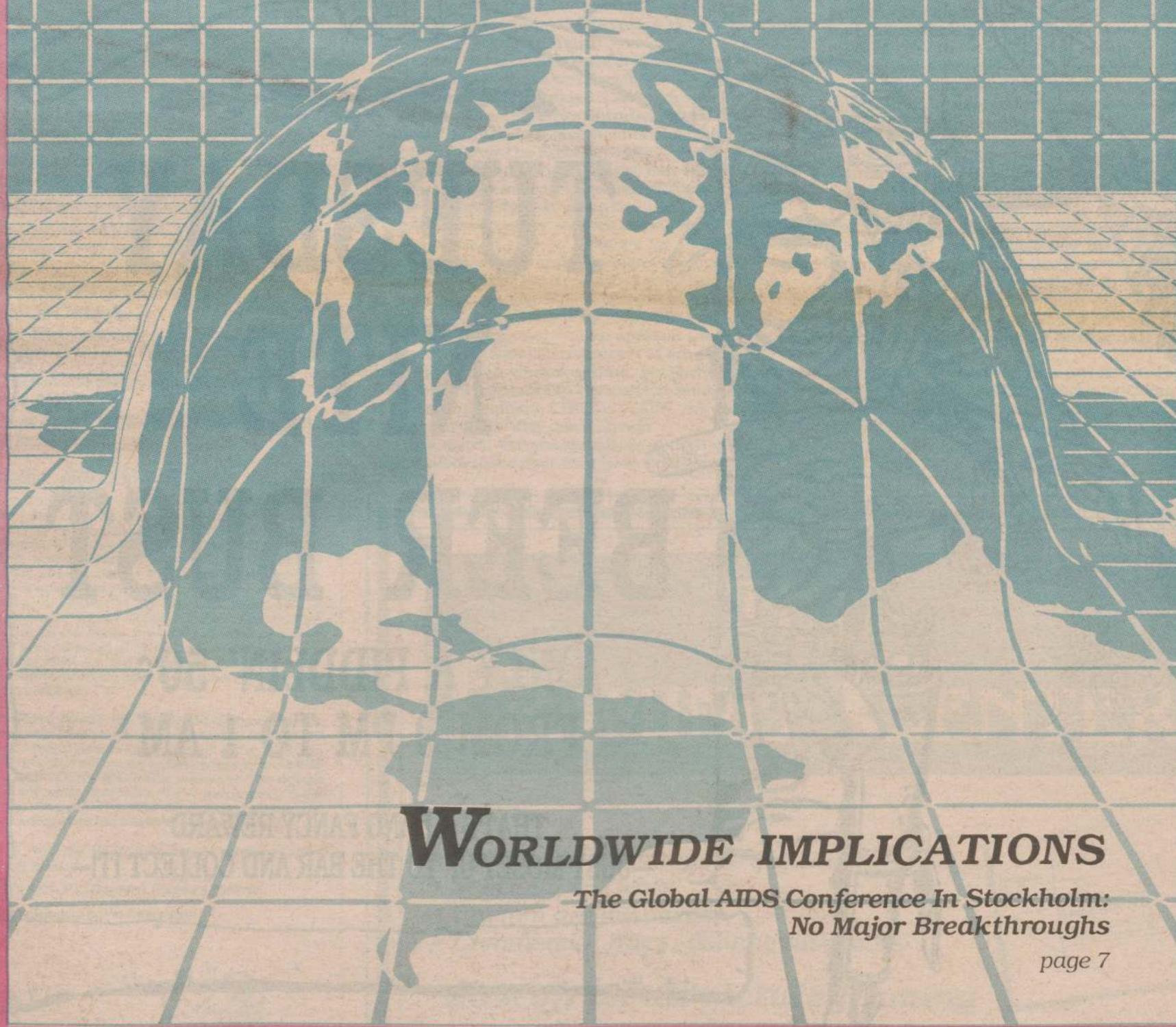


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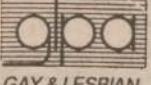
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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Robt L. Pela

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ometime early last month, I accepted the position of Chairperson of the Gay and Lesbian Planning Committee. This organization, originally established in July 1980, traditionally comprises a group of community members who plan and organize our annual Pride Event.

It was my intention, in organizing next year's celebration, to see formed a series of committees which would arrange various aspects of Gay Pride '89. In soliciting participation from the community, form letters and display advertisements were prepared, welcoming all interested parties to attend an initial meeting in August.

Meanwhile, an eleven-month schedule of promotions, fundraisers, and follow-up meetings was assembled. The stage, it seemed, was set.

I was, therefore, rather surprised when I read an editorial printed in a recent edition of *The Western Express* ("From The Editors," TWE V. 7 #16). While the editors of that publication insist that they have "no interest in heading up (a lesbian and gay Pride) organization," they do announce their intention to "canvass businesses and organizations to determine any support for such a...program for 1989." Although the first organizational meeting of the Pride Committee is not set to convene until next month, our self-appointed TWE volunteers explain that they "don't have to wait to get the basics started."

My initial response was to applaud the unsolicited secretarial skills and motivation of our first volunteers. Yet, when a second, similarly-themed installment appeared in the current issue of TWE ("Editorial Comment," TWE V. 7 #17), the message—if not the syntax—was much clearer.

Once again, the grande dames of do-it-yourself journalism insist that they have no interest in

organizing Gay Pride '89. They do, however, inform their readers that interested parties "should start contacting those persons they know...to start plans for initial meetings." They further suggest that "those interested...please commence the calls and contacts with others similarly interested."

By way of explanation, TWE doesn't feel "that it would be advisable for any one person or business or organization" to organize the Gay Pride Event. Could it be that the editors of *The Western Express* are choosing to ignore the eight-year-old Planning Committee, given that it is this year fronted by the publisher of a competing publication? It seems odd that these same gentlemen have shown little concern over the state of Pride events in the past. (While they announce their attendance of "the superb four-day Gay Pride Weekend in Palm Springs," their minimal participation in this year's Unity '88 goes unacknowledged.)

The editorial in question is not without its naive charm, however. In addressing the issue of holding Gay Pride events in June, it is suggested that "(a)n earlier observance, April or May seems a popular idea because of the more bearable weather (sic)." I'm allowing that it is possible that there are gay journalists who don't realize that Gay Pride is observed in recognition of the 1969 Stonewall Riots, which took place in June of that year. While I'm at it, I'm also allowing for the possibility that Pearl Harbor Day may eventually be observed in August.

Thus, the most telling *faux pas* in this covert attempt to derail the Pride Planning Committee is its observation that "a main weakness (in organizing the event) has been people unversed in a given topic trying to rally support."

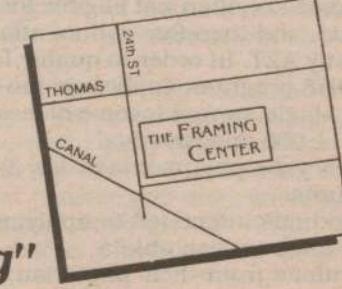
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FEDERAL COURT DECLARES HIV SEROPOSITIVE TO BE PROTECTED BY FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS LAW

LOS ANGELES—In a major, precedent-setting ruling, a federal district court in Los Angeles has ruled that a man who was discharged from an inpatient alcohol treatment program because he tested positive for antibodies to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), is covered by a federal civil rights law that protects the handicapped from discrimination in all programs or activities receiving federal funds. HIV is widely believed to be the causative agent of AIDS.

Although federal courts have ruled in the past that persons with AIDS are covered by the law, this ruling marks the first time that a federal court has definitely ruled that an HIV seropositive who has no clinical symptoms of disease is covered by the Federal Rehabilitation Act when he or she is treated differently because of fear about HIV transmission.

"This ruling represents a major victory for the estimated two million HIV seropositive Americans because it says for the first time that discrimination based on fear of contagion will not be tolerated by federal courts," stated Paul Hoffman, American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California legal director.

"The federal courts are now recognizing what the World Health Organization, the President's Commission on AIDS, the Centers for Disease Control, and the American Medical Association have been recommending—that discrimination against HIV seropositives should be illegal because it harms the public health by driving underground those most in need of counseling and education about preventing HIV transmission," added Mickey J. Wheatley, Lambda's staff attorney for AIDS-related litigation.

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OFFERING AZT PROGRAM

The Arizona Department of Health Services is currently providing a free AZT program, funded by the federal government. The government funding is scheduled through the end of September, 1988.

AZT, an FDA-approved drug, has proven helpful in slowing the progression of the AIDS virus. The cost of AZT, however, is staggering: AIDS patients pay between \$600 and \$1,200 per month for the drug.

Persons with AIDS who are earning an income are often not eligible for state aid, and therefore cannot afford the costly AZT. In order to qualify for the ADHS program, applicants must have a single annual income of less than \$11,000 and have had pneumocystis pneumonia or low T-cell counts.

Individuals interested in applying for the program can obtain applications from their physician; further information is available through the AIDS Program at the Arizona Department of Health Services.

ACTIVISTS CHALLENGE MICHIGAN SODOMY LAW

LANSING, Mich.—On the eve of the third anniversary of the Supreme Court's notorious 1986 *Bowers v. Hardwick* decision which upheld the "right" of individual states of Gipperdom to declare gay and lesbian sexual activity illegal, a coalition of lesbian and gay civil rights advocates have filed suit against the state of Michigan in an attempt to have them repeal Michigan's state sodomy law. Charging that the law which criminalizes certain types of consensual adult sexual activity legitimizes anti-gay sentiment, branding all gay and lesbian sexually active people as criminals, members of the coalition have pointed out that the law also discriminates against disabled individuals who may have no other form of sexual expression available.

One such person is Verna Spayth, a heterosexual disabled woman. "Michigan law denies any sexual expression at all to people who are physically unable to have intercourse," she stated. "I fear most that these laws will be used against my brothers and sisters who are locked up in nursing homes and other institutions across the state," she added.

