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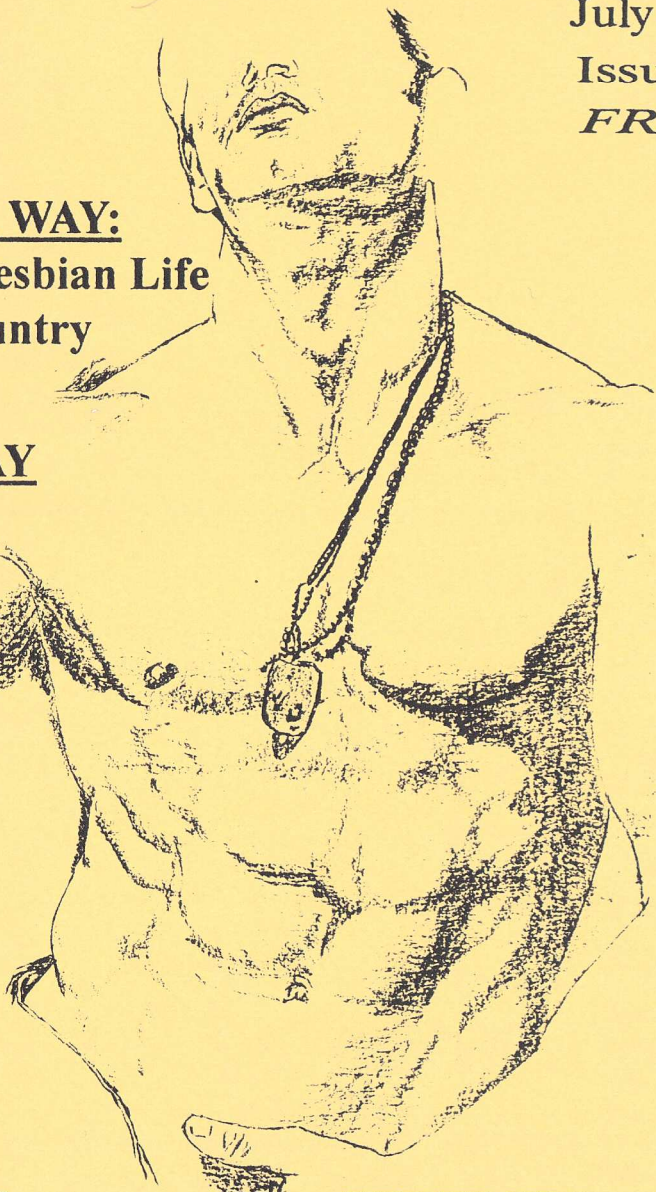
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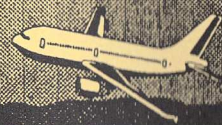
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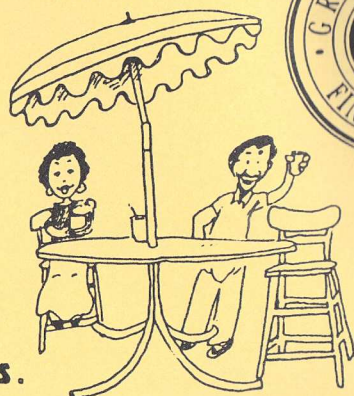
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SAME SEX BENEFITS EXTENDED

A huge victory for gay and lesbian couples. The Human Rights Commission has ruled that the federal government and the companies it regulates must give same-sex couples same spousal benefits that heterosexual couples receive.

Says, Stanley Moore, who filed a complaint with the Human Rights Commission, "I think it's a fitting end to a very long struggle that gays and lesbians generally have been carrying out for many years."

The Human Rights Commission denies that its decision has anything to do with the recent passage of controversial federal legislation that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

"It is discriminatory to offer benefits (health and dental) to common-law heterosexual couples and not to offer those benefits to people in a same-sex relationship in a similar sort," said Human Rights Commissioner Max Yalden.

The ruling gives Ottawa 60 days to list all its discriminatory laws and put together an action plan to remedy the wrong. Many provincial and private sector companies have already extended same-

sex benefits to their employees. Those that haven't, say gay activists, have little choice but to voluntarily do so.

"Either they bring their workplace into line with their obligations under the Canadian Human Rights Act or they can pour their corporate resources into fighting in favour of discrimination in cases that they're doomed to lose," said John Fisher, spokesman for EGALE (Equality for Gays and Lesbians Everywhere).

Reformers want Ottawa to appeal the decision. "What we need to do," said Edmonton Reform MP Ian McClellan "is to say our decisions will not be made by tribunals that are appointed, they'll be made by the legislators where people will be responsible for the decisions that they make."

Some Liberals suggest it was the controversial Bill C-33 that influenced the decision, however, the tribunal says it's decision was based on previous court rulings.

BAPTISTS CALL FOR DISNEY BOYCOTT

The 16 million members of the Southern Baptist Church in the U.S. are taking on Walt Disney.

The 13,000 delegates at the church's annual convention in New Orleans voted to boycott Disney theme parks, films and products because of the company's policy on homosexual employees and because a subsidiary company, Miramax, makes films with adult themes.

The church also objects to the Disney Corporation allowing homosexual events to be staged at its parks.

Miramax Films, bought by Disney in 1993, has been the target of considerable

criticism from conservatives for producing and distributing films with adult themes.

"Disney has always been associated with family values. I don't think we can say that anymore," said newly elected president Tom Elliff.

California-based Disney Corp. has recently extended the benefits enjoyed by the spouses of heterosexual employees to companions of the company's homosexual workers.

In a brief statement, Disney Corp. said: "We question any group that demands that we deprive people of health benefits and we know of no tourist destination in the world that denies admission to people, as the Baptists are insisting we do."

(Daily Telegraph)

GAY PROM ENGENDERS GOOD SUPPORT

With the exception of a few boys in dresses and a handful of girls in suits, the June 14 prom at the historic Enoch Turner Schoolhouse on Trinity St. was just like any other.

Balloons and streamers decorated the hall, young men and women arrived in stretch limos and a police officer stood by the door.

"It's a prom, but where gay, lesbian and bisexual students can feel comfortable," said event spokesperson Krista Phillipchuk, 23.

"When we were graduating there wasn't anything like this...(gays) went to their highschool prom with friends and stayed in the closet or they didn't go at all."

The June 14 event changed that. Teachers and students from as far away as Durham Region showed up for the \$25-a-

plate dinner and dance.

Organizers said more than 130 tickets had been sold for the first-ever event.

"Some aren't out at school yet, others aren't out at home yet and some may never be...for a lot of them there was some real apprehension about attending," said John Campey, Toronto school board trustee and prom organizer.

"That said, we're quite excited about how well it's gone."

"There are very few social venues for gay and lesbian youth that are appropriate...we all worked very hard to make sure this one would be."

And, there will likely be more, Campey said.

"There hasn't been a lot of negative response. I continue to be surprised."

