Time for Action: Pro-Choicers Fight Back

Atlanta - When anti-abortion forces brought some of their top people to Atlanta on December 7th, they found something they had not seen here before. They found strong organized opposition. 

Right-wing evangelist Jerry Falwell, founder of the Moral Majority, came to town to head the so-called "Leadership Summit on Rescue," a recruiting conference sponsored by the anti-abortion group Operation Rescue. Falwell was met by a group of protesters, by some estimates as many as 250, chanting slogans like "Not the church, not the state, women must decide their fate," and carrying signs explaining the pro-choice view such as "If you oppose abortion, don't have one."

After the demonstration ended, some of the protesters disrupted a planned press conference by Falwell with the confrontation ending in the arrests of two members of the Coalition to Oppose Operation Rescue (COOR), one of about a dozen groups who joined in the protest. Only two days later, COOR activists demonstrated in front of local abortion clinics where Operation Rescue supporters conduct what they call "sidewalk counseling." The "counseling" is an effort to dissuade women who have already made the difficult choice, usually by stirring up feelings of guilt and fear.

One of the anti-abortion "counselors" at the Atlanta Surgi-Center, gazing over at the group of about 25 demonstrators across the street, admitted she had never seen pro-choice protestors before. She brandished pictures of bloody fetuses, dismissing the protesters as people who "rebel against anything." Her statement was abruptly brought to a halt by a man - another "counselor" - who ordered her not to speak and refused to give his or her name.

The December 7th demonstration against Falwell was the first concerted effort of the pro-choice forces who until then held a strategy of waiting for Operation Rescue to run out of steam. But, as Rita Barnes of the Georgia Abortion Rights Action League (GARAL) and the Feminist Women's Health Center admits, "People are realizing that Operation Rescue isn't going to go away."

Waiting five months to raise a strong defense against Operation Rescue was a mistake in the view of many. While Atlanta's abortion clinics have been under siege since the days of the Democratic Convention in July, cities like Boston challenged Operation Rescue from their first assault, 

Peace Group Forms Task Force To Address Gay/Lesbian Issues

Atlanta-The establishment of a Gay/Lesbian Task Force was approved overwhelmingly by delegates to the 2nd Annual SANE/FREEZE Congress held in Atlanta December 9-11.

The motion to form the task force originated in a workshop entitled "Coming Out & Coming Together to Work for Peace" held during the weekend. Delegates in the workshop formed a Gay/Lesbian Caucus, which gathered the necessary signatures to move the task force resolution to the floor of the Congress.

SANE/FREEZE, a multinational peace organization, has always had a large number of gays and lesbians involved in the organization, according to workshop facilitator Carlie Steen.

"There are lesbians and gays in high positions in the peace movement," Steen said. "But I don't think they've always been making decisions as lesbians and gay men," she added.

The Gay/Lesbian Caucus, the Gay/Lesbian Task Force and the Gay/Lesbian Caucus, among others.

"For me, there's a strong need for a mechanism to be there...something to do so in the face of widespread prejudice. "Peace is not just about nuclear weapons," Steen responded. "In this time when discrimination and violence are rampant and growing, we need to be talking about peace within and between our communities."

Although the national group approved the formation of the Task Force, members of the Gay/Lesbian Caucus can expect little organizational or financial help from SANE/FREEZE. Steen said that there are 15 members involved in the caucus, and added that she will be recruiting actively for new members.

Steen expects that the caucus will hold one or two meetings in the next year, preparing the Task Force's report to the 1989 Congress. Among recommendations currently being considered by the caucus are reserved seats on the SANE/FREEZE board of directors for gay/lesbian representatives and addition of sexual orientation to the group's statement of non-discrimination.

Persons interested in SANE/FREEZE or the Gay/Lesbian Caucus may contact Steen at 1468 West 25th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44113.

-Patricia Duncan
NEWS IN BRIEF

Norway Gay Leader Gets Government Grant

Kim Friele, the prominent leader of Norway's and Scandinavia's lesbian and gay movement, was awarded an annual pension of $13,000 by the Norwegian government. Norway's Ministry of Culture said the grant was in recognition of Friele's pioneering work in the gay movement, and is part of a government plan designed to allow prominent individuals to pursue scientific or cultural activities without concern for earning a living.

Friele, who is General Secretary of the Norwegian gay and lesbian organization DNT-48, said the award is "an indication that the authorities see gay and lesbian emancipation as a political issue and not only a private and personal one."

Robinson Re-elected to Canadian Parliament

Svend Robinson, the first and only openly gay member of the Canadian Parliament, was re-elected to the House of Commons on November 21 by a large margin. Robinson is a member of the New Democratic Party and a nine-year veteran of Parliament. He announced in February that he is gay.

He said he decided to go public about his sexual orientation to help advocate gay rights. The Toronto Star called Robinson's announcement a "milestone in Canadian politics."

Robinson was re-elected to the House of Commons after a bitter campaign in which Prime Minister Brian Mulroney implied that a person's sexual orientation was an impediment to holding a position of responsibility.

