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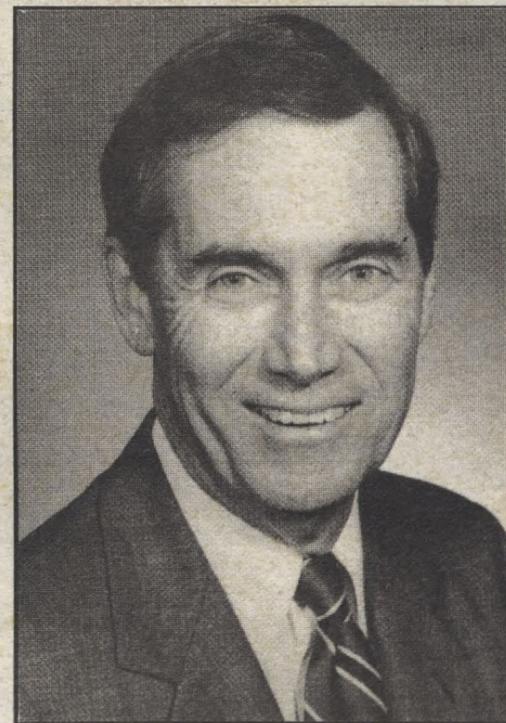


Above: "Wrecked for Life: The Trip and Magic of Trocadero Transfer" captures the disco allure of San Francisco in the '70s and early '80s. The film screens Nov. 7, one of many celluloid treats both campy and cultured.

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Millner has gay basher in family closet

Guy Wesley Millner, Jr. was charged 10 years ago with beating up a minor he perceived to be gay. After receiving a \$2,000 settlement, the victim's family dropped all charges against the son of the "tough on crime" Republican gubernatorial candidate



by KC WILDMOON

Atlanta—Republican gubernatorial candidate Guy Millner, who has gone to great lengths to characterize himself as the candidate toughest on crime, may not be quite the crime fighter he appears, particularly if the criminal comes from his own family.

Southern Voice has learned that Millner's son, Guy Millner, Jr., was arrested and charged with simple battery ten years ago in a gay-bashing incident, but the younger Millner never came to trial

Guy Millner is touting himself as the family values and anti-crime candidate for governor.

because the family of the victim accepted a \$2,000 payment to drop all charges.

Candidate Millner did not return calls from Southern Voice for this story.

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CANDIDATE RATINGS

TAKE THIS TO THE POLLS NOVEMBER 8th

As we have for the past 10 years, GAPAC offers candidate ratings we hope will assist you in making your voting decisions. We urge you to educate yourself on these specific candidates, as you make up your mind. Our ratings are based on candidate questionnaires, public forums, legislative records and interviews. Rating are as follows:

Recommended, Acceptable, Unacceptable
Better Choice = Candidate did not qualify for a rating, but is the better candidate.

none = Conflicting or insufficient information about candidate.

STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION '94

GOVERNOR	D - Zell Miller R - Guy Milner	Recommended Unacceptable
LT. GOVERNOR	D - Pierre Howard R - Nancy Shaefer	Better Choice Unacceptable
SECRETARY OF STATE	D - Max Cleland R - Keith Mahoney	Recommended none
ATTORNEY GENERAL	D - Wesley Dunn R - Michael Bowers	Acceptable Unacceptable
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER	D - Tim Ryles R - John Oxendine	none Unacceptable
SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT	D - Werner Rogers R - Linda Schrenko	Recommended Unacceptable
LABOR COMMISSIONER	D - David Poythress R - Richard Robinson	Acceptable none

DEKALB COUNTY COMMISSION GENERAL ELECTION '94

District 3	D - Jackic Scott R - Brian Bowman	Recommended none
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FULTON COUNTY COMMISSION GENERAL ELECTION '94

District 1 (Chairman)	D - Joe Hudson R - Mitch Skandalakis	Recommended none*
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* (We are encouraged by discussions with chairman Skandalakis, however, he has not reached the recommended level on issues of domestic partnership, choice, hate crimes, or health care reform)

District 7	D - Michael Hightower R - Jewell Johnson	Recommended none
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STATE HOUSE GENERAL ELECTION '94

District 1	D - David Chambers R - Brian Joyce	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 7	D - Ralph Prescott R - Ben Whitaker	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 29	D - Ken Nichols R - Randy Sauder	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 32	D - John Hammond R - Jim Woods	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 34	D - William Waldrop R - John Wiles	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 35	D - Tom Cauthorn R - George Grindley	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 36	D - James Crider R - Earl Ehrhart	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 40	D - Roland Castellanos R - Don Parsons	Acceptable none
District 47	D - Jim Martin R - Scott Schoenberg	Recommended none
District 55	D - Joe Heckstall R - A Freeman	Recommended none
District 58	D - Sharon Teague R - Jim Dyer	Recommended none
District 61	D - Doug Teper R - Jim Dillon	Recommended none
District 74	D - Mike MacKenzie R - Barbara Bunn	Recommended none
District 78	D - Curt Thompson R - Rev. Ron Crews	Recommended Unacceptable
District 79	D - Steve Reilly R - Bill Goodwin	Acceptable none
District 88	D - Louise McBee R - Scott Miller	Recommended none
District 90	D - Tom McCall R - Doug Bower	none Unacceptable
District 92	D - Denny Dobbs R - Suzette Monk	none Unacceptable
District 97	D - Glynda King R - Gail Johnson	Recommended none
District 98	D - Bryce Williams R - Bill Hembree	none Unacceptable

District 100	D - Tracy Stallings R - Ron Dollar	none Unacceptable
District 118	D - Henry Howard R - Davida Johnson	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 131	D - Carl Von Epps R - Brian Hubbard	Recommended none
District 142	D - Terry Coleman R - Lonnie Sheffield	none Unacceptable
District 161	D - John White R - Bob Swanson	Recommended none
District 180	D - Allen Sherrod R - Theo Titus	none Unacceptable

STATE SENATE GENERAL ELECTION '94

District 6	D - Michael Streat R - Ed Boshears	none Unacceptable
District 27	D - Billy Harris R - Ed Gochenour	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 38	D - Ralph D. Abernathy R - Michael Gaines	Recommended none
District 42	D - Mary M. Oliver R - Steven Schultz	Recommended none
District 45	D - Len Terrell R - Bob Guhl	Acceptable Unacceptable
District 46	D - Paul Brown R - Paul Hartman	Better Choice Unacceptable
District 48	D - Jerrie Lynn Peevy R - Clint Day	Better Choice Unacceptable

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Cobb County resolution really about domestic partnership, Wysong says

Commissioner would rescind it if Supreme Court voids Atlanta ordinance

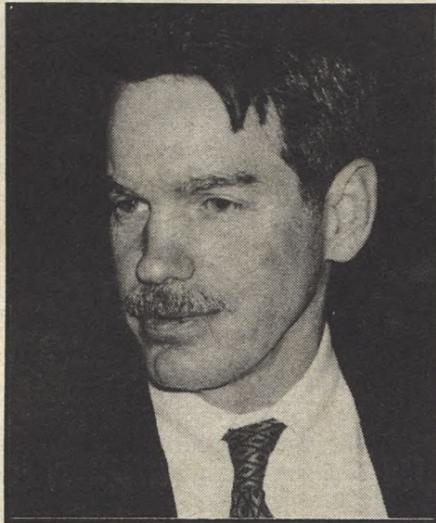
by KC WILDMOON

Marietta—Cobb County Commissioner Gordon Wysong and his Democratic opponent, Bill Secrest, took the stage at Dickerson Middle School in Marietta on Oct. 26 to debate the issues affecting Cobb County's District 3. The issues were listed on a blue sheet of paper handed out to audience members: parks and recreation, transportation, zoning, taxes, the arts—all self-explanatory—and one more: The Resolution.

For the nearly 200 people gathered at the school's Little Theater, "The Resolution" needed no further explanation. It could only be the anti-gay resolution penned by Wysong last summer with the help of Roswell St. Baptist Church minister Nelson Price—the one that has cost the county an Olympic venue, numerous business conventions and, last week, the venue for the Paralympics, set to take place two weeks after the Olympics in 1996.

But by the end of the nearly two-hour debate, Wysong had agreed to support rescinding that resolution if the Georgia Supreme Court rules that domestic partnership laws are unconstitutional.

The debate was contentious from the start, as Wysong brandished a brochure, sent out to registered Republicans in affluent East Cobb,



Commissioner Gordon Wysong won little support for his new stance, which is being viewed as an election ploy

that pointed out Wysong's connections to extremist groups, quoted Republican and community leaders' negative reactions to the resolution, and business leaders' concerns about the financial impact on the county.

The brochure, put out by a group called the Committee to Reunite Cobb, also quoted some of Wysong's own published defenses of his actions, such as "That's the funniest thing I ever heard," which Wysong said when he learned a pet show had cancelled its contract with the Cobb Galleria Center.

But the two-year commissioner, seeking

his first full term on the board, responded to only one portion of the brochure during his opening remarks—and did so erroneously. Wysong said that the brochure touted him as a member of the Ku Klux Klan, an accusation he denied. The brochure, however, only cites the presence of Klan members at hearings in support of the resolution.

Wysong accused the Secrest campaign of publishing the brochure. "They haven't got an issue to stand on," he said. "What they're running on is smear tactics."

Wysong went even further—he accused his 58-year-old opponent of making obscene phone calls to his home. Secrest, who has been a neighbor of Wysong's for 15 years, denied all the charges.

"I'm really surprised that my backyard neighbor is telling such a big, bold lie," he said. "And I had never seen that brochure until I arrived at this meeting."

Dr. James Stark, president of the Committee to Reunite Cobb, confirmed that Secrest knew nothing of the brochure.

"We worked for months researching this thing," he said. "We have boxes of newspaper clippings. Of course, we looked for main themes. At commission meetings, he has avoided answering questions relating to those themes."

The brochure clearly irked Wysong, although following the opening remarks, he did not mention it again until the closing statements, when he said he would file a complaint with the Secretary of State over it.

For the next half an hour, the debate was

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Bowers says non-discrimination clauses "don't matter"

Atty Gen. gets tough with Georgia State over campus recruiting

Atlanta—State Attorney General Michael Bowers said last week that he was not trying to pick a fight with the Georgia State University law school, but he blasted Dean Marjorie Girth's refusal to allow his department to recruit job applicants on campus unless he signed a non-discrimination statement.

The school requires prospective employers to sign the statement, which includes sexual orientation, before they recruit on campus. Bowers said Georgia State's policy was unsupported by state law.

The state Department of Law has already been allowed on campus for interviews at the University of Georgia and Emory University, despite Bowers' extensive record of anti-gay opinions and actions, because his office signed the non-discrimination statements of those schools. The law schools require signing of the statements in compliance with the by-laws of the Association of American Law Schools, which accredits law schools.

Bowers told Southern Voice that the signing of the policies of Emory and UGA was "a screw-up."

"Someone in my office did it without my knowledge," he said.

Bowers wrote the deans of those two schools in August, clarifying his position on the sexual orientation issue.

"With respect to the issue of sexual orientation," Bowers wrote, "I am not aware of a legal definition of this term, or any limitation

on the possible breadth of matters to which it might apply. However, the Department of Law does not make personnel decisions on the basis of whether a person is heterosexual or homosexual. Private sexual conduct is not a subject of inquiry in this office."

But Bowers refused to speculate whether or not he would hire an employee he knew to be gay. "I don't know the answer to that," he told Southern Voice. "How am I going to know, if they keep their conduct private?"

Asked whether he would hire a gay man or lesbian, Bowers replied, "How am I going to know, if they keep their conduct private?"

But Bowers' written "clarification" of his position was accepted by the deans of Emory's and UGA's law schools, and his office interviewed on those campuses in September.

In a letter to Dean Girth dated March 9, Bowers noted that the discrimination lawsuit filed against him in 1991 by Emory graduate Robin Shahar—which precipitated Bowers' ban from on-campus recruiting—had been settled in his favor.

"[A]lthough the order is on appeal, there has been a final judgment entered on the mer-

its," Bowers wrote. "Since Georgia State is a state school, I plan to resume interviewing at the law school with the other firms in the fall of 1994."

Bowers never signed Georgia State's non-discrimination statement, and finally agreed to use another form of campus recruiting in which the school collects resumes of interested students and forwards them to the employer. But in a letter dated Oct. 7, Bowers accused the school of refusing to publicize information about the Department of Law's interviews.

"I consider your decisions to be improper and will continue to study them to determine what further action by this office is appropriate," Bowers wrote.

Girth immediately wrote to Bowers, explaining that Georgia State had in fact given his office all the courtesies granted to any other employer using that same method of recruiting.

When contacted by Southern Voice, Bowers dismissed the school's obligation to uphold the policies of its accrediting agency, saying that state law does not cover sexual orientation in any way.

"It doesn't matter," he said. "State law certainly overrides that. I don't think she has the authority to discriminate against us for something without the support of state law."

"I'm not trying to pick a fight with this," he continued. "All I was saying is it's not fair to bar us because of something that nobody knows the definition of."

The controversy will no doubt be revisited next spring, when employers will again notify the law schools of their intentions regarding campus recruitment.

KC WILDMOON

Local gay bookstore hit by vandalism

Atlanta—Outwrite Bookstore has been the target of harassment and vandalism in two separate incidents in the past week, but owner Philip Rafshoon said he believes the two incidents may be related.

At about 4:30 a.m. on Oct. 28, Rafshoon was notified by his security company that an alarm had gone off at the Midtown Promenade store. He arrived at the store to find Atlanta police investigating a shattered glass front door.

"A big rock had been thrown through the front door," Rafshoon said. "It shattered the whole thing."

Rafshoon said that police told him several break-ins had occurred in Midtown Thursday night, but nothing was taken from the bookstore.

"It was a sizable rock," he said. "I don't think it was just somebody who tried to break in, heard an alarm and ran off."

The rock-throwing occurred just a week after another, more obviously homophobic incident at Outwrite. On the afternoon of Oct. 21, a man who refused to give his name leafletted cars in the Midtown Promenade parking lot with tracts proclaiming that AIDS is God's punishment for homosexuals. Rafshoon reported that the man had also been inside the store for "a good half an hour," and that later store employees found copies of the tracts in a large number of books on the shelves.

Outwrite employees removed the tracts from cars in the parking lot and asked the man to leave the property. Police were called to the scene, and the man was told he could not leaflet cars in the parking lot.

Rafshoon said the man threatened to have the store closed down, and that a woman who belligerently complained about the removal of the tracts from cars "yelled something at me" as she drove away, "but I don't know what it was."

"I think [the rock-throwing and the leafletting] are related," he said. "We've been open for 50 weeks now and never had an incident, and the first ones happen less than a week apart."

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Outwrite's Philip Rafshoon and Debbie Fraker

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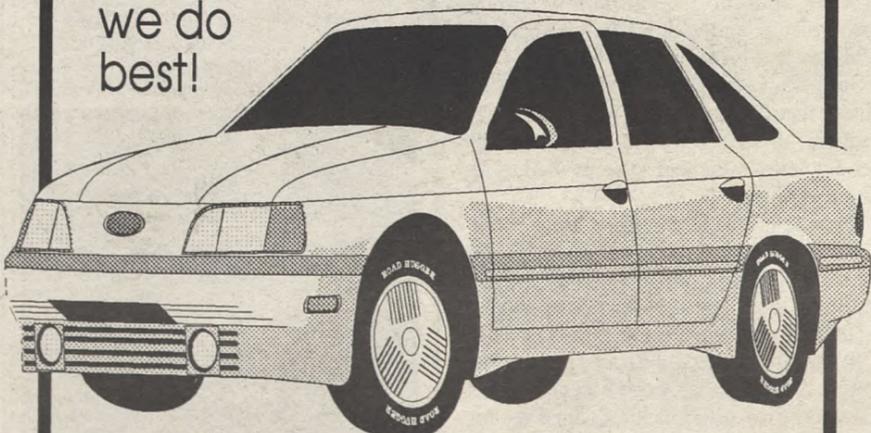
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Florida billboard flap settled

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The billboard, advertising a Cleveland, OH-based viatical company, features only a few words along with a nude image from an 1836 painting by French artist Hippolyte Flandrin, which currently hangs in the Louvre.

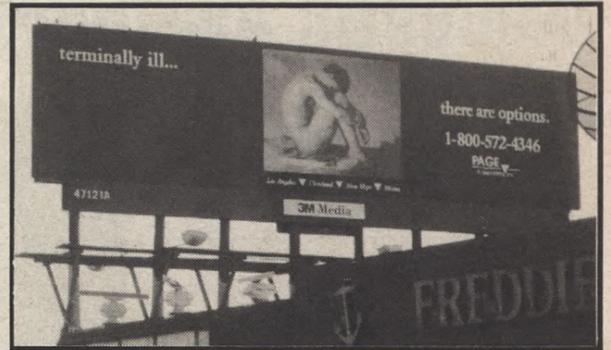
"The message is one thing, but the naked man is tasteless," Harold Reichert, owner of Freddie's Anchor Sports Bar, told the Orlando Sun-Sentinel in early October. Reichert said patrons had complained about the billboard, which stands over his building. And Reichert's complaints to 3M resulted in the billboard's removal six days into Page & Associates 60-day contract.

After a consultation with Timothy Down-

ing, Page's attorney, 3M reversed its decision and put the ad back up.

According to Jane Grant, a 3M spokesperson, Reichert didn't fully understand what the ad was about until a 3M advertising representative met with him.

"Once he understood what the business was all about, he said, 'OK, put the billboard back up,'" Grant said.



This billboard ad was removed after the neighboring bar complained; it went back up the next day.

SCLC calls for Miss. investigation

Atlanta—The Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) has joined gay rights groups and others in calling for a thorough, independent investigation into the murders of two gay men in rural Mississippi. A black teenager has been charged with the killings.

"The case of the execution-style murder of two alleged homosexuals and the 16-year-old arrested for their murders includes a multitude of inconsistencies and raises more questions than it answers," said the Rev. Joseph Lowery, SCLC president, in an Oct. 17 statement.

Jones County Sheriff Maurice Hooks claims that robbery was the motive, though the victims were found still in possession of a watch, a diamond ring and credit cards. The sheriff's department has said that Marvin McClendon, who has no previous record, is being held on the basis of a "tip" and a taped

confession made without the presence of an attorney.

In contrast to Hooks' claims, McClendon's mother reportedly told a local newspaper that her son shot the two men after they made sexual overtures to him.

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and Western Union have established a toll-free hotline to link citizens with Attorney General Janet Reno's office. By calling 1-800-651-1417, individuals may speak to an operator who will add their name and address to a letter urging Reno to intervene in the case.

Representatives of the Department of Justice have said they cannot intervene in the murder investigation because the 1964 Civil Rights Act does not extend protection to people on the basis of sexual orientation.

Tampa law to face second challenge

Tampa, FL—Opponents of a Tampa law banning discrimination against lesbians and gay men have collected enough signatures to bring the issue before voters a second time to let them decide whether to repeal the law.

Hillsborough Elections Supervisor Pam Iorio certified a petition Oct. 17 that will send the sexual orientation measure to a public referendum on March 7.

It will be the second time in less than three years the gay rights ordinance will be up for a vote.

The law, adopted in 1991, forbids discrimination based on sexual orientation in housing,

employment and public accommodations.

"We're very much prepared and ready to move toward a March election," said David Caton, head of a group called Yes! Repeal Homosexual Ordinance Committee.

Ordinance supporters also have regrouped. Formerly, they were known as Say No to Hate and now work as Citizens for a Fair Tampa.

"I defy anybody to read the ordinance and find special rights for anybody. That is not what this is about. It's about protection for all citizens, and that's it," said John Dunn, chairman of the proponents group.

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Judge ok's funds for S.C. AIDS home

Greenville, SC—A U.S. District Court judge has cleared the way for federal money to pay for a home for people suffering from AIDS or HIV and said opponents' legal challenge had no place in federal court.

U.S. District Court Judge Henry Herlong Jr. on Oct. 11 dismissed an order blocking federal funds for the Stephens House, where six people could live.

The Colonel Elias Earle Historic District Association Inc. had sued to prevent federal Housing and Urban Development money to help pay off loans used to close on the purchase of the home.

The association said the funds would violate the separation between church and state, since the members of the group running the home, Project Care, Inc., are members of Christ Episcopal Church. The association also said an environmental assessment of the site was defective.

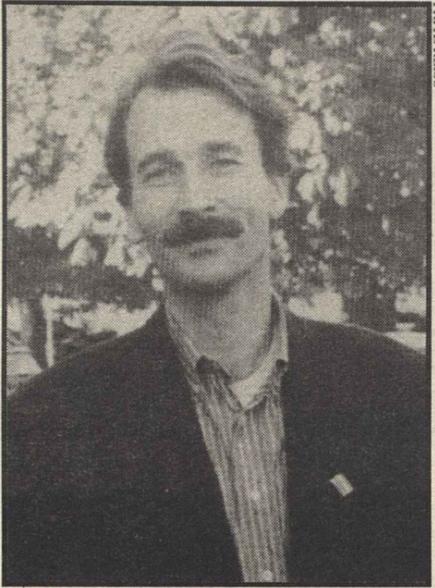
Attorney Robbie Childs said the association will evaluate the judge's decision and may consider further action.

Project Care official Joey Hudson said the home could be ready for people to move in within two weeks.

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Gay Millionaire Dies In Murder-Suicide: An openly gay millionaire philanthropist in Wisconsin has been murdered in what police say is a murder-suicide, the Washington Blade reported. Janesville, Wis., police say that Virgil Duane Rath was found stabbed to death Oct. 6 in the bedroom of his mansion, and that Rath's lover, Frederick Hurdman, was found dead of carbon monoxide poisoning in a garage on the estate. Rath was president of his family's steel tubing business and made generous contributions to AIDS charities. Rath donated \$1.5 million last year to Washington, D.C.'s Whitman-Walker Clinic to open a new medical center.

Germany Gets First Openly Gay Lawmaker: Volker Beck won election to Germany's Parliament on Oct. 16, becoming the first openly gay person to do so. Beck, a member of Germany's Greens party, says he will push for legalizing same-sex marriages and will defend all minorities during his four-year term. "All minority groups in Germany feel left out," he said, "whether they are gays, refugees or the handicapped." Beck also said he is prepared for "the possibility that some right-wingers...will whisper to each other stupid men's jokes when I deliver a speech. In my mind, these kinds of people make fools of themselves."



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Volker Beck, veteran of gay rights rallies, now has the Bundestag as his pulpit.

Bookstore Obscenity Case To Go To Trial: The case of a Cincinnati gay and lesbian bookstore accused of pandering pornography is set to go to trial in January. Hamilton County judge William Mallory, Jr., on Oct. 3 refused to dismiss the charges against the Pink Pyramid for renting a 1975 Italian art film, "Salo or The 120 Days of Sodom," directed by openly gay filmmaker Pier Paolo Pasolini. A clerk at the Pink Pyramid rented the film—a searing look at World War II fascism in Italy—to an undercover vice officer on June 16. The National Coalition Against Censorship and the ACLU are involved in the case, protesting that Pasolini's film has "serious literary, artistic, political [and] scientific value."

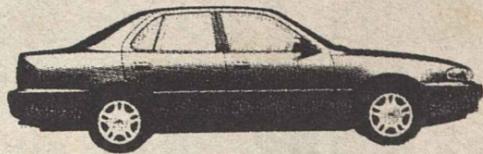
Relative Of AIDS Patient Gets Insurance Benefits: The daughter of a man who died of AIDS has been awarded \$87,500 in an out of court settlement of a lawsuit against an insurance company filed in Manhattan Supreme Court. William Vernon died in 1992, but Connecticut Mutual refused to pay the benefits of Vernon's \$100,000 life insurance policy to his daughter and beneficiary, Ashley Vernon, claiming that Vernon had lied when he applied to reinstate a lapsed policy. A question on the application asked if Vernon's health had changed "since the lapse of the policy." Vernon answered "no" because he had been HIV-positive prior to the policy's lapse.

Anti-Gay Minister Cited For Contempt: Notorious anti-gay activist Rev. Fred Phelps, famous for picketing the funerals of gay men who die of AIDS, and his daughter Margie have been found in contempt of court in Topeka, Kan., for preaching against the judge in a case against them and for sending out a fax depicting the judge as a snake. District Court Judge Michael Barbara is presiding over a lawsuit filed by St. David's Episcopal Church against the Phelps and their church, Westboro Baptist, seeking to keep Phelps followers away from St. David's churchgoers. The Phelps plan an appeal of the contempt charges, which carried fines and an order to pay for court proceedings, and have threatened a lawsuit against Barbara.

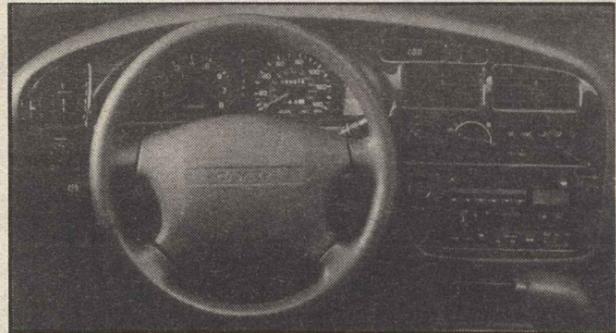
Woman Who Killed Lesbian Lover Is Paroled: A woman convicted of fatally stabbing her lesbian lover has been approved for release by Massachusetts' state parole board after serving five years of a 9- to-14-year sentence for manslaughter. Debra Denise Reid is one of the "Framingham Eight," eight inmates of the women's prison in Framingham who petitioned in 1992 to have their prison sentences commuted on the grounds that they had killed their husbands, boyfriends, or lovers in self-defense. Reid claimed that she had suffered from years of abuse at the hands of her partner, Jacqueline Gary, before stabbing Gary to death in 1989. The state's Advisory Board of Pardons had earlier ruled that Reid was not a battered woman and did not kill Gary in self-defense, but several members called her an "excellent candidate" for early parole.

Fight Heats Up In Oregon: Oregon Gov. Barbara Roberts spoke to a crowd of about 200 in Salem last week, saying the Oregon Citizens Alliance's Measure 13 shows the same intolerance as Measure 9, the group's anti-gay initiative rejected by voters in 1992. "Why are they back?" Roberts asked. "Why won't they mind their own business? It's because discrimination is their business." Meanwhile, the OCA has begun to use claims that gays played major roles in Germany's Nazi party as a campaign tool for their measure. OCA spokesman Scott Lively wrote in a letter to a local newspaper that gays "were an integral part of the Nazi party throughout history." Lively is trying to refute claims that his organization uses Nazi-like techniques. "If anybody is using Nazi-like tactics, it is gay rights groups like Queer Nation and ACT UP," he said.

