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# OUT FOR GOOD



Amanda Bearse, openly lesbian co-star of "Married...With Children," takes a break from straight comedy to chair National Coming Out Day, host the gay and lesbian comic special "Out There II," and serve as a high-profile role model

by PAMELA EVANS

The last calm moment for Amanda Bearse in the past year may have been when the "Married...With Children" star made the decision to come out during an interview with *The Advocate*. Since then, the part-time Georgia resident—the only open lesbian playing a regular role on network television—has been caught up in an exhausting swirl of attention and requests from the media and the gay and lesbian community.

Speaking from a car phone in Los Angeles, where she is filming the ninth season of the Fox sitcom, Bearse summarizes her coming out and its aftermath: "It's certainly been quite a year."

After going public about her sexuality, Bearse suddenly found herself an unofficial spokesperson for the gay and lesbian community. People looked to her to understand and perhaps emulate her courage in coming out. Partly because she is a lesbian who looks like the girl next door, partly because she is a success in her chosen field, Bearse became an overnight role model to show off to non-gay family and friends.

Bearse understands this desire to let America see gays and lesbians as non-threatening, "regular" human beings. "Research has proven it's easier to discriminate against the unknown," Bearse says. "People are fearful. That's what homophobia is about. When you become more familiar, I think it's harder to

discount us."

Bearse's latest incarnation as role model comes with her job as national chairperson for National Coming Out Day (NCOD) on October 11. NCOD, in its seventh year, is a day when gays and lesbians are encouraged to be honest about their sexual orientation to family, friends, and co-workers.

"I'm the poster child," laughs Bearse, referring to NCOD's print ads. In them, the performer states, "I'm not a straight person, but I play one on TV. And that's just where acting belongs—on television or in the movies, not in real life. That's why I stopped acting and came out."

Bearse considers her role as national chairperson as yet another chance to be more visible to non-gay America. "It's taking one more baby step toward making the world safer for all of us," she says.

Included in her activities during NCOD is the job of hosting "Out There II," the second annual gay comedy special airing on Comedy Central October 11.

"It was fun," Bearse says, "although they scared me to death! I'm one of the few people doing sitcoms now who is not a stand-up comic, and I did read the *Advocate* review that said I'm not as funny as Lea DeLaria. Well, I'm not. I mean, it's not my gig, but I had a really good time and it's a very strong show,

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## AIDS Survival Project executive director quits

*Departure is amicable, key staffers say; national search for a replacement begins*

Atlanta—Mark King has resigned as executive director of AIDS Survival Project, becoming the second director at an Atlanta AIDS service agency to resign in recent weeks.

King, whose last day was Sept. 30, had been at the helm of the agency since May 1993, and presided over its shift from the Atlanta chapter of the National Association of People With AIDS to AIDS Survival Project.

Lola Halpen, vice-president of ASP's board of directors, said that King's resignation reflected a solidification of the organization's focus.

"[King] has truly accomplished what he set out to do," Halpen said. "He set out to give us greater visibility in the community and more financial security. And he has done that. That basically leaves the agency with looking at what we need to do next."

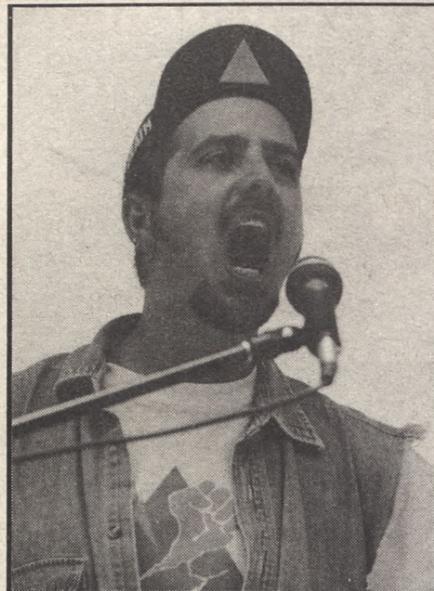
Halpen said the agency will, in the future, put more emphasis on advocacy for people with HIV/AIDS.



Mark King "accomplished what he set out to do," said ASP's Lola Halpen.

"This organization really is in the lead in advocacy," she said. "We have never left it."

King, who worked with the Shanti Foundation in Los Angeles before moving to Atlanta, said that his departure was an amicable one.



Jeff Graham, formerly the ASP's program director, has been named interim executive director.

"It's been brewing collectively—me included—for a long time," he said. "I think I was the man of the hour a year ago when AIDS Survival Project needed to blow its horn and get on its feet. All of those things have been accomplished. I'm not the man of

the hour anymore."

King acknowledged that advocacy was not his strong point, but added that in the future he will "do everything I can to continue supporting the organization."

During his tenure at AIDS Survival Project, the agency began the financially successful Who's Dining Who fundraising project and took a lead role in the advocacy and protests over the home detention of John Kappers, now ASP's board president, when DeKalb County officials learned he had multiple-drug-resistant tuberculosis.

King is uncertain of his future plans but said he intends to remain working in the HIV/AIDS field. Additionally, he will continue serving on the Ryan White Planning Council and as a member of Mayor Bill Campbell's HIV/AIDS advisory board.

Jeff Graham, a longtime member of ACT UP/Atlanta and currently the Project's program director, has been named interim executive director while the board carries on a nationwide search for a new director.

"This organization is very committed to providing the best services for persons with HIV," Graham said. "[AIDS Survival Project] is still here and still very strong."

KC WILDMOON

## Savannah churches push for Cobb-style resolution

Savannah—Another Georgia county has begun grappling with the issue of Cobb County's now infamous "family values" resolution, as some Chatham County churches have sent letters to the county commission asking them to pass an identical resolution for their county.

Several Chatham County commissioners have already spoken out against the resolution in local media, but Savannah gay and lesbian leaders aren't taking any chances.

"When we were battling Wayne County [a nearby county that is the only other locale known to have passed a Cobb-modeled resolution], we were told it would never be brought up in Chatham," said Mark Krueger of Savannah's First City Network. "Now it has."

"For us to assume our opposition is just going to back down is a bad assumption," added Lawrence Marley, another First City Network member.

Five of Chatham's nine commissioners must vote to pass any measure that comes before the board; three, including Commission chair Joe Mahany, have spoken out against it.

"Religious law and civil law are two different things," said commissioner Patrick Shay. "I must separate those religious views from my capacity as a commissioner. I'm elected to uphold civil law, not religious law."

"We'll certainly let the churches speak, and those who oppose [the resolution], and then we'll vote," Mahany said. "The thing has no practical effect, no force of law. But theoretically, in my opinion it puts the government squarely into an activity that is none of our business."

Mahany said that the churches have every right to oppose homosexuality on religious grounds, but that their opposition should be limited to within the church.

"We've got a lot of other things going

on," he said. "I'm hoping my commission will not pass that resolution."

Adding some fuel to the anti-resolution flame may be Savannah's only remaining Olympic venue. The Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games, which has already pulled a preliminary volleyball venue from Cobb County because of the original resolution, recently moved beach volleyball from Tybee Island in Chatham County to Clayton County, leaving the Olympic sailing venue on Georgia's coast. ACOG officials, while not committing to pull that venue from Chatham if the commissioners pass the resolution, did express concern that the county's officials were considering it.

"We would obviously look at it at the relevant time," said ACOG press manager Jayne Pearce. "Hopefully they won't feel the need to do this."

Jon-Ivan Weaver, a co-founder of the successful Olympics Out of Cobb Coalition, pledged his support to Savannah's efforts.

"Olympics Out of Savannah sounds fine with me," he said. "We'll help them however we can help them."

Mahany contended that the resolution and the Olympics were "totally unrelated," but did say that "if ACOG were to pull the sailing event because we passed a resolution like that, then shame on us."

Mahany could not speculate how sentiments were running on the commission, saying that "you never know what nine people with diverse constituencies are going to do."

The effort to bring the issue up in Savannah began on Sept. 7, when Rev. Terry L. Johnson of the Independent Presbyterian Church in Savannah sent out a letter to other churches announcing that his church had sent "a letter of encouragement" to the Cobb County Commission. Johnson also said he had sent a letter to the Chatham County Commissioners asking them to do the same, "and by doing so, stand shoulder to shoulder with

[the Cobb Commissioners]." He asked that other churches consider doing the same.

Letters have begun arriving at the Chatham County offices, largely from members of the Independent Presbyterian Church and the Mustardseed Faith Center. The letter writers say they are seeking to prevent government from allowing health benefits for employees' same-sex partners and allowing schools to mention homosexuality in anything but a negative light.

"I think we are calling for a distinction between what is moral and what is immoral," Johnson told the Associated Press. "It's not

asking for a change, it's asking that change be prevented."

The resolution could come up as early as October 7 at the Chatham County Commission meeting. First City Network is preparing their response, but Marley said that building a cohesive opposition from a large number of community members is a difficult task.

"We're having a hard time getting people to oppose it," he said. People are not wanting to sign their names. But I think this is going to encourage the churches, especially if people stay in the closet."

KC WILDMOON



### Hollywood Hots raises \$1,750 for local AIDS organizations

Veterans of the pre-"don't ask, don't tell" military went to their closets and got out their old uniforms to show support for the Hollywood Hots annual AIDS benefit, held Sept. 10 at the Heretic. This year's USO (Universal Survival Objective) theme was a drag tribute to the variety shows of World War II and included over 30 performing "glamour goddesses." The benefit raised \$1,000 for Jerusalem House and \$750 for AIDS Survival Project. Hollywood Hots presented checks to the two organizations on Oct. 1.

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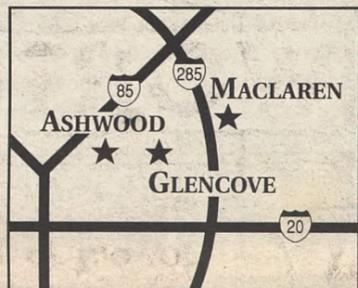
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## Gays work to re-elect Robb

Richmond, VA—While U.S. Sen. Charles S. Robb's position favoring gays in the military may have hurt his image among some voters, it has helped him with others.

Lesbians and gay men in Virginia and across the nation are working to re-elect Robb, whom they regard as a leader who has the courage to condemn discrimination against gays despite the obvious political risks.

The Human Rights Campaign Fund, a national gay political action group based in Washington, has made Robb's campaign against Republican nominee Oliver North one of its top priorities.

"The radical right views Chuck Robb's convictions on lesbian and gay equality as a weakness, and will attempt to use this against him to defeat him," executive director Tim McFeeley said in a letter to members. "We need to prove that Chuck Robb can beat the radical right this year in Virginia."

The fund has contributed the maximum allowable \$10,000 and several members of the fund have held private fund-raisers, McFeeley said.

David Mixner, a gay-rights leader from California, mailed an appeal to several thousand lesbians and gay men nationwide soliciting contributions for Robb.

"We see Ollie North as encouraging hate and intolerance," said Adam Ebbin, chairman of Virginia Partisans, a club for gay and lesbian Democrats. "Robb has said 'Hey, these people exist and they have a right to exist.'"

Robb, a marine commander in Vietnam, has spoken out for efforts to include gay men and lesbians in the military, provided they don't engage in behavior that is disruptive or hurts morale.

North, a marine who also served in Vietnam, has been a strident critic of gays in the military, sending out fund-raising appeals that described President Clinton as "the point man...for the radical homosexual lobby."



Campaign aides to Sen. Charles Robb say the incumbent is not retreating from his support for gay rights.

Robb's campaign staff has offered Robb's position as evidence that the incumbent Democrat is willing to take a stand on matters of principle.

"He's going to do what he thinks is right, whether or not it's popular," Robb spokesman Bert Rohrer said.

On the campaign trail, Robb doesn't address gay issues directly but occasionally mentions "human rights." His campaign literature doesn't mention lesbians and gay men in the military.

But gay and lesbians activists say they understand why Robb has not been more outspoken in recent months.

"I don't expect to hear a detailed analysis of his support for us," said Carl Archaki, a member of the Richmond Democratic Committee. "What he has done is admirable."

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## Greenville residents continue fighting home for people with AIDS

Greenville, SC—A Greenville city board has placed another obstacle in front of a group home for people with AIDS and other terminal illnesses that has been trying to move into a downtown neighborhood.

The Greenville Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeal changed the classification of Stephen's House from a multi-family dwelling to a convalescent home Sept. 23. The new classification will require Project Care, which runs Stephen's House, to reapply to the board before opening, chairman Neil Rabon said.

Zoning administrator Kim Jones originally ruled the home was a multi-family dwelling, and could open in a Greenville historic district.

Attorney Robbie Childs argued for the changed classification.

"This has nothing to do with whether the

people there have HIV/AIDS or cancer," Childs said. "It has to do with the planned use for the premises."

In August, neighboring residents complained about Stephen's House moving into their neighborhood and attempted to block it.

Project Care president Joey Hudson said the Sept. 23 ruling will not affect the scheduled October opening of Stephen's House.

"We're not on hold," Hudson said. "We're going to continue with our plans."

Project Care director Judith Ewing said the city residents' fight against Stephen's House is very frustrating.

"I've seen so many people die in isolation," she said. "I don't want people dying like that."

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## NC Pride PAC to hold political workshop

Greensboro, N.C.—N.C. Pride PAC for Lesbian and Gay Equality will host a one-day conference called "Organizing for Change: An Educational Workshop on the Legislative Political Process" on Saturday, October 15, at the Bur-Mil Club in Greensboro.

"This workshop is a key piece of the overall strategy to educate and empower our community," said Pride PAC Executive Director Derek Charles Livingston. "For gays and lesbians to achieve our rights, we have to be knowledgeable about the system and be pre-

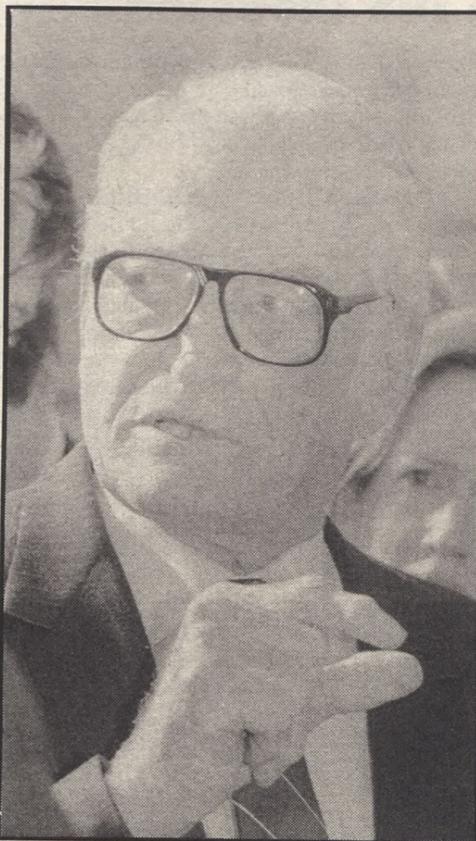
pared to make it work for us."

The workshop is designed to teach lesbians, gays and bisexuals in North Carolina about the General Assembly, lobbying as a constituent, mobilizing local communities around gay and lesbian issues, and building bridges to supportive communities.

"Organizing for Change" is open to all residents of North Carolina and the cost is \$5.00, which includes lunch. To attend, contact NC Pride PAC at (919) 829-0343.

## Goldwater Blasts Religious Right:

Barry Goldwater, onetime Republican presidential candidate and conservative leader, is continuing to push for an end to the radical right's campaign against gay men and lesbians. "We're living in a period now—and I don't like it any more than some of you—where we're seeing religion trying to creep back into politics," the former senator told an audience at the Working Toward Hate-Free Communities conference in Arizona Sept. 23. Goldwater praised Thomas Jefferson for "keeping religion out of our constitution and out of our political lives, and we should be forever grateful to him for it." In a recent Washington Post column, Goldwater called for passage of the proposed Employment Non-Discrimination Act and wrote, "It's time America realized that there was no gay exemption in the right to 'life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness' in the Declaration of Independence."



Country club Republican Barry Goldwater, unexpected spokesman for gay rights.

### Testimony Hints Jealousy Was Motive For Lesbian Murder:

Glenda Johnson testified during the murder trial of her former lover, Penny Brummer, that Brummer had never accepted Johnson's lifelong friendship with the victim, Sarah Gonstead. "[Brummer] said that she felt we were spending too much time together," Johnson said. Brummer is accused of killing Gonstead with a single shot to the back of the head around March 14 and leaving her body in a wooded area in the town of Cross Plains, Wis. The trial is being held in Madison.

**Gay Cop To Return To Work:** Springfield, Mass., will rehire a gay policeman, settling his claim that he was barred from returning because of discrimination. Michael Carney, who worked as a city policeman from 1979 to 1984, was dismissed during a departmental drug scandal but was never charged with any wrongdoing. The state Supreme Court later ordered his reinstatement, but he had another job at the time. When he reapplied in 1992, he was turned down. Carney lodged a complaint with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, and the commission found probable cause in March to believe that he was discriminated against. The settlement was announced Sept. 22. The city is not admitting discrimination under the terms of the agreement.

**Church Bars Gay Chorus From Auditorium:** A Lutheran minister in York, Pa., has refused to allow a traveling chorus of gay singers to perform a holiday concert in his church. The Rev. Gordon Ross, pastor of St. Matthew's Church, said the Harrisburg Men's Chorus adds a political undertone to its concerts by advertising its sexual orientation. "We're not trying to be tough on homosexuals or lesbians," Ross said. "That's not our purpose. But what they want is contrary to the teachings of our church." The chorus, which has performed at Carnegie Hall, has tentatively arranged to have the December concert at St. Luke's Methodist Church, whose pastor, the Rev. Richard Ryan, said they are "great musicians." "As for their lifestyle," Ryan said, "it's not my place to judge them."

**Judge Booted From Civil Rights Cases:** A veteran federal judge who has offended just about everybody has agreed to stop taking civil rights cases after a Circuit Court of Appeals Council began investigating disciplinary complaints against him. U.S. District Court Judge A. Andrew Hauk of Los Angeles has referred to lawyers for a victim's family as "boobs," said that women have historically been under the hypnotic control of men "especially where sex is concerned" and that they "have their monthly problem, which upsets them emotionally;" and complained about "all these faggots from Cuba we're letting in" during an immigration case. Following the Judicial Council's investigation into complaints about the 82-year-old Hauk, a legal newspaper reported that Hauk was "very penitent" and said he had "promised to be careful to avoid such conduct in the future."

**Vandalized Statues Restored At Stanford:** Four months after Stanford University athletes vandalized a sculpture entitled Gay Liberation, the restored statues are back in place and almost as good as new. On May 16, white paint was poured over the four statues, and a bench was wedged between two male figures. Six student athletes were punished by the school but still face vandalism charges in the case. Two football players accused of participating in the vandalism, outside linebacker Jason White and backup quarterback Mark Butterfield, were suspended for three games by Coach Bill Walsh.

**Eight Arrested For Baseball Bat Assault:** Eight men were arrested in West Hollywood, Calif., after they allegedly used baseball bats and a golf club to assault two men walking on Santa Monica Boulevard. Witnesses reported the incident as an apparent gay bashing attack as the men walked near cafes in an area populated by many gay residents, said Lt. Brad Welker of the L.A. County Sheriff's Dept. Three adults and five juveniles were arrested shortly after the attack. The adults were booked for investigation of civil rights violations and assault with a deadly weapon; the juveniles were released to their parents. The investigation is hampered, however, because no victims have come forward.

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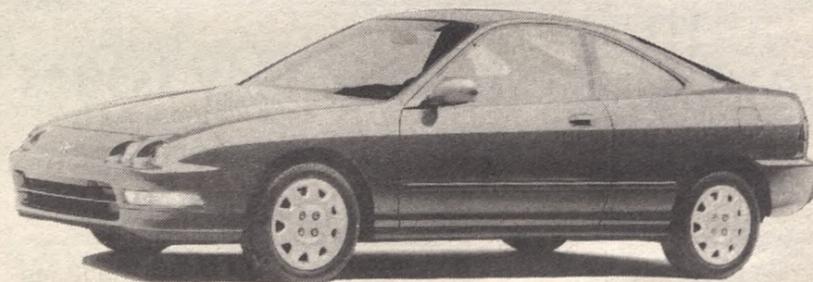
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## Houston man awarded \$100,000 in HIV discrimination case

Houston, TX—A \$100,000 settlement to a Houston man denied dental care because he has HIV should serve as a warning to anyone practicing AIDS discrimination, a Justice Department official said Sept. 23.

In a settlement signed by U.S. District Judge Vanessa Gilmore Sept 22, Castle Dental Center admitted it violated the Americans with Disabilities Act when it told Harrison J. Totten it would no longer treat him.

A similar case is pending in New Orleans against Dr. Drew Morvant.

Totten, 30, will get \$80,000 in compensatory damages from Dr. Jack Castle, owner of the dental center. Castle Dental Center and its management company, Family Dental Services of Texas, Inc., each will pay \$10,000 in civil damages.

Irene Bowen, a deputy chief in the Justice Department's civil rights division, said Totten's case was the first federal case settled regarding AIDS discrimination by health-care providers.

The New Orleans suit claims that Morvant unlawfully discriminated against patients Ismael Pena and Russell Hodgkinson, and failed to modify policies, practices and procedures to give HIV-positive patients equal access to dental care.

His attorney, Stephen M. Pizzo, has said that Morvant never refused treatment to either patient, but referred both to specialists.

Pizzo was out of town Sept. 24 and unavailable for comment. He has described Morvant as the victim of a political attack by the Clinton administration.

"It is unfortunate when a law-abiding dentist, trying diligently to provide good care to

patients, falls victim to such a political attack," he said.

Bowen warned that those practicing AIDS discrimination could ultimately pay for their actions. The Justice Department is vigorously enforcing the Americans with Disabilities Act, she said.

"We will go for compensation against individuals...whether it's something that can be assessed as a particular monetary amount or whether it's an emotional, which was the case here," she said.

Totten's suit alleged that after getting braces, he was treated at the center until it learned he had tested positive for HIV in the spring of 1992.

"At that time, Totten allegedly received a letter stating 'Due to the recent discovery of your health problems, Castle Dental Center has decided to cease providing you with orthodontic treatment,'" the department said.

Federal law prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities in places that serve the public. Under the act, testing positive for HIV and having AIDS are considered disabilities.

Totten's attorney, John Paul Barnich, said the \$100,000 settlement is "more than just a slap on the wrist."

"The message I would like to go out is that if people are going to be intentionally ignorant, we're going to make it as painful as possible," Barnich said.

Bowen said it is difficult to know just how much discrimination is occurring against AIDS victims nationwide, but added that her office is now investigating another 20-30 incidents.

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## Jury awards \$600,000 to Georgia native misdiagnosed with HIV

Miami, FL—Vernelle Lowder gave up her children, moved back to her Georgia hometown and made plans to kill herself after being told she had HIV. It was all a mistake.

A Dade Circuit Court jury has awarded \$600,000 to Lowder, 49, for pain and suffering after her 1990 AIDS test was misread.

"It's horrible to go through something like this," Lowder's attorney, Steven Mitchel, said Sept. 22. "This is just about as bad an event as can happen to someone."

The jury decided Sept. 16 that the state Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services should pay \$390,000. Under state law, HRS is required to pay \$100,000, the maximum allowed under Florida's cap of damage payments by government agencies.

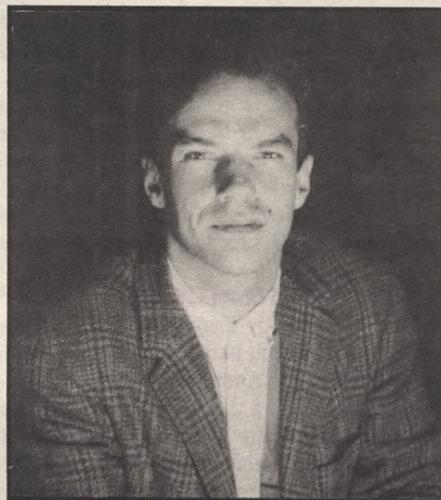
Dr. Homer L. Kirkpatrick, who gave anti-AIDS medication to Lowder, settled for \$250,000 on the eve of the trial. Jurors said the clinic where the test was conducted was blameless.

Lowder went to the Family Health Center in Hialeah for a checkup in November 1990. She decided to be tested for AIDS because she had received a blood transfusion in 1980.

The blood sample was forwarded to an HRS clinic for testing.

After being told she was HIV-positive, Lowder took medication prescribed by Kirkpatrick for several months that made her nauseous and weak, her attorney said.

Although HIV cannot be transmitted by casual contact, Lowder gave legal custody of her children to her mother—who would wash her daughter's dirty dishes with bleach. Finally, she returned in October 1992 to her hometown of Waycross, Ga., where her attorney said she planned to kill herself when the disease made her seriously ill.



The ruling "rewards ignorance," said attorney Chip Rowan.

But at an AIDS hospice clinic in Waycross, she was retested and learned she was HIV-negative.

Chip Rowan of Atlanta's AIDS Legal Project said the recent ruling would be detrimental to other legal cases involving HIV-related discrimination.

"We see in our employment discrimination cases people sometimes raising these irrational fears," Rowan said. "This [ruling] gives them the opportunity to think there may be some credence to those irrational fears. It's rewarding ignorance."

HRS attorney Steven Hyatt said they would challenge the ruling. Lowder is also challenging it, saying the clinic should also have been found responsible.

KAREN TESTA

## Gay and lesbian journalists converge on Minneapolis

Minneapolis, MN—Four years ago, says Leroy Aarons, most gay journalists were "still in the closet or just peeping their heads out." Now, the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association (NLGJA), which Aarons founded in 1990, has 1,000 members in news organizations across the country.

Nearly 400 of them attended the group's national conference Sept. 22-25 in Minneapolis, at which U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders was a featured speaker and openly gay Rep. Barney Frank also appeared.

While last year's gathering was held in New York City, Minneapolis was chosen this year to help attract journalists from smaller communities, said Aarons, who worked for the Washington Post in the 1960s and 1970s. The theme for this year's conference was "Out on Main Street."

Minnesota is one of eight states with a gay rights law, but Democratic gubernatorial candidate John Marty commented, "Some people call Minnesota a progressive state. If it is, I worry about some other parts of the country."

In the panel "Gay Rights and the Religious Right," Marty affirmed the right of ultraconservative elements to be involved in political process but declared, "They don't have a right to use the church as a tax shelter for political lobbying."

That thought was echoed by openly gay Rep. Barney Frank, who told a luncheon crowd that one reason why the fight over gays in the military was lost was that "a million people went to Washington to march, and less than five percent told their congresspeople what

they thought on this issue."

U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders addressed the convention Sept. 23 on the topic of homophobia and the alarming rate at which gay and lesbian teenagers commit suicide.

"If we are beginning to lose 5,000 of our young people," Elders said, "that is a major public health problem." She asked journalists to be advocates by shedding light on the problem.

The conference included an ethics seminar, a discussion on homophobia in sports with California psychiatrist Dee Mosbacher, a panel on news coverage of health issues and another on the career effects of being openly gay.

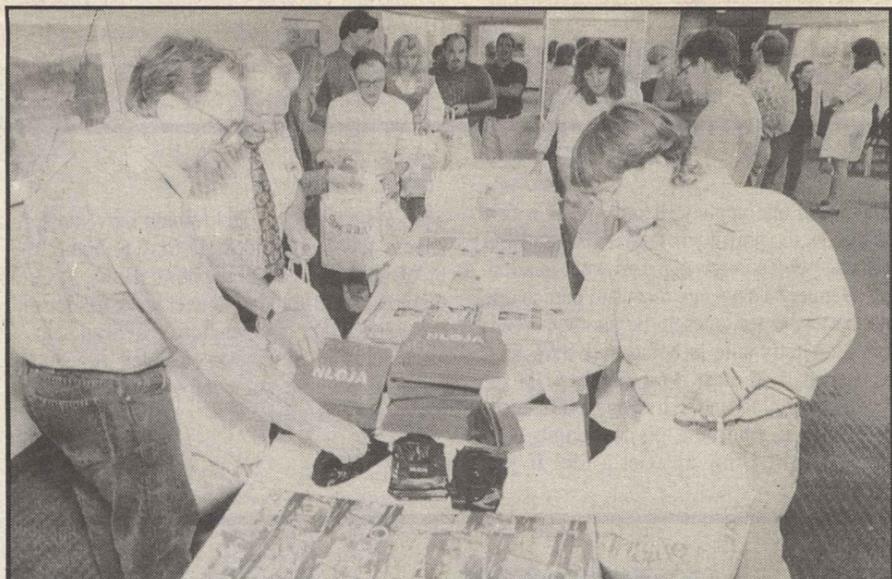
Minneapolis Mayor Sharon Sayles Belton gave the welcoming address Sept. 22. Comic Kate Clinton appeared Sept. 25.

Robles said her only disappointment was that no discussion between gays and political conservatives took place at the meeting. Allen Quist, Gov. Arne Carlson and Tom Prichard, executive director of the Minnesota Family Council, all turned down invitations to participate in the panel "Gay Rights and the Religious Right."

The NLGJA's main purpose is to support members in working toward fair coverage of gays, to help create hospitable work environments for gay journalists and to encourage members to act as resources for their news organizations, Aarons said. He founded the group while working as the executive editor of the Oakland (Calif.) Tribune.

BARBARA HAUGEN

Steve Warren contributed to this story



Volunteers at the NLGJA convention assemble information packets to be given to participants at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Minneapolis.

## Anti-gay language struck from education bill

*Helms threatens to filibuster bill that includes Kennedy's amendments instead of homophobic provisions*

Washington, D.C.—A House-Senate conference committee concluded work Sept. 28 on the final version of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, and rejected anti-gay provisions sponsored by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) and Rep. Mel Hancock (R-MO).

Those provisions would have deprived local school districts of control over their curricula and penalized communities that included curricula that depicted homosexuality in other than a negative light. Instead, the committee

adopted amendments offered by Sen. Ted Kennedy (D-MA) and Rep. Jolene Unsoeld (D-WA).

"The federal government has no business dictating how local schools will address specific issues in the classroom," said Daniel Zingale, public policy director for Human Rights Campaign Fund. "The conference committee has voted to keep the federal government off the backs of the nation's schools."

Zingale noted that Helms has threatened to filibuster the education bill, and House Republicans could also try to kill the bill when it comes to them for a final vote. "They're threatening to hold the entire education bill hostage to their agenda, withholding \$10 million in funds desperately needed by local schools," he said.



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## GUEST EDITORIAL

## Why we need Lesbian and Gay History Month

by RODNEY C. WILSON

When I told my parents the truth, my mother said two things which I have never forgotten. Her immediate reply was, "Son, I've known for years." Later, she said to me, "If you had died while you still kept your secret, I had already planned to come to your apartment alone and find anything that would have told people you were gay. I would have destroyed that information; I would have kept your secret for you, and only you and I would have ever known."

