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Feds accept Meinhold reinstatement

EXCLUSIVE TO XENOGENY

The Pentagon and the Justice Department have allowed an October 14 deadline to pass without appealing the ruling which reinstated sailor Keith Meinhold. The Navy discharged Meinhold, after he admitted his homosexual orientation in 1992. A Los Angeles Federal judge ordered his reinstatement.

Meinhold says he has never had a problem with homophobia among his fellow personnel. He said the homophobia has always come from the Pentagon.

Kathleen Gilberd, co-chair of the Military Law Task Force of the National Lawyers Guild told XENOGENY that on the surface, the outcome is "hopeful and encouraging, but I'm not sure if I would give 'hopeful' attributes to the Department of Defense or the Administration. The Meinhold ruling was very narrow and it came under the old policy. The government knows that there are cases behind Meinhold that will hit squarely on their 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' policy, and the Justice Department might be intending to put their energy and political attention into those cases. I hope I'm wrong."

One of the other high-profile cases still to be resolved is the case of *Joseph Steffan*, which appears to be farther along than any of the other "old policy" cases. Steffan was discharged in 1987 while at the top of the senior class at the U.S. Naval Academy. In November, 1993, a U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that Steffan should be commissioned. The *Margarethe Cammermeyer* case is another of the "old policy" cases; she was discharged in 1992.

Advocates of gays in the military, such as Gilberd, are watching closely a case brought by several plaintiffs, *Jane Doe et al v. Aspen*, in which the plaintiffs say they are in jeopardy of being discharged because of the new 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' policy. The plaintiffs are represented by the ACLU and the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund.



Pride Chairman Brad Beasley (left) with Sheriff Gayle Ray and Bill Riley, at the Pride 1995 Kick-off Reception, Friday, October 21 at Two Rivers Mansion.

Nashvillian elected to international gay association

Brad Beasley, chairman of Nashville Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee, Inc., has been elected to the Board of Directors of the International Association of Gay and Lesbian Pride Coordinators (IAGLPC). Beasley will represent Region 5 which includes Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida and Puerto Rico. IAGLPC is a nonprofit association which provides support for pride committees around the world, mobilizing five million people annually in pride celebrations.

At IAGLPC's October conference in Fort Lauderdale, representatives agreed on a global theme for 1995 pride celebrations: "Pride: From

Silence to Celebration." Individual pride committees will be allowed to use the slogan in local celebrations as they see fit.

The Nashville Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee will host IAGLPC's midyear planning conference in Nashville in April, 1995. More than 20 representatives from the worldwide regions are expected to attend. Typically, the conferences focus on subjects such as fundraising, legal issues, inclusivity, and event organization.

The Nashville committee has already begun planning the April session. To be a part of Nashville's Pride Committee, call the "Pride Line" at 262-7453, or write P. O. Box 41653, Nashville, TN 37204-1653.

The Center has 'Room in the Inn' for homeless

The Gay and Lesbian Center Community will participate in a winter housing program for Nashville's homeless. Through "Room in the Inn," the Center will house up to ten individuals each Saturday through March, beginning November 5.

This season will mark the Center's third consecutive year as the only nonreligious organization participating in the program. Co-director Linda Welch says participation in the program "is extremely rewarding. It's easy to stereotype the homeless as the individual who panhandles for money at the Interstate off-ramps. However, the individuals in *this* program are good people who for one reason or another have lost most of their worldly possessions and are struggling to get back on their feet. Working with them once or twice will give you a new perspective about how easy it really is to become homeless."

Teams consisting of two people, known as "Inn Keepers," are needed to staff the Center from 7:00 P.M. on Saturdays until 7:00 A.M. on Sundays. In addition, cooks are needed to prepare simple meals and bring them to the Center for the guests. Others who may not be able to participate as Inn Keepers or cooks can help by donating toiletries and supplies, such as shampoo, soap, disposable razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, bathroom tissue, paper towels, and large plastic bags. Warm clothing, such as coats, sweaters, hats, gloves and scarves will also be appreciated.

An organizational meeting will be held at the Center, 703 Berry Road, on Sunday, October 30, at 2:00 P.M. If you'd like to volunteer but can't make the meeting, call Victoria Krebs at 322-4692, or Linda Welch at 832-5653.