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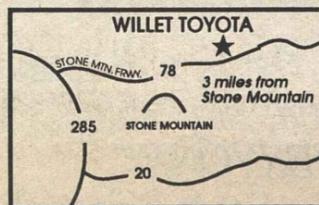
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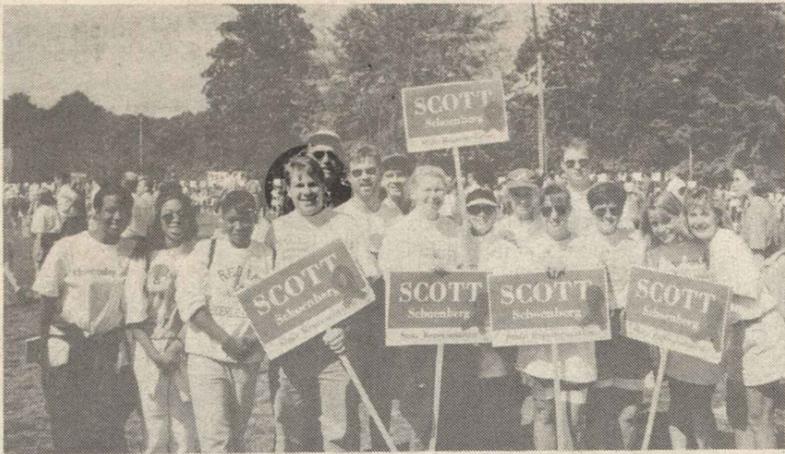
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Mayor Campbell to host conference on World AIDS Day



Atlanta—Mayor Bill Campbell announced October 28 the details of a nationally televised conference on "HIV/AIDS in the Workplace," to be held on World AIDS Day, December 1, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Atlanta.

"Educating the work force about this disease is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of the disease," said Mayor Campbell. "The AIDS epidemic is affecting both business and labor communities. We must act now to develop partnerships to prevent the spread of HIV and to protect our citizens and protect our social and economic health."

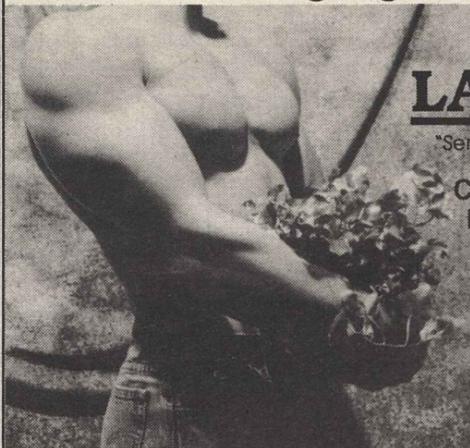
The conference is being sponsored by NationsBank, the Centers for Disease Control

and Prevention, and Southern Voice among others.

Joining the mayor to announce the conference were local community leaders and members of business community, including state Sen. Ron Slotin, City Councilmember Mary Davis, Enoch Prow of NationsBank, Sally McDaniel of AID Atlanta, and Ava Diamond of Project Open Hand.

According to the Georgia Department of Human Resources, the state ranks eighth highest among the 50 states in number of AIDS cases. As of September 1994, there were 11,770 reported AIDS cases in the state.

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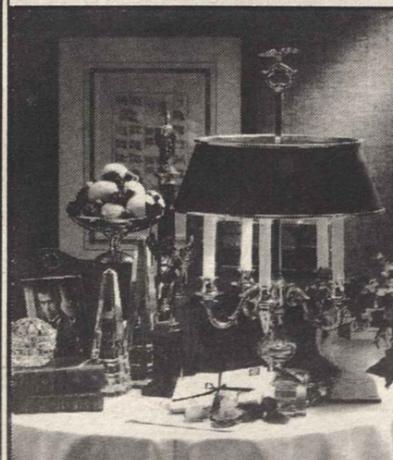
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Gay ties cost former police chief a chance at federal job

Portland, OR—A former chief of city police said Oct. 19 that his support for gay rights led him to give up on a chance to head the new federal community policing program.

Tom Potter said he withdrew as a finalist for the job after a U.S. Justice Department official told him his stand on gay rights could hurt the Clinton administration.

"I thought [withdrawing] was in the best interest of the program and certainly the Clinton administration," Potter said.

Potter, 54, declined an offer from the Justice Department to be reconsidered for the post on Oct. 21, after Attorney General Janet Reno acknowledged that administration officials discussed controversy arising from Potter's advocacy work.

"I think if there are issues with respect to controversy that his advocacy or his work might have generated, those have to be addressed in determining the impact on the program," Reno said.

Potter served as Portland's police chief from 1990 to 1993. He made national headlines when he marched in uniform in several gay pride parades.

He has openly supported his daughter, Portland police officer Katie Potter, who is a lesbian. Since his retirement as chief, he has been active in Oregon on gay rights issues.

Justice Department officials asked Potter to apply for the job in August. The program was instituted under the new crime bill, and administration officials say it will help provide as many as 100,000 new officers in the next few years.

Potter said he learned of the administration's concerns earlier this month after meeting with John Schmidt, the lead administrator for the crime law.

"John Schmidt raised the issue by saying, 'There's a problem' or 'We have a problem,' and then we started talking about that issue," Potter said.

According to Potter, he brought up his stand on homosexuality himself during initial interviews, but it didn't become an issue until subsequent background checks revealed that he had openly recruited gay and lesbian officers.

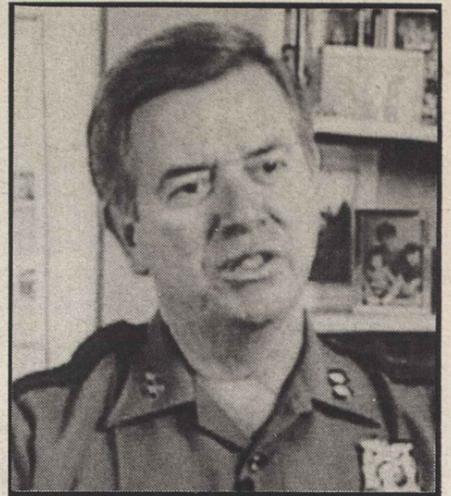
Potter said that Schmidt told him the administration was concerned that his advocacy could harm the program and act as a barrier between him and other police chiefs around the country.

Potter added that Schmidt told him he "felt relieved" when Potter withdrew his name.

A Justice Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the White House never weighed in on the matter.

"The administration didn't oppose his advocacy nor did we ask him to withdraw," the Justice Department official said. "The issue was whether he would be a controversial figure at the head of a program that's already under partisan attack."

ANDREW WATERS



Tom Potter withdrew from consideration after his support for gay rights became an issue.

Anti-gay laws cost states millions

Washington, DC—Passage of anti-gay initiatives and ordinances has cost states and cities at least \$169 million in lost business, according to a survey released October 19.

"Business organizations are standing up to the radical right groups as the costs of their divisive agenda become painfully clear," said Stacie Spector, director of Americans Against Discrimination, a project of the Human Rights Campaign Fund.

Her group surveyed convention and visitors bureaus, chambers of commerce and groups working to defeat such initiatives to estimate the losses.

In Colorado, for example, which passed the anti-gay Amendment 2 in 1992, the state lost almost \$120 million in convention and tourism business through the end of 1993, the group found. At least 47 organizations canceled plans to hold conferences or conventions in Colorado as a result of Amendment 2's passage, the group said. Several companies also dropped plans to move to the state.

The group estimated that Cincinnati has lost some \$19.2 million since voters there passed an initiative in 1993 repealing an ordinance protecting gays from discrimination based on sexual orientation.

And in Portland, Ore., more than \$15 million worth of convention business has been put on hold pending the vote on a statewide anti-gay initiative in November. That figure represents business from eight conventions expected to bring almost 27,000 visitors.

"Most are waiting to see," said Deborah Wakefield of the Portland Visitors Bureau. "I'm sure if this passes, the state will see an effect everywhere."

In 1992, when voters faced a similar anti-gay initiative in Oregon, organizations put an estimated \$19.3 million worth of meetings and other activities on hold in Portland, Wakefield said. But when that measure was defeated, those groups went ahead with their meetings.

Cobb County, Ga., has lost an estimated \$10 million since it passed a resolution in August 1993 that said "lifestyles advocated by the gay community" were incompatible with community standards.

And following a vote in 1992 to repeal sections of the city's human rights ordinance, Tampa, Fla., lost at least \$5.5 million with the cancellation of the 5,000-member GALA Choruses convention and a meeting of the Catholic Campus Ministers Association, Spector's group said.

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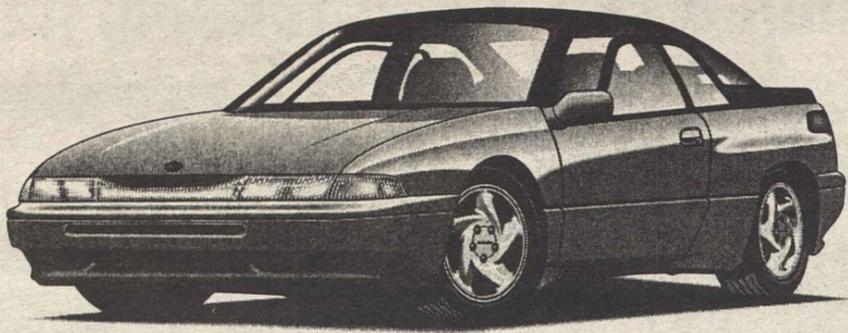
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relatively mild, as the two candidates traded answers to questions about other, less controversial issues. On those topics, Wysong's two years on the commission and access to the county's experts gave him something of an advantage over the less experienced Secrest. But the debate began to heat up when the topic turned to the arts—specifically, Wysong's sponsorship of an ordinance change last summer that would have restricted the county to funding arts projects that met certain "community standards." When the commissioners learned that wouldn't fly, they cut out arts funding altogether.

Wysong defended that action, claiming that government should not fund "specific performances, or they wind up being embarrassed" by them. Secrest said simply, "I think we should restore arts funding."

As the debate turned to the resolution, Wysong started off by claiming that his image as anti-gay "is inaccurate."

"I have never made a disparaging remark about an individual based on sexual orientation," he said to boos and hisses from much of the audience. "I am not concerned with private conduct, just taxpayer spending."

Wysong said that the resolution was strictly about domestic partnership and stated his belief that government had no business allotting money for it, calling it an attempt by gay men and lesbians to "raid the treasury." Secrest has campaigned on his opposition to the resolution.

At length during the almost 25 minutes devoted to the resolution, Wysong bantered with questioners, never clearly answering questions about why, if the resolution is about domestic partnership, does it not mention domestic partnership. Near the end, however, a questioner asked if he would vote to rescind the resolution if Georgia's Supreme Court, now considering challenges to Atlanta's domestic partnership ordinances, rules that they are unconstitutional.

"I'll answer in a word," Wysong said. "Yes."

Of Wysong's new stance, Cobb Citizens Coalition co-chair Elaine Hill remarked, "That was progress, but the resolution that we have on the books does not mention domestic partnership even once. It does mention gays and lesbians four times, saying we don't meet community standards."

The resolution may not have the widespread support Wysong believes it does. When Secrest asked people in the audience—most of whom Coalition members said they did not know—to stand up if they wanted the



Democrat Bill Secrest has campaigned on his opposition to the resolution.

resolution rescinded, only about 30 of the 200 in attendance remained seated. After a private conversation with Wysong at the end of the debate, Hill said that the commissioner was clearly affected by the evening's events.

"But we were led on before," she said. "And then [earlier this summer] this amended resolution came out that meant absolutely nothing. I don't want us to get our hopes up when this might just be a ploy for the election."

If it is a ploy for the election, it may not be the only one. Twice this year, Wysong has traveled to Russia, and the purpose of his visits have been clouded in mystery. At last Tuesday's commission meeting, Hill questioned commission chair Bill Byrne about his statements last April that Wysong was in Russia on county business. Byrne retorted that he'd never said that, but tapes of the April 26 commission meeting reveal that he did.

Sources have told Southern Voice that Wysong is attempting to coordinate a major exhibit of Russian art and culture for the Cobb Galleria Centre, funded privately, to be announced in time for the election on Nov. 8. Hill called that report, if it is true, a "monumental irony."

"I am so angry that the Cobb County government goes to Russia to bring back art when they have cut the funding here," she said. "That is a direct insult both to the county and to the state."

After the debate, members of the audience crowded around both candidates for a final word. When Atlantan Floyd Taylor approached Wysong and told him the resolution gave bigots a reason to harass and attack gay men and lesbians outside Cobb County, Wysong's wife Mary burst into tears.

Wysong ushered his wife away and returned to hear Taylor out. "You've stirred up a hornet's nest of hate," Taylor said.

"I don't think so," Wysong responded softly, and quickly left the building.

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AIDS educator Pedro Zamora close to death

Miami—Pedro Zamora, a young Cuban-American man who has left national audiences in tears as he pleaded for more-humane responses to people afflicted with AIDS, is dying of the disease in a Miami hospital.

A doctor said he has a severe neurological disorder, cannot walk, speak or eat, and often cannot recognize family and friends.

Perhaps best known for his appearances earlier this year on the MTV series "The Real World," Zamora has received thousands of letters from around the country and got a telephone call from President Clinton.

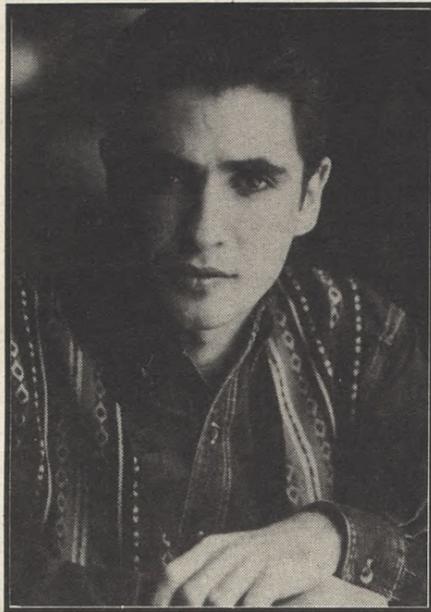
In a news conference October 21 at Mercy Hospital, Dr. Corklin Steinhart said it is impossible to say how much time Zamora has left, but he made it clear it won't be long: "The deterioration is continuing and unremitting."

Zamora came to Miami during the 1980 Mariel boatlift with his parents, a sister and a brother—five other siblings stayed behind in Cuba. In 1986, when Pedro was 13, his mother died of cancer and he became sexually active as a means of coping with his grief. After finding out five years ago that he was infected with HIV, Zamora began a national lecture tour, telling school audiences how he practiced unprotected sex in high school.

He testified at a congressional hearing last year. In January of 1994 he began participating in the "The Real World." After the first day of filming, Zamora told fellow cast members about his condition.

He said the others on the show took it well, but that he had to tell them they couldn't get AIDS from doing things like drinking from the same glass or using the same bathroom.

After falling ill in New York in August, Zamora returned to Miami and was hospital-



Pedro Zamora, in an MTV portrait released early this year.

ized. He left the Miami hospital last month, but entered again last week.

The doctor said the neurological disorder is progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML), which causes dementia.

At the family's request, Zamora is registered at the hospital under an alias. Telephone operators at the hospital say they have been inundated with calls to him. He has received about a thousand letters at the hospital over the last week, said hospital spokeswoman Odalys Lloret.

TOM WELLS

Justice Dept. lets deadline pass for Meinhold appeal

Los Angeles—The Clinton administration passed up an opportunity to challenge a court ruling that allowed reinstatement of a sailor who publicly declared his homosexuality.

The ruling affects Navy sonar operator Keith Meinhold, who revealed on national television in 1992 that he is gay. Meinhold was discharged under old military regulations that were replaced last year.

John McGuire, an attorney for Meinhold, said the Justice Department let pass an Oct. 14 deadline to appeal an August decision by a panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco. That 3-0 ruling found the military can dismiss open gays or lesbians only if they say they intend to have homosexual sex, not for simply "coming out."

The deadline applied to seeking review by the full appeals court, and the government still has 45 days from Oct. 14 to decide whether to appeal to the Supreme Court, Justice Department spokesman Joe Krovinsky said. He said Solicitor General Drew Days had not yet decided whether to take the Meinhold case to the high court.

The federal district court that ordered Meinhold's reinstatement said there was no rational basis for excluding service members solely because of their sexual orientation.

"For 2 1/2 years, the Pentagon has fought tooth and nail to kick me out of the Navy because I'm gay," said Meinhold, now stationed at Naval Air Station Whidbey Island in Washington. "By this decision, they finally have admitted that I can say I am gay and proudly serve my country in the military."

The court said that only a statement show-



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Keith Meinhold can "say I am gay and proudly serve" in the military—at least for now.

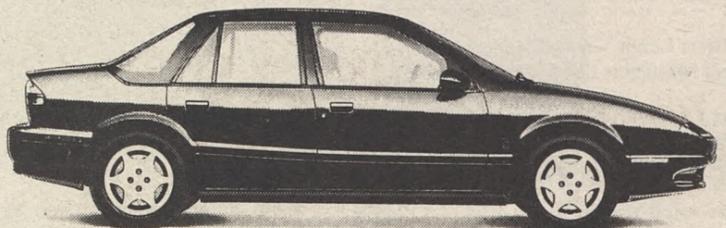
ing a "concrete, fixed or expressed desire to engage in homosexual acts despite their being prohibited" justifies an involuntary discharge.

Because Meinhold's case involved since-modified rules, the Clinton administration still could argue for a gay ban using newer cases winding their way through other courts.

Under the new policy, the military cannot ask about sexual orientation, but can discharge servicemembers who say that they are gay or lesbian. The policy allows them to stay in the service only by proving that they will remain celibate.

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GUEST EDITORIAL

Let's set the record straight about Bowers

There has been considerable recent press regarding Attorney General Michael Bowers' decision not to conduct on-campus interviews at the Georgia State University College of Law. Unfortunately, much of this coverage has been riddled with inaccuracies. We would like to set the record straight.

As ABA (American Bar Association) accredited institutions and members of the Association of American Law Schools, the law schools at Emory, Georgia State University (GSU), and the University of Georgia (UGA) have all adopted policies prohibiting discrimination on a number of bases, including discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. These policies are uniformly applied to all potential employers wishing to use on-campus facilities for recruiting law students. As a prerequisite to conducting on-campus interviews, employers sign a short standard-form statement of understanding and compliance. Michael Bowers elected to sign the policy statements of Emory and UGA. He declined to sign the identical policy statement of Georgia State, and thus elected to disqualify himself from conducting on-campus interviews at the GSU College of Law.

What made the difference at Georgia State? What has prompted the attorney general to treat Georgia law schools inconsistently? The answer is simple. As a matter of courtesy, Dean Marjorie Girth of the GSU College of Law took the time to explain the policy to Mr. Bowers. Only the part relating to sexual orientation required explanation, since the other components of the policy are defined by federal law. Dean Girth took care to explain by letter dated May 10, 1994 that "an employer who signs

this policy agrees that the employer's knowledge of an applicant's or an employee's homosexual orientation will not be used as a basis to deny, to terminate or to adversely affect that individual's employment." Neither Emory nor UGA supplied the attorney general with such an explanation, apparently believing that sexual orientation is pretty self-explanatory. Evidently, it is not self-explanatory to Mike Bowers.

After receiving Dean Girth's letter, Bowers did nothing for a while. Near the end of August (just before the beginning of the recruiting season), Bowers apparently became concerned about the fact that his office had already signed the policies at Emory and UGA. Rather than treating the three schools consistently by withdrawing his signature from the Emory and UGA policies, Bowers decided to play a clever little game. He wrote letters to Emory and UGA stating that he must qualify his signature on the nondiscrimination statements. He explained, "With respect to the issue of sexual orientation, I am not aware of a legal definition of this term . . . However, the Department of Law does not make personnel decisions on the basis of whether a person is heterosexual or homosexual. Private sexual conduct is not a subject of inquiry in this office."

Was Dean Girth's explanation not clear to Bowers? When has anyone ever discriminated against a homosexual he or she didn't know about? In what office, anywhere, is private sexual conduct a subject of inquiry?

Unfortunately, Emory and UGA let Bowers get away with this feigned confusion, allowing him to conduct on-campus interviews. Yet Bowers still cries foul. Even

though he has successfully narrowed the policy statements at two schools to the point they are without any real effect, he is still unsatisfied. He complains that "[t]he seeming inability of the (GSU) College of Law to accept our policies, and treat the Department of Law with the same courtesies extended to other employers has done nothing but create an unnecessary rift between two state entities." Yet Bowers has been extended exactly the same courtesies extended to all potential employers who elect to use the "resume forwarding" procedure at the GSU College of Law. Apparently, Bowers feels his office deserves special treatment not afforded to every other employer who conducts interviews at the GSU College of Law. It seems that nothing short of special rights will do for the attorney general. In his view, "the same courtesies" must mean nothing short of an unhampered right to redraft university policies on his own terms.

As the holder of one of the highest offices in the State of Georgia, Attorney General Bowers has been entrusted with a great responsibility. Trustworthiness and cleverness are very different things. True leadership takes more than clever maneuvering and doublespeak. Do we want this type of game-playing to go on for another term at the Georgia Department of Law? In the governor's mansion four years from now?

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LETTERS

Offending looks

It is with increasing concern that I address the offended Vicki C. of Decatur and the Southern Voice. The solution to Vicki C.'s problem is so simple—don't look, don't watch. If you see something offensive, turn away.

Has Vicki C. watched TV of the movies the last quarter-century? Misogyny, rape violence—every minute every day—and our society calls this entertainment?! If one truly chooses to examine what offends there is a much longer list than two women fucking or seeing a strapped-on dildo. Why did Vicki stay and watch the festival women? Festival is safe space, a rarity for women, to let them live their once-a-year weekend as they choose.

Don't press your prudish views on me. I'm glad to watch or not watch. Let that be my choice, not yours. As far as public display of dildos or breasts at Pride—hey, everyone always asks "what do you do in bed?" And since dildos are legal in Georgia, why not show some options?

I am a 35-year-old lesbian, aware since kindergarten, out since 10th grade (1975) and have lived through a lifetime of lesbian invisibility. I moved to Atlanta one year ago, after having often visited since the National Lesbian Conference of 1991. I came here after 10 years in Denver, a state under

siege from the Amendment 2 battle. I have attended many women's festivals and events.

The rhetoric I have read in the Southern Voice the past year grows consistently, and hauntingly, more slanted towards the status-quo. It greatly concerns me to read the same arguments of censorship from queers as I hear from the conservative right. And I am doubly concerned to read consistent one-sided views in a queer publication. If you chose to call yourself a newspaper, you must also accept a journalist's responsibility to represent a wider view. Yet single mindedness prevails in the Southern Voice, to such a degree that I approach each week with growing dread.

The recent trend of assimilation of queers into the mainstream culture will only serve to swallow us into invisibility and isolation. We are different. The status quo will assimilate us so we will disappear. Acceptance at what cost to our culture? Drag-queens and bull-dykes are an integral part of our past, present and future. Yet this trend to blend-in to the status quo threatens our very existence. Remove the blinders, look at the overall view, and see what truly offends and threatens. And live and let live.

Elizabeth Calloway
Atlanta, GA

Mayor's AIDS conference set

Recognizing the importance of workplace AIDS programs, Mayor Bill Campbell has announced that he will host "HIV/AIDS in the Workplace" (see story, page 6), a conference to be held on World AIDS Day, December 1. The event is being sponsored by the Mayor in partnership with NationsBank, the CDC, Southern Voice and local community organizations.

The conference will provide information for those seeking to create or improve their workplace AIDS programs and will combine the experience of the business and labor communities.

Registration for the half-day conference is \$25 and includes lunch and a copy of the CDC's "Business Responds to AIDS" Manager's Kit or Labor Leader's Kit. Deadline for registration is November 21.

For additional information on the conference and advance registration, call Anita Farmer at NationsBank, 607-5273.

Why can't there be a rock-and-roll bar for gay guys?

In the midst of a blaring disco on an otherwise not-so-busy Sunday night, a guy I was talking with asked me this question. Now, my immediate, instinctive reaction was "Ugh," but I listened patiently while he made his points.

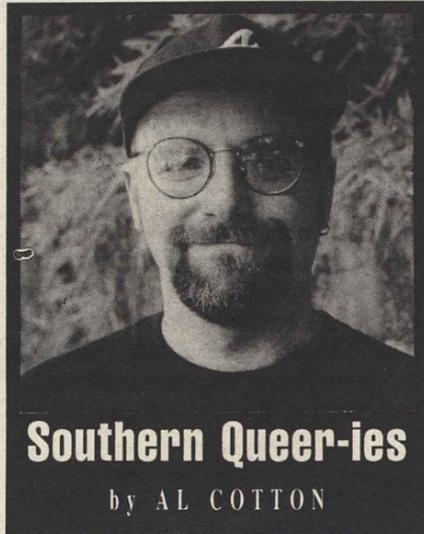
"This techno stuff isn't music; Eric Clapton is. Surely *some* gay guys listen to this, and would come to a bar like that. Or maybe it would just be me and the bartender." I nodded, and after a little more small talk, wandered off.

But as the evening wore on, I became more and more intrigued by his question. I mean, if it was just the music, there are a zillion rock-and-roll bars across Atlanta that would play him some Eric Clapton. And after going to one, he could then show up at one of the zillion gay bars that populate the other half of Atlanta. He might not even be the only one riding that particular circuit.

No, as I thought about it, the real question became clearer. "Why aren't there more gay men with similar interests to my own in Atlanta? Other gay men who would like to go hang out in a rock-and-roll bar?"

Now *there's* a question. The simplest and most unpleasant answer was the first one that came to mind—that too many of us who grew up with that music have already died. And if this has also occurred to my Sunday night friend, then perhaps he is as uncertain and nervous as I am about what life is going to look like in thirty years for AIDS survivors. So many of my peers, my friends, my potential boyfriends, are already gone. Will there be anyone in the Gay Old Folks Home to talk to?

But thinking a little further convinced



Southern Queer-ies

by AL COTTON

me that AIDS is not the cause of his dilemma. Even though R&R is the music of my generation, in my mind, it will always be too closely tied into a culture that doesn't like me. And I couldn't really imagine what we'd be doing in a rock-and-roll gay bar anyway—slow dancing to Pat Benatar?