(Scot Magnish, Toronto Sun)

SUICIDE SHOCKS GAYS, ACTIVISTS

The alleged doctor-assisted suicide of an HIV positive Toronto man has set back the right-to-die movement and left the city's gay community reeling, says Councillor Kyle Rae.

In the wake of criminal charges laid against Dr. Maurice Genereux, Rae yesterday called for legalized, carefully regulated euthanasia to avoid "back-room" deaths.

"There's a real anxiety about what happened," Rae said of Aaron McGinn's suicide on April 11 and the subsequent charges against the controversial AIDS specialist.

"The name 'Dr. Genereux' generates concern because of his unprofessional

behavior in the past. He is a divisive character in the community."

In 1994, Genereux was disciplined by the College of Physicians and Surgeons after admitting he fondled or masturbated six patients.

But his notoriety is only part of the problem for the city's large gay community, Rae stressed.

Because McGinn had HIV, the virus that leads to AIDS, and not the more serious full blown disease, he might not have been considered terminally ill, he said.

"There are those who are concerned about the undermining of the dying with dignity movement."

Euthanasia activist Marilyn Seguin said she's not concerned about the case tainting right-to-die advocates.

"Within the next three to five years, we're definitely going to see some change in the law," Seguin, executive director of Dying With Dignity, said from Vancouver.

(Robert Benzie, Toronto Sun)

GAY MARRIAGE IN HAWAII?

A landmark case is coming up in Hawaii. The issue is whether gay and lesbian couples can exchange state sanctioned wedding vows.

A huge wedding cake at the annual Gay Pride Parade in Los Angeles last month featured couples who have been together at least 25 years. Whether or not they'll actually get legally married has to do with whether or not a Hawaii couple wins their lawsuit.

Joseph and Patrick have been together 19 years and in court for the past six. They are among the three same-sex

couples who filed for marriage licences in Hawaii and were denied.

The debate began in 1993 when the Hawaii Supreme Court ruled that the state violated its own sex discrimination laws by refusing to grant the couples' marriage licences. The Hawaiian high court returned the case to a lower court.

Should same-sex marriages in Hawaii be recognized by other states? Thirty-six states have considered creating laws against this, thirteen states have enacted bans and seventeen have refused to pass legislation to ban same-sex marriages.

"Once a state doesn't have to recognize an act of another state, our whole concept of federalism is over," said the plaintiff's attorney, Dan Foley.

The non-jury trial is scheduled to begin September 10. It's expected to last just two weeks, with the state calling as few as six witnesses.

Says one complaintant, "I'm sure like everything else, it will take a couple of years; and people will see there is no harm in this."

LOCAL PRIDE CELEBRATION A GREAT SUCCESS! OVER 200 IN ATTENDANCE

For the 200+ in attendance at the June 27 celebration at Kitchener City Hall a great time was had by all.

The organizers described this years celebration, named Triangle Unity, as a chance for the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities in K-W, Cambridge and Guelph to celebrate their diversity.

A number of tables were set up around the Rotunda sharing information on a series of topics, from support and

advocacy to health issues.

Some of those groups in attendance were Women Out Of Doors (WOODS), Brethern Mennonite Council, ACKWA, The Lesbian Avengers, Outlook Magazine, Guelph Queer Equality, Out and About (Our local gay radio show), Gay and Lesbian Liberation of Waterloo (GLOW), PFLAG, Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Youth Group and the Waterloo Region Health Unit. A lot of information was passed out at this years event.

Guests were welcomed by the very talented and entertaining Rainbow Chorus who also ended the ceremonies.

An open microphone session gave everyone in attendance the chance to get up and share their coming out experiences or just to say what was on their mind.

Cambridge physician Dr. Gary Gibson was the keynote speaker for the evening's event. His presence at the celebration was in my eyes very important.

I think it's very important for the younger gays and lesbians to see that you can be both out, proud to be who you are and still be very successful in your professional life. He is a wonderful role model. We need more like him within our community.

He elaborated on his being closeted during the early days of his career and the steps taken to finally come out.

He mentioned how he was outraged when he first heard about the raids on Toronto bathhouses which led him to write a letter to the editor. Unfortunately, it wasn't published because he didn't have the courage to sign the letter.

"That sort of crystalized for me that it was time to get on with my life. That was very much a turning point for me," Dr. Gibson said, which meant coming out publicly.

"It was 15 years ago, and I had saved up a whole year's income just in case I was run out of town," he said.

His partner Doug Saunders said he questioned whether the gay pride celebration is actually counter-productive. Most images by the media show gay men and lesbians in outlandish or skimpy costumes and "give the straight community the perception that we're somehow freakish, abnormal and demanding rights that we don't deserve."

"We need to profile ourselves as ordinary, normal and everyday. If the media reports the news or that which is different, then I think it's time we give them, and the heterosexual community, a different view of who we are."

All in all, the night was bigger and better than last years celebration. The media inaccurately reported attendance of some thirty or so people at last years event, (there were close to 90!), but was successful in the numbers department in both television and newspaper coverage stating in fact that there were over 200 participants in last month's event. Next year I'm sure it will be bigger yet!

Special thanks go out to all the organizers and volunteers of Triangle Unity and the people at Especially Coffee who made the June 27 celebration one we will remember. Thanks also to Cheryl and Fran and their staff at Club Renaissance for hosting the 'After Pride Party.'

(R. Lethbridge, Outlook)

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GAYS TO WED IN ICELAND

Gays marriages were given the official stamp of approval in Iceland on June 27, making it the fourth country in Europe to legalize homosexual unions. Iceland follows in the wake of Denmark, Norway and Sweden in legalizing gay marriages.

(Reuter)

FIRMS AVOIDING LEGAL BATTLES BY OFFERING SAME-SEX BENEFITS

Stanley Moore and Pierre Soucy began living in a committed, spousal relationship in 1990.

Yet when Moore, a foreign service officer, was posted to Indonesia, he found that he could access none of the spousal benefits and relocation costs usually made available for foreign service employees.

In addition to the financial costs, the situation was hurtful and embarrassing for Moore and Soucy.

Soucy later recalled feeling like a "quasi non-entity" when the embassy issued its list of local Canadians and their families - with his name conspicuously absent.

Gay and lesbian employees have always been present in the workplace, but their relationships and status have historically been invisible.

This lack of visibility is changing fast. The massive turnout at the annual pride day march in Toronto on June 30 is a reminder that the gay and lesbian community in Ontario has

become a political force to be reckoned with.

In the legal field, the battleground in the past few years has been the issue of recognizing same-sex partners for employment benefits. Benefits typically available to employees' spouses range from dental plans and supplementary health care to retirement and pension benefits.

Is there a legal obligation on Canadian employers to extend spousal benefits to the partners of gay and lesbian employees?

The answer, according to the tribunal that heard Moore's human-rights complaint, is "crystal clear."

The decision, released on June 13, states: "It is now crystal clear that denial of the extension of employment benefits to a same-sex partner that would otherwise be extended to opposite-sex common-law partners is discrimination on the prohibited ground of sexual orientation."

This case is the latest in a series of legal challenges to benefit systems that exclude same-sex relationships.