Mulroney, who was himself narrowly re-elected, reportedly said that Robinson could not represent the National Defense Dept. because of his sexual orientation.

According to the Star, Robinson has often criticized Mulroney for not carrying out a proposal to amend Canada's Human Rights Act by adding sexual orientation protections.

Famous Faces

Flawless Untouchable Makes "The List"

Among the pressing matters of our time, few are more eagerly awaited than People magazine's best-dressed list for the year, always gripping, always full of surprises.

The magazine just released the list showing that Untouchables star Kevin Costner won widespread adoration for his butch bomber jacket, and Joan Collins' bare-shoulder look proved to be popular with the judging crowd.

On the worst-dressed side of the list were George Bush, whose outfits were called boring and Ellen John who was chastised for her feminine hats.

If you disagree with the list, consider the judging panel which includes, among others, Morton Downey, ALF, Victor Costa and Tanya Tucker.

Klinger to Host New "Lifestyles" Show

No man on U.S. television ever dressed quite like MASH's Corporal Klinger. Now Klinger will help show how others do it as host of a new half-hour program modeled after Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous. The series called The New Millionaires will feature Jamie Farr (Klinger's offscreen persona) bringing to envious homes across America the lives of self-made millionaires.

Huston Goes to London, Batman Says

Anjelica Huston will spend Christmas in London, joining boyfriend Jack Nicholson. Huston, who starred in Prizzi's Honor with Nicholson, will make the trip because her main man cannot leave Britain at this time. Nicholson is currently filming the movie version of Batman.

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Lesbian Couple Murdered

Anguilla, British West Indies—Martha Alsup, 38 and Susan Galvin, 40, a lesbian couple who lived in Watertown, Massachusetts, were stabbed to death while vacationing on the island of Anguilla in the British West Indies.

There is no evidence that the women were murdered because they were lesbians or that either woman was sexually assaulted. A developmentally disabled 17-year-old man was apprehended with both victims' handbags shortly after their bodies were discovered and has confessed to the murders, according to a number of sources.

Gay Community News reported that Anguillian police said the same man was arrested earlier this year for raping and physically brutalizing an American woman who is scheduled to return to the island in January for the trial. After his arrest for the rape, the youth's family posted bail immediately and has reportedly denied accusations that he is emotionally unstable or prone to violence.

Many lesbians in the Boston area have expressed concern that the mainstream media's avoidance of any mention of the women's sexual orientation may indicate a refusal to investigate the possible link between their lesbianism and the motive of the murderer.

Both women were well known psychotherapists who worked extensively with lesbian survivors of child abuse. According to their friends, the women had lived together for eight years and were vacationing to get away from their exhausting schedules.

Southeast Prepares for National Lesbian Conference

Atlanta—The Southeastern Regional planning meeting for the first National Lesbian Agenda Conference will be held at Emory University on January 26-29.

At that meeting, sponsored by the Emory Lesbian/Gay Organization, delegates will be selected to attend a national planning meeting in early March at Duke University.

National Lesbian Agenda Conference organizers, who received a March on Washington grant for the event, said that the high level of early enthusiasm for the event indicates participation by thousands of lesbians from around the country.

Planning meetings will be held in at least eight different geographical regions in January and February of 1989 to discuss preliminary issues such as site location, board representatives, policy and fundraising.

The planning meeting at Emory University is open to all interested women. Sister Sister Productions will host a women's dance to benefit the Conference, and the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, at the Trolley Barn on Friday evening, January 27, to kick off the weekend. For more information phone Cathy Woolard at 377-8312.

ACT UP Trumps Trump

New York, NY—Over 100 AIDS activists disrupted holiday shopping at New York's posh Trump Tower on December 8 in an effort to draw attention to the plight of homeless AIDS patients.

Three members of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power/New York (ACT UP/NY) were arrested for trespassing after they lay down on the marble floor in the Tower's lobby and refused to get up.

Protestors also passed out paper plates bearing the message: "Trumpsgiving—empty plates for homeless people." The group also littered the area with flyers that read: "5,000 homeless people with AIDS in New York City and only 44 beds."

Also targeting New York Mayor Ed Koch for what they call his lack of response to AIDS, protestors chanted: "Koch and Trump go hand in hand, the homeless die—the rich get land."

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and the blockades fizzled out before long. "Now we're having to play catch-up from not having been there," according to COOR's Stacey Ferdinands. Ferdinands thinks abortion rights may be revoked before long, thanks in part to the publicity generated by the violent anti-abortion group.

The Supreme Court has already been asked to review the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision legitimating abortion and voters in several states opted to restrict abortion rights in the last election. A ban on Medicaid-funded abortions just went into effect in Michigan, for example. That state's Medicaid Director says Michigan spent $6 million last year on abortions for poor women. Now, he says, the state could spend as much as $50 million more regularly shoved and insulted. COOR members say anti-abortion protesters regularly hurl homophobic epithets at them. One pro-choice man was asked at the Falwell conference, "How's your AIDS, fag?"

