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WAR IN BOSNIA

By Gregory Farnum

Serbs have captured about 70 percent of Bosnia during an 8-month-old war that has killed more than 14,000 people. Croats control most of the remaining territory, and Muslims, who make up about 43 percent of the 4 million people, have almost no land left.

—Associated Press, Nov. 19

Prior to this year most Americans knew Bosnia—to the extent they knew it at all—as the place where World War I started. Bosnia has since moved from the history books to the news, as a shaky alliance of Bosnian Muslims and Croats seeks to hold off well-armed Serbian forces in the latest and most savage chapter of the Yugoslavian civil war. Though the flood of TV and press coverage of the Bosnian conflict has exposed the world to new terms like "ethnic cleansing," as well as the seemingly ageless phenomena of religious persecution and mass murder, it has done little to clarify the origins of the war or the passions that fuel it.

To understand the forces set loose by the dissolution of Yugoslavia, it's first necessary to look at the forces that led to its creation. Most Yugoslavs are descendants of South Slav tribes that migrated to the Balkan region of southeastern Europe in the sixth and seventh centuries. The tribes shared a common culture, worshipped the same Slavic gods, and spoke a common language. Separated by mountainous terrain, their common heritage began to break down. Political, cultural, and linguistic differences grew as various regions developed in relative isolation from one another.

By the tenth century, five major nationalities had emerged from this process of differentiation: Serbs, Croats, Slovenes, Montenegrins, and Macedonians. The two largest and most powerful, the Serbs and Croats, were very similar in language and culture but differed in one key respect: religion. The Croats were Catholic, while the Serbs adhered to the Eastern Orthodox church. This was a source of friction between the two groups then, and remains so to this day.

At about this time the state of Bosnia, which was later united with the small neighboring state of Herzegovina, was founded by Serb noblemen. The new state was soon at odds with both Serbia and Croatia, though, because of its leader's adherence to the Bogomils sect. This mystical, ascetic Christian cult was accepted by large numbers of Bosnian nobles and peasants, who were

branded as heretics by both the Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches. The Catholic church was particularly energetic in its efforts to exterminate the heresy—and the heretics—by fire and sword.

In the 15th century Serbia and Bosnia were conquered by the Muslim Turks. Many Bosnians converted to their conquerors' religion. In return, they were awarded a privileged status, while Bosnian Serbs and Croats who held fast to Christianity were treated as subject peoples.

Under the communist regime established by Marshall Tito in 1946, Yugoslavia became a federation of six republics: Serbia, Croatia, Slovenia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, and Macedonia, each of which exercised a measure of local control under the watchful eye of the central government.

Open expressions of rival nationalisms and religious conflicts were suppressed, but the underlying passions never disappeared. In the late 1960s, the high point in Yugoslavia's efforts to become a modern, pan-national state, the communist boss of Serbia's Vojvodina region admitted that the nationalities question was "eternally present." At the end of the 1980s, the Yugoslav communist party's grip on power weakened and old rivalries began to reassert themselves.

In 1991, prompted in part by concern over growing Serb nationalism, Slovenia became the first republic to secede from Yugoslavia. Aided by their rugged Alpine terrain, the Slovenians defeated the Yugoslav army in a short, fierce struggle and secured their independence.

Following Slovenia's secession, Croatia declared its independence. War followed almost immediately. The struggle there has been longer, less conclusive, and more brutal than the fight in Slovenia, in part because Serbs make up 11 percent of Croatia's population.

As Croatia moved toward independence, the Croatian Serbs, equipped with weapons supplied by the Serb-dominated Yugoslav army, formed militias and began taking control of the areas where they formed a majority. The Croatian Serbs claimed that these militias were formed for self-defense, and initially there was some justification for that claim.

During World War II the Germans and Italians set up a puppet government in Croatia under a Croatian fascist party known as Ustasi. Along with helping the Nazis hunt down and kill Jews, the Ustasi regime killed hundreds of thousands of Serbs and converted others to Catholicism at gunpoint. For

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Rescued House Ready for Occupation

By Michael Appel

Three years after the Homeless Action Committee (HAC) occupied two vacant homes at the corner of William St. and Ashley St. in downtown Ann Arbor, six units of low-income housing are ready for occupancy—a direct result of HAC's activity. Laura Dresser, a HAC activist who helped squat the homes, points to the new William St. apartments as "an example of what happens when the community puts pressure on politicians and businesses." The six efficiency apartments are located in a third building (which had tenants at the time of the HAC squats) from that same corner, which was moved across the street rather than demolished to expand the "Kline's" parking lot.

The apartments were renovated and will be managed by Avalon Housing, a new local low-income housing development organization. Avalon brought together the Michigan Housing Trust Fund, the Downtown Development Authority, the City of Ann Arbor, and three local banks—First of America, Society and NBD—to finance the project. Avalon also owns and manages thirteen units of single room and one-bedroom rental housing on N. Main St. and is negotiating to purchase, rehabilitate and manage additional properties.

Beginning in 1988, the Homeless Action Committee used the slogan "House People, Not Cars" to focus public attention on the plan to build a parking structure at the corner of William and Ashley, a plan which threatened three residential structures on the site. HAC regularly picketed and twice occupied the then-smaller surface parking lot behind Kline's department store, contending that the proposed parking symbolized how the city favored business development at the expense of low-income housing.

In November 1989, with plans to demolish the buildings imminent, HAC began the first squat in a privately-owned, vacant, single-family structure on Ashley. Nicknamed "Day One" by its occupants, who lived there using kerosene heaters and without water, the house quickly attracted public attention. The squat lasted a year, despite the lack of basic utilities. HAC voluntarily left the house when it was sold to the city by the owner and, because of its structural problems, the city had it demolished.

In April 1990, HAC members increased the pressure on the city by moving two homeless families into one of the other two structures, a duplex on William St. which the city had already purchased. In the negotiations that followed, HAC continued to criticize the parking structure planned for the Kline's lot and refused to end the squat until the city addressed the need for low-income housing. HAC's refusal to leave undermined a previous city council compromise to contribute money to a low-income housing fund, but still build the parking structure.

The stand-off over housing and the debate over the necessity of the proposed multifloor parking structure became key city issues. Just before the April 1991 city elections, city council and HAC reached a new agreement that would have saved the two remaining houses by moving them, but still funded construction of the parking structure.

In the April 1991 elections, housing, parking and the Kline's lot remained central issues. Democrat Liz Brater was elected Mayor, along with a Democratic council majority, and the plans for a parking structure were soon downsized to an expanded surface lot.

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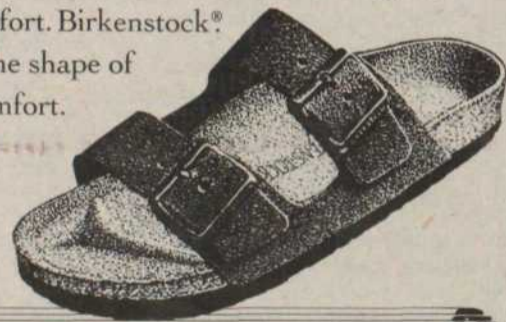
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Ahmad Abdur-Rahman Freed

On Wed., Nov. 25, Ahmad Abdur-Rahman, one of the world's longest-held political prisoners, walked out of Lakeland Men's Facility at Coldwater. His sentence was commuted by Governor Engler, thus ending 21 years, 7 months and 2 weeks of imprisonment.

Abdur-Rahman, an AGENDA contributor, was convicted of a murder that he didn't commit, under a law which was declared unconstitutional in 1980. He went to prison as a young Black Panther after participating in an ill-fated raid on an alleged dope house, in which he was set up by a police agent.

Winter Clothing Give Away

Need some warm winter gear? Then come to the Bryant Community Center, on Dec. 11 from 9 am to 1 pm, at 3 West Eden Court in Ann Arbor. There will be a give-away of winter coats, sweaters, gloves and other warm apparel. Donations are also welcome! For more information call the community center at 994-2722.

Pornography vs. Censorship

On Fri., Dec. 4 and Sat., Dec. 5 at 8 pm in the U-M Nat. Sci. Auditorium, the Ann Arbor Film Cooperative will show artist Carol Jacobsen's video program, "porn'im'age'ry: Picturing Prostitutes." This program symbolizes a deep rift among feminists—and in society—over pornography and censorship.

The videos were originally included in a symposium entitled "Prostitution: From Academia to Activism," which was sponsored by the Michigan Journal of Gender and Law and the U-M Law School—but were removed when some symposium members complained that they were offensive.

The Film Co-op will present all of the symposium videos, including Jacobsen's "Sex Street," plus videos made by prostitutes in New York City and San Francisco. Admission is \$2. For more information call 769-7787.

Friendshipment Arrives in Cuba

After confrontation and negotiation at the U.S.-Mexico border, the U.S.-Cuba Friendship caravan left the U.S. with aid for Cuba. The group, including Ann Arbor residents Andrea Walsh and Ken Polsky, was warmly welcomed in Mexico and Cuba. The supplies, minus confiscated medicines and computers, were delivered to Cuban churches.

The caravan visited 90 U.S. cities, collecting powdered milk, medicine, Bibles and bicycles. Some 100 drivers traveling eight routes converged in Laredo, Texas on Nov. 17.

The Friendshipment was initially stopped at the border by U.S. customs agents and Mexican police. In protest, eight caravan members walked across the bridge carrying wheelchairs, crutches and school supplies. Several were arrested, including Rev. Lucius Walker, Jr., Executive Director of the Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization/Pastors for Peace, the Friendshipment's sponsor. However, those arrested were released and the caravan was allowed to proceed.

Friendshipment organizers demand an end to the U.S. embargo against Cuba and normalization of U.S.-Cuban relations. Walsh and Polsky will speak about the Friendshipment at 8 pm on Wed., Dec. 7 in the Michigan Union, at a Latin American Solidarity Committee meeting. (see CALENDAR for details.)

AIDS Quilt on Display

A portion of The Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt will be on display at two locations in early December. Six panels will be displayed Nov. 30 through Dec. 4 at

EMU's McKenny Union. Sixteen panels can be seen Dec. 7 and 8 in the lobby of Washtenaw Community College's Towsley Auditorium. For more information call 764-7544.

Alternative Holiday Fair

Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice and the First Baptist Church are sponsoring the Alternative Holiday Fair on Sun. Dec. 6 from 3-7 pm. Peruse items offered for sale by a wide range of Ann Arbor non-profit and social change groups. Support these groups while you do your holiday shopping! (For AGENDA's holiday shopping alternative, see p. 8-9.) For more information call 663-1870.