No, Dr. Cotton's diagnosis of his Sunday friend's malady is his strong sense of a burden that falls on all of us, namely the burden of being different, of not having grown up to become what we were raised to be.

I know that was a hard one for me to deal with. The intensity with which I fought coming out came from my instinctive understanding that once I stepped off the path my parents had put me on, there was no going back. My whole life would change, and I didn't know how. I fought that with

every ounce of denial I had, and I still failed.

The terrifying part of the question for me is simple—What will I do? Because once we step off that old path, where the next step is so clearly laid out that we take it without even thinking, there is nothing clear-cut to replace it. Instead, it's like finding yourself in the middle of a room with a dozen doors. At that point, we have to choose something, and choose it not because our parents did it, or because I'm supposed to do it, or because it's easiest, but because it's actually what I *want* to do. Should I leave town? Go back to school? Open a rock-and-roll bar?

One of the great challenges we face as gay people is always having to consciously choose among so many alternatives in our daily lives. From where we live, to how we express our spirit, to how we dress, to how we relate to one another, to what we eat. Time and again we are denied the option of being on automatic pilot. To make any progress, we are forced to learn how to make choices that express our true selves. In contrast to the inertia of society at large, which rarely seems to ever have to make a choice, unless forced to.

Perhaps that's why gay people exist in the first place. Society needs people who *have* to think about the choices they make. For far too long now, too many people have stayed on those well-worn paths, loving only the people their families say it's OK to love, doing the job their parents did, living where *they* live, going where *they* go, and not taking the trouble to find a path for themselves. When this goes on for too long, society gets so far out of whack that things

start to fall apart.

In some sort of karmic, psychic, genetic, instinctively healing way, our society knows that if it is to survive, it needs a lot of people who are not on automatic pilot, people who have to think about the consequence of every action they take, of every relationship they form, of every place they choose to live, or every job they take on, of every person they love. And that *we were created as a people* who so desperately need to get off that path that we have no choice but to do it, whether we want to or not.

If somebody doesn't start thinking and asking questions about what we do and how we choose, then we'll just keep pumping the chloro-fluorocarbons into the atmosphere, and the nuclear waste into the earth, and the pesticides into water, and the hatred and bigotry and closed-mindedness into the children, until things fall apart. I think we came perilously close to doing that in the 1980s; on really bad days, I've decided that we've already crossed the line and just don't know it yet.

This is not an easy path. It's lonelier, more dangerous, more exhausting than the simpler path we chose to step off of when we came out. It's not for the weak, or the lazy, or the go-along-to-get-along guy. It's a life that asks a lot of us.

My Sunday night friend knows this, too. He knows that in an alternative universe, there was a rock-and-roll bar for him. It's right next to the house with the mortgage, and the wife, and the kids, and the dog. And like me, he turned in a different direction. And, to quote Robert Frost, "that has made all the difference."

LETTERS

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Many have read about the recent controversy over charges that some of the national home infusion companies have been raping their clients insurance policies and paying a kickback to their referring physician. This practice lines the pockets of the greedy and exhausts the coverage of patients. The patient then has no other recourse than to pay for their health care out of their own pocket, or proceed to enter the

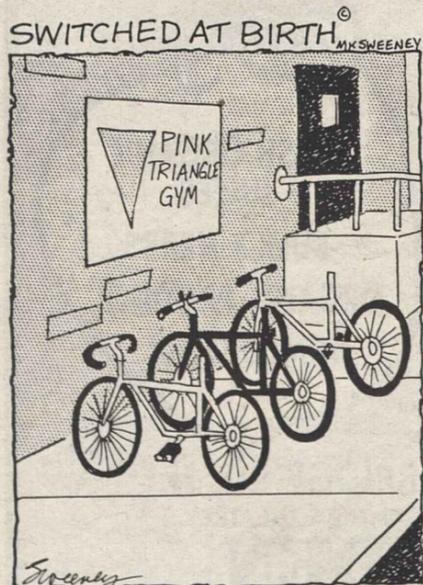
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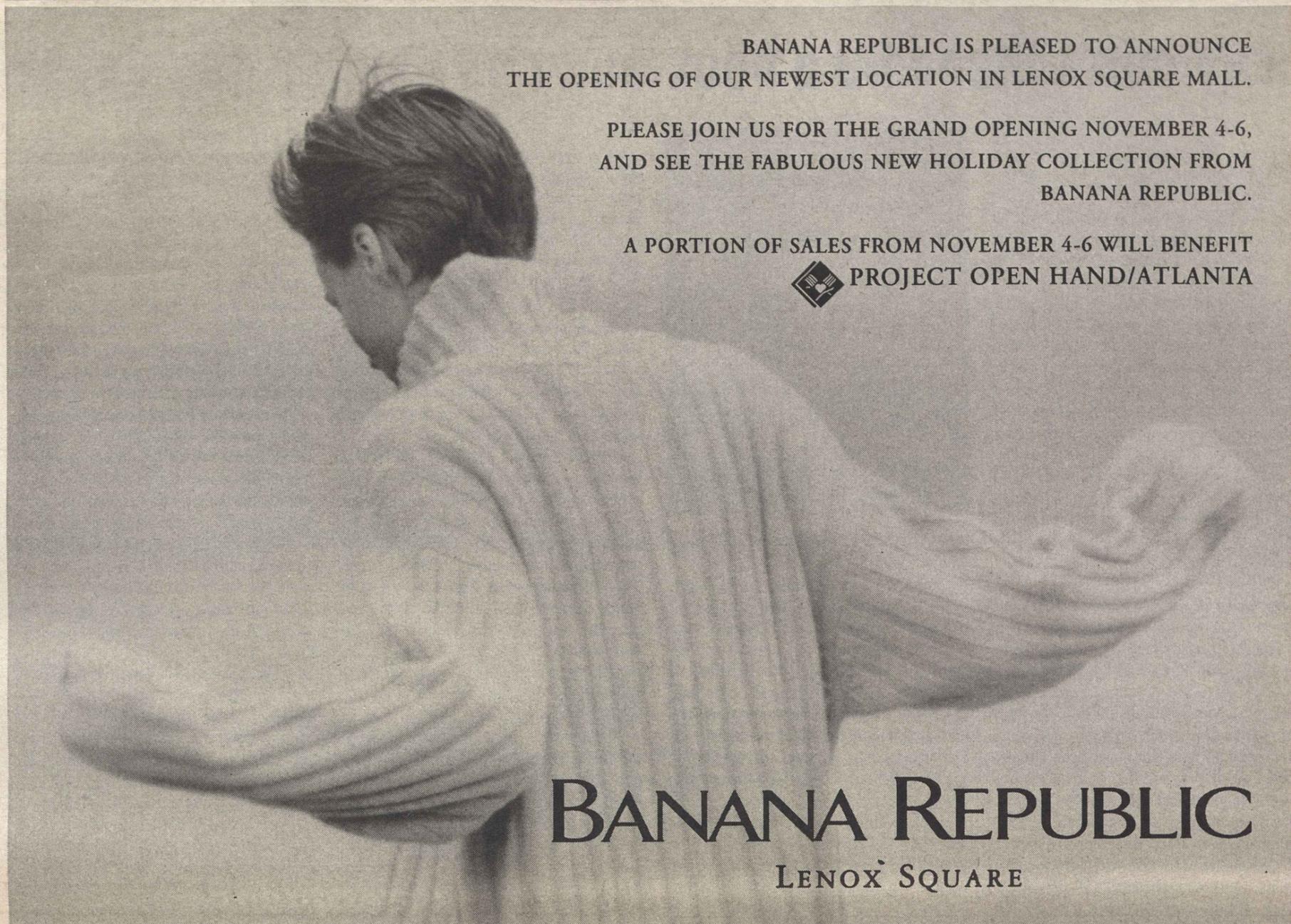
Several years ago I was diagnosed. I hold a very prominent position in a high profile 'good ol' boy' firm here in Atlanta. I love my position and refuse to jeopardize it by sharing my situation with my coworkers. Up to this point I have paid for all of my health care out of my own pocket. And I have been able to afford to because of the fair business ethics of one local businessman that I located advertising in Southern Voice. His name is Don Kriest, and he owns Midtown Medicine Center, which is a full service pharmacy.

Recently, due to an acute infection, I needed I.V. antibiotics. Don now has a locally owned and operated I.V. company. The nurse was incredible, and his prices seem to be about half of the national companies that I contacted, and we keep it within our community.

Many times you have angry readers write to you to complain, but rarely do you have someone write in to thank someone for a job well done. If my situation were different, and I didn't fear losing my career, I would love to publicly thank Midtown. They have been a godsend. But unfortunately I'll just have to say thanks anonymously to Southern Voice and Midtowne Medicine Center/Home Infusion.

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Hormone helps PWAs gain weight

San Francisco—Injecting AIDS patients with a growth hormone can reverse the "wasting" effect caused by tissue loss, a nationwide study has found.

The therapy may also help people with cancer and other diseases gain weight.

AIDS patients averaged a gain of 3.6 pounds during the first three months of the two-year study, and some eventually put on 30 pounds, said Dr. Morris Schambelan of the University of California, San Francisco, on Oct. 20.

"We had people who were severely wasted and in wheelchairs," he said. "But one guy, by the summer, went up to Yellowstone and climbed a small mountain."

Unlike other weight gain therapies, use of the bioengineered growth hormone increased lean tissues such as muscles, organs and bone mass, rather than fatty tissues, Schambelan said.

The average increase in lean tissue was 6.6 pounds during the first three months because many patients continued to lose some fatty tissue.

Treadmill tests confirmed improved muscle performance among the subjects, said Schambelan, who coordinated the study from San Francisco General Hospital.

"Having their legs being able to take them further on a treadmill suggests growth hormone might help them get around day-to-day," said Kathleen Mulligan, a UCSF endocrinologist at San Francisco General Hospital.

The improvement was so dramatic the experiment was interrupted and placebo patients were given the growth hormone, which was

manufactured by Sereno Laboratories, Inc. of Norwell, Mass.

The results follow previous successes in treating burn and cancer patients with growth hormones, said Jeffrey Laurence of Cornell Medical Center. He also is a consultant with the American Foundation for AIDS Research in New York.

Problems with side effects have been minimal, although diabetics and people with high blood pressure may not be able to take hormones.

Dr. Donald Kotler, an AIDS researcher at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center in New York, said there is every reason to believe the therapy would work with cancer, lung disease or any illnesses that lead to wasting.

But Schambelan cautioned that cancer patients often lose their appetites, and said food is essential to make the growth hormone create tissue cells.

"This therapy is not going to work in people who don't eat—you don't manufacture calories out of thin air," he said.

Still unresolved is the question of whether the therapy will prolong the life of AIDS or cancer patients.

"The data are very promising, and the FDA is reviewing the data with exactly that question in mind," Schambelan said.

The double blind experiment included 178 patients in hospitals and community treatment centers in several states. Results were released at the Third International Symposium on Nutrition and HIV-AIDS in Philadelphia.

RICHARD COLE

Cambodia faces AIDS epidemic

Phnom Penh, Cambodia—Cambodia is facing an AIDS epidemic that could become worse than that in areas of neighboring Thailand, a World Health Organization expert said Oct. 18.

"This is my first visit to Cambodia, and it is prompted by information that suggests an epidemic has certainly reached Cambodia," Dr. Michael Merson, executive director of WHO's global AIDS program, told a news conference.

He said 3.5 percent of Phnom Penh's blood donors are now testing positive for HIV.

"Blood donors represent more or less the general population and so can be used as an idea of how much the epidemic is spreading into the population," he said. "That could mean that 1 to 3 percent of the general population could be infected."

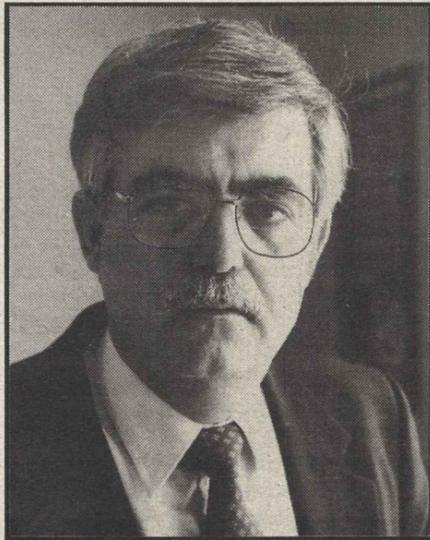
In one of Thailand's worst affected areas, the northern province of Chiang Mai, 7 percent of blood donors have tested positive.

"The epidemic here isn't as severe as in northern Thailand, but it's certainly moving in that direction," Merson said.

"We need to see this as a real potential emergency," he said, noting that the rapid spread of HIV in Cambodia was similar to what happened in northern Thailand.

Cambodia recorded its first HIV case in 1991, and to date 625 cases of HIV have been diagnosed. In August, five infants under 2 months old tested HIV-positive after they were brought to hospitals showing symptoms of full-blown AIDS.

"My concern is that with the breakup of families, with migration, with the poverty—society is undergoing a lot of changes; it's a



Dr. Michael Merson of WHO's Global Programme on AIDS.

perfect recipe for further spread of the epidemic," Merson said.

Nearly 40 percent of prostitutes surveyed in the coastal resort town of Sihanoukville earlier this year tested HIV-positive and it's now feared other provinces will show a similar rate among commercial sex workers when surveyed.

"Commercial sex workers don't infect themselves. They are infected by clients and therefore many of the clients must be infected," Merson said.

"It's not too late to avoid a tragedy here but action must be now at the highest levels," he said, appealing for a massive education and condom distribution campaign.

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HHS issues mammogram guide

Washington, DC—New government guidelines suggest women make sure the labs where they get mammograms are certified by the Food and Drug Administration and provide results in no more than 10 days.

"This empowers women," Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala said October 19. "This guide will literally save lives."

Mammograms are the best way to find breast cancer early enough to cure it. They can detect tumors two years before they're big enough to feel but can miss 10 percent of breast cancers because of what critics maintain is inadequate supervision of the exams' quality.

The FDA began certifying the nation's 11,000 mammography centers five weeks ago to ensure they use properly trained workers and modern equipment.

The HHS guidelines issued Oct. 19 are intended to build on the certification program by telling clinics, doctors and women every step needed for the best possible mammogram.

The doctor and clinic guides include technical advice on how to perform the exam with specific equipment and on women with such complications as breast implants.

For individual women, they advise:

- Use only FDA-certified centers. If the center can't produce its certification, leave.
- Schedule an appointment at a time of the

menstrual cycle when breasts aren't tender, so the technician can apply proper pressure.

• Don't use deodorant, lotions or powders because they can block the picture.

• Provide your address and phone number as well as your doctor's so both can be told the results. Find out whom to call if you don't receive results.

• Never assume the mammogram is normal just because you don't receive the results. After 10 days, call the center or your doctor and demand the information.

Although those guidelines are voluntary right now, FDA Commissioner David Kessler said most will be added to certification requirements by March.

But the guidelines don't clear up the age controversy. While it is clear that women 50 and older need a mammogram yearly, the National Cancer Institute ignited a firestorm last year by saying women 40 to 49 don't need routine mammograms unless they're at high risk for breast cancer, a recommendation with which many doctors disagree. So HHS merely advised these women to follow their doctor's advice.

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Sex survey finds students at risk

Charlottesville, VA—A survey showing that just 40 percent of sexually active University of Virginia undergraduates always use condoms proves many students don't take AIDS seriously, an official said.

Of the 1,225 students surveyed, 65 percent said they were sexually active last year and 40 percent of those reported between two and five sexual partners.

In addition to the 40 percent who said they always use condoms, 23 percent reported that they usually used them and 36 percent said they never, seldom or only sometimes used them.

"Students think they're not at risk" of contracting HIV, said Elizabeth McGarvey, associate director of research and evaluation at U.Va.'s Institute for Substance Abuse Studies. "They think only others are at risk. But it's just denial."

The survey, mailed out by the institute, questioned the randomly selected students about the HIV risk for people who engaged in unprotected sexual intercourse. Respondents were allowed to remain anonymous.

Most of the students responded that they believed other people were at great or moderate risk, but half said they were not personally at risk.

McGarvey said many of those students were taking false comfort in sexual relation-

ships they saw as monogamous.

"They think monogamy is being faithful to the person they're currently sleeping with," McGarvey said. "But if they've had two or three sexual partners over two years, that is as risky as having the partners concurrently."

Dr. James Turner, director of student health, said he knows of two HIV-positive students at U.Va. Neither has developed AIDS.

Based on national averages, there are about two HIV-positive cases per 1,000 people, Turner said. That would mean there are about 30 to 40 HIV-positive students at the university.

Turner said 600-700 students take HIV tests every year. The university has had no positive tests for the past three or four years, he said.

However, he said he believed students at a high risk for HIV may be tested anonymously elsewhere.

The survey found about 36 percent of the students had no sexual partners, about 37 percent had one, about 13 percent had two, about 13 percent had three to five partners and about 2 percent had six or more.

Of the sexually active students, 90.4 percent reported partners of the opposite sex, followed by 8.2 percent who reported having same-sex partners and 1.4 percent who reported either-sex partners.

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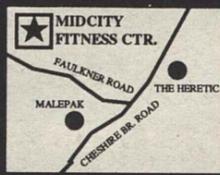


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New HIV test seen as promising

Washington, DC—A sensitive, rapid test that can monitor the amount of HIV in a patient's bloodstream may help clinicians decide when to administer antiviral therapy, according to researchers at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) and Georgetown University.

A report describing use of the assay to monitor the virologic status of 102 HIV-infected patients appears in this month's Journal of Infectious Diseases.

"The ability to measure levels of HIV in

the blood is critical, because changes in the amount of circulating virus may predict a patient's clinical course," said H. Clifford Lane, MD, NIAID clinical director and a senior author of the study.

The test, called the branched DNA assay for HIV-1 infection, also may help investigators determine whether an experimental therapy is effective, thus circumventing the long delays associated with clinical trials. Currently, it is available only for research use.

Physicians association comes out, changes name

Adding "Gay and Lesbian" to its name will focus the organization, members say

by PAMELA EVANS

Imagine you are a doctor. After years of school and financial struggle, you have finally settled into a practice in Small Town, U.S.A. You are careful to make certain no one knows you are gay. You feel certain that if your patients find out—if the folks in Small Town discover your secret—they will stop coming to see you, your practice will falter, your career will be over.

Such are the fears of many gay physicians across the United States, and not just in rural areas, according to Ben Schatz, executive director of the newly named Gay and Lesbian Medical Association, formerly the American Association of Physicians for Human Rights (AAPHR).

The organization recently went to its membership and asked them to approve a name change to include the words "gay and lesbian." Up until the final vote was counted, many believed fears of homophobia might perpetuate the voting results from the organization's previous name change proposals: Four years ago, when first asked to include "gay and lesbian" in their official title, AAPHR membership voted 2 to 1 against a name change; two years ago, the proposal again was defeated with 55% vot-

ing no and 45% voting yes.

But this year, the ballots revealed a new, more activist attitude among AAPHR membership. Sixty percent voted to come out as an organization by changing the name effective Jan. 1, 1995.

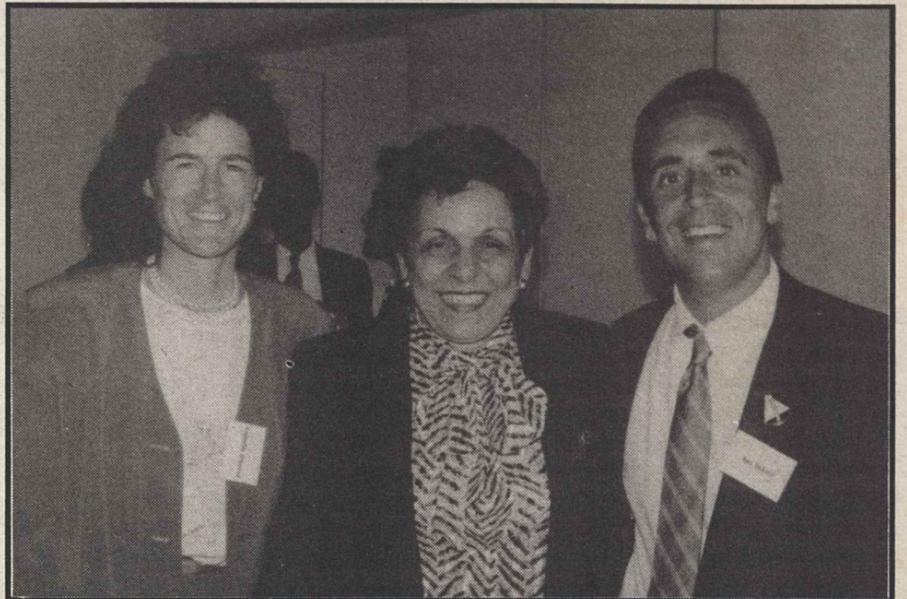
Today's growing activist attitude among members is reflective of the growth of the organization itself, which began 13 years ago in San Francisco when a loosely knit group of gay and lesbian doctors came together to form AAPHR. Largely unfocused at that time, the group found a much clearer purpose as the onset of the AIDS epidemic captured their attention.

"The thing that really spurred us on about 10 years ago was AIDS," said Jesse Peel, a retired Atlanta psychiatrist who is a member of the AAPHR national board of directors. "Our direction clearly was in response to the AIDS epidemic and the onslaught we were beginning to experience."

AAPHR watched as the medical community ignored or did little to deal with AIDS and the many problems surrounding the epidemic. The decision was made to make the organization a clearinghouse for information about the disease.

Next, the Medical Expertise Retention Program (MERP) for HIV-positive health care workers was founded to provide legal advice and referrals, support groups, and career, financial and psychological counseling.

"Doctors were freaking out all over the country," said Peel. "The need for MERP was there, and, as it developed, AAPHR became more activist."



AAPHR president Kate O'Hanlan (left) and executive director Ben Schatz flank HHS Secretary Donna Shalala.

Membership grew, tripling in just the past three years, and the organization was able to focus on other concerns to the gay and lesbian community, including lesbian medical issues. A project called the Lesbian Health Fund (LHF) was designed to fund lesbian-specific health research. Directed by lesbians, who make up 40% of the AAPHR membership nationally (a number that is greater than the percentage of women in medicine), LHF relies on money raised at receptions held around the country and on individual donations.

AAPHR also works with other medical

groups to encourage them to add sexual orientation non-discriminatory clauses to their bylaws. So far, the very powerful American Medical Association, as well as the American Medical Women's Association, have been convinced and have added language to that effect.

Another area of concern for AAPHR is anti-gay discrimination in the medical profession. A recent AAPHR report documents extensive discrimination against gay and lesbian physicians and patients. Two thirds (67%) of the respondents—members of

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Charis Books And More celebrates 20 years

by PAMELA EVANS

As independent bookstores struggle to keep their doors open, the women at Charis Books And More are in the mood to celebrate. The feminist bookstore and meeting place in Little Five Points is throwing a week-end-long birthday party when Charis turns 20 years old this weekend.

There surely are reasons to celebrate—survival, for one thing. Thanks to careful work by longtime part-owner Linda Bryant and the various other owners/partners who have come and gone over the years, Charis has managed to weather many of the financial hardships that sometimes doom small businesses. Today, Charis is one of the leading feminist bookstores in the country, with book sales placing them squarely in the top five.

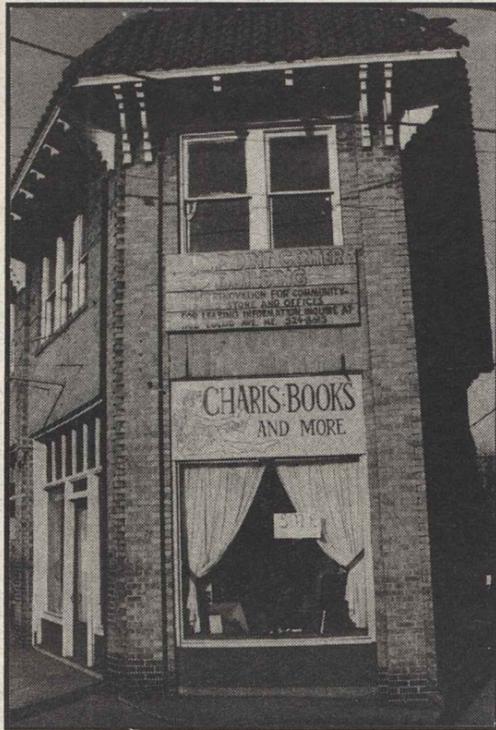
Yet it hasn't always been that way. When Bryant opened Charis with Barbara Borgman in 1974, she was more concerned with her dream than with the realities of operating a fiscally solvent operation or being an example for other feminist bookstores to follow.

A teacher at the time, Bryant was frustrated with her efforts to teach high school students to read. She dreamed of a neighborhood store where people could rid themselves of fears and defenses. Young and old, men and women from every community would be welcomed to read, to partake in conversation, to sip tea, to feel safe.

Without knowing it, Bryant was already defining what 20 years later Charis and other feminist bookstores across the United States would become: More than just stores, they offer books, periodicals, music, and merchandise on their shelves. But moreover, through their commitment to community service, they also are meeting places, bulletin boards, sources for political information, and entertainment centers.

By the time feminist writer Kay Hagan began visiting the store, the direction of the business was in question.

"We had gotten to a kind of strange place," explains Hagan. "It was a time when Linda Bryant was defining her direction, just as the feminist movement was defining its direc-



Charis in its early days, across the street from its current location.

tion. We looked at how Charis was structured and how we could work within a feminist structure and at the same time make it a capital enterprise: 'Is it a social service to the community, or is it retail?'"

Although she eventually had to follow her own dream, which was to support herself as a writer, Hagan contributed over four years to Charis and helped guide the bookstore into its present form of business for profit set within a feminist framework.

Today, financial considerations are everyday concerns at Charis, as they are at all of the over 135 feminist bookstores across the United States. Although quick to point out that the business is healthy, Bryant worries about the super bookstore chains that are able to offer books at discount prices because of high-volume buying from publishers.

"We are struggling to pay our bills, and so is every feminist bookstore in America," says Bryant. "The large bookstore chains are a serious threat. It's about survival. It's about independent voices, voices other than the mass

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Karuna Counseling also turns 20

In addition to Charis, November marks the 20th anniversary of another Atlanta institution: Karuna Counseling. Karuna celebrates the dawn of its third decade of community service on November 12, 1994, from 7 to 10 p.m., at the Atlanta Friends Meeting House in Decatur.