Nashville to host AIDS Nurses' Conference

JOURNAL OF THE ASSOCIATION OF NURSES IN AIDS CARE (9/94-10/94) VOL. 5, NO. 5, P. 47

"HIV Nursing on the Cutting Edge: Sharing Our Stories, Honing Our Skills" is the theme of the Seventh Annual Conference of the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care. Nationally-known experts, staff nurses, and HIV educators—such as Patricia Benner and Ron Bayer—will speak about the latest in HIV infection and nurse caring. The conference will be held in Nashville from Nov. 10-12, 1994.

Reference to Gay Clerk Raises a Furor at Trial

PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER (10/15/94) P. A1; SLOBODZIAN, JOSEPH A.

The judge in the AIDS discrimination case of Scott Doe v. Kohn, Nast & Graf threatened to punish the defense lawyer when he raised the issue of homosexuality in court. The attorney asked Doe if he had asked an "openly gay" file clerk for advice when Doe's boss told him his contract would not be renewed. The jury was sent from the courtroom and the judge questioned the lawyer about his motives for introducing the issue of sexual orientation—one that the judge had specifically not permitted thus far. The lawyer claimed that it was a "foolish" error and that he had introduced the subject intentionally.

Homosexuality & AIDS

NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL OF MEDICINE (10/06/94) VOL. 331, NO. 14, P. 923; FRIEDMAN, RICHARD C.; DOWNEY, JENNIFER I.

Although the AIDS epidemic is not confined to homosexuals, it has increased the stigmatization of gay men because they account for such a large number of AIDS cases in the United States. The epidemic has also intensified stigma against lesbians—who actually are at no increased risk of AIDS, but are often assumed to be at high risk because they are homosexual. Homosexuals that have AIDS are often discriminated against by employers, social service agencies, insurance carriers, and health care providers. Fear of homophobia and stigmatization may lead a homosexual who is HIV-positive or being tested for HIV to internalize negative attitudes and isolate himself or herself from others. While one

showed an increased frequency in the rate of completed suicides among gay men with AIDS, studies of people with AIDS and those tested for HIV have not demonstrated an increase in suicidality. HIV-positive individuals often cope with the disease by remaining involved in life's activities, keeping in touch with others, and maintaining hope.

HIV+ Woman Facing Felony Sodomy Charges

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH (10/14/94) P. 1D; VANDEWATER, JUDITH

An HIV-infected woman accused of performing oral sex on two brothers, ages 11 and 13, will face two felony charges of sodomy. She also may be charged with violating a law that prohibits deliberate attempts to infect someone with HIV. Hospital records confirm that the woman was aware that she was infected when she made sexual contact with the two boys. "We're going to have to prove she knew she could spread the disease this way," says prosecuting attorney G. John Richards. The results of HIV tests on the boys will not affect his decision as to whether the other charge will be sought, says Richards.

HIV+ politician with lessons of being positive

BOSTON GLOBE (10/20/94) P. 38; HOWE, PETER

Robert K. Massie, the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor of Massachusetts, discussed his struggle with hemophilia and HIV on Wednesday at a meeting of the AIDS Action Committee. Massie received sustained applause and support when introduced as the first HIV-positive person in the country to run for a statewide office. "I step forward because I am proud of my life and all the help that I have received from others and what I have become as a result..." said Massie. He has frequently spoken during his campaign about the spiritual and practical lessons of HIV. Robert Greenwald, director of public policy for the committee, said that one of the reasons that Massie is an inspiration to Massachusetts residents with HIV or AIDS is because of "the fact that he is a person with HIV is not central to his campaign."

HIV / AIDS

Assisted Suicide Court Battles Intensify

REUTERS (10/19/94); APPLESON, GAIL

Lawyers in New York urged U.S. District Court Judge Thomas Griesa to overturn the state's ban on doctor-assisted suicide. The suit—funded by Compassion in Dying—was filed on behalf of three people with AIDS, two of whom have already died. Compassion in Dying claims the ban is unconstitutional, and alleges that the law denies people "the liberty and privacy to decide what to do with their own bodies and forces them to endure pain, anguish and loss of dignity." The organization provides advice to people who wish to commit suicide; Instead of administering lethal drugs, however, they refer the individuals to doctors for prescriptions of drugs that can be fatal when taken in large doses. Approximately 30 states have laws that prohibit assisted suicide.

