer the following questions and either drop the form at the Southern Voice office, 1189 Virginia Avenue or mail it by February 15 to:

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218 Lansdowne Ave.  
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- 1. Your age:  18-25  26-34  35-44  45-64  65 or over
- 2. Your sex:  Female  Male
- 3. Your race:  Black  White  Other
- 4. Zip Code of your residence: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Zip code of your job: \_\_\_\_\_

6. In the last year, have you done any of the following? (Check all that apply).
- Purchased a gay or lesbian book in a mainstream bookstore? If so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Purchased a gay or lesbian book in a gay/lesbian or feminist bookstore? If so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Purchased a gay or lesbian book by mail? If so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Purchased a gay or lesbian magazine or periodical? If so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Purchased a gay or lesbian erotic magazine? If so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Purchased a gay or lesbian greeting card or postcard? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Purchased a gay or lesbian t-shirt or sweatshirt? \_\_\_\_\_
  - Visited a gay/lesbian bookstore in another city? \_\_\_\_\_

7. In the past year, have you purchased a beverage or dessert at a coffeehouse or dessert cafe?  If so, how many times? \_\_\_\_\_

8. If there were a full line gay/lesbian bookstore in Atlanta, how many times a year would you likely visit it? \_\_\_\_\_

9. On a scale of 1-6 (1 is low, 6 is high), rate the following as possible locations for a full line gay/lesbian bookstore in Atlanta (you may assign the same number to more than one location):

- Ansley  Midtown
- Buckhead  Little Five Points
- Cheshire Bridge  Virginia-Highland
- Decatur  Other \_\_\_\_\_

10. On a scale of 1-6 (1 is low, 6 is high), rate your interest in the following types of gay or lesbian books:

- Fiction  Health
- Mystery  Self help/Psychology/Coming Out
- Humor/Cartoon  History/Politics
- Science Fiction/Fantasy  Erotica
- Poetry & Drama  Art/Photography
- Biography  Other \_\_\_\_\_

11. On a scale of 1-6 (1 is low, 6 is high), which of the following would encourage you to patronize a gay/lesbian bookstore?

- Location  Card/gift selection
- Selection  Readings & Signings
- Service  Alcohol free environment
- A dessert cafe  Meeting space
- Entertainment  Other \_\_\_\_\_

12. Is there something that you keep you from patronizing a gay/lesbian bookstore?  If so, what? \_\_\_\_\_

13. What would you name a gay/lesbian bookstore? \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your your time. If you have additional thoughts or comments, please feel free to attach them to this survey. If you would like to serve as a member of a focus group on this subject, please write your name and phone number here:

## AIDS is not the only issue

To the Editor:

Never have I felt so compelled to write to the Editor of any publication in response to a letter written by another reader. I reference the letter written by Chris Hollis in your January 2, 1992.

Though I deeply sympathize with Mr. Hollis' situation, I feel his sense of frustration is greatly misdirected. Beginning in his third paragraph he states that he is "a gay male and the discrimination that I faced can happen to any of us ..." My understanding is that he was discriminated against because of his HIV status and not because he is gay.

To condemn Queer Nation for lack of enthusiasm or action on his plight is misplaced. Queer Nation's mission of gay rights is a worthy and deserving cause. I suggest Mr. Hollis take the opportunity to understand that every organization is created with stated and defined objectives. If Queer Nation, or any other organization, strays from their objectives or mission, they begin to lose their effectiveness and ability to make changes within society. I don't believe that QN referring Mr. Hollis to ACT/UP was intended to perpetuate the perceived infighting within the gay community and gay organizations. Rather, it was a sound judgment to refer Mr. Hollis to an organization that can embrace the cause with the enthusiasm and attention it deserves.

By the tone of Mr. Hollis' letter, it appears he believes that HIV and AIDS is the only cause or concern for the entire gay and lesbian community. AIDS has effected many within our community, and I don't doubt that few haven't been touched by this dreadful virus. But in the same vein, AIDS is not the only issue that concerns a lesbian or gay person. We all are still individuals and being a homosexual does not necessarily define our political beliefs or mandate the humanitarian causes we choose to support.

For me, gay rights is what demands most of my time and energy. This may not be true for others, and the gay community must respect the individual's choice, whether it be gay oriented or not. Being gay does not automatically require, demand or oblige that HIV and AIDS issues are priorities. There is an exhaustive number of causes and organizations worthy of support.

I do share Mr. Hollis' frustration with those who choose not to embrace any cause, but we must be careful not to measure someone else by our own standards. I know many people who don't publicly rally around any causes but who do an effective job of promoting issues by talking to friends and co-workers, and giving significant contributions. Each have their role in social activism.

It is truly a time for gays and lesbians to stand up for their rights. Small victories are threatened every day.

Sincerely,  
J.T. Arbuthnot

## JFK not a gay bashing

To the Editor:

Terry Francis put forth bunk in lieu of an open mind on JFK.

Neither Jim Garrison nor Oliver Stone thought gays pulled the trigger. Clay Shaw was brought to trial in hopes of "toppling a house of cards" in information the government was holding and in new witnesses coming forth. Mr. Shaw's sexuality was of no consequence, whatsoever, in his charge of being a conspirator.

This trial opened doors to illuminating evidence and displayed glaring inconsistencies in the Warren Commission Report. The Zapruder film was subpoenaed and released to

the public. From this and other new discoveries the House Select Committee on Assassinations concluded in 1979 that four shots were fired (not three) by two gunman; that Kennedy "was possibly assassinated as a result of a conspiracy;" and that further investigation was (and still is) needed by the Justice Dept.

David Ferrie and Clay Shaw were two very high-profile, flamboyant fellows flagrant even for the *Big Easy*. So what. Ludicrously and dubiously, Mr. Francis exaggerates a small portion of the film to make JFK seem like a big gay bashing.

Maybe Mr. Francis is with the other 16% of America satisfied with the Warren Commission. Maybe he thinks he has the answers and nobody should be allowed to pose any questions, especially someone from Hollywood. Maybe that's why he chose to rant instead of review.

Charles Rogers

## It goes both ways

To the Editor:

This is in response to the recent letter from J. F. Mathis of Norcross, on the issue of quarantine for the HIV+. Why not just euthanize them as they get their mandatory non-anonymous test results? It would be more humane and less costly a venture. And I'm sure we could get some political backing in this state for it. Then Mr. Mathis could go have all the unsafe sex he wanted with a clear conscience. I'm sure there are some students of Hitler that could help carry this out in a most efficient way.

It takes two to tango, Mr. Mathis. There is a shared responsibility when it comes to insisting on safe sex. I found out a few months ago a person with whom I had unsafe sex, died from AIDS. The first response is anger. "Why didn't he tell me? How could he do that?" Then reality struck me. It is my responsibility to protect myself always. I was fortunate this time but might not be again.

About the HIV+ person you were speaking of, how do you know his sex partner wasn't infected with hepatitis, parasites or HIV? The risk is great both ways.

The only way to stop the spread of this dreaded disease is to protect yourself with knowledge about the disease and some common sense. Don't let your anger over the fact that you can't screw the entire male and female population with abandon turn you into another Hitler. Or, should we take all the HIV- people and quarantine them for protection? It makes about as much sense.

Sincerely,  
W. Craven

## Read 'em again

To the Editor:

I found Ben Thayer's letter (Southern Voice, Vol. 4, #24) defending the leadership of the Atlanta Gay Center rather interesting.

He states, "For the past month or so a very small group of people have entertained us with letters of just how bad the Atlanta Gay Center and its leadership is."

First, I don't think it's just a small group of people (it's more like many). Second, if I were a board member of an organization receiving so much negative feedback I certainly would not be "entertained" by it. More like concerned, VERY concerned.

May I suggest that Mr. Thayer and the Gay Center board read those letters again. The letters were good food for thought.

Sincerely,  
Jeff Walters

## Carbon Copy

The Atlanta Journal  
72 Marietta Street NW  
Atlanta, GA 30303  
attn: Publisher

Dear Sir,

I am once again shocked to read an irresponsible, hateful and ignorant piece of AIDS bashing in your paper, predictably in Lewis Grizzard's column. In the first place, who gives a damn about what Lewis Grizzard thinks about AIDS and Magic Johnson? This presupposes, in a great leap of faith, that Mr. Grizzard thinks at all.

While I support freedom of the press, as with all freedoms come some responsibility. Your paper has a responsibility to see that Mr. Grizzard and others like him do not "yell fire in a crowded theatre." This article is the written equivalent of doing just that when you give Mr. Grizzard a forum with no countervailing access to well-reasoned dissenters. Bigotry only serves to validate the fear that uneducated millions have and it provokes them to discrimination and often violence.

Does your paper give him free rein and access to publish this sort of hate mongering because you assume that he speaks for a large segment of the population, because you think he is right, or because this sort of yellow journalism sells papers? If you think he speaks for a large segment of the population, that would be fine if you gave equal access to the more enlightened views of that large segment of the population with a more humane and compassionate view. If you ran the column because you think he is right, then you have failed the most basic rule of journalism: "Always check your facts." If you allow it just to sell papers then shame on you.

Mr. Grizzard has obviously taken little time out from chronicling his celebration of beer drinking and his maniacal support of his alma mater's football team to learn any facts about AIDS. Like Bush, he fails to understand that there can be a 10 year latency period between infection and development of the illness. Magic Johnson could have been infected long before there was any knowledge of the disease or ways to protect themselves against infection. Magic may be an extreme example of the numerical danger of having sex with multiple partners, but he could have been just as unlucky with only a handful of partners or a single partner who happened to be infected with the AIDS virus. However, it is this attitude of hate and ignorance like Mr. Grizzard's, President Reagan's and millions of "regular" Americans which prohibited the use of the word AIDS and edu-

cation in the early stages of this pandemic. This refusal to acknowledge the depth and severity of this disease because of a fundamentalist belief that talking about AIDS and AIDS prevention "encourages promiscuous behavior" was what contributed to the infection and, if a cure or treatment is not found soon, subsequent death of millions of their HIV-infected relatives. Can he be so smug and unfeeling as to skewer Magic Johnson, a man I am sure he has never met, for trying to use his celebrity podium for good and education? If Mr. Grizzard used his public forum in a way that was as positive he might have a healing effect and save some lives.

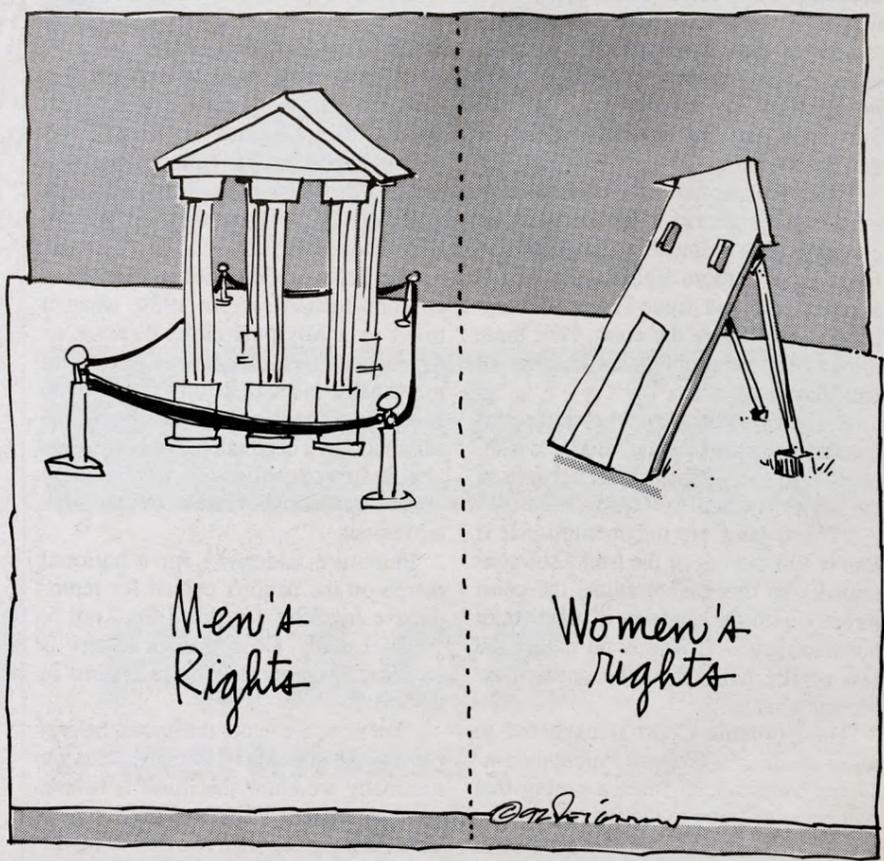
I am sure that Mr. Grizzard's thinly veiled racism makes the Magic Johnson spotlight all the more unpalatable. You do not hear Mr. Grizzard ranting about the millions spend on cancer, decades after the surgeon general of the United States has publicly proclaimed the dangers of smoking or money spend on heart disease research for those with poor eating habits or sedentary lifestyles (all things within their control). To use Mr. Grizzard's words "Just don't do it, Just say no." Sure millions have quit smoking, some before they found out about the dangers and some after. However, most sensible people also stopped having unsafe sex as soon as information was available. But the President, the press, television, the CDC and all others who failed to concern themselves with this growing epidemic because it only involved, "faggots, niggers and drug addicts" did not see fit to publicize prevention and protection. A million dollars spent early in this epidemic on well-placed television advertisements and counseling could have prevented millions of infections that will cost the health care system billions in the future, not to mention the toll it will take on humanity in the United States and the world.

Do not contribute to the already pervasive atmosphere of discrimination, ignorance, and violence against men, women and children, heterosexual or homosexual., who carry the AIDS virus or who are related to people with AIDS. You are a newspaper. Report the news!

Sincerely,  
R.H. Stephens

## CORRECTION

In the story on Kevin Fee in Vol. 4, #24, we inadvertently misspelled the name of Tom Pocock, director of the City of Atlanta's Office of Corrections. *Southern Voice* regrets the error.



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a monthly column by KC Wildmoon

## Hail to the Chief

A dream came true for me on January 20, the national holiday celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday. It was a remarkable day, all the way around. I attended the ecumenical service on Monday morning at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Dr. King's pulpit, where I heard Coretta Scott King and Winnie Mandela.

I can't even begin to tell you what it was like to be there. But that wasn't the dream. The dream that came true for me was later on, after the march through downtown Atlanta, after the

speeches, when I met Wilma Mankiller, Chief of the Western Band of the Cherokee Nation.

Georgia State Rep. Nan Orrock introduced me to Charley Soap, the Chief's husband. Chief Mankiller was still on the stage with the other speakers. Charley and I stood together, listening. Sometimes he would lean toward me and make a comment.

"You know," he said softly as speaker after speaker assailed the government for its economic failures, "you'd think that in a country as wealthy as this there'd be no poverty or homelessness."

Right, I said. You'd think. But it ain't so. Later he asked if I'd read Gloria Steinem's book. No, I told him. Charley Soap said that he and his wife have been fighting over who gets to read it first. I laughed, telling him I understood, that what happens next is you have two bookmarks in two different places and you forget which one is yours. He laughed, agreeing.

Then the speeches were over. He walked to the back of the stage, tapped Chief Mankiller and motioned for me to come over. He said, "This woman wants to meet you." I introduced myself, shook her hand, told her how long I'd

admired her. She smiled, thanked me, and disappeared with Charley into the King Center.

I couldn't have been happier. Earlier, at Ebenezer, Chief Mankiller spoke about having mixed feelings about being in the Southeast, the original homeland of the Cherokee Nation. And in her words I heard exactly why I wanted to meet her.

"Just being here is cause for celebration," she said. "[the United States] first tried to wipe us off the face of the earth, and then failing that instituted a number of policies for well over 200 years designed to make sure that we didn't exist in 1992 as a culturally distinct group of people. And yet here we are."

