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Ninety year old Suffragette Dr. Alice Paul. Dr. Paul first suggested the idea of the Equal Rights Amendment in 1923. Recently Jean O'Leary of the National Gay Task Force said, "The ERA will pave the way for federal gay rights legislation."
Photo by Betty Lane

But New Penn. Vote Near

Anti-Gay Bill Dies

HARRISBURG, Pa. — One of the most virulently anti-gay bills ever passed by a legislative body in this country is now "officially dead." The bill, which barred gay people from being employed as police officers, corrections officials, mental health workers, and teachers, had been vetoed by Governor Milton Shapp after passing both houses of the Pennsylvania legislature. Although the state House of Representatives had voted to override the Governor's veto, the attempt in the Senate to override failed last week. The Democratic caucus of the Senate killed the attempt to override the veto before it got to the floor.

However, even as the latest bill failed to become law, anti-gay partisans in the Pennsylvania Senate prepared another bill, the seventh anti-gay bill introduced this year. This newest attempt at driving gay people out of state employment would specifically ban homosexuals from being employed in areas like corrections, probation, mental health, and in any state hospitals. The bill, similar to the one which Governor Shapp just vetoed, proposed a $300 fine and 90 days in prison for any gay people discovered holding jobs in these fields.

This new and restrictive anti-gay bill is expected to be voted on favorably in the Pennsylvania Senate this week. Action on the bill was delayed because of the death of wife of the Senate Majority Leader, Sen. Noland. Noland has been a prime mover in the anti-gay legislation.

Mark Siegel of the Gay Raiders, a Pennsylvania lobbying group, told GCN that he is not "too worried" about the latest proposed bill. "They killed the last one in caucus because they knew the Senate wouldn't vote to override the Governor's veto. And of course Shapp will veto the next one too," Siegel said. Siegel singled out Shapp for special praise and indicated that the entire situation of anti-gay legislation was an attempt to overturn Shapp's Executive Order regarding gay people. The Executive Order, announced by the Governor last spring, banned discrimination against gays employed by the state government. The legislature, according to Siegel, has been trying to destroy the effectiveness of that Order ever since.

Ex-WACs File Suit

BOSTON — Two lesbians discharged from the Army at Ft. Devens, Mass. last Wednesday filed complaints in the Massachusetts Federal District Court. Barbara Randolph and Debbie Watson, through their Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts attorneys, claim the Army deprived them of their constitutional rights by discharging them solely on the basis of their affectional or sexual preference.

CLUM Executive Director John W. Roberts stated today: "Fundamental to our constitutional government is the recognition of a pluralistic society. It is time the Army and other social institutions stop discriminating against people whose affectional or sexual preference is for persons of the same gender."

CLUM Attorney Jerry Cohen added that "The harassment of lesbian women is clearly violative of the rights of privacy and equal protection. We are committed to fight against these oppressive and outrageous violations of liberty."

Randolph and Watson, former privates and members of the honor platoon at Fort Devens Security Agency Training School in Shirley, Massachusetts, made voluntary statements to their commanding officers and Army Security agents concerning their affectional/sexual preference. As a result, the Army Security Agency and the Army Criminal Investigation Division conducted intensive questioning and the Army commenced discharge proceedings. Both women received less than honorable discharges from the Army in August, 1975.

Cashman Hopes Dim

By Joe Beckmann

BOSTON — The Boston Licensing Board rejected the application of Frank Cashman and his associates to transfer the license of the Back Bay-Fenway bar, Flicks, to their new organization, Viceroy Productions, Inc. In making this decision the Licensing Board responded to community pressure and effectively ended Cashman's immediate plans to move his activities from Bay Village to the Kenmore Square area of Boston. Some appeal is expected, but a reversal of the Licensing Board's decision is not considered probable in the near future.

In describing the decision, Representative Elaine Noble cited the Board's responsiveness to articulate community pressure. "This community does not want to go through the same battles which the Bay Village community has had to fight," she continued, "and we will do everything possible to stop a license before we have to fight to enforce it." She explained that the fight against Cashman's management of Flicks was not a matter of "gay or straight bar," but was a result of "safe and open management vs. dangerous exploitation of the gay community."

Representative Barney Frank, long a foe of Cashman's management of The Other Side and Jacques in Bay Village, cited Cashman's conflicting testimony about his finances as a reason for the Board's rejection. "How can Cashman have no money when he testifies for The Other Side and have $20,000 in cash for his interest in Flicks?" Since testimony before the Licensing Board is not under oath, it is merely the conflicting statements which impugn the motives of the proposed management. Because the price for the new lease was stated to be only $55,000, there were further doubts raised about the financing of the new management. Some community groups speculated that a sublease to the Vara brothers or other bar interests might be a result of a license transfer.

In a related action before the Licensing Board, the continued hearings on The Other Side and Jacques have been postponed twice. Representatives Noble and Frank, as well as community groups in Back Bay and Bay Village, are requesting that the closing hours of those bars be changed, from 2 a.m. to 11 p.m. or midnight. The management of the bars argues that such a change would, in effect, close both of them. The next hearing date is Monday, Nov. 24, at 10 a.m. in Room 805 City Hall, Boston.

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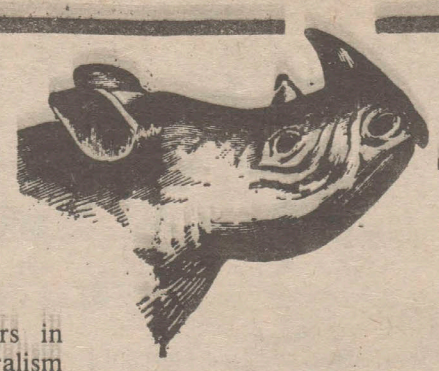
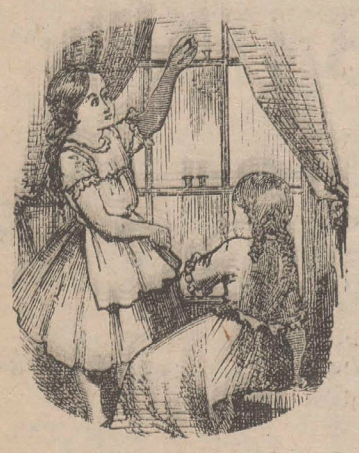


N.Y. LESBIAN CONFERENCE

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — "Lesbian Self-Expression" will be the theme of the second New York State Lesbian Conference to be held the weekend of December 5-7 in Syracuse. Workshops at the conference will include "Women Writers," "Slightly Older Women," and "Lesbian Mothers and the Law." The Conference will also feature lots of entertainment events.

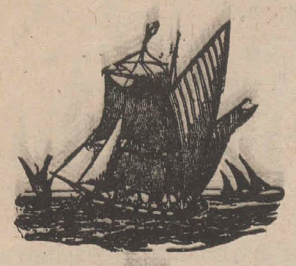
Interested women should get in touch with the Syracuse Universiy Women's Center, 750 Ostrum Avenue, Syracuse, New York 13210.



BIAS INFO

BOSTON — Anyone who knows of specific cases of discrimination against gay people by Massachusetts state colleges, universities, or community colleges is urged to provide documentation of such cases to Gay Legislation '76 as early as possible.

Planners for the 1976 gay legislation campaign in Massachusetts met last week, and were advised that Rep. Richard E. Kendall (D-Falmouth) would be willing to sponsor such a bill, but only if there could be enough evidence to support it. The information may be sent to Gay Legislation '76, c/o GCN.



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S.F. CLOUT

SAN FRANCISCO — San Francisco's Gay Community was able, once again, to prove it's political power when San Francisco voters went to the polls last election day to choose a new mayor. Although the vote on the Mayor's election is difficult to determine, since the newly-elected District Attorney has questioned the legality of the election, the city's gay voters once again re-elected Richard Hongisto as Sheriff of the Northern California metropolis (the position is somewhat equivalent to Commissioner of Corrections in other cities). Although Hongisto was quoted as saying (in the *Berkeley Barb*) that he did not require gay support to win, it seems that the gay voters gave him their votes, if current analysis of the results of votes cast in the city's Polk Gulch, Castro, and Folsom areas indicate gay support city-wide.

Dianne Fienstein, who received strong gay support did not finish with enough votes to contest the run-off between candidates Moscone and Barbageleta, who must go before the voters once again in a special run-off election.

MINNESOTA MUDDLE

MINNEAPOLIS — Observers in this citadel of midwestern liberalism are attributing the victory of Charles Stenvig in the mayorality race to his position on pornographic films and gays. Stenvig, a former policeman and "law and order" mayor, upset the present mayor, Albert Hofstede, by a close 500 votes.

Stenvig made more campaign noise about taxes and "law and order" than he did on the gay issue. But he did claim that Hofstede had been "soft" on sexploitation films and gays during his tenure in office and appealed to "Christian voters" to bring back "decency" to the city.

Interestingly enough, the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul have one of the toughest gay rights ordinances in the country.

Boar Counterchanged, as a heraldic charge.

ARREST AT JOLAR'S

BOSTON — Police here arrested a Beverly man last Thursday evening, November 13, at the Jolar Cinema, Essex and Washington Streets, downtown Boston, acting on the complaint of a private citizen.

According to Lt. Earl Bolt of the Boston Police Department's Informational Services Division, the man was charged with violation of Chapter 11, Section 311, a city ordinance prohibiting solicitation and/or accosting another person with obscene language. The Jolar Cinema has become a popular male cruising area in recent months.

The arrest was effected by Det. Edward Miller, a patrolman assigned to the Vice Control Unit.

Grotesque Work (Italian); 16th century.

LOTMAN'S 'FOLLY'

NEW YORK — "Trans-Lesbianic Follies" will have its premiere performance Saturday evening, November 29th, at the Gay Academic Union Conference at the Columbia University Campus. The play is written and produced by Loretta Lotman, formerly Media Director of the National Gay Task Force.

The play consists of a series of sketches casting a humorous eye on various Lesbian and Movement lifestyles. Though the group has only one definite performance set, they plan to book a run in New York City and possibly out of town.

For further information, contact Loretta Lotman at 130 W. 75th St., New York, N.Y. 10023.

JOIN HANDS

SAN FRANCISCO — Join Hands, a gay male prisoner support group, is about to begin publication of a gay prisoners newsletter which will also be called "Join Hands." The newsletter will consist primarily of letters, articles, poetry, and stories written by gay prisoners.

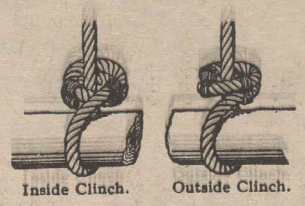
The newsletter will be available free to prisoners and will cost $1.00 per issue on the outside or $4.00 per year. For information or subscriptions, write JOIN HANDS, PO Box 42242, San Francisco, CA 94142.

FOOTBALL WOMAN

ALBUQUERQUE — Students at the University of New Mexico named a lesbian feminist as homecoming queen and found themselves in the thick of controversy. According to a report in *New Times Magazine,* after students had named the woman, P.M. Duffey-Ingrassia as queen, threats of violence came pouring in. Finally New Mexico's Governor Jerry Apodaca changed his plans about crowning her.

Nevertheless, the half-time ceremony took place anyway at the game without the Governor on hand. *New Times* quoted the new Queen as saying, "Right now I feel pretty and witty and gay. I'm not trying to make a mockery of homecoming. I'd just like to see it brought up to date."

The University of New Mexico has had a chequered history of ruling monarchs. In 1970, the students named a long-haired male as homecoming queen.



Inside Clinch. Outside Clinch.

LESBIAN LAWYERS

CHICAGO — A national meeting of Lesbian legal workers, law students, and lawyers will be held April 9-11, 1976 in Chicago. Application/registration forms can be obtained by sending a self-addressed envelope to Atty. R. Hanover, 54 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601.

MUSIC MAKERS

BOSTON — A Gay Musicians Coop has recently been formed in Boston. At present, it's composed of 2 violins, cello, keyboard, 2 recorders, flute, and voices. The Coop is open to both women and men. The group has been playing mostly baroque and renaissance music but is open to other possibilities. Gay composers are also welcome.

The first meeting featured a potluck brunch and a read through of "The Fairy Queen." The next scheduled brunch/reading session is Sunday, November 23 from 11:00 to about 3:00. Anyone interested in participating should call John 523-2525, Darius at 723-6268, or Duncan at 723-2268.

PRESTON QUITS

SAN MATEO, Calif. — John Preston, editor of *The Advocate,* announced his resignation effective December 1, 1975. Making the announcement, Preston cited it as a "purely personal decision." He also stated that although he will be leaving his position, he will continue to serve as a consultant on the Board of Directors for Liberation Publications, Inc.

Robert I McQueen has been hired by *advocate* publisher David Goodstein to replace Preston, who joined the national gay newspaper when it changed owners a year ago.

MAINE LINE

By S. W. Henderson

PORTLAND-GORHAM — Last week's announcement that the Gay People's Alliance's budget had passed the Appropriations Committee of the Student Senate of the Univ. of Maine at Portland-Gorham was a little premature. The group was erroneously informed of the passage. In fact, drastic cuts had been made. These were restored on the floor of the Student Senate, but only after the Alliance representatives had undergone two hours of gruelling questioning, of which the average level of intelligence was, "The swimming club doesn't need a counselling service, why do these people want one?" One senator announced that he was starting a group expressly to fight the Alliance. The Senate is dominated by Sigma Nu fraternity, the local chapter of which is noted for sexism and homophobia, and has ducked charges of unfair election practices. It may be an interesting year for campus politics. The Gay People's Alliance is an enthusiastic, energetic group and is guaranteed to give any homophobe a run for his/her money.