Human rights legislation in seven provinces and at the federal level specifically prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. Both public- and private-sector employers must comply with this legislation by not discriminating against gay and lesbian employees.

In a number of recent decisions, the exclusion of same-sex partners from benefits coverage has been found a prohibited form of discrimination.

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For example, Chris Vogel, an employee with the Manitoba natural resources department, took his employer to court for refusing to extend pension, dental and other employee benefits to his partner.

The Manitoba Court of Appeals backed Vogel.

As the court stated: " The exclusion of homosexual couples from the benefits directed to all heterosexual employees involved in permanent, intimate relationships due to a limiting definition of 'spouse' and 'common-law spouse' is discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation."

The court stated there is an onus on the provincial government to prove there was reasonable grounds to treat gay couples differently from heterosexuals.

The federal tribunal appointed to hear Stanley Moore's case followed the Vogel decision.

The tribunal could see no justification for denying same-sex partners the benefits other spouses could rely on. It ordered any provisions that discriminated on this basis to be amended within 60 days.

Pension benefits were excluded from this order, on agreement of the parties. The pension issue is being litigated in a separate case involving Air Canada.

The tribunal went out of its way to assert its decision did not confer "special or exceptional status" upon anyone.

"We are dealing only with the

equality of opportunity to live one's life free from discrimination on any of the prohibited grounds enumerated in the Act...a protection extended equally to every individual," it said.

At the same time cases work their way through the system, an increasing number of employers are quietly moving to extend benefits to the same-sex partners of their employees.

Major employers that have revised their benefit plans include Canada Post, Northern Telecom, the Toronto Dominion Bank, Ontario Hydro, Cami Automotive Inc., Air Canada, Bell Canada, the Canadian Broadcasting Corp., and Torstar Corp., publisher of the Toronto Star.

A recent report in The Star noted these employers have found the cost of extending benefits is minimal, since few employees take advantage of the opportunity to include their lesbian or gay spouses.

The June 13 decision will accelerate the trend to extend benefits. The day after the decision, Unitel Communications Inc. announced same-sex health benefits would be available for its 2,400 employees.

More and more employers are finding it makes more sense to go ahead and extend their benefit plans rather than face the prospect of costly litigation.

(Jonathan Eaton, freelance writer as seen in The Star, July 1/96)



GAY RODEO SPARKS PROTEST

Animal rights activists who demonstrated outside a gay rodeo say their protest had nothing to do with the sexual orientation of the participants, but the gay cowboys aren't so sure.

Outside the third annual Alberta Rockies Gay Rodeo in the foothills west of Calgary, the protesters carried banners reading "Respect All Animals' Rights" and "Ban the Rodeo."

Rodeo volunteer Ron Cardy said he believes the protesters weren't there because of cruelty to animals but because it was a gay event.

"We're out here having fun, and we're doing everything legally and within our right," Cardy said. "We're a gay-sanctioned event out of the United States, and so we follow all the rules that any rodeo would follow."

The rodeo is like most others, except for some unusual events, such as goat dressing.

Rob Jobst of Calgary Animal Rights said his group demonstrated because it believes rodeo events like steer wrestling and bull riding are cruel and abusive.

(CP)

PRIDE DAY TORONTO WELCOMES HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PARTIERS

According to the papers, our presence in Toronto on June 30 for the 16th annual Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade went anywhere from 500,000 to 700,000 strong. My guess would be more like 750,000.

We couldn't have asked for a nicer day weather wise but then again it would never rain on our parade. The Saturday before the parade made us all wonder though - the rain didn't let up for most of the day. But that didn't dampen the spirits of those wandering Church Street with or without their rainbow umbrellas.

What was probably the biggest show of gay and lesbian pride in the history of Canada brought people from across our country and the U.S. into downtown Toronto for the largest gay and lesbian celebration Church Street has ever seen.

Leading up to the parade on Sunday was a week long party that started off with the raising of the rainbow flag at Toronto City Hall.

Various venues across the city hosted a number of shows featuring the likes of Carole Pope, Elvira Kurt, Debbie Harry, Carrie Chesnutt, Thelma Houston, Lonnie Gordon, Ashley MacIsaac and The Parachute Club.

The Dyke March took place at Cawthra Park on Saturday along with the 5 km. Pride and Remembrance

Run. A vigil was also held on Thursday, June 27 at the AIDS Memorial in Cawthra Park where another 286 names were added to it.

Along Church Street you could take your pick of the many vendor and information tables set up along the stretch.

And then comes the big event - the parade. Mayor Barbara Hall marched right along side all the other celebrants in the stifling heat. And hot it was; 31.9 degrees celcius to be exact. But like the rain the day earlier, the heat couldn't fizzle the enthusiasm of the crowd.

Some fifty or so floats and thousands of marchers made their way along the parade route which started at the corner of Church and Gerrard. Every group of our diverse community was represented in the parade, from Dykes on Bikes to Leather Men and Women to Drag Queens and religious leaders to the majority donned in shorts and T-shirts.

It was truly a memorable day where everything seemed to be working in our favour - the weather, the immense number of celebrants and the unbelievable pride seen on their faces, mine included.

(R.Lethbridge, Outlook)

GAYS IN KNOX'S PULPIT

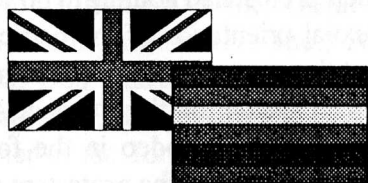
The governing body of the Presbyterian Church (USA) has approved the ordination of gays who agree to remain celibate and disavow

their past sexuality.

Under the policy, unmarried heterosexuals who are ordained would also be banned from having sex. Premarital sex has always been considered a sin for Presbyterians, but this was the first time a policy was adopted.

The Presbyterian Church (USA) has long welcomed gays as members, but not as ministers.

(AP)



'POPE' LEADS PINK PARADE

About 80,000 gays and lesbians, led by a Pope John Paul lookalike waving from a open-top vintage car, paraded through London, England July 6 in one of the largest demonstrations of Pink Power ever seen in Britain.

The Disorder of Perpetual Indulgence - a bus full of men dressed as nuns - got one of the biggest cheers when the march set off from Hyde Park for a free concert on Clapham Common in the south of the city.

Organizers said there was also a serious message behind what was called the 25th Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride March and Festival.

Adam Jeanes of the Pride Trust said it aims to raise the profile of the gay community and increase awareness of AIDS.

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Rights of Passage:

Struggles for Lesbian & Gay Legal Equality

by Didi Herman

Herman situates the development of lesbian and gay legal equality within a broader political context. The book explores legal arenas as sites of struggle of lesbians and gay men against their New Christian Right opponents, while offering an engaging analysis of the relationship between law and social change.

Lesbian Motherhood:

An Exploration of Canadian Lesbian Families

by Fiona Nelson

A study of lesbian mothers is a component of a larger project to explore the personal and sociocultural manifestations of the ideology of reproductive choice. This work expounds the view that lesbian women who are pursuing motherhood separate from men represent a conceptual possibility that could exist only as a part of the elaboration of the choice ideology.