Karuna ("compassion" in Sanskrit) began in 1974 as a task force of the Midtown YWCA's Women's Center, and soon thereafter became an independent collective. From its inception, Karuna has addressed sexism (including heterosexism), classism and racism through the principles of feminist psychology, which facilitates direct communication through personal honesty and responsibility, openness to others, and a commitment to egalitarian relationships.

Throughout most of its history, Karuna

has utilized the feminist model of decision by consensus—no small feat. By offering high-quality therapeutic services on a sliding fee scale, Karuna has always provided counseling and support to those who otherwise may not have had access to it.

Karuna's path to maturity has been serpentine and rich, littered with obstacles. In an early challenge, Karuna played David to the IRS' Goliath: prior to granting tax-exempt status, the federal agency demanded Karuna sign a statement defining homosexuality as a pathological condition not to be promoted, facilitated or encouraged. Karuna declined to comply, and the IRS blinked, granting the collective nonprofit status.

In fact, the IRS faceoff was a breeze compared to Karuna's own growth pangs.

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Charis turns 20

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market."

Bryant recalls a customer who complained about the cost of CDs at Charis, telling Bryant she would have to buy somewhere else based on the price difference. "I understand her concern," says Bryant, who is mindful of the economy and people's need to save where they can. "But saving \$1 or \$2...the real cost may be the [loss of] independents."

Another cause for celebration by the women at Charis (two owners, two full-time staffers, several part-timers, and numerous volunteers) is the new home that Charis occupied earlier this year, which now houses a wider selection of books on 25 percent more shelf space in a contemporary, roomier setting. Just across the street from the original location in Little Five Points, the new build-

ing is owned by Bryant and co-owner Sherry Emory and is their response to ever increasing rental rates in the neighborhood.

An expensive endeavor, purchase of the house and its renovation were made possible through volunteer labor, the neighborhood BOND credit union, and a generous loan from a friend who has been with Bryant and Emory since the beginning and who they refer to as their guardian angel.

Having settled comfortably into the cozy, new space that feels more like someone's living room than a retail store, Bryant and Emory must now attempt to pay off loans owed for the down payment and renovation costs. Unlike the super bookstores, however, which would never think to go to their customers for help, the women are able to ask for assistance from the communities they have served over the years.

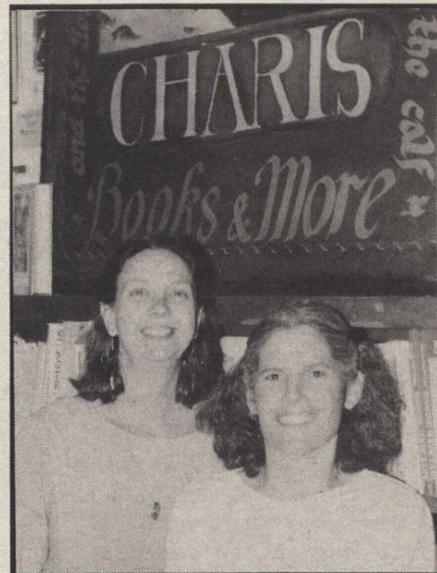
Several fundraisers have already netted

\$5,000, although a great deal more is owed. Two events during Charis' anniversary weekend, Nov. 5 and 6, will go toward the renovation debt. In addition, everything in the store will be discounted 10 percent.

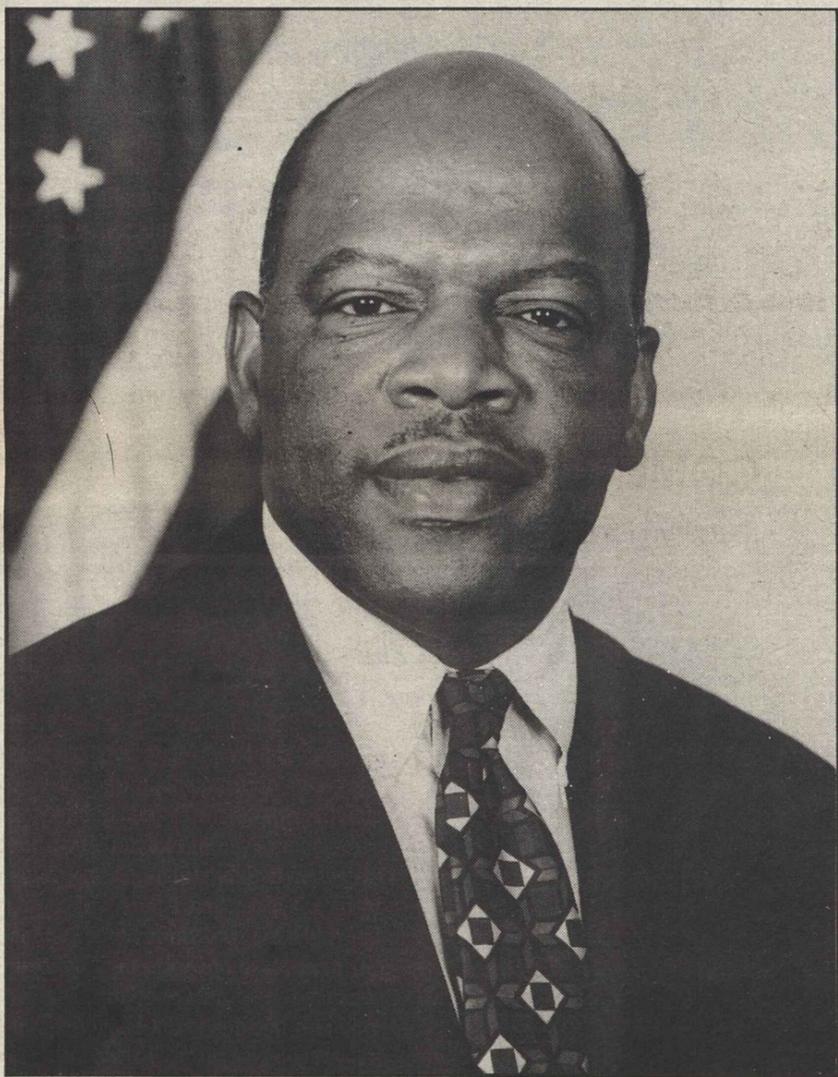
For 20 years, Bryant and her co-owners have attempted to provide books and merchandise that appeal to gays and lesbians, Latinos, African-Americans, children, and many more groups. According to therapist Marlene Johnson, who works six hours a week at the bookstore and describes herself as a "big" African-American woman, the staff always makes an effort to listen to concerns from customers.

"Anyone who comes in and has a problem with a book, well, we listen," Johnson says. "Recently, someone complained about a short story that was very anti-disabled. The staff hadn't read the story, so they didn't know,

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Co-owners Linda Bryant (left) and Sherry Emory



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Chefs do their part for Project Open Hand (L-R): Camille Sotis of Camille's, Delia Champion of the Flying Biscuit and Billy Kennedy of the Georgia Grille.

Atlanta restaurants gear up for Dining Out for Life

Project Open Hand event is expected to raise \$75,000

Food—it's one of the most basic needs for any human's survival. But for a person with AIDS, the importance of good nutrition is magnified; the chances of survival for a person with AIDS are greatly increased when his or her dietary needs are met. Before there was a Project Open Hand, many PWAs in Atlanta had no support system to meet those needs, and their physical conditions worsened as a result.

Project Open Hand had one simple goal when it was launched: to prepare and deliver freshly cooked meals to those people with AIDS or HIV related illnesses and disabilities who need them. This goal has been met. To date, not one man, woman or child has been denied the group's services.

To help ensure Project Open Hand's continued ability to meet demand, Atlanta restaurants are participating in the second annual Dining Out for Life, a fundraiser for the organization. On November 9, more than 167 Atlanta area restaurants will donate at least 20% of their ticket receipts for the entire day to the organization.

Virtually any kind of dining experience you prefer that day is available, due to the large number of participating eateries. You can spend the whole day eating out and at the same time support Project Open Hand's good work.

Elbow your way in to the before-work rush at Bagel Break for breakfast, or take a leisurely amount of time instead at The Flying Biscuit. Take a lunch meeting at Houston's (either location) with a client, or rock out with office mates at the Hard Rock Cafe. And have virtually any kind of food you want for dinner, from eclectic at the African Brown Bag to exotic at the Imperial Fez. And don't forget the most important part of eating—dessert—at the Dessert Place or Sweet Stuff.

There are many, many more choices than these—a complete list can be found on posters around the city (see also the advertisement in this issue). The list also makes a great year-round refrigerator magnet accessory, from which to answer those persistent "Where

should we eat tonight?" questions.

Ava Diamond, executive director of Project Open Hand, says, "Dining Out for Life is a critical fundraising event that enables Project Open Hand to grow as the demands for our services steadily rises. Through increasing restaurant participation, and by educating Atlantans on the importance of helping others living with AIDS and HIV related illnesses, we're projecting Dining Out for Life to be one of our most successful fundraising events to date."

Indeed, Dining Out for Life has become, in just two short years, a great source of support for Project Open Hand. Last year, the inaugural year of the fundraiser, the event brought \$50,000 to the organization. This year, the fundraiser is expected to increase that by at least 50%, to jump the total to \$75,000.

At present, Project Open Hand operates on a \$1.5 million dollar annual budget, a rate of about \$2,555 per client. With an average of about 40 new clients each month, currently the client list is about 450. A depressing fact: by 1995, that number is expected to reach 1,000.

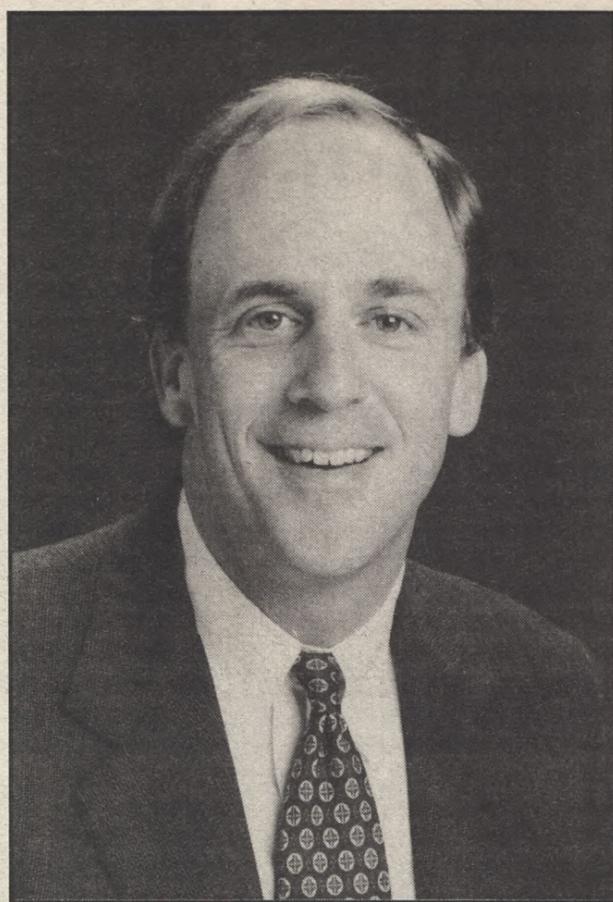
When Project Open Hand began its mission in 1988, only 14 clients were on the list for delivered meals that helped not only to reduce the amount of time necessary for hospital stays, but also for the client to maintain some measure of self-reliance. With the ever increasing need for Project Open Hand's services, volunteer work and financial aid are vital to its survival. A total of one million freshly cooked meals have been prepared, packed and delivered, by 1,400 volunteers since Project Open Hand's inception. The organization provides meals for residents at Jerusalem House, Walton House, Common Ground and Sisterlove, in addition to homeless people who are HIV-infected.

MCI Communications, which also sponsored the recent production of "Angels in America" at the Alliance Theatre, is sponsoring Dining Out for Life, the first time it has done so.

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BRIAN COCHRAN

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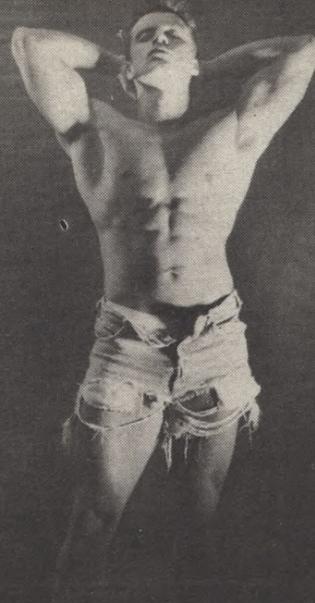


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AAPHR comes out

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AAPHR from 46 states—know of patients who have been denied medical care or been given substandard treatment because they are lesbian or gay. Nearly 59% report they have been denied jobs or patient referrals, or suffered other discrimination in the medical field because they are gay.

The report, which so effectively demonstrates the serious problem of homophobia in the medical profession, made the name change even more vital, according to Schatz. "We were tired of people calling and asking about the refugees in Central America," said Schatz. "We had trouble reaching new people. It was hard to get quoted when people didn't know what we are about."

"We have long maintained that homophobia and the closet are health hazards," Schatz said. "We have to educate about the medical needs of the gay and lesbian community. People have been misdiagnosed because their physicians either made assumptions or didn't know they were gay. Emotional stress, health benefits, partner issues—all of these things are affected by the medical community's attitude toward gays and lesbians."

As far as Schatz is aware, AAPHR is the first national gay and lesbian organization to change its name to more accurately reflect its mission. He is also aware some members may not be happy with the decision, even though they will continue to be able to write checks to AAPHR and to receive mail confidentially. He is sympathetic to the fears many closeted physicians have, and yet he believes the organization must move forward if it is to effect change for the gay and lesbian com-

munity.

"We are currently in the transition period with the name change," he said. "It is our responsibility to exercise leadership, and yet we don't want to make others uncomfortable. The risk of homophobia out there is very real and is not just in rural areas or just in the South. It happens in all areas of the country."

In Atlanta, AAPHR members recently hosted an event to announce the name change and to recruit members to AAPHR and to the Georgia Association of Physicians for Human Rights, a local organization that has primarily operated as a social group for area gay and lesbian doctors.

"We've been very fortunate in Atlanta in having such an excellent group of physicians who have led the way in gay health issues," said Peel. "They have managed to gain an enormous amount of respect in the larger gay community, yet I still feel there is homophobia right here in Atlanta."

Stosh Ostrow, a member of the AAPHR board of directors and a local physician, believes the name change is an exciting opportunity for the organization. "It clearly identifies what we do, who we are. Everyone will know we support gay and lesbian issues. The question then becomes, should other organizations—like HRCF—do the same thing?"

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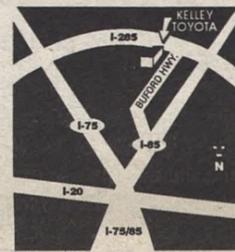
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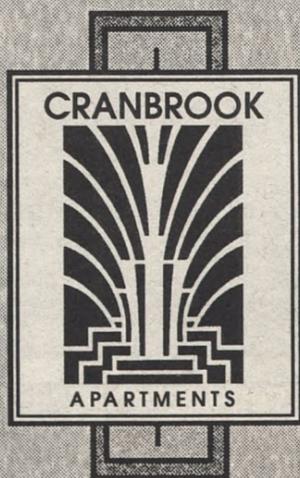
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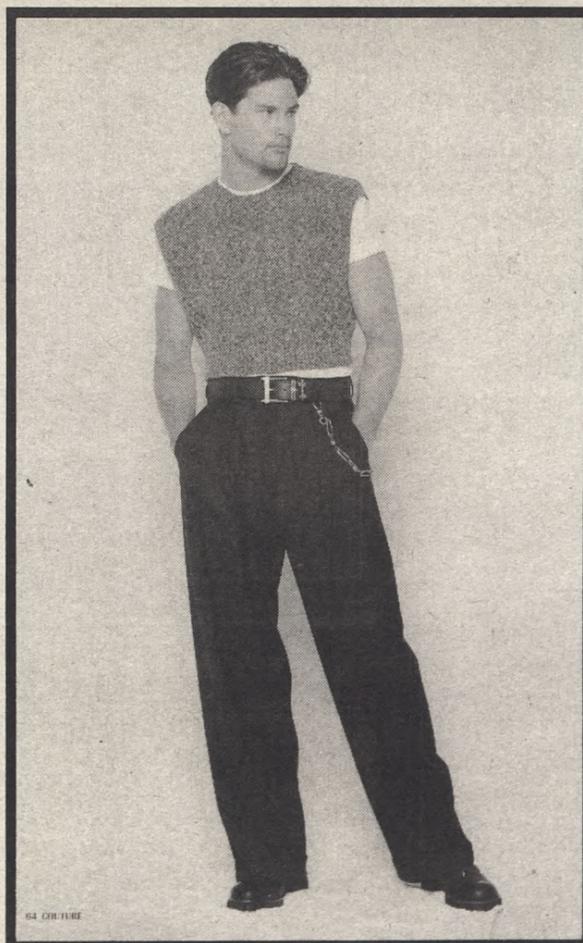
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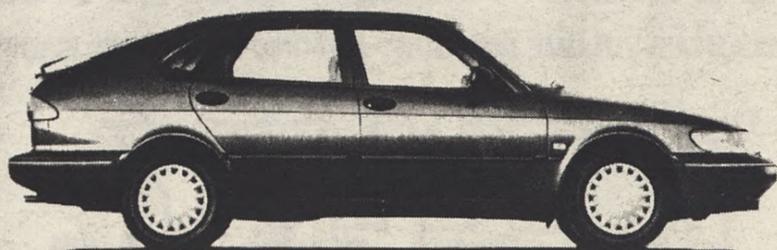
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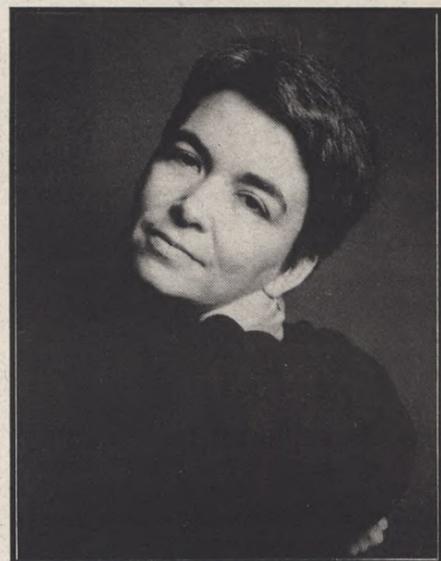
but they said they wouldn't stock it."

To people who are unclear about what a feminist bookstore is or who may have developed negative connotations about feminism, Bryant tells the story of an African-American woman and her grown daughter who were in town not long ago and came into Charis to shop. When the woman expressed her immediate love for the store, Bryant asked if she knew of a feminist bookstore for the women in her area.

"Oh, is this a feminist bookstore?" the woman asked, reacting not to the politics but to the feel of the place.

Now, that's reason to celebrate.

On Nov. 5, 8 p.m., Charis will host "A Celebration of Music" with Elise Witt and Mary Witt, Angela Motter, Dede Vogt, and Johnnie Eason at Variety Playhouse. "A Celebration of Writers" on Nov. 6 at 5 p.m. features bell hooks, Kay Hagan, Minnie Bruce



RICHARD DOWNING

Kay Hagan returns to celebrate Nov. 6.

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Karuna

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Karuna's egalitarian mission challenged its members in an immediate and personal way to face and resolve the social divisions and oppression of the day. In meeting these challenges, Karuna's resolve was strengthened to maintain a balance in racial and sexual orientation among staff members, and to ensure that each therapist is sensitive to diverse cultural issues and the concerns of the differently-abled community.

Karuna may now be the oldest feminist counseling collective in the United States. Its

therapists specialize in identity issues and transitions, abuse and trauma recovery, relationships and intimacy, depression and anxiety, and coping with grief and loss. Importantly, it should be noted that its feminist basis is not restrictive: the collective serves men as well as women, couples, children, families and groups.

The celebration will be both informative and festive, with presentations by founding member Susan Barrett, Ph.D., and other present and past members.

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Guy Millner

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"Guy has tried to make himself look like he owns the family values issue," said Pellegrini. "But when it comes to his own family, he didn't do a very good job. What kind of family values example is a man who has had an incident of violent intolerance within his own family?"

1984 by Officer F.E. Brooks, Millner Jr., then 19, approached Ronnie Daniel Bridges and his companion, Kim E. Vessell, at an Elton John concert at the Omni and asked "which one played the woman part." When Vessell asked Millner if he could tell, "suspect Millner stated 'no,' that they looked like 'faggots' to him," the report stated.

"Suspect [Millner] then made the statement 'do you like it up the ass, faggot,'" Brooks wrote. "At this point victim Mr. Bridges yelled 'are you calling me a faggot,' and suspect Millner yelled 'yes' and struck victim Mr. Bridges in the nose with his fist."

Millner was promptly arrested, and Bridges was taken to Emory Hospital with a possible broken nose.

The police report also reflected that Millner, Jr. had been drinking at the time of the incident.

On May 31, 1985, Bridges' family agreed to a \$2,000 payment after mediation with the Justice Center of Atlanta. The agreement stated that the family of Ronald Bridges, "release Guy Wesley Millner, Jr. and any other person, of and from any and all claims of any type whatsoever arising out of an occurrence at the Omni International in Atlanta, Georgia on or about October 8, 1984."

The incident casts a serious pall on Millner's championing of the family values issue as well as his anti-crime stance, says local activist Larry Pellegrini.

"Guy has tried to make himself look like he owns the family values issue," said Pellegrini. "But when it comes to his own family, he didn't do a very good job. What kind of family values example is a man who has had an incident of violent intolerance within his own family? And what kind of man can say 'if you do the crime, you do the time' and then buy his son out of doing time?"

Millner has proposed eliminating the parole board if he is elected governor. "I believe that when the criminal commits that crime, they should serve all of that time," he said during a debate with Zell Miller in Vidalia on Oct. 27.

"Money manufactured Guy Millner's candidacy, and apparently it dictates the tenor of his personal life as well," Pellegrini continued. "It's just another example of radical right wing hypocrisy. They would say they favor justice—but it's for 'just us.'"

Both Millner and his Democratic opponent in the gubernatorial election have said very little about gay issues during the campaign, although John Knox, another Republican candidate who lost to Millner in the August run-off, did try to "gay-bait" Millner by revealing that Millner's company, Norrell Corp., had provided temporary workers for the 1993 March on Washington. Millner's public defense to the charge was that he did not keep close tabs on where his employees were sent, but privately, he used another ploy.

"The laws of the District of Columbia clearly state that you cannot discriminate against sexual preference," Millner told a Fayette County Republican Party breakfast in August just before the run-off. "I charge my people with following the law."

But Millner also told the Fayette County group that as Georgia governor he would "work to change" the District of Columbia's anti-discrimination law.

Pellegrini said that these incidents should be a clarion call to gay and lesbian voters who are uninspired by the coming election on November 8.

"Anybody who said 'Zell? I don't know' should now be saying 'Zell yes,'" he said. "We have the numbers to affect this election if we will just get out and vote. We must vote to prevent the radical right from gaining any more offices and influence."

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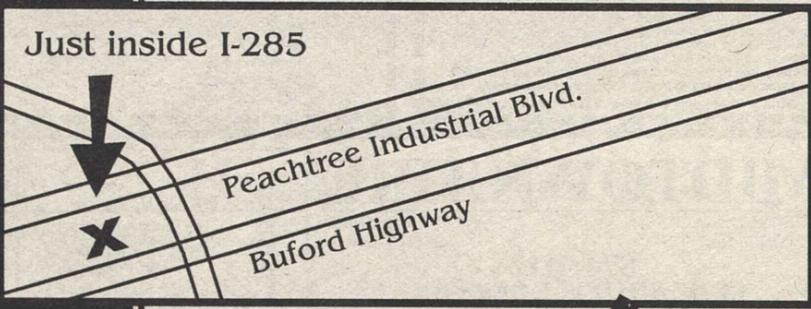
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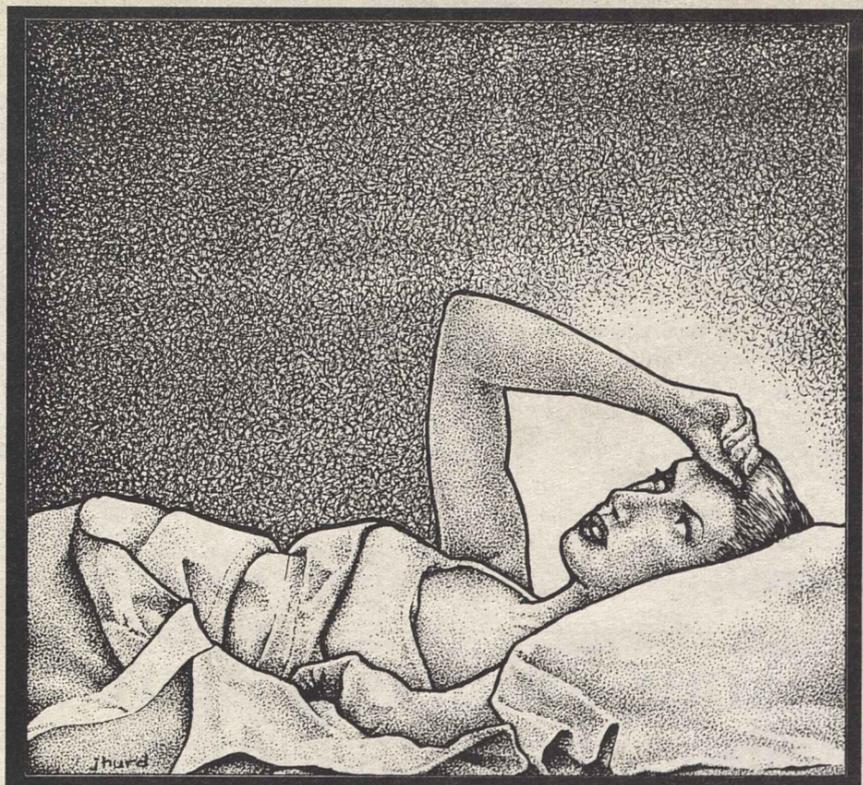
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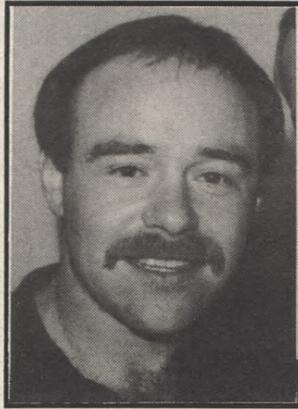
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Charles Maxwell Collett

Age 42, Charley Collett passed away in his Seattle home from AIDS complications on August 15, 1994. He is survived by his partner, Darrel Van Gundy, parents Parce and Constance Collett, sister Janice Young of Parson, Tenn., and his canine daughters Gretchen and Suzanne. Donations in his memory can be made to an AIDS-related charity.