In another victory, the Alliance obtained office space in the Student Union of the Portland campus. The group hopes to have a joint phone line with the Maine Gay Task Force, so that incoming calls can be answered at either office. This should improve communications among activists in the Frozen North.

ORONO — The Wilde-Stein Club reports that their dance, the first since December 1973, was a resounding success. About fifty people attended, of whom at least 15 were Lesbian feminists. The group is, of course, much pleased and plans to hold more dances in the future. This is a welcome development, since there has been little Gay organizational activity in northern Maine since last spring.

REMINDERS: The next Maine Gay Task Force meeting is on 7 December at 193 Middle St., Portland, at 1:00 p.m. The Gay People's Alliance meets every Thursday night in the Student Union on the Portland campus at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome. Wilde-Stein meets in the International Lounge in the Memorial Union on the U. of Maine at Orono campus, Fridays at 7:30. Meetings often adjourn to member's homes, so be prompt. A Gay rap group meets in the MGTF office every Friday at 8:00 p.m.

by Martha Adams

Rep. Barney Frank

Frank Talk

By Ken Withers

BOSTON — " —" is what Democratic State Representative Barney Frank would advise possible presidential candidates to say loudly about Gay rights.

Speaking last Monday before the Harvard/Radcliff Gay Student Alliance, he said, "I hope the presidential candidate will be a person, who when asked, will say, 'yes, I'm for Gay rights' and then not talk about it much."

He justified this by saying he has a "very low opinion of people in general," that people will not vote for a candidate who makes Gay rights an issue, and it would be better for a candidate to keep quiet and get elected rather than "lose gloriously."

"Don't assign the role of issue development on the candidate," he said.

He also applied the same philosophy to the issue of busing and school desegregation, saying the candidate should mention these things during the campaign — "twice."

Frank endorsed Morris Udall for the Democratic nomination, but said he would work for Fred Harris, Birch Bayh, Scoop Jackson, or Sergeant Shriver if any of them got the nomination, and he added that even Hubert Humphrey "would be a superb president."

Quakers Struggle with Gayness

CAMBRIDGE — The American Friends Service Committee, the social arm of the Society of Friends (Quakers) and one of the most dedicated and highly respected peace and civil rights organizations, has begun to struggle with the issue of gayness. Until recently, the AFSC made no mention of gay liberation in its activist campaigns that have ranged from anti-draft and anti-Vietnam actions to support for the black and women's rights movements.

However, things are beginning to change with the American Friends Service Committee. First of all, George Lakey, one of the "stars" of the pacifist movement and author of the well-known "Strategy for a Living Revolution," "came out" as a bi-sexual before an audience of 1500 at the Friends General Conference. And two months ago, eighteen members of the AFSC staff all over the country, including three people at the Cambridge office, announced that they were either gay or bi-sexual in an open letter to the AFSC community.

When Lakey came to Cambridge last month as part of his lecture tour, he lead a discussion with straight and gay members of the AFSC staff to "sensitize" them to gay issues. After Lakey spoke, gay staff people Jan Beck and Richard Valdez talked with GCN about their hopes for a major change in AFSC policy.

Both Beck and Valdez emphasized that there are many areas in which the AFSC is now active where they are directly involved with gay people and issues — gay prisoners and counter-military activities as well as women's issues involving lesbians. It is vital for both personnel and other programs to be "sensitive" to the needs of gay people in these areas, they felt. In addition, "We hope that the AFSC will be able to make a formal policy statement," Beck said. "We would like to get gays added to the Organization's Positive Action Statement on Third World People. We'd like to 'monitor' GAY PEOPLE APPLYING FOR POSITIONS HERE. And we'd like to get the Friends Committee on National Legislation to support the Abzug bill," Beck said.

George Lakey, Quaker pacifist leader.

Valdez said that he hoped that there could be a "reciprocal volunteer effort" in which gay people could involve themselves in AFSC programs while benefitting from AFSC legal advice and ties with the bail fund. "Gay people must realize that certain members of the AFSC community are trying to reach out to them." He put great stress on the issue of parallel struggles.

Both Beck and Valdez indicated that when the Friends do finally "come around" on the gay issue, they won't be paying mere lip-service. "Once the Friends take a stand, there is a great depth of committment," they said. "Vietnam is a perfect example of that."

High Court Gets Sodomy Challenge

NEW YORK — The United States Supreme Court may soon be ruling on the legality of laws restricting consensual adult sexual acts now in force in 37 states. Two Virginia men, who challenged the constitutionality of that state's sodomy laws are now appealing their case to the Supreme Court. Both the Virginia Civil Liberties Union and the National Gay Task Force are working on this historic appeal.

The decision to appeal the Virginia case comes in the wake of a three judge federal panel's rejection of the suit in a 2-1 decision on October 24. In a strongly worded minority opinion, Judge Robert Mehrige took exception to his fellow judges and wrote, "I can find no authority for intrusion by the state into the private dwelling of a citizen .... The Supreme Court has made it clear that the fundamental rights of such an intimate facet as an individual's life as sex, absent circumstances warranting intrusion by the state, are to be respected...the issue centers not around morality or decency but the constitutional right of privacy."

In a plea for money, Dr. Bruce Voeller of the National Gay Task Force said that the case "should become the 'Brown v. Board of Education' of the gay movement. If the high court strikes down the Virginia law, the laws of the other 36 states still having restrictive laws will fall simultaneously.... If gay people everywhere help raise the needed money, we should have a landmark case with even greater application and effect to most gay people's lives than the Matlovich case."

Anyone wishing to contribute to the fight on the sodomy law should write out a check to the NGTF, 80 Fifth Avenue, New York 10011, with a letter earmarking the funds "sodomy law challenge."

Bias Charges Hit New Boston Bar

By Neil Miller

BOSTON — Two present employees and one former employee have accused Fifteen Lansdowne Street, Boston's newest gay discotheque, of racist and sexist policies. The allegations involved the discotheque's issuance of "privilege cards" for special events and do not involve accusations of people being turned away at the door. The management has denied the charges.

One present employee of Fifteen Lansdowne told GCN that he had seen a large pile of applications for "privilege cards" that the management had rejected and was returning to the applicants. He claimed that all the rejected applications, which include photos, were those of women or black men. As he did not have the opportunity to see the accepted pile of applications, it was possible, he noted, that some black or women applicants might have been sent acceptances. However, he noted that the pile of acceptance envelopes, which he did see, were all marked "Mr."

The employees told GCN that in the first days of the club, waiters were lined up just before closing and urged to give out cards with the club's hours (not to be confused with "privilege cards") to the patrons. One of the management allegedly told the waiters, "Hand them out to you know what kind of people." When some of the waiters asked him what he meant, he is claimed to have said, "You know, no blacks, no women."

On another occasion, one of the employees stated, a manager told him not to give out publicity cards to any blacks. When the waiter said, "And not to any women, too, right?," the manager was said to have replied, "Now you get the idea." The employee also noted that "After he told us that, we went around giving out cards to every black and woman in sight. Everybody knows it's going on," he said.

One representative of the management of Fifteen Lansdowne indicated that there was no truth whatsoever to the allegations. He stated that the discotheque has no policy of discrimination against anyone and indicated that, at this point, applications for "privilege cards" were still being accepted.

Little Support Urged

BOSTON — The Gay Participation Committee of the National Student Coalition Against Racism (NSCAR) has issued a strong statement urging all gay people to continue to support Joanne Little in her court struggles in North Carolina. According to Ken Withers of the Committee, "Joanne is not yet free. The state is still trying to railroad her into jail on a breaking-and-entering charge."

Withers stated that "We in the Gay community have supported Joanne massively in the past, and the battle is far from won. I urge all to donate to her campaign for freedom, and more, join the National Student Coalition Against Racism's campaign to end the reign of racism sweeping the country from the schools to Congress."

Little was recently acquitted by a jury in North Carolina on charges of murdering a jailer whom Little claimed tried to rape her. In a letter made public by NSCAR, she recently stated, "Our fight is far from over — both here in Raleigh and everywhere where women are oppressed and Black People face discrimination and racist violence." She urged support of NSCAR's anti-racism campaign.

The Gay Participation Committee urges gay people to contribute to the NSCAR-JoAnne Little Fund, by stopping by the NSCAR office at 612 Blue Hill Avenue in Dorchester or by sending a check to the above address. "We are all in this together," emphasized Withers, "and by working together, we can win."

Dr. Lear 'Comes Out'

CHICAGO — Dr. Walter Lear, one of the directors of the Northeast Pennsylvania Department of Health, "came out" publicly as gay at the convention of the American Public Health Association last week in Chicago. The Association is the largest and most influential public health organization in America. Lear made his announcement in a speech to the convention and formed a gay caucus at the gathering as well. The caucus is the first in the organization's history.

Dr. Lear, who was a close friend of the late Dr. Howard Brown, is one of the highest public officials in the country to ever "come out." He had informed Pennsylvania Governor Milton Shapp of his decision before he went to Chicago and received the Governor's "blessing."

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EDITORIAL

The difficulty of getting pro-gay legislation passed is made clear when one realizes the ease with which anti-gay legislation passed in Pennsylvania. Some states have removed sodomy laws from their books as part of their general revision of their antiquated sex laws. But, with the exception of California, no state has done this as a single piece of legislation. Furthermore, not one state has passed legislation which protects the civil rights of gays.

An anti-gay bill prohibiting gay people from being employed as teachers, policemen or prison guards, recently passed by both houses of the Pennsylvania legislature by a unanimous vote. The bill further stated that any known (or admitted) homosexual should be relieved of their jobs in five specific areas. The areas include prisons, juvenile law enforcement, the mentally ill and the mentally retarded. The Pennsylvania legislators evidently still believe the stereotype of gays as child molesters and predators.

Gov. William Shapp properly vetoed the bill; however, the legislators are planning on introducing another anti-gay bill.

In New Hampshire, Gov. Meldrim Thomson has threatened to initiate anti-gay legislation in response to a recent New Hampshire Supreme Court ruling. (The ruling found that the University of New Hampshire had no legal right to limit the activities of the campus Gay Students Organization). Thomson and his ally, Loeb the Homophobe of *Manchester Union Leader* fame, have the power to pass such legislation.

Gays must realize the danger that much anti-gay legislation may be passed while bills which would protect our rights languish in committees throughout the country.

We must form stronger alliances with other civil liberties groups, for there is safety in numbers. We can no longer afford the luxury of standing alone and saying their problems are not our problems. Organizations, such as NAACP, NOW, ACLU, and The National Women's Political Caucus have received support from gay people in the past. We believe it is essential that this support continue and grow. Now when gays find themselves in the dangerous position of being "outlawed," we call upon these allies to take action and protest. We are not asking any of these groups to lose sight of their own goals, nor are we telling the gay community to lose sight of theirs. We are suggesting, however, that our groups have sufficient commonality to enable us to unite on some topics, this being one of them.

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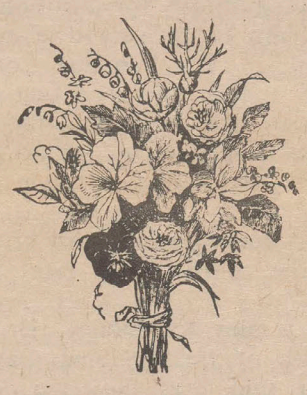


Dear GCN:

I've been meaning to write to tell you that I enjoy your paper and find it very informative. I also wanted to thank you for the enthusiastic review of *Lesbian Voices* published in GCN.

At the moment, I wish to comment on Margo's complaint in the Oct. 11 issue that the NJLC definition of "lesbian" makes "no allowance for bisexuality." Why should it? A lesbian is a lesbian. There is a perfectly good term for bisexual women which distinguishes them both from lesbians and from heterosexuals. It is: BISEXUAL!

In Lesbian Identity,
Rosalie Nichols, Editor
Lesbian Voices

singing in the rain

Dear Editor,

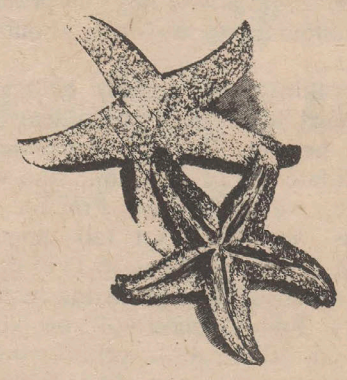
I visited "The" gay discotheque on opening night last night, and ended up going home thinking that we of the Boston gay community are again being sapped by an incredibly insensitive and irresponsible management, the likes of which have heretofore been limited to the operators of two Broadway establishments two miles away from Lansdowne Street.

Any bar that forces over one hundred first-night patrons to stand for twenty minutes in a downpour on a cold night clearly does not deserve to be patronized. This asinine act on the part of the management made it seem like we were begging to get into their bar, when, in fact, they should have welcomed our business.

The music was so loud you couldn't see, never mind hear, the people you were with. What should be a place to socialize with other people has, under the not-so-good graces of the Fifteen Lansdowne management, evolved into a brassy, noisy, uncomfortable, and irritatingly dismal excuse for a gay bar.

When will we wake up and not give our business to those who make us stand in the rain, pay exorbitant prices for items not worth it, and then insult us once we get inside?

Sincerely,
David P. Brill



grand jury witchhunt

Dear People,

I'd like to let you know that I was in total sympathy with Jared's letter a few weeks ago on your editorial content, policy (?). The grand jury "witchhunt" is a basic issue and critical to the movement. We should give utmost support and respect to those women that have resisted the state and been placed in jail.