The women, already upset about their situation, are pelted with shouts of "Don't kill your baby," or "Are you happy now that you killed your child," while the volunteer escorts are regularly shoved and insulted. COOR members say anti-abortion protesters regularly hurl homophobic epithets at them. One pro-choice man was asked at the Fulwell conference, "How's your AIDS, fag?"

Barnes says women going for abortions are sometimes told "They're a bunch of lesbians (in the clinic) who are going to give you AIDS." Gays and lesbians have been actively involved in the fight for reproductive rights, both as members of pro-choice groups and as escorts. Legal experts say reproductive and sexual rights are closely tied, leading many activists to believe that abortion is directly related to gay and lesbian rights.

COOR members say this is all about oppression. Many agree. "It is starting to dawn on people," notes Barnes, "the connection between a woman's right to choose and freedom. Especially when Falwell is involved."

GARAL, which doesn't necessarily support pro-choice rallies at the clinics, plans a major demonstration at the State Capitol on January 22nd, the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision.

Judge Upholds D.C. Gay Rights Law

Washington, D.C. - U. S. District Court Judge Royce Lamberth ruled December 13th that the Armstrong amendment, designed to force the District to allow discrimination against lesbians and gays in religious-educational institutions, was unconstitutional.

"It's a very wise decision by (Lamberth), and a big victory for home rule and gay rights in the District," said Herb Schultz, treasurer of the Gay and Lesbian Democratic Association (GLDA).

Known officially as the Nation's Capital Religious Liberty and Academic Freedom Act, the Armstrong amendment was proposed by Senator William L. Armstrong (R-CO).

In a prepared press statement, Sen. Armstrong said, "The District Court's decision is only a temporary setback in the continuing and vital effort to protect religious liberty." He has asked the Justice Department to appeal the decision. The bill was designed to force the D.C. City Council to amend their human rights law to allow religious-educational institutions to discriminate based on sexual orientation.

If Judge Lamberth had not ruled the amendment unconstitutional, the District would have had to alter the human rights law or lose the authority to spend its funds for all governmental functions as of December 31st.

Lamberth ruled that the Armstrong amendment was unconstitutional because it would force Councilmembers to vote against their wishes, and effectively curtail their First Amendment right to free speech. The Justice Department, which defended the government's case, has not decided whether or not to appeal the decision.

-Cris Duncan

Candidates Take Record Amount of Gay Money

Washington, D. C. - In 1988 more candidates than ever took record-breaking contributions of gay and lesbian PAC money.

The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), the nation's largest gay and lesbian political action committee (PAC) and lobbying organization, contributed more than $400,000 in cash and in-kind gifts to Republican and Democrat candidates and progressive groups during the 1987-88 election cycle. That's 60 percent more than 1985-86 contributions.

Political analysts believe the increased number of politicians willing to take gay money, and support what some perceive as controversial issues, points to the progress gays and lesbians have made in mainstream American politics.

"In the past, some candidates considered it a liability to publicly stand up for us and take our money," said Vic Basile, HRCF executive director. "And some still do. But the fact that 51 percent of the candidates we supported won - some by landslide margins - is a sound argument that gay money is an enhancement, not a hindrance."

Basile also noted that, with the exception of Senator Lowell Weicker (R-Conn.), no proponent of the gay and lesbian civil rights bill in the House or Senate lost his or her re-election. HRCF criteria for contributing to candidates include their voting records or positions on gay and lesbian issues, such as federal AIDS legislation, hate crimes, immigration, the gay and lesbian civil rights bill, and others.

Fighting notorious homophobe Senator Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) took a big chunk of gay PAC money.

"There is no such thing as a free civil rights movement for the lesbian and gay community," said Robert Bray, HRCF communications director.
Peace Is Not Just About Nuclear Weapons

Ten people out of the 180,000-member peace organization SANET/FREEZE pushed the fight for gay/lesbian civil rights one notch higher when they convinced the organization to form a Task Force on Gay/Lesbian Issues during their annual convention December 9 - 11. (See story Page 1.)

Their success is exciting on its own merit. But it is especially important because those ten people reached out and enlisted the support of yet another mainstream organization in our struggle for equality. Gaining our civil rights will require that every organization dedicated to freedom stand up in solidarity with the gay/lesbian community and demand that our rights be granted to us.

Think about it - 10 people out of 180,000 began the process of change within a well-respected multi-national organization. The people they touched in the process of getting the Task Force approved will undoubtedly remember their dialogue the next time they see homosexuals. They might even step in and stop it.

Beginning in a workshop entitled "Coming Out & Coming Together for Peace," the group of ten didn't cary or complain about their lack of representation and visibility within SANET/FREEZE. Instead, they decided to act.

In the space of 24 hours, they (1) formed a Gay/Lesbian Caucus within SANET/FREEZE, (2) wrote the resolution to form the Task Force, and (3) gathered the necessary signatures to place the Task Force resolution on the agenda. Watching their success was exciting and invigorating.

Workshop facilitator Carole Steen deserves special credit for the work she did in forming and nurturing the nascent group to such large and immediate success. Although the exact future is unsure, she expects that the Task Force might recommend that SANET/FREEZE include homophobia in its target list of prejudices, add sexual orientation to its non-discrimination statement and elect a gay/lesbian representative to the national board of directors.