And then she said some things that made more sense to me than anything I'd heard in a long time. She said that she'd grown up listening to Dr. King, that he articulated a number of feelings that she'd never known the words for, that he gave names to those feelings.

"And I used to look around me at all the problems that we have to figure a way out of every day," she continued, "I used to wish that we had a Dr. Martin Luther King. I used to wish that we had a prophet or a visionary, someone who would come along and save us

and help us."

"Until I finally realized that all of us should take what he said and do things for ourselves to try to solve some of these problems. So I stopped looking for a visionary to come along and save us. I stopped wringing my hands over the fact that there was a dearth of national leadership, and I began to take charge myself and ask other people to look to ourselves for solutions to our own problems. And we began to move forward."

Chief Mankiller noted then that we'd lost ground in the struggle for our rights in the last few years, and she closed with this:

"I think the best tribute we can give to Dr. King from now on is to not give up one more inch."

Chief Wilma Mankiller received the longest applause of any of the speakers that Monday morning, a standing ovation, because we all heard in her words a call to be leaders instead of followers. We have met the saviour, and it is us.

Later that afternoon, I shook that woman's hand. From her hand, from her eyes, I took with me strength. And now I have to pass it on.

Mr. Eric Seidel  
 Station Manager, WGST  
 550 Pharr Rd. NE, Suite 400  
 Atlanta, GA 30363

Dear Mr. Seidel,

I had the distinctly unpleasant experience of traveling in a vehicle yesterday with the radio tuned to AM640, WGST. The time was 16:45-17:00.

The malodorous stench coming through the speakers deepened as Freddie Mertz continued to slime the airwaves with his vile homophobic invective.

Referring to Cathy Woolard (albeit not by name during the time I stomached the show), he labeled her "a lousy, stinking Lesbian," a "Dyke with no humor," and someone whose "partner probably can't stand her either." (In actuality, Ms. Woolard—a colleague and personal acquaintance of mine—is an Atlanta native and a productive citizen who doesn't go around insulting others, has a dry sense of humor, and lives quite contently with her partner.)

These unfair and untrue characterizations were patently offensive and wildly out of line. They clearly do not serve the interests of the community—particularly a community which has a large lesbian and gay element.

Apparently, Mr. Mertz is also genuinely concerned that "The lesbians will take over the air." He further worried about "what sort of format the lesbians would have."

Mr. Mertz should perhaps know that I did a weekly show on WRFG-FM for several years

(first "Gay Digest," then "Lesbian Lip Service"). The format was information, entertainment, and interviews, from a clearly lesbian perspective. WRFG also currently features lesbian and gay programming.

Perhaps Mr. Mertz's confusion could be alleviated if he simply asked lesbian radio folk his tired questions. Or, better yet, Mr. Mertz could keep his prejudiced mouth shut for a moment, and just listen.

In any event, Mr. Seidel, rest assured that I certainly will not voluntarily subject myself in the future to the insulting abuse and slander your station foments. Count me out as a listener. And also count out my desirable-to-advertisers demographics: dual-income, no kids, college-educated homeowner.

Sincerely,  
 María Helena Dolan

Phillip Humann, Chairman  
 Lewis Holland, President  
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Dear Messrs. Holland and Humann:

It is with great concern that I write to you about your recent comments regarding people with HIV infection. As representatives of such a powerful and progressive organization as Central Atlanta Progress, it is incompre-

hensible that you both made statements reflecting such a lack of information about HIV infection when correct information is so readily available. Apparently, those of us involved in AIDS education have not done an effective job in reaching out and educating our community leaders.

While I understand your concerns about The Walton House SRO's impact on the revitalization of the Fairlie-Poplar district, raising the issue of HIV/AIDS in an attempt to frighten away support of the project is not appropriate. There are some 30,000 to 50,000 people in Georgia infected with HIV. The vast majority are living normal lives, going like the rest of us. Mr. Humann's comment of "we think it's a good idea in the wrong place. The presence of HIV positive people alongside any kind of college student would probably result in Georgia State not being able to make this move" has no basis. (AJ/C 1-11-92) I can assure you that every major college and university in this State has students enrolled who are HIV positive.

The real issue appears not to be discrimination against or fear of people with HIV infection, but discrimination against and fear of the poor. We have witnessed this phenomenon time and time again as we have watched the disenfranchisement of poor people from Summer Hill to Vine City in the name of progress. The bottom line is that the presence of poor people is not viewed, by some, as an asset in our attempts to attract new business to our downtown area. This

perpetrates, however, an ongoing philosophy of "out of sight, out of mind."

Relocating our community problems into other neighborhoods, beyond view, does not constitute a solution. While issues like homelessness, poverty, drug abuse, crime and, yes, HIV/AIDS are a challenge to leaders in every major metropolitan area, we must seek creative solutions in a spirit of inclusion, not exclusion. In the words of the late Martin Luther King, Jr.:

"All too many of those who live in affluent America ignore those who exist in poor America; in doing so, the affluent Americans will eventually have to face themselves with the question that Eichmann chose to ignore: How responsible am I for the well-being of my fellows? To ignore evil is to become an accomplice to it."

We rely on our good and accomplished leaders, as stewards of the public trust, to analyze these problems and forge real solutions. It is a tremendous responsibility and requires informed and diligent focus on the many issues at hand.

It is our every expectation that those of us working together to address these community concerns can look to Central Atlanta Progress for leadership in our ongoing efforts to make Atlanta a better place to live...for all people.

Sincerely,  
 Sandra L. Thurman  
 Executive Director  
 AID Atlanta



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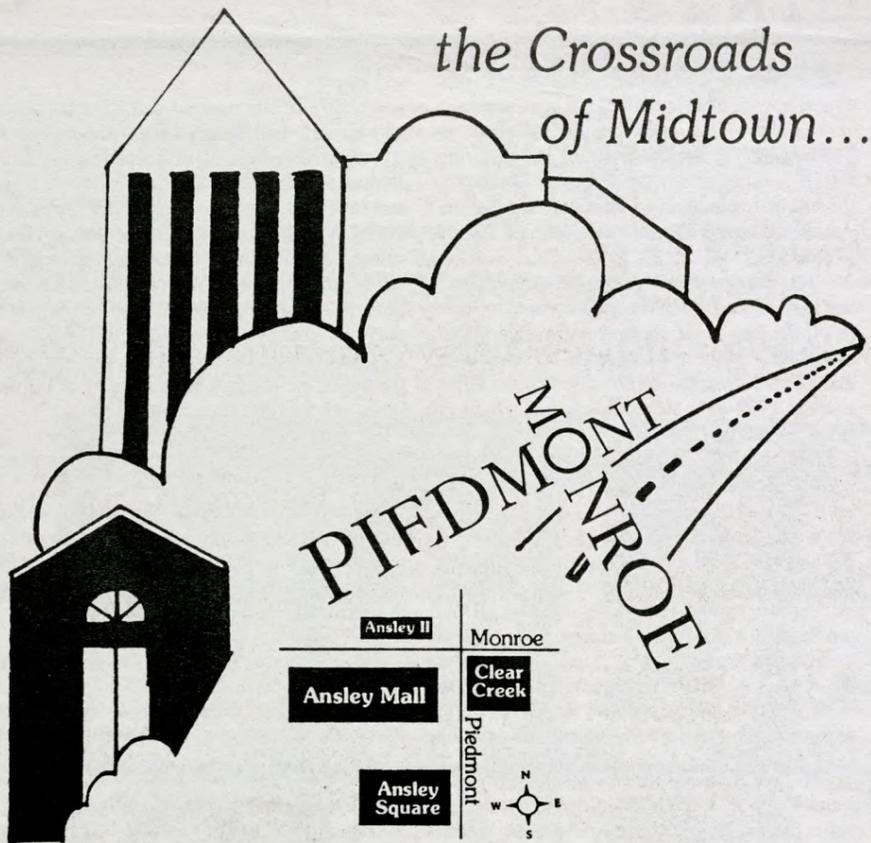
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# You say you want a revolution...

Activist Roman Kalinin and other gay Russians press for changes in new Commonwealth

by Ray Ruiz

You're a 22-year-old Russian. A university student in your fourth year of engineering. You've been a bit of an activist, operating under the pseudonym "Dimitry R." And now, you find out that the KGB has called your parents and told them of your *sub rosa* activities. Informed them that you—their only child—are a homosexual. Your parents subsequently disown you. You're on your own now. What are you going to do?

If you're Roman Kalinin (alias Dimitry R.), you first come out big time, despite fear of imprisonment. Then you start a second Russian revolution, this time a gay one.

Now 25 years old, Kalinin is the founder and leader of the Moscow Union of Lesbians and Gay Men, and of the International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (IGLHRC). He is also the publisher of his country's first gay and lesbian newspaper, *TEMA*, a nonperjorative slang term for gay or queer in Russian. The three organizations share an office in Moscow.

Kalinin headed the group of gay activists who printed and distributed 4,000 copies of Boris Yeltsin's proclamation denouncing the attempted August 1991 coup. The coup organizers had shut down all the printing plants and media outlets, making it almost impossible for loyalists to disseminate Yeltsin's proclamation. Kalinin says he has not received any acknowledgement from the government for those efforts, and feels life for gays under Yeltsin will not be significantly different than before.

Kalinin was in the U.S. in December to drum up support for his work and to accept the *Advocate's* Man of the Year Award. The *Advocate* described him as combining the political savvy of Harvey Milk, the radical courage of Harry Hay, and the street-fighting spirit of a Stonewall drag queen. Kalinin's blue eyes, dimpled cheeks, and diminutive frame conceal the revolutionary ideas that lurk beneath. While the Russian gay movement may be decades behind those of the West, Kalinin's vision is a decade ahead of many Western activists.

Kalinin is also trying to organize a tour of Russia for gay business owners. He's excited about the possibility of luring lesbian and gay entrepreneurs to open much-needed bookstores, cafes, restaurants, and bars. There are none now. The trip is planned for April 1992. Western gay and lesbian entrepreneurs will be escorted to Moscow and St. Petersburg, in the hope that they will see the vast opportunities available to enterprising individuals. The entourage will be introduced to local officials and VIP's, who can "make things happen" for start-up businesses. Presently Kalinin is gearing-up to open Moscow's first gay meeting place on a property that can be bought for only \$7,000 U.S. dollars. Located in the center of the city, all he needs is to entice a buyer. As Kalinin points out, there is no place to "come out" in Russia. A place to congregate is a start.

Kalinin holds some unorthodox views regarding government and economics for Russia. He suggests selling the republic to foreign monopolies. "Might as well," Kalinin says, "Russian economists aren't having any luck. And who cares what language the



Roman Kalinin is the founder of the Moscow Union of Lesbians and Gay Men and the International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission. He also publishes *TEMA*, Russia's first gay newspaper.

executives speak if there's something in the stores." On prices, he proposes dropping the price of vodka by 80%. "It's the only thing people have left," is his sad commentary.

An equally sad commentary is the lack of drugs to fight HIV infection in Russia. Although there is a small supply of AZT in the country, it is not widely distributed, and no other drugs are available. Kalinin plans an airlift of AIDS-related medical supplies during February, yet another reason for his recent visit to the U.S.

Don't be fooled into thinking that glasnost and perestroika has extended to gays and lesbians in the former U.S.S.R. "I don't think there are many changes in the government other than the name of the country and the name of the president," he said. Gays still face persecution under Article 121, Russia's equivalent to many sodomy laws in the U.S.

Repression is still stronger than most Westerners can even imagine. Published before the August coup, a recent poll in "cosmopolitan" Moscow revealed that 30 percent of the respondents thought homosexuals should be killed. Another 30 percent recommended imprisonment, while another 30 percent suggested psychiatric confinement. Only 10 percent believed that gays and lesbians should be free to follow their own lifestyle. In Russia's rural areas,

## IGLHRC = LIFE

IGLHRC stands for International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission, an organization which Roman co-founded with American activist Julie Dorf. The organization helps fund Roman's activities in Moscow, and to promote freedom for homosexuals in all countries to break the cycle of arrest, torture and oppression. Some of their activities and goals include: a February airlift of medical supplies and drugs to AIDS clinics and to people with HIV and AIDS in Russia and the Baltic states; a summer visit to Russia and Latvia for 50 parents and friends of gays to meet with their counterparts; an outreach program in Moscow and St. Petersburg to reduce the HIV infection rate; the Moscow AIDS hotline; and a 90-minute documentary video in Russian on gay and lesbian life in the former USSR, produced by Julie Dorf.

Contributions are encouraged. Fully tax deductible donations may be sent to: IGLHRC, 540 Castro St., San Francisco, CA 94114, (415) 255-8680. Direct help to Roman and his staff may be sent in the form of old or new blue jeans sent as gifts. These are easily convertible to cash and very appreciated. Send to: Roman Kalinin, Poste Restante, Moscow K-9, Russia 103009.

Fascinating facts

- About 60% of the gay activists in Russia are lesbians
- About 800 homosexuals per year are sent to labor camps in Russia for their alleged gay conduct, while lesbians are frequently locked up in hospitals. Julie Dorf visited about 1200 gay inmates on her visit to Russia last year
- *TEMA* has a circulation of about 15,000. There are 5 staff members.
- Two friends of Roman's have started Russia's first gay travel agency, "Boctok."

nearly 85 percent of the respondents favored the death penalty for homosexuality. It's no wonder that fear of blackmail or imprisonment is so strong among Russian gays. At one point, Kalinin himself was committed to a psychiatric institution for being gay.

Lovers may forego knowing each other's last names for fear of being "outed" to family, friends or employers. It's the extreme exception for lovers to live together. A rendezvous for a few stolen minutes of intimacy together might well transpire in the elevator of an apartment building—while you're conveniently stalled between floors.

Such is the atmosphere in which Kalinin, wunderkind of the Russian gay movement, holds forth from his 7th floor walk-up, working-class apartment on the outskirts of Moscow. A brilliant manipulator of the media, his softness, shyness and gentleness belie the high level of zeal and commitment to his vision. Having been offered asylum in the U.S., which he declined, Kalinin points out that his work has only just begun in Russia.

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# "Planet Claire has pink air!"

by Danny Roble

"No one ever dies there! No one has a head!" Thus go the lyrics to a song written and recorded by Georgia's own B-52's some years ago. The same mood of fun and other-worldliness may be found at an art and furniture gallery in Inman Park which is also known as Planet Claire. Recently I visited the renovated building which houses the gallery and met the owner, Dennis Ward. While examining the current exhibit which includes pottery, photography, and Egyptian influenced furniture, Dennis filled me in on the upcoming show, "Heart Art."

Starting on Friday, the 7th of February, the gallery will take on the appearance of a Greenwich Village coffee house. Entertainment will be provided by Mary Edith Pitts, Baby Sally, and Luna Tick who will present a talk show spoof called "Grandma Gab."

Saturday, February 8th is the opening date of the "Heart Art" show. The figurative art of local artists Richard Bulman, Patrick Giles, and Gary McMillan will be offered for display and for sale. The show is a benefit for Project Open Hand which does a tremendous job of cooking and delivering meals to needy persons with AIDS in Atlanta.

The art slated for the show was yet to be installed when I visited Planet Claire, but Dennis had reproductions of some of Richard Bulman's paintings which I examined at length. These definitely fall under the category of erotic and are very appropriate for the Valentine season.

A fashion show wraps up the event on Sunday. Fittingly titled "Red, Hot, and Black," the models will strut and vogue themselves into a frenzy showing off the best of the vintage wear from Stefan's of Little Five Points. At the other end of the time/space warp, there will be the futuristic original designs of Serena Patrick.

You may visit the gallery during their regular hours which are Saturday and Sunday 1:00-5:00pm or weekdays by appointment. Call Dennis at 522-5620 for further information.

