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NGLTF issues report on 101st Congress

by MARK LAWRENCE
Staff Writer

Tennessee's Congressional delegation received mixed reviews in the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's recently released "Federal Legislative Report."

According to the report, which covers lesbian and gay issues in the 1989 session of the 101st Congress, Rep. Harold Ford (D-9th District) had the highest percentage of "correct" votes from the Tennessee delegation with 86 percent. Rep. James Quillen (R-1st District) scored lowest, with zero percent.

The report summarized federal legislative activity in 10 areas and gave voting and sponsorship records for every senator and representative. Percentages of correct votes were given for both the 101st and the 100th Congresses.

Among its findings, the report shows which members of Congress have "perfect" voting records and which need work. NGLTF's legislative director Peri Jude Radecic said.

For example, 85 members of the House voted for the NGLTF pro-gay position all of the time, while 41 members voted against NGLTF every time. In the Senate, 14 voted for the NGLTF position all of the time while 12 voted against every time.

"One of the things that helps to keep us in front and in control of our agenda is the increase in the number of activists in our community who make a commitment to lobby their Members of Congress," Radecic said.

"At times we are able to raise issues and move legislation at our pace—controlling the debate, maintaining our constituent pressure and securing support at just the right moments," said Radecic. "There are other times when issues have been thrust upon us and legislators like Senator Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) and Congressman [sic] William Dannemeyer (R-Calif.) are in control
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Tennessee Senator Albert Gore received mixed reviews in the recently-released NGLTF legislative report on the 101st Congress' 1989 session, based upon key votes on issues relating to the lesbian/gay community. Gore scored a 75% rating, compared to last year's 89% score.— DARE FILE PHOTO.

Journey goes before beer board Tuesday

by JEFF ELLIS
Editor

Jerry Peek, whose efforts to open a new lesbian/gay bar in Nashville have incurred the wrath of the Baptist Sunday School Board, will go before the Metro Beer Board next Tuesday in the first public test of the bar's fate.

Peek, owner of the new bar located at 909 Church Street, will apply for a beer and dance license during the board hearing. Board action on the application is
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Dare faces legal battle California-based Drug Abuse Resistance Education challenges lesbian/gay paper

by JEFF ELLIS
Editor

Attorneys for California-based Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) filed lawsuit in federal court in Nashville last month, alleging that Pyramid Light & Power, publisher of *Dare*, Tennessee's Lesbian and Gay Newsweekly, is infringing upon its trademark.

The lawsuit — filed in federal court for the Middle District of Tennessee by Nashville attorney R. Horton Frank III, local counsel for the plaintiffs — claims trademark infringement and seeks an injunction against the use of the name "*Dare*." The suit demands unspecified damages and attorney's fees.

D.A.R.E., in its suit, asks Judge Walter Nixon for a jury trial to decide the outcome of the case.

However, Stuart Bivin, publisher of *Dare*, called the lawsuit "frivolous," claiming the suit has no merit "because our marks are completely dissimilar."

D.A.R.E. conducts drug abuse education and resistance programs throughout the country, primarily in schools. Pyramid's newspaper, *Dare*, is geared toward a predominantly lesbian and gay audience and is distributed primarily throughout Tennessee.

"We don't have the same markets and our logos are completely dis-

similar," Bivin contended. "*Dare* is a word, D.A.R.E. is an acronym."

Bivin, a graduate of Vanderbilt University Law School who was admitted to the Tennessee Bar in 1988, said that under federal trademark laws, it is impossible for one person, business or organization to own a particular word.

"You can't own a word. Think how many products and services use the same words in their names, like 'eagle' for example," he said. "Chrysler makes a Jeep Eagle car and Anheuser-Busch markets Eagle snacks. American Airlines has a commuter air service called Eagle and there's a computer company called Eagle."

D.A.R.E. federally registered its trademark, as well as a number of phrases containing the word "dare," Bivin said.

"However, they've not protected their mark. Trademark law requires owners of a mark to diligently protect unauthorized uses in order to retain legal protection and they haven't done that. For example, there's a perfume called 'DARE' that is nationally marketed," he said.

"There is also an AIDS services organization in Florida called 'D.A.R.E.' These other uses of such similar marks show they have not been diligent in discovering and
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AIDS Update: final figures in for 1989

CDC statistics show new cases continuing to be diagnosed

by JACKI MOSS
Staff Writer

Most of the 1989 AIDS information is now in and here are some of the facts and figures for the year according to the Centers for Disease Control HIV/AIDS Surveillance report:

- The number of cases of AIDS reported in 1989 for the nation was 34,210. There were the highest in number of reported cases in New York (6,545), California (6,389), Florida (3,338), Texas (2,411) and New Jersey (2,359). Tennessee's figure was 261.

- The highest incidence rates per 100,000 population were in the District of Columbia (82.10, New York (36.4), New Jersey (30.5), Florida (26.6), California (22.4) and

Georgia (18.1). Tennessee's rate was 5.3.

- There were a total of 1,854 new pediatric AIDS cases reported in the U.S. in 1988 and 1989 with New York, the District of Columbia, New Jersey and California reporting the most cases.

- Most (81%) of the pediatric cases were attributed to mothers with/at risk for HIV infection. Eleven percent resulted from blood transfusion. Only 5% were from hemophilia or a coagulation disorder.

- AIDS cases by exposure category and sex showed that in 1989 males with homosexual/bisexual contact accounted for 57% of the new cases, the same as 1987-1988. Intravenous drug users showed a

slight decline with 23% and combined male homosexual/bisexual IV drug users accounted for 6%, down one percent. Blood transfusions accounted for only 2%.

- Females showed IV drug use as a major exposure with 52%, followed by heterosexual contact with someone with the virus or in a high-risk group at 31%. Only 10% was accountable to blood transfusions.

- Male AIDS cases by age at diagnosis peaked at the 30-34 age (24%), followed by 35-39 (22%) and dropped sharply in 25-29 (16%) and in 40-44 (14%). A similar pattern was seen among females.

- From 1981 through November 1989, there have been 113,211 confirmed adult cases of AIDS reported and 67,382 deaths. •

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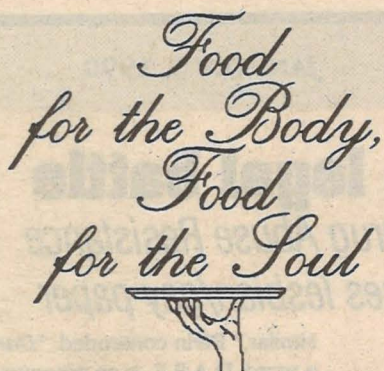
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Creative loathing.
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Look who's talking:
Sisters, lawyers and *USA Today*.
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D A T E S

Big events



Saturday, January 6

Outing FOOD FOR THE BODY, FOOD FOR THE SOUL. Black and White Men Together / Memphis. Brunch, at Spaghetti Warehouse, 1pm. Followed by visit to Memphis Center for Contemporary Art's EROTIC WORKS, 416 South Main. Info (901) 726-1461.