What nearly became my lot has been that of millions who died before they talked. Writing in "Borrowed Time," Paul Monette asserts that "most of...gay history lies in shallow bachelor's graves." And Lisa Duggan has written, "When, as a Lesbian, I turned to history to help me understand...the lives and resistance of the women before me, I found that history almost entirely unrecorded."

My mother's words, like those of Monette and Duggan, are about one thing: history. In particular, their words offer insight into the intentionally obscured and distorted history of gay, lesbian and bisexual people.

It has always been the case that the stories of those left out has been a history ignored or suppressed: someone, somewhere, has always seen fit to take a big eraser to the facts of their lives and destroy the evidence pointing to that of which society did not approve. Whether it be archivists who keep selected letters behind locked doors, wives who burn the contents of their husband's safety deposit box, publishers who in an 800-page American history textbook provide no evidence that gay people have ever existed in the "New World," or mothers who keep secrets for the sons they love, gay, lesbian and bisexual people have been hidden from history, as the title of one book puts it.

Desiring to turn a spotlight on the dark, cobweb-filled corners of gay history, I began to think of the need for Lesbian and Gay History Month in the fall of 1993. In January, I was moved to action after reading a letter to the editor in Newsweek. Adam A. Sofen, a ninth grader in Woodland Hills, Calif., wrote, "I see my school celebrating the achievements of women and African-Americans, both important and wonderful topics, yet I see no similar programs to educate students about the less visible homosexual community."

Adam, of course, is right; only in a few places across the country is lesbian and gay history part of the school curricula. Unfortunately, while our history is part of Pride month in June in a few cities (e.g., New York), the much-needed work in June does not answer the needs of the school calendar (August to May).

Meeting the demands of the academic calendar is crucial if we are to educate the next generation of political and social leaders about our lives and, more important, provide for gay and lesbian students a connection to the past. With these thoughts and Adam's observations in mind, I wrote the proposal to declare October National Lesbian and Gay History Month.

LGHM has already been endorsed by several organizations and individuals across the country, including GLAAD, Project 10, HRCF, National Coming Out Day, historian Martin Duberman, and many others. Chicago's Gerber/Hart Gay and Lesbian Library and Archives, under the direction of board president Kevin Boyer, is serving as the institutional nexus of National LGHM. We now are prepared to embark upon a new way to make certain the world is no longer allowed to censor our lives and ignore our past.

With Stonewall 25 just completed, we must begin to plan events for this October: film festivals, lectures, history conferences, publication of gay and lesbian history, oral history projects, historical theatrical productions and gay-themed Halloween parties (Who wants to be Sappho? Who wants to be Alexander the Great?). On and on go the possibilities.

In high schools and colleges across the country, I urge my teacher-colleagues to determine how to bring gay and lesbian history into their schools for special commemoration this October, just as we honor the special celebration of Native American Heritage Month in November, Black History Month in February, and Women's History Month in March.

Jonathan Katz, author of "Gay American History," wrote, "Knowledge of gay history helps restore a people to its past, to itself...The study of the gay past raises the question of whether this society can accommodate the demands of America's dispossessed for power and control over the machinery by which they make their lives."

It is my hope that Lesbian and Gay History Month will add to our efforts to gain control over our own lives. The sacred past, I believe, is the only foundation upon which a people are able to build a secure future of peace and justice with themselves and their fellow human beings. With this in mind, let us proceed to the first annual National Lesbian and Gay History Month!

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## LETTERS

### Take it back to the bedroom

After having been out of the closet for the past 20 years, I'm about ready to move to Cobb County and go back in hiding. I've watched our gay and lesbian community grow and gain more respect over the last few years, only to witness a decline within our community as the direct result of a few radical groups who seem to want to sabotage the progress we've worked so hard to obtain.

What in the world is going on? Was there a contest at Pride this year as to who could maintain an erection the longest? What was with the few lesbians parading around with dildos strapped on? Was that supposed to be cute, or were they simply part of the same contest? Well, nobody got my vote, and this kind of behavior certainly didn't fill me with pride, only disappointment.

And what about the action at Rhythm Fest! Women f\_\_\_ing in front of the stage, and security did nothing. Did these people realize there were children in attendance, not to mention women who still respect sex as a private and personal matter. I don't care what anyone does in the privacy of their home, tent, etc., but come on! If this kind of behavior is making me sick, no wonder society is having trouble supporting us. Security at Rhythm Fest should have thrown cold water on the two and told them to take it home. It only takes a few displays of this kind to ruin everything the serious gay and lesbian organizations have been working for.

I've always disliked trite sayings, but I

believe this one applies: It only takes a few bad apples to spoil it for the rest of us. Who are these people, anyway? And what is a lesbian avenger? To avenge means to punish one who has wronged oneself or another. Well, this community sure is being hurt by a few. So, on behalf of those who simply want respect, equal rights, and to live our lives peacefully, I say quit punishing this community with your behavior! Grow up! Get a life! If you

want to help the gay and lesbian movement, I have a few suggestions: 1) Stay at home. 2) Please stay away from the news media. 3) Get therapy. 4) Do some volunteer work for one of the many AIDS organizations that need help.

In closing, if I have offended anyone, I hope so because some of you people have definitely offended me.

Vicki C.  
Decatur

## STONEWALL RIOTS

BY ANDREA NATALIE



## How I beat the end of summer blues

Don't get me wrong—some of my best friends are Virgos. But the time of year when they celebrate their birthdays, late August/early to mid-September, has never been my favorite. The calendar says summer's ending, but the Southern weather never pays much attention to seasons. The skies are getting darker earlier, and society in general is cranky—vacations are ending, nothing but work looms before us, and the soothing cool of autumn is still a month away.

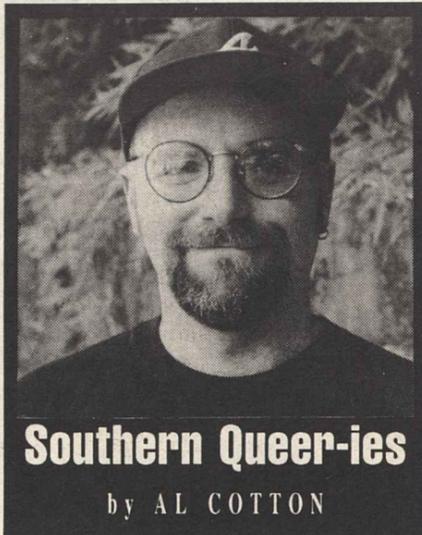
So when seasonal negativity swirls around, I look for diversions to take my mind off the ever-ratcheting tensions. Here are this year's ten choices, some national some local, some gay some not, some representing the presence of good things, others the absence of bad. I salute their ability to take my mind off all the crap.

**1. & 2. R.E.M. & Michael Stipe.** I know R.E.M.'s new album "Monster" didn't debut until after Virgo was gone, but just the prospect of a new R.E.M. album on the horizon brightens my mood. I've followed the boys from Athens since before my coming out, when friends from Montgomery introduced me to alternative music at 688. One song in particular, "Don't Go Back to Rockville [And Waste Another Year]" buoyed me through my "Gosh it's hard to make it in a new city" phase.

"Monster" itself is superb, continuing R.E.M.'s trademark cryptic lyrics and expressive melodies, and personal commitment to activism and expanded consciousness. And hooray for lead singer Michael Stipe, who addressed his sexuality in a recent Newsweek interview in an equally inclusive manner. He talked about how he sees any sort of sexual label—gay, straight, bi—as limiting of human expression. Perhaps it's time we considered that being gay isn't the *only* way to change society.

**3. "The X-Files."** There is no more intensely wrought TV show than this increasingly spooky paean to the things our government won't tell us. Every show covers a sealed FBI file that is unsolved because it's a government experiment gone awry or because previous agents didn't consider a paranormal solution.

From identical serial murders 30 years apart, to entire teams of loggers disappearing from the forests of the Pacific Northwest, to this year's season premiere with alien first contact, agents Mulder and Scully fight monsters, mutants, insect larvae and other FBI agents with equal ferocity in their effort to prove that "The truth is out there." Watch it



with the lights out—if you dare.

**4. Steam.** Scott O'Hara's quarterly porn magazine is one of the smartest publications to hit our publication-ridden community in quite a while. Steam's format is mock scholarly journal, with page numbers running consecutively from issue to issue and covers that list article titles Reader's Digest-style, like "How I Spent My Summer Vacation," by the Itinerant Cockhound, "Looking for Sex in Croatia and Slovenia," "My Favorite Gloryhole" and "Why Does a Straight Man Visit Adult Bookstores." O'Hara's send-up of academic journals (which I spent far more time reading in grad school than laboratory rats can withstand) tries to make writing about sex at least *look* respectable, and is a hoot.

He also editorializes against censorship, which is rampant in the sex-negative culture we live in. Writing about sex with substance, style and humor that doesn't lose its erection quotient should be supported.

**5. The Flying Biscuit Cafe.** Serving the most reasonably priced creative cuisine in Atlanta, this trendy lesbian-owned restaurant is defining the concept of New Age comfort food. Blackberry barbecue chicken (free-range, of course), sea bass with a roasted green chili chutney, four mushroom pasta, yellow tomato gazpacho and consistently amazing polenta are only some of the highlights of meals I've had at this wonderful eatery. When you go in, ask when they're going to serve the lemon shaker pie again.

**6. The firing of Ralph from Ben Hill.** WGST-AM refuses to say what line Ralph crossed that cost him his job, but it certainly

wasn't his anti-gay rhetoric, which spouted from his radio microphone every chance he got. I'd have pulled the plug the night he viciously trashed out-lesbian radio voice Alicia Banks after she sat in for him during a previous suspension. Whatever the cause, anything that takes a WGST homophobe off the air is all right by me. (Now if that wrong Talk Show Host Neutering Truck could just drop a net on Sean Hannity...)

A question, though: Why can't they put a liberal—like budding young host-in-waiting Mike Rose—in Ralph's old slot? He's a refugee from WRFG, and I always enjoyed his weekend folk-music show when I ran across it. It might be a refreshing change to have a true alternative voice on WGST.

**7. Famous newly out people.** My soul is soothed to see our ranks grow, and this month we added to our self-acknowledged community pianist Michael Feinstein and Republican Wisconsin congressman Steve Gunderson. Now, rumor watchers will not be surprised by these outings. And for many of us, the first instinct is anger—we feel the urge to yell at these people, "Where have you been?"

But the logic, not to mention karma, of yelling at someone who finally did what you want them to do is not especially productive. Miss Manners, I think, would counsel us to think of our community as a big party that we're all hosting. As good hosts, we should not yell at our new members, but welcome them, and start catching them up on what's they've missed. And an occasional, politely phrased "What took you so long to get here?" would not be inappropriate.

**8. & 9. "The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert" and "Absolutely Fabulous."** Camp humor lives in this marvelous drag movie and this British import TV show that would be drag, except its stars are actual women who just happen to look as bad as the drag queens in "Priscilla."

**10. October.** My frustrations with September and Virgo may simply result from the fact that my favorite month, October, Libra-time, comes right after it. Kicking leaves, the Alabama State Fair, hot apple cider and Halloween are some of the childhood memories that autumn evokes for me, and as far as I'm concerned, it can never get here soon enough.

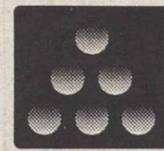
And if those don't sufficiently distract you from the yuckiness of late summer, then just remember—we're only a month away from mall Christmas decorations!

just based on the fact that you're a homosexual. Maybe they see losing your job, without regard to performance, simply because you're a homosexual as glorifying? It may also be that since the gay/lesbian community do not have equal rights as a human beings, this is somewhat glorifying?

Talk about frustration. Why are people trying to tell a whole segment of our community how to live their lives? Surely, "the state of intelligent commentary is truly breathing its last breath," but not in Atlanta; Marietta maybe.

Did the play "Jesus Christ, Superstar" use God as an entertainment vehicle? Did "The Ten Commandments" use God as an entertainment vehicle? Maybe "The Greatest Story Ever Told" was used purely for entertainment? Get real, Mr. Ross, you may want to look inside yourself to find out why you feel you should play God when the Bible says "judge not, lest you be judged"—of course, it may be purely for the entertainment value.

Tony Venegas  
Atlanta



GLAAD  
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by CARL LANGE

### Mazda Feels Right

What slick new magazine has a lesbian couple embracing and a gay couple in its first few pages of advertising? "Urban Fitness." This new publication "aimed primarily but not exclusively at gay men and women," is chock full of major corporate advertising. The first two pages feature a Mazda car advertisement with a lesbian couple in an affectionate embrace with the slogan "MAZDA...IT JUST FEELS RIGHT." Mercedes-Benz features a gay couple as does an advertisement for the California based Coast Mountain Sports.

"Urban Fitness" addresses issues of sports, travel, health, fitness and fashion that according to the editor does not dwell on "sexually explicit, political, or radical lifestyle choices." While the publication is predominantly white male, there is a "Woman 2 Woman" section but unfortunately little representation of people of color.

Send supportive comments and suggestions to Jim Herman, publisher/editor-in-chief, Urban Fitness, Suite 2200, 1420 Fifth Ave., Seattle, Washington, 98101; phone 1-800-460-0629; fax 206-224-2880. Write: Kazuo Sonoguchi, CEO, Mazda, PO Box 19734, Irvine, CA 92713. And the agent who placed the Mazda advertisement is Alex Jones at Culver City Import Group (Mazda) at 310-204-5810. Coast Mountain Sports has received more response from their ad than any other. They may be reached at 604-731-6181.

### Sony Censors

Owners of the big electronic billboard in Times Square have refused to air gay public service announcements. The Sony Video 1 billboard has rejected two paid public service announcements submitted by video artist Edgar Barends. Entitled "Why Not Love?/Get Used To It," the spots denounce violence and promote acceptance of gay love by contrasting shots of two men fighting with images of the same two men kissing. Edgar Barends was informed by Sony 1 Video Network Account Executive Tom DeTulleo that the spots were "too controversial" and "could be construed as pro-homosexual."

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### 'Angels' on agenda

Letters to the Editor  
The Atlanta Constitution

Goodbye, Alliance Theatre. Your agenda has gone beyond my comfort level and my appreciation level. Sure, I understand the playwright's need to record and interpret the experiences of his existence. I also understand the artistic director's need to present his audience with diverse experiences. But here I sit, frustrated, bewildered and insulted by this ever-widening river of homosexual self-glorification and the repackaging of God as an entertainment vehicle.

Must the only remaining focus be to eradicate all focus? If so, then the state of intelligent commentary is truly breathing its last breath.

Eddie Ross  
Marietta

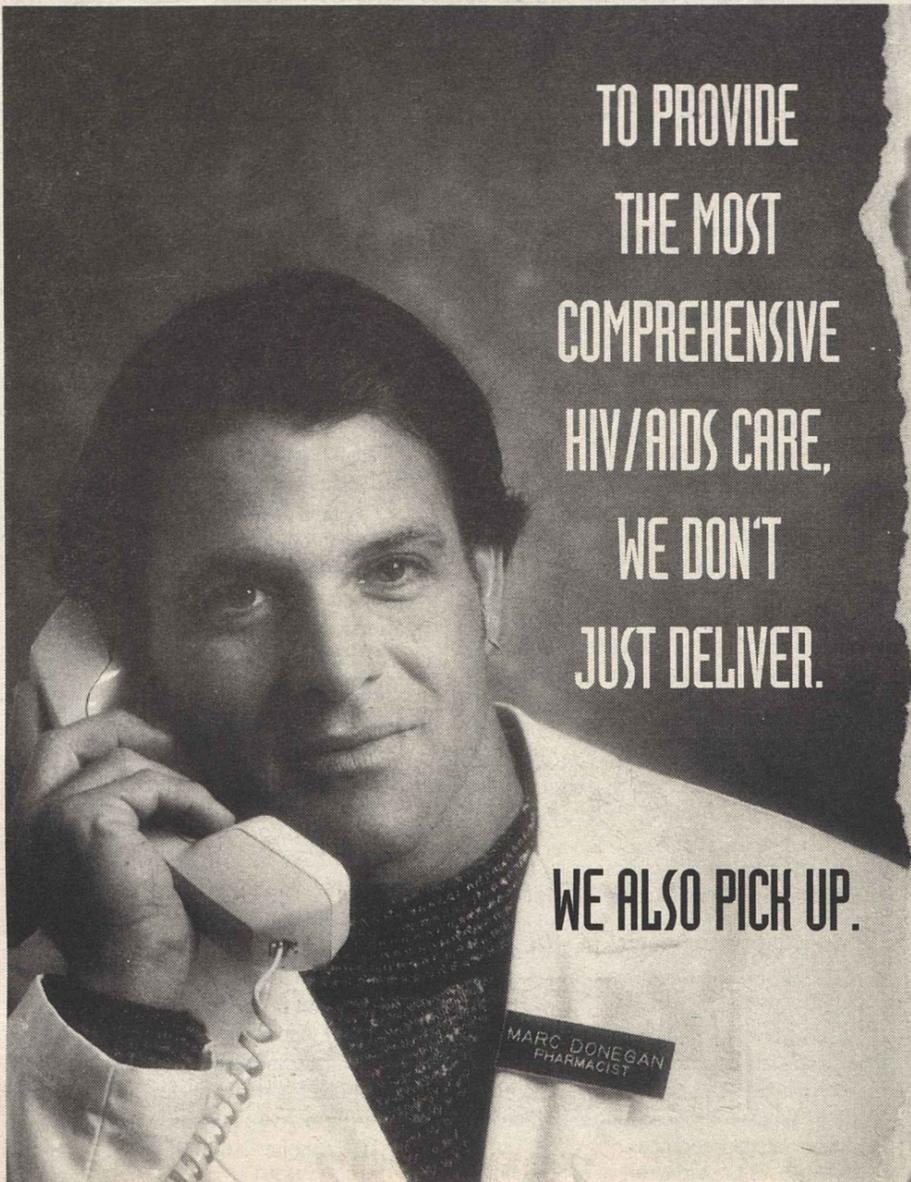
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I'm beginning to understand why the Cobb County Board of Commissioners voted to enact their hate-filled resolution attacking the homosexual community after reading Mr. Ross' letter in this morning's Constitution.

I don't understand why people think that there is an "ever-widening river of homosexual self-glorification" when it's certainly not glorifying to be a homosexual in the Atlanta metropolitan area, the State of Georgia, or the United States.

The Atlanta gay/lesbian community is not a hate group! We stride to achieve equal treatment under the law in a nonviolent manner to receive the same respect in our community that people, like yourself take for granted. Attitudes such as yours only breed an angry, violent and militant environment.

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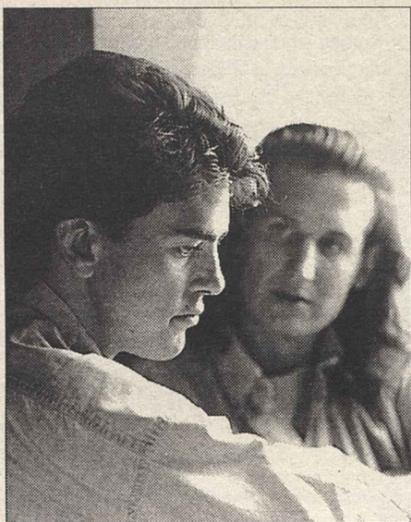
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## Why AIDS drug development and research have failed

*Politics and business combine to slow progress and frustrate those in need*

by JOHN S. JAMES

The recent Yokohama conference was badly reported in the press. Behind the gloom and doom on AIDS treatments, much valuable science was overlooked. AIDS research is improving, and good work is finally being done; but drug development, a very different process by different people, is still a disaster. Why?

If you ask scientists, most will say that the lack of treatment progress results from the biological difficulty of the problem, of controlling the HIV virus. This is true—but not the whole story. There are political reasons why it has been difficult or impossible to successfully raise the alarm. And the same political obstacles are stopping progress today.

### How Progress Happens

Almost all medical advance in the past, and still today, comes not from rational calculation or design but from the unexpected, the unpredictable, the unknown. And the unknown first comes into view without a major corporate, professional or political constituency behind it. But today, the process of mainstream drug development creates such high barriers and obstacles—regulatory, financial, legal and other—that only the largest companies, with a major corporate commitment, can progress over them.

This means that the new ideas and information that come to doctors, scientists and others through accident and chance observation—the very ideas and information that feed medical progress—usually cannot go anywhere. No matter what their intrinsic merit, they cannot move at all to build the credibility required to crank up the very expensive processes required today before the first human test. There is no path which leads over the barriers. So they are stuck forever.

Hundreds of entirely reputable ideas wait like this, frozen on display in peer-reviewed journals, or out of public sight in a scientist's or doctor's mind or in unpublished work. Eventually, a tiny handful may be picked up by a well-financed corporate development project. But because of the great role of the unexpected in medical research, there is no reason to think that these lucky few are the cream of the crop. Instead, they are essentially selected at random, based more on patents, contracts, deals and personalities than on perceived merit (however unreliable even the latter is).

As a result, the world has appallingly few shots at a significant treatment improvement. What is needed is a rational development path for the hundreds of other good ideas and proposals, so that they can begin the process of establishing their credibility, if they merit it. Many different possibilities would then have a chance at development. Eventually, the best of them could move into formal clinical trials.

### AIDS Politics: The Unholy Alliance

It's no accident that this reform was not accomplished long ago.

Start with a big picture, beyond AIDS,

beyond medicine. In any public-policy arena where regulation is involved, there is usually an ongoing battle between two superpowers, big business and consumer protection. And public policy is determined by where the battle line between them ends up being drawn. This battle is the normal and usual process by which we as a society balance different risks and different benefits against each other.

In drug development, for AIDS or for other diseases, this battle proceeds, as elsewhere. But unfortunately, there is one key place in drug development where the battle does not work as it should, and instead produces pathological results. And this key place is the unexpected, the creative chance observations, the new ideas—which proceed from the unknown, and form the river which feeds most of the potential for advances in treatment development, as discussed above.

In this one key area (which is unimportant for the present, but centrally important for the future), big business and consumer protection are not in conflict but instead work together—an unholy alliance against new ideas. For very different reasons, both of these superpowers want the barriers and obstacles, which any forward movement must cross, to be set as high as possible. Consumer protectionists want high barriers to protect the public against dangerous products and unscrupulous companies; big business wants high barriers to protect itself against competition by small business. Big business can pay almost any price—and later with a monopoly of an essential drug, raise prices as high as necessary to get the money back and more.

Whether a potential advance is a major corporate development project with tens of millions of dollars behind it or an accidental observation with no constituency yet, doesn't matter—both are treated equally. But the multimillion dollar corporate effort can (with sufficient merit) overcome the barriers and prevail, while the new idea which has had no chance yet to build a constituency or financial support is stopped cold, usually forever.

This problem has not been solved because both consumer protection and big business have such a pervasive influence throughout the AIDS research and service communities. Almost everybody who is professionally involved worships at one or both of these altars. Big business funds thousands of projects by scientists, doctors and service organizations—as it should (and small business, incidentally, funds almost nothing in comparison).

The end result is that treatment progress is seldom allowed to happen outside of big business control. And big business had no interest in AIDS until AZT made money, and is losing interest now as ddI, ddC, and d4T are unlikely to ever repay their development costs. The result? Near-guaranteed stagnation, which is what we have today, and have had since the beginning of the epidemic.

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## AIDS on the rise in Southeast Asia; China to begin education efforts

New AIDS cases and HIV infection are rising in Cambodia, Malaysia and Vietnam, a World Health Organization official said Sept. 22.

Meanwhile, China—after years of believing AIDS hits only foreigners and fringe groups such as drug users—is starting an educational campaign to stop the spread of the disease among its 1.2 billion people.

Southeast Asia must give greater urgency to fighting AIDS because HIV is rapidly spreading in Asia, Dr. Han Sang Tae, WHO director for the Western Pacific, said in a report.

Between 1985 and 1987, about 3,000 new HIV cases were reported in the region, with Australia accounting for 90 percent. But between 1988 and now, HIV cases in Australia have declined.

"In sharp contrast to this, an increase has been noted in the annual reported incidence of HIV infection for the region as a whole. These increases have been dramatic in Cambodia, Malaysia and Vietnam," Han said.

His report was prepared for the 45th session of the WHO regional committee, attended by 30 countries.

The Chinese campaign will employ television, newspapers, magazines and exhibitions to spread information about AIDS, the magazine Outlook Weekly said in its latest issue.

The report, based on information provided by the research department of the State Council, or China's Cabinet, noted what it said was an alarming lack of public knowledge about AIDS.

It cited public health workers in several cities who said that while most people had heard about AIDS, few knew how to avoid

becoming infected with HIV.

"Many people think that if you don't visit prostitutes, you can't get the disease," the report said. "And some prostitutes believe that if you don't have contact with foreigners, you can't get AIDS."

The plan represents an abrupt change from current policies, which have avoided widespread testing and educational programs because officials didn't believe the disease would strike the general Chinese population.

Outlook Weekly strenuously criticized that viewpoint, saying that it handicapped efforts to prevent the spread of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases.

The number of people testing positive for HIV in China rose to 1,435 by the end of July, including 1,174 mainland Chinese, according to official figures. The others, foreigners or Chinese from overseas, are generally expelled from the country after testing positive.

Experts estimate that the number of people actually carrying the virus may be eight times the official figure. And they warn that AIDS infections could exceed 253,000 by 2000 without more preventive measures.

Outlook Weekly said China would draw on the experiences of other countries in establishing its new AIDS prevention policies.

The central government plans to strengthen its anti-AIDS program and spend more on studying and preventing the disease, the report said.

The new policies apparently also are aimed at minimizing the costs of caring for AIDS patients, which the report said ranged from \$7,500 to \$10,000 per person.

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## Catholics wage condom battle

*Boston*—A Roman Catholic group began a poster campaign Sept. 23 opposing condom distribution in schools.

The Boston chapter of the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights arranged for 200 posters with its message to be displayed on the Red, Orange and Blue lines of the greater Boston subway system.

"The League just wanted to present an alternative point of view to the seeming lock-step on the opposite side," said C.J. Doyle, the League's national director.

The AIDS Action Committee has used a series of posters on the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority subways to urge use of condoms to stop the spread of AIDS.

"We view advocacy of condoms by government agencies as a deplorable policy, an attack on the family and a gross violation of

First Amendment religious freedom rights," Doyle said. "Government is taking sides on a moral and religious issue."

The posters, which also will be placed in transit systems in New York and Washington, depict a teacher telling students to abstain from smoking, drinking and using drugs, but offering a condom to one who wants to have sex.

"This makes sense to the Condomaniacs and the Surgeon General, but it sounds like nonsense to us," the poster says.

"The Catholic League should make up its mind if it's pro-life or not," said AIDS Action Committee spokesman Thomas McNaught. "If it is, it should stop blocking health efforts to prevent the world's most deadly disease."

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## AIDS drug development

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as Chinese herbs, if the virus in the blood is reduced, the tests will show that.

This means that certain new treatments—those in actual use by people with HIV, or which can be prescribed by physicians or otherwise obtained—now will have a path to begin to build credibility. In the past it has been necessary to crank up an expensive and cumbersome trial before there was any credible data suggesting measurable benefit in

people. Now, the data can start with one person's decision to use an unproven treatment, not for research but for their own medical care. If the early data is negative—the usual case—the patient can drop the treatment quickly, and perhaps try another. And if the data is promising enough, formal research can follow.

John S. James writes the syndicated "AIDS Treatment News"

## Exercise reduces breast cancer risk in young women, study says

Los Angeles—Young women who exercise four hours a week can cut their risk of breast cancer by 50 percent to 60 percent compared to their couch potato friends, according to a study.

"Four hours of exercise per week is not difficult," said Leslie Bernstein, a professor of preventive medicine at the University of Southern California School of Medicine and principal investigator of the study. "Even one to three hours of physical exercise per week reduces a woman's risk of breast cancer by about 30 percent."

The findings appear in the Sept. 21 editions of the Journal of the National Cancer Institute.

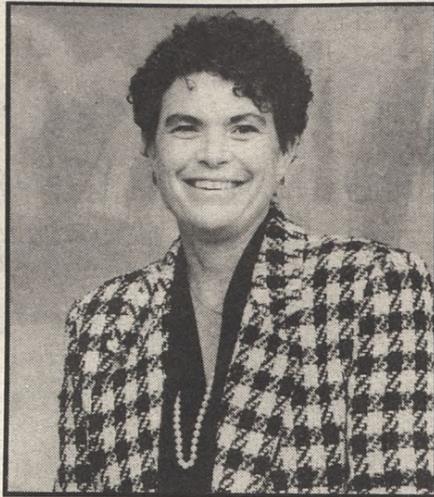
They were drawn from detailed surveys of 1,090 Los Angeles County women 40 and younger—545 with newly diagnosed breast cancer and 545 without the disease. The study analyzed exercise habits since they began menstruating.

The study tells women they can take some responsibility for their health by engaging in individual or team sports, dance or exercise classes, swimming, jogging, or working out at the gym in their child-bearing years.

"This is the kind of prevention we need. This is lifestyle changes instead of drugs," said Dr. Susan M. Love, director of the University of California, Los Angeles, Breast Center.

Promoting exercise in young women "will not only prevent breast cancer, but osteoporosis and heart disease," said Love, author of "Dr. Susan Love's Breast Book."

Bernstein, a researcher at the USC-Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center, said the results intensified her concerns about how sedentary American girls have become. A 1990 study showed fewer than 40 percent of high school junior and senior girls were enrolled in physical education classes; only 20 per-



Exercise "is the kind of prevention we need," said breast cancer specialist Dr. Susan M. Love.

cent of that group participated in rigorous activity three or more times weekly.

The researchers hypothesized that exercise may protect by altering the production of the ovarian hormones estrogen and progesterone during menstrual cycles. Other research has shown that vigorous athletics can delay the onset of menstruation and halt ovulation in some young women. A woman's cumulative exposure to the sex hormones is believed to be associated with breast cancer risk.

Love suggested other mechanisms may be at work.

"It may be that [exercise] decreases body fat and increases muscle mass. We know women with a higher percentage of body fat have a higher incidence of breast cancer," Love said. "We don't know estrogen causes breast cancer, anyway."

JANE E. ALLEN

## Saturated fat linked to ovarian cancer

Washington, DC—Scientists have uncovered the first strong evidence that saturated fat, the culprit behind heart disease, also raises the risk of ovarian cancer.

A study in the Sept. 21 edition of the Journal of the National Cancer Institute says women were 20 percent more likely to get ovarian cancer with each 10 daily grams of saturated fat they consumed.

The good news: Just two small servings of vegetables a day helped women lower that risk.

