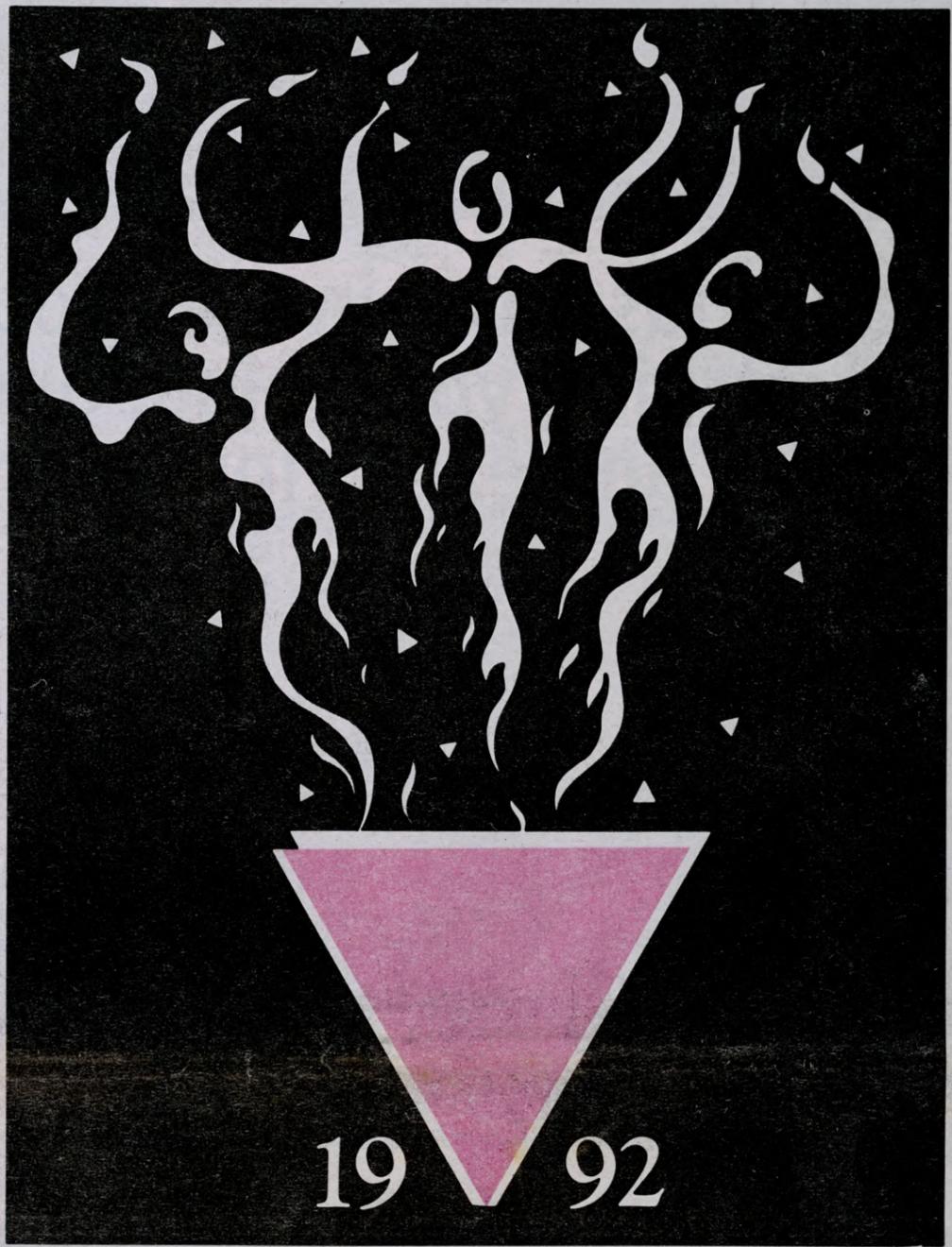


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## Pride art, plans unveiled

Atlanta—The Atlanta Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee (ALGPC) unveiled its art design for Atlanta Pride 1992 last week. The work, designed by lesbian potter Leah Rushing, will adorn posters, t-shirts, ads and the souvenir program for this year's celebration.

"It's beautiful, colorful, and powerful," said Lynn Cothren, co-chair of the ALGPC. "We feel that it's truly representational of our pride, and it works."

Cothren said that Rushing will also create the trophies that will be awarded after the Pride March. Rushing, who has been a full time potter since November 1991, said her design was inspired by athletes in the 1992 Winter Olympics.

"I wanted to give something to the community that was genderless and non-racist," she said, "something that we could feel united by. I wanted something that said 'pride.'"

Cothren said the ALGPC was especially thrilled to be using the work of a new artist on the scene.

"We're giving the community a chance to meet an upcoming artist," he said. "It's an opportunity for us to see one of our own, and what she can do."

Rushing, 25, was born in New Orleans and moved to Atlanta 13 years ago. She began working with clay about a year and a half ago, and turned to full time pottery after RhythmFest last year.

"That was my first festival," she said. "I said to myself, 'Wouldn't this be the life? Hanging out with a bunch of women and doing pottery.' So here I am."

Rushing creates functional pottery—plates, mugs, etc.—and will have a booth at the Artists' Market during Pride.

Atlanta's 1992 celebration will be held June 27 and 28, culminating on Sunday with the march from the Civic Center to Piedmont Park and rally at the Park. Organizers are shooting for over 30,000 people for the two day event. Last year's Pride celebration was Atlanta's largest ever, drawing nearly 20,000 participants.

Organizing work for the event is going well, according to co-chair Shelly Robbins. "The park is confirmed," she said. "We're meeting with corporate sponsors, and working on the Pride Guide (the souvenir program). We're working, we're working."

Robbins said that some changes have been made in the originally announced schedule, most notably the candlelight vigil for those who have died of AIDS and victims of hate crimes.

"Everybody and their brother will be in town that weekend," she said, so the candlelight vigil has been moved to Friday night (June 26) to avoid a conflict with "HeartStrings" on Saturday. Additionally, negotiations are underway to move the vigil to the World Congress Center, where the Names Project Quilt will be on view.

"We're talking with the Names Project and the World Congress Center," said Paul Stone, coordinator of the vigil. "Probably we'll rally outside and then quietly file in and outline the Quilt."

The original plan called for an annual rally at John Howell Park, the home of the Living AIDS

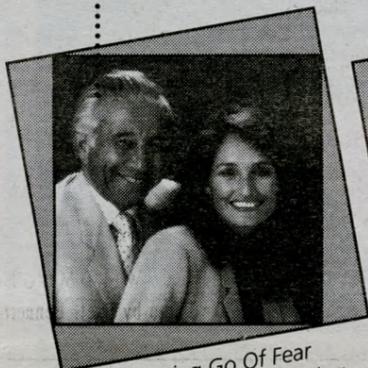
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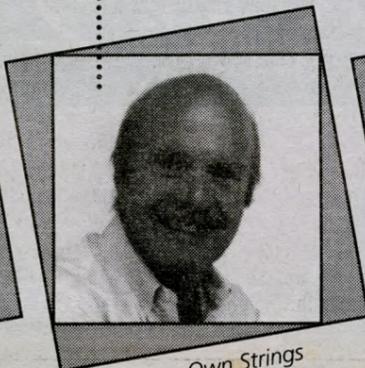
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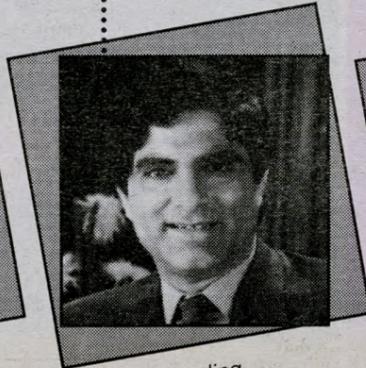
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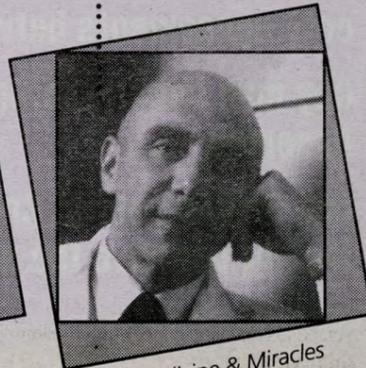
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## GA's highest court affirms contracts between gays

Atlanta—Joint Ownership Agreements between lesbians and gay men are valid contracts, the Georgia Supreme Court ruled last week. Finding no evidence that a property agreement signed by two lesbians was based on their sexual relationship, the state's highest court overturned a lower court ruling that invalidated the agreement because the two women were involved in an "illegal and immoral" relationship.

"It's good news," said Ruth Harlow, an attorney with the ACLU's Gay and Lesbian Rights Project, which submitted a friend of the court brief in the case. "We're very pleased that a court as important as the Supreme Court in Georgia has clarified that lesbians or gay men can enter into property agreements and have those agreements enforced in court."

Patricia Gilden and Florence Crooke signed the agreement, making all property owned by the pair joint property, in the summer of 1982. The agreement called for equal division of the property in the event that they should separate.

Crooke and Gilden did split in 1989, and each filed suit in Fulton County Superior Court, with Crooke arguing that the agreement was unenforceable because of the nature of their relationship. In February 1991, Judge Luther Alverson ruled in favor of Crooke, although he let stand a Warranty Deed that transferred to Gilden half interest in property originally owned by Crooke.

Crooke appealed the decision on the deed and Gilden appealed the ruling on the joint ownership agreement, leading to last Thursday's decision by the Supreme Court. The court upheld Alverson's ruling on the deed and reversed his decision concerning the joint ownership agreement.

Since same-sex couples cannot legally be married in Georgia, such joint ownership agreements are the only method lesbian and gay male couples can use to spell out the terms of their relationships. The ruling eased tensions that couples would be left with no way to guarantee rights and responsibilities.

"I knew people who were scared to contract, scared to even move in together after the Superior Court ruling," said Jeri Kagel, an attorney who has worked with a number of lesbian couples on partnership agreements. "They'd say, 'Oh we'd better wait and see what happens.'"

"It would have been a frightening situation," she continued, "if that lower court ruling had been allowed to stand."

The Supreme Court's ruling now becomes case law, which means that in the state of Georgia, the ruling has the force of law. David Flint, Gilden's attorney in the case, said that other states would look to the Georgia decision if they are deciding a similar case.

"When one state is trying to determine what rule to follow, it will look to other states," he said. "It's not bound to follow another state's ruling, but it is persuasive. And I would think the Georgia Supreme Court's ruling would be particularly persuasive in the southeast."

The written ruling carefully avoided mentioning homosexuality, prompting Kagel to note that the court stuck to contract law and ignored the entire issue of same-sex relationships.

"What it says to me," she commented, "is that there may be an aspect of our lives that they don't like, but it doesn't contaminate our contracts."

While applauding the ruling, Kagel said she wished such disputes could be resolved differently.

"I'd rather countries mediate than go to war," she said, "and it's the same with lesbian and gay couples. I'd much rather people weren't so adversarial and stayed out of court."

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## Basic Instinct protested here

Atlanta—As they did throughout the country, gay and lesbian activists here held protests last weekend at theatres showing "Basic Instinct." On Friday night, about 20 members of the group "Catherine Did It" picketed the theatre at Midtown Promenade, handing out flyers and telling potential movie-goers the ending of the film with innovative chants and signs.

Members of the Atlanta chapter of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) also passed out information sheets about the film at several theatres over the weekend.

"Hollywood... has come to the end of a list of possible villains and is now using lesbians and bisexual women as the bait to get audiences into the theatres," said Michelle Martin, co-chair of GLAAD's media monitoring response committee. "We object to their using us in this manner."

"Basic Instinct" was filmed in California last year amid heavy controversy and demonstrations by activists who had seen a copy of the

script by Joe Eszterhas, who also wrote "Flashdance." Activists claimed that it presented lesbians and bisexual women in a stereotypical manner as psychopathic manhaters out to kill men. Eszterhas, after meeting with activists, agreed to make some changes in the script, but director Paul Verhoeven refused to make the changes.

The film hit the top of the box-office standings for its opening weekend, despite, or perhaps because of, the publicity surrounding lesbian and gay protests.

"I hate to draw attention to a film that is as bad as this one," said Pat Hussain, GLAAD/Atlanta's co-chair. "My concern, though, is that it's out there. When you see lesbian and bi women portrayed in such a terrible light, and with no one saying 'this is not true,' you just might believe it. We have to say it."

Activists also object to the film's overall picture of women, and point to a particularly brutal date rape as an example of its misogynist tone.

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Pictured: Protestors at the opening of "Basic Instinct" in Midtown.  
Photo by Evett Bennett



## IDC will move to Ponce despite opposition

Atlanta—Despite opposition from neighborhood and business leaders, Grady Hospital is proceeding with plans to purchase the former Presbyterian Center building on Ponce de Leon Avenue to house its Infectious Disease Clinic (IDC).

"We're looking at a couple of possibilities for financing," said Robert Parrish, Grady's associate director. "It takes some time to arrange such a real estate deal."

Grady officials said that they have a contract on the 90,000 square foot building, pending finalization of the financing. They expect no problems with the deal.

Neighborhood and business activists with the Ponce de Leon Corridor Association have gone on record in opposition to the move, however, saying that they fear the pending move will turn the avenue into a "social services district" with detrimental effect on business residents in the area.

"Grady is a large overcrowded medical facility," said Doug Jones, president of the Association. "It appears from history that businesses do not flourish around Grady."