I think that it is essential that we view our politics critically and GCN could be an important place for this dialogue to occur instead of using it to promote bars which are for the most part, rip-off places that exploit gay culture and gay people.

Yours in struggle,
Peg Waletzky

GCN wishes to thank Nora, Madelaine, Ellie Boswell, & Donna Price for the fine benefit at the Randolph Country Club.

Ellie Boswell notes that the gay community has acknowledged her as a fine entertainer and as an entertainer hopes that all goes well with their cause.

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in support of gays in the military

Dear all,

Some feelings on the ongoing topic of whether or not we should support gays in the military: Even though i do not believe that peace will ever come by building armaments or armies, I must give my support to gays in the military.

There are many kinds of liberation. You can liberate your country from foreign rule the way Viet Nam kicked out the U.S. You can liberate people from an oppressive economic system such as capitalism which pits people against one another instead of working together. You can liberate people from roles which prevent everyone from fulfilling their potentials. And we must also work on liberating our minds from impediments such as jealousy, envy, greed.

All of these kinds of liberation are desirable and ultimately necessary. But we have to start somewhere. Randolph, Matlovich and others are rocking the boat. They are pointing out to the world just how oppressive this system is to gays. Every time you rock the boat, there is the potential for you and others to see even further through the disastrous social systems which encumber us all.

Also we should remember that subversion from within a system is very important. Who knows what else Matlovich and Randolph have up their sleeves? And finally, any gay person who stands up against the enormous taboos in this society, deserves support.

Sincerely,

satya

ups and downs

Dear GCN,

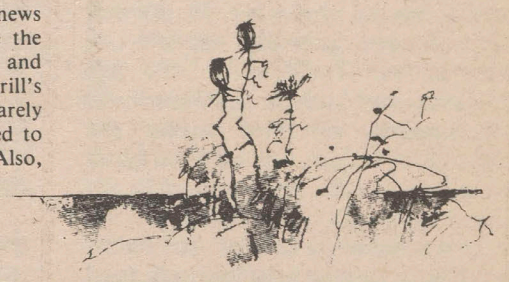
I was perplexed at reading the heated criticism you received recently. Though I would agree that you have your ups and downs on incisive news coverage, I do believe that on the whole the newspaper has been steadily growing more and more meaningful and professional. David Brill's political analyses are fine, even though I rarely agree with his conclusions. And I'm pleased to see the regular return of A. Nolder Gay. Also, the increasing coverage of our minority's minorities is just great.

Although I agree with the loud if lovable Ms. Loretta Lotman that the two pages on Edward II were excessive (Letters, *GCN*, Vol. 3, No. 20), I take exception with Loretta and continue to find Skip Rosenthal's features a gas.

Continue the good work.

Yours,

Vincent Hoskinson



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GAY LIBERATION AND/OR DAVID

By Owen D. Beall

There seems to be a number of aspects to David Brudnoy's career, namely, journalism, film and book critic for the *National Review* and commentator for a Boston television station, that at one time or another overlap to produce a new aspect which has recently become visible. That is, he appears to have become, in his eyes and I fear in the eyes of many others, the father confessor to gay-homosexual people. And in this capacity he speaks out, more specifically, in articles and on television for the cause of gay rights. I feel, however, that his views are inimical to the cause of gay rights and to freedom and dignity in general. What follows is in part a look at some of Mr. Brudnoy's activities as a spokesman for gay liberation.

This summer brought Mr. Brudnoy and his critic's pen to Provincetown, Massachusetts where he reviewed restaurants and films and contributed articles to the Provincetown *Advocate.* One of those articles was a review of the fabled night life of the town. I won't bother you with the details of that article except to relate that he thought that the straights were an innocuous bunch who generally went home early and did straight things whereas the gays deserved praise for having the pluck to stay out later but on the other hand deserved condemnation for talking only to other gay people and never to straights.

Other of Mr. Brudnoy's items, "inter alia," have appeared in the *Gay Community News* (Boston) on August 16 and September 27, 1975 and in the *National Review,* July 19, 1974. Now, in some of these articles one can find some of his opinions such as, ". . . so long as private activity doesn't involve forced compliance with someone else's will, the law shouldn't interfere . . ." and, ". . . but the vast majority of these [homosexuals] want equality under the law for the same reason that say, blacks demanded it: to insure constitutionally guaranteed rights." and, ". . . the maltreatment of human beings in Soviet Russia, as depicted in *The Gulag Archipelago* [is the same as] the maltreatment of homosexuals, including the psychologically debilitating sense of shame and guilt imposed by heterosexuals." Mr. Brudnoy has also attacked staunch conservative opinion, as opposed to his own "conservative-libertarian," which regards the drive for gay rights as an affront to Western Civilization, the family and fundamental ethical assumptions, calling these opinions, in effect, hackneyed.

Now these views, looked at on the face of it or semantically, appear enough to win the hearts and minds of every thinking and good-willed individual. But in light of an analysis of his larger assumptions, both these former opinions and these assumptions appear as what I really believe they are: self-serving, idle and indicative of a kind of privilege, at once subtle and powerful, which goes beyond ordinary conceptions of rigid "class" lines and boundaries not to destroy them but to create them anew.

Mr. Brudnoy also does not like the "package deal" that "with-it leftie radicalism" offers as an alternative to bigotry. The "package deal" includes ". . . socialized medicine," "Affirmative Action" quota programs, forced busing to achieve dubiously thought out social results, FCC crackdowns on allegedly "sexist" TV shows . . ." And to the "package deal" Mr. Brudnoy opposes his own view of the issue, described variously as "classic libertarianism," "conservative-libertarianism" or as "the perspective of minimal government advocates." The "package deal" is also described by Mr. Brudnoy as a syndrome whereby ". . . virtually any 'liberation' movement . . . virtually any 'liberal' bit of wit and wisdom is accorded some degree of favorable response, from tepid to ecstatic."

Now it is not my desire to voice an opinion on such things as socialized medicine, affirmative action programs or forced busing. I am interested in the topic of gay liberation and the ideas which Mr. Brudnoy has forwarded in that connection. Those ideas are in themselves not very clear but their implications are.

Therefore I ask, what does "classic libertarianism" mean. It means only one thing. It means that Mr. Brudnoy thinks that it is a good thing. That is all it means, as such. Its invocation is an excellent example of the kind of fallacy which the social scientists Stanislav Andreski and Thomas Szasz have pointed out. It is an example of the smuggling in of judgments of value disguised as judgments of fact. In other words, Mr. Brudnoy has managed to spend a lot of time and words defending "classic libertarianism" without really saying in an adequate manner what it actually "does."

The second major flaw in Mr. Brudnoy's thinking is his uncritical lumping together of homosexuals, blacks and women in relation to oppression. It is my contention that the oppression of homosexuals is different than that of women and blacks. A homosexual is oppressed only in so far as he publicly chooses to associate with activities so-called "gay" or "homosexual" of his own free will. This is not to deny that blacks and women have free will but to say that blacks and women did not choose the condition, namely skin color and biological sex, which is directly responsible for calling out the oppression they get. But Mr. Brudnoy believes that ". . . these [homosexuals] must suffer the torments of the damned, hating precisely that which is irreversible, precisely that which infuses every aspect of their being . . ."

Thirdly, Mr. Brudnoy comes out in defense of the ". . . free market [which] eventually takes care of irrelevant discrimination, both racially and in relation to sex and sexual orientation." Now personally I am also for the free market system but I find I cannot muster the kind of neat and naive confidence in it which Mr. Brudnoy evinces. The time is past where we can invoke such terms without explaining what the effects of the invoation will be. The free market is fine for those that can operate in it but I believe it is necessary for Mr. Brudnoy to add to his conservative opinions that "libertarian" adjunct precisely to obscure that fundamental conflict, that either-or proposition which is essential to nearly all political thinking, conservative or liberal. That either-or boils down here to the simple fact that either one is in the free market with the power to play its games or one is not. Mr. Brudnoy realizes this when he says that ". . . obviously there are homosexual chauvinists who, like heterosexual chauvinists would (*if they could*) force their life style on others." (emphasis mine) Obviously then, "free market" can mean two different things. It can mean that the free market exists to serve the purpose of the free market as such or it exists to clarify meaning in light of an open pursuit of truth, objectivity and fairness in order that, among other things, diversity may be enjoyed for its own sake. I ask you to consider which meaning Mr. Brudnoy subscribes to.

In all these matters outlined above, Mr. Brudnoy's bemused complacency is shocking but hardly surprising for he presents us a picture of an old, old story which he would call "new" if he were not more fond of "libertarian." He is the perfect example of a man who will tolerate people so long as it is provided that those people want to be like him. I hope it is clear by now that if one is taken in by the ostensibly sympathetic side to Mr. Brudnoy's persuasions one also comes, almost unwittingly, to share his other assumptions which I believe I have shown to be the idle and alarmingly sanguine opinions of a first class paternalist. Perhaps it is true that one "package deal" has wrapped up another.

Where Mr. Brudnoy fails us utterly, gays or straights, is revealed in his complete disregard of history. He fails to understand that oppression is something that literally takes time. For gay people it means that straight people organize their lives in such a way that the things in their lives for which they evade responsibility are made to appear larger than life in other people. This way guilt is avoided if one can persuade oneself that somehow someone else is more guilty for those things for which that one person is primarily responsible. Because many straight men see no difference among women — see them as objects in other words — they are relieved if they can imagine that there is another class of people, namely women (primarily) and gays (also) who have sex on their minds more than they do (if that is possible). And because communication in a straight environment involves an excess of a ritual, cultic "exclusion" and therefore, for them, a commensurate amount of ritual, cultic "inclusion," straight people are relieved of the burden of this telling awareness by imagining that there is another class of people for whom this same fact is somehow more true: again surely those gossipy women and gays, who you will remember, Mr. Brudnoy has condemned because they always talk to each other and never to straights. It is these mechanisms of hate, the question of how much difficulties have come about and time itself, plain killing time which Mr. Brudnoy would gloss over with his patronizing conception of "rights."

And it is precisely that patronizing, self-serving and empty philosophy which "is" classic libertarianism" of which conservatives are merely the most notorious examples and towards which most stupified and lazy-minded liberals aspire, whether they say so or not. Privilege then is a way of thinking which can incorporate "class" lines but more often than not is capable of exceeding those lines in ways we take quite for granted. And just because, when reading Mr. Brudnoy you have to take a lot for granted, I find it necessary to coin a word to keep in mind when reading his kind of thinking. "Demagogue" and "mystagogue" have provided my cue so I enjoin you to try "thinkagogue."

Editor's Note: In an attempt to get our readership more involved with the paper, GCN is offering this space for opinions, views or feelings on gay issues. Articles submitted to us for this space should be addressed to Forum, c/0 GCN. The articles should be 500 words or less and whenever possible they should be typewritten and double spaced. Although, GCN reserves the right to edit all copy we will honestly strive to edit for length not for content. This is your column, say what you want!

Dear Rita,

As you have said,

"An army of lovers can not fail."

Lead on, my beloved.

Happy Birthday.

Elaine

NEW YORK REVELATIONS

By Tony Russo

NEW YORK — With the **New York Gay Academic Union (GAU) Conference** approaching this weekend, it seems likely that Columbia University will be hosting the largest Gay conference ever held. The anticipated attendance goal originally was 1000. Already, the GAU Conference Committee expects this goal to be surpassed.

For Columbia University, the event will be of notable importance. Since the inception of Gay People at Columbia (GPC) in 1966 (formally the Student Homophile League), Columbia University has refused to host Gay-related events with a few exceptions finally made in 1975. If Gay events were held, GPC was always forced to turn to the religious center and not to the student activities center. Thus, GPC achieved the reputation of outcast among student groups. For GPC this conference will help prove otherwise.

This year's conference will last three days, covering over 50 panels and workshops with over 180 speakers. Some of the panels scheduled are:

Gays in the Military, Gay Religion, Gay Psychological Counseling, Teaching Gay Courses, Civil Liberties: Do They Exist?, Coming Out and Staying Out, Publishing Gay Books: A Look at the Market Place, Approaches to Gay Activism, Patchwork Majority, Paedophilia, Gay Student Struggles Panel and Workshop, The Gay Movement, Class and Feminism, Images of Lesbians in Fiction, Lesbian and Gay Poetry, S&M, Transsexualism, The Gay and Non-Gay Media, Black and Puerto Rican Gays, Parents of Gays, Gays as Parents, Gays in Prison, Financial Counseling for Gays, Economic Oppression of Gays.

Various people speaking on the panels will include: **Sidney Abbot, Ti-Grace Atkinson, Stephen Bull, Charlotte Bunch, Janet Cooper, Gene Damon, Martin Duberman, Peter Fisher, Bertha Harris, Richard Howard, Rudolph "Skip" Keith, Florynce Kennedy, Barbara Love, Leonard Matlovich, Kate Millett, John Money, Jean O'Leary, Betty Powell, Nathalie Rockhill, Vito Russo,** and **Ruth Simpson.** Those scheduled to speak at the opening session will be **Dolores Klaich** and myself. During the Saturday general session **John Money** and **Kate Millet** will speak. At the closing session **M. Louise Crawford, Jim Levin, David Goodenough** and **Kate Salin** will give the final remarks.