Monday, January 8

Meeting Tennessee Gay & Lesbian Alliance reorganizational meeting to consider new bylaws. Memberships available at meeting. At It's a Scream, 168 2nd Av North, Nashville. 7pm. Info (615) 297-4293.

Consciousness Raising Title to be announced at meeting. Bring paper and pen. Black and White Men Together / Memphis. 7:30pm. Info (901) 726-1461.

Friday, January 12

Party DESSERT, DISH AND CLASSIC VIDEO. Black and White Men Together / Memphis. Bring your own snacks. 7:30pm. Info (901) 726-1461.

Saturday and Sunday, January 13 and 14

Volunteer Training Vanderbilt AIDS Project, Nashville. Info (615) 322-AIDS.

Thursday, January 18

Planning meeting PRIDE '90. Nashville. 7pm. Info (615) 254-2272.

Sunday, January 21

Outing GO JAMAICAN. Black and White Men Together / Memphis. At Spice of the Islands, 775 South Highland, Memphis. 6pm. Info (901) 726-1461.

Monday, January 22

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Chattanooga

Sundays

- **Lesbian & Gay CoDA** Co-Dependents Anonymous. Reflections, Harrison. 12:30pm. Info (615) 267-7824.
- **Metropolitan Community Church** Worship service, 3224 Navajo Dr. 6:30pm.

Mondays

- **Chattanooga CARES** Closed support group. 6:30pm. Info (615) 266-2422.

Thursdays

- **Gay/Lesbian AA** Open meeting. Unitarian Church, 3224 Navajo Dr. 8pm.

Saturdays

- **Gay/Lesbian AA** No-smoke meeting. Unitarian Church, 3224 Navajo Dr. 7pm.

Clarksville

Thursdays

- **OSGL** Austin Peay State University Organization for Support of Gays & Lesbians, group for lesbians and gay men. Rm 4, Archwood, APSU. 4pm. Info (615) 648-7107.

Knoxville

Sundays

- **Metropolitan Community Church** Worship service, 6pm. Corner Weisgarber & Lomas. Info (615) 521-6546.

Mondays

- **aids Response Knoxville** PWA Support Group, 7-8:30pm. Info (615) 523-AIDS.
- **Gay Gratitude Group** Open, nonsmoking Alcoholics Anonymous. Tennessee Valley Unitarian Church, 3219 Kingston Pike. 7pm.

Tuesdays

- **aids Response Knoxville** Circle of Love family and friends support group, 8pm. Info (615) 523-AIDS.
- **Gay and Lesbian Student Union/UTK** Weekly meeting. 8pm. Info (615) 595-8686.

Wednesdays

- **aids Response Knoxville** HIV+ Support Group, 6:30pm. Info (615) 523-AIDS.

Fridays

- **Gay Gratitude Group** Alcoholics Anonymous. MCC / Knoxville, 1320 North Central. Noon.
- **Lesbian Codependents Anonymous** At aRk offices. 8pm. Info (615) 933-8393.

Memphis

Mondays

- **Gay Alternative Hour** Radio show, WEVL-FM 90, 6-7pm. Memphis Gay Coalition Business meeting, 1st Monday. Rm A, Memphis Public Library, Peabody & Maclean. Info (901) 324-4297.
- **Phoenix** (Gay Alcoholics Anonymous) Open meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. 8pm. Info (901) 272-9549.

Tuesdays

- **Phoenix** (Gay Alcoholics Anonymous) Open meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. 5:30 and 8pm. Info (901) 272-9549.

Wednesdays

- **Agape New Life Church** Bible study. 7pm. Info (901) 276-1872.
- **Phoenix** (Gay Alcoholics Anonymous) Open meeting.

Just like clockwork

Memphis Lambda Center. 8pm. Info (901) 272-9549.

Thursdays

- **P-FLAG** (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) Support group. St. John's Episcopal Church, 322 S Greer. 1st Thursday only. Info (901) 761-1444.
- **Phoenix** (Gay Alcoholics Anonymous) Open meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. 5:30pm. Info (901) 272-9549.
- **Into the Light** (Women's Alcoholics Anonymous) Meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. 8pm. Info (901) 276-7379.

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- **Phoenix** (Gay Alcoholics Anonymous) Open meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. 5:30 and 10pm. Info (901) 272-9549.
- **Seriously Sober** (Gay Alcoholics Anonymous) Meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. 8pm. Info (901) 272-9549.

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- **Twisted Sisters** (ACOA) Open meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. Noon. Info (901) 276-7379.
- **Phoenix** (Gay Alcoholics Anonymous) Open meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. 8pm. Info (901) 272-9549.

Sundays

- **Agape New Life Church** Sunday School, 9:30am. Worship services, 11am & 7pm. Info (901) 276-1872.
- **Into the Light** (Women's Alcoholics Anonymous) Meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. Noon. Info (901) 276-7379.
- **Phoenix** (Gay Alcoholics Anonymous) Open meeting. Memphis Lambda Center. 8pm. Info (901) 272-9549.

Murfreesboro

Thursdays

- **MTSU Lambda** Support group for lesbian and gay students, faculty, staff and alumni of Middle Tennessee State University. 7:30pm. Info (615) 352-7039

Nashville

Mondays

- **Nashville CARES** ARC/AIDS Support Group. 6:30pm. Info (615) 385-1510.
- **Lambda Group** Closed Alcoholics Anonymous meeting for gay men and lesbians, Unitarian Church. 8pm.
- **MAGNET** (Married and Gay Network) Support group for married gay men. 1st & 3rd Mondays only. MCC. 7:30pm. Info (615) 320-0288.

Tuesdays

- **Nashville CARES** HIV+ Support Group. 6pm. Info (615) 385-1510.
- **Al-Anon** Closed meeting, MCC. 6:30pm.
- **Nashville Women's Alliance** Meeting, at the Book Oasis, 2824 Dogwood Pl. 3rd and 4th Tuesdays only. 7:30pm. Info (615) 883-4833.
- **P-FLAG** Meeting of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, 4th Tuesday only. Unitarian Church. 7:30pm. Info (615) 662-0332.
- **Sober Sisters** (Lesbian Alcoholics Anonymous) Open meeting, MCC. 8pm.