Youths need vaccination for Hepatitis B

PR NEWswire (10/12/94)

The American School Health Association announced new recommendations that urge all youths to be vaccinated against hepatitis B. The virus, which is spread through blood and other bodily fluids, is 100 times more contagious than HIV. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says that 14 Americans a day die from hepatitis B-related illnesses, and that 1.25 million Americans are chronic carriers of the virus. ASHA also recommended that school health professionals initiate hepatitis B awareness pro-

grams for students and parents. SmithKline Beecham gave ASHA an educational grant that will soon educate high school students and their parents in a nationwide prevention program.

Man Settles Suit Over Forced AIDS Test

WASHINGTON POST (10/18/94) P. D3

The state of Maryland must pay \$75,000 to a unidentified Maryland man who was forced to submit to an HIV test after officials accused him of knowingly spreading the virus. The state has also agreed not to test people for HIV without their consent. The man was tested while being held in jail in August 1992. Frederick County officials claimed their actions were permissible under a state law that forbids people infected with HIV from knowingly transferring or attempting to transfer the virus to others. Related Stories: Washington Times (10/18) P. A2; Baltimore Sun (10/18) P. 1B

Teens Flock to Hear Magic Johnson on AIDS

BALTIMORE SUN (10/20/94) P. 2A

Teenagers filled the bleachers at the Laguna Beach (Calif.) High School gym to hear former Los Angeles Laker Magic Johnson speak about HIV, and how he is coping with his own infection. "I just live," said Johnson. "You get up in the morning and you take your medicine and you work out for two hours." He advocated abstinence to teens, and urged safe sex for those who will not abstain. Johnson, 35, announced that he was HIV-positive in 1991.

One in a Million

SUCCESSFUL MEETINGS (10/94) VOL. 43, NO. 11, P. 21; CAREY, ROBERT

The Doral Arrowwood Resort Conference Center in Rye Brook, N.Y., is offering its clientele an opportunity to win \$1 million. On November 7, each group that has booked a meeting scheduled before Dec. 9 will be able to send one member to try to score a \$1 million hole-in-one. Many athletes and celebrities will compete to win the prize for the Arthur Ashe Foundation for the Defeat of AIDS.

The information on this page is compiled by the Centers for Disease Control's National AIDS Clearinghouse, which summarizes reports from various sources. The original sources are shown, along with other references where applicable.

Donahue's "balancing act"

BY KENNETH ATHON

On October 12, Donahue's guests were cast members of the movie, "Priscilla, Queen of the Desert" (a movie about three Australians: two drag queens and one transvestite), along with Esther Newton, author of **Mother Camp**, and former psychologist Paul Cameron.

Paul Cameron is a much-discredited "scientist." Stripped of his membership in the American Psychological Association in 1983 for distorting the results of psychological surveys, he now makes his living as a so-called "expert" on homosexuality. He is founder and chairman of Family Research Institute, which churns out pamphlets and brochures with Cameron's unique brand of skewed statistics and mis-conclusions. Among his works are: claims that homosexuals are disproportionately responsible for serial murders, child molestation and other heinous crimes, absurdly high rates of extreme sexual practices and instances of venereal disease, and proposals that AIDS patients should be tattooed and quarantined.

As you might imagine, Cameron is the darling of homophobes and heterosexuals.

The producers of Donahue have been quoted as saying that Cameron was included for the sake of "balance." The thing is, I am not sure exactly what is was that needed to be balanced. The truth is, there ARE such things as drag queens, Australian drag queens and movies about Australian drag queens. What's to balance? To me, that's like doing a documentary about the red part of the spectrum of light and attempting to contrive some "balance" by giving equal time to blue light.

Regardless of whether someone at Donahue stated that "balance" was the reason for including Cameron, what they ended up with is conflict. Without Cameron, that particular Donahue show would have been simply interesting, in the way that Regis

and Kathy Lee are just charming. But with Cameron, the show was lively! Balance has now become drama and look at those Nielsen ratings now!

To many of us, "balance" is still equated with "fairness." Alas, it doesn't mean that in the media. "Balance" is now simply the politically-correct term for "drama." Why can't we all just say what we mean? As far as I'm concerned, it would be perfectly okay for Donahue to say, "We're including Paul Cameron because we want the show to be spirited." That would imply that the other guests are insufficient for good television but, hey, it's their show. At least, that's honest.

We know that balance, as in fairness, was not the issue. First, the guests did not advocate transvestitism, transsexualism, or drag as a profession or lifestyle. There is nothing to balance. Second, to say that the other guests can be balanced by just one homophobe, is giving Paul Cameron a lot more credit than he deserves. If you want balance, get *five or six* homophobes! In all, the inclusion of Cameron, in the name of "balance," was not only insulting to the other guests on the program but also to the viewer's intelligence, something Donahue doesn't normally do.