Association members say they fear the hospital authority is running "roughshod over the people who live, work and own property on Ponce de Leon" by refusing to guarantee that they do not plan to expand facilities on the seven acre site to include more than just the IDC. Grady officials say that is not the case.

"That's all we're redoing," said Parrish. "That and having the space to look at the outcome of the treatment we give the patients we have."

Parrish also said that he believes Grady will adequately address the neighborhood's concerns.



"We'll be very good neighbors," he said. "We will maintain the property. We have a landscape plan because we want it to be a good looking piece of property."

Curtiss Morriss, program administrator at the IDC, agreed. "I think once we get there they'll see it's not the dreadful thing some of them have imagined," he said. "We're not a soupkitchen. We're a clinic. We'll have a staff in the area spending money. I think we will help business in the area."

ACT UP/Atlanta has been pressuring Grady to improve conditions at the IDC for some time, and its members are pleased with the plans to move the clinic, but disappointed with the opposition.

"The move is desperately needed for the sake of the city and the healthcare needs of all people infected with HIV, with full blown AIDS, or who need Grady for whatever reason," said ACT UP's Jeff Graham. "It's unfortunate that a small group of narrow-minded business people are willing to put their fears and misunderstandings above the common good."

Plans are still in place for the IDC to move into a renovated Grady Annex later this spring, with the move to Ponce taking place after the property is purchased and renovations are complete.

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Photo by Evett Bennett

## Little progress seen in meeting with Chief Bell

Atlanta—An ad hoc group of lesbians and gay men met with Police Chief Eldrin Bell last week, a follow-up to a meeting held last month.

Last Tuesday's meeting, closed to the press, focussed on the issues that spurred the February meeting, including police sensitivity training and the arrests of seven Queer Nation members for jaywalking.

According to participants, Deputy Chief Beverly Harvard reported that no changes could take place in the training until an annual review this fall. She asked that any proposals for changes be submitted by that time.

Deputy Chief Julius Derrico told the group that he had reviewed the jaywalking arrests and found that it was not unusual for the department to make such arrests. Queer Nation contends that the seven were arrested unjustly on January 31, when they were car-tagging at the intersection of Buford Highway and Lenox Road. The charges against the seven were dropped in court recently.

Since the arrests, the police department has established procedures for car-tagging, including notifying the department of details on the activities and adding a contact person within the department to handle any problems.

Participants in the March 17 meeting had mixed feelings about the results. While pleased to have had access to the chief after almost two years of frustrated efforts, many were disappointed that Bell asked them to wait for change.

"I'm tired of waiting," said Lynn Cothren, co-chair of Queer Nation. "They've ignored us for years, and now they expect us to forgive them overnight and have all this patience."

"They have made progress," he continued, "but it certainly hasn't come without somebody practically screaming for it."



Marcia Okula, special assistant to Mayor Maynard Jackson for lesbian/gay issues, was more positive.

"He's still Bell," she said, "but I really do think he's changed his attitude. We still need to stay on top of things, but we really do have a voice now."

The group also discussed the hiring of openly gay officers.

"Deputy Chief [Jim] Oliver (APD's liaison to the gay/lesbian community) told us that honestly the first person to 'come out' on the force will have a tough time," said Okula. "And I'm sure it would be awful."

Community leaders agree, though, that more work must be done to make it easier for lesbians and gays to be out in the APD. They insist that work must start at the top.

"Eldrin Bell needs to be trained himself," said Cothren. "He has no clue about what gays and lesbians are about. Until he does, it's going to be a tough road for everybody else."

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Pictured: Atlanta Police Chief Eldrin Bell  
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## Gay man to run for General Assembly

Atlanta—An openly gay man has announced his candidacy for a seat in the Georgia House of Representatives. Jeff Corrigan, an attorney and former lobbyist for the Georgia AIDS Coalition, will be running in the proposed 47th district, which includes Midtown, Virginia-Highland, Morningside, Garden Hills, Peachtree Hills and the Lenox Road area. Last week the U.S. Justice Department rejected the redistricting plan submitted by the Georgia General Assembly, throwing the plan back into the legislator's arena for further revamping.

Corrigan said that his time as a lobbyist helped him make the decision to seek office. "After watching how things work down there," he said, "I realized that gay and lesbian issues are not high enough on anybody's list of priorities. And there's a vast amount of misinformation about us."

"I think it would be harder for representatives to dismiss us if they had to deal with one of us as an equal, as a colleague," he added.

If elected, Corrigan says, he will introduce a state gay and lesbian civil rights bill, and work to pass a hate crimes bill that includes stiffer penalties for bias crimes.

"Issues that are of concern to straight voters are our issues too," he said, "but we have other items that aren't being considered."

Corrigan said that as a former teacher, improving public education in Georgia would be high on his list of priorities, as well as environmental concerns, women's reproductive freedom, and ethics laws.

The proposed District 47 covers much of what is now House District 26. Jim Martin, an Atlanta attorney who has been supportive of gay issues in the past, currently holds that seat. Corrigan said that Martin's district holds the best possibility for a high turnout of lesbian and gay voters.

"Jim represents a district that may have the highest population of gays and lesbians in the Southeast," said Corrigan. "This is not a race against Jim Martin, but a race for a seat in the House of Representatives."

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## Lambda Center fundraising efforts begin

Atlanta—Organizers of the Atlanta Lambda Community Center report that plans for the new center are moving forward at a steady pace, with a seed money campaign and surveys of individuals and organizations already under way.

"This is all very exciting," said Annie Archbold, a member of the center's Board of Trustees, following a Town Meeting about the Center two weeks ago. "People are getting involved, and we're getting closer and closer to our goals."

The Center's development committee has launched A Month of Money campaign, designed to bring in "everything it takes to begin a corporation."

"We're raising the start-up costs," said Archbold, "office supplies, telephones, P.O. box, meeting supplies, printing—the point is to get the ball rolling."

The campaign started on March 12 and runs through April 15. Archbold said that anyone interested in helping with the campaign should contact the Center to get an envelope.

"Get an A Month of Money envelope from us," she said, "go out and collect money, and give it back to us. Everybody—no matter who you are or what you do—can get involved with this."

Drawing in more participation from the community is a theme of the organization of the center. Lynn Manning, a Trustee and member of the outreach committee, says that's what the surveys to organizations and individuals are about.

"The idea is to find out what the community wants," she said, "so we can give the community what it wants."

Manning said that surveys to organizations have already been mailed, and that the individual survey should be ready soon.

"We have a mailing list of between 2500 and 3000 names and organizations," she said. "Obviously that's not everybody. If an organization didn't get a survey, please give us a call. This input is vital."

Manning also said that the outreach committee is gathering information from other centers throughout the country to learn how they function, as well as how they don't.

"We want to find out what mistakes they made," she said, "so we don't have to reinvent the wheel."

Organizers are pleased with the progress so far.

"All of this has been done very quickly," said Archbold. "and it's all volunteers. People say 'I'll do that,' and then we come back to the next meeting and they have."

Organizers are holding a series of Town Meetings about the progress of the center, both to keep the community informed and to garner more participation. The next meeting is set for April 27, time and location to be announced.

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## Pride plans

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Memorial Park Project (LAMP), in Virginia-Highland, but Stone said that the presence of the Quilt during Pride weekend was an opportunity the ALGPC didn't want to miss.

"We will tie in the LAMP project," he said. "We'll be talking with them to see how that will work."

Plans are also in place for a series of benefits, beginning in April and running through June, to raise money for Pride weekend. The first is set for Sunday, April 5, 4 pm at Burkhardt's, and a second benefit is scheduled for 8 pm that evening with Big Ruby at Backstreet. Additionally, the Tower will sponsor a cookout on April 12, also at 4 pm, with proceeds to benefit Pride.

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**Coed Sues Over Lesbian Films:** A University of North Florida student has hired an attorney to stop the showing of two documentaries about lesbians as part of that school's Women's History Month. Kelley Copeland said through her attorney, Jeffrey Wood, that the films are irrelevant to women's history and promote an abnormal lifestyle. The films, "Out of Suburbia: The Stories of Eleven Lesbians" and "17 Rooms (or What Do Lesbians Do In Bed)," are shown during Women's History Month at the request of students and are not required viewing. "17 Rooms," incidentally, is about things other than sex, like reading and sleeping, that lesbians do in bed.

**Sex Ed Bill In Senate Education Committee:** HB 1837, the sex education bill passed by the Georgia House last week that restricts how teachers may teach sex education classes, is now in the Senate Education Committee, chaired by Sen. John C. Foster. The bill requires that teachers teach only abstinence and sex within marriage as methods of avoiding sexually transmitted diseases and unwanted pregnancies. Foster's office number is 656-5085. Other members of the education committee are Horace Tate, Sanford D. Bishop Jr., Robert Brown, Joe Burton, Mac Collins, William G. Hasty Sr., and Richard O. Marable. The Senate information number is 656-5040. Activists believe this bill must be stopped in committee, because Senators will be too afraid to vote against it once it reaches the Senate floor.

**Liz's Wedding Nets Cash for AmFAR:** Proceeds from the sale of photos of Elizabeth Taylor's wedding to Larry Fortensky netted \$100,000 that the couple donated to the American Foundation for AIDS Research's (AmFAR) International Program. Herb Ritts, the homoerotic photographer whose most recent book of photos is called "Duo," was the photographer for the wedding. Taylor said that the funds will be used for AIDS prevention programs in Latin America. Meanwhile, AmFAR announced a total of \$316,160 granted to seven AIDS education projects in Southeast Asia and the Indian subcontinent. In announcing the grants, Taylor, who is the chair of the International Program, said, "Education is the most important preventive weapon we have."



Photo by JIM MARKS.

**Shame, Shame:** The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force reports that Vice President Dan Quayle dines at Cracker Barrel. The VP allegedly stopped in at a Blountville, Tennessee, CB during a swing through that state

campaigning for George Bush. No word on what Quayle ate, or what racist memorabilia he picked up.

**Poll Shows Most Americans Support Public Funding Of The Arts:** A Philip Morris funded poll shows that 60% of Americans support federal funding of the arts, and 76% believe that art courses should be part of the public school system's regular curriculum. Arts lobbyists released the poll in Washington amid Congressional debate about public funding of the arts, and the recent resignation of John Frohnmayer as head of the National Endowment for the Arts. The poll was conducted by pollster Louis Harris.

**Gay Sheriff Wins One In Court:** A Florida jury ruled on March 9 in favor of a deputy sheriff in Orange County fired because he is gay. Thomas Woodard charged that he had been forced to resign his position after Sheriff Walter Gallagher launched an investigation into his sexual orientation and private life. Gallagher is expected to appeal the ruling, and all sides believe the case will eventually reach the Florida Supreme Court. The local branch of the Fraternal Order of Police has condemned the firing.

**Police Demand Subscriber List Of Hungarian Gay Paper:** Saying they were looking for the murderer of a young gay man, police in Budapest demanded the subscriber list of Hungary's gay newspaper, MASOK, last month. When the editors refused to hand over the list, they were taken to police headquarters for questioning. According to Chicago's *Outlines*, the police apologized after radio newscasts reported the incident.

**Oral Arguments Set In Abortion Case:** The U. S. Supreme Court will hear oral arguments at 10 am on April 22 in *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, the challenge to Pennsylvania's state law severely restricting a woman's right to abortion.

**Grants To AIDS Prevention Task Force:** Burroughs Wellcome has awarded two grants totalling \$85,000 to the National Task Force on AIDS Prevention, the only national advocacy group for gay and bisexual men of color. The awards will help the task force conduct four AIDS Institutes in 1992 and continue an early intervention program for gay and bisexual men of color.

**Game, Set and Match:** Martina Navratilova settled out of court in the "palimony" suit brought against her by long time partner Judy Nelson. The terms of the settlement were not announced, but word has it that Judy gets the house in Aspen and will be allowed to write about the couple's life together.



**Editors Don't Understand Gays And Lesbians:** A survey of 227 editors from 202 daily newspapers revealed that most think they aren't doing a very good job of reporting the gay and lesbian community. The survey, conducted by Joseph Bernt and Marilyn Greenwald of Ohio University, revealed

that 48% of the editors called their coverage of gay issues "fair," while 12% termed it "poor." Most editors said that they did not engage in censorship of community events, leading Bernt and Greenwald to conclude that the editors "simply do not understand the issues and concerns of the gay and lesbian community."

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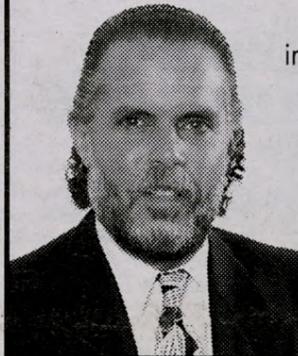
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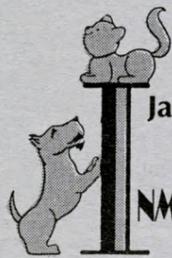
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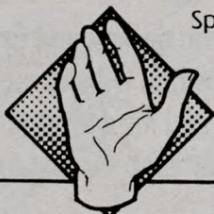
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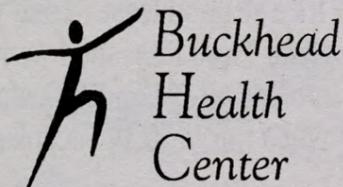
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# LA school board OKs condom distribution in high schools

Los Angeles—The distribution of condoms on high school campuses within the Los Angeles Unified School District was approved last month as part of the AIDS awareness program that was submitted over two and a half years ago by a special task force to the Los Angeles Board of Education.

