

NEW DIRECTION

Living Gay In Central Florida

August 1983

*Joy MCC pastor
has new calling
Page 3*

**Daytona Beach
MCC closes
Page 3**



Gay rights activist denies 'unfit mother' charges

BY JAY WESLEY
New Direction Managing Editor

Claiming she is "totally consumed with her Gay rights involvement," the former husband of a Lesbian and Gay rights activist is asking a Seminole County judge to restrict visitation rights of the couple's two minor children. Ronni Sanlo, executive director and lobbyist for the Florida Task Force and currently founder and director of the Education Association for Gay and Lesbian Studies (EAGALS), claims the requested family court action may violate First and Fourteenth Amendment rights in regards to her right of free speech and freedom of association.

"My pain is that my beautiful children have become victims of their father's bigotry. I lived in my own closet for 31 difficult years. When I finally emerged, I had my freedom, but little else. . . I lost my babies, my home, my financial security. I had my clothing and my freedom, nothing more.

John Sauls Jr. was divorced from Sanlo Aug. 1, 1979. The divorce was uncontested as to the disposal of property, Sanlo says, and custody of the two children, a girl, 10, and boy, 7, was awarded to Sauls. Sanlo says her willingness to lose custody of the children was based on the liberal visitation policy made part of the agreement. She also claims threats of a bitter court fight based on her homosexuality were made by the children's paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sauls Sr. of Sanford. This fact, she says, and the desire to prevent the children from becoming "pawns", made her consent to the husband's custody.

Sanlo says the divorce decree allowed her two days a week visitation plus alternating holidays and 30 days out-of-state temporary custody. The decree also said weekly visitation "could not interfere with school." Sanlo said the visitation rules became a burden because of the "school stipulation" and the forced attendance of the children to Sunday services at the "Sanford Bible Church", a small, fundamentalist congregation whose building is owned by the senior Sauls.

Sanlo recently asked the court to modify the visitation rules allowing her to have the children every other weekend and also asked for clarification of the holiday rules. Her request was answered with a counter motion asking that the court allow visitation "to the Wife under strict guidelines that will protect the best interests and welfare of the children." Sanlo says this may mean not allowing the youths to visit in her house she shares with her female lover or perhaps not allowing the lover to be present during visits.

In his petition, Sauls claims "the Wife has been active in the Florida Task Force and similar organizations, which activities are confusing to the children and taint the fitness of the wife of the Wife to exercise parental responsibilities."



Ronni Sanlo

'Children victims of. . .bigotry'

Before joining FTF, Sanlo was executive director of Gay Community Services (GCS) of Central Florida, Inc. He also claims "visitation in the house of the Wife develops confusion in the minds and attitudes of the children and causes them to return home with unending questions about sex, morals, religion, and the living arrangements they have viewed . . ."

Sanlo claims she has been loving and open in regards to answering the children's questions. She states she has attended parent-teacher conferences for both children on a continuing basis and has supported school plays and other activities, something, she says her ex-husband has failed to do.

Sanlo also says her former husband has told the children not to kiss their mother or her lover, telling them, Sanlo says, "that queers have diseases." Sanlo said the warning apparently came as a reaction to the AIDS problem.

Sanlo said it is possible that the matter could go into binding mediation as part of the court process. If that approach

Page 15

**Ring leads
police to
suspect
Page 3**

**Study shows
Gay men
age easier
Page 6**

**Silver Hammer
sets benefit
slave auction
Page 7**

**Gays slow
using new
vaccine
Page 10**

**Guinness
only for stout
Page 13**

Suspects await trials in Gay murder cases

BY JAY WESLEY
New Direction Managing Editor

Four men are awaiting trial in first degree murder charges involving homosexual men during the past two years. The recent arrest of Calvin Banks, 22, in connection with the Feb. 10 stabbing death of Joseph Kulka was the latest law enforcement success in the five Orange County murder cases (See related story)

Donald William Dufour, 26, of Orlando, is a inmate of death row in Mississippi's state prison. Pending appeal, he will be executed for the murder of two men Oct. 13, 1982, in Jackson, Miss. Dufour is also indicted by an Orange County grand jury for the murder of three men in Orlando. Orange County Sheriff's detectives worked the case.

Dufour is accused in the murders of John Stinson and Edward Wise in their Orange County house. Their bodies were found July 26, 1982. They had been shot and stabbed.

Dufour also stands accused in the southeast Orlando organe grove killing of Zack D. Miller, 26, of Boston, Ga. He had been stabbed to death. Police say that Miller may have picked up Dufour in a local Gay tavern. Miller was murdered Sept. 6.

Dufour is also facing a Georgia murder indictment for the shooting of Carl Williams, 22, of Orlando whose bullet-ridden body was found near Woodbine, Ga. in June 1982. Williams and Dufore were allegedly members of a loose-knit gang believed responsible for several robberies and other crimes in the Orlando area during 1982.

Another gang member arrested with Dufour, Robert Taylor, 22, of Orlando, has been sentenced to two life sentences in connection with the Mississippi deaths. He also faces ac-

tive indictments in the three Orlando murders. Taylor received the life sentence in exchange for his evidence statements in the case. He had been facing the death penalty before turning state's witness.

Tim Hetz, press information officer with State Attorney Robert Eagen's Orlando office said because no statute of limitations exists on the murder charges, the men would be returned to Florida should they ever be released from custody in Mississippi. He said such release was unlikely.

The murder trial of William John Sakosky, 21, of Scranton, Pa., is expected to begin Sept. 12 in Orange County circuit court. He is charged with the bludgeoning death of Paul Carlisle, 25, of Fort Lauderdale, Nov. 3, 1982 at Orlando's Parliament House Resort.

Spokesperson Hetz said Sakosky has been awaiting trial in the Orange County jail after his successful extradition from Pennsylvania earlier this year. Sakosky was arrested by Scranton authorities Nov. 6. He was driving Carlisle's car. Orlando police investigators handled the case.

Calvin Banks will face trial Oct. 25, according to Hetz. Banks reportedly offered a confession in the Kulka murder and may not face a judge or jury. Hetz said that prosecutors are examining the statement and circumstances around the Feb. 10 murder to determine if a capitol murder (death penalty) request is warranted. Banks is also being held in the Orange County Jail in the Orlando Police case.

One murder case continued to elude detectives' solution. No arrests have been made in the murder of Donald Biggers, 46, of Windermere. His body was found in his waterfront house on Lake Butler, May 20, 1981. He died of multiple stab wounds, investigators say.

We'd Like to Get Something Off Our Chest

Summer Slave Sale

Aug. 27

Bidding opens at 9 p.m.
Come buy your favorite guy

Saturdays

Beat the Clock
2-3 pm - 25¢ Drinks
3-4 pm - 50¢
4-5 pm - 75¢
5-6 pm - \$1.00
6-7 pm - \$1.25

Happy Hours

Monday - Friday
5-9 pm

Tuesdays

Hug-a-Heini
Eat-a-Wieni
\$1.50

Wednesdays

Half price drinks
10-11 & 12-1

Thursdays

KRAZZY Tickets
All Night

Sundays

Join us on the patio
for a FREE KEG

★ **Labor Day Specials** ★
★ Sunday, Sept. 4 - Pork Roast on the Patio ★
★ We've got the meat - Bring a dish ★
★ to pass ★
★ Monday, Sept. 5 - Dollar Day. All beer and ★
★ wine just \$1 all day ★

Silver Hammer

Join the
Reunite Revolution - Aug. 15
A great time with great wine
Starts at 8... Don't be late
Drink specials - party favors



A Man's Place To Be
1300 N. Mills Ave.

Spotlight on

Gay Central Florida

Dead man's ring links murder suspect to crime

BY JAY WESLEY
New Direction Managing Editor

Calvin Banks, a former Orlando resident, has been charged with the first degree murder of Joseph Kulka, 29, who was found dead in his house at 600 Avalon Blvd. Feb. 13. Banks, was arrested in Fort Lauderdale July 15 after an intensive nationwide search which lasted almost six months. He has been indicted in the case by an Orange County grand jury. He could face the death sentence if convicted of the crime.

Orlando Police detectives credited thorough investigation techniques who providing the link between Kulka and Banks; a custom-designed diamond ring.

Police theorize that Kulka was driving along South Orange Blossom Trail July 11, when he picked up Banks. The two men went to Kulka's modest frame house in southeast Orlando for a sexual encounter. Police say Kulka was homosexual and Banks "was a street hustler looking for a quick buck."

When a friend stopped at Kulka's house Feb. 13, she found the door ajar and Kulka's body in the bedroom. He had been stabbed repeatedly and died of his wounds.

Kulka's car, stereo, and jewelry, including the ring were taken from the house, police say, claiming robbery to be the motive for the crime. The car was found Feb. 13 near Lake Eola, perhaps left there to make police suspect male hustlers who frequent the area.

Investigators reportedly questioned some 200 persons, many from the Gay community, in relation to the case. Because Kulka was known to frequent South OBT adult bookstores, police interviewed employees from motels, book stores, and night clubs for two days attempting to find anyone who saw Kulka the day he disappeared. They had no success.

Police also sent flyers to pawn shops in central Florida describing items taken from the murder scene. A break in the case came at the end of February when an Orlando pawn shop owner said he had a ring that matched the artist's drawing police had circulated. Pawn records showed the ring had been hocked by Banks who had listed an Orlando address. A police check found Banks had moved, leaving no good forwarding address.

Banks eluded police despite bulletins citing his connection to the murder and asking for his detention which were sent to all 50 states. Early in July, police reportedly received a call from an informant saying Banks was in Fort Lauderdale. After securing a warrant for his arrest and contacting Fort Lauderdale police, Banks was taken into custody in a motel in that south Florida city. He reportedly did not resist arrest.

Orlando Police Detective Sgt. David Smith was quoted as saying "Gays... were playing Russian roulette," when picking up people off the street. "Kulka just picked up the wrong guy... it could happen to anyone."

Before his death, Kulka was employed as a unit supervisor at Sunland Center, a state-run care center for the physically and mentally retarded, where he was considered a "very good" employee.



Calvin Banks

... facing murder charges



Rev. Nancy Lila Radclyffe's work has been a Joy.

Joy MCC begins search as Radclyffe resigns

BY JAY WESLEY
New Direction Managing Editor

Rev. Nancy Lila Radclyffe, pastor to Orlando's Joy Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) will bid farewell to the congregation Aug. 21. Radclyffe, who assumed her local duties in February, 1982, has accepted the post of Senior Chaplain for the MCC's Spiritual Life and Clergy Care Center, a program she designed, and will be moving to the Los Angeles area to begin its implementation.

The concept is built on the idea of proving both physical and spiritual rest and revitalization to members of the denomination's clergy. It will be funded out of monetary gifts as well as funds from the Universal Fellowship of MCC. Radclyffe submitted her plans for the program almost two years ago. The plan was fully authorized earlier this year.

"I'm hoping that the program will become preventative in nature instead of rehabilitative. I want members of the clergy to be able to find assistance and comfort before they have problems of either a physical or spiritual nature," Radclyffe said.