The producers of Donahue, like the producers of any TV show or movie or book or newscast or newspaper, have a First Amendment right as well as a commercial right to produce their output any way they want to. But if they want my respect, they need to be honest about their motives.

The producers of *Donahue* were invited to respond, but had not issued a reply as of press time.

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LETTERS

Dear Editor:

My interest wanes, as a gay person, in attempting to be politically correct when it always seemingly means eating the crumbs thrown our community by promise-making politicians. All too many of our political wish lists have ended up as wastepaper due to unkept promises. The Gay vote is as important as it is powerful. Too often, for the sake of the hoped-for acceptance of being politically correct, we have not been able to make a difference by our vote in the issues most close to our needs, simply because we're will-

ing to accept tidbits of mercy from politicians too willing to throw them to us.

I hope that during these coming election days, we will, as the Gay community, vote on Gay issue sensitivity — me, mine and my kind.

Jack D. Gregory
Nashville

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Coalition for Justice elects new officers

Nashville's Lesbian and Gay Coalition for Justice elected 1995 officers at its General Membership meeting, October 20. Horace Griffin was elected co-chair, replacing Lon Thrasher, who will devote his energies to the Coalition's Public Relations Committee. The PR committee, under Thrasher's leadership, produced this year's National Coming Out Day Visibility Campaign. "Horace's leadership skills and familiarity with the Coalition and the larger community will strengthen the organization," Thrasher said.

Also elected were:

- Kathleen Maloy, co-chair;
- Mickey Frith, secretary;
- Rhonda White, treasurer;
- Larry Romans, East Rep;
- Steven Rodgers and Brandyn Briley, West Reps;
- Mikhail Brown and LaWanna Edwards, South Reps; and
- Karl Lyons, North Rep.

The new officers will assume their responsibilities January 1, 1995.

The Lesbian and Gay Coalition for Justice was formed in May, 1993, to promote the economic, legal and social rights of all people, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identification, and to combat laws and policies that foster prejudice against lesbians, gay men, bisexuals and transgenderal persons. The Coalition meets every third Thursday of each month (except December). For membership information, call 298-LGCJ.



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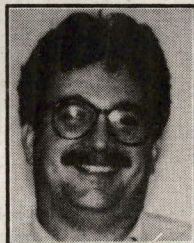
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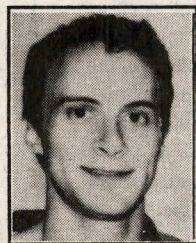
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THE "B" WORD

Beyond Stereotypes
Who are these bisexuals anyway?

BY KARL HAMNER

What does it mean when someone says he or she is bisexual? Answers given by monosexuals (people, straight or queer, who are only attracted to one gender) are typically unclear and often prejudicial. For example, Senator Jesse Helms has spoken at length on the Senate floor against "promiscuous" bisexuals.