Part of a total of 12 recommendations originally proposed by the task force, the issue of condom distribution became a controversial public debate among parents, religious leaders, politicians, AIDS activists and the school board members themselves. Sponsored by open gay school board member Jeff Horton, a chief advocate of AIDS awareness for Los Angeles county schools, the final resolution was amended "to limit condom distribution to senior high schools" and "to require parental consent for condom distribution" in an opt-out program whereby parents must sign forms preventing their teenage son or daughter from receiving condoms at school. In cases where the consent form has not been returned, parental consent is implied for approved condom distribution.

During a seven hour meeting, opponents of the resolution for condom distribution argued that the school board would become vulnerable to possible legal liability, financial disaster and moral credibility. Proponents of the measure pushed for the need for an increase in safe sex and AIDS awareness education for the second largest public school district in the nation.

Vivian Williams, a high school senior, one of several non-voting guest members on the school board, pointed out that no one "can prevent students from being sexually active... You must face the fact that some senior high school students don't even know the meaning of the word 'abstinence,' but they know the meaning of AIDS."

Addressing a capacity audience that filled the board room and overflowed into the adjoining hallway, she concluded, "The issue we have here is life and death, and you don't have to have parental consent for death." Williams' plea was among many emotional moments and received a standing ovation from the crowd.

Before voting on the resolution, which narrowly passed in a 4 to 3 victory, thirty speakers from the Los Angeles community paraded before the board to elicit support. Jackie Goldberg, openly lesbian former board member, urged members of the board to place children and the next generation ahead of using such resolutions "to test the political climate."

Leonard Bloom, Executive Director of AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA), asked "What is the value of our children's lives? There is no time for this debate." He predicted that AIDS would become the leading killer of adolescents in the United States within the next seven years. "There are limited ways to prevent the spread of this plague," he acknowledged. "Abstinence is one way. The reality, however, is that in the absence of abstinence, use of condoms is the only way to stop the spread of HIV."

Informing the board that there was a 36% increase in the number of teenage AIDS cases in the city of Los Angeles last year, Phill Wilson, Director of the City of Los

Angeles' AIDS Office, observed that "every day, the people who die of AIDS get younger and younger."

Jennifer Michele, an 18-year-old senior who tested positive for HIV two years ago, pleaded to the board, "Kids are having sex; please teach them to have it safely."

Opponents of the resolution included Parents Against Condoms and the Coalition for Common Sense that argued over the unreliability of all condoms and the legal liability that condom distribution could cause the school board. One speaker began singing religious hymns in opposition to the resolution but was shouted down by members of ACT UP/LA while Board President, Warren Furutani, who voted against the condom distribution, asked the woman "to stop her inappropriate behavior."

Members of ACT UP/LA were highly visible throughout the board meeting and have been among the leading AIDS activist organizations at numerous public forums sponsored by the school board during sev-



eral months of controversy over the distribution of condoms and the proposed AIDS education programs for Los Angeles city schools. Pleased with the board's final vote, John Kimball, ACT UP/LA member, commented, "This is an important first step. Now that AIDS education is going to be a reality, the focus is going to shift to implementation of the policy."

THOM CARDWELL  
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## FDA Approves Drug To Fight MAC

The Food and Drug Administration has approved a Treatment IND for rifabutin, manufactured by Adria Laboratories as Mycobutin™. Rifabutin has been used in clinical trials to prevent Mycobacterium avium complex (MAC), a life threatening opportunistic infection common among people with AIDS. To be eligible for rifabutin, a person must have a diagnosis of AIDS as defined by the CDC, no history of MAC infection and a CD4 count of 200 or less. Physicians who have patients they believe may benefit from rifabutin treatment may call 1-880-552-7228 between 8 am and 5 pm for information.

HEALTH

**Polio Vaccine—AIDS Connection Gets Another Boost**

Writer Tom Curtis' theory in the current issue of *Rolling Stone* magazine that contaminated oral polio vaccines introduced AIDS to the human population received further support this week from a "Viewpoint" article in the prestigious medical journal *The Lancet*.

Curtis, at the suggestion of San Francisco maverick AIDS treatment promoter Blaine Elswood, argues that experimental polio vaccines grown in the late fifties in monkey kidney tissue cultures may have been contaminated with the AIDS-triggering virus HIV. The African green monkey is known to harbor a simian virus called SIV that is related to HIV and could have been its evolutionary forerunner.

In the past, it has been proposed that HIV was spread to humans through eating raw green monkey flesh or as a result of monkey bites. A contaminated oral polio virus theory is surely no more bizarre than either of these ideas. But many objections remain. Chief among them is the observation that HIV is rarely spread orally.

Another problem with the polio vaccine theory of the origin of AIDS is that HIV and SIV are not all that similar genetically. Based on studies of genetic development, medical historian Mirko Grmek says in his book *History of AIDS*, "The appearance of the common ancestor of the HIV/SIV line surely goes back several decades, but probably much further."

Grmek dug up old clinical records to indicate that AIDS existed at least as far back as midcentury, in Europe and America as well as Africa. Some of his case descriptions predate polio vaccines and tend to rebut Curtis-Elswood and Kyle theories. It cannot be absolutely proven that these old cases really are AIDS, however.

Still, HIV had to come from somewhere, and mapping out its origin would be a major contribution to our understanding of evolution and the rise of new diseases. In an interview, Elswood called for testing old polio vaccine samples for HIV.

Even negative test results would clear up some of the mystery. They would also clear the way for looking for AIDS' source in another oft-overlooked area—occupational exposure to HIV in research workers who handle monkey tissue and live monkeys.

DAVE GILDEN  
AIDS NEWS SERVICE

**Relaxation And Exercise Helpful In AIDS Treatment**

Researchers at the University of Miami Medical School say that relaxation and aerobic exercise may help slow the growth of HIV. The research involved 86 gay men, 33 of whom tested positive for HIV during the course of the study. The men in the study who most regularly exercised and practiced relaxation showed a gain in CD4 helper cells, and showed less signs of depression than the men who did not exercise.

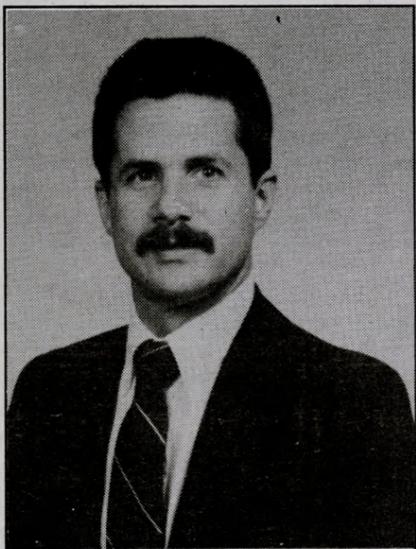
**Broccoli—It's Good, Good**

Scientists have now determined that broccoli helps prevent cancer. Researchers at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine have isolated a chemical in broccoli that causes the body to produce an enzyme that is capable of destroying carcinogens. The researchers say the chemical is in all likelihood also contained in cabbage, Brussel sprouts, cauliflower and collard greens, and is found in ginger and onions. George Bush, take note.

OBITUARY

Don Dykes, 41, died March 3, 1992 of complications from HIV. Don was most recently employed at Simmons, U.S.A. He volunteered at AID Atlanta and was active in the AIDS Ministry at All Saints Episcopal Church. Surviving are his parents, Edward and Berniece Dykes; brothers, Richard and Edward, Jr., all of Jacksonville, Fla., many loving friends and relatives and his significant other of 10 years, Mike Porterfield and Erica.

The Celebration of Don's life was held March 6 at All Saints Episcopal Church. Interment services were held March 9 at Garden Hills Memory Garden in Jacksonville. Donations may be made to the AIDS Ministry, All Saints Episcopal Church, 634 W. Peachtree, Atlanta 30308 or to Project Open Hand, 1080-R Euclid Ave., Atlanta 30307.



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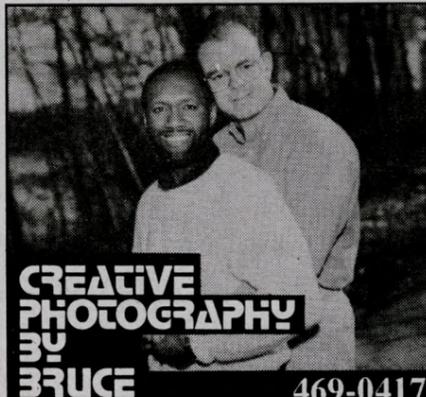
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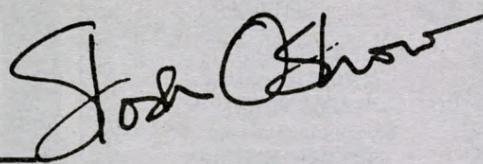
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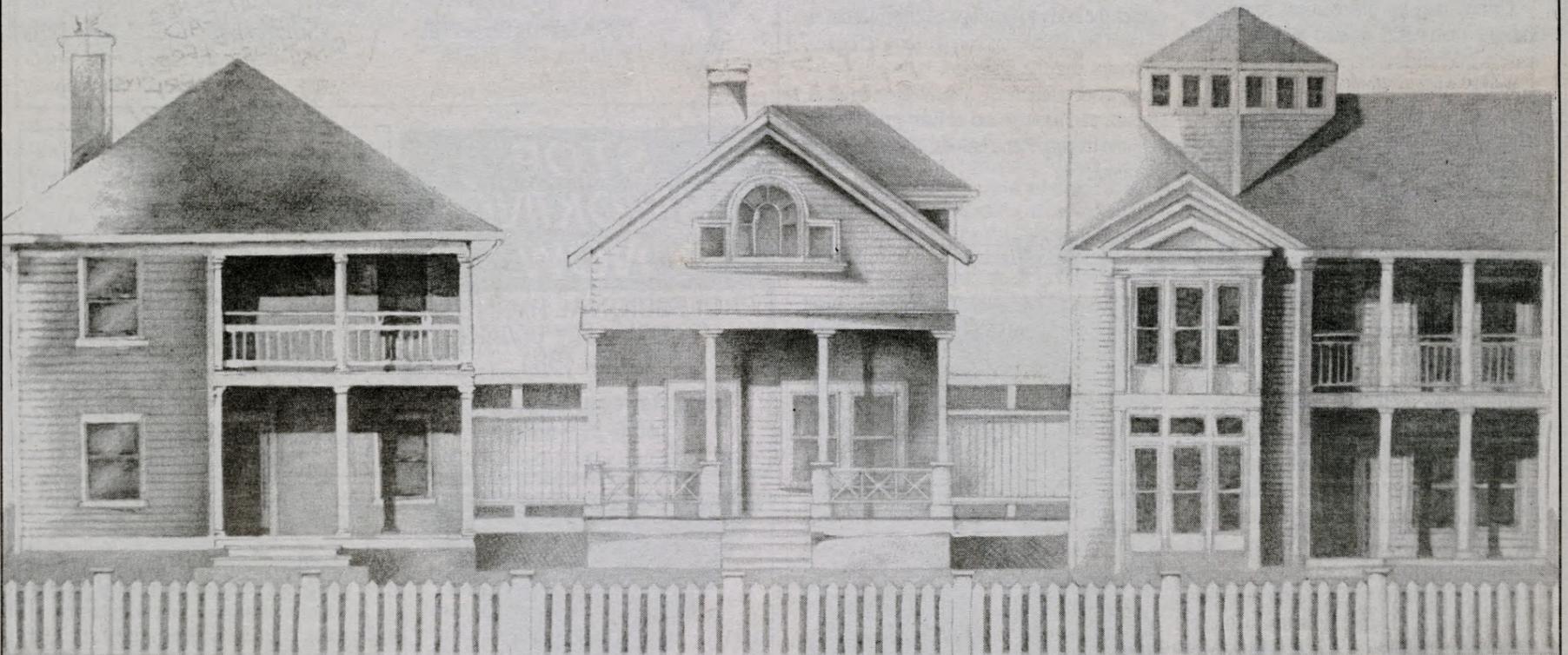


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**Soho in Atlanta.**

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**Stop throwing tomatoes**

Everywhere in lesbian and gay land it seems people are talking about the movies and how unfair to our kind they are. "Basic Instinct" heads the list this week, but recently complaints abounded about "JFK," "Silence of the Lambs," and a whole host of others which have presented, on the whole, less than kind pictures of people whose sexuality differs from what is considered the norm. In fact, activists are planning to disrupt this year's Academy Awards ceremony in protest.

Some of those complaints have been leveled at "Fried Green Tomatoes," the movie based on Fannie Flagg's best seller "Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café." The problem, say protestors, is that the movie version "delesbianized" the relationship between Idgie and Ruth, two women who lived, worked and loved together from

the 30s to the 50s in Whistle Stop, Alabama.

What book did these folks read? In review after review, gay and lesbian reviewers have decried the changes made from book to movie, saying that the film's producers left out the lesbian part of the two women's relationship. But no one has mentioned one specific instance of lesbianism

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deleted during the translation from paper to film. There's a good reason for that. There was no overt lesbianism to delete.

In the sections of the book about Ruth and Idgie, Flagg presented a picture of two women who obviously love one another. So did the movie. Not once in either media are we invited into the women's bedroom to find the proof of their sexuality.

What we did see was exactly what the

rest of Whistle Stop's citizenry saw. And that's the same thing that many of our own neighbors here and now in 1992 see when they look at lesbian and gay male couples on their own streets, in their own small towns.

