

CALENDAR

The deadline for Calendar Items is Wednesday at noon for the following issue.

17 sat

Boston - Lesbian and Gay Pride Parade
Meet at 11:30am at Copley Sq.

Boston - Lesbian and Gay Pride Rally.
1:30pm, corner of Beacon and Charles.

18 sun

Cambridge - Lesbians and the Gay Movement: Taking Our Autonomy. Cambridge Women's Center, 2:30pm Sponsored by Wages Due Lesbians.

Boston - Spring For GCN Benefit at the Club Max. Auction, dance contest, fashion show, buffet, tea dance. Noon-2am. \$5.00 donation. All Day Disco! 54 Park Sq.

Boston - BUUGL will feature Colorado ACLU attorney William Reynard in a discussion "Some legal and moral problems of gay men." 355 Boylston St. 7 pm.

Cambridge - Gay Academic Union of New England, June meeting. 4pm. Shepard Room, Phillips Brooks House, Harvard Yard.

19 mon

Boston - Social Evening for gay youth, sponsored by the Committee for Gay Youth. 7pm. 355 Boylston St.

NYC - Dykes & Tykes 3rd annual Lesbian Pride Week Kick-Off. *You, Me & the Kids*. Music & poetry. 7:30pm. Women's Center, 243 West 20th St.

Washington, DC - The Celluloid Closet: Sgt. Matlovich vs. the U.S. Air Force. Leonard Matlovich will be present this evening to discuss the program and how the media has handled the subject. 8:30pm. The American Film Institute, Kennedy Center.

Providence, RI - Open meeting of NGTF/RI to discuss the new organization with members of the community. 8pm. 55 Eddy St.

Medford, MA - Registration opens for the summer session of the Women's Community School. Tufts Univ. Call 628-5000 ext. 702 for info.

20 tues

NYC - West Side Discussion Group: "Why Gay Men Have Gone Superbutch - It's the New Macho Craze." Jeremy Weiss, treasurer of the Gay Athletic Association, will lead a discussion on the topic. 8:30pm. Triangle Gay Community Center, 3rd floor, 26 Ninth Ave. at 14th St.

Cambridge - "Consciousness-Raising Inside and Outside the Gay Community", sponsored by the Lesbian Task Force. 8pm at Redbook, River St.

NYC - Ginny Apuzzo, candidate for the N.Y. State Assembly, will speak on "No Losers, No Weepers" at the Greater Gotham Business Council. General Membership Meeting, 8pm, Ice Palace 57, 57 W. 57th St. Cash bar.

21 wed

Cambridge - Summer Solstice Fire Festival - Music, Dance, & Ritual! Sponsored by Women Against Violence in Pornography & Media, 9pm, Magazine Beach.

Worcester - Montachusett Gay Alliance, June meeting, 7:30pm. Call 342-5963 for directions

Boston - A concert by local performers to benefit *The Music in Women Series*. \$2.50 donation. The proceeds will go to the Community Services fund at the Mass. Correctional Institution at Framingham to enhance recreational programs at the prison. 7:30pm. Arlington St. Church.

22 thurs

Boston - Clearspace, Men's Concerns Committee meeting. Call 227-4327 for info.

23 fri

Providence, RI - GCSRI Night at the Gallery. Special fundraiser for GCSRI and the Helpline. 10pm. \$2 cover. 35 Richmond St.

Boston - BUUGL and the Unitarian Universalist Gay Caucus will hold a special service in conjunction with the Unitarian Universalist General Assembly, featuring William Reynard speaking on "The Gay Rights Recession." 7:30pm, Arlington St. Church.

Boston - Gay Community Town Meeting. 7-10pm, Faneuil Hall by Government Center. What is the Future of the Movement? Representatives from all area gay organizations will speak and participate in a dialogue in this large scale forum. Open to all.

Boston - Unitarian-Universalist Gays and Lesbians meeting time change-to 8pm

Boston - Gayla Picnic. Bring food & fun to share. 3-7pm on the Esplanade.

NYC - Gay Pride Dance, co-sponsored by Integrity/NY and Dignity/NY at St. Luke's, 9pm. Hudson St. at Grove St. \$2. donation.

24 sat

NYC - CSLD Stonewall '78 Gala Benefit—starring Divine and the cast of *Neon Woman*, Laurie Carlos and Robbie McCauley of *For Colored Girls*, Hot Peaches, Tally Brown, Pink Satin Bombers, Satin Doll & Co. and disco 'til dawn! \$8. donation. 1am. Hurrah, 36 W. 62nd St.

Boston - Workshop: Identity & the Leather/Denim Scene. 5pm. Over Harry's Place, 45 Essex St.

Boston - DOB Summer Crafts/Flea Market. 10-5pm, Old Cambridge Baptist Church.

Boston - Informational meeting of the National Lesbian Feminist Organization which was formed in Los Angeles in March. 1pm. Rm. 355A, Eli Center, Northeastern Univ.

Morristown, NH - Gay Liberation Celebration. Speakers, food & drinks, disco, Olympic games, etc. Unitarian Fellowship, Normandy Hts. Rd. Info: (201) 691-0388.

Washington, DC - The Celluloid Closet: *Death in Venice*. 6pm. The American Film Institute, Kennedy Center.

25 sun

NYC - CHRISTOPHER STREET LIBERATION DAY GAY PRIDE MARCH. Assemble at Sheridan Sq. at noon.

Manchester, NH - All Women's Dance, benefit for NH Lambda. Live entertainment and disco. 4pm to closing. Queen City Club, 484 Chestnut St.

NYC - Christopher St Festival, after the rally. Entertainment will include Tom Robinson Band, Blondie, Rosie Ross and the Shadows, and Cherry Vanilla. There will be dancing in the streets, food, drink and more.

27 tue

NYC - West Side Discussion Group: "An Evening with Parents of Gays" featuring the parents of several gay people. 8:30pm Triangle Gay Community Center, 3rd floor, 26 Ninth Ave. at 14th St.

Cambridge, MA - DOB Open House. Refreshments and entertainment. All women invited. 8pm. 1151 Mass. Ave.

Boston - Gay Deaf Club at MCC, 131 Cambridge St. This is our first meeting. 8pm.

Washington, DC - The Celluloid Closet: *Fortune and Men's Eyes and Caged*. 8:30pm. The American Film Institute, Kennedy Center.

28 thur

NYC - Gay Women's West Side: *The Role of the Gay Woman in the Professional World*. 8:30pm, 26 Ninth Ave. at 14th St.

30 fri

Indianapolis, IN - 1978 Midwest Gay/Lesbian Awareness Conference. Workshops, speakers, films, concert and dance. Free child care provided. Through July 2nd. Cavanaugh Hall, Michigan St. Campus of IUPUI. Contact Indianapolis Coalition for Human Rights, P.O. Box 20124, Indianapolis, IN 46220.

Washington, DC - The Celluloid Closet: *Reflections in a Golden Eye*. 6:30pm. The American Film Institute, Kennedy Center.

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Washington, DC - The Celluloid Closet: *The Fox*. 6pm. The American Film Institute, Kennedy Center

Cambridge - Women Against Violence Against Women Rally to protest the corporate promotion of rape and battery (Warner, Elektra and Atlantic Records). 1pm at Strawberries in Harvard Sq.

Jamesville, NY - 4th Annual Gay Pride Field Day. Featuring *Cranberry Lake*. Camp Brockway, Pratts Fall Park. \$2.50 donation. Sponsored by the Onondaga County Human Rights Coalition. Info: (315) 475-6857.

2 sun

Boston - The Oracle: Poetry and Fiction Workshop. Guest reading at Stone Soup. 8:30pm. 313 Cambridge St. 50¢ donation.

7 fri

Portland, OR - 2nd Annual Northwest Women's Music Festival. Open to women and children and is designed to show the depth and strength of women's culture. Concerts, workshops and dance. Contact Carole Jackson, P.O. Box 20472, Portland, OR. 97220.

11 tues

NYC - West Side Discussion Group. *Working for Gay Rights: The Role of Media*. 8:30pm. Triangle Gay Community Center, 3rd floor, 26 Ninth Ave. at 14th St.

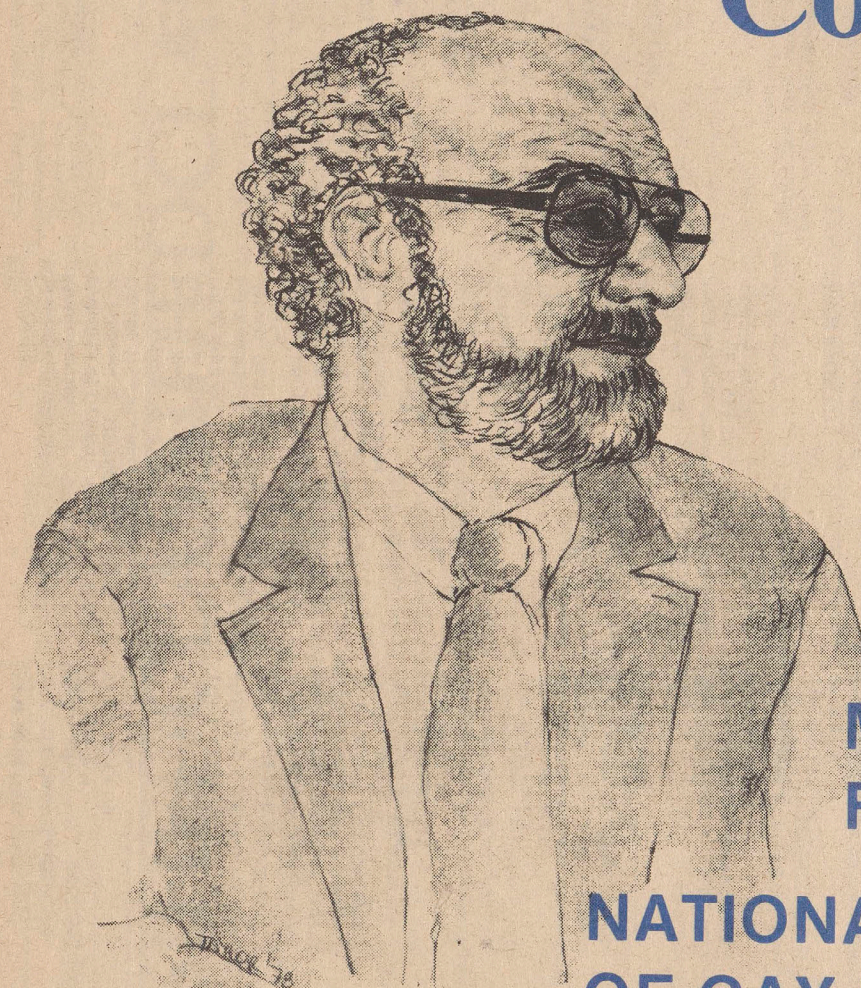
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Judge Denies Receiving Warning Bonin Trial Continues

By David Brill

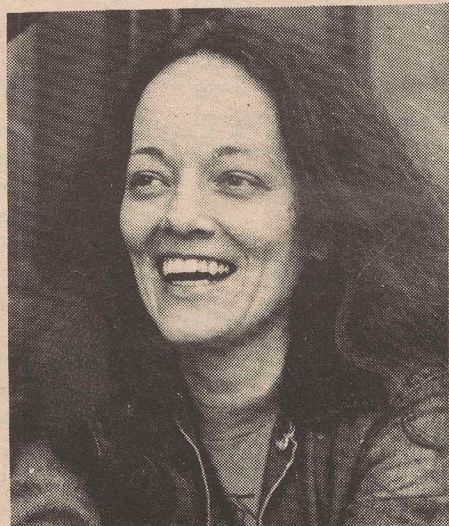
BOSTON — As the misconduct trial for suspended Superior Court Chief Justice Robert M. Bonin continued last week before the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, officials of the Boston/Boise Committee (BBC) have become more and more concerned that there are, in effect, two trials going on: The first one is proceeding at the 13th floor courtroom and the other, they charge, is represented in the daily Boston newspapers. (See GCN, last week.)

The most serious charge against the jurist — whether he did, in fact, receive a warning from his administrative aide not to attend the April 5 lecture by Gore Vidal — still remains a matter of Bonin's word against that of the aide, Francis X. Orfanello. Orfanello claims to have told Bonin that proceeds from the event would benefit the 24 defendants in the so-called "Revere Sex-ring" although Bonin says Orfanello only said it was a gay rights fundraiser.

On June 9, Superior Court Judges Kent B. Smith and John H. Meagher testified that Orfanello told them he had warned Bonin not to attend the lecture.

However, the first defense witness, Francis M. Masuret — another courthouse aide — told the court on June 12 that he did not recall Orfanello's ever warning Bonin not to attend the lecture. Masuret added that Bonin told him, "I don't know what all this excitement is about," referring to a telephone call to Orfanello by one of the defense attorneys in the Revere case.

The testimony most damaging to Bonin came from Laurel Campbell, a



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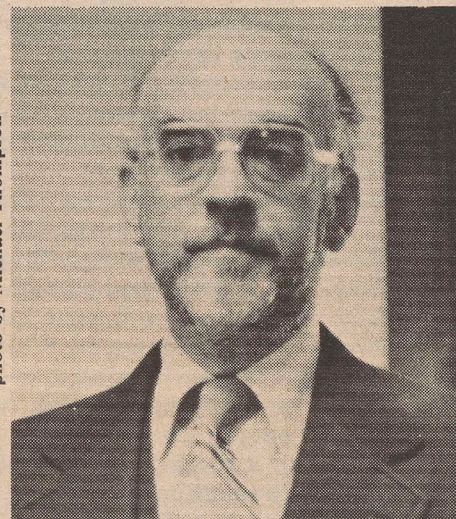
staff member at the Arlington Street Church, who sold Bonin the tickets to the lecture. Campbell said that Bonin asked her a general question about the nature of the Boston/Boise Committee and she answered that it was a gay organization formed to combat the homophobic hysteria "following the Revere indictments." However, when Bonin took the stand in his own defense, he said, "I didn't ask her about the Boston/Boise Committee. We didn't discuss it and nobody told me about it. Period." His testimony was corroborated by Boston University professor Thomas Lambert, who accompanied the judge to purchase the tickets.