There will be a wide variety of entertainment for the conference. Events planned are plays, concerts and dances on both Friday and Saturday evenings. Those included in the program will be **Jade and Sarsaparilla, The New Haven Women's Liberation Rock Band, Paul Wagner, Kay Gardner, Women Like Me,** and **Miles Fusco.** The plays will consist of "Coming Out Blackouts" by **David Rogensack,** and "Trans-Lesbianic Follies" written, produced and directed by **Loretta Lotman.**

Although an ambitious schedule, it seems likely that the conference will provide something for everyone. At this point the only logical question raised is: "How can one be seven places at the same time?" The way the committee solved that problem was to have all panels taped for later shows on WBAI. Did someone really think they left out an area?

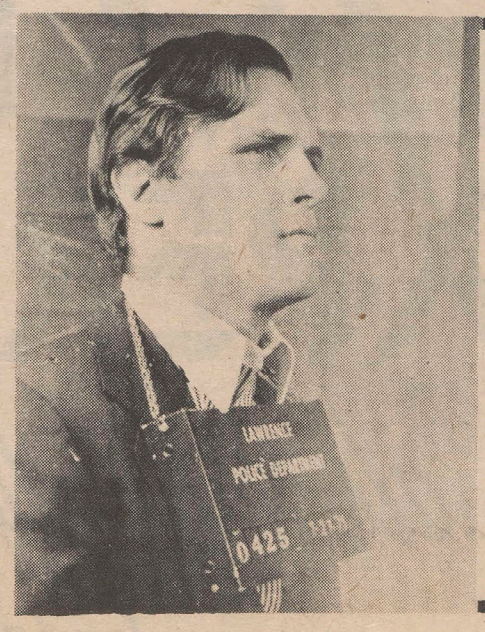
Grasso, Salmon Queried

Governors Hedge

PHILADELPHIA — The Governor of the state of Washington, Daniel J. Evans, has responded favorably to the idea of issuing an Executive Order on gay people, similar to one issued by Governor Shapp of Pennsylvania. In a letter in response to a survey of State Houses by the Philadelphia-based Gay Raiders, Evans replied, "...I have asked our Department of Personnel to look into this situation, to determine if discrimination does exist, and to report back to me on the necessity of issuing an Executive Order."

However, the governors of two New England states were not as forthcoming as the liberal Republican Washington Governor. Ella Grasso, Governor of Connecticut, not known for her sympathy towards gay people, wrote the Raiders, "I appreciate you giving the benefit of your views on this matter, and I will keep your comments in mind when considering any future legislation in this area."

The Executive Assistant to Gov. Salmon of Vermont, Joseph Jamele, Jr., had the following response: "Under our State Civil Service laws, discrimination against individuals for any reason involving personal freedoms is illegal and subject to appeal by the offended party. There is similarly no Vermont-based gay organization which has claimed its membership has been discriminated against in either the private or the public sector. To raise the issue in Vermont would be to create an issue in Vermont," the Governor's aide wrote.



MURDER SUSPECT: The Boston Police Department has asked for the assistance of *GCN*'s readers in locating the above person, John Blodgett, 24, of South Boston, who is wanted for the March 22 murder of John Asinari and possibly in other gay-related attacks in the Boston area. Height 5'10", weight 150 lbs., date of birth February 17, 1951. He "must be considered very dangerous," according to Sgt. John Daley of the BPD Homicide Division. Anyone having seen him is urged to contact Sgt. Daley at 247-4470.

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Hoosier Leads Rights Fight

BLOOMINGTON, Indiana — The new "anti-Christ" of this midwestern university town is Brian De St. Croix, city councilperson and strong supporter of gay rights. St. Croix first gained public identification with the issue of gay rights, four days before the recent November election for City Council. At that time, the Bloomington city building inspector had refused to sign a building permit for the establishment of a gay community services building. St. Croix immediately lambasted the commissioner's action in extremely strong terms. The Commissioner soon reversed his decision.

De St. Croix's criticism of the denial of permit caused great controversy in this conservative area. In the election held four days later, De St. Croix lost about 700 votes on the issue, dropping from first to third in the Council balloting. He was still easily re-elected, however.

De St. Croix, a native of Milton, Massachusetts, has now decided to sponsor legislation to the city human rights code that would ban discrimination on the basis of sexual preference. As a result, the city's churches have launched a petition drive against the bill. However, De St. Croix isn't worried. "I've got the votes," he told GCN.

Libertarians Meet

NEW YORK — Roger MacBride and David Bergland were nominated here last week by the Libertarian Party to be that party's candidates for President and Vice President in 1976, respectively. LP's party platform includes a resolution calling for the end of government regulation of sexual matters.

Boston LP member David Long, who made an unsuccessful attempt at running for mayor of Boston this year, was recognized at the convention for his efforts on the party. Long's campaign themes included not only opposition to police harassment of gays and prostitutes, but opposition to public transportation, rent control, and busing to achieve racial balance.

A faction of the party calling itself Libertarians for Gay Rights caucused at the convention, with the goal of promoting libertarian ideals within the gay community and to educate straight Libertarians aware of special circumstances faced by gay citizens. Persons interested in contacting the group should write to John Vernon, 120 N.W. 4th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73118.

GAY MEN'S CENTER NEWS

By Stephen Skuce

BOSTON — The Boston Gay Men's Center is pleased to announce the location of its new headquarters. The men at November 16's planning meeting voted to rent the space at 36 Bromfield Street, consisting of one large room which will house the main activity center (lounge, coffee, large meetings, conversation and reading space), and two smaller rooms to accomodate smaller rap groups, meetings, phone referral service and so on. Slated for occupancy in December, the Center will need plenty of elbow grease to get it going — cleaning, fixing, painting, etc. — and anyone willing to help should attend one of our Sunday planning meetings which will be meeting at 3:00 p.m. at our new address. Don't be late since we haven't installed a buzzer yet, and the outside door must remain locked.

It looks as though the Film Festival will be *the* cultural event of the season in Boston. On Friday and Saturday, December 5 and 6, in the UMASS building at Arlington and Stuart Streets in Park Square, two excellent and rarely shown films will be screened. The offerings are "Tricia's Wedding" (1970), the Cockettes' startling story of passion and ultimate redemption, featuring Tricia, Eddie, Mamie, Daddy Dick, and the whole White House gang; and "This Special Friendship" (1965), directed by Jean Delannoy. This is an exceptionally sensitive treatment of the relationship between two boys in the cold, harsh environment of a French parochial boarding school in the 1930's. For a donation of $2.00 this is an excellent opportunity to attend an evening of fine entertainment while supporting a sorely needed institution. Refreshments will be available, as will complimentary copies of *The Limp Fist,* the Center's monthly newsletter.

Donations can be made to the Center in the form of a check payable to Gay Men's Center or GMC and mailed to Box 5200, GCN, 22 Bromfield St., Boston, MA 02108, or better yet, a monthly pledge in any amount you can afford sent to the same address. Include your name and address with pledges: a pledge entitles you to free monthly editions of our newsletter, *The Limp Fist.* For more information, call Lee at 491-6968 or Darius at 723-6268.

Jade and Saz Return

BOSTON — A dispute between the popular lesbian singing duo, Jade and Sarasparilla, and WCVB's "Good Morning Show" has ended in a victory for the two women. Terri Knopf, Talent Coordinator for the show, had told the two women that they would be unable to perform on the show if they sang "lesbian love songs." The women, who had appeared on the show several times before, refused to agree and cancelled their appearance, scheduled for early December.

However, after pressure from Gay Media Action and other sectors of the community, Knopf changed her mind and agreed to let the women perform whatever material they wanted. She had originally cited complaints from viewers and the nature of her audience in deciding to censor the performers' material. Bill Russell, manager of Jade and Sarasparilla, told GCN that he was "very pleased" at the Channel 5 decision.

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MAGNUS HIRSCHFELD

German Jewish Liberationist in a Nazi Era

By Allen Young

If being a doctor is one of the noblest statuses one can achieve in Jewish culture, and being a *feigele* (faggot) is one of the lowest, then being both must make for a rather traumatic and interesting life.

I think it is a juxtaposition of fates that is easily understood for its irony if nothing else.

Some years ago, in a Catskill Mountain hotel where I was working as a busboy, I heard a Borscht Circuit comedian tell a joke about two Jewish mothers who were discussing their sons. One mother revealed that her son was a homosexual, and when the other mother expressed her sympathy, the first mother said, "It's all right. He's going with a nice Jewish doctor."

In "Sunday Bloody Sunday," Peter Finch played a homosexual Jewish doctor. It was the first commercially distributed film that portrayed homosexuality in a positive light; I wonder what typical Jewish viewers thought about that.

I made love with a Jewish doctor just the other day. We had a nice time.

Magnus Hirschfeld was a homosexual Jewish doctor who, I believe, was one of the most heroic figures of the early twentieth century. Recent research by gay liberation activists has taught me and others about this great man. As a gay Jew, I feel a great sense of pride and love for the memory of Dr. Hirschfeld — along with a sense of anger that his very existence as a man of science and humanity was hidden from my view for so many years.

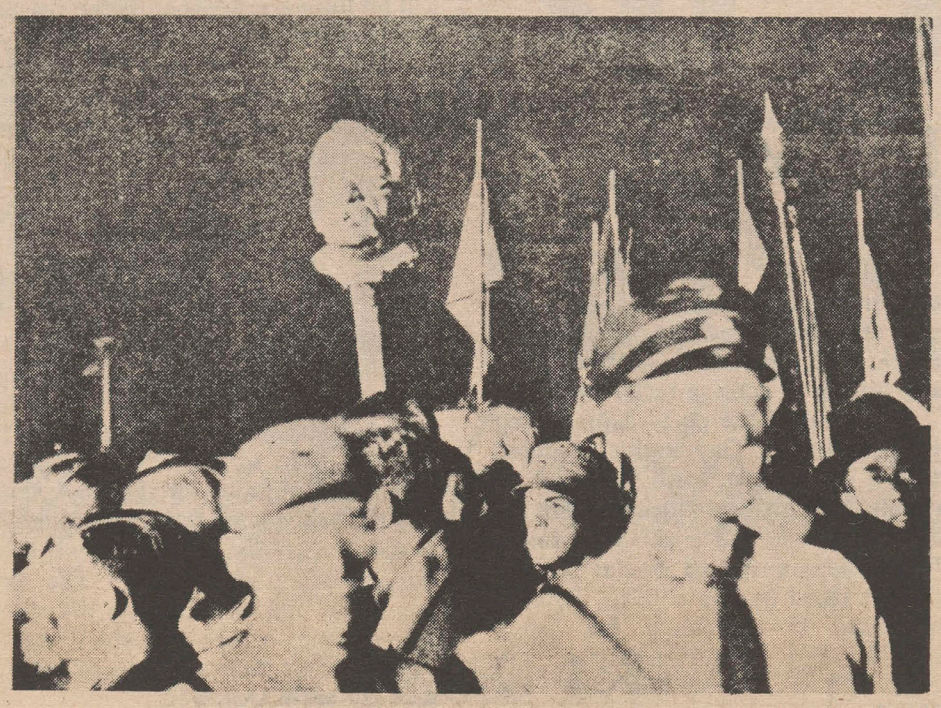
Magnus Hirschfeld must be recognized as one of the founding fathers not only of the gay liberation movement, but of sexology itself. In 1897, he founded the Scientific Humanitarian Committee, and he was the mainstay of its organizational and publication efforts for decades. In the Committee's yearbook, as in his own first book (*Sappho and Socrates*), Hirschfeld developed a scientific view of homosexuality and spoke out in defense of what he termed "intermediate sexual types."

Hirschfeld was both scientist and crusader. His work included research in many fields, including literature, biology, and anthropology. In his medical practice, Hirschfeld specialized in nervous and psychic maladies, and he saw many patients. But his Committee was politically involved. It held regular public forums on homosexuality and worked long and hard in a petition campaign designed to repeal the German laws against homosexuality (Paragraph 175, still a part of German law today).

This petition campaign was a monumental effort. The sex reformers won the support of August Bebel, the great Social-Democratic leader, who took the floor of the Reichstag to argue for the petition. More than 6,000 prominent figures, half of them doctors, signed the petition. Some of the signers were Finance Minister Rudolf Hilferdin, Hermann Hesse, Franz Werfel, George Grosz, Krafft-Ebing, Karl Kautsky, Edouard Bernstein, Lou Andreas-Salome, Max Brod, Martin Buber, Albert Einstein, Kathe Kollwitz, Heinrich Mann, Thomas Mann, Carl Maria Weber, Stefan Zweig, Grete Meisel-Hess, Gerhardt Hauptmann, Karl Pauli, Rainer Maria Rilke, and Arthur Schnitzler.

Hirschfeld helped to make an early gay liberation film, entitled "Different From the Others" (though apparently no copies of this film are extant).

Hirschfeld travelled throughout the world on several occasions. In 1893, he visited the World's Fair in Chicago. In 1931-32, his speaking engagements took him to many cities in the United States. His last speaking tour ended in Palestine, where he had been invited by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.



Nazis burning the bust of Hirschfeld, from *Anthropos*.

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One of the many famous people who Hirschfeld met in his travels was Emma Goldman, the Russian-American anarchist. She credited Hirschfeld with helping her "to shed light on the extremely complicated problems of sex psychology," and she was one of the first people in the U.S. to speak out in favor of gay rights. In an article that Goldman wrote for the Scientific Humanitarian Committee's yearbook, she said:

I regard it as a tragedy that people of a differing sexual orientation find themselves proscribed in a world that has so little understanding for homosexuals and that displays such gross indifference for sexual gradations and variations and the great significance they have for living. It is completely foreign to me to wish to regard such people as less valuable, less moral, or incapable of noble sentiments and behavior .... Even years ago, when I still knew nothing about sex psychology and my only familiarity with homosexuals was limited to a few women whom I got to know in jail, where I wound up because of my political convictions, I firmly stood up in defense of Oscar Wilde. As an anarchist, my place has always been alongside the persecuted.