Think about it. Many of us live simple, loving lives with our partners, in plain view of our neighbors. Most of us don't announce it, but then that's rarely necessary. Trust us here—they know. They know the same way we know—it's obvious. And most of the time, those neighbors respect our relationships and treat us as they do our heterosexual counterparts. It's not being closeted, it's just simply being.

Gays and lesbians who expect to see Ruth and Idgie wearing "I'm One" and "I'm One Too" buttons are off-base here. That wasn't the point of either the novel or the film. And with all the true homophobia out there, both in the real world and the reel world, it's a shame to waste time creating imaginary bias in such a beautiful film.



**GOOD FOR YOU**

Dear Editor:

I would like to highly commend David Salyer for his column "On Becoming a Known Homosexual." Not only will the general public have a clearer understanding of who we really are, but they will see the difference between the old stereotypes and myths that have been going around for decades — and the truth. Unfortunately, some people would rather hang onto the old stereotypes.

David had a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. With CNN's support and backing, he was very fortunate to be able to come out in the news media as a gay professional.

I would also like to commend Don Farmer of WSB for showing compassion and courage in doing the interview. Hopefully, I would like to see more of these doors opened for the gay and lesbian community.

Sincerely,  
Braden C. Baker

C A R B O N C O P I E S

Letter to the editor  
Atlanta Journal/Constitution

To the Editor:

As a representative of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, I am very disturbed by the New York City Human Rights Commission ruling permitting discrimination against the gay-Irish group to march in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

In the ruling, the judge found that:

1. The parade is indeed a "public accommodation" and therefore subject to New York's civil rights laws.
  2. Furthermore, the parade's organizers did unlawfully discriminate against the gay groups under the civil rights laws.
  3. However, the judge ruled that the parade organizers could legally discriminate based on their First Amendment right to freely associate with whomever they wish, based on their organization's beliefs, history, and rules.
- If it is upheld that the First Amendment

gives organizations the right to associate only with whom they choose in public accommodations, we have effectively gutted most of the civil rights laws in this country.

Restaurants and hotels are public accommodations just like the parade.

There are currently innumerable groups and organizations whose doctrines, rules, or beliefs effectively dictate rejection of other groups or organizations.

Based on this New York decision a Klan group could legally open a "whites only" restaurant or a Hindu group a "no Muslims" hotel.

The New York decision sets a most dangerous precedent and should not be permitted to stand.

Sincerely,  
Don George



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# Silence is the sound I hear

Silence is the sound I hear when asked, "What is the African American's political agenda concerning gay rights and issues?" Where are the voices that I see out dancing to the house beats of TRAXX, Loretta's and Texas late at night? Why aren't our cries for justice and equal rights, gay or civil, heard at rallies held on the steps of the State Capitol? Do we assume that our voices are included in the voices of our free white gay sisters and brothers?

We as African American lesbians, gays and bisexuals must realize that as African Americans our fight for equal rights has yet to be won. Let us not forget that—whether we are gay, straight or bi—the initial struggle for our civil rights continues to rage on. And by assimilating into an alternative lifestyle one cannot escape or abandon one's responsibility to our initial fight for equality. As African American lesbians, gays and bisexuals, one's lifestyle is identified not only socially, but politically and economically as well. We all too often are closeted when it comes to being politically and economically responsible. Why aren't we seen at the marches and rallies headed by our white counterparts with leadership and funds of our own? Who can voice our agenda, but one of us?

Here in Atlanta are two active African American lesbian, gay and bisexual organizations — The Coming Full Circle Network and The African American Lesbian & Gay Alliance (AALGA) — who are conscious of our community's needs and are trying to do something about them. Yet, neither organization is wholly or solely representative, within its membership, of the diversity that exists throughout the African American community. As African Americans, we are generations of men and women, whether gay, straight or bisexual, whose heritage and

ancestry command that as a people we fight for justice and equality. Whether we identify ourselves as lesbians, gay or bisexual, the fact still remains that we as African Americans must continue to dialogue and work collectively to address the issues that face us as a people. In the 1990s we have witnessed the veto of the Civil Rights Bill, the uprise of racism and the David Duke phenomenon, and the right wing shift of the U.S. Supreme Court, clear indications that we as African Americans have yet to "overcome."

The Coming Full Circle Network, created in November 1991, invites all organizations, business, and individuals within our African American community to come and address the political and economical needs that exist within the lesbian/gay/bisexual community.

AALGA exists to foster an open exchange of concerns, ideas, and opinions as well as offer support within our very diverse African American community, and to the larger lesbian/gay/bisexual community, a collective political voice. AALGA is often called upon to represent Atlanta's lesbians, gays and bisexuals of African descent and often it does. AALGA's voice is strong,

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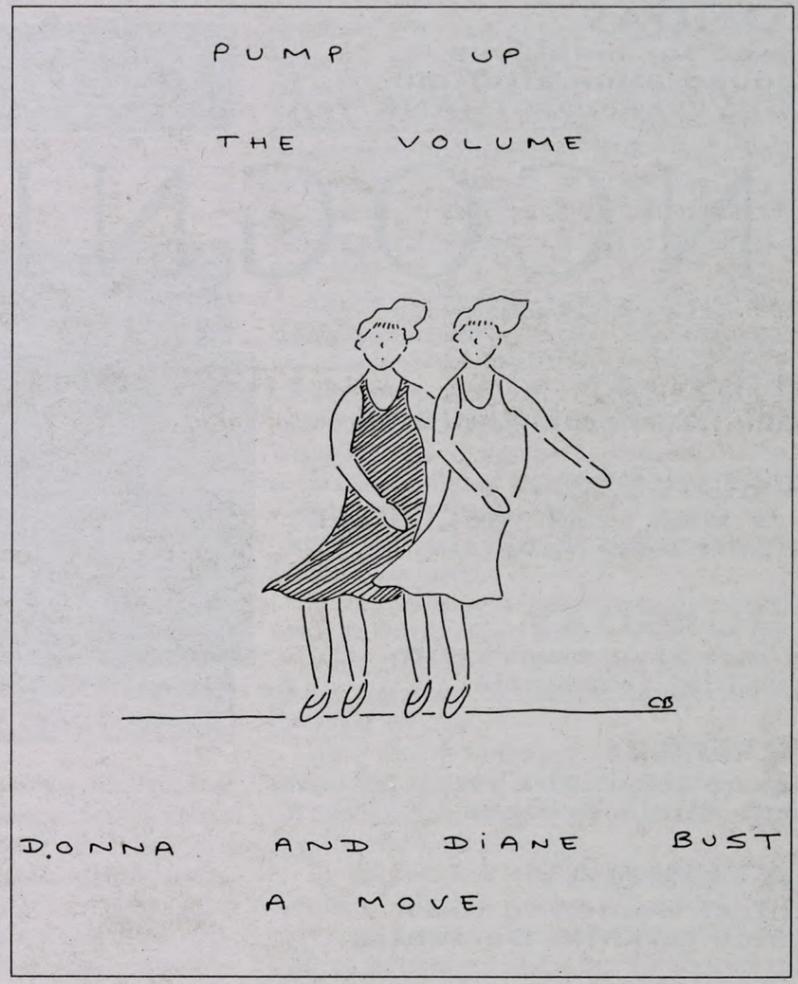
must, as a people of courage and vision, accept the responsibility of our cultural legacy. Through the expression of dialogue and collective works, we can and will bring about positive social change.

Do we as African American lesbians, gays and bisexuals have a political voice? Of course we do, but we need to hear it from you. Our collective voices must be heard.

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### HIV+ SEGREGATED IN JAIL

To the Editor:

The purpose of this letter is to inform concerned organizations of the handling of HIV positive inmates and ways in which they are being treated in our city jail — the Atlanta City Jail on Key Road. Our incarceration here is not unjust, and those of us that have broken laws should forfeit some rights. But, human rights are the true issue here. Below are listed the grievances that we feel should be addressed:

1. We are not only segregated from the population, but we are forced to be labeled by wearing different colored uniforms. Bright red is the color compared to the light tan the others wear. Thus, we are unable to exercise anonymity.

2. Because of the segregation unit we are placed in, we cannot participate in the following general activities:

a. We are only allowed to eat in our cells and given one plastic disposable spoon. Our meals are served in disposable

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b. We are given no free access to the commissary, recreation room or the library. All others are given this privilege.

c. No religious services are offered to us.

3. We do not have free access to a pay telephone. There is a charge phone in our ward but it does not work and we were informed that it has not worked in over three months. All other wards have at least two telephones.

4. We are not allowed to earn free days that could well shorten our sentences served, however, all others can request to be on work details and earn free-days.

Punishing us for the crimes we have done is enough. But to treat us discriminately because of our HIV status is wrong. Being in ASU (Authorized Segregation Unit), we are housed with inmates roaming freely, suf-

fering from T.B., chicken pox, measles, hepatitis and other life threatening illnesses to HIV-infected people. Others in our ward include psychiatric patients and undesirables (fight-pickers) that require segregation. We are used to and can understand other inmates that are illiterate or naive, but cannot accept or understand officers not being better informed about HIV transmission.

We feel we should not be penalized even more solely because of our HIV status. Most of us here, except for the ones with mental disorders, are here because of our honesty on the medical admission form. There are many inmates that are not as hon-

est and are among the population. Many, I fear, are engaging in acts prompted by peer pressure which are further spreading HIV.

Respectfully,

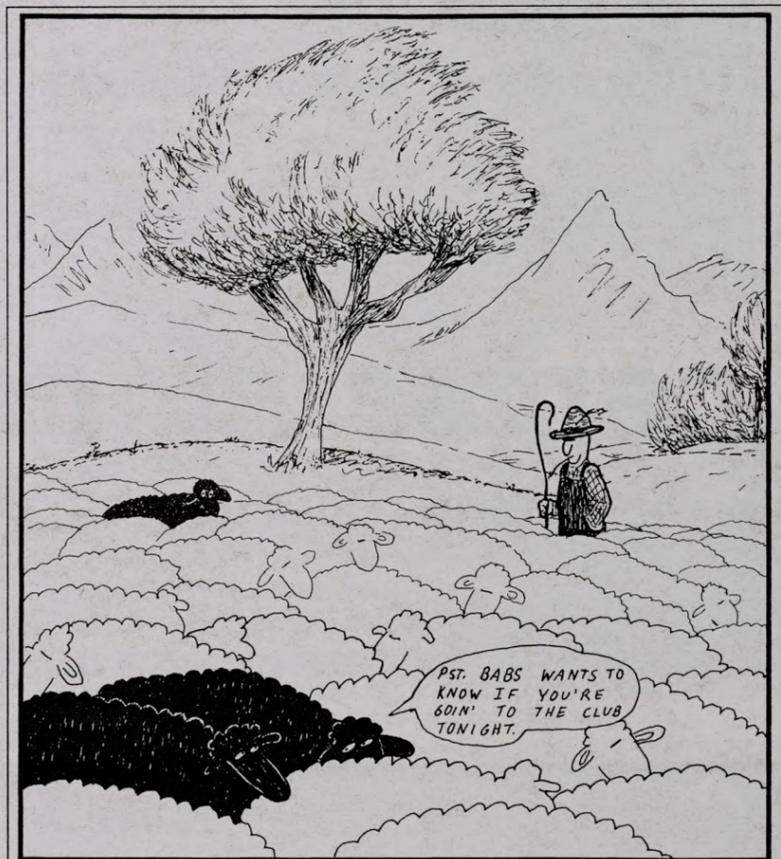
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# OUT & ABOUT

## FILM REVIEW

### BASIC INSTINCT

Offensive movies are sometimes important movies. They burn the underbrush from attitudes otherwise timidly expressed and reveal the core convictions of what people honestly believe. As the smoke clears, convictions previously inferred emerge in dazzling view.

This to preface comments on the new Paul Verhoeven film "Basic Instinct," whose troubled history has been widely detailed in the press, both gay and straight. Yet watching the film, my attention quickly began to wander.

"Basic Instinct" recycles so many tired stereotypes and cliches that by its conclusion you might discover you've nodded off. It's hard to get worked up over something as stupid and trivial and predictable as this little thing. But neither should it be ignored.

In brief, "Basic Instinct" stars Michael Douglas as a cock of the walk San Francisco police detective named Nick Curran, whose investigation of the ice pick murder — 31 stab wounds at the moment of orgasm — of a faded rock star leads him to Catherine Tramell (Sharon Stone), with whom the victim had a purely sexual relationship.

Nick instantly falls under Catherine's spell. She writes sexy slasher novels whose fictional murders keep getting replayed in her own life, making her Nick's chief suspect at the same time he's increasingly entranced by her.

Verhoeven's splendid 1982 "The 4th Man" featured another possible female psycho killer, yet it had a level playing field: everybody in it was a monster out for a decadent good time.

But "Basic Instinct" is a drowning proposition. It's playing field is anything but level. Every woman in it is either a lesbian psycho killer, a bisexual psycho killer, a heterosexual (?) psycho killer, or a heterosexual possible psycho killer ashamed and embarrassed by a lesbian experience in her past.

It's the kind of movie in which a girl blows up her parents on their boat, a mother stabs to death her children, a sister takes a razor to her brothers, and a woman psychologist sleeps with her male patient. Perhaps only Claude Chabrol could have made something of this muck, but he would have given the film a complex psychological foundation.