It was an emotionally inspiring and politically empowering weekend of events surrounding the visit to Atlanta by openly gay Congressman Barney Frank, here to serve as co-grand marshal of the Martin Luther King Day March. But this was not the extent of Mr. Frank's involvement by any means. He was the center of attention at a tribute in his honor at Petrus which served to raise considerable funds for the Gay Pride Committee. The atmosphere was very positive, very electric.

The cooperation of many diverse groups and individuals was evident in the success of the event. Speakers included Barbara Asher, Myrtle Davis, Nan Orrock, and Jim Martin. The most moving moment was supplied by comic/activist Lea Delaria who joined hands with the dignitaries onstage and led the audience in "We Shall Overcome," and "United We Stand."

## AFTER HOURS

### Bar goes on

There have been several bar openings and closings lately. It's hard to keep up with what's going on. Here's what I know about it. Deana's One Mo Time on Cheshire Bridge Road is no mo, and I'm sure that's a disappointment to the crowd who remained faithful to Deana's through thick and thin. In its place is a country and western bar aptly titled Hoedowns. Somehow I can't relate to gay people who embrace country music. Perhaps being raised in Nashville caused me to overdose on the stuff at an early age. Of course, there are exceptions... Patsy Cline had a voice and a style which may never see an equal (sorry k.d.). I know country music has changed for the better, but still my strong prejudice is that country music is full of singers who could never make it in any other field so they nasally twang their way through songs which will give their fans reason to sit on a bar stool and drop a tear into their beer. Forgive me, Garth.

I am looking forward to the Grand Opening of Rumours, the new show bar located at 519 East Paces Ferry in Buckhead. They will be open and in operation by the time this column goes to press and I plan to be there. Atlanta needs a new show bar to inject some life blood into the entertainment scene since Lavita's closed its doors. There will be shows on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, with a piano player tickling the ivories on other



"Vietnamese Sun" by Patrick Giles will be on sale at "Heart Art," an exhibit to benefit Project Open Hand.

nights.

Deana's may be gone but women will have another club soon when Incognito opens its doors. It's located where Collier Rd. Library used to be just off Howell Mill Road. Their grand opening is February 7. Check it out.

Also for the women, The Otherside is having their Valentine's Ball on February 9. Here's your chance to dance to the sounds of an 18-piece orchestra! Isn't it wonderful to be appreciated and wooed?

For those in the Mardi Gras mood, the upcoming Masquerade to benefit Project Open Hand promises to be a night to remember. A celebrity reception takes place at 6:30pm on Saturday, February 22, followed by the party at 8:00 and Krewe Parade at 8:30. Tickets are very reasonably priced and may be purchased at Costume Architects and the Boy Next Door.

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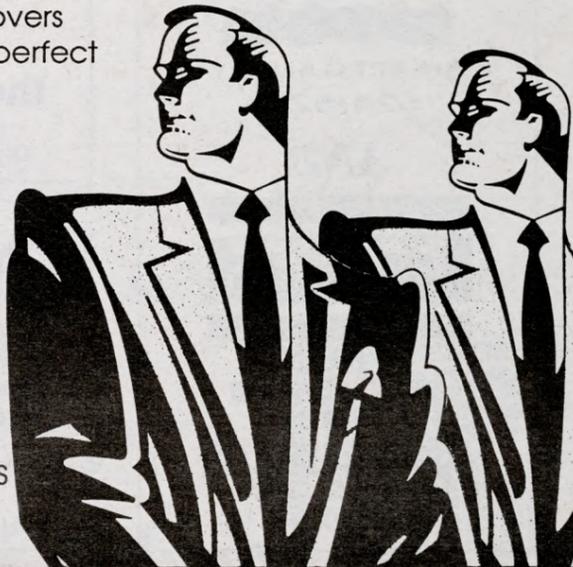
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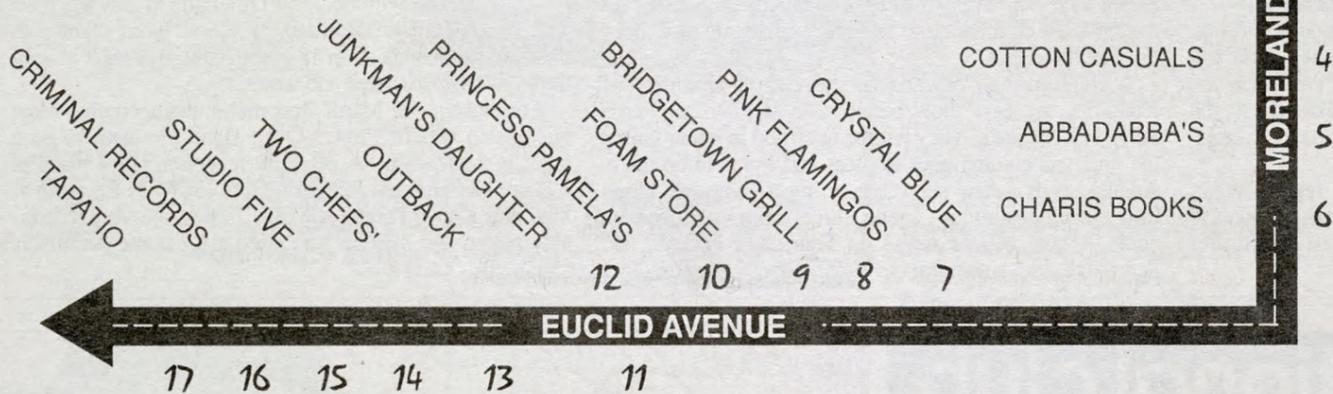
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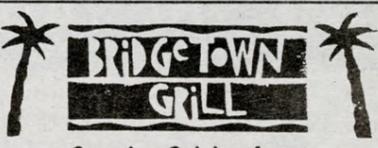
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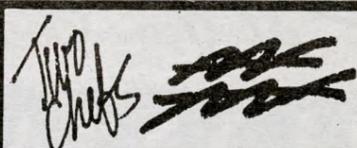


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## NP does Christie right

by Charlene Ball

There is much to be said for good, well-crafted entertainment—whether or not it be profound. And Neighborhood Playhouse in Decatur has gained a reputation for presenting well-done, entertaining theatre. Each NP season begins in January with an Agatha Christie play. Since Dame Aggie did not write that many plays, her fiction has been adapted to the stage. *Love From A Stranger*, taken from a Christie short story, has the expected plot twists, thick-as-Devonshire cream English ambience, and the expected Christie characters. There are a couple of plucky yet traditional young women, an inquisitive and chattering auntie, a suave and sinister male charmer with an American accent, and a true-blue long-suffering male suitor who says things like, "Dash it all, Cecily, I love you!"

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Two young women win a lottery. One, though already engaged, is wooed by a handsome stranger. They marry on the spur of the moment, and he whisks her off to a secluded rural cottage after getting her to sign away all of her money.

NP has put together an entertaining evening. The first act was rather slow and talky, but the second clips right along. Acting is quite competent; the British accents worked—for the most part. Laura J. Cole plays the just-married Cecily with archness, charm, 1930s sophistication, and the last-ditch gutsiness of a true Christie heroine.

Michael McClendon, as her mysterious husband, convincingly portrays the nice guy who becomes not so nice. Anna House provides a bit of comedy—rather like the Red Queen.

The set is a detailed delight, an English cottage with all the quaint, fussy trimmings. Costumes, ditto—how they dressed in those days!

How much things have changed for women since the 1930s, one realizes: the obligatory cigarette to show one is modern and worldly; the high heels and dresses worn at all times (even in the house, for Heaven's sake); the expectation that a woman sign over all her worldly goods to her husband, and the notion that there was something strange about a woman buying a house in her own name. Have we made progress? Of a sort, maybe.

## Ranson flies high with WASPs

by Charlene Ball

Across town and forward a decade, you will find yourself on an airfield in Texas in 1943 with the first licensed women pilots in the U.S. to fly military planes. *WASPs*—Women Air Force Service Pilots—flew military noncombat missions to free up males for combat. Although they were given military training, the WASPs were never actually military personnel, but remained in the civil service and thus were not eligible for veterans' benefits. (The actual women who flew for the US Army in 1943-44 did not receive their honorable discharges, and right to benefits, until 1979.)

Rebecca Ranson has written an entertaining and moving play about these women. The play presents seven women who became pilots for quite different reasons.

The "butch" pilot, Johnnie—played with

understated authority by K.C. Cunningham, is probably the most developed character. Alas, she does not meet her inamorata until the play is nearly over, and their getting-to-know-you scene is consequently too rushed.

Sharon Lane gives a sure characterization of Ruth, a religious black woman. Brooklyn Murphy plays the heterosexual flirt who prides herself on being an ace pilot with appealing insouciance, dispelling at least one myth: that "feminine" women are not competent at "masculine" things like flying aircraft. Trish Land is appealing as the klutzy femme who finds the soft spot in Johnnie's heart.

R. Kent Wilson gets a chance to butch it up as Sgt. Billy Joe Weaver, and Michael Parducci plays Lt. "Hutch" Hutchinson with militaristic gusto.

One character who did not quite convince me was Evelyn, supposedly a sophisticated New Yorker, played by Pici, an actress and mime who has been doing lesbian-feminist theatre in Atlanta since the 1970s. Evelyn's background is supposed to be upper-class, but the actress plays her in a broadly comic



JAN GOLDEN

Pici in *WASPs*, Rebecca Ranson's play about WWII women pilots.

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style that seemed to belong to no time nor place. Pure Pici maybe, but not pure Evelyn.

Jean Miller plays the Savannah aristocrat, Hazel, as a simplistic stereotype. True, the lines she has to say strike many a false note: a well-bred white Southern woman of that time would never talk in such a racist manner directly to a Black person. She would have no need to; the lower-class whites would do it for her, while she practiced noblesse oblige and icy graciousness. Read Lillian Smith and Minnie Bruce Pratt on how to be a white Southern lady racist. It is a delicate, sharp-edged art, fueled by fear.

Ranson's staging uses a tiny space and

limited resources in imaginative ways; the women "sleep" standing upright in attitudes of slumber against a giant painted American flag. And they take off into the wild blue yonder in a little box of an aircraft in which one woman sits while the others push her around the stage.

The speech of Lt. Hutchinson comparing flying a plane to making love is a jewel; it sounds like JoAnn Loulan crossed with Carson McCullers.

One protest: why did the only onstage kiss have to be a heterosexual one?

Lesbian theatre in Atlanta—lesbian theatre anywhere—has to invent its own world. Plays like *WASPs* show that lesbian theatre can be good entertainment and that an eager audience is waiting for it.

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# High Heels, a Psycho Nanny and the Year's Best

by Terry Francis

*High Heels*—It's like a drug-laced cross between *Autumn Sonata*, *Mildred Pierce* and *Madam X*, as directed by Douglas Sirk (after a snifter of R.W. Fassbinder) and produced by Ross Hunter, with all the lavish costumes and overblown production values infamous to Universal's conception of good taste circa 1930-66.

The director, Pedro Almodovar (*Law of Desire*, *Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown*), is working here in a cunning and deliciously rarified form of high camp. We are in Madrid, witnessing the tearful airport reunion between an actress-singer mother and her now adult daughter, from whom she has lived apart (in Mexico, pursuing her career) for many years in some estrangement.

Soon we discover that the daughter is married to a former lover of the mother, who loathes his present wife and wishes to resume his relationship with the mother. Complications, including murder, ensue and a roundelay of suspects is investigated by a beguiling judge whose ancient, hypochondriac mother is convinced she is HIV positive.

*High Heels* luxuriates in grand proclamations of love; in self-serving gestures of personal sacrifice; and in a mother's ruby-lipped kisses to the floor of a Madrid concert stage, where she sings of her passionate devotion to the jailed daughter she long ago discarded. The film's camp sensibility will not be to everyone's taste; others of us will recognize in its beyond the pale excesses an ally in irreverent silliness.

*The Hand that Rocks the Cradle*—This slickly packaged suspense item was directed by Curtis Hanson (*The Bedroom Window*, *Bad Influence*), whose specialty is mildly satirical depictions of how sex and temptation louse up comfortable middle-class lives.

Hanson's latest target is the Bartels (Michael, Claire and daughter Emma), a politically correct and upwardly mobile young family, (he does something vaguely progressive with genetics while she stays home and gardens during her pregnancies), that is also socially and environmentally sensitive.

When the family contacts the town's social service agency to send out someone to build a new fence for their home, they're startled (and then delighted) to meet

FILM REVIEWS

*High Heels*—★★★★1/2  
*The Hand that Rocks the Cradle*—★★★1/2  
*Madame Bovary*—★1/2

Solomon, a hulking, retarded African-American man who forms a special bond with little Emma. And when Claire's new gynecologist proves to have flagrantly wandering hands—he molests her during a routine pelvic exam—Michael coaxes her to file a complaint to spare other women her humiliation. When other patients come forward with molestation accounts of their own, the doctor commits suicide and his pregnant wife has a miscarriage.

Several months later, when the Bartels call "the



Victoria Abril, star of Pedro Almodovar's *High Heels*.

Agency" for a nanny to look after their newborn son, you will know already who applies for the position, and that before long she will rattle the Bartel homestead to its very foundation.

In the role of the psychopathic nanny, Rebecca De Mornay smiles benignly while waging secret psychological warfare against Claire, moving to replace her in both the family's affections and in Michael's bed. De Mornay is a pleasure to watch here: frozen-eyed and still, she has the poise of a tiger haunched in tall grasses and eyeing its prey.

*The Hand that Rocks the Cradle* is a cautionary

reminder to women that they are their own worst enemy, as trustworthy to each other as that gynecologist with the abusive hands. In other words, it's peculiarly sexist trash that enjoys taking a reasonable modern family and giving it the sexy gilt of kink. It's corrupted, sleazy fun.

*Madame Bovary*—Claude Chabrol's exquisitely crafted film of Flaubert's novel is quickly undone by the half-hearted, mock-ironic tone of the director toward his own material, and by a disastrously misconceived performance by the gifted Isabelle Huppert. Her interpretation of Mme. Bovary appears to have been based on a set of preconceived attitudes—icy, modern, tinny in their emotional resonance—rather than on any sense of longing.

Huppert's work here lacks proportion: She never evokes Mme. Bovary's romantic disillusionment on anything like the mesmerizing scale achieved by Isabelle Adjani in Truffaut's *The Story of Adele H*. And the vacancy of her Bovary, combined with the lack of authority in Chabrol's response to Flaubert, forms a vacuum around which the rest of this film drifts.

In his long and eccentric career, Claude Chabrol has made many fine films. In works such as *Les Bonnes Femmes*, *Leda*, *La Femme Infidele*, and *Les Cousines*, he has proved himself a minor master. But *Madame Bovary*, like the somewhat better *Story of Women*, lacks focus and vision. It bores.

The following, in order of preference, is a list of the films that gave me particular pleasure in 1991. (*Paris is Burning*, a documentary, is included in the second group.)