Speaking of her 17 months in Orlando, Radclyffe said she felt her direction in "helping the Joy congregation fully assume the responsibility of their church, including the establishment of solid business practices and procedures" was one of the main accomplishments of her tenure.

"With attendance to services averaging 80 persons and with membership in the church at 55 people, Joy has become markedly stable. It appears that the church

is here to stay." The congregation meets for Sunday evening services and Thursday evening bible study at the New Age Community Center, 2500 Curry Ford Road at the corner of South Bumby Ave. Joy MCC is one of 11 similar congregations meeting in Florida.

Radclyffe said she expects Joy MCC to play "a vital role" in the growth of the Gay and Lesbian community as Orlando matures into a greater city. "I have been in towns with more (Gay) community than this one", she said. "I believe as the city grows larger and more diverse, the size, and especially the quality, of the community will also grow."

She said a pressing need, yet unanswered in Orlando, is for a more permanent church office space for day-to-day operations. She also said her work load in helping to stabilize the local congregation had given her little time to make contacts with other local churches and their pastors.

A pulpit committee has been formed by the local congregation in order to select a new pastor. Radclyffe said that several candidates have already made contact with the selection committee for consideration. She said she expected the new pastor to join Joy within a month after her departure.

Radclyffe and her lifemate, Kerry Brown, are expected to leave the Orlando area during the last week of August. Brown has been active in lay operations of MCC and is assisting in the marketing of the upcoming television special prepared by MCC entitled "God, Gays, and the Gospel." The one-hour program is expected to be released this Fall.

P-House to become Labor Day paradise

The Parliament House Resort becomes a tropical paradise for the upcoming Labor Day weekend, Sept. 2-5. Resort party planners are pulling out all the stops for a Hawaiian weekend with lots of punch.

Decorations reflecting the lush tropical theme will go up around the motel and entertainment complex at the start of the long weekend which traditionally marks the end of summer. Special tropical drinks, complete with all the trimmings, will be available to cool fevered brows.

Highlights of the weekend will be a poolside Polynesian Paradise Review on Labor Day with both local entertainers and special guests putting the spice in the islands. A special 2 p.m. Tea Dance will also mark the holiday. A luau buffet will also be available.

"We'll even be giving everybody a free lei", reported one party planner.

The Parliament House Resort is located at 410 North Orange Blossom Trail in Orlando. Additional information about the holiday weekend plans is available by calling (305) 425-7571. The facility includes several lounges, a disco, restaurant, show bar, gift shops, and overnight lodging.

Daytona MCC closes door as bills continue rise

From Published Sources

DAYTONA BEACH — The Blessed Redeemer Metropolitan Community Church, has closed its doors from lack of financial support.

The Rev. Arthur Fleschner and the handful of parishioners who make up the church's nucleus attribute its demise to the transient and "closet" character of the local gay community but predict that MCC will return to Daytona Beach.

Started in Fleschner's apartment a year ago, the Daytona church struggled from the onset with mounting bills and dwindling attendance. The bills increased when the membership grew to 30, prompting a move to a storefront location.

"I couldn't find a host church to house us. In Orlando we rented space from the Unitarian Church for \$20 a week, but I didn't find the same response here. One minister did go to his board and tried to help us but most said they were full. Some

of their attitudes told me they didn't want me under and circumstances," said Fleschner, who started the MCC in Orlando in 1979.

Ironically, the move spawned by growth in January dealt a severe blow to the church, a member of the 196-strong Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches spread across eight countries. About 15 people dropped out, about half of whom couldn't handle meeting openly, Fleschner said.

"In my apartment they were safe, secluded," he said. "When we moved, they were out in the open."

Despite regular offerings from 18 members, the church consistently has been \$50 to \$100 short of the \$89 needed each week to cover expenses for rent, utilities and supplies, he said.

"The decision to close wasn't easy but the financial pressure on these 18 was so outstanding that the church was becoming a burden rather than joy."

Homogenizing the homosexual

"ARRIVAL" IN THE UNITED STATES, becoming part of the mainstream of American life and culture is accomplished with varying speed depending on the product being pushed. It appears that our nation's Gay community may be the next item to be homogenized for public consumption.

It will be difficult if not impossible to forget the cover story on the recent NEWSWEEK magazine about the current state of Gay affairs, both sexual and political. The story served to underscore the facts that most Gay men and women want exactly what everybody else wants. . . a secure place to live, a job with dignity, a loving partner, and a life of reasonable good health.

The AIDS crisis, despite a wave of concern over the paranoia surround-

ing tear the disease is airborne, has evoked a great deal of empathy for Gay and Lesbian citizens. A recent locally televised visit with "the man on the street" showed about eight out of ten persons very concerned about the tremendous impact of AIDS on the population. They were very supportive of using their tax dollars for expanded research into causes and possible cures for the killer.

REP. GARY STUDDS (D-MASS.) WON HIGH PRAISE for many Gays and censure from the House of Representatives on July 14 when he went to the well of the historic capitol meeting room and announced to the world that he was "Gay" (do not read homosexual). Studds told his secret after a report linked him to a sexual encounter with a 17 year-old Congressional Page 10 years ago.

Studds courage and his commitment to stay in office despite calls for his resignation provide a good model for us all.

Another item has crossed the editorial desk which indicates just how marketable we really are. It was a news release from GAYMES Publications Inc. of Philadelphia. . .you know, the City of Brotherly Love.

Seems like this great new board game involves telling the rest of the people at the table all the great things that happened to you during the first time. . .the first time you kissed persons of the same sex, the first time you reach orgasm together, your first visits to a Gay bar, an initial touch of leather and of course, the first visit to the baths. Sound like fun?

The places on the board are actual clubs and resorts popular with the

Gay community. Sorry, Eola Park did not appear on this edition of the game.

As a player travels from city to playground, the object of the game is to pick up as many "Twinkies" as possible while avoiding collecting any "Trolls." Sounds like a great way to break down the stereotypes we have been carrying on our backs for so long, don't you think?

IF YOU THINK YOU HAVE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS KIND OF COMMERCIALISM why not take time to write the GAYMES people to tell them so. The address is P.O. Box 30325, Philadelphia, PA. 19103. If you really can't live with out the game, send along \$15.95 plus \$2.50 for handling. Charge cards are acceptable. The choice is yours.

Editor's Notebook

Oktoberfest, Harvest Ball show social stirrings

BY JAY WESLEY

New Direction Managing Editor

PAINTING A PICTURE OF OUR CENTRAL FLORIDA GAY COMMUNITY would offer any artist an interesting challenge. No broad brush could ever capture the many and marvelous hues that color the thread binding Gay and Lesbian citizens and their varied interests. However, one measure of the growth of the community is to examine the variety of events being provided to its members. In central Florida, the list is beginning to grow.

Gay Community Services of Central Florida, Inc. (GCS) has announced plans for their first "Oktoberfest" picnic to be held Saturday Oct. 8. The day-long event will be held at Orlando's Turkey Lake Park recreation area, site of the successful Freedom Fest '83, the conclusion of Gay Pride Week. A \$1 per person fee is charged to enter the park.

Planners say that the Oktoberfest will feature ethnic foods, games, and plenty of beer. The volleyball nets will be up and spirited play is expected. A sound system will provide appropriate music.

The autumn outing is a direct result of many favorable comments made about June picnic. Oktoberfest planners have promised to deliver an even better event Oct. 8.



MEANWHILE ANOTHER GROUP OF PLANNERS are currently developing their ideas for the first Harvest Ball set for early November at The Palace Club, that afterhours danceteria at 3400 South Orange Blossom Trail. A formal affair, the harvest fling should become the annual event marking the start of the holiday social season.

One planner made a special point of stating the dance party is in no way connected, underwritten, sponsored by, or alienated with any local tavern. "We're just a group of people who want to get together for a party the town won't soon forget," he said.

Details on this "must" affair as they unfold.



TURNING FROM HIGH SOCIETY TO THE HIGH SEAS, Silver Hammer owner Jim Nuss has announced plans for a fishing trip on the bounding blue Aug. 20. While complete details are available at the popular men's bar at 1300 North Mills, it seems like \$40 will cover your costs of boat equipment, special one-day license, and most important, the beer. Reservations must be made right away with Nuss who claims that a minimum of 30 Gay fishermen and fishermen will guarantee an "all Gay" day at sea. The fishing trip is expected to originate from Ponce Inlet. Nuss said the boat will hold as many as 100 cruisers.

Kevin says Gay and grey is okay

I, Kevin Bunner enjoy your paper. I'm very easy going person but you have a mis-print, maybe its because I wrote so much on my interview sheet but I VERY MUCH like OLDER GUYS!!!

It could offend some of my customers and cause some confusion.

Please clear it up.

I'm sure Zi wouldn't mind clearing it up for me, but seriously some of my customers are older guys and I like everyone, an age is just a number.

Please clear that up for me. I would appreciate it.

Thank you, Kevin Bunner

GCS agenda targets picnic

Gay Community Services of Central Florida has scheduled its monthly membership meeting Aug. 21, beginning at 4:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Parliamont House Resort's Playhouse Theatre.

Included on the agenda will be discussion of the upcoming Oktoberfest set for Orlando's Turkey Lake Park Oct. 8. Membership drive plans will also be discussed.

GCS meetings are open to all interested parties.

EFFORTS TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC, BOTH GAY AND STRAIGHT, about the causes, transmission, and lack of cure for AIDS received a real boost at the end of July thanks to local television stations and leaders of the Orlando Gay community. GCS president Jim Welch appeared on three different stations within one week to discuss AIDS and its impact on central Florida. Two of the programs featured telephone call-in opportunities for the viewing public. Without exception, the calling public expressed a great deal of empathy for the plight of the Gay community in facing the AIDS killer.

The Orlando Sentinel has also continued to provide coverage updates in a consistently clear manner too. Within the horror of the AIDS epidemic, the possibility of building bridges of understanding seems to be growing stronger.



IT IS WITH REGRET THAT *New Direction* says goodbye and God's speed to Rev. Nancy L. Radclyffe, outgoing pastor of Orlando's Joy Metropolitan Community Church. Pastor Radclyffe heads for the west coast and her calling as Senior Chaplain of MCC's Spiritual Life and Clergy Care Center. She has been serving her flock in Orlando since July, 1982, and has helped firm up the foundation on which the Orlando congregation is built. She will be missed.

I had the opportunity to work with Rev. Radclyffe on several projects and have always found her to be responsible and concerned about Gay and Lesbian citizens, whether they attended Joy's services or not. Good luck, Nancy. Your endeavors are sure to blossom into full glory.

CAPITALIZE!