"Basic Instinct" is offensive, alright, but only on a shallow level. Its view of women is stupidly crass. In the film, Douglas' former companion, Dr. Beth Garner, now his acting psychologist, all but propositions him during a counseling session and later goes to his home where she becomes a willing participant in date rape. The film turns her into every sort of sexual hypocrite. When she kicks Nick out of her house, she seems more upset by her torn clothes than by the fact that she's just been raped.

But like Adam, poor Nick can't resist the fruit of Catherine's Eve. Under police questioning, damned if she doesn't uncross her legs to reveal she's not wearing undies. Nick, by then practically panting for her, asks if she's even sorry her bedmate was killed.

"Yeah," Catherine sneeringly replies. "I liked fucking him."

It's a fair assessment to make from an average sampling of Hollywood movies that lesbians, gays and bisexuals are typically depicted either as representations of some sex-crazed psychopathic subspecies, or, as in "The Prince of Tides," as Eve Arden types dragged on camera to crack self-deprecating jokes about the emptiness of their lives.

"Basic Instinct" is the work of fundamentally immature sensibilities. It uses women and differences in affectional preference as fodder for its misogynist, peek-a-boo mentality that views whatever it cannot understand as evil and threatening.

Michael Douglas comes across as one more angry middle-aged actor surrounding himself onscreen with beautiful young women playing up to his view of himself as a 21-year-old stud. As Catherine, Sharon Stone shows range and authority, but she's in the wrong movie and her character lacks complexity.

And as the moronic, unethical Dr. Beth Garner, ashamed of that lesbian liaison in her past, Jeanne Tripplehorn wins this year's Carrie Otis "Wild Orchid" prize for the year's blindest feature film debut.

Paul Verhoeven's direction is sharp and attentive, (though the film runs at least 20 minutes too long), and Joe Eszterhas' script is safely on par with his "Flashdance."

Oh, yes. There are several scenes in the film of Douglas and Stone in bed, with her on top. Magically, they seem always to have simultaneous orgasms, at the moment of which Stone bends herself backward with enough balance beam athleticism to fill



Olga Korbut with envy. The suspense is whether or not when Stone again flings herself forward at the speed of light she's going to have an ice pick in her hand. On that artistic plane "Basic Instinct" exists.

TERRY FRANCIS  
Pictured: Sharon Stone

## FILM PREVIEW

**I'D WALK THROUGH THE SNOW** barefoot for k.d. lang. A long-time fan, I anxiously await each album, each public appearance. I had the unexpected pleasure in the fall of hearing that she was starring in a movie—as a lesbian yet—and couldn't wait until I could sit down in front of the screen and take it all in.

And the screening of "Salmonberries," at the High Museum on April 1, is an unexpected pleasure for Percy Adlon fans as well. "Bagdad Cafe" has attained a cult following which has only grown since the shortened attempt at a television series. Along with "Sugarbaby," Adlon's first two films were so interesting, his newest release is awaited with expectations that can only be compared with the fanfare surrounding an early Ken Russell film. Both are innovative and controversial directors who have helped change the medium of film.

"Salmonberries" has the same haunting surreal quality as "Bagdad Cafe" but unfortunately it lacks the pacing and humor of the earlier work. Set in the bleak snowcovered landscape of Alaska, without the trees or mountains to add grandeur to the

open spaces, the lighting of the shadowed scenes adds a mystical quality like a legend told around a campfire.

It is the story of a wild "boy" who comes to the town of Kotzebue looking for the family that deserted him. With wolf-boy ferocity, the hissing, backward individual disrupts the carefully woven cocoon of the widow who works in the library. Hers, too, is a tale of woe. (The two lead roles are well-handled by Rosel Zech and k.d. lang in her first big screen appearance.)

Wolfboy is finally revealed to be a woman as she flashes the librarian from the stacks, and the two argue their way through a journey that leads to self-discovery. Along the way the Berlin Wall falls, and we find that Chuck Connors, who runs a Bingo hall, has been keeping a lot of Eskimo women warm on those dark winter nights.

It takes a long time to the final scene, and even here there is no ending. The pacing of the movie makes the 93 minutes seem like 2 1/2 hours. It is as slow as walking on snowshoes. So little happens that every event is treated like a momentous occasion. The two biggest thrills in the movie are flying books and a classic scene of k.d. sitting on the spire in the center of a satellite dish howling at the moon.

The only reason the lesbian love scenes did not qualify as the most exciting is that they (surprise) never quite manage to happen. Hold your breath and hope, but somehow the kisses are never quite forthcoming.

The film is uneven and I couldn't quite decide if it was the editor, Conrad Gonzalez, or Mr. Adlon's fault. An early psychedelic hallucination seems to have little continuity with the rest of the film. Some of the outside scenery shots are at variance with the dark, winter atmosphere the moody lighting creates. I wondered if they were actually shot by the director, or borrowed from some Alaska tourist promotion group.

k.d. lang's music is extremely beautiful and strangely reminiscent of the theme song from "Bagdad Cafe." The loneliness and longing of the young lesbian is echoed in the words of the thematic ballad: "I'd walk through the snow barefoot, if you'd open up your door." It is a hunger for belonging and inner knowledge.

k.d. is very good as the half-eskimo wild child. Her lanky body fits well the self-conscious socially inept suitor. Rosel Zech is adequate as the librarian, but the two are as mismatched as the Spring/Winter romance in "Desert Hearts." One wonders how they can ever be together and if they have the strength to make it apart.

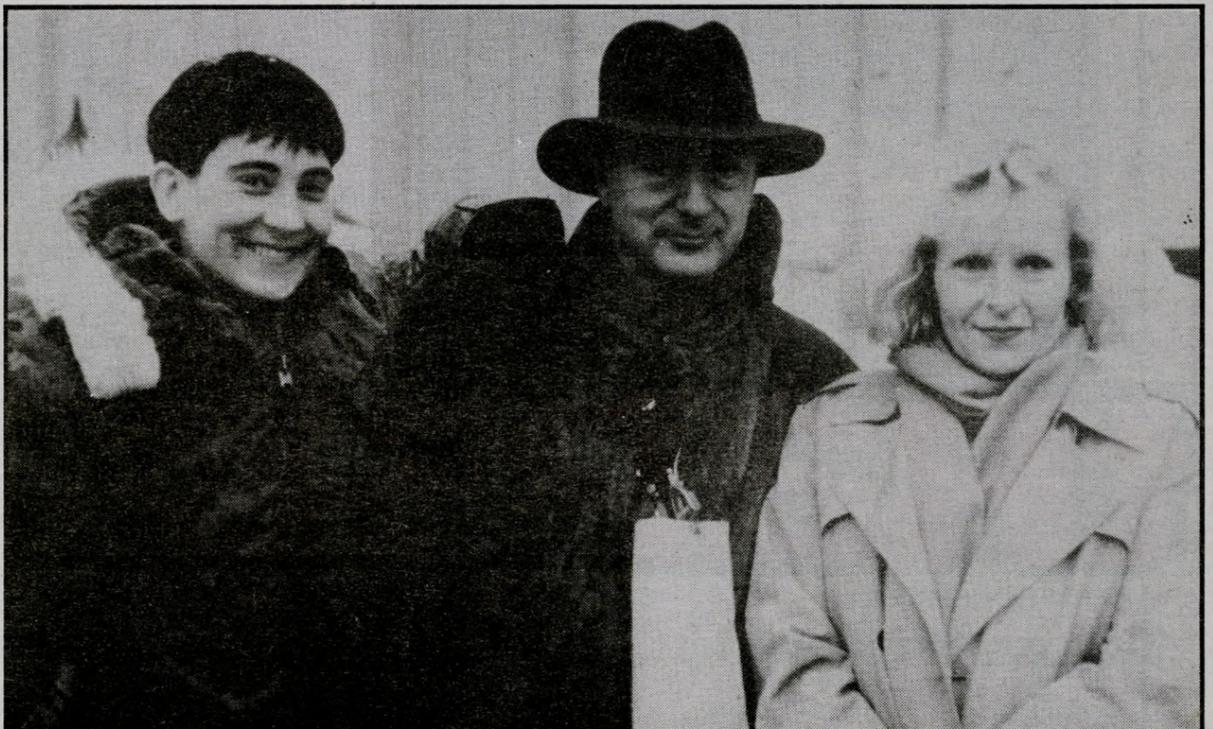
Those who enjoy Bergman and Fellini may find the film moves quickly but I found myself waiting for the end, and in the end wishing the director had allowed more of the lesbian theme to develop.

For fans of k.d. lang, looking at her is enough to carry the film. But waiting for her to get naked or something is just about the only suspense the film has to offer.

Salmonberries will screen on April 1 at 8 pm in the Rich Auditorium at the High Museum.

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Pictured: k.d. lang, Percy Adlon and Rosel Zech



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**FOREIGN OBJECTS.** Robert Rector's exhibition of recent works opens at 249 Trinity Ave. Thur April 30. 525-7546.

**LEE BAILEY,** author of *Lee Bailey's Cooking for Friends*, will be signing copies at Chapter 11 bookstore. Ansley Mall store. 1:00 pm.

28 SATURDAY

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29 SUNDAY

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**WGAY RADIO.** The Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus celebrates its 10th anniversary season with two performances. 4 pm & 8 pm. 14th St. Playhouse. Tickets available in advance at Woodruff Arts Box Office or by calling 892-2414. Tix also available at the door.

**JACQUE AND JOYCE.** Oxford Acoustic Cafe. 8:30pm, Oxford on Pharr Rd.

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**OUT IN ATLANTA.** Lesbian and gay TV! News, interviews, history, what's happening and more. Channel 12-People TV. 10:30 pm. Fulton County only. Also runs on Wednesday at 3:30 pm in DeKalb County.

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1 WEDNESDAY

**SALMONBERRIES.** k.d. lang's film debut where she plays a lesbian is coming to town for possibly only one showing. If response is good, they may have another. Directed by Percy Aldon (SUGARBABIES AND BAGDAD CAFE). 8 pm. Rich Auditorium. High Museum of Art. 892-3600 x 391 for more info.



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ABOVE: Beacon Dance Company performs March 27&28. Pictured are D. Patton White and Carrie Krogh. Photo by David Smith of Fratelli Studio.  
LOWER LEFT: "Tattoo Convention" from Dennis Carlyle Darling's photography exhibit "Terra Incognita" at ArtSpace Gallery.



**THE CAT AT THE DOOR—CHILDREN AND SELF-ESTEEM.** A book co-authored by Louise Weldon, which talks about coping skills that build self-esteem, will be the subject under discussion at Charis Books & More. 7:30 pm. 419 Moreland Ave. 524-0304.  
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**OUR COUNTRY'S GOOD.** Through April 12, Thursday thru Sunday. Set in 1788, a band of pickpockets and whores, officers and thieves produce the first play in Australia. Horizon Theatre. 584-7450.

**SELECTIONS: SOUTHERN ARTS FEDERATION/NEA AWARDS IN SCULPTURE.** Through April 16. Sculpture and installations by 10 Southeastern artists. The Atlanta College of Art Gallery. 1280 Peachtree.

**NAKED DESIRES.** Through April 18. Arts

Exchange resident artist Martha Ferrer's oil paintings suggest the desperate ordeals of women attempting to conform to social desires. 750 Kalb St. 624-4211.

**BREAKING THE CODE.** April 3 thru 25. Onstage Atlanta presents Hugh Whitmore's play about the life of Alan Turing, the Englishman who broke the Nazi "Enigma" code during WWII and was broken by societal prejudice and homophobia. Thurs.-Sat. 8 pm, Sun. matinees on April 5 & 12 at 2:30pm. 420 Courtland. 897-1802.

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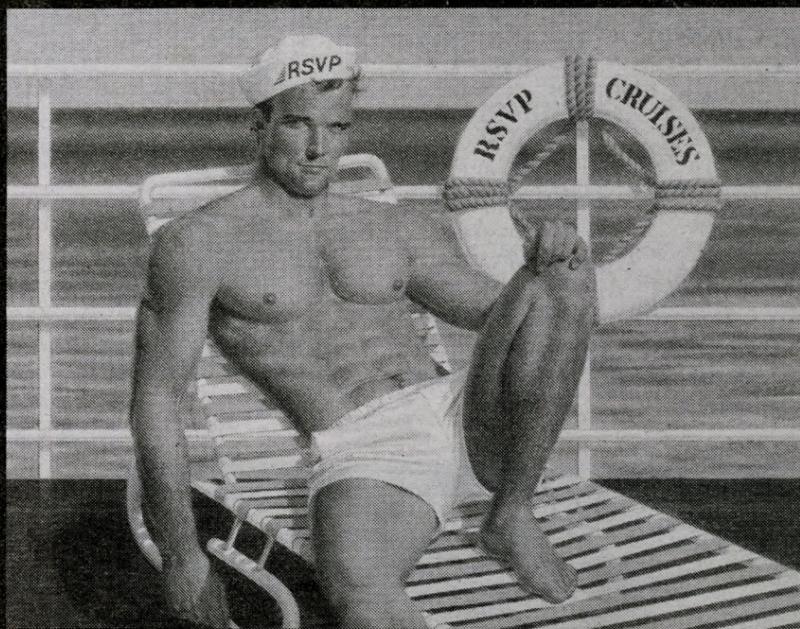
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One of the greatest pleasures of living in Atlanta is the large community of gays and lesbians who have chosen to make Atlanta home. There is power in numbers and with continued effort, we will make even greater gains. But it is always nice to dream of things which we do not have, things which are just beyond our reach. One of these would be our own radio station.