The Michigan Organization for Human Rights, Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund and the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan has joined 12 individuals, many of them going by John or Jane Doe, in filing the lawsuit. Plans are currently being laid for a similar challenge to Florida's Lewd and Lascivious Act which makes criminal all forms of heterosexual and homosexual non-vaginal sex.

AUSTRALIAN GAYS ARRESTED

NERANG, Queensland, Australia—Two Australian men, Doug McAllan and John Lockowicz, have been arrested and charged with "sodomy" and "gross indecency" for admitting to Queensland state police that they are lovers and have sex together.

According to Australian Gay journalist Chris Dobney, their trouble began when Lockowicz' ex-girlfriend told police she suspected Lockowicz of molesting her four-year-old son. Police took Lockowicz into custody for questioning at the home he shares with McAllan, and took McAllan in at his workplace.

After detailed questioning, police failed to file any charges of molestation against either man. But, since both Lockowicz and McAllan admitted they were partners, they were charged and ordered to stand trial for violating Queensland's sodomy law—one of the few still on the books in Australia.

"The gay community in Queensland is very closeted and, at the moment, extremely frightened," said Dobney. "There has been a large amount of harassment of gay men, including police entrapment—a lot of what we call here in Australia 'verballing.' The police write out a statement and make people sign it. If they don't...they are held in custody more or less indefinitely."

SENATORS SIGN UP FOR GAY AND LESBIAN CIVIL RIGHTS BILL

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Senators Barbara Mikulski (D-Md) and John Chafee (R-R.I.), have become the ninth and tenth senators respectively to cosponsor the Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights Bill in the U.S. Senate.

The two senators agreed this week to cosponsor S.464, which would add "affectional or sexual orientation" to the protected categories of race, color and religion in existing civil rights legislation.

The bill, introduced on February 4, 1987, by Senator Alan Cranston (D-Calif.), would make it illegal to treat lesbians, gays and bisexuals differently from non-gay people in employment, housing, public accommodations or federally assisted programs.

Mikulski, the first woman in the Senate to cosponsor the bill, previously had signed on to the legislation when she was in the House of Representatives. The current House version of the gay civil rights bill, H.R. 709 introduced by Representative Ted Weiss (D-NY) on January 21, 1987, presently has 73 cosponsors.

Chafee is the second Republican senator to cosponsor the bill after Lowell Weicker (R-Conn.). Chafee has a long record of support for civil rights and AIDS issues, including work with Rhode Island Project AIDS and support of S.1220, the AIDS Research.

Information and Care Act.

"Equal opportunity must be guaranteed to all Americans," said Senator Chafee. "To discriminate against individuals because of race, sex, age or sexual orientation is to deny them their civil rights."

The Human Rights Campaign Fund, along with the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and other organizations, has extensively lobbied legislators to support the bill. As recently as a week and a half before Chafee signed on, the Campaign Fund met with the Senator's staff to get his support.

"We now have 10 percent of the U.S. Senate signed up for civil rights protection for 10 percent of America—the millions of gay men and women who deserve to be treated with full equality," said Eric Rosenthal, political director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund. "We praise both Senators Mikulski and Chafee for their sponsorship."

Gay and lesbian activists consider Chafee's cosponsorship particularly important because of his influential position as chairman of the Senate Republican Conference.

"We are reaching much harder to get more Republicans to cosponsor the bill," said Rosenthal. "It's a terrific victory for gays every time another legislator signs up."

LEGISLATION TO OBTAIN DISABILITY FOR ARC PATIENTS INTRODUCED

WASHINGTON D.C.—Senator Alan Cranston (D-Calif.) and Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) introduced legislation which would make it easier for people with AIDS-Related Complex (ARC) to get disability benefits from the Social Security Administration.

This legislation would require the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services to develop revised medical criteria for assessing disability claims involving ARC. Currently, decisions are made regarding ARC cases in the absence of clear medical criteria. By establishing clear rules for decision-making, these cases can be decided more objectively and in a shorter period of time.

The Social Security Administration reports that over 1,400 ARC claims have been denied by Disability Determination Services across the country. Of the cases that have been allowed, many have been decided favorable after reconsideration or following an Administrative Law Judge hearing. These levels of review add cost to the system and delay payments to those who are severely disabled.

ARC, which is often an early stage of AIDS, is a combination of conditions and diseases resulting from infection with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) but which does not meet the strict case surveillance definition of AIDS set by the Centers of Disease Control.

As a result, ARC cases are processed differently from AIDS cases. "Yet," Cranston and Pelosi pointed out in a joint statement, "a person with ARC may be just as ill and disabled as an individual with AIDS. ARC can be completely debilitating and, in some circumstances, life-threatening."

Lawmakers say that current policy

is "so flawed" that an individual could be sick enough to die from ARC and yet, because he did not meet the CDC definition of AIDS, would never have qualified for Social Security benefits.

The Cranston-Pelosi bill would direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to "develop and implement specific eligibility criteria for disability-related benefits" under titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act for individuals with symptomatic HIV infection, a condition that generally describes ARC cases.

The bill stipulates that the criteria should be developed in consultation "with relevant medical and advocacy groups."

"Having standard guidelines for everyone to follow should help speed up the process, which would be a good thing," Cranston says.

AAP EMOTIONAL SUPPORT TRAINING TO BEGIN

The Arizona AIDS Project Emotional Support Program has scheduled a training for new volunteers the weekends of July 22-24 and July 29-31. Volunteers must attend both weekend sessions.

Emotional Support Volunteers are matched on a one-to-one basis with a person with AIDS. Volunteers become a "buddy" to the individual and offer support when needed.

For applications to the program, or for more information, call AAP at 277-1929.

Sources: *The News* (Los Angeles), *Washington Blade* (Washington DC), *The Weekly News* (Miami Florida), *Chicago Outlines*, *San Francisco Sentinel*, UPI, Media Fund For Human Rights.

LEONARD MATLOVICH BURIED IN CONGRESSIONAL CEMETERY

WASHINGTON, DC—A horse drawn caisson carried the body of gay activist Leonard Matlovich to its final resting place in Congressional Cemetery as some 250 friends and supporters followed on foot in a funeral procession through the streets of Capitol Hill.

Eight members of the Air Force honor guard served as pallbearers at a service at Christ Episcopal Church and at the cemetery, and a separate team of six Air Force riflemen fired three volleys at the cemetery in a salute to Matlovich, a former Air Force sergeant. An Air Force bugler played taps.

Matlovich's friends said they were certain that Matlovich, who died June 22 of AIDS, would have been proud of the military participation in his funeral, despite a decision by Air Force officials in 1975 to oust him from the service after he declared publicly he was gay.

Events surrounding the funeral began with an Episcopal mass at Christ Church, where the DC Gay Men's Chorus sang and Charles Gibson, co-host of the ABC television program *Good Morning America*, gave a eulogy.

Matlovich, 44, died at the West Hollywood home of a friend. McPherson said Matlovich left explicit instructions shortly before he died that he wanted to be buried at Congressional Cemetery during the July 4th weekend.

Lee Jenney, a Matlovich friend in Washington and an official with Congressional Cemetery, said Matlovich purchased his cemetery plot and installed an anonymous black granite headstone there in 1986, with the intention of making the stone a symbol for all gay Vietnam veterans.

"He chose the black granite because it's the same as the Vietnam Memorial on the mall," Jenney said during a ceremony at Matlovich's gravesite.

"He was the most patriotic American I ever met," Jenney said. "He had courage, strength, love and compassion."

Perry Watkins, a gay man who is currently fighting an Army discharge following his own disclosure that he's gay, noted that Matlovich proved his "heroism and patriotism" by serving three tours of duty in Vietnam, where he earned a Bronze Star, the Purple Heart and two Air Force Commendation Medals.

Watkins, holding back tears, said foreign enemies in war were never as "bigoted and hateful" toward Matlovich as those in the United States who attacked the gay activist with homophobia.

DC gay activist Frank Kameny, whom Matlovich consulted when he began his legal fight to remain in the Air Force, said Matlovich "greatly advanced" the gay rights cause. Through his forceful and articulate statements to the press and to the gay community, Kameny said, Matlovich became the "perfect" test case and role model at a time when no gay person with Matlovich's status had come forward to challenge the military.

Ellen Nesbitt, a lesbian fighting her own military discharge, urged the gathering to continue Matlovich's work in combatting the AIDS epidemic as well as his push for gay rights. Nesbitt, looking towards Matlovich's mother and father, who were holding

hands, said Matlovich's parents "deserve a lot of credit for instilling in Leonard so much love, courage and self-respect."

McPherson said that at Matlovich's request, the Air Force veteran's name will not be inscribed on his headstone, only the date of his death. The date of Matlovich's birth and the words, "A Gay Vietnam Veteran," had been placed on the stone at the time of its installation in 1986. McPherson said Matlovich's name will be inscribed in a simple stone border, which will be placed around the gravesite.

The inscription that Matlovich had placed on the stone in 1986 states, "When I was in the military, they gave me a medal for killing two men and a discharge for loving one."

FIRST GLOBAL CONFERENCE TO END HOMOPHOBIA HELD IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, DC—The first Global Conference To End Homophobia drew over one hundred leaders in the field of homophobia education to the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland last month.

The conference was called by the Campaign To End Homophobia, an organization formed two years ago by member of the Gay Rights and Homophobia Task Groups of the National Organization For Changing Men (NOCM). It was co-sponsored by over 25 national support and activist organizations including the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, The Fund For Human Dignity, and The Federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays.

Conference attendees included educators, clergy, activists, mass media professionals, and health and sexuality education specialists from across the U.S., Canada, Israel, England and other countries. The Conference was the first ever to formally address homophobia education.

During the two-day working conference, published works, educational models and already-developed printed and audio-visual materials were exchanged. Also, plans and strategies for promoting positive images of gays and lesbians in the mass media were presented.

Joe Norton, long-time gay activist and original board member of the National Gay Task Force said, "At the same time that I am horrified that it's taken this long, I'm delighted that the movement has gotten to the point that we're ready to hold this conference."