Wednesdays

- **Sex Addicts Anonymous** Closed meeting for gay men and lesbians. MCC. 5:30pm.
- **Nashville CARES** Newcomers Group. 6pm. Info (615) 385-1510.
- **Affirmation** Meeting for lesbian and gay United Methodists. 4th Wednesday only. 7pm. Info (615) 366-6448.
- **Gay / Lesbian Addictions Anonymous** Meeting, Belmont United Methodist Church. 8pm.

Thursdays

- **Family Support Group** Vanderbilt AIDS Project. Info (615) 322-AIDS.

- **One in Teen** Support group for lesbian and gay teens. 6:30pm. Info (615) 834-9186 or GALLIP Hotline (615) 297-0008.
- **Incest Survivors Anonymous** Closed women's meeting. First Church Unity, Franklin Rd. 6:30pm.
- **Nashville CARES** Visualization Group. 7:15pm. Info (615) 385-1510.
- **Alternatives** (Alcoholics Anonymous) Closed meeting for lesbians and gay men, MCC. 8pm.
- **Lesbian Adult Children of Alcoholics** (ACOA) Belmont United Methodist. 7:30pm.

Fridays

- **Sexaholics Anonymous** Closed meeting, MCC. 5pm.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous Program Study Group** Meeting, Belmont United Methodist. 7:30 pm.

Saturdays

- **Incest Survivors Anonymous** Open meeting. First Church Unity, Franklin Rd. 5:30pm.
- **Community Dinner** Metropolitan Community Church, all you can eat. 7:30pm. \$5. Info (615) 320-0288.

Sundays

- **Metropolitan Community Church** Worship services, 11am and 7pm. Info (615) 320-0288.
- **Incest Survivors Anonymous** Closed meeting. First Church Unity, Franklin Rd. 6pm.

Tri-Cities

Sundays

- **Metropolitan Community Church** Worship service, 7pm. Holston Valley Unitarian Church. Info (615) 926-4393.

Tuesdays

- **Support Group** Tri-Cities AIDS Project (TAP). For caregivers / families of PWAs, HIV+ and ARC. 6:30pm. 2nd & 4th Tuesdays only. Info (615) 928-6101 or 753-9647

Thursdays

- **Support Group** Appalachian AIDS Coalition. For PWAs, ARC, and HIV+ in southwest Virginia, including Bristol, TN. 3rd Thursday only. Info (703) 985-0131.

Statewide

- **Note** Most student groups suspend meetings when schools are not in session. Please contact groups directly for complete information.

CROSS COUNTRY

compiled by **MARK LAWRENCE**
Staff Writer

HRCF taps organizers

WASHINGTON — Cathy Nelson and David Nicholas have been hired as organizers for the Human Rights Campaign Fund's SPEAK OUT lobbying program.

Nelson and Nicholas replace Lee Bush, who is retiring as national manager for the program.

Nelson, who recently coordinated support activities related to the machinists' strike at Eastern Airlines, will serve as Eastern States Canvass Manager.

Nicholas, previously the National Canvass Project Coordinator for Greenpeace Action, will serve as Western States Canvass Manager.

The SPEAK OUT program asks participants to agree to have Western Union messages sent to their federal representatives prior to votes on AIDS and lesbian and gay rights issues.

"Both Cathy and David bring the experience and expertise that is needed to allow our grassroots campaign to continue its unprecedented growth," said Tim McFeeley, HRCF Executive Director.

"Congress needs to know that the lesbian and gay community is actively aware of the legislative actions which affect our rights and our health."

Chicago mayor's office suspends AIDS program

CHICAGO — Following repeated criticism of the city's "I Will Not Get AIDS" educational ad campaign, the Mayor's Office has suspended the campaign in order to get more input on the design of the program.

Critics claimed that the slogan was more likely to elicit fear than caution, the ads' images did not include a broad enough spectrum of people at risk, the educational information was incomplete, and the tone of the ads was "moralizing."

"I think it's marvelous news," said Judith Johns, executive director of the Howard Brown Memorial Clinic.

"They did exactly what we asked them to do and now I feel we are moving in the right direction."

Avis LaVelle, press secretary for Mayor Richard M. Daley, said the campaign was pulled after the administration realized the ads were developed without sufficient input from community organizations.

"In a way, it was the cart before the horse," said LaVelle. "Meetings are now set to take place to address issues raised by the ad campaign and invitations have been extended to members of the gay and lesbian community to participate."

N.H. distribution stopped

CONCORD, N.H. — Governor Judd Gregg has announced that state health officials must stop distributing condoms and AIDS education pamphlets to men seeking sexual contacts at highway rest areas.

Gregg claims that distributing condoms implies the state condones sexual activities in rest areas.

"It is inappropriate and wrong and not very intelligent for one of our departments to be

promoting this activity, directly or indirectly."

Gregg instead supported a police crackdown on such activities and called the rest stops "places where families and seniors and other visitors expect to find the quality of atmosphere that new Hampshire promotes. They should not be subjected to this type of activity."

Activist Altschul named HRCF co-chair

CHICAGO — Laura Altschul, director of marketing and strategic services for the Seattle-based public relations firm Northwest Strategies, was named co-chair of the Human Rights Campaign Fund Board of Directors at the board's November meeting.

"The Campaign Fund has been a key player in the battle for lesbian and gay rights and for increased AIDS funding," said Altschul. "We need to continue building on the strong foundations that the organization has established. The coming years will be critically important for all of us."

Altschul has served as an Advocate in the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office and as a member of the faculty of Northeastern Illinois University.

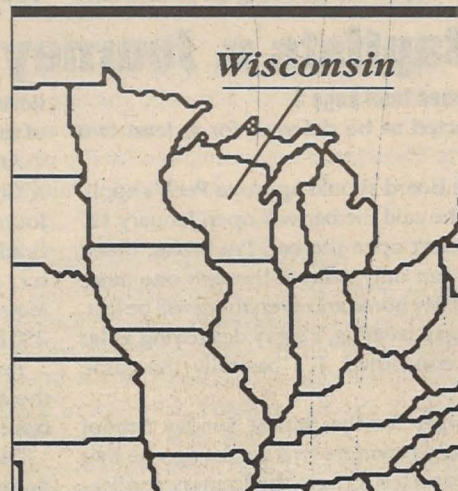
Bill: owners exempt from fair housing law

MADISON, Wisc. — A bill has been introduced to the state legislature that would exempt owner-occupied single-family residences from the Wisconsin Fair Housing Law, which includes prohibitions against discrimination based on sexual orientation.

State Representative Joanne Huelsman introduced the bill to "protect persons in owner-occupied single-family residences." Critics immediately attacked the bill as an attempt to weaken the law's civil rights protections.

"The real danger of this bill is that it sends a message that discrimination under some circumstances," said State Representative David Clarenbach.

"It becomes a slippery slope from there to more substantial loopholes and exemptions to our civil rights laws."