Support The

New Direction

Advertisers

That Support

You

Vol. 2 NEW DIRECTION No. 8

Jay Wesley
Managing Editor
Greg Daurelle
Advertising
Manager

Staff Writers
Curt Bockes
Timothy Burns
Danny Vazquez
F. Stewart
Scott Drake

Staff Artists
Chestie
Claire
*I didn't believe it until
I read it in New Direction*

NEW DIRECTION is published monthly under the auspices of Gay Community Services of Central Florida, Inc., P.O. Box 4355, Winter Park, FL 32793, a not for profit corporation. Opinions expressed by the writers of NEW DIRECTION are not necessarily those of the publishers. Any reference to an individual or organization is not to be construed as an indication of the same's sexual or affectional preference. All copy, text, display, photos and illustrations in advertisements are published with the understanding that the advertisements are fully authorized and are printed with proper written consents for

the use of names, pictures and testimonials of any living persons and that NEW DIRECTION may lawfully publish and cause such publication to be made, and the advertiser agrees by submitting said ad to indemnify the publisher from liability, loss and expense of any nature arising out of publication of the advertisement. NEW DIRECTION does not accept responsibility for any claims by advertisers. Printed in the U.S.A. NEW DIRECTION welcomes contributions by our readers. Unsolicited material should be accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope in order to be returned.



Newsline and information by calling (305) THE GAYS

ALL ABOARD FOR THE

Southern Nights' Party Express

Hot, Hot, Sizzling Hot Sundays are The Tea

3-9 p.m. — 25¢ well drinks, 1/2 price call brands
Beer Specials
Cover Charges 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. \$2
9-12 midnight \$1

By Popular Request —
Weekend Shows are Back!!!
Thursday - Friday - Saturday - Sunday

Aug. 19-20
Two Shows Nightly
Jennifer Wells

Aug. 21
The Incredible
Geraldine Jones

Coming Soon
Ladies Night
Drink
Specials

August 23 —
Talent Contest
First Prize - \$75
Second Prize - \$50
Third Prize - \$25 bar tab
Danny Ellis - MC

southern nights

375 South Bumby Ave.
Orlando, Fl. (305) 894-1421

Don't Forget
Wild
Wednesday

Open 7 days
a week

Castro Street
375 S. Bumby St.
Orlando

Where Men Meet Men

- ★ Hot Video
- ★ Hot Music
- ★ Hot Times

Being Gay may aid in aging process study claims

Until recently, little was known about older Gay men. Professionals and lay people alike assumed that Gays became increasingly lonely and isolated as they grew older. While some believed that Gay men became sexually aggressive as they aged (particularly with young boys), others believed that they were asexual. Most people, even Gays themselves, assumed that older Gays were sick and unhappy. They were said to hide their homosexuality from others at all costs. And the horror of aging was believed to strike even earlier for Gays, who were considered "old" as early as thirty-five.

A provocative study recently published by the University of Illinois Press, *Gay and Gray: The Older Homosexual Man*, by Dr. Raymond M. Berger, Assistant Professor of Social Work at the University of Illinois,

is the first major study of aging homosexual men. It is already well on the way to enlightening public attitudes about a long misunderstood minority within a minority.

Berger's startling findings have uprooted these notions. Most older-homosexuals live with a lover, or with roommates or family members. Few are socially isolated. Contrary to popular belief, a third of these men had been heterosexually married, and many had children. There were few differences in psychological adjustment between older and younger homosexuals. And older homosexuals were actually more "open" about their preference than younger Gays. They were more widely known to others as Gay and less worried about being "exposed." The majority continued to lead active sex lives, primarily

with age peers, and they reported high levels of sexual satisfaction.

Berger presents these findings in his analysis of questionnaire responses from 112 Gay men over the age of forty.

Do homosexual men find it easier than heterosexuals to adjust to aging? Berger carefully explains why this may be true. Unlike their heterosexual counterparts, most Gay men face a crisis of independence early in their adult years. Since they are less likely to rely on traditional family supports, they learn independence skills and also learn to rely on traditional family supports, they learn independence skills and also learn how to cultivate supportive friendship networks. These factors help them to adjust well to the losses of old age. In addition, having accepted an identity which is believed to be "unmanly," they are less traumatized by the loss of virility which accompanies old age. Their enhanced

capacity for male-female role flexibility makes older Gays less likely to be dependent on a "wife" or "husband," and thus better prepared to survive loss of a partner. In fact, further study of older Gays may illuminate adaptational patterns which are useful to older heterosexuals and homosexuals alike.

In addition to examining the advantages of aging for Gay men, *Gay and Gray* also discusses common psychological problems and describes an emerging network of self help groups and social services for this group. Berger shows that while older heterosexuals and homosexuals share common needs (the most salient needs of both groups are related to health and finances), the trend for specialized services provided by the Gay community itself is necessitated by a lack of responsiveness on the part of mainstream social service agencies.

Scooter's World

Packing up your troubles requires bigger kit bag

Most of the people I know spend hundreds of dollars, hours-on-end more energy and anti-perspirant planning a vacation that covers thirty-two states, seventeen national monuments and shrines, four state capitals, eight theme parks, two homes of famous authors or statesmen and record it all with America's storyteller - KODAK. These people are nuts.

I plan simple, inexpensive vacations that allow me the freedom of choice for my activities and the relaxation so deserving of a Disney employee. I go home to visit friends and family. (In that order) Simple? Yes. Inexpensive? Yes. Freedom of choice? Hmm. Can we talk?

At any rate, I usually don't need a vacation until I start planning for one. I wear myself out in the process of leaving. I'm fine with reservations. I could make a trip anywhere with seven stops on the way and still find the cheapest fair all the way around. Dates are no problem in coinciding with time off from work. Trouble starts with the packing.

How can anyone in their right mind go away for two weeks and only take one bag with them? What are they wearing the second week? Not the *same outfits!* Heaven forbid. I mean, enough stuff in one bag for the whole trip? How?

Let me put it to you this way: I take twenty minutes in the morning to decide on a shirt to wear to work when all I'm going to do when I get there is change into a polyester jumpsuit. How the hell am I supposed to know what I'm going to want to wear next Tuesday?

Picture this. A carry-on bag with a shoulder strap. It's three in the morning, I work at eight, the flight's after work at six. First the necessities. Shaving stuff, deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrush, contact case, heater,

cleaners, soaps, vasoline, alarm clock, glasses, vitamins, aftershave, the book I'm reading, my boots, my notebook, seven pair of socks, jewelry, Calvin Kleins, blue jeans, two Izods, Christian Dior shirts. . .

What's that? The shirts don't fit? Impossible! I'm only half way through. This needs to be shifted and this can go in here and this will push. . . and so on as I tried to make more room for more clothes.

I finally packed one pair dress pants, designer jeans and a couple pair of shorts, four t-shirts, two dress shirts and two pair socks. I took out the boots to wear and packed the tennies. Good thing - it left room for the underwear. Then, disaster.

I went in the bathroom. I closed the door. Hanging on the wall behind the door was my blowdryer. I screamed! NO!!! I started pulling the suitcase apart to start over. I didn't like only having three outfits to start with, but I wasn't going all the way back to the dark ages. The dryer *had* to go with.

Suffice it to say, it wasn't going to work. I eventually ended up taking my roommates suitcase as well as my briefcase, too. All in all, I looked like an American Tourister commercial without the gorilla.

My mother was ecstatic - she thought I was moving home again. I tried to convince here that I couldn't wear the same thing to run around in all day, visit with family in in the evening and wear out on the tow that night. It just doesn't work.

She pointed out clearly and to several people when my sister-in-law flew in from Texas for two weeks at the same time that *she* only had *ONE* bag. Big deal. *I* didn't go shopping four times for something to wear the next day like *she* did.

Of course, when Mom looked in the suitcases and saw what a perfectly horrid job of packing I did, I was redeemed. Mothers' little boy still couldn't pack worth a shit. She was still needed!

Gay skate date

Aug. 22



Roller skaters will have their chance to take to the boards Monday, Aug. 22, during the monthly outing at Semoran Skateway, Castleberry. The all-Gay skate will begin at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 including skate rentals.

Semoran Skateway is located off Highway 436, north of Howell Branch Road. The rink is located on the west side of the highway, behind and adjacent to a McDonald's restaurant location. The monthly skating program is sponsored by Gay Community Services of Central Florida, Inc.

Tasteful interior decor in your home or office need not be expensive. . .

Interiors for Florida Living

Verticals
Mini-Blinds
Draperies

Wall Coverings
Paint
Accessories

Furniture
Carpet
Design



Orlando, Florida 282-3069

Gay Community Services

LET'S HELP OUR OWN!
We Offer We Need Please Join

- Monthly Newspaper
- Gay Switchboard
- Counseling
- Open Raps
- Closed Groups
- Speaker's Bureau

For More Information Call the Switchboard:

(305) 843-4297

Century Club	\$100
Associate	\$25
General	\$15
Other	\$

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Telephone _____

TOURS — GROUP TRAVEL — CRUISES — VACATIONS

Oktoberfest Cruise to Nassau

S/S Emerald Sea  Oct. 14-17, 1983

If you are ready for a great party atmosphere, relaxation and socializing with new-found friends, then sail with us on the S/S Emerald Seas, one of the most popular weekend cruises out of Miami.

BREAK AWAY TOUR AND TRAVEL OF FLORIDA

648 Morton Ln. Winter Springs, FL 32708 305-695-4166

Call for August specials on Jamaica, Freeport, and Mexico.



To Your HEALTH

With the elimination of serious childhood diseases, most people today reach adulthood in good health and maintain it until about age 30, when a slow, inexorable decline sets in. But recent research presents the intriguing possibility that high-level nutrition may actually slow the aging process and lengthen life. By combining proper diet with regular exercise, no smoking and limited use of alcohol, many nutrition experts now believe we could add 10 or more healthful years to the average lifespan. And age-related diseases such as cancer, arteriosclerosis, diabetes and osteoporosis could be postponed, possibly eliminated.

The most important ingredients in the diet may be the smallest—the approximately 30 vitamins, minerals, and trace elements needed to sustain life and maintain proper functioning of cells, tissues and organs.

Diet is the ideal way to get one's needed nutrients, but a number of factors interfere with this goal. Habits such as heavy smoking and drinking greatly increase the need for vitamins C and B respectively. Methods of processing, storing, and cooking can strip food of vital nutrients such as bran, vitamin E and magnesium. Excessive use of some vitamins or minerals, like phosphorus, can cause deficiencies in others, such as calcium. And the aging process itself can interfere with absorption of certain substances.

So it is sometimes necessary to supplement diet with vitamin or mineral tablets. All vitamins, minerals and trace elements play an essential role in maintaining good health. But certain nutrients have been shown to have "anti-aging" properties. They improve our ability to resist diseases and may help prevent many of the conditions associated with age, from skin wrinkling to senility. What they may do for you is outlined below.

BODY SYSTEM	NUTRIENT	ACTION	SOURCE
SKIN	Vitamin A	Helps repair and reverse sun-induced premature aging of skin, helps prevent further damage.	Green and yellow vegetables, liver, fish liver oils, eggs.
CELL FUNCTION	Vitamin A	Prevents cancerous transformation OF CELLS.	
	Vitamin E and Selenium	Retards formation of molecules that damage cells and contribute to aging and cancer.	Vegetable oils, grains, liver, dried beans, green leafy vegetables.
	Vitamin C	Helps block formation of cancer-causing substances (nitrosamines) in digestive tract.	Citrus fruits, strawberries, melon, green peppers, potatoes.
SEXUAL FUNCTION	Zinc	Needed for testosterone and sperm production, sexual drive.	Animal protein, especially liver and fish.
IMMUNE SYSTEM	Vitamin E and Vitamin C	Maintains immune-system. Higher amounts may be needed by many people to assist disease-fighting ability.	
NERVOUS SYSTEM	B vitamins	Essential for brain function: AIDS IN COPING WITH STRESS.	Yeast, meat, especially liver, WHOLE GRAINS, LEGUMES: B ₁₂ - meat, eggs, milk.
	Choline	Aids memory.	