"That's fascinating data," said Dr. Daniel Nixon, an expert on nutrition and cancer at the Medical University of South Carolina. "Cancer of the ovary was suspected to be diet-related for a long time but it's been hard to prove."

"We need to do more research," cautioned study author Dr. Harvey Risch of Yale University. But, he said, "If I were female, I might change my diet anyway."

Ovarian cancer strikes 20,000 U.S. women a year and kills about 12,500, mostly because there is no good way to detect it early.

The main risk factor is exposure to the reproductive hormone estrogen. Women who have multiple pregnancies or use oral contraceptives, which both inhibit estrogen, are at lower risk.

Risch and colleagues at the University of Toronto compared the eating habits of 450 Canadian women newly diagnosed with ovarian cancer to 540 demographically similar, healthy women.

For every 10 grams of saturated, or animal, fat a woman ate per day, her risk of ovarian cancer rose 20 percent. Conversely, women who lowered their saturated fat consumption by 10 grams a day experienced a 20 percent drop in risk.

The average North American consumes about 30 grams of saturated fat a day from meat, cheese, butter and a variety of other foods.

But every 10 grams of vegetable fiber added to a woman's daily menu lowered her risk of ovarian cancer by 37 percent, the study found.

That's a major decrease, Risch notes. Each full-term pregnancy a woman experiences lowers her risk by about 20 percent, and each year of oral contraceptive use lowers it by 5 percent to 10 percent.

If Risch's findings are confirmed by a pending Australian study, the big beneficiaries would be high-risk women, who are childless or forego oral contraceptives.

But doctors say women don't need to wait for confirmation—changing their diets can't hurt.

"There's more and more evidence that grandmother was right—eating a diet high in fresh fruits and vegetables and low in fat is a good thing for a variety of illnesses and now it may be beneficial for ovarian cancer too," said Dr. Michael Thun of the American Cancer Society.

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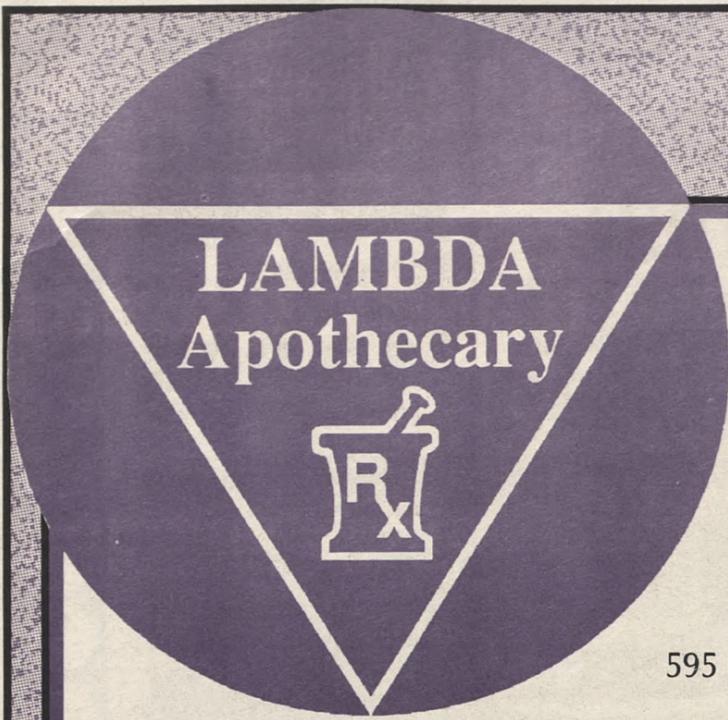


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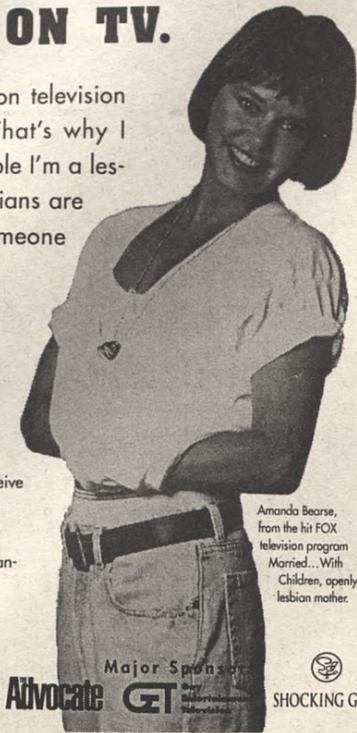
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and I'm very proud of it.

"Not only am I doing something I've never done before, which is to stand up in front of an audience not as a character," she adds, "but also there's the talent that's involved and these people who are living presently in their lives."

Bearse hopes the comedy special will reach non-gay people just as the show did last year. "That's what we're hoping for, so that someday we won't have to use 'gay' as a handle. It'll just be about talented people doing what they do."

The 35-year-old Bearse was born in Florida, although she is quick to say her family has been connected to Georgia and Atlanta for generations. The family moved to Georgia in time for Bearse to begin first grade in Sandy Springs, although another move back to Florida kept the family there until she graduated from high school. While she was in college, her family again returned to Georgia, first to Atlanta and then to a small town called Young Harris.

After college, Bearse eventually wound up in New York in 1979, where she decided to test her acting abilities seriously. "I figured if I went to a professional school in New York, they'd either tell me, 'Honey, you need to go on back home,' or encourage me to continue the acting pursuit," she explained.

Before agreeing to the Advocate interview, Bearse had been in the public eye for some time. Her career took off in 1981 when she landed the role of Amanda Cousins on "All My Children." She also appeared in various films, including "Protocol" and "Fright Night."

More recently, as one of the stars of "Married...With Children," Bearse met with such success that she became a prime target for the tabloids. Two years ago, they began publishing articles about her attempts to adopt a child with another woman. She chose not to respond publicly to the articles at that time, but when the Advocate opportunity came along, she was ready to go public.

"When [The Advocate] called, they didn't even know about the tabloid stories," Bearse says. "They didn't even know about my daughter. They were calling because they wanted to put out an entertainment issue like they do every fall, and they wanted a gay person who was in the industry."

"Of course, we have some wonderful gay-friendly high-profile celebrities who were very interested in being on the cover and having that cover story," she continues, "but they wanted a real-life homo, so when they called,

that's when I seized the opportunity because that was my community and that was the forum that I chose to speak about myself in."

Bearse says her decision was made easier due to the financial success she has obtained, which granted her the opportunity to make choices that for others might feel too risky. "I've been afforded the great good fortune to have success, mostly through 'Married...With Children' and having such a long run on that show, and the reality that I had a job to go back to," she explains. "But even then it was just necessary. It was a very integrated decision, a spiritual decision, as well as an emotional one."

Another factor for Bearse in her decision to come out was her 13-month-old daughter, Zoe. "I want my child to be raised in a family where there is no shame and there is no duplicity," she says.

A recent end to her five-year relationship places Bearse in the position of handling yet another issue facing many gays and lesbians—having children and then divorcing. In this case, Bearse and ex-lover Amy will share parenting responsibilities for Zoe as they carve a new kind of relationship with each other.

Although she admits the end to her relationship has been difficult and that it involved many factors other than Bearse's public coming-out, Bearse is resolved to work through the hard times. "Amy's and my life together is not over because of Zoe," she says. "And there's a peace around that."

Amidst acting and parenting duties, Bearse hopes to spend as much time as possible in Georgia with her parents, who have been extremely supportive of her decision to come out and who continue to provide a safe haven for her and Zoe in Young Harris, where Bearse has built a house close by her parents' home.

Bearse also maintains ties to Georgia through close friendships in Atlanta, particularly with the owners of the Flying Biscuit, a popular woman-owned restaurant in Candler Park. "Have a biscuit for me," she says, "and tell the girls I'll see them at Christmas."

In the meantime, Bearse is aware that another celebrity will need to come out soon, since her own visibility will eventually wane. "I will continue to do the work and find the places where I can contribute," she says, "but my presence will lose its effectiveness. I will become commonplace. It's really so important for new people to keep making that statement and forging ahead."

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## AT&T reaches out with "Gay Issues in the Workplace"

Is corporate America on the way to becoming the next gay-friendly haven? Judging from recent efforts in diversity management at AT&T, that answer could be a surprising "yes" in years to come.

On Friday, October 7, AT&T's gay and lesbian employee resource group, LEAGUE, will host a workshop on gay issues in the workplace by Brian McNaught, a preeminent trainer in the field.

While such a workshop is nothing new for LEAGUE or for AT&T, this one is different because it is being offered at a low price to key personnel at other companies in the Atlanta business community. LEAGUE hopes that by reaching out, it will pass along ideas from AT&T's unique platform to embrace employee diversity.

"I think there is a definite price we pay by staying in the closet," says Kelly Thomas, an AT&T human resources manager and steering committee member for LEAGUE/Atlanta. "There's a mental health price. And ultimately our company pays for any costs that are associated with our decline in health. Having an environment that permits people to be themselves means having a healthy environment."

With a non-discrimination policy in place since 1975, AT&T has one of the oldest policies in which sexual orientation is explicitly mentioned. Still, as Thomas points out, the frontrunners regarding gay issues in the workplace have been smaller companies like Lotus, which has domestic partnership benefits in place.

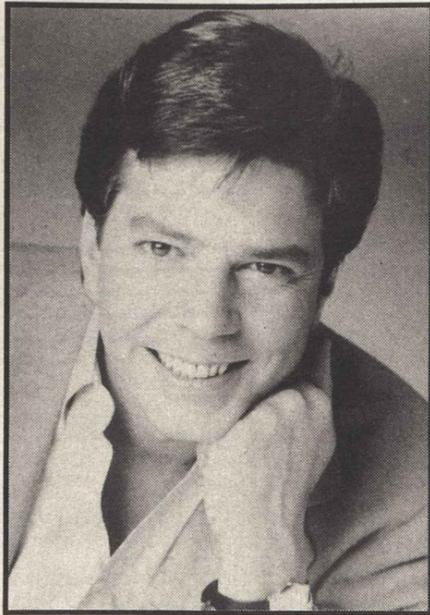
"But I'm very proud of AT&T for having a sexual orientation policy for 19 years, and I'm very proud of the fact that we have an employee resource group for gays and lesbians," she adds. "When I tell my friends what AT&T does for me as an out lesbian, they're all very envious."

LEAGUE (which stands for LESbian and Gay United Employees) was founded in Denver in 1987, and has since mushroomed into a national organization made up of many local chapters. LEAGUE/Atlanta formed in 1992 and, with 70 members, is currently the third largest chapter. Besides serving as a support group for gay and lesbian AT&T employees, a main function of LEAGUE is to educate the rest of the workforce. To do so, it hosts regular workshops, and members often speak on gay and lesbian issues for staff meetings.

"Some of the members, as a result of being in LEAGUE, have gotten on diversity councils on the district levels and have actually gotten gay and lesbian issues on the agenda and have gotten some surprisingly good results," says Bill Armstrong, a senior internal auditor for AT&T and a member of LEAGUE. "We have raised the issue and level of awareness of gay and lesbian employees."

Although LEAGUE operates independently of AT&T, the company supports the group in many ways. The steering committee meets on company time, for example. And the gay group uses AT&T's resources, such as E-mail and bulletin boards, to promote its activities. AT&T also contributes generously to LEAGUE's workshops and conferences. Similar resource groups exist at AT&T for ethnic minorities and the physically disabled.

Though LEAGUE has made some great strides in its efforts, the group's presence has bothered some AT&T employees.



Workshop leader Brian McNaught "has a great story to tell," says Kelly Thomas of LEAGUE.

"There have been lots of little anonymous things," Thomas says. "Some people will put up Bible verses next to our posters. Some will call us and leave harassing messages on our E-mail. But for the most part, I think people adhere to [AT&T's] policy called The Common Bond, which is a statement of our values, and one of them is respect for the individual."

This is where education comes in. Perhaps LEAGUE's most effective tool is the Brian McNaught workshop. McNaught is an Atlanta-based writer, sexuality educator and trainer who consults with corporations, universities and public officials on gay, lesbian and bisexual issues in the workplace. McNaught, who regularly presents at the corporate level, has worked through LEAGUE for several years presenting workshops at AT&T.

"We keep having him back because he very clearly makes an impact on people with that workshop," Thomas says. "He has a great story to tell, he has a dramatic story to tell. People come away enlightened and educated, which is what we want to do."

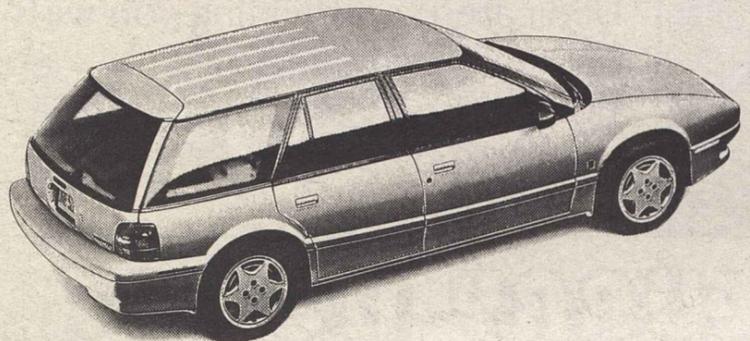
For the workshop on October 7, LEAGUE is reaching out to employees of other companies in Atlanta, such as BellSouth, CNN, and General Electric. LEAGUE targeted human resources employees from other companies with hope that they would pilot the workshop and, in turn, want to use it within their own organizations. These are also the employees who would most likely be responsible for implementing sexual orientation policies.

"CNN and BellSouth actually came to us in a couple of cases and said, 'We've heard so much about your organization, tell us how you got started,'" says Jeremy McClain, another member of the LEAGUE/Atlanta steering committee. "As we make that change out there in the universe, it makes everything better. Education is always a win-win situation."

JAMES FITCH

"Gay Issues in the Workplace" with Brian McNaught will be presented on Friday, October 7, from 1 to 5 pm at the Atlanta Church of Religious Science. The cost is \$45, with all profits donated to charity. For more information, call LEAGUE at 516-1917.

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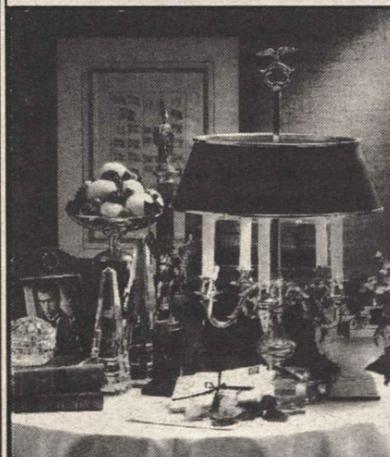
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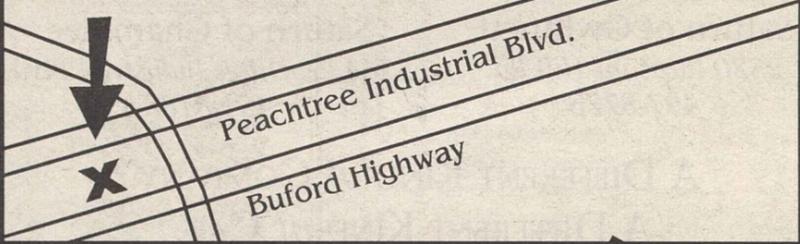
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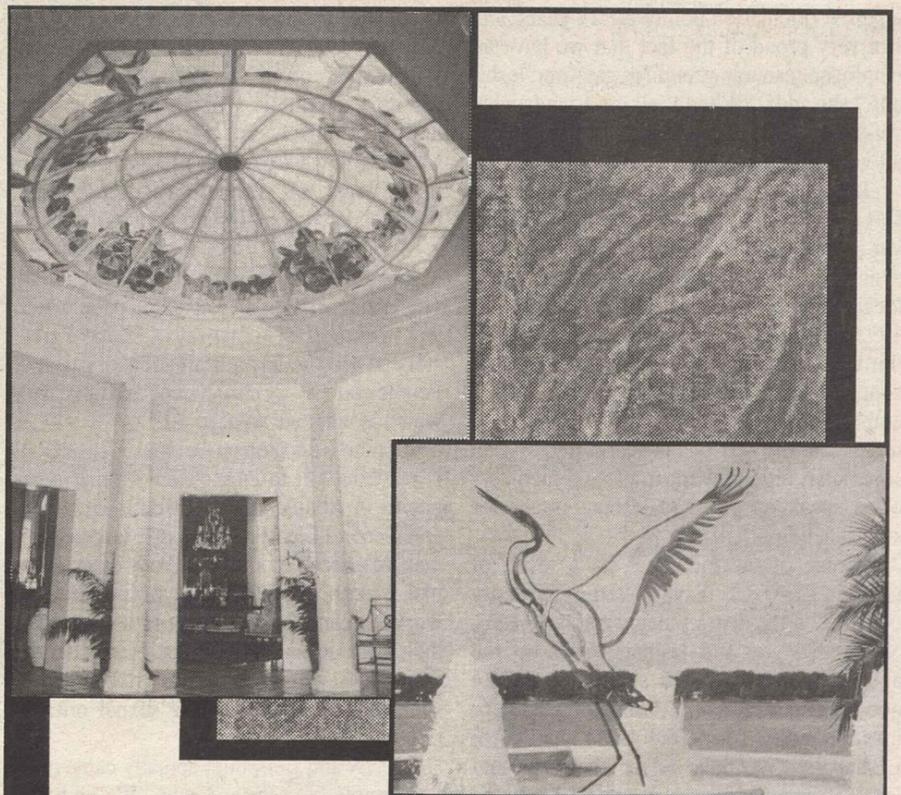
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*After death threats and the burning of their small-town home, a gay couple finds a new start in—of all places—Valdosta*

by KC WILDMOON

The year 1993 wasn't a very good one for Roy Kirkland and Doug Sebastian. After five quiet months at their home in Willacoochee, a small south Georgia town 30 miles west of Tifton, July brought a month-long stretch of harassment. It escalated from a vandalized mailbox to a cross burning in the yard to death threats on their answering machine, and ended on August 29 when the entire house went up in flames.

But "the boys," as they are affectionately known in their new home in Valdosta, never gave up. They lived in hotel rooms, battled with an insurance company reluctant to settle their claim, and finally, a year later, found peace—and acceptance—in a city even deeper south than the town that had almost literally chased them out.

## A hostile reception

Kirkland and Sebastian, who had met seven years earlier when both lived in Atlanta, moved to Willacoochee in February 1993. Neither expected trouble when they moved into the house Kirkland's father left him when he died in 1992. After all, Willacoochee was Kirkland's hometown—his family lived here, and neither man was unknown to the locals. And neither was unfamiliar with south Georgia. Before the move to Willacoochee, Sebastian and Kirkland were living in a room in a hotel in Tifton where Sebastian worked.

They gave little thought in mid-July when vandals struck their mailbox. But a week later, awakened by Kirkland's brother pounding on their door, they found that the unthinkable had happened—a cross had been burned in their front yard overnight. July 21 marked the beginning of the nightmare.

The couple wondered if there was a connection between the mailbox vandalism and the cross, and they were baffled.

"We have a nice house, and it's quiet here," Kirkland said at the time. "Everybody knows about me, but I don't think people have seen us out together much. I wouldn't deny I'm gay, but we're not flaming."

Local law enforcement wasn't much help. Willacoochee police told Kirkland to throw away the cross, saying "The more I stir up this kind of stuff, the more negativity I'll get," Kirkland recalls.

Kirkland and Sebastian refused to do away with the evidence of harassment. And the local community began calling the pair's home offering words of support. But a month later, the message on their answering machine was far from supportive.

Sebastian and Kirkland had taken a trip to Florida in mid-August, and when they re-

turned, they again found their mailbox vandalized, and something more—a "very vulgar" death threat left by a caller to the couple's home.

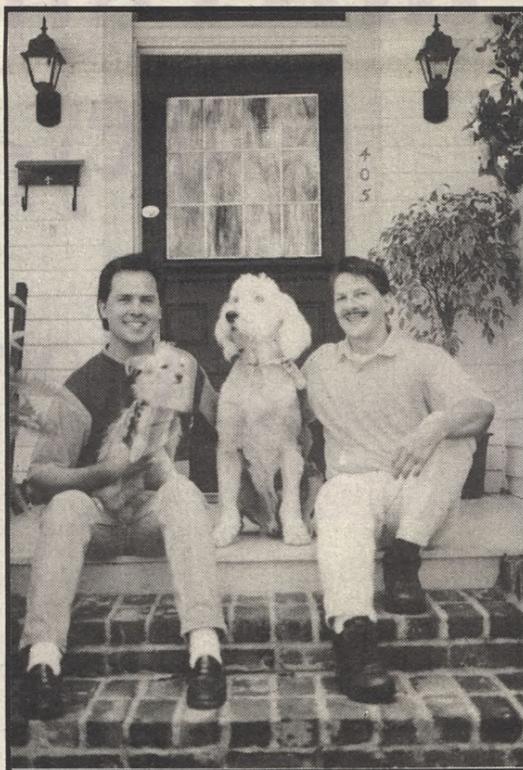
The cross-burning had not been enough to drive Sebastian and Kirkland from their home—"We're going to stand up to it," Kirkland said—but a direct death threat was almost too much. Kirkland and Sebastian began weighing the idea of moving away to safer grounds. But while they discussed their options, the decision was made for them. On August 29, the house burned to the ground.

Sebastian was at work that day, and Kirkland was at home. He said he became frightened when he heard shouting outside the house, and he left. When he returned, the house was gone.

## More troubles to come

Authorities never determined the cause of the fire—reports ranged from faulty wiring in a ceiling fan to something left burning on the stove—but the result was very, very clear. Sebastian and Kirkland, who have no doubts that the fire was arson, were homeless. They sifted through the remains of the house and salvaged what they could, put their dogs into a kennel, and returned to a Tifton hotel room to try to start their shattered lives over again.

But first came their attempt to settle a



Roy Kirkland (left) and Doug Sebastian are "an asset to the neighborhood," wrote one of their Valdosta neighbors.

claim with their insurance company. Kirkland and Sebastian filed almost immediately after the fire, but from the start there was trouble.

"The first adjuster was typically homophobic," Sebastian says, "and the second was even worse. He was shaking like leaf and wouldn't even shake hands with us."

After months of haggling back and forth, the pair was more frustrated than ever. The insurance adjusters began asking increasingly personal questions, such as whether or not the pair had a monogamous relationship. They questioned Sebastian's employer, and asked Willacoochee residents if they knew the two



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### Gay fraternity Delta Lambda Phi to establish Atlanta chapter

Delta Lambda Phi, a national social fraternity that allows gay and straight men to join, is starting a chapter in metro Atlanta this fall. Rush activities will include students from Georgia Tech, Emory, and Georgia State universities. If the efforts are successful, the chapter will become active in spring of 1995.

"We are still in the formation stages," says chapter representative John Blair, "but are already receiving considerable support from both the community and universities. Our current focus is on obtaining new members and getting the word out that we are here for gay students and the community alike."

Organized around the experience of other collegiate Greek societies, Delta Lambda Phi has a pledge process, a coat of arms, fraternity pin, national convention and a chapter program. The proposed local chapter plans to

become campus-affiliated, raise money for local charities and provide a welcoming social atmosphere for gay men.

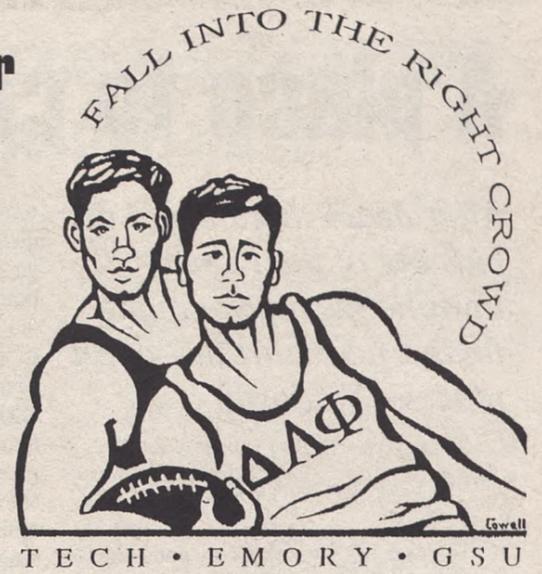
"This fraternity is a great way for gay college students to experience Greek life—making close friends, participating in the community and partying—without the fear of bigotry usually found in "straight" fraternities," Blair says.

Delta Lambda Phi, which maintains national offices in Washington, D.C., and Sacramento, Calif., was started in October 1986 through a trust established by three elderly men. The donors wanted to create a college fraternity that would not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation, and expressed regret that alternative social organizations had not been available during their formative years.

In April 1987, trustee Vernon Strickland initiated the first 24 members into the brotherhood. Since that time, Delta Lambda Phi has established more than 20 chapters across the nation, with new "colonies" forming on many campuses.

Locally, Blair says, "We are now holding rush parties to get new members involved. Hopefully, by the end of fall 1994 or spring 1995 semester we will have enough members to be recognized as a national chapter."

For information on Delta Lambda Phi events in the Atlanta area, call the fraternity voicemail at 365-5357.



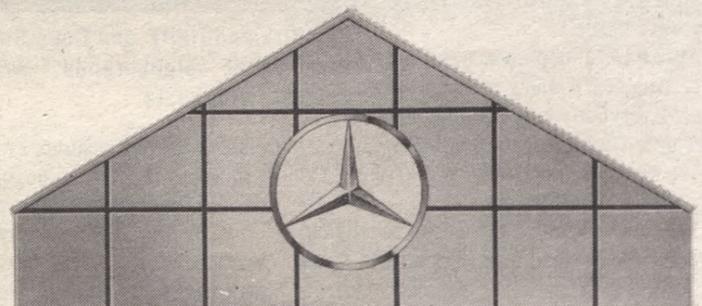
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were gay.

"They wouldn't admit this, but they turned around and started investigating us," Kirkland says, and Sebastian agrees.

"They were investigating to find ways not to settle the claim," he says.

Finally, they called insurance commissioner Tim Ryles, who responded quickly. A letter dated Feb. 4, from insurance commission attorney John Kendall, gave the insurance company until Feb. 21 to settle the claim.

"Commissioner Ryles is of the impression that this matter has taken more time than should have been necessary and may have been unnecessarily delayed," Kendall wrote, adding that Kirkland and Sebastian's sexual orientation was "irrelevant to the claim."

Ten days later, the claim was settled.

### Starting over

But the entire matter had taken a severe toll on the two.

"We were lost," Kirkland says. "We had nowhere to go," Sebastian adds.

A friend in Valdosta suggested that the two look there for a new home, and they did, but nothing seemed quite right.

"There was a higher power helping us," Kirkland says with a smile. "We had nobody. It was just us and our dogs and our hotel room. We were crying one night because we didn't know what to do," he continued. "And I said 'What about that neighborhood with those old houses?'"

The neighborhood was the newly formed Fairview Historic District, a quaint Victorian neighborhood where Valdosta's residential area first began. The two went back to the neighborhood, tentatively—after all, they had been on the cover of Valdosta's newspaper during their trials and tribulations in Willacoochee—and found a house they liked. The owner offered them a deal they couldn't, with their insurance settlement in hand, refuse, and they bought the house.

Almost instantly, they were welcomed. The neighborhood had gone downhill in recent years, but renovations were on their way up. One of their first visitors as they began work on the house was Don Chancey, a Fairview mover and shaker.

"Don came over, introduced himself, ran clip-on lights all through the house, and said 'Need anything? I live right on the other street. Open house,'" Kirkland recalls.

"We were called the Willacoochee boys by the neighbors," Sebastian says. "Not only were we gay, but we're the browbeaten gays chased out of town."

That was near the end of April, and by the

end of August, Kirkland and Sebastian had finished their renovations and, with the last of their insurance settlement, bought a second house to renovate and sell. On August 21, they held an open house, attended by nearly all of their neighbors.

"We were the last ones to buy and the first ones to hold an open house," Sebastian says. "Ninety-five percent of our neighbors came. We're invited to their houses. You couldn't ask for any better neighbors."

Apparently, the neighbors could say the same for Kirkland and Sebastian. After the open house, Chancey sent a letter in jest to neighbors saying they would have to cancel their open houses after the success of Kirkland and Sebastian's, and on the bottom of their copy of the letter, addressed simply to "The Boys," Chancey penned a personal message.

"Sunday was a 'Class Act' and there is no question whatsoever that you guys are an asset to our neighborhood," Chancey wrote. "I'm glad to have you as a neighbor."

### A separate peace

"We like it here," Kirkland says of the pair's new home. "It's not Atlanta, but it's nice. It's a hell of a lot better than Willacoochee."

Sebastian agrees, adding that he is still wary sometimes of people's reactions.

"You don't look at people the same way, when they're looking at you," he says. "You think, 'Did they read the paper? Do they know who you are? Will there be any harassment?' You think that in the back of your mind."

But Valdosta has offered them the kind of welcome they wish they could have had in Willacoochee.

"We've had public officials tell us undoubtedly ignorance reigns in small towns," Kirkland says. "Valdosta is growing, changing fast. And change kind of pushes ignorance away. We give these people credit because they are accepting change and not fighting."

And maybe the Victorian house Kirkland and Sebastian bought and turned into a showcase has a little something to do with it.

"We really relate to this house," Kirkland says. "We just bonded."

Sebastian nods, standing in the hallway decorated with antiques the pair already had and more found at estate sales.

"[The property] was overgrown," he says. "Everyone in the neighborhood knew how dilapidated it was but nobody wanted to tackle it."

"It's almost like it's grateful," Sebastian continues. "It's like we know what she's been through and she knows what we've been through."

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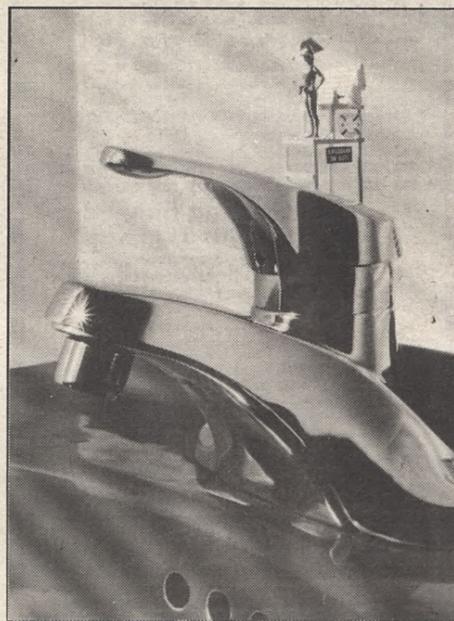
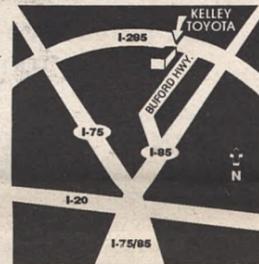
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The Rt. Rev. C. Judson Child, Jr. will be the celebrant at the service. The sermon, "Even As We Are Healed We Are Called To Be Healers," will be presented by the Rev. Rand Frew, executive director of AIDS Action International. Mayor Bill Campbell is scheduled to be the lector.