Hirschfeld's early work on homosexuality coincided, in fact, with the hysteria of the Wilde trial, all the more reason to regard it as courageous. His first book, *Sappho and Socrates,* was the result of the suicide of one of his patients, a young officer who shot himself on the eve of his marriage, bequeathing to Hirschfeld many of his notes and drawings. Previously, Hirschfeld had done research into alcoholism. Undoubtedly, it was his own homosexuality, teamed with his understanding of suicide and alcohol as a response to homophobia, which led Hirschfeld to the politics of gay liberation.

Hirschfeld's dedication to sexual liberation was combined with an internationalist sense of justice that included pacifist and socialist views. The motto of the Scientific Humanitarian Committee was "per scientian and justitiam" (Justice Through Science). When Hirschfeld was only fifteen, he published his first article, "The Dream of a Universal Language." His early studies were in the area of languages and philosophy; only later did he go to medical school and develop an interest in psychology and sexololgy.

In 1919, Hirschfeld founded the Institute for Sexual Science, an important precursor of the Kinsey Institute. For the home of his institute, Hirschfeld acquired the mansion of Prince Hatzfeld, German Ambassador to France. The beautiful building housed a special library of some 20,000 volumes, and its facilities were visited by thousands of researchers from all over the world.

Not everyone took Hirschfeld seriously, however. Because of his own homosexuality, Hirschfeld's pioneering work, for all its rigor and seriousness, was often rejected by other sexologists. One of the United States' most famous and financially successful anti-homosexual psychiatrists, Dr. Albert Ellis, wrote in his book, *Homosexuality: Its Causes and Cures*, that Hirschfeld and other pro-gay writers were "sex deviants" whose work was "hardly unbiased or reliable." Ellis apparently never questioned the bias induced by his own sexual preference!

During the First World War, Hirschfeld devoted himself to the care of prisoners, especially exchange prisoners, in Switzerland and Holland. The *Encyclopedia Sexualis,* published in 1936, gives this account of the next phase in Hirschfeld's life — his encounter with Nazism. This was written for the *Encyclopedia* by Hirschfeld himself:

After the War, when the Nazi movement gripped Munich and spread in ever larger circles throughout Germany, Hirschfeld's name was placed on the proscription list. After delivering a popular scientific lecture in Munich, he was brutally attacked on the streets. Unconscious, he was taken to the Surgical Clinic, where his injury was diagnosed as a fracture of the skull. As the press carried a notice that the attack had proven fatal, Hirschfeld had an opportunity of reading his own obituary.

The Nazis persecuted Hirschfeld, not only on account of his 'non-Aryan' extraction, but also because of his open acknowledgement of pacifistic and socialistic tendencies, and his work in sexual science.... They continued his persecution relentlessly; they terrorized his meetings and closed his lecture halls, so that for the safety of his audience and himself, Hirschfeld was no longer able to make a public appearance.

In Greece, after several years of absence, Magnus Hirschfeld again stepped on European soil; now he heard tales and warnings from Germany which made it clear that his life was in danger if he returned to his homeland. Hirschfeld then went to Vienna, later to Switzerland to work on his book of travels. It was in Switzerland that the news reached him that one hundred of the 'Nazi Committee Against the Un-German Spirit' had broken into his Institute [May 6, 1933], destroying the greater part of his collection and scientific material and removing more than 12,000 volumes from the library, which [on May 10], together with a bust of Hirschfeld, they publicly burned. [See photo]

Thereupon the Institute was officially closed. Now [1935] it houses the National-Socialistic Juristic Union; the Nibelungen Verlag; Anti-Communistic Society; Institute for Research in Freemasonry; Institute for Research in Judaism. Hirschfeld's personal property was confiscated for the benefit of the Prussian government, on the ground that he was 'antagonistic to the spirit of the State.'

A few days after the destruction of the Institute, Hirschfeld was in Paris; visiting a cinema, he saw with his own eyes, on the screen before him, the burning of his library. In France, where he now lives, he was hospitably received as a scientist.

Shortly after this autobiographical sketch was written for the *Encyclopedia Sexualis,* Magnus Hirschfeld died in Nice, France, May 14, 1935, on his sixty-seventh birthday.

In the town of Kolberg, where Hirschfeld was born, the Nazis attacked the memory of another Jewish doctor, Sanitary Councillor Doctor Hermann Hirschfeld, Magnus's father. The older Doctor Hirschfeld was responsible for many hygienic and social measures, so when he died in 1885, the citizens of Kolberg erected in his honor a public monument in recognition of his outstanding work.

"For nearly fifty years, this monument graced the city," Magnus Hirschfeld wrote proudly, but "the Hitler regime removed it from sight because the man whose name was thus commemorated was a Jew."

In its obituary on Hirschfeld, the New York *Herald Tribune* noted that "some fanciful writer once called Dr. Hirschfeld 'the Einstein of sex,' because he adhered to the theory that sex endowments and impulses in the individual were 'relative.' There was no strict demarcation between the sexes, mentally or physically, he be-

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Lily Tomlin Supercomic

a review by Don Shewey

Whether she intends to or not, Lily Tomlin is doing things no other performer is doing. Besides delving into film acting with an integrity in choosing roles matched only by Cicely Tyson and few others, besides making records her own way that still sell like crazy, Lily Tomlin has revolutionized the dubious art of comedy.

Truth resounds throughout the work Lily has produced for public consumption, and truth is not always funny. She dares to be serious within the realm of comedy. She performs bits that make her audience look at their own individual contributions to social mediocrity and human cruelty — a rich girl looking down her nose at a poor lady, a mother refusing to deal with a grisly scene of children's violence ("Billy, where's your leg? Well, you just go back and find it, young man! Do you think legs grow on trees?")

But when she chooses to be funny, her comedy is superb, and most amazing because, unlike almost every other comedian ever, it never originates in a superior contempt for another's misfortunes. She works with characters drawn with love and human detail. If the laughs happen at the expense of anyone, it is herself. "Of course I think Hollywood is corrupting. That's why I came out here. I don't know when I realized it, but I began to feel my integrity was holding me back, you know, hurting my chances for happiness." Onstage in her Boston concert at the Orpheum, she mused, "I wonder about being a success in a mediocre world ... I have to acknowledge to myself that I'm not being spontaneous."

While Lily is relentlessly honest and personal with an audience to the point of vulnerability, she remains cool or at least indifferent toward the media. While granting a brief interview with myself and the *Globe*, she declared, "I wish I would never be in the papers again...Say I've got $900,000 in the bank, and I'm quitting show business. I was only in it for the money anyway." And she's got a point. You can find out anything you want to know on her records, especially the latest and best, *Modern Scream*.

Want to know her attitude toward gays? The bit that follows speaks for itself. Interviewed by *Modern Scream* reporter, Deirdre Dutton, Lily responds to the question, "About your frank film about heterosexuality — did it seem strange to you seeing yourself making love with a man on the big screen?"

"Well, I did a lot of research, and by the time we began shooting I was used to it. I've seen these women all my life, so I know how they walk, I know how they talk. Of course, I did interview some psychiatrists, but they didn't have the answers. Of course, I got a lot a flak from Straight Liberation groups — some thought I went too far, some not far enough. And my family said how could you do such a thing? People wonder how a woman who looks like me could play a woman like that. They just don't understand that you don't have to be one to play one."

Because of all this, Lily Tomlin appeals to all kinds of people, especially women; all kinds of gay people, especially gay women. Why is it that so few comics know how to deal with gays or women positively? "Maybe they think it won't appeal to a large mass of people," Lily suggested, "or maybe they just feel that way." And with insatiable curiosity, I asked if she were gay, and got what I deserved. "I don't think it's my business to discuss my sexuality," she said without a trace of defensiveness, "or *your* sexuality." Touche!

Lily, from a photograph in *After Dark*.

As far as the concert went, Lily Tomlin's show defined the term "tour de force." I could regale you with dozens of great lines, but I'll restrain myself to a few. She performed all of her well-known characters — Edith Ann ("I took my dog Buster roller skating in the park and he turned his ankle, so I had to carry him home in a shopping bag."), Ernestine ("Who's calling, please? You're from the AMA? What's that stand for, Anna Marie Alberghetti? [snort] Oh, don't get so uptight, it was just a little joke, not unlike Medicare."), the Tasteful Lady ("Catch me later, won't you, at the Wilson Hotel rinsing out my panty hose?"), Sister Boogie Woman ("People say to me, Sister, I don't believe in nothing — I believe it's all done with mirrors. And I say, my friends, boogie is believing in the makers of those mirrors!"), and many more.

The best lines came as Lily lounged around on the floor and shot one-liners at the audience: "I've been to six different stores looking for a can of rat hairs and animal impurities, and every one I found had tuna fish in it. Every time I see a Yield sign on the highway I feel sexually threatened. Why didn't Nixon impeach us, so then we could get out? Why is it when we talk to God we're said to be praying, but when God talks to us we're schizophrenic?" And on and on and hilariously on.

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Sondheim Sinks, "Overtures" Stinks

A Review by Don Shewey

Take a bunch of actors and dress them up in colorful Japanese costumes, build a set that resembles an exhibit of Oriental heirlooms, throw in a theme of corruption by American imperialism, top it off with music by Stephen ("Follies," "A Little Night Music") Sondheim, and you've got "Pacific Overtures." Sound exciting?

Believe me, it's about as exciting as a fresh pile of Siamese cat doo-doo. "Pacific Overtures" is a tacky, soulless spectacle that crudely exploits Japanese culture in order to bring something unique to Broadway. Written by John Weidman, the play contains lengthy Japanese folk tales woven into the insidious plot of the American interference with Japan's self-imposed isolation, all achieved with remarkable incoherence.

"Pacific Overtures" looks like it wants to be a Brecht-Weill musical, and the set, a flat Kabuki thrust stage with moveable screens and set pieces, succeeds in its purpose of allowing smooth, Brecht-style staging. But the play fails monumentally because of its useless and banal score, which reduces the action to a standstill with its painful stagnancy. The stately Far Eastern rhythms could be brought to life with great intensity if any of the main characters could sing.

There are two very nice songs — "There is No Other Way" (accompanied by beautiful Kabuki dancing by Soon-Teck Oh) and "Welcome to Kanagawa" (sung by men dressed as Japanese whores) — but to compensate for such quality, the score includes the stupidist number I've ever heard in a musical, "Someone in a Tree," which not only adds nothing to the plot but goes on forever. The first act ends with an eight-minute solo "Lion Dance" that goes nowhere, mostly because the dancer spends all his time trying not to trip over his coattails.

The play's final scene, in which the actors shed their costumes to reveal their denim-clad Westernized selves, could have been powerful and cathartic if anything had led up to it. But as performed, "Pacific Overtures" ultimately slanders the Japanese people by portraying them as greedy, undignified beggars.

Why, in a cast of 50 roles, do the men play all the speaking roles while the four women only change the scenery? Why didn't the director find some actors who could sing? When will Sondheim learn that you can't have three people singing different words at the same time without making an unintelligible mess?

The cast of "Pacific Overtures".

Look, if you like Stephen Sondheim so much, by all means go see "Pacific Overtures." But you'd be better off having a nice dinner at a Japanese restaurant and asking to look at the family scrapbook.

Notes: Opening this week: At the Boston Rep, "Murder in the Boston Garden," a new play by Robin Brecker, directed by Susan McGinley. ... The Colonial stays dark until December 22 when Katharine Hepburn hits the stage in "A Matter of Gravity" ... After their long-running production of Genet's "Deathwatch" closes, the Cambridge Ensemble plans to adapt "Gulliver's Travels" to the stage, to open December 26.... The ongoing, non-rhetorical question: why is there so little gay and feminist theatre in Boston?

Hirschfeld

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lieved.

"'Beneath the duality of sex there is a oneness,' he said. 'Every male is potentially a female and every female is potentially a male. If a man wants to understand a woman, he must discover the woman in himself, and if a woman would understand a man, she must dig in her consciousness to discover her own masculine traits.'"

Hirschfeld's methods of study, the obituary explained, "were those of the consultant. He said once that he had talked with 30,000 men and women, who unburdened their troubles and maladjustments to him, confident that he could help them. Usually he could and did; each case that came to his institute received his personal attention. He devised a questionnaire which engaged persons might answer to determine before marriage if they were emotionally suited to each other. It was embarrassing, Dr. Hirschfeld used to say, how at parties, in private homes or public places, strangers to him, who knew his reputation as an emotional adjuster, would approach him and lay bare their souls.

"So this little, pudgy professor, with his Byronic neckties and his thick spectacles, who looked as if he never had got closer to human realities than drinking an occasional glass of beer, became a father confessor to thousands. He was a firm believer in the therapeutic value of full and frank verbal confession, like the psychiatrist and the priest, and he learned never to be surprised at what he heard. After hearing new and strange deviations from the norm, he began to wonder what the norm was and if there was such a Plimsoll mark of human nature."

Special thanks to Jim Steakly, author of the new book *The Homosexual Emancipation Movement in Germany* (New York: Arno Press, 1975) and to David Thorstad and John Lauritsen, authors of *The Early Homosexual Rights Movement* (1864-1935) (New York: Times Change Press, 1974).