"The solution to the problem of homophobia is education," Norton added. "It always has been and always will be. But it's not enough to simply identify the solution—something has to be done to effect it. Now it becomes important to send the message and expand the work worldwide."

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Development Coordinator Susan Gore said, "The most significant contribution of the Conference was the bringing together of mainstream lesbian and gay organizations with mainstream homophobia education groups.

DON SLUTES

EDITORIAL

COURTING THE DUKE

It's been pointed out before (and undoubtedly better) that politics is a mine field for the pure-at-heart. I don't mean people who live especially pure lives (whatever that means), but rather those people for whom neatness counts and for whom disorder is a source of frustration. One early and often unheeded lesson for activists and aspiring public servants is that the soul of politics is compromise, and the most successful politicians are those who can best manipulate circumstances so that the compromises they make don't completely degrade their ideals. But in fact, political expediency is usually if not always unpleasant.

Gay and lesbian voters in 1988 face a paradigmatic dilemma. For our community, the perfect presidential candidate can do no less than promise to enforce toughened anti-hate-crimes legislation, support the passage of a national gay-rights measure, pledge to overturn recent anti-gay court decisions via the appointment of liberal judges, and promote the right of gay and lesbian couples to adopt foster children. But we don't have a perfect candidate running in 1988.

Look further down the perfection ladder and you'll find the two men who will face off in November, clinging precariously to neighboring rungs. George Bush we know. When it comes time for President Bush to make policies affecting lesbians and gay men, the best we can hope is that he do nothing. Back in 1980, even before he changed his mind and his shape to fit into Ronald Reagan's White House, Bush expressed misgivings about the validity of homosexual rights. Spending eight years assuaging the fears of the right wing probably has not broadened his views. In fact, it's not difficult to imagine the whole issue of lesbian/gay adoption, for example, giving straight-arrow George the willies.

Unfortunately, the issue plays no better in Michael Dukakis's mind. And, not surprisingly, the governor's refusal to place gay or lesbian couples on a par with heterosexuals has angered gay activists inside and outside of Massachusetts. The issue came to a boil last month during the waning days of the primary campaign, when Dukakis was heckled by members of a gay and lesbian audience in Los Angeles. But the protest staged in Atlanta this past week during the Democratic Convention was patently counterproductive, echoing the demonstration that marred Chicago's convention of 20 years ago. Like 1968's yippies—who probably couldn't foresee that all they'd get for their trouble would be Richard Nixon—some of 1988's gay and lesbian activists don't appear to know the stakes.

In Dukakis, at least, we have a Democrat, a "Northeastern liberal," with a constituency far different from that of George Bush. Dukakis in fact supports civil rights for lesbians and gays, and, as governor of Massachusetts, has responded to calls for increased funding for AIDS education and support services. Whether or not he particularly likes the idea of same-sex couples adopting foster children, his mere presence in the White House is a relative boon for the lesbian/gay community. A Dukakis administration would be no friend to the entrenched religious right and the various bigots' lobbies, who may still thrive under Bush.

Whether Dukakis makes sense on one particular lesbian/gay issue, he can't help but be a positive force in the long run.

The long run, of course, includes the Federal judiciary, and in particular, the Supreme Court. For a recent example of the kind of impact the Court can have, look at 1986's *Bowers v. Hardwick* case: By a 5-4 margin, the Court upheld the state of Georgia's anti-sodomy statute, effectively sanctioning the right of states to prohibit all types of sexual contact other than reproduction-styled behavior. Sure, the existence of such laws rarely dents anyone's lifestyle, but think of what could have been, had the Court overturned the statute on the basis of a Constitutional right to privacy. In one fell swoop, archaic sodomy statutes across the country would have been rendered unenforceable.

In the coming term, the Supreme Court may hear the case of Perry Watkins, the gay U.S. Army sergeant who, after 12 years of model service, has been given the boot. Depending upon how the case unfolds, gays and lesbians could not only win the right to participate openly in America's armed forces, but also earn "equal protection of the laws" as a class.

As the close vote in the Hardwick decision demonstrates, the marginally conservative Court is a potential agent of change—with the addition of one or two more-liberal justices. But while there are potential gains to be made, a more pressing concern during 1989-93 will be to hold the line against an even stronger conservative majority. Two of the eldest justices and most imminent retirees, William J. Brennan and Thurgood Marshall, form the core of the liberal opposition. To lose either during a Republican administration would be a tragedy.

Thus, the ongoing struggle for the true equality for lesbians and gays this year transcends party preferences or single-issue niggling. Today's social climate demands a civil-rights-oriented philosophy in the White House. Mike Dukakis may not be perfect, but in the inhospitable realm of political compromise and expediency, he's the only alternative.



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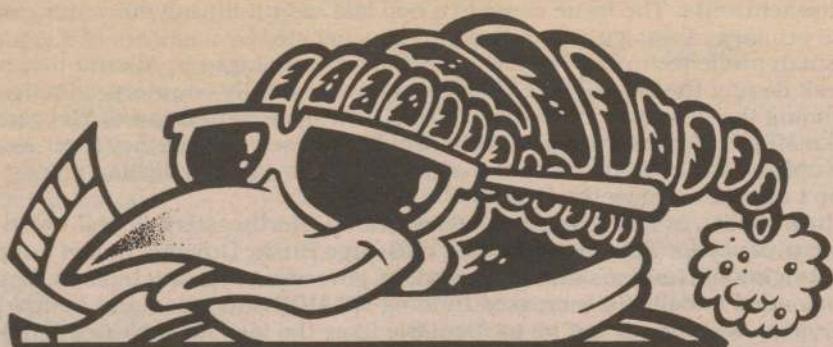
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MEG UMAN'S REVIEW

The Garden of Eros



A Novel by
Dorothy Bryant

The Garden of Eros. Dorothy Bryant, author. Berkeley, CA: Ata Books, 1979. 170 pages. \$5.00 paperbound.

Bryant's many books provide ample evidence of her freedom of mind. She created and developed a speculative society that uses dreams to shape waking life (*Kin Of Ata Are Waiting For You*), dug into conventional reactions to unconventional lifestyles (*Day In San Francisco*), talked about developing her skill (*Writing a Novel*), and wrote several books about women in a wide variety of situations.

Ceylon's mother chose an exotic name for her daughter, hoping she'd be special, and Ceylon is special in her own way. Not in her mother's way, and the name is incongruous with the person, so people call her Lonnie. The first indication that Lonnie wouldn't live out her mother's vision is: Lonnie is blind.

We meet Lonnie just before she meets Ken. We've seen her independent spirit and pragmatic compromises during her stay at the Homer Center (for the blind), and we see her accept and love a man whom society rejects...partly because Ken is aware of unrecognized strengths in Lonnie. The lovers respond to the call of an isolated bit of land, and decide to build their home there.

Ken drinks. With Lonnie, his binges become less frequent, but no less controllable or predictable. Lonnie is alone one night in their unfinished house when her pregnancy comes to term and she begins labor. Ken has gone to visit with an old friend, and Lonnie recognizes the possibility that he'll stop on the way home to visit with neighbors who sometimes draw him into their own uncontrollable drinking.

Bryant takes us into Lonnie's mind as she goes through the process of labor and delivery...alone, blind, with no utilities, no phone and no one anywhere who knows what's happening. Most of *Garden of Eros* takes place during this one night.

Lonnie allows for the possibility of giving birth alone...allows, without bitterness or blame, for the possibility of Ken losing control. As her body advances through the stages of labor and delivery, her mind moves ahead to insure a safe birth. Will she be able to carry enough wood to boil water with her belly in the way? For that matter, is there any wood chopped, and if so, where is it?

Lonnie uses her mind for comfort and communications as well as for planning. She talks out her situation with her Friend who listens and affirms. Lonnie has no way out of this: she can't decide that she doesn't want to play any more.

Giving birth is, in the best of circumstances, evidence of courage and optimism. Lonnie's circumstances and Bryant's gift make giving birth in *The Garden Of Eros* an experience of intellect, strength and spirit.

Reviewed by Meg Umans. Meg is a counselor in private practice in Phoenix, and owner of Humanspace Books, Inc. *Garden Of Eros* is available at Humanspace.

GLOBAL AIDS CONFERENCE: NO MAJOR BREAKTHROUGHS

Cindy Patton



STOCKHOLM—Over 8,000 people from 140 countries gathered for the Fourth International AIDS Conference held here last month. About 3,000 papers were presented in workshops and in poster sessions.

There was nothing approaching a breakthrough in treatment, although data from dozens of trials was presented, showing some promise in some patients.

"The story this year is that we've added many new small pieces of data," said James Curran from the United States Centers for Disease Control (CDC). "Scientists are making much progress in very small increments."

Further developments in describing Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) over the past year have shown that the virus may react differently in different types of cells, especially in macrophages, where the virus can apparently lie undetected in protective sacs. This means that combinations of several drugs in lower doses may be necessary to fully block virus duplication, according to Bo O'Berg, of the Swedish Karolinska Institute, which collaborates with the National Cancer Institute in the U.S.

"Perhaps the most optimistic report was a large-cohort study of possible neurological symptoms which earlier reports suggested might appear *before* the symptoms classically associated with AIDS and ARC.

"There has been great controversy and concern about the possible emergence of cognitive problems before the appearance of other symptoms," said Ola A. Selnas, of the U.S., who presented the collaborative work conducted with 1,543 HIV antibody positive but asymptomatic gay and bisexual men.

"Our study, which draws on the largest sample to date, shows no statistically significant difference between these men and the controls over a two-year period. We didn't even find a trend in the direction of early development of cognitive problems," said Selnas.

There is also an emerging consensus that there is no relationship between knowledge of HIV antibody status and subsequent behavior change, although many policy makers in a session on "AIDS and Society" continued to propose testing programs as essential parts of the education process.

Jonathan Mann, head of the World Health Organization (WHO) AIDS Project, urged governments to focus on antidiscrimination laws and education about behavior, rather than taking the route of mass testing.