Deaths Elsewhere

Tomas Fabregas

San Francisco AIDS Foundation board member Tomas Fabregas died September 22 of AIDS related complications. He was 36.

Fabregas, who learned he had AIDS in 1989, attained global renown at the time of the 1992 International AIDS Conference in Amsterdam, when he defied a U.S. immigration policy barring people with HIV from entering or reentering the country. Fabregas, who was public about his HIV status, returned to San Francisco from Holland without incident, although immigration officials could have de-

tained him and returned him to Spain, where he was born and raised.

Since that time, Fabregas fought publicly for the rights of immigrants with HIV as a member of ACT UP San Francisco and ACT UP Golden Gate, and as a member of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation's board of directors. Fabregas also worked with the Healing Alternative Foundation.

It was Fabregas's publicly stated hope that people with HIV and AIDS could live without discrimination, and with a sense of respect and dignity.

A memorial was held Sunday, October 23, in San Francisco.

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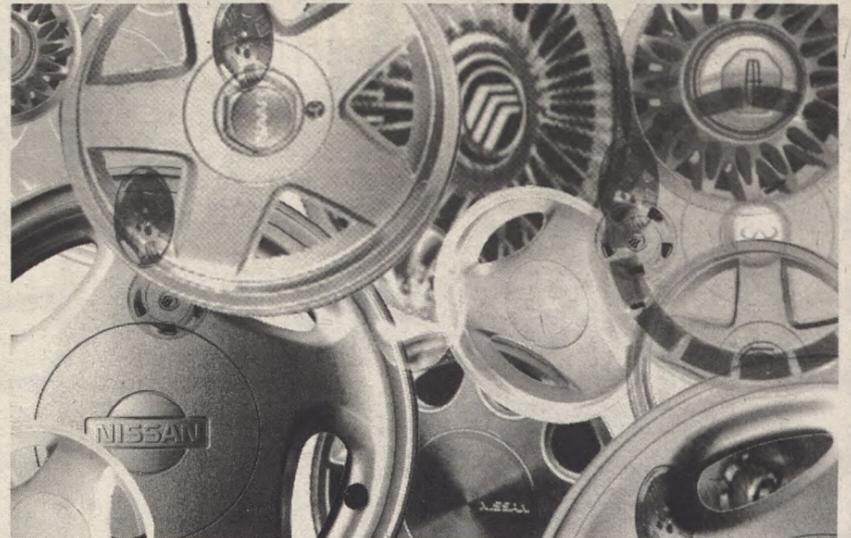
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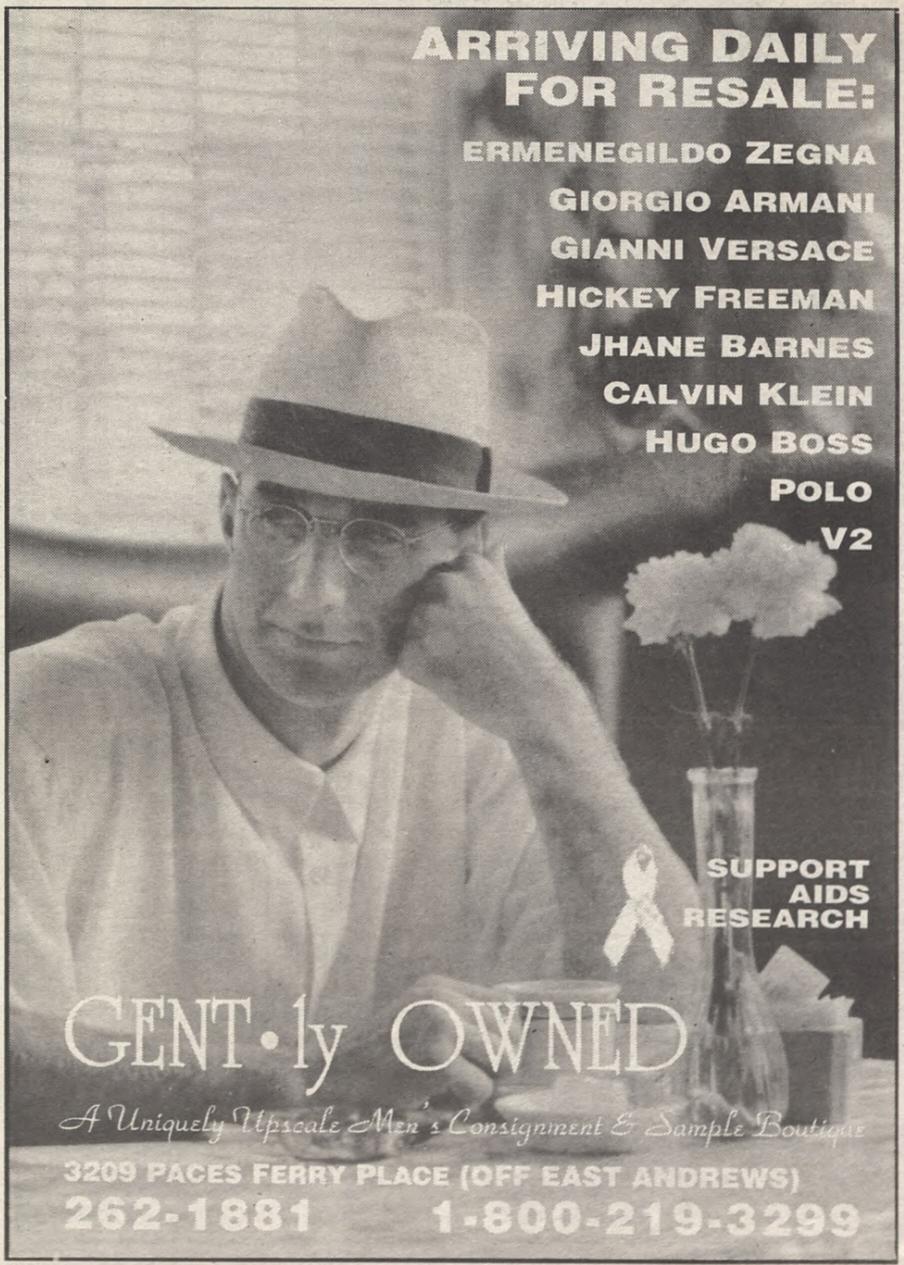
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Federation of Gay Games meets in Atlanta

Atlanta—The Federation of Gay Games will be holding its annual meeting at the Midtown Wyndham Hotel November 3-6.

Last year's meeting in Washington, D.C., was primarily to decide the host city for the 1998 Gay Games. Although unsuccessful in its bid to host the 1998 Gay Games, Atlanta Gaymes, Inc., offered to host the annual meeting.

The four-day gathering will be highlighted by a cocktail party at a historic Midtown home with Mayor Bill Campbell and several foreign consuls expected to attend.

This year's agenda concerns primarily an evaluation of the success of Gay Games IV in New York and a consideration of possibly creating a Winter Gay Games.

The Federation will also be voting on sev-

eral executive offices that are up for reelection, including the male cochair. Seattle's Rick Peterson, cochair for the past five years, has announced he will not be running again.

This will be the first annual meeting of the Federation that any delegates from the South have attended. This year, Team Atlanta was granted membership in the Federation, which gives them representation in the meeting. Also attending this year is Mark Mays from Atlanta Team Tennis, who will be the delegate for the Gay and Lesbian Tennis Alliance.

Atlanta Gaymes' hosting of the annual meeting will be the last official function for the organization, which was formed to put together a bid to host the '98 Games.

For further information on the meeting, call Dan Easton at 315-8898.

Metro Hospice wins award

Metro Hospice, a greater Atlanta nonprofit organization, has received a President's Award as part of the National Hospice Organization's 1994 Awards of Excellence Competition in Educational Programming. The award was presented during the 16th annual NHO symposium in Washington, D.C., on October 21.

Metro Hospice's entry was a video piece originally produced by NBC News for their broadcast series "Final Choices." The segment was reported by Bob Dotson, the network's

Atlanta correspondent.

Two of Metro Hospice's patients and their families were interviewed, at home, in a segment showing hospice care as a significant alternative for the terminally ill to live out their remaining days in comfort.

Metro Hospice offers a coordinated interdisciplinary program of pain and symptom control for terminally ill persons and support for the patients and their families.

Anti-violence group wins CDC grant

Men Stopping Violence, an Atlanta-based national nonprofit organization dedicated to ending violence against women, was awarded a \$258,000 grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Violence Against Women Project. The grant is one of four awarded nationwide by the CDC as a result of the federal Crime Bill.

The funds will go toward developing a

zero-tolerance policy for battering in Douglas and Paulding counties. MSV will be working closely with SHARE House, a shelter for battered women in Douglasville. Through a series of trainings and community education efforts, MSV and SHARE House will work to increase the perception among law enforcement personnel that battering is a serious crime.

MCC hosts inner-child workshop

All Saints Metropolitan Community Church is hosting Charles Frost of Nurturing the Life Process in his acclaimed workshop "Embracing the Child Within." The workshop will be held at the Grant Park/Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 575 Boulevard, on November 7 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Frost, a certified NLP practitioner, has successfully presented workshops throughout the

United States since 1989 and was featured speaker at the 1989 and 1992 Heart of Texas retreats. His workshops are designed to be interactive, while making use of humor and visualizations.

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COMMITMENT CEREMONY

Chris Glaser and Mark King celebrated their ceremony of commitment on Oct. 30 at the Ormewood Park Presbyterian Church. The couple followed the ceremony with a house blessing and warming at their new home in Ormewood Park. Congratulations, guys.



Mark King and Chris Glaser celebrated a commitment ceremony on Oct. 30.

BIRTHDAY

SoVo general manager, foodie and queer Renaissance Man Gary Kaupman celebrates the golden anniversary of his birth on Nov. 4. Happy 50, Gary.

ENGAGEMENT

The parents of Derek Bromley Richards and Eddie Daniel Bolden have announced their sons' engagement. Derek, who is pursuing his Doctorate of Chiropractic at Life College, and Eddie, who is pursuing a nursing degree with the University of the State of New York, live in Marietta currently. Derek is a graduate of Perry High School (Perry, Ga.) and the University of Tennessee, and Eddie graduated Claiborne County High School (Tazewell, Tenn.) and Lincoln Memorial University (Cumberland Gap, Tenn.). Derek and Eddie will celebrate their formal union on Saturday, Dec. 17 in the Benchmark Suite at the Comfort Hotel in Knoxville, Tennessee with a reception immediately following in the Paragon Room.

PROMOTION

Congratulations to Elizabeth Sherwood, who just became a partner at Montgomery, Rennie & Johnson in Cincinnati, from her little sister Joan here in Atlanta. Here's proof that "good lawyer" isn't an oxymoron.

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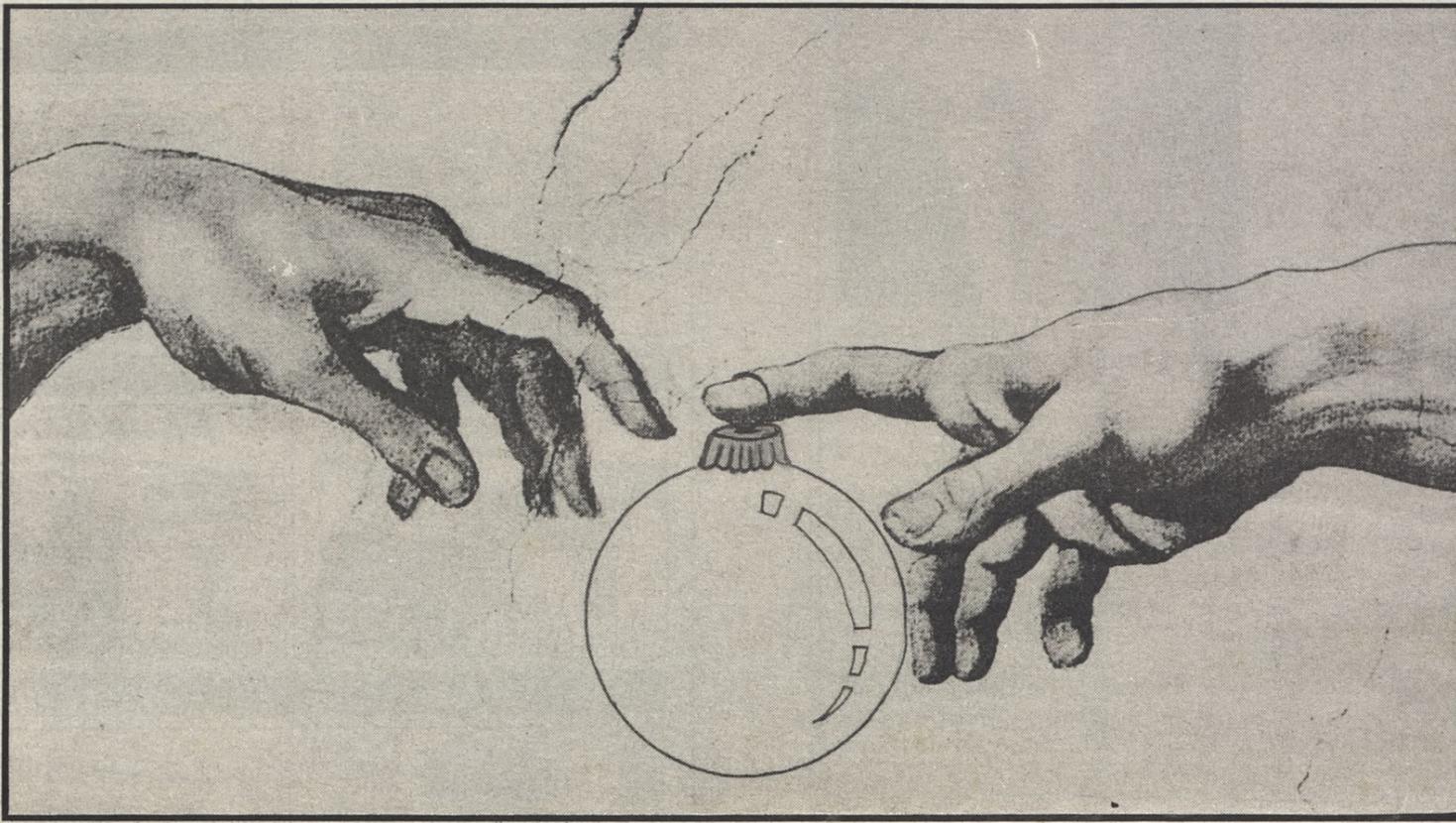
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Out on the Small Screen

Gay and lesbian television continues its move toward the mainstream

by PAMELA EVANS

A gay Oprah Winfrey show? On mainstream television—with actual advertisers who pay big money to parade their products before viewers during 30-second commercial breaks?

It may sound far-fetched to some, but according to Pearson Brown, producer of **One in 10 People**, a Richmond, Va., public access gay entertainment television program, she has been approached by someone who is gathering serious sponsors to make her the gay talk show maven of the nineties. Brown says the requests coming into her office are indicative of where gay television is ultimately headed: straight into the homes of your mom and mine, perhaps on the much talked about (but as yet unrealized) gay cable channel.

"I don't know what will come of [the Oprah Winfrey-style idea]," Brown says, "but I got another call from New York about two weeks ago from someone who had some really big-name advertisers interested, like Subaru."

Some of the interest in Brown has to be attributed to her show. Out of 2,040 entries, Brown's won Best Gay and Lesbian Programming For a Single Program at the 1993 Hometown Video Festival. But for serious advertisers even to be considering aligning their products with gay programs, something new has to be happening. And the obvious thing is the growing number of gay- and lesbian-produced shows that are becoming prevalent throughout the country, primarily on public access or leased access channels.

Even now, as they skim across cable channels via remote control, our parents may flip to queens discussing serious



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drag, dykes promoting women's issues, or gay and lesbian politicos addressing a variety of community concerns. They may catch glimpses of entertainment and interview programs, or even soap operas—the same kind of shows they watch on mainstream television but written for the gay and lesbian community.

The advent of gay television is in part thanks to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), which stepped forward as cable channels grew and prospered, legislating that a number of channels on each system be set aside for public access. Simply put, this means that anyone with a video camera can simply decide to become a program producer by calling his or her local public access station, which will schedule almost any half-hour show for free as long as it adheres to decency standards.

Leif Eric Spivey and John Ishmael, director-host and producer-editor of **Out in Atlanta**, the city's three-year-old program for gays and lesbians (seen Monday at 10:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.), got started by taking the station's six-week course on how to use the equipment.

"The course motivated us to get on the air," says Spivey, who became interested in television while volunteering for a similar program in New Orleans. "That show turned me on to the power of the media other than print. It can be watched anonymously by people in their living rooms and it also allows the public to watch as they flip channels, so that we're educating as well."

Also available to would-be producers are leased-access channels, which, unlike public access, allow for the sale of commercials. Leased access, however, charges for airtime, although it is still relatively inexpensive.

According to Linda Chapman, producer and one of three founders of **Dyke TV** (seen in Atlanta on Monday at 9:30 p.m., Cable Channel 12, and Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.), expense is probably the biggest obstacle in producing a program. Since public access does not allow for the sale of commercials, funds have to be raised through individual contributions, corporate donations, grants, or fundraisers.

"The most difficult part really is the fundraising," Chapman says. "Working with all of the women is joyful, but we have to keep finding the funds to keep going."

Chapman's show first went on the air in June 1993, with seed money from a trust from a founders' brother who died of AIDS. Since then, benefit events, merchandise sales, and sales

of tapes of the show have been used to fund the program. Chapman believes, however, that individual contributions will eventually become their major source of funding.

Dyke TV is currently shown in 17 cities where sponsors agree to raise \$2,400 per year for the show. Chapman also relies on volunteers to reduce overhead.

"We are constantly doing outreach through the lesbian network across the country, finding women who are willing to sponsor us in their community. The Lesbian Avengers and other groups have been very effective. You can see we are very grass roots. It's a person to person effort," Chapman explains.

Brown says she must continue to work full-time in order to keep **One in 10 People** on the air. She, too, relies on individual contributions, and she discreetly displays the program's telephone number at the end of the show, as well as distributes a monthly newsletter to attract potential contributors.

"It costs \$20 per show per city per month, which doesn't sound like a lot, but [it is] when you're funding much of it yourself," says Brown.

OneTV, a Houston-based magazine-style program for gays and lesbians, made production quality its key success factor. "As we market **OneTV**, we constantly must overcome the expectation that we will be low budget and look like home video," says Coky Gray, president and one of **OneTV** founders. "Once people see for themselves that we are network-quality, we get attention."

Gray and co-founder Bill Kavanaugh decided to mail their program to subscribers rather than opting for free airtime on public access, which they believe creates too many difficulties, including low production budgets and irregular program scheduling.

"Broadcast options limit access to our audience, especially in areas of the country that are not known to have large gay populations," explains Gray. "The video format allows **OneTV** to reach our audience no matter where they live. We also avoid being placed in obscure time slots, or times that change from week to week."

OneTV, more than many of the country's gay public access television programs, resembles sophisticated shows like "Good Morning America." Attractive co-anchors guide viewers through slick spots on travel, fitness, entertainment and fashion. Their producers are attempting to reach out to Middle



Pearson Brown, producer of **One in 10 People**, is ready to go Hollywood—but is Hollywood ready for her?

K. PEARSON BROWN

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WILLIAM ALBRIGHT. Harpsichordist and American Guild of Organists' 1993 Composer of the Year performs at Clayton State's Spivey Hall. 8:15 pm. \$7.50 & \$15. 961-3683.

LES LIAISONS DANGEREUSES. Thru Nov 12. The GSU players present the Christopher Hampton play. Thru-Sat 8 pm. 651-2225.

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4 FRIDAY

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5 WOMEN. Thru Dec. 30. Works by Ann Fessler, Margo Machida, Ce Scott, Joan N. Silver and Kathy Yancey at Nexus, 535 Means. Reception 8-10 pm tonight. 688-1970.

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9 WEDNESDAY

MARTA & RANGIERER. Two films by German director Jürgen Böttcher at the Goethe-Institut. 7 pm. 892-2226.

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.

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ABOVE: Roy Chicas, Deidrie Henry, David Silverman, Kacey Camp and Harrison Long star in "Up on the Roof" thru Nov 20 at the Alliance Studio Theatre. Photo by David Zeiger

LEFT: The Cashore Marionettes appear at the Center for Puppetry Arts, Nov 3-6.

BELOW: Derek Yee's "C'est La Vie, Mon Cheri" will be shown at the High Museum on Nov 6.



O N G O I N G A N D U P C O M I N G

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.

PENELOPE WILLIAMS TRIO. Performing every Fri & Sat 9 pm-1 am at the Hotel Nikko. 687-8866.

SOAP. Comedy Central has the controversial '70s TV series. 7, 7:30 & 11 pm, Mon-Fri.

PHANTOM OF THE OPERA. Thru Sat. 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.

THE GLASS MENAGERIE. Thru Nov. 12. Tennessee Williams' classic at DramaTech in GA Tech's Center for the Arts complex. Thurs-Sat 8 pm. \$4 & \$6. 894-2745.

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.

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. Opening night Oct 19, 7 pm. Other performances: Tues-Sat 8 pm, Sun 2:30 & 7:30 pm. \$18-34.75. 892-2414.

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

LITTLE MURDERS. Thru Nov 20. Tri-Cities Theatre opens the season at the Arts Exchange in Grant Park benefiting Victory Over Violence. Thurs-Sat 8 pm, Sun 3 pm. \$8 & \$10. 681-6091.

ANTIGONE IN NEW YORK. Thru Nov 20. 7 Stages presents the award winning satire about life on the streets. Wed & Thurs 7:30 pm; Fri & Sat 8 pm; Sun 5 pm. \$8-\$14. 523-7647.

THE WILD GUYS. Thru Nov 27. Horizon presents a group of guys who take off on a sensitivity weekend where everything goes wrong. Thurs & Fri 8 pm, Sat 8:30 pm, Sun 5 pm. \$12-\$16. 584-7450.

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.

TITUS ANDRONICUS. Thru Dec 4. The Atlanta Shakespeare Company presents the Bard's most violent and horrifying work—and historically one of the most popular. The Shakespeare Tavern, 499 Peachtree. \$10 & \$15, Thurs-

Sat 7:30 pm, Sun 6:30 pm. Tavern opens 45 min. early for dining. 874-5299.

SUBJECT: MALE VIOLENCE. Thru Dec 4. Richard Bolton's mixed media, interactive exhibit at the Atlanta College of Art Gallery. 733-5050.

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. Pre-Columbian 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.

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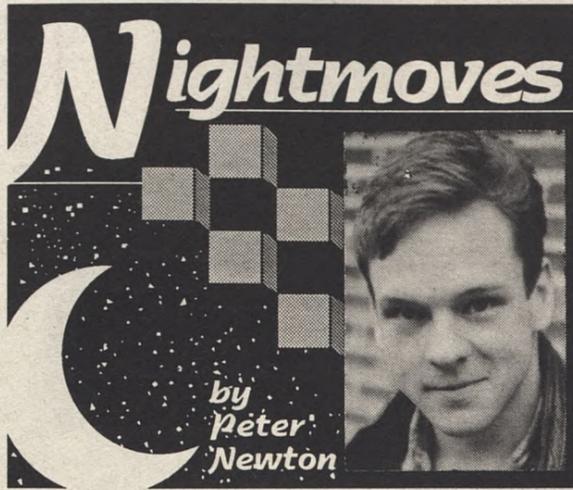
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Walk into Nexus Contemporary Art Center and you enter **The Women's Path**, a series of bronze tiles designed by 25 Atlanta-based artists. Their art honors the women who have played a significant role in Atlanta's visual culture. The idea for a pathway of bronze plaques presents some artistic risk taking, and the permanent installation presents some ambulatory challenges as well. Watch your step. That's the whole idea. Nexus' new exhibit, "Five Women," is a continuation of this theme. Ann Fessler, Margo Machida, Ce Scott, Joan N. Silver and Kathy Yancey present their work on gender, sexuality and society. The opening reception is Friday, November 4, from 8 to 10 p.m. "Five Women" will be on view through December 30. 688-1970.

The decade that many of us may wish to forget or celebrate will be in full flower at the **'70s Groove Party** going on this Friday, November 4, at Revolution. Quentin Crisp said it best: "I think that a lifetime of listening to disco music is a high price to pay for one's sexual preference."

A different sound can be heard at the Otherside this week, where national recording artists **Black Box** will perform. Everyone's heard of them but me. So, what can I say? Their popular dance hits "Strike it Up" and "Everybody, Everybody" are sure to draw a crowd. Friday, November 4.

Velvet faxed me a list of events as long as my arm. Boy Brigade this week features another adult film star. Imagine that. I think someone should write a book about these guys. The other lives of adult film stars. They must do something other than simulate sex for money. Certainly, it'd be more interesting. In case I'm missing something, you can see Tony DiAngelo Monday, November 7, around midnight. Velvet is also extending those of us ages 18-24 the chance to become a pop culture phenomenon when it hosts a casting call for MTV's **The Real World** on Saturday, November 5. MTV officials are looking for real people, not actors, for the next season of the show which is in pre-production in London. Seven young adults (Americans and Europeans) will be chosen to live in London to be part of the show. Those interested should come to Velvet, 89 Park Place, between 1 and 9 p.m. and explain why they would want to



move to London (school, work, etc.) and why they'd be an indispensable addition to "The Real World." For more info, call (818) 505-7929.

Stars of a different kind can be seen during the **7th Annual Atlanta International Lesbian and Gay Film & Video Festival**, going on this week and next. Films with a plot. Videos with a sense of humor. Plaza Theatre at Ponce de Leon and Highland. November 4-13, 609-9590.

7 Stages is expanding before our very eyes. The Little 5 Points theatre is in the midst of a major renovation and expansion. Managing Director Lisa Mount gave me the grand architect's model tour of the finished multi-theatre complex. Impressive. Attend their current production for a night of great theatre and a hand in providing Little 5 Points with a first class theatreplex. **"Antigone in New York"** by the Polish playwright Janusz Glowacki draws the audience in, at

times against our will. As Bill McBride writes in the program notes about this modern spin on a classical story, the play is "a step off the 9-to-5 not-so-merry-go-round into the final frontier of the streets." How do people get to be homeless anyway? Glowacki's satire portrays the delicate balance between absurdity and reality when three homeless people attempt to give a friend a proper burial. But the funeral requires stealing the body from the morgue and rollerskating it across New York City. The dynamics are funny, but we walk away not sure of where to go next. Through November 20. 523-7647.