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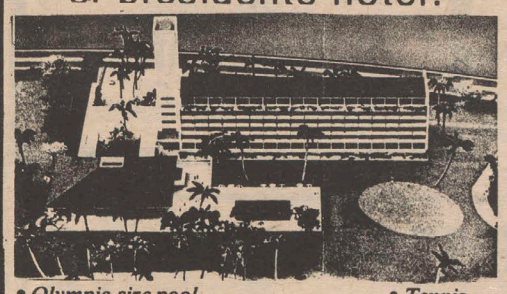

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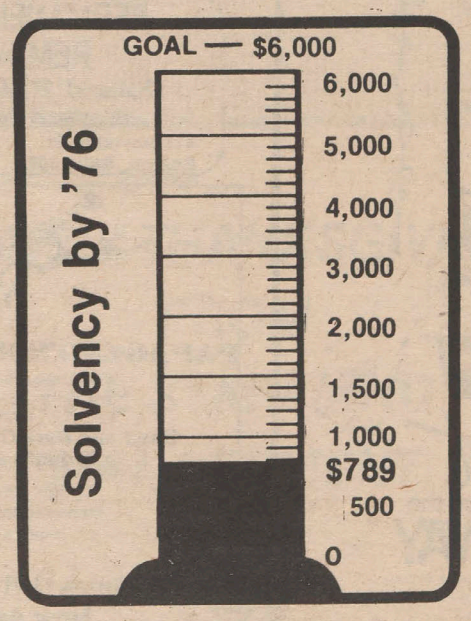

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Talk about teacher's dirty looks — this is the gay student's guide to campus organizations. Rather this is part of it. Organizations mentioned below have written to GCN about their doings in their own words. "Sheepskin Follies" is an open space dedicated to college gay happenings. Will all those groups that have not yet been listed please contact GCN? Individuals with news features of campus life please call too. We need your input to get the "Sheepskin Follies" on the road.

Harvard-Radcliffe

The Harvard-Radcliffe Gay Students Association has just released plans for its big winter bash, having been finalized in recent secret executive sessions. *The Ultimate Gay Dance* will take place on Friday, December 5, a product of unrestrained spending by treasurer Susie Wong, who has termed the budget "outrageously extravagant."

Production of the dance has been managed by a Spanish Surrealist painter whose name has been withheld on request. The decor will be pink and blue ultrasuede, complemented by enormous living sculptures — boa constrictors imported from the Amazon entwining themselves around huge bronze nudes. The multi-pillowed sofas are made from 100 percent goose feathers, upholstered with reproductions in leather of Picasso's *Guernica.*

The light show, on loan from the Metropolitan Opera of New York, features a solid platinum sphere over ten feet in diameter, which will be suspended in mid-air through the use of electro-magnets, and will hover threateningly over the dance floor. Also, Chinese fireworks in synchrony with the music will be contained in transparent polyethylene "amebas" on the walls and ceiling. There are machines which will produce auto exhaust at intervals, and, at a designated moment, two thousand glitter-covered bats will be released from the ceiling. (Umbrellas will be provided for the leaks which are too costly to fix.)

D.J. Paul L., formerly of Methuen, will be there with his collection of Disco Dynamite, including the soon to be released Gloria Gaynor single "Now That I've Got It, What Do I Do With It?" The sound system is capable of producing over 3000 decibels, or enough to knock out the entire city of Chicago, and various special effects, such as the mating call of the Canadian moose.

The Harvard football team, clad in gold lame G-strings, will serve mixed drinks in exact replicas of the bra cups of Mary, Queen of Scots. A famous Cambridge French chef, with a funny accent, will make incredibly intricate pastry, which is free if you wait in line for two hours minimum.

Dress is optional but preferred. The dance will take place at Harkness Commons, Harvard Law School (just north of Harvard Yard) on Friday, December 5, from 9:00-1:00. Donation is $1.50, but free if you bring a corporate executive of international stature. For additional information, call 495-1927.

Boston University

The weekly meetings are held on Wednesday evenings at 8:00 in room 232 of the Physics Building, which is located at 111 Cummington Road, behind the 700 dormitory. This meeting place has been reserved for the remainder of the fall term.

Approximately forty people have been in attendance at each of the meetings. There is a core group of fifteen or twenty men and women, plus those who come occasionally and those who have never attended a meeting before.

Last year, we planned several dances and social events, but we were not very politically active. We have adopted a loose committee or collective structure to attempt to overcome last year's inaction. We are currently planning to have speaker/discussions once a month on such issues as "The Gay Media," "Homosexuality and Psychology," "Legislation and Legal Hassles," and "Gayness and Religious Beliefs." Quite a few of the members are involved in consciousness-raising or rap groups which meet at various times throughout the week.

We cooperated with the Gay Academic Union and Northeastern University in a conference entitled "Gay University 1975" which was aimed at increasing the communication among various gay groups and adding to our effectiveness. The Conference was truly successful and the groups will meet again to set up better inter-campus relations.

the Gay community of the college, city, and surrounding area, as well as to educate the area straights, in hopes to destroy stereotypes and discrimination. We have a limited budget, but a more severe shortage of commitment of the members of the group hamper our projects getting off the ground.

Projects under way this semester are:

Thursday nights, 7-10 p.m., we hold a Gay Drop — a coffeehouse in the Scarborough Fair room of the Student Union for conversation, relaxation, and information, which is publicized in the campus paper and on posters around the campus.

November 17th, from 12:00 noon to 9:00 p.m., we will have a continuous series of films about gay life in the Day Lounge of the Student Union. The films chosen are to illustrate the beauty of Gay life, and should be quite educational for any of the straight audience.

More projects will be in progress as these finish.

We also write a weekly column for the school newspaper, dealing with a variety of topics, as suit the writer, in Gay life — ranging from personal experience to the legitimate morality of homosexuality.

Our group at S.S.C. is small, but we're hoping that our work will bring more people out of the closets, which isn't too easy in such a conservative college and city. In the meantime, we're providing socialization for ourselves, which we all need, way beyond that which the Boston bars can provide. All people of the North Shore are welcome to share our program here.

Salem State College

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It's An Odd Heaven

Angels of the Lyre, A Gay Poetry Anthology, Edited by Winston Leyland. Published by Panjandrum Press/Gay Sunshine Press, 248 pp. $4.95

A Review by Steve Blevins

The angels anthologized in Winston Leyland's *Angels of the Lyre* represent a variety of angelic orders. I found this collection of male poets to be compelling, often outrageous reading. It's both a more attractive and more complete book than its immediate predecessor, *The Male Muse.* As over fifty poets are represented I've limited my comments in this review to those whose work affected me directly.

There've been good questions raised about the recent mania for categorization of the arts — does the application of labels (Gay Art, Women's Art, etc.) result in a restriction of imagination? Certainly, attempting to categorize Michelangelo or Whitman as "gay artists" denies the scope of their work. Life experiences, gay or whatever, are the material from which an artist draws. However, to focus on one facet of a multi-faceted personality seems, to me, to be self-limiting rather than stimulating.

The poets in *Angels of the Lyre* are gay or have had gay experiences. That's part of the common ground upon which to view this work. It's obvious from much of the writing which poems are "gay poems" and which are poems dealing with a gay experience. Jim Eggeling's "Invocation," James Mitchell's poems, Richard Tagett's, and several of Ian Young's poems are GAY poems, catapulted into print in the gay media because there's no mistaking the right-on gay messages. Nevertheless, however message-full these poems may be, they seem less attuned to gay experiences than the work of several others. For instance, William Barber in "The Gay Poet" shares with us his vulnerability: "one too many of you/ walked out that morning with all my reason/crumpled inside your tawny levis." In "from The Delsarte Method" David Eberly recreates the subtleties that can exist between men: "In every gesture is the promised beginning." And Jonathan Williams, in the erotic and concise "Lexington Nocturne" says "Eros, that sore, three time loser,/shall strike again,/old friend:/*do you? do you want to?*" In the fine poems by Robert Duncan, Frank O'Hara, Paul Goodman, Ron Schreiber, Hunce Voelcker, Aaron Shurin, Salvatore Farinella, Ed Cox, and Robert Peters, the poetics, as in the poems quoted above, don't rely entirely on the poet's sexuality. The subject may be gay sex/sexuality, but the words are fused with a spirit of discovery deeper than mere sexual documentation. Experiences are translated — an experience is created for the reader. Plowing through the confused, chopped-up prose most prominent in the poems by Emilio Cubeiro, Taylor Mead, David Emerson Smith, and others, is certainly an experience, but for me, a de-sensitizing one.

I find the work by Joe Brainard, Paul Mariah, Stan Persky, Gerrit Lansing, and Robert Gluck gives an interesting texture to the collection. Although their work, as a whole, doesn't impress me, individual poems reveal an attention to the mind's eye of

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GOAL: Psychosexually Functional Heterosexual Parent

Sexual Signatures: On Being a Man or a Woman, John Money and Patricia Tucker, Little, Brown, Boston. 250 pp. $6.95

A Review by Dennise Brown

Sexual Signatures is a "layperson's guide" to the most recent conclusions about the relationship between sex and gender — and as any transsexual will have explained over and over, they are *not* the same. A basic discovery in this research is that there are not two roads to maturity (one female, one male) but that there is one road with many gates — at *each* gate, we incline toward either the female or the male. We *become* female or male by stages, learning bits of gender-appropriate behavior as we go. Most people consistently turn in either just the female or just the male direction at each gate on this road of psychosexual development — but it is those of us who do not who have made these studies possible! Mr. Money says that if you're "normal" you proceed along this road, passing through each gate properly (consistently female or consistently male, whichever matches your chromosomal and genital pattern) and ultimately reach Goal: You Are A Mature, Psychosexually Functional Heterosexual Parent. The idea that you may not even *want* to reach Goal isn't considered.

And yet there are contradictions in the book. Mr. Money deplores sexist language at length in one chapter — but throughout the book the male is always mentioned first, the female second, if at all. There's a chapter on

"pioneers" — people working for liberation of women, men, gay people, etc. — that is admiring in tone — but through the rest of the book, Goal is assumed to be right for all. And the basic contradiction is that if everyone chose the proper gates, this research would never have been done!

Some of these critical 'gates' take place before birth — first your chromosomal sex is established at conception, then if you are to have male genitals, additional hormones are needed (without added androgen, all babies would appear to be female, even if chromosomally male). The most crucial 'gate' occurs when you're born and permanently labelled "girl" or "boy" because this begins the long and complex process in which the people around you *treat* you as a girl or a boy. This fact is entered on your birth certificate, and even your name probably announces to strangers which sex you've been assigned. Actually, Money believes that the gender identity gate usually stays open for a year or so after birth, but is almost always closed by the age of 3 or 4 years — by this time, *you* know if you're a girl or a boy (even if you disagree with the rest of the world). Later you learn what behavior is expected both of your sex and the opposite; and ultimately, you learn sexual attraction (to the opposite sex only, Money hopes).

Money thoroughly defines hermaphrodism, homosexuality, transsexuality, and transvestism. He includes a brief history of homosexuality, defining it as "erotic response to individuals with the same kind of external sexual anatomy as oneself...(which) may or may not include overt homosexual behavior and physical contact." *Sexual Signatures* concludes with the chapters on those who are happy with something other than Goal — men's-, women's-, and gay-liberationists'; "pioneers" seeking different lifestyles and forms of sexual expression for young people, old people, married and single people. Money then summarizes the challenge all this change offers to the present society.

Sexual Signatures is maddening at times (you will surely disagree with parts of it — and he does only seem to have met transsexuals who wish to stay within current sex stereotypes) but still it merits reading. We need to know the latest research the straight medical world has come up with (after all, they could use it against us as easily as for us) and we need to know what picture the straight world is being given of those of us who are "different."

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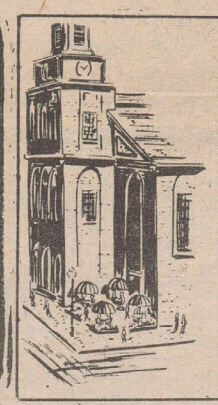

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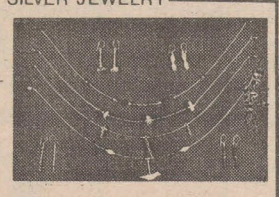

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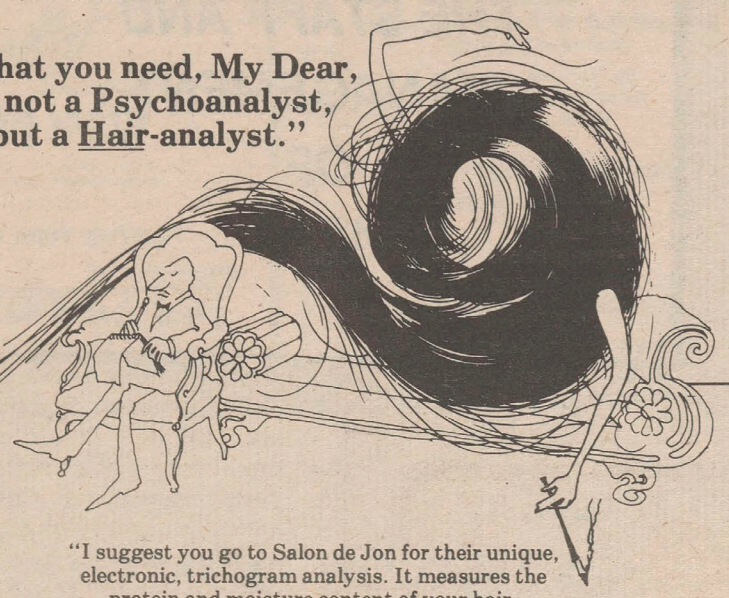

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Playboy Goes to Lesbos

By Nancy Williamson

In August *MS* gave us a feature article on Elaine Noble. In September *Time* gave us Leonard Matlovich on the cover and a 7-page feature on homosexuality. *Cosmopolitan* ran an article entitled "Why Straight Women Like Gay Men" in their fall issue. In October *Playboy* brought us a 10-page color photo display entitled "Sappho: Stunning Portraits of Women in Love" accompanied by lines from Sappho's poetry. Hopefully, in November or December things will get back to normal in slick magazineland.