"The first objective—preventing HIV transmission—is achievable precisely because HIV is transmitted through specific individual behaviors and through readily identifiable practices in the health system," Mann said. "For this reason, the proper focus of prevention is behavior, not infection status."

The largest study of testing and behavior was conducted by the U.S. Multi-Area Cohort Studies (MACS) project of the CDC and cooperating cities. These studies, following men over three years, show no predictable relationship between HIV antibody status knowledge (either positive or negative) and behavior, emotional stress, or psychological state, said U.S. researcher David G. Ostrow.

In another study of behavior change, the most significant correlation with making appropriate safer sex changes came with a "belief that the people around you are changing." Reported by Kevin O'Reilly of the CDC Community Demonstration Projects, the prospective study compares reported changes in about a half dozen U.S. cities employing different educational strategies.

"We found that perception of the community's attitude and a belief that men in your community can and are making changes were the strongest factors in individual men's changing," O'Reilly said. "Programs aimed at individual beliefs are not as effective as programs aimed at community beliefs and norms."

James D'Eramo presented for the first time the now two-year-old study of techniques for reinforcing safer sex practices conducted in New York City. The so-called "800 Men Study" found that, while fear and anxiety about AIDS may prompt gay men to reduce unsafe practices, it did not promote long-term shifts towards satisfying new safer practices.

"We measure two things—elimination of high-risk behavior and beginning low-risk behavior," D'Eramo said. "We did not consider celibacy due to fear to be a durable change. The lesson we learned was that you can't just take high-risk behaviors away; you have to put something back."

After comparing the behavior and attitudes of men who experienced lectures, pamphlets, small-group discussion, and a sexually explicit film and booklets, the project found that men who saw the explicit material showed the highest adherence to and favorable attitudes towards safer sex techniques.

In response to criticism of programming in the past four years, the Stockholm Conference included daily one and one-half hour sessions on political, social and psychological issues, like the role of the media, importance of community organizations, and issues in gay identity during and after the AIDS crisis.

"The inclusion of these programs is an improvement," said Hasse Ytteberg, president of RSFL, the Swedish National Gay and Lesbian Federal, which, Ytteberg charges, was directly excluded from any involvement in conference planning despite the group's leadership on AIDS issues in Sweden.

"But it does nothing to break down the barriers between hard science and the social issues, so we will continue to see badly designed science and homophobic attitudes," said Ytteberg.

Frustration over continued lack of inclusion of community groups in the conference planning and content prompted gay and lesbian activists—many of

whom had attended a pre-conference on "Homosexual Identity During, Before, and After HIV"—to organize demands for inclusion in future WHO conferences. The ad hoc group of lesbians and gay men from eight countries, the RSFL and Noah's Ark/Red Cross-Stockholm, also organized a candlelight march, but conference officials refused to allow flyers announcing the march to be distributed from any official conference tables, Ytteberg said. About 400 people attended the march, which is an unusual event in this social democratic country.

At a press conference announcing the demand for inclusion, Benjamin Schatz, director of the AIDS Civil Rights Project of the National Gay Rights Advocates (NGRA) in San Francisco, said: "We are not merely vectors of transmission or points on a graph. We have been in the forefront of the fight against AIDS and have much expertise to offer."

Schatz also showed a note that had been scribbled onto an official poster report about education in the Australian gay communities, which read: "Fuck you faggots."

Schatz and others also decried the lack of inclusion of people with AIDS (PWAs) or HIV infection from any official capacity in the conference planning or program.

Fausto Iochelli, of the Vancouver PWA Society, said: "The conference must include information about the full experience of AIDS. All we hear is doom. We demand full formal and professional inclusion at all future conferences."

Organizers of the Fifth International AIDS Conference in Montreal have already promised a different and more inclusive conference format for the 1989 conference, and have involved representatives from the local gay and AIDS organizations.

The International Working Group on Women and AIDS (IWGWA) meeting also issued, for the second year, similar demands for inclusion in future conferences, and criticized continued designation of "prostitutes" as a risk category.

"It is specific drug and sexual practices which allow HIV transmissibility, not the exchange of money for sex," said Boston-based women's health education and physician's assistant P. Clay Stevens, who chaired this year's IWGWA sessions.

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LESBIAN/GAY ACTIVISTS MEET PRIOR TO CONFERENCE

Leaders Charge Organizers With 'De-Gaying' Epidemic, Ignoring Gay Accomplishments

Cindy Patton

STOCKHOLM—Nearly 100 lesbians and gay men attended the conference "Homosexual Identity During, Before and After HIV," last month, in advance of the Fourth International AIDS Conference.

The conferees came from 13 countries, including Nicaragua and South Africa. There were also included nearly 20 people with AIDS (PWAs) and HIV antibody positive men, several of whom held workshops on PWA and HIV activism in their country.

The conference discussed how homophobia spreads AIDS, how educational campaigns directed at the "general" population omit messages to gay men, creation of identity around safer sexual practices, and who benefits from AIDS.

The conference was organized by RSFL, and the Social Policy Institute in Stockholm. The organization was founded after the decriminalization of homosexual acts in 1950, amid scandals and media hysteria about homosexuals, according to Hasse Ytteberg, current president of the organization, which is headquartered at a plush "gay house" with a restaurant, disco, bookstore and office/meeting space.

The state socialist democracies of Scandinavia each have such a national organization modeled after the organizations for labor and interest groups in those societies. The RSFL now has 25 local branches and 7,000 members.

Although there is an image of sexual tolerance in Sweden, its laws concerning HIV antibody testing are some of the most stringent in the world, according to Benny Henricksson, director of the Social Policy Institute, which has been active in AIDS and youth policy development.

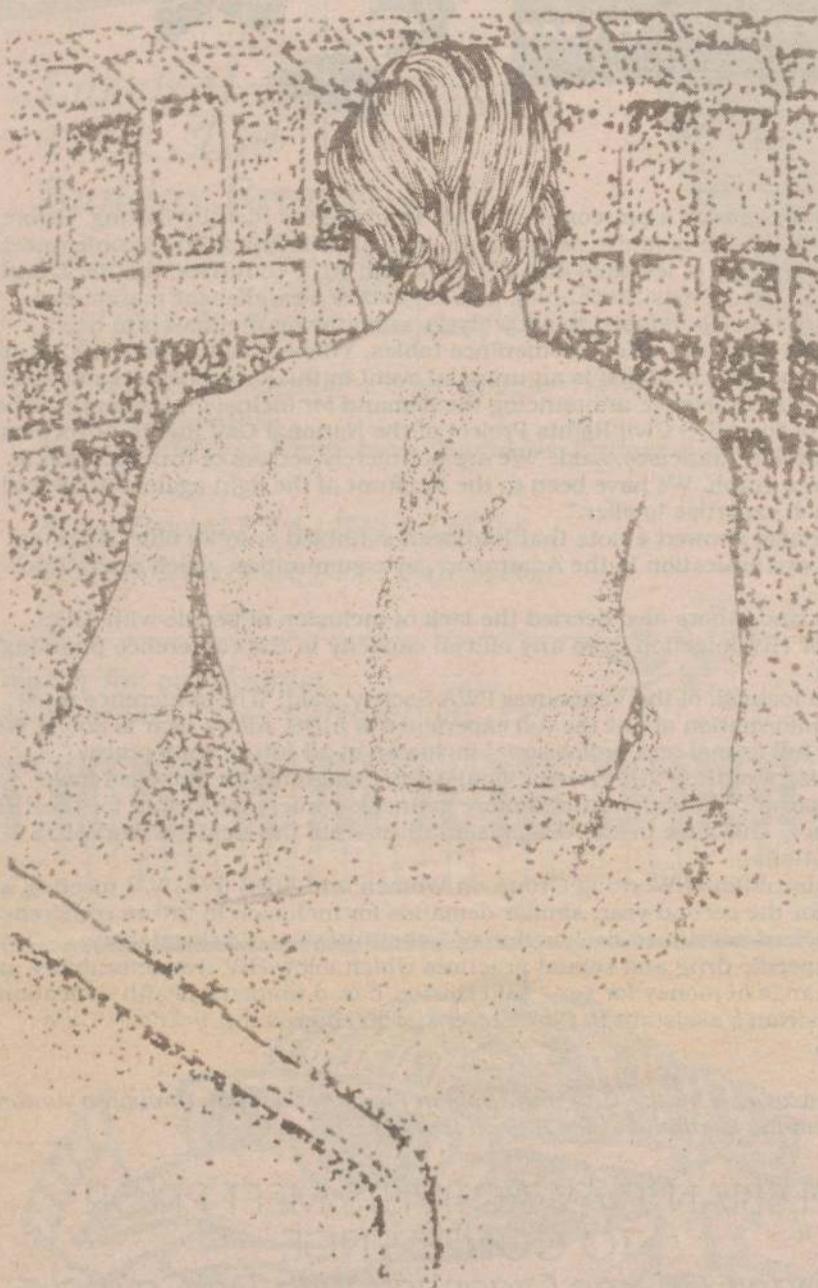
In 1985, HIV-infection was classified as a venereal disease, requiring all persons who have reason to believe they might be infected to present themselves for the HIV antibody test. Although those testing negative may remain anonymous, those testing positive are reported to the National Health Service and are required to tell any sexual partner of their status. In 1987, the Governmental AIDS Committee launched a large and controversial campaign directing people to get tested.

"One ad reads: 'A year ago he attended a gay bar in Copenhagen [Denmark],' said Henricksson, who has authored a book criticizing the homophobia of the

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1987 campaign. "The Danish government was, of course, very upset by this ad. And it implies you can contract HIV simply from attending a gay club."

New York's James D'Eramo said that "love is not spreading AIDS; hate is." He told conferees, most of whom would be attending the next week's scientific conference, that "thinly disguised as science and public health you will be able to find—behind the hoopla and networking—racism, homophobia, classism, and gender discrimination. You will discover that AIDS is a satanically sublime holocaust...and no one has to commit murder with their own hands."