Wisconsin legislators have introduced a bill which would exempt home-owners from the state's fair housing law. — DARE STAFF GRAPHIC

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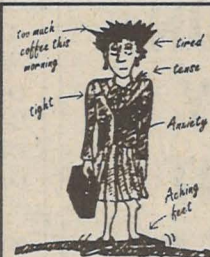
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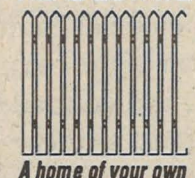
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preventing unauthorized uses of what they are claiming against us."

Although the lawsuit was filed in December, 1989, Bivin said that California attorneys for D.A.R.E. had contacted him in the summer of 1988, demanding that Pyramid stop using the name "Dare" for its newspaper.

"I talked to them and explained that we weren't using their name, that there was no possibility of confusion," he explained.

Early last year, Bivin received a letter from Frank, an attorney with the Nashville firm of Dearborn and Ewing, reiterating the claims made by the California lawyers for D.A.R.E.

"I explained to him that we weren't trying to confuse people and offered to run a disclaimer in our staff box [which appears on the paper's editorial page], saying that we're not affiliated with D.A.R.E.," Bivin said.

...NGLTF report

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 of our lives."

Helms and Dannemeyer each scored zero percent for both the 100th and 101st Congresses, as well as sponsoring various anti-gay legislative efforts.

Tennessee Senators Albert Gore, Jr. and James Sasser, both Democrats, scored 75 and 67 percent, respectively. Sasser was the only member of the Tennessee delegation to have an improved score, moving up from 42 percent in the 100th Congress.

Senators were tracked on four key lesbian/gay and AIDS votes: the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a measure that extends anti-discrimination protections to people with AIDS and HIV; two votes on the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA); and an amendment offered by Sen. Gordon Humphrey (R-N.H.) that would have banned federal funds from school programs that presented homosexuality as "normal, natural or healthy."

Scores for the other members of the Tennessee delegation were as follows: Bob Clement (D-5th District), 50 percent; Jim Cooper (D-4th District), 50 percent; Bart Gordon (D-6th District), 50 percent; John Duncan (R-2nd District), 13 percent; Marilyn Lloyd (D-3rd District), 25 percent; Don Sundquist (R-7th District), 14 percent; John Tanner (D-8th District), 29 percent.

In the House, representatives were tracked on eight key votes, including the Hate Crimes

According to Bivin, Frank said he would get back to him regarding the matter. During his initial conversation with Frank, Bivin said Frank admitted "that they [D.A.R.E.] wouldn't have pursued the case if we weren't a lesbian and gay paper."

Bivin next heard from Frank in the form of the lawsuit filed in December, 1989.

Attorneys Larry Woods and Irwin Venick, of the Nashville law firm of Woods and Woods, are counsel for Pyramid Light & Power. Bivin's worst-case scenario is that "we could lose and wouldn't be able to use the name and get socked for untold attorney's fees. But that's not going to happen because it's a frivolous claim."

Bivin said that if the case does go to trial, it could be a year or more before the two parties meet in a courtroom, due to crowded dockets in federal court •

Statistics Act, the NEA anti-gay amendment, four votes on the "Armstrong amendment" that exempts religious educational institutions in the District of Columbia from anti-discrimination laws, and two votes on restricting educational materials relating to homosexuality.

"This report is our way of providing information to the gay and lesbian community about the performance of their representatives midway through the 101st Congress," Radecic said. "We want to make sure activists can review the standing of their lawmakers on our issues and then lobby them to improve that standing." •



Peri Jude Radecic — DARE FILE PHOTO

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expected to be deferred for at least two weeks.

If the Board should approve Peek's application, he said the bar will open January 12.

"If I can't open the bar, I'm broke," Peek said. "I can only make it through one more deferral. My home and everything will be lost. It's not gay-bashing, it's gay destroying as far as I'm concerned. It's basically the same thing."

A lawyer for the Baptist Sunday School Board told reporters two weeks ago he had been instructed to fight the Journey application before the beer board. George Willis, a spokesperson for the Sunday School Board, said, "We vigorously oppose what that club represents regarding lifestyle. We don't be-

lieve this kind of activity is in the best interests of the community."

Attorney Lewis Laska, whose office (at 901-A Church Street) is three doors down from Journey, has rented an adjacent space to Joby Brady and the Nashville Metro Worship Center, a non-denominational congregation. Metro statutes prohibit the sale of beer within 250 feet of a church.

Peek contends Laska's rental of the space to the church is an attempt to prevent Journey from opening.

Peek maintains that since construction began on the new bar in September, he has spend more than \$75,000 in construction costs because of delays caused by violations of the Metro Building Code. He said Laska has applied pressure on codes inspectors. •

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Chattanooga

Little Theatre presents 'Orphans'

Lyle Kessler's controversial play, *ORPHANS*, will be presented by Chattanooga Little Theatre January 12-20 at the theatre at 400 River Street.

Set in a rundown house in north Philadelphia, two orphaned brothers have made a life for themselves. Treat, the older of the two, serves and protector and provider for his younger brother, Phillip, ultimately kidnapping a mobster to pose as a father figure.

The play was first produced in Los Angeles in 1983, and in 1985 opened both in Chicago and New York. The Chattanooga production, directed by Scott Hutcheson, stars Chris Law, Cleve Nettles and Jed Mescon.

Tickets are \$6. For reservations call (615) 267-8534. •

Memphis

Circuit hosts world premiere

Bill Stackhouse's comedy-mystery *TO SERVE AND PROTECT*, winner of the Seventh Annual Circuit Playhouse Mid-South Playwrights Contest, will have its world premiere at the theatre Thursday, January 11 at 8 p.m.

Following opening night, the production will run through February 4 at Circuit Playhouse.

Chosen from the 500 entries in this year's contest, the play is one of only seven written by Stackhouse since he "decided to go freelance and try the theatre" after a career as an industrial writer.

Directed by Ken Zimmerman, tickets are \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors. For details, call the theatre at (901) 726-4656. •

ATEAC hires Dagastino as new program coordinator

Angie Dagastino has been named part-time program coordinator for the Aid to End AIDS Committee (ATEAC).

Formerly director of the Wife Abuse Shelter, Dagastino is recognized for her experience in developing non-profit agencies and in fund raising. She has worked for the Memphis and Shelby County Health Department's HIV Counseling and Testing Center.

Under Dagastino's direction, ATEAC has applied for grants from the U.S. Conference for Mayors, the Plough Community Foundation and the Insurance Institute of America.