Lambert, under cross-examination by prosecutor Robert W. Meserve, said the Vidal lecture was noisy and distracting, and made references to an ostensible transvestite in the crowd. He said he never heard anything about the use of

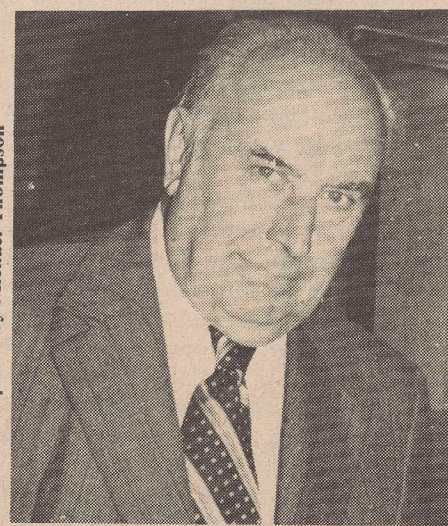
the evening's proceeds to benefit the "Revere defendants." Meserve made repeatedly snide remarks and rhetorically asked, "Do you remember when we used to call them fairies?"

BBC co-chairperson Tom Reeves told the court numerous times that the group is not a defense committee, although nearly every Boston media outlet continues to report otherwise. Reeves said that BBC's sponsorship of the National Jury Project — which is now, according to committee sources, less certain than ever — was not part of a defense strategy, but would be designed "so that the whole gay community would benefit from it." Reeves specifically accused the *Boston Globe* of ignoring the "extremely weak" and homophobia-based case against Bonin.

In his final statement offered on June 14, Bonin again denied he had any prior



Justice Robert M. Bonin



Robert W. Meserve

knowledge that the lecture was a defense benefit. He explained that he was bored by the speeches made, and that he could not hear very much of what was said because "people were rushing up and down the aisles and back and forth in front of us." and a man sitting behind him "was talking to himself and shouting and laughing at rather inappropriate times."

It was evident from its account of this testimony that the *Boston Herald American* was deliberately attempting to paint the people who attended the lecture as a motley collection. The paper mentioned transvestites, a gay motorcycle club, and the man talking to himself.

Bonin added, "I'm brave. I'm not foolhardy. If I knew it was a [defense] fundraiser, I would not have attended. . . . I believe that it was proper and

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Charles Street Meetinghouse Closes

By Tony Domenick

BOSTON — The Charles Street Meetinghouse, center of a variety of social and educational activities for Boston's gay community, has officially been declared for sale by the Unitarian Universalist Association.

Rev. Randall Gibson, minister of the church, is under legal jurisdiction to leave the UUA's present location by September 1, 1978. Although he says the new site of the church will be in Boston's downtown area, he denies rumors that the church will be moving to his Bromfield Street apartment.

The Meetinghouse, having a long history of financial difficulties, must

relocate for the following reasons: Expenses including utility bills, insurance and maintenance costs exceed the income of the church, which depends mainly on fundraising for its income. Gibson told GCN, "We simply can not afford this building anymore. It costs \$27,000 a year for the upkeep and \$15,000 just to put in new gutters. It isn't worth the space we have to deal with."

Gibson's involvement with the Charles Street Meetinghouse began ten years ago. Although he regrets the move, he feels the location of his meetinghouse is not as important as the quality of the activities he wishes to conduct. Randy has sponsored various

prayer meetings, fundraising drives and dances serving not only the gay community, but other groups as well. He is solely responsible for the creation of Project Lambda, a program which supports and sometimes houses gay adolescents who, according to Gibson, are unwelcome in their own homes. He said, "One of the biggest problems in my new location will be my inability to house these kids because I will not have the room."

According to Meade Irwin, a church board member, the Meetinghouse is "primarily a socially concerned urban ministry attempting to relieve the pain and suffering of any group that needs help." The Meetinghouse has been

affiliated not only with gay concerns but with the women's movement, Black Panther groups, peace groups, art groups and other minority constituencies. The church's Coffeeshouse was originally formed to provide a meeting place for gays and straights and to give additional financial support to the church as well. Sponsorship of the New England Gay Conference, meeting space for Gay Community News, formation of the Fitchburg Civic Center, as well as campaign meetings for Elaine Noble and Barney Frank are some events that occurred at the Charles Street Meetinghouse.

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Anita Bryant Appears At Southern Baptist Convention

By Pamela Robbins

ATLANTA — Preceded by a year of controversy, Anita Bryant addressed a session of the Southern Baptist Convention here on June 11 — bringing with her another campaign against homosexuality.

Bryant urged pastors to take a stand against "immorality" and claimed that only a few men in this nation had the backbone to "tell it like it is." Stating further that fundamentalist Christians will be punished if they fail to take an outspoken stand on behalf of their moral values, she advised the

congregation to "love homosexuals because God loves all, regardless of their weaknesses."

Atlanta's gay community, said to be the third largest in the nation, had been organizing six weeks prior to her arrival. An estimated 4000 demonstrators gathered at the Atlanta World Convention Center where the convention sessions are being held. According to James Moody, chairperson of the Social Awareness group of the Unitarian Universalist Association, the 4000 demonstrators proceeded to protest her appearance in Georgia.

Moody told GCN that prior to the demonstration he asked U.U.A. ministers to support the rally. He received not only U.U.A. approval, but endorsements from other groups that had previously remained uncommitted. "It was a tremendous success," said Moody, "spirits were high, and a majority of people in Atlanta were for us."

A group of 25 "Concerned Christians" chartered a bus from Charlotte, N.C., to exhibit support for Bryant. Police remained on the scene to keep the two groups separated.

While Southern Baptists and other "Bible-believing Christians" have carried the weight of Bryant's anti-gay campaign, some church leaders have mixed feelings about her stand. Jack Harwell, editor of the *Christian Index*, official publication of the Georgia Baptist Convention, was quoted in the *Washington Post* as saying, "Baptists would never condone the practice of homosexuality."

Nominated Vice President

Bryant was nominated for the position of first vice president in the

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News Notes

UNITARIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BOSTON — The 17th annual General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) convenes during the week of June 19-24, at Boston University. The denomination which has been known for its activism in civil rights causes, established an Office of Gay Concerns four years ago.

Members of the Office and the UUA's continental Gay Caucus have planned a full program of workshops and other events. Office of Gay Concerns Director Robert Wheatley will describe the recent demonstration in Atlanta in a workshop on "Answering Anita Bryant at the local level."

In conjunction with the General Assembly, a Service of Community and Concern on the theme of "The Gay Rights Recession" will be held on Friday, June 23, at 8 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Arlington Street Church, corner of Arlington and Boylston Streets, in Boston. The public is invited.

Speaking on the theme will be William Reynard, Denver attorney and Colorado American Civil Liberties Counsel. Reynard serves on the National Board of the ACLU as Colorado representative and has voluntarily represented the ACLU in rights cases concerning loyalty oaths, conscientious objection, unfair and unequal treatment of gay persons. He was recently involved with the case of 'Rich v. the Secretary of the Army,' contesting the discharge of a person because of sexual orientation.

APUZZO SPEAKS

NEW YORK CITY — Virginia (Ginny) Apuzzo, wide-known advocate for the feminist and gay liberation movements, will address the Greater Gotham Business Council at its June 20th general membership meeting to be held at Ice Palace 57, 57 W. 57th St., NYC. The title of Apuzzo's talk will be "No Losers, No Weepers." In describing her presentation, Apuzzo stated, "What I'd like to focus on is how the recent political losses around the country impinge on me as an openly gay candidate for the state legislature . . . how my experience in this situation may reflect yet another stage in our development."

There is no admission charge for non-members. There will be a cash bar beginning at 7:00 p.m.; the business meeting and guest speaker will begin at 8:00 p.m.

Apuzzo is a candidate for the New York State Assembly from the 57th Assembly District in Brooklyn. She is currently Supervisor of the English as a Second Language Program at the Haitian Center in Brooklyn and is presently a doctoral candidate at Fordham University in Politics of Urban Education.

BAY VILLAGE MURDER TRIAL

BOSTON — The trial of three South Boston men charged in the brutal death of a 20-year-old South End man three years ago in Boston's Bay Village section concluded last week in Suffolk Superior Court. Paul Lafferty, Joseph Breen, and Frederick O'Brien had been charged with the murder of Juan Pascacio Claudio, as the victim was leaving Jacques Lounge on March 30, 1975.

Superior Court Judge Paul J. Garrity ordered a directed verdict of acquittal for Breen on a motion by defense counsel Jack Zalkind, after no eyewitnesses could specifically implicate him in the brawl when the gang smashed a concrete brick over Pascacio's head. A directed verdict in a murder case is considered extremely unusual, although Breen is presently serving time at the Suffolk County House of Correction for other offenses.

The jury returned a verdict of not guilty for Lafferty, but was unable to reach a verdict on O'Brien. Boston Police Homicide Det. Sgt. Frank Whalen said that a new trial for O'Brien will have to be held later this year.

SUMMER SOLSTICE FESTIVAL

CAMBRIDGE — Women Against Violence in Pornography and Media are sponsoring the Summer Solstice Fire Festival on June 23 at 9 p.m., on Magazine Beach here.

W.A.V. primarily consists of lesbians and bisexual women who are concerned with pornographic heterosexism, and its results in terms of sexual hostility in crime and lack of freedom for women.

ANTI-SEMITISM MARCH

BOSTON — The Boston Committee to Challenge Anti-Semitism is sponsoring a march and rally on Sunday, June 25, 1978, to protest the actions of the Nazi-uniformed demonstrators scheduled to march the same day in Skokie, Illinois. Beginning at 12:00 (noon) in Government Center, the march will proceed to Copley Square where a rally will take place at 1:00 p.m.

The Boston Committee to Challenge Anti-Semitism was originally formed in response to the anticipated Nazi marches in Skokie in April, 1978. It is composed of Jews and non-Jews whose purpose is to educate those in the Boston area about anti-Semitism, to act against its various manifestations and to oppose the rise of the new Right. The Skokie march is only one of an increasing number of attacks on minority groups by organizations such as the Ku Klux Klan and the National Socialist White People's Party.

ANTI-BRIGGS FUND INITIATED

SAN FRANCISCO, CA. — San Francisco City Supervisor Harvey Milk and San Francisco State University Professor Sally Gearhart have formed "The Fund to Defeat the Briggs Initiative." The Briggs initiative, which will appear on the November 1978 state ballot, would require local school boards to fire school employees thought to be gay or gay-rights supporters.

Several anti-Briggs campaigns have already been formed, and many smaller, local campaigns will also be starting. Recognizing this, Gearhart and Milk believe that there is a need for an organization to raise funds and distribute them to the many campaigns.

The Fund will not be doing actual campaign work, but instead will try to help finance local campaigns and also funnel money to the larger, statewide efforts.

Milk said, "There are many people who are not familiar with the existing groups and who want to send money to fight Briggs. However, they are not sure where it should go or be used. Those are the people we will try to bring in."

John Schmidt, President of the Golden Gate Business Association and the Fund's treasurer, will join efforts with Milk and Gearhart on this campaign.

The mailing address for those who would like to send contributions is: One United Nations Plaza, San Francisco, CA. 941. Please make checks available to: The Fund to Defeat the Briggs Initiative.

NATIONAL LESBIAN ARTS FESTIVAL

SAN FRANCISCO — The National Lesbian Arts Festival will be held at the Top Floor Gallery, 330 Grove Street, San Francisco, CA on September 1, 1978 through October 8, 1978.

The curators of this event are seeking drawings, graphics, mixed media, painting, photography, printing, sculpture and textiles for the division of Visual Arts. Performing Arts will include dance, theater, conceptual artists, and entertainers. For more information, contact Nikki Schrager at (415) 431-3356, or write Top Floor Gallery, 330 Grove Street, San Francisco, CA 94102.

KITT SINGS FOR GAYS

WASHINGTON, DC — Singer and actress Eartha Kitt will give a concert to benefit The Gay Vote '78 Projects of the Gertrude Stein Democratic Club of Washington, DC. Money raised will be used to support candidates in the Washington area who support gay rights. Among key offices involved in this year's election are mayor and president of the City Council. (One candidate for City Council President has referred to "fascist faggots" and vowed to attempt to overturn the City's strong gay rights ordinance).

The Gay Vote '78 Benefit will feature Kitt performing a full concert with orchestra. The event will take place at the Warner Theatre, 13th and E Streets, N.W. in Washington on June 26 at 8 p.m. Tickets are reserved seating at \$30 (includes a reception with Kitt), \$20, \$15, \$10, and \$7.50. They are available at all DC Ticketron locations; can be charged through "Ticket by Telephone" at (202) 737-2220; or are available by mail order at 5615 Nevada Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20015. Checks should be made payable to GSDC.

PARTY FOR BARNEY

BOSTON — A dinner and party in honor of Rep. Barney Frank has been scheduled for Monday evening, July 31, at 6:00 p.m., at The House Restaurant, 12 Wilton St., Allston. Tickets for the full-course dinner are now on sale for \$35. Reservations may be made by mail by sending checks, payable to the Committee to Re-elect Barney Frank, to P.O. Box 368, Allston, MA 02134.

For those who are unable to attend the dinner, there will be a party afterward at The Delivery Entrance. Guest d-j's will operate the turntables and the Special Guest Bartender will be Rep. Barney Frank.

GUILTY

WASHINGTON, DC. — Michael G. Simoneau, the 17-year-old youth accused of robbing and killing a former aide to Rep. Morris Udall at the Iwo Jima Memorial in Arlington, Oct. 2, 1976, was found guilty after six hours of deliberation by the Arlington Circuit Court.

Simoneau could receive 20 years to life in prison on the murder conviction, and two to 10 years for attempted robbery, pending the scheduled sentencing on July 21 of this year.

Simoneau's attorney, John A. Keats, said he will appeal, yet told the jury during the trial, "This man is guilty. There is no question about that. He's here to take his punishment." The attorney's plea, however, was for a conviction of manslaughter (killing without malice, committed in the heat of passion) for which the maximum punishment is 10 years.