I saw the Alliance Theatre's production of **"A Raisin in the Sun"** last week. Outstanding performances by Esther Rolle and Carol Mitchell-Leon make it worth sitting through a long three hours. The message of power to the people is an important one. Playwright Lorraine Hansberry was addressing the budding black movement of the '50s. New voices are needed in the '90s, but as a museum piece, "Raisin" is worth a look. Through November 13. 733-5000.



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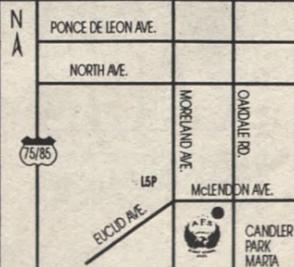


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Living Proof exhibit comes to Saks in Atlanta

Many documentarians have captured the ravaging effects of AIDS in photographs, but with her own topical project, a collection called "Living Proof: Courage in the Face of AIDS," photographer Carolyn Jones accomplished something the others probably didn't consider—she conveyed not despair and suffering but strength and joy.

"Living Proof" was published as a book last April by Abbeville Press, with proceeds benefiting the Design Industry Foundation Fighting AIDS (DIFFA). The photographs, currently on an educational and fundraising tour of the U.S., will stop off at Saks Fifth Avenue in Phipps Plaza November 6-16. A limited edition of gallery-quality prints for sale will also accompany the exhibit.

"Living Proof" is a collection of 73 life-affirming portraits which bring into focus the vibrancy and diversity of people living with HIV and AIDS. In the portraits, expressions indicate that being diagnosed often opens doors of opportunity for individuals by allowing them to focus on the things in life that are most important. One fragmentary family pictured in the book, for example, was brought back together because of a member's diagnosis.

The concept for the project came from George DeSipio Jr., a PWA working in the garment industry. The absence of positive images in the media of people living with HIV and AIDS frustrated DeSipio, and in 1992 he turned to Jones—whose work ranged from fashion photography to documenting life on the road in America—with the idea of doing something uplifting; something that would shatter the stereotypes surrounding HIV and AIDS.

The idea intrigued Jones and, with initial help from DeSipio and his lover, she spent the next year and a half finding subjects, photographing them, developing an exhibition and working on the book. Her premise for shooting was

simple: She asked her subjects to pose with whatever or whomever kept them going strong. The results reflect workers, family members and lovers embracing life, one day at a time.

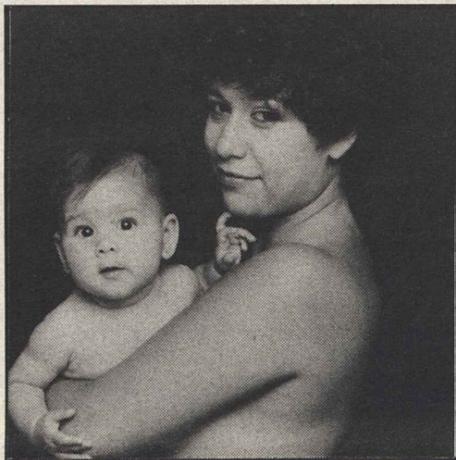
As actress and activist Susan Sarandon put it, "There is a light, a confidence, a calm, a dignity, a celebration of life that all these faces share. Thanks to Carolyn Jones for showing us the face of AIDS we are too afraid to see."

DeSipio, who is featured in an embrace with his parents in one of the photographs, succumbed to AIDS last year. The pictures that came about because of his idea, however, have taken on a life of their own.

Given DeSipio's work in the garment industry, it's fitting that royalties from "Living Proof" go to benefit DIFFA, which was founded in 1984 to raise funds for HIV and AIDS programs through the support of design industries and corporations. Since its inception, DIFFA has raised more than \$19 million for AIDS-related causes.

"When we first saw Carolyn Jones' 'Living Proof' images, we knew we had to take on the project," says Rosemary Kuropat, executive director of DIFFA. "'Living Proof' is about what DIFFA is about: hope, positive action and the triumph of an individual's will."

Given DIFFA's support from the fashion industry, and the organization's success in bringing large corporations on board for AIDS fundraising, it is also fitting that "Living Proof" will be on display throughout Saks Fifth Avenue when in Atlanta.



The exhibition's visibility at Saks will not only promote awareness and compassion among an audience that doesn't typically see such images, but it also will raise money for DIFFA grants to local AIDS organizations. All proceeds from the sale of the book and prints will benefit the local chapter's efforts.

JAMES FITCH

"Living Proof" will be on display for viewing at Saks Phipps Plaza during regular business hours, Mon. through Fri., 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Sun., 12:30 to 5:30 p.m.

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Gay TV

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America's gays and lesbians to demonstrate that the gay community is made of diverse kinds of people, including those who took like Junior Leaguers and white-collar Republicans.

A lack of complete and available representation of the gay and lesbian community led David Surber to create **Network Q**, the mail-order video program that recently relocated offices to Atlanta from Albuquerque, N.M.

Having struggled with his sexuality most of his life, Surber finally came out at 31, a move that might have been easier or happened sooner had he had access to the full spectrum of gay life.

"I was physically in denial," explains Surber. "And one reason was not having access to a good representation of the queer community."

Surber, who is also the host of **Network Q**, believes professionally produced programs like his and **OneTV** offer much-needed information and news to the gay and lesbian community. "I didn't go into this to be the Ted Turner of gay TV," Surber says, laughing. "I went into it because it needed to be done."

Network Q has produced 27 shows to date, and Surber welcomes the competition he may feel as **OneTV** gets further under way. Although both are mail-order video magazines, the two shows differ in content and style. While **OneTV** portrays a more mainstream-looking segment of the community, **Network Q** presents a wide diversity on their shows.

"We are a slice of queer culture every month," Surber says. "We really don't pay attention to what straight people might think about us, but the more options out there that are really good, the more credibility it gives all of us."

Surber's marketing strategy includes becoming part of the inventory of libraries (the New York Public Library recently added **Network Q** to its list of available videos) and major chain video stores. Currently, he and a sales manager are attempting to entice advertisers to the program based on plans to air on leased access stations in a number of states within the next 30 days.

Gregory King, producer of **Momentum**, the Human Rights Campaign Fund's political television program that airs on public access channels in over 40 media markets in the country, believes many who have been critical of the slow development of gay television are being unrealistic in their expectations. "They are really putting the cart before the horse," he says. "We have to hone our expertise, our



Leif Eric Spivey, director-host of *Out* in Atlanta.

technical skills, our quality before we can have a national gay and lesbian network. I see this as a long-term process that will take years. We have to remember that the Christian Broadcast Network was not built in a year," he adds.

According to King, the money needed for such a project (one estimate put the necessary funds at \$50 million) cannot be had until the community of gay and lesbian television producers has achieved technical expertise. "I'm not disheartened at all," he says. "People wanted results too quickly. We are just getting our feet wet in this kind of technology. As we gain expertise, a larger pool of talent, these are the years when things can develop."

Brown, who attended the meeting in New York, believes competition may also be slowing advances toward the start-up of a gay cable channel. "Everywhere I turn, someone is talking about it. There are so many people working at it. It's competitive and it's expensive to do. We need major financiers."

The radical right also has to be reckoned with as gays and lesbians move closer to mainstream television. In an interview in *Out* magazine, John Scagliotti, executive producer of PBS's **In The Life**, a gay television show aired in 70 markets, complained about the difficulty of getting the program on in the South. "We're trying to get the gay and lesbian community to relate to public television as an institution that they're a part of. But in the South, the 700 Clubs do the same thing. They tell their members that they should become members of their local public television stations. We go to these meetings with program directors and they say, 'We'd love to carry you, but most of our members belong to the 700 Club.'"

Radical right and financing notwithstanding, gay and lesbian television producers keep trying, keep filming, keep meeting, keep getting airtime, lending more than enough credence to the dream of a gay cable channel.

Before you or your mom know it, Brown may be inviting straight guests to appear on her show: "So, when exactly did you decide you were a heterosexual?"

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Oops! I goofed on a few points last week in telling about Project Open Hand's Dining Out for Life on November 9. First, the restaurants are donating 20 percent of their receipts on that day, not 10 percent. Second, breakfast is also part of the deal, so you can eat out three times that day and make three donations. And, finally, Open Hand will have served close to 1 million meals by the time this year ends—pretty amazing and pretty scary all at the same time.

It's been a long time since I've been seduced, especially when I had to pay. But no matter how hard I try to convince myself that I should not be in love with **Toulouse** (2293-B Peachtree Rd., entrance in back, 351-9533) I keep coming back to the fact that I am.

The last local eatery that had a similar effect on me was the late and lamented Sierra Grill. The similarities between the two (at least the positive ones) are many: a plain but swank interior; an open kitchen; interesting wine lists; a casually spiffy clientele (a substantial number of whom are gay); and food (when it works) that tastes fabulous and is not quite like any other in the city—unless it's across Peachtree at Toulouse's elder sibling, the Georgia Grille.

But like any mortal, my seducer has flaws too. Read on.

Hidden in the back of a series of storefronts, the space occupied by Toulouse has formerly been home to Bosco's, Blue's Harbor, and at least one other venture that sold food and drink. The low-ceilinged space is lined with a full wall of deep windows that overlook a parking lot (packed with cars that cost more than my house) and, beyond that, Peachtree Creek. But when you are seated, strategically placed greenery on the balcony all but obviates the parking area and the effect is well-nigh bucolic.

The dining room itself is simplicity personified: white walls, white paper on the tables, bare wood floors, simple lighting, and bright acrylic art—the huge portraits of Andy Warhol, Albert Einstein and Winston Churchill are successful; the images of flowers less so. Bottles of wine line a substantial bar, doing a swell job of hiding the activity behind it from much of the dining room.

The menu (which changes frequently) is also pretty simple: a quintet of salads (mostly field greens, naked or with goat cheese, portobello mushrooms or chicken livers added); a pair of soups; two each of pizzas and pastas; and seven entrees, three of which are fish.

Main courses are marked with suggested wines; more on those later.

The Caesar salad is large and exhibits a properly complex blend of the flavors—anchovy, cheese, egg, and oil. It's as good as any in the city, so long as you avoid the cold and greasy pieces of fried bread that accompany it—their flavor is straight from a Pennsylvania Turnpike Ho-Jo's circa 1965.

Less traditional, but yummy to the bottom of the bowl, a soup of pureed white beans and roasted tomatoes is a thick and suave blend. Enlivened with a strong shot of pepper, it keeps the back of the tongue and mouth suitably excited and yearning for more. Yum.

The same sort of smartly combined flavors make a large bowl of veal ragout equally enjoyable. The chunks of meat are tender and completely devoid of fat or gristle. The broth is rich and packed with flavor but not overly thick. And then there's that mysterious hint of lemony flavor that makes the last bite as surprising and enjoyable as the first. Add a mound of (not very) garlicky mashed potatoes and you've got some major fall comfort food. I was strongly tempted to take the excess broth home and have it over toast for lunch the next

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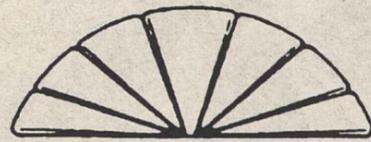
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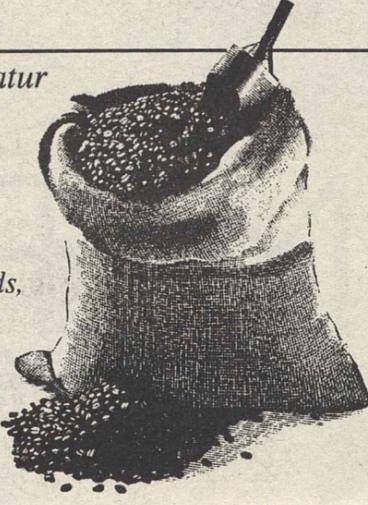
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But the seducer turns rude when a platter of roasted vegetables (also available adorned with grilled shrimp for an extra \$9) is the subject at hand. Ordered as an entree, the veggies arrived on time, but with nary a shrimp in sight.

"They'll be out in a minute," promises the waitron (or maybe it was one of the three or four other folks serving us from time to time). Problem is, the veggies were already room temperature and only marginally successful. And an accompanying dish of "rustic rouille" tasted like little more than pimentos pureed with mayo.

The errant crustaceans swam up 10 minutes later and had me pretty perky wondering exactly what shrimp that cost \$3 each would taste like. The answer? Way more like grill than shrimp. Bummer, but given that I didn't pay for them, not bad.

But that seducer's bedroom eyes are back with bells on when the best piece of flourless chocolate cake ("Robert's Warm Gateau Royale") I've ever eaten appears. Light as air, rich as pure butter and garnished with a dollop of whipped cream and a pansy, it's near perfect. Add a cup of incredibly flavored decaf and marriage seems the only option.

Until you realize that nobody is refilling the cup.

I won't bore you with details of the ongoing circus of inappropriate service and blunders that punctuated most of the meal. Suffice to say that our waitron's level of competence and savvy might have qualified her for a trainee position at Shoney's. A friend seated at a nearby table reported similar problems with his server(s). Given Toulouse's target clientele, this will have to improve or the restaurant will not survive.

One of the reasons that Toulouse needs to be around for a long time is its jewel of a wine list. A committee of local foodies tastes and discusses everything before it goes on the card. Everything but the Dom Perignon is available by the (6 ounce) glass; most are also offered in tastes (2 ounces). Bottle prices (\$10-27 except for bubbly) are barely more than double retail; by-the-glass prices are only about 10 percent more than bottles. You can order a bottle, drink two glasses, and opt for another if you don't like your choice. For folks with more jaded palates there's a reserve list, or you can bring your own and pay a very reasonable \$10/bottle corkage fee.

The verdict? Despite the service gaffes, the tardy shrimp and the tepid veggies, a pre-tip tab of \$53 for two and a half courses with two glasses of excellent wine and fabulous coffee seems a steal.

And I can't wait to go back.

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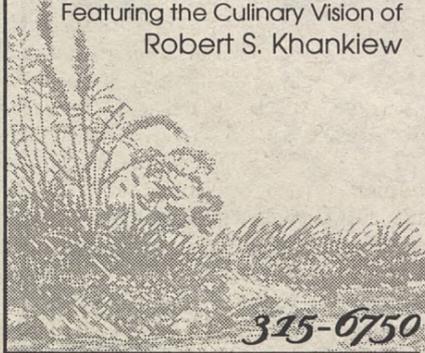
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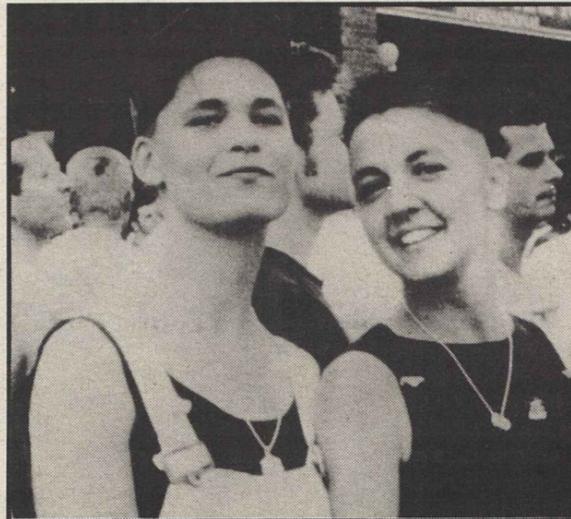
Get out your handkerchiefs and stock up on popcorn—the Seventh Annual Atlanta International Lesbian and Gay Film and Video Festival is nearly here.

The festival gets under way at 8 p.m. on Friday, November 4, at the Plaza Theatre on Ponce de Leon. First up: the gala Atlanta premiere of **Grief**, which has been likened to a gay "Soap Dish." Critic Rick Rose of the Washington Blade said of the film, "It's just the kind of picture that makes going to gay film festivals worthwhile." An opening night reception will follow the screening. The cost for this night only is \$15. Additional screenings of "Grief" are Nov. 7 at 9 p.m. and Nov. 10 at 9 p.m.

The schedule for the next four days of the film festival is as follows:

Saturday, November 5

- 4:00 p.m.—**Cancer in Two Voices**, a film documenting the struggle and courage of a lesbian couple when one of them develops breast cancer. Also, **Complaints of a Dutiful Daughter**, a moving account of filmmaker Deborah Hoffman's struggle with her mother's Alzheimer's disease. (Second screening: Nov. 12 at 7:15 p.m.)
- 4:15 p.m.—**Seen Anything Good Lately** is a compilation of moments from talk shows, sitcoms, dramas and news programs that deal with gay topics, assembled by GLAAD/San Francisco. (Second screening: Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.)
- 7:00 p.m.—Todd Haynes' 1991 movie **Poison**, the "granddaddy of the new queer cinema," inspired by the writings of the late French onanist playwright Jean Genet. (Second screening: Nov. 9 at 7 p.m.)
- 7:15 p.m.—Documentary **Thank God I'm a Lesbian** offers an insightful look at the diversity of lesbians. **Jill Johnston: October 1975** documents the author at work on her books as well as taking a look at a pivotal time in the women's movement. (No additional screening.)
- 9:00 p.m.—**Sis: The Perry Watkins Story** tells of the first gay officer to defeat the military ban. **A Darker Side of Black** looks at homophobia in Jamaican culture, reggae and rap. (Second screening: Nov. 13 at 7 p.m.)
- 9:15 p.m.—**Out: Stories of Lesbian and Gay Youth**



A moment from Canada's "Thank God I'm a Lesbian"

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- 11:00 p.m.—From Japan, **Muscle**, by Hisayasu Sato, involves muscle men, sex and mutilation. A more tender look at gay relationships is **The Places Between Our Bodies**, by Michael Wallin. (Second screening: Nov. 6 at 9:15 p.m.)
- 11:15 p.m.—Four short films: **Woman of the Wolf**, a Twilight Zone-type tale; **Damned If You Don't**, a story of a young lesbian and a nun; **Peach**, a coming-of-age tale set in a tough neighborhood; and **Jumping the Gun**, a quick film blurring the line between reality and fantasy. (No second screening.)

Sunday, November 6

- 4:00 p.m.—**Queer Son**, a touching piece about P-FLAG members, and **About John**—SAME's own entry in the film festival—a portrait of the late Atlanta AIDS activist John Kappers. (No second screening.)

- 4:15 p.m.—**Female Misbehaviors** is a compilation of four films: **Bondage** (about S&M), **Annie** (about pornography), **Dr. Paglia** (about the author of "Sexual Personae") and **Max** (about a transgendered Native American). (Second screening: Nov. 7 at 7:15 p.m.)
- 7:15 p.m.—**Winter Kept Us Warm** was the first Canadian gay film, made in 1965, about male friendship in a campus residence. (No second screening.)
- 9:00 p.m.—**Dream Girls** is the story of a Japanese all-girls school. **Night Visions** is the story of a Native American woman and a lesbian who is involved in an anti-censorship struggle. (Second screening: Nov. 11 at 9:15 p.m.)

Monday, November 7

- 7:00 p.m.—**Wrecked for Life: The Trip and Magic of Trocadero Transfer** visits the people who made the legendary San Francisco disco come alive. Also, **Night Out**, a story of anti-gay violence and promiscuity. (No second screening.)
- 9:15 p.m.—Three films: **Damned If You Don't** (description above); **Rules of the Road**, the story of a lesbian love affair, its demise, and the fate of a shared beige station wagon; and **Rosebud**, a short piece about desire and voyeurism. (No second screening.)

Tuesday, November 8

- 7:00 p.m.—Two films about special women: **Jill Johnston: October 1975** (description above) and **Bernice Abbott: A View of the 20th Century**, a portrait of this photographer who left behind a wonderful body of work.
- 9:15 p.m.—**Looking for a Space: Lesbians and Gay Men in Cuba** examines the myths and realities of modern Cuban culture; **Shasta Woman** is the story of Norma Jean Cros, who is serving a life sentence for a crime she says she never committed.

Wednesday, November 9

- 9:00 p.m.—**Camp for Boys & Girls** is a wild collection of campy culture served up by Hollywood, television & educational films. (Second screening: Nov. 13 at 9 p.m.)

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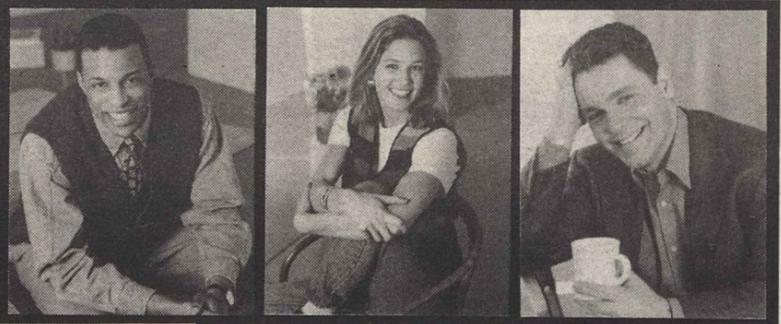
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Yet Carpenter's ample talent does not sustain the rest of this CD, her fifth, which is packed with pretty but passionless pop-country ballads that seem overproduced lacking any real emotion.

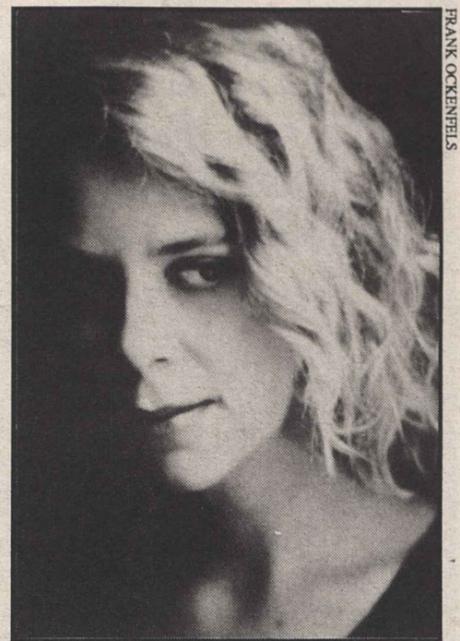
As with most of her other works, "Stones" was produced by Carpenter in conjunction with her guitarist, John Jennings. But for some reason the two have opted for greater vocal echoes on the new album than on previous endeavors. The result is that lyrics like "I thought my heart was broken but it was just a little bruised" (on "A Keeper for Every Flame") lack the up-close-and-personal feeling they require and instead sound rehearsed, polished, devoid of spontaneity. It doesn't help that Carpenter enunciates so carefully and hits every note so squarely, the opposite of, say, a Melissa Etheridge, who can sound so eloquently desperate by breaking a note in two.

In addition, Carpenter seems to have opted for less country, more cross-over on "Stones" and, in doing so, has lost some of her center. Compared with earlier songs like the up-tempo two-steppers of 1989's "State of My Heart,"

most of the tracks on "Stones" seem to blend together in a colorless montage. Yet country fans seem to remain loyal: "Stones" is currently number one on Billboard Magazine's country charts.

Those who speculate about Carpenter's sexual orientation will no doubt be titillated by the album's dedication, "lovingly dedicated to Wendy Flint Franklin, my best friend," as well as the lyrics to "Outside Looking In," which lends itself to queer interpretations. And fans who simply love Carpenter's voice will enjoy hearing it in 13 new songs. But "Stones in the Road" misses opportunities to maximally showcase a singer with as widespread an appeal as Carpenter. It fails to offer the bumpy ride we were waiting for.

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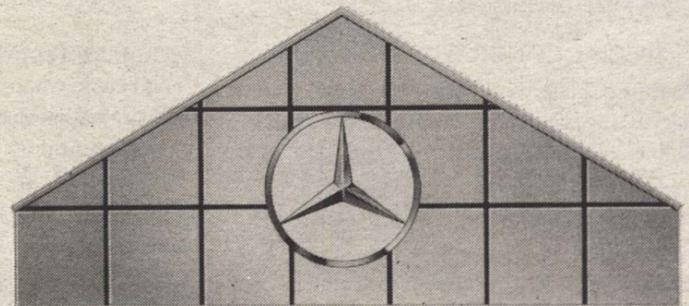
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Minnie Bruce Pratt



Leslie Feinberg

Pratt may be best known for her award-winning book of poetry "Crime Against Nature," which chronicles her relationship as a lesbian mother with her sons. Pratt, who is currently working on a book of prose about gender boundary crossing called "S/he," lives in New York City and teaches women's studies, lesbian/gay studies, and creative writing as part of the graduate faculty of The Union Institute, an alternative university.

Feinberg also is currently writing about gender issues, a topic that has dominated much of her previous work. In a powerful, mostly autobiographical novel published in 1993 called "Stone Butch Blues," the writer lets the reader see, feel, and hurt as Jess, the main character, endures ridicule and torment from her family, from straight society, and from the lesbian community because she is a woman who looks more like a man.

"Stone Butch Blues" received the American Library Association Award for Gay and Lesbian Literature and a Lammy. A video about Feinberg entitled "Outlaw" premiered at the

New York City Lesbian and Gay Film Festival this summer and is being distributed nationally and internationally.

For two years, Feinberg has traveled the country, teaching people about transgenderism, the subject of her 1992 work "Transgender Liberation: A Movement Whose Time Has Come." In it, she discusses the respect transgenderism received in ancient societies throughout many areas of the world, then chronicles the attempts to eradicate it by the Christian elite.

"Anything outside the boundaries is a demon, literally a monster," Feinberg said in a recent interview in the Windy City Times. "So whether you're transsexual or considered someone who's blurred or combined the sexes, you're outside what is considered human."

