

The Power of Pride



Official Pride Guide
Milwaukee, WI
1992

Volunteer Appreciation

Dear Volunteers,

We of the Pride Committee would like to take this time to personally thank all those who have given us support by volunteering their time and experience to help make this day another memorable experience.

It is through the individual, organizational and business volunteers that the events of Pride truly show what community support is all about.

Once again, thank you for volunteering and making this year a very memorable one.

Christopher H. Lubas
Miriam Ben-Shalom
Volunteer Co-Chairs

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WELCOME

Twelve months in the planning and one day in the happening. The members of the Milwaukee Lesbian Gay Pride Committee hope that our work over the past year to bring you this year's parade and festival prove to be the best celebration yet. Each member of the committee, and all the volunteers this past year, have dedicated hundreds of hours of our time, along with energy and enthusiasm to put together what we believe is the biggest and best festival for Milwaukee's, and Wisconsin's, Gay and Lesbian community yet.

This celebration has become a labor of love for us. Our belief that the Gay and Lesbian community deserves a celebration of its own has been unwavering in spite of the efforts of others to derail our fun. The events of the past year seemed to mount with each passing day. Every time we turned around, it was as though our rights were being challenged again. One more attempt by someone, from radio and television broadcasts to city hall and even in the court system, a landslide of attempts to push us into the closet was being aimed in our direction.

Today we can all stand proud and proclaim that we are here and we will stay "out" to the world no matter what they may try to do to us. So join us in a celebration of all that is good within "our" community.

And in your enjoyment of today's festivities, if you see a volunteer or committee member hard at work trying to make this year's festivities that much more enjoyable, stop them for just a second and let them know their efforts were worth it. Tell them just how much you appreciate the work done to make this year's celebration a success.

And give yourself a self-congratulatory pat on the back for being a part of the festival itself, for without you then this would never have been able to happen in the first place.

Alan Stroik, President

1992 LOGO DESIGN

During the holocaust of Nazi Germany, the pink triangle was the color identification code for Gay men, used in an attempt to exterminate them and other groups deemed "degenerate". In the 1970's the Gay Rights movement, primarily men, took this tool of repression for their own. The pink triangle is now an internationally recognized symbol of the Gay Rights movement. The pink triangle however, was used only on Gay men.

The color identification code for Lesbians was a black triangle. Lesbians were placed in the same category as prostitutes. As such, they were regarded as sexual objects for men's pleasure, not as human beings. While this meant that, for the most part, Lesbians were not exterminated like their brothers, they too suffered untold horrors at the hands of the Nazis.

The pink triangle does not honor or pay tribute to those Lesbians. The black triangle, while not yet well recognized as a symbol of the Lesbian community, does. The act of taking that symbol as their own and empowering themselves with it, which is presently occurring in the Lesbian community, is an exciting development.

People must know what happened to Gays and Lesbians in Nazi Germany. By remembering and teaching others we may prevent it from happening again. In the memory of those men and women, I have chosen to use the pink and black triangles.

The Yin and Yang symbolize the struggle and balance of the forces in nature, as well as the never ending cycle of life. The two triangles inside the halves of the opposite color represent the struggle of Gays and Lesbians to deal with each other, while we are trying to deal with the presence of the masculine and feminine in all of us. This struggle is not destructive, but rather a naturally occurring part of life. Therefore, while at times difficult, the struggle is good. It is growth. The white circle is a ring of healing energy generated by the communion of the shared experience of working together to overcome an obstacle or to achieve a common goal. The black or dark star is a symbol of power. This represents the energy that underlies and goes beyond all of our struggles. It is the taking of all that is inside ourselves and our community and turning it outward to radiate forth like a star. It is the unconquerable power of the force of our own being(s). We are just beginning to see the results as Gays and Lesbians find this power. For some, this is believing in ourselves. While for others, this is an act of faith.

The retaking of our beliefs, whether it is in ourselves or in our God(s) and the results of it as we retake control of our lives is, I feel, **The Power of Pride**. By combining these symbols this design represents the power in the act of taking control of our lives. For each of us, as individuals, this will have a different, personal meaning. For all of us, as a culture however, that will mean something more - the taking back of; Our faith(s), our government, our jobs, our taxes, our children, our homes, our streets, our school systems, and most importantly, our minds. This to me is **The Power of Pride**.