Simoneau, who testified he had not intended to kill anyone, said he only had the intention to "harass and humiliate homosexuals." The youth was tried as an adult, and added in his testimony that his "encounter" with the deceased occurred on his 16th birthday.

LESBIAN PAYS TEMPORARY ALIMONY

SAN DIEGO, CA — A court has ordered a 21-year-old lesbian to pay \$100 a month in temporary support to her lover.

The couple exchanged vows in a ceremony on Feb. 17 in San Diego Community Church and according to Sherry Richardson, 23, signed an agreement giving each other one-half of all property accumulated during the relationship. In addition, she said that she agreed in writing to perform "all the duties of a housewife" while being supported by Denise Conley.

Superior Court Judge Byron F. Lindsley accepted the agreement which also gives Richardson a share of Conley's military retirement benefits.

PICNIC FOR GAY RIGHTS

MADISON, WI. — A picnic supporting gay rights will be held on Saturday, June 24 sponsored by the gay community here.

The purpose of the picnic is to raise funds to fight a possible anti-gay referendum which could be held next spring. The picnic will be held in Brittingham Park, corner of West Washington and Park Streets in Madison from noon to 7 p.m.

The anti-gay campaign is being conducted by Rev. Wayne Dillabaugh, pastor of the North Port Baptist Church, who wants to repeal Madison's gay rights ordinance. The minister has promised to name homosexuals and communists in the community and in local politics.

N.O.W. CONFERENCE

PLAINFIELD, VT. — The Vermont National Organization for Women will hold its first Vermont State Conference on June 17, 1978 at the Haybarn Theater, Goddard College, Plainfield, Vermont. Registration will begin at 9 a.m., with activities starting at 10 a.m. There will be guest speakers, including Madeline Kunin, announced candidate for Lt. Governor, as well as feminist workshops, all beginning at 2 p.m.

For further information, contact Valerie Eckart at (802) 223-5819.

HEALTH COLLECTIVE PROJECT

BOSTON — The Gay Health Collective will soon be announcing a new project which will make free, convenient VD testing available to a larger segment of the gay community. In order to do this, they are in need of volunteers who are qualified to draw blood samples. If you can help, please give them a call at (617) 267-7573.

Guzzi Announces Candidacy

BOSTON — The race for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate heated up further last week as Secretary of State Paul Guzzi announced his candidacy, making him the seventh announced candidate. Guzzi, who ousted ex-Secretary John F.X. Davoren in 1974 with considerable gay support, was also the state's top vote-getter in the final election, and is now the only senatorial aspirant with statewide exposure.

Ironically, Rep. Elaine Noble—who was running her own first campaign in 1974—was among the first in the local gay community to back Guzzi's candidacy. With Robert Dow, ex-head of the Homophile Union of Boston,

Noble led dozens of gay delegates to the state's liberal endorsing convention that year, and helped push Guzzi to a 3-2 victory over Davoren in the Democratic primary.

Meanwhile, Noble herself was the object of severe criticism by leaders of local black community last week, following her demands that Sen. Edward W. Brooke resign from office if he cannot "clear up his finances." Rep. Doris Bunte (D-Roxbury), chairperson of the Massachusetts Black Caucus, called Noble's statement "a cheap shot."

"If I decide to judge him (Brooke) on his record, and Elaine on hers, I think the choice would be pretty



clear," Bunte told GCN.

Rep. Mel King (D-South End), one of the legislature's most important gay rights supporters who is now said to be angry at Noble (with whom he shares his office), declined any comment on her request that Brooke resign. King told GCN, "I just hope people understand that he has produced."

The entry of Guzzi into the race does not change the position of Rep. Barney Frank, although the state secretary is a close personal friend of his. Frank explained that he has committed himself as an endorser of the Noble candidacy for the Democratic Primary.

Word Of Life Provokes Gays

By Don Barrett
and Tom Hurley

BINGHAMTON, NY — Gay groups in this southern New York State city turned down an invitation to a counter-demonstration at a "God, Country and Decency" rally last May 21. The invitation came from the Rev. Larry A. Maxwell of the Binghamton Open Bible Church, who was acting at the suggestion of Jack Wyrzten and Harry Bollback, co-directors of Word of Life International. This conservative, fundamentalist group with headquarters in Schroon Lake, NY, organized this and similar rallies in other cities. After inviting the gay groups, Maxwell told the police that gay people might be demonstrating. The police, however, did not feel any action was necessary.

The Broome County Gay Alliance, the Harpur Gay Alliance of the State University of New York (SUNY) here, and other lesbian and gay groups all refused to demonstrate. The only sign of gay protest was a box of five live chickens left by individuals at the rally site. A sign on the box read, "Gays won't take the bait."

The rally at the Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena, which seats 2000, attracted about 500 people, according to the *Binghamton Sun-Bulletin*. One police officer was stationed at the site.

The rally promised, among other things, the taped presence of Anita Bryant and the live presence of a choir called "100 Collegians." Only about 20 students of the Word of Life Bible Institute performed, and a taped Anita Bryant appeared singing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Wyrzten, who, according to Maxwell is an advisor to Bryant, asked the

spectators to sign notes to President Carter stating, "I wish to express my concern over all the illicit sex, homosexuality, violence, drinking, swearing, and blasphemous statements against the Bible, Jesus Christ and the New Birth on television."

The Broome County Gay Alliance charges that Wyrzten, Bollback, and Maxwell attempted to create a violent situation between the local gay community and the Binghamton police department.

This charge results from Maxwell's speaking to three lesbians at the SUNY Women's Center. Claudia, one of the women he approached, told GCN, "A secretary brought this man over to where the three of us were sitting. He wanted to speak to gays in the county about the rally. He virtually invited us to have a counter-demonstration. He was very cordial. He was trying to get to us on a real personal level. He told us that we should not make lewd remarks, but that this was a real invitation to have our own voice."

Maxwell told GCN that he had been asked by Wyrzten and Bollback to seek out local gay groups and invite them to demonstrate at the rally, which he described as "pro-family," not "anti-homosexual." "We knew there had been counter-demonstrations," he said. "It wasn't very friendly in Portland."

In Portland, Maine, 65 lesbians and gay men first demonstrated outside and then, at Wyrzten's invitation, entered the Word of Life rally. At one point they brought the rally to a momentary halt by shouting slogans and waving signs. When one fundamentalist threatened to strike a

protestor, police asked the demonstrators to leave. There has been at least one other gay demonstration at a Word of Life rally. Last March about 20 persons demonstrated peacefully in Ithaca, NY.

Maxwell told GCN, "I told the [gay] groups not to demonstrate loudly, not to make lewd gestures." He also told lesbians that rally leaders would be willing to talk with gay people.

Maxwell again denied his motive was to provoke violence. "Bollback had had a bad experience in Maine. They were making lewd gestures and being disruptive. So we just said, 'Let's play it safe.'" He admits that he also went to the police and "mentioned that there had been trouble in other towns. But the police said they didn't anticipate any trouble."

There appears to be a discrepancy between Maxwell's story and the chronology of events. According to Claudia, Maxwell contacted her only once, no later than May 11. The Portland incident, which Maxwell used as evidence of "trouble in other towns," occurred on Sunday, May 14. When asked how Word of Life officials could have requested him to prevent "trouble" like that in Portland when the Portland event had not yet taken place, Maxwell explained that he wasn't sure of his dates and that perhaps Wyrzten and Bollback were referring to other incidents.

Claudia agreed that Maxwell "did not invite me to be violent, but the motive for inviting us was perhaps to create a violent situation, and that's why we didn't picket — for safety reasons. But they were also looking for more publicity. To have a successful

rally inside they needed us outside. I don't think it's fair to say he tried to create a violent situation, but we were afraid of a violent situation."

William Francis, a member of the Broome County Gay Alliance, explained to GCN that "At first we thought it would be a good idea to demonstrate, but as we thought about it, we began to worry about media exposure in this small community." The Alliance members prepared leaflets to distribute outside the rally, but when they found that Maxwell had warned the police, they decided not to hold an organized demonstration.

The only sign of gay protest was the box of five live chickens. In addition to the sign reading "Gays won't take the bait," there was a statement entitled "Nobody Here But Us Chickens." The statement explained that the box was left by individuals, not by a group, and continued, "The Word of Life is using deception, scare tactics and dirty tricks to accomplish its goals. We recognize the truth about Jack Wyrzten and his 'decency campaign.' So, we have no intention of accepting his invitation to demonstrate. Instead, we are sending these chickens to show him what we think of his 'God, Country and Decency'."

Francis, who told GCN the chickens were delivered by a number of lesbians acting on their own initiative, commented that he "wasn't too thrilled about it, but we used their clowning to get more publicity." The whole story received major coverage in the local papers and television news. Francis described media coverage throughout the incident as favorable to the gay community.

Texas Gay Conference

By Tony Domenick

DALLAS, TX — About 500 lesbians and gay men last weekend attended the fifth annual Texas Gay Conference, which was sponsored by the Texas Gay Task Force.

The theme of the conference, "Education Before Legislation," featured workshops on different aspects of gay and lesbian lifestyles and how they apply to the human rights issue. Some of the topics included: "How the law affects homosexuality," "Lesbian, Feminism and Therapy toward Relat-

ing," "Teachers and Homosexuality," and "The Bible and Homosexuals." Featured guest speakers included Harvey Milk, San Francisco City Supervisor, and Don Armadon, gay liaison to the Los Angeles community, who spoke on "Gay Social and Cultural Roots."

The aim of the Texas Gay Task Force, according to Kathy Deitsch, moderator, is "To educate the public about who we are and to repeal the section of the Texas Legislative Penal Code that criminalizes homosexuality." Last year the Texas Legislature introduced and subsequently passed a bill prohibiting gay college groups to have equal partici-

pation on Texas campuses. As a result, the group's primary objective is to reform the legislative process. Through maintaining a communication network to unify lesbians and gay men in Texas, the Task Force stimulated 3,000 voters to register in last May's primary.

The Task Force has outlined a five point program for the 66 Legislative Session in January, 1979. Lobbying plans include:

- Continuing to identify human rights supporters including the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), gay teachers groups and women's groups;
- Taking the initiative to build coalitions for human rights groups;

tions for human rights groups;

- Developing a comprehensive communication program to reach out to grass roots persons and keep them informed on effective ways to work with local legislation;

- Establishing a co-sexual office team in Austin [the state capital];

- Raising \$25,000 for the legislative goals.

Commenting on the overall success of the conference, Deitsch said, "There was an obvious sense of common purpose here. I can say that we did achieve our goal which was to bring the Texas gay community together."

editorial

Will Boston Forget the Meaning of Gay Pride?

This week begins the ninth annual celebration of gay pride throughout this country. Many people look over the events of the past year and wonder if there's anything worth celebrating: The loss of civil rights in St. Paul? Wichita? Eugene? If the Lesbian and Gay Pride March is meant as a giant victory party, let's call the guests and tell them to stay at home. This has not been a year of victories.

But gaypeople have never marched to celebrate victories. Did 400,000 people march in San Francisco last year because gay people won in Dade County? Did hundreds of lesbians rally on Mother's Day in Boston to celebrate victories in lesbian mother custody cases? And what were we celebrating when we paraded ourselves in front of the Boston Public Library this spring? The nature of gay marches has never been to enjoy gains we have made within an oppressive system. Since the beginnings of gay liberation ten years ago, gay men and lesbians have *had* to march to gain reforms and abate violence and harassment. The mass demonstration has served the community well, but let us not forget *how* it has served us.

Almost a decade ago, the New York City police made one of their routine raids on the Stonewall bar, a gay bar in Greenwich Village. In 1969 these kinds of raids were commonplace. Police would select a bar, surround the building with a few squad cars, and enter the building in force. Arrests and beatings would follow. When the police raided the Stonewall on this particular June night, they were greeted with a surprise. Instead of allowing themselves to become victims of police violence, the gay men in the bar spontaneously fought back. They shouted back insults, threw bottles and cans, and joined in angry fist-fighting against the cops. In the scuffle, they succeeded in locking the cops inside the bar and throwing garbage, rocks, and flaming torches through the windows at them. The rebellion had begun.

community voices

against gay rights

To the editor:

To say that I am malcontent would be an understatement. I have been reading GCN off and on for several years. In the past year, my dissatisfaction with the gay movement has increased to the point that I have little time to be upset by straight society. It is reasonable to say that I am very dissatisfied with the malcontent self-appointed spokespeople of the gay community who have in the name of equal rights, managed to begin the destruction of the gay community.

As it stands now, I would probably vote against gay rights if it were on the ballot as a preventive measure against future demands that I find unreasonable. The reason for such a heartbreaking decision lies with children and adolescents. My decision is fortified by the complaints from adolescents that I've had as students concerning their gay teachers and counselors demands to actively incorporate homosexuality into the classroom and the increasing demand to tolerate pederasts.

Most adolescents that I've talked with, whether they be students or adolescents living in the streets, are very disturbed by the intrusion of homosexuality in their lives. The students were upset by teachers and counselors who attempt to seduce them. The street children were upset because they are forced into hustling and engaging in homosexual activities to survive. And, I don't blame them. This is the cheapest and most prevalent form of proselytizing. The only common denominator for both groups was the attitude that it's all right to be gay if that's what you want, but don't force it on them. That is not an unreasonable request.

Adolescents are going through the most painful stage of life. They are not children and they are not adults. It is the period of life where intellect and emotion must merge in order to chart a course for a successful and fulfilling adulthood. And, it is a period in which they must make the decision concerning the course of their

life with the least guidance and influence. It is the period in which they must make their first important decision concerning their lives.

It is a fact that misery loves company. But, must company include children and adolescents? I think not. Those who do should be pitied. However, pity should not detract from the fact that involving children and adolescents in misery is criminal and should be treated as such.

Yours truly,

John Fitzgerald Jr.
Boston

from indonesia

Dear GCN:

The United State Information Service gave me your association as one of the most suitable one for me to get in touch with some of Americans who is seeking a typical oriental man, dark skin, brown eyes, 5,6 and 55 kg, non-effeminate, sincere, reliable, good looking and in 28 but 8 years look younger.