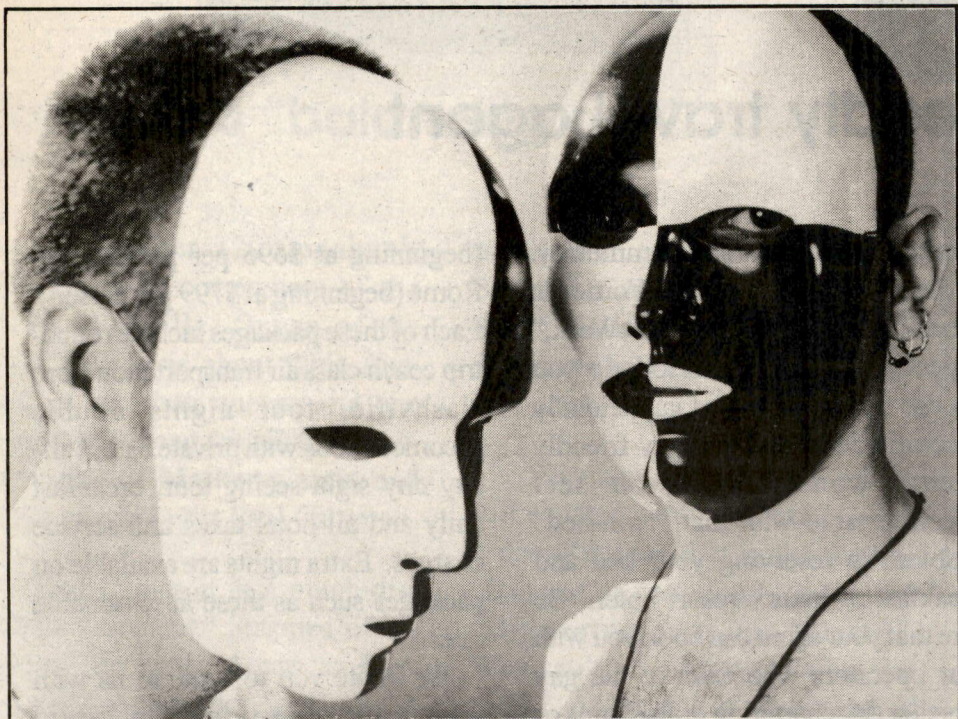
Bisexuals spend a lot of time defining whom we are not. We aren't promiscuous (at least no more so than monosexuals), or incapable of commitment, or in denial, and on-and-on. If this sounds familiar, it should. How often do gay men explain that being homosexual does not make them child molesters, or do lesbians find themselves clarifying that loving women does not equate to hating men? Unfortunately, because all of us (bisexuals, lesbians, and gay men) are so often forced to address what we are not, we typically fail to clarify what we are. So here I will give the brief version of my answers to the questions, "What is bisexuality," and "Who is bisexual?"

The first question -what is bisexuality?- is fairly easy in a technical sense. Bisexuality is being sexually aroused by both men and women. In reality, however, the answer is not so simple because of the diverse manifestations of bisexuality. The degree to which bisexuals are attracted to each gender varies from individual to individual. Some are equally attracted to people of either gender, while others are mostly attracted to people of one gender or the other. Many heterosexually-identified people have occasional fantasies about or encounters with members of the same gender. Similarly, many gay men and lesbians do so in regards to members of the opposite gender. The answer is further complicated because this balance

of attractions is not necessarily constant for a particular person. I know bisexuals whose primary attractions have shifted over time from one gender to the other. A friend of mine calls this her "bi-cycle."

How people express their bisexuality is equally diverse. Some people acknowledge their attractions to either gender, but do not act on them. Some are celibate. Others are in monogamous relationships with either same-gender or opposite-gender partners. These relationships are as stable (or unstable) as the monogamous relationships of monosexuals. Others do not act on their bisexuality because they are "politically-queer." They acknowledge attractions to both genders, but act only on their homosexual attractions in protest of our society's predominant. Among those do who act on their bisexuality (which, I believe, is the majority of bisexuals), some have "open" primary relationships with a person of one gender, allowing them to have encounters with people of the other. Still others maintain, when possible, primary relationships with both men and women. This is sometimes referred to as practicing "polyfidelity." And this is only the short list of the ways bisexuality is expressed.

The answer to the second question -who are bisexuals?- is easy. We are diverse. To borrow from another campaign, we are everywhere. We are your friends, co-workers, and neighbors. Our sexuality is only one aspect of ourselves, and we are as varied as the society in which we live. Ironically, this diversity means the question can only be concisely answered by returning to what we are not. We are *not* our stereotypes.



Puppets of Industry will pull *your* strings

The Puppets of Industry, a.k.a. Matthew Adams and Neal Eaton, will bring their performance art to The Edge, Friday, October 28, in a special "Fetish 94" program beginning at 9:00 P.M.

The Puppets will perform "The Penis Box," a celebration of manhood which many will remember from Pride 1993, and "The Unwrapping," from Pride 1994. In addition, there will be a new "fetish" performance and a Fetish Fashion Show. Bootsy Highberry and Alive & Kicking Productions are helping with the event.

Admission costs \$7.00 before 11:00 P.M., \$10 after, with a portion going to Nashville CARES. The Edge is located at 1713 Church Street, next to The World's End.

DIARY

OCTOBER

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Sports and Fitness Network inaugural planning meeting, 7:00 P.M., at the Center, 703 Berry Road.

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Free HIV tests, 8:00 - 10:00 P.M., Gas Lite Lounge, 167 1/2 8th Avenue North. Sponsored by Nashville CARES and Metro Health Department. Details: 385-1510.

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Nashville Women's Alliance Halloween Dance and Costume Contest, 8:30 P.M., 1808 Woodmont Blvd.