Needed: Civilian Observers in Haiti

Delegations will visit Haiti Dec. 10-17 and Jan. 3-10 as part of an ongoing effort to document human rights abuses by the military regime that overthrew President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. Observers, who can sign up for shorter or longer periods, will travel in groups and receive instruction in investigating rights violations. The approximate cost is \$460-\$500 for air fare and \$60 per day. If interested, call Bryan Wharram at 971-8582 or Cecilia Green at 662-5668. Contributions may be sent to the Haiti Solidarity Group, c/o Cecilia Green, 336 E. Washington Street #2, Ann Arbor, MI 48104.

Good News for News Junkies

If you happen to be a die-hard news junkie, you probably know that, until recently, the only way to catch BBC news broadcasts—some of the most in-depth coverage in the world—was with a short wave radio or by listening to it in Arabic. Well if you are sick of NPR, or want more than the half-hour daily Pacifica broadcast on WCBN, you can now listen to two hours of BBC news, five days a week, in English!

The Arab Network of America, which broadcasts locally through WNZK (690 AM) in Dearborn Heights, recently began carrying BBC news in English, in addition to the Arabic translation of the program. Tune into 690 AM at 8 am or 4 pm, Monday through Friday, for an hour of world news.

Homeless Families Program Begins

The Interfaith Hospitality Network of Washtenaw County has begun a new program to provide temporary shelter for homeless families. The Network consists of 12 local congregations, assisted by volunteers from other congregations. Each congregation houses up to five families for a week at a time, approximately four times a year. Families get an evening meal, fellowship time, a warm place to sleep, breakfast, and sack lunches for the next day. They are taken to the Ann Arbor Y each day for shower and laundry facilities, day care for young children, and a base from which to seek housing and jobs.

The Network needs volunteer drivers (chauffeur's license required), social workers and money. To volunteer, contact Ginger Austin at 434-6269. Mail donations to The Interfaith Hospitality Network, P.O. Box 7538, Ann Arbor, MI 48107.

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El Salvador's Fragile Peace

Interview with Kurt Berggren

Kurt Berggren, an Ann Arbor attorney and activist, was part of a National Lawyers Guild delegation which visited El Salvador the last two weeks in October. The visit coincided with the time for the final measures called for in peace accords, but the deadline for implementation was extended to Dec. 15. Peace talks began in April, 1990. The agreement ending El Salvador's 12-year long civil war was signed on Jan. 1 of this year. What follows is taken from an interview of Berggren by AGENDA editor Phillis Engelbert.

What did you do when you were in El Salvador and with whom did you meet?

We were there to see whether or not the peace accords were being followed and if not, why not. We were also taking a close look at the judicial system. Interestingly enough, we were able to see practically anybody we wanted to.

We met with the leader of the ARENA party [the right-wing ruling party], Calderon Sol, the mayor of San Salvador. He will probably be the ARENA presidential candidate in 1994.

We also met with Ruben Zamora, the leader of the opposition, who had come back from his exile in Mexico. And we met with the five FMLN [rebel army] comandantes and spent the night at an FMLN camp where people were waiting to be demobilized.

We met with members of the Supreme Court and judges from across the country. We went to the prison and talked with political prisoners, and we talked with a number of lawyers about the judicial system.

We talked with a number of people from human rights organizations, including the people responsible for bringing attention to the massacre at El Mozote [in which the army murdered some 1,000 peasants]. We talked with people who were there at El Mozote, who were unearthing the remains. We also talked to the human rights ombudsman, whose office was created pursuant to the peace accords.

We met with politicians, the chief of military intelligence and several military

people. We met with people from the United Nations, people at the U.S. Embassy, and people at the university. We met with several people who were researching human rights violations, including former Ann Arbor resident Patrick Ball.

To what extent had the peace accords been implemented during your visit to El Salvador?

The deadline had to be extended because the requirements of the agreements had not been met on both sides. The FMLN was supposed to have demobilized 100% as of Oct. 31. As it turned out, they were only 60% demobilized and had not re-integrated the other 40% of their forces into the population. This is because the government had not done the things that it was supposed to do. Through the U.N., the deadline was extended from Oct. 31 to Dec. 15. The various actions that had to be accomplished were given new deadlines in that time frame.

For the government's part, the most brutal of the armed forces battalions were to be disbanded and completely demobilized prior to Oct. 31. That had not been done. Four or five such battalions had not been demobilized, the worst of which was the Atlacatl Battalion. That is the battalion that killed the six Jesuit priests and the two women at the University of Central America. It's the same battalion that in Dec. 1981 committed the massacre at El Mozote, which is now being excavated.

There's a commission of three people called the Ad Hoc Commission. Their job was to go through the dossiers of all the top military people and make recommendations by mid-September to Salvadoran President Cristiani and U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali. They identified those suspected of human rights violations and recommended they be purged from the army. It was a private report that was made to just those two people, but the word in El Salvador, on the street, is that there are a lot of prominent people in the military on that list. For example, Ponce, the chief defense minister and top general, is on that list. Seven of the

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Kudos on Election Coverage

I am a long-time AGENDA supporter but wanted to single out your recent election coverage for special commendation. Eric Jackson's "Voting for Judges" (Oct. 1992) was an excellent guide to the judicial races, many of which were tough choices this year. By giving candidate strengths and weaknesses without endorsements, he allowed each reader to choose based on his or her own priorities.

"AGENDA's Poll Picks" (Nov. 1992) was both comprehensive and perceptive and a tremendous asset for those who were not able to study the entire ballot. I really liked the way you stratified the different races, with endorsements ranging from very strong support to "none of the above." Many progressive people and publications totally ignore elections because of their obvious limitations. But most of us end up voting most of the time anyway and your articles struck a realistic balance. I have heard supportive comments from others about the election coverage also. Hopefully such coverage can be a regular feature for future electoral cycles. Keep up the good work!

Jeff Alson
Ann Arbor

HOUSING (FROM PAGE ONE)

The Shelter Association of Ann Arbor responded to the city's request for proposals to rehabilitate and manage the two structures on their new sites. "We had tried several other approaches to obtaining affordable, permanent housing for our clients," says Jean Summerfield, director of the Shelter Association, "and none worked. We decided that direct ownership and development was the way to go." The two-family structure was moved to an empty lot on Ashley, but had to be moved again when soil contamination was found, making the site unsuitable for a residential building. It was sold to a private family and now sits on a lot on Miner St. on the city's west side.

The six-unit building was moved across the street and rehabilitation work commenced. The Shelter Association created Avalon Housing, a separate non-profit corporation, to oversee the project and, most importantly, to facilitate continued low-income housing development. Avalon, like the Shelter, is particularly committed to housing those least likely to find adequate housing: minimum-wage workers, persons with disabilities and those on low, fixed incomes. "The William St. project is an important step in meeting the housing needs of persons with the lowest incomes in our community," says Carole McCabe, director of Avalon. "Avalon is excited to be part of the movement to end homelessness which, to be successful like this project, must include diverse parts of our community."

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Salvadoran army's eight generals are also rumored to be on that list, as are about 100 colonels.

Cristiani was supposed to have implemented the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Commission, which he hasn't done. There was something in the paper the other day saying he will do it by mid-December. It's going to be a very difficult thing because he's being pushed by the right and threatened with a military coup. He's in a very precarious position. This means that the peace accords may never get implemented. Those battalions are now supposed to be disbanded by the Dec. 15 deadline. But there's a lot of talk and there's a lot of fear among the people in El Salvador that the military will not tolerate this and are prepared to take over.

There is also a lot of distrust, particularly by the FMLN. The FMLN is in a very difficult position because they're being told by Cristiani and the government: "you, the FMLN, are not abiding by the Peace Accords because you haven't demobilized. You haven't turned in all your arms. And because you haven't done that, we, the government, aren't going to do what we're supposed to do." The FMLN knows that if they turn in all their arms, and then the government doesn't do what it's supposed to do, they're in a pretty precarious position—particularly when you look at the recent history in El Salvador. The political environment is permeated by militarism and death squads. With that kind of atmosphere, it's hard to just turn in all your arms and trust that these people who have a history of killing people, are going to treat you nicely.

In the peace accords there's also a general provision for the reformation of the judicial system, which is a notoriously corrupt system. The president of the Supreme Court in El Salvador, Mauricio Gutierrez Castro, is that country's most powerful person. He appoints and controls every judge in the country, which means that there is a political litmus test. Every judge in the country is an ARENA judge. Whatever the president of the Supreme Court, it will be imposed. As a result, soldiers are almost never brought to trial. The only trial the military has ever had was the trial over the murder of the six Jesuits, and that was only because of pressure from the United States. All of those folks got off, with the exception of the colonel, even though they had all made confessions.

I understand that in addition to the Ad Hoc Commission, the Truth Commission was also created out of the Peace Accords. Will you talk about the Truth Commission?

The Truth Commission is made up of three people: Belisario Betancur, former president of Colombia; Reynaldo Figueredo, former Foreign Minister of Venezuela; and Thomas Buergenthal, international jurist and professor at Georgetown University. Their

job was to investigate all the allegations of terrible things that have happened—the massacres, the disappearances, the death squads—over the 12-year civil war. They had a deadline of Oct. 31 to gather their material. They now have until mid-January to write their report.

Their report will be a telling of the truth. For example, the El Mozote massacre will be a prominent part of their report. The killing of the Jesuits will as well, with many other things. They have no power to bring any of the people to trial. They have no power even to recommend actions. They have no power other than to state what took place. I think the underlying rationale is that it will cause a catharsis, and hopefully with this on the table, Salvadoran society will be able to do a primal scream and maybe go on to something positive, having this behind them.

What are your general impressions of Salvadoran society?

On Oct. 31, the day before I left El Salvador, there was a huge FMLN-sponsored march and rally in San Salvador. There were probably as many as 100,000 people. It was an all-day event with speeches and dancing. In the days preceding, Cristiani had made some statements that indicated that he was being pushed pretty hard from the right and the peace accords might break down entirely. The purpose of this rally and march was to tell Cristiani that the government had to abide by the peace accords. The Salvadoran people have been at war for so long and they just want peace so much that they're willing to make any kind of sacrifice to get it.

El Salvador is totally socialized in terms of the death squad, military mentality. It's not a society where political compromise is part of the mentality. As Ruben Zamora put it, probably the most difficult thing for the Salvadoran society to accept is that one side that's in power doesn't use its power to be totally in control and crush its opponents. The goal is to be able to move from that position, which is the history of El Salvador, to a participatory democracy where there is compromise. There is no historical background for that way of approaching problems. Sharing power is going to be the most difficult thing, particularly in the military. The military runs El Salvador and always has.

What do you feel are the prospects for peace and justice in El Salvador?

When I look at the military and realize the way those people think, I'm scared to death that they will never allow the completion of the peace process. They feel that the government and Cristiani sold out the military by even agreeing to the peace accords.