The work ahead of Steen and the Gay/Lesbian Caucus will be hard, but they passed the hardest part when they stood up and said, "We are gays and lesbians. We need your help to combat violence against us, and your support in the fight for our civil rights."

The coalition they formed speaks well for SANET/FREEZE and the future.
**Thank Those Who Make a Difference**

Dear Editor:

Happy holidays to you and your staff!

Please accept my heartfelt thanks on behalf of Sister Sister Productions for your November profile of the organization and our work. The concert was a success, in large part, due to John Blizzard's enticing description of that nearly indescribable trio.

I have taken the last several weeks to assess the past year and to set business and personal goals for 1989, and I am continually thankful for the supportive role that Southern Voice has played in presenting information and publicity on behalf of my business and political activities. As a community we are extremely blessed to be the beneficiary of such a talented and hard-working organization. I look forward to the next year and I thank you and your staff for all your hard work.

The holidays tradition of bestowing gifts on loved ones could serve as a reminder to all of us of the importance those people play in our lives during the course of the year. In addition to my lover, my biological family and close friends, I can't think of anything more important to me than the organizations comprising MACGLO, our collective gay and lesbian media sources and the organizations working for us nationally, to create the community that makes me feel so fortunate and part of something greater in this life. This year I will be including financial gifts to several organizations as a token of my thanks for their fine contributions to my personal well-being. I hope you will consider joining me in this gesture.

With love and good wishes for the season,

- Brian

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**Guest Editorial**

**I Got My Foot In The Door**

In all senses of the word, it was a normal night in my life. Fighting with my brother, avoiding homework and being bashed by my father. It was normal except for one small detail. It was Hurricane Andrew, and my dad was a bit of a nut. He would say things like, "Well, if you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen." So after some thought, I decided that I had to go to the group. I needed to know other people in the same situation I was in. The only thing keeping me from the group was my father. My father, a frivolous, overbearing macho bigot who happens to be one of the most openly anti-gay persons I know. I knew I would have to lie to him if I was going to go. This hurt me deeply inside for I haven't ever deliberately deceived him in such a way before. But in my mind, the end justified the means. So I told Dad that I was going to a youth group at the Midtown Presbyterian Church of which there is not one. This worked and I was able to go.

I was very apprehensive waiting for Mark to pick me up. But when Mark arrived, all my fears and worries vanished. We got along just as well in person as in the telephone. We talked as if we had known each other for years which wasn't how exactly I felt. When we arrived at the Center and joined the group the opening experience knowing other people my age were going through the same stuff I was.

Since then, some heavy stuff has happened. My father found out and totally exploded. According to him, I have ruined the future of having a decent, well-bred family with his name. I am now serving time - approximately 30 years in the solitary confinement of my room. He has banned me from all contact with the group and Mark, yet he does not know what he is doing to me. But three nervous breakdowns that I have suffered through has sent him a message that we need to talk. Hopefully when that day comes he will understand me and accept that which he cannot change. I will never ask him to understand me for that is an impossibility. All I ask for is his trust and acceptance. Until then, I've got my foot in the door and no matter what happens I think I'll keep it there.

-Sincerely,
Cathy Parkerson
Sister Sister Productions

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**Guest Editorial**

**Lesbian Avenues: Heterosexism in the 80's**

The following is an edited version of a speech by Michelle Parkerson at the Lesbian Avenues panel which was a part of this year's National Women's Studies Association. For a copy of the full session send $7.50 to Carolyn McGhee, NWSA, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742.

**Challenging Others**

The theme of this plenary panel is "Combating Heterosexism in the '80s." The focus of my address is not an historical analysis of heterosexism, but the determination of it. Certainly, more vivid statements can be made at the first ever lesbian plenary in NWSA history and certainly with much diverse panties, than do I. What I hope to do is to go a bit beyond the sensitive heterosexism to its own biases and repressive violence against the lesbian and gay community. It speaks of that benign white liberalism (particularly fashionable in the '60s) to which whites asked African Americans to abandon their own desires and carry the burden of their consciousness-taking. But the hatred and fear that keep racism alive and well foster the designation that women and men and their right to love those of the same sex. The fact is that, in 1989, the National Women's Studies Association is holding its first ever lesbian plenary indicates the overall domination of power and the violence of this power in our lives.

Like homophobia is the psychotic hatred and fear of lesbians and gay men, heterosexism is the systemic dominance of desire, choice, and cultural expression to repress the values of heterosexuality. In a sense, homophobia is to heterosexism what racism is in white society. The political fault the violation of basic, separate, invisible, and safe, are all the same.

Heterosexism also hinges on a network of other oppressions: patriarchy, racism, and sexism. It permeates all cultures and social institutions. It influences all our personal interactions and deepens social bonds. And with the attendant power that absolute means to the destruction of homophobia we have taken on new dimensions of support from those who seek to segregate themselves from "the gay plague."

Like apartheid, heterosexism confounds the illusion of social acceptance upon those who subscribe to it, while at the other end of that spectrum, it dehumanizes and sets people aside as "other." In challenging it or in challenging the caste of others, we deny or design the tools of our own oppressions.