She was instrumental in ATEAC's grant

award of \$49,200 from the Tennessee Department of Health and Environment for developing an HIV education program directed to members of the Asian population, the functionally illiterate and gay men. •

Lesbian/gay rec group organizing

Lesbians and gay men in the Memphis area are making plans for a recreational organization, according to *GAZE*, the newsletter of the Memphis Gay Coalition.

Organizers hope to include activities such as bicycling, walking, hiking, camping and canoeing, depending on member interest. An organizational meeting will be held Sunday, January 21, at 2:30 p.m. at the Memphis Gay and Lesbian Community Center, 1291 Madison Avenue, in Midtown. •

'Working' opens at Playhouse

Memphis' Playhouse on the Square will present the musical, *WORKING*, January 19-February 23 at the theatre, 51 S. Cooper.

Based on Studs Turkel's best selling book of interviews with American workers and adapted by Stephen Schwartz and Nina Faso, *WORKING* presents an exploration of the American workforce.

With music by James Taylor, Schwartz, Craig Carnelia, Micki Grant, Mary Rodgers and Susan Birkehead, the show is directed by Lois Mytas, who last season made her Memphis directorial debut with *BELLE OF AMHERST*. Some 14 cast members will assay the more than 30 roles.

For reservations, call (901) 726-4656. •

Nashville

MCSA may host nat'l meeting

Nashville is one of three cities under consideration for hosting the 1990 spring meeting and national conference of the North American Gay Amateur Athletic Alliance (NAGAAA), according to Robb Hamm, commissioner of the Music City Sports Association (MCSA).

Other cities being considered are Pittsburgh, site of the 1990 Gay Softball World Series, and Tampa, Florida. The meeting and conference would be attended by representatives of all 25 member cities of the NAGAAA.

MCSA's territory includes Tennessee, southern Kentucky, the Huntsville, Alabama, area and any other mid-South city interested in membership.

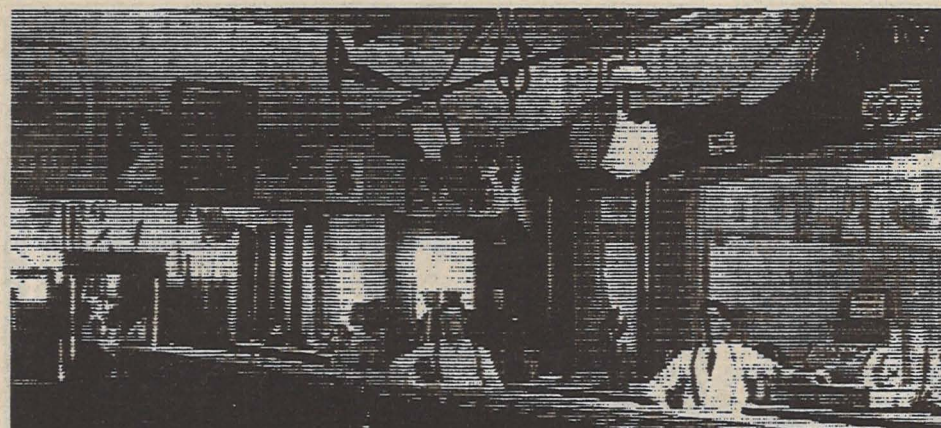
An official announcement is expected at any time, Hamm said. •

Geography expert to speak

Marc Mancini, a national authority on geography for travel professionals, will give the "Everything You Forgot About Geography But Now Wish You Could Remember" Workshop in Nashville, Tuesday, January 30, at 7 p.m. at the Sheraton Music City.

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staff writers. The answers we got ran the gamut, from predictions about AIDS and same-sex marriages to more light-hearted answers about love, sex and dating.

At any rate, the people we polled seem excited about the prospects of the lesbian and gay '90s.

• **Rita Underhill**, education coordinator, Aid to End AIDS Committee, Memphis: "I'm optimistic about the '90s. I think we'll see a lot more emphasis on research, possibly because already there have been

*"The '90s
will continue
to see
my growth
and
increased
activism, now
that I am
no longer
alone."
—a woman from
Memphis.*

some breakthroughs made and due to the interest in pediatric AIDS, it may provide the force for more resources.

"I'm looking forward to the '90s."

• **Abby Rubinfeld**, attorney and board member of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Nashville: "I think we have the potential this decade to make a lot of progress and really move forward. We will

have a lot more visibility and hopefully will pull together and become more active in working for our community.

"I feel we will definitely make progress in terms of anti-discrimination legislation both nationally and in Tennessee.

"I think there will be a lot more visibility and recognition of gay and lesbian family arrangements. Hopefully, we will make some progress in custody issues for gay and lesbian families.

"We should make some progress against sodomy laws.

"AIDS will still be a major factor in our community. It is of course a terrible thing and I think we are in for a lot more funerals. It's very depressing. But, there is some good that goes along with such a terrible tragedy. AIDS has made more people more aware of senseless discrimination and that it needs to be addressed."

• **Mack Ulrickson**, Knoxville: "Change. Hope. Miracles. People will no longer be able to hide their heads in the sand about important issues.

• **Gene Copello**, director of the Vanderbilt AIDS Project: "I feel in the very early '90s there will be a national anti-discrimination law to protect people with HIV and others. We will have much better treatment options for people with HIV infection and AIDS. We've already made some progress, but we have a long way to go.

"We will make more headway toward a cure for AIDS. As people with HIV live longer, there will be a great need for social services for them to catch up. They cannot do this without funding, so I think there will be a lot of debate as to how to fund these very important services in the future.

"As new HIV infection decreases among gay men in urban communities, there will be a surge in infection reported in rural areas.

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munity will begin to come out of the horror of AIDS, and while we will always give it extreme importance, we will begin to concentrate on other important aspects of our lives and community."

• **Tim Demick**, Knoxville: "We will see a lot of kookiness and chaos. It will be exciting. I hope it doesn't lead to a lot of violence. So many people are so dissatisfied. I wonder what the solution will be? I hope people come together and deal with issues in a more humane and caring way."

"I continue to meet people who are willing to change on a personal and social level."

"I think that the lesbian and gay civil rights movement will gain more attention."

• **Wanda Mathis**, political activist and member of the National Organization for Women: "I believe we will have a number of women run for office in Tennessee in the future."

"As more women get elected, there will be more gains for gay rights, housing, custody and employment for women and gays and lesbians. People are going to do something about the inequities suffered by women and gays and lesbians. We're not going to come quietly any more."

"If the Democratic Executive Committee doesn't nominate a woman for the Supreme Court, I predict that Abby Rubenfeld's name will appear on the ballot as an independent candidate!"

• **Scott Key**, Knoxville: "I feel that the '90s will bring an awakening for Americans about what's going on in the world for a lot of people. Issues like civil rights and the destruction of the environment will predominate."