Although reactions to the scientific conference were mixed, those attending the pre-conference found the gay networking a source of support over the next week, as well as laying the groundwork for the candlelight march and press conference held in response to the AIDS conference's exclusion of lesbians and gay men from a formal role, and excluding PWAs from open participation.

The gay and lesbian members from the Third World were particularly happy with the information they gathered and the support they could take home.

"It is very important for the Third World gay liberation movements to have the solidarity of the movements around the world," said Nicaraguan Rita Arauz. Arauz is working with the country's Ministry of Health to develop a training program for health educators that will include information both about AIDS and about homophobia. The first people trained will be openly gay men and lesbian women.

"We first train the health *brigandistas* to overcome their internalized homophobia," Arauz said in a workshop on AIDS education and gay identity in Latin America. "We have a double agenda—we are working towards less prejudice towards gay people and towards prevention of HIV transmission."

"Studies show that, while AIDS anxiety may prompt gay men to reduce unsafe sex practices, it does not promote long-term shifts towards safe sex."

The Nicaraguan program, considered to be a model for government cooperation with community-based AIDS education, has begun with only 20 seropositive people and no reported AIDS cases.

A South African gay activist, from the Black Rand Gay Organization in Durban, described the problems of educating his community in the face of near civil war over apartheid.

"In South Africa, they say we have two AIDS epidemics—one White, one Black," he said. "There has been more publicity about AIDS in the gay Whites, and many people in my community do not recognize the risk. We have three battles—educating about AIDS, gaining acceptance as gay people, and preventing AIDS from worsening Black-White relations."

The International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA), which is active in providing travel funds to the Third World gay groups, recently voted to bar the White South African gay group from attending IGLA conferences because the group supports the South African government.

The conference, held on a ferry boat going through the islands of the Baltic between Stockholm and Turku, Finland (a common conference site), held a memorial service on the last night of the cruise. RFSL provided beautiful, peach-colored roses and obtained permission to use the back, open deck for a time of mourning. After quietly whispering the names of friends and loved ones who had died with AIDS, participants threw the flowers into the sea and sang "We Shall Overcome."

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*"What good fortune for those in power
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If it can be said that hatred is a standard human emotion, it can also be said that emotion has never killed anyone. Society as a whole, however, must give more appropriate responses to this feeling than its usual abuse of children, rape of women, or scapegoating of homosexuals.

When people don't acknowledge their hatred, they delegate it to others—and most often with knowing they're doing so. Take, for example, the *Arizona Republic* editorial of July 14, 1988, concerning the Arizona Department of Insurance decision to deny life and health insurance to people who have tested HIV-positive or have been treated for AIDS. The rationale of this piece is that an AIDS carrier is a greater risk than a non-carrier of the same sex and same age. The Department of Insurance reasons that, given that this is a national health crisis, the cost should be absorbed by a national health coverage program.

If the editorial had stopped at that point, many people would agree that a national AIDS insurance program is a double solution—it does not. Instead, the article goes on to exploit the fears and feed the feelings of hatred of its readers. It further insinuates that the cost of the Surgeon General's recent mass-mailed AIDS brochure was a waste of money, given that "only a tiny proportion (of the population) indulges in the aberrant behavior largely responsible for the transmission of the disease."

This editorial goes on to state that Arizona should "deal practically" and "be resolute" to prevent the spread of this epidemic. What does that mean, precisely? Do they have a practical plan that we can all become resolute about? If so, we've yet to see it.

Instead, we've been recently subjected to another example of feelings of hatred, weakly presented under the guise of public safety. It rides around in cars with the word "to protect and to serve" emblazoned on its spotless veneer. Of course, the "good people" brought up with the pedagogy that police officers are our friends see nothing aberrant with a system that attempts to allow its protectors and servers access to misinformation which vilified individual civil rights.

They see nothing wrong because now the *Republic* affirms their "rightness." If the citizens of this state had shown some concern about the misuse of confidential data stored on law-enforcement computers, the *Republic* editorial paved the way for a quick retreat into their bigoted beliefs about that "tiny proportion" of the population.

Closing the avenues for dialogue and understanding is the surest way to foster the feelings of hatred. Ironically, it is not experienced hatred that leads to acts of violence and destructiveness. The real danger is the hatred that must be warded off and bottled up with the aid of ideology. Adolf Hitler's ideology is an example of that kind of hatred.

Hitler destroyed human life because "Germany needed more Lebensraum;" because the Jews were a "menace to the world;" and because he wanted to create a "pure race." The content here is different; the process is the same.

Begin with an ideology that labels people who are different than yourself as sinful, evil or deviant; cast their behavior as aberrant; continue to wrongfully identify them as the cause of a world-wide epidemic, and you are well on your way to once again seeing one segment of society cross the fragile line from feelings to actions.

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CALIFORNIA AIDS INITIATIVE FACES COURT CHALLENGE

A powerful coalition of medical and legal organizations acted this week to scuttle a November ballot initiative which threatens to destroy California's increasingly successful campaign to stem the spread of AIDS. The initiative, backed by conservative gadfly Paul Gann and sponsored by Orange County Congressman William Dannemeyer (R-Fullerton) proposes to outlaw anonymous testing for HIV infection and would gut existing confidentiality rules in a wide variety of essential medical programs such as blood donations.

To block the measure from appearing on the ballot, the American Civil Liberties Union and National Gay Rights Advocates on Wednesday announced a lawsuit filed on behalf of the California Medical Society and the San Francisco Department of Public Health alleging the Gann-Dannemeyer initiative is unconstitutional.

Public health experts here predict that passage of the Gann-Dannemeyer rules will increase the spread of AIDS in California and undermine programs which are given over 400 seminars on AIDS, many of them attended only by the people who attended the last one."

The CMA president also expressed concern that the mandatory testing requirements of the initiative will "become a major deterrent to widespread voluntary testing." The fiscal impact of the initiative—put by the legislative analyst at tens to hundreds of millions of dollars annually—would, in the CMA's views, "divert funds from more pressing medical needs in California."

All the plaintiff's in the suit, as well as the lawyers—gay and straight—working with them, share equally the concern of White and the concern of White and the CMA that the initiative is iniquitous and designed to cause hardship and inhumane treatment of persons infected with HIV. But if the medical people fear for people with AIDS, the lawyers worry about the implications for Californians generally.

"The public wants to be helpful and constructive. This initiative is badly constructed and can mislead the public."

—Dr. David Werdegar

Ben Schatz of NGRA sounded a theme common to all participants when he touched on the insurance provisions of the initiative. "If insurance companies," he argues, "are allowed to reject thousands of HIV-infected applicants, their medical costs will be picked up by Medical-Cal and public hospitals—in other words, by the taxpayers. Otherwise productive, active members of society fired from their jobs because they tested positive will be thrown onto unemployment and then welfare. And the cost of identifying and interviewing hundreds of thousands of Californians who are known or believed to be infected with HIV—and contacting all their sexual partners—is almost beyond calculation."

Schatz also notes that the initiative incorporates the LaRouche initiatives by defining HIV infection as an infectious, communicable disease. "Thus the Dannemeyer initiative," he says, "like the LaRouche initiative, could ban HIV-infected children from the schools and result in the firing of all seropositive foodhandlers and school employees."

If the initiative threatens California with a financial catastrophe as well as an epidemiological one, the CMA fears that the punitive nature of the proposals by Gann and Dannemeyer will do damage in areas unrelated to AIDS. White pointed to the 60% decline in new marriages in Illinois when a mandatory testing law went into effect there.

Werdegar wondered why research subjects would come forward if people identified as HIV positive are subjected to the provisions of an initiative supported only by what White called "illogical and terrorized" doctors. By the same token, one speaker wondered whether people would feel they could safely donate blood if they were subject to the reporting provisions of the bill. Schatz spoke of the initiative's "rumor-mongering" clause and illustrated it by saying, "If I tell a public health officer that ten years ago I slept with William Dannemeyer, the state will have to tell his wife about us."

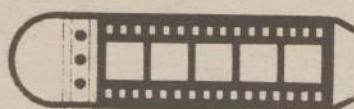
Technically faulty, fiscally unsound, medically catastrophic and morally obnoxious—but can it pass? The participants at Wednesday's press conference fear it can. Schatz points out that Dannemeyer, although as extreme as LaRouche, holds a respected office, and can mobilize large sums of Republican money and intimidate other Republicans. Insurance companies and other business interests are already in his camp. And Paul Gann has proven to be a formidable, if ruinous, campaigner for other crackpot measures. Although no poll data is available yet, no one doubts that the public wants something done.

Werdegar adds, "The public wants to be helpful and constructive. This initiative is badly constructed and can mislead the public." And White notes that despite an ongoing public information campaign, 30 percent of the public are afraid they can contract AIDS by giving blood.

It is the uncertainty about how the public will read the initiative and vote that has led the various groups to undertake a pre-ballot challenge. Achtenberg proposed such an approach when the first LaRouche initiative surfaced. After several days of intense consultations, Achtenberg, the ACLU and other lawyers decided not to use that approach. But that was in 1986.

Since then, Achtenberg notes, the community has organized, raised money, raised public consciousness and educated the public on casual transmission. In 1986, she says, a loss in court at the outset would have made the electoral campaign more problematic. That is not the case now. Furthermore, the community has more time to act now. It is still early in the political season. Finally, she adds, the Dannemeyer initiative is more vulnerable to legal challenge than the LaRouche initiatives.

If she is right, and the courts agree with her assessment, the public, which twice saw through LaRouche, may not be called upon to penetrate the dark intentions of William Dannemeyer.



FILM CLIPS

DIE HARD

Bruce Willis stars in Twentieth Century Fox's action-adventure *Die Hard* as New York City Detective John McClane, who becomes the only hope for a small group of hostages, one of whom is his estranged wife, trapped in a Los Angeles high-rise office building when it is seized by terrorists on Christmas Eve.