If I weren't such a skeptic, I might appreciate all this national media coverage of US. But I always look gift horses in the mouth, and each of these presents appear dubious to me. GCN has already given the *Time* article its due, and I wrote *Time* a nasty letter to which they replied in kind (but nicely). As for *MS*, I canceled my subscription long ago after years of writing letters to their editors asking when? *Cosmopolitan* doesn't even deserve an honorable mention, but *Playboy's* contribution to the national homofervor deserves a few words if only because, at least to me, it is the most seductive.

My reaction when I saw the *Playboy* cover the first of October was to reach for it immediately. (Underneath my cynicism is a hardcore sentimental naivete.) But I didn't for one reason or another, including reluctance to spend $1.25. Then it rained for a week, and I was in Stowe, Vermont over the Columbus Day Weekend. Things get dull in Vermont when it rains, so when I walked by the magazine rack in the Grand Union Supermarket and saw the *Playboys* not only wrapped in Saran Wrap but with covers turned back so the picture was hidden, my last straw of resistance fell away.

To give Frederick Smith his due, as *Playboy* editors declare, "the best thing ever done on women in love, with apologies to Mr. Lawrence." They are reminiscent of David Hamilton's impressionistic, romantic, ethereal young women in *Sisters, Dreams of a Young Girl,* and *La Danse.* The models are gorgeous, and the poses are provocative. They are in impeccable taste. But there is something vaguely disconcerting. They *are* posed. Clearly, Smith did not walk into the bedroom of these young women and begin snapping away. They are models. I have a feeling they aren't Lesbians and that they wouldn't be making love with each other unless they were being paid handsomely. Whether or not that *should* matter, I'm not sure. But it does matter to me. And they were done by a man. That always bothers me a little, too.

I suppose it's too much to ask the big magazines to do pictures, stories, poems, articles about real Lesbians — women who go to work or to the unemployment office, who raise children, fight with their lovers and make up, stand in line at the supermarket, sit at a typewriter or a computer, eat, sleep *and* make love. I'm proud of Leonard Matlovich; I appreciate Elaine Noble, and I enjoyed looking at the *Playboy* ladies making pseudolove because, to me, women together under most any circumstances look good. But I'm wondering, now that we're out of the closet, how long it will take us to get out of the ring. There is so much more to being homosexual than being in love, in politics, or in drag.

But who expects more from *Playboy*? After all it says right on the cover "Entertainment for Men," and in the "Playbill" column the photo display is heralded thus: "And now for the sex part of the magazine." They didn't gear the story toward the feminist-lesbian-homosexual community, but toward their regular audience — men who get off on looking at pictures of women. Ultimately, *Playboy's* article disturbs me much less than *Time's* almost total omission of Lesbians in their article and *MS's* tokenism. Most of all I am upset by the continued travesty made of women, gay or straight, in love or otherwise, in news coverage, advertising, and feature reportage.

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The biggest disappointment for me was much of the work printed by the "noted" poets who have been elevated ferociously by the gay press, specifically Allen Ginsberg, Harold Norse, and John Giorno. John Wieners is respectfully represented save for the incomprehensible "Gusta with Madame Simone De Beauvoir" which I see as an anti-thesis to this earlier, excellent work. Ginsberg's work, with the exception of a beautiful poem dedicated to Frank O'Hara, left me unmoved. I *know* he's Allen Ginsberg, but is that a license to have his 1968 masturbation, "Please Master," printed here or anywhere? Fuck poems seem to be *de rigueur* these days. John Giorno's read as if they were lifted from the Advocate classifieds. After having the experience of selling porno (as a youth in Cincinnati) I find myself taking offence when people (usually men) insist on calling any scrawl with a stiff prick in it poetry.

Despite my reservation, *Angels of the Lyre* is a collection all serious poets, dabblers, and poetry readers, should peruse. In whatever style these men write, and even though some poems are far superior to others, valuable connections surface again and again. These men have lived/are living their lives in a kind of brotherhood — one in which men, despite resistance, learn to love and be loved by other men. It's an odd heaven that's given these angels their wings. From watching them, one can learn to fly.

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MONDAYS

10:00 am—Gay News, WCAS, 740 AM.
Noon—MCC campus ministry at RIC, Rm. 310 Student Union. Call 274-1693.
5:30 pm—Women's community Health Center open house, 137 Hampshire St., Cambridge.
7-10 pm—UMass Gay Women's Caucus Hotline, 545-3438
7 pm—Parents of Gays, HCHS, 80 Boylston St., Boston, (617) 542-6075
7 pm—Gay Women's Rap Group, at Another Way, 64 Chandler St., Worcester, Ma. 756-0730
7:30-9:30 pm—Drop-in Center for women, Rm. L-23, Curtis Hall, Tufts, Medford
7:30 pm—DOB Lesbian Mothers Rap, 419 Boylston St., Rm. 323.
8:00 pm—Lesbian Rap at Women's Center, 215 Park St., NH
8 pm—Harvard-Radcliffe GSA, 1st fl. parlor, Phillips Brooks House, Harvard Yard.
8-9 pm—"None of the Above," WWUH-FM (91.3) Hartford, Conn. (203-728-0653)
8:30 pm—Alcoholics Together, 290 Westminster St., Prov. RI (401) 274-4737.
8:00 pm—Lesbian rap and action group; Cambridge Women's Center basement; (617) 354-8807.
8:30 pm— Hartford Gay Alcoholics Group (203) 522-2646.

TUESDAYS

10 am—GRAC handball, Paris St. Gym, E. Boston, info call 268-7240
10-11 a.m.—Drinking Problem discussion group, HCHS, 80 Boylston St., Boston (617) 542-6075
6-9—Homophile Community Health Counseling (401) 274-4737
7:00 pm—Pot-Luck Supper, MCC, 63 Chapin Ave., Providence.
7:30 pm—DOB Women's Rap, 419 Boylston St., Rm 323.
8 pm—Rap Group for gay men, CSMH, 70 Charles St., Boston
8:00 pm—Springfield Gay Alliance, (1st and 3rd Tuesdays), First Unitarian Church, 245 Porter Lake Drive, Springfield.
8 pm—Rap for gay men, CSMH, 70 Charles St., Boston
8:00 pm—Gay Way Radio, WBUR, 90.9 FM.
8:30 pm—Gay Alliance at Yale, rap session, Bingham Hall, Rm. B-8, 436-8945
9:30 pm—TGC meeting, Laminan Lounge, East Hall, Tufts, Medford

WEDNESDAYS

11 am—Gay discussion group at Drop-In Center of Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill, MA; open to everyone.
12:30-2:00—Gay People of UMass/Boston general meeting for men and women. College 2 Building, Rm. 620 Harbor Campus. Lounge open every day noon to 2 pm.
12-8 pm—Provincetown Drop-in Center has these hours especially for gay Problems. Come in or call. See Quick Gay Guide.
6:30-0 pm—Gay Health Night at Fenway Community Health Center, 267-7573.
7:00—Men's Rap Group, 64 Chandler St., Worcester, Mass. Call 756-0730.
7 pm—Open Rap, 63 Chapin Ave., Providence, R.I. (401) 274-1693
7:00 pm—Liberation Rap Group (617) 756-0730.
7 pm—Framingham Unicorn Society meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday; Box 163, Framingham, MA 01701
7 pm—MCC religious dialogue at 63 Chapin St., Providence
7:30 pm—GRAC basketball; call 268-7240
8 pm—Alcoholics Together, St. Johns Evangelist Church, 33 Bowdoin St., Boston
8:30-10 pm—Drop-in Center for men, Rm. L-23, Curtis Hall, Tufts, Medford
10:15 pm—"Gaybreak Radio," on WMUA-FM, 91.1 mc. (1st and 3rd Wednesdays).

THURSDAYS

12:30-2:00—Gay People of UMass/Boston general meeting for women and men. College 2 Bldg. Rm. 620, Harbor Campus. Lounge open every day noon to 2 pm.
7 pm—Gay drop-in coffeehouse at Scarborough Fair room of the College Union, Salem College, Salem, MA.
7 pm—Alcoholics Together, 64 Chandler St., Worcester, Ma. 756-0730
7 pm—MCC open rap, 63 Chapin St., Providence
7-10 pm—UMass Gay Women's Caucus Hotline, 545-3438
7 pm—Yale Lesbian Caucus, Bingham Hall, Rm B-8, 436-8945
7:00 pm—Gay Alcoholics, St. Vincents Hospital, Worcester.
7:00 pm—Gay Support and Action Group, Bangor, Maine.
7:30 pm—Peoples Gay Alliance, UMass Amherst, 8th floor of Campus Center
8 pm—Capital Dist. Gay Comm. Council, 332 Hudson Ave., Albany, NY 12210
8:00 pm—DOB Rap for Older Women, 419 Boylston St., Rm. 323, Boston.
8:00 pm—Lesbian Liberation meeting, Women's Center, 46 Pleasant St., Cambridge.
8:00 pm—KALOS, Hartford, CT,568-2656.
8:00 pm—Lesbian Mothers group; 46 Pleasant St., Cambridge, MA (617) 354-8807.
8:15 pm—Drinking problems rap group, HCHS, 80 Boylston St., Rm. 855, Boston
8:30 pm—Gay Women's Caucus, UMass Amherst, 8th floor of Campus Center
8:30 pm—Gay Alliance at Yale, general meeting, Dwight Hall Library, 436-8945
8:30 pm—New Haven Gay Alliance, Dwight Hall Library, Old Campus at Yale.
9 pm—Emerson Homophile Society, Rm. 24, 96 Beacon St., Boston.
9:30-10:30 pm—Drop-in Center for men, Rm. L-23, Curtis Hall, Tufts, Medford

FRIDAYS

7:00 pm—Alcoholics Together, Worcester, 756-0730, 754-7817.
7:30 pm—Rap group for men & women, MGTF, 193 Middle St., Portland, Me.
8-11 pm—"Open house at the parsonage," MCC/Providence, 63 Chapin Ave., Providence
8:00 pm—"Somewhere Coffeehouse," MCC/Hartford, 11 Amity St., Hartford.
8:00 pm—Health Clinic, Burbank Hospital Fitchburg, MA.
8:30 pm—B'nai Haskalah, Old West Church, 131 Cambridge St., Boston.
9 pm—Coffee House, 64 Chandler St., Worcester.

SATURDAYS

2 pm—GRAC soccer for dykes and fags, Hatch Shell, Esplanade
3:00 pm—Worcester Gay Union Radio, WCUW, 91.3 FM.
8:00 pm—Gay Support and Action, dance at 23 Franklin St., Bangor, ME.
8:00 pm—East Conn. Gay Alliance, 889-7530
8-11 pm—"Open house at the parsonage", MCC,63 Chapin Ave., Providence.
8:00 pm—MCC/Hartford Drop-In Center, 11 Amity, St.

SUNDAYS

10:30 am—"Closet Space," WCAS 740 AM.
1 pm—GRAC volleyball, Hatch Shell, Esplanade, when sunny. Call Don 289-7678
2 pm—Gay Women of Providence rap, 942-2094
2:30 pm—"Gay A's" Alcoholics Rap, Old West Church. 131 Cambridge St., Boston.
4-6 pm—Gay Women's Group of Providence Rap, (401) 831-5184.
4:00 pm—Dignity Rap Group (except 1st Sunday of every month when it will follow Dignity meeting at 3 pm), St. Clements Church, 1101 Boylston St., Boston.
4:00 pm—MIT-SHL (1st and 3rd Sunday), Rm 50-306.
5:30 pm—Exodus Mass, St. Clements Church, 1105 Boylston St., Boston.
6:30 pm—Gay Church Services, 23 Franklin St., Bangor, ME.
7 pm—Games Night, GCN, 22 Bromfield St.
7 pm—MCC/Albany, N.Y., 332 Hudson Ave. (except first Sunday of months at 6 pm)
7:00 pm—Metropolitan Community Church worship service, 63 Chapin Ave., Providence (401) 274-1693.
7:00 pm—MCC/Boston, worship and fellowship, Old West Church, 131 Cambridge St., Boston.
7:00 pm—MCC/Worcester services at Central Congregational Church, 6 Institute Rd., Worcester.
7:00 pm—Church of the Eternal Flame Universal, 320 Farmington Ave., Apt. A-6, Hartford, CT.
7:30 pm—MCC/Gartford, 11 Amity St., Hartford, CT.
8:00 pm—Worcester Homophile Organization, (formerly W.G.U.), 892-9113 for meeting place.