**Michelle Parkerson, NWSA 1988**
We believe these stories should be printed because they speak in an authentic and intimate voice – personal interest and concern. We believe these stories should be printed because they truly reflect who we are.

Today I felt sexy and comfortable in my soft fabric outfit that gathered at my calves with no bra or panties, no make-up or contacts, but wore globe earrings and a button that read, "FAT WOMEN HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE". I am sad for her and mad at her and I turned away and I thought, do not add to her pain.

Today I wrote about my life and feelings and pain and fat and nipples to show positioned low on her full breasts.

Today I chose to buy Coke instead of Diet Coke because the word Diet offended me and I was not afraid of the sugar in Coke.

Today I heard a fat dyke read her poem about her breast operation, of how the surgeon's knife had cut her and his needle had sewn her together and how she was experimented on for the camera before she could speak my horror she had experienced and tasted the remaining offending parts, like her big fat ass, how she wanted a body that was graceful and taller and she repeated the operation phrases of cut, stitch, scar, heal, cut, stitch, scar, scar, heal, cut stitch, scar, heal.

Today I decided to see the movie "Bagdad Cafe", which stars a fat woman I had seen in "Sucraby" and I invited three other fat women friends to go with me. Today I felt what's wrong and told what's wrong. She oppressed me. I am sad for her and mad at her and I turned away and I thought, do not add to her pain.

Today I wrote a message of passion and lust to a woman who intentionally infects others with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). Referred to as an "AIDS carrier," the character is shown to be in denial about his anti-body status.

Today I felt what's wrong and cried what's wrong. She oppressed me. I am sad for her and mad at her and I am scared and ashamed about being fat, about accepting my fat in front of so many thin women who heard the remaining offending parts, like her big fat ass, how she wanted a body that was graceful and taller and she repeated the operation phrases of cut, stitch, scar, heal, cut, stitch, scar, scar, heal.
Harvey Fierstein's Torch Song Trilogy has been made into a film, significantly altered from the nearly four hour play, and it disappoints.

First, a word about the story. Fierstein plays a female impersonator named Arnold who is looking for love, reason and a place in the world. The film concentrates on his significant relationships, including his liaison with a bisexual schoolteacher named Ed (Brian Kerwin, acting rather juvenile), who eventually leaves him for a woman, and his six-year relationship with a model named Alan (Matthew Broderick, subtle and believable), who is killed by a gang of homophobes shortly before the couple are to adopt a gay son.

Fierstein focuses on one sector of gay experience - the gay female impersonator. He gambles that he can successfully dramatize Arnold's life, lifting the figurative veil away in order to reveal beneath the surface - the gay female impersonator. He plans his play, to make it more cinematic. But he's also shortened the material at the same time he's added to it. The flaws of the play - its sentimentality, its clichés and melodrama - are all magnified in the film. As Arnold, Harvey Fierstein is excellent - his phrasing, inflection, choice of facial and body movement, the conversations spoken in Neil Simonese style, the conversations spoken in Neil Simonese style, the conversations spoken in Neil Simonese style, the conversations spoken in Neil Simonese style. The flaws of the play - its sentimentality, its clichés and melodrama - are all magnified in the film. As Arnold, Harvey Fierstein is excellent - his phrasing, inflection, choice of facial and body movement. Therefore she is certain to receive an Oscar nomination.

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- Terry Francis
This Week's Highlights

- **Benefit for Project Open Hands/ACT UP Atlanta's Winter Carnival.** December 27th. A musical treat with Opal Foxx, Kristen Hall & Dede Vogt, Michelle Martin and Freedom Puff (pictured) among others. This is for Project Open Hand. Help feed our PWAs. Little 5 Points Pub. 8 PM. $5.

- **"Clearing the Heart."** December 22-24. Just Us Theater presents Pearl Cleage's multi-media performance piece which is the third in the Just Us "Sisterspeak & more..." series. Cleage explores the themes of black female awakening and awareness through live performance, video, music, myth and ritual. Atlanta Civic Center, Room 104. 8:30 PM. $5.00. For reservations call 876-2350.

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- **Charts Books has no program tonight.**

- **"Shakin' The Mess Outta Misery!"** Last performance! Horizon Theater at Euclid/Austin Avenues. Call 584-7450 for more information. Recommended.


- **Angela Motter.** Neighbor's Pub. St Charles Avenue.

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- **Indigo Girls with Caroline Aiken.** Center Stage. 1374 W. Peachtree. 8:30 PM. Advance tickets-$8, $10 at the door.

- **Soundings."** WRFG-FM 89.3. 1-2 PM. With Franklin Abbott.

- **Evening at Charis "grieving."** Sharon Scott speaks on grieving the loss of a loved one, the end of a relationship, loss of a job. Charis Books & More, 419 Moreland Ave. 524-0304.

- **Cotton Club.** Drivin' n' Cryin' performs. Bar/food. 1021 Peachtree St. Doors open at 8; show at 10 PM. Tickets $8 in advance. Call 874-2523.