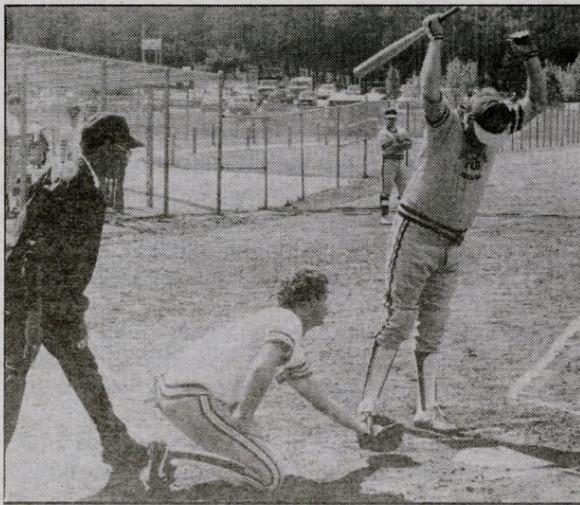
Wouldn't it be nice to wake up to the voice of a kindred spirit rather than the sexist, homophobic rantings of ratings crazed disc jockeys? While this scenario of a gay owned and operated radio station has yet to be realized, we can all enjoy a tantalizing taste of what it might be like as the Atlanta Gay Mens' Chorus presents the second concert of their 10th Anniversary season, "WGAY Radio."

The program is a musical exploration of the possibilities present by a hypothetical all gay radio station. It will focus on the weekend, with dedications to chorus members in long term relationships on the Saturday evening portion of the show. On Sunday morning, gospel music will take center stage. (Will there be a salute to Vestal Goodman looking for a city?)

Also on Sunday, we will be treated to a blast from the past via an Oldies tribute featuring a salute to the original

## AFTER HOURS

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dreamgirls, the Supremes. Concluding the radio broadcast will be songs of Gay Pride. Special guests of the Chorus include Hal Gresham and Leigh McClelland along with a nine piece band. The date for this musical event is Sunday, March 29th, with two shows, a matinee at 4:00 pm and a later show at 8:00 pm. Tickets are available at the Woodruff Arts Center Box Office or a handy chorus member for \$10.00 advance or \$12.00 on the day of the show. The location for both performances will be the 14th Street Playhouse. For further information call 892-2414.

One of the country's most sought after stand-up comics, Paula Poundstone will appear at the Center Stage Theatre on Saturday, March 28th at 8:00 pm. Given the current

plethora of cable shows featuring stand-up comedy, it is impossible not to see Paula at least once a week while flipping through the channels. Her distinctive voice and confident approach have helped to keep her among the top female comics working today. Her live show should prove even funnier and more on the cutting edge than her TV appearances. Tickets are \$17.75 and available through TicketMaster at 249-6400 or the Center Stage Box Office at 873-2500.

Another young woman making quite a name for herself, k.d. lang, is featured in the film, "Salmonberries," which will be shown at the High Museum on Wednesday, April 1. The film is directed by Percy Adlon, and the screening of "Salmonberries" opens a series of films by Adlon. On Wednesday, May 13, his film "Sugarbabies," will be shown at the Goethe Institute in Colony Square. The following week, May 20, "Bagdad Cafe" will be presented. Both "Sugarbabies" and "Bagdad Cafe" feature the wonderful Marianne Sagebrecht.

After the screening of "Salmonberries," Dr. David Cook, who is the director of Film Studies at Emory will discuss the series of films by Adlon. Other films in the series include short documentaries. For further information, call the Goethe Institute at 892-2388.

In the news from the bars, Incognito is the place to unwind, after a long day at work as well as the place to meet old friends and new ones. Don't forget Leigh McClelland sings there on Wednesday night.

The party people at Petrus are aiming for an early April opening of Limelight II, which should stir many fond memories of the original in Buckhead. I'm getting the inside scoop on the revamped interior later this week from decorator Michael Schmidt.

On the theatre scene, I hope to be at Actor's Express in Inman Park this weekend to catch "Traps" by Caryl Churchill. Plan now and make your reservations by calling 221-0831. And no, the nudity in this play is not my only reason for going, thank you. It is one reason, but not the only one.

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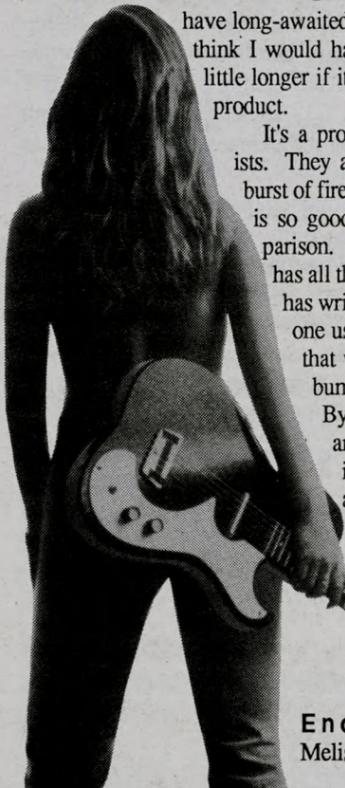
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MUSIC REVIEWS

**Melissa Etheridge and k.d. lang**



have long-awaited releases out this month. I think I would have been willing to wait a little longer if it would have improved the product.

It's a problem with bright new artists. They appear on the scene with a burst of fireworks and their first album is so good, later ones dim by comparison. After all, the first release has all the best songs the performer has written in her life. The second one usually has a few good ones that wouldn't fit on the first album and some new material.

By the third album, the songs are being written on the road, in between concert dates, and while the new releases may display greater technical expertise, they lack the hunger and drive of the first one.

**"Never Enough,"** Melissa's new album, contains

several of the songs we heard at RhythmFest last year. As promised, the songs on the new album are happier, more centered and less self-pitying than past ones, but they lack the raw, wailing energy that we love in Melissa.

I think the problem may be more a matter of production than the songs themselves. More instrumentation has added a softness to the finished product, but it has also swallowed Melissa's voice, which used to be the main component of her music.

The piano is a lovely addition. It makes her music sound more civilized, but the primal snarls are gone, and the range of her emotions are dampened by the spun sugar arrangements. Several cuts on the album are just plain pretty songs, but we look to Ms. Etheridge for more than superficial beauty.

For hard core Melissa fans, this album still contains enough of the essential ingredients that they should not be too dissatisfied. Some of the music is danceable. One cut even sounds like it's crossing the hip hop line into house music, but we have lots of music to move our feet. We expect Melissa to move our souls.

When I went in to buy k.d. lang's new tape, "Ingenué," I asked the sales clerk how it was. "It's playing over the store speakers right now," she replied. "You're kidding," I said, "this is k.d. lang?"

I hoped maybe it was just the one cut I heard in the store that didn't sound much like the old lang, but when I got it home, I found cut after cut of nice but rather unremarkable music. It sounded like she had been using Cris Williamson for a role model. The songs were all soft and sweet with that mesmerizing mediocrity that puts Williamson's fans to sleep when they hear her in concert.

k.d.'s country twang was gone. No more howls or yodels. This album is so far from the country line, I do not think it could even be considered cross-over. It is just k.d., pondering the meaning of life, love and co-dependency.

The lovely lyrics are mostly lost in the over-instrumentation of layered violins with the occasional pedal steel breaking the drone of the vibraphone. There is too much dressing and not enough salad underneath.

k.d.'s voice seems more technically perfect than before. Her control and pacing are good, but the careful modulation masks the missing emotion that we have come to expect. The heart and soul of the songs are gone, and while technical performance is important, it cannot make up for the missing passion. The album is flat, without strong ups and downs. k.d. has moved from the cutting edge and her music has slipped into a comfortable groove that pleases but does not delight.

"So Shall It Be" is perhaps the most beautiful ballad on the album. It is strong with the certainty of unrevealed love. "Wash Me Clean" has a dreamy guitar solo that is truly lovely. But "Miss Chatelaine" is a silly bit of salsa more appropriate to ballroom dance lessons than two-steppin'.

I expect a lot from these women. I believe that they are two of the most talented women making music today. I hope both these women get to take a little time off and have more of themselves to put into their music. That's why we buy their albums, and we'd like to get our money's worth.

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If, like me, you haven't journeyed out Buford Highway for a couple of years, you need to make the trip. What was once quintessential working class white Americana (sprinkled with Hispanic influence) has become a mini extravaganza of Pacific rim capitalism—still sprinkled with Hispanic influence. Among the miles of Chinese insurance agencies, Korean video stores and Vietnamese groceries are a wealth of Asian eateries.

Herewith a quick visit to two: one of the best and one quite ordinary.

OK, maybe it's not fair to call the **Saigon Restaurant** (4051-A Buford Highway, 634-2419) "ordinary." The portions are decent, the prices are low and the food is generally quite tasty. If the place were in my neighborhood, I'd probably eat there often. The trouble here is that there are other Vietnamese restaurants that do the same thing better—Bien Thuy (also on Buford Highway), Le Lai (Cheshire Bridge) and Di Nam (in south Sandy Springs), for instance.

The single, large, rectangular dining room is plain but comfortable enough; a Vietnamese version of Barry Manilow wafts through the air. The menu offers nearly 100 choices, but many are simply repeated variations on a particular theme; noodles with beef; noodles with pork; noodles with shrimp; noodles with two or three of the preceding. Or beef stew on any one of three kinds of noodles—and combinations thereof.

Stick to the basics and you'll likely be pleased, if not overwhelmed. An appetizer of chao tom (minced shrimp made into a ball and deep fried on a stick of sugar cane) comes with rice paper wrappers and a plate of lettuce, cilantro and mint so that you can roll your own summer rolls. Sprinkled with sugar and pepper spiked vinegar, this is far better than the shrimp and pork rolls that come pre-rolled from the kitchen.

The same sweet vinegar, further enlivened with some searing red peppers, elevates a pan-fried cake of rice, shrimp and mung bean sprouts from the doldrums to something worth fighting for. Fish sauce (hidden in a bottle labeled "Soy Sauce") has an equal, if somewhat more jarring, effect.

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The table is laden with a considerable array of condiments that sometimes tease and sometimes sear the tongue; unfortunately our server showed no interest in helping us wend our way through the maze.

Slightly sweet-hot and laced with cardamom, the aforementioned "fresh beef stew" (bo kho) was the most challenging entree that we tried. Substitute water buffalo for the beef, darken the broth a bit, and you'd have a pretty close replica to the stuff that I ate in Viet Nam during the late unpleasantness there.

Had anyone in Viet Nam ever offered to feed me noodles and veggies with charbroiled pork slices (bun thit nuong), I might have fonder memories of the place. Saigon Restaurant's rendition of this simple classic is decent, but lacks the sparkle of the same dish at, say, Le Lai. Ditto a platter of sauteed chicken and ginger root.

Those failings noted, we still ate every morsel and happily paid less than \$10 a head for more than enough food.

Far easier to recommend is **Yen Jing** (5302 Buford Highway, 454-6688), a Chinese restaurant that caters heavily to Koreans. (No, Virginia, it is not the only restaurant in town to do so. Just down the road, Pung Mie also serves complimentary kim chee and other pickled Korean treats before the meal.)

Yen Jing is new, clean, and tastefully decorated—with the glaring exception of a jarring neon peach stuck in the back of the second dining room. At lunch the place serves a clientele of suited business types of all races; dinner brings out big Asian families complete with kids. Emulate the latter (with or without the cherubs) so that you can sample as many dishes as possible.

By all means start with dumplings. Boiled, steamed, or fried—filled with chopped pork, bits of scallion and who

knows what else—they are as light and delicate as a cloud. If you're one of the millions who has wondered "why no bread?" in Chinese restaurants, then also order some "pan fried Chinese rolls," great puffy loaves of rice dough that has been steamed and then fried. Could this be bad? No way.

Listed as an appetizer salad, roast chicken five flavors turns out to be half a chicken, roasted with five spices, and hacked into convenient sized pieces. All that even vaguely resembles "salad" on the plate are some slices of pickled cucumber which provide a nice foil to the sweetish chicken. The only possible criticism I can make is that the dish is a better entree than appetizer. Yum!

Far more assertive is san shan seafood noodle, a bowl of incendiary broth packed with noodles, mushrooms, other veggies, shrimp, scallops and sea cucumber. Don't let the presence of the latter dissuade you; chunks of the gelatinous creature add a smoky flavor to the pot and can easily be picked around as you eat. Just be careful not to take more than a small sip of the fiery liquid at any one time and you'll love it.

The other absolute "must" here is the chef special tofu—evanescent cakes of bean curd in a mild sauce spiked with vegetables. What's so special about the tofu—it tastes like it has been sauteed in bacon fat—probably yields a dish inappropriate for vegetarians, but only serves to makes it the tastiest tofu I've ever eaten. Other, untried, tofu offerings probably avoid the pork trap, but ask before ordering.

Which points out what may be Yen Jing's biggest failing, its lack of original vegetable dishes. Aside from a boring take on baby bok choy, a sauteed vegetable delight is the only standard offering. Platters of wokked snow peas and asparagus are available for the asking, but neither approaches the level of excellence that characterizes almost every dish that contains animal flesh of one type or another.

Prices are not particularly low, but portions are huge, so plenty of food can be had for \$10-12 when dining with a group of four or more. Some of the staff are helpful and easy to engage while others act as if they are on another planet. Even their inattention isn't enough to keep Yen Jing from being a must-try if you are a fan of Chinese food.