All persons affected by HIV/AIDS are encouraged to attend this service of hope and healing. Child care will be provided. A reception will be held immediately following the service.

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Diego Sans celebrated his 47th birthday on Oct. 4. ACOG moving the Olympics out of Cobb County was an early birthday gift for the OOC Coalition co-founder, and he celebrated on the 4th with partner Jon-Ivan Weaver and friends.

Happy 37th birthday to Floyd Shocka-Laka-Boom Luv (from Mona Love) on Oct. 6.

Ultrahip heterosexuals Pam Moore and Jeanne G.G. share an Oct. 7th birthday.

Happy Birthday to Kerry D. Hatfield on Oct. 4 from Mark A. Curtis. Older, bolder and better, Mark says!



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Wales while on vacation. Since Don and his partner were staying at the castle at the time, the pair was placed at the head table. Don reports that after the trumpet fanfare signaling their arrival, the couple was introduced as "The Lord and Lady George." "Perry and I royally walked to our places amid the gasps and giggles of the crowd," Don said. "I look at it as taking my HRCF diversity training to an international level." Camp Sister Spirit's Brenda and Wanda Henson are in Atlanta this week, through Oct. 9. Meet them at various locations.

When you've got a special occasion, send it to Southern Voice/Occasions, PO Box 18215, Atlanta, GA 30316, call 404/876-0789, or fax to 404/876-2709. Please include a phone number for verification.

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Don George, Georgia coordinator of HRCF's Federal Action Network, recently took in a medieval banquet at a castle in



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# OUT & ABOUT

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## Have a good gay weekend

by PETER NEWTON

The fourth annual AIDS Walk Atlanta is the culmination of a unprecedented weekend line-up of important events for the gay/lesbian community of Atlanta. Friday is the time to ACT UP with the AIDS Cure Project Art Show. Saturday is business with the sixth annual Atlanta Gay & Lesbian Business Expo. And Sunday we walk.

Kicking off the weekend is the opening of The AIDS Cure Project Art Show, an eight-day exhibition put on by the Atlanta chapter of ACT UP. The purpose of the show is to raise awareness of the AIDS Cure Project, a blueprint for creating radical change within the AIDS research establishment. Thirty-four locally and nationally recognized artists will present their work in an attempt to place increased pressure on government AIDS research.

"Our main goal is consciousness raising," says ACT UP board member Jeff Graham. "But we also want to jolt people out of their complacency in the AIDS community."

Calling on the participation of artists who work in all media, ACT UP Atlanta has launched a new approach to direct action advocacy in the fight against AIDS. National ACT UP representatives have spent their share of time at the bargaining table. And it's paid off. Rep. Jerrold Nadler (D-NY) and Rep. John Lewis (D-GA) presented a legislative proposal known as "The AIDS Cure Act" (HR 4370) for increased research into finding a cure for AIDS. Years of legislative bureaucracy will most likely pass before the public sees any real change in the government's approach to AIDS research. The group's willingness to wait it out in the courts has placed ACT UP under scrutiny by opponents who say that the age of radical activism is dead.

Artist Larry Anderson of Atlanta may prove those opponents wrong with his shocking sculptural installation for the art show entitled, "Hanging On: Waiting for a Cure," which features a body cast of a friend who is infected with HIV.

"When people hear the word AIDS, they immediately think of death," says Anderson. "What I tried to do is shift the focus from death to survival."

Anderson's exhibit is a collaborative effort between him and a friend who is a true survivor, Kurt Rahn, who was diagnosed with HIV in 1985. Rahn was the founder of the Atlanta Chapter of the National Association of People With AIDS (NAPWA) which changed its name last year to the AIDS Survival Project.

Art and politics are joined in the AIDS Cure Project Art Show as a means of empowerment. Artists as a community have been hard hit by the AIDS epidemic, just as the gay/lesbian community has been. While ACT UP has a history of provoking its opponents into action, the only thing the group wants to provoke with the AIDS Cure Project Art Show is thought.

Uri Vaknin, curator for the show, selected the artwork for the show. One of his aims was to urge the viewer to reexamine his or her personal commitment to finding a cure for AIDS. "We can no longer look at AIDS as a manageable disease," Vaknin says. "It's an international crisis. That's why I was looking for work that helped us to visualize the cure as not some dream to be given up on."

### Getting Down to Business

Over 100 men and women from Atlanta's gay and lesbian business community know that hard work is the answer to dreams. They will be showcasing their goods and services Saturday, October 15, at the Georgia World Congress Center at the sixth annual Lesbian & Gay Business Expo.

"Unlike smaller towns, here in Atlanta there is a unique opportunity for the gay community and its businesses to become more mutually supportive," says Pat Murphy of Shelton's Flowers and Gifts. Murphy is also the chairman of the newly formed Greater Atlanta Business Coalition, whose primary goal is to promote and assist gay and lesbian owned and managed businesses.

"I see this organization as a Chamber of Commerce and the Better Business Bureau for the gay and lesbian community," says Murphy. The exposition itself will feature approximately 20 percent gay supportive businesses, with the balance of exhibitors being either gay or lesbian. Unable to garner the major support of a national sponsor for the Expo, Murphy has

Between the ACT UP art show, a gay and lesbian business expo, and the AIDS Walk, the weekend of October 14-16 offers Atlantans plenty of reasons to get out and get involved

had no shortage of local sponsors, which include Etcetera, GA Magazine, LazerAge, and Chapter 2. Advertisements for the Lesbian & Gay Business Expo feature a mock three dollar bill with George Washington in lipstick and the "serial number" I M I R U 1 2.

The Expo is the first major project presented by the Greater Atlanta Business Coalition, which claimed responsibility for presenting the six year old event after its explosive annual growth forced the previous presenters, Fourth Tuesday, to abdicate.

"The Expo got to the point that it was bigger than we were," says Fourth Tuesday volunteer Carol Harrison. "We had to give it over to the community at large if it was going to succeed."

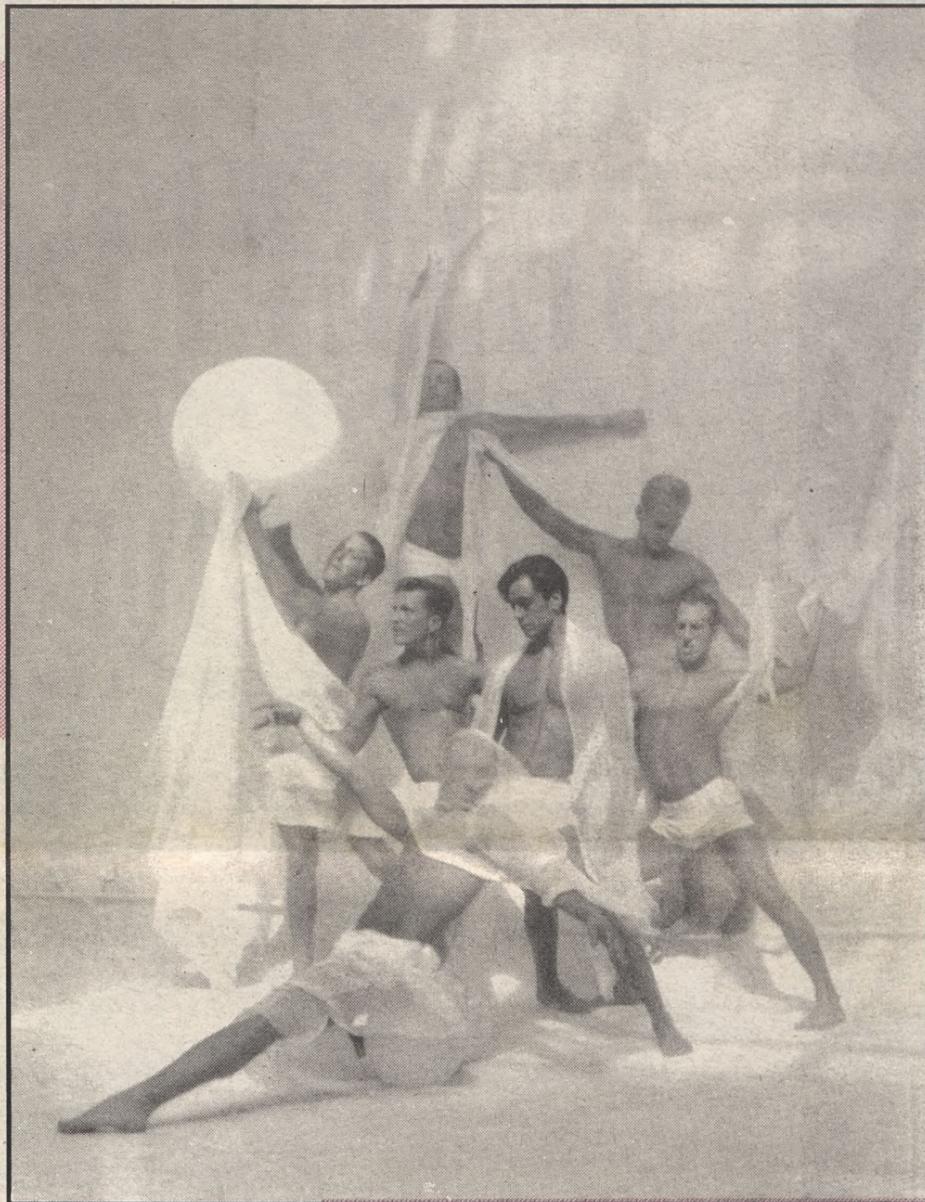
Marketing research almost assures the success of any company able to secure the patronage of gay or lesbian customers. According to the Chicago-based research firm Overlooked Opinions Inc., the gay/lesbian population is the largest financially untapped market in America. Evidence of this can be seen in the direct marketing campaigns recently undertaken by several major U.S. companies, including Levi Strauss, the Gap, and AT&T. The goal at both the national and local levels is to attract gays and lesbians who tend to have a high level of discretionary funds. In Atlanta the average gay household annual income is nearly \$15,000 more than the average household, according to Overlooked Opinions.

### Come Out and Walk

When it comes to joining together for a common cause, the AIDS Walk can boast a participation of nearly 25,000 people in 1994. The fourth annual event, slated for Sunday, October 16, is first and foremost about teamwork, with more than 650 teams registered with AID Atlanta, the major recipient of proceeds from the walk.

"Once again the Atlanta community has heard the call to action and has come together in force. We should take pride in the fact that so many teams have formed in the campaign and the number increases every day," notes Ted Haslam, chairman of AID Atlanta's board of directors.

The 1993 AIDS Walk raised over \$1 million dollars for



This untitled work by photographer Harriet Liebowitz is one of many pieces in the AIDS Cure Project Art Show.

the recipient organizations. This year's goal is \$1.25 million. In addition to raising much needed funds, the walk serves an educational purpose.

"AIDS Walk Atlanta allows us to reach countless thousands of people of all ages with our message of concern," Haslam says. "Not only do we touch the lives of those who participate in the walk, but we also reach those who sponsor others to walk, and those who learn of our efforts through the extensive media coverage of the event."

The rewards for participation in the walk are large and small. Turner Broadcasting Systems Inc. has enlisted the work of artist Pauli Drisi of Western Costumes to create jeweled replicas of the AIDS awareness ribbon for the top three individuals who raise the most money. Drisi is best known as the maker of the famed ruby slippers worn by Dorothy in "The Wizard of Oz." Additionally, Sun Days Tanning Center will sponsor a post-walk reception for all participants, which will also feature a raffle and auction of celebrity-signed memorabilia to raise funds for the AIDS Walk.

All in all, the collaboration of artists, business partners and fellow walkers that will come together over "Queer Weekend" proves that Atlantans—whether gay or straight—can work together. Certainly the AIDS Cure Project Art Show will provoke plenty of thought. Maybe even prompt some people to register for the AIDS Walk. The Business Expo will let people know what their options are when it comes to spending their gay dollars. Combined with the participants of the AIDS Walk Atlanta, everyone involved with this weekend's events bring us all one step closer to living the slogan of the AIDS Cure Project: Experience a world without AIDS.

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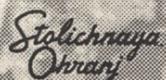
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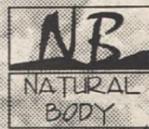
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6 THURSDAY

**OPEN SEASON.** Thru Oct 30. SAME presents Sarah Dreher's tale of ex-feminist activists who settle down and hire a rebellious young handywoman. \$10 & \$12, with a \$9 singles night Sun. 609-9590.

**THE SHAMANIC VOICE.** Nan de Gravelle brings a sample of the workshops she conducts for women to Charis, 7:30 pm. Free. 524-0304.

**SEX, DRUGS, ROCK & ROLL.** Thru Oct 23. An in-your-face experience, written by Eric Bogosian, at the 14th St. Playhouse. Thurs-Sun 8 pm, 11 pm show on Sats. 733-5000.



**SISTER'S TIME.** An audio magazine featuring the rhythms of African women's health. 6-7 pm, WRFG, 89.3 FM.

**GAY GRAFFITI.** Out and loud lesbian and gay radio. 7-8 pm, WRFG, 89.3 FM.

7 FRIDAY

**GAY ISSUES IN THE WORKPLACE.** A half-day workshop with author Brian McNaught, sponsored by AT&T's LEAGUE. Atlanta Church of Religious Science, 52 Executive Park So. \$40, \$45 at door. 516-1917.

**ANIMATED WOMEN.** Animation from a women's perspective at IMAGE Film & Video Center. \$4 & \$5. 8 pm. 352-4225.

**DANCES FOR BEACON HILL.** Tonight and tomorrow. Beacon Dance Co. performs site-specific dances by five local choreographers. 8 pm, Beacon Hill Arts Ctr, 410 W. Trinity, Decatur. \$6. 377-6927.

**EITETSU HAYASHI.** Tonight and tomorrow. The internationally renowned Japanese drummer performs at the GA Tech Theatre for the Arts, part of "Close-up of Japan," presented by the Mitsui Public Relations Committee. \$18 & \$20. 8 pm. 894-9600.

8 SATURDAY

**BRENDA AND WANDA HENSON.** Camp Sister Spirit's founders appear at Outwrite Bookstore (931 Monroe) at 8 pm. Free. 607-0082.

**1ST E-CONG'S FOUNDERS DAY DANCE.** The Full Moon Band (featuring Cowboy Envy's Kathleen Hatfield) gets you moving at the First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Dr. 9-11:30 pm. \$8. 378-5570.

**ELISE WITT.** Local favorite performs at Decatur's Freight Room at 9 pm. \$5.

**SANDRA BERNHARD.** La Bernhard at Buckhead's Roxy tonight. 249-6400.

**RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL.** Thru Oct 30. Yes, it's back with a new fall festival featuring Robin Hood and His Merry Men, Maid Marion and more. Exit 12 off I-85 south of Atlanta. \$9.95 + tax; \$4.95 + tax for children. 964-8575.

**DAS OKTOBERFEST DER FRAU BUBBLES.** The American South does the German South as only 800 East can, beginning at 6 pm. Atlanta Dream Hostel, 222 East Howard, Decatur. 370-0380.

**SYMPHONY OPEN HOUSE.** Lots happening all day long at Symphony Hall, including an open rehearsal, instrument demos, chamber music, and a

sing-along with Robert Shaw. It's free, beginning at 10 am. 733-4841.

**BURIED IN LIGHT.** Thru Jan 15. A video installation by artist Jem Cohen at the High Museum. 733-4444.

**OUTLOOK.** Radical talk for revolutionary intellectuals—feminist, Afro-centered and pro-gay radio on AM, with Alicia Banks. New time: 4 pm-8 pm, WIGO, 1340 AM.

9 SUNDAY

**IN THE LIFE.** WPBA, Channel 30, airs a special edition of the lesbian/gay variety show, "Stonewall 25: Global Voices of Pride and Protest." 11 pm.

**ANDY ROSE.** Author of "Twice Blessed: On Being Lesbian or Gay and Jewish" at Outwrite. 7:30 pm. 607-0082.

**ART TREK.** Art Papers sponsors a tour of studios and lofts. Self-guided tour noon-6 pm. \$12, \$6 students. 588-1837.

**AIDS: AWAKENING THE JEWISH HEART.** The Atlanta Jewish Federation sponsors an all-day conference at the Greenfield Hebrew Academy. 873-1661, ext 251.

**AIDS HEALING SERVICE.** The Cathedral of St. Phillip offers a service of Eucharist, healing and prayer for those affected by AIDS/HIV. 4 pm. Free. 262-9599.

**ATLANTA SYMPHONY.** A free concert in celebration of ASO's 50th anniversary at Lakewood Amphitheatre. 3 pm.

**LES CHANTEUSES AFRICAINES.** The musical and literary voices of African women, with host Alicia Banks, who offers a unique perspective that includes the lesbian point of view. 1-4 am. WRFG, 89.3 FM.

10 MONDAY

**WOMEN SOLO.** Thru Wed. The Factory Theatre presents two one-woman shows by Terry Baum and Cassandra Medley at SAME/OutProud Theatre at TULA. \$7. Show continues Oct 17-19 at Horizon Theatre in LSP, and Oct 24-26 at Actors Express. 264-4468.

**OUT IN ATLANTA.** Atlanta's local lesbian and gay cable program, featuring interviews,



news, arts & entertainment and more. 10:30 pm and again, Wed 5:30 pm. Cable Ch. 12.

**DYKE TV.** Activist television from a dyke perspective. 9:30 pm, People TV. Cable Channel 12. Also airs Tues, 5:30 pm.

**STILL AIN'T SATISFIED.** Music and interviews from a lesbian perspective. Cool music for any queer or interested other. 7-9 pm, WRFG, 89.3 FM.

11 TUESDAY

**OUT THERE II.** Comedy Central airs the second all-lesbian/gay comedy special tonight, hosted by Married With Children's Amanda Bearse. 9pm.

**MARGRETHE CAMMERMEYER.** Lesbian colonel signs copy of her book "Serving in Silence" at GSU's student lounge from 4-6:30pm, and a lecture and slide show in the Urban Life Auditorium at 6:30pm.

**KATHERINE V. FORREST.** Author of the Kate Delafield mysteries at Charis, 7:30 pm. Free. 524-0304.

**THE WILD GUYS.** Horizon Theatre performs a benefit for the Atlanta Men's Center at 7:45 pm. 1083 Austin in LSP. 888-8911.

**SHAWN COLVIN.** Folk rock sounds at Symphony Hall. 8 pm, David Gray opens. \$21. 249-6400.

12 WEDNESDAY

**A RAISIN IN THE SUN.** Thru Nov 13. Kenny Leon and Carol Mitchell-Leon appear together, with Esther Rolle and Taurean Blacque, in Lorraine Hansberry's treasured American classic at the Alliance Theatre. Preview begin this week, opening night Oct 19, 7 pm. Other performances: Tues-Sat 8 pm, Sun 2:30 & 7:30 pm. \$18-34.75. 892-2414.

**POSITIVE LIVING.** This locally produced show about people living with AIDS airs twice every week on People TV Ch. 12, 2:30 pm and again on Sat, 10 pm. Also airs on City Ch. 6, Thur 5 pm.

PICTURED:

ABOVE: Japanese drummer Eitetsu Hayashi performs at GA Tech's Theatre for the Arts Oct 7 & 8.

LEFT: Col. Margrethe Cammermeyer appears at GA State University on Oct 11.

BELOW: Elise Witt performs at the Freight Room Oct 9. Photo by Karin Hertzner



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**EULA MAE'S BEAUTY BAIT & TACKLE.** The Neighborhood Playhouse reprises the popular comedy in the Discovery Arena for an open-ended run. 430 W. Trinity in downtown Decatur. \$9-\$12. Thur-Sat 8 pm. 373-5311.

**BETWEEN FANTASY AND REALITY.** Thru Fri. Paintings by Ling Y. Zhang on exhibit at Callanwolde Fine Arts Center. 872-5338.

**THE ADVENTURES OF GINOCCHIO.** Thru Sun. The Center for Puppetry Arts New Directions Series presents this work from Teatro Hugo and Ines of Peru. Thurs-Sat 8pm, Sun 5pm. \$14 Fri & Sat; \$11 Thurs & Sun. 873-3391.

**GREATER TUNA.** Thru Sun. ART Station in Stone Mountain offers the wildly funny stories of Greater Tuna, Texas, brought to you by two actors who play the whole town. \$8-\$16. Thur-Sat 8 pm, Wed & Sun 3 pm. 5384 Manor Dr in Stone Mtn Village. 469-1105.

**LION IN WINTER.** Thru Sun. Stage Door Players open their 21st season with James Goldman's timeless classic. North DeKalb Cultural Ctr, 5339 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd. \$9-\$14. Thur-Sat 8 pm, Sun 2:30 pm. 396-1726.

**CAT ON A HOT TIN ROOF.** Thru Sun. Neighborhood Playhouse presents Tennessee Williams' sexiest drama. \$7-\$12. 430 Trinity Pl, Decatur. Thur-Sat 8 pm, Sun 2 pm. 373-5311.

**EARTH LINKS.** Thru Oct 15. Children's art from around the globe at the Arts Exchange, 750 Kalb St. in Grant Park. 624-4211.

**TWELFTH NIGHT.** Thru Oct 16. Shakespeare's romantic comedy features a bit of gender-bending when a

countess falls in love with Viola, who happens to be dressed as a boy at the time. Thur-Sat 7:30 pm, Sun 6:30 pm. Atlanta Shakespeare Tavern, 499 Peachtree. \$10 & \$15. Tavern opens an hour early for food and beverage service. 874-5299.

**RUTH ALLISON.** Thru Oct 16. Three dimensional paintings on view at First Existentialist Congregation.

**LEILANI TEGER.** Thru Oct 20. The Massachusetts-based photo-artist's work is on display at Studio Five in LSP. 524-5223.

**EMILY WILSON AND MARY CARMICHAEL.** Thru Oct 21. Sculpture by Wilson and paintings by Carmichael on exhibit at the Marcia Wood Gallery, 1198 N. Highland. 885-1808.

**LOCAL SEX, LOVE AND DEATH.** Thru Oct 22. Exhibition on display at Nexus, 525 Means St. 688-1970.

**DON COYOTE.** Thru Oct 29. The Fastest Runner in the West, presented by the Stage Door Players Children's Theatre. 5339 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd. 1 pm Saturdays. \$6. 396-1726.

**MAX AND MILLI.** Thru Oct 29. 7 Stages presents a play written for children, confronting young people's fears and rivalries. Tue-Fri 10 am; Oct 22 & 29, 1 pm. \$5 & \$7. 523-7647.

**THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK.** Thru Oct 30. The teenager's WWII diary comes to life at Onstage Atlanta. Thur-Sat 8 pm; Sun 5 pm. 420 Courtland. 897-1802.

**RUSSIAN JEWELS.** Thru Oct 30. A collection of miniature watercolors by St. Petersburg, Russia artists Anna Resnick and Anna Kozhina at BurnNoff

Gallery, 1529 Piedmont, Suite G. 875-3475.

**CLOUD 9.** Thru-Oct 30. Actor's Express opens its 7th season, now at its new location at King Plow Arts Center, with Caryl Churchill's raucous, gender-bending sexual comedy. \$12-16. Thur-Sat 8 pm, Sun 7 pm. 607-7469.

**VAMPYR.** Thru Oct 31. Theatrical Outfit opens the new season with a stylish and sensual story of vampires among us. Written by Walter Bilderback with music by Phillip DePoy. 14th St. Playhouse. Wed-Sat 8 pm, Sun 3 pm. \$8-\$15. 872-0665.

**AN AFFAIR TO DISMEMBER.** Thru Nov. 2. Agatha's A Taste of Mystery dinner theatre sets sail on the Love Boat gone mad. \$33-\$38, includes dinner. Tues-Sat 7:30, Sun 7 pm. 693 Peachtree. 875-1610.

**PHANTOM OF THE OPERA.** Thru Nov. 5. The Andrew Lloyd Webber musical, brought to town by the Atlanta Broadway Series. Tues-Sun 8 pm, Sat & Sun 2 pm; special performances Oct 31 at 8 pm and Nov 3 at 2 pm. \$22.50-\$47.50. 249-6400.

**KEELY AND DU.** Thru Nov 12. Theatre in the Square again raises the ire of Cobb County with its production of this drama about two women on opposite sides of the abortion issue. Tues-Sat 8 pm, Sun 2:30 & 7 pm. \$13-23. 422-8369.

**UP ON THE ROOF.** Thru Nov 14. The intermittently intertwined lives of five members of a harmony pop group at the Alliance Studio Theatre. \$20 & \$26. Tues-Sat 8 pm, Sun 2:30 & 7:30 pm. 733-5000.

**WILLEM DE KOONING.** Thru Nov 27. A collection of works by the Dutch born

American artist, in celebration of his 90th birthday, at the High Museum. 733-4444.

**ANDY WARHOL.** Thru Dec 17. Works by the late artist from the Wes Cochran collection on display at the Marietta/Cobb Museum of Art. \$2. 424-8142.

**DINOSAURS.** Thru Dec 17. Back by popular demand at the Center for Puppetry Arts. Mon-Fri 10 & 11:30 am, Wed 1 pm, Sat 11 am & 1 pm. 873-3391.

**PUPPETRY OF AFRICAN DESCENT.** Thru Dec 17. A special exhibit showcasing the works of African-American puppeteers. Center for Puppetry Arts, 1404 Spring. 873-3089.

**RIVERS OF GOLD.** Thru Dec 18. PreColumbian treasures from Sitio Conte on display at the Michael C. Carlos Museum at Emory. 727-4282.

**JOSEPH BEUYS.** Thru Dec 30. Drawings, objects and prints by the German artist at the High Museum. 733-4461.

**MINNIE EVANS: ARTIST.** Thru Dec 31. Works by the self-taught African-American artist on display at the High Museum's Folk Art and Photography Galleries, Georgia Pacific Center downtown. 577-6940.

**WHALES.** Thru Jan 8. Traveling exhibition about the giants of the deep with five life-sized robotic whales is on display at Fernbank Museum of Natural History. 370-0960.

**AIDS WALK ATLANTA.** Oct 16. A 10K walk to raise money for AID Atlanta, Project Open Hand and others. Opening ceremony at 1:30 pm, walk begins at 2. 876-9255.

**BONNIE RAITT.** Oct. 22, 8 pm. Bruce Hornsby opens for the R&B great at Lakewood. \$17 & \$26. 249-6400.

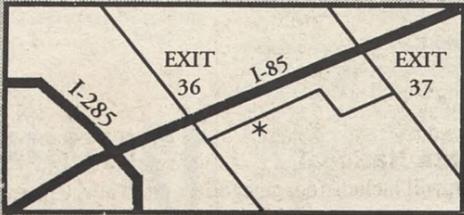
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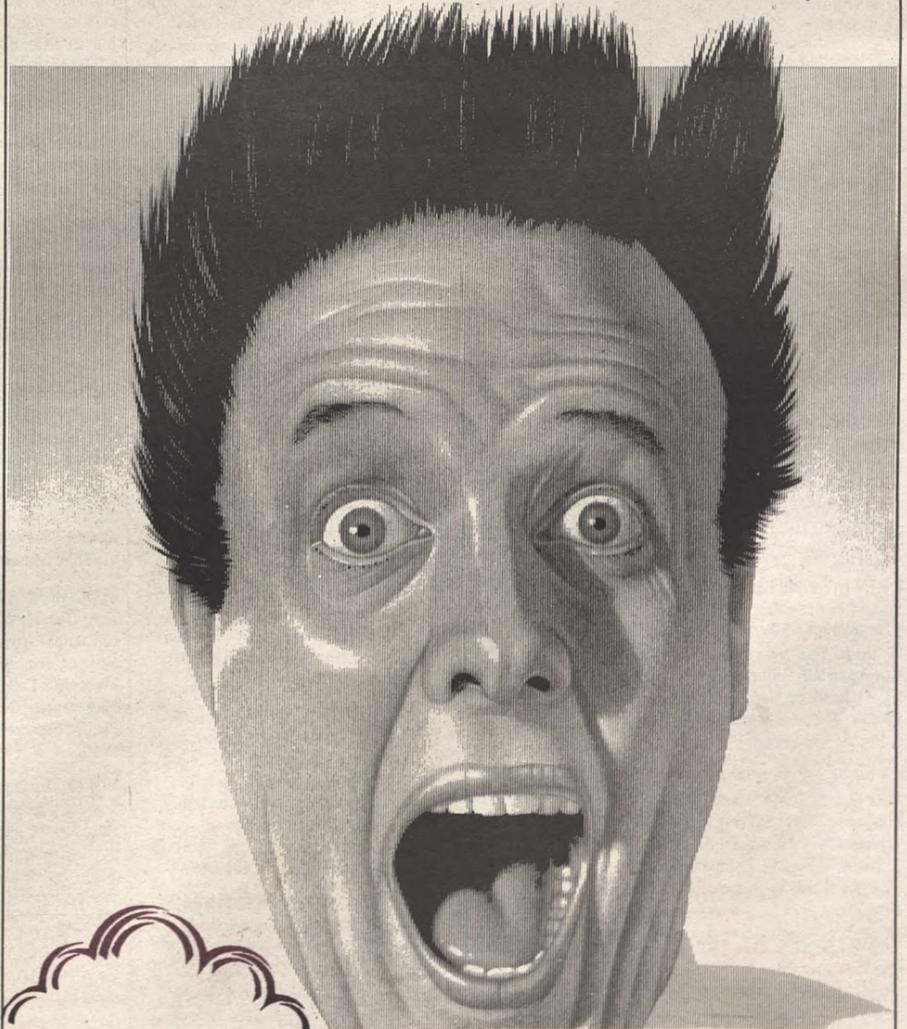
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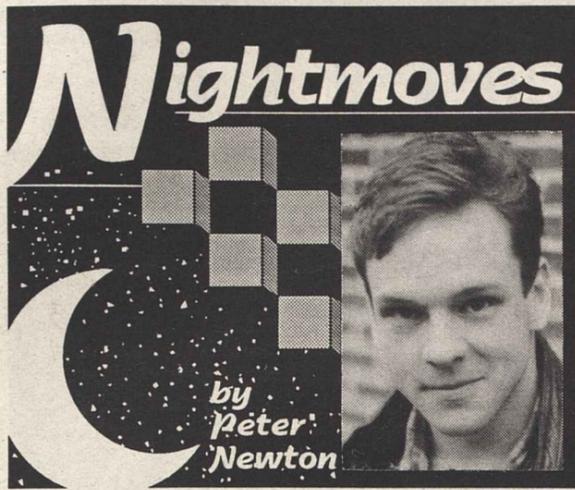
Atlanta continues to attract top-rate musicians to its clubs and concert halls, including Bruce Cockburn, Shawn Colvin and Sandra Bernhard. Yes, Sandra sings. This city also allows hundreds of lesser known musicians the chance to be heard. The key is to go out there and listen. There's even a new play out this week at the 14th Street Playhouse that incorporates actors who are also musicians—Eric Bogosian's dark comedy "Sex, Drugs, Rock & Roll." An interesting twist to a night at the theatre.