- **Big Hair and Other Teases.** Thru Dec. 31st. Recommended musical revue/comedy with locals Libby Whittemore, Sam Baker, etc. Upstairs/Gene and Gabe's. Call 802-2261 for specifics.

- **"A Night in Old Vienna."** Thu Dec. 31st. The Champagne & Coffee Concert Series with Wm. Fred Scott. 8 PM. Call 892-2414 for more.

- **American Jukebox.** Thu Dec. 31st. Acclaimed musical revue. Xmas Eve performance, 5 PM; Xmas Day, 5 PM. Buckhead Roxy at Roswell Road and Peachtree St. Call 873-4300 for more.

- **Project Open Hand.** Food prep and delivery to PWAs and PWARCs. Volunteers especially needed during the holiday week. Call 248-1788.


HAPPY NEW YEAR — HAPPY NEW YEAR — HAPPY
Next Week's Highlights

- **New Year's Party.** December 31st. Sister Sister and Friends Atlanta are sponsoring this party where there will be a cash bar and music by DJ Gary Tucker. Inman Park Trolley Barn. 8:30-1:30 AM. Tickets, $15 advance; $20 door; available at Charis Books and The Boy Next Door.


- **The Power Game.** January 2-5. A fresh analysis of Congress, the Presidency, the Pentagon and the powerful unelected—the press, lobbies and governmental staff aides. For those baffled by how Washington works, the four-part series provides many answers such as who is actually powerful, who only appears powerful and who isn't at all. WGTV, Channel 8.

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AIDS: Words From The Front

Catapano's four decades of training and clinical experience were primarily concerned with venereal disease. Yet it was a lifelong interest in cancer that indirectly led him to become involved in the AIDS story. By the time he left the Navy in 1945 he had lost a brother, sister and father to cancer and was determined to conduct research on the disease. It was 15 years, however, before the bridge shop he ran with his wife was successful enough that Catapano could afford to construct a laboratory in the basement of their home. He began experiments in which he induced tumors in lab hamsters by injecting them with steroids.

Although chemotherapy was the treatment of the hour, Catapano was intrigued with the possibility of using immunostimulating therapy, allowing the body to fight off cancer with its own defense system. He fastened on to the concept of vaccines, hypothesizing that if they were used preventively against certain diseases, perhaps they could stimulate the immune system in a general way.

Night after night, month after month, he tested different vaccines on the hamsters and studied the effect on their tumors; he tried the vaccines for tetanus, diphtheria, typhus, plague, tuberculosis, polio and smallpox. After several years, Catapano concluded that even though some of the vaccines—like the Salk polio vaccine—had a temporary, minor immunostimulating effect, they were ineffective only against the organism from which they were derived. Still he persisted, and in 1970 he took up work with the typhoid vaccine. From the beginning, he knew he was onto something big: The immune stimulation it produced was extraordinary. In matched experiments he discovered that staggered miniscule doses of vaccine effectively dissolved the tumors; conversely it was impossible to induce tumors in hamsters that had been injected regularly with the vaccine in a prophylactic—preventive—regimen.

Catapano also began searching medical libraries for everything he could find about the typhoid vaccine and learned that, prior to the introduction of penicillin, the vaccine, like malaria, had been used to induce therapeutic fevers in the treatment of a number of diseases, including syphilis. But that experimentation had been dropped erratically effective. Yet no one had fully explored the properties of the typhoid vaccine that made it such a powerful stimulator of the body’s immune system. Only gradually did Catapano come to understand why his protocol worked, boosting both the body's known immune responses, the cellular and the humoral (related to bodily fluids). The vaccine is high in proteins and carbohydrates, or polysaccharides, which have on their surface distinctive sequences of atoms, called recurring prosthetic radicals. The vaccine is injected just under the skin, by a short-needled syringe so that it reaches the lymphatic system. This stimulates lymphocytes, in particular T-lymphocytes and B-lymphocytes. T-lymphocytes are responsible for the body's cellular immune response; once stimulated they produce lymphokines, soluble proteins which in turn activate macrophages, those cells that attack and destroy foreign agents. B-lymphocytes, the body's humoral immune response, they stimulate circulating antibodies, proteins that attack invading agents.

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Part II of a Ill-part series

Part I of AIDS: Words From the Front introduced medical technologist Salvatore Catapano and his use of the typhoid vaccine to combat AIDS, which he believes is actually “extraordinarily entrenched late-stage syphilis.”

Granted a U.S. patent for his discovery that a complete immunization and revaccination of a person afflicted with AIDS may be achieved by the administration of typhoid vaccine”, Catapano has begun the slow process of convincing the medical establishment of the validity of his research.

In Part II of the series, Catapano discusses the details of the typhoid vaccine protocol and the results of his work to date.

The protocol must be followed closely. Details matter, including the precise location of the injection, the vigorous shaking of the bottle before each injection so that the potency of the vaccine will be uniform. In general, the patient starts out with injections twice a week, eventually going down to one injection a week and then one a month. Periodically, the weekly treatment will consist of two smaller shots given 30 minutes apart rather than one large shot.