1. *The Miracle*
2. *The Vanishing*
3. *An Angel at My Table*
4. *Impromptu*
5. *Thelma & Louise*
6. *The Nasty Girl*
7. *My Father's Glory*
8. *Strangers in Good Company*
9. *Drowning by Numbers*
10. *Tatie Danielle*

Picture: *The Miracle*

Director: George Sluizer (*The Vanishing*)

Actor: Gian Maria Volonte (*Open Doors*)

Actress: Juliet Stevenson (*Truly, Madly, Deeply*)

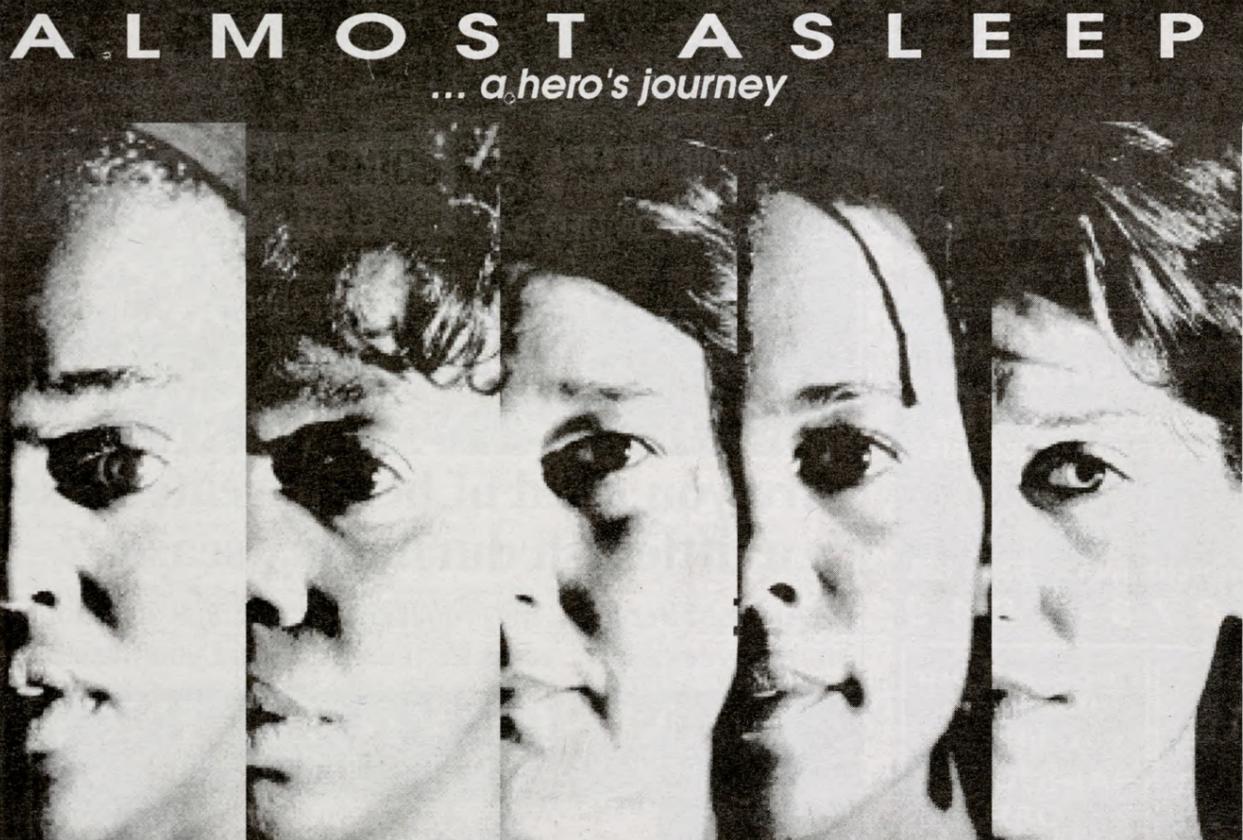
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# Almost Asleep will keep audiences awake

by Debbie Fraker

This February, 7 Stages Performing Arts Center will present Julie Herbert's play *Almost Asleep*. The play is about one woman's experience of rape and the devastating and complex emotions that result. Five actresses portray the fragmented pieces of the woman's personality brought on by the memory of the violence against her. The memory is triggered by an incident of sexual harassment during her workday. At the end of that day, as the woman is falling asleep, she remembers the rape. On stage, her feelings burst forth and take her on a rollercoaster ride through bitterness and repressed anger.

Sexual harassment, rape, lack of choices relating to one's own body—it sounds like recent headlines or CNN broadcasts—but this choreodrama, staged by Celeste Miller, goes far beyond the limitation of words to the heart of a woman's struggle trying to move beyond fear and madness.

The five characters are named the Chatterer, the Warrior, the Sleeper, the Dreamer, and the Fool. Herbert explains that the Chatterer and the Warrior are conscious aspects of the woman, and the Dreamer and the Fool are unconscious. The Sleeper is the body, not conscious and not unconscious. They are able to come together and communicate with each other at that time between waking and sleeping when the body is in a meditative state.

"He grabbed my head under his arm and ruffed my hair . . . in front of my colleagues," the Chatterer remembers of the day's incident. Her co-worker's invasion brings on the memory of helpless terror she felt when raped at knife point. Control over her own body is again taken away from her as it was during the rape.

At the core of her emotional reactions to the rape is confusion about her continued relationships with men. "I hate him," says the Fool.

"I hate what happened," says the Sleeper; "I hate him, but I love the others," she continues.



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"I hate them all," counters the Warrior, "I hate men."

"Down to the marrow of their bones," agrees the Dreamer.

But the Sleeper still asserts that there are many men she likes, and she names some. She finds herself hating men and loving them, hating sex and loving it.

"My vagina is a mine field," says the Sleeper.

This confusion is not resolved. There are no easy answers. The play does not tell its audience how to recover from rape or how to avoid sexual assault. But there is strength in the expression itself. Though

sometimes confused, this woman is not weak and helpless. Her emotions are strong and lively. Her feelings may be often conflicting, but they are not suppressed.

Black and white actresses together portray the inner emotions of one woman, making her story undeniably universal. It becomes only one more of the differences between the characters, all of which enhance the complexity of the one woman being portrayed. There are few racial barriers between women when the issue is patriarchal oppression.

Though the play is written by New Orleans author Julie Herbert, the production is more of a collaboration between the author, choreographer Celeste Miller, composer Klimchak, and the performers themselves—Kathie de Nobriga, Veta Goler, Kelly O'Neal, Lolita Woodward, and Pamela Wright.

Herbert says she is happy about this mix. "I'm a big fan of Celeste's work," she says. "I think that her choreographic style works well with the text." Indeed, the movement that Miller weaves into the text intensifies the power of the words.

In addition to the multiple emotional levels at which this story unfolds, the production itself takes place at many physical levels. The set, designed by 7 Stages's Eric Jennings, includes platforms of varying heights and even mid-air performance space. The cast remains in a void where there is no up or down.

Herbert has created a work which articulates her vision of recovery after trauma, and reveals the regenerating ability to heal. *Almost Asleep* is likely to be both cathartic and controversial for its audiences.

*Almost Asleep* will run from February 6 through February 23 at 7 Stages Performing Arts Center. Wednesday through Saturday performances are at 8:00 pm, and Sunday performances are at 5:00 pm. Tickets are \$12, \$14 on Saturdays. Discounts are available for students, senior citizens, and groups of eight or more.

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# Georgia born novelist tells anguishing story of growing up gay

by Gareth Fenley

Jackie Park's two lives are merging. High school teacher by day and sexually adventurous bar dyke by night, she told lies about herself for years, until they came so easy she almost believed them. But eventually she settled down with one woman, got a job at a college in Connecticut, and wrote a novel about her earlier days. And through brassy self-promotion, she got it published by Random House.

Her book, *A Stone Gone Mad*, tells the story of a closeted lesbian. There can be no question that its author is—or was—one too.

Born to an upper-class Athens, Georgia family, Park grew up in Tennessee, went to college in North Carolina, and cut her Southern roots after graduation when she headed to Greenwich Village. Her recent visit to Georgia was the final leg of a first-class national book-promotion tour. It also marked the first time in 30 years that Park saw her two sisters, who attended a reading she gave in an Athens auditorium named after her grandfather.

Following are some highlights of a conversation with Jackie Park the day after that reading.

**GF:** Did you ever consider submitting this book to a lesbian or gay press?

**JHP:** I'm proud to be with Random House. I would be pleased to be published by a feminist press, but if I had to choose I certainly would want to choose a publisher that could send me on a tour. An author wants to get his or her book out there, and so you want to go where there's money, hoping that they will do it.

I felt I needed to write this novel, which is not an autobiography, but it's what I know. I think mainline presses often ignore you if you slant the book to one audience, which I've not tried to do. There will be bookstore people who will categorize this book. I'm happy that Random House did not. They're promoting it as general fiction. *The Library Journal*, which is about as mainline as you can get, recommends it for general fiction, which I was very pleased about. My feeling is—and this is probably a political feeling—we're all human beings, and that's how I define my writing. I hope my book has some universality to it.

**GF:** On this tour, who is at the readings and buying the book? Is it basically lesbians?

**JHP:** Well, I hope not and I don't think so. I'll tell you, I have been very well treated by heterosexual male reviewers. I have been very well treated by heterosexual women columnists. I have not been universally well treated by gay women reviewers. Isn't that interesting?

**GF:** Tell me more about that.

**JHP:** I've had some very good reviews and I've met some very generous people, but younger gays—I had one woman who told me that she wanted the book to end up happily, saying that this is the way everybody should live. Well, it's not my job to tell people how to live.

I don't feel that I'm a spokesperson for the gay community. That's a burden that I don't wear easily. I only am a spokesperson for myself. I think if you want to live this way that's fine, and if you don't want to live this way, that's OK too. I don't have that axe to grind, so I didn't appreciate that comment.

**GF:** How about you? Did you like the book?

**GF:** I found it excruciating to read. It vividly and relentlessly documented pain and a sense of believing one is sick. I hate it that people feel that way and go through that.

**JHP:** But, Gareth, they still do. I had a woman come to my reading who brought her mother because she wanted her to understand some of what she had been through. And I had a mother come to a reading who is

gay and brought her daughter who didn't know. I get letters almost weekly from women since the book has come out, saying that the book has helped them not feel so lonely with who they are. I've had such touching things.

It's very painful to me that people have to go to such depths to hide themselves and to lie. But I'm not angry at all. I've never been bitter about any of this.

**GF:** Why not? Why wouldn't you be angry and bitter?

**JHP:** I'm not. I'm just not. Anger turns—you're the victim of your own anger. I'm very happy I'm alive. I've always been that. I'm still, and I hope I will be until I die, excited that I was here.

A section of my family is very bitter about the fact I've written this book. They think I've ruined the family, and I'm not even angry. I understand; I'm even sym-



Jacquelyn Park, author of "A Stone Gone Mad."

pathetic. I won't change, but I don't feel bitter.

**GF:** The character Emily [the protagonist of the novel, who ages from 15 to 50] doesn't seem bitter.

**JHP:** No, she's not.

**GF:** She's not angry or bitter, and in fact she says to her lover at one point, "It's easy for me to love you and to lie." She never apparently comes out.

**JHP:** Emily is a love child, you know. She's from my heart. I love Emily. There's a lot of me in Emily. Emily is not me, but there's a lot of me in her. That's why the next book will be different, and why this first book was the way it was. I mean, it's my firstborn. I was in labor for 10 years on this book.

**GF:** Emily talks about how being "queer" is like scummy flypaper with everything sticking on it. It seems that's how she always feels.

**JHP:** It is.

**GF:** It seems she always feels she's sick, but she gives up trying to cure being sick.

**JHP:** A virus that she could work through her system, yes.

**GF:** She gave up trying to cure it, but she never comes to believe anything different, really.

**JHP:** You hope that with her experience when she has that moment on the subway [at the end of the book, when she tells three strangers she has a woman lover], you hope that that will give her the courage to accept

herself. It's only a moment.

**GF:** But the book's a sort of a memoir, looking back from a time that seems perhaps years later, and that was still the only moment.

**JHP:** Yes. And she's still with Anna.

**GF:** A lot of people may read this book who haven't had a lot of familiarity or contact with lesbian culture, anything affirmative. It seems a shame that the character in the book never comes to believe that she's not sick. The book is about how awful it is to be gay. In 1992, why do we need another *Well of Loneliness*?

**JHP:** Well, I don't know that I have an answer to that, except maybe it hasn't changed as much as we would have liked it to have changed since the early 1900s when *The Well of Loneliness* was written. But it has changed to the extent that Emily had that moment in which she realized the lunacy and the idiocy of the kind of fabrication that she was living. Her best friend Lillian probably always knew that she was gay. That's the irony of it. And I think the book ends on a hopeful note. She told the truth.

**GF:** But then she went back to lying again.

**JHP:** We don't know that. Anyway, that's her. She's not everybody. Why does she have to be everybody? And I don't think her situation is that far afield from what happens today. You can't change the world to make your book fit into it.

I had a review in the *Chicago Sun-Times* that I was very pleased with. The reviewer wrote, "Park illuminates the homophobia that has stained America's social structure." And that's what I tried to do. I wanted to add to the dialogue.

**GF:** So you hope that the book will speak to people who are homophobic, who hate homosexuals—maybe themselves—and show them how awful homophobia is?

**JHP:** Yes, I do.

Gareth, I think it's terrific that you can be who you are, and everyone knows; and you're a freelancer, you're not working as a corporate vice-president of General Motors, so it's fine. You're obviously a confident person. But there are others who aren't that reconciled with themselves. I feel very reconciled with myself. But I've been the other way, too.

I have been with the same woman for 18 years. Eighteen years! I'm very proud of the fact that I have this relationship. She's a wonderful woman and she's in senior management. If people knew that Jane lived with a woman, because she works with all men, I think there would be repercussions. I know she feels that.

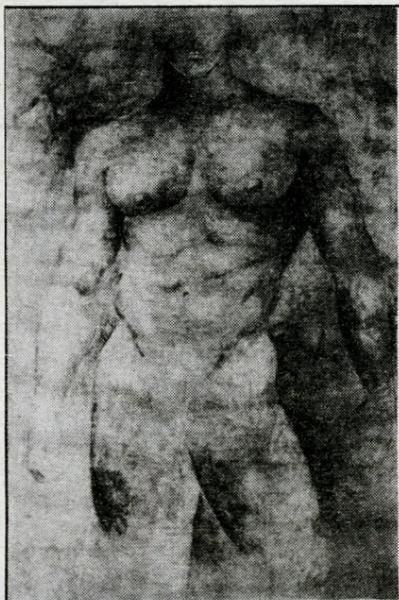
I'm not a rabble-rouser. But I do write a novel, and I use my own name. I think there's courage in that.

After one of my readings in California, a man came up and asked if he could talk to me. It turned out that he had AIDS and I was the second person in the world that he was telling. He said, "I'm dying, and your book gave me the courage to release my secret, to try to come to grips with what I have." This book is about the burden of carrying secrets.

Lies cheapen the bearers of the lies, and they cheapen those who care about us. I know that as a fact. There are more people who don't know that I'm gay than do know, because I pass. I enjoy the company of men, I've had a baby, all that. And I think: How many people have I cheated who have loved me, cared about me, found me worthy as a human being, who don't know who I am?

My sisters came many miles to see me yesterday, and I never told them. They know now. I'll carry the richness of that experience to my grave. I hope the way I feel makes me a better writer. I hope I'm deeper now than I was before I came to Georgia.

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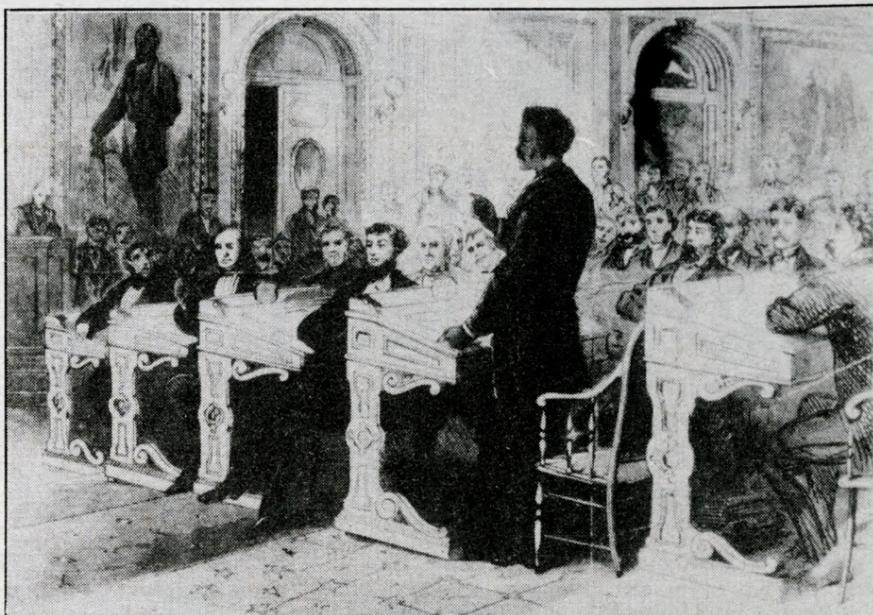
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**LULLABY.** Thru Feb. 16. Atlantan Thomasine Bradford's installation deals with the issue of overpopulation from the perspective of one woman. TULA Gallery. 75 Bennett St. 351-3551.