Salvadorans have had peace since the beginning of this year—almost a full year now. People are beginning to see what it's like. They're cautiously optimistic. I'm cautiously optimistic, too.



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many Serbs, the rhetoric and symbols employed by president Franjo Tudjman and his Croatian Democratic party are frighteningly similar to those used by the Ustasi regime.

Fighting began in Croatia in June, 1991, and the Yugoslav army and its militia allies quickly seized a large section of the country. The Serb militias started forcibly evicting Croats from areas where Serbs lived—the beginning of the policy that has come to be known as ethnic cleansing. This horror was compounded by mass executions of prisoners and civilians. Though both sides were implicated, most of these atrocities seem to have been committed by Serbs against Croats.

By early 1992 the Croatian war had worn down to a stalemate, and repeated U.N.-brokered cease-fire agreements finally began to hold. Serb forces held about one-third of Croatia, but the Croatian government survived the onslaught and secured its independence. Though from time to time sporadic fighting still erupts, both Croats and Serbs have turned their attention to the newest front in this multi-sided civil war: Bosnia.

Bosnia-Herzegovina was the only Yugoslav republic where no single ethnic or religious group comprised a majority. Its 1991 census reported a total population of 4,355,000, of whom 1,905,000 were Muslims, 1,364,000 Serbs, and 752,000 Croats. It was also the place where the enforced "brotherhood and unity" of the communist regime had actually won a measure of acceptance in the hearts of the people.

"Bosnia was the kernel of the very idea of Yugoslavia," wrote journalist Ines Sabalic in 1991. "When you came for a visit, your host would take you for a walk in the streets of Sarajevo and say: 'See how many nations there are living side by side? Muslims, Serbs, Croats, Jews—we all live together, in brotherhood and unity. We are a small Yugoslavia here.'"

In November of 1990, to preserve that "small Yugoslavia" as the larger nation was beginning to break up, Bosnia established a seven-member collective presidency. "In the presidency," explained Mohamed Sacirbej, Bosnia-Herzegovina's ambassador to the United Nations, "we have two Muslims, two Croats, two Serbs, and one 'Yugoslav' because we want to

recognize that in our republic, besides Serbs, Croats, and Muslims, we do have others too, and we give them representation in our presidency."

Because Muslims constitute the largest group in the republic, a Muslim, Alija Izetbegovic, was chosen to lead the collective presidency. Jure Relivan, a Croat, was picked as prime minister, and the post of leader of parliament was given to a Serb.

In late February of this year, that carefully crafted arrangement began to fall apart. Bosnians went to the polls to vote on independence. The Muslim and Croat communities supported independence, while Serbs opposed it and boycotted the voting. Serbs began fighting soon after the referendum was approved.

The fight has been spearheaded by the Yugoslav army, aided by Bosnian Serb militias armed and equipped by the Yugoslav army and the Serbian government. "The Serbian [militia] units in Bosnia would be unable to function without money, ammunition, spare parts, and oil they receive from Serbia," said Sacirbej.

Except in the immediate vicinity of the capital, Sarajevo, the lightly armed Muslims have been unable to stand against the Serbian tanks and heavy artillery. Bosnian Croat forces, aided by the Croatian government, fared slightly better. By late October, however, the Serbian and Croatian governments reportedly agreed to carve up Bosnia, and the Bosnian Croat militias stopped cooperating with the government in Sarajevo.

By early November the Bosnian government controlled the capital of Sarajevo, but little else. Ethnic cleansing continued as Serb fighters drove Muslims from their homes, either into exile or concentration camps. Evidence of the wholesale execution of Bosnian Muslims by Serb gunmen continued to surface. Despite repeated cease-fires arranged by the U.N., Sarajevo was subjected to almost daily shelling by Yugoslav and Serb artillery.

The U.N. brokered cease-fires, arranged food and medicine deliveries to Sarajevo, organized peace conferences, decreed U.N. control over Serb artillery and ordered Yugoslav planes out of Bosnian airspace, all with little effect. "We have at the present time a situation similar to what we had in the mid-thirties when we had the League of Nations," said Sacirbej. "They had debates and resolutions, but the

Germans and Italians didn't pay attention. Definitely Serbia is not the size of Germany and Italy but it is a similar situation because we have resolutions of the Security Council and the General Assembly, the Serbs formally agree, but they never carry them out, they are never implemented." He added that "there is no one with will-power who will hold them accountable if they do not implement what they agree to."

Other than statements about human rights abuses, the U.S. government has taken a hands-off approach. The Bush administration is unwilling to involve itself in a problem resistant to quick and dramatic Gulf War-type solutions. Talk of "no more Vietnams" and not getting involved in a "quagmire" was heard from administration types. The Bosnian problem was reduced to a question of whether or not to send in the Marines.

Though some Western voices call for military intervention, the Bosnian government has not asked for it. Instead, they ask for a repeal of the U.N. arms embargo to the region. The Serb forces have the Yugoslav army's ample stock of weaponry at their disposal, while the Bosnians are unable to procure any arms except those purchased on the black market or smuggled in from sympathetic Muslim nations.

"At the present time it is cheap to kill Bosnian government supporters," said Sacirbej. "If we have enough arms we can defend ourselves, then killing us will be expensive, and it will lead to peace."

Economic sanctions against Serbia are another approach to ending the fighting. The U.N. has already decreed such sanctions, but they are not enforced. Goods flow freely to Serbia through cash-hungry Romania and impoverished Macedonia. Making sanctions work would mean compensating these fragile economies for the losses they would incur from sealing off their borders with Serbia. It would cost the West money, but not lives. Of course, innocent Serbians would suffer if their economy collapsed. Humanitarian shipments of food and medicine could ease their burden as Serbian factories, trucks, and tanks ground to a halt. It's not a perfect solution, but it is one that would work if the U.S. and other western governments energetically supported it.

Though the immediate goal is to stop the fighting before Bosnia's suffering reaches World War II proportions, a simple cessation of hostilities will not put things right. After the shooting, "brotherhood and unity" may seem like a simple-minded slogan to survivors who experienced combat, concentration camps and murder.

After the war, said Bosnian Liberal Party leader Rasim Kadic in an interview with the Eastern European Reporter, "Those who survive will be left in a miserable country scarred by poverty. From the political point of view, a combination of the national emotions provoked by the current situation and the enormous quantity of weapons in this area will breed violence long into the future: terrorism, guerilla fighting, murder.... It's sad because Bosnia-Herzegovina once had a future. But now that has been destroyed. After the war there will be very little democracy in this country, and that's what I fear most."

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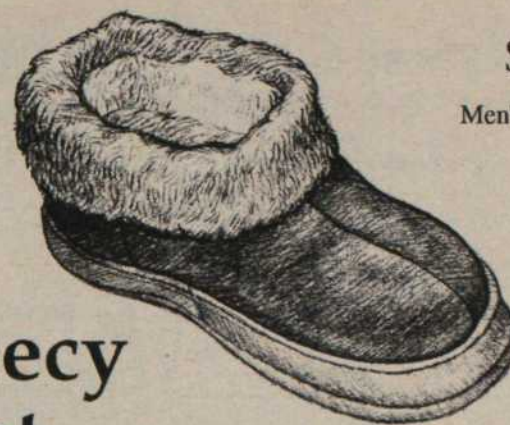
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HEALTH

An Every-Woman's Health Guide for the 90's

Book Review: "The New Our Bodies, Ourselves
Updated and Expanded for the 1990's"
(Simon & Schuster, Inc., 1992)

By Lynden Kelly

In 1973 the Boston Women's Health Book Collective released a book that revolutionized the way women think about their health and their bodies. It was first updated in 1984, and now "Our Bodies, Ourselves" has been made even better. "The New Our Bodies, Ourselves—Updated and Expanded for the 1990's" is an indispensable resource for anyone interested in up-to-the-minute information and discussion of women's health care issues. Seeking a birth control method? Look it up. Baffled about menopause and the aging process? Read about it. Have questions about your prescription medication? Take this book (and its guidance) with you when you visit your doctor.

The purpose of the book was originally, and continues to be, to bring both personal and political analysis to health, doctors, science, disease, the business of medicine, and the patient-caregiver relationship. The new edition incorporates recent advances in the study of women's health. For instance, there is now a whole section on AIDS and HIV infection. The abortion section includes a thorough look at new birth control methods, including RU-486. Political and legal developments regarding abortion are updated through the Casey decision (which allowed states to legislate restrictions on abortion in July). More sexually transmitted diseases are identified and described, along with methods of protection from them. The pregnancy and childbearing sections have been revised to more thoroughly address midwifery, concerns of women with disabilities, and nutrition during pregnancy. The section on "Lesbian Life" emphasizes support for women who are "coming out."

The Boston Women's Health Book Collective grew out of a 1969 women's conference. At a discussion called "Women and Their Bodies," the women present realized they actually had very little information about the subject. They expressed frustration at the condescending, paternalistic, non-informative "care" they received from the medical establishment. Their discussion grew into a summer project, in which several women researched exercise, nutrition, violence against women, sexuality, pregnancy, cancer, hysterectomy, diabetes, arthritis, breast cancer, lupus, hypertension, and more. Calling themselves The Boston Women's Book Collective, they eventually published their findings in book form. Throughout each edition, the collective stresses that, "Above all, we want to encourage women to get together—to meet, talk and listen to each other."

The newly updated "Our Bodies, Ourselves" is divided into seven chapters: "Taking Care of Ourselves," "Relationships and Sexuality," "Controlling Our Fertility," "Childbearing," "Women Growing Older," "Some Common and Uncommon Medical Problems," and "Women and the Medical System."

The chapter "Taking Care of Ourselves" is an overview of health maintenance. It covers body image, nutrition, exercise, tobacco and alcohol, prescription mood-altering drugs, environmental and occupational hazards, and violence against women. The book suggests asking your doctor specific questions about prescription drugs. What is it for? How does it work? What are the risks? Are there herbal alternatives? The chapter

discusses treatments such as holistic health practices and psychotherapy, along with the more traditional methods.

The need to become more comfortable with our physical selves is also emphasized. Besides improving one's body image, the authors discuss the physical benefits of exercise. For those who do not exercise regularly, the authors recommend undertaking an activity that looks like fun and to do it together with a non-jock like yourself.

The "Controlling Our Fertility" and "Childbearing" chapters explain the anatomy and physiology of reproduction. Pregnancy is thoroughly discussed, both from the point of view of being wanted and unwanted. There is a discussion of adoption and abortion as well as information on reproductive technologies, each trimester of pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum. There is also a section on infertility and pregnancy loss. As in other chapters, both physical and emotional changes and concerns are emphasized.