In a departure from his *Moonlighting* persona of David Addison, Willis plays a no-nonsense cop who is taking on twelve terrorists with grit and determination, but not without a sense of humor. Also starring are Alan Rickman, fresh from his Broadway triumph in *Les Liaisons Dangereuses*, as the terrorist leader Hans Gruber; Bonnie Bedelia (*Heart Like A Wheel*) as Holly McClane, and Alexander Godunov (*Witness*) as Karl, the terrorist with a personal grudge against McClane.



BIO:

Bruce Willis



Bruce Willis was born March 19, 1955, in Germany, where his father was in the army. When Willis was two, the family returned to their real home, Carneys Point, New Jersey. He attended high school in next-door Penns Grove, graduating in 1973.

As everyone in his working-class neighborhood was expected to do, Willis took a job at the local Dupont plant. An industrial accident (involving someone else) convinced him this was not the best way to make a living. He took a series of odd jobs and hung out in bars where they have live music. He had taught himself to play the harmonica, and soon was sitting in with a band, Loose Goose. He still enjoys sitting in with rhythm and blues bands when he can—in addition to playing with his band, The Heaters, he has played with such blues greats as Albert Collins and Sugar Blue.

His next full-time job was as a security guard at a nuclear generating station on an artificial island on the Delaware. After contracting walking pneumonia in the damp night atmosphere, he decided to go back to school. He enrolled in Montclair State College, a school with one of the best theatre departments in the East.

Before long Willis, who is remembered at Montclair not only for his talent, but for his aggressive drive, was cutting classes to audition in New York City. In January 1977, he got a part in a play called "Heaven and Earth," quit school and took a railroad flat on West 49th Street (to which he kept the lease, for sentimental reasons, after moving to Hollywood). In 1979 someone got sick and he was allowed to stand in at the First Amendment Comedy Theatre on West 22nd Street. In 1981 he played six parts in the play "Railroad Bill," one of which called for a harmonica player.

Although he was acting steadily by then, it was the succession of bartending jobs that paid most of the rent and gave him days for auditions, while at night he was honing his wit on his customers. Television commercials for Levis-501s helped stock the refrigerator for Willis and his less fortunate acting friends. In 1984, when the lead left the play, Willis replaced him permanently in the plum part of Eddie in Sam Shepard's "Fool for Love," a run that lasted 100 performances and got him an agent, Triad Artists, who still represent him.

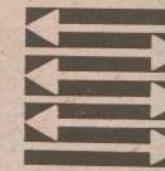
Later that year Willis came to Los Angeles for a vacation, and while in town, his agent suggested he audition at the last casting call for a new television series, *Moonlighting*. Beating out thousands of other contenders, Willis won the role of David Addison, playing opposite co-star Cybill Shepherd.

With three hit seasons of *Moonlighting* behind him and two more to follow, and with three major motion pictures to his credit, Bruce Willis has achieved international stardom in four short years.

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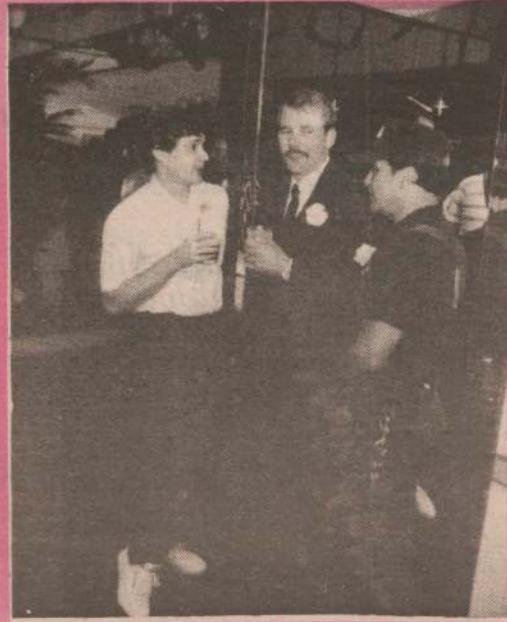
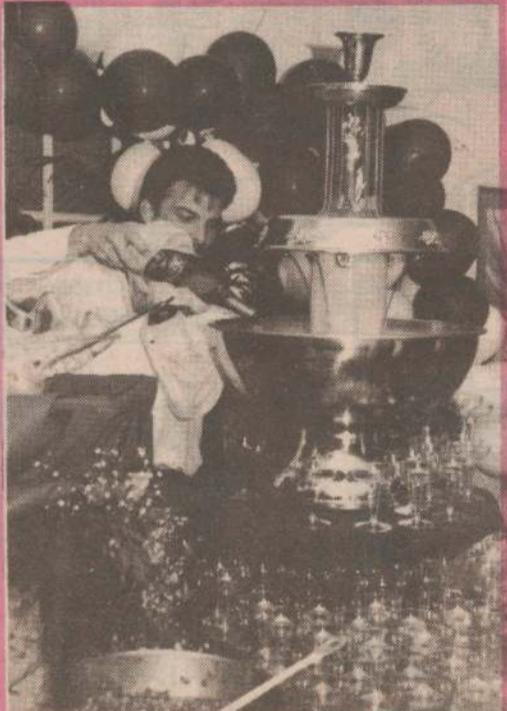
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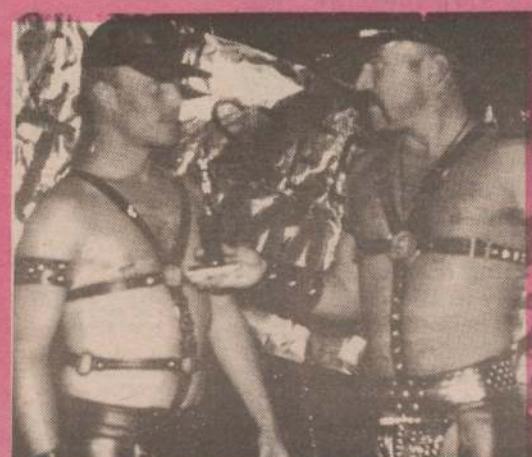
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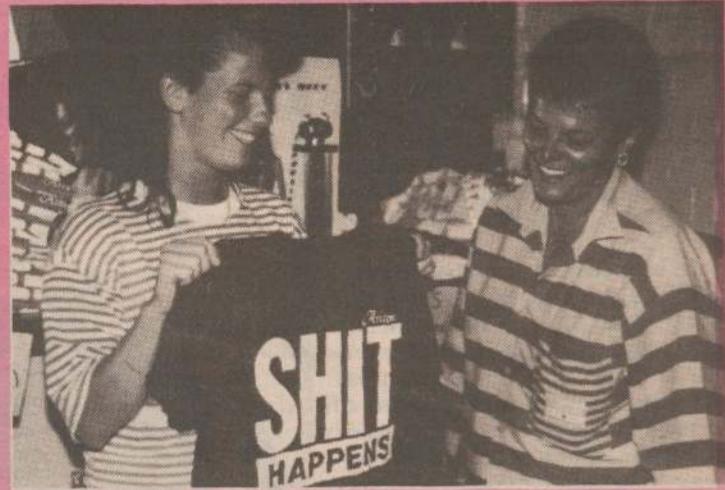
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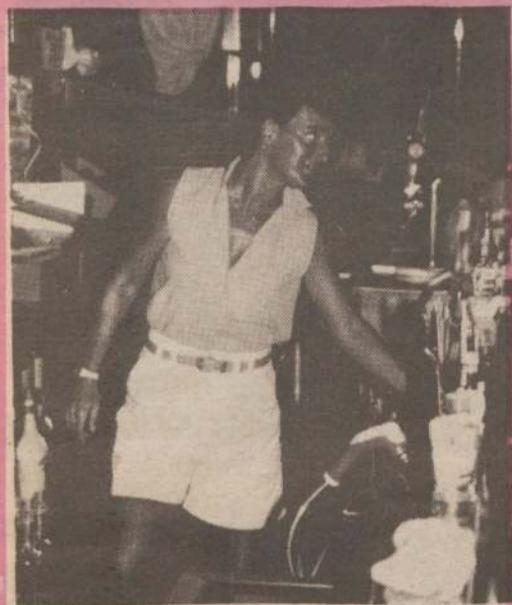
Based on a collection of poems by T.S. Eliot entitled "Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats," *CATS* is the winner of the 1983 Tony and Outer Critics Choice Award for Best Musical. The Grammy-winning musical was written by British composer Andrew Lloyd Webber, who also is credited with *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *Evita*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *Song and Dance*, and the London hit, *Starlight Express*.