**THE SOUTH - A VISIT THROUGH THE PAST.** Thru Feb. 29. William Christenberry exhibits recent sculpture, wall constructions and drawings in a range of Southern subjects. Heath Gallery. 416 E. Paces Ferry Rd. 262-6407.

**ARTISTS OF THE FRENCH BARBAZON.** Thru March 28. Consisting of over 150 prints, watercolors and paintings from the Louis E. Boone collection which surveys the 19th century art movement of Barbazon, France. Features such masters as Corot, Millet and Daubigny. Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art. 30 Atlanta St. 424-8142.

**Benefits**

**HEART ART.** Feb. 7-9. A benefit for Project Open Hand, this gallery show/drag show/fashion show/performance art piece will be "passionate, imaginative and experimental." Planet Claire Gallery, 753 Edgewood Ave. 522-5620.

**STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART.** Feb. 12-16. A Benefit for NAPWA, this cabaret production at the Buckhead Roxy will premiere another work by Ken Berg, and feature other songs from Broadway, gospel and pop. Reception after opening night. \$20. Tickets available at the Roxy, Ticketmaster, or through NAPWA. 3110 Roswell Road. 874-7926.



David Dorfman and dancers in "Careful Aim." The athletic company performs January 30-February 1 at Seven Stages Performing Arts Theatre. Photo by Lois Greenfield

**Dance**

**CAREFUL AIM.** Jan. 30- Feb. 1. Self-admitted "jock" turned dancer, David Dorfman and his company tackle and defy gravity in movement. Presented by Several Dancers Core and the Dancers Collective. 7 Stages Theatre. 373-4154 for reservations.

**SWAN LAKE.** Feb. 6-9. The Atlanta Ballet's presentation of the classic classical ballet, plus "Stars and Stripes" and "Quicksilver," will take place at the Atlanta Civic Center. Ticketmaster, at 249-6400.

**Ecology**

**LUNAR GARDENING.** Feb. 10. SV columnist Maria Helena Dolan discusses the how-to's of gardening in accordance with moon phases and signs. Limited to 12 participants, sliding scale, \$10-\$20. 8:00 pm. Call 521-2502 for location and reservations.

**Film**

**GOTTA MAKE THIS JOURNEY.** Thurs., Jan. 30. 8 pm. This vibrant video produced by Michelle Parkerson, profiles the popular activist a capella group, Sweet Honey in the Rock, and includes footage and commentary by Angela Davis, Alice Walker and Holly Near. Parkerson will be present for the viewing and a reception. IMAGE Film & Video. 75 Bennett St. 352-4225.

**SIXTH ATLANTA INDEPENDENT FILMMAKER'S EXPO.** Jan. 31-Feb. 6. The central event of "Independent Filmmaker's Week," this two hour program is made up of five short films by Georgia filmmakers dealing with Southern stereotypes. Hoyts Tara. 641-1895.

**Health**

**HIV + PEOPLE TELL ALL.** Jan. 30. ANAPWA event. Jim Sacco interviews five PWA's about life with HIV. 7:00 pm. Sheraton Colony Square Hotel. 874-7926.

**WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?** Feb. 10. AID Atlanta and HealthQuest '92 present a two-hour seminar providing up-to-date information on early treatment of HIV for the newly-diagnosed, as well as an overview of community services available for people with the disease. 6:30pm.

**Music**

**ATLANTA SYMPHONY.** Jan. 30-Feb. 1. Guest conductor Jahja Ling and pianist Ursula Oppens perform Mozart, Elgar and the American premiere of Lou Harrison's Piano Concerto. Symphony Hall.

**SWEET HONEY AND THE ROCK.** Feb. 18. In honor of Black History Month, see this powerful African-American women's a cappella group at Sister's Chapel at Spelman College. \$17.50 at Ticketmaster. 577-3178.

**ATLANTA SYMPHONY.** Feb. 6-8. Yoel Levi conducts ASO and Chorus in Orff's magnificent "Carmena burana" and Mendelssohn's Overture to "A Midsummer Night's Dream." Sym. Hall.

**Personal growth**

**STRESS AND ALLIES.** Jan. 30. Lillie Allen presents an introduction to her process of work with women of color and white women, who come together and build relationships across lines of race, class, age, orientation and abilities. Learn to bridge the gaps, celebrate differences and build the support needed to work collectively. At Charis. 524-0304.

**SEXUAL MISCONDUCT BY THERAPISTS WORKING WITH LESBIANS.** Feb. 6. A women-only event facilitated by Ann McAllister, Ph.D. a local lesbian in private practice. At Charis. 524-0304.

**HOLDING OUR GROUND: THE WARRIOR ARCHETYPE IN GAY SPIRIT CONSCIOUSNESS.** Feb. 8. An experiential workshop for gay men, led by Dave MacDonald, Rodney Boudreaux and Don Shewey. See article on page 25. For info. and reservations, call 373-0111.

**Television**

**OUT IN ATLANTA.** Mon., Feb. 3 & 10 at 10:30 pm. Wed., Feb. 5 & 12 at 3:30 pm. The lesbian and gay public access tv show was such a hit in its first season, they're doing it for another 13 weeks. Ch. 12 -People TV.

**MOYERS/HATE ON TRIAL.** Wed., Feb. 5, 9:00 pm., Channel 8-WGTV. Bill Moyers' acclaimed series looks at the trial of the Metzgers for the hate-motivated murder of an Ethiopian in Portland, Oregon. Strong language; viewer discretion advised.

**Theatre**

**SAGA: THE WHITNEY BONNEVILLE STORY.** Feb. 3-5. SAME's OutProud Theater opens its new drag-musical-spoof-documentary-comedy by Jefferey Shanks, exploring the gender images of 1950's-era Hollywood. 14th Street Playhouse. 881-0817.

**RHINOCEROS.** Feb. 5-9. Emory's politically conscious theater group, Starving Artists Productions, presents the Eugene Ionesco classic. Presented at Studio B, Fishburn Dr., on the Emory campus. 523-7908.

**ALMOST ASLEEP.** Feb. 6-23. A play by Julie Hebert and choreographed by Celeste Miller, this choreodrama studies one woman's journey beyond her psychological net of repressed anger and bitterness. 7 Stages, 1105 Euclid Ave. 523-7647.

**MONTAGE: THREE NEW WORKS.** Feb. 6-22. Three new short plays from the Center for Puppetry Arts. The plays include "The Yellow Wallpaper," "Par la longueur d'une corde" and "Bed and Breakfast." 1404 Spring St. 873-3391.

**THE BOY KING.** Feb. 7-Mar. 1. Onstage Atlanta presents Rand Hopkins' inspirational story about the youth of Martin Luther King, Jr. 420 Courtland St. 897-1802.

**LEGACY.** Feb 14-23. In honor of African-American History Month, the Arts Exchange and Seven-One Productions presents the story of a group of young men and women who challenge a drug gang. 750 Kalb St. 624-1572.

**VANITIES.** Thru Feb. 1. Southern Fried Productions begins their '92 season with this look at three women's lives from high school to womanhood. Mercer Fine Arts Auditorium. 378-8646.

**WASPS.** Thru Feb. 9. A new play by Rebecca Ranson explores the relationships of seven women to love, friendship and flying. Based on research of Women Air Force Pilots in WWII. OUT/PROUD Theatre. 14th St. Playhouse. 881-0817.

**ON GOLDEN POND.** Thru Feb. 16. Norman and Ethel Thayer visit their summer home and share memories of their 46 years together. Stage Door Players. N. Dekalb Cultural Center. 5339 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd. 396-1726.

**LOVE FROM A STRANGER.** Thru Feb. 15. A highly suspenseful thriller. Who is victim and who is perpetrator? Neighborhood Playhouse. 430 W. Trinity Place. Decatur. 373-5311.

**FULL MOON.** Thru Feb. 15. The Atlanta premiere of the sensuous southern love story by Reynolds Price. The play spotlights a triangle of lovers under the moonlight of a sultry summer

night in a small town in 1938. Horizon Theatre. Euclid & Austin Ave. in L5P. 584-7450.

**THE PIANO LESSON.** Thru Feb. 15. August Wilson's look at a Black family in Pittsburgh in the 1930's. At the center of the play is a piano carved by the grandfather to commemorate his wife and son who were traded to another slave owner for the piano. Ellis Williams and Carol Mitchell-Leon star. Kenny Leon directs. Alliance Theatre. 892-2414.

**THE CAUCASIAN CHALK CIRCLE.** Thru Feb. 16. Bertolt Brecht's biting comedy of the triumph of the common man and the justice of the natural order comes to the Old South. Original music by Patrick Hutchison, composer of The Harvey Milk Show. Actor's Express. 280 Elizabeth St. 221-0831.

**THE LION IN WINTER.** Thru Feb. 22. Atlanta Shakespeare Co. presents the modern classic with Stuart Culpepper and Carol Haynes as the battling King and Queen of England. Atlanta Shakespeare Tavern. 499 Peachtree St. 874-5299.

**Upcoming**

**BLACK LESBIANS & GAYS WEAVING THE FUTURE.** Feb. 13-17. The 5th Annual National Black Gay and Lesbian Conference & Institute meets in Los Angeles. Those present will include Sherrie Harris, the first elected African American Lesbian official, Drs. Billy Jones and Marjorie Hill of New York and Assoto Saint. Call (213) 666-5495 or write 2538 Hyperion Ave., #7, Los Angeles, CA 90027 for details.

**THE QUILT AT UGA.** Feb. 18-21. Georgia Hall of the Tate Student Center on the Univ. of Georgia campus.

**MASQUERADE.** February 22. A Mardi Gras gala to benefit Project Open Hand. Georgian Terrace. For tickets call 525-4620.

**PEOPLE OF COLOR LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE.** Feb. 22. The Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches is sponsoring a leadership conference between MCC's Dept. of People of Color and its Div. of White People Healing Racism. 800 N. Highland. For more info., call 325-5208.

**TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR LIFE.** Feb. 28. A Conference on Women's Concerns about Health Care for Mid-life and Older Women. At the Civic Center. For info., contact Older Women's League, at 874-6430.

**LEAP YEAR DANCE IN CHARLOTTE.** Feb 29. Charlotte's Gay and Lesbian Chorus presents a dance, concert and dress-up occasion. Call (704) 536-1372 for details.

**ANNUAL WOMEN'S HEALTH AND HEALING EXPO.** Mar. 6-8. Gay women organizers and health consultants from around the nation will meet in Atlanta for the first workshop of its kind, sponsored by Women of Color National Network. Call (803) 566-7730 for details.

**OUTWRITE '92.** March 20-22. The third National Lesbian and Gay Writers' Conference will feature speakers such as Dorothy Allison and Melvin Dixon, and over 50 workshops, panels and discussions. Co-sponsored by OUT/LOOK magazine and Gay Community News. Boston Park Plaza Hotel in Boston. \$40 until Feb. 15, \$50 after that. For more info call (617) 695-0511.

**SEGRA RODEO "PLAY DAY."** Mar. 28 (Rain day-Apr. 4). Southeast Gay Rodeo Association comes to the Conyers. Watch the boys and girls in events such as Steer Riding, Chute Dogging, Flag Racing, Pole Bending and the ever-popular Calf Roping. Call 785-7807 for details.

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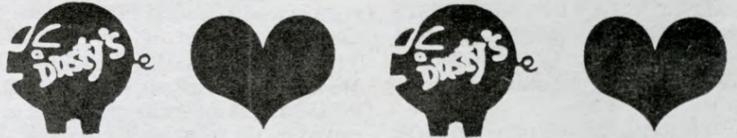
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# Two thumbs up for Thumbs Up

by Gary Kaupman

Neighborhoods and the restaurants that serve them have a strange relationship. If an area's eateries are few in number, or of poor quality, then the neighborhood is considered less desirable than one where the eating places are plenty and the grub good. Conversely, when an area's restaurants become so numerous (and their reputations so good) that they draw huge crowds from the suburbs and other necks of the woods the situation is equally unattractive. Just try to get a table at Partners or Indigo on a weekend night and you'll see why many Morningside locals avoid these popular haunts like the plague.

It was this (combined with real estate prices and the fact that there were less than zero queers on my block) that prompted me to abandon my ever-so trendy Va-Hi digs for a bungalow in Decatur a few years ago. This sleepy little town didn't have many restaurants, but it did have Thumbs Up and the Southernaire—both funky, fast and cheap. Enough for me.

But, when the latter went belly up and the former stopped serving dinner, Buck's and McDonald's became the only two evening eateries within walking distance. Thanks, but no thanks.

Or, as my friend Ralston says, "I'd rather swallow hot lead."

Well, Thumbs Up (254 West Ponce) is once again open for dinner (Tuesday-Saturday) and I am once again a happy Decatur homo owner.

Probably you know about breakfast or weekend brunch at this almost-deco hole in the wall. Judging from the crowds, most of intown Atlanta does. The

scrambled eggs with cream cheese and fresh herbs are sheer, silken magic. Potatoes and veggies, scorched on a flat griddle and then slathered with melted cheese, are a miracle of taste, texture and substance—for a piddling \$3.45.

Dinner costs a mite more, but portions are large, the ingredients fresh, and the tab generally pleasingly low.

Thumbs Up's formula is simple: combine basic and fresh ingredients, cook them quickly, and serve as a whole that more than equals the sum of its parts. A \$6.25 plate of linguine slathered with marinara is a good example. Chunky tomatoes, enough garlic to ward off a whole slew of vampires, and a hand full of fresh basil yield an audacious dish every bit as good as those served by many of the city's best boutique Italian dining parlors. For 75 cents they'll add passel of sauteed veggies to the mix, but the one-dollar addition of a fat chunk of smoked Italian sausage is what

en and beef anoint others. All come with a bracing pico de gallo that adds just the right contrast to otherwise earthy flavors. And all are well worth the \$4-\$5 tab.

Ditto a series of salads based on a lot of the same ingredients: fresh crisp veggies, fresh herbs and kicky dressings. My fave is the one that combines smoked turkey, mozzarella, and fresh basil in a tart vinaigrette.

Turkey breast, chicken, and pork tenderloin are all smoked in house here. I've never ordered the pig or half chicken prepared this way, but the breakfast omelette stuffed with the latter is a real winner. And the pork, which is grilled with apples after it's smoked, sounds sublime.

Surprisingly ordinary among this bounty are a somewhat dry and dense cheeseburger and a less than exciting Reuben.

At \$8.50 a grilled salmon fillet is fresh, moist and priced several dollars under what you'd pay anywhere else in the city for similar quality. By no means bad, but like the Reuben, it lacks the punch that makes eating here such fun.

Desserts fall prey to the same demon of mediocrity; all are perfectly tasty but somewhat yawn-inducing. A slightly off-kilter Italian cream cake is probably the best of the batch.

A serviceable range of beers is available, but wines come in only in generic white, red, and blush, and only by the glass. The food deserves better.

Service is the sort of no nonsense, but friendly, that you'd expect in a diner. The space is small and crowded and new booths (which look and feel like refugees from a defunct Denny's) do little to add to the charm. Mainstream FM radio fills the air, but seldom seems inappropriate. The clientele is mostly white and hetero, but queers and people of color do wander in. And they seem completely comfortable.