I intend to spend my holiday sometime in November or December in Bali and will be happy to get companion from white American ages 21-48 years old gay.

I enjoy reading, travelling, correspondencing, music (country, semi-classic, sweet), sport (tennis and swimming).

If there isn't any of them on list for the above trip I will be very grateful to get some of them for correspondencing as I intend to take a graduate in USA early 1979.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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P.S. I prefer with their photos but not necessary.

Reinforcements did arrive and eventually many arrests were made, but the spirit of Stonewall had been kindled. The statement had been made: Gay people would no longer accept harassment from the police force. Oppression would be met by anger. Violence would be met by community outrage. The closet door swung open wide and gay liberation emerged with a clenched fist.

The nine years since Stonewall have shown us that we will not gain our rights easily. Every step of the way the American system is fighting us — in the police departments, in the legislatures, in the courts. A police raid on a bar is now a rare occurrence. Gay people have shown that we will not tolerate it. It is by showing the strength of our community — a strength built on our increasing numbers and our increasing anger — that real changes will occur.

This year in Boston gay people have been entrapped in the public library, denied custody of their children, slandered by the press, harassed by police, refused admission to restaurants, fired from their jobs, and attacked on city streets. We cannot afford to forget the lessons of Stonewall. We cannot afford political apathy. It is nice to attend Gay Pride picnics and carnivals and street fairs and ball games, but let us reserve mass community marches for political goals.

In Los Angeles this week, lesbians and gay men will be marching to show their solidarity against the Briggs initiative. In New York thousands will march in support of the city-wide gay rights bill. In Boston, let us march together to end the repeated attacks on lesbians and gay men throughout our city. For this is the true meaning of gay pride: Pride arising from the courage and strength to stand up and fight for the right to live and love as we choose. We fought nine years ago at Stonewall and we are still fighting today. Happy Lesbian & Gay Pride Week!

APOLOGIES

The Lesbian and Gay Pride Week Workshop Committee apologizes to the producers of the Benefit Concert for the Music in Women Series. This should not have been included in our calendar. It is being produced independently by MCI Framingham strictly to enlarge the recreational program there.

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harvard's "class fag"

Dear GCN!

I write to you mainly because, kids, I think you're bias but you're doing things Right?

I was a member of the 25th class of Harvard University, and I want to get that off my hands.

On Wednesday, June 7, and part of June 8th I was attending a party at Dudley House. Two men called me "Hugh Allen Jr. the class fag." In my Autobiography for the 25th reunion I had mentioned my 15 years opposition to the Vietnam War and my allegations. So I expected the fag baiting. It was the back of anti-Vietnam work that I expected to be criticized for. I've been called a "mick" and a "harp" all my life. To be called the "class fag" has a certain prominence.

On Wednesday night June 8 and Thursday morning, June 9th I was ostracized. Dr. Michael Halbertam, shook my hands, I saw two gay men wanting to but not doing so. It was very lonely. I was told I could not have a companion there, at commencement, who is my lover. I was very angry both times because John whom I love and who loves me couldn't get a little badge.

On Commencement Day, I arrived in the afternoon in a three piece suit. I marched with my class. Though, I knew many were uncomfortable with me: A leftist fag and Irish.

I heard President Bok's apology to the alumni for investments in South Africa, well he needed "profit."

Then, I heard Alexander Solzhenitsyn condemned the Roman Catholic Church, the Renaissance, the Reformation, the Humanism of the

18th century, the Democracy of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. I talked to an American of Russian extraction, a real conservative. And he said "Aleksander wants to be czar."

I concluded with this idea, maybe we're soft maybe we're democratic but isn't that what the founding fathers in their 18th century Humanism meant? That we should be a pluralistic society founded on "life liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Is there anything wrong with Jesus saying, "Blessed are the week for they shall seek the inner party."

On Wednesday and Thursday I objected to men calling their wives "girls." I was looked on as a cook.

What has happened to corporate capitalism? All those folks are frightened? and only a straight physician, brother of the Journalist, David, shook my hand.

I wrote to President Bok and asked that I be totally disconnected from my four years at Harvard. That my cum laude was a joke, it terms of the present Universities' fascism.

Read "Biko" by Donald Woods. It's happening day by day in Suffolk Superior Court. Maybe they'll all beat us about the head two or four times as the South African Police did to Stephen Biko.

Fondly,

Ronnie Allen

asylum demand

Dear GCN,

I think it is about time for us to demand asylum from the United States and it's police and such appeal should be brought before the General Council of the U.N.

Terry Murphy
Denver, Colorado

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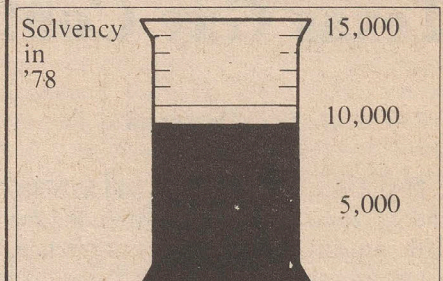
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By Nick Olcott

NEW HAVEN, CT. — Organizational matters and plans for action in upcoming weeks occupied the Connecticut Gay Task Force at its meeting, held on Sunday, June 11, in the offices of the Gay Alliance at Yale and Yalesbians in New Haven. Members made plans for an informational picket line in front of New Haven Mayor Frank Logues' office during Gay Pride Week and discussed possible actions for the Fourth of July celebration in New Haven. The Task Force also heard reports about the discussion of gay rights in the New Haven Community-Labor Alliance, and also on the gay rights ordinance in Hartford. Peter Rondino of New Haven informed the group about the video tape project already underway in Connecticut, and the Task Force discussed and ratified its bylaws and elected officers for the next year.

June 22 was set as the date for a picket line in front of Mayor Logues' office on Church Street in New Haven.

The Mayor has maintained on a local radio station that a gay rights ordinance is unnecessary for the city, because there is no discrimination against gays. The C.G.T.F. will join the New Haven Feminist Union and the New Haven chapter of the New American Movement in the Coalition for Gay Pride Week to protest the Mayor's indifference to the needs of the city's gay citizens. The Coalition will picket from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and distribute literature informing the public of discrimination against gays.

State Co-Coordinator Don Zajac reported that the gays rights ordinance in Hartford has been tabled indefinitely by the City Council. The Hartford Regional Group of the Task Force plans to concentrate its efforts on the passage of an equal opportunity ordinance, prohibiting discrimination in employment on the basis of race, sex, national origin, creed, or sexual preference. Hartford has at the moment no such ordinance.

Gay Man Given Security Clearance

WASHINGTON, DC — A Massachusetts gay man was granted a "Confidential" security clearance last week by the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) and will be permitted to continue in his job with a DOD contractor. The man's attorney, Richard Rubino of Boston, explained that the decision to grant the security clearance was very significant because the man had been discharged from the Army for being gay and also had three arrests for homosexual acts in recent years.

According to Washington gay activist Frank Kameny, an expert in government security clearance matters, it was routine until 1975 for DOD agencies to reject applicants for security clearances who were gay on the grounds that they would be subject to blackmail. Kameny, who was denied a security clearance

himself on such grounds, successfully challenged the procedure by arguing that if a person is openly gay, there could be no way to blackmail him or her.

Rubino told GCN that the man had held numerous temporary positions with DOD contractors, but had to leave all of them for fear that an Industrial Security Clearance Review of the Defense Logistics Agency would reject his security clearance application if he applied for a permanent position. On March 30, the man was interviewed by Eugene Back, department counsel in the Boston office of the Defense Logistics Agency and interrogated on the subject of his homosexuality. Rubino proved that there was no basis for the fear that the man could be blackmailed.

"He has nothing to hide anymore," Rubino said.

North End Murder

BOSTON — The search for an Andover gay man who had been missing for more than five months ended last week when a North End man walked into the Provincetown police station at 1:00 a.m. on June 11 and told police officers he had to get something "off his chest." His bizarre story, which was at first disbelieved by local authorities, resulted in the arrest of the North End man and his roommate for the murder of James Sheard, 35, of Andover.

Wiano "Bobby" Snellman, 31, told Provincetown police that he and Louis Puopolo, 47, both of Endicott Street, North End, had met Sheard in late January at a Boston gay bar and invited him to their home for sex. Puopolo and Snellman left the room and when they returned, he said, Sheard was dead. Provincetown police asked detectives at Boston Police District One to check the Endicott Street location for a dead body, but Boston police entered the wrong apartment and found nothing.

However, Snellman had an outstanding warrant for him with the Reading (MA) police on an unrelated

matter, and was subsequently turned over the Reading authorities. He again told the story, and Reading called District One. When Boston officers arrived this second time, they searched Puopolo's apartment and ultimately located a corpse which had been wrapped in a plastic bag and placed in a locked metal cabinet. Puopolo was immediately charged with murder.

Det. Lt. Arthur Kelly of Boston Police Homicide Unit told GCN that the victim's throat had been tied up and that, according to Snellman's confession — which Kelly described as an "attack of conscience" — the telephone rang during sex and both he and Puopolo went to answer it, forgetting that Sheard was choking in the next room. Snellman conceded that Puopolo's complicity in the matter was limited to concealing the dead body and that he (Snellman) was responsible for the murder.

Puopolo and Snellman were both arraigned on June 12 in Boston Municipal Court. Bail on Puopolo was set at \$10,000 surety, while bail on Snellman was set at \$100,000. Their cases were continued until June 26.

Katherine Kennedy of New Haven reported on a meeting of the New Haven Community-Labor Alliance, an ad-hoc coalition of labor unions and community groups which formed in the fall of 1977 to support the striking blue-collar union at Yale and which is now forming an on-going body for political action in the city. In the process of formulating its platform, the Alliance became involved in a heated discussion about whether they should include sexual preference in the non-discrimination clause. When the vote was too close for a definite decision, the group changed the wording to "any unfair discrimination". Members of the C.G.T.F. will attend future meetings of the Community-Labor Alliance to introduce a more specific formulation.

DID YOU SEE ?

This commentary, entitled "Who's Afraid of Gays?" by Robert Claiborne appeared in The New York Times on June 14, 1978:

Several years of agitation for "gay rights" have, predictably, generated a countermovement. Homosexuality is now being denounced in press and pulpit, and communities that only a year or two ago outlawed anti-gay discrimination are now repealing these ordinances by top-heavy votes.

This new, virtually nationwide attack on homosexuals rests on two main arguments: God disapproves of them, and "they are after our children" — meaning that the gays are plotting to seduce our innocent kids and turn them into monsters.

The first argument is hard for me to deal with. Since I am not all that sure what God thinks, I find it almost impossible to reason with people who know what He thinks. When it comes to the second argument — that homosexuality is somehow contagious, spread by personal contact — I am on much firmer ground. I know this is a lot of malarkey — and I know it from personal experience.

If contact with homosexuals and/or seduction by them can turn a heterosexual boy into a homosexual man, I ought to be as "queer" as the proverbial \$3 bill. In fact, I have been happily married for many years, and if my eye ever wanders it invariably wanders toward women, not men.

As a kid I was what some people would consider a good candidate for "gaydom." While not quite a 97-pound weakling, I was skinny, wore glasses, and was perhaps the only American boy of my generation who never learned to catch a baseball. For these reasons, among others, I preferred reading and music to more traditional masculine pursuits such as sports and fighting with my peers.

When I was 11, I was "seduced" at boarding school by an older boy. The details aren't particularly important, and in any case are not all that clear in my mind some 40 years later. Suffice it to say that for something like a year thereafter I enjoyed — and that is the word — homosexual relationships with nearly half a dozen boys. I also, if it counts for anything, had nonsexual contact with one or two homosexual teachers.

As a result of this, by the time I was 15 or so my sexual interests had become completely focused on girls. They have stayed that way ever since, though the girls have long become women of course.

Peter Rondino of New Haven reported on the progress of the video program begun last year, when members taped interviews with New Haven residents about the gay rights issue during the week of the Dade County vote. The group has made additional tapes since that time and plans to continue its work with a grant from the Haymarket Foundation. They hope to use the finished videotape as an education tool for programs in the area and possibly on television.

After making minor changes in the wording, the C.G.T.F. ratified its bylaws and elected officers. All the present officers were re-elected. Dai Thompson and Don Zajac will serve as state co-coordinators, Cassandra Smoots as secretary, and Robin Messenger as treasurer.

My wife and I have a few homosexual friends, and they are pleasant enough fellows. But as potential sexual partners they just aren't there so far as I'm concerned. My reaction to the thought of sex with them (or with any other man) is about the same as to the thought of being served a sawdust-on-toasted-cardboard sandwich for lunch: total lack of appetite.

According to all the sex surveys, my boyhood excursion into homosexuality was (and is) pretty common: Well over half the American male population has had similar experiences. So how come they're not gay — and how come I'm not?

Some gays, along with some of their well-meaning apologists, assert that sexual preference is innately ambiguous and unformed, determined entirely by the environment that a child grows up in. Some of the most ferocious anti-gays evidently agree, judging by their evident terror that their children will be "converted" to the gay way.

To me, this is nonsense, no matter who says it. Heterosexuality is built into the human genes, as it is into those of every other higher animal. Men are attracted to women, and vice-versa, for the same powerful evolutionary reasons that they are attracted to water when they are thirsty and food when they are hungry: Without these powerful attractions, the human race would long ago have perished, from thirst, hunger or failure to reproduce.

Why this normal and almost inevitable attraction is transferred, in a minority of men and women, to members of their own sex is a question I can't answer with any certainty — nor, I think can anyone else. My own suspicion (for reasons too complicated to set forth here) is that a hormone disturbance during prenatal life may have something to do with it. But whatever the reason or reasons, contact — even sexual contact — with homosexuals isn't one of them. I don't believe for a minute that most homosexuals are "after our children" — anymore than most heterosexuals are. But even if they were, it wouldn't make any difference. Most kids would still grow up straight, and those who didn't would almost certainly have gone gay — in or out of the closet — in any case. Human heterosexuality has been going on far to long — several million years — to be threatened by gay rights.