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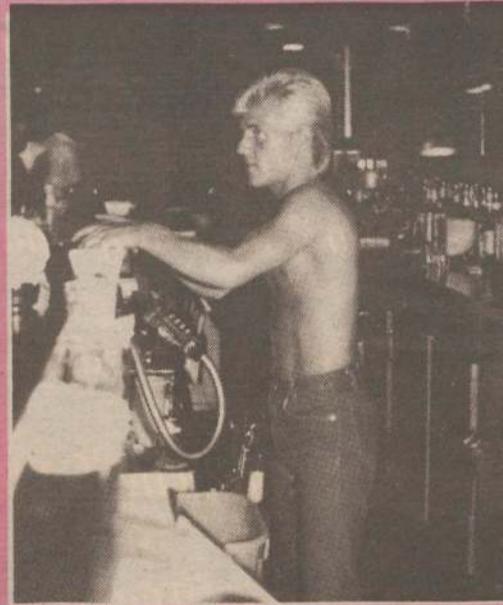
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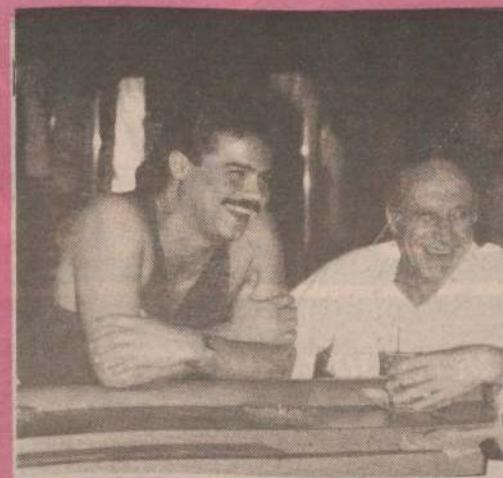
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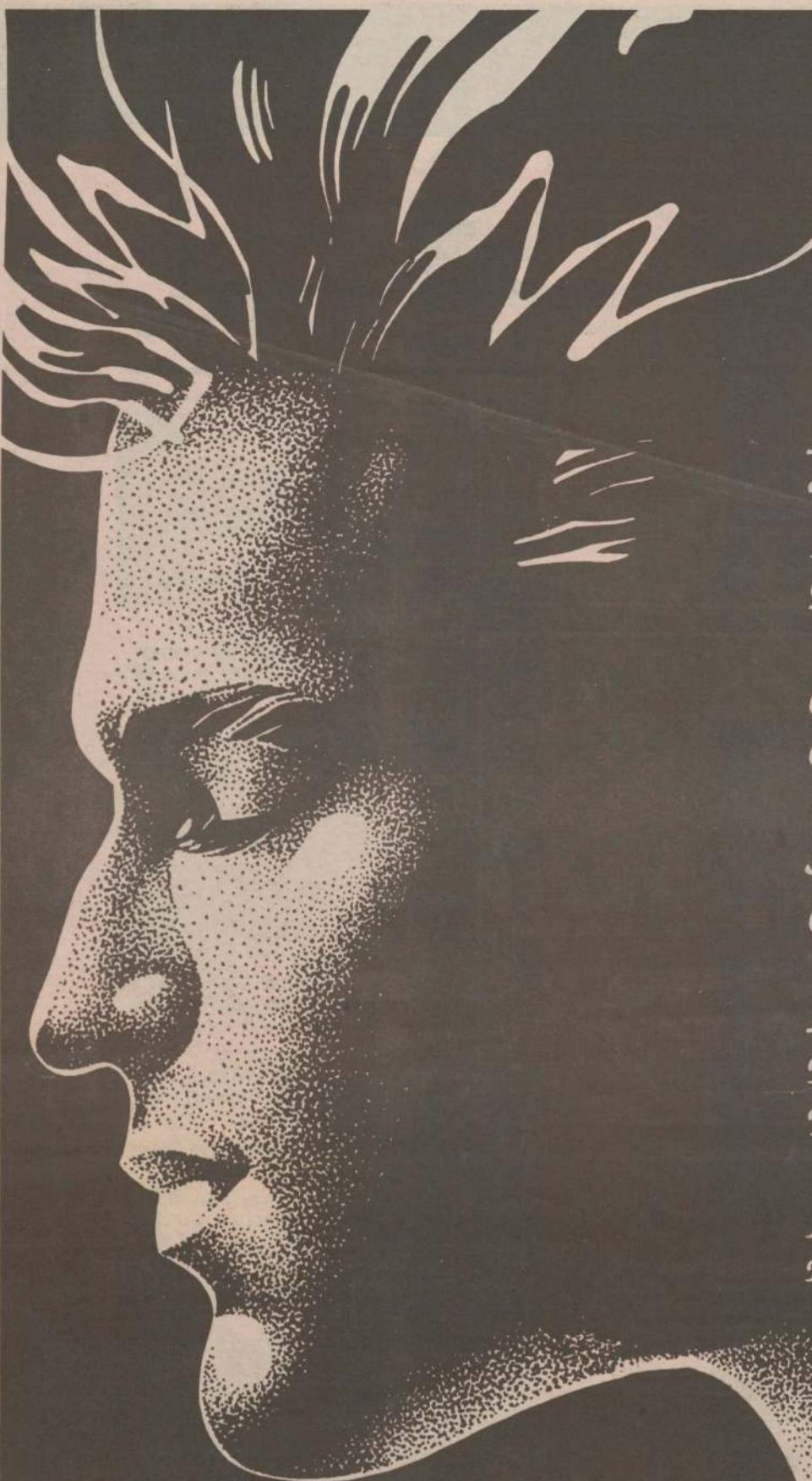
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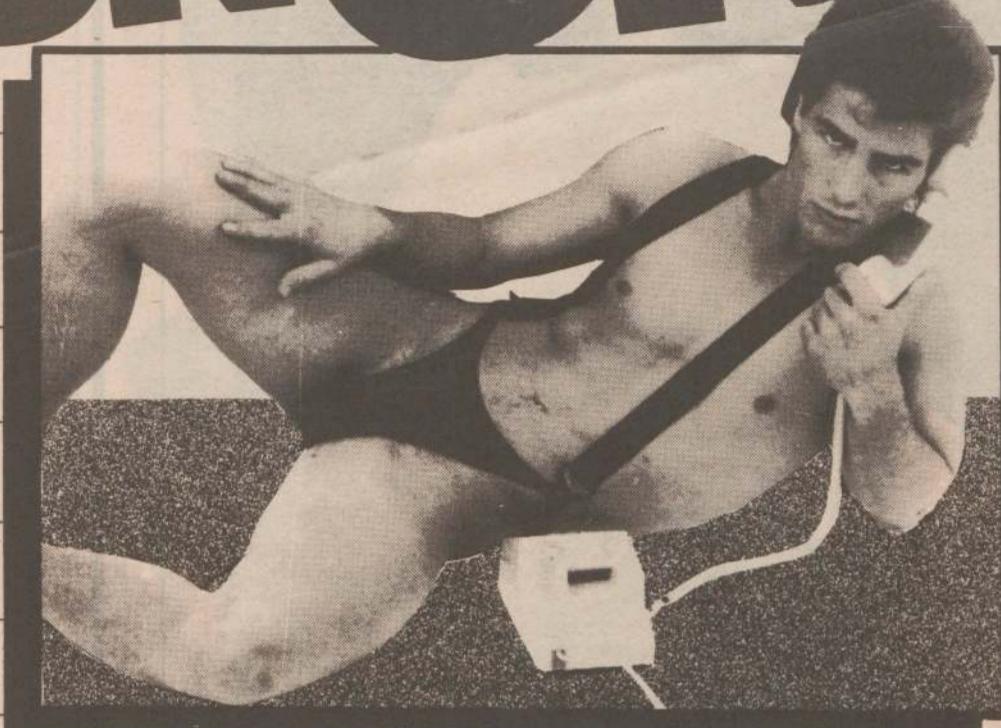