Birth control methods from Norplant to coitus interruptus—and the pros and cons of each—are discussed. Readers are given the costs as well, both philosophical and literal. For instance, Norplant and IUDs are talked about in terms of control, since they must be inserted and removed by a practitioner. "As such," they say, "the method may be misused as a tool of social control over women." It is also noted that in late 1991, Wyeth-Ayerst, the U.S. distributor of Norplant charged \$350 for a set. In contrast, U.S. Agency for International Development purchases Norplant for Third World use for \$23 a set from a Finnish distributor.

The chapter on "Women Growing Older" looks at life changes starting in the middle years and continuing until death. These include physical and psychological consequences, as well as societal problems such as poverty and lack of access to quality medical care. (The Book Collective has published an entire book on the subject: "Ourselves Growing Older.")

The authors point out that older women often face both sexism and ageism in their dealings with the medical establishment. They warn that physicians commonly treat the health problems of older women as neurotic or imagined. Thus older women often face misdiagnosis and an overprescription of drugs. "As one nurse put it: 'When a man complains of dizziness he gets a workup; an older woman gets Valium.'"

Members of the Book Collective encourage readers to organize. They advocate sharing health skills with others, fighting for medical rights, opposing unjustified medical interventions, and working to prevent multi-national corporations from dumping unsafe products—whether they be infant formula or psychoactive drugs—on the rest of the world.

"The New Our Bodies Ourselves—Updated and Expanded for the 90's" is the most inclusive place to look for information

on women's health care issues. If there is a health question this book does not answer, one may write to the collective at the Women's Health Information Center, P.O. Box 192, West Somerville, MA 02144.

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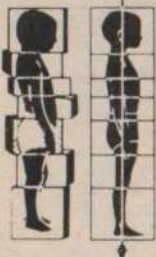
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Ruminations of a Radio Therapist



By Arwulf Arwulf

In 1969 my family lived in a shoebox with a roof on it, near Miller and Maple. It was a sordid existence...

Steps were taken in order to brighten it: I used Audubon bird charts, Donovan records, Longfellow's poetry and marijuana from Togo, West Africa. I had older siblings who limbered up the town for me, and at twelve years of age I soon began to wander the streets of Ann Arbor, where more often than not, I discovered people who already seemed to know who I was. It took me a few months to digest Main Street, which was like a Twilight Zone location shot back then. Bravely exploring to the East, I soon felt the atmosphere growing more hip with each step.

The U-M Diag was an open city in those days. People with amazing outfits and shaggy manes wandered or roosted, pounding drums or silently puffing hash pipes while poring over antique books. A walk through campus meant you would have numerous opportunities to alter your consciousness. And it didn't even occur to me that anyone paid money for get-highs; LSD in particular was handed out free. The Tenants Union took its cause to the center of the Diag, pitching tents and passing big fat greasy joints round huge bonfires at midnight. You couldn't pull that off so easily nowadays.

I have a concise memory of the anti-war moratorium of October 15, 1969. We skipped school to attend the rallies. We trod the autumn turf of the Diag in our cowboy boots and denim jackets. From a hand-held cassette player boomed a stark bass line: the opening section of "Good Times, Bad Times." It was the first time I'd ever heard Led Zeppelin. (Why did they bother making any more albums after the first? It's been downhill ever since).

Speeches were in progress on the steps of the Grad Library, replete with Viet Cong flags and long banners with painted slogans. Hundreds of crosses were stuck in the ground in honor of the war dead. I straightened some which had toppled. And we made our way over to William Street and found a double row lined up for free, slightly hard apple cider at Mark's Coffee House, which for us was the main stop downtown.

Mark's existed in a space below what is now a pinball and video arcade, on William near Maynard. It was wonderfully stoic, with old wooden tables and chairs, and a cast of characters which never failed to fascinate and inspire me. I'd save lunch money and hit Mark's after school, scoring a large bag of peanuts on the way which I would share with the speed freaks. One little peanut could keep an amphetamine bum busy for a long time. Mark's served good food; I discovered how fulfilling a bagel with cream cheese and a mug of *Constant Comment* tea could be.

It was in the dingy little bathroom at Mark's that I first saw the magnitude of America's graffiti. I grew up on an atmosphere of open dialogue, much of it written on aged plaster walls. I found a button which said "Join the Conspiracy." I pinned it to my denim, wanting very much to be a member of the Conspiracy. Today I feel very much the same way, and invite everyone to participate.

The scene at Mark's Coffee House engendered these sensibilities. Conversations were charged with brilliant new realities. Older kids gave me important tips on how to conduct myself: Never sass a cop. Beware of bad dope. Smash the State. Don't get caught. Don't smoke Winstons, they taste like piss. All of this was

vital and stimulating. We never ran out of things to tell each other. But I guess we were loud, as young people have to be; I bet we made some noise.

The older crowd, that is college age and older, eventually made a bit of a fuss about the throngs of junior and senior high schoolers who jammed into Mark's, making it nearly impossible to concentrate while studying. Boy can I relate to that today.

It was in Mark's that I first saw the legendary Mr. Spooner, who for many years has spent most of his time in the Del Rio Bar, drinking soda water and offering strange advice. Spooner in 1969 was easy to spot, as he occupied a table near the front door of Mark's, deftly assembling an entire outfit out of brightly colored yarns. His work was widely admired, and rightly so.

They had a table at Mark's devoted to poetry periodicals and film schedules, which I collected and still look at to this day. The 16 Millimeter Film Festival first came to my attention at Mark's. The place was a focal point for cultural enrichment and creative dissent. Today's coffee shops are a good thing, but they're all impossibly slick by comparison. This was a coffee house of an older and more earthy nature, descended from earlier decades full of earlier alternatives.

One day, Mark's was gone. I never found out why, and I don't care. Ask someone who knows. I do know that soon there appeared in that space a remarkable alternative cinema calling itself the Matrix Theatre. This was a logical/illogical extension of the mighty, anarchic campus movie scene, which I'll dwell on in some future article. The Matrix showed films like *Skidoo*, a sixties inanity starring Carol Channing, which featured a great scene with Jackie Gleason, in prison, on acid. I'm not making this up.

On the walls of the Matrix were a collection of painted wooden masks, illuminated by keen little spotlights, very stunning. I was fortunate enough to have spent some time with the artist who created those masks. His name was José, and he lived at one of the Rainbow houses on Hill Street. He was tall, descended from indigenous South American Indians, with long black hair and a beautiful Mayan face, with a curved Peruvian nose. He spoke very little English. One day I showed up with some hallucinogenic *Amanita Muscaria* mushrooms. I told him what I had, and he grabbed a piece of it, kissing it fervently and dancing around the room, shouting *Muscaria? Muscaria!* Apparently he was familiar with them. There's lots of mysterious energy that goes into the making of masks.

Anyway, the Matrix Theatre also hosted live entertainment. Most memorable was an appearance by Proctor and Bergman, two of the four lunatics who comprise the notorious Firesign Theater. Many of you still listen to their records. In person the two loudmouths were astonishing! I recall a convincing Gerald Ford impersonation, and some bewildering tirades on many irrelevant subjects. The Matrix was an intimate performing space, and I only wish that it had survived the changes that gnaw at our city so incessantly.

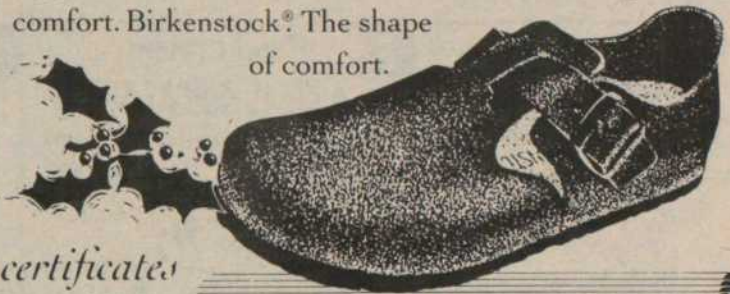
After the Matrix closed down, the space became a Tech Hi Fi outlet. And today it's...oh who cares. It's not the Matrix, and it's not Mark's, and the kids that hang out at the entrance to the pinball are as caught up in their scene as we were with ours. I'm sure they have their viewpoints, but do they know that when word went round that a beautiful old house on Maynard Street was going to be replaced by a McDonald's, a bunch of us lynched Ronald McDonald in effigy, hanging him from the branches of a tree which still stands, looking dazed and confused, near the sidewalk in front of that hellhole of burger emission?

Twenty years have rolled past, and as I watch the teenagers caught up in their endless search for something to tell each other, I have faith that even the trendiest of coffee shops might serve as a workshop for truly imaginative dissent. As long as they pay attention, they'll never run out of subject matter.

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Unless otherwise noted, all events listed in the CALENDAR are free and open to the public. All locations are in Ann Arbor unless otherwise noted.

1 Tuesday

Delegations to Haiti: Haiti Solidarity Group Apply immediately to be a civilian observer in Haiti. Ann Arbor delegations scheduled for Dec. 10-17 and Jan. 3-10. For info, call Bryan Wharram, 971-8582.

Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt McKenny Union, EMU. Six panels on display thru 4 Fri. 764-7544

Ongoing Exhibits: U-M Museum of Art 525 S. State. "Four Treasures of the Chinese Scholar's Studio," runs thru 7 March; "Tiffany Interiors From the H.O. Havemeyer House," runs thru 21 Feb.; "Antiquities from the Kelsey Museum," runs thru 31 Jan.; "The Invincible and Immortal Army: Warriors From Xian," runs thru 17 Jan.; "Picasso and Gris," ongoing. 747-2063

"Croatian War Posters": U-M Union Art Lounge 530 S. State. Gallery hours: 8 am to midnight, runs thru 11 Fri. 764-7544

Exhibit of Multinational AIDS Posters: N. Campus Commons Arts NCC Atrium Gallery. Runs thru 17 Thu. 764-7544

Chelsea Painters Exhibit: N. Campus Commons Arts NCC Gallery. Runs thru 19 Sat. 764-7544

X-centricities: N. Campus Commons Arts NCC lobby. Boutique items, imported jewelry, hats and accessories for sale. Thru 4 Fri. 764-7544

Faculty Exhibition: U-M School of Art Inst. for the Humanities, Rackham Bldg. 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional works. Runs thru Oct. 1993. 763-4417

DECEMBER



The works of the late Sam Mackey, co-creator of the Heidelberg Project, can be seen at Galerie Jacques (see 5 Sat)

Blind and Visually Impaired Support Group: Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living 5:30-7 pm, 2568 Packard Road. 971-0277 or 971-0310 (TDD)

"Closets are for Clothes": WCBN 88.3 FM 6 pm. News and more for the Lesbian, Gay & BI communities. 763-3500