Dennis L. Bunch 1992 Logo Artist

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF "CARAVAGGIO" & "THE GARDEN"

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Milw. Lesbian/Gay Pride
Committee

Based on the Play by
Christopher Marlowe

Edward II

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FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1992 -- 7:30^{pm} -- ORIENTAL THEATRE

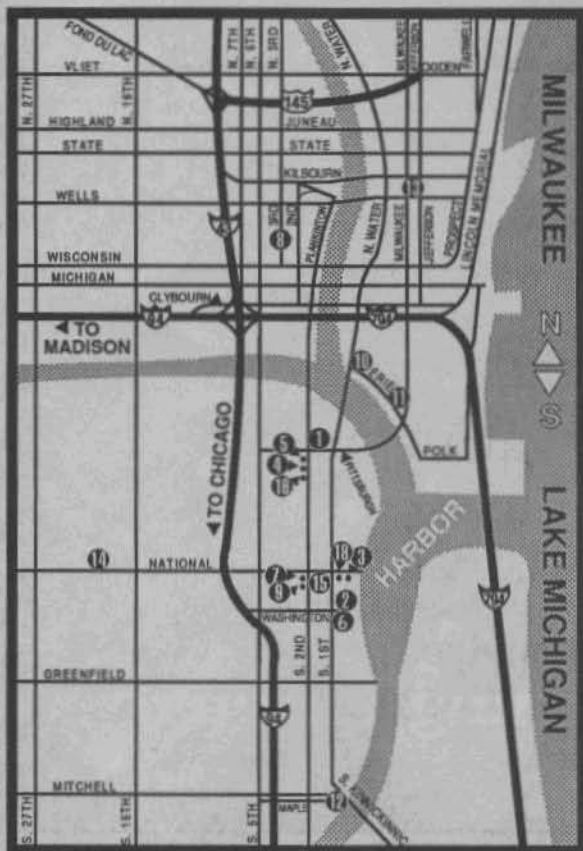
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Wreck Room	Outpost Natural Foods			

MILWAUKEE MAIL ORDERS

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MILWAUKEE'S ENTERTAINMENT SPOTS

(See Directory for more information)

BJ's Mint Bar II	9
Ballgame	1
Bootcamp	3
C'est la Vie	4
Club 219 Plus	5
Dance, Dance, Dance	7
1100 Club	6
Fannie's	2
Grubb's Pub	7
La Cage	7
Loose Ends	not shown
M&M Club	10
Cafe Melange	8
Nitengales	14
Partners	15
Phoenix	16
Station 2/Eastern Connection	not shown
Tina's	not shown
This Is It	13
3B's Bar	12
Wizard's Pub	not shown
Wreck Room	11

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(They appear in bold face type)

FESTIVAL SPEAKERS

Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison) is running as the first openly Gay or Lesbian Candidate for the State Assembly in Wisconsin. Currently in her fourth term on the Dane County Board of Supervisors where she has been openly lesbian. She chairs both the task force on AIDS & the Human Services Board and is a member of the Finance & Personnel Committee. Tammy is an attorney in private practice, specializing in civil rights and discrimination cases as well as family & criminal law.

Kitty Barber is a co-founder of, and spokeswoman for the Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee. She is the managing partner of a small business and has served in a variety of Feminist and Lesbian & Gay organizations during her 15 years in Milwaukee. Kitty is currently studying Political Science at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee.

Joan Jett Blakk, a.k.a. Terrance Smith, is a Radical Faerie Black female impersonator and works behind the scenes in the production of the performing arts. The first openly "Queer" candidate to run for the office of President of the United States, he/she is on the official ballot in some states for the 1992 election. She/he is running on the Queer Nation Party ticket in a campaign designed to promote "Queer" visibility and to foster the discussion of "Queer" issues.

Kay Hallanger of Bloomington, IN is Ms. International Leather 1991. She is the fifth woman to hold the title, and the first who is not from the west coast. As International Ms. Leather, Kay is responsible for educating the public on the positive aspects of the Leather/SM/Fetish lifestyles. Kay is the first female member of the American Uniform Association, a Veteran and an member of the National Leather Association. Kay leads workshops on the mechanics of better working relationships between diverse groups. She focuses on breaking the barriers of Gender, Race, Economics and Lifestyle values.**

Gary Hollander is a staff Psychologist at Sinai-Samaritan Medical Center and an outspoken advocate on health care issues. He was appointed by the Mayor to serve on the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Police-Community relations. Gary was this years recipient of the Milwaukee AIDS Project's "Volunteer of the Year" award as well as the "1992 Pacesetter award" given by Lambda Rights Network.

Ben Johnson is currently the Education and Training Coordinator for the Milwaukee AIDS Project. His previous work has included, Nursing, Teaching and as a Counselor for Gay & Lesbian relationships. He was the facilitator for the former Milwaukee chapter of P-Flag. Ben started working as volunteer for MAP in 1984, and went on to the staff in 1987. He was awarded the "Pacesetters" award from the Cream City Business Association in 1985 and a service award for his work with the Wisconsin Chapter of AODA.

** Tentatively scheduled as of May 13, 1992.



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Calendar of Events

Sunday May 31

GAMMA bicycling Benefit. 12 or 22 mile East side ride on flat terrain. Leaves from corner of Farwell & Bradford. Cue sheets provided. \$5.00 donation benefits MLGPC. Refreshments to follow. All biking levels welcome. Contact GAMMA at 963-9833.