Silver Hammer Saloon sets GCS benefit 'slave sale'

Orlando's popular Silver Hammer Saloon will host its second "slave auction" Aug. 27. Proceeds from the event will benefit Gay Community Services of Central Florida (GCS). The first event raised some \$300 for the non-profit service group, said Jim Nuss CLUB OWNER.

"Slave dollars" are being offered at no extra charge at the 1300 North Mills Ave., club with the purchase of refreshments. GCS members will also have "slave dollars" to seel with each dollar donated to GCS returning 1,000 slave dollars to be used during the auction. Weather allowing

the auction will take place on the Silver Hammer patio beginning about 9 p.m.

Persons wanting to donate their services as "slaves" may register at the Silver Hammer during business hours. Slaves must be of legal drinking age.

"Slave" buyers may "own" their purchases until daybreak, Aug. 28. "Slaves" have the right to refuse any request to perform duties not in their best interest.

The Silver Hammer advertises as a man's bar. It is open seven days a week from 2 p.m. to 2 a.m. Additional information concerning the "slave auction" is available from the club's bartenders.

BUNS program needs place

Orlando's GO (Gay Organized) Sports has a new program in search of a home. BUNS, *Bodies Usually Need Stretching*, is the dance exercise program ready to begin as soon as a suitable space is found to house the weekly, one-hour workouts.

A BUNS organizer said that the program requires a carpeted room sufficient to hold as many as 20 to 30 persons. The program will feature aerobic dancing and stretching exercises and be capped off with a cooling

down regimen. A small fee would be charged to defray start-up costs of the program, the organizer said.

Persons knowing of a space that could be used by the exercise program should call Gay Community Services at (305) 843-4297, leaving a telephone number where a GO Sports member may make contact. Interest in the exercise program has been high and it will begin shortly after a place is secured for the weekly session.

Pronto PRINTING

PADDING • STAPLING • CUTTING • COLLATING • DRILLING
RUBBER STAMPS • PHOTOCOPIING • FOLDING • NOTARY SERVICE

• LETTERHEADS • ANNOUNCEMENTS • NOTICES
 • ENVELOPES • BUSINESS CARDS • REPORTS
 • INVITATIONS • MEMO PADS • BROCHURES
 • RESUMES • PRICE LISTS • FLYERS

MON - FRI 9 - 5:30 SAT 9 - 1:00

898-8363

WE HAVE COMPLETE
 TYPESETTING
 AND
 LAYOUT
 DEPARTMENT.

716 N. MILLS

PLASTIC CARD EMBOSING
FOR CLUBS & BUSINESS



THE PARLIAMENT HOUSE
IS ABOUT TO . . .

GO HAWAIIAN

LABOR DAY
WEEKEND
SEPT. 2nd - 5th

LUAU

- Polynesian Buffet
- Polynesian Poolside Show
- Hula and Limbo Contest
- Best Tropical Attire Contest

LUAU • MON. SEPT. 5,

Treat yourself to **SOUTH FLORIDA!**



You're almost there, and just in time for low summer fares and rates! Ft. Lauderdale and Key West: cool beaches, hot nightlife, lazy tropical charm, shopping, island cuisine and more! Call today for reservations ... (and rest your weary feet)



Saltaire
 APARTMENT - MOTEL
 FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA.
 2831 VISTAMAR ST., 33304
 305-566-1689

BUSINESS MARKETEERS
 Licensed Business & Real Estate Brokers
 Specialists in the wedding of buyers and sellers of small businesses in the Americas' hot spots. Array of businesses, the sand and the sea in the U.S. and Caribbean basin. Buy, sell, call Business Marketeers, the complete service.
 529 CAROLINE ST. KEY WEST, FL 33040 (305) 296-1666

POOL - AIR CONDITIONED
 COLOR TV - PHONES

DAISIS motel

1200 SOUTH MIAMI ROAD
 FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33316
 (305) 523-3043



Ben & Bob's Old Town guest house in a great location on historic Duval Street. Offering spacious rooms, sun decks and a beautiful pool.

Watch Key West walk by from our famous balconies!

815-D Duval Street,
 Key West, FL 33040
 (305) 296-1666



DUVAL HOUSE



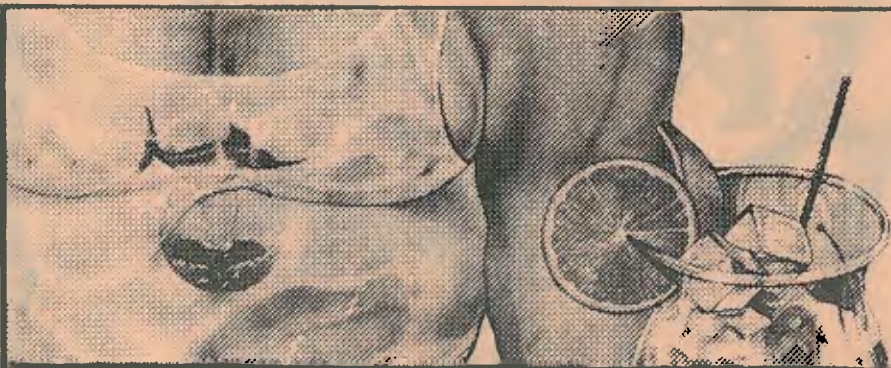
**THIS SUMMER,
 A VACATION DELIGHT**

5 SUNTANNED DAYS + 4 BREEZY NIGHTS: \$140⁰⁰

**DIRECTLY ON
 FT. LAUDERDALE
 BEACH**

Single or double occupancy, AC, color TV, phone. RATES EFFECTIVE MAY 20 EXCLUSIVE OF HOLIDAYS.

MARLIN · BEACH HOTEL



**THE MARLIN BEACH HOTEL
 17 SOUTH ATLANTIC BOULEVARD
 FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33316**

Featuring
 The award winning Poop Deck Restaurant & Cabaret hosting the Original Tea Dance, The famous Lower Deck Disco, Olympic-size pool & tropical pool bar, Nautilus game room, Trader Tom's Boutique. Write for free color brochure.

**TOLL FREE:
 800-327-2246
 IN FLORIDA:
 305-467-6551**



KEES & TERRY'S

The Palms of Key West GUESTHOUSE · RESORT

A cool tropical breeze...
Relaxed island living...
It's all part of life at
our friendly old town guesthouse.

Call your hosts Kees & Terry
for illustrated brochure
or for reservations.

820 L White Street, Key West
Florida 33040, (305) 294-3146

The Palms of Key West



SIMONTON COURT GUESTHOUSE FOR MEN

320 SIMONTON ST
KEY WEST, FL 33040
305 294-6386

DAILY
SINGLE \$30
\$50 (A/C)
DOUBLE \$40
\$60 (A/C)

TILL DECEMBER 1
EXCEPT HOLIDAY WEEKENDS

WEEKLY
SINGLE \$200
\$300 (A/C)
DOUBLE \$200
\$300 (A/C)

TILL DECEMBER 1
EXCEPT HOLIDAY WEEKENDS

Created with style for the contemporary man. Through it's side door by which you enter appears Xanadu, where your spirit rises among the Royal palms. Your vacation begins by feeling beautiful and cared for. While sunning in comfort on it's luxurious wooden decks, their four star blacktiled pool is extremely inviting. Each morning the court's wonderful coffee is served at poolside. The interiors are natural wood. The only color is you, the flowers, and towels galore. Studios are designed for day time lounging with private bathrooms, kitchens - ceiling fans - television - air conditioning. On Parle Le Francais.

Cypress House



—a luxury guest house mainly for men. Air conditioning, plenty of baths, and a tropical swimming pool complement the old-style comfort of spacious rooms. Closest to Sunset.

Our rates include breakfasts and social hours. Summer rates from \$31 daily; weekly rates & suites available. Ask anyone who's been to Key West about us, then call or write for poster-brochure or reservations: (305) 294-6969
601-nd Caroline Street,
Key West, FL 33040

Where the gay crowd goes in
KEY WEST



- One block to beach, tea dances, bars •
- Secluded tropical courtyard •
- Freshwater pool • Poolside patio bar •
- Nude sunbathing decks • Parking facilities •
- Spacious rooms & efficiencies with color TV, a/c, & private baths •

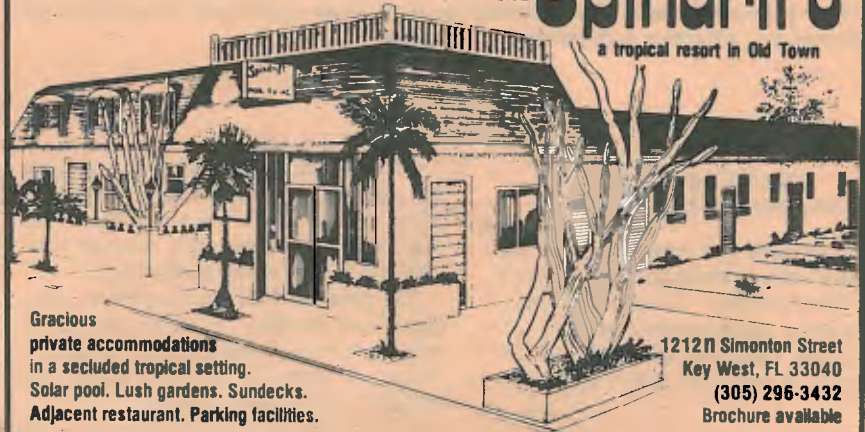
• Special rates • (to December 15 with this ad only)
start at \$14 per person based on double occupancy.

1321 SIMONTON ST KEY WEST, FLORIDA 33040 (305) 296 2215

A great Key West experience starts
with a great Key West lodging

the Spindrift

a tropical resort in Old Town



Gracious
private accommodations
in a secluded tropical setting.
Solar pool. Lush gardens. Sundecks.
Adjacent restaurant. Parking facilities.

1212 N Simonton Street
Key West, FL 33040
(305) 296-3432
Brochure available

Garden house

guest house

Key West

329 Elizabeth Street, Florida 33040 U.S.A.
Call your hosts, Dave & Ed (305) 296-5368

Key West, a year-round resort



WILLIAM ST. HOUSE

329 William St.
Key West, FL
33040

(305)
294-6052

warm,
attentive,
relaxed,
intimate,
&
festive ...

the Pines key west



...a guest house in the
heart of fun and frolic in
old town Key West. You'll
never want to leave ...
We didn't!

Philip and Michael

Send for our brochure.

521-M United Street,
Key West, FL 33040
(305) 296-9494 296-7467



Key Lodge Motel

Key Lodge is a little different. We're in the heart of old Town.
The environment is friendly and private... the company, mixed...

It's like staying with a friend...