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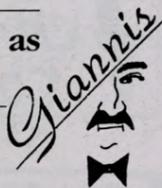
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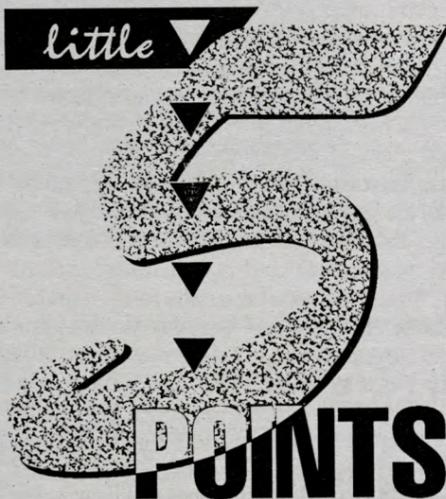
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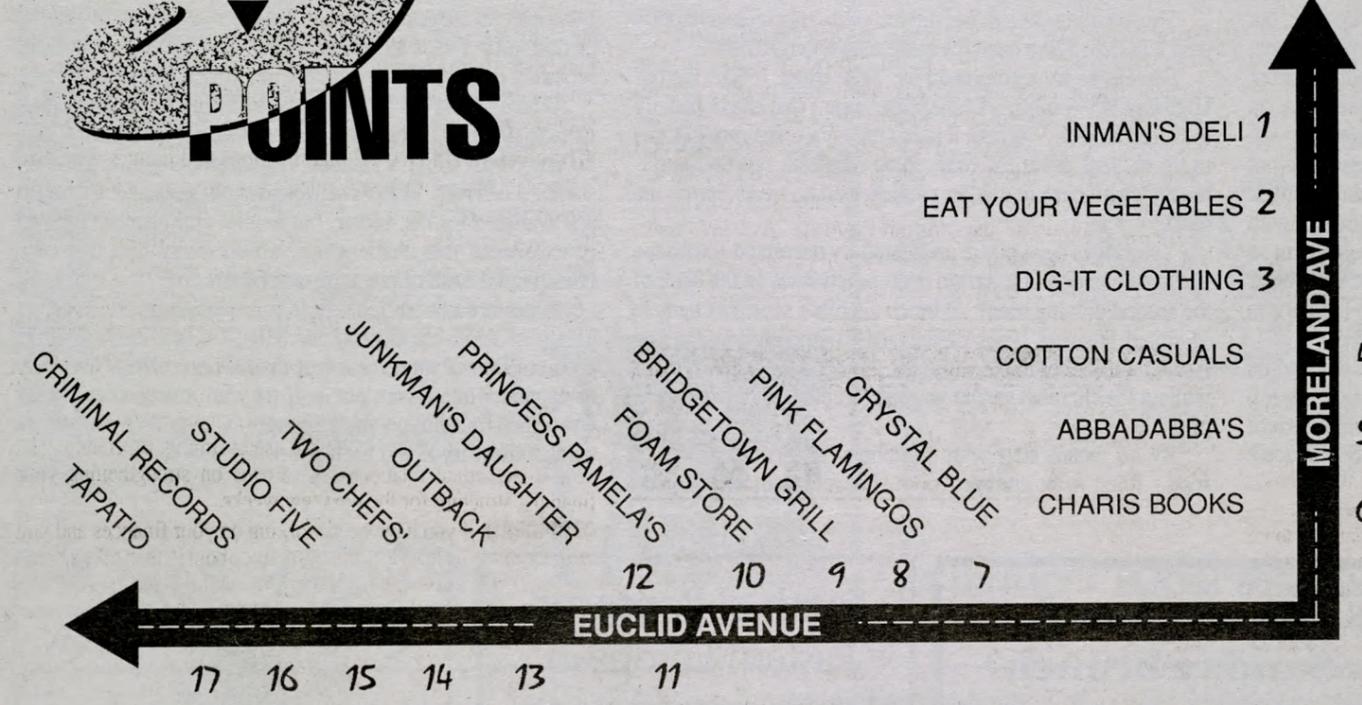
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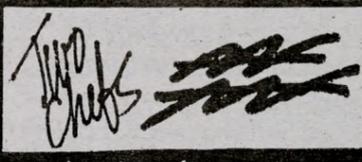


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**Strange Bedfellows:** Dish has never particularly thought of local shock-and-schlock commentator Neal Boortz as a friend of the family. But sometimes we'll take our allies where we can find them. In his March 14 column in Creative Loafing, Boortz opines that he "would rather live under a Communist dictatorship than a dictatorship run by Southern Baptists." No minor admission coming from one who could be viewed as one of the three original Capitalists from Hell. And no coincidence that it came only a week after so many Southern Baptists aired their bigoted sheets for all to see during the final hour of the WSB series "The Closet Minority."

**NOT!:** A couple of months ago Dish wrote that the Girl Scouts of America have a non-discrimination policy that includes sexual orientation—thus, in theory, making the GSA a happy and healthy place for dykes of all ages. "Not so" writes a regular reader who refers to regular "lesbian purges" at G. Scout camps. "What happens is a lesbian will get into an administrative position, and a number of other lesbian staff will come to work at the camp. Then somebody straight gets threatened and there's an investigation, and ALL the lesbians are fired. Maybe there's no explicit written policy against lesbians, but using some sort of vague moral fitness clause, the Girl Scouts have been practicing bigotry for many, many years." Any other ex-Scouts have similar experiences?

**Coming Attractions:** Ever had the yearning to know more about Oliver North? No, not the kind of pap that filled the pages of his unapologetic autobiography, the real Ollie North, the one who actually likes lesbians and gay men. (Dish will believe that when we see it.) When hell freezes over, you say. Nay, nay. You need only wait until the March 24 issue of The Advocate to learn more about what one of the 20th century's greatest criminals. More enlightening, we trust, will be The Advocate's interview with Magic Johnson, coming up in the April 7 issue.

# Dish

THERE'S A FINE LINE BETWEEN TELLING THE TRUTH AND TALKING TRASH



**Reason Number 812:** To move to San Francisco that is. Even with a supposedly liberal and supportive Mayor here in Atlanta, getting gays and lesbians involved in municipal politics has been a little like getting milk from a bull. Not so in San Francisco where conservative mayor (and former police chief) Frank Jordan has appointed a drag queen named Empress Char (pictured) to the city by the bay's Fire Commission. Char (who reigned as Empress of the Imperial Court in '78) is otherwise known as Charles Morrow, the owner of a hair salon and a

tavern in the Tenderloin district. Reasoned fellow queen "The Widow Norton," "Maybe it would have been more appropriate to appoint 'Flame' who was one of our past Empresses."

**Bee Bashing:** The news that the current President of these United States keeps toys in his office made us feel kind of soft and mushy. But only until we found out that his latest fave is a mechanical bumblebee that whirs around on the floor until the Commander in Chief takes to pounding it on its head with a plastic mallet. Once thus abused the bee lets out a shriek and scurries away from its abusive master. Sure makes us feel safe and secure; how about you?

**Friend or Foe?:** The March 16 issue of Newsweek (check the library or a friend's magazine discard pile) contained a short but frank interview with ousted NEA chair John Frohnmayer that almost makes the man sound human—quite a trick given his willingness to compromise artistic integrity (especially when it was queer art) in the face of political pressure.

**No Doubt:** While Frohnmayer's behavior and words leave room for doubt, the actions of Tim Miller and Holly Hughes (both of whom lost grants under Frohnmayer) in co-founding the National Fund for Lesbian and Gay Artists make a clear and concise statement about their commitment to seeing that high quality queer art gets recognized and funded. The NFLGA has just awarded eight \$1000 fellowships for a variety of lesbian and gay projects—two of which are not on the West Coast! Funds for the fellowships came from an auction of works by lesbian and gay artists. That's what Dish calls taking care of your own.

**While We're on Art...** Congratulations to Atlanta's very own 7 Stages Theatre for being selected to present their powerful performance of "Waiting for Godot" at the International Samuel Beckett Festival in The Hague, Netherlands this April. It's the first American production ever invited to the prestigious event.

**March 26 - April 1, 1992**

HOORAY! Spring is here Fa-la, Fa-la and hopefully everyone is Outside enjoying the Sun, fresh air and the unsurpassed beauty of Atlanta in bloom. Mercury is retrograde through April 10th, so be patient if there is a screw-up in written communications or telephone messages and be as clear and concise as you can.

Dear Impulsive **ARIES**, if you feel a serious need to do something risky, try to plan something fun and playful rather than letting the pressure build and catch up with you when you aren't looking. Do something new and different to satisfy your need for adventure. Happy Birthday, **TAURUS**! This is your time of year, so be sure and take time to revel in the beauty and sensuality of the season. You are at your best when you are close to the Earth. **GEMINI**, this is the time to Spring forward into well-planned optimistic activity. Your creative skills and inherent networking abilities are absolutely needed in many places, so forge ahead with unlimited faith and trust in yourself.

Sensitive and empathetic **CANCER**, you can benefit by seeking the advice of a dear friend who may be somewhat older and wiser, but do not let them make up your mind for you. You also may meet

## STARSIGNS

someone special and wonderfully supportive very soon. Meanwhile, beloved **LEOs**, as you come out of the closet in your full-blown regal expression, do be aware of the more receptive signs as they may not be quite as expressive as yourself. Also seek out a **VIRGO**, if you need help with details and creative organization. However, all **VIRGOs** need to TRUST their instincts and higher guidance before taking on new projects or jumping with both feet into a spectacular relationship. Give it some time!

Just ask any **LIBRA** person and they will agree that while romance is nice and affairs of the heart are often extremely satisfying, the emotional wear and tear can be extensive. So, Libra, let's take a nice, deep cleansing breath and relax for a moment. All **SCORPIOs**, pat yourselves on the back and just consider for a moment exactly

how much you have grown in the past few years. Your life will sort itself out and gradually calm down, so please be patient. However, dear **SAGITTARIUS**, you are not known for your patience, so it is important to trust your excellent sense of timing, especially right now in regard to relationships. Focus on strengthening your financial structure for the next few weeks.

**CAPRICORN**, if you have been working on your finances and you are becoming the least little bit obsessive about it, then take a break and let the Universe carry the ball for a while. Also do your best to create general goals for yourself, rather than detailed ones.

**AQUARIUS**, you may need more personal time right now to evaluate and take stock of your life and look at your long-term goals. Try to define your needs clearly, especially with people who are close to you. And **PISCES**, this may be a good time to let that special person come a little closer to your heart, and remember, it is perfectly acceptable to let it happen s-l-o-w-l-y.

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**ONCE FINALLY THERE, THE SISTERS' COUNSEL WAS FAIRLY SIMPLE...**  
 IF OUR FRIENDS THINK WE ARE IN THEIR HIP POCKET, THEY WON'T BE OUR FRIENDS FOR LONG. WHY NOT VOTE FOR THE MAYOR'S RIGHT WING CHALLENGERS? AND WORK HARD NEXT TIME TO ELECT A PROGRESSIVE WHOM YOU TRUST, AND WHO KNOWS WHAT YOU'RE CAPABLE OF WHEN THAT TRUST IS BETRAYED...  
 MY GOD, WHERE DID SHE GET THOSE AWFUL PUMPS...  
 HER ADVICE MAKES SENSE THO'  
 SHE'S LINCOLN SQUARE EVEN.

**NOW, THE SISTERS DON'T LIKE WISCONSIN MUCH, BECAUSE THE BUTTER FAT CONTENT OF ICE CREAM THERE POSES A NASTY CHALLENGE TO THEIR DIETARY EFFORTS.. NEVERTHELESS THEY FELT GAY MILWAUKEE NEEDED A LIFT.**  
 WE'LL BE THERE AS SOON AS WE CAN.  
 HOW 'BOUT A WALK, HATDOG?

**AND WITH THAT BIT OF UGLINESS TAKEN CARE OF, THE SISTERS DEPARTED. WHEN LAST SEEN THEY WERE FLOATING ACROSS LAKE MICHIGAN ON A BARGE OARED BY HUNKY MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY BOYS...**

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**A COUPLE OF TANQUERAY AND TONICS AWAITED THEM AT SAUGATUCK.**  
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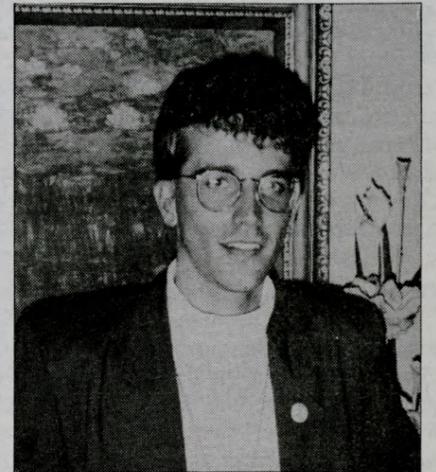
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## OUTLINES

**ROB HARLOW****Age:** 23**How Long in Atlanta:** 15 years**Relationship Status:** single**Last Book Read:** "The Life and Times of  
Harvey Milk" by Randy Shilts**Pet Peeve:** Bigotry and hatred

Rob Harlow is definitely part of the post-Stonewall generation. While only 23, he's out and proud and not afraid to talk about it. In a bold step this past fall, he decided to inform the entire Berry College student body (where he is a senior), through an article in the college newspaper that he is gay. Yet what was most striking about his article was not that it was confessional, but that it was a rallying call for fellow Berry students to come out of the closet. "I feel that homophobia exists at Berry because more lesbians and gays have not come out," he states.

Some of Rob's inner strength stems from a handicap he has had all his life. He is hearing impaired. "When I was young I got used to being discriminated against, not just by my fellow students but by teachers as well." However, it is no longer a focal point of discrimination in his life.