Canadian **Bruce Cockburn** (that's COE-burn) was singing politically-socially-humanly correct songs long before they came and went out of vogue. He has a talent for versatility by giving a charged political lashing in one song and telling a romantic personal ballad in the next. One of the most authentic singer-songwriters around, he may be known to you as the guy who wrote "Wondering Where the Lions Are" and "Waiting for a Miracle." Since his mellow '70s hits, Cockburn has continued to crank out music with a conscience. He's sure to pack Variety Playhouse, where he appears Saturday, October 8, at 8:30 pm.

That same evening, **Sandra Bernhard** fans will be crowding the Roxy's auditorium to get a verbal lashing of their own. The lip-curling Bernhard makes a departure from her usual stand-up routine with songs. She'll be singing selections from a new album, "Excuses For Bad Behavior, Part One," which is a mixture of old stuff other people wrote, new stuff she wrote and some spoken word improvisation no one would ever write. In a recent interview in Spin magazine, Bernhard defends her latest career move by saying, "I've been a spokesperson for enough famous fucked-up women." She's been around the block. And here she is getting even more assertive in her old age. It ought to be some evening. Saturday, October 8.

**Shawn Colvin's** first album, "Steady On," is a modern classic in my opinion. Currently, she's on her "Cover Girl" tour, named after her recent and third album on which she does, you guessed it, cover tunes. From Richard Thompson to Sting. When I saw her last year at Variety it was an acoustic show. She pulled it off without a hitch. She'll play with a band on this trip to Atlanta. But I've rambled on about her virtues before. Symphony Hall, Tuesday, October 11, at 8 pm. 733-5000.

I recently spent an evening listening to a singer-songwriter



I had never heard before—**Janell Sitton**. She is getting quite the press as one woman who gets around the acoustic music circuit. But she's not your average traveling minstrel. Her original songs are too good to be compared to those of any other woman with a guitar. In fact, it has always bothered me to read album reviews where the reviewer reduces the artist to sound-alikes. Sitton, a Missouri native, sings with a rich appreciation of her personal experiences. That doesn't tell you much of how she sounds. How about a Judy Collins in her prime/early Emily Saliers/Steely Dan kind of thing going on. Hilton head, S.C., has been Sitton's homebase for the past 10 years. She will perform selections from her two compilations, "Hanging in Limbo" and "Slice of the Moon" at two shows in Atlanta. Saturday, October 8, at Revolution and Sunday, October 9, at Eddie's Attic.

A few other relative unknowns are doing their best to change that status. Local folk-rockers **PlainJane** have been in the studio working on their first CD in an attempt to redefine what it means to be a plain jane. They rock the Freight Room Friday, October 7, if you'd like to hear their progress.

Eric Bogosian is a playwright and actor who made a name for himself on Broadway with his one-man show, "Banging Nails in the Floor With My Forehead." The title alone with tell you that this guy's not exactly right. But who is? Another dark



Singer-songwriter Janell Sitton: not just another woman with a guitar.

and sarcastic comedy of his, "**Sex, Drugs, Rock & Roll**" is being produced locally as the premiere of another season for Theatrical Outfit. After a series of scathing commentaries on modern life, the actors will turn from their monologues to perform a four man rock & roll show. Directed by Chuck Tedder at 14th Street Playhouse. October 6-23. 733-5000.

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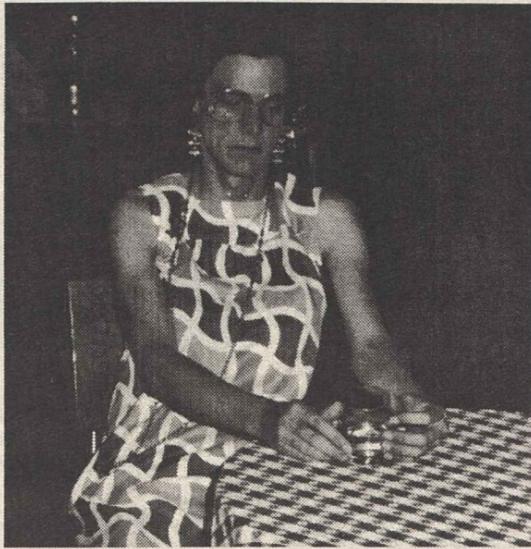
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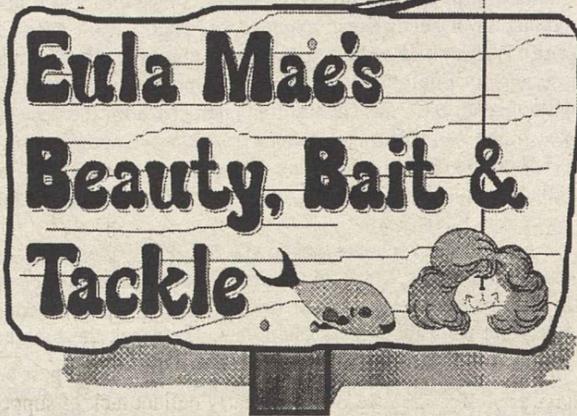
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## Play examines both sides of abortion issue

*"Keely and Du" may be the latest controversy for Marietta's Theatre in the Square*

"Keely and Du," currently being presented at Theatre in the Square in Marietta, is bound to be controversial. The subject is abortion—yet the drama by Jane Martin does everything it can to take no sides in one of the most divisive debates raging in this country.

"It's not like the play is innocuous," explains artistic director Michael Horne, who is directing the show. "There are moments when it appears to be on one side or the other. There are times in this play when people are sure it's pro-life, and there are times when they're sure it's pro-choice."

Horne is purposely staging the show without an intermission so people can't walk out in the middle. "I want people to just sit there and plow through this show," he says. "I want them to see all sides, hear all the debates, have their sympathies and their loyalties moving around so they leave the theater having to think about all sides of the issue."

"Keely and Du" is the story of a group of pro-life extremists who kidnap a young woman, Keely, who is on her way to have an abortion (after her ex-husband raped her). Du is the woman who is assigned to hold Keely hostage. But in their confinement together, the two women begin to form an odd bond—separated only by their views on abortion.

Yet it is the two radical views of abortion,

presented in the play with equal weight, which gives the drama its impetus. "I think the crux of this play is that extremes are dangerous," Horne says, "no matter what the issue. It could be gay rights. Whatever. Extreme opinions about any subject can get you in trouble."

The drama was first presented at the Humana Play Festival in Louisville, Ky., a few years ago and has generated a considerable amount of buzz ever since. That's when it first attracted Horne's attention.

"Everyone was talking about 'the abortion play,'" he recalls. "I assumed it would be a hard-hitting, preachy kind of piece that would be very pro-choice. That's fine, but it just didn't interest me. But somebody got me a copy of it. I read it and was pleasantly surprised—it shows amazing restraint."

Horne took that restraint one step further by casting "very likable people in all the roles," he says. "I didn't want there to be any clear villains. Shelly McCook [Keely], Bill Hardy [Walter], Martha Hardy [Du], Eddie King [Cole]—they are all potentially likable, but they also have a dark side. I don't want anyone wearing a black hat or a white hat."

Considering the controversy that Theatre in the Square has generated in its Cobb County home in the past two years, tackling a play with a subject like abortion does pose some real security risks for the company. They have received hate letters saying, "We will stop you from doing this sick abortion play." And local churches have protested the idea of the company tackling a play with this subject.

"There's just no stopping some people from spreading malicious rumors about this

theatre," says Horne. "We're very aware there could be protests. Obviously, these people have not read the play. But they are objecting because it is not supportive enough of one side or the other! This is mind-boggling."

"If you think about all the subjects theatre has addressed over the years, if you start drawing the line about what could and could not be discussed, there wouldn't be a lot of theatre—and very little art," Horne adds.

Still, the theatre is not taking the threats lightly. "We're taking precautions. We'll have extra security," Horne says. "I don't want people to be afraid to come

see the show because they're afraid they're going to get shot. It's kind of like the human rights rally in the square [on August 28]. There were all these advance rumors about snipers. And there was absolutely nothing. The radical right sometimes attempts fear tactics, as does the radical left. I would hope people won't avoid this show for fear."

One dilemma Horne's company faces is a nearly defiant lack of support from Atlanta's gay and lesbian community. "It is disheartening when even close friends say, 'Well, I would have loved to have seen your show,



As the two characters of the play's title, Martha Nell Hardy and Shelly McCook embody both sides of the abortion debate.

but I won't go into Cobb County these days," Horne reports. "And I say, 'Who the hell are you hurting? You're not hurting Gordon Wysong or Bill Byrne.' We're not a business that pays the community a lot of taxes. We're tax-exempt. We just happen to be in Cobb County."

"If the gay and lesbian community really wants to thumb its noses at Cobb County," Horne adds, "they will help assure that Theatre in the Square flies without us having to back down one iota."

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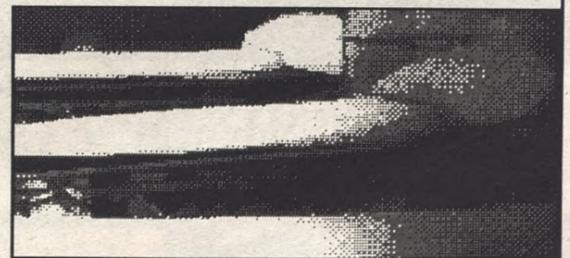
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# When the Shadows Fall

*Male survivors of childhood sexual abuse craft an art installation depicting horror and healing*

Nestled in a corner of "Local Sex, Love & Death"—the exhibit currently on display at the Nexus Contemporary Art Center—is an installation far different in tone, style, and depth of feeling than the lighter works that surround it. Called "When the Shadows Fall," it is a stark environmental piece that graphically depicts the horrors of sexual abuse of males.

"This group of men came to me eight months ago with a proposal for an installation here," said Nexus curator Julia Fenton at a symposium held September 22 to debut "When the Shadows Fall." "And it just so happened that it fit in very well with the theme of the show I was already planning. I was amazed—I am still amazed—at the profundity of the installation they put together. It is very gripping, beautifully done, strongly presented statement, as well as being a very strong piece of art."

The seven artists are all part of The Survivor's Group, a therapy group for adult male survivors of childhood sexual abuse. It is led by Dr. Robert Timms, a clinical psychologist, and Patrick Connors, a certified massage therapist. The exhibit grew out of a desire felt by the members—Brian Austin,

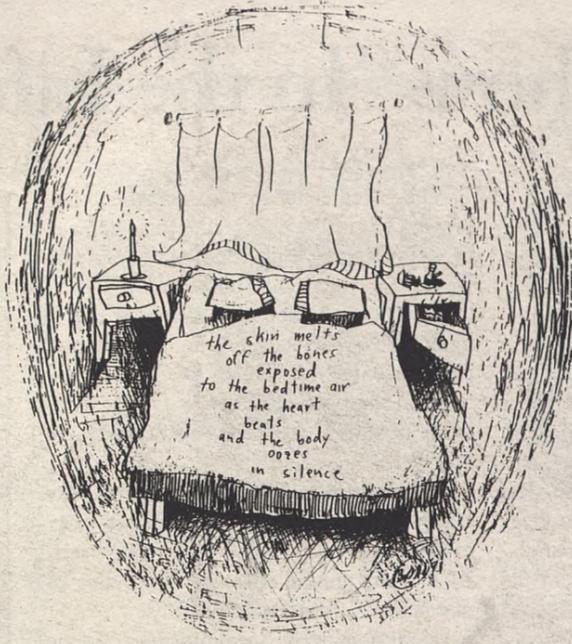
Clifton Beasley, Jim Chancellor, Bruce Griffeth, John Griffith, Philip Savrin, and Jim Tucker—to teach others about what they had experienced, as well as how they had healed themselves.

While the surrounding exhibit of paintings, photography and sculpture is somewhat more diverting and amusing in nature—nearly lightheaded—"When the Shadows Fall" is shrouded in black (to replicate the terrors of night), and it is necessary to carry a flashlight in order to view the artwork by the seven men.

Once inside, we see the results of anger, abuse, hatred. Holes are punched in plasterboard where the artists—reliving the terror they felt—expressed their inner feelings once more. Violent graffiti punctuates the walls. Then there are the drawings—expressive re-enactments of abuses inflicted on young boys. A giant man with a huge penis threatens a tiny, cowering child; a body floats over a sea of discontent, afraid to alight; a bed in disarray marked by the words "the skin melts/off the bones/exposed/to the bedtime air/as the heart/beats/and the body/oozes/in silence."

All the drawings are stark representations in black and white—good and evil, if you will—of the fear these men felt at the hands of a father, a family friend, a scoutmaster, or some other trusted man.

At the opening symposium, after introducing themselves (and explaining who had raped or sexually abused them when they



Work by abuse survivor Brian Austin is among the pieces in the Nexus exhibit.

were children), the seven artists opened the discussion to the audience. The men explained how they had all come together in the group—the only one in Atlanta expressly for male survivors of childhood sexual abuse—and how, using the varied talents, they had wanted to take their experiences to the world.

Bruce Griffeth said, "I want to underscore how important the group sharing [through the exhibit] is to the recovery process. We're taking this one step further. We're going public with it. We're not staying within the isolation of a group."

The group would very much like to take "When the Shadows Fall" on the road, per-

haps to schools to show possible victims that they are not alone. However, when one member of the audience asked if it would be a good idea to start a group for sexually abused teenagers, the reaction was not encouraging. "By the age of 14, it would have been too late for me," said one of the artists. "My abuse started when I was 8. By 14, I had already shut down."

Another member of the audience asked if the group would want to take the exhibit to a group of convicted child abusers. The mood of the symposium—which had been upbeat until that moment—suddenly soured. All the rage displayed in the artwork showed on the faces of the artists. The seven men each expressed anger toward abusers

of all types. "They wouldn't recognize themselves," said one. "Why show it to them?"

Moderator Thee Smith summed up the purpose of the symposium and installation this way: "We hope you get a sense that these issues can be dealt with in a public space, that they don't require privacy or isolation, that we don't have to be paralyzed by these issues."

Added therapist Robert Timms: "There is no such thing as minor child abuse. Before tonight, I had never recommended art therapy for male clients. I am totally rethinking my position."

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# Gay TV show "In the Life" comes to Atlanta

*Public television show makes its local debut with "Stonewall 25" episode*

"Stonewall 25: Global Voices of Pride and Protest," a one-hour special installment of the gay/lesbian public television series "In the Life," will be broadcast on WPBA Channel 30 on Sunday, October 9, at 11 pm. The airing marks the first time that the two-year-old series has been seen in the Atlanta area.

The episode, a co-production of "In the Life" and WNYC in New York, was taped during June's 25th anniversary of the Stonewall riots and includes celebrity interviews and live-to-tape coverage of the march, rally, and Gay Games IV activities hosted at the site of the original Stonewall Inn.

John Scagliotti, creator and co-executive producer of "In the Life," says, "We've been trying to get into Atlanta for two years. It's been very difficult. We've been on many stations around the country but not anywhere in the South, except for North Carolina for two episodes before we got pulled."

The "Stonewall 25" episode, co-hosted by Garrett Glaser and Katherine Linton, features segments presented by guest correspondents on a range of subjects. Author Eric Marcus hosts the segment "Making History," which reports on how gay men and lesbians have documented their own history over the past 25 years. Marcus interviews historians Martin Duberman and Joan Nestle.

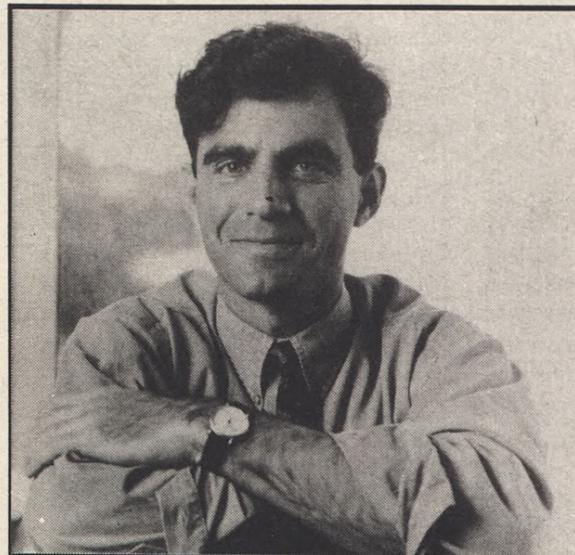
Other segments in the special include profiles of notable people in lesbian and gay history—Harvey Milk, Martina Navratilova, Harvey Fierstein, and Audre Lorde—and interviews with Sir Ian McKellen and choreographer Bill T. Jones, two high-profile participants in the Gay Games IV Cultural Festival. Additional celebrity segments offer looks at Joan Rivers, Chita Rivera and David Marshall Grant.

Covering the athletic activities of Gay Games IV is Judy Nelson, onetime paramour of Navratilova, and Kris Montgomery and Allan Tulin present coverage of the June 26 march and rally at Central Park.

If all goes well, Scagliotti says, "In the Life" will continue to be seen in Atlanta during its upcoming season—one-hour episodes in November, February, April and June. The question remains, though: How will "In the Life" play in Atlanta?

According to Scagliotti, that depends on a collaborative effort between "In the Life" officials, local programmers, and viewers who respond. The show's producers work closely with local program directors to "create a dialogue," Scagliotti explains.

"We understand that for many stations, it's difficult to program 'In the Life,'" he says. "Especially these days, when certain elements are working so hard to prevent this type of show. We work with them so they know that our show is not in any way going to be frightening to their viewers. Everyone can watch and get something out of it. We're a family show."



Author Eric Marcus hosts the segment "Making History" in "Stonewall 25."

makes everyone comfortable."

Clearly, attempting to appeal to a wide cross-section of viewers has its pitfalls. "We make mistakes sometimes," Scagliotti admits, "and we find out about it. We get over 1,000 calls per episode aired. There's a tremendous amount of input coming in."

A key strategy employed by "In the Life" is the show's membership system. The show currently has over 15,000 members who, in exchange for financial support, receive regular mailings and information about programming in their local market—who to call with a complaint or a suggestion about improving gay-friendly coverage.

"In the markets where we are, we're there because the viewers can support it and the programming director wants it," he adds.

Scagliotti, who also served as executive producer of the acclaimed documentary "Before Stonewall," says "In the Life" walks a fine line between sophistication and accessibility to all viewers. "Until you've educated the whole audience, you can't get into what I call 'inside information.' We stay away from in-your-face programming. It's not that we won't show certain things, but if someone doesn't understand what drag is about, we show the historical elements in a way that

"They feel invested in the show," Scagliotti explains. "It's an exchange, and helps to start a dialogue. Program directors need support from their communities to see that it's worth their while to show 'In the Life.'"

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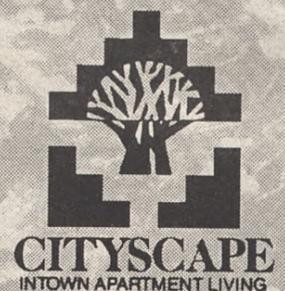
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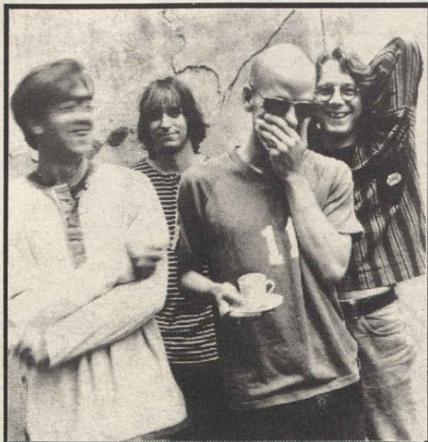
*The Athens band's latest CD may frighten some fans*

Michael Stipe is pissed off. "I'm not your magazine," he growls in "King of Comedy," one of 12 tracks making up R.E.M.'s new CD, "Monster" (Warner Bros.). "I'm not your television. I'm not commodity." Thus he sets out to prove to us all that rather than the nice, blissfully nasal tree-hugger we've come to love, Stipe is a big, bad, grungy alternative artist who can rock along with the likes of Pearl Jam, Nirvana, and Stone Temple Pilots. And therein lies the disc's problem.

Okay, maybe R.E.M. did start out as a scruffy college band with heavy guitar riffs and garbled lyrics. But over the past 15 years, in which they produced 10 albums, R.E.M. evolved into a classy, acoustically centered group who were truly "alternative" in the sense that no one else sounded like them. So fans who have grown up with R.E.M. will be disappointed by these murky, overamplified clunkers that seem tailor-made for 99X's playlist.

The first single to be released, "What's the Frequency, Kenneth?" is a perfect example. The anti-media diatribe takes its title from the words of a deranged man who attacked Dan Rather in New York in 1986, yet what could be fodder for a fascinating song is terribly obscured by the too-heavy guitar riff and the fact that Stipe's vocals are all but buried.

The same is true of "Star 69," in which the clever (but muddled) lyrics "I know you called/Star 69" and hyperactive pace will remind you of Document's "It's The End of the World...", except there you could sing along. Just about every other track offers the same mid-tempo,



echoic grunge guitar and uninspired percussion, even the potentially intriguing "Crush With Eyeliner," which may just be R.E.M.'s first tribute to cross-dressing.

Sure, there's nothing wrong with R.E.M.'s trying to update its sound, and some songs are happy experiments worth hearing, like "Tongue," in which Stipe's weird falsetto and the over-the-top organ suggest a fusion of Motown and psychedelia, and "Bang and Blame," a sort of "Losing My Religion" gone grunge. But R.E.M. seems determined to sound like Pearl Jam, which they can't and shouldn't. And besides, even when Eddie Vedder's words are cryptic, you can usually hear them.

Doubtless, "Monster" will be a huge commercial success, receiving alternative radio play up the wazoo. But those who love R.E.M. because of Stipe's stirring, lovably whiny voice and intriguing lyrics will long for past records in which the band didn't sound so monstrous.

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*New book tells of doctor's experience treating AIDS in rural Tennessee*

How could one of the best nonfiction books about AIDS have been written by a straight man? Gay men—a pretty artistic lot—are the ones who have borne the brunt of this disease in this country; wouldn't they, therefore, be the ones to most effectively translate that experience to the printed page?

Maybe not. Abraham Verghese's "My Own Country: A Doctor's Story of a Town and Its People in the Age of AIDS" (Simon & Schuster) tells of Verghese's experiences as an infectious disease specialist in Johnson City, a small town in upper east Tennessee, in the years 1985 through 1989. In terms of quality, Verghese's book is matched only by "And the Band Played On," Randy Shilts' meticulous chronicle of the first apathetic years of the epidemic.

Though at the time of Verghese's story AIDS was considered by most to be not just a "gay" disease but also a "big city" one, the doctor inexplicably finds himself treating an increasing number of people with HIV. And before long, just as it had done in the big cities before it, the disease begins to slowly pare away at Johnson City's placid mien to reveal a countenance of fear, hypocrisy, courage, and shame. Mostly, however, the disease reveals homosexuality—and the town's per-

vasive, unremitting, and unquestioned prejudice toward it.

Though it concentrates on just one small town, "My Own Country" is—as the title implies—about all of America, and the country's past and present response to AIDS.

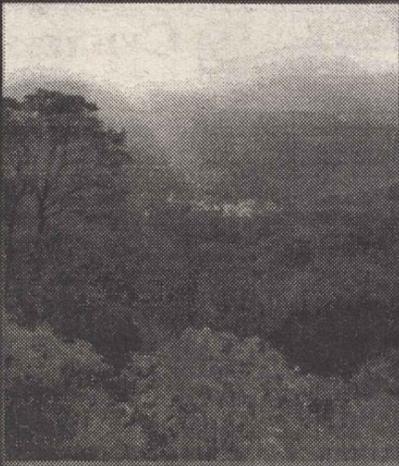
Verghese, one of the only doctors in his area who was willing to have anything to do with people with AIDS, writes in detail about his eventual total of 80 patients—the deeply closeted gay couple who had lived their whole lives in Johnson City, the heterosexual Christian couple determined to keep their HIV infections secret, the female factory worker whose unfaithful husband not only infects her but also her sister, with whom he is carrying on an affair. Each is a vivid, poignant portrait.

One of the reasons why the book is so successful is Verghese's willingness to write about negative or unflattering traits and qualities, and his reluctance to make judgments about them. Verghese may frustrate gay readers, at least at first, because his uncritical eye extends not only to his diverse patients but also to the town of Johnson City and its many subtle and not-so-subtle bigotries.

Still, the choice of this deceptively dispassionate tone is an adroit one. Because he doesn't shake off moral judgments like loose dandruff, when Verghese does decide to make them, they're extremely powerful. When he quietly criticizes his own hospital's profit-oriented administrator, the town's loose-lipped pharmacist, or then-president

## My Own Country

A DOCTOR'S STORY OF A TOWN AND ITS PEOPLE IN THE AGE OF AIDS



ABRAHAM VERGHESE

own complicated feelings toward homosexuality to discover that he identifies strongly with gay men; like them, he is a foreigner in an oftentimes callous society. The difference, he decides, is that while he wants to be here, gay men are deeply ambivalent about their presence in a country that is so openly hostile to them—an ambivalence that strikes to the heart of their relationships with each other and with the heterosexual world. Frankly, I found his empathy refreshing, and his insight keen.

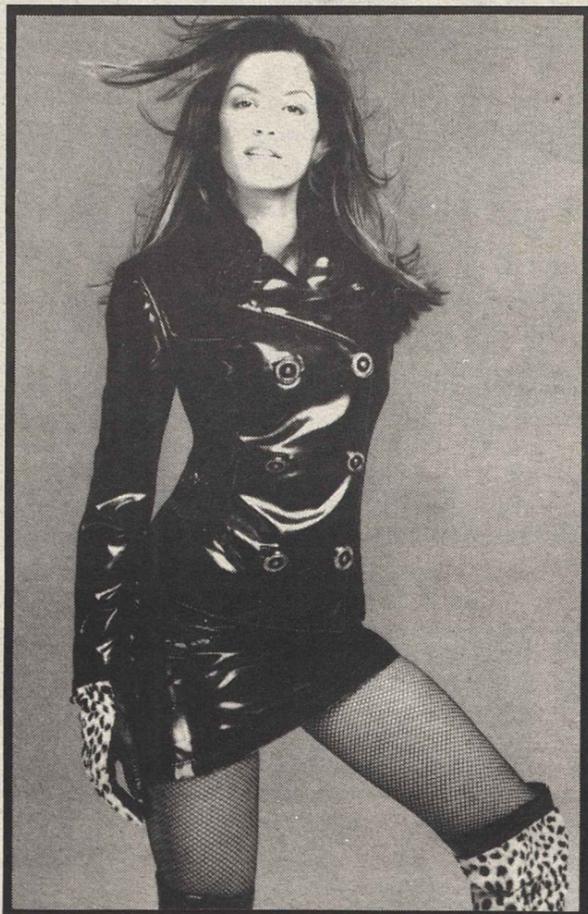
In other words, one of the reasons why "My Own Country" is so good may be because it was written by a straight man. Despite working intimately with people with AIDS—and although he is deeply moved by their suffering and eventual deaths—Verghese is never directly affected by the disease. He has just enough distance to hoist his book from being a volume of mere commiseration to

the level of a story that taps into universal themes of nonconformity and identity, compassion and tolerance.

Reagan, the effect is withering. The book is a perfect example of the notion of "less is more." "My Own Country" is as much Verghese's own story as it is the story of his patients or the town in which they live. Verghese, an Ethiopian-born Indian, gradually unravels his

own complicated feelings toward homosexuality to discover that he identifies strongly with gay men; like them, he is a foreigner in an oftentimes callous society. The difference, he decides, is that while he wants to be here, gay men are deeply ambivalent about their presence in a country that is so openly hostile to them—an ambivalence that strikes to the heart of their relationships with each other and with the heterosexual world. Frankly, I found his empathy refreshing, and his insight keen.

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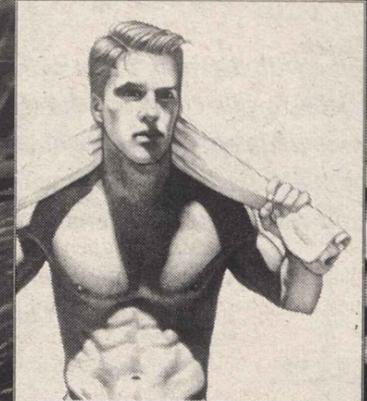
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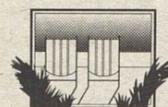
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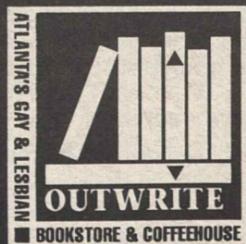
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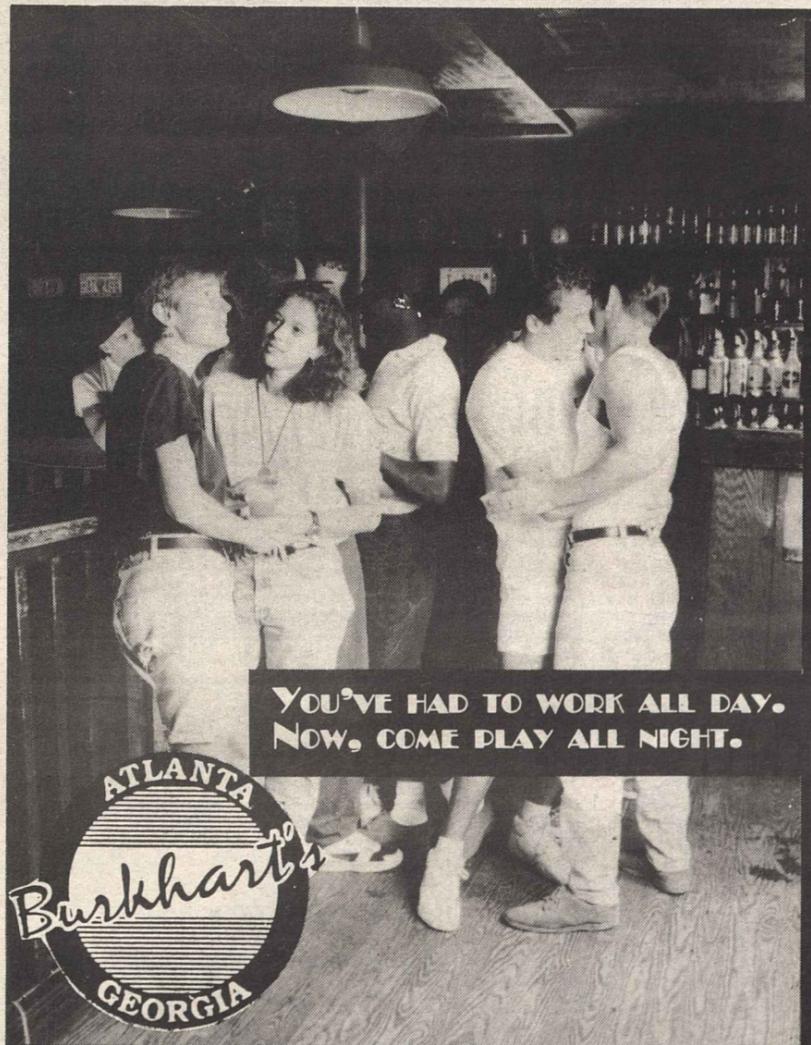
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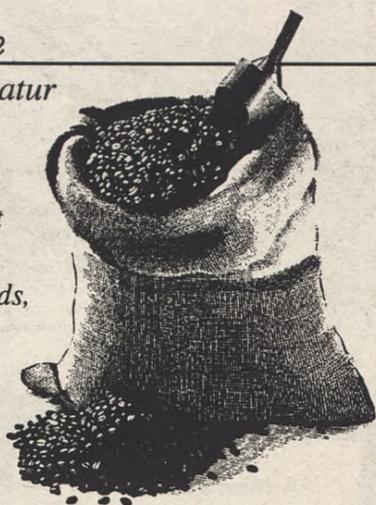
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(FYI, grocery stores are arranged as they are for a reason: the items on the perimeter aisles [bakery, meat, seafood, deli, and produce] bring in far higher profit margins than the stuff that's buried in the middle [flour, latex gloves, and Grey Poupon]. And have you ever wondered why bread and dairy products are so damn far from the front door—or why milk is at one of the dairy cases and butter is at the other, with dips, yogurt, and 50 other ways to clog your arteries in between? It's so you can't run in the door and grab a quart of skim and a loaf of wheat without being exposed to about one zillion other items that you probably don't need, but might just buy if the package is pretty enough.)