Sex and Germs:

The Politics of AIDS

by Cindy Patton

This title examines our response to AIDS and argues for a more comprehensive understanding of sexuality and its control by way of a reintegration of the body into political discourse. The author expands on 'erotophobia' in the context of both new right assaults and organizing efforts within the lesbian and gay community around the issue of sexual practice.

The Regulation of Desire:

Homo and Hetero Sexualities

by Gary Kinsman

The author traces the historical and social roots of lesbian and gay rights, same-sex benefits, sex education, sexual violence against women, and the needs of people living with AIDS. This revised edition covers the recent sex police 'indecent act' and 'bawdy house' charges, seizures of bookstore materials, sexual policing in Canada, the battle for spousal benefits and immigration rights, and court rulings.

Out Our Way:

Gay and Lesbian Life in the Country

by Michael Riordon

A treasury of oral history-in-the-making. Intimate, face-to-face conversations with lesbians and gay men, aged fifteen to eighty-one, including people of the First Nations, people living with HIV/AIDS, individuals, couples, people living in communes, and a rainbow of self-defined families.

Beyond the Lavender Lexicon:

Authenticity, Imagination and Appropriation in Lesbian and Gay Languages

Edited by William L. Leap

This book opens the question of how gay men and lesbian women identify each other in contemporary culture and how they use speech to build community. By emphasizing that there are indeed gay/lesbian languages, the essays in this volume draw attention to the cultural and social significance of gay and lesbian life.

The House That Jill Built:

A Lesbian Nation in Formation

by Becki L. Ross

Becki Ross explores the dedicated struggle of a largely white, middle-class group of lesbian feminists to subvert the history of lesbian invisibility and persecution by

claiming a collective, empowering, public presence in Toronto during the mid- to late 1970s. An inspiring look back at a decade of achievement for community-based activists.

Women as Lovers:

Two Plays

by Theresa Carilli

Carilli's two plays, *Dolores Street* and *Wine Country*, humorously and dramatically capture San Francisco lesbian culture. By satirizing the lesbian in her quest for love and identity, Carilli renders funny, moving, and candid portraits of lesbian life.

Sex Between Men

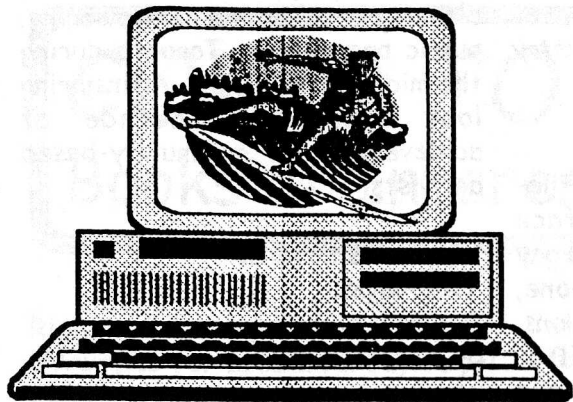
by Douglas Sadownick

A sexual odyssey through the last fifty years of gay history. Combining personal testimony and thoughtful commentary, this book tracks the sexual history of the modern gay man - from the trenches of World War II to the clubs of the 90s.

Shade

by Bruce Morrow and Charles H. Rowell

An anthology devoted exclusively to fiction by black gay men, *Shade* contains 23 stories written by award-winning authors as well as today's most promising newcomers.



THE WORLD WIDE WEB!

This month in Outlook, we are presenting a section on The Internet. We hope to provide some informative links to gay and lesbian web pages, as well as other interesting or "fun" sites. We will rate and review some pages and maybe even share some Internet hints along the way. We hope to update the page every month, so if you have any favorite links, drop us a line. Happy surfing!

Some links to check out:

- 1) QUEERS IN HISTORY- <http://quistory.clever.net/qih/wqueer.htm>
 - prominent historical people who were gay, lesbian, or bisexual
 - covers: actors, authors, politicians, artists, businesspeople, athletes, ...
 - more than 850 entries (when you purchase the full version for \$34.95)
 - author of the page even gives a bibliography of his resources
- 2) GLOW-<http://www.csclub.uwaterloo.ca/clubs/glow/>
 - Gay & Lesbian Liberation of Waterloo (based at University of Wloo.)
 - history/services/meetings of GLOW
 - local community resources/events
 - Toronto/Canada/World Wide gay and lesbian information
- 3) GAY NET-<http://www.gay.net/>
 - user software must be ordered to access information (Gay Net says it's totally FREE! and can be ordered by e-mail)
 - claim to be the world's most exciting and comprehensive all-gay (male) online service
 - topics from travel to gay chat to newspapers to club reviews and more!

This month's Internet hint: If you are using Netscape as your browser, you can disable your Java capabilities so that you don't have to wait for the graphics or those annoying applets to load. They look neat, but take forever, and most of the time are just there to decorate the screen, not the real meat-and-potatoes you went looking for in the first place. Unless you are running a fast machine or have unlimited access hours and don't mind waiting, this can become very annoying. P.S. Don't worry, you can always change it back.

TRAVEL

Fodor's Publishes Upscale Gay Guide

Did you know that Atlanta is the lesbian capital of the United States? Or that Houston has some of the liveliest drag scenes? Or that Palm Springs, California "buzzes with a higher charge of sexual energy than any other gay resort" in the U.S. West?

So says the new travel guide *Fodor's Gay Guide to the USA: The Most Comprehensive Guide for Gay and Lesbian Travellers*.

The guide, released late last month, is by no means the first to target gay travellers. Other resources, including *Spartacus International Gay Guide* and *Damron Address Book* have been available for years. But the Fodor's guide is groundbreaking because it was produced by a mainstream publishing company.

"This is a big, big step forward," said David Alport, the publisher of *Out and About*, a monthly travel magazine for gay men and lesbians. "To me, it's good news for gay travellers.

One might expect Fodor's to quietly ease its guide into public consciousness, for fear of alienating a conservative clientele. But Fodor's has been promoting the book to beat the band, running advertisements in publications like *Vanity Fair* featuring well-known gay men and lesbians, and sponsoring "circuit parties" that are expected to draw thousands of

homosexuals.

"It is the single title we've spent more money on than any other," said David Roth, associate publisher at Fodor's. "Finally Fodor's brings the gold standard to gay travellers." (The book jacket is gold to emphasize that point.)

Roth said there were 50,000 copies in the first printing of the book, which is available in major bookstores as well as at specialty gay bookstores.

And while a gay guide may seem like a risky move for Fodor's and its parent company, Random House, Roth said the project simply made good business sense. "It fits in with our strategy of targeting niche markets and catering to all kinds of travellers," he said. "This is a \$17-billion industry."

In preparing the guide, its gay author, Andrew Collins, 27, said he spent 20 months travelling the United States, interviewing gay residents and reading local gay publications.