• **Sandee Potter**, executive director, Nashville CARES: "I'm afraid my outlook for the new decade is a rather pessimistic one. It took us

from the time the first AIDS case was diagnosed to July, 1989, to reach the 100,000-level. It looks like we'll have a second 100,000 diagnosed within the next 18 months."

"The brightest thing is that we've had a number of good, fine people willing to work with us in the battle against AIDS and it looks like the volunteers will keep coming well into the new decade. I never cease to be amazed by the courage of people living with the disease."

"I think in the '90s we'll see a resurgence of involvement in civil rights issues that were prevalent during the '60s. They'll be wearing a '90s face, but it will be another civil rights struggle like the '60s."

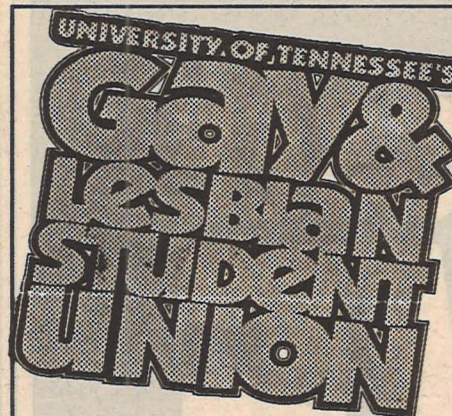
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— a man from
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• **Tom Whisman**, Knoxville: "I feel that politically things will get better."

"Issues like environmental problems will get worse before they get any better."

• **Joe Rader**, Knoxville: "Troubling economic developments is what I expect during the '90s. We will have to start paying for the binges of the Reagan years." •

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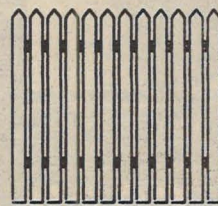
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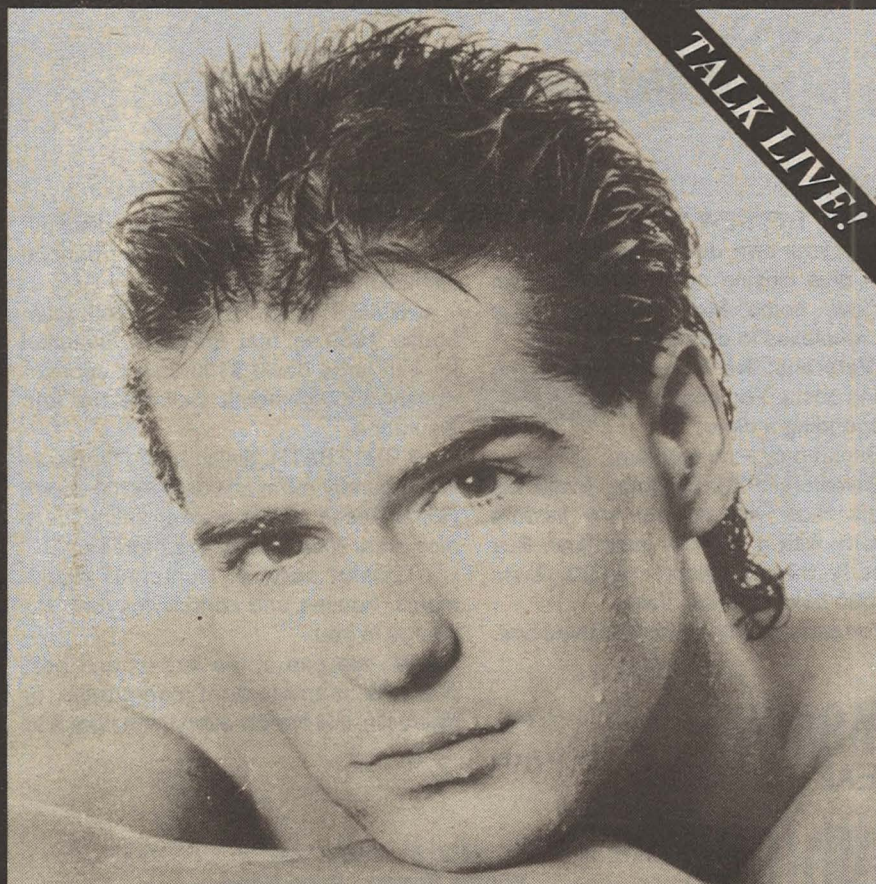
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1 PASS LIKE NIGHT. By Jonathan Ames. New York: William Morrow. 1989.

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reviewed by **JOE MAROHL**
Staff Writer

JONATHAN AMES' 1 PASS LIKE NIGHT is a competently written coming-of-age novel set in contemporary New York City, composed in clipped, clean prose.

Although its parts outshine the whole, this first novel by young Princetonian ('87) and Bruce Weber model Ames has much to recommend it.

The story concerns Alexander Vine, a "doorman" at a trendy Manhattan restaurant. Vine lives a shiftless existence characterized by promiscuity, alienation and ambivalence.

Mostly, Vine reminisces about his boyhood — his distant father, his best friend Ethan, his lost innocence — and muses on his rather fatuous relationships with the people in his life now.

Sound familiar?

Similar to LESS THAN ZERO, SCARY KISSES and THE MYSTERIES OF PITTSBURGH; also, 1 PASS LIKE NIGHT keeps its protagonist's sexual identity mysterious — a sort of bad secret.

Vine has a girlfriend but admits he has sex sometimes with homosexual men when he is drunk.

Such ambiguity is less evidence of bisexuality than an indication that the writer wants to appeal to two classes of readers.

Thus, heterosexual readers can reason that Vine is a regular guy caught up in

seedy circumstances, and homosexual readers can smirk knowingly among themselves.

There was a time you had to admire a certain subversiveness in sexual ambiguity like this.

But since nearly every first novel in the late 1980s has declined to be altogether "gay," such "gayerie" can be viewed as revolutionary no longer.

Plainly and simply, it has become a cliché — a cliché indicative, perhaps, of how far back into the closet modern homosexuality has gone since the second coming of queer bashing.

To be fair, it may be that Jonathan Ames' intent is ironic.

For instance, I can imagine a reading of 1 PASS LIKE NIGHT that views Vine's sexual ambivalence as self-deceptive or hypocritical. Perhaps Vine is an unreliable (or naïve) narrator.

It may even be that Ames intends for us to find Vine's existential-ish anguish as immature ramblings of a ridiculous young man at odds with his own nature. But I don't really think so.

There is still much to recommend in this book. Ames has a remarkable sense of the

sentence. His syntax is trimmed down, lean and energetic.

Like many of his contemporaries, Ames has a disdain for the comma comparable to Shaw's disdain for the apostrophe. The result is free-verse-style sentences which slip across the eye with mercurial quickness and light.