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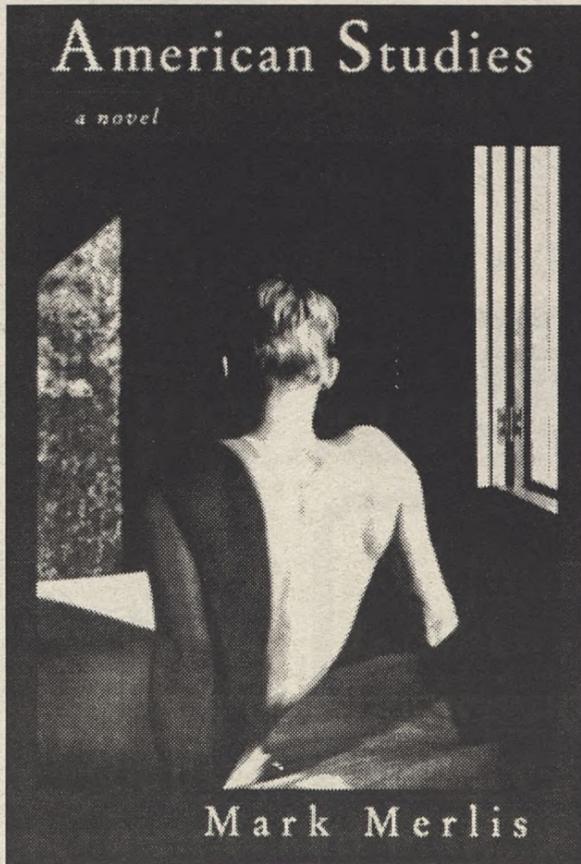
There are his immediate wounds, inflicted by the attacker whose image Reeve can't shake: his every erotic fantasy, set off by the scantily robed boy in the bed next to him, "dissolves into the one who hit me." Then there are the wounds from his past. He drifts in and out of painful reminiscences of exile that linger as shame over his homosexuality. These reminiscences center around Tom Slater, Reeve's academic mentor and one-time lover, who killed himself in 1952 after being blackmailed during the McCarthy era.

Tom—a character inspired by Harvard professor and literary critic F.O. Matthiessen—was an unenrolled member of the Communist party. Master of Winthrop House, weekly host to a handful of sherry-sipping boys ("crew types, mostly"), Tom befriended Reeve when the boy first arrived at Cambridge in 1943. From his hospital bed years later, Reeve feels sure that he can discover something about the state of his own life by recounting the circumstances of Tom's suicide.

"Tom...died because he was queer," Reeve tells us. "As I nearly have. Except that my assailant didn't, at the last, plunge in the knife." This puzzles Reeve; Tom, after all, was a successful academic with a respected position at a first-rate university, while Reeve has remained little more than all-but-dissertation—perennially unfinished. Why should *he* have survived all these years?

Reeve's residual shame and homophobia, rancid leftovers from a repressive history, are the most powerful elements of the novel: even at 62, he still feels tainted by his forbidden gay desire. It drove him from his family, drove his friend to suicide, and got him beat up. What better way for Merlis to explore the present state of that desire than to plant the angelic boy in the next bed, and doing so with such vivid prose:

"The ties of his gown have come loose, leaving only gossamer white wings of cotton at his shoulders, exposing



nearly all of his back, which is of transcendent beauty. As he eats, the muscles are stirred to great turbulences; they are complicated and shimmering as water coursing over rapids."

Such images of transcendence and beauty recur often and send Reeve into his past: while the boy sleeps beside him, he uses an ointment from his nightstand as a lubricant, "flipping through memories as through an erotic Rolodex," and he

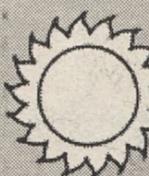
fantasizes that the boy is his to do with as he pleases. Occasionally, Reeve's past and present converge into desperation and we get a glimpse of his raw anger and unapologetic persistence: "But of beauty this world will never know a dearth, not till the last old fart has shut his eyes to it. And I will cry for my share while I have breath."

Reeve is a product of pre-Stonewall, when one's homosexuality was kept invisible, confined to hidden bars. And Merlis doesn't betray the complexities and nuances of his psychology; indeed, he brilliantly complements them through metaphor by giving Reeve a lifetime undocumented by photos. He has "made it to the present day largely unrecorded"; he is 20th century homosexuality personified into a weary, bitter old man nursing the wounds of his isolated, stormy existence and realizing with restrained despair that he has very little to show for who he was and who he has become. But, true to the spirit of a movement newly born, he cradles a stubborn sense of hope.

As Reeve is evicted from his apartment for inviting the "unruly guest" into his building on the night of his beating, he recall Tom's eviction from Winthrop House after he pleaded the Fifth during committee hearings on Communist activities. "We are supposed to move," he says, as elements of their lives begin to merge, "exile isn't a punishment, it's our condition... Every banishment a shove on the way to freedom."

Reeve didn't witness Tom's final days, so he can only imagine what led to the suicide. As he weaves an overly dramatic yet painful scenario of Tom's fall that would be worthy of any late-night movie, we realize that embellished speculation is the only way through which Reeve can justify Tom's final act, the only way to let himself off the hook for a suicide that, despite his feelings of guilt, he couldn't possibly have prevented. Reeve's imaginings about Tom's end are brilliantly informed by and wrapped up in his own psyche; as Reeve's world falls together in a striking series of events—unbelievable, in fact, were it not for the detail and the truth with which it is conveyed—he arrives at a point of undeniable rejuvenation and insight.

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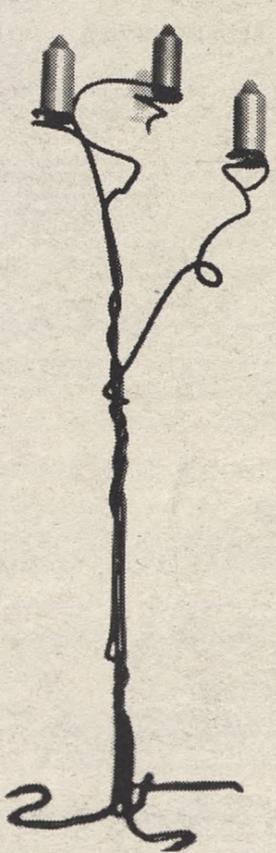
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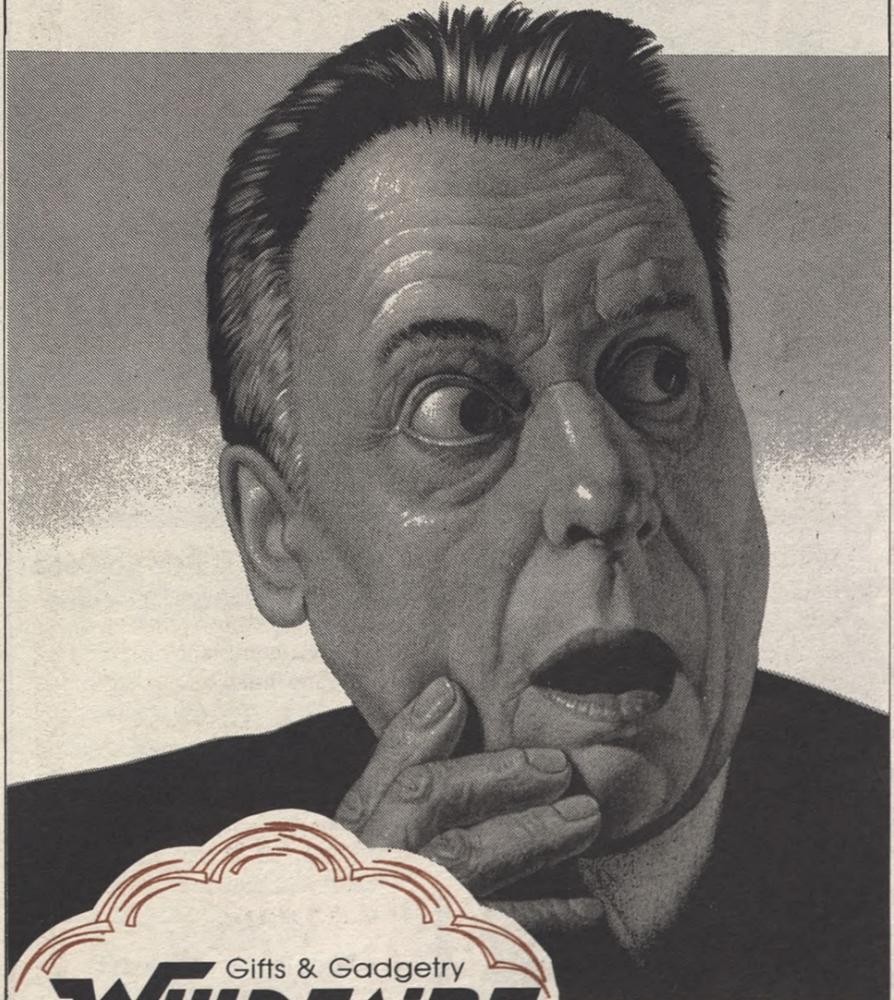


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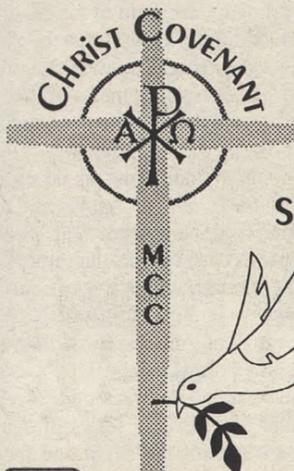
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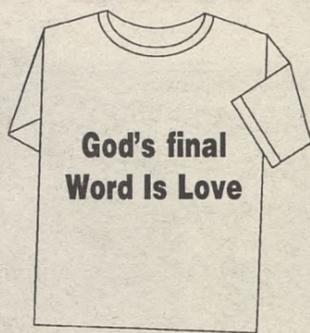
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OUTLINES

B. J. JACKSON

Age: 44

How long in Atlanta: Two years, two months

Relationship Status: Engaged

Last Book Read: "Brothers and Sisters" by BeBe Campbell

Pet peeve: Bigots



The voice—low, a little gravelly, clearly identifiable, very deliberate. "People have said I sound like Whoopi Goldberg, one person said 'Do you know you sound like Truman Capote,' and someone else said PeeWee Herman," says B.J. Jackson. "I know I have a distinctive voice, but I never knew it resembled some of the people I've been compared to."

But it's clearly Jackson's voice, and it must have been as easily recognizable to callers to Pacific Bell during her stint as an operator and to listeners of radio stations in Richmond, Washington, and Topeka, where she worked as a reporter, as it is to callers to the local bookstore where she now works.

"My mother was always telling me you can be whoever you want to be," she says. "You can be as good as anyone else, and the most important thing is you must be able to speak to people. Whether they work in a ditch or are President of the United States, you must be able to do this. That was the message that always stayed with me."

That message was present in Jackson's mind in 10th grade when she was one of six students to integrate a previously all-white high school.

"It was scary at first," she remembers. "I can remember sitting in a classroom with my legs shaking, wondering how you're going to compete and measure up—believing, I guess, the stereotypes that blacks were inferior intellectually."

But Jackson proved that stereotype wrong, as many others had done. She graduated from Virginia Union University in Richmond, joining such graduates a Phillip Channing, the first black person to run for President, and Douglas Wilder, former senator and governor of Virginia.

Jackson says she was a militant during her college days. "For a while I would attend Black Panther meetings," she says, "until they wanted to train me in the use of hand weapons."

"I don't think I was nonviolent," she continues. "I grew up in the era where I used to go see Dr. King—he would come up to the churches in the area—but I could never quite grasp the message of turning the other cheek. I

thought this was extreme in the struggle for civil rights.

Citing other leaders of the time—Eldridge Cleaver and Malcolm X—Jackson says she was "a mix of both—militant in the fact that I really didn't take any stuff."

Jackson also played trumpet in college, with the choir, and that gave her the opportunity to travel with the group around the country, as well as to indulge in music, a favorite.

After college, Jackson worked first at a television station in Richmond, then a radio station doing a program called "A Closer Look," which focused on African-American lives. Then she went to Washington, D.C., to another radio station, to Philadelphia, where she attended broadcasting school, and then to a job with a country radio station in Topeka.

"I was there for I think about a month," she says, "and decided this is not the place."

From Topeka, Jackson headed for California and left broadcasting. After 14 years in San Jose, she came to Atlanta.

"I had some reservations about coming back to the east coast, and back to the South," she says, "what the racial climate would be like, what the climate for being a lesbian in the African-American community would be like, would that freedom exist here as it did in California?"

"I think the freedom exists here because it exists in me even more," she adds. "I don't think Atlanta's any worse than California."

But there are problems, she says. "The lesbian and gay community here I think has a racial split," she says. "I have noticed it since I've been here and I always address it. I would like to see first the admittance that there is a problem as far as race is concerned. It must be addressed and attempts must be made to heal it. In healing it, it makes you even stronger."

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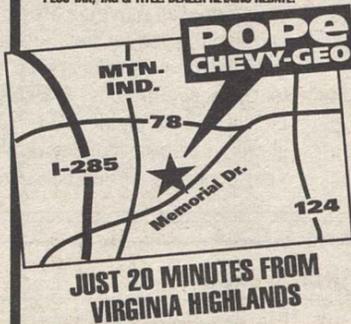
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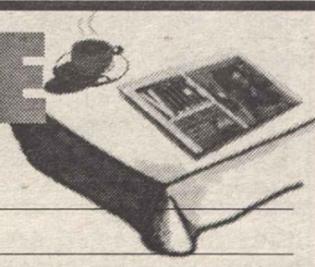
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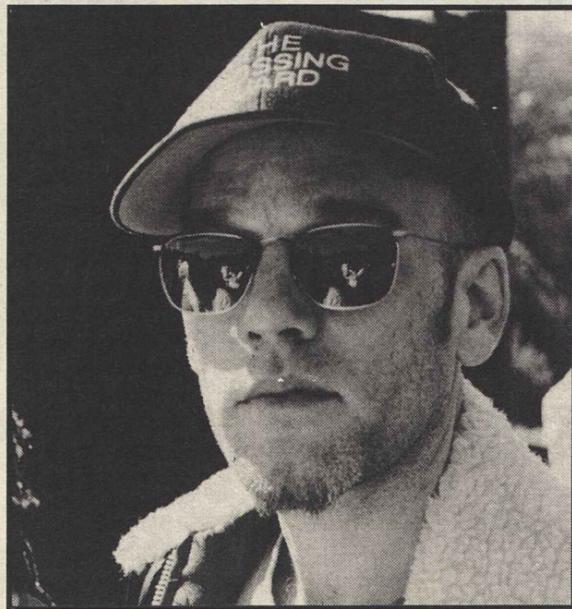
Scenes From a Mall: Dish was out at Phipps Plaza recently, in hopes of catching a film, when whom should we encounter but openly gay actor-director Paul Bartel ("Eating Raoul," "Scenes From the Class Struggle in Beverly Hills"). Bartel's new film, "Shelf Life," was the closing-night feature at Phipps' Edge International Film Festival, and there he was, patiently waiting in line with all the regular people for movie tickets. Dish just casually sauntered up to him and told him how much we've always enjoyed his work. As we concluded our gushing, we sort of backed away from Bartel and ran smack dab into a throng, all of whom were paying homage to none other than R.E.M.'s Michael Stipe, who was also in line. Dish was so overcome by these two brushes with celebrity that we couldn't manage to sit through a film ourselves.

It Takes a Really, Really Big Man: It seems Rush Limbaugh has done the unthinkable—he's admitted he was wrong. The case involves a woman he called a "transsexual lesbian" in his book "See, I Told You So." Sherril Miller, the alleged T-L, sued the right-wing gasbag, and the outcome was that Rush had to serve up a written apology, in addition to other terms that were not disclosed. Miller, though not a transsexual lesbian (whatever that is), appeared on the talk show circuit years ago claiming that she was married to a bigamist. OK, Rush, just to clear things up for you: a lesbian is a woman who is sexually attracted to other women; a transsexual is someone who was born as a male or female and switched sexes; and a bigamist is someone who listens to your show. No, wait—our mistake—that's a *bigot*.

Anything For Ratings: Against seemingly insurmountable odds, the Howard Stern Show now features a voice from the gay community. Richard James, who began his stint on the show as an intern, has since volunteered to be the beacon of

Dish

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



R.E.M.'s Michael Stipe was turning heads in Phipps.

gay sensibility in what has always been a dark cavern of bad taste. Gay Richard, as Stern calls him (which is better than the more obvious nickname, if you think about it), has been subjected to a hypnotist who tried to "cure" his homosexuality

and has delivered a strip-o-gram to a homophobic co-worker. Dish had to chuckle at Gay Richard's comment to actor Alec Baldwin, who made an appearance on the show: "I'd like to put you on a stick and lick you like a lollipop," said G.R. As for Richard's future plans, he wants to finish college (he's a sophomore now) and he says he's partial to "delicious, beefy men"—and is looking for a partner. No word yet from Baldwin on the stick thing.

Newt Silenced Again: Has anyone besides Dish noticed how much attention the revolting Newt Gingrich has gotten in the media lately? Not all the news has been favorable—recently, the officials at Reinhardt College, where Gingrich has somehow managed to wrangle a teaching job, had to caution the representative to stop making references to his financial backers in the classroom. Seems that, by referring to his cronies, Gingrich was giving "the appearance of impropriety." Hmmm, imagine that.

The Show Goes On, After All: Though the BBC was forced to drop its plans to produce the "Tales of the City" sequel, the British network isn't going to stop making gay-themed projects. "Stonewall," a film about four main characters who were participants in the riots, is being directed by Nigel Finch, who also directed "The Lost Language of Cranes" for the network. Producing the project is Christine Vachon ("Swoon," "Go Fish") and the script is being helped along by London fringe drag artist Ricky Blair. Unlike U.S. entertainment companies, the BBC seems able to see these things through to completion. HBO had a similar project in the works but shelved it. Ironically, yet another Stonewall-themed work is being produced by an independent company that will offer it to—who else?—PBS. We won't hold our breath on that one.

November 3 - November 9, 1994

Life could be a little intense with the big new moon/solar eclipse in Scorpio on Thursday, November 3. This is a very focused emotional and intuitive energy, so be cautious about making sudden life-changing decisions during the week. Do take time to get better acquainted with yourself.

ARIES, projects at work and your relationships with your significant other or partners could flow smoothly this week, as long as you remember to communicate your ideas and visions. Let those involved know your plans and needs ahead of time. **TAURUS**, big week for you in relationships. You may need to let go of any expectations you have in friendships or partnerships. Close friends and loved ones may find it hard living up to your unspoken demands. Take life gently. **GEMINI**, be sure you have play time this week, time to express your natural creativity and indulge your curiosity about the world. Play every day (this does not include television time) and, if possible, spend a fun afternoon with a child. **CANCER**, lots of activity in your 5th house or romance, passion and play. Take your favorite romantic partner out to lunch, dinner or brunch. See a romantic movie or play and indulge your senses with beauty. You'll be glad you did.

STARSIGNS

LEO, time to just chill out, relax, get a massage (maybe two) and let the world roll by for a few days. A major eclipse often intensifies emotions, intuitions and all our sensitivities, so take everything light and easy. Be patient with everyone. **VIRGO**, do you have a savings or investment plan? Are you creating ways to see your dreams come true? This is an excellent time to put your dreams on paper, where you can see them. Take a little time each day to cherish and nurture them. **LIBRA**, have you been thinking about redecorating, renovating or even moving? Moving might be a good thing, if you can find the perfect spot, just remember to get rid of stuff you don't need or use. Otherwise, redecorate to your heart's content. Happy Birthday, **SCORPIO!** Now you have a spectacular eclipse on the 3rd to help you celebrate in style. How about an eclipse/birthday celebration? Time to loosen up, be your creative self and have fun with close friends and loved

ones. **SAGITTARIUS**, how is your health and your emotional well-being? Is your natural optimism hiding out in the closet? Have your feelings been hurt by thoughtless people? Take time to nurture your spirit and your soul in nature and eat good food. **CAPRICORN**, is life moving along for you or are you still frustrated with progress? Remember your talents, abilities and your life itself is a blessing. Your job is to find the ways and means of bringing your gifts out into the world where they are needed. **AQUARIUS**, a very busy week with this major eclipse in your 10th house of career and public relations. You'll have to go to South America to view properly, but you'll probably feel it anywhere. Be aware of your intuition and insights. **PISCES**, a major eclipse in your sister water sign of Scorpio could mean very active dreamtime and possible intuitive overload. How about an eclipse party with close friends or a video pot-luck? Nothing serious or heavy. Stay light and easy.

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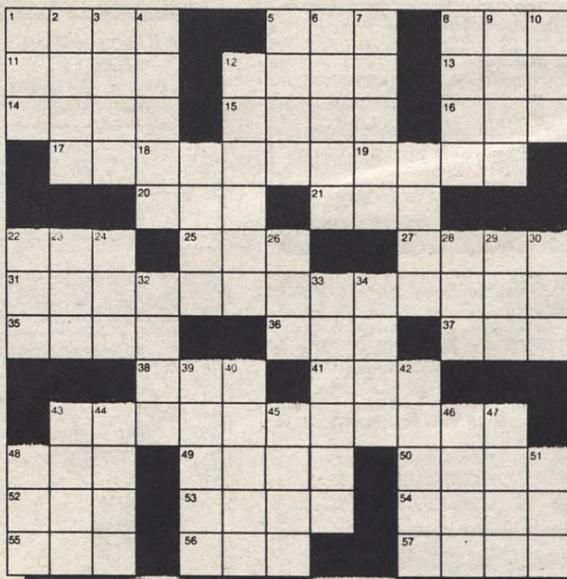


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19. Rip
22. Record spinners
23. Breakdown specialists
24. Poorly lit
26. Sea bird
28. Corn holder?
29. Environmental prefix
30. "Lucy in the ___ (with Diamonds)"
32. Lascivious look
33. Anthropomorphic woodland gods
34. Looked over
39. Something valuable
40. Andrea Natalie cartoon, *Stonewall Riots*
42. Packing a rod
43. Gay activist Urvashi ___
44. Combines
45. Nip and ___
46. Expensive car
47. Meadow
48. After door or bath
51. Famous Siamese twin

ACROSS

1. Supervisor
5. Michael Jackson album
8. Every one
11. Slender woodwind
12. Alone
13. *The Amazon Trail* columnist Lynch
14. John Reid novel, *The ___ Little Boy in the World*
15. Hammer or saw
16. Depressed
17. What Cole Porter sang to his dungeon master?
20. Golf goal
21. Lemon cooler
22. Pop
25. Jean Rhys novel, *Wide Sargasso ___*
27. Winning serves for Pam Shriver
31. The King's hymn to hoosegow homoerotic?

ACROSS (Cont'd)

35. What "homo" means
36. "Mooncircles" musician Gardner
37. Culture Club singer ___ George
38. Music receptor
41. Before "dance" or "room"
43. Van Johnson song about a crossdressing college team?
48. Cole Porter hit, "___ About the Boy"
49. ___ grapes
50. Stubborn one
52. Assist
53. List enders
54. Paradise
55. Scores for Jerry Smith
56. Sound of disapproval
57. "___-dong, the witch is dead."

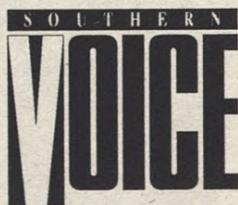
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Kombucha Mushrooms available. For more information, call Jessi at (404) 523-5309.

Affordable Housing for people with HIV. Call "Home But Not Alone" at (404) 875-7881 ext. 27 or 54. Monday-Friday 9-5. (7.42)

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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.

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 persons 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, counseling, 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

BUSINESS OWNERS! The first official meeting of the Greater Atlanta Business Coalition (GABC) pronounced: "Gayback" is November 15, 1994 at The 14th Street Playhouse, 7:00 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to be involved in this exciting organization to help promote your business! For information, call (404) 377-4258. (7.39)

LESBIAN MOTHERS

If you are a lesbian mother living in the southeast and have current or past custody problems, Southern Voice would like to hear from you. We are compiling an article on the subject and would like to interview as many people as possible. You may remain anonymous in the article but we urge those who can speak on the record to do so. Please write us a one-page description of your experience and include your name and phone number so we can contact you. No phone calls, please. Publication will be in early 1995. Mail to: SoVo/Editorial Dept./Custody, PO Box 18215, Atlanta, GA 30316.

RAINBOW FLAG HARRASSMENT

If you have experienced any type of harrassment (verbal, physical, etc) due to the placement of a gay/lesbian symbol on your vehicle, SoVo would like to hear from you. We have noticed a frightening trend for the past 6-12 months of gay people being run off the road, tires slashed, yelled at, etc. because the rainbow flag and pink triangle have become recognizable to the population at large as gay/lesbian symbols. Please write a few paragraphs to us explaining your experience. You may remain anonymous in the article, but we urge those who can go on the record to do so. Include your name and phone number so we can contact you. No phone calls please. Mail to: SoVo/Editorial Dept./Flag, PO Box 18215, Atlanta, GA 30316.

November 4-5: Lecture and workshop by Wayne Muller, author of "Legacy of the Heart, The Spiritual Advantages of a Painful Childhood," Call MorningStar Institute for information, (404) 633-9092. (7.37)

LESBIANS WANTED Participants needed to fill out short survey for lesbian graduate student's dissertation. Anonymity guaranteed. Contact: Lesbian Wellness Survey, UVM-Dewey Hall, Burlington, VT 05405, phone (802) 657-2999. (7.38)

NATURAL HEALING New Group open to any person serious about practicing alternative healing methods. Exchange ideas and experiences with others committed to Real Health. Please call Doug (404) 297-4850 or Bob (404) 377-5093. (7.37)

Bi/Gay monthly newsletter. Opportunity to meet new friends. Send SASE; FOR YOU, P.O. Box 605, Abbeville, SC 29620. (7.38)

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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. (7.37)

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. (7.37)

Atlanta Womyn artists. Blue Muse Art Center wants your support. Call (404) 373-0484 for more information. (7.40)

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. (7.40)

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

SAME: OutProud Theater announces auditions for Climbing Water on Saturday, November 12. Auditions will be held from 12:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. OutProud is looking for three African American actors (one male: 25-35, one male: 25-50, and one female: 40-60s). Please contact Robert Teverino at SAME by Friday, November 11 to schedule an audition time. (404) 609-9590. (7.38)

The cast calls for two white males (27-32) and one white female (25-35). Performers should send a head shot and resumé to Rubicon Pictures Corporation, P.O. Box 2103, Decatur, GA 30031. A small stipend is available. No SAG or AFTRA. No phone calls please. (7.38)

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North Carolina Lesbian and Gay Health Project seeking Executive Dir. Responsibilities: administering programs, implementing Board policy, dev. funding ops, supervising staff, meeting legal and fin. reporting req. Master's degree, exp. in non-profit admin., strong computer skills, commitment to social change, and a comprehensive understanding of lesbian and gay health issues. Women and people of color are encouraged to apply. Send a cover letter, resume, a writing sample, three references and salary requirements to LGHP's Executive Director Search Committee, PO Box 3203, Durham, NC 27715.