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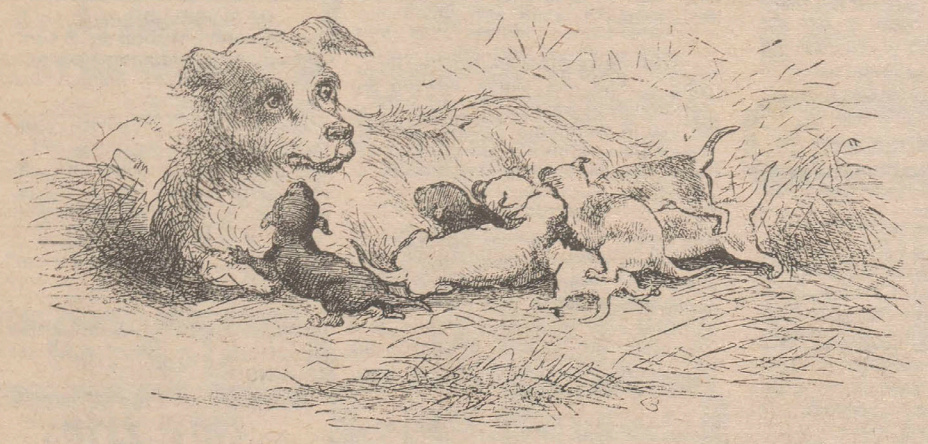

24 mon

Providence, Tribute to Lillian Hellman, Monday night film series. "The Dark Angel," 1927, Merle Oberon, Fredric March. Showings at 7 and 9:15 at Downstairs Playhouse, call 401-521-1100 for info.

25 tues

Boston Gay Community Board will have an important business meeting at 7:30 at HCHS, 80 Boylston St.

Boston, Coming out rap and other topics for gay men to meet in a relaxed group will be held every Tuesday night at 8 in CSMH, 70 Charles St.

Boston, GCN hosts an open meeting the last Tuesday of each month. Everyone is invited, GCN volunteers are especially urged to attend. Topic will be Gay Community Center.

Boston, Alternatives to hibernation: Have any ideas about gay wintertime activities? Bring your suggestins to the GRAC meeting at 7 pm at 30 Hancock St., Beacon Hill. Info call 268-7240.

26 wed

Boston, Fenway Community Health Center will be closed tonight.

Cambridge, R.I. Feminist Theatre at Caravan Theatre, 1555 Mass. Ave. at 8:30, $3.50, info call 354-9107.

Boston, MCC will have a special joint Thanksgiving worship service in Old West Church, 131 Cambridge St., at 8 pm. Let us give thanks to the Lord.

28 fri

Cambridge, R.I. Feminist Theatre at Caravan Theatre, 1555 Mass. Ave., at 8:30, $3.50. Info call 354-9107.

29 sat

Cambridge, R.I. Feminist Theatre at Caravan Theatre, 1555 Mass. Ave., at 7 and 10 pm, tickets $3.50. Info call 354-9107.

30 sun

Boston, Gay Men's Center planning meeting will be held at 3 pm at the new center office at 36 Bromfield St. Don't be late, we haven't installed a buzzer on the door yet and the outside door must be kept locked.

Worcester, you are invited to the first training session for the Gay Hotline, 4 pm at MCC Drop-in Center, 64 Chandler St.

New Haven, "Come Out Tonight" is a gay radio show, aired once a month (the last Sunday) from Yale station WYBC-FM, 93.4 at 7 pm.

1 mon

Boston, Lesbian Health Pamphlet Group meeting, for info call 547-2302.

Boston, MCC presents Rev. Paul Van Hecke on an evangelistic tour, at Old West Church, 131 Cambridge St. at 8 pm. Info call 523-7664.

2 tues

Boston, MCC presents Rev. Paul Van Hecke on an evangelistic tour, at Old West Church, 131 Cambridge St. at 8 pm.

Amherst, UMass, Jade & Sarsaparilla will be in concert at Student Union Ballroom at 8 pm. Sponsored by Gay People Alliance, Tennis Club and Gay Women Caucus.

Malden, Tri-City Chapter of NOW will hold program on "Women and Health," presented by Camb. Women's Comm. Health Center at 8 pm at 138 Belmont St. For info contact Tri-City NOW, 475 Comm. Ave., Suite 300, Boston 02215.

5 fri

Cambridge, Harvard Radcliffe GSA presents "The Ultimate Gay Dance," 9-1, Harkness Commons, Harvard Law School (just north of Harvard Yard). D.J., full bar, admission $1.50, info call 495-1927.

6 sat

Boston, Dignity Christmas Fair with plant and bake sale booth at St. Clements, 1105 Boylston St. from 9 am-3 pm.

Boston, Disco Party at Northeastern U sponsored by GSO, from 9-1 in Rm. 346, Ell Center, 360 Huntington Ave. Free beer, door charge $1.

Boston, B'nai Haskalah is having its second Chanukah party from 4-10 pm at Old West Church, 131 Cambridge St., downstairs fellowship hall. For tickets call 265-6409 (or come to Friday night service). $5 in advance, $6 at door.

Boston, Concord Baptist Church Youth Guild is sponsoring a Restoration Banquet and Fastidious Fashion Fiesta at New Harriet Tubman House at Mass. Ave. and Columbus Ave. at 7 pm. This is a catered, semi-formal affair; moderator will be Bill Owens. Donation $5.50, for tickets call 288-3269, 288-2544 or 265-2681.

7 sun

Boston, Dignity Christmas Fair with plant and bake sale booth at St. Clements, 1105 Boylston St. from 9 am-3 pm.

Submit Calendar items to Calendar Editor, GCN, by noon on Wednesday prior to date of publication.

Quick Gay Guide

BOSTON AREA [area code 617]

Access (Cambridge Hotline)	661-3900
Adolescent male rap session, 4-6 pm	227-8587
B'nai Haskalah (Gay Jewish group)	265-6409
Black Gay Men's Caucus, GCN, Box 9600	
Boston Gay Men's Rap Group	426-9371
Boston Lavender Theatre:	
Women's group	492-5220
Men's group	440-5220
Cambridge North/Brattle Gays (write c/o Gay Legislation)	661-9362
Cambridge Women's Center	354-8807
Charles Street Meetinghouse	523-0368
Cambridgeport Gays, c/o GCN Box 6500	
Civil Liberties Union of Mass.	227-9469
Closet Space (WCAS), 740m AM)	492-6450
Daughters of Bilitis	262-1592
Dignity of Boston, c/o 1105 Boylston St., Boston	
Elaine Noble (Rep.)	727-2584
Fag Rag	536-9826
Fenway Community Health Center	267-7573
Fengay, c/o Tom Nylund	267-1066
Focus, Women's Counseling, 186½ Hampshire St., Cambridge	876-4488
Fort Hill Faggots for Freedom	440-8551 or 442-6029
Framingham Unicorn Society, P.O. Box 163, Framingham, MA 01701	
Gay Hotline (3-12 pm, Mon.-Fri.)	426-9371
Gay Men's Center	723-6268 or 491-6968
Gay Recreational Activities Committee (GRAC), c/o GCN, Box 8000	
Gay Academic Union of New England, P.O. Box 212, Boston 02101	266-2069
Gay Alert (for gay community emergency only)	523-0368, 267-0764
Gay Media Action, c/o GCN Box 5000, 22 Bromfield St., Boston 02108	523-1081
Gay Community News	426-4469
Gay Nurses Alliance, c/o GCN Box 251, Boston 02108	
Gay People of UMass/Boston	287-1900x2396
Gay Speakers Bureau	547-1451
Gay Way Radio (WBUR, &?.& FM)	353-2790
Gay Legislation '75, P.O. Box 8841, JFK Sta., Boston 02144	491-2787, 661-9362
Gay Youth Advocates, 70 Charles St.	227-8587
Gender Identity Service	864-8181
Golden Gays	482-8998
Good Gay Poets	536-9826
Harvard-Radcliffe Gays	495-1927
Homophile Community Health Svc.	542-5188
Integrity/Boston, P.O. Box 2582, 02208	
Lesbian Therapy Research Project	354-8807
Lesbian Liberation, c/o Women's Center	354-8807
Lesbian Mothers	354-8807
Massachusetts Feminist Federal Credit Union, 186½ Hampshire St., Cambridge	661-0450
Metropolitan Community Church	523-7664
MIT Student Homophile League	253-5440
National Lawyers Guild, 595Mass. Av	661-8398
National Organization for Women	267-6160
Northeastern Gay Students Org., c/o Student Federation, Rm. 152, Ell Ctr.	
Other Fund, Inc. (Gay United Fund), P.O. Box 1997, Boston 02105	426-0412
Other Voices Bookstore, 30 Bromfield St., Boston	
Project Place	267-9150
Fr. Paul Shanley	843-5731
Project Lambda	227-8587
Transvestites/Transgenderists: Frances Craig, P.O. Box 291, MIT Branch, Cambridge 02139	
Transvestites/Transgenderists: Ariadne Kane, Box 161, Cambridge 02140	
Tufts Gay Community, c/o Student Activities Office, Medford, MA 02155	776-0921
Waltham-Watertown Gays, c/o GCN Box 7100	
Women's Comm. Health Ctr., Camb.	547-2302

EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS [area code 617]

Alcoholics Together/Worcester	756-0730
Dignity/Merrimack Valley, P.O. Box 348, Lowell, 01853	
Gay Activists Alliance, c/o Postmaster, General Delivery, Provincetown	487-3393, 487-3234, 487-3344
Haverhill, N.E.C.C. Gay Line M 8-10 am, T 6-8 pm, W 12-2 pm	327-0929
Homophile Union of Montachusett P.O. Box 262, Fitchburg 01420	
MCC/Worcester	756-0730
Provincetown 24-Hour Drop-In Center	487-0387
Provincetown Homophile Assistance League, Box 674, Provincetown 02657	
New Bedford Women's Clinic	999-1070

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS [area code 413]

Amherst Gay Hotline (men & women)	545-0154
Clark Gay Alliance, Box A-70, Clark Univ., Worcester 01610	
Dignity/Springfield, P.O. Box 488 Forest Park Sta., Springfield 01107	
Everywomen's Center, Amherst	545-0883
Gaybreak Radio (WMUA-FM, 91.9)	545-2876
Gay Women's Caucus, Amherst	545-3438
Hotline, Westfield, Mass. (M&Tues. 9 pm-11 pm)	568-9759
MCC/Springfield, 64 South Boulevard St., West Springfield	737-7473
People's Gay Alliance, UMass/Amherst	545-0154
Sexual Identity Awareness Org., Westfield State College, Parenzo Box 197, Westfield 01085	
Southwest Women's Center	545-0626
Springfield Gay Alliance	583-3904
Valley Women's Center, Northampton	586-2011

RHODE ISLAND [area code 401]

Alcoholics Together, 290 Westminster St., Rm. 510, Providence	274-4737
Dignity/Providence, Box 2231, Pawtucket 02861	
Gay Women of Providence	831-5184
Homophile Community Health Service, Providence	274-4737
MCC Coffee House, Providence	274-1693
MCC/Providence, 63 Chapin Ave.	274-1693

VERMONT [area code 802]

Counseling for Gay Women & Men, c/o Vermont Women's Health Center, 158 Bank St., Burlington 05401	863-1386
Gay in Vermont, Box 3216, N. Burlington Sta., Burlington 05401	862-2397
Vermont Gay Women	862-7770, 863-3237
Women's Switchboard	862-5504

CONNECTICUT [area code 203]

East Conn. Gay Alliance, Norwich	889-7530
George W. Henry Foundation, Hartford	522-2646
Gay Alliance at Yale, 2031 Yale St., New Haven 06520	436-8945
Hartford Gay Counseling	522-5575, 523-9837
MCC/Hartford	522-5575, 523-9837
Institute of Social Ethics/National Gay Archives, 1 Gold St., Suite 22B, Hartford 06103	547-1281
Kalos/Gay Liberation, Hartford	568-2656
The Church of the Eternal Flame Universal	527-5612
Wesleyan Gay Alliance, c/o Wesleyan Women's Center, Wesleyan Sta., Middletown 06457	

NEW HAMPSHIRE [area code 603]

Seacoast Area Gay Alliance, Box 1424, Portsmouth 03801	
Women's Group, PO Box 137, Northwood 03261 (Do **not** use "gay" on any mail to this group)	

MAINE [area code 207]

Brunswick Gay Women's Group, 136 Maine St., Brunswick 04011	
Gay Rights Organization (GRO), P.O. Box 4542, Portland 04114	
Maine Freewomen's Herald, Box 488, Brunswick 04011	
Maine Gay Indians, c/o Deanna Francis, Passamaquoddy Library, Pleasant Point 04667	
Maine Gay Task Force/MGTF Newsletter. Box 4542, Portland 04144	

NEW YORK

Capital Dist. Gay Comm. Council, P.O. Box 131, 332 Hudson Ave., Albany, NY 12210	(518) 462-6138
Gay Community Service Ctr., 1350 Main St., Buffalo, NY 14209	
Dignity, P.O. Box 1554, N.Y., N.Y. 10022	
Gay Activists Alliance, P.O. Box 2, Village Sta. 10014	966-7870
Gay Media Coalition, Box 128 Ansonia Sta. 10023	
Gay Men's Health Project, 247 W. 11th St.	691-6969
Gay Switchboard	924-4036
Gay & Women's Alliance for Responsible Media, 370 Lexington Ave., Suite 416, N.Y.C., N.Y.	
Lambda Legal Defense and Educ. Fund Inc. 145 E. 52nd St., NY NY 10022	758-1905
Lesbian Feminists Liberation, c/o Women's Center, 243 W. 20th St.	691-5460
Lesbian Switchboard	741-2610
Mattachine Society, 59 Christopher St., NY, NY 10014	691-1066
MCC/New York	691-7428, 369-8513
National Gay Task Force, 80 Fifth Ave., Rm. 506	741-1010
Oscar Wilde Memorial Bookshop, 15 Christopher St.	255-8097