"I don't think we need different things," said Collins, a former editor at Fodor's. "I think it's just a matter of 'birds of a feather flock together,' and this is pointing them in the right direction."

On one level, the book is like most travel guides, offering information on luxurious hotels, popular restaurants and points of interest. In other ways the book is clearly gay-specific, providing information about bars, beaches and bed-and-breakfasts popular with homosexuals.

It highlights restaurants that have gay

chefs, like Rubicon in San Francisco, where lesbian and award-winning chef Traci des Jardins is currently wowing locals with her stunning contemporary French fare." And it cites hotels with gay proprietors, like the Triangle Inn in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where one of the two female innkeepers is also the host of a local gay radio show, *Out Loud and Proud*.

While some of the establishments cited cater primarily to a gay clientele, Collins said others are included simply because they are gay-friendly - that is, places where openly gay and lesbian travellers will be welcome.

"In Chicago, you can walk around Lakeview, arm in arm, and feel very comfortable," Collins said.

To a large extent, readers of the guide can decide for themselves just how distinctively gay they want their vacation to be. In the section on Philadelphia, for example, the book provides information about such mainstream hotels as the Four Seasons - the city's most expensive - as well as the Holiday Inn Midtown, "from which you can pretty much smell the essence of libido wafting off Woody's dance floor, 50 feet away across Walnut Street."

In Palm Springs, you can eat at the Red Tomato (where "the crowd always includes a few cute queens"), dance all night at Wolf's Den (where you can also stop in at the on-site leather shop) and work out at Gold's Gym, "the gayest health club in town."

In addition to information about where to eat, sleep and shop, the guide includes gay-specific historical information like the 1978 assassination of Harvey Milk, a city supervisor in San Francisco; the emergence of gay krewes (clubs) at Mardi Gras in New Orleans and

the first gay and bisexual film festival in Santa Fe.

The book also highlights gay sights like the Walt Whitman House in Camden, New Jersey, and the house where Tennessee Williams grew up in St. Louis.

As to the inevitable question - just how down and dirty does this guide actually get? - the answer is: tastefully explicit. Every chapter features a section on "scenes", which often include information on bathhouses and male strip joints. But some say the guide caters to an upscale audience and plays it safe.

by Robin Pogrebin - New York Times

Gay Cruisin' Travel Agencies, Cruise Lines Find A Market In Gay and Lesbian Tours

As the cruise ship glides toward the next Greek island, Mark Dietz, lounging by the pool, leans over and kisses his boyfriend. They hold hands and talk intimately.

No one stares, notices or cares.

Dietz, a 43-year-old health care management consultant from Minneapolis, is on a gay-only cruise.

"You have this great feeling of freedom that you can be exactly who you want to be," said Dietz, who has been on eight gay cruises.

"You can hold hands and kiss in public."

Cruises like this one by RSVP Travel Productions are part of the growing gay and lesbian travel industry, which includes everything from gay bed-and-breakfasts to gay and lesbian tours through Europe.

"Gay and lesbian travel is the up-and-coming niche market in the travel business,"

said travel agent Paul Bernard, president of Adventure Travel in Scarborough, Me.

Bernard became a member of the International Gay Travel Association four years ago.

Now, being the only IGTA member travel agent in Maine, 40% of his customers are gay or lesbian.

The IGTA, based in Key West, Florida, estimates it's member travel agents book about \$1 billion in business a year and it's guest house and hotel members bring in more than \$75 million.

The travel association, which started in 1983 with 25 members, now has more than 1,200 members from travel agencies to major airlines to hotels.

"The tourism industry is starting to wake up to the fact that we're everywhere and we have money to spend," said Thom Tabor, 34, of San Francisco, who is planning his first trip to England this month with his partner.

But Tabor, originally from South Portland, Maine, confessed he's a little apprehensive about his vacation.

How will the British react to two men in the same room? In the same bed? Can they hold hands?

"In San Francisco, you get spoiled by the fact that you don't have to hide anything," he said.

"If we're going to a big city we have no hesitation. But when you get out into more rural areas it becomes a question mark."

That's where the gay-friendly travel agency comes in.

Bernard set them up in gay-welcoming areas and reserved rooms at gay bed-and-breakfasts.

Bernard calls this the comfort factor - the biggest reason gays and lesbians book their travel through him.

"People always ask me: 'Where else can I go besides Key West?'" Bernard said.

A lot of places.

If travellers want to go to Club Med but don't want the usual heterosexual atmosphere, Atlantis, based in West Hollywood, and Olivia, based in Oakland, California, sell time for all-inclusive gay vacations at Club Med resorts.

If the Leatherman's Tour of Dungeons in Europe sounds too outrageous, there's always RSVP's cruises to the Mediterranean, Mardi Gras in New Orleans, and South America.

The New York-based Our Family Abroad offers tours of ancient Egypt, 15 days in the Golden Cities of China or Bastille Day in Paris.

For now, the most popular gay vacation destinations are San Francisco, Provincetown, Key West, Fire Island, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware and Saugatuck, Michigan, according to Overlooked Opinions, a Chicago-based market research group that specializes in gay issues.

But for adventurers who want something a little less predictable, Toto Tours in Chicago promotes, among other things, a trip to New Zealand and horseback riding through the Canadian Rockies, hiking and whale-watching in Hawaii and whitewater rafting in the Grand Canyon.

(AP)

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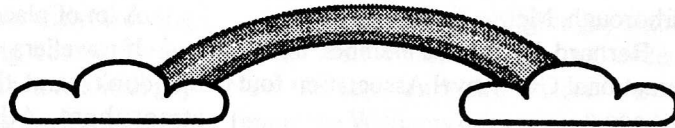
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"With so many spectacular colours in the world, it's a shame to make everything black and white."

-Thomas Melohn

Reader's Corner

Letters * Poetry * Opinions & Viewpoints



Strangers, when they come into our lives, often bring with them pleasant surprises and new traditions. I met a delightful woman on Pride Day. She is new to the queer community and she greeted the sights and sounds of Church Street with the exuberance of a freshly unleashed tourist. In particular, she had her heart set on seeing the AIDS Memorial in Cawthra Square Park. Her companions and I indulged her interest with a casual "sure, why not?"

We entered the park arm in arm, but I lagged behind as I began to read the names inscribed upon the memorial. The pounding of my heart started to drown out the sounds of the street. The names echoed in my head and rose in crescendo with each successive year. I became tearful and I urged myself to catch up with the others. As I raised my head to leave, I saw an older man standing at the monument. I could move no further.

His veined hand was caressing each letter of a beloved name. The lingering tenderness of his touch and the tremulousness of each finger tip ripped out some kind of plug inside of me. I was suddenly awash with a new love, a raw pain which I could not suppress. I cried the tears which I had refused to cry at funerals or the homes of friends. I cried the tears which I could never let fall when I read the memoriams in the paper. I stood alone and cried. Uncontrolably.