AA Meeting for Lesbians & Bisexual Womyn: Sober Sisters 7 pm, Common Language Bookstore, 214 S. Fourth Ave. 662-7028

"Haiti: October 1992": Peace In-Sight 7:05 pm, Cable channel 9. Human rights abuses in Haiti. 769-7422

Dream Workshop: Creation Spirituality 7:30 pm, ICC Ed. Center, 1522 Hill St. Dreams discussed using Jungian methodology. 665-3522

Support Group: Adult Daughters of Alcoholics & Other Trauma 7:30 pm, 3200 Mich. Union. 665-3706

Maura O'Connell: The Ark 7:30 & 9:30 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Irish tunes, jazz, Southern gospel and pop. \$12.50. 761-1451

Meeting: Bisexual Women's Social Group 8 pm, location TBA. 763-4186

Cary Kocher/Paul Keller Quartet: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm, 207 S. Ashley, \$3. 662-8310

2 Wednesday

B.F.A. Exhibition: U-M School of Art Rackham Galleries. Features works by Beth Brugeman, Amy Depew, Dacia Livingston, Lauren

Messelian, Lisa Rubin, & Theresa Smith. Gallery hours: Mon.-Sat., 10 am-7 pm. Runs thru 7 Mon. 763-4417

B.F.A. Exhibition: U-M School of Art Slusser Gallery, U-M Art & Architecture Bldg. Features works by Rachel Charson, Rachel Davis, Oscar Garza, Cheryl Hanba, & Tricia Koning. Gallery hours: Tue.-Sat., 11 am-5 pm. Runs thru 7 Mon. 763-4417

ArtVideo: U-M Museum of Art noon, AV Room, 525 S. State. "David Hockney." 747-0521

Buhrr Blast: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 3:30-5:15 pm, Buhr Outdoor Ice Rink, 2751 Packard. Special activities for children, \$2.25 adults/\$1.75 youth. 971-3228

Front Runners: The Gay/Lesbian Running Club 7 pm, Gallup Park. 434-4494

Meeting: Lesbian, Bisexual, & Gay Men's Adult Children of Alcoholics 7 pm, Rainbow Rm., St. Andrew's Episcopal, 306 N. Division. 663-6395

Support Group for People with Disabilities Who Have Alcohol Abuse Issues: Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living 7-9 pm, 2568 Packard Road. 971-0277 or 971-0310 (TDD)

Huron High School Hockey: A2 Parks & Rec. 7 pm, Veteran's Ice Arena, 2150 Jackson, \$4. 761-7240

Open Stage: The Ark 8 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Sign up at 7:30 pm for a short set, \$3/\$2 mems, studs, srs. 761-1451

Meeting: Latin American Solidarity Committee 8 pm, Mich. Union. Ask for room # at information desk. 665-8438

Blue Sun: Leonardo's 8-10 pm, N. Campus Commons. Classical to jazz, duets to quintets. 764-7544

Meeting: U-M "East Quad" Social/Support Group 9 pm, location TBA. 763-2790

Ron Brooks Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm, 207 S. Ashley, \$3. 662-8310

3 Thursday

Racial & Economic Justice Task Force: Interfaith Council for Peace

& Justice 11:30 am-1 pm, Memorial Christian Church, 730 Tappan. 663-1870

Arttalk: U-M Museum of Art noon-1 pm, AV Room, 525 S. State. "The Invincible and Immortal Army: The Terracotta Warriors of Xian." 764-0395

"Ethnicity & Government in the Middle East from Bedouins to Mongols": Center for Middle Eastern & North African Studies 4 pm, Rackham E. Conference Rm. With Tufts Univ. Professor of History Beatrice Manz. 764-0350

Meeting: Homeless Action Committee 5:30 pm, Guild House, 802 Monroe. Help expose myths about homelessness and confront businesses and politicians who contribute to existing poverty and homelessness. 930-0601

"Adolescent Development": Ozone House 7-8:30 pm, Bryant Community Center, 3 W. Eden Ct. Workshop for parents of adolescents. 662-2222

B.F.A. Exhibition Opening Reception: U-M School of Art 7-9:30 pm Slusser Gallery, U-M Art & Architecture Bldg. 763-4417 (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: ACTUP/Ann Arbor 7:30 pm, Baker Mandela Center, 3 E. Engineering Bldg. 665-1797

Meeting: The Salt Group (Sharing & Learning Together) 7:30 pm, First Congregational Church of Ypsilanti, 218 N. Adams. Support group for Lesbians, Gay Men & Bisexuals. 677-1418

Loudon Wainwright: The Ark 7:30 & 10 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Topical songwriter, \$13.25. 761-1451

New Dance Works: Landlocked 8 pm, Performance Network, 408 W. Washington. Ann Arbor-based collective showcases work of Michigan choreographers. 663-0861

Live Jazz Series: Leonardo's 8-10 pm, N. Campus Commons. 764-7544

"The Dreamlight Theater Company in Detroit": Peace InSight 9:05 pm, Cable channel 9. Live call-in show with theater company of homeless people in and around Cass Corridor. 769-7422

Ron Brooks Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 2 Wed)

4 Friday

Rally for a Fair Contract: Graduate Employees Organization noon-1 pm, U-M diag. 995-0221

Disarmament Working Group Meeting: Interfaith Council for Peace & Justice noon-1 pm, Memorial Christian Church, 730 Tappan. 663-1870

Publication Party for "Anchor Bible Dictionary": Shaman Drum 4-6 pm, 313 S. State. With editor-in-chief David Noel Freedman. 662-7407

Feminist Sabbath Service: Hillel 4:50 pm, 1429 Hill Street. Open to men and women. 769-0500

Lesbian, Bisexual & Gay Happy Hour Group 5 pm, Dominick's, 812 Monroe. 763-4186

Women's Potluck & Social: Common Language Bookstore 6 pm, 214 S. Fourth Ave. Bring a dish to pass. 663-0036

"Haiti: October 1992": Peace InSight 6:05 pm (see 1 Tue)

B.F.A. Exhibition Opening Reception: U-M School of Art 6:30-9:30 pm, Rackham Galleries. 763-4417 (see 2 Wed)

AIDS Commemoration: Wellness Huron Valley 7 pm, U-M Diag. Vigil, followed by march, commemoration service, and fundraiser at Nectarine Ballroom. 572-WELL

Caroling Party: Kempf House 7 pm, 312 S. Division. Carol on Main St. and return to Kempf House for refreshments. 426-4980

Meetings: Lesbians, Gay Men, & Bisexuals' AA & Alanon 7:30 pm, Rainbow Rm. (AA), Upstairs lounge (Alanon), St. Andrew's Episcopal, 306 N. Division. 663-6395

Nashville Bluegrass Band: The Ark 7:30 & 10 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Bluesy vocal harmonies and highly rhythmic picking, \$11.25. 761-1451

"Porn'im'age'ry: Picturing Prostitutes": A2 Film Co-op 8 pm, Nat. Sci. Aud. This Carol Jacobson video was removed without Jacobson's knowledge during the recent U-M-sponsored symposium on prostitution. \$2. 761-7462

Highly IMPROVable: Leonardo's 8-10 pm, North Campus Commons. Comedy. 764-7544

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Business Meeting: Green Party of Huron Valley 6:30-8:30 pm, Rm. 162 Job Skills/Campus Events Bldg., Washtenaw Comm. Coll. 663-3555

New Dance Works: Landlocked 6:30 pm (see 3 Thu)

Seasonal Concert: Unitarian Universalist Church 7:30 pm, 1917 Washtenaw. Featuring the Rona Blue and the EMU Gospel Choir, \$10 reserved/\$8 general. 769-1261

Meeting: Ypsilanti Lesbian, Gay Men, & Bisexuals' AA 7:30 pm, downstairs (back entrance), First Congregational Church, 218 N. Adams, Ypsilanti. 484-0456

Cabaret! Judy Dow: The Ark 8 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Intimate cabaret evening with local talent, \$12. 761-1451

Paul Finkbeiner Session Night: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm, 207 S. Ashley. 662-8310

7 Monday

Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt Towsley Aud. lobby, WCC, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. 16 panels on display thru 8 Tue. 764-7544

"The Dreamlight Theater Company in Detroit": Peace InSight 2:05 pm (see 3 Thu)

Tenant Talk: Ann Arbor Tenants Union 6:30-7 pm, WCBN 88.3 FM. 936-3076

Homeopathic & Herbal First Aid Workshop: Castle Remedies 7-10 pm, The Parkway Center, 2345 S. Huron Pkwy., \$30. 668-0016

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group: Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living 7-9 pm, 2568 Packard Road. 971-0277 or 971-0310 (TDD)

Pre-Chanukah Party: Hillel 7:30 pm, 1429 Hill Street. Stories & food. 769-0500

Shamanic Journeys: Creation Spirituality 7:30 pm, ICC Education Center, 1522 Hill St. Travel to distant places through a shaman's drumbeat. 665-3522

Social for Lesbians, Bisexual People & Gay Men: Canterbury House 8:45 pm, Lord of Light Lutheran Church, 801 S. Forest. 763-4186

Bird of Paradise Orchestra: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm, 207 S. Ashley. Big band jazz, \$3. 662-8310

8 Tuesday

"Wizard of AIDS": Healthworks Theatre 3 pm, Towsley Aud., WCC, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Chicago-based troupe focuses on AIDS and health education programs. 764-7544

Blind and Visually Impaired Support Group 5:30-7 pm (see 1 Tue)

"Closets are for Clothes": WCBN 88.3 FM 6 pm (see 1 Tue)

AA Meeting for Lesbians & Bisexual Womyn: Sober Sisters 7 pm (see 1 Tue)

"Human Rights in Uruguay": Peace InSight 7:05 pm, Cable channel 9. Author Hiber Contris describes his politically-motivated arrest and imprisonment. 769-7422

Pastors for Peace Friendship to Cuba: Interfaith Council for Peace & Justice 7:30 pm, 1st Baptist Church, 512 E. Huron. Two Ann Arborites, Ken Polsky and Andrea Walsh, just back from delivering humanitarian aid to Cuba, show slides of their experiences. 663-1870

Meeting: Washtenaw Citizens for Animal Rights 7:30 pm, Guild House, 802 Monroe. 426-2492

Support Group: Adult Daughters of Alcoholics & Other Trauma 7:30 pm (see 1 Tue)

Lee Murdock: The Ark Free Concert Series 8 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Six- and twelve-string guitarist. 761-1451

"Wizard of AIDS": Healthworks Theatre 8 pm, U-M Bursley Hall East Cafeteria (see 3 pm, 8 Tue)

Meeting: Women's Health Discussion Group 8 pm, Guild House, 802 Monroe. Uses "The New Our Bodies Ourselves" as a guide. For women only. This group meets again on 22 Tue. 662-5189