Robert Claiborne is writing a book on the high cost of health.

Abortion Action Coalition

By Nancy Wechsler

BOSTON — Suffolk University's graduation ceremony was held June 11 in Hynes Auditorium, amidst protests by some of the school's faculty, students, and members of the Abortion Action Coalition. The protests came about because of the school's decision to award an honorary doctorate of science degree to Dr. Mildred Jefferson. Dr. Jefferson is a surgeon who is head of the Massachusetts Right-To-Life, an anti-abortion organization.

About 40 students and 20 faculty, some holding up coat hangers to symbolize "illegal, back-room-butcher abortions," turned their backs to the stage when Jefferson was presented the honorary degree.

Before the ceremony, 25 protesters from the Pro-Choice Abortion Action Coalition picketed outside Hynes Auditorium. They carried signs which read, "Medicaid for Abortion" and "Control over our bodies, our sexuality, our right to decide." As they picketed AAC members changed, "Mildred Jefferson, Henry Hyde — enemy of women's right to decide" and "Agent of the church, agent of the stage, we have to stop Mildred before it's too late." The picketing lasted about 45 minutes.

Madge Kaplan, who is active in the Abortion Action Coalition, told GCN why she and the others were demonstrating. "We are here today," Kaplan said, "because of who Jefferson is — that she represents an organization whose intention it is to take away abortion rights from all women throughout the country. We saw this as one of the things that has to be fought: denying control to all women about decisions we make regarding our own lives and sexuality. While Jefferson refers to abortion as genocide, she has nothing to say about race or poor people on any other issue. She doesn't protest welfare or day care cuts."

Jefferson and the Massachusetts Right To Life has not publicly campaigned against gay rights or the ERA. "She seems to be sticking mainly to abortion," Kaplan said, "but we feel she works in concert with the anti-gay and anti-ERA forces since the role Massachusetts Right To Life plays is to contribute to the right-wing backlash. It furthers the whole climate of erosion and reinforces those on the Right who have been taking the offensive against things that have been won. Right To Life has been very slick. They are putting incredible pressure on candidates for the Right To Life wants candidates to rise or fall around abortion. The whole Right seems to be using this tactic around abortion, gay rights, and the ERA. They want anyone sympathetic to women around these issues out of office."

Suffolk University maintains that Dr. Jefferson was given an honorary degree because of her achievements as a black, female surgeon, rather than for her stand against abortion. But the protesters disagreed. The faculty handed out a statement saying that the university should not take sides on such a "hot political issue" as abortion.

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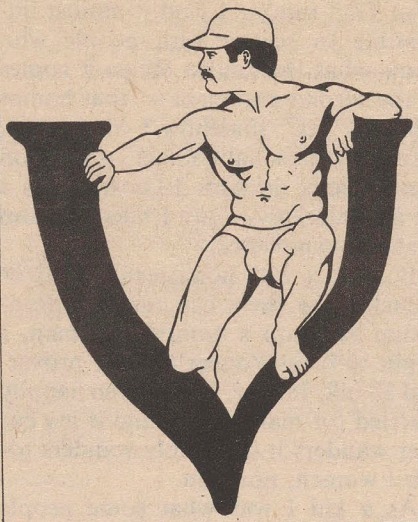
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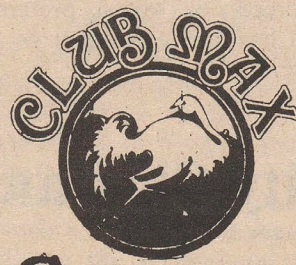
HCHS Alcoholism Program Refunded

Objectives for the program in the coming year have been identified by incoming Coordinator Robert Connolly as centering on increased visibility and outreach both the gay community and to establish agencies in the alcoholism field. "It's time for important alcoholism agencies and institutions to know what the needs of gay alcoholics are. We're anxious to work with other agencies in this field." He added that "we would like gay professionals in the alcoholism field to make contact with us and to help us decide whether there is a need for a Gay Council on Alcoholism."

Kevin McGirr, Assistant Coordinator of the HCHS program, stressed the need for continued education in the gay community. "My sense is that people are gaining a consciousness about alcohol abuse in the community and in their own lives. We want everyone to know that we are here to help."

The Alcoholism Services Program of the Homophile Community Health Service has been refunded for another year by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The program's original three-year grant, based on federal demonstration project monies, had been scheduled to end this month. Describing the program as a "unique service which has performed very well," Edward Blacker, Director of the Division of Alcoholism, Department of Public Health, extended its funding until June 30, 1979 and held out the possibility of further funding after that date.

Under the terms of the grant, HCHS staff will continue to provide counseling and support services to gay alcoholics and consultation and education services to the gay community and to agencies in the alcoholism field. Currently, 20 clients are seen at HCHS every week in individual and group therapy under this program.



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By Harold Pickett

"Authority can't be destroyed by any movement based on authority".

Rita Brown

Rita Brown (not to be confused with the author Rita Mae Brown) is a lesbian feminist anarchist, an anti-authoritarian member of the George Jackson Brigade, an urban guerilla revolutionary group. *Open Road*, a Canadian anarchist paper, reports that on Feb. 21, Brown, a long-time prison activist, pleaded guilty to involvement in one political bank robbery after charges relating to four other expropriations were dropped by the prosecution.

Brown received a 25-year prison sentence in the Oregon robbery charge, and, at the last report, still faced charges in Seattle connected with a series of political bombings that date back to 1975.

Brown was arrested in Seattle last Nov. 4 after having been recognized in the street by FBI agents. Only three days before her arrest, the GJB had bombed a Mercedes showroom, protesting the "suicides" of the three Baader-Meinhoff guerillas imprisoned in West Germany.

At her sentencing in Portland, according to *Open Road*, "Brown gave

an uncompromisingly militant account of herself, drawing cheers and applause from the large crowd of lesbians who packed the courtroom. In declaring herself the enemy of the court, Brown took on the explicit definition of a worker, a lesbian, anarchist and guerilla," retracing her political development "through the working class, feminist and gay movements."

Brown has been frequently moved since her arrest to minimize contact with her friends and supporters. However, *O.R.* reports, "It appears certain she is to be lodged at Alderson Women's Prison, in West Virginia, 3000 miles from home."

Further information can be obtained from Rita Brown Defense Committee, Box 22204, Seattle, Wash. 98122. To contact Brown directly, address letters to her at the Federal Correctional Institute, Alderson, W.Va. 24910. Additional background material and copies of the GJB manifesto can be obtained from Left Bank Books, 92 Pike Street, Seattle WA 98101.

In keeping with a similar theme, New York Gay Anarchists announce they'll be carrying the black banner in this year's Gay Pride March on Sunday, June 25. They encourage everyone who's "looking for an alternative between mainstream liberal politics, one hand, and Marxism-Leninism on the other, to join them in the march.

Bonin Trial

hear the viewpoint of sexual, racial, and other minorities."

The five SJC justices who are hearing the testimony will serve as the jury for Bonin. They may acquit, censure, or disbar him and there is no right to appeal.

Convention

elect a person whom the convention realized is one step away from the presidency. "There are honors we need to give to many people, but this office is not one of them."

Some Baptist leaders pointed out that the meeting Bryant was invited to address was not the convention itself, but rather the Pastors' Conference, a two-day session of non-stop preaching, praying and singing that annually precedes the convention.

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appropriate for me to attend a lecture which was sponsored by a gay rights organization. I see no objection to a judge attending a lecture which is sponsored by a sexual minority or anyone else who espouses civil liberties. In fact, I think it is an obligation of a judge to

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Southern Baptist Convention, but nevertheless was defeated by a 2-1 margin. Only half of the members were present during the voting, and the Rev. Doug Waterson received 6807 votes to Bryant's 3273. Delegates discussed the issues involved in electing either "the top vote getter in Good Housekeeping's most-admired-woman poll" [Bryant], or electing a pastor active in church circles. The Rev. Bill Hinson of New Orleans emphasized the need to

Meetinghouse Closes

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History of the Charles Street Meetinghouse

The Charles Street Meetinghouse was founded in 1807, and has been located at 70 Charles Street in Boston for ten years. The Massachusetts Universalist Commission, a state organization, originally bought the building in 1949. The Unitarian Church and the Universalist Church, two separate religious denominations, merged in 1961 to form the Unitarian Universalist Association, which has owned the building since 1963.

Barney Frank (D-Back Bay) told GCN: "I understand the financial difficulties Randy has been up against, and I am disappointed. The Meetinghouse has been useful to the gay community and the city at large. I do hope Randy can carry on the same quality of activity in his new location."

Bob Fondren, President of the Beacon Hill Civic Association, told GCN, "The style of the building makes it conducive for the purpose of a meeting-

house, and to use the church for any other purpose would be wrong."

When GCN contacted Arthur Root, treasurer of the Unitarian Universalist Association, who had just received official verification of the closing, he commented, "There are no commitments from any buyers at this time." However, GCN learned that Roger Moore, an attorney for Ropes and Gray Law Firm on Franklin Street in Boston, expressed an interest in the purchase of the building several years ago.

As a result of the Charles Street Meetinghouse closing, Gibson said, "People have always regarded the Meetinghouse as a parenting foundation. I don't understand the attitudes of the gay people in this town. They would rather drop their dollars in the bars than support something that is an important base in their community." He added, "The reason why the Meetinghouse is closing is that the radicals who were so much a part of it are now abandoning it."

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The Utopian Vision

By Paula Bennett

In a previous article (GCN, Feb. 11, 1978), I discussed works by three major pre-liberation lesbian writers in which self-acceptance provided the author's principal theme. Although these authors (Hall, Dickinson and Woolf) saw the world as hostile and opposed to "difference," they never violated their own sense of inner rightness. On the contrary, at their best, they used their lesbianism as a position from which to criticize the society which found them wanting. Thus they tested the limitations and follies of conventions from the special perspective that is available only to those who fall outside such conventions to begin with.

Since 1973, the year in which Daughters, Inc. published Rita Mae Brown's *Rubyfruit Jungle*, this tendency to assume an adversary position towards conventional society has taken full-blown shape in lesbian writing in what I would like to call, however loosely, "utopian vision." No feature of current lesbian writing is so marked as the need contemporary writers have to re-form in language and image the world in which they live — to make it accommodate at its very core a view of women and sexuality which for centuries it has denied.

In this article, I would like to explore the work of lesbian writers now publishing. In some ways the three authors I have chosen to discuss (Rita Mae Brown, Adrienne Rich and Monique Wittig) represent an arbitrary selection. They happen to be authors I know, like and/or find interesting. But other authors: Olga Broumas, June Arnold, Jill Johnston, Joanna Russ, Bertha Harris, to name a few, would have done as well. That is the point: the need to re-shape society is not the exclusive concern of one or two lesbian writers today; it is the obsessive concern of lesbian writing as a whole. It gives to it the peculiar flavor and stamp it now has, marking it, as Rich would say, "of our time."

Chronologically speaking, post-liberation lesbian writing begins with *Rubyfruit Jungle*. Although this slight book failed to meet most of the standard criteria used to establish "significant fiction," it was clearly the right book at the right time. Reader response was immediate and enthusiastic. The enthusiasm has not abated. (In an informal survey run in 1977, *Lesbian Connection* found that 446 of the respondents named *Rubyfruit* their favorite lesbian book, giving the novel a commanding 211 vote lead over its nearest competitor, *Patience and Sarah*, a 296 vote lead over third-place, *Sappho Was a Right-On Woman*. See *Connection* III, 7, February, 1978).

What accounts for the book's extraordinary appeal?

Apparently, Molly.

Although few of us, I suspect, would actually want to "be" Molly, there is something about Brown's thinly-disguised autobiographical heroine all of us envy. Bright, lively, brash, uncluttered by ambivalent emotions or second thoughts, Molly is a utopian figure. As such, she is to all intents and purposes impervious to the pressures that heretofore did so much to warp the lesbian psyche. Resilient as a pogo stick (and about as lovable), she makes her way in a world singularly unaccommodating to people of her persuasion. To more cynical observers, her progress may well seem miraculous. Can the miseries which for centuries buried

palatable. It never occurs to her that she does not exercise complete control over her life. On the contrary, she is nonplussed when she discovers that others lack her hardy attitude. Her bewilderment at such moments is so honest and spontaneous, one can almost forgive the arrogance and insensitivity it suggests, for the truth it contains:

Mrs. Bisland called Leota because she was looking for me. I didn't have to knock on the door before it opened and there was Leota — same cat eyes, same languid body, but oh god, she looked forty-five years old and she had two brats hanging on her like possums. I looked twenty-four. She saw herself in my reflection and there was a flicker of pain in her eyes.

(P.190)

Brown is, in fact, making a serious point in this passage. The dreadful metamorphosis of Leota from green-eyed, sixth-grade "Baby Vamp" to enervated cow-like mother of two, parallels the analogous transformation of cousin Leroy, earlier in the book, from sassy kid to bull-headed macho male (and, for those who have read the novel, the striking and curious change which Sasha, the Russian Princess, undergoes in Virginia Woolf's *Orlando*). All these transformations represent the same psychological dynamic: the loss of imagination and hence au-

"Can the miseries which for centuries buried lesbian writers in silence or forced them to short-circuit their lives . . . be so easily disposed of, so suddenly lose their power to harm?"

lesbian writers in silence or forced them to short-circuit their lives and thoughts in a variety of masks and disguises be so easily disposed of, so suddenly lose their power to harm? Apparently, to judge by reader response, we would like to believe they can. Like the gospel, Molly is the bringer of good news.

And, as in the gospels, innocence is her saving grace.

The perennial outsider, Molly views the world not as it is, nor as it should be, but as she would like it to be at any particular moment. She is like the child who molds designs in the mashed potatoes in order to make the process of digestion more amusing as well as more

tonomy which occur when an individual commits himself or herself to the prevailing sexual norms of behavior. Like Sasha and Leroy, Leota is ground down by her commitment to a set of values she did not create, cannot control and does not understand. In opting for heterosexuality, she has made a single choice that has foreclosed the possibility of all other choices.