I felt firm hands on my shoulders and I was folded into a strong embrace. The friend of my stranger held my head and pressed it into his chest. "I know, I know," he hushed. The woman returned from her exploration of the park and found me crumpled in the arms of her friend. She was filled with apologies for having been thoughtless, for not having anticipated the effect of the memorial on us, for having spoiled our joyfulness.

"No," I said to her, "You don't need to apologize. We need to thank you for bringing us here today." What I felt was not morosity, but rather an intense pain that comes out of an intense love, the love that is made and the love that is shared in this wonderful queer world of ours. What better day to visit

the memorial than this day of Pride? In the midst of joy, frivolity and celebration there exists great pride in the love surrounding those named there, those who fight the battle still and those of us left behind. This woman gifted me with a new tradition in Pride. I will be sure to visit the memorial next year on Pride Day. The pleasant surprise? We are strangers no more.

Cathy
Kitchener



Dear Outlook,
I would like to congratulate you on how far your little magazine has come. I find it very useful when looking for something to do within our community. If it wasn't for you announcing the pride celebration taking place at Kitchener City Hall, I would have never known about it. And by the way, it was nice to see you had a display table set up at the Rotunda. Keep up the good work.

Pamela S.
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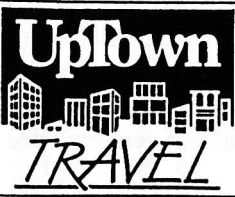
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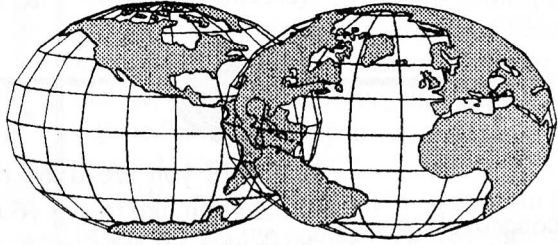
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WHO ARE WE? WHAT DO WE DO?

GGLBE is now known as GQE.

Founded in 1973 as the University of Guelph Homophile Association (UGHA), the group remained as an official University of Guelph sanctioned club, and has evolved from UGHA, to Guelph Gay Equality (GGE), to Guelph Gay and Lesbian Equality (GGLE) to Guelph Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Equality (GGLBE) to today's GUELPH QUEER EQUALITY (GQE).

The group's first dance was held in the Games Room of Lambton Hall, a U of G residence in 1973; by 1974 dances were held at the Royal Hotel. Delegates from the UGHA attended the 2nd annual National Conference in Winnipeg and the first International Gay Conference in Scotland. In April of 1975, the founding conference of CLGRO was held in Guelph, and the Gayline was set up in June.

In 1979 the group helped end the distribution of *Today's Student*, an anti-woman, anti-gay, American fundamentalist tabloid. In 1980, the group was granted community service status, and in 1983 cohosted the "Understanding Homophobia" conference. During the late 80's, the group sponsored a local radio show, hosted some of CLGRO's meetings, lobbied the provincial government on the human rights code, and helped fund the AIDS Committee of Guelph and Wellington County.

In October 1998 we will celebrate our 25th anniversary as a community organization.

MOVIES



I SHOT ANDY WARHOL Mary Harron (USA, 1996)

Like Cabaret, which captured the essence of 30s Berlin, *I Shot Andy Warhol* brings us the definitive account of life in Andy Warhol's New York during the late 60s. This New York, encased in the midtown Factory, resembles a summer camp full of misfit outsiders who keep themselves busy with arts and crafts while camp director Warhol (Jared Harris, son of Richard) blissfully looks on.

It is also the New York of Valerie Solanas, played brilliantly by Lili Taylor, a radical lesbian feminist who made a name for herself with her one-woman polemic - *The SCUM - The Society for Cutting Up Men - Manifesto* and as the woman who shot Andy Warhol in the chest twice at point blank range.

Canadian-born director Harron uncovers a feminist antihero and asks audiences to decide how crazy she really was.

Taylor plays Solanas as a self-absorbed narcissist who wraps breathtaking insights into the nature of womanhood in rollicking crass

language. Taylor is frighteningly good, moving from a little Napoleon railing against the world to a scared observer seeing just how outclassed she is by Warhol's A-list groupies, who include Candy Darling (Stephen Dorff), Ondine (Michael Imperioli) and Viva (Tahnee Welch).

Cinematographer Ellen Kuras - the Sven Nykvist of independent film - shoots in grainy black and white and uses Warholian techniques such as strobe cuts and washed-out long takes to create the film's hip look.

"I Shot Andy Warhol is fascinating entertainment, as a group of misfits put on a show for viewers who are expected to play the part of curious, engrossed voyeurs."

-Ingrid Randoja, *Now*

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Sunday, August 18 - 7:00 p.m.
Monday, August 19 - 7:00 p.m.

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MAN OF THE YEAR

Dirk Shafer (USA, 1995)

"Once upon a time, a close girlfriend urged filmmaker Dirk Shafer to send off a photo to Playgirl magazine, just as a lark. That lark wound up with Shafer being voted the magazine's 1992 Centrefold of the Year. Shafer's obligation to Playgirl

was to represent the magazine on national television and radio as a sort of ideal guy/fantasy hunk to all women. Teensy problem: Shafer is gay.

He has no idea what women are looking for in a man. But he spent a year playing it 'straight' out of a sense of obligation to Playgirl - and the result is Man of the Year, an inspired fake documentary that tells his story and addresses the interesting issues of identity and honesty.

First and foremost, Man of the Year is very funny and very entertaining. But Shafer, who didn't set out to deceive anyone, is filled with self-doubt as his Playgirl year progresses. He obviously worked hard to keep up his end of the deal with Playgirl, but the charade begins to wear thin. His lover is disgusted with it all. Act Out members want to 'out' him, and he worries about the embarrassment to the magazine.

The whole conflict of image and identity is developed slowly and mostly with humour, and it hits home. The movie works because of Shafer, who is excellent behind the camera and likable and articulate in front of it.

What we have here is a different take on the issues facing gay people today. It's a strange and pixillated undertaking and oddly powerful under all the laughs.

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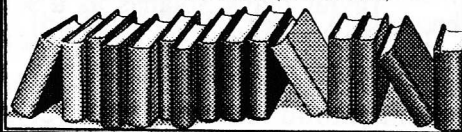
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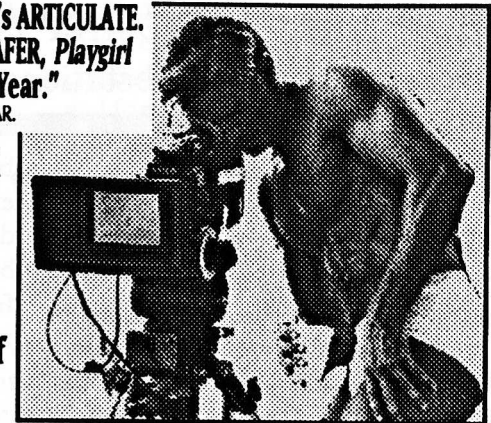
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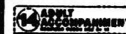
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Neurological Manifestations



Part 11 of 13

Neurological complications in persons living with HIV infection can be the result of numerous causes. Opportunistic infections, medications, cancers, and HIV itself can all impact the brain, spinal cord and central nervous system.