When Buck's opened in Decatur a few years ago I wrote something to the effect of, "There's no need to put up with this kind of foolishness when you can walk down the street and eat at Thumbs Up." True then, and now.

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makes this meal really fly. Add both, order a second side salad, (the first comes gratis) and you've got a fine meal almost big enough for two. And under ten bucks.

The menu offers four other pastas—three are Alfredo variations, one an oil herb and veggie combo—that all look and sound equally as pleasing.

Almost as tasty and a tad healthier than the sausage-laced linguine is a stir fry of chicken breast, sprouts, mushrooms, snow peas, onions and red bell peppers on a bed of spinach. The latter is barely cooked by the heat of the mixture served atop it. Again the serving is huge, but I've not yet been willing to share more than a bite or two.

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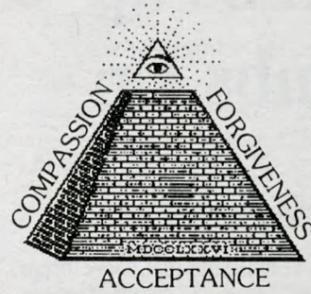
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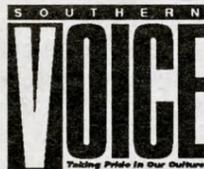
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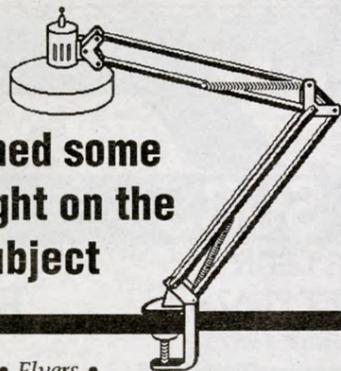
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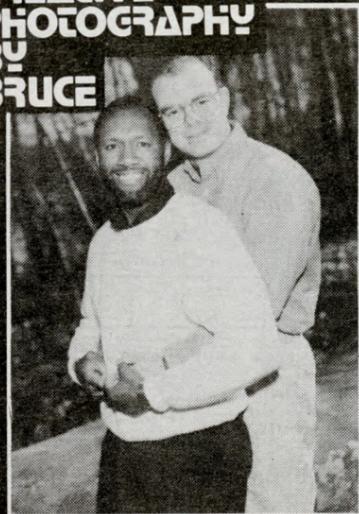
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### Living life like a warrior

by Al Cotton

You've seen the "Men's Movement" lampooned everywhere lately—from "Murphy Brown" to the cover of *Newsweek*, and on every TV talk show. The trendy 90s cliché about "getting in touch with your inner male self" obscures the fact that men have not been well fathered, and that understanding this can be a key to emotional health.

David McDonald, an Atlanta psychotherapist, activist and educator, will be one of the facilitators of "Holding Our Ground—The Warrior Archetype in Gay Spirit Consciousness," a workshop for gay men who want to explore this movement. "This is an extension of the men's movement, which has pretty much failed to be inclusive of gay men," McDonald explains.

McDonald points out that our culture has come to see the Warrior and masculinity itself exclusively in its military character. "Society confuses the Warrior with the soldier. You're expected to keep your feelings in, watch your backside—it's a fundamental masculine competitiveness instead of a fundamental connection. There's a lot of cultural garbage that says 'If you're not straight, you're not a man, and therefore not entitled to any of the Warrior stuff.' We need to lose that," McDonald says.

The workshop will use talking, movement, experiential exercises, storytelling, touch and poetry to help gay men understand the role that the Warrior archetype plays in their lives. An archetype is a psychological pattern of expression that crosses all human boundaries. Psychologist Carl Jung found the Warrior, Hero, Lover and King archetypes in all cultures.

"We need to recognize our everyday acts of gay warrioring," McDonald says, "like coming out, forming relationships and our political activism. Being out in front of an unpopular position and being willing to take a stand and speak one's truth, to live in one's truth, is a Warrior's act. And there is an important relationship between the archetypes of Warrior and Lover. It takes Warrior energy to endure and take a stand in a relationship."

McDonald acknowledges the work of women in this area. "Women have had a much stronger connection to their Warrior than men recently. The women's movement paved the path for the men's movement," he believes.

"Holding Our Ground" will take place all day Saturday, February 8 at the Lanier Plaza Hotel (I-85 at Monroe Drive). Cost is on a sliding scale from \$60 to \$100. In addition to McDonald, Rodney Boudreaux, a psychotherapist and mythologist from Richmond, and Don Shewey, a writer and activist who lives in New York City, will also facilitate. Call 373-0111 for details.



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Checking out the new logo merchandise for "An Event in 3 Acts: HEART STRINGS, The AIDS Memorial Quilt, and You" are, from left, Atlantans David Sheppard, executive producer of HEART STRINGS, Eli Saleeby, co-chairman of the event's local steering committee in Atlanta, and Tom Morris, regional administrator for "An Event in 3 Acts." Sweatshirts, t-shirts and caps are already on sale to help raise money and build interest in the benefit. Merchandise can be purchased by calling 892-8671. The week-long festivities in Atlanta in late June, 1992 will be the finale of a 35-city national benefit tour which premieres February 7 in San Diego.

### From All Walks of Life kicking off

"From All Walks of Life," the successful AIDS walk-a-thon sponsored by AID Atlanta last year, has already begun to organize the walk for this year. AID Atlanta is seeking volunteers to serve on the Steering Committee for the 5k walk, which raised over \$500,000 last year for local AIDS organizations.

If you have leadership skills, and want to help make an impact in the fight against AIDS, you are encouraged to volunteer. You can call AID Atlanta's Development Dept. at 872-0600 or stop by the office at 1132 W. Peachtree St. and pick up an application. Applications must be received no later than February 14, 1992. The Steering Committee will be announced on February 17.

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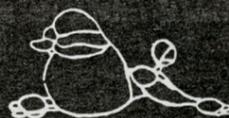
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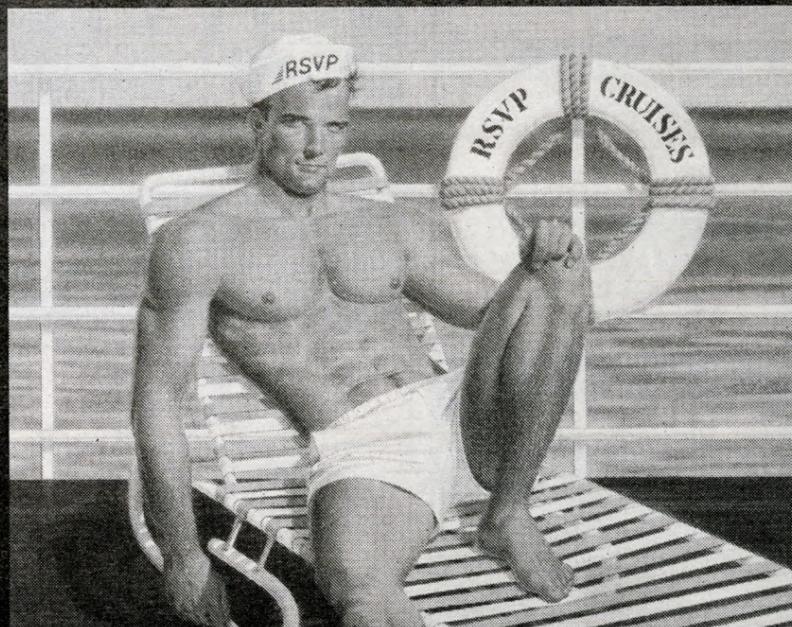
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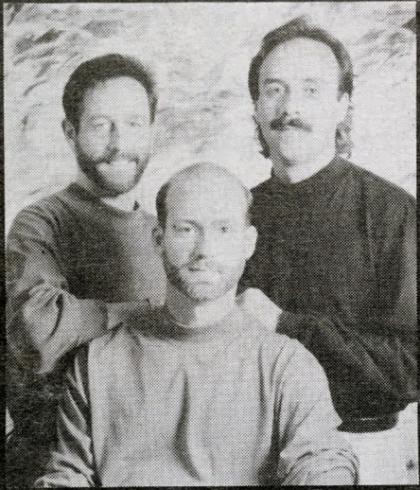
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# Protect your interests when buying a house together

by Reid Hamilton

You and your partner have finally decided to buy that house together. Congratulations! But before you sign the purchase contract, you have some decisions to make about the form of ownership of the house and about your estate plan that will have important legal and tax consequences.

The available forms of mutual ownership of real property are set forth in the Georgia Code, and the various rights that mutual owners have are defined there.

One form of mutual ownership is the tenancy in common, as described in Section 44-6-120 of the Official Code of Georgia, Annotated. Unless the deed provides otherwise, sale of real property to two persons creates a tenancy in common. The interest of tenants in common in the property is presumed to be equal, unless stated otherwise in the deed or unless one party or the other can later prove that he or she actually paid more than fifty percent of the purchase price of the property. The interest of each tenant in property held as tenants in common passes at death to that person's heirs.

A second possible form of mutual ownership is the joint tenancy. Provisions concerning joint tenancy are found at Section 44-6-190 of the Georgia Code. A joint tenancy is not created unless the deed expressly refers to the purchasers as "joint tenants," or "joint tenants and not as tenants in common," or similar language expressly stating an intent to create a joint tenancy. If one joint tenant dies, the other joint tenant automatically receives the deceased joint tenant's interest, and becomes the sole owner of the entire property. Joint ownership of property by any unmarried couple may have estate and gift tax consequences that you should discuss with your lawyer or accountant before you decide to create a joint tenancy.

Since you have decided to buy a house together, now is a very good time to think ahead and plan what should happen to your interest in the house and in all of the rest of your property if one or the other of you should die.

Consider the real-life case of *Weekes v. Gay*, decided by the Georgia Supreme Court in 1979. Mr. Gay and his partner,

Mr. Robinson, lived together for six years in a house that the two of them owned as tenants in common. The house was insured under a policy taken out by Mr. Robinson and issued solely in his name. Mr. Robinson was also the sole owner (as appeared in the deed, at least) of a second, separate piece of real estate.

Mr. Robinson was killed in a fire that partially destroyed the house. He did not have a will. The administrator of Mr. Robinson's estate claimed an undivided interest in one-half of the house and full ownership of the second piece of property. In addition, the administrator claimed the proceeds of the insurance policy on the house.

Mr. Gay filed suit, and was able to prove by the introduction of evidence including canceled checks and bank statements that he had provided the entire down payment on the house, that he had paid all of the mortgage payments and taxes on the property, and that he had paid all of the property insurance premiums. Mr. Gay also proved that he had paid one-half the purchase price of the second property, and had made all of the tax payments on the property since the time of its purchase.

On the basis of Mr. Gay's evidence, the court found that Mr. Robinson had held property interests for Mr. Gay in a constructive trust, and that Mr. Gay was entitled to the house, the insurance proceeds, and one-half interest in the second piece of real estate.

There are two valuable lessons to be learned from the case of *Weekes v. Gay*. First, if you find yourself in Mr. Gay's position, don't give up and assume that you have no rights in your deceased partner's property. Mr. Gay was able, by carefully collecting together the necessary evidence and with the help of aggressive lawyering, to enforce his rights in the property that he and his partner had assembled together in a long relationship. Second, and more important, it is less expensive and less painful to see a lawyer before you buy your house, and for you and your partner to make a comprehensive estate plan now. Make a visit to your lawyer part of the happy occasion of becoming homeowners — you'll be glad you did.

## OBITUARY

### Kenneth L. Marshall

Kenneth L. Marshall, an assistant district attorney for Fulton County, was memorialized on Thursday, January 2nd. Kenneth died December 21, 1991 at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta.

He was chairman of the "Home Front" Committee of AID Atlanta, which established and maintained residences for people with AIDS who had no place to live. He was a director of Planned Parenthood of Atlanta, a founding mem-

ber of Black and White Men Together / Atlanta, a board member of the Atlanta Campaign for Human Rights, and he belonged to the Brown Club of Atlanta, Friends Atlanta, the Atlanta Urban League, and West Hunter Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to Project Open Hand, 1080-R Euclid Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30307.

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# OUT LINES

## Michael Phillips

Age: 22

How long in Atlanta: 15 years (off and on)

Relationship status: Single

Pet peeve: People who limit their lives by not realizing their personal power.



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For a man who claims to have the attention span of a five year old, Michael Phillips' life seems very focused.

At the tender age of 19, the California native borrowed money from a friend and bought a flower and chocolate shop in Virginia-Highlands. Phillips expanded the inventory, moved the shop across the street from its original location next to Murphy's Deli, and changed the name to Maddix de-luxe. Business is so good, in fact, that they will again double their size and move to the old Containers store location a few doors down in February.

How many 22 year olds do you know with that kind of success? For that matter, how many 22 year olds do you know with accountants, bankers, lawyers and employees to keep their affairs in order?

"I don't know many 22 year olds that pay the amount of payroll I do to keep them all together," Phillips says with a laugh.

But, therein lies the key. Phillips seems to have the talent it takes to put together a small army of good, dedicated and honest people to put feet on his whims and concepts and make them successful.

Phillips' personal philosophy draws the best out of those around him. He is open about his sexuality, and likes to surround himself with others who are open and comfortable about themselves, whether they are other business people, employees or customers. "You create your own reality," Phillips reasons, "If you're looking to hide, you'll find people that support you in hiding."

So far, Phillips has not wanted to hide. He openly embraces what he feels is a responsibility to be out and proud as a business owner, and to put his money where his mouth is. "Gay business owners have an obligation to funnel their money back into the community, and to support gay issues," Phillips states.

It's easy to get swept up in the passion Phillips feels for the gay community—a passion that translates well in his business. Maddix de-luxe specializes in flowers, gifts, cards and exotic chocolates from around the world. It's perfect for a gay celebration of Valentine's Day.

"Maddix, since its inception has been about evoking feelings in people," Phillips says. "It's been about romance and your dreams and making them come true." But, Phillips believes that

acknowledgement of love should not just be once a year.

"Part of having lasting, growing relationships is picking ways to acknowledge the people that are in your life on a regular basis." Phillips emphasizes, "Valentine's Day is only one of them."

Passion is definitely a feeling that Phillips is, well... passionate about. "The gay community is very passionate," Phillips observes, "Maddix supports, in a positive, loving way, people taking action in their lives."

But, Phillips can get carried away in his own passion. "I guess that's my downfall," Phillips admits with a smile, "I go out with people and have these wonderful romances, and they end. So, I go on to the next one, because it's really fun to be in that experience."

Phillips, however, does see himself in a long term relationship one day. But, for now he does work around his house, plays with his dogs Bogart and Hailey, and dreams of more realities. "I eventually would like to sell the business, retire at 30, and sail around the world." Given his track record at making dreams come true, I'd like to be his travel agent.

In many ways, to walk into Maddix de-luxe is to walk into the mind of Michael Phillips. Upon entering you find yourself feeling the giddiness of a kid in a candy shop. It's rife with possibilities. Choose from exotic chocolates from Europe, a card from France, a unique gift or single rose to make your dreams come true. It's very much the same way Phillips views the world at large; full of options for the taking. He attacks them with the zeal of that inner child, ready to live all his dreams and wishes.

His romantic approach to life is not without splashes of reality; his banker, accountants and lawyers see to that. But as Phillips says, "It's not about gay or straight, it's about living what you're about."

Phillips encourages this philosophy especially for the gay community, however, and urges gay people to support each other, acknowledge the differences, and accept them. Phillips hopes such support can be found in his business and personal life. "If I can in any way support people and bring them closer to getting what they want, then my purpose in the gay community is right on," Phillips concludes.

—Candace Chellev

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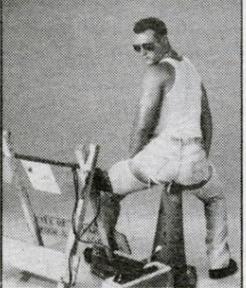
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**Atlanta Business Networking Assoc.**—Gay and lesbian oriented networking group—meets twice a month for "Lunch & Leads." Call: 621-5032.