Our accommodations are first rate.
Individually decorated rooms, each
with color TV, AC, refrigerator,
phone and ceiling fans Heated pool

1004 J DUVAL ST. KEY WEST
FL. 33040 (305) 296-9915



Island House

Key West
the **INN** place

- ROOMS, EFFICIENCIES, APARTMENTS • CAFE
- POOL • EXERCISE ROOM • TV LOUNGE •
- JACUZZI • SAUNA • SUNDECK •

A GUESTHOUSE IN OLD TOWN 1129 Fleming St. Key West, FL 33040 (305) 294-6284

The Pensacola challenge

Club visitor finds little hospitality in panhandle's Red Garter nightspot

NEW DIRECTION roving writer Frank Steiner recently visited the panhandle area of Florida where he found Pensacola club life a little depressing. This is the first of several reports on various Gay and Lesbian entertainment spots through the state. Steiner will go beyond the decoration and music systems in discovering what makes certain clubs more a success or a disappointment. The comments are those of the author and do not reflect the position of *New Direction* or its publishers. — Editor

FRANK STEINER
New Direction Staff Writer

If you grumble and complain about this bar or that other in Orlando," the service is bad," "they're slow," "too many people" or some other minor inconvenience. A visit to The Red Garter in Pensacola, in the panhandle of our state might open your eyes.

The greeting at the door was a genuine and friendly welcome. There was a two dollar charge which wasn't bad and the club, itself, was a nice one, though a bit small for the size crowd they attract.

The show was impressive and the disco dance floor was busy. There was a pleasant patio and a few video games as well as a couple of pool tables. The place was shoulder to shoulder in the disc.

As I wandered through the place, I came to settle near one of the pool tables and struck up a conversation with a couple of the locals. About ten minutes later, two uniformed guards, whom I thought at first were police, walked briskly past. One man held a nightstick tightly in his hands, ready for use and he was followed by the second with a metal flashlight that he was holding by the head, again ready to swing.

"Must have been some trouble," I thought.

About thirty minutes later, the scene was reported with the guards, once again at the ready and glaring at the customers.

I began to feel a bit uneasy.

After a third repeat of this, I asked two guys if they knew what was happening.

"This is a regular thing," I was told.

In the course of the evening, the guards make their regular rounds with the same attitude and arrogance as I had noted, about every thirty minutes.

In milling about the crowd, I was astonished to find out that the guards were actually security that the owner had hired.

I was told that the owner is straight and had an alleged dislike for gays. He did not have apparently a dislike for their money.

The owner's wife works as a bartender at The Red Garter and has refused to hire any other females, in any capacity.

"We used to have nice bartenders and waiters here," stated one of the customers.

"We signed a petition with over a thousand names asking for our old waiters and bartenders back, but the owner laughed and threw it in the garbage," a third spoke up.

"Why don't you go to another bar," I asked.

"There isn't one except in Mobile, Ala. which is over a forty-five minute drive and several of our group will drive over there instead of coming here," he said.

During the evening, I had a chance to see what they meant by the actions of the waiters. One of the customers I was talking with ordered a drink costing \$2.50. He handed the waiter \$3 and told him to keep the change. The waiter returned the customer the change and said, "If that's all you're going to tip, keep it." He walked off. This was repeated by other waiters.

The bars close at two A.M. and the DJ was making nice prods to get the people out the door.

The crowd was moving out, however it was not fast enough to suit the security and in less than five minutes, they were blowing whistles in the ears of the customers, shouting derogatory remarks and physically grabbing people and shoving them out the doors, causing people to stumble and trip as they left.

One reached for me and I looked at him and said none to softly, "Don't you do it."

Once outside, I continued to talk to many members of the gay community and the concensus was the same throughout.

If a person had the resources, he should open another gay show bar and disco there. The Red Garter would probably go out of business the first week and the new place should make it big.

Gays slow to use new hepatitis vaccination

BY PHIL NASH
Special to *New Direction*

With an estimated 5,000 deaths a year attributable to hepatitis B and related complications, and about twenty per cent of those thought to be among gay men, few gays have taken the recently introduced Heptavax vaccine. This was the observation of medical researchers on a panel at the recent Fifth Lesbian and Gay Health Conference in Denver.

Dr. David Ostrow, Research Director at Howard Brown Memorial Clinic in Chicago headed the panel. In his clinical research, Dr. Ostrow found that gay men who do not have the hepatitis B antibody are at a very great risk for contracting hepatitis, perhaps as high as one chance in three during the next year.

Ostrow says that though age makes no difference in susceptibility to the virus, the highest risk group is gay men who are in their first few years of homosexual activity. Ostrow says that his studies have shown that many men who have been sexually active for a long time have actually developed the antibody and are protected from the disease because they may have had mild cases of the disease without being aware of it. Others, however, may die of the disease, although that is rare. Still others develop symptoms that appear chronically, or they become carriers with no observable illness, but can infect their sex partners.

Dr. Frank Judson of the Denver Metro

Health Clinic said his studies have shown that gay men who engage in oral-anal contact or in passive anal intercourse appear to have the most susceptibility to the disease, probably through the ingestion of fecal material contaminated by blood from small tears in the rectum. Judson said that while male homosexuals are the single most susceptible group to hepatitis B, with over twice the risk of hospital workers, about 85 per cent of all hepatitis B vaccine administered to date has gone to health workers. Judson says this is so in spite of programs to reduce the cost of the Heptavax inoculations for gay men who want them at his clinic.

Judson said that ironically, many people would rather spend the \$100 to \$150 cost of the vaccination series on tuning their cars. He said such vaccines are "the most cost effective feature in the health care system."

Dr. Arlene McLean of Merck Sharp and Dohme, the pharmaceutical manufacturer which developed the vaccine, presented comprehensive information on the development of the vaccine, attempting to allay fear that the vaccine, produced from blood serum collected from persons who are active carriers of the disease, may be a hazard for AIDS. Many donors for the vaccine are gay men. Dr. McLean described the technique by which the vaccine is purified. The vaccine is subjected to three separate processes which destroy any known virus. McLean said no other vaccine has even been so thoroughly purified before testing. In addition, McLean said

that testing the first 19,000 recipients of the vaccine, not one person became seriously ill.

McLean said that of 200,000 doses administered, only two gay men from New York have come down with AIDS. It is not considered at all likely they got AIDS from the vaccine. McLean said that follow-up studies are currently underway through one of the blood centers from which the blood products for the vaccine were taken to see if any of the donors get AIDS.

Dr. James Curran of the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta said, "The bottom line is that hepatitis B is a killer. Sexually active gay men should get the vaccine today." Curran said that most deaths

resulting from hepatitis B are due to cirrhosis. He thinks that gay men will soon account for half of all liver cancer in the country due to hepatitis B. Curran claimed that the Heptavax vaccine is "one of the safest vaccines available."

Curran also said that one study seemed to show a relationship between the vaccine and a lower incidence of AIDS; however he said that no such claims are valid based on known facts. The researchers noted with irony that gay men are ignoring or preventive technique for a serious disease even as they are consumed with concern about AIDS for which there is no known prevention beyond lifestyle changes.

Men and masculinity conference centered on Michigan campus

The Eighth National Conference on Men and Masculinity will be held at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor from Aug. 11-15, 1983. The conference theme is "Men Cooperating For A Change: New Roles, Responsibilities, and Rewards - New Images and Ideals."

Like its predecessors, this will be a conference of men supporting men who are exploring their options as human beings in solidarity with the women's, gay, and other progressive liberation movements. Unlike earlier conferences, this will be the First

National Conference of the (as yet unnamed) National Men's Organization. The organization was formally announced at the last national conference in Boston in June 1981.

Between 500 and 1,000 people are expected to attend the five-day event. Among the highlights will be the official vote to name the national organization. A computer teleconference will be started to provide a means for an ongoing national network.

Events that have helped make National Men and Masculinity Conferences exciting, growth-producing experiences will be repeated including workshops, playshops, celebrations demonstrations, panels, films, plenary sessions, and offerings from many of the cultural workers in the movement.

Housing will be available for over four hundred people in a dorm reserved for the conference. There will be other housing available in private homes and in hotels.

For more information, write: National Men & Masculinity Conference Planning Committee, P.O. Box 8113, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107 or call: 313/665-4926.

Telephone (305) 843-8393



David B. Slaughter
ATTORNEY AT LAW

617 E. WASHINGTON ST. SUITE 3
P.O. BOX 922
ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32802

Everyone loves a Gentle Dog



KENNETH E. PYLE D.D.S.

5350 Diplomat Circle
(Corner Lee Rd. & I-4)

647-0892



Dear Fred . . .

Dear Fred is a new column in which you, the reader, may write for advice. It is written by an experienced columnist who has written a similar column for a newspaper for three years. We hope that you will use this column.

Dear Fred,

I spent a lot of time at the beach and it seems that every time I go, I end up with a red rash. It seems to go away a couple of days after I come back to Orlando. Is this something to be worried about? I usually spend a couple of days at the beach.

Worried

Dear Worried,

Medicine is not my field, however, in checking my sources, the rash could be caused by several things.

It could be a simple "heat rash" or it is probably a case of wearing a wet swimsuit saturated in saltwater. If this is the case, you should take an extra suit with you to change into. Take care to rinse your suits out with fresh water and if at all possible, shower after swimming to wash the salt and sand off.

If the condition continues, it will be best to check with a doctor.

Fred

* * *

I went home with a guy one time and found him ok but not really all that great. He calls and comes by all the time and I don't know how to get rid of him without hurting his feelings. We haven't gone to bed together other than that one time and I don't want to have sex with him again. He doesn't seem to get the idea. How should I handle this?

Turned Off

Dear Turned Off,

Some people cannot or will not take hints. Your "friend" has found himself attracted to you and will continue to visit. You will have to sit down with this person and tell him you have your own life to live and even though you have enjoyed his visits in the past, you no longer wish for him to call or come over.

If he persists in calling or coming by anyway, tell him you are busy and hang up or shut the door. He'll get the message.

Fred

* * *

I am a Lesbian and have a lover. We, along with others, find the word "Dike" distasteful and degrading. We would prefer to be called "Gay, Lesbian" or "Women". What hurts most is our own gay community also labels us "Dikes". What are your opinions on this?

Gay Women

Dear Gay Women,

I have heard this expression used many times as well as the term "faggot" used as a male counterpart in a derogatory fashion. I find both to be distasteful in our society.

Slowly we are making strides to learn to pull together as a community. Rather than to make remarks of this nature from our own Gay community, we should all make an effort to pull together, women and men alike, and one of the ways is to eliminate derogatory terms.

Let's channel our efforts to make a better Gay community.

Fred

* * *

To our readers,

I would like to gather information on reference sources whom I may call for assistance on some of the letters I receive. This should include clergy, dentists, physicians, psychiatric care workers, etc. who are open to the Gay community. Your name and address will not be used unless you wish. It is in this way that I can best serve our community.

Letters to Fred may be sent directly to him at the following address: Dear Fred, P.O. Box 8762, Orlando, Fl. 32806 or may be sent to Dear Fred c/o New Direction, P.O. Box 4355, Winter Park, Fl. 32793. Names and addresses WILL NOT be published in this column unless permission is given in the letter. Those needing immediate answers should include a S.A.S.E. and/or phone number. (Some letters may be edited due to space availability.)