Every patient Catapano treated took it upon himself to experiment with the dosaging and two patients had to be hospitalized. The prescribed doses are miniscule and staggered; none is better. Catapano stresses that the vaccine works most effectively when it is used alone and should definitely not be combined with chemotherapy—including AZT— or radiation. A representative of Burroughs-Wellcome, the producer of AZT, contacted Catapano last year and expressed interest in using typhoid vaccine as an immune modulator in conjunction with AZT. Catapano wasn’t interested. “Why would anybody give daily chemotherapy to patients who are already severely immune-suppressed? It’s crazy,” he says.

Catapano has had several patients begin the vaccine treatment, show improvement, but decide to switch to AZT at their physician’s insistence. The next patient recently returned to Catapano. So incapacitated by AZT that he needed oxygen and could no longer walk. He had to be carried into Catapano’s house.

Catapano regards AZT as a death sentence and uses a double tragedy, because he is convinced that AIDS is really syphilis, which is treatable, and for which an anti-viral drug, like AZT, can do nothing.

Not all the physicians using the protocol share Catapano’s views about syphilis. Some consider the disease simply a co-factor in AIDS. Two of them, however, are reporting a fascinating discovery, which Catapano has also made: After about 15 shots of the typhoid vaccine, a number of AIDS patients who had tested negative for syphilis began to manifest classic symptoms of the disease, usually the disease’s earliest manifestation, and to test positive. Dr. Valentine Birds of North Hollywood, California, has witnessed these phenomena in six patients. When patients are then treated with penicillin, the syphilitic symptoms clear up and the tests become negative.

While physicians around the country are taking up Catapano’s techniques, he continues to treat patients in his New York City office, collaborating with physicians there. Twenty-six of his patients have finished the treatment, including penicillin therapy, and are receiving maintenance shots of typhoid vaccine every few weeks. Depending on a patient’s condition, he may begin maintenance therapy anywhere from five to 18 months after treatment, although Catapano makes no guarantees if someone has a long history of AZT therapy or is taking other treatments concurrently with typhoid vaccine. One patient recently telephoned Catapano and excitedly announced that after getting his penicillin shots, his AIDS test (HTV-Elisa-test) had erratically effective. Yet no one had fully explored the properties of the typhoid vaccine that made it such a powerful stimulator of the body’s immune system. Only gradually did Catapano come to understand why his protocol worked, boosting both the body's known immune responses, the cellular and the humoral (related to bodily fluids). The vaccine is high in proteins and carbohydrates, or polysaccharides, which have on their surface distinctive sequences of atoms, called recurring prosthetic radicals. The vaccine is injected just under the skin, by a short-needled syringe so that it reaches the lymphatic system. This stimulates lymphocytes, in particular T-lymphocytes and B-lymphocytes. T-lymphocytes are responsible for the body's cellular immune response; once stimulated they produce lymphokines, soluble proteins which in turn activate macrophages, those cells that attack and destroy foreign agents. B-lymphocytes, the body's humoral immune response, they stimulate circulating antibodies, proteins that attack invading agents.

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This article originally appeared in the November, 1988 issue of Spind Magazine. The article was accompanied by a condom with explicit instructions on safer sex usage which prompted a widespread controversy (See Southern Voice, Vol. 7, #21), "AIDS—Words from the Front" is reprinted courtesy of Spind Magazine.

Living with AIDS, which regularly appears in this space, will resume after Part II of "AIDS—Words from the Front."
Jerusalem House Seeks Space for Homeless PWAs

Atlanta-The board of directors of Jerusalem House, a residence to be designed specifically for people with AIDS (PWAs), is searching for donated space to house 20 to 30 PWAs.

Evelyn G. Ullman, president of the board of Jerusalem House, said the facility will provide AIDS patients with meals and medical services, compassion and companionship.

"More than 100 people with AIDS are walking the streets of Atlanta with no bed to call their own and no roof over their heads. They have been rejected by friends and family, their financial resources are exhausted, and they find themselves ill and homeless. There is no room for them in existing facilities," said Ullman.

"We hope to have a facility and be renovating it by February," she said.

United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta, are of 19 agencies and organizations sponsoring the project, gave the group a $5,000 grant, and a recent fundraiser in Stone Mountain brought in more than $7,000, according to Ullman.

The Red Cross will train volunteers for Jerusalem House, the Visiting Nurses Association plans to donate medical services, and Project Open Hand/Atlanta will provide meals for the residents.

Jerusalem House is actively seeking volunteer and financial support. Interested persons may contact the Jerusalem House, 1790 LaVista Road, Atlanta, GA 30308. Contributions are tax-deductible.

Rev. Hose Eulogized By MCC

Two hundred and forty persons attended a memorial service Dec. 11 to pay tribute to the late Rev. John ("Papa John") Hose, minister emeritus of Atlanta's First Metropolitan Community Church (MCC), who died of cancer on Nov. 25 at age 74. Rev. Hose was a prominent figure in the national MCC ministry for nearly two decades.

Rev. Troy Perry, founder and head of the national MCC, headed up the Los Angeles, officiated at the service held at First Atlanta MCC on N. Highland Avenue.