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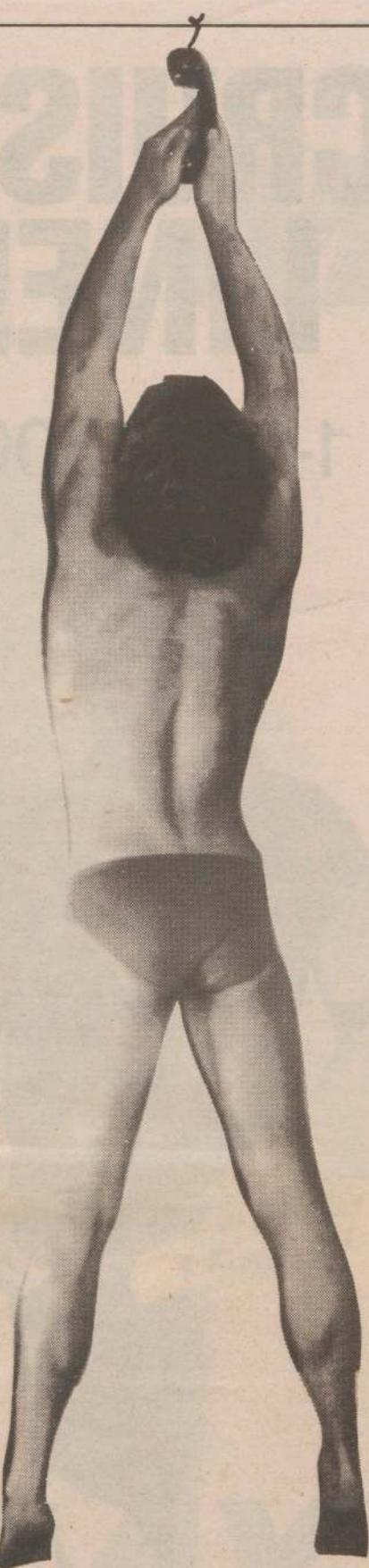
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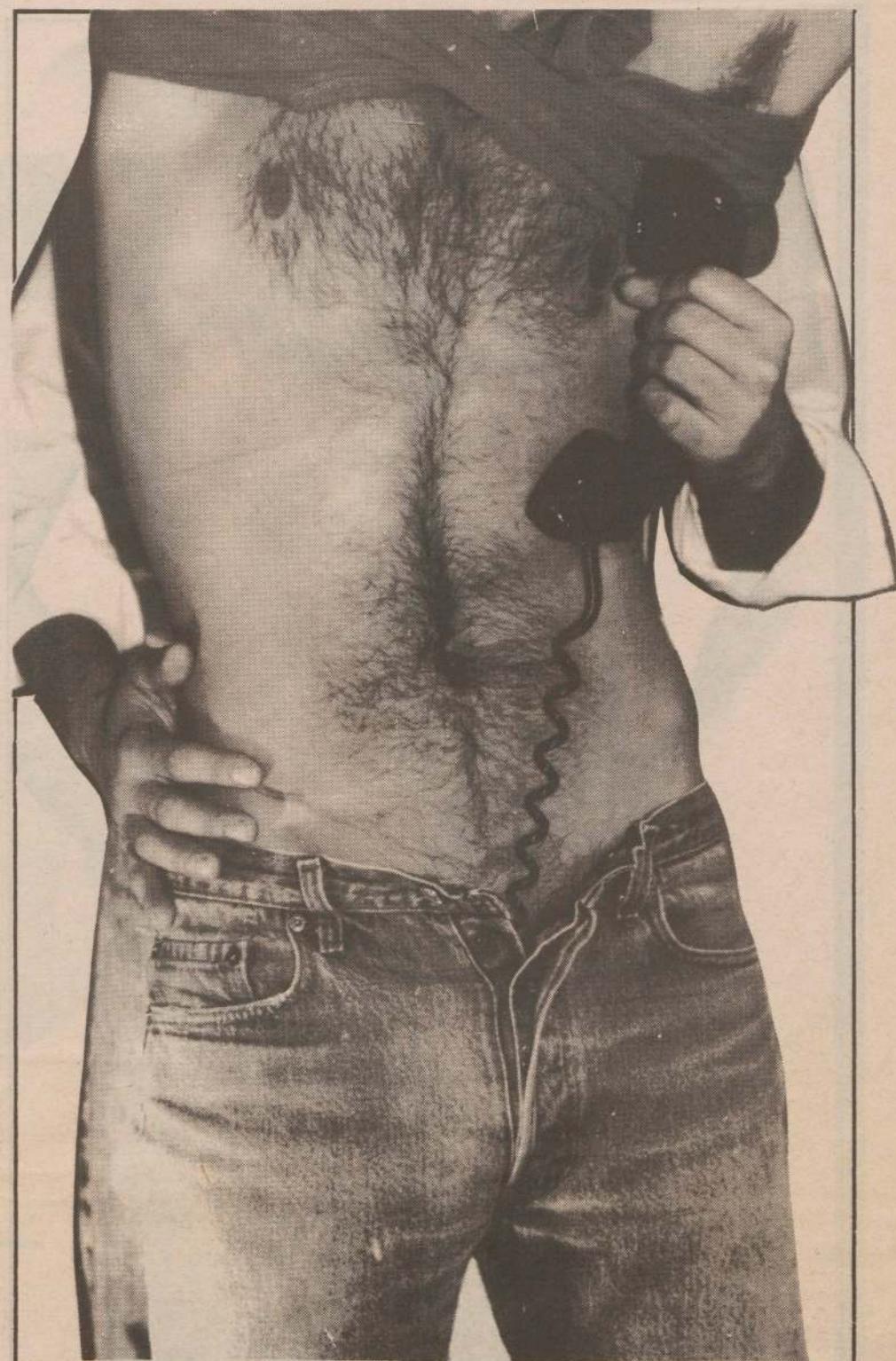
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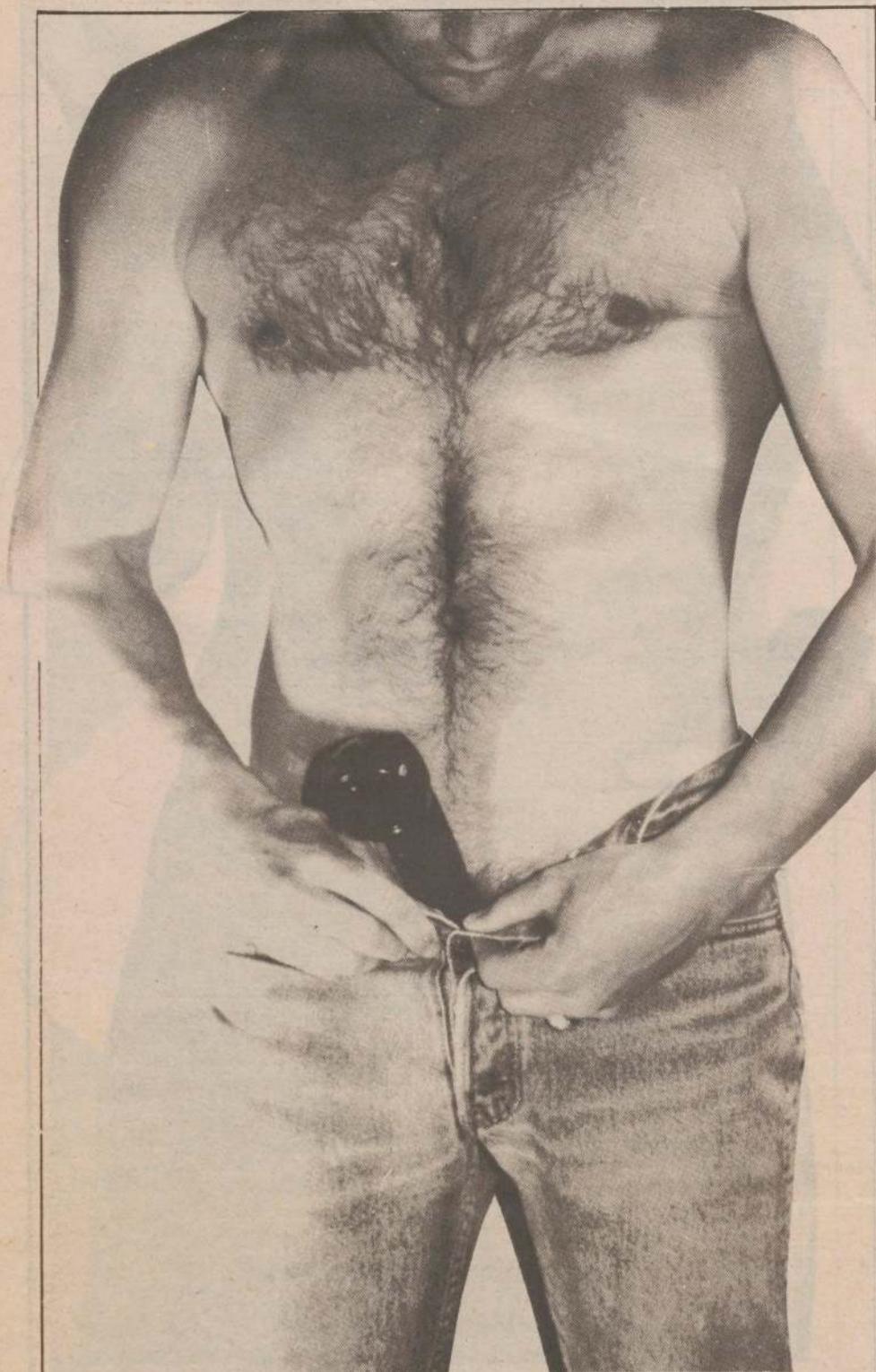


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When submitting items for the calendar, include the name of event, location, date, time, price, and a telephone number for further information to: Outlines, *Phoenix Resource*, P.O. Box 5948, Phoenix, AZ 85010.

7/23: DIGNITY/INTEGRITY Men's Discussion Group. 6:30 pm. All welcome. Call 258-2556 for location.

7/25: AIDS REFERRAL, COUNSELING, AND EDUCATION Center: Monday Night Speaker Meeting. 7:00 pm. ARCE Center. Call for info.

7/26: RELATIONSHIP DISCUSSION GROUP: Discussion topic: "How Safe is Safe Sex?" 7:00 pm. First Church of Religious Science, 6530 N. 7th Street.

7/28: WOMEN WITH AIDS SUPPORT GROUP Meeting. 7:00 pm. ARCE Center.

7/30: COUPLES OF AZ Video Night. Free screening of "The Women." 831-5920 for information.

ONGOING:

AFFIRMATION: Family home evenings. 2nd & 4th Mondays.

BOWLING: Squaw Peak Lanes, 32nd St. & Indian School, Mondays, 9pm. Northgate.

CBPA: General Membership meeting monthly on every third Thursday, evenings. Committee meetings, various throughout month; call for info 395-9632.

DESERT VALLEY SQUARES: Meets Sunday evenings at Augustana Lutheran Church, 14th Street and Virginia. "Fun Nights" alternate Thursdays at STIXX!!!!!!

GAY ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS (ACA): Meets Sundays at 8pm, Humanspace Books, 1617 N. 32nd Street. 220-4419.

HOUSE OF THE DAWN: "Lessons with Nikola Tesla" - continuing series, Tuesdays at 8:30. Videos and discussions Mondays at 7:30. Phone for info.

LGAU: Meets Thursdays at 7:30 in the Memorial Union (Student Center) ASU—Tempe. Call Denise Heap, 969-1913.

LGCS & AAIL: AIDS Information Outreach w/video presentation, Wednesdays, 6pm, at Chuck's, The Bar at the Flex Complex. Presentation also available by request—contact R. Hegyi, 234-2752/2753.

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCHES:

OASIS: Sundays at 11am. 4229 S. 36th Pl. (off Broadway). Socials, 3rd Saturdays; 1st & 3rd Wednesday Service, 7:30pm.

GENTLE SHEPHERD MCC: 3524 E. Mountain View, Phoenix. Sunday services at 10:30 am and 6:00 pm.

CASA DE CRISTO: Sundays at 8:30, 10:30, and 7pm. Turney east of 7th St.

PFLAG: Meets 3rd Mondays, Mount of Olives Church, 3546 E. Thomas, 7pm.

PHOENIX GAY AND MARRIED MEN'S ASSOCIATION (GAMMA). Meets 1st Thursdays. 435-0828.

PHOENIX GAY YOUTH: Meets Thursdays at 7:30pm. Augustana Lutheran Church, 14th St. & Virginia.

PHOENIX SHANTI: Reaching for Alternatives (a "Loving" Support group for PWAs), Wednesdays at 7pm. Women & AIDS, alternate Wednesdays at 7pm. Family, friends, and significant others support group, Wednesdays, 7-9. HLT3 "test positive" support group, Sundays at 7pm. Call for info. regarding Welcome Wagon visitation/help line for PWAs.

RELATIONSHIP DISCUSSION GROUP: Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7pm. Unitarian Universalist. 4027 E. Lincoln Drive. 870-9597.

WELLNESS GROUP: Mondays. Contact Gerrie Mayer-Gibbons through AAP or SHANTI.

SURVIVING PARTNERS SUPPORT GROUP. Tuesdays, 7-9.

PWA/PWARC Support Group. Thursdays, 7-9 Support for families, friends, significant others. Wednesdays, 7-9. HLT3 test positive Support Group, Sundays, 3-5. Call for location.

Phone individual organizations for specifics.

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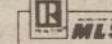
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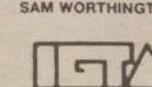
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