Back to the bean soup. The array of prepared goodies looked a lot like Harry's in a Hurry, and a nice man in a white coat was standing proudly by the case explaining to all who would listen that this stuff was "fresh and made right here in the store." Indeed the labels bear the name of the person who prepared the dish (I've always thought this would be a great idea in restaurants; if the veggie soup tastes great when it bears Ozma's signature and rotten when her brother Ozmo does the duty, you would eventually know to ask "who's cooking?" before you subjected your tummy to their gastro-nomic terrorism).

But I was in too much of a rush to ponder all this at the time, and simply grabbed a pack of the noodles and a bowl of soup, negotiated my way through a bevy of buffed young men pondering the Campbell's collection, gave the lady at the register my money and headed back to work.

The fun starts when you realize that microwaving the soup in its clear plastic container is clearly a bad idea—melted sour cream isn't exactly a suitable garnish, but liquid plastic is far less fun. There's continued joy trying to figure out how to open that container without scattering black beans all over the kitchen and your best silk shirt. Once deposited in a bowl and heated, the soup itself is pretty dismal stuff—better than canned, but strangely spiced, not very fresh tasting and no bargain at \$1.75 for an eight-ounce serving.

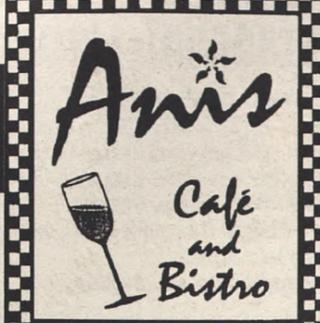
Initially almost as disappointing, the Thai noodles in a spicy peanut sauce garnished with chicken, water chestnuts(!), and diced red pepper, get better as you eat them. That's because the spicy goo that surrounds the pasta has drained to the bottom of the bowl. At about \$2.75 for a decent serving, they're OK.

Clearly the best part of this somewhat misbegotten meal was the sample bottle of **Black Sheep Light Lager** that I quaffed with it.

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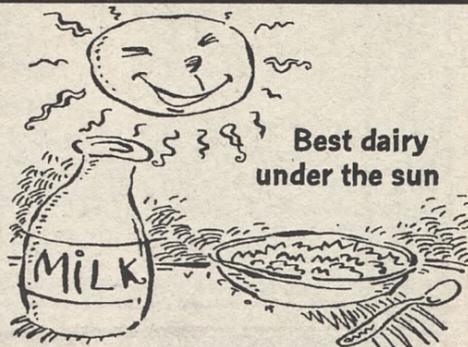
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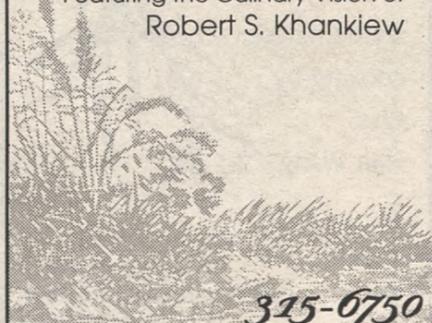
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2257 Lenox Rd. • 634-1784

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1782 Cheshire Bridge Rd • 874-7363

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**Vassura** - Casual dining featuring foods from Mediterranean countries.  
1789 Cheshire Bridge Rd. • 872-1254

# EAT

A FOOD COLUMN BY GARY KAUPMAN

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that Black Sheep is a "light" and packs less than 100 calories in its 12 ounce longnecks, I'd give it two thumbs up. The taste is very clean and refreshing (excellent with those spicy noodles) but there is also a distinct flavor of hops. It's not Samuel Adams or Guinness, but if you're tired of drinking what tastes like carbonated water in order to conserve calories, check this stuff out (Look for a feature story about David, Mark, and Black Sheep in next week's issue of SoVo).

### Not Even Close

Regular readers know that I'm hooked on Ben & Jerry's frozen yogurts. Given that most of them get less than 30 percent of their calories from fat, they are incredibly rich and flavorful.

But all that yumminess doesn't come cheap—\$2.75-\$3 a pint is not my idea of an economy confection.

Thus I was pleased to find (at just more than \$2 a pint) a new line of Pure Indulgence frozen yogurts from Dannon at Publix a few weeks ago. The flavors (I tried Cherry Chocolate Cherry, Heath Toffee Crunch, and something chocolate) are clearly knock-offs of B&J. And if anyone should know how to make yogurt it should be Dannon, right?

Wrong!

Not all cherries and chocolate are created equal, and despite a slightly higher fat content, Dannon's combinations of these naturally cozy flavors feels like it was created by a junior high home-ec class rather than the post-grad guys at B&J.

Still in search of a \$2 pint of low-fat cream, I tried Healthy Choice's Bordeaux (cherry) Chocolate Chip low-fat ice cream. Its calorie count is lower than either of the yogurts', but the percentage of calories from fat is slightly higher.

The verdict?

A college sophomore, maybe even a junior, but not a candidate for the GRE.

### Nutrition Action

If you're concerned about the food you eat—how it's labeled, how it affects your health, and how to eat better without sacrificing flavor—then check out the **Nutrition Action Health Letter** (10 issues yearly) from the Center for Science in the Public Interest.

The September '94 issue tells you all you ever wanted to know about dietary fiber (A bowl of Kellogg's All Bran With Extra Fiber for breakfast, a bowl of Health Valley Real Italian Minestrone Soup for lunch, and three slices of Arnold Branola Original bread for dinner will get you all you need. So will lots of veggies, beans and barley. But even tons of white rice, white bread, and corn flakes won't do the trick).

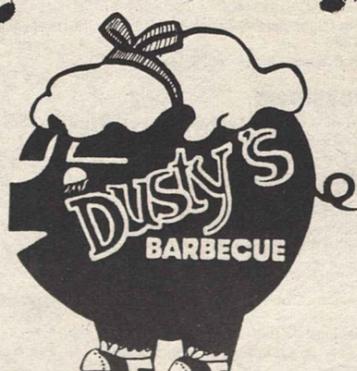
There's also a rating of "frozen treats" with complete nutritional info (One Weight Watchers Caramel Nut Bar contains 20% of your daily saturated fat intake, which sounds pretty grim until you compare it to a Haagen-Dazs bar, which will get you 80% of all the artery clogging goo you need in one day). And all sorts of other useful edible information.

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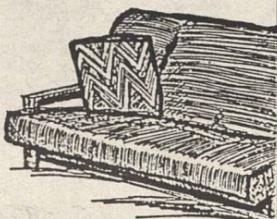
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AID Gwinnett—POB 884 Lawrenceville, GA 30246, (404) 962-8396  
AIDS Hotline for Women—888-9991  
AIDS Info Line—876-9944 (Atlanta); 1-800-551-2728  
AIDS Legal Project—688-5433  
AIDS Outreach Sewing Guild—325-4143  
AIDS Research Consortium of Atlanta (ARCA)—876-2317  
AIDS and Substance Abuse Speakers Network—977-7797  
AIDS SUPPORT—Jewish Family Services—888-6400, #76  
AIDS Survival Project (formerly Atlanta NAPWA)—874-7926  
Atlanta Buyers Club—874-4845, or POB 77003, Atl, 30357  
Atlanta Interfaith AIDS Network—874-8686  
Atlanta Lesbian AIDS Project—250-8177  
Childkind—936-9655  
Common Ground—874-6425  
First MCC AIDS Ministry—325-4143  
Georgia AIDS Therapy Information Network—1-800-551-2728  
Good Samaritan Project—873-4589  
Grady Mem. Hospital Infectious Disease Program—341 Ponce de Leon Ave., Atl, 30308, (404) 616-2440  
Jerusalem House—527-7627  
The Living AIDS Memorial Park Project—876-0105  
The Names Project/Atlanta—605-7386  
Outreach, Inc.—(404) 346-3922  
Pets Are Loving Support (P.A.L.S.)—876-PALS  
Positive Impact—885-9040  
Positive Outlook On Health—872-9954  
Project Open Hand Atlanta—525-4620  
Sister Love—753-7733

### Arts/Entertainment/Culture

Atlanta Diversity Chorale—739-5607  
Atlanta Feminist Women's Chorus—438-5823  
Atlanta Freedom Marching Band—872-9763  
Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus—POB 771144, Atlanta 30357  
Atlanta Lesbian and Gay History Thing—POB 7032, Atl 30357, 876-1060  
Atlanta Rainbow Ensemble—872-3135  
"Funny...That Way"—875-2275  
Pen-draggin' Poets—523-3639  
Silver Fingers Productions—388-4624  
Southeastern Arts, Media & Education Project, Inc.—609-9590  
Southern Country Atlanta—908-7480  
Young Lesbian Art & Craft Exchange—Decatur, GA; 378-3367

### Bars

The Armory—836 Juniper, 881-9280  
Axy's—(Sundays) 1150 Peachtree St. NE 607-0922  
Backstreet—845 Peachtree St. 873-1986  
Blake's—227 10th St. 892-5786  
Buddies Cheshire Square—2345 Cheshire Br. Rd. 634-5895  
Buddies Midtown—239 Ponce de Leon. 872-2655  
Bulldog & Co.—893 Peachtree. 872-3025  
Burkhart's—Ansley Square. 872-4403  
Club Fetish—(Weds.) 695 North Ave.—577-8178  
The Core—917 Peachtree St.  
Crazy Ray's—1492 Piedmont. 873-4655  
The Eagle—308 Ponce De Leon. 87EAGLE  
The Heretic—2069 Cheshire Bridge. 325-3061  
Loretta's—708 Spring St. 874-8125  
The Metro—48 6th Street, 874-9869  
Model T—699 Ponce de Leon. 872-2209  
Moreland Tavern—1196 Moreland Ave. S.E. 622-4650  
New Order—1544 Piedmont. 874-8247  
Opus—1086 Alco St. 634-6478  
The Otherside—1924 Piedmont Rd. 875-5238  
Phoenix—567 Ponce De Leon. 892-7871  
Revolution—293 Pharr Rd. 816-5455  
Scandals—Ansley Square. 875-5957  
Velvet-89 Park Pl., NE 681-9936  
Waterworks—107 Luckie St. 577-7059

### Direct Action/Political

ACLU of Georgia—523-5398  
ACLU/Lesbian & Gay Chapter—523-6201  
ACT UP—44 12th St. NE, Atlanta 30309-3979, 874-6782 (O)  
Atlanta Greens, Green Party USA, Lesbian-Gay-Bi-Queer Caucus—368-7137  
Catalyst—(404) 776-1478  
Cobb Citizens Coalition—POB 965336, Marietta 30066, 256-8690  
Dykes & Faggots Bash Back—POB 14531, Atl 30324, voice mail 908-5369  
Gay/Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation—876-1398  
Georgia Advocates for Battered Women & Children/Lesbian Task Force—524-3847; 250 Georgia Ave. SE, Rm. 365, Atl. 30312  
GAPAC—Georgia Political Action Committee—872-8095, FAX 874-8628  
Human Rights Campaign Fund—Federal Advocacy Network, 231-5751  
HRCF Event Hotline—840-6969  
LEGAL—605-7476  
Lesbian Avengers—798-7742  
National Association of People with AIDS Hotline—874-7926  
National Organization for Women—875-0176  
National Org. for Women, Gay & Lesbian Rights Task Force—636-7435  
Neighbors Network—816-8348  
Olympics Out of Cobb Coalition—POB 77341 Atlanta, GA 30357-1341—798-7822  
Out Front—PO Box 12369, Atlanta 30355  
Republicans for Individual Freedoms—PO 13162, Atl, GA 30324, 239-1679  
Straight But Not Narrow—242-2256 (voice mail)  
STOP Bias Crimes Hot Line—605-STOP

### National

Human Rights Campaign Fund—1012 14th St. NW, Suite 607, Washington, D.C. 20005, (202) 628-4160  
Lambda Legal Defense Fund—666 Broadway, 12th floor, New York, NY 10012, (212) 995-8585  
National Gay and Lesbian Task Force—1517 U. Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009, (202) 332-6483  
Old Lesbians Organizing for Change—OLOOC, PO Box 980422, Houston, TX 77098  
Stonewall 25/Internat'l March—662-6753

### Professional

ANGLE (BellSouth Gay/Lesbian Employee Group) — (404) 723-6540  
Atlanta Entrepreneurs' Club—Dr. Bravy 457-6347  
Bar Owner's Assn—POB 15114, Atlanta 30333-0114  
Community Network for Counseling Psychology and Social Work—315-8945  
Fourth Tuesday—662-4353  
Gay/Lesbian Postal Employees Network (G/L PEN)—POB 580397, Minneapolis, MN 55458-0397  
GA Assoc. of Physicians for Human Rights (GAPHR)—231-2251  
LEAGUE ATLANTA, Inc. (Employees of AT&T)—404/351-8322  
Nat'l Gay Pilots Assoc.—PO Box 27542, Washington, D.C. 20038-7542, (703) 660-3852  
Nat'l Lesbian and Gay Journalists Assoc.—634-7429  
Nat'l Federation of Career Women—(404) 659-0315  
OUTstaff (Emory)—727-2787 (Donna)  
Turner Broadcasting Employees for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Concerns—223-5226 or 872-9678  
Voices Out Front (Media Networking Assoc)—2103 N. Decatur Rd. Ste. 185, Decatur 30033

### Spiritual

All Saints Metropolitan Community Church—622-1154  
Atlanta Church of Religious Science—636-4567  
Catholic Gay and Lesbian Outreach—310-1529  
The Catholic Group—POB 243, Austell, GA 30001, 310-1529  
Christ Covenant MCC, Stone Mountain—297-0350  
Circle of Grace Community Church—(404) 624-9570  
Clifton Presbyterian Church—(404) 373-3253  
Congregation Bet Haverim (Jewish)—642-3467  
Emergence/Atlanta (Christian Scientists)—565-2126  
Fellowship of Love Christian Church—(706)660-0101  
First Existentialist Congregation of Atlanta—378-5570  
First Metropolitan Community Church of Atl—325-4143  
Friends for Lesbian & Gay Concerns (Quakers)—370-1340  
Gay & Lesbian Mormons—570-2561 (dig. page)  
Gay Spirit Visions—292-8567  
Grant Park Aldersgate United Methodist Church—627-6221; 575 Boulevard SE  
Home Free Ministry—POB 668 Atlanta, GA 30301, 758-4034  
Integrity (Episcopal)—642-3183  
Lutherans Concerned/Atlanta—636-7109  
New Age Gays—434-7338  
Oakhurst Presbyterian Church—378-6284  
Presbyterians for Lesbian and Gay Concerns—373-5830  
Redefined Faith Worship Center—388-4624  
Unitarian Universalists—634-5134, George at 688-2242

### Sports/Outdoor/Hobbies

Atlanta Team Tennis Assn—621-2699  
Atlanta Venture Sports—242-4899  
Atlanta Women's Lacrosse Club—303-1160, 888-6738  
Front Runners/Atlanta—621-5007  
Greater Atlanta Naturist Group—851-2882 (voice mail)  
Hotlanta Softball League—POB 14582, Atl. 30324, 873-4061  
Hotlanta Volleyball—621-5062  
Lambda Car Club—POB 11705, Atlanta 30355  
Mountain Catalyst—POB 199, Demorest, GA 30535  
OUT in Nature—619-9185  
S.E. Gay Rodeo Assn—POB 7881, Atl., 30357, 760-8126  
Wilderness Network of GA—SASE, POB 55156, Atlanta 30308  
Women's Outdoor Network—624-3418  
Women's Rugby—237-2752  
TRICKS/Bridge Club—1202 Summit North Atlanta, GA 30324

### Service/Support/Social

Adoption Options-Rainbow Kids—(404) 633-6021  
African American Lesbian/Gay Alliance—239-8184 (voice mail)  
Amazon Salon Young Feminist Network—321-5678  
American Educational Gender Info Service—POB 33724, Decatur 30033, (404) 939-0244 (eve)  
Asians & Friends-Atlanta—876-0090(fax)  
Athens Lesbian Information—LSG, POB 7864, Athens, 30604  
Atlanta Corporal Punishment Club—Box 11863, Atlanta 30355  
Atlanta Couples Together—365-2455  
Atlanta Entrepreneurs' Club—457-6347  
Atlanta Gay Center—876-5372  
Atlanta Gender Exploration—435-4203  
Atlanta Lambda Community Ctr—POB 15180, Atl 30333, 662-9010  
Atlanta Lesbian and Gay Pride Comm—662-4533  
Atlanta Prime Timers—For Information Call 734-2490  
Atlanta Pro-Choice Action Committee—239-8016  
BiAtlanta—256-8992  
Bisexuals of Atlanta Resource Network—908-3413  
Black and White Men Together—892-BWMT  
Black Lesbians with Children 498-3815  
Caregivers to PWAs Support Group—874-1109 or 875-6109  
Carrollton Gay Community Newsletter—POB 2416, Carrollton, GA 30117  
Codependents Anonymous—239-1657  
Consciousness Raising and Support Group for Women in Politics and Grassroots Organizing—636-7435  
Delphi—POB 14591, Atlanta, G 30324  
Emergence International—876-3997  
Emotions Anonymous—925-4825  
GAPHR's Support Group for HIV+ Dentists-Physicians—634-0672  
Gainesville, Georgia Gay Men's Support Grp—(404)535-5445  
Gay Fathers of Atlanta—342-6451  
Gay Help Line—6pm-11pm 892-0661  
Gay/Lesbian AA & Al-Anon—881-9188  
Gay/Lesbian/Bi Teen Group—378-5570  
Gay/Lesbian/Bi Vets of America—627-6981 lv. msg.  
Gay/Lesbian Task Force to the Public Safety Comm. of City Council—330-6504  
Georgia Girth & Mirth—POB 9678, Atl. 30319, (404) 621-5710  
Georgia Lesbian Ecofeminists—525-9085  
Hospitality Atlanta—627-1630, 708-6866  
Interact of Atlanta—633-9466  
John Howell Park Project—876-0105  
Lambda Group/Narcotics Anonymous—237-6262  
Latinos En Accion—621-5743  
Lesbian Alcoholics Anonymous—378-6935  
Lesbian Narcotics Anonymous—703-3897  
Lesbian Task Force—627-7387  
Lesbians Considering Parenthood—767-6173  
Lesbians Over 50—908-6119  
Lesbians With Children—641-0870  
Men of Little 5 Points—POB 5425, Atlanta 31107, 523-5804  
Name the Violence Support Group for Battered Lesbians—822-9570; Crisis Hotline—688-9436  
Overeaters Anonymous (gay/lesbian group)—892-5868  
Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays—296-0830 or 875-9440  
Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays/Chattanooga—(615) 875-5750, (615) 622-3813  
Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays/Southside—(691) 4729 or 981-5310  
Positive Black Lesbians United (PBLU)—(404) 250-7950  
Sexual Compulsives Anonymous—239-8048  
Southern Bears, Inc.—PO Box 13964, Atlanta, GA 30324 (404) 908-3381  
Support Group for Battered Gay Partners—(404) 350-0456  
Survivors of Incest Anonymous—POB 2502, Decatur, GA 30031; 239-8018  
Trikone—South Asian Gay and Lesbian Org.—607-1766  
Uniformed Svcs Activity—Box 6057, Arlington, VA 22206  
Women In Kahoots—(WINK) 438-1421  
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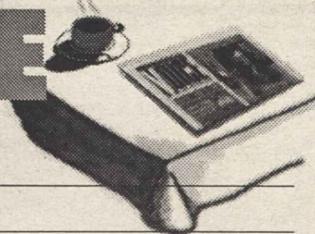
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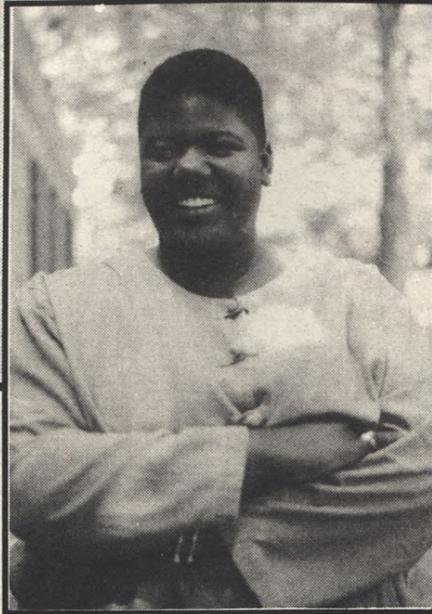
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OUTLINES

WENDI O'NEAL

**Age:** 20  
**How long in Atlanta:** 4 Years  
**Relationship Status:** Very involved  
**Last Book Read:** "Quicksand in Passing" by Nella Larson  
**Pet peeve:** Too many to name



Wendi O'Neal is from New Orleans: "Born and raised, tried and true," she says with a laugh. "That's my home. I've been trying to get back, but it's more difficult than it should be."

Difficult because O'Neal, a fourth year student at Spelman College, suffers from that age-old student problem—she's short on time and short on money. But that doesn't keep those memories of home away.

"It was great," she says. "I went to school in the French Quarter, and grew up in Tremaine, where all those famous jazz musicians come from."

Jazz was O'Neal's earliest passion—she played in a jazz band in her elementary school and spent every Sunday with a friend on their rounds in the Quarter.

"One of my favorite things to do was to listen to the street musicians," she says. "It's a tradition, and down there people are serious about passing that on."

In her elementary band, O'Neal played flute—"I thought all the cute girls played the flute," she explains—but she's since moved from the performing arts to the visual arts, despite her performing father—playwright John O'Neal, perhaps best known for his "Junebug Jabbo Jones" character.

O'Neal came to Atlanta after high school to attend Spelman College. "It was subliminal messages from my mother," she explains. "She always wanted her child to go to a historically black institution, at least for undergrad."

Originally intending to cross-register at the Atlanta College of Art, O'Neal never did. "Spelman has kind of sucked me in," she says.

But she was surprised when she got here. "It's the most conservative place I've ever been to," she explains. "It was the first time I ever felt isolated and alone around other black people."

The reason, she says, "had a lot to do with homophobia on campus."

"We all go, whether we think it consciously or not, with the idea that since we're all black women we're going to all be the same," she says. "We don't expect to have our value systems challenged. Instead what happens is all of our differences get magnified."

That's changing now, she says, crediting Spelman president Dr. Johnetta Cole with much of the positive shift. Spelman's new Lesbian/Bisexual Alliance is now in its second chartered year, and O'Neal says that 21 women came to the group's first meeting this fall.

"We'll see who shows up regularly," she says, adding that about half of that first meeting was supportive straight women, "but it looks like we've got a pretty good group."

O'Neal herself didn't come out until she got to Spelman, although she says she "started to come out my senior year in high school, when I was 16."

In Atlanta, she found herself roomed with "the only white woman on campus," who happened to be bisexual. When that woman pulled out a Sweet Honey in the Rock record, O'Neal says "it was like, all right, we're friends."

"I do not take it as a coincidence that [Sweet Honey was] founded the year of my birth," she says seriously.

"That's when I started my coming out process officially," she says. "Can't keep me back in the closet ever since."

O'Neal dreams of combining all of her interests when she finishes school. "I am really a child of the movement," she says. "I'm interested in gay and lesbian activist work around homophobia, particularly in the black community."

From that, she says, she wants to start or "continue the work" of a community based arts organization that does "anti-racist, sexist, homophobia work. I want to tie all these things together."

"I'll eventually go back to New Orleans," she adds. "I kinda have to be away for a little while. It can be stifling. Nobody ever leaves. Moving out of your mamma's house means moving around the corner."

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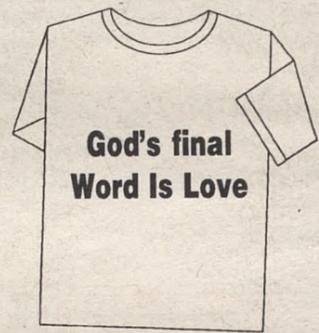


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**Don't like those nasty labels:** Within a week's time, two different pop music stars in two different nationally-circulated publications gave interviews in which they let us know that they can (or could hypothetically) fall in love with either their own or the opposite sex. Oddly, the attitude in both articles was that the stars feel, well, okay about it—either way. Dish supposes this is their own choice (or their business manager's), and we can hardly criticize them for at least talking about the subject, which neither of them has ever deigned to do before, but we think that one of the publications was being more than a little deceptive when they ran a cover story claiming that the musician in question had "come out." All flash and no substance, if you ask us.

**Very civil disobedience:** The August 28 rally in Marietta against the Cobb County resolution was held in an orderly and peaceful fashion, which doesn't surprise Dish in the least, since we've always known that gays and lesbians are more civilized than most people. Anyway, City of Marietta officials were expecting the total bill for security and cleanup to be about \$28,000, when in fact it was only half that. Still, Mayor Ansley Meaders is planning on asking the Cobb County Commissioners to help pay part of the fees, since it was their unconscionable action that caused all the trouble in the first place. Commission Chairman Bill Byrne says he will consider the reimbursement, but that "he doesn't appreciate her turning it into a political situation in the media." Gosh, Bill, after a year of enduring the aftershocks of your odious resolution, we thought you would be used to paying for it by now.

**Fashion Victims:** "Lesbian Amazon Queen" is how Camille Paglia describes herself in the latest issue of *Movieline* magazine, and Dish is not about to dispute her. Paglia finds a way to trash every hot actress in Hollywood in the article, from Meg Ryan ("she's just rapid") to Julia Roberts ("She's

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



Camille Paglia, never one to mince words, has some strong ones when it comes to red ribbons.

perky. I hate perky"). But it's Paglia's distaste for AIDS awareness ribbons that Dish finds most amusing. Noting that while Hollywood has yet to make a film that deals honestly with AIDS, Paglia bemoans the fact that nearly everyone in the movie industry sports red ribbons on their clothes in public. Paglia says about the fad: "It's obscene. Gay men

created fashion, and now these little red ribbons are ruining the lines, ruining the look. So I say, for the sake of gay men everywhere, please stop wearing these things."

**Going Hollywood:** Gay writer Paul Rudnick, whose play "Jeffrey" is currently being made into a feature film, seems to be taking his "co-producer" title in stride. When he was asked what a co-producer does, Rudnick replied, "Mostly I just hang out. It also means I can become a nuisance on the set and annoy anyone I choose." The movie, which Rudnick hesitantly calls "a comedy about AIDS," is scheduled for release next April and has a stellar cast including Sigourney Weaver, Olympia Dukakis and Patrick Stewart, all of whom are working for scale, about \$431 per day (hey, Dish would work for that, too). The question remains, will straight moviegoers take to the film? "Gay audiences are an enormous source of revenue for straight films and have had no problem identifying with and enjoying straight people on screen. I would hope there's starting to be a return on that investment," says Rudnick.

**All in the family?** The other day, a friend called Dish to say he pulled up alongside a shiny new BMW that was sporting both gay stickers and a Guy Millner bumper sticker. Our friend—while recognizing that some people do not see the contradiction as he does—asked the woman behind the wheel how she could support Millner and be gay at the same time. "I'm his stepdaughter," she replied. Now, Dish has a theory that some of our most noted homophobes are people unwilling or unable to handle a family member's differing sexual orientation. (Not that we are calling Mr. Millner a homophobe, mind you. But seeing the gubernatorial candidate campaigning hand-in-hand with Nancy Schaefer does give us considerable pause.) We are still confused as to why the offending family member in these cases—Shannon Byrne being a notable exception—generally remain so supportive of their family homophobe. Are blood family ties really that strong?

**October 6 - October 12, 1994**

This could be a very busy week, with Mercury and Venus both going retrograde in that somewhat intense water sign, Scorpio. Uranus and Neptune are moving forward in Capricorn, and John Lennon's birthday is on the 9th. An excellent time for cleaning out closets, garages and other forms of storage, emotional as well.

**ARIES,** Mars is activating your 5th house of passion, play and creativity, so you could find yourself going in too many directions at once or feeling you can take on the world. Try to be realistic about time and space and set your own priorities.

**TAURUS,** With Mercury and Venus going direct in your 7th house of intimate relationships and partnerships, it is so important to communicate clearly what you are feeling. We are more transparent than we think, so be as open as possible.

**GEMINI,** Let's talk about your health. Are you really taking good care of yourself, physically, emotionally and spiritually? You're right, it all takes time, but not that much if you can simplify your life. Clarity will bring you peace.