Like watching a steady stream of MTV, reading this book gets you a mixed bag of sensations, but not much coherence.

Genuine emotion fills certain passages which seem to be autobiographical, such as Vine's remembering the death of his dog.

The telling of this incident is devoid of redundant sentiment and affects the reader in much the same way such incidents do in actual life — as a hard surprise. Unfortunately,

many other passages in the book aim for cheap sentiment instead.

The latter half of the novel concerns Vine's visit to a clinic to be tested for AIDS, a disease he seems to feel he deserves.

In a particularly maudlin flashback, he remembers how, at age 15, his pal Ethan rejected him after the two, one drunken weekend, had sex, saying "Let's forget what happened last night. We were drunk and it was a bad mistake...it'll be a lot better with girls."

The incident might partly explain the main character's ambiguous sexuality in the present.

But it is hard to tell how literally we are to take the protagonist when he says, "I had loved him, but I didn't know how to love, and so he had always hated me and when he was ready he left me. And he was right to do it."

THE SELF-LOATHING in this novel may be viewed as the particular neurosis of its narrator, an insecure young man, or as the general condemnation of homosexuality — or all sexuality — in contemporary American society.

The iteration of sexual ambivalence in other new novels in the last five years suggests that it is a societal problem. Visible as the homosexual woman and man have now become, the culture still demands subservience and shame.

The language is once again developing oblique codes whereby erotic matters, specifically homoerotic matters, can be conveyed with impunity.

For young writers seeking a general audience or an academic career or possibly a grant, the bitter truth is, to judge the evidence of new fiction by young writers, ours is again a love that dare not speak its name. •



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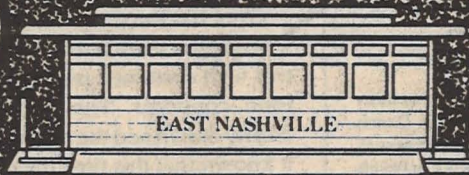
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GAY BRIEFS

The wisdom of youth

by JIM ROCHE

Contributing Writer

SOME 4,500 PEOPLE were marching and yelling on one side of Fifth Avenue in New York City, separated from the traffic by a line of police fences, when suddenly a group from the opposite side of the street breaks out and stops traffic.

Stops cars, buses and trucks and just lies down on the pavement.

All hell breaks loose, the police are caught unawares but within a few moments they begin picking up each of the protestors on orange stretchers and flipping them into a waiting police bus.

Moving to the police bus, I looked up at the window and asked the very young woman leaning out where she was from.

She answered, "Hoboken, New Jersey."

Another reporter then asked her how old she was: "I'm twelve."

I asked if her mother knew where she was and she said, "Of course."

Another reporter asked her what her mother would think of her being arrested: "She's real proud of me."

I said, "I'd be proud of you, too."

As the bus drove off to the 17th Precinct to book all those on board, this young woman yelled out her window, "Fight for our rights, our right to control our bodies."

A few Sundays past saw a massive anti-church demonstration outside St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York. "Stop the Church" was the call of the day from members of ACT UP and WHAM (Women's Health Action Mobilization).

At least three times the police arrested demonstrators who staged die-ins both in the church sanctuary during the service and later on Fifth Avenue.

Over 100 were arrested. Spirits were high. Outside the church the atmosphere was festive with costumed protestors and giant balloon condoms. The political lines were clearly drawn and the people sought to make it known that this time the church had gone too far.

Their posters called out: "Stop the church, I want to get off," "No Sex Education + No Condoms = Politics = Taxation," "Keep the church and state separate" or simply "Curb your dogma."

Not everyone is comfortable with this kind of confrontation. Some worry that protesting at the church and disrupting worship services will only alienate Catholics in general.

Some even called this an "anti-Catholic" protest instead of pro-choice or pro-gay rights. They worry that middle-of-the-roads will be pushed over the edge and there will be more minds closed than opened.

They say calm down, try talking instead of yelling. Negotiate.

Could they be right? Should we be stopping traffic on Fifth Avenue and as one person put it "pissing more people off with our method than our message?"

Both Ed Koch and Mayor-elect David Dinkins made statements condemning the protests. After the service, Koch said to reporters, "Those who want to take away your rights, if they simply protest peacefully, that's Amer-

ica. But if they seek to enforce their will through force — this was force, not physical forces attacking somebody, but force preventing a service, a holy service, and you gotta be punished." But both Koch and Dinkins seemed to miss the point.

Yes, this has all gone too far, but as members of ACT UP and WHAM rightfully point out it was John Cardinal O'Connor who encouraged physical and psychological violence against women by urging all "good Catholics" to increase their illegal attacks on abortion clinics and women's health care facilities.

It was the Cardinal who said he would like to take part in Operation Rescue attacks which deny women basic constitutional

the church preaches, teach what the church teaches."

Will this kind of confrontation turn people off? Not if people realize the issue isn't about political politeness or interfering with a sacred Catholic Mass. It's about the church and its interfering with secular rights. It's about interfering with rights to free speech by attempting to silence political candidates. It's about the church interfering with our right to health care by attempting to forcibly close women's health care facilities.

As one protestor said, "Some people can do without church services but few can do without health care."

Finally, it's about the church trying to take away our rights to equal protection by working against anti-discrimination legislation and actively denying employment and services to lesbian and gay people. That's what the Mayor should have commented on. Yes, it's all gone too far!

THERE WAS A TIME not long ago when John F. Kennedy was running for president, a crucial issue to many who wanted to vote for him but were hesitant was the possibility that he would be controlled by the church. That he would answer to the Pope, or to a Cardinal. That the Catholic Church would have undue influence on the workings of our government.

Kennedy denied this would happen, and finally made a public statement on national television making clear that he would above all else stand by our constitutional doctrine of separation of church and state.

Now it seems that the Catholic Church is openly overstepping our constitutional bounds. Koch and Dinkins seem to have forgotten the basics of our constitutional democracy. The one place Koch shouldn't have been that Sunday was in the Cathedral of St. Patrick, supporting the Cardinal.