"Papa John was a 'papa' to all of us," Perry said in his eulogy. "And John was truly a papa to me," Perry added. He recounted how he and Hose became friends and co-workers beginning in 1969 when he appointed Hose as assistant pastor at the original MCC church, founded the year before, in Los Angeles. "He did any kind of mental work in the church that needed to be done," Perry said. Hose had particular interest in providing housing in parsonage for homeless persons, Perry recalled. "He dealt with the homeless long before this became an issue anywhere else," Perry said.

MCC clergy from more than a dozen congregations across the country - including representatives from San Diego and Tampa, where Hose served before coming to Atlanta in 1979 - praised him for his sense of humor and great wisdom.

Hose was instrumental in the founding of First Atlanta MCC in 1977, the second oldest MCC congregation in the southeast.

The service, which First Atlanta MCC interim pastor Reid Christensen called a "service of celebration," was originally planned more than a month ago by Hose. "His physician advised him at that time that the chemotherapy for his cancer was not working," Rev. Christensen said.

"John figured he would make it until Dec. 11," Christensen said.

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The Sun and 4 other planets in your 1st house compel you to deal with yourself now. Help around money could come from a Taurus on the 26th.

Aquarius
Most of your life feels mysterious and behind-the-scenes. Relax it's only many planets lined up in your 12th house. Enjoy a secret romance on the 21st with a Gemini.

Pisces
Get your head out of the clouds and party down. Friends will want to party the night away. Make a contract with a Scorpio on the 2nd.

Aries
Mars, your ruler, is in your 1st house, and you might be purdy now. Take it easy with business dealings - no one is as inspired as you.

Taurus
Your 9th house is highlighted this period, so travel can be a rewarding experience. Don't go far on the 24th, though, as Mars is badly aspected to both the Moon and Mercury, creating interminable delays.

Gemini
Strong 8th house aspects focus you on joint money concerns. Forget all that on the 30th, though, and have a fling with a Scorpio.

Cancer
Full Moon in your sign on the 23rd urges you to communicate your feelings to your lover or partner. Find a Leo at work on the 26th and try mixing business with pleasure.

Leo
It is now time for all of you generous Sun-rulled creatures to take care of yourselves for a change. Focus inward. For help in this unfamiliar territory, consult a Sagittarius.

Virgo
Pleasure is in your forecast this period, especially in love, romance, children and creative interests. Renew yourself with a Scorpio on the 1st.

Libra
Family relationships are holding your attention now. Plan an event at home on the 26th. Full Moon on the 23rd could involve conflict - be on the safe side and drydreadm with a Cancer.

Scorpio
You can achieve inner peace through communication with others and community activities. Take time out on the 23rd, 1st and 2nd.

Sagittarius
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A Cry in the Dark

In his new film A Cry in the Dark, the great Australian director Fred Schepisi has made an epic about a nation's response to a mystery. This daring film reveals the underside to a nation's character, and explores how different elements of a society can feed on each other for their own self-serving purposes.

The harrowing film is based on fact. Lindy Chamberlain and her family go on a camping trip to a popular tourist site, Ayers Rock, a gigantic formation heaving skyward out of the Australian Outback. When they gather round their campfire one night, they hear a sound similar to a baby's cry.

Lindy goes to check on her nine-week-old infant daughter who she has put to bed in a nearby tent. As she approaches, she sees a dingo (an Australian wild dog) bolt out of the tent in the moonlight, and makes the horrifying discovery that her baby has vanished.

At first, the nation is sympathetic, and Lindy is exonerated from any wrongdoing. But soon suspicions grow. The Chamberlain's are, after all, Seventh-day Adventists, and don't they believe in performing strange sacrificial rites, the public begins to wonder? And could a dingo, the beloved symbol of the Outback to so many, have actually eaten a baby? And even if such a story were true, shouldn't the local police, who bungled the early stages of the investigation, keep the story, well, hushed-up, since it might wreck tourism?

Enter the media, who provide both fuel and wind for the fire, by irresponsibly reporting the frenzy of rumors and suspicions, keeping the story wildly alive for ratings and readership.

Here Schepisi makes one of the key intellectual points of the film. In an effort to warn other parents of how the event took place so that it won't be repeated, the Chamberlains grant television and press interviews in which they are cruelly exploited.

The venom is focused on Lindy. She does not fall apart in front of the camera as the public expects she should. She reserves her grieving for her family and friends, the people who care about her. And the media begin to track her comings and goings like bloodhounds in pursuit.

The case is reopened. The superstitions deepen. Lindy, calm after the agony, cool before the cameras, unwilling to cry on cue and collapse before a nation confidently sipping its beer during the evening TV news, is condemned because she doesn't act under the circumstances the way a woman is "supposed" to act. This is the heart of Schepisi's movie. The Chamberlains, Lindy in particular, are different from the majority. They must be bad. They cannot be trusted. Laws must be used to condemn them and lock them away.

The most and least that can be said of Meryl Streep and Sam Neil's performances as the Chamberlains is that they simply "are"; we never doubt that the actors are the Chamberlains.

- Terry Francis

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