*A Real Estate Professional
serving the special needs of
Florida's Gay Community*

Paul R. Ricci
Realtor - Associate

Full Service Realty Inc. • 1650 Lee Rd. • Winter Park, Fl.
645-2525

LONGWOOD LEISURCISE



Have Any Body You Want!

**Discounts available
for mentioning this ad.**

**4909 E. Colonial Dr.
898-4927**

**3332 Edgewater Dr.
843-3476**

**Longwood Leisurcise
834-FIRM
SR 427 at Intersection of 434**

It Works And You Don't.

**Just relax for 35 to 45 minutes
with Bionic Muscle Toning.
Certified Trained Technicians**

**In addition we offer
assistance in Nutritional
and Diet Programs.**

**For an appointment
or more information
call:**

834-FIRM



Survey may spotlight homophobic counselors

BY RONNIE SANLO
Special to New Direction

Many counselors in the school system are notoriously homophobic. It is nearly impossible for a student who suffers from anxieties of any kind to approach a school counselor, because the reality is that school counselors are not encouraged to maintain confidentiality and they are too wrapped up in paperwork to deal with personal problems of students.

These are strong statements, particularly since many school counselors choose such a career primarily to meet the needs of students from a more personal perspective. But 95% of a counselor's work seems to be "administrivia" paperwork, allowing only 5% of the time to be spent on student's personal needs. Additionally, as was generally agreed upon by nearly 100 counselors at the 1981 Florida Personnel and Guidance Association Conference workshop which dealt with counseling gay kids, many counselors do not respect confidentiality ("... information filters from the counselor's office to the teachers' lounge in a matter of minutes..." - a high school counselor), nor do the nature of the school files and state laws allow for confidentiality. Finally, when asked the number of gay kids the counselors facilitated last school year, many responded, "None. There are no gay kids in my school!"

This project will prove that there are, indeed, gay kids throughout Florida's school system, and that school counselors are not empathetic enough, knowledgeable enough, or sufficiently trained to handle the needs of lesbian and gay students. The project will create a training program for school counselors; providing them with a knowledge of history, legalities, aid in dispelling myths, provide resources, and actually train them to counsel Gay youth in a confidential, non-judgemental manner.

The adjacent questionnaire is needed to prove the first hypothesis: that gay kids do exist. If you are under 25, please fill out the questionnaire and return it to **EAGALS, P.O. Box 434, Pierson, FL., 32080**. Your name need not appear on the questionnaire. If you wish to be contacted for further participation or for appearances on a video-tape, please indicate.

The survey is important. The entire project, dealing with the issue of homosexuality in the schools, is a first step on the road to social acceptance through education and understanding, by Gays and non-Gays alike. The findings of this study, as well as the publication of the Gay and Lesbian Studies, Inc. (EAGALS.)

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR LESBIAN AND GAY YOUTH

- How old are you? Race Religion or spiritual orientation
- Do you identify yourself as: Gay Lesbian Bi Other
- How old were you when you had your first homosexual experience?
Under 10 10-11 12-13 14-15 16-17 18-19 Older
Never
- How old were you when you had your first heterosexual experience?
Under 10 10-11 12-13 14-15 16-17 18-19 Older
Never
- Check any words that describe how you felt about yourself when you realized you were gay:
Good Bad Proud Angry Ashamed Sick Scared
Alone Different Okay Happy Other
- Did you want to talk to someone about your sexual identity? Yes No
- How old were you when you finally told someone other than a sex partner that you were gay?
- Did you talk to your: Parents Friend Sister or Brother Minister
School Counselor Teacher Coach Doctor Mental Health Worker Other (List by title, not name)
- Do you feel, or would you have felt comfortable confiding in your school counselor?
Yes No If not, why?
- Would you have confided in your school counselor if you knew that: She/He would maintain confidentiality? Yes No
She/He would not be judgemental? Yes No
- If it had been available in your school, would you have attended a rap group for gay kids? Yes No If not, why?
- Are/were you aware of other gay kids in your school? Yes No Approximately how many gay kids do you know in your school? How many gay kids do you think are in your school?
- In what areas did you seek companionship of other gay people? Bars Social Groups Church School Other (Name)
- How often do you/did you go to the bars while under legal age? More than once a week Once a week Once a month Once a year Never
Other
- How old were you when you first went to a gay bar?
- Do you consider yourself "in the closet" at: Work Home School
Do you think you "look gay?" Yes No
- Have you ever considered suicide? Yes No
If yes, was this related to your gay identity? Yes No
- If it were available, would you take a pill to become "straight?" Yes No

If you are still in high school and wish to participate further in this research, please contact me. Confidentiality is absolute!

Famed choral director named to lead Gay song festival

NEW YORK — Internationally acclaimed choral director Gregg Smith has been named Guest Conductor of **COME OUT AND SING TOGETHER** — the first national gay choral festival. Presented at Lincoln Center, more than eight hundred singers from twelve predominantly gay and lesbian choruses from all over the U. S. will fill Alice Tully Hall with highlights of their individual concert repertoire (ranging from Broadway and pop to folk and classical) September 8, 9, 10. The final evening, September 11 at Avery Fisher Hall, will feature all choruses — conducted by Mr. Smith — performing world premieres of two commissioned works by Ned Rorem and Libby Larsen.

Ticket prices range from \$8.00 — \$30.00 with discounts available for purchases of two or more performances. FOR TICKET INFORMATION AND RESER-

VATIONS, CALL CENTER CHARGE: (212) 874-6770.

Destined to be a landmark event in both the gay and music communities, "Come Out and Sing Together" has been in the planning stages for more than two years. Festival Chairman Charles Carson says New York City was chosen by the choruses because of the city's prominence in gay history and its importance as the music capital of the world. The choruses performing are: Artemis Singers (Chicago); Chicago Gay Men's Chorus; Denver Gay Men's Chorus; Detroit Together — A Chorus; Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles; Madison Gay Men's Chorale (Wisconsin); New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus; New York City Gay Men's Chorus; Men's Chorus of Orange County (Anaheim, California); Seattle Men's Chorus; The Stonewall Chorale (New York City); and Gay Men's Chorus of Washington, D.C.

FOTO/FAX!

Compiled by Timothy Burns

Collect the whole set!



Stephen Hartwig

Stephen Hartwig, NICKNAME: Boo; OCCUPATION: Banker; HEIGHT: 6 ft. WEIGHT: 150 lbs.; CHEST: Yes; HAIR COLOR: Brown;

EYE COLOR: Blue; BIRTHDATE: 4/8/59; BIRTHPLACE: Lake Wales, FL, RAISED: Haines City, FL; BROTHERS: 1; SISTERS: 2. Stephen is the Middle; ZODIAC SIGN: Aries;

FAVORITE FOODS: Vegetables; FAVORITE BEVERAGES: Bourbon and Coke; FAVORITE NIGHT SPOT: Flexible; FAVORITE T.V. SHOWS: All My Children; Bare Essence; FAVORITE MOVIES: Lady Sings the Blues;

Mahogany; FAVORITE ACTOR: Richard Gere; FAVORITE ACTRESS: Bette Davis; FAVORITE MUSIC: Jazz, Disco; FAVORITE MUSICIAN: Diana Ross; FAVORITE SPORTS FIGURE:

Chris Everett; FAVORITE COLORS: Burgundy; FAVORITE TYPE OF PET: Dog;

FAVORITE TYPE OF PERSON: Honest and Sincere; LEAST FAVORITE TYPE OF PERSON AND WHY: Those who have lost them-

selves trying to be someone else; MOST SENSITIVE PART OF YOUR BODY: Your guess; TURN-ONS: Real men, physically, mentally, emotionally; TURN-OFFS: Crowd hangers; PET PEEVES: Clicks; PEOPLE YOUR TIRED

OF HEARING ABOUT: Princess Di and her baby; LEAST FAVORITE FAD: The Orlando Bar Scene; FAVORITE PHRASE: Let's go home! LEAST FAVORITE PHRASE: Miss thing, child please; FAVORITE VACATION PLACE: The Carolinas; YOUR LIFES AMBITION: To become myself as a total person.



DIANE PACE

Diane Pace, NICKNAME: Di; OCCUPATION: Waitress, Southern Nights; HEIGHT: 5'1"; WEIGHT: 110 lbs.; CHEST: 35"; HAIR COLOR: Brown; EYE COLOR: Baby Blue; BIRTHDATE: 6/7/63; BIRTHPLACE: Lowell, Massachusetts; RAISED: Tewksbury, Mass.; BROTHERS: 2. Diane is oldest; ZODIAC SIGN: Gemini; FAVORITE FOODS: Lasagna, fancy omelettes; FAVORITE BEVERAGES: Double rum & 7 Up; FAVORITE NIGHT SPOT: Southern Nights on Wild Wed-P-House any other night; FAVORITE T.V. SHOWS: Mash, Hill Street Blues; FAVORITE MOVIES: E.T., Rocky; FAVORITE ACTOR: Burt Reynolds; FAVORITE ACTRESS: Sally Fields; FAVORITE MUSIC: New Wave;

FAVORITE MUSICIAN: Pink Floyd; FAVORITE SPORTS: Dancing, Gymnastics; FAVORITE SPORTS FIGURE: Nadia Conanich; FAVORITE COLORS: Black, Pink; FAVORITE TYPE OF PET: Black cat; FAVORITE TYPE OF PERSON: Fun-partying; LEAST FAVORITE TYPE OF PERSON AND WHY: Boring; MOST SENSITIVE PART OF YOUR BODY: Inner part of thighs; TURN-ONS: Good personality; TURN-OFFS: People who think they are just "it"; PET PEEVES: None; PEOPLE YOUR TIRED OF HEARING ABOUT: If people want to talk about people that's their problem; LEAST FAVORITE FAD: Bandanas; FAVORITE PHRASE: "I'm sure"; LEAST FAVORITE PHRASE: "I'm over it"; FAVORITE VACATION PLACE: The White Mountains, New Hampshire; YOUR LIFES AMBITION: To be the best female DJ or to get into a band.

Join our growing team!

Writers, photographers, artists, poets, advertising salespersons, graphic designers and other talented people are needed for the New Direction staff - write us at P.O. Box 4355, Winter Park, FL 32793 or call 843-GAYS. Share our labor of love.



Guinness record book effort

only for the stout

You don't have to be a movie star or top pro athlete to become famous. There is another way! You can put you and your lover in the limelight by breaking one of Guinness's records. There are literally thousands to choose from, but we've selected 50 that we thought you'd have the best crack at breaking. Good luck!

The *Guinness Book of World Records* - that far-out chronicle of the weird, the wacky, the wonderful - has a challenge for you wherever you may live, whatever your life-style. The records that need breaking number in the thousands and often require no extra-



ordinary physical prowess, manual dexterity or mental capacity — JUST DETERMINATION, SPUNK AND PLANNING. Simply follow these guidelines, and group fame may be within your reach!