Instead, he should have been found with his arms linked, lying on the pavement on Fifth Avenue, standing up (or lying down as the case may be) for democracy, not the Papacy. If the whys and buts of all this isn't clear to Koch or Dinkins, there's a 12-year-old girl from Hoboken they should talk to. •

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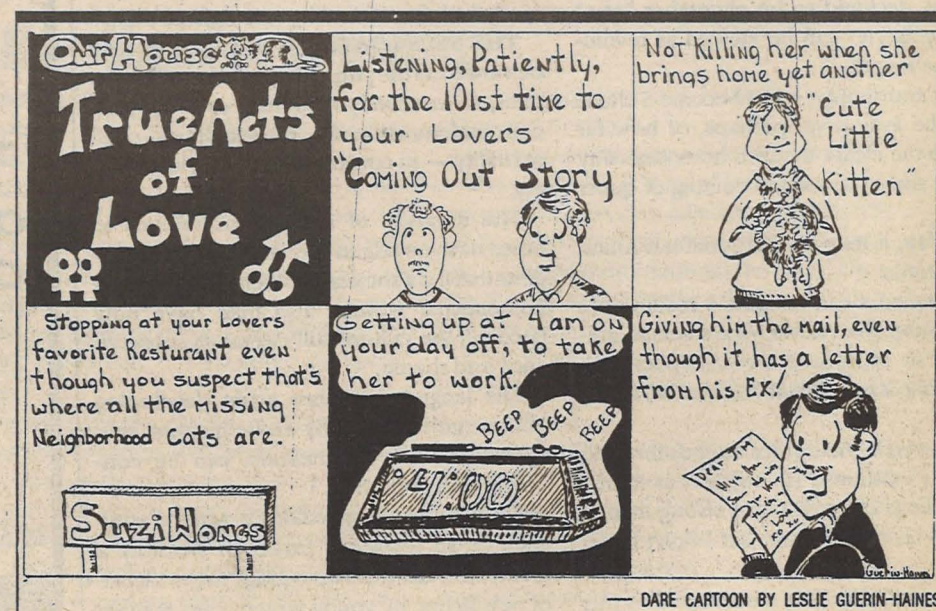
health care.

Further, it's the Cardinal who heads the church which actively seeks to ban education about safe sex in our schools while the reported rate of teen AIDS cases increases by 40%.

And finally, it is the Cardinal who actively opposes anti-discrimination legislation against lesbian and gay people, calling them "harmful to society."

Through his statements, the church actively takes part in the bigotry that has seen a 300% rise in attacks on lesbians and gay men in the past five years.

About all this the Cardinal only says, "As the archbishop of New York, I must preach what



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• The answer was The Flying Wallendas, in case anyone is interested. You were interested, weren't you?

• You may have snowed the decorator, but I know one when I see one swish by. If. You. Know. What. I. Mean.

• GWM paraplegic, 37, seeks gentle, understanding companion. Send photo, phone to DARE DRAWER 41.

LOOSE LIPS

Look who's talking...

"Those who argue against reforming the marriage statutes because they believe that same-sex marriage would be 'anti-family' overlook the obvious: Marriage creates families and promotes social stability. In an increasingly loveless world, those who wish to commit themselves to a relationship founded upon devotion should be encouraged, not scorned. Government has no legitimate interest in how that love is expressed."

— **Thomas Stoddard**, executive director of the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, writing in favor of same-sex marriages in the January, 1990 issue of the AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION JOURNAL.

"Authorizing the marriage of homosexuals, like sanctioning polygamy, would be unenlightened social policy. The law should reserve the celebration of marriage vows for monogamous male-female attachments to further the goal of psychologically, emotionally and educationally balanced offspring."

— **Bruce Fein**, conservative Washington, D.C. attorney, writing against same-sex marriages in the ABA JOURNAL.

"This is a time to engage yourself in some serious soul-searching and preparation. You will no doubt feel a tremendous pull toward being the little boy or girl your family knew. This is not appropriate behavior for a 30-year-old accountant."

"You need to visit your family with no expectations. Don't expect to be anyone different for them, and don't expect them to be different for you. If you can handle that, by all means fly home. But if this is going to be a time of make-believe (and I don't mean Santa, honey), better plan to spend your holidays in a more accepting setting."

— **Dennis McMillan**, aka Sister Dana Van Iquity of the San Francisco-based order of nuns called the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, sharing words of wisdom about surviving the holidays.

"If you're a man and thinking of getting an earring, you're too late. They're out. When straight men started piercing, the trend had already ended. A rule of thumb: Watch hip gays. Straights are rarely the first to be in."

— **From USA TODAY's "tips for staying hip" in the '90s. The gay '90s, that is.**

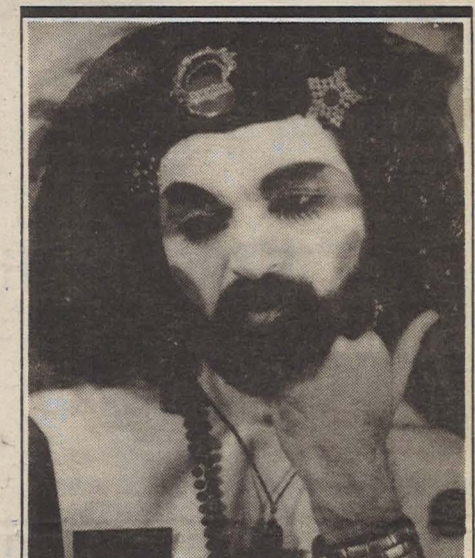
"...We do not have to concede a single point to the homosexual movement, so long as we retain our sense of charity and our capacity to love even those who want to destroy the social foundation of America. Americans are extremely tolerant. We tend to ignore the consensual relationships of adults behind closed doors. However, when that behavior seeks to find the light of day, out among the public, then Americans become concerned. And it is on this point that homosexuals have at least my attention."

— **California Rep. William Dannemeyer**, quoted in the June 29, 1989, CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

"I came to St. Paul and had both my tits

pierced and played bingo on the same day."

— **Susie Shepherd**, 1989 Ms. Leather, quoted in Minneapolis' EQUAL TIME, waxing eloquent on her recent visit to Minnesota.



Sister Dana Van Iquity, of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence. — DARE FILE PHOTO

"You know I sort of knew when I started dancing that there was this sort of feeling that ballet dancers are gay. But I thought that was restricted to people in Podunk or the Deep South or something...I pretty much figured that the cosmopolitan, civilized adult world didn't really get off on snickering about ballet dancers. Apparently, some of them still did."

— **Ron Reagan**, erstwhile ballerina and son of Ron Sr. and Nancy, on rumors about his sexual orientation.

"He's all man — we made sure of that."

— **Former President**, and host of TV's DEATH VALLEY DAYS, Ronald Reagan, on his son's upbringing, in response to a question during a 1978 political campaign.

"We must purge society of AIDS patients and those like him [sic], because his existence causes public harm."

— **Abdullah al-Mashad**, head of the Fatwa Committee of al-Azhar University of Cairo that rules on important social issues in the country. He suggested denying food, water and medical treatment to all PWAs and sterilization of all HIV-positive women.

"I don't know what I am, darling. I've tried several varieties of sex. The conventional position makes me claustrophobic. And the others give me either stiff neck or lockjaw."

— **Actress Tallulah Bankhead**. •

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