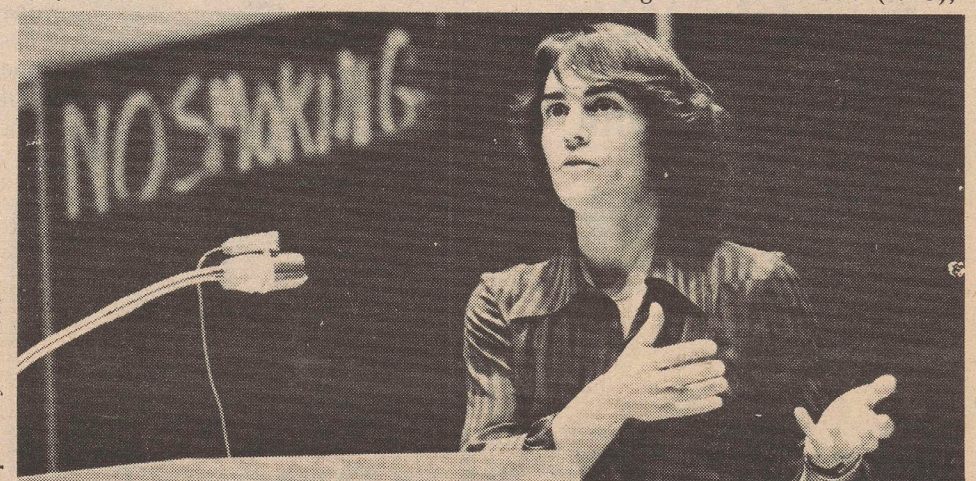
As Brown makes clear in the section that follows, the consequences of Leota's decision are apparent not only in her lifestyle but in her language as well. When she and Molly discuss marriage, they talk right past each other, employing the same words, meaning entirely different things:

—"Leota, I will never marry."
—"You're crazy. A woman's got to marry. What's going to happen to you when you're fifty? You got to grow old with somebody. You're going to be sorry."
"I'm going to be arrested for throwing an orgy at ninety-nine and I'm not growing old with anybody. What a gruesome thought. Christ, you're twenty-four and you're worried about being fifty. That makes no sense."

(p.193)

To Leota, Molly's way of looking at or speaking about the world is "crazy." Understandably so. We define rationality as the ability to draw logical conclusions from accepted facts. Yet here is Molly, in defiance of law, convention and the "dictates of nature" (as Leota sees it), perfectly happy going her own way.

What Leota does not realize, is that Molly does not accept her "facts" any more than she accepts the definitions of the words in which Leota couches them. The words which Leota uses to crush her ("marry," "crazy," "old age," "woman"—words which have



Rita Mae Brown

already crushed Leota) have no impact because Molly does not define them in the way Leota does. Thus, for example, a lonely old age is scary only if you want above all else to have the majority on your side; woman is castrating only if you believe women cannot, by definition, live independently.

By tipping all these conventional definitions upside down, Molly has freed herself from innumerable ills (at least so we hope). Her choices are her own. Though she lives in our world (a world that is all too recognizably right-side up and familiar), she is, as I said, a utopian figure.

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While there is an implicit critique of contemporary society running through *Rubyfruit Jungle*, Brown's utopianism centers in character and is most effectively grasped in Molly herself. In the poetry of Adrienne Rich, the emphasis is reversed, falling on politics rather than character.

Adrienne Rich published her first book of poetry, *A Change of World*, in 1951, at the age of twenty-one, as part of the Yale Younger Poets Series (the same award won by Olga Broumas last year). The publication marked the opening of a long, well-received career in which the poet, as she said in a recent interview for *Conditions* (I, 1, p. 50), acted the part of the "dutiful daughter, doing my craft right." It was, according to Ms. Rich, feminism (the poet's discontent with her situation as a woman and the effect that this discontent was having on her ability to write) that finally pushed her beyond the confines implicit in the "dutiful daughter" position:

My poetry had always been a means of surviving, finding out what I thought and what was true for me, one place where I was really honest with myself. I was very much striving for male approval and people's approval in general in those years. I was trying to do it *all* right, be a good wife, good mother, good poet, good girl, but I couldn't *really* just seek approval in my poetry, I couldn't, and it was a fortunate thing for me that I had the poetry.

(I, 1, p. 51)

Under the double impact of the women's movement and the radicalization of the left, Rich's poetic style underwent a profound change. The tight constructions and "safe" themes of the past were abandoned in favor of a poetry that was personal, political and polemical at once. If the (largely male) press no longer received her so well (Ms. Rich's account of reviewer reaction in the *Conditions* interview is pungent), for the poet, finding her own voice had at last become more important than winning approval.

In *Diving Into the Wreck* (1973),

Rich's image as poet/craftsman is replaced by that of poet/prophet for good and all. In these poems, an extraordinary testimony, to one woman's journey, Rich depicts herself as "a woman dressed in old army fatigues/that have shrunk to fit her." Alone, androgynous, aware, she walks "the unconscious forest," of a dying civilization:

Kicking the last rotting logs
with their strange smell of life,
not death,
wondering what on earth it all
might have become.

("Waking in the Dark, p. 8)

Although the poet is not actually "out" in these poems (she did not come out publicly until 1976), the preconditions of lesbian-utopian vision are all there. They are founded upon the poet's deep-rooted conviction that the structure of society is a tissue of lies, lies principally based upon delusions concerning our sexual nature. They are, therefore, lies which only the sexually "amphibious" can explore since only they know the hidden side of the story, the waste and damage done to our sexual selves:

This is the place
And I am here, the mermaid
whose dark hair
streams black, the merman in
his armored body
We circle silently
about the wreck
we dive into the hold.
I am she: I am he
whose drowned face sleeps with
open eyes
whose breasts still bear the
stress

of the Lesbian Muse

whose silver, copper, vermeil
cargo lies
obscurely inside barrels
half-wedged and left to rot
we are the half-destroyed
instruments
that once held to a course
the water-eaten log
the fouled compass
We are, I am, you are
by cowardice or courage
the one who find our way
back to this scene
carrying a knife, a camera
a book of myths
in which
our names do not appear.

("Diving Into the Wreck," p. 24)

In her most recent volume of poetry, *Twenty-One Love Poems* (1977), Rich makes specific what is implied in *Diving Into the Wreck*. Her persona as lesbian-feminist is firmly established. Her self-imposed task is to make that which was hidden, light. She will, as she says, expose "the underside of everything you've loved," making visible to all the monstrous nature of what was once thought beautiful: a civilization that has sustained itself by crushing the witnesses to its atrocities—women, deviants and unwanted children.

This apartment full of books could
crack open
to the thick jaws, the bulging
eyes
of monsters easily: Once open
the books, you have to face
the underside of everything
you've loved—
the rack and pincers held in
readiness, the gag
even the best voices have had to
mumble through,
the silence burying unwanted
children—
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Swift
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of artists dying in childbirth,
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stake.

(V)

As these lines make clear, Rich is a poet of rage, rage at the waste, rage at the distortions civilization has perpetrated. But in *Twenty-One Love Poems*, there is also a new note of sorrow, grief that, given the way society is, true love and joy are virtually impossible to realize. In *Diving Into the Wreck*, the poet was still able to dream of a world in which men and woman might lie "gaily/in collusion with green leaves . . ." ("The Phenomenology of Anger," p. 30) In *Twenty-One Love Poems* even this fragile fantasy is obliterated. At the end of the series, the poet is alone in Manhattan, reminding the reader/lover "There are no miracles," (XIX), saying of herself only:

I choose to walk here. And to
draw this circle.

(XXI)

(In its own way a large statement surely, but somehow suggestive to me of a defensiveness bred in despair.)

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The downbeat conclusion of *Twenty-One Love Poems* may dis-

appoint some readers (I confess I was one); but given the special nature of Rich's political preoccupations, it was perhaps inevitable. "Two women together," she writes in poem XIX, "is a work/nothing in civilization has made simple." She is right. For the lesbian to be truly at home in this world, she must entirely re-make it.

No lesbian writer has gone further towards "re-making" the world (linguistically and symbolically) than the French author, Monique Wittig. Wittig's aim is direct and revolutionary. In an "Author's Note" to *The Lesbian Body*, she declares her "Amazons":

are women who live among
themselves, by themselves
and for themselves at all the
generally accepted levels:
fictional, symbolic, actual.

Because we are illusionary
for traditional male culture we
make no distinction between
the three levels. Our reality is
the fictional . . .

our fiction . . . validates us.

Wittig's goal is nothing less than the fictive creation of a woman culture that is totally real at the same time that it is entirely symbolic.

Wittig's two major lesbian works, *Les Guérillères* and *The Lesbian Body*, are triumphs of experimental writing. In them, diction, syntax, action, theme and image are all made to serve an expressly female vision. Wittig's modification of (traditionally male) linguistic codes runs the gamut from the grammatical transformation of nouns normally assigned to the male gender in French to the entire redaction of culture myths we customarily think of as "male."

the women say that the feminaries give pride of place to the symbols of the circle . . . They say that this series of symbols has provided them with a guideline to decipher a collection of legends they have found in the library and which they have called the cycle of the Grail. These are to do



photo by Thomas Victor

Adrienne Rich

with the quests to recover the Grail undertaken by a number of personages. They say it is impossible to mistake the symbolism of the Round Table that dominated their meetings. They say that, at the period when the texts were compiled, the quests for the Grail were singular attempts to describe the zero the circle the ring the spherical cup containing the blood.

(p. 45)

Here the male heroes of the past, in this case King Arthur and his knights,

are rendered as illusionary to us as women were to men in the original stories.

Wittig's lesbian feminism is programmatic and is projected schematically in both works in such a way as to control all aspects of structure, large and small. In *Les Guérillères*, which deals with the struggles of a fictional Amazonian culture, the symbol of the vaginal O, announced by a flat line drawing on the second age of the book, dominates the text. Circularity of structure is achieved through the reiteration of actions, words, images and thematic motifs. Long lists of women's names are interspersed throughout, tying the text together, and through the magical power of naming, making the women's actual presence felt. There is, of course, no plot. The work is not a

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novel. It is, if anything, a long prose poem sectioned off. Only the merest thread of a story line is discernible. Linearity is avoided at all costs.

As a result of such devices, Wittig is able to create a work that literally absorbs the reader. Even the "symbols" stop functioning symbolically — that is, on the traditional basis of the division between word and thing, body and idea. Meaning and terms are identified. They are one:

They say that at the point they have reached they must examine the principle that has guided them. They say it is not for them to exhaust their strength in symbols . . . They say they must now stop exalting the vulva. They say that they must break the last bond that binds them to a dead culture. They say that any symbol that exalts the fragmented body is transient, must disappear . . . They, the women, the integrity of the body their first principle, advance marching together into another world.

(*Les Guérillères*, p. 72)

Wittig's flight from fragmentation, which she perceived to be the inevitable end product of male intellectualization and analysis, is the dominant impulse controlling the construction of her second, specifically lesbian book, *The Lesbian Body*. In the "Author's Note," she writes:

The body of the text subsumes all the words of the female body. *Le Corps Lesbien* attempts to achieve the affirmation of its reality. The lists of names, long anatomical lists of all the body parts down to the smallest and most unheard of, contribute to this activity. To recite one's own body, to recite the body of the other, is to recite the words of which the book is made up. The fascination for writing the never previously written and the fascination for the unattained body proceed from the same desire. The desire to bring the real body violently to life in the words of the book (everything that is written exists), the desire to do violence by writing to the language which I (j/e) can only enter by force.

(*The Lesbian . . .*)

As reader of French (a language which employs "male" and "female" grammatical gender) know, Wittig does in-

deed do violence to the language in order to make it express the woman's experience. But even for those who must read her work in translation, the violence, the uniqueness, of her perception is clear. It is the violence of one who would put woman's body/woman's experience before us whole, entire, unfragmented as it was "never previously written." In these most extraordinary love poems (the nearest literary model I can think of is the Biblical *Song of Songs*), lover and beloved are taken into each other as surely as the reader is taken into the body of the text, which is the body of the woman Wittig describes:

you are m/y glory of cyprine m/y
tawny lilac purple one, you
pursue m/e throughout m/y
tunnels, your wind bursts in, you

blow in m/y ears, you bellow,
your cheeks are flushed, you are
m/yself you are m/yself (aid m/e
Sappho) you are m/yself, I die
enveloped girdled, supported,
impregnated by your hands infil-
trated by the rays of your fingers
from labia to throat . . . I drag
you down, your arms twined
round m/e embrace two bodies
lost in the silence of the infinite
spheres, what am I, can anyone
standing at her window say that
she sees m/e pass, gentle muzzled
suckling-lamb cat I spit you out I
spit you out.

(*The Lesbian . . .*)

* * *

Wittig's appeal to Sappho is no accident and with her two books, lesbian literature has in many ways come full circle. For, like Sappho, Wittig is the creator of passionate love songs, songs in which the division between body and mind is healed. And, like Sappho, she assumes the existence of a woman's community of language and thought which makes such healing possible. But the world that Wittig imagines is just that — an imaginary world, a fiction, a utopia (a "happy" place which by original definition is also "no-place"). If it exists for her, it exists in the body of her lover and in the book which celebrates that body and gives it to us. But for the rest, as the downward path of Adrienne Rich's vision makes clear, utopia may still be very far away. It is the task of living lesbians to bring it nearer.

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Notes from the Peanut Gallery at the Bonin Trial

By Mitzel

The Supreme Judicial Court, on the 13th floor of the new Courthouse Building, has a bench like a proscenium stage. A curtain behind it parts and the Justices pop out and seat themselves in these over-sized high-backed chairs. From the rear of the courtroom (court officers have placed out an additional 30 to 40 seats to handle the crowd; it's SRO every session), the Justices' heads bob just visibly above the high wood S.J.C. bench. I thought of Lily Tomlin doing Edith Ann.