**CANCER,** Mercury and Venus are going retrograde in your 5th house of creativity, play and passion. Have you overlooked something in your inventory of talents and abilities? Create confidence by doing things you've never tried to do

## STARSIGNS

before. **LEO,** If the tension levels at home or with family just head off the chart, then give yourself (and others) some comic relief or a time-out evening with a very funny movie. Laughing at ourselves can often clear the air and provide a new view. **VIRGO,** "Love is where you find it, so don't go looking in all the wrong places." If the romance in your life has too many thorns and not enough blossoms, then check to see exactly how you treat yourself. Be you own best friend and see what happens.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LIBRA.** What fun things are you doing this week? If your life has become so complex that you can't find time for fun, then it is definitely time to clear the decks, unclutter your life and set your own priorities. Just do it! **SCORPIO,** It's still very busy in your 1st house of self-awareness, so be very careful about the ways you think about yourself and talk to yourself. If you are feeling wounded or vulnerable, then be compassionate and gentle with you. Dear

**SAGITTARIUS,** With Mars activating your 9th house of planetary exploration and metaphysical studies, you may be dreaming of a romantic vacation in faraway and exotic places. At the very least, take a fun trip this fall. Plan an adventure.

**CAPRICORN,** Your career plans may be very precise, but something new and unexpected could be on its way to spice up your life a little bit. Expect a few delays in getting community or social projects off the ground for the next 3 to 4 weeks.

**AQUARIUS,** Are you able to rest and relax when you go home, or do you bring too much work or the world through your front door? The solution is not to stay later at work. Are you carrying more than your share of the load? Time for change.

**PISCES,** Are we having fun yet? If not, then it's time for an afternoon at the park, hanging out with your favorite animal friends. If you are seriously into worrying, you are heading for the swamp and there are much better things to do. Pull yourself out!

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**The Mostly Unfabulous Social Life of Ethan Green...**

... BY Eric Orner

**P**ESTIFEROUSLY, ETHAN IS FELLE& BY THE ONSET OF SEVERE NAME-FORGETTIS.

WHOEVER HE IS, ETHAN, HE CERTAINLY ISN'T WORTH LYING IN THE STREET OVER...

ETHAN? ETHAN, IT'S ME, YOUR NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR, CHISLAINE. ETHAN? CAN YOU HEAR ME?

JASMINE?

NAA...

WAIT, DOESN'T IT RHYME WITH JACQUELINE? VALVOLINE? LONJJEAN

**J**UST MOMENTS AGO, HE WAS A FUNCTIONING, SOCIAL, MEMBER OF OUR SPECIES. NOW HE'S FURIOUSLY AVOIDING THE GLANCE OF THAT GUY AT THE GYM WHOSE NAME HE CHRONICALLY UNLEARNS.

HELLO ETHAN?

THAT'S RIGHT, ASSHOLE. I REMEMBER YOUR NAME, EVEN IF IT'S PATENTLY OBVIOUS THAT YOU'VE FORGOTTEN MINE.

**T**OMORROW HE'S A SAFE BET TO FUMBLE THE NAME OF A CO-WORKER'S NEW BABY.

SO HOW'S THE BABY?

NOT BABY. BABIES... I HAD TWINS, REMEMBER!

OH... SURE... HELLO... SO... UM... HOW ARE LITTLE...?

HAROLD & MAYBE?

OH... MORK N' MINDY...?

ADLAI AND ESTES...?

CHIP & DALE...?

REN & STIED

REAL TROUBLE!

**A**N& SOME IRRESISTIBLE FORCE IS DESTINED TO STRIKE HIM DUMB WITH AMNESIA THE NEXT TIME HE'S CONFRONTED WITH CHARLOTTE'S NEW AMIGA.

ETHAN, I'M GETTING PRETTY SICK OF YOUR MISOGYNISTIC INABILITY TO REMEMBER MY GIRLFRIENDS' NAME.

YEAH? LIKE YOU REMEMBER ALL MY LOVER'S NAMES.

DOUG LEON.

OH MISS KNOW-IT-ALL.

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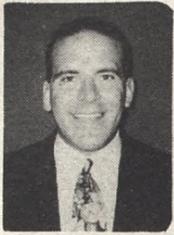
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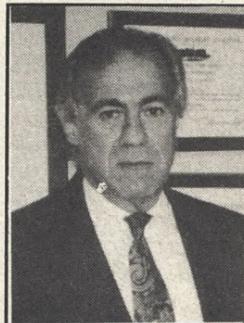
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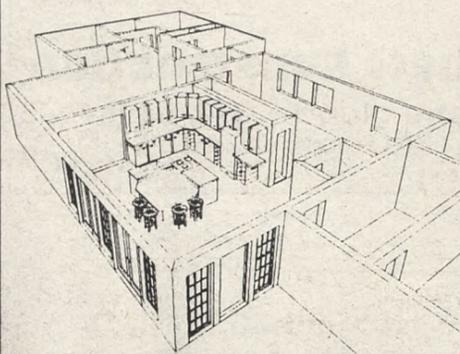


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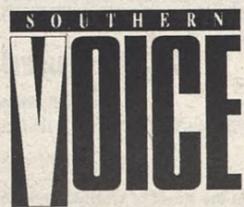
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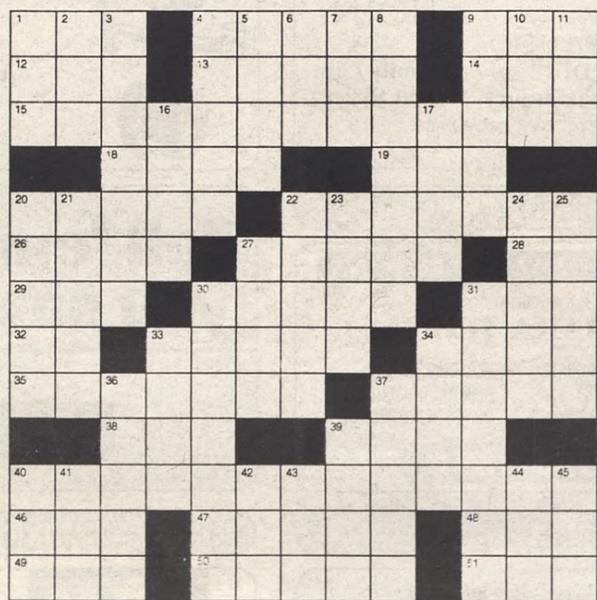
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WORD GAME: DESIGNING MEN



DOWN

1. HRCF or the Victory Fund, e.g.
2. Bleeche!!!
3. Taboule herb
4. Waistcoats
5. Liberal \_\_\_\_\_
6. My \_\_\_\_\_ massacre
7. Flight info
8. Marlon Riggs film, \_\_\_\_\_ Untied
9. Buckwheat pancake
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Speedwagon
11. Oxygen
16. Egyptian princess
17. Responsibility
20. Between Mars and Venus
21. Andes animal
22. Ancient Greek physician
23. Gets older
24. Boredom
25. Leases
27. Designing woman Chanel
30. Fulfill
31. Magic charms
33. Greek letters
34. Not sweet
36. Legal holds
37. Praises
39. Stop
40. Evergreen
41. By way of
42. Bind
43. Pasture
44. Japanese drama
45. Ball holder

ACROSS

1. Baby boxer
4. Male servant
9. Bikini top
12. Eastern lord
13. Muse of poetry
14. Orchid necklace
15. Designer
18. Fast planes
19. Nielsen/Presley flick, *The Naked \_\_\_\_\_*
20. Designer Perry \_\_\_\_\_
22. Designer Jean-Paul \_\_\_\_\_
26. Stouts
27. Sly
28. On envelopes from Omaha
29. Boneless fish
30. Shoe bottoms

ACROSS (Cont'd)

31. Raggedy doll
32. Maharishi Yogi technique (abbr)
33. Walks back and forth
34. Pornography
35. Designer
37. Designer Vuitton
38. Ancient three
39. Lug
40. Designer
46. \_\_\_\_\_, zwei, drei, ...
47. \_\_\_\_\_ of *Dreams*
48. Ingrown nail site
49. Existed
50. William Butler \_\_\_\_\_
51. Lesbian singers, \_\_\_\_\_ Is

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The next AIDS 101 Awareness and Action Seminar, sponsored by AID Atlanta, will be held Saturday, October 1, 1994, at the Cathedral of Holy Spirit, Chapel Hill Harvester Church, 4650 Flat Shoals Parkway, Decatur. The AIDS 101 Seminar is an all day workshop, beginning with registration at 8:00 a.m. and ending at 5:00 p.m. The AIDS 101 Awareness and Action Seminar costs \$15 to attend, lunch is provided. A limited number of scholarships are available. For registration information about the upcoming AIDS 101 Awareness and Action Seminar, or future Seminar dates call the AID Atlanta office at (404) 885-6800, ext. 280.

Finally, a support group for PWAs in North Fulton County (Roswell). Therapist in North Fulton County looking for participants to begin a support group for PWAs. No charge, non-hospital setting! Refreshments and loving support will be on-going. Will offer Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:00 p.m. weekly. If interested, please call Sherry Meltz, M.S. at (404) 642-6646. (7.34)

Alternative treatment therapy for HIV affected people. Improve the quality of your life. For information call David (404) 496-4384. (7.29)

Atlanta Unity AIDS Outreach is a group of people willing to share unconditional love and support, with confidentiality and respect, with anyone who has been affected by HIV/AIDS. For more information contact the church on Chamblee-Dunwoody Road at (404) 455-8920.

Social/Discussion Group—16 to 24 year old HIV positive Gay, Bisexual, Lesbian social/discussion group now forming!! Safe non-threatening environment. For more information, call Kris at 616-9759. (7.35)

What You Don't Know Will Kill You—Anonymous HIV Screening Available at Dekalb County Health Department, Atlanta Gay Center, Southside Healthcare, Fulton County Health Department, Outreach, Inc. If you've tested positive for HIV and are in need of

housing, financial assistance, social assistance, someone to talk to, or just in need of a friend, call us. We're here for you. AIDS Education/Services for Minorities, 753-2900, 24 hours a day.

Good Samaritan Project offers support for people with HIV/AIDS. Buddy program, support group, food/clothing, practical support. 873-4589. (7.40)

AIDS Survival Project offers free services for people living with HIV, by people living with HIV. Peer counseling (by HIV+ volunteers), advocacy, HIV education, the best HIV treatment library in the South. Mon-Fri, 874-7926. For 24hr. recorded info 874-0384.

AIDS SUPPORT: Jewish Family Services sponsors a support group for Jewish people affected by HIV/AIDS, their families or lovers. 2nd and 4th Sundays, 7:30 p.m. in Buckhead. For information: 888-6400, voice mailbox 76.

AID Atlanta—Services include education, case management, transportation, housing, buddy program, practical support, homeless services, pediatric services, support groups, AIDS Information Line. Call 872-0600 for more information.

AIDS HOTLINE FOR WOMEN—888-9991—a project of the Feminist Women's Health Ctr. 5:30-9:30pm Mon-Fri, 10:30am-2pm Saturdays. Caller anonymity assured.

HIV+ Narcotics Anonymous (NA) for African Am. FREE ANONYMOUS HIV TESTS, counselling, referral (minority cultural sensitivity). For confidential info call OUTREACH, INC. 346-3922.

P.O.O.H.—Positive Outlook On Health is a supportive network of HIV+ persons who share positive health attitudes and want to meet similarly oriented people for social and emotional interaction. Call 872-9954.

THE ATLANTA BUYERS CLUB—ABC provides access to optional treatments for the HIV community in the Southeast. Hours are 12-5 PM, Tuesday through Friday. We are located at 44 Twelfth St., NE, with parking in the rear. For more information phone (404)

874-4845, fax (404) 874-9320, or write P.O. Box 77003, Atlanta, GA 30357-7003.

Atlanta Gay Center—Plus groups for HIV-affected people. Fridays, 8:00pm and Sundays, 6:00pm. 63 12th Street. Call 876-5372 for more info. Helpline, 892-0661, for info, counseling and referral.

AIDS Information Line / GA Toll-Free AIDS Hotline Free, anonymous information and referral services. In Atlanta: 876-9944; Toll-free: 1-800-551-2728 (voice/TTY)

**Announcements**

**PSYCHIC FAIR**

Holiday Inn at 1810 Howell Mill Road, Atlanta. October 22 & 23 from Noon til 7pm. WE are focusing on Animal Rescue and our Spay and neuter projects. This year we are featuring some of Atlanta's best Psychic's and New Age vendors. Admission is \$6 and readings are \$10 per 15 minutes. Bring this ad and a friend and receive half off second admission. For more information call Phelan at (404) 636-6486. (7.35)

Atlanta Womyn artist, Blumese Art Center wants your support. Call (404) 373-0484 for more information. (7.36)

Afro-American Lesbians Together. If you are interested in promoting monogamous lesbian couple relationships through social outings and conversations with other lesbian couples, call (404) 724-0169. (7.34)

Free air fare for two to Acapulco. Join Hotel Express International to save 50% on hotels, air fares and cruises. (404) 816-9353. (7.38)

Want to learn more about overcoming homophobia in the workplace? Check out "GAY ISSUES IN THE WORKPLACE" presented by Brian McNaught on October 7th. Call (404) 516-1917 for details. Hosted by LEAGUE Atlanta. (7.33)

The Atlanta Freedom Marching Band is back in rehearsal! Join now to participate in upcoming performances. All instruments needed. All interested persons call/leave message at (404) 872-9763. (7.34)

The Atlanta Freedom Marching Band is looking for Auxiliary Corps personnel. Batons, flags and rifles. All interested persons call/leave message at (404) 872-9763. (7.34)

ATLANTA LAMBDA CENTER—Get Involved! Volunteer with the ALC and the opening of Atlanta's Center for the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Community. Huge Halloween Bash coming soon. Call today! 662-9010. (7.34)

Attention BellSouth employees. Did you know there is now an organized group of your gay/lesbian/bisexual coworkers? Associates Networking for Gay & Lesbian Equality (ANGLE) meets monthly and is open to all active and retired employees of BellSouth Corporation, its subsidiaries and affiliates. For more information, call the ANGLE Hotline at (404) 723-6540. We have or will start chapters throughout the BellSouth region. (7.34)

Have you been charged or convicted of sodomy or solicitation of sodomy? Please contact the Sodomy Reform Task Force. Join in the fight to reform Georgia's oppressive sodomy statute. Call 523-5398.

**Auditions**

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**Employment**

**PART TIME**

Restaurant Delivery Service in the Emory/Decatur and Toco Hill areas needs FT and PT operators and drivers. Days and evenings. Call (404) 633-0276 and leave message. (7.35)

**FULL TIME**

Buckhead Kroger is currently seeking friendly, energetic, people for our front-end, deli, and seafood operations. Cashier/Customer Service experience a plus! On MARTA route #5. Apply in person 3330 Piedmont Avenue, N.E., (404) 237-8022. (7.33)

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Desperately seeking Hairstylist! We need you now!! Preferably yesterday! Call (404) 321-5775. Hairanoia. (7.33)

Attention Hairstylists! Exciting opportunity! Booth available for rent at gorgeous Midtown salon in the fabulous Georgia Terrace across from the Fox Theatre. All inquiries welcome. Call Christopher at Epic Hair Design (404) 872-6487. (7.35)

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Efficiency apartment in Decatur, 2 blocks from Agnes Scott. Large backyard, pets okay. \$400/mo. \$400 deposit. Includes utilities. References required. Michelle (404) 370-1824. (7.35)

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ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD:  
**HOW MANY HAVE DIED?**

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**Roommates**

GWM seeks male roommate for 2BR, 1BA apt on Buford Highway. Fully equipped kitchen, nice private patio. Laundry facility on property. Could stand living room furniture if you have any. \$350/mo includes utilities except long distance. Deposit and references required. No smoking. No drugs. No pets. Leave message for appointment (404) 325-7600. (7.34)

Peachtree Corners: GWM seeks M/F to share 2BR, 2.5 BA home. \$300/mo + utilities. (404) 729-9253. (7.34)

Lesbian in recovery seeking roommate for townhouse near 185/Jimmy Carter Blvd. \$375 including utilities. No smoking. Pet lover. (404) 931-9162. (7.35)

GWF seeking housemate in Pine Lake \$300 plus 1/2 utilities. Pets okay. Chris (404) 294-6450. (7.34)

GF desires roommate for a 3 BR Emory/Decatur home. \$325 plus 1/2 utilities. (404) 377-1349. (7.34)

GWM student seeks M/F to share 2 BR, 2 BA house in Candler Park/LSP, \$300/mo + 1/2 utilities. No smoking. Call John at (404) 915-0607. (7.34)

GWM Healthy HIV+ 38, cats, smoker seeks roommate for spacious 2 BR apt in Candler Park. \$270/mo + util. Fred (404) 653-0321. (7.35)

Decatur-Private bedroom/bath in large townhouse near Emory & Agnes Scott. Cable access in BR, private phone line, W/D. Share with lesbian mother/daughter for \$350/mo. No smoking, drugs, or pets. Deposit required. Message (404) 726-2766. (7.33)

3rd roommate. GWM to share furnished apt. \$300/mo + 1/3 utilities. No pets, non smoker. Gay complex. Call (404) 321-5791. (7.33)

Decatur/Clarkston Lesbian professional seeks non-smoking GMF to share 3 BR, 2 BA house. Will have 2 private rooms and baths. Must like pets. \$350 plus 1/2 utilities. (404) 296-7375. (7.35)

GWF seeks NS roommate. 2 BR, 1 BA duplex. Lilburn/Stn Mtn area. \$250 + 1/5 utilities. (404) 985-9456. Leave message. (7.33)

Decatur GWM seeks roommate to share 2 BR, 2 BA apartment. \$270/mo plus 1/2 utilities. (404) 501-9348. (7.33)

GF to share 2 BR, 2 BA apt. W/D, pool, walk-in closet. 1-75 & Tara \$320/mo or \$80/wk. (404) 907-4932. (7.35)

Come to my window. Professional lesbian seeks responsible roommate to share 2 BR beautiful Decatur duplex. Spacious, wood floors, backyard. \$320/mo. (404) 292-7900, ext. 229. (7.35)

GWF-Emory seeks housemate. 3 BR, 2 BA space. \$425 + phone. Professional, no smoke. Great house: fireplace, screen porch, W/D, H/A. (404) 728-8896. (7.33)

Lesbian housemate wanted. Semi-furnished room. Air, washer/dryer, private phone line. Convenient to Emory, GSU, and Agnes Scott. (404) 373-3619. (7.33)

**WOODLAND HILLS/EMORY**

Lesbian seeks same to share home. Avail. Oct/Nov. 3BR, A/C, W/D, Great Rm, private deck, on bus route, safe, prefer non-smoker, no kids/pets. \$450/mo. incl. utilities. Call Dennie 325-2630 home, or (404) 252-4843 work. (7.33)

GF to share 2 BR, 2 BA, walk-in closets, W/D, pool. \$320/80wk, 100 dep. Available 10-94. 1-75 & Tara. (404) 907-4932. (7.34)

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**Volunteers**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to participate in GSU Psychology Research on childhood experiences of gay and bisexual men. Involves completing questionnaire by mail. All responses kept strictly confidential. Study results available to participants. (404) 288-6821 for information or to participate.

Project Open Hand/Atlanta is actively recruiting volunteers to walk on the Open Hand team in this year's AIDS Walk/Atlanta taking place on October 16 in Piedmont Park. Each person registered to walk on the Project Open Hand team will receive a commemorative Project Open Hand/AIDS Walk Atlanta bandana the morning of the walk. Call (404) 525-4620 to register. (7.34)

Volunteers needed for sponsor sign-up on 5K Walk and Run against domestic violence. Help get your friends in gear. Call now at Crisis Resource Center (404) 221-0252.

WE NEED YOU! Good Samaritan Project provides support & community for persons with AIDS. 873-4589. This includes all Disability Divas. (7.40)

AIDS Survival Project is a volunteer-driven agency for people living with HIV/AIDS, and we need YOU as a driver. Office/clerical, special events, peer counselors are special needs. No experience needed - just come ready to make a difference! Find out how to offer your time and talents by calling 874-7926.

**Voice Connection**

**WOMEN**

**SoVo Pick of the Week**

GBF, NYC, political, spiritual, caring, seeks mature, non-role playing, sincere, unpretentious woman of color for conversation, romance and more. ☎ 2213

Intelligent, attractive Levi's semi-femme GWF 23, into Girls, Melissa, k.d., Rain, movies, books; raising 2 mini-feminists seeks GFs for friends, lover. All answered. ☎ 2214

GWF, 23, cute, feminine, psychology major. Loves animals, music, tennis. ISO SANE, feminine, GWF, 21-33 for friendship and dating. ☎ 2209

SEND ME AN ANGEL, mysterious, pretty, gorgeous femme fatale—GWF, 32 who is passionate, romantic; sensual, and creative, seeks similar sincere woman for friendship/romance/relationship. ☎ 2210

GWF, 28 attractive, undercover nerd. Chess, movies, theatre and music. Seeks same 28-35. Cobb metro area. ☎ 2211

Semi-closeted GWF 28 of Latin descent, attractive, petite, quasi-conservative, spiritual, sensitive, freedom-loving ISO classic feminine for music, outdoors and honesty. Friendship first. ☎ 2212

Seeking Someone: sensitive, sensual, conscious, loving, I love uninitiated friends, Victorian Lace, big hats, champagne brunch (STOP) Leather miniskirts, 4-inch heels, 4-star hotels (STOP) Rivers, meadows, horses, the arts, Europe and you? 2221 Peachtree Road, Mailbox #217, Atlanta, GA 30309.

Wanted. Attractive GWF, 35-43 for attractive professional. Stressed out. Qualifications include humor, stress management, sensuality & great lips. ☎ 2188

GWF, 28, red hair, blue eyed loves dancing, music, etc. Seeks GWF 24-30 for friendship, possible relationship. ☎ 2191

GWF, 29: attractive, androgenous, fun-loving and professional. Dare to reach in and touch my soul, it's thoughtful of life, honest and open. Seek same for friendship/more. ☎ 2194

GWF ISO GWF with wacky sense of humor and gentle spirit! I'm sort of butch, 5'7", blond/blue animal lover. ☎ 2197

GWF, 25, too shy to speak jto you! Natural, professional, together. Seeking down to earth, confident, fem. ☎ 2207

GWF submissive wannage seeks fit, 5'7" or taller dominant GWF late 20s-30s for "training" some SM. ☎ 2202

Reply if not frightened to GWF: 27, Psy. Graduate student, blonde, eyes: 1 green, 1 brown, 5'4", wanting friends. Tame looking—surprise wild child. Fin. secure. cat-person, garlic lover, eclectic music, cappuccino addict, lives to blow bubbles in the woods under moon, warms toe rings by fireplace, reads lots, no white drugs, smokes only on WEAK days, plays with beads & drinks fine wine. Travelled, spiritually creative, Rush hater, failed debutante. ☎ 2152

GWF, 30, petite, br/blue, professional. I smoke & drink! (Just thought I'd warn you.) Seek fun loving woman for friendship, maybe more. Enjoy dining out, reading, movies, walks, and love animals. I'm new to area & would love to meet woman with similar interests. ☎ 2151

An Honest Ad. I love romance, but my passion is for good sex, intelligent conversation and laughter. Is anything else important? ☎ 2149

GWF professional. ISO feminine 30s who advocates mental and physical health—who wants to live life to its fullest. Nonsmoker. ☎ 2146

GWF, 42, professional, adventurous heart, searching soul, personal/spiritual growth is priority. ISO committed relationship with like-minded mature women. ☎ 2155

Intelligent, feminine, cultured woman, 35, desires fun and frolic with affectionate, witty, feminine, stable professional GWF 30+, into motorcycles, travel, the arts. Smokers welcome, drinkers not. ☎ 2125

GWF, 29, looking for GWF 26-35 (feminine) for companionship and more if opportunity presents itself. I work in the sports field and love sports. Very family/goal oriented looking for same. Professionalism, stability, and honesty a must. No smokers or drugs please. Live in Cobb Co. Write & tell me about yourself. Picture optional. Box 421, 4983 Austell Road, Austell, GA 30001. ☎ 2126

ISO GWF. Highly manipulative, addictive personality to be the next woman in my life, matching all the others. I'll understand if you can't respond. 2101 or write to SoVo Box 6521, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306

**I SAW YOU AT**

the Cobb/Marietta rally. You: sht. blonde hair & glasses/jeans. Would love to hear from you! Me: blonde, black shirt/shorts hair wraps & captivated by you! You were next to a lady selling bumper stickers. ☎ 2102

GWF, 38, feminine, attractive, fun-loving professional seeks same. Enjoys conversation, golf, tennis, beach, adventure, cuddling, romance and more. No dykes, bis, druggies. 35+. ☎ 2103

GWF, 40, hopeless romantic. ISO GWF 35-50 with intelligence, humor and romantic nature. Looks are immaterial. Personality is the key. Smokers okay. Write Box 6513, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306

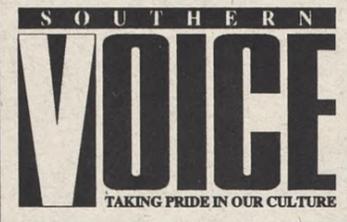
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GWF, 25, short brown hair, blue eyes, seeks GBF 24-30 for dinners, movies and long talks, etc... No drugs/smoking. ☎ 2019

Insightful, sensual, humorous, sweet, aesthetic, passionate, spiritual GWF, 43, ISO mutuality, good conversation, quiet fun. NS, please. ☎ 2020

GWF, 28, professional 5'3", 110, blonde/blue, feminine, attractive, nonsmoker, spiritual, affectionate, passionate. Loves animals, music, quiet romantic evenings. ISO feminine woman 25-35 for friendship, hopefully more. ☎ 2021

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GWF-very good looking, alternative, petite, professional, fun and physically fit. Seeks: same or a gorgeous hippie-chick. 1993

Gorgeous and outrageously daring GWF/ISO androgenous and sensual GWF. 35-45 in relationship but seeking quality time with discreet partner. 1994

Our life is dull! GBF (couple) seeks other couples to befriend. Nothing sexual. Just lunch - movies or 2 hang-out with. Give us a call - Let's do lunch! 1980

Stable, professional, GWF, 37, who enjoys movies, reading, walks in the mountains and along the beach, eating out, travel and romance. Seeking somewhat feminine, non-smoke with similar interests. 35-45 yrs. 1981

GWF, 43, feminine, educated, professional, passionate, affectionate, honest and adventurous. Seeks warm heart, intelligent mind, playful spirit for quality relationship. 1982

GWF, 29, attractive, fit, non-smoker, settled, honest, caring, affectionate. Seeking spiritual growth. Loves music, sports, animals. Desires mature relationship. 1983

Attractive, feminine, GBF artisan, 30's (laid-back, nature-loving, spiritually-expressive) sks GF for conversation, friendship & intimacy. 1984

GWF, 40's, trim, petite, shy, mature, stable, just coming out. Seeking serious relationship with butch woman. 1985

KEY TO MY HEART

Cute GWF, 29, semi-but, open minded, brn/grn, fin. secure, loves to laugh, dance & romance. ISO: similar semi-fem, 26 and up GWF, "over Ex." Come try your key! 1986

Relationship oriented, professional GBF seeks same. Must be emotionally stable, disease free, and over your X lover. 1712

GWF, 25, blonde, blue-eyed, slim, addicted to coffee and music, enjoys traveling, writing, movies, psychology, seeks attractive, intelligent, creative woman. Let's talk. 1713

Quiet GWF, 42 seeking warm, healthy, stable GWF over 35 who likes sports. I like sunbathing in summer and fireside talks in winter. No smokers/druggies. 1714

SEE THE HUMOR in Newt Gingrich donating snake to zoo? GWF, 31, professional, politically aware, physically fit seeks self-assured GWF, 27-37, with eclectic musical tastes, diverse interests, liberal philosophies. Must possess passion for life, sense of humor. No smokers, emotional vampires, additions. Write Les Bian, P.O. Box 2554, Beaufort, SC 29901.

WF wants serious relationship with tall, slim, feminine woman. Prefer long hair. Must love animals, and fun. Outgoing, trustworthy and honesty a must. No butches or Bi's. Age 23-35. 1619

GWF, 25, attractive professional. Love golf, all sports, quiet evenings. ISO feminine woman age 30-38 w/similar interest for dating. 1620

GWF, 37, tall, attractive, blonde/blue, fit, feminine, professional. Appreciate: humor, honesty, spirituality. Interest: music, sports, movies. ISO similar traits, appreciation/interests. Age 32-42, for friendship/dating. No smoking/drugs. 1621

38 y/o GWF in committed relationship seeking Butch Buddy for friendship/pal. I'm honest, hardworking, nature lover, in recovery. Alcohol/drug-free. 1622

Lesbian artist, 31, attractive, professional, ISO woman with similar interests between 29 and 35 for friendship possibly more. No smokers. 1614

GF Any Age. All fun! No games. Happy Shiny People seek same. LET'S DO LUNCH. 1616

N/E Coast GWF-28 intelligent, very good looking, great sense of humor, well-travelled, studying law. ISO similar friends, but would enjoy dating if mutual attraction. Tell me about yourself. 1497

GWF, attractive, blue-eyed, long-maned guitar goddess looking for GWF, hippy-type, 26+ for friendship, possible relationship. No drugs. No smokers. Call now... 1498

NE Ga. GWF 35, wks nights/weekends, smoker seeks sincere, monogamous relationship-oriented GWF. No drugs, bar scenes, games, butches. I am seeking soulmate. P.O.Box 1115, Flowery Branch, GA 30542

GWF seeks "Better-Half", petite, femme, GWF 35-45. Be center of my amorous attention/sexual energy. Let's talk. No drugs/bi-sexuals/alcoholics. 1500

GWF-fem/attractive/35 educated/physically

fit/ new age/non-drinker seeks similar GWFem for companionship. No alkies/druggies. 1501

Curious gdlkg 5'5", 114#, bl/br, 36, feminine seeks same for friendship. D/D-free. New to lifestyle. No butches. 1502

Attractive GBF educated, career oriented, feminine. Enjoys jazz, dining out, weekend rendezvous, and more. Seeks GBF for friendship/more. 1503

BiWf, 27, 5'4", 119#, married, seeks single, attractive BiF's 18-35. Live-in lover relationship possible. No Men/Couples. 1593

Angela Lansbury lookalike seeks Linda Evans lookalike 40-50 something. I: cat lover, smoker, buxom, blonde/blue. U: similar. 1549

GBF, 36, attractive, professional, searching GF (35-40) sensitive, good conversation, adventurous, love good food, jazz. Over ex. 1567

GWF, Buckhead-looking—not politically correct—desire attractive, intelligent, travelled, spiritual, communicative, affectionate GWF, 28+. No Yankee-haters, butches, smokers, drugs. 1554

MEN

SoVo Pick of the Week

College football buddy sought by GWM to watch/go to games. You 21-30, SEC or ACC fans a plus. 2215

ME: Middle GA GWM 20/130/5'10"/br-bl/HIV-/student. YOU: GWM 20-30/smooth/HIV-/heavy (180-250) versatile. US: LSP, Trek, Stone Mtn, fun, relationship? No fems/1sts/barflies. 2216

BM seeks masculine, Ruffneck BM for good times. 2217

ASIAN FLAME

Wanted by sincere GWM, 51, 6'3", masculine businessman. Prefer GAM: younger, intelligent, affectionate, lean; seeking friendship, possible relationship. Student welcome. 2085

I am a serious minded, GBM 30, seeking to meet GWM/GBM 30-40 to establish great friendship. No fems. 2086

East Tennessee Incurable Romantic. Handsome overeducated, young 38, 5'7", br/haz. Passionate/affectionate HIV- bottom seeking metro area bl/bl top for weekends? Relationship minded. Will move Heaven/Earth for Mr. Lucky. 2087

GWM, 34, 5'9", 180, attractive, masculine, sincere into tennis, outdoors, massage, feet seeks similar GWM 21-39. 2088

Attention wrestlers, experienced or novices, GWM, 6', 185, blonde/blue, 45, good shape, tan, hairy chest, seeks others with similar interests. 2089

GWM, 32, 6'1", 190, brn/hazel somewhat feminine seeking man who's comfortable with himself for fun/relationship. 2090

Man in uniform—police officer, fire fighter, EMT, etc. Is being sought by BM. Come rescue me!!! 2091

Handsome, rugged GWM, 35, 5'10", 165, bl/bl, slight receding moustache, hairy, extremely healthy HIV+. Non-stereotype, educated, fit. Hardworking, fun, relaxed, romantic. Seeks Sane-Adventurous humorous stable boyfriend/younger-fit-smooth-A+. 2092

BUTCHTOPWANTED

WM-23, 125, feminine, seeks athletic type, butch top, 25-35 WM, hairy chest preferred for dating/relationship. Write SoVo Box 6527, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306.