Cary Kocher/Paul Keller Quartet: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 1 Tue)

9 Wednesday

M.F.A. Exhibition: U-M School of Art Rackham Galleries. Features works by Karen Cass, William Doelle, Robin

Solo Classical-Jazz Guitar Concert: Steve Somers 8 pm, Friends Meeting House, 1420 Hill, \$5. 487-1977

Drum Circle: Guild House 8 pm, 802 Monroe. For adults interested in playing hand percussion and learning rhythms. 662-5189

New Dance Works: Landlocked 8 pm (see 3 Thu)

Cary Kocher Quartet: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm, 207 S. Ashley, \$5. 662-8310

Dance Jam: People Dancing 10 pm, People Dancing Studio, 111 Third St. Varied recorded dance music. Smoke and alcohol-free. Children welcome, \$2. 996-2405

5 Saturday

"The Cultivated Image: Garden Photographs by Michael Kenna": U-M Museum of Art 525 S. State. Atmospheric and evocative images of the natural world. Thru 28 Feb. 747-2063

Children's Home Health Care: Castle Remedies 9 am-noon, The Parkway Center, 2345 S. Huron Pkwy. Class explains the use of homeopathic and herbal remedies in maintaining your child's health. Meets again 12 Sat, \$55. 668-0016

Open Studio Day: Broad St. Artists Collective 10 am-6 pm, 3045 Broad St., Dexter. View works in a variety of media, in various stages of completion. 426-4228

"Santa Paws": Humane Society 10 am-6 pm, Pet Supplies Plus, 2639 Plymouth Rd. Have your pet's picture taken with Santa Claus in Humane Society benefit, \$7-\$12. 662-5585 ext. 113

Meeting: Gays & Lesbians Older & Wiser (GLOW) 11 am-1 pm, Turner Geriatric Services, 1010 Wall. 764-2556

Country Christmas: A2 Parks & Rec. noon-4 pm, Cobblestone Farm, 2781 Packard. Music, carolling, storytelling & crafts, \$1.50 adults/\$1 youths & srs. 994-2928

Orienteering Outing: Sierra Club noon, Condominium on Up-Down Cir. off Newport Rd. All skill levels welcome at Bird Hills outing, \$3 (non-members). 994-5864

Kids Shopping Extravaganza: U-M Museum of Art 2-4 pm, Gift Shop, 525 S. State. 747-0521

Sam Mackey Exhibit Opening: Galerie Jacques 4-7 pm, 616 Wesley. Works of late co-creator (with grandniece Tyree Guyton) of the Heidelberg Project. Opening continues 6 Sun, 4-7 pm; exhibit runs thru 11 Jan. 665-9889

Huron High School Hockey: A2 Parks & Rec. 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Detroit Women's Coffeehouse 7:30 pm, Red door, Unitarian Church, Cass & Forest, Detroit, \$5. 313-547-4692

"Porn'im'age'ry: Picturing Prostitutes": A2 Film Coop 8 pm (see 4 Fri)

Handel's "Messiah": Univ. Musical Society and A2 Symphony Orchestra 8 pm, Hill Aud., \$8-\$16. 764-2538

Josh White, Jr.: The Ark 8 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Ballads to country, contemporary to jazz, \$10.75. 761-1451

New Dance Works: Landlocked 8 pm (see 3 Thu)

Cary Kocher Quartet: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 4 Fri)

The Something Box: Guild House 10 pm, 802 Monroe. Performances by local musicians, filmmakers, and artists. Sign up for open mike at 8 pm. 994-0525

6 Sunday

Country Christmas: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. noon-4 pm (see 5 Sat)

Meeting: Dawntrailers 1-3 pm, 802 Monroe. 662-5189

Sunday Tour: U-M Museum of Art 2-3 pm, 525 S. State. "Warriors from Xian" 764-0395

Ministry to Gay Men, Bisexuals, & Lesbians: Huron Valley Community Church 2 pm services, 3 pm social, Glacier Way United Methodist Church, 1001 Green Rd. 741-1174

Handel's "Messiah": Univ. Musical Society and Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra 2 pm (see 5 Sat)

Alternative Holiday Fair: Interfaith Council for Peace & Justice and 1st Baptist Church 3-7 pm, 1st Baptist Church, 512 E. Huron. Crafts, calendars and more. 663-1870

"Haiti: October 1992": Peace InSight 3:05 pm (see 1 Tue)

Swimming: Ann Arbor Queer Aquatics (A2QUA) 4:30 pm, Mack Pool, Miller at 7th St. 665-8063

Community Eucharist: Episcopal Student Foundation 5 pm, 518 E. Washington. Service followed by supper. 665-0606

Front Runners: The Gay/Lesbian Running Club 5 pm (see 2 Wed)

Services for Lesbians, Gay Men & Bisexuals: Tree of Life Metropolitan Community Church 6 pm, First Congregational Church, 218 N. Adams, Ypsilanti. 485-3922

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December 3 - 6
Thursday, Friday and Saturday
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January 7-10
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The Snow Queen
January 14-16
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January 21-24

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A Benefit for *Performance Network*

Madcat & Kane
Annemarie Stoll
Miriam Yezbick
Tomfoolery
Janet Lilly
Jeremy Steward
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Malcolm Tulip
Charmie Gholson
Elise Bryant
Dwight Peterson
Whitley Setrakian
Dick Siegel
Tracy Lee Komarmy
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SATURDAY Dec 12
Lydia Mendelssohn Theater
7:00pm Reception
8:00pm Showcase
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M.F.A. Exhibition: U-M School of Art Slusser Gallery, U-M Art & Arch. Bldg. Features works by Louise Bourne, Michael Collins, Valerie Doran, Dan Koester, & Kaori Ohgata. Gallery hours: Tue.-Sat., 11 am-5 pm. Runs thru 20 Sun. 763-4417

ArtVideo: U-M Museum of Art noon, AV Room, 525 S. State. "In a Brilliant Light: Van Gogh in Arles." 747-0521

Buhrrr Blast: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 3:30-5:15 pm (see 2 Wed)

Slide Lectures: U-M School of Art 5:30-7 pm, Lecture Rm. 2104, U-M Art & Arch. Bldg. Features M.F.A. students Michael Collins, Kaori Ohgata, & Bernard O'Brien. 763-4417

Huron High School Hockey: A2 Parks & Rec. 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Support Group for People with Disabilities Who Have Alcohol Abuse Issues 7-9 pm (see 2 Wed)

Front Runners: The Gay/Lesbian Running Club 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Lesbian, Bisexual, & Gay Men Adult Children of Alcoholics 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Benefit Show: Divas With Attitude 8 pm, Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main. Featuring local performance artists and spiritual activists Elise Bryant, Nisi Shawl & others. 665-4404

Open Stage: The Ark 8 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Latin American Solidarity Committee 8 pm (see 2 Wed)

Blue Sun: Leonardo's 8-10 pm (see 2 Wed)

Benefit Concert: Ann Arbor Tenants Union 9 pm, Blind Pig, 208 S. First. Kiss Me Screaming with Crackerbox, \$3.50. 936-3076

Meeting: U-M "East Quad" Social/Support Group 9 pm (see 2 Wed)

Ron Brooks Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 2 Wed)

3 W. Eden Ct. Coats, sweaters, gloves & other apparel. Donations also welcome. 994-2722

Slide Lectures: U-M School of Art 2:30-5:30 pm, Lecture Rm. 2104, U-M Art & Arch. Bldg. Features M.F.A. students William Doelle, Louise Bourne, Robin Leventhal, Valerie Doran, Dan Koester, & Karen Cass. 763-4417

Food for the Homeless: Hillel 3-7:30 pm, St. Mary's Church, 331 Thompson. Prepare and serve dinner to the homeless. Call to volunteer, 998-0482

Publication Party for "Shadow Play": Shaman Drum 4-6 pm, 313 S. State. With author, U-M Professor of English Charles Baxter. 662-7407

Lesbian, Bisexual & Gay Happy Hour Group 5 pm (see 4 Fri)

M.F.A. Exhibition Opening Reception: U-M School of Art 5:30-7:30 pm, Slusser Gallery (see 9 Wed)

Deadbeat Society: PJ's No Kickdrums Acoustic Concert Series 6-7 pm, 617 Packard. Bluegrass & swing. 663-3441

"Human Rights in Uruguay": Peace InSight 6:05 pm (see 8 Tue)

M.F.A. Exhibition Opening Reception: U-M School of Art 7-9:30 pm, Rackham Galleries. (see 9 Wed)

Walt Whitman Coffeehouse for Gay & Bisexual Men: Common Language Bookstore 7-10 pm, 214 S. Fourth Ave. 971-5411

Annual Banquet: Palestine Aid Society 7 pm, 1st United Methodist Church, 120 S. State. Fundraiser for families of Palestinian prisoners and the El-Ahli Hospital in the Gaza Strip, \$25/\$20 students. 741-1113

Cookie Exchange Party: National Organization for Women 7:30 pm, 1406 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. 484-1897

Meetings: Lesbians, Gay Men, & Bisexuals' AA & Alanon 7:30 pm (see 4 Fri)

Opening Reception for "Benign Neglect": Ann Arbor Artists' Co-op 8-10 pm, 617 E. Huron (lower level). Exhibit of watercolor paintings of urban & rural isolation by Lisa Tennant. Gallery hours: Sat. & Sun., 1-6 pm. Runs thru 14 Jan. 763-4417

Reading—"A Christmas Carol": U-M Museum of Art 8 pm, 525 S. State. Features Professor Bert Hornback. Free ticket required—available at Mich. Union Ticket Office. 747-2064

Phish: Prism Productions 8 pm, Mich. Theater, 603 E. Liberty. A rollercoaster ride for the senses, \$14.50/\$12.50. 665-6666

"Songs of Love, Resistance and Revolution": The Episcopal Church of the Incarnation 8 pm, St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 306 N. Division. Food and live music, \$3. 665-4734

The RFD Boys: The Ark 8 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. A2's favorite bluegrass band, \$8.75/\$7.75 mems, studs & srs. 761-1451

The Raisin Pickers: Leonardo's 8-10 pm, North Campus Commons. Old-time dance music, swing, and "new"-grass. 764-7544

"Dreamgirls": Huron River Players 8 pm (see 10 Thu)

Drum Circle: Guild House 8 pm (see 4 Fri)

Ramona Collins: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm, 207 S. Ashley, \$5. 662-8310

10 Thursday

Lecture & Opening Reception: U-M Museum of Art 4 pm, Inst. for the Humanities, 1524 Rackham. "The Cultivated Image: Garden Photographs by Michael Kenna." Reception follows at Museum of Art. 747-2064