Sunday, June 7

Signature Salon is holding a cut-a-thon as a fundraiser for MLGPC. 11:00 - 4:00 at 342 E. Wisconsin Ave, second floor of the Wells Bldg. Suggested donation is \$10.00. For reservations call 273-7717.

Friday, June 12

Z-Hawk Productions Leather Pride. "The Power of Fantasy" Fantasy Show 9:00 pm -?? Wreck Room 266 E. Erie St. A Fundraiser jointly for MLGPC and BESTD Clinic. For more information call Tony Terry 672-9266.

Saturday, June 13

Wisconsin Cream City Chorus "The Power of Love" 8:00 pm Vogel Hall at the Performing Arts Center. A concert about love and romance. Tickets are available through the PAC Box Office at 273-7206 or by calling the Chorus at 344-WCCC.

Oberons Club night at Wreck Room 266 East Erie. A Fundraiser for BESTD Clinic. for more information call 273-6900.

Sunday, June 14

Interfaith Service 10:30 am on the MLGPC Main Stage in Juneau Park at the corner of Juneau and Prospect.

MLGPC 1992 Pride Parade and Festival (See Schedule on facing Page)

Monday, June 15

Reception for Elected Officials sponsored by Lesbian Alliance of Metro Milwaukee, Lambda Rights Network, Lesbians of Color and Lutherans Concerned. 5:30-7:30 pm Village Church, 130 East Juneau Ave.

Thursday, June 18

Debbie Davis and Sadie Benning Live performances and Bad girl video art. Come to see your nationally acclaimed Milwaukee Lesbian Artists. Skylight Theatre, 813 N. Jefferson, 8:00 pm. For more information call 372-5192.

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MLGPC Special Opening night preview of Edward II at the Oriental Landmark Theatre. Tickets are \$10.00. Showtime is 7:30. See Advertisement on page 4 of this Guide for more information.

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Sunday, June 21

GAMMA Annual Father's Day journey to Great America. Go alone or with a group but wear a red T-shirt. When you see another group of "red shirts" introduce yourself. The only purpose of this event is to have a good time. For more information call GAMMA 963-9833.

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Please note: This list may not be complete, but is up to date as of May 13, 1992. (press date) See In Step Magazine and Wisconsin Light for current listings of Pride Events.

PARADE ROUTE

START: Parade lines up on the east side of Prospect Ave between Kilbourn and Juneau. Parade proceeds south on Prospect to Wisconsin, east on Wisconsin to Water St., north on Water St. to Kilbourn Ave then east on Kilbourn to Juneau Park.



FESTIVAL SCHEDULE Juneau Park -- June 14, 1992

- 10:30 INTERFAITH SERVICE
11:30 THE IBERIAN DANCERS - A fantastic, colorful extravaganza of Hispanic and Flamenco dancing.
12:00 THE JOHN SCHNEIDER ORCHESTRA - Listen to the smooth sounds of the acclaimed John Schneider Orchestra.
12:15 PRE-PARADE RALLY
Speakers: Regina Heroy
Gay Youth Milwaukee
Joan Jett Blakk
Presentations of the Color
Tammy Baldwin
Kay Hallanger
Singsational
- 1:00 PARADE STEP OFF
1:45 POST-PARADE RALLY
Speakers: Kitty Barber
Ben Johnson
Acknowledgements
2:15 SINGSATIONAL - Called four of the best voices anywhere. Singing solos and as a group. Singsational is not to be missed.
2:45 FEST CITY SINGERS - One of the best musical groups in Milwaukee. Their musical comedy has been widely praised.
3:15 THE VISITATION - A Wonderful performance art piece by Debby Davis, Deana Aronson & Leona Herod.
3:30 THE CREAM CITY CHORUS - Find out why so many say it is one of the best Gay & Lesbian choruses in the U.S.

- 4:00 HILL CLARK - One of the best Lesbian voices in Milwaukee.
4:30 THE COWGIRL SWEETHEARTS - A Lesbian band from Madison with a Country-Western twist, they'll have you kicking up your heels.
5:00 QUEER NATION'S MASS WEDDING - Join us as Lesbian and Gay couples state their solemn commitments to each other.
5:45 THE PRIDE WEEK PLAYERS - A rollicking review of news stories you won't hear anywhere else.
6:00 BJ DANIELS REVUE - A spectacular review featuring many titleholders from throughout Wisconsin and put together as only BJ Daniels knows how.