The "case" against Chief Justice Bonin is being made by Robert Meserve. Mr. Meserve is a former president of the American Bar Association. At the 1971 meeting of the A.B.A., Meserve argued *against* the adoption of a gay rights proposal by that organization. He bears an unhappy resemblance to our former (and imprisoned) Attorney General Mr. John Mitchell. His girth and rough manners also bring to mind comparison with a well-known (and oft-eaten) barnyard animal whose name became a common epithet in the '60s.

Defending Mr. Bonin is his friend Paul Sugarman. Mr. Sugarman — with the lone exception of his grilling Frank X. Orfanello — seems to be handling these proceedings as though they were a white-gloves affair.



Counsel for the defense Paul Sugarman

It is unfortunate that Mr. Bonin, in order to vindicate himself of these manufactured charges, is put in a no-win situation. He could have hired an "outside" lawyer and made the bulk of his defense an exposé of the workings of the legal system in Massachusetts; how it is riddled with incompetents, drunks, patronage appointments, run by pay-offs, the Catholic Church and toadyism to the powers-that-be. Or he could play the Gentleman Lawyer and not besmirch in any way the legal profession or the judicial establishment from

which he is now being evicted. Had he chosen the former defense, he would likely be acquitted of all charges. In the process, however, he would have so villified the legal network and the courts that he would have even further alienated the legal establishment (many of whom already hate him), and provided them with even more reason to set him up for removal at a later time. Mr. Bonin has chosen the Gentlemanly way. Hence, I fear his fate is sealed; he is probably doomed as the Chief Justice.

Mr. Sugarman could have cut Bill Homans's testimony apart. Bill Homans — great civil liberties hero of our day! Bill Homans — defender of the persecuted spokespersons of unpopular causes! Yet the very Bill Homans who, when asked by Mr. Meserve if the Boston/Boise Committee was a "civil rights group" was unable to so identify us. Us queers, apparently, even confuse good ole Bill.

Mr. Sugarman, had he done a better job, could have revealed his "brother lawyer" Brian McMeniman to be a liar, scoundrel and ingrate. (I may be too harsh in saying McMeniman intentionally lied about the GoreVidall lecture. I suppose anyone could have a fuzzy memory of the event after a surfeit of whiskey sours at the gala dinner with Vidal at the Ritz Cafe — for which the tab was picked up by Mr. McMeniman's client.)

McMeniman, who allegedly phoned Orfanello with the message to warn Bonin away from the Vidal lecture, not only lied about our Committee, not only contradicted himself while on the witness stand — these are mere humanly, or at least lawyerly, errors — but he, unforgiveably, insulted his client

(one of the 24 men indicted last December). McMeniman admitted he didn't care for homosexuals (especially those "who played around with little boys" — McMeniman's phrase!) and actually revealed, on two separate occasions, his defense strategy for this case in open court, while an Assistant D.A. was present taking note.

McMeniman, who has already received many thousands of dollars from his client in this case, was so bold offering his defense strategy that even Mr. Meserve, the prosecutor, twice cut him off and steered him away from any further voluntary violations of lawyer-client confidentiality. I don't expect lawyers to always like their clients. It is shocking, however, to actually see one of them selling his client down the river in order to cover his own ass, "professionally" speaking.

One very important question was never asked when Homans and McMeniman were under oath: why did both of them think it any of their business to take it upon themselves to call Senate President Kevin Harrington and Chief Justice Bonin and warn them away from the Boston/Boise benefit? It seems to me that if Messrs. Homans and McMeniman were a little more concerned with the defense of their clients (and the class of people from which their clients in these cases are drawn) and a little less busy conspiring to warn off public officials from attending a gay rights benefit, not only would this Bonin trial very likely not be happening, but things would be in a more proper perspective. Clients, causes, cases: these are insignificant items compared to the loyalty to this Legal Brotherhood, a powerful and

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People, Places & Flings

By Lee Stone

Will the Park Plaza people get their act together! **12 Carver** and **Herbie's** patrons are getting hit with another rumor that the building has to be vacated by August 31st. If this time it's true, let's hope **Roland** will re-locate and recreate that comfortable atmosphere again...

Boston's doyen of drag, **Miss Sylvia Sydney**, celebrated his third anniversary at **Together** and packed in over four hundred people. Resplendent in his Carmen Miranda turbans and some of his New York designed costumes, he continued to offend nearly everyone in his own inimitable way. I've heard some people say "Sylvia can say anything she wants 'cause she doesn't care." I feel just the opposite. He deflates egos, and bursts balloons because he does care! Chatting with him in his dressing room, he reminisced about some of the people he got started in the business, like **Tommi Bell** who went on "to make it big in the show circuit of San Francisco."

Some of Sylvia's more pungent comments in the course of our conversation were: "I predict Anita Bryant's son will be a homosexual before this year's out! My dear... one day he'll try what his mother is putting down and find it perfectly enjoyable. And believe me, once he's tried it he'll do it again dahling!" and "While I don't like what's going on in the Fenway and Public Library... after all, if you can't take 'em home, you don't have to do it in public... I can't stand this entrapment crap. I've been telling cops to go fuck themselves for years dahling, before it was in vogue

and I took plenty of knocks from them but I handed out a few too on my way to the station. The trouble with these liberation sissies, and they're just plain faggots like the rest of us, is they don't fight back!" **Sylvia** will have been in show business for ten years this October. Let's wish him another ten more!



Leana Harlow

If you're in town this Monday, be sure and catch the hottest mimic act in town! **Leana Harlow** has 'em standing and cheering at the end of his energy packed act at **Together**. Leana has just finished an engagement at the **Green Apple**, out on Rte. 9 near Revere, and I for one am happy he's back to energize the downtown audiences once more.

Joe's still waiting for the new piano bar to arrive at the new **Carnival**. The place looks stunning... totally redone in cool blue, subdued paneling, and mirrors galore! It also doesn't hurt to have **Joey**, formerly head bartender at **Jacques**, behind the stick. He's a quick wit and a caring person. So, good luck **Carnival**!

Aloha sisters! It's exotic drink night at the **Club 76** every Wednesday evening... so, for a refreshing mid-week break, stop by...

Let's hope things even out in the Copley area... **Styx** is a lovely bar and **Mario's** has been very supportive of gay community efforts. New bars are great and a plus for our community, but waiting for hours in line for one place to thin out rather than enjoying a drink at **Styx** seems foolish or faddish...

Catch **Leroy's** fire dance at **The Bar** this Sunday at three p.m., then enjoy high tea from five 'till six... special cocktails prices and fine classical music.

When in Worcester stop by **Isaiah's**, and join **Desi** and **Bob** on 69 night. Bar drinks and beer will be just 69 cents.

All right theater buffs, get off your duffs and get down to the Suffolk Theater to see the **Marlowe Show**. For those with limited means they are running a half-price preview special.

Donna Price, who shared the bill with **Gore Vidal** in that now controversial lecture, will be singing with the **Women In Music Series** at Arlington Street Church, 7:30 p.m. on June 21st. She will be joined by such other women enter-



photo by Mike Thompson

Donna Price

tainers as **Debbie Houston**, **Sherli Sherwood** and **Jodi Shapiro**.

Chaps was outrageous Sunday as it filled up again with the **A.S.M.C.** guys. There were a great many French Canadians and at times it sounded like an F.L.Q. meeting. They were members of **Trident International** which has a large Boston branch. **A.S.M.C.'s Spirits In Love** play evoked a warm response from run participants. I saw it at the **Randolph Country Club** last Wednesday... and those who ate dinner prior to the show were delighted with the cuisine. So if you want to spend a day away from city noises, lounge around a pool with other gay women and men, disco or walk or dine at sunset, stop by... I know I'm checking into membership!

'Bye till next week!

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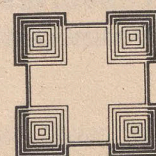


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FILM

A Different (Offensive, Trite...) Story

A Different Story, directed by Paul Aaron, written by Henry Olek. At the Sack Charles.

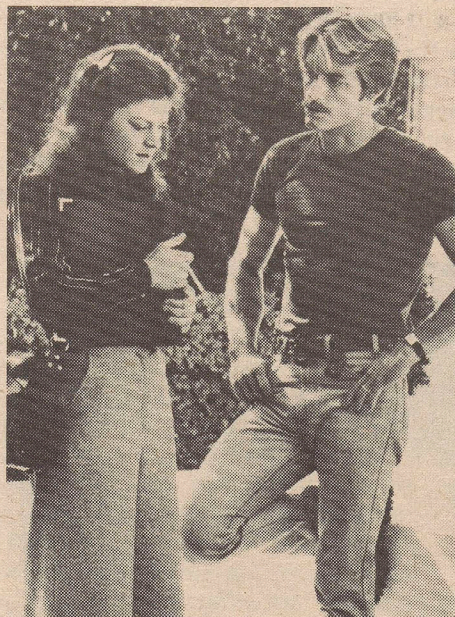
A Review by John Cummings

My observation has been that Hollywood movies released at this time of year unfailingly seem to score record highs in espousing mindless heterosexualist propaganda. It is my belief that this seasonal upswing of filmmaking depravity is, essentially, Hollywood's response to the regulated needs of the "fun-in-the-sun American Grafitti" set. Thus far, spring '78 has been treated to such thrillers as "T.G.I.F.," "An Unmarried Woman," and even the re-release of "American Grafitti" itself. "A Different Story," which opened June 14 at the Sack Charles, not only claims its place as the most recent piece of summer-fun tripe, but it may also boast itself as being one of Hollywood's first direct attacks against the gay community.

A Different Story is not at all "different" in terms of its basic plot line. At the risk of boring us all for the *n*th time, a quick sketch of the plot reads something

like, "Boy meets girl, a few snags (snags do offer that wholesome martyrdom quality to a good Christian relationship) get in the way of true het bliss, they marry, love conquers all, they breed, bliss emerges. There is still 45 minutes of movie time left to sell so, add a scandal with another woman, remember that love conquers all, and all are returned to heterosexual blissland."

Scenarios of the type are, indeed, relentlessly charming. Ironically, however, it appears that even the hets are beginning to grow a bit bored with the standard heterosexual blissland plot. Since there is only one road to true breeder bliss, the "snags" allow the only freedoms for imagination in the plots, and the "snags" do seem to be getting kinkier and kinkier. Homosexuality, as conceived in the imaginations of straight propagandists, provides the cute, kinky "snag" for this movie. Let me just say that what's meant to be interesting about this movie is that a gay man and a lesbian marry for convenience, fall in love, and become heterosexual. One does not require much of an imagination to envision the types of



Meg Foster and Perry King in a scene from *A Different Story*

stereotypes and lies this length of worthless celluloid perpetrates, so I will not waste time recounting those horrors here.

Evaluated as a piece of art, the film,

again, flunks. I have no worries that there will be many straight reviewers who will have much positive criticism of the film. Perry King, who plays the leading male role, has a striking physical beauty. But he offers a performance in this film which all but embarrasses the audience to tears for its lack of ability to communicate anything short of a rippling pec. Meg Foster's performance is of only slightly better quality. The sets throughout the film struck me as being alarmingly similar to those of Johnson's Wax commercials. We are endlessly in kitchens.

A Different Story will not be a "significant" film. Aside from its offending nature, it is boring, and poorly done. People will not be breaking down the doors at the Sack Charles to get into the theater. However, the film is just too darling for words, and, depending upon how much the producers plan on sinking into its promotion, it just may, sandwiched innocently between the usual array of soft-core stewardess movies, be a smash hit at your local neighborhood drive-in movie theater. And that is a dangerous possibility.

BOOKS

More Ecclesiastical Fag-Baiting

The Bond That Breaks: Will Homosexuality Split the Church? by Dan Williams. BIM Books. \$4.95 paperback.

A Review by John Graczak

"It is absurd to idealize the homosexual as a 'total person' . . . Two shoes when united make a pair, but the right shoe is only part of a pair and two right shoes together are only more of the same. When the presumed values and advantages of homosexuality are closely scrutinized, they begin to vanish." With this and other folksy metaphors, Pastor Williams goes about the subtle work of the moral theologian. Since Williams was a member of the task force to study the ordination of homosexuals in the Presbyterian Church, the result of his work is not humorous, but tragic.

The Bond That Breaks is a useful book insofar as it illustrates the poor scholarship, religious chauvinism and philosophical ineptitude that characterize ecclesiastical fag-baiting. The work begins with several vignettes of gay life in Hollywood, or, rather stories of those gays, unable to accept their sexuality, who fall in with Don Williams's street ministry. If the reader's eyes are too wet to examine closely the next section entitled, "Contemporary Views of the Homosexual," all is well. More attentive reading discloses the absence of the important studies of Evelyn Hooker, and the false claim that Freud considered homosexuality a disease. Williams has forgotten to check his sources, since Freud once wrote to an

American mother, "Homosexuality . . . is nothing to be ashamed of . . . it cannot be classified as an illness."

Williams is actually not very interested in the sciences of man, since the Fall of Man resulted from his desire "to know everything." Instead he directs us to the authority of revelation, and then presents a most unauthoritative interpretation of the scriptural texts. Among other surprises, the reader learns that Lot's offer to send out his daughters to be abused the Sodomites, "may also represent Lot's extreme reaction to the horrendous desires of the men of Sodom." Williams shares a few weak points with Anita Bryant, one of them being the inability to explain why we are bound by the anti-homosexual prohibitions of Old Testament Law, but not by the ritual and dietetic laws found in the same texts. Don Williams bases his case against homosexuality on an exegesis of Genesis 1-3. He rejects the hypothesis that the original mythic man was created androgynous, again without a good reason. Williams holds that the divinely-ordered state of things before the Fall included the union of all in heterosexual marriage. That's the way we're put together by God, and, "we are to become personally what He has created us to be biologically."

Williams cannot be so naive as to overlook the view that man is biologically a highly adaptive creature, able to order sexuality to non-procreative ends. For Williams this is the great problem. The author sees our adaptiveness as our ability to sin, that is, to

choose to be something other than the narrowest use of our biological equipment demands. The author assumes that this is the divine intention, and proves it by counting shoes.