Author's Party for Dr. Carolyn Steedman: Shaman Drum 4-6 pm, 313 S. State. Features U-M Visiting Professor of History's recent work, "Past Tenses: Essays on History, Autobiography and Writing, 1980-1990." 662-7407

"Recent Developments in the Turkish Economy": Center for Middle Eastern & North African Studies 4 pm, U-M Lane Hall Commons. With U-M Asst. Professor H. Nejat Seyhun. 764-0350

Meeting: Homeless Action Committee 5:30 pm (see 3 Thu)

Cerebral Palsy Support Group: Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living 7-9 pm, 2568 Packard Road. 971-0277 or 971-0310 (TDD)

"Emotional Disorders in Adolescents": Ozone House 7-8:30 pm, Bryant Community Center, 3 W. Eden Ct. Workshop for parents of adolescents. 662-2222

"Full Circle": Gaia 7 pm, ICC Education Center, 1522 Hill. Video documentary on spirituality today. 665-3522

Meeting: The Salt Group 7:30 pm (see 3 Thu)

Meeting: ACTUP/Ann Arbor 7:30 pm (see 3 Thu)

"Dreamgirls": Huron River Players 8 pm, Huron High, 2727 Fuller. Huron's most talented actors, singers, & dancers perform Broadway musical, \$6/\$4 studs & srs. 994-2097

Vance Gilbert: The Ark 8 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. A daring new voice in contemporary acoustic music, \$8.75/\$7.75 mems, studs & srs. 761-1451

Live Jazz Series: Leonardo's 8-10 pm (see 3 Thu)

Ron Brooks Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 2 Wed)

11 Friday

Winter Clothing Give Away: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 9 am-1 pm, Bryant Community Center.

12 Saturday

Handcrafts Sale: SERRV 9 am-12:30 pm, Zion Lutheran Church, 1501 W. Liberty (lower entrance). Benefits 3rd World crafts persons. 663-0362

Huron Hills Cross Country Ski Center Opens: A2 Parks & Rec. Huron Hills Golf Course, 3465 E. Huron Dr. Hours: 9 am-7 pm (weekends & holidays), \$3; 10 am-6 pm (weekdays), \$2.50. Equipment rental and season passes available. 971-6480

"Santa Paws": Humane Society 10 am-6 pm (see 5 Sat)

Family Program: U-M Museum of Art 10:30 am, 525 S. State. Music with The SongSisters. 764-0395

Symposium: U-M Museum of Art 4 pm, Rackham Amphitheatre. "A Delicate Balance: Quality & Accessibility in Today's Art Museums" with former director of the National Gallery of Art, J. Carter Brown and others. 764-0395

Holiday Party: Washtenaw Area Self-Help for Hard of Hearing People, Inc. 7 pm, Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living, 2568 Packard. 971-0277, 971-0310 (TDD)

"Raise the Roof": Performance Network 7 pm (reception), 8 pm (performance), Lydia Mendelssohn Theater. Benefit for Performance Network includes music and drama performances by Whitley Setrakian, Annemarie Stoll & Miriam Yezbick, Malcolm Tulip, Madcat & Kane, Dick Siegle & Tracey Lee Komaryk, and more, \$15/\$25 advance preferred seating. Dance party at Performance Network with the Urbations follows show, \$5. 663-0861

Pat's People: The Ark 7:30 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Music of Ireland and Scotland in memory of Kitty Wallace, \$10. 761-1451

"Dreamgirls": Huron River Players 8 pm (see 10 Thu)

Reading—"A Christmas Carol": U-M Museum of Art 8 pm (see 11 Fri)

Ramona Collins: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 11 Fri)

The Something Box: Guild House 10 pm (see 5 Sat)

13 Sunday

Handcrafts Sale: SERRV 9 am-12:30 pm (see 12 Sat)

Chanuka Party: Jewish Cultural Society 10 am-noon, 2935 Birch Hollow Dr. 665-2825

"Make Your Own Backyard Ice Rink" Clinic: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 11 am, West Park. 994-2768

"Shop Til You Drop": Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. noon-5 pm, Cobblestone Farm, 2781 Packard Rd. Provides traditional holiday farm activities for the kids while you finish your shopping, \$16/child. Pre-registration, 994-2928

"Winter Survival": Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 1-3 pm, Leslie Science Center, 1831 Traver Road. Learn fire starting, shelter building, etc. No children under age 8, \$3/\$5 family. 662-7802

Hike or Ski Bravo Trail: Sierra Club 1 pm, City Hall Parking Lot, 100 N. Fifth Ave. Pinckney Rec. Area outing. 971-1754

Meeting: Parents-FLAG/Ann Arbor 2 pm, King of Kings Lutheran Church, 2685 Packard. 741-0659

"Dreamgirls": Huron River Players 2 pm (see 10 Thu)

Sunday Tour: U-M Museum of Art 2-3 pm (see 6 Sun)

Ministry to Gay Men, Bisexuals, & Lesbians 2 pm (see 6 Sun)

"Human Rights in Uruguay": Peace InSight 3:05 pm (see 8 Tue)

"Caroling by Candlelight": A2 Symphony Orchestra 4 pm, Mich. Theater, 603 E. Liberty, \$12-\$18/ discounts for studs, srs, youth. 994-4801

Swimming: A2 Queer Aquatics (A2QUA) 4:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

Community Eucharist: Episcopal Student Foundation 5 pm (see 6 Sun)

Front Runners: The Gay/Lesbian Running Club 5 pm (see 2 Wed)

Services for Lesbians, Gay Men & Bisexuals 6 pm (see 6 Sun)

Meeting: GLBI Veterans of America 7 pm, location TBA. 763-4186

Seasonal Concert: Kerrytown Concert House 7:30 pm, 415 N. 4th Ave. Featuring piano solos by Dixon R. Doll, Jr., \$10 reserved/\$8 general. 769-2999

Meeting: Ypsi. Lesbian, Gay Men, & Bisexuals' AA 7:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

Jesse Richards: The Ark 8 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Singer, composer, dancer & mystic, \$8.75/\$7.75 mems, studs & srs. 761-1451

Paul Finkbeiner Session Night: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

14 Monday

Holiday Youth Social: A2 Parks & Rec. 4-6 pm, Bryant Community Center, 3 W. Eden Ct. Elementary-aged students celebrate with gift-giving, games & more. 994-2722

Tenant Talk: Ann Arbor Tenants Union 6:30-7 pm (see 7 Mon)

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group 7-9 pm (see 7 Mon)

Meeting: Women's Health Discussion Group 8 pm, Guild House, 802 Monroe. Uses "The New Our Bodies Ourselves" as a guide. For women only. This group meets again on 28 Mon. 662-5189

Social for Lesbians, Bisexual People, & Gay Men: Canterbury House 8:45 pm (see 7 Mon)

Steve Somers Band: Tower Inn 9 pm to midnight, 701 W. Cross St., Ypsi. Blues, R & B, funk, jazz. 487-2650

Bird of Paradise Orchestra: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 7 Mon)

15 Tuesday

Blind and Visually Impaired Support Group 5:30-7 pm (see 1 Tue)

"Closets are for Clothes": WCBN 88.3 FM 6 pm (see 1 Tue)

AA Meeting for Lesbians & Bisexual Womyn 7 pm (see 1 Tue)

"Does Truth Matter?": Peace InSight 7:05 pm, Cable chan. 9. Public forum on political campaigns. 769-7422

Dream Workshop: Creation Spirituality 7:30 pm (see 1 Tue)

General Meeting: Sierra Club 7:30 pm (potluck 6:30 pm), Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. 662-7727

Support Group: Adult Daughters of Alcoholics & Other Trauma 7:30 pm (see 1 Tue)

The Chieftains: U-M Office of Major Events 8 pm, Hill Aud. Old fashioned Irish Christmas show, \$16-\$24. 763-TKTS

Meeting: Bisexual Women's Social Group 8 pm (see 1 Tue)

Cary Kocher/Paul Keller Quartet: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 1 Tue)

16 Wednesday

Holiday Poinsettias Sale: N. Campus Commons Arts 8 am-4 pm. 764-7544

ArtVideo: U-M Museum of Art noon, AV Room. "Mary Cassatt: Impressionist from Philadelphia." 747-0521

Buhrrr Blast: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 3:30-5:15 pm (see 2 Wed)

Support Group for People with Disabilities Who Have Alcohol Abuse Issues 7-9 pm (see 2 Wed)

Front Runners: The Gay/Lesbian Running Club 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Lesbian, Bisexual, & Gay Men Adult Children of Alcoholics 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Latin American Solidarity Committee 8 pm (see 2 Wed)

Blue Sun: Leonardo's 8-10 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: U-M "East Quad" Social/Support Group 9 pm (see 2 Wed)

Ron Brooks Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 2 Wed)

17 Thursday

Meeting: Homeless Action Committee 5:30 pm (see 3 Thu)

"Setting Limits in Children & Adolescents": Ozone House 7-8:30 pm, Bryant Community Center, 3 W. Eden Ct. Workshop for parents of adolescents. 662-2222

Meeting: The Salt Group 7:30 pm (see 3 Thu)

Meeting: ACTUP/Ann Arbor 7:30 pm (see 3 Thu)

Live Jazz Series: Leonardo's 8-10 pm (see 3 Thu)

Ron Brooks Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 2 Wed)

18 Friday

Holiday Poinsettias Sale: N. Campus Commons Arts 8 am-4 pm. 764-7544

Lesbian, Bisexual & Gay Happy Hour Group 5 pm (see 4 Fri)

"Does Truth Matter?": Peace InSight 6:05 pm (see 15 Tue)

Meetings: Lesbians, Gay Men, & Bisexuals' AA & Alanon 7:30 pm (see 4 Fri)

Footloose Holiday Show: The Ark 8 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Acoustic band with ever-changing instrumentation, \$8.75/\$7.75 mems, studs & srs. 761-1451

"Holiday Choral Evening": Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra 8 pm, Mich. Theater, 603 E. Liberty. Features Ralph Vaughan Williams "Hodie," \$12-\$18 w/ discounts for studs, srs, youth. 994-4801

"A Christmas Carol": The Toledo Repertoire Theatre & The Toledo Symphony 8 pm, Toledo Museum of Art. Traditional English carols and an adaption of Dicken's story, fee. (419)243-9277

Drum Circle: Guild House 8 pm (see 4 Fri)

Harvey Thompson: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm, 207 S. Ashley, \$5. 662-8310

Dance Jam: People Dancing 10 pm (see 4 Fri)

19 Saturday

Skate with Santa: A2 Parks & Rec. 2:30-4:30 pm, Buhr Outdoor Ice Rink, 2751 Packard, \$2.75 adults/\$1.75 youths & srs. 971-3228