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WAREHOUSEMANAGER—Interior furnishings company seeking warehouse manager. Experience very helpful. Supervise four employees. Organizational skills necessary. Salary plus benefits. 872-0800 BTW 9:00 and 12:00 only. (7.37)

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SENIOR PASTOR. (full time) sought by 3 year old, nondenominational, independent Christian church with 260+ members. Resumé and photo to Holy Trinity Community Church, Box 40874, Memphis, TN 38174-0874. (7.41)

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EXPERT PAINTER. Must have car, phone, tools. Exterior/interior, latex/oil, brush/spray/roll. Leave message: (404) 256-4572. Between 9-5 weekdays. (7.37)

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at AIDS Athens. A 7-year old non-profit organization dedicated to AIDS education and services seeks a well-organized half-time administrator. Responsibilities include: program and resource development; working with volunteers; linking with medical, legal, government, and community social service organizations. Strong written and oral communication skills required. Grant writing preferred. Application deadline 11-03-94. Send resumé to AIDS Athens, 337 South Millidge Avenue, Room 123, Athens, GA 30605. EOE. (7.37)

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City of Decatur. 1920 renovated brick bungalow w/hardwood floors and high ceilings. Porch and deck. 3 BR, 1 BA. Basement & attic. \$82,900. Call Miriam (404) 377-2620. (7.39)

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Emory/CDC area—yet close-in too! Ranch style home w/private lot. 3 BR, 2 BA, sep den, hardwood floors, fireplace. In quickly appreciating LaVista Park. Motivated seller 130s. Call Julie, ReMax Intown (404) 875-9222 or (404) 609-9898. (7.37)

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Classic brick bungalow. Bright and lite, 3 BR, 1.5 BA walk to Park and restaurants and shops. \$169,900. Call Julie, ReMax Intown at (404) 875-9222 or (404) 609-9898. (7.37)

Roommates

GWM seeks male roommate for 2BR, 1BA apt on Buford Highway. Fully equipped kitchen, nice private patio. Laundry facility and pool 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 pets. No pets. Leave message for appointment (404) 325-7600. (7.38)

GWF seeks same to share 2BR, 2.5BA townhouse in Vinings, I-285 & 75. Fullie furnished except bedroom. Great amenities. \$352.50 + 1/2 utilities. No smokers or pets. (404) 432-8353. (7.39)

Lesbian seeks same to share 2 BR, 1 BA house in safe, quiet Decatur neighborhood. No pets. \$300 + 1/2 utilities. (404) 371-1992. (7.40)

GWM couple seek professional roommate to share 3 BR, 2 BA home in Tucker. Must have excellent references. \$450/mo. utilities included. (404) 496-0815. (7.39)

Decatur—Professional, coll. educ. GWM seeks GWM/GWF to share 3 BR, 3 BA house. \$500/mo plus utilities. No smoking. Deposit and references required. Digital pager (404) 864-5948. (7.38)

Professional GWM seeks same to share apartment in Midtown to Vinings Area, rent \$300 to \$350 range per person, call (404) 977-0162. (7.37)

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Volunteers

JOHN HOWELL PARK PROJECT needs grant writing assistance. We are looking for funding from every imaginable source. Please call Rick at (404) 876-0105. (7.41)

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.

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

BISEXUAL

WM, 33, gdlkg, 5'8" muscular good service to gdlkg hung GBiSWM discreet safe fun convenient downtown location. Leave message. ☎ 2383

Sexy BiWFS ISO dominant and submissive playmate to party and hang out with. I need some adventure. Sand SASE with photo to P.O. Box 14548. Atlanta, GA 30329

SLIDE IT IN

Vdglkg smooth curious shy 32/1/175 WM bottom ISO younger diseaseless tender understanding boy-next-door. Discreet sensual pleasurable explorations. ☎ 2196

BM, 42 seeks feminine male or very aggressive female for a "first experience". Couples also welcomed. P.O. Box 77365, Atlanta, GA 30357 - or Voice Connection ☎ 2201

Wanted: BiWF 18-30 for inexperienced couple. Me: green eyes long blonde hair 21 yrs old. Him: salt/pepper grey hair very sexy. Experience preferred. ☎ 2134

BiBM, 35, stocky build seeks BiBM for safe encounters. No pain. 2109

WF sought by gdlkg. WM. Safe, adventurous, marriage of convenience. No strings. Write Box 37, 1544 Piedmont Ave., Atlanta, GA 30324

Bi-Female: Sensual, health conscious, responsible, youthful, playful companion for couple: male is straight, athletic (6-1, 180), international entrepreneur; fem is bi-curious, fit (5-7, 125), adventuresome, into native American spirituality. Let's meet, talk, then proceed if there's mutual interest. ☎ 2003

BiBM, 6'2", Carl Weathers look alike seeks young men for no strings attached fun. ☎ 1613

WM 48 slightly submissive oral devotee and enthusiast ISO G/Bi/S female attractive requiring daytime stress relief, reciprocation not required. ☎ 1615

I'm a fun guy, 30, into sci-fi, classical rock and roll, seeking male 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

BM, married, 55, in great shape. Seeks mature Bi female for safe discreet encounters. ☎ 1304

GLANCES

As we talked you touched my shoulders last Sunday night (10-23-94) at The Otherside. You were dancing around when nobody else was. You wore glasses and had a short haircut, curls on top. Who are you? Where did you go? ☎ 2416

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

MEN

SoVo Pick of the Week

GBM, 34, 5'9", slim, br/bl, fairly hairy w/stache seeking similar WM. Too many interests to list here. Intrigued? ☎ 2421.

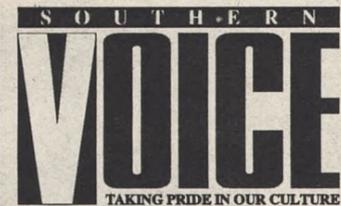
GBM, 42, HIV+, 5'10", 175, fair looks. Seeks man 36-44 for fun maybe more. Race unimportant. Masculine is a must. ☎ 2422

GWM 36, HIV+, very healthy top. Very good looking, Italian. Enjoys traveling, outdoors, quiet dinners. Looking for sincere honest GWM with a positive outlook on life, also enjoys the same. No bars. No drugs. Just enjoy life! ☎ 2424

GWM, 33, 5'8", 160, HIV-, br/gr, bottom seeks attractive masculine top GWM 28-35 for possible relationship. Serious calls only. ☎ 2425

NEED SOME SUGAR?
Loud rock is fountain of youth. Young 40-something GWM needs date for killer show. Sugar at Roxy Nov. 21. Me: tall, trim, regular guy. You: young or not, good shape, in need of a band. Let's talk soon. ☎ 2427

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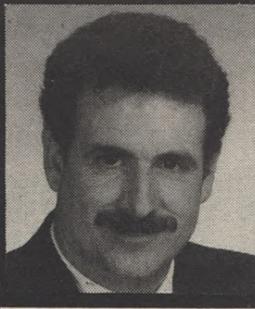
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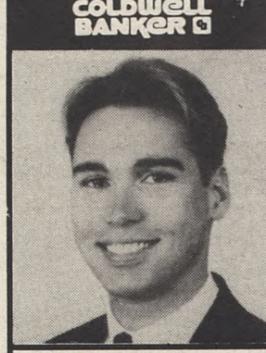
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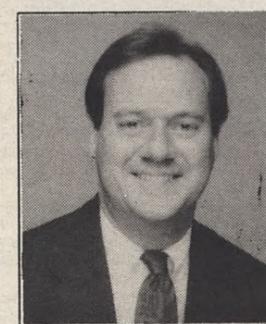
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some, mid 30s seeking similar men, 30-40 for
hot, safe fun. ☎ 2381

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BM, 40s, HIV+ seeks similar black, Latino, or
GWM into healthy living, occasional dinnet out
and cozy evenings. Must be masculine, versatile.
No drugs. No smokers. 35+. ☎ 2410

Cute, 21, GBM, student seeks a healthy, in shape,
GWM between 21-36 for fun, friendship, or
maybe relationship. ☎ 2411

Elderly, sharing, financially secure WM sought
for lifetime relationship. ☎ 2412

SPANKING

GWM, 40, 5'10", 140, seeks slender young men
in need of bare bottom over the knee discipline.
Robert, P.O. Box 56024, Atlanta, GA 30343. or
call ☎ 2394

Columbus area GWM, 29, attractive, blonde/
blue, lonely, caring, sincere, ISO true friend,
possibly more. Please call!!!! ☎ 2375

In shape Chinese guy 29, 5'10", 140 attractive,
nice seeks Mr. Handsome 25-40 clean-cut non-
smoker, honesty for LTR any race. ☎ 2389

Three's Company: 2 attractive GWMs 48 and 22,
seek new friend 18-24, WM slender, clean-cut.
Fun, possible travel. ☎ 2386

GBM 38, attractive, out, political ISO GBM/
GHM 28-41 to share my life with. Enjoy movies,
intimate dinners, good times. ☎ 2399

Are you HIV+, horny and in need of sexual fun?
Me 20's slim submissive bottom. Large endow-
ments get an A+. No one over 35 or out of shape.
☎ 2400

GWM, stocky bear, W. GA area, brn/hazel, sin-
cere, non-smoking, creative, witty, personable,
unique. You??? ☎ 2392

GWM, 36, drug & disease free, Libra, submis-
sive bottom, seeks drug free dominating white
male under 55 for serious relationship. ☎ 2401.

GWM, 41, Let's do country! Work downtown,
will commute within 1 hour. Healthy, masculine,
nonsmoker seeking nurturing monogamy. All
answered. ☎ 2388

WNC Teddy looking for other teddy bears to
snuggle with this fall. Early 40s, dk hair and
moustache. ☎ 2385

Nonstereotypical GWM, vgd/kg professional
with excellent body, 39, 5'11", 165; seeking
mature GWM, 45+ for mentor/relationship; indi-
vidual must be physically and spiritually fit and
financially independent. Not seeking a "sugar
daddy" but will contribute in all areas in order to
enjoy the finer things. ☎ 2407

Hairy GWM? Cub early 40s seeking bear any
size who is educated, not athletic, healthy, stable,
discreet, and fairly trim. ☎ 2384

BLACK MALE

5'11", 30, educated professional, athletic and not
your homeboy type. ISO WM, 27-34, intelligent,
interesting, professional, liberal Democrat who
enjoys camping in the mountains as much as at
the Army. If you need a life, forget it! If you
have a great sense of humor, enjoy late night
dinners, red wine & conversation, call. ☎ 2379

Fulfill my fantasy! GWM, 6', 172, very muscu-
lar, 30s, desires 1st experience with safe S/M, B/
D, enema, sling, toys, etc. You be: 20s to 30s,
masculine, dominant, very muscular, dark haired,
hung, trustworthy. I'm ready 4 you. Please be
disease-free. Photo with note gets response. Write
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lanta, GA 30306.

Black male, seeks masculine, assertive, unin-
hibited black male for an adventurous relationship.
☎ 2380

Hi, this is Lee, you finally called. I hoped you
called because you're interested in meeting a
good person and hope you are HIV+. ☎ 2351

GWM, 36, br/br, seeks bottom GWM to 50 for
monogamous relationship. Quiet, conservative.
No barflies/drugs. ☎ 2356

GWM, 59 ivy-educated, interested in the arts,
psychology, history and traveling, seeks similar
for friendship, possibly more. ☎ 2355

GWM, 31, 6'3", 155, country boy looking for
nice and down to earth guy. For friendship pos-
sibly more. Call me. ☎ 2353

GWM, 40, 6', 155, bl/bl, sensitive, good conver-
sation, professional, relationship-oriented. ISO
younger, easy going, slim guy who's not into
games. ☎ 2230

Horny, hunky, hairy, versatile bottom seeks same
qualities in versatile top. Let's play! Nonsmok-
ing, intelligent, affectionate, healthy HIV. ☎
2339

GWM 22, 5'11", 165, bl/bl, ISO GWM 22-32
with a big heart, no head games. ☎ 2340

GWM, 33, 6'3", 225, into music: from 99x to
Grateful Dead, movies, pop culture, conversa-
tion, AbFab... You: stable, but fun. ☎ 2222

Attractive, masculine couple, 34, 6', 155# and
40, 5'9", 160# seeking same for safe fun. ☎
2220

Very curious would like to receive myself. GWM
20s, bottom. ISO GWM Top into F.F. and safe
encounters. ☎ 2224

WGM, 23 yrs, HIV-, bottom, looking for two
tops between 35-49 for a hot threesome. ☎
2226

TRIM GWM desires GWM hirsute interested in
cuddling and more, with single buddy middle
age. ☎ 2227

Bodybuilder, WM, 6'0", 125#, muscular,
goodlooking, mid-thirties looking for similar
bodybuilders for hot fun. ☎ 2326

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

BUTCHTOPWANTED

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

Passionate romantic GWM 39, 6'3", 210, uncut
smooth seeks athletic GWM 30-40 for loving
relationship. Hairy chest major plus. ☎ 2095

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

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

GWM, 39, masculine, healthy HIV+, nonsmoker/
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. Week-
end travel, movies. No barflies/smokers/drugs.
☎ 2206

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

Christian GWM, 35, tall, dark, athletic and hand-
some. 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, car-
ing, 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-versa-
tile, seeks nonsmoker, handsome, athletic-muscu-
lar, 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

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, mascu-
line, 40s. No drugs, safe, amateur photographer.
ISO slender/athletic young guys. Fun. Possible
travel. Note/photo(s). P. O. Box 5416, Atlanta,
GA 30307. (7-42)

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 intelli-
gent masculine men of any race for unique ro-
mantic encounters. ☎ 2136

GWM attractive, early 60s, ISO HIV- slender,
intelligent guy +/-45 for possible secure relation-
ship. No hustlers. ☎ 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, bud-
ding 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 or write SoVo Box
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30306

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

BEER BELLY?

Goodlooking, stocky GWM, 26, seeks proud
owner of rotund, over-the-belt, expanding bot-
tomy. 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

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Bottom GWM 29 slim, smooth. ISO GWM TOP
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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 drink-
ers. ☎ 2138

WM, 36, 5'11", 165, seeks dominant, well-
equipped, older BM for oral and FF action. ☎
2012

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D interests seeks dominant daddy/coach (30-40)
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Sincere GWM, HIV+, bld/blue, 5'11", 140, 30,
endowed and versatile. Seeks WM, teens thru
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2015

GWM couple 38, 40, good looking, masculine
professionals, in shape. Seek similar for no strings
weekend sex. ☎ 2016

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seeks masculine Latino or Black 25-35 to share
time. ☎ 2000

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165, moustache, HIV-, dominant. You: submis-
sive, attractive, safe, 20s-30s. Afternoons or eve-
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WM, 50, slim. Loves pets, motorcycles, beaches
seeks very masculine lifemate. TLC, P.O. Box
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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

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. En-
dowed 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 Vir-
ginian male, 36, healthy, screenwriter desires
goodlooking, muscular, blonde beau, hairy, cre-
ative professional into romance. ☎ 1710

GWM seeks GBM professional, mature and sin-
cere 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 indepen-
dent. 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

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GWM, 40s, well-educated. Traditional values,
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or young professional, 18-28. NOVICE FINE.
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EX SOLDIER BOY

Attractive, hot, clean shaven BM 24 y/o, 5'10",
155, seeks versatile, attractive GWM 18-30.
☎ 1602

Classical musician, GWM 24, 6', 150, br/br,
educated, attractive, romantic non-smoker seeks
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Tall Dark Handsome GWM 28, 6'4", 195, artis-
tic, 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 fu-
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WM, 50, slim. Loves pets, motorcycles, beaches
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2095, Atlanta, GA 30301

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

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. En-
dowed 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 Vir-
ginian male, 36, healthy, screenwriter desires
goodlooking, muscular, blonde beau, hairy, cre-
ative professional into romance. ☎ 1710

GWM seeks GBM professional, mature and sin-
cere 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 indepen-
dent. 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

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 mentoring lov-
ing. ☎ 1608

Genuine, masculine, GBM, 24 seeks sincere
romantic, masculine, open-minded GMs of any
race for exploring stimulating new friendship/
relationship. ☎ 1609

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, mascu-
line, 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+, vgd/kg,
in relationship, needs more. Seeking submissive
boy, 25-30, for role playing, B/D. Discreet. ☎
1504

GWPM, 44, new in Atlanta, seeks GWM 18-30
for friendship, fun. Prefer slim swimmer's build,
active top, endowed, cleanshaven, non-smoker
w/discretion assured. No fats, fems, bears, bar-
flies please! ☎ 1506

GWM young 48, 5'11", 158, I want it all! Pas-
sion, romance, sex—all is possible in a com-
mitted 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

CUTE 28 GWM

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PERSONALS

GWF, 27, full-figured seeks other GFs for friendship and fun. More comes in time. Into Anne Rice, M.E., more. ☎ 2415

ISO fortyish dinner/maybe dancing buddy, intelligent conversation, come laughs, good stories, loving kindness, easy going friend, maybe massage partner. ☎ 2417

MARRIAGE

Entrepreneurial GWM, 30, seeks marriage of convenience. Write P.O. Box 77152, Atlanta, GA 30357

GWF seeking affectionate, playful GWF to hold walk with, talk to and love. Come share my heart and life. ☎ 2418

Tall, creative, adventurous, romantic, energetic, GWF, 33, professional educator, who likes to "Run With the Wolves." Into outdoor activities, music, spirituality and personal growth. ISO feminine soulmate who still believes in writing love letters. ☎ 2420 or write SoVo Box 7101, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306

Attractive, lipstick lesbian. 21. ISO GWF 25-32. Must love music and great sex with no fear and no head games! ☎ 2423

Is there even one attractive, secure, healthy, communicative, intelligent, fem, 40s, successfully completed therapy, cable of intimacy, trust, and fun? ☎ 2426

WANTED: GF 28-35, feminine, professional, confident, sincere, compassionate, mentally/physically fit, spiritual, strong character, animal lover, drug/alcohol/ex-girlfriend free. Interested in dating and friendship. REWARD: GWF, 32, with same qualities. ☎ 2429

Sincere, sagacious, GWF seeks synergistic connection. GWF 38-45, 5'6", clear, kind, centered, ambitious, articulate, savoir-faire. You believe in true love that lasts, sets your mind, heart on fire, keeps you held warmly when you need to come in from the cold. You are openly expressive of/receptive to honesty, affection. Walk beside a sojourner whose heart has become impatient to fill the space that has always belonged to you. No smokers, drugs, ex's, smugs, country-westernites. Interested working towards long term, monogamous, relationship with gentle, positive woman of character. Write SoVo Box 6551, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306, or call ☎ 2373

GWF, 33, attractive professional, very caring, loving, slightly funky/new age. Enjoy outdoor camping, art, gourmet cooking, music and entertaining friends at home. ISO womyn with a heart to share interests and long term goals. No smoking/drugs. ☎ 2396

WF, 23, sexy, cat-green eyes, long hair, intelligent and inexperienced. Have always been wildly attracted to sensuous, intelligent women, but just starting to explore my more feminine side. Seeking feminine stable WF, 22-26, who loves to laugh for friend and lover. ☎ 2395

European GWF, forties, 5'7", sensual, honest caring, seeks sporty GWF with qualities, tastes, for relationship and active healthy lifestyle. ☎ 2393

GWF seeks attractive, educated fem or butch 35-45 for Friday-night outings. (No alcohol or drugs) ☎ 2391

Lipstick lesbian 28, petite, brown/blond seeks attractive, literate, fit, soft butch, l/lt 5'5" or over. ☎ 2390

Attractive, feminine, friendly, idealistic, gentle, funny, professional (out of town weekdays) GWF, 33, seeks platonic friendship or old-fashioned romance. ☎ 2387

Hey Baby, where are you? Attractive GWF, 36, ISO gentle, down-to-earth GWF 26-42 for friendship and more. Blonde a plus, but not necessary. Call me! Write SoVo Box 6554, 1189 Virginia Ave., N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306, or call ☎ 2409

Passionate, humorous, sensual, devilish sweet, Rubenesque, Caucasian lesbian, 39. Seeking independent, funny, spiritual lesbian. ☎ 2378

Cute GWF, 37, ISO GWF who wants it ALL. Friendship, romance, fun, and love. Fems only! no druggies. ☎ 2377

GWF 30, attractive/professional. Outgoing and intelligent seeks to meet same for friendship. 28-35, no butches. ☎ 2376

Just Arrived! GF couple from Virginia anxious to meet new friends. No games-just evenings in/out. Leave message. ☎ 2374

GWF 28 of Latin descent, attractive, petite, quasi-conservative, spiritual, sensitive, freedom-loving. ISO classic feminine for music, outdoors and honesty. Friendship first. ☎ 2372

GWF, 28, 5'2", 116 attractive, shy funny, responsible. Enjoys life and good company. Looking for compatible fem. Friendship, possibly more. ☎ 2352

GWF, 22, Rubenesque, attractive, adventurous, new to area. ISO GWF under 30 for coffee, conversation, friendship and more. ☎ 2354

GWF, gdlkg, athletic, fem, eclectic, enjoys metaphysics and all outdoor activities. ISO GWF spiritually aware, 30s-40s for golfing, hiking, camping, scuba, travel, etc. Where are you? There are mountains to climb, oceans to swim and dreams to be had. No butches or bi's please. ☎ 2221

GWF-41, seeking 40-50 y/o companion. Interested in Baby-Boomer-Butch who takes care of herself. ☎ 2223

Goodlooking and fit GWF with light hair & eyes. ISO attractive GWF 35-43. Must be outgoing, humorous & love adventure. ☎ 2229

GWF, 24, seeking intelligent conversation and laughter. I enjoy Asian history, classic films, meditation, gardening, Trivial Pursuit and baking bread. ☎ 2228

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

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 to you! Natural, professional, together. Seeking down to earth, confident, fem. ☎ 2207

GWF submissive wannabe 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

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

GWF, 34, 5'4", 130, br/br, attractive, feminine, professional. Enjoys watersports, walking, reading, good times, with friends. ISO feminine GWF 28-40. ☎ 2018

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

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

Sincere, caring, GBF 28 seeking GBF for good times friendship or relationship. Must be drug free over EX. No Bi's. ☎ 2022

GWF-very goodlooking, 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-smoker 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) aka 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-butch, open minded, br/m gm. fm. 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

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 women 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

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

GWF-fem/attractive/35 educated/physically fit/new age/non-drinker seeks similar GW-Fem for companionship. No alkie/druggies. ☎ 1501

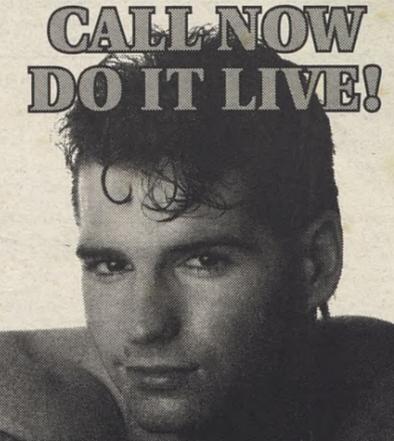
Curious gdlkg 5'5", 114#, bl/br, 36, feminine seeks same for friendship. D/D-free. New to lifestyle. No butches. ☎ 1502

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

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

CALL NOW DO IT LIVE!

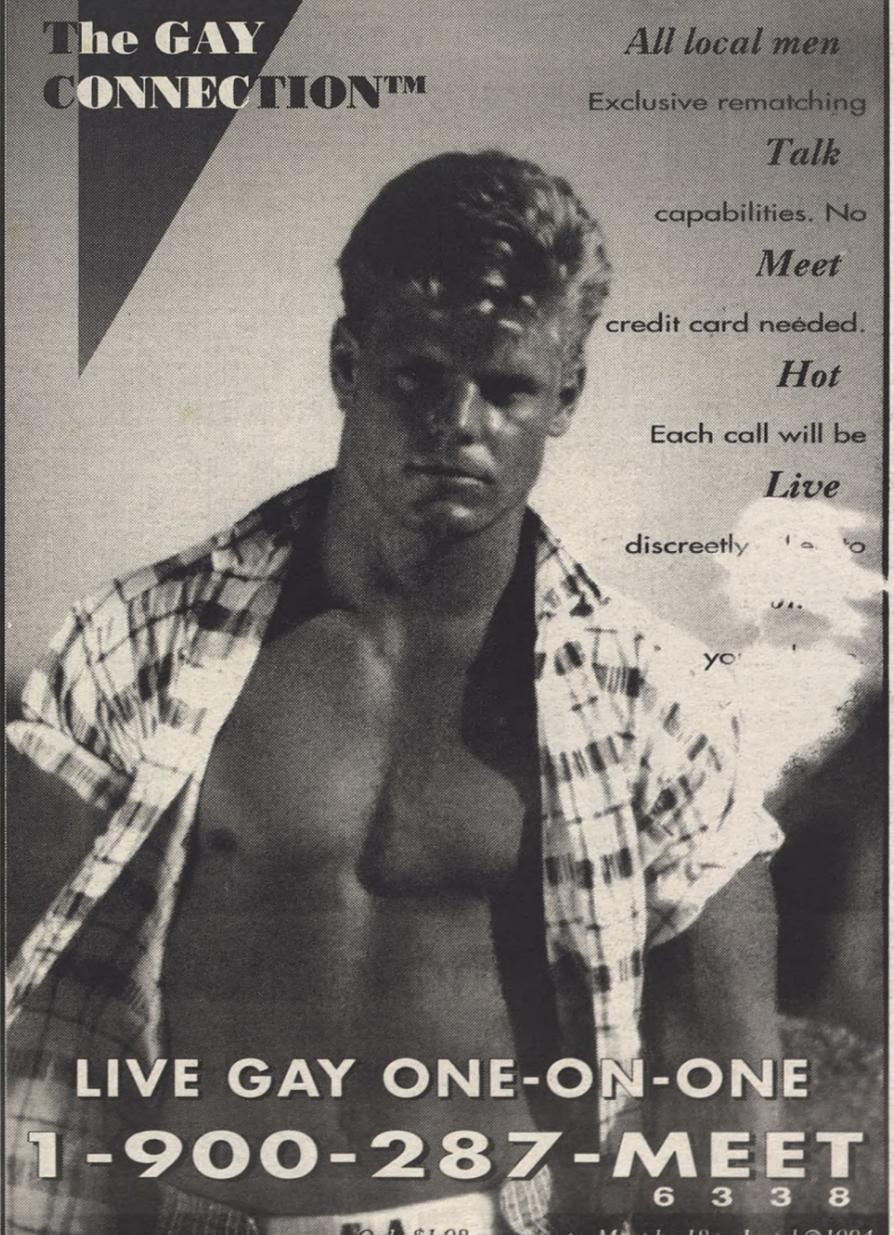


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