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**Fourth Tuesday**—A networking organization for lesbian professionals and entrepreneurs. Regular dinner meetings on 4th Tues. Also special events. 662-4353.

**Georgia Assoc. of Physicians for Human Rights (GAPHR)**—231-2251.

**HomeGirls**—a business and social networking group designed to encourage entrepreneurial efforts among (but not limited to) women of color. 662-9101.

**Nat'l Federaton of Career Women**—a connector for professional career lesbian organizations and individuals. Promoting success within the lesbian community. (404) 659-0315.

**Success Oriented Networking Group**—Structured networking for gay/lesbian and non-gay professionals. Meets every other Weds. 662-4202

**SPIRITUAL**

**All Saints Metropolitan Community Church**—Serving metro Atlanta with positive Christian support for lesbians and gay men. Services every Sun. at 575 Boulevard, SE. 622-1154.

**Circle of Healing**—Open to anyone in need of healing, be it physical, emotional, or spiritual. 1st and 3rd Sundays. at First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Dr. 378-5570

**Congregation Bet Haverim Reconstructionist Synagogue** serving the Gay and Lesbian community. Services every Fri. at The Friends Meeting House, 701 Howard St., Decatur. Shabbat Seder 2nd Fridays monthly. 642-3467.

**First Metropolitan Community Church of Atlanta**—A Christian church proclaiming God's love for lesbians and gay men. Counseling available by appt. Same sex Holy Unions performed. 800 N. Highland Ave. 872-2246.

**Gay & Lesbian Mormons**—Affirmation group organizing in the Atlanta area. For info call 570-2561 (dig. page).

**Gay Catholics of Georgia and Friends**—Support group for lesbian/gay Catholics and friends. Meetings and activities vary. 409-0203.

**Integrity**—Ministry of Gay Episcopalians 2nd and 4th Friday of each month. All Saints Episcopal Church, 3rd floor of Ellis Hall. 642-3183.

**Lambda Light**—A meditation group for lesbians and gay men. Meets weekly. 873-2137.  
**Lutherans Concerned/Atlanta**—A Christian Ministry for Lesbian and Gay Understanding. 636-7109.  
**Oakhurst Presbyterian Church**—S. Decatur, a multi-cultural community of faith, open to all. Sunday School (all ages) 10am, Worship at 11am. Call 378-6284 for information.  
**Presbyterians for Lesbian and Gay Concerns**—Gays and lesbians gather over light foods to celebrate their Presbyterian heritage. 373-5830.

**SPORTS/OUTDOOR**

**Atlanta Team Tennis Assn.**—Atlanta's tennis and social group for gay men. 621-2699.  
**Atlanta Venture Sports**—An association in which the membership enjoys recreational, social, educational, & sports activities. 242-4899.  
**Atlanta Women's Social Tennis**—Social activities as well as competitive outlets for tennis players of all levels. 662-GAME  
**Friends Atlanta**—A social, recreational, and educational group for gays/lesbians. 662-4501.  
**Front Runners/Atlanta**—A running/walking/social group for lesbians and gay men. Weds. 6:30pm in Piedmont Park and Sat. 8am at Chatahoochee and Powers Ferry Rd. 622-0739.  
**Greater Atlanta Naturist Group**—For gay men who enjoy nude outdoor and social activities. Not a sex club. For info send SASE to: GANG, PO Box 7546, Atlanta, GA 30357.  
**Hotlanta Soccer**—Practice every Sunday at 3pm in Piedmont Park. Beginners, men and women are welcome. 577-0418.  
**Hotlanta Volleyball**—Info at 621-5062. Fridays 7-10pm at Mercer Univ.  
**S.E. Gay Rodeo Association**—For cowboys and cowgirls across the south. PO Box 8262, Atlanta, GA 30306. 874-6556.  
**S.E. Harlequins**—Women's rugby—practices every Wed. night and Sun. afternoon. No experience nec. New players welcome. 659-6916 or 761-8939 for info.  
**Underwater Escapes**—Join the community's newest SCUBA Club. Trips and classes ongoing. Call Colleen at 289-0696.

**SERVICE/SUPPORT**

**African American Lesbian/Gay Alliance**—A political and social organization for black lesbians and gay men. Meets 1st Sunday of each month. 4pm, Ashby and Gordon St. 458-3003.  
**Athens Gay and Lesbian Association**—Contact P.O. Box 2201 Athens 30612-0201 or call 404/549-9368.  
**Athens Lesbian Information Line**—Athens area lesbians call to find out about support groups, social gatherings, etc. (404) 613-7661.  
**Atlanta Couples Together**—Social organization to support positive aspects of gay/lesbian relationships. Events and meetings vary. 365-2455.  
**Atlanta Educational Gender Info Service**—Information for persons interested in issues of gender. PO Box 33724, Decatur, GA 30033. (404) 939-0244 (evenings).  
**Atlanta Gay Center**. Offers services for lesbians and gay men and educational outreach to society as a whole. 63 12th St., 876-5372.  
**Atlanta Lesbian and Gay Pride Comm.**—Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month. All invited. For information, call The Pride Line 662-4533.  
**Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance**—Welcomes lesbians of all races, religions, political orientation, economic status, occupation and degree of openness. PO Box 5502, Atlanta, Ga. 30307, phone 378-9769.  
**Atlanta Pro-Choice Action Committee**—A non-profit, non-partisan, organization created to support the right to reproductive freedom for all people. 239-8016.  
**Black and White Men Together**—A gay interracial organization committed to fostering a supportive environment wherein racial and cultural barriers can be overcome. 892-BWMT.  
**The Cobb County Group**—Monthly social and frequent recreational activities for those who live in Cobb. 438-1421.  
**Codependents Anonymous-Lambda**—A 12-step program of recovery from codependency for gays and lesbians. Meetings Tues. & Wed. at 8 PM and Sun. at 7pm. 239-1657.  
**Chrysalis Women's Center**—Provides social, educational and informational programs and services for the community. 881-6300.  
**Coming Full Circle**—African American Lesbian / Gay Network. Addresses poverty, political, emotional and health needs. Call Venus 624-1799.

**Delphi**—An ancient, mystic brotherhood. P.O. Box 14591, Atlanta, GA 30324.  
**Emotions Anonymous**—A 12-step support group for gays & lesbians recovering from emotional problems. Sundays at 4pm at MCC, 800 N. Highland Ave. 872-0979.  
**First Women**—support group for women of color in the fashion & entertainment industry. All are welcome. Write G.G. Richardson, PO Box 724711, Atl. 30339, phone 612-9473.  
**Gay Fathers Association**—Support group meets 4th Fri. 296-8369.  
**Gay Help Line**—Phone, 6pm-11pm. 892-0661.  
**Georgia Girth & Mirth**—Social club for large gay men and their admirers. PO Box 9678, Atlanta, GA 30319. (404) 621-5710.  
**Georgia Lesbian Ecofeminists**—a local chapter of Feminists for Animal Rights. Stimulating conversation, vegan potlucks. 525-9085.  
**The Group**—Support for gay and bisexual men who are or who have been involved in marital-type situations with women. 892-0661.  
**Gwinnett Lambda**—Newly formed social and recreational group for Lesbians and Gays living in and around Gwinnett. PO Box 464848, Lawrenceville, GA 30246 or call Michael at 266-4566 or Randy at 923-5874.  
**Interact of Atlanta**—A social group for professional gay men and women interested in travel, nights on the town, weekend getaways, and dinner with friends. Jerry 455-6795.  
**Lambda Group/Narcotics Anonymous**—Addresses unique issues that lesbian and gay drug addicts deal with in their recovery. Meets Mon. & Fri. at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 25 Boulevard, NE. 237-6262.  
**Lesbian Support Group**—Discussion group open to all lesbians. Every Friday. 627-7387.  
**Lesbians With Children**—Social support group forming for lesbians and children. Come plan child oriented outings & participate in monthly get-togethers. 740-1729.  
**Men of Little 5 Points**—Socials and speakers on gay and community topics. Write PO Box 5425, Atlanta, GA 30307.  
**Name the Violence**—Support group for battered and formerly battered lesbians. No fees. Share experiences, be empowered & empower others. A safe space in our community. 370-1317.  
**Out Youth**—For lesbian, gay, or bi-sexual youth interested in socials, demonstrations, safe space, and/or a support group. For more information call Chance at 892-1566.  
**Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays**—Committed to help change attitudes so all gay people can live with dignity and respect. 3d Sun. at Unitarian-Universalist Congregation of Atl. 296-0830 or 875-9440.  
**S/M Discussion Group**—Leather, S/M, fetish lifestyle group meets Thurs 7:30-10 at The Eagle, 306 Ponce. All welcome. Call 87-EAGLE for more info.  
**Women In Kahoots**—(WINK) Women-only group in the Cobb County area. Support, social, networking. Call 438-1421 for info.  
**Women of Wisdom**—Aims to facilitate women meeting with women in a comfortable atmosphere. Meets at Chrysalis Women's Center monthly, date varies. 723-1112. or write P.O. Box 451065, Atlanta, GA 30345-1065.  
**Wordsmith Society**—A Gay/Lesbian literary group. Seeking members. Open meetings every 4th Sat. thru Feb at Peachtree Library. 1-3:30pm. Call Ron at 892-2815 for info.  
**Young Adult Support Group**—For men and women 14-24, meets at Atlanta Gay Center, 63 12th Street, 6:30pm every Tuesday. 876-5372.  
**Zami**—Women who work together as friends and lovers, a support group for women of color. Meets 3d Sun. of each month. 315-7684.

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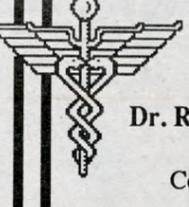
**Emory Lesbian & Gay Organization**—Meetings every Wed., 6:30pm, Room 355, Dobbs Univ. Center. Emory Univ. 727-6692.  
**Gays & Lesbians United for Equality**—Kennesaw Community College's group is in the process of formation. 426-8160.  
**Georgia Tech Gay and Lesbian Alliance**—Meet every Wednesday during school quarters for discussion/speakers/activities. 497-0684.  
**S.E. Alternative Lifestyles Association**—Networking group for lesbian and gay student groups. 248-9307.

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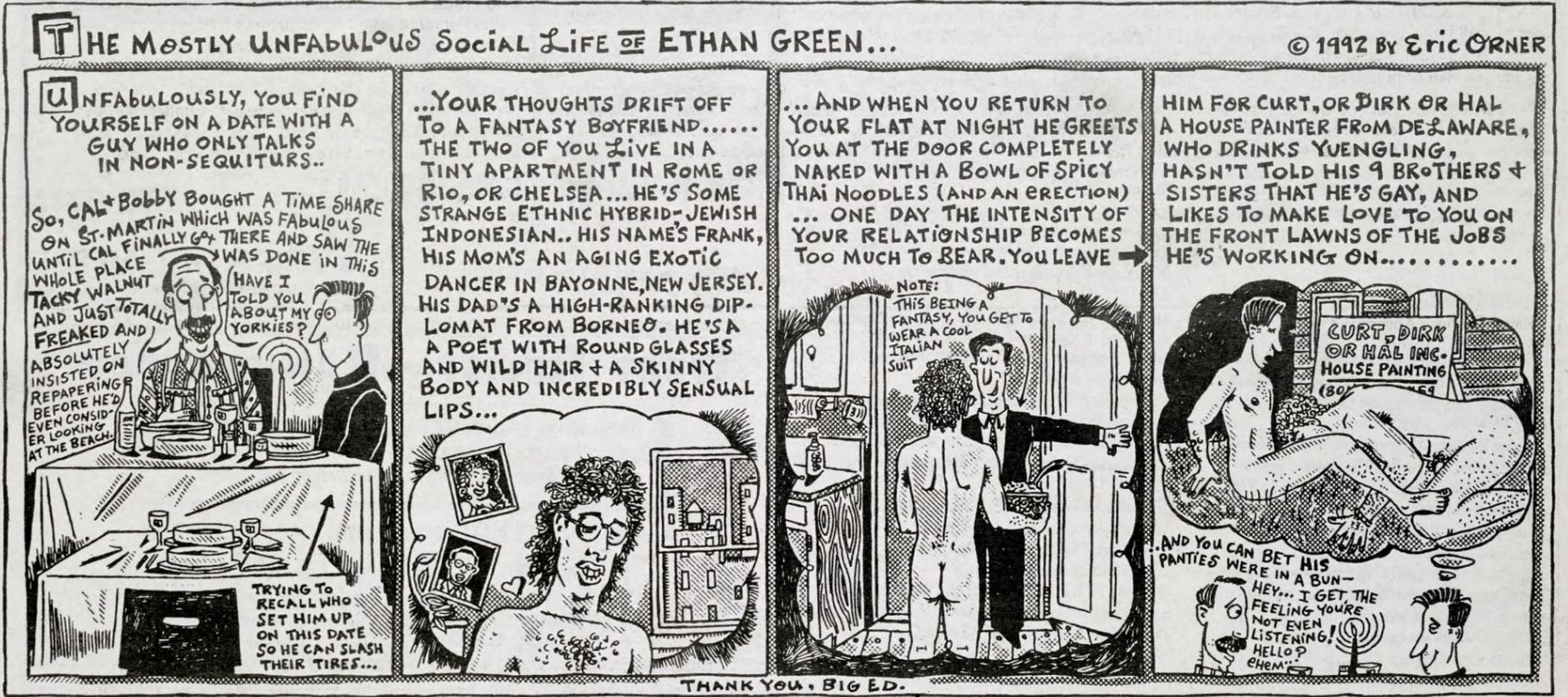
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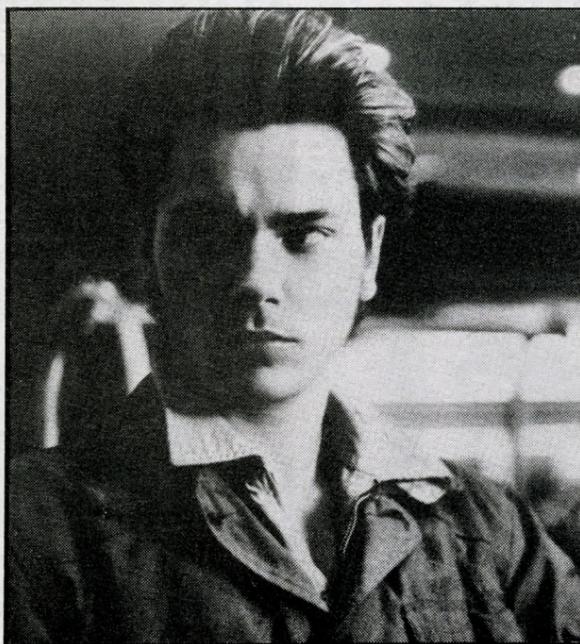
there's a fine line between telling the truth and talking trash

**Reason Number 476:** Maybe it's because Dish hasn't visited San Francisco in more than six months, but regular readers will note that there have not been a lot of "Reasons Why People Move to San Francisco" here lately. Well, we found another one in, of all places, the sports section. Listen to San Francisco Chronicle columnist Glenn Dickey on why the S.F. Giants may move to San Jose: "If it doesn't benefit people directly, they don't want it.... People [in S.F.] have no problem with the government helping to fund the arts. But when it comes to a sports team, no way." Kinda makes us want to start packing.

**Out in the Real World:** It had to happen eventually. Obviously gay men in a fashion layout in a mainstream men's mag. Check the March issue of "Details" (published by giant Conde Nast) for picture-cum-words piece that includes a "dream date" between two men, Jeff Hoover and Michael Goff. The latter is editor-in-chief of "Out" a new national gay/lesbian mag scheduled to debut in June. According to Goff the new publication will "...cover politics, sex, and the rest of our lives—fashion, relationships, culture—through quality writing, wit and style."