Grand Ole Roundup Sober Halloween Dance, Show and Costume Party Fund-raiser, 9:30 P.M., 222 Oriol Ave. Admission \$7.00. Info: 298-4365.

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Ticket sales begin for Country Music CARES. \$20 and \$25 through TicketMaster.

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Partners Network monthly pot-luck for couples, 6:00 P.M.

Room at the Inn planning meeting 2:00 P.M., at The Center, 703 Berry Rd. Details: 322-4692.

NOVEMBER

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Early and Absentee Voting Ends today in Davidson County.

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ArtRageous 7 - Benefit for Nashville CARES at participating local art galleries.

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Election Day. Absentee ballots will be accepted if received by 7:00 A.M.

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Lesbian and Gay Coalition for Justice, General Membership Meeting, 419 Woodland Street, 7:00 P.M. Details: 298-LGCJ.

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Somewhere Over The Rainbow

TRAVEL

What to expect from your gay-friendly travel agent

BY DEBBIE ZIMMERMAN AND DAN SMITH
AMERICAN EXPRESS TRAVEL

You're planning your next vacation and, as you weed through a stack of brochures, you are finding it difficult to make heads or tails on where's the best place to visit, where to stay, what there is to do and getting it all at the best price. Face it, sometimes it can be frustrating choosing between the many option: run of the house vs. oceanview room, European meal plan vs. full American plan, inside cabin vs. outside cabin... With one phone call to a travel agency, you can save both time and money by one-stop shopping for airline tickets, hotel and rental car reservations, cruises, tours, train tickets and current destination information.

Whether you are a seasoned traveller or not, a good travel agent can assist you in planning your next getaway. The cost is often less than if you had called each supplier individually and the agent's services are *free* to you. A large travel company can save you money

because of its tremendous buying power. Other services that full-service travel agents provide include foreign currency exchange, traveler's cheques, 24-hour worldwide customer care, exclusive travel promotions, and individualized service.

Good agents will advise you about travel documents, passports and visa requirements, travel/medical advisories, currency, holidays, and special events. Flight check-in times and luggage limitation should also be discussed. With our past travel experiences, we can often suggest restaurants, museums, cultural activities and shopping tips for your destination.

It is important to find a travel agent who is both knowledgeable and sensitive to the needs of the gay and lesbian traveller, and who will stay updated on the many diverse special

events available to our community. From Provincetown's "Women's Week" to Aspen's "Gay Ski Week," expect your travel agent to help you choose from a variety of gay-friendly accommodations. And, gay-friendly agents won't make you feel uncomfortable with that "twin-bed" problem in reserving your bed and breakfast or luxury resort hotel. Be sure that your agent can book you with tour operators who cater to the gay traveller (by chartering cruise ships or resorts like Club Med for special "gay/lesbian only" week stays), as well as suggest options tailored just for you and your personal vacation preferences.

Some agents have packaged vacation specials which are available exclusively through them. For example, American Express Travel has exclusive "City Escapes" to London (beginning at \$649 per person), Paris

(beginning at \$695 per person) and Rome (beginning at \$799 per person). Each of these packages include round-trip coach class air transportation from Nashville, four nights double accommodations with private bath, half-day city sight-seeing tour, breakfast daily and all hotel taxes and service charges. Extra nights are available on packages such as these at reasonable rates.

We invite you to write to us with your travel questions. In future columns, we will answer questions and share other subjects, such as how to really enjoy a foreign land, dining abroad, choosing a cruise, getting the best airfare and packing tips. Send your questions to: Somewhere Over The Rainbow, c/o American Express Travel, 4400 Harding Rd., Suite 101, Nashville, TN 37205.

CINEMA

Sinking Creek to show several gay films

The country's second oldest film festival, Sinking Creek Film/Video Festival, will exhibit several gay and lesbian films in its 25th annual festival, November 8-13, at Sarratt Cinema on the Vanderbilt campus.