Are there any healthy, attractive GWMs in Atlanta capable of monogamous relationships? I can't seem to find you. Call me! 2093

Seeking WMs, 30ish, attractive, masculine and discreet to orally service. Me: 33, prof, masc, attrac (really) & talented. Roswell Rd/285 area, your place, no strings. 2094

WET PANTS BOY

I am 27, 5'7", 120, smooth body and very cute boyish face. Love WS, especially to soak my underwear, shorts, jeans, etc. Love J/O and am very oral too. I am healthy and a nice kid. There are lots of us—I know. So let's meet. Definitely prefer young, smooth, thin, cute boyish guys. Leave message or write me, P.O. Box 7332, Atlanta, GA 30357-0332. Your photo gets mine. 2097

Passionate romantic GWM 39, 6'3", 210, uncut smooth seeks athletic GWM 30-40 for loving relationship. Hairy chest major plus?

Motivated GWM, 36, 5'10", 155 seeks similar for workout partner. Experience level unimportant. Holiday membership Cobb or Smyra Desirable. 2096

Right pink hankie, GWM, masculine, HIV neg., smooth, nice looking, leather bottom seeks masculine, HIV neg. left pink hankie for safe fun. P.O. Box 208, Atlanta, GA 30079.

Catholic, black, HIV+, hard-body Ramantique seeks GM (any race) with good body/mind into clean living and serious dating. 2204

GWM, 39, masculine, healthy HIV+, non-smoker/drinker. Seeking monogamous relationship with room to grow. Friends first and foremost. All answered. 2208

Decatur GWM, 36, seeks bottom GWM under 45 for friendship/monogamous relationship. Weekend travel, movies. No barflies/smokers/drugs. 2206

GWM, 5'8", 165 bottom seeks Top 35-50 for daytime action. 2205

Christian GWM, 35, tall, dar, athletic and handsome. Looking for the same, for life. Living in Philly, moving to Atlanta. Write SoVo Box 6526, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306

TRIPLE PLAY: single GWM seeks 2 guys or couple for bedroom acrobatics. Me: 39, safe top, boy-next-door looks, brown hair, blue eyes. Call! 2189

27 year old GWM (bearish) ISO young (22-31) free-spirited, long haired, Bohemian, hunkish, imaginative, intelligent, interesting, exotic, caring, relationship oriented individual. 2190

BEAR HUNT! GWM 40s, looks 30s, ISO hairy GWM versatile Fr/Gr, smart, fit, workaholic who enjoys hibernation. 2192

Versatile GWM 30, 5'11", 225 seeks GWM or Hispanic for friendship or possible relationship. Sincere replies only. 2193

GWM, 42, 5'8", 160 ISO GWMs 35+, 5'10" and under for friendship. Possible relationship. Prefer North Fulton area. 2198

Mystic experiences. WM, 54. Will consider live-in. Can relocate. Bearded. Smoker. 2199

Goodlooking, athletic, GWM, 25, bottom-versatile, seeks nonsmoker, handsome, athletic-muscular, GWM, top-versatile for fun, friendship. HIV neg. Threesome possible. 2200

GM couple, 34 and 27, masculine, attractive, sincere enjoys outdoors, exercise, beach seeks similar GM couple for fun friendship. 2203

Cherokee/Irish GWM, 35, gdlkg, muscular, 5'9", Baptist. Seeks 30-40, GAY Christian to make home with. 2147

GBM, boyishly attractive and acting, 30s, 5'9", 155, healthy, educated, positive minded nonsmoker seeks similar who is fit and fun. 2148

GWM, 31, HIV+, very healthy and fit. I'm nice looking and interested in meeting another sane guy. 2154

AAA Hottest Ass. HIV-, FIT, 145, br/br. Can't find Well Hung stallion. Want it, love it, gotta have it. 2137

Three's Company. GWM professional, masculine, 40s. No drugs, safe, amateur photographer. ISO slender/athletic young guys. Fun. Possible travel. Note/photo(s). P.O.Box 5416, Atlanta, GA 30307.

Nice guy, GWM, 30, 5'9", 155, masculine goodlooking, toned hardbody. Seeks similar clean-cut inshape guy for lasting goodtimes. Do It! 2153

Attractive GBM, 24 seeks open-minded intelligent masculine men of any race for unique romantic encounters. 2136

GWM 62, 190, 6'2", attractive seeks 35-45, HIV-, slender, educated with appreciation of arts. 2157

GWM 26, 5'11", 155, brown hair, hazel eyes. Starving student, seeks professional man 35-55 for discreet, mutually beneficial liaison. Athens, GA. 2150

COLOR OF NIGHT

Ambitious, attractive, healthy, masculine, sexy, articulate, caramel coated male, 36, UCLA, budding screenwriter seeks a genuine, masculine, greying, healthy, Southern beau, Scott Bakula type, muscular, hairy top, great legs, thirtysomething into writing, film and romance. Photo. Michael. 2145

SGWM, 27, 6'2". Seeking SGWM, 30ish, successful mentor, attractive, relationship oriented. Show me successful career, exploring life long monogamous relationship. 2144

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BEER BELLY?

Goodlooking, stocky GWM, 26, seeks proud owner of rotund, over-the-belt, expanding potbelly. Masculine, humorous, under 35 preferred. 2143

Lake Lanier professional GM couple, both 35 seeks single/couples for boating, cookouts fun and friendship. No fats, fems, drugs. 2142

Young 35 yearold GWM seeking 35 or older GWM for friendship and companionship. Lilburn area. 2141

FATHERSONUNCLE

GWM 35, hot BB, wants to hear from those guys who have had real experiences with their Dads, Sons or Uncles, 3-way possible. Write A.P., P. O. Box 531033, Miami, FL 33153 or 2140

BIGGER'S BETTER

Bottom GWM 29 slim, smooth. ISO GWM TOP/Endowed only. Up to 35, in shape, smooth chest. Safe only. 2139

GWM, 32, 5'7", 148, blk/br, attractive, work out regularly, New to Atlanta. Would like to meet other attractive GWM, 30-36 for friendship or dating. Prefer nonsmokers and non or light drinkers. 2138

Though the early bird may catch the worm, the shaved, wise, white owl will definitely catch the young black cobra. 2127

GWM, 45, 160, 5'9", moustache into music, sports, outdoors, dogs, seeks masculine romantic country boy 35-45, uncut a + for lifetime. 2128

GWM successful professional 40s, masculine. Non-smoking/drugs. ISO slender/athletic WM college boy. Fun, travel, mutually beneficial discrete relationship. 2129

Successful GWM wishes to establish fun experiment involving two intelligent, attractive, imaginative college WMs. Discrete & safe. No drugs. Interested? 2130

DOMINANT DAD

GWM 40, 6', 175, HIV-, seeking masculine GWM bottom into B/D, TT, CBT leather. Inexperenced OK. HIV-. Relationship possible. 2131

Tall, incredibly handsome, muscular, bi-racial GM, 22, seeking masculine, fit, attractive GM top 30+ for wild, uninhibited encounters. Hairy +. 2132

GWM, 32, 170, 5'11", vgdllkg, HIV-, seeks attractive WM who enjoys lunchtime oral service. No relationship desired. 2133

Shiny Vinyl. Black leather fashion GWM, 36, slim masculine. ISO wannabe. 27-29 waist. No smoke. Southsider. Box 90357, Atlanta, GA 30364-0357.

Hairy GWM sought by 40s hirsute GWM medium, trim build. Prefer warm bear of professional nature. 2104

CRUISE BUDDIES

Anyone going on RSVP Mardi Gras Cruise February '95? Going alone? Meet/talk before? Why not? 2105

GWM, 36, 185 (workout), goodlooking, man's man. Looking for j/o partner(s), single, group? Large? Yes. You? Let's Talk! 2106

GWM-35 masculine, sincere, attr. seeks heavyset mature cuddly GWM for sharing life's pleasures, enjoy seasons & outdoors. 2107

GWM, 26, skinny, tall, boyish, clean-cut, funny, somewhat quiet and homebodyish, HIV-, seeks similar for possible relationship. 2135

MUSCULAR bodybuilder or jock sought by GWM 24, 6', 185 brn/grn student, for appreciation. Will service. Call for fun! NO strings! 2108

New to Auburn, AL area and wanting to make friends. 35 yr. old, 6'1", etc. Please call! 2004

Horny in Huntsville. GWM Professional, 30ish, 107, blond. Needs a Huntsville Sweetheart. Where are you hiding? You: intelligent, in shape, fun loving, stable GWM 30/40, relationship minded. 1515

INTELLIGENT Professional GWM 5'10" I love bodybuilding, long walks, swimming & cuddling. "NO Games", I seek same for friendship/possible relationship. "TOP" 2006

WNC Teddy Bear looking for another teddy bear to kick up his heels with or get into mischief with. 2007

FIRST CLASS MENTOR

GWM, 40s, well-educated. Traditional values, nonsmoking/drugs. Enjoy outdoors, boats, quality conversation. Seeking clean-cut WM student or young professional, 18-28. NOV-ICE FINE. Write to Box 6510, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306.

BLUE EYED TOP

GWM, 39, moustache, 5'11", 165, enjoy tennis, movies, safe sex. Seeking cute passive boyfriend. 2008

Home Depot employee, former Boot Camper about 5'9", receding hairline, handsome. If this is you, please call! 2009

Tall Dark Handsome GWM 28, 6'4", 195, artistic, romantic, healthy, happy but still searching for that special man. 2010

Think family planning/future kids? GWM, 28, thinking similar <35 commits "joint daddies". Enjoys sharing memories, travel, rising our future generations. Write Box 6511, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306

WM, 36, 5'11", 165, seeks dominant, well-equipped, older BM for oral and FF action. 2012

GWM, 41. Let's do country! Work downtown, will commute within 1 hour. Healthy, masculine, nonsmoker seeking nurturing monogamy. All answered. 2013

Masculine GWM, 27, 5'10", 155, hairy, with B/D interests seeks dominant daddy/coach (30-40) to show me the ropes. 2014

Good looking, muscular, HIV-, 34 yr old. ISO same between 30 and 40. Must enjoy life, affection, and quiet time. I'm looking for magic. Write Box 6512, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306

Sincere GWM, HIV+, bld/blue, 5'11", 140, 30, endowed and versatile. Seeks WM, teens thru twenties for fun, friendship, possibly more. 2015

GWM couple 38, 40, good looking, masculine professionals, in shape. Seek similar for no strings weekend sex. 2016

Black male seeks masculine black male for uninhibited adventurous mouth watering fun. 1995

BM, 30s, 155 lbs, 5'8", masculine, trim, hung, versatile, seeks butch brother with same qualities. No fats or fems. 1996

Boy-next-door, shy, masculine suburbanite, clean-cut, handsome, healthy, horny, good body and endowment seeking sugardad with

good skills. 1997

BOY! NEED DISCIPLINE? gwm, 37 masculine, top. Romantic, HIV negative, into safe, sane S/M, B/D, seeks boyish but mature comrade. 1999

GWM, 34, 5'9", 165, br/grn, smoker, masculine seeks masculine Latino or Black 25-35 to share time. 2000

Handsome North Georgia Mountains WM, 38, 5'8" 148, healthy, fit, HIV-, endowed, seeks eager French active WM for regular service. 2001

HOT TOP seeks hot bottom. Me: 30s, 5'11", 165, moustache, HIV-, dominant. You: submissive, attractive, safe, 20s-30s. Afternoons or evenings. 2002

GWM-Looking for real soldier boy(s). Men in uniform. Let's create our own maneuvers. Fulfill our fantasies. Write first. Then... P.O.Box 18875, Atlanta, GA 31126

COMPLETE THE FANTASY...Hot, masculine blue-collar/leather top wanted to discipline exotic, muscular bottom boy while hairy Italian lover watches. 1987

HIV+ - Brains, eyes, heart, tan, 5'10", 155#, healthy, ready for love maybe. 1988

GWM, 34, 6', 190, hairy, hot, versatile, looking for GBM for private parties. Age/looks unimportant. Discretion assured. 1989

GWM, 29, brn/blu, very attractive seeks similar in West Metro Area. 1990

GWM, 32, affectionate, professional, nonsmoker/drinker, non-stereotypical, seeks similar eclectic partner. 1991

Attractive GWM, 30, blk/bl, 5'10", 155#, healthy HIV+, seeks friendship for hiking, scuba diving, motorcycling, boating, movies, and fun times. 1715

Hairy, short, stocky, 40something teddy bear workaholic tired of looking in all the wrong places for quality companion. 1716

GWM, 24, 6'3", 250#, brown/green. You GWM under 40 masculine NO ATTITUDE for friendship/relationship NO drugs, NO fems. 1717

GWM 30something 6', 155#, bl/bl, sensitive, good conversation, professional, relationship oriented. ISO younger, 25-35, easygoing slender guy who's not into games. 1718

Personable, witty GWM, 6'4", 37. ISO a mature GWM who never fears spontaneity and enjoys the art of conversation. 1719

GWM student seeking a generous male to satisfy my wants. I will satisfy his needs. 1720

Gay BM 38, HIV+, seeks GBM sincere, honest, masculine top, for friendship/possibly more, recovering addict. 1721

WM, 50, aim. Loves pets, motorcycles, beaches seeks very masculine lifemate. T.L.C. P.O. Box 2095, Atlanta, GA 30301

GWM, 23, tall, fit, into 99X, outdoors. ISO same 21-30. Dark hair, blue/green eyes a +! Real people only! 1722

Dominant GWM 47, 6', 165, seeking masculine GWM bottom with muscular sensitive pecc into B/D, TT, CBT. 1723

Versatile leather man 41, 5'7", 140, into being serviced and submissive, cock and butt play of all kinds. Safe action seeking same. 1724

Sharp GWM 56 into writing music, movies, psychology, gardening, self growth, slight

kinks seeks partner any age. ☎ 1387  
Any hot-looking Queer Nation leftovers out there wanna have some fun??? Kick ass/move society and laugh. ☎ 1702

Cute, BM, athlete, 22, 5'8", smooth body, great personality. Seeks interesting WM 25-35 for fun Friendship/Relationship. ☎ 1624

GWM, 47, responsible, attractive, masculine, professional, no smoke/drugs/drink seeks GWM son, under 30, for long-lasting monogamous relationship. ☎ 1700

Hairy? Horny? 34 year old cub seeks aggressive nonsmoking sexy kinky Dad (30-45) for intense relationship. ☎ 1701

Hot GWM wants hot OUT friend. No cowards. Sex maybe. Fun. Adventure. Any race. Change world. No fats/fems. ☎ 1703

Hunting for bear! Attractive, hairy, athletic, GWM, 31 looking for a beefy, stable WM into sports, movies and travel. ☎ 1704

Two attractive, HIV-, discreet, GWM, versatile tops, 37-40 seeking mutually satisfying ongoing explorations. Anything SAFE/kinky. Bottoms preferred, versatile okay. ☎ 1705

GWM 30, 5'8", brn/hzl, 170lbs. Bottom. Enjoys books movies and adventurous sex. Seeks top for good times possible relationship. ☎ 1706

WM, 23, 5'7", 138, seeks W/B/Muscular males 18-30 for honest friendship and adventures. Endowed and tanned are plus! ☎ 1707

GBM, 34, 5'7", 135 healthy, interesting. Seeks tall, heavyset, country type Dominant Top 40-50, 200-300 lbs. ☎ 1708

Attractive, masculine, caramel Southern Virginian male, 36, healthy, screenwriter desires goodlooking, muscular, blonde beau, hairy, creative professional into romance. ☎ 1710

GWM seeks GBM professional, mature and sincere wanting to improve the Quality of his Life with massage. Erotic and Safe. ☎ 1711

GBM 38, professional. Dislike club scene. Very masculine seeking same. Financially independent. Would like to enjoy life. HIV+. ☎ 1600

GWM, 34, preppy, professional, curious, always up, ready for adventure. Seeks discreet GWM, 20-40 Adonis for stimulating sensual seduction. ☎ 1519

**EX SOLDIER BOY**  
Attractive, hot, clean shaven BM 24yo, 5'10", 155, seeks versatile, attractive GWM 18-30. ☎ 1602

Classical musician, GWM 24, 6', 150, br/br, educated, attractive, romantic non-smoker seeks similar WM 22-32 to "make our garden grow". ☎ 1603

GWM thirtysomething from Northwest S.C. Honest, drug-free. ISO similar 28-38 possible relationship. ☎ 1604

BM, attractive, sexy, seek dominant BM top who's into FF. Remember the song "I'm looking for a two-fisted love". ☎ 1605

Dig this. Landscaper, 36, 5'10", 155 all muscle, 30" waist. Handsome, overeducated corporate drop out. Similar? Call for stress reduction. ☎ 1606

WNC Teddy Bear looking for another teddy bear to get into some mischief in the afternoon or early evening. ☎ 1607

Healthy Wealthy Wise MBiWM 45, burly, hairy, ISO young smooth, endowed submissive GBiWM available daytime for IT mentoring loving. ☎ 1608

Genuine, masculine, GBM, 24 seeks sincere romantic, masculine, open-minded GMS of any race for exploring stimulating new friendship/relationship. ☎ 1609

GWM, early 30s, 180, 5'11", brown hair seeks daytime fun. Box D-498, 2221 Peachtree Road, Atlanta, GA 30309

Buff jock 18-35? WM football player 6'1", 230, muscular goodlooking 40 gives rubdown and service after workout. ☎ 1610

Landscaper, 30s, 5'10", 155, 30" waist, masculine, muscular, hot, handsome. Similar in Smyrna, Vinings, Austell? Discreet! Regular buddy for shower days. ☎ 1611

Goodlooking maculine WM seeks ONLY very masculine BM for safe, discreet encounters. No fats/fems. Discretion assured. ☎ 1612

Muscular GWM, 40, 6ft, 180lbs, HIV+, vgdllg, in relationship, needs more. Seeking submissive boy, 25-30, for role playing, B/D. Discreet. ☎ 1504

GWM, 36, 6'3", 195, blue collar professional, OK bod, avg looks, hard working, stable, w/ varied interests. Would like to meet similar guy 28-38, establish friendship. Goal: monogamous. Write Box 6501, 1189 Virginia Ave., Atlanta, GA 30306

GWPM, 44, new in Atlanta, seeks GWM 18-30 for friendship, fun. Prefer slim swimmer's build, active top, endowed, clean-shaven, non-smoker w/discretion assured. No fats, fems, bears, barflies please! ☎ 1506

GWM young 48, 5'11", 158, I want it all! Passion, romance, sex—all is possible in a committed relationship. I am a sales executive with an outgoing personality, in shape, healthy, non-smoker/drinker. Looking for fun, adventure, and quiet times. ☎ 1507

Attractive BM sought by tall, slim WM. Safe, discreet, good times only. No strings. ☎ 1508

**BUTCH BOTTOM**  
GWM 33, 6'1", 152, blue eyes, dark brown hair, moustache. Seeks romantic GWM 30-40s with moustache, into lots of cuddling, kissing, dating, quiet times, maybe more. No fats or fems. Box 77, 1544 Piedmont Ave, Atlanta, GA 30324

**CUTE 28 GWM**  
HIV- brn/haz 160. Not N-2 bars. ISO GWM 25-35 N-2 gym, movies. No drugs/alcohol!

fems. Buckhead Roswell area. ☎ 1511

Romantic North Georgia bottom, chubby, seeks average top with above average endowment. Like movies, music, sci-fi, ethnic men. Ready for Mr. Right. Hi-tops/workboots A+. Box 1512, 1189 Virginia Ave, Atlanta, GA 30306. ☎ 1512

Oriental male fit/safe cleancut seeks quality full body massage once a week. Please non-smoker. ☎ 1513

GWM, approaching 40, OK looks, HIV neg, seeks similar for movies, walks, home life, some going out. ☎ 1514

GWM, 34, gentle, kind professional seeks same. Handsome, articulate, creative. Likes classic films, theatre, dining and soft music. HIV+. ☎ 1516

BM, 30, sexy, attractive, 5'8", bottom seeks a hung masculine, aggressive, BM top for fun sessions. Any age okay. ☎ 1517

ISO Peter Brady. GWM seeking average GWM. Prefer stable Plymouth-Rock-type person (not financially but Spiritually) for breezy relationship. ☎ 1518

Writer seeks correspondence with male prison inmates, gay or non-gay, reference gay sponsors, pen-pals. Gaddis, P.O.Box 40, Marble Hill, GA 30148

WM with 300+ videos, looking for others wanting to trade; possibly more with right person. Midtown area. ☎ 1488

GWM, 24, 5'10", 165, bl/bl, likes hiking, camping, mountain biking, movies. Sincere, honest, ISO same. No fat/fems. ☎ 1482

GWM, 37, 5'11", 150, MASCULINE, dominate, aggressive, Romantic, HIV-, into light S/M, B/D. Seeking younger counterpart, long term. ☎ 1483

Hairy Italian extremely goodlooking, ex-model, 29, 6'3", 188, sexy, dark skin, masculine, seeks Black or Latin masculine top in great shape w/9" or more. ☎ 1443

Are you HIV+, horny and in need of sexual fun? Me 20's slim submissive bottom. Large endowments get an A+. No one over 35 or out of shape. ☎ 1484

GWM, above average looks, trim, hung, seeks similar for safe oral encounters. ☎ 1485

Elder GWM Mystic (60's) in Western NC seeks younger man (30's) with psychic aware-

ness to explore live-together relationship. ☎ 1486

WM Masculine 6'4", 150, looking for masculine Black male top. Discretion assured. Can handle business. ☎ 1487

Race unimportant. Early 40s, nice looking, 5'10", solid 180, dedicated, professional, HIV+, GBM, seeks sincere GM for dating/relationship. ☎ 1489

GM couple, 27 and 33, down to earth, masculine, likes outdoors, seeks similar GM couple for fun and friendship. ☎ 1490

Sexy, passionate, Italian, GWM, 32, swimmer's build, 6'0", 160, seeking hot, gym-boy couples for mutual satisfaction. ☎ 1491

BOTTOM WANTED by attractive playful safe top, late 30's, Australian heritage for safe discreet fun-day/night. ☎ 1492

**SPREAD & SMILE!**  
Love your butt played with? 39, hairy HIV-top, 5'10", 170, seeks healthy bottoms, 20-45 for rear action. NO MARRIEDS! ☎ 1495

GWM, 40, 6', 210, br/blu, into 99X, sports, travel, poetry, seeks GWM 35-55 for dating and possible relationship. ☎ 1578

**RU SHORT&LONG?**  
GWM, 5'7", 165, br/br, mod. hairy, seeks GMS under 5'6" w/equipment over 8.5. Uncut a plus. Also into body worship for bodybuilders under 5'6" w/same equipment requirements. Let's play! ☎ 1580

GWM submissive seeks leather Master or dominant, 25-45, for daytime discipline and service. ☎ 1470

GWM, 33, 5'9", 180, masculine, attractive seeks GWM 21-39 for giving and receiving massages and/or playing tennis. ☎ 1357

**TV/TS**  
A feminine male or TV/TS sought by BM 43 for first experience. ☎ 2156

TV/TS 28, 5'7", very passable, white, 200+ lbs., seeks BM for friendship/relationship. ☎ 2195

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Vdglking smooth curious shy 32/1/175 WM bottom ISO younger diseaseless tender understanding boy-next-door. Discreet sensual pleasurable explorations. ☎ 2196

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BiBM, 6'2", Carl Weathers look alike seeks young men for no strings attached fun. 1613

GBiSWF sought by fun safe gdlkg w/SWM for marriage of convenience w/o strings. 1544 Piedmont Ave, Ste 37, Atlanta, Ga 30324

WM 48 slightly submissive oral devotee and enthusiast ISO G/Bi/S female attractive requiring daytime stress relief, reciprication not required. ☎ 1615

BM, 42, 5'8", 175#, seeks feminine BiM for ongoing relationship. ☎ 1630

BiWF, 20, 5'5", br/gr, feminine, sexy, intelligent, seeks taller feminine woman for exciting companionship. Long hair preferred. No butches. ☎ 1631

I'm a fun guy, 30, into sci-fi, classical rock and roll, seeking inale or bi female, 20-40, any race. ☎ 1577

BiWM, 25, student, hot looks, body, endowment, seeks man for discreet, no-strings visits. All answered. ☎ 1551

**CURIOUS VIRGIN-VGDGLKING**, shy, quiet, kind, smooth, diseaseless 32 6' 175, WM, ISO younger smooth patient understanding tender top for discreet sensual pleasurable explorations. ☎ 1452

BM, married, 55, in great shape. Seeks mature Bi female for safe discreet encounters. ☎ 1304

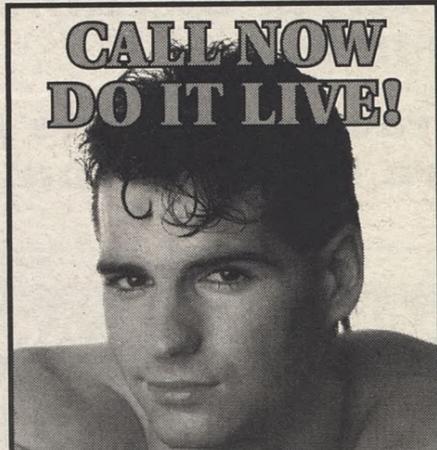
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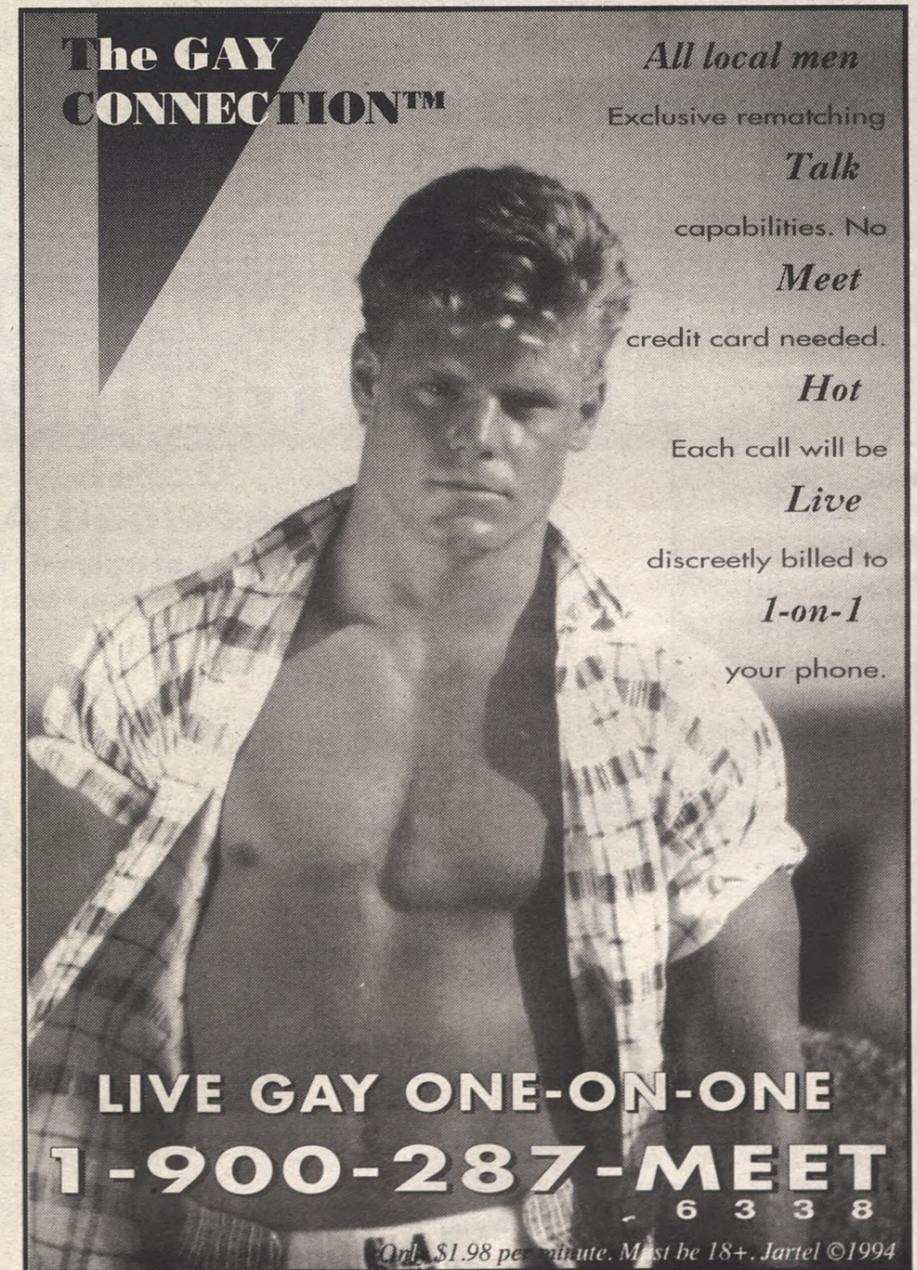
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