Joel Mabus Record Release Concert: The Ark 8 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. Original songs on fiddle, banjo, guitar & mandolin, \$9/\$8 mems, studs & srs. 761-1451

"A Christmas Carol": The Toledo Repertoire Theatre & The Toledo Symphony 8 pm (see 18 Fri)

Harvey Thompson: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 18 Fri)

The Something Box: Guild House 10 pm (see 5 Sat)

20 Sunday

Santa on Ice: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 1-3 pm, Veterans Ice Rink, 2150 Jackson Rd. Skate rental available, \$3.75 adults/\$3 youths & srs. 761-7240

Meeting: Dawntreaders 1-3 pm (see 6 Sun)

"A Christmas Carol": The Toledo Repertoire Theatre & The Toledo Symphony 1:30 & 4:30 pm (see 18 Fri)

Sunday Tour: U-M Museum of Art 2-3 pm (see 6 Sun)

Ministry to Gay Men, Bisexuals, & Lesbians: Huron Valley Community Church 2 pm (see 6 Sun)

"Does Truth Matter?": Peace InSight 3:05 pm (see 15 Tue)

Swimming: Ann Arbor Queer Aquatics (A2QUA) 4:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

Front Runners: The Gay/Lesbian Running Club 5 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Lesbians of Color Collective 5:30 pm, location TBA. 763-4186

Services for Lesbians, Gay Men & Bisexuals: Tree of Life Metropolitan Community Church 6 pm (see 6 Sun)

Feminist Salon: Common Language Bookstore 6-9 pm (see 6 Sun)

Discussion Meeting: Green Party of Huron Valley 6:30-8:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

Meeting: Ypsilanti Lesbian, Gay Men, & Bisexuals' AA 7:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

Paul Finkbeiner Session Night: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

21 Monday

Tenant Talk: Ann Arbor Tenants Union 6:30-7 pm (see 7 Mon)

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group 7-9 pm (see 7 Mon)

Shamanic Journeys: Creation Spirituality 7:30 pm (see 7 Mon)

Social for Lesbians, Bisexual People, & Gay Men: Canterbury House 8:45 pm (see 7 Mon)

Bird of Paradise Orchestra: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 7 Mon)

22 Tuesday

Blind and Visually Impaired Support Group 5:30-7 pm (see 1 Tue)

"Closets are for Clothes": WCBN 88.3 FM 6 pm (see 1 Tue)

AA Meeting for Lesbians & Bisexual Womyn: Sober Sisters 7 pm (see 1 Tue)

"The Christopher Columbus Follies": Peace InSight 7:05 pm, Cable channel 9. Underground Railway Theatre portrays the legacy of Europeans in the New World. 769-7422

Support Group: Adult Daughters of Alcoholics & Other Trauma 7:30 pm (see 1 Tue)

Meeting: Women's Health Discussion Group 8 pm (see 8 Tue)

Cary Kocher/Paul Keller Quartet: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 1 Tue)

23 Wednesday

Buhrrr Blast: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 3:30-5:15 pm (see 2 Wed)

Support Group for People with Disabilities Who Have Alcohol Abuse Issues 7-9 pm (see 2 Wed)

Front Runners: The Gay/Lesbian Running Club 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Lesbian, Bisexual, & Gay Men Adult Children of Alcoholics 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Latin American Solidarity Committee 8 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: U-M "East Quad" Social/Support Group 9 pm (see 2 Wed)

Ron Brooks Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 2 Wed)

24 Thursday

Marathon Skate: A2 Parks & Rec. 11 am-1 pm (adults), 1:15-5 pm (kids), Veterans Ice Rink, 2150 Jackson Rd., \$3.75 adults/\$3 youths & srs. 761-7240

Ron Brooks Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 2 Wed)

25 Friday

"The Christopher Columbus Follies": Peace InSight 6:05 pm (see 22 Tue)

26 Saturday

Paul Vornhagen Quartet: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm, 207 S. Ashley, \$5. 662-8310

27 Sunday

Feed the Poets: Del Rio 1:30-4:30 pm, 122 W. Washington. Features local poets and open mike. 761-2530

Ministry to Gay Men, Bisexuals, & Lesbians: Huron Valley Community Church 2 pm (see 6 Sun)

"The Christopher Columbus Follies": Peace InSight 3:05 pm (see 22 Tue)

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Front Runners: The Gay/Lesbian Running Club 5 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Lesbians of Color Collective 5:30 pm (see 20 Sun)

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Meeting: Ypsilanti Lesbian, Gay Men, & Bisexuals' AA 7:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

Paul Finkbeiner Session Night: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

28 Monday

Tenant Talk: Ann Arbor Tenants Union 6:30-7 pm (see 7 Mon)

Meeting: Women's Health Discussion Group 8 pm (see 14 Mon)

Social for Lesbians, Bisexual People, & Gay Men: Canterbury House 8:45 pm (see 7 Mon)

Bird of Paradise Orchestra: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 7 Mon)

29 Tuesday

Blind and Visually Impaired Support Group 5:30-7 pm (see 1 Tue)

"Closets are for Clothes": WCBN 88.3 FM 6 pm (see 1 Tue)

AA Meeting for Lesbians & Bisexual Womyn: Sober Sisters 7 pm (see 1 Tue)

"Update on Guatemala": Peace InSight 7:05 pm, Cable channel 9. With activists Andrea Walsh and Camillus Dufresne. 769-7422

Support Group: Adult Daughters of Alcoholics & Other Trauma 7:30 pm (see 1 Tue)

Cary Kocher/Paul Keller Quartet: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 1 Tue)

30 Wednesday

Buhrrr Blast: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 3:30-5:15 pm (see 2 Wed)

Front Runners: The Gay/Lesbian Running Club 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Lesbian, Bisexual, & Gay Men Adult Children of Alcoholics 7 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: U-M "East Quad" Social/Support Group 9 pm (see 2 Wed)

Ron Brooks Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm (see 2 Wed)

31 Thursday

Marathon Skate: Ann Arbor Parks & Rec. 11 am (see 24 Sat)

John Roberts & Tony Barrand: The Ark 8 & 11 pm, 637-1/2 S. Main. English vaudeville, parodies, pub songs & sea shanties, \$13.50. 761-1451

"Jazz Revisited" Concert and Party: WUOM-91.7 FM 8 pm, Power Center. With the Chenille Sisters, James Dapogny's Chicago Jazz Band, & Doc Cheatham. Party at Gandy Dancer, 401 Depot, follows concert. Concert: \$12.50-\$18.50, \$5 extra for party reservations. 668-8397

Eddie Russ Trio: Bird of Paradise 9:30 pm, 207 S. Ashley, \$25 singles/\$40 couples. Call for reservations 662-8310

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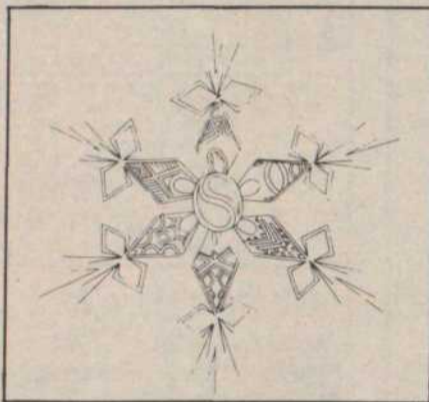
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FROM THE GRASSROOTS

Police Response Inadequate to Attacks on Gays

A recent (Nov. 6) article in The Michigan Daily focused on the response of members of the Ann Arbor Police Department to reports of physical assaults on lesbians, gay men, and bisexual people. In one instance, it has been alleged that a police officer requested a survivor of assault not to press charges against her assailant because "assault is a felony, and she didn't want to ruin his career." It was also alleged that the police discouraged the survivor from seeking medical attention. In another incident, the police allegedly refused to touch the female survivor of an assault. This was because of their fear that she was a lesbian and would therefore transmit the "AIDS virus" to anyone who touched her, particularly if they came in contact with her blood. In that incident, it was also alleged that the police did not pursue the assailant, even though he was in full view when the police arrived.

A few years ago, the City of Ann Arbor consulted with the U-M Lesbian and Gay Male Programs Office about arranging in-service workshops for all City employees to address concerns of race, sexual orientation, and disability. The City has not followed up on this matter. To express your concern, contact the Chief of Police (994-2848), the Mayor (994-2766) or your City Councilperson.

As we move into December, we need to remind ourselves of the overwhelming stress that many lesbians and gay men experience at this time. How many families welcome to their holiday festivities the "significant other" or

domestic partner of their lesbian or gay male children? How many families have rejected their lesbian or gay male children who have come out to them? How many families refuse even to acknowledge the orientation of their lesbian daughters, gay sons, and bisexual children? Silence renders invisible: silence equals death.

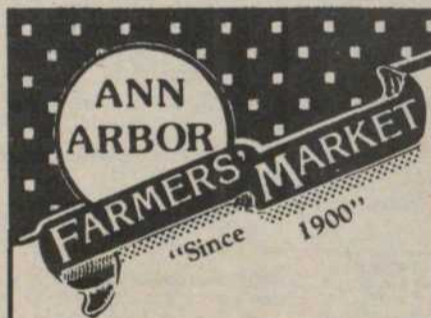
Fortunately, support groups for families with lesbian, gay male, and bisexual children have for many years addressed family concerns with compassion, care and skill. Our local group, Parents and Friends of Lesbians & Gays (P-FLAG/Ann Arbor) meets on the third Sunday of the month at 2 pm at King of Kings Lutheran Church, 2685 Packard just west of Eisenhower. If you need support, please consider attending the meeting. If you can offer support, please do likewise. For more info., call 741-0659, 769-1648, or 763-4186.

Gay Liberation Front's Purpose is to provide information, counseling, and related social services for people concerned about sexual orientation. We maintain a hotline for crisis intervention, peer counseling and referral. We help provide factual information to offset prejudice and misinformation about Lesbians, Gay men, and Bisexual people. We work to obtain human and civil rights for all, regardless of sexual orientation. We help organize groups for Lesbians, Gay men, and Bisexual people and are a link to other community groups.

Community Services include: a **Hotline** for crisis intervention, peer counseling, referral. **Education:** workshops and conferences on concerns of Lesbians, Gay men, and Bisexual people with an emphasis on how people in the "helping professions" and "teaching professions" can work positively with clients, patients, & students who are Lesbians, Gay men, and Bisexual people. **Speakers Bureau:** phone for information. **Human & Civil Rights:** information and referral to help people who are being discriminated against because of their actual or presumed sexual orientation or because of their presumed "cross-gender" characteristics; lobbying for human and civil rights. **Community Organization and Liaison:** information and assistance in organizing groups, setting goals, addressing conflict, linking with other groups and resources.

Gay Liberation Front Meetings vary according to purpose. Call for time and place.

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