All this talk of divine order from creation sounds much like the arguments in the Book of Job. But that book has a less grandiose ending. Instead of resting in the acceptance and legal adoption of his pious views of crea-

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sinister force keeping so many of them in line. Above clients and causes, these gentlemen have their careers! It is no coincidence that, in this proceeding, the worst "punishment" the S.J.C. can mete out to Mr. Bonin is disbarment!

The homophobia in the courtroom (and in the courthouse) is obvious and widespread — undermining Mr. Meserve's numerous and oily assurances that "the Boston/Boise Committee is not on trial." When Joe Miller was testifying, he corrected the prosecution when Mr. Meserve was trying to lead Joe with misrepresentation of fact. Joe firmly corrected him, at which point one journalist in the front of the courtroom said, quite audibly, "arrogant faggot."

Earlier, down in the press room, Tom Reeves had spoken with Lynn Vaughn, courthouse reporter for WEEI. Reeves had suggested that she avoid the phrases "homosexual crimes" and "child molesters" in her dispatches as these were inaccurate and inflammatory. Vaughn exploded, "You damn fags! You're always bugging me!" Not a very pretty

picture of the media at work. Ms. Vaughn, by the way, had admitted to me previously that she despised Chief Justice Bonin and would do everything within her power to help bring him down.

During the first week of the trial, there was a refreshing contrast between the straight people who testified and the "other" people (the gay people and their friends). The straight establishment folks — Homans, McMeniman, Orfanello — were evident prevaricators, muddlers, looking for cues. They were obviously compromised. On the other side, those testifying — Reeves, Laurel Campbell and Joe Miller — were direct, uncowed, and indignant at these ridiculous proceedings.

The trial continues: the tiny, aging judges, parading out from behind their parting curtains, the Legal Brotherhood warming the witness stand with falsehoods and career-saving catch-alls. Frank Orfanello cried. When asked if he had any loyalties other than those to his boss, the Chief Justices (both McLaughlin and Bonin), Orfanello said, "Yes, I do. To God and to my Duty!", as though that would conflict somehow with his job working for Bonin. Orfanello was extremely disappointed that Mr. Bonin, unlike Walter McLaughlin, would not recommend him for a judgeship of his very own. If Bonin goes down the drain, as predicted, Francis Xavier Orfanello may yet don the black judicial robes. Then he could sit in other courtrooms, as he has in this one, wanting only one significant and representative detail: the kangaroos!

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Providence, R.I.

Gay Pride Parade on Saturday, June 24. Parade assembles at 11:30 a.m. at the Municipal Parking Lot in downtown Providence.

Worcester, Mass.

Worcester Gay Pride March on Sunday, June 18. Parade assembles at noon at Worcester City Hall.

New Haven, Conn.

Busto NYC Parade leaves New Haven on Sunday, June 25 at 9 p.m. from the SCORR Offices, 363 Crown St. Return New Haven at 11:30 p.m. Cost of bus \$8.50 round trip.

New York City

Gay & Lesbian Pride Week begins with the **Christopher Street Liberation Day March** on Sunday, June 25. Parade assembles in Sheridan Square at noon. Rally in Central Park Sheep Meadow at 66th St. at 2:30. Speakers will include Betty Santoro and David Thorstad from Coalition of Lesbian and Gay Rights, Sandra Gold of Gay Teachers Association, Leon Harris of Village-Chelsea NAACP, Stevie Knowles of Dykes & Tykes, Ivonne Elias and Francisco Figueroa of Hispanic Speakes, and Truman Capote from Heaven. Entertainment by Gotham and Baby Jane Dexter. **Christopher Street Festival** after the rally. Entertainment will include Tom Robinson Band, Blondie, Rosie Ross and the Shadows, and Cherry Vanilla. There will be dancing in the streets, food, drink, and booths.

Syracuse, N.Y.

4th Annual Gay Pride Field Day on Saturday, July 1, from 12-8 p.m. at Camp Brockway, Pratt's Falls Park, Jamesville, N.Y. The day will include raffles, a softball game, food and beer, and a performance by Cranberry Lake, a jug band. For more information call the Onondaga County Human Rights Coalition at 315-475-6857.

Baltimore, Md.

Gay Pride Block Party on Sunday, June 18 at 400 block on E. 31 St. at 1 p.m.

Chicago, Ill.

9th Annual Midwest Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade on Sunday, June 25. Parade assembles at 1 p.m. at Halsted/Belmont. Rally follows in Lincoln Park.

Indianapolis, Ind.

Third Annual Gay Pride Picnic on Sunday, June 18 from 1-6 p.m. at Westlake Park.

Champaign-Urbana, Ill.

Gay & Lesbian Pride Week Picnic on Saturday, June 24 at noon in Crystal Lake Park in Urbana. A contingent will also go to the Chicago Parade. For information, phone (217) 384-8040.

Madison, Wis.

Gay Rights Community Picnic and Carnival on Saturday, June 24. Picnic begins at noon in Brittingham Park, corner of W. Washington and Park Sts.

Detroit Mich.

Gay Pride Week Picnic on Saturday, June 17 at Palmer Park. Also **Gay Pride Trip to Bob-lo Amusement Park**, from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. on June 24.

Dallas, Texas

Liberation Sunday will be celebrated on July 2 with an 11 a.m. Community Church Service at MCC and a 1 p.m. Picnic in Turtle Creek Park.

Houston, Texas

Gay Community Town Meeting on Sunday, June 25 at the Astor Arena.

Austin, Texas

Gay Pride Dance on Saturday, June 24, phone 477-6699 for more information.

Albuquerque, N.M.

Gay Pride March on Saturday, June 24 at 9:30 a.m. at Heights Lounge. Rally and picnic in Roosevelt Park.

Tucson, Ariz.

Gay Pride Week Picnic on Sunday, June 25 in Himmel Park. Picnic will feature volleyball, softball, refreshments, non-competitive games.

Los Angeles Calif.

Gay Pride Weekend June 30-July 3. Christopher St. West Parade on Sunday, July 2, assembles at Hollywood & Vine at 3 p.m. **Christopher St. West Carnival** in Hollywood all weekend. The theme of the parade is "No On Briggs!"

San Francisco Calif.

Gay Freedom Day Parade on Sunday, June 25. The theme of the march is "Come Out with Joy! Speak Out for Justice!" and it assembles 11 a.m. at Spear & Market. Gay Native Americans will lead the march. There will be a mass rally at the Civic Center from 2-6 p.m.

San Jose, Calif.

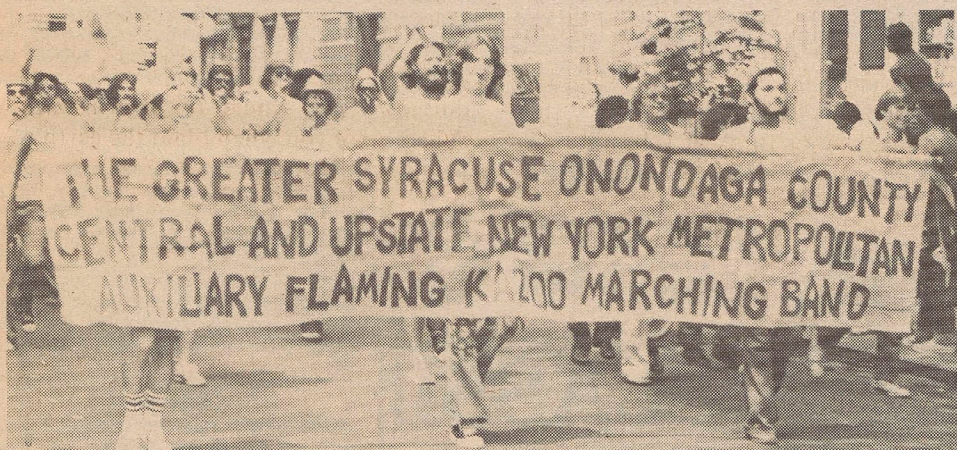
Gay Freedom Day Rally "Victory from Defeat" to be held on Saturday, June 24 at noon in St. James Park.

Berkeley, Calif.

Gay Pride Week Kickoff Carnival and Picnic on Sunday, June 18 in Willard/HoChiMinh Park, Derby & Benvenue at noon. **Gay Pride Dance** on June 18, from 8 p.m.-2 a.m. at East Bay Community Center, 2714 Telegraph.

Montreal, Canada

Gay Pride March on Saturday, June 17 at 3 p.m. Assemble in St. Louis Square.



1977 New York Parade

Boston Events:

June 18 Sunday

Spring for GCN! An all-day benefit for *Gay Community News* at Club Max, 54 Park Sq., 262-0750. 12-4 buffet brunch & tea dance, 4-6 Auction, 9-9:30 men's and women's fashion show, Dance Contest at 11 p.m. No dress code. All people welcome! Admission \$5.

Women, The Body, Creativity & Consciousness — 4-7 p.m. Charles St. Meeting House. A discussion & mini-workshop for all women. Don't miss it!

Open Forum for Gays of All Ages — 5 p.m. STOP/Symphony Tenants Organization, 60 Burbank St., Fenway; Sponsored by the Committee for Gay Youth.

June 19 Monday

Workshop: **The Male Body, Healing Creative Expression & Collective Process** — 7:30 p.m. at Galaxy, the Piano Factory, 791 Tremont St., South End. A group based workshop for gay men exploring & transforming our common experience. Bring loose clothing.

Workshop: **Lesbian Mothers** — 8 p.m. Cambridge Women's Center, 46 Pleasant St., Cambridge; for women.

June 20 Tuesday

Lesbian Pizza Making Night. Yummy. — 6 p.m. Amaranth, 134 Hampshire St., Cambridge.

Faggot Ritual for the Closing of Spring — 10 p.m. Meet by the reeds in the Fens for the procession.

June 21 Wednesday

Workshop: **Lesbians & Children** — 8 p.m. Gay Legislation, 80 Tremont St., 2nd floor; Dealing with our relationships with children; an alternative to workshop about lesbian motherhood.

Workshop: **Racism & the Gay Community** — 8:30 p.m. Warwick House, 1 Warwick St., South End/Roxbury.

Celebrate the Summer solstice — 10 p.m. A ritual will be held by the Charles River. Meet by the bandshell for those who wish to participate. Another celebration will be happening at the bandshell for those who prefer a party.



1976 Boston Gay Pride Parade

June 22 Thursday

Workshop: **The New Right** — 7 p.m. Redbook, 136 River St., Cambridge; hosted by the Lavender Resistance Collective.

Intergalactic Poetry Nite #2 — 8 p.m. Cafe Gallery, Dartmouth & Appleton Sts., South End.

June 23 Friday

Gayla Picnic on the Esplanade — 3-7 p.m.; Bring food & fun to share.

Gay Community Town Meeting — 7-10 p.m. Faneuil Hall by Government Center. What is the future of the movement? What are we doing in 1978? All organizations are invited to speak briefly and to have a dialogue in this large scale forum. Everyone is urged to attend.

June 24 Saturday

Workshop: **Women's Martial Arts** — 2 p.m. at MIT. Go to Main Entrance to find out building & room, or look in *GCN*. Workshop: **Custody & Visitation Rights for Gay Parents** — 2 p.m. at *GCN/Fag Rag* Office, 22 Bromfield St.

Gay Folkdancing — 2 p.m. Phillips Brooks House, Harvard Yard.

Workshop: **Identity & the Leather/Denim Scene** — 5 p.m., Over Harry's Place, 45 Essex St.

Saturday Evening Featured Films: Maedchen In Uniform and Lesbian shorts.

For more information call: Diane, 536-2135 or Clover, 267-1371.

For childcare for events besides the parade & rally call 729-5668.

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personals

To PORCUPINE'S ADMIRERS
All's well in NY. Will contact as soon as
able. (PB)

PORCUPINE

Treed one of your relatives 40 feet up in
the crotch of a maple and discovered an
acre of blueberries, raspberries, and
strawberries growing free just a minute's
walk from the cabin. Maybe on your
travels, you'll come visit in Vermont and
rough it!

Henry sends love.
You know who.

GPW PARTYGOERS

Sundry and assorted articles of food,
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Bennett's house last Sunday—call her (at
259-0063) to collect. There's no room in
the closet. (PB)

JT—JT—JT

You me and the pets make three plus
kids.

love.

BURLINGTON, VT

GWM new to area, looking for penpal in-
terests include photography, art, travel,
beach scene, discussions. GCN Box 904
(50)

GWF 33 attr intel fem seeks similar for
friendship and poss. relation. All sincere
replies answered. Box 142, Charles St.,
Boston MA. 02114. (49)

GILBERT FOURNIER

Please contact me. I have \$\$\$ for you.
Dave, 661-6975.

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Do you need to talk to women confined to
a closet as much as I? The door to my
closet must remain shut, but my closet is
large and I feel the need to sit around in a
social situation and talk about our lives
and our problems. If you are sincere in
this desire too, then welcome. We cannot
become visible except to each other, but I
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businessmen GWM 30's, without lovers,
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only. All xpense paid! We wnt U-not UR
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will send U our fones 4 U 2 call us.
(+ 49)

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card games. Tired of bars and wld like to
meet new people. Would rather spend
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GAY LEGISLATION

NEEDS YOUR HELP, MAKE A DIFFER-
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write Gay Legislation, Box 8841 JFK Sta-
tion, Boston, MA 02114. (48)

GWM SKS ORIENTAL GM FRIEND

GWM 27 seeks G/Bi Oriental male in 20's
for friendly times together & possib rela-
tionship. I'm 5'9" & 140 w brn hair, blu
eyes & slender. Sek simlr cleancnt guy
who lks good sex. Frank Box 425 Jamaica
Pln Ma 02130 (49)

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in organizing in other parts of the
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penpals

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organizations

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1270
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Men

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(617) 588-9976

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(617) 595-9051

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THE GAYLA
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THE ATLANTIC HOUSE
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THE CROWN AND ANCHOR
247 Commercial St.

THE TOWN HOUSE
291 Commercial St.

(617) 487-0292

MS. 247
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(Women)

THE PIED PIPER
193A Commercial St.

(617) 487-1527

(Women)

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RANDOLPH COUNTRY CLUB
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SPRINGFIELD

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THE STANCHION II LOUNGE
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DIROCCO'S CABARET
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