- Make your quest for fame a group affair. Remember, marathon record-breaking attempts can often be lonely and tiring vigils. A cheering section is essential, especially between the sluggish hours of 3 and 6 a.m.
- Organize! You don't want to go through all that time, expense and effort only to find out you improperly chose, recorded or monitored the event. In other words, do your homework and keep these hints from the Guinness-record people in mind:
- Forget the exotic and do what you do best. Put everyday activities like lawn mowing or kite flying to good use, for they all have

their place in the record books. Even something as ordinary as shining shoes may be your passport to prestige.

- Take an unofficial trial run at the record. Discover what it feels like to go hours, even days, without sleep *before* you attempt the real thing. What does standing or sitting for prolonged periods do to your emotions as well as your body? These "time trials" help eliminate unpleasant and potentially defeating surprises later on.

- Be a stickler for details. Why fizzle out after 100 hours of continuous swinging when that nasty case of vertigo could have easily and legally been avoided with the five-minute rest stops permitted every hour? And why risk disqualification for a category that simply does not exist and isn't likely to, whatever you do?

- Arrange for official record-keeping. You'll need signed authentication by independent adult witnesses or representatives of recognized civic organizations (Kiwanis, Jaycees, Rotary, etc.). Endurance records require a log-book, signed by the official witnesses, keeping track of the passing hours. Also, in case of an emergency, have a medical expert standing by. Don't forget to have the shutter-bug on your team snap pictures!

- Guinness editor Norris McWhirter says, "The most certain claims to succeed are those that better existing categories. The most common errors are changing the conditions in a record attempt in such matters as the weight of the object, the number of participants or the length of rest breaks." Your best bet is always to write about your proposed world-record try first and ask for details on how to conduct it officially. Address all questions and record-breaking plans to: Guinness Superlatives, Ltd., 2 Cecil Court, London Road, Enfield, Middlesex, England EN 3DJ.

Here's fifty easy records just waiting to be broken

Here are 50 records just waiting to be toppled:

1. **Play your way into the record book with an accordion!** The record so far: 82 hours, 40 minutes. Better brush up on your finger exercises!

2. **Peel your way to fame with an apple!** The record so far: 172', 4" of unbroken peel from a 20-ounce apple in 11 hours and 30 minutes. The secret is to find a big apple.

3. **Stuff yourself to stardom by eating baked beans (not uncooked) one by one.** The record so far: 2,780 beans in 30 minutes.

4. **Blow your way into history by inflating a balloon with sheer lung power!** The record so far: a standard meteorological balloon inflated to 8' in diameter in 6 hours, 6 minutes. That's a lot of puffing!

5. **Cook the biggest barbecue ever!** The record so far: 5,829 people served 4,036 pounds of meat. Hope you have a dishwasher!

6. **Bet on your baton and twirl the hours away!** The record so far: 77 hours, 45 minutes.

7. **Ring in the awards with bell ringing!** The record so far: 50 hours. Your neighbors will love you!

8. **Bubble-gum blowing will be your claim to fame!** The record so far: a bubble 19 1/4" in diameter. Pray it doesn't burst!

9. **Build a chair for fame and fortune!** The record so far: 33' 1" high and 19' 7" wide. Hope you have a big basement!

10. **Clap your way to fame!** The record so far: 42 hours, 6 minutes (averaging 140 claps per minute, audible at 100 yards). Keep your hand lotion handy!

11. **Here's an armful for you—make the largest doll in history.** The record so far: 27' tall rag doll. Imagine the doll-house!

12. **Beat a drum to stardom.** The record so far: 720 hours of drumming. Better wear earplugs!

13. **Here's hide-and-seek with a twist: Search for hard-boiled eggs and you can end up a winner.** The record so far:

20,160 eggs sought by 3,000 children. No fair consulting the Easter bunny!

14. **Going around in circles can lead to big things, especially when it comes to riding a ferris wheel.** The record so far: 37 days. Keep your motion-sickness pills nearby.

15. **The sweet sound of success: Play a flute!** The record so far: 48 hours. No sour notes, please!

16. **Strum away on your guitar, no strings attached!** The record so far: 230 hours. Better get a manicure!

17. **Be the new Abbott and Costello by telling jokes with a partner!** The record so far: 52 hours. Sense of humor not required.

18. **If you really think you're funny, tell jokes on your own.** The record so far: 24 hours, 5 minutes. Give yourself a standing ovation!

19. **Couples, kiss and tell!** The record so far: 5 days, 12 hours. Beware of chapped lips.

20. **Pucker up and smooch—the more kisses the better!** The record so far: One man kissed 4,049 girls in 8 hours (one every 7.11 seconds).

21. **Wet your whistle by kissing under water.** The record so far: held 2 minutes, 18 seconds before surfacing. Kissing goldfish doesn't count.

22. **Go fly a kite!** The record so far: 169 hours. Ben Franklin, move over!

23. **Catch the brass ring and ride the merry-go-round.** The record so far: 312 hours, 43 minutes. Round and round she goes...

24. **Balance milk bottles till the cows come home!** The record so far: 18 miles, 880 yards with full pint milk bottle on head. Don't cry over spilled milk.

25. **Keep on the grass and mow your lawn.** The record so far: 375 miles in 99 hours with motorized mower. Now, that's a big lawn!

26. **Strike up the band with a musical march!** The record so far: 37.9 miles in 15 hours (playing 135 march tunes). Forward, march!

27. **Sew up a record by needle threading.** The record so far: 3,795 separate strands of cotton through a number-13 needle (eye 1/2 by 1/16") in 2 hours. You'll

probably need to wear glasses after this!

28. **Set your kitchen timer and make an omelet.** The record so far: 217 two-egggers in 30 minutes. That's a lot of cracked eggs.

29. **How big is the biggest omelet?** The record so far: 12,432 eggs, 30x10-foot pan.

30. **Cry your eyes out as you peel onions.** The record so far: 50 pounds in 5 minutes, 23 seconds. Pass the tissues!

31. **Music to soothe one's soul: Play the organ in a church recital.** The record so far: 92 hours.

32. **Soft-pedal your way to a record by playing an electric organ nonstop.** The record so far: 411 hours.

33. **How about a light snack? Eat peanuts!** The record so far: 100 whole, out of the shell, one by one, in 46 seconds. It takes a lot of nut cracking!

34. **Peter Piper piled a pyramid of pennies.** The record so far: 71,825 coppers piled 19x19x19" high without adhesive. That makes good cents!

35. **All those piano lessons will finally pay off.** The record so far: 1,174 hours continuously. You may become another Horowitz.

36. **This will whet your appetite—make the world's largest pizza!** The record so far: 80' 1" in diameter weighing 18,664 pounds. Open your own pizza place after this!

37. **Jump for joy on your pogo stick!** The record so far: 120,715 jumps in 16 hours, 12 minutes. Hop to it!

38. **Who would think peeling potatoes could lead to fame?** The record so far: 587 pounds, 8 ounces in 45 minutes.

That'll make a lot of french fries!

39. **Rock around the clock in your rocking chair.** The record so far: 432 hours of rocking.

40. **Hold onto your hat as you ride the roller coaster!** The record so far: 368 hours of rolling. Weak stomachs need not apply.

41. **Shine your shoes and reign supreme!** The record so far: 6,334 pairs "on the hoof" in 8 hours (reams of four teenagers).

42. **Suds up and shower!** The record so far: 120 hours, 10 minutes (female). Ducks will be disqualified.

43. **Clean up your act and take a shower!** The record so far: 336 hours (male). Bring plenty of towels.

44. **Join the chorus and sing!** The record so far: 72 hours, 2 minutes (choi singing). Tra-ia!

45. **Sing a song of sixpence or any others of your choice.** The record so far: 153 hours (solo). Bravo!

46. **Wrap up a record by making a string ball.** The record so far: 11' in diameter weighing 5 1/2 tons. Your kitty cat will love it!

47. **Head for the nearest playground and swing!** The record so far: 185 hours.

48. **Got the gift of gab? Talk your way to a record.** The record so far: 150 hours. Kiss the Blarney Stone first, if you can.

49. **Try your hand at a grand old game—tiddlywinks.** The record so far: 24 winks potted in 21.8 seconds from 18" out.

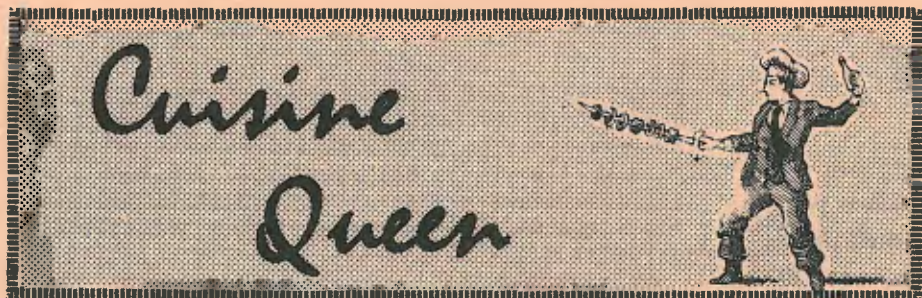
50. **Flex those fingers—and type.** The record so far: 214 hours (on an electric typewriter). You'll surely be named "Secretary of the Year."

HOW TO GET PUBLICITY

- Once you've cleared the way with Guinness, it's time to set the stage for the main event. Talk to your local shopping-mall manager or downtown merchants' association about conducting your shopper-attracting stunt at their places of business. Check with the Chamber of Commerce or scan the local paper for announcements of grand openings. Your "attention grabber" may be just the thing for a budget-minded merchant looking to increase sales. Wherever you do set up, make it as public a place as possible. Make for the limelight and be a promoter. Contact local newspapers and radio and television stations.

(And remember that video and voice recordings and news clippings are essential media proof that Guinness needs to substantiate your claim.)

- Perhaps the best way to turn your world record breaker into a smash hit and unite your family team is to dedicate the effort to charity. Enlist sponsors. Put a price on your time (perhaps \$1 an hour). Media coverage can emphasize that proceeds will go toward the new children's hospital or books for the public library. This will serve a triple purpose: aid charity, generate enthusiasm and more sympathetic crowds and persuade more people to become sponsors.



Beeline Restaurant

★★★★

BY CURT BOCKES

New Direction Staff Writer

A few years back, when I was still a "Snowbird," I had Mexican neighbors. I still remember Juanita's steaming tamales, refried beans, tacos, and fried rice. The food couldn't have been more authentic. My favorite place to go for Mexican food since moving to Orlando has become the **Beeline Restaurant**.

Small and seemingly antiquated, the interior consists of four rows of three booths each, encased on two sides by booths which openly face the interior. These side booths are roofed by sombrero bedecked wooden porches. It provides that "South of the border" flavor. Feel comfortable wearing shorts and flops.

You simply must try the **avocado dip**. Served with a basket of home-fried tortilla chips, it makes a cool and refreshing appetizer. Squeeze a little lemon on the dip and dig in.

I like to get the soft tortilla as-hot and buttered--put a teaspoon or so of the Guacamole dip on them, then role the tortilla. It's a tasty little variation. Even with extra cheese, the refried beans are lacking. I realize there's not a whole lot one can do with beans, but Juanita's weren't as flat.

For your entree, go for it! **Enchiladas, tacos, chalupas, and burritos**. Mix them or have a dinner of one dish. At the Beeline you'll find great Mexican food with that home-cooked flavor. I'm partial to soft-shell dishes, but the Beeline makes a great taco.