Studies indicate that 30-40% of persons with AIDS will experience neurological problems of varying degrees. Of the opportunistic infections, toxoplasmosis, cytomegalovirus and herpes can all affect the brain and result in inflammation of the membranes that cover the brain.

Symptoms

- .headache - constant, stiff neck, fever, personality changes, confusion
- .seizures and coma if unrecognized

Treatment

- Toxoplasmosis**- Clindamycin - Azithromycin - Pyrimethomine
- Cytomegalovirus** - Gancyclovir - Foscarnet

Peripheral Neuropathy

Neuropathy is the term used to describe any disease of the peripheral nerves, or those that control movement and sensation.

In persons living with HIV infection/AIDS, peripheral neuropathy is thought to

be caused by HIV itself or can be the side effect of drugs - especially ddI, D4T and ddC. Neuropathic (nerve) pain has become one of the most difficult and frustrating complications of HIV infections to treat.

Symptoms

- .burning or tingling sensation in feet, lower legs and hands
- .numbness in feet and lower legs

Treatment

- .tricyclic anti-depressants e.g. Elavil
- .seizure medications
- .acupuncture
- .narcotics - with limited success

Progressive Multifocal Leukoencephalopathy

PML is a brain disorder caused by the J.C. papovirus. Most adults were exposed to the J.C. virus early in life and developed a natural immunity to it. J.C. virus attacks the myelin (protective covering) of the nerve fibres and gradually destroys the covering over time. PML infection occurs in less than 5% of persons with AIDS.

Symptoms

- .headache, double vision
- .memory loss, difficulty thinking

- .speech problems
- .difficulty walking
- .poor coordination
- .progresses to coma

Diagnosis

PML is diagnosed by CAT scan or MRI scan. A biopsy of brain tissue is needed to confirm the diagnosis.

Treatment

Currently, there is no effective treatment for PML, although AZT may cause clinical improvement. Symptom management and palliative care are required.

AIDS Dementia Complex (ADC)

ADC has become one of the most difficult complications to manage in HIV positive people. Mental deterioration leading to memory loss, confusion and deteriorating intellect can be the result of infections, stroke, vitamin deficiency, medications, substance abuse, and probably HIV itself. Most people with advanced severe ADC do have HIV in the brain.

Since there is as yet no specific test for HIV dementia, it is a diagnosis of exclusion after all other causes have been ruled out.

If HIV is determined to be the cause of dementia, treatment is supportive, although AZT has proven to be helpful in reducing symptoms of ADC and may prolong life. Losing the ability to remember and think clearly is, without question, the most significant loss experienced by people with AIDS. Most

persons with AIDS deny the reality of these problems when they begin. It is "the thing that we dread most," devastating to the person with AIDS, and his or her family and friends.

ADC may progress from mild memory loss and inability to concentrate, through to a comatose, mute and incontinent state.

Care and management of ADC parallels that of other dementias and there are excellent resource books available, such as "The 36-Hour Day."

IF YOU ARE GOING TO HELP ME...

1. Please be patient while I decide if I can trust you.
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3. Please accept that whatever I have done, whatever I may do, is the best I have to offer and seemed right at the time.
4. I am not a person. I am this person, unique and special.
5. Don't judge me as right or wrong. Bad or good. I am what I am and that's all I've got.
6. Don't assume that your knowledge about me is more accurate than mine. You only know what I have told you. That's only part of me.
7. Don't ever think that you know what I should do - you don't. I may be confused, but I am still the expert about me.
8. Don't place me in a position of living up to your expectations. I have enough trouble with mine
9. Please hear my feelings. Not just my words - accept all of them. If you can't, how can I?
10. Don't save me! I can do it myself. I knew enough to ask for help, didn't I?

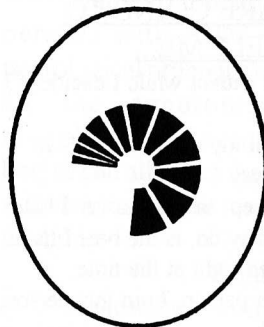
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ACCKWA SEEKS BINGO VOLUNTEERS!

ACCKWA is presently recruiting new people to join the Volunteer Bingo Team. These bingo sessions are held at Uptown Bingo Palace in Waterloo (in the plaza beside Waterloo Town Square). All it takes is a minimum of four hours of your time to get involved. Please consider assisting ACCKWA with this very important fundraising activity. Call Tracey for more information at 570-3687.



Thursday, July 18 is the date for ACCKWA's 1st Annual Golf Classic. 18 holes of golf, dinner at Wilf's and a \$30 charitable donation receipt all for \$65.00.

Give us a call for details!
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BINGO!

If you're a Bingo fanatic and can't seem to put that dabber away, bring it on down to Uptown Bingo Palace in Waterloo.

You'll get your fix of Bingo and at the same time help support our local AIDS Service Organization. These games are ongoing events which help raise funds and awareness within our community. COME ON OUT! Upcoming Bingo dates are as follows at Uptown Bingo Palace, 17 King St. S. Waterloo.

*Aug. 4, 3pm-11pm * Aug. 12, 3pm-7pm

*Aug. 19, 7pm-11pm * Aug. 30, 3pm-7pm

Where can I get tested?

. Duke St. Clinic, (ACCKWA) 123 Duke St.E., Kitchener. Every Thursday from 4 - 7pm. No appointment necessary. The counselling and testing is done by registered nurses.

. Waterloo Regional Community Health Department, 99 Regina St.S., Waterloo. Offers anonymous testing through their HIV clinics. Call 883-2251 for info.

3rd Annual Chairs for Charity



Once again, we are asking artists to create and donate original works of art, using a chair as their canvas or inspiration. Works can be large or small, in two or three dimensions. Any medium is acceptable. Chairs will be previewed Feb. 1-8, 1997 at the Rotunda Gallery at Kitchener City Hall. Chairs will be auctioned with all proceeds to benefit ACCKWA.

AIDS WALK '96

Sunday, Sept. 29/96

If you wish to get involved in this amazing event, volunteer positions are still open. Call Tracey or Natalie.



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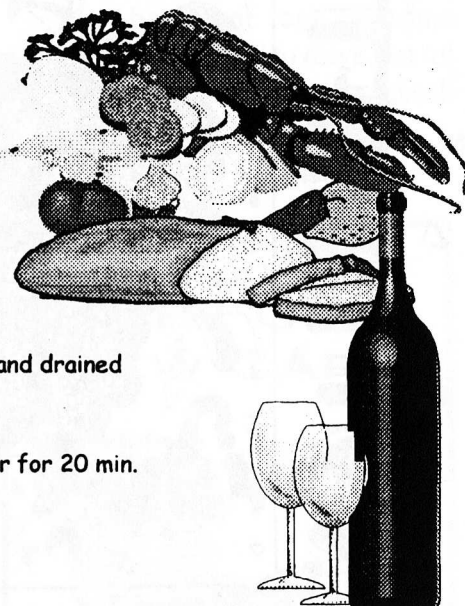
Paella

Spanish Rice with Chicken and Seafood

Traditionally, Paella is made from a combination of chicken, seafood, sausages, vegetables and rice. It can vary from a simple supper dish made with a few inexpensive chicken pieces and a handful of shrimp to an elaborate party dish with lobster and mussels. Whichever way you make it, Paella (pay-ee-yah) needs no accompaniment other than a chilled Spanish white wine. If you prefer, you can leave the mussels in their shells.