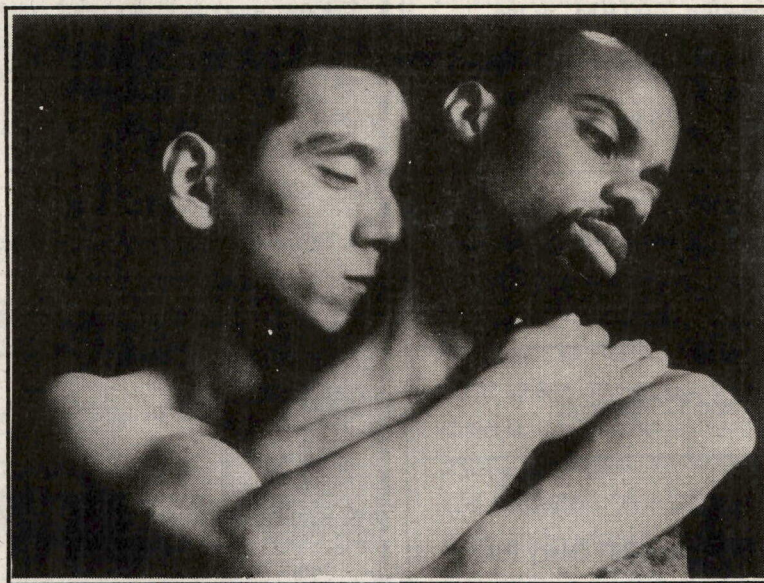
Among the highlights of the festival for gay viewers:

Friday, November 11, 9:30 P.M.

- Filmmaker Ellen Spiro will appear in person with her video, *Greetings from Out Here*, a travelogue of the southern U.S. through a gay camera lens.
- *Glennnda and Camille Do Downtown*, featured at Sundance Film Festival, spotlighting the drag queen persona of filmmaker Glen Belverio and Feminist/Anti-feminist scholar Camille Paglia.
- *Playing the Part*, by lesbian Mitch McCabe, which documents the filmmaker's efforts to come out to her parents.
- *Straight from the Heart*, Diane Mosbacher's moving accounts of parents struggling to reach a new understanding of their lesbian and gay children.

Saturday, November 12, 3:00 P.M.:

- *Thick Lips, Thin Lips*, a musical



Thick Lips Thin Lips, a film by Paul Lee, will be screened at Sinking Creek, November 12.

experimental film by Paul Lee about racism and homophobia.

- *Coming Out Under Fire*, an award-winning film of ten gay and lesbian World War II veterans who tell their stories to filmmaker Arthur Dong.

Festival Director, Meryl Truett, indicated that Sinking Creek has exhibited gay and lesbian titles in each of the past four festivals. Previous winners of Sinking Creek honors include the gay films, *SilverLake Life: The View From Here*, and *Donna's*

Hair Ego, another film by Ellen Spiro.

This year's festival will also highlight various women's issues, with a special presentation at 3:00 P.M., **Wednesday, November 9:**

- *Late Fall*, Jason Kliot's series of dramatic portraits of woman as she struggles to reconcile love, work and money in a hostile environment.
- Claudia Silver's *Kalamazoo*, about a young woman getting over a guy who got over her long ago.
- "I'll Ride That Horse!" / *Montana Women Bronc Riders*, by Doris Loeser, celebrates cowgirls as they tell their stories of the rodeo circuit.
- *Beautiful Piggies*, a self-portrait of a woman, her family and their relationship with food, by Barbara Bader.

In all, Sinking Creek will screen more than 70 films and videos during the six-day event. General public tickets cost \$5.00 for evening shows and \$3.50 for late night or matinee showings at Sarratt Cinema, where tickets are now on sale. For more information, call 322-4234.

SPORTS

October 23 results:

Bowling

SPLASH N SPARE: 3, PUDDYTATS: 1
 WILD STALLIONS: 3, CENSORED: 1
 THE MEN: 3, FISH N TARTAR: 1
 PLANETEERS: 3, PARK RANGERS: 1
 ODD LOT: 3, FAST LANE: 1
 GIVE ME AN S: 3, TEAM 12: 1
 BALL BUSTERS: 3, GASLITE FLAMES: 1
 THE DADDY'S & THE BOYS: 3, BOYS TOYS: 1
 BLIND AMBITION: 4, MISFITS: 0
 WOMEN'S HI GAME & SERIES: BETTY HARPER:
 211, 615
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STANDINGS (W/L):

1. SPLASH N SPARE: 20, 8
2. THE DADDY'S AND THE BOY'S: 19, 9
3. (TIE) BOY TOYS: 18, 10
3. (TIE) PLANETEERS: 18, 10
5. PUDDYTATS: 17, 8
6. WILD STALLIONS: 16, 9
7. FISH N TARTAR: 16, 10
8. GIVE ME AN S: 16, 12
9. ODD LOT: 15, 9
10. THE MEN: 15, 13
11. GASLITE FLAMES: 14, 14
12. (TIE) CENSORED: 12, 16
12. (TIE) BLIND AMBITION: 12, 16
14. PARK RANGERS: 11, 17
15. BALL BUSTERS: 10, 18
16. FAST LANE: 9, 19
17. MISFITS: 8, 20
18. TEAM 12: 2, 14