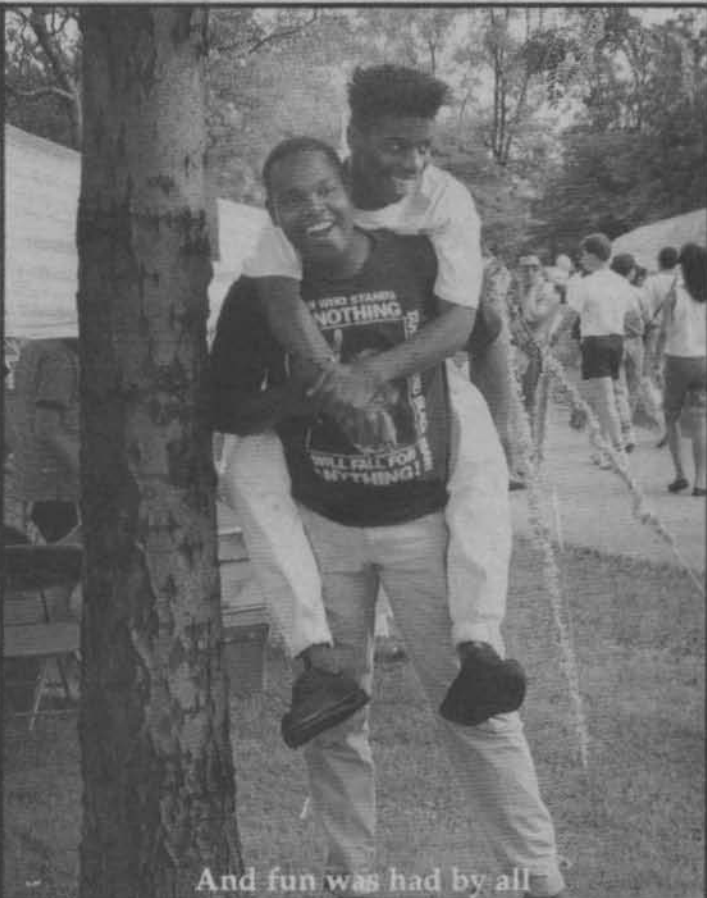
EXHIBITION STAGE

- 2:00 CREAM CITY SQUARES - A Country-Western dance exhibition.
2:15 COUNTRY PRIDE DANCE LESSONS - Come on out and learn how to two-step, square dance and more with help from the Cream City Squares.
4:00 GAY/LESBIAN HISTORY/HERSTORY - Presented by author Dr. Terry Boughner and Lesbian Historian Pat Calchina.
5:00 THE BASIC OF SELF DEFENSE - Presented by Juana Sabatino. Learn what to do to avoid being bashed.
6:00 LESBIAN POETRY READING - Sue Silvermarie and Special guests, an hour long presentation of exceptional poetry.

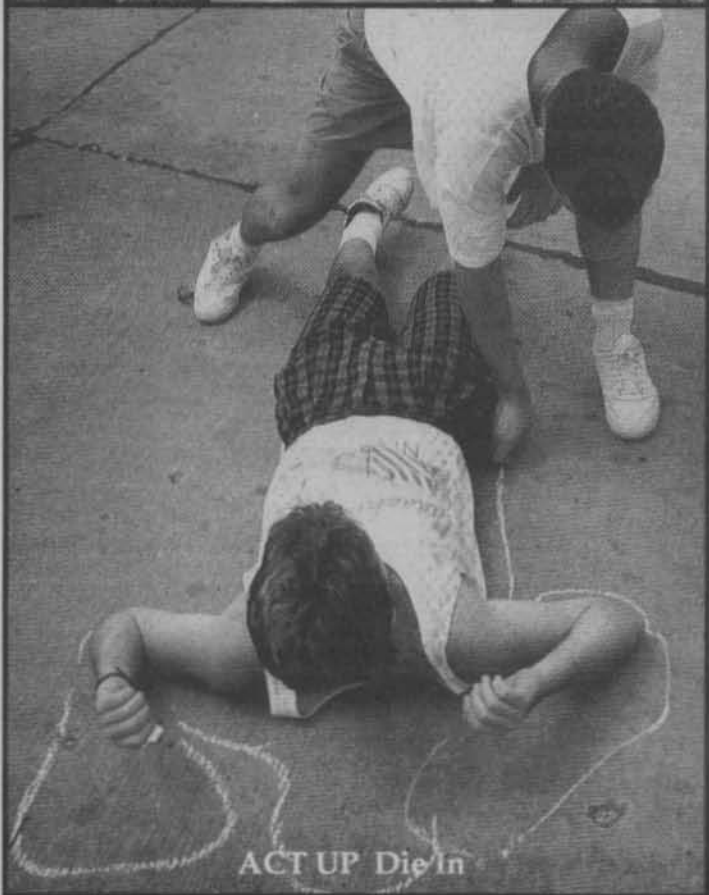
One last look at 1991



Cindi Lampman, 1991 Logo Artist



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