Here's a bit of information which might interest you. The dishes the Beeline puts out are not highly seasoned. They are not spicy hot, so for those of you with tender taste buds you can visit the Beeline. If you do like spicy Mexican food, don't despair.

On your table you'll find mild and hot spices. Season your dishes to suit your own taste buds. It makes life so much simpler.

The Beeline is open Tuesday through Saturday from 5:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

Location: 4542 Hoffner Road, just "2/10 of a mile east of Conway."

Only Mexican food is served, so don't take along someone who doesn't care for it. Beer, including Mexican beer, wine and soft drinks are available. The Beeline is, I

believe, a great, quaint place to go for a good meal. For me, it's almost like returning north for "south of the border" cooking.

Dinnerware Plus offers discount table elegance

New Direction writer Scott Drake begins a new column with this issue, aiming at finding special shops and services of interest to Gay and Lesbian consumers throughout central Florida. He will be making a special effort to find those businesses offering especially good values to shoppers - The Editor.

BY SCOTT DRAKE
New Direction Staff Writer

Dinnerware Plus is one of the few stores that I can think of which describes what it has to offer with its name. Practically everything one would want for table and service use can be purchased there.

Dinnerware Plus also has an additional advantage, it is located in Orlando's Factory Outlet Mall on Oak Ridge Road. Factory outlets are fast becoming popular in this country, and with good reason. You often still get the quality merchandise with a substantial savings.

Entering Dinnerware Plus, the first thing that is likely to strike your eye is the large display of stemware. Westminster crystal stemware is a real special for six dollars a glass. Normandy and Versailles, both full leaded crystal, are at five dollars per glass. This is about a sixty-five percent savings.

The layout of the store is quite simple with no built in dividers and makes you want to wander around. Each area, however, with its own organization, has a potpourri of designs, styles, colors, shapes, sizes and price for everything.

There are over a hundred different styles of dinner sets available not including stoneware, which is in its own area. With prices starting at sixty dollars for a twenty piece set to three to four hundred dollars for a forty-five piece set. Quite a number of very nice designs fall between sixty and one hundred dollars for a twenty piece set.

A twenty piece set includes four each of dinner plates, salad plates, cups, saucers, and soup bowls. A forty-five piece set includes eight each of the same and also matching serving platter, vegetable bowl, sugar bowl and lid and a creamer. Anything bought individually, whether adding to your set or replacing a broken piece, can be purchased at forty percent or higher discount.

Stoneware pieces start at about \$2 a piece. These are generally displayed en masse, so you may want to do a bit of digging through to find something special. Stoneware is microwave safe, too.

A dinnerware store would not be complete without a selection of serving trays, bon bon trays, platters, serving bowls, and the like. There are also small chip trays and punch bowls available.

Dinnerware Plus could quite possibly be your first and last stop for dinnerware settings if you're in the market. Depending upon your personal tastes, I think you'll find that most of your dining room needs can be met at this popular store.

Military regulations cloud justice for Gays in service

Although the gay rights movement has been changing the way that gay men and lesbians are treated by the military, (i.e. an honorable discharge instead of an undesirable one), being gay and active duty is still not looked upon with favor by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

This article is not an attempt at a definitive guide to military law and how it relates to gay men and lesbians, but rather is some advice concerning immediate measures that you should take if you find yourself and your sexuality in question by your command.

The primary bit of advice that you should follow is DON'T TALK. It's just like those police shows on TV, "... anything that you say can and will be used against you..." Regardless of what the questioning authorities tell you, they are not your friend, and talking to them will not make it easier on you. Do not help them do their job. Regardless of what they tell you, you do have the right to remain silent. You are protected under the 5th Amendment and also Article 31 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

If you are considered a suspect or have been formally accused (the questioning authority **should** inform you of this), get a

lawyer. The military will provide you with a military lawyer, or you can request (in most cases) a civilian lawyer (which you will pay for). Refuse to continue the questioning until you have talked to a lawyer and have him/her present during any questioning. The questioning authority may suggest that you talk to your Commanding Officer, your Division Officer, a psychiatrist, a doctor, or the Chaplain, but this is not advisable until you have talked to your lawyer.

Once you have been formally accused of being gay, you have two options to take: 1) fighting the charges or 2) admitting your sexual orientation and taking the discharge. Both of these options have their advantages and disadvantages, and neither of them is an easy decision. Before making a final decision, talk over your options with your lawyer, your friends, your family (if possible) and any one else whom you respect and feel comfortable with.

Of course the best advice is not to get caught, and keep your sex life off the base, but if you find yourself in trouble, remember that you do have rights (even in the military) - so use them.

• HOUSES • PROPERTY • RENTALS

Jerry Bulger

425-6549

An associate of Stanley Alday
REALTOR®

• REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT •

DIGNITY OF ORLANDO

Liturgy and Fellowship: Saturdays 7:00 P.M.
Call for location

(305) 843-4297

P.O. Box 931, Orlando, Florida 32802

New Direction's Guide to Gay Central Florida

REFERENCE CODE

- A Books (Adult)
- B Books (Literature & News)
- C Bath Club
- E ... Entertainers (Cabaret or Shows)
- G Guest House
- H Hotel/Motel
- L Lounge (Bar)/Disco
- O Organization
- P Leather/Adult Items
- R Restaurant
- T Boutique
- X Video/Film
- ☆ Synagogue
- ⊕ Hot Line
- † Religious Organization
- ⊕ Health Service
- ★ General Reference Listings

CLEARWATER (Area Code 813)

- In-Town Lounge 105 S. Gardens Ave. - 447-5674
- Pro Shop Pub 840 Cleveland St. - 447-9726
- ★ AA, Gay 2470 Nursery Road (Tu 8 pm) - 391-3689
- ⊕ VD Clinic 310 N. Myrtle - 481-2727

COCO BEACH (Area Code 305)

- A-1-A Adults Books (A) 4285 N. Atlantic Ave. - 783-9383
- The Evening Edition (L) 6575 N. Atlantic Ave. - 783-9136
- ★ GRAC Box 421, Sharpes 32959 - 254-GAYS

DAYTONA BEACH (Area Code 904)

- The Barn Door (L) 615 Main St. - 252-3776
- Beachside Club (L) 415 Main St. - 252-5465
- The Landmark (L-E-R-H) 615 Main St. - 252-3776
- Yum Yum Tree (L-E) 701 Ridgewood Ave. - 253-5811
- The Zodiac Club (L-E) 1654 S. Ridgewood - 767-4824
- ★ Gay Rep Session (Bi-Monthly) 255-8222
- † MCC 166 Broadway - 255-8222
- ⊕ VD Clinic 501 Clyde Morris - 258-7000

LAKELAND (Area Code 813)

- Roy's Green Parrot (L) 1028 E. Main St. - 683-2431
- ⊕ VD Clinic 1333 N. Florida Ave. - 686-5583

MELBOURNE (Area Code 305)

- Saturdays (L) 9760 W. New Haven Ave. - 724-1510
- ★ GRAC Box 421, Sharpes 32959 - 254-GAYS
- ⊕ VD Clinic 1204 Hickory St. - 727-1480

ORLANDO (Area Code 305)

- Adult Books of Orlando (A) 3139 S. Orange Ave. - 855-7203
- A.J.'s Outland (A) 6100 Old Winter Garden Rd. - 291-9513
- First Amendment (A) 741 Bennet Rd.
- Blue Parrot (T) (See Parliament House) Ext 13 - 425-7571
- City Bath Club (C) 3400 S. Orange Blossom Tr. - 420-9890
- The General Store (TBX) (See Parliament House) Ex 141 - 425-7571
- The Loading Dock (L) 3400 S. Orange Blossom Trail - 420-9778
- Midnight News (ABPTX) (Parliament House) Ex 139 - 425-7571
- New Direction Newspaper - 843-4297
- Odds and Ends (L-E) 4910 Edgewater Drive - 291-7571
- Parliament House (HLER) 410 N. Orange Blossom Tr. - 425-7571
- Palace Club (E) 3400 S. Orange Blossom Tr. - 420-9015
- Park Avenue (L) 4315 N. Orange Blossom Tr. - 295-3751
- Silver Hammer (L) 1300 N. Mills Ave. - 898-4915
- Southern Nights (L-E-R) 375 Bumby St. - 894-1421
- Swing Books (A) 2203 S. Orange Blossom Trail -
- ★ Advocate Program 430-3481
- † Dignity Box 931, 32802 - 843-4297
- ★ Gay AA 422-3076
- ★ Gay Community Service 843-GAYS
- ⊕ Peer Counseling Hotline 843-GAYS
- † Joy MCC 2500 Curry Ford Rd./Box 3004 - 32802 - 894-1081
- ⊕ VD Clinic 832 W. Central - 420-3600
- ★ Voter Registration 849-2121

TAMPA (Area Code 813)

- Baxter's (L) 714 S. Dale Mabry - 879-1161
- BJ's (L) 4427 W. Kennedy Blvd. - 879-8537
- Club Tampa (C) 215 N. 11th St. - 223-5111
- El Goya (L-E) 1430 E. 7th Ave. - 247-2711
- Firehouse Pub (L) Northgate Mall - 932-4091
- Ohio (L) 102 Polk St. - 229-9065
- Papillon (L) 3976 W. Hillsborough Ave. - 872-0108
- ★ AA, Gay - 879-1233
- ★ ACLU PO Box 272173 - 33688
- ★ Al Anon P.O. Box 8972 - 33674 - 935-6171
- ★ Bay Area Rights Council P.O. Box 947 - 33601
- ★ DACCO (Drug Abuse) 870-2905
- † Dignity P.O. 3306 - 33601
- ★ Everywoman's Center 974-2687
- ⊕ Gay Hot Line 1521 S. Dale Mabry Hwy./POB 1521 - 229-8839
- † MCC 2904 Concordia Ave. - 839-5939
- ★ Pre-Trial Intervention 272-5400
- ★ Tampa Bay Business Guild 1521 S. Dale Mabry, Tampa 33629
- 251-6201 or 831-2997
- ★ U. of South Florida Gay Coalition 974-4297
- ⊕ VD Clinic 1105 E. Kennedy Blvd. - 272-6385
- ★ Voter Registration 272-5850
- ★ Women's Peer Counseling 974-2654

(305) 425-7571

parliament house.



120 Rooms A/C Color TV

9 Acres of Parking

Powerhouse Disco

Playhouse Theatre

Levi-Leather Bar

Veranda Piano Bar

Tropical Olympic Pool

White Sand Beach

Grandma's Cafe 24 Hrs.

The General Store

Midnight News

Blue Parrot Art Deco Shop

THE WORLD'S LARGEST GAY ENTERTAINMENT CENTER...

410 NORTH ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL • ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32805

THE ULTIMATE
AT 3400 S. ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL

City Bath Club
3400 S. ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL
ORLANDO, FLORIDA
Phone (305) 427-5890

DISCO

fri. - sat.

12 midnight till?

THE PALACE CLUB

3400 So. Orange Blossom Trail
Orlando, Florida 32807