Volleyball

Volley Frogs 15-9,14-10, Partners' Network
 Volley Frogs 13-15,15-8,15-11, Coalition for
 Justice
 Lady & The Tramps 15-3,15-7, Coalition for
 Justice
 Fed Up 15-7,15-5, Valley Orphans
 Grits 15-7,15-7, Cross Courts
 Aces 15-3,15-2, Olympic Rejects

Standings:

Recreational League:

1. Fed Up, 4-0
2. Volley Frogs, 3-1
3. Lady & The Tramps, 2-1
4. Coalition for Justice, 2-3
5. (TIE) Partner's Network, 0-3
5. (TIE) Volley Orphans, 0-3

Power League:

1. Aces, 4-0
2. (TIE) Grits, 2-2
2. (TIE) Olympic Rejects, 2-2
4. Cross Courts, 0-4

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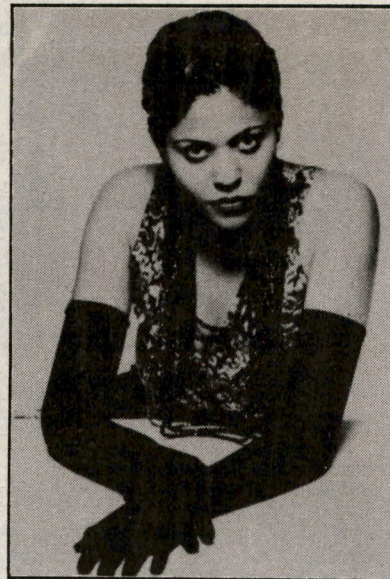
BY MIKHAIL BROWN

Acting on the inspiration triggered by a visit to a psychic advisor, Crystal Waters left her job as a computer technician to follow in the musical footsteps of her aunt, the late Ethel Waters, a renowned jazz singer. In a recent telephone interview, Ms. Waters told XENOGENY, "My mother encouraged me to visit a psychic as I was in a boring, dead-end job with the (Washington) D.C. Board of Paroles. I had laryngitis on the day I visited the psychic and she told me that my future would be changed by my voice. She wasn't sure how, but suggested perhaps a career in public speaking."

That visit to the psychic, and a friend who assisted her in getting a job as a backup singer, laid the groundwork for the release of "Gypsy Woman" and the Top-10 dance smash, "100% Pure Love."

As to the future of dance music, Waters said, "there is a lot of concern in dance music circles about some producers who pay a singer \$100 for a song and then kick her out the door on her butt. They then take that song and remix it over and over. Some producers turn out two or three songs a week like that. Unless more attention is paid to the quality of the releases and to developing the artists, the future looks questionable."

Waters is excited about her upcoming Nashville visit, October 29. "The gay community was the first to embrace Crystal Waters," she said. "I love performing for a gay crowd. They are always ready to party, ready to have a good time, and not afraid to show it. Nashville, prepare to be *Crystallized!*"



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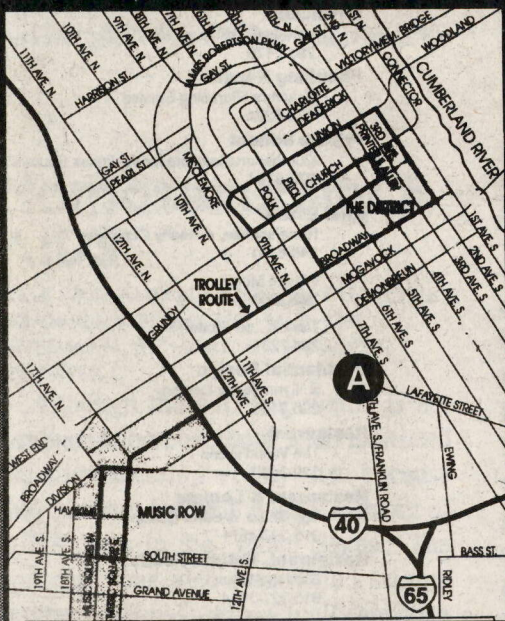
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