- 1-1/2 lbs. cooked lobster
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 2 lbs. chicken cut into bite sized servings
- 1 sausage (your choice), sliced
- 1 medium sized onion, thinly sliced
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 8 oz. can crushed tomatoes
- 1 large red pepper, chopped
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 1 tsp. paprika
- 2 cups long grain rice, soaked for 30 minutes and drained
- 2-1/2 cups water
- juice of 1 lemon
- 1/8 tsp. saffron, soaked in 1/2 cup warm water for 20 min.
- 8 oz. peas, shelled
- 1/2 lb. shrimp, shelled
- 1 qt. mussels, scrubbed
- 1 tbsp. chopped fresh parsley

-Remove lobster meat from shell and claws and cut into 1 inch pieces. Set aside. In a large deep frying pan, heat the oil over moderate heat. When hot, add the chicken and sausage and fry, turning occasionally, for 10-15 min. or until chicken is browned. Remove from pan, set aside and keep hot. Add onions and garlic to the pan and fry until onion is soft and translucent but not brown. Add tomatoes, red pepper, salt, pepper and paprika and cook, stirring occasionally until the mixture is thick. Add the rice to the pan and, shaking the pan frequently, fry it for 3 min. or until it is transparent. Add water, lemon juice and saffron mixture and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and stir in peas. Return chicken and sausage to pan and cook for 15 min. Add lobster, shrimp and mussels and cook for an additional 5 min. until chicken is cooked through and cooking liquid has been absorbed. Remove the pan from the heat. Sprinkle with fresh parsley and serve immediately.



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Reviews

by Dan Haner

Dead Can Dance *Spiritchaser*

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The music enables you to put yourself into a hypnotic trance to help escape the stress and fatigue of daily life.

Lisa delivers strong melodic chants and hauntingly soothing song.

Spiritchaser was recorded at Quivvy Church which gives the acoustics supreme justice.

If you have not checked out Dead Can Dance before, this CD is a must.

Tragically Hip *Trouble at the Henhouse*

The first time I heard the new Hip I tossed it aside and thought same old, same old shit.

But I hesitantly put it back on after about two hours.

I realized if you get past the drab acoustics and melodramatic voice, the lyrics stand on their own.

If you are already a big Hip fan, you'll probably just add this one to your collection. If you're a first-timer, give it a chance. You'll either like it or hate

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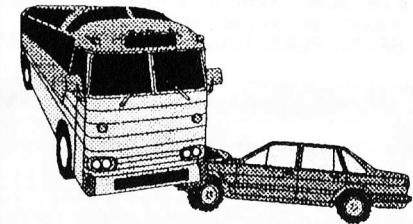
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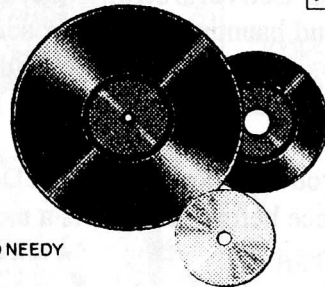
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7. Keep Pushin' - BORIS DLUGOSH
8. Feel The Music - PLANET SOUL
9. Housing Me Softly (White Label Mix) - FUGEES
10. Down To Earth (Perfecto Mix) - GRACE
11. Your Loving Arms (Todd Terry '98 Mix) - Billie Ray Martin
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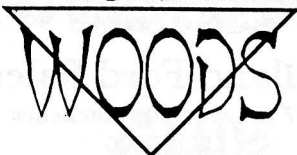


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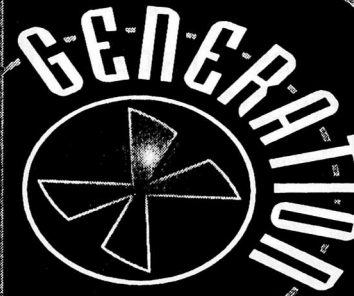
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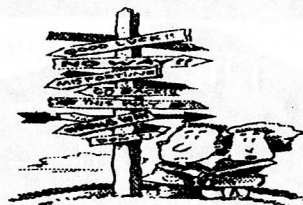
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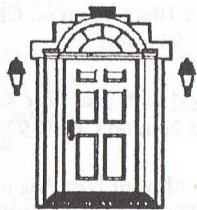
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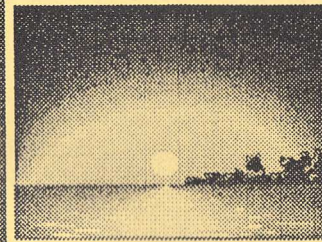
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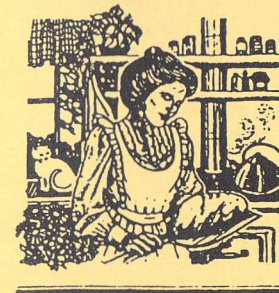
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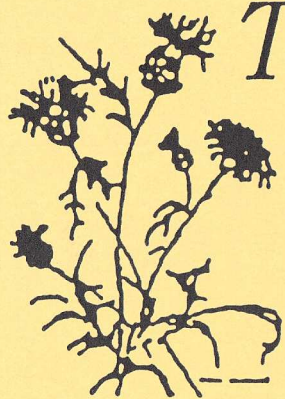
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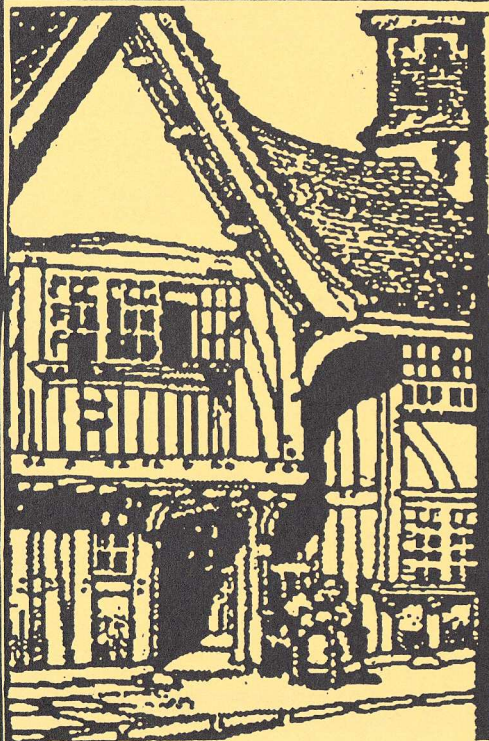
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