**Out Scouts:** The National Coming Out Day folks have joined Forgotten Scouts—the queer scouts who are challenging the Boy Scouts of America's bigoted exclusion of gay and bi members—to create a registry of former gay and bi Cub and Boy Scouts. If you too enjoyed pursuing merit badges take a moment write down: your name and address; what city and Scout program you were in; the approximate dates of your participation; how Scouting contributed to your adult life. Send this all to NCOD at PO Box 8349, Santa Fe, NM 87504-8349; or to Forgotten Scouts, 1072 Folsom Street, #383, San Francisco, CA 94103. Or call 415-905-6120. Boys only, please. The Girls Scouts have no sanctions against lesbian or bi participation in their programs!

**Cool Dude(s):** The January Spindicator column (... "keeping you up to the second on all cultural and social fronts") in Esquire magazine (which has been known to exhibit fits of both homophilia and homophobia) contains the following question to Dr. Spin: "Now that Keanu Reeves and River Phoenix (pictured here) have sucked face on screen is it ok to



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leave your girl at the mall and go make out with your best buddy?" The letter is signed Mr. Confused. Dr. Spin's reply? "By all means! Homosexuality, though taboo for hundreds of years, is as old as civilization itself." Maybe that's the reason "My Own Private Idaho" played for six full weeks out in the wilds of Gwinnett.

**Creating a Vacuum:** "Literature does not exist in a cultural vacuum.... The term 'gay fiction' refers... to the liberation of a complex subject, and an entire community's right to free the use of its imagination." The words are those of George Stambolian, most well known in gay circles as editor of the successful "Men on Men" series. Stambolian, 54, died of complications from AIDS in late December. He is survived by

his companion, Michael Hampton, his mother and a sister. He is also survived by thousands of readers, including Dish, who learned a great deal about the "free use of imagination" from reading the anthologies that Stambolian edited. His final work, "Men on Men 4" is due out this fall.

**Not Too Cool:** Due out this month from Dutton (a publisher who should know better) is a "comic novel about women-who-love-men-who-love-men" entitled "Fag Hag." We haven't read it, so we should probably reserve judgment, but with a title like that we wonder why anyone would bother. Here at the S.V. office we altered that term to the much more eponymous and accurate "Queer Peer" many moons ago. May Dish politely suggest that author Robert Rodi do the same?

**The Road to Hell...:** We know that their intentions are good, but we have to wonder about Yvonne Denise Watkins (of Columbus, GA) and Robert Raleigh (of Atlanta, GA). The former has penned a song entitled "A Touch of Magic." It's about... well, listen to the lyrics (slide guitar optional): *When it's someone you know/It can turn out to be tragic./We never thought the AIDS virus/Would hit someone like Magic.* Were that not bad enough Mr. Raleigh recently sent out a press release headlined "GEORGIA GIRL WRITES MAGIC SONG." A photo of Mrs. Watkins (and her marital status) seem to offer ample evidence that she is, in fact, a woman rather than a girl. Yvonne was scheduled to perform her tribute to Mr. Johnson at the Jan. 24 meeting of the Georgia Task Force on AIDS. There are, thank the Goddess, no announced plans for a video.

**The Road to Hell... Part II:** The CDC has awarded a \$1.5 million grant to "eight of the nation's leading science museums and the American Medical Association" for a traveling exhibit about AIDS that will eventually hit 300 museums around the country. The show will include "interactive" exhibits which will help viewers to better understand such things as the "biology of AIDS." Dish thinks they'd better also include an interactive exhibit that teaches attendees (male & female) how to place a condom on an erect penis. Grants for effective AIDS education? Don't hold your breath!

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RULING PLANETS

by Mary Bailey-Rule

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Happy Birthday Aquarius! Groundhog Day or Candlemas is February 2nd and is actually the remnants of an ancient pagan tradition to acknowledge the day falling halfway between a solstice and equinox.

**ARIES**—With Mercury joining Saturn in your 11th house of associates, community causes and hopes for the future, you may feel the urge to spread out and encompass more in your daily life. Try short-term commitments at first.

**TAURUS**—The 3rd and 4th will be good days for getting things done, although you may encounter some obstacles initially. If the gloomy days are getting to you, it may be a good time to head south for a long sunny weekend.

**GEMINI**—This is an excellent time for travel, including business trips. Also good for continuing education that will enhance or broaden your career opportunities, even if you still aren't sure what you want to be when you grow up.

**CANCER**—You may have younger or less experienced people in your life for the next few weeks and it may be trying at times, especially if they are in your home. Be patient, but don't let them stay longer than agreed.

**LEO**—As you build solid and trusting relationships with others you will be rewarded with opportunities for creative expression, leadership and opportunities for new experiences. Just be who you are without embellishments.

**VIRGO**—You may feel very creative and energetic for the next few weeks. Be careful not to take on too much with this surge of energy. As you plan projects, be realistic about time requirements and the expectations of others.

**LIBRA**—Home may take precedence over work and career for the next two weeks, so you may need some time off just to be at home or take care of family, parents or yourself! Also a good time to clean closets and do minor repairs.

**SCORPIO**—Stress and tension should be easing up a little for you and life may seem to run smoother with Pluto in the last part of its journey through your sign. You may need to pay attention to situations at home for the next few weeks.

**SAGITTARIUS**—If your income is not keeping up with your outgo, then you may need to re-evaluate your work situation. It may be time to explore other career possibilities, especially if you are not challenged where you are now.

**CAPRICORN**—You can accomplish a great deal in the next two weeks, particularly in working with your material resources and income. Also a good time to push your favorite project, especially if it will benefit other people.

**AQUARIUS**—With Saturn in your 1st house, you are sure to reap the results of all honest effort, diligence and responsible behavior. You may be surprised at the just rewards coming your way. Know that your efforts count.

**PISCES**—If your relationships aren't shaping up the way you would like, you can blame Jupiter or Pluto for continuous emotional turmoil. Celibacy is not really a viable option, so be patient. Someone wonderful is coming your way!

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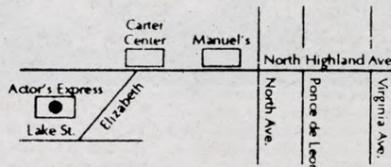
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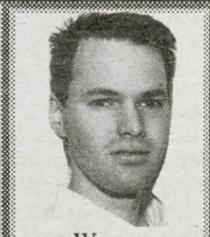
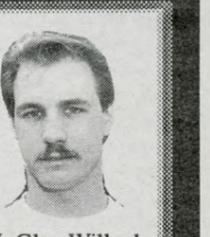
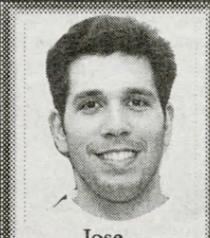
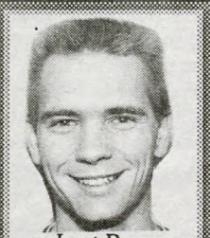
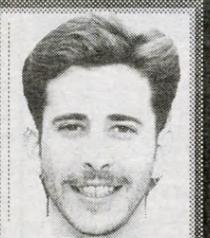
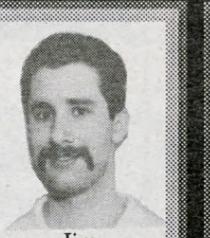
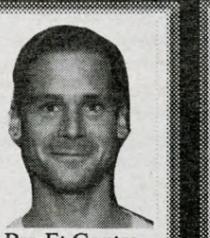
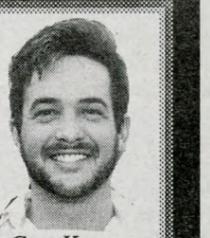
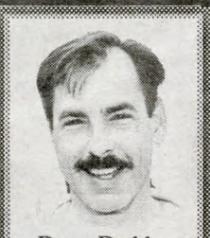
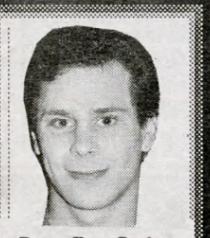
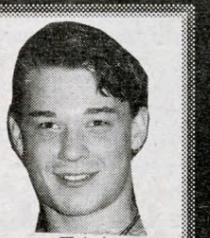
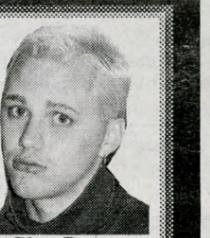
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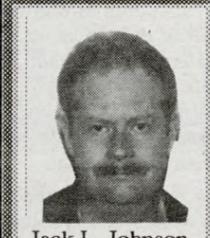
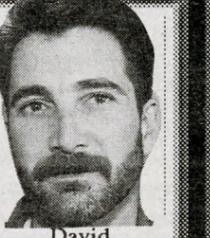
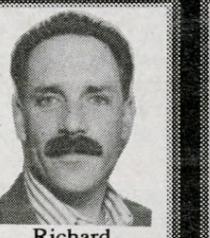
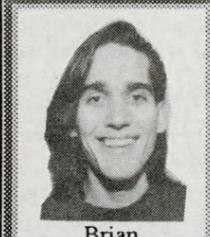
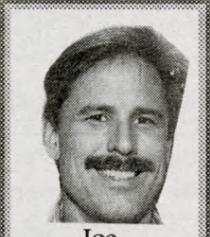
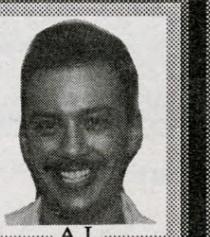
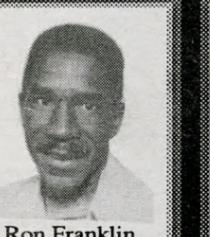
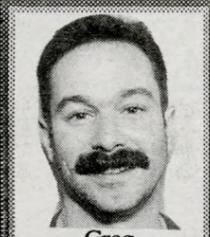
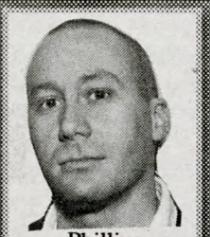
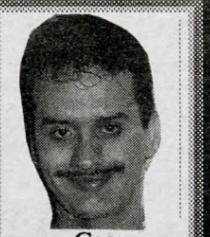
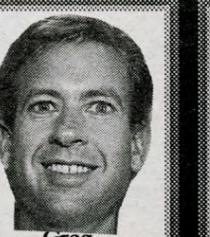
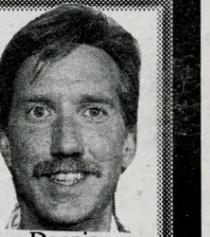
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**AIDS HOTLINE FOR WOMEN** - a project of the Feminist Women's Health Center with goals to provide education/referrals for women who are HIV+, AIDS diagnosed, or at risk. Hotline begins mid Feb. Volunteers needed! Call Tonia Poteat or Alicia Culver at the FWHC, 874-7551.

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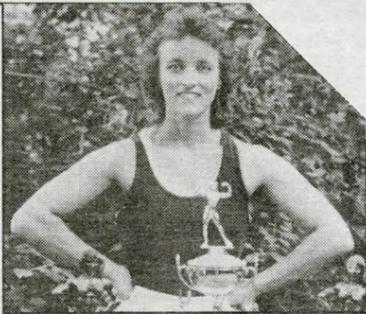
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Peer facilitators needed for newly formed battered & formerly battered lesbian support group. Meetings weekly ~2 hours. Call 688-9436 for more information.

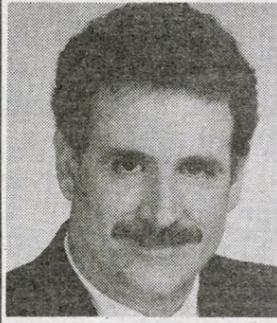
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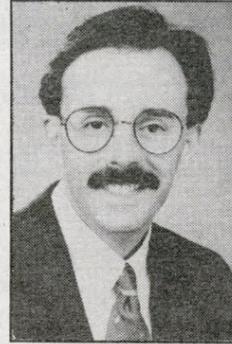
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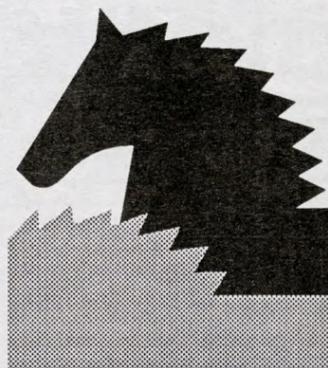
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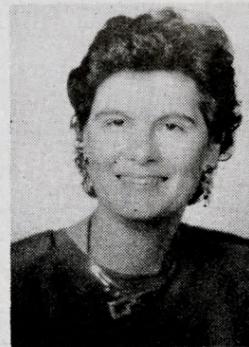
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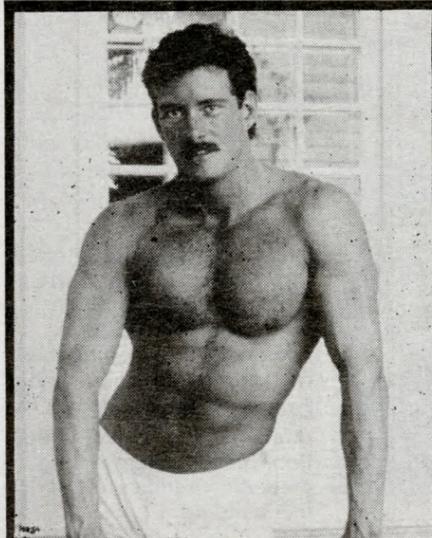
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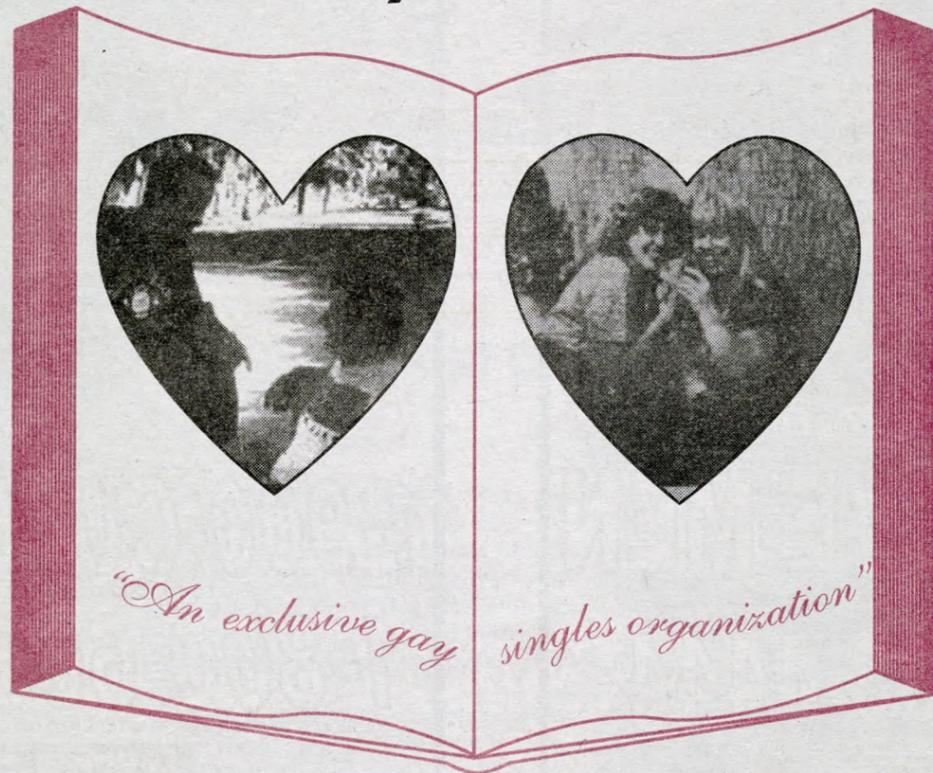
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