Rob is fond of making statements. The t-shirt he chose to wear at the interview read: "Nobody Knows I'm Gay." And he wore at least two earrings. But the earrings do not distract from his clean-cut, guy-next-door looks or his articulate enthusiasm with which he speaks. Even with the most difficult of topics, Rob's green eyes never seem to lose their friendly warmth.

"I'm not bitter or anything about my childhood—since I was hearing-impaired. There was much more inner turmoil for me because once I became a teenager I knew I was gay, but didn't know what to do about it." But by age 19, he knew "what to do" and came out to his brothers, "who were extremely supportive," he says. At the time he was attending DeKalb College and he also came out to colleagues. Rob feels that coming out "is the most powerful and empowering thing a person can do."

So when he transferred to Berry College at his junior year and found himself back in the closet because of Berry's conservative atmosphere, he decided he would change things. "I chose Berry for academic reasons first and foremost because I'm a psychology major and Berry has a good department and has a reputation for being a fine school."

Rob mentions his 4.0 average almost as an afterthought. After a semester of covering up his gay identity, he decided following Christ-

mas break to come out to his friends as he puts it, "one by one. And," he recalls, "to my surprise, the reaction was overwhelmingly positive." Rob found even his fundamentalist friends accepted him for what he is.

Last summer, Rob brought his personal activism to Atlanta and expanded it by joining Queer Nation. "I felt I was being a hypocrite, sitting around and complaining about prejudice so I decided to do something about it." Rob refers to Queer Nation not only as a "committed, dedicated group of people," but as his "second family."

Dreading his return to conservative Berry after a summer of activism, Rob decided to take the step and write a guest column in the student newspaper, outing himself and discussing homophobia on campus. "One guy came up to me and said he used to hate gays, but that my article had made him reconsider and it had changed his mind. He even shook my hand."

Almost all of the reactions, from both faculty and student body were favorable. In his article, Rob challenges other closeted students to come out, to "dispel the fears and insecurities...and be brave and self confident."

From that point on there was no turning back. Rob brought a male-escort to the fall semi-formal dance. "No one had ever done this before," he recalls, "and of course there were some whispers and stares but not any more than about other people's dates. I even slow-danced with my partner and it wasn't a problem."

In a time when there is increasing violence against lesbians and gays, it is encouraging to listen to one person who has affected positive change all around him. If Rob is only one of a small army of courageous young people like him across the country, this decade will truly become the "Gay '90s."

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## IN THE LIFE

**WORDSMITH SOCIETY****Type of Organization:** Social/Support Group  
**Founded:** 1991**Members:** Avg. 10 people per meeting**Recent Accomplishments:** Establishing officers and a membership fund**Future Events:** Meeting March 28 at Peachtree Library**Contact Information:** 15 Standish Ave. NW #12, Atlanta, GA 30309 (404) 892-2815

The Wordsmith Society is a gay and lesbian writers' group which meets twice a month; once at the Peachtree Library for business and once at a member's home for a potluck and socializing. Ron DeNardo established the Wordsmith Society after having belonged to other writers' groups whose lack of enthusiasm frustrated him. "Sometimes people wouldn't show up or would be unmotivated," he explains. He is encouraged by this group, though it is moving at its own pace. "Right now it's just sharing," says DeNardo. "I think once we begin to know each other better we'll take criticism better."

At the business meeting, members are encouraged to read their work aloud to the group. In this way, members get experience with formal readings, even standing behind a podium, "so people get used to talking in front of groups," says DeNardo. After the reading, a writer may ask for critique from the group members if he or she is interested.

The Wordsmith Society is a fairly new organization, and it is made up of primarily beginning writers with high expectations. As a result of announcements in *Creative Loafing*, they occasionally get calls from heterosexual writers. "I don't want to restrict it to just gay people," says founder Ron DeNardo, "we're writers first." But DeNardo admits that once he explains that the group is primarily gay, most of the straight people who call don't show up.

DeNardo and another member are attending Outwrite '92 this year with the hope of bringing back some national contacts for the group. As an organization, their goal is to get opportunities for each individual to have work published and, in addition, to put together a yearly anthology of their own work.



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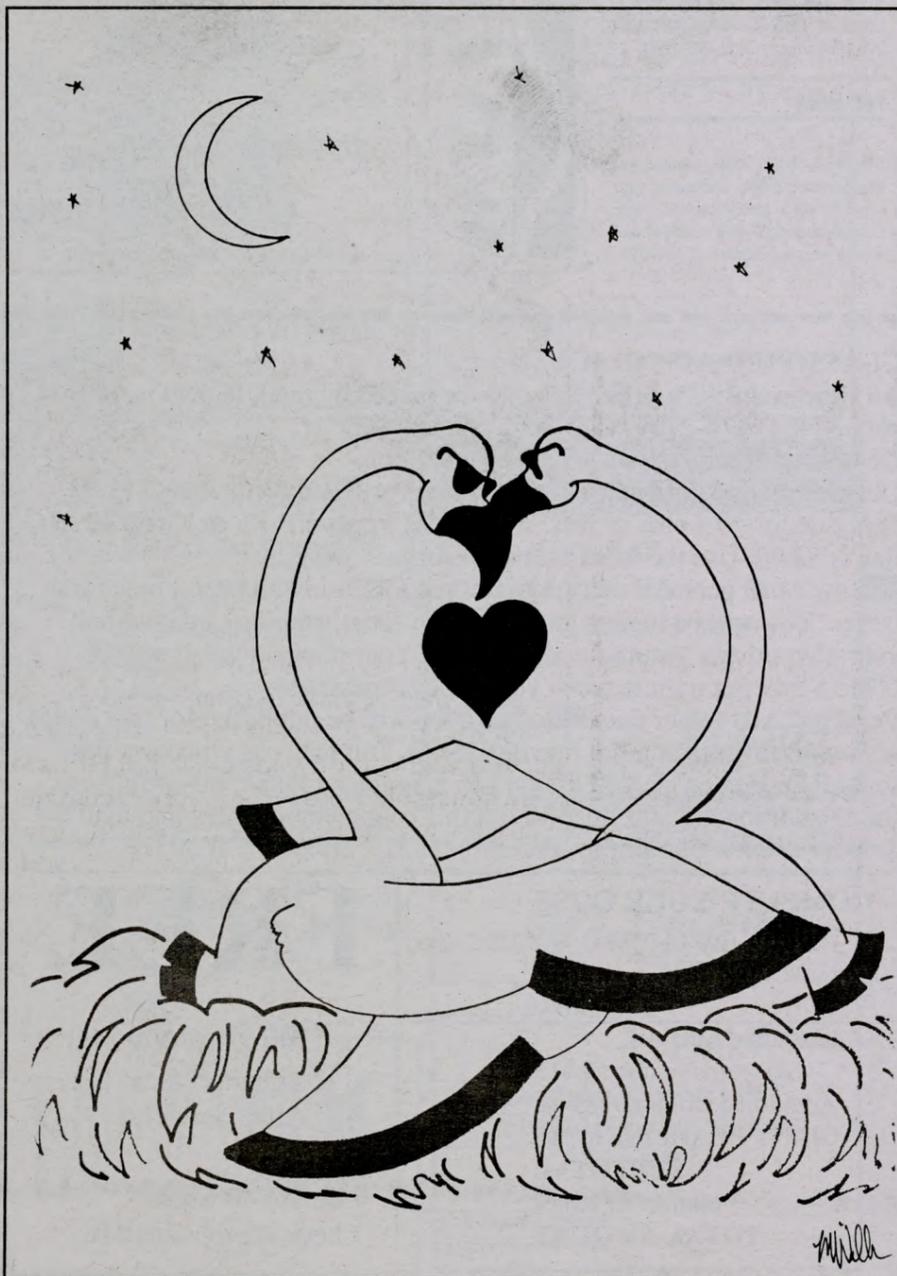
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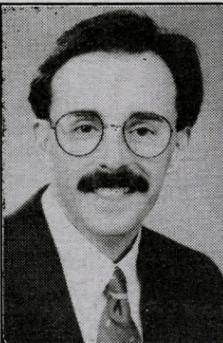
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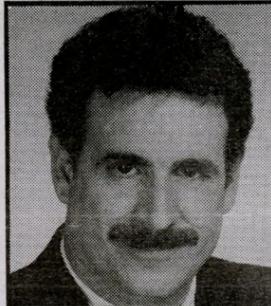
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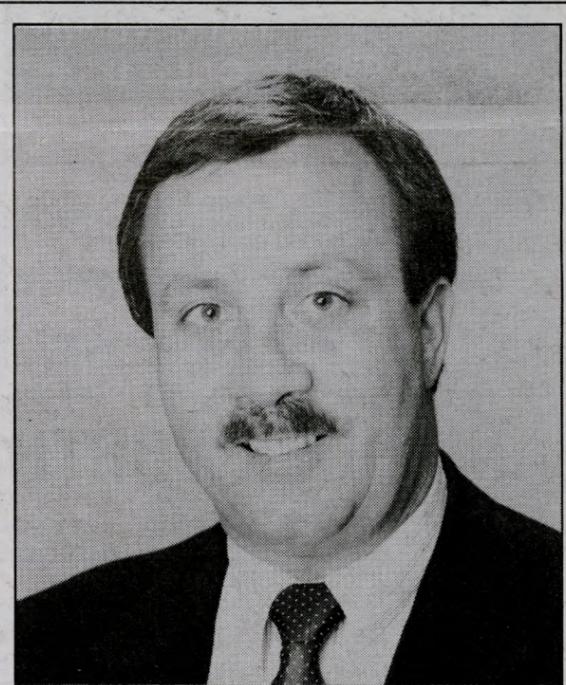


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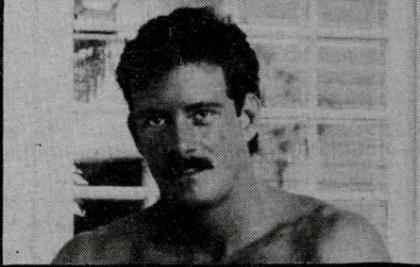
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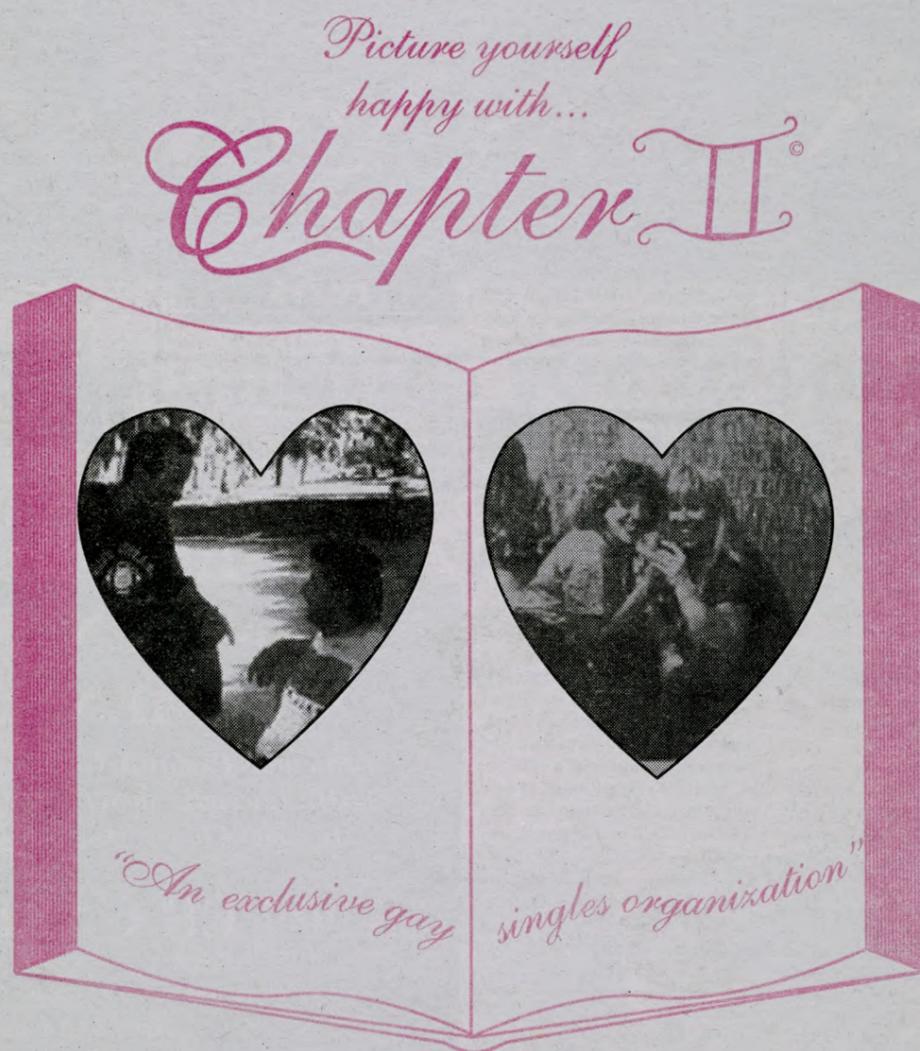
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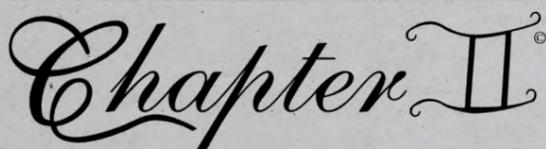
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