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"Make Way for Rehnquist!"

Among the more than 300,000 pro-choice people who participated in the March for Women's Lives and Women's Equality in Washington, DC on April 9, hundreds were from Washtenaw County. Most local demonstrators made the grueling journey by bus. Speakers at the march included Bella Abzug, Jesse Jackson, Alice Walker and many others.

HOW TO RECYCLE

by Ted Sylvester and Andrea Walsh

This article is for people who want to recycle but don't know how.

According to recent surveys of Ann Arbor households by U-M School of Natural Resources research fellow Ray De Young, people in town want to recycle but need help with the simple "how-tos" of recycling practices (The Ann Arbor News April 17, 1989). AGENDA hopes the following information, written with the novice in mind, will inspire you to take that first step—find three boxes and label one "paper," one "glass," and one "metal"—and start filling them instead of your garbage can.

Once these boxes start getting full, perhaps the most important thing to know about recycling is the terrific services available, free of charge, from the Ecology Center of Ann Arbor. One such service, Recycle Ann Arbor, offers city-wide monthly curbside pickups of bundled newspapers, glass, tin cans, aluminum, used motor oil, and car batteries to all residents (consult the map on page 10 to find out which trash day of the month the Recycle truck comes to your neighborhood). The Ecology Center also operates a Recycling Drop-Off Station at 2050 S. Industrial (open Friday and Saturday 9:30 am to 4:30 pm).

O.K. Your three boxes are full. You have the curbside pickup date circled on the calendar. Now the big question is what EXACTLY is recyclable? What can be taken to the curb—or to the Drop-Off Station—and how should it be sorted and prepared? Here are Recycle Ann Arbor's guidelines:

PAPER

Newspaper must be bundled, either placed in a brown paper grocery bag or tied with sturdy string. Newsprint with colored ink

(like comics) is acceptable. Newsprint catalogs (like the Washtenaw Community College class schedule) are also acceptable but non-newsprint covers must be removed. The basic rule is that no paper other than newsprint can be mixed in.

The following paper items are NOT acceptable: wet, frozen or yellowed newsprint; junk mail, glossy fliers, and slick magazine-like inserts (they contain clay which is a contaminant); books, magazines, catalogs, and phone books.

Brown paper grocery bags should be flattened and bagged. Shopping bags with handles, plastic bags, and colored paper bags are not acceptable.

Cardboard must be flattened and bundled. Only corrugated cardboard is acceptable—that's the kind with the squiggly stuff in between two layers. Pizza boxes and common brown boxes are good examples. Remove all non-cardboard matter and flatten completely. For curbside pick-up only one 3 ft. by 3 ft. by 6 in. bundle is allowed per household. Larger bundles must be taken to the Drop-Off Station.

The following cardboard items are NOT acceptable: egg cartons (take them to the People's Food Co-op or an egg farmer); grey cardboard (tubes, cereal boxes, gift boxes, single-layer boxes); and waxed, plastic coated, aluminized or glossy cardboard (milk cartons, butter boxes, shoe boxes, detergent boxes).

Office paper is accepted at the Drop-off Station only. To properly recycle this type of paper, set up three boxes and label them "white," "colored," and "computer print-out." White bond

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Direction for Our Passions U-M Hospital Hosts Prisoner Art Exhibit

by Blaine Crosby

While searching for the real meaning of life at 48 in mid-Michigan I chanced to find two men who were producing more artwork than a gallery could hold. The setting from which this flood of drawings came, was a crowded prison cell at the Milan Federal Correctional Institution. How is it possible I asked myself to create inspiration for others, while living crammed inside a place filled with hundreds of men? Here is the story behind their art exhibit.—Katherine Moore

Paul Green and I met coming into the federal prison system in El Reno, Oklahoma in the summer of 1986. We met again in a shared cell in the admissions unit at the prison in Milan, Michigan that fall. Paul was 26, from Houston. I, 20 years older, came from Minneapolis. Paul was the neophyte first-timer. I was a cynical old convict, accepting that my best years were gone.

I made greeting cards, some in pen and ink, some in water colors as Paul watched. We exchanged the harsh small talk common to prisoners everywhere. Paul's past had no direction. He'd been to college and dropped out, and worked a variety of short-term jobs. He'd always taken the easy way out. As for me, I had spent the last 10 years as a heroin addict, in and out of California's prison system.

After a while Paul began helping with the greeting cards and calligraphy. He told me he'd



Blaine Crosby

never tried to draw before. After seeing his first efforts, I believed it.

Over the next year we became inseparable, working together picking up trash on the yard, eating together and most importantly, doing art work. As I tried to teach Paul, lessons far wider

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prison bureaucracy to process orders.

Being a poet, I had never considered myself an artist. When asked about it, my usual reply was, "Oh I just do graphics." When other prisoners came around offering brief accolades, Paul would respond, "Me, I'm just learning."

The work kept getting better and better as we helped each other, by now working as equals, giving each other the courage to try projects that seemed too difficult.

Paul plans to go to art school when he is released. His life has found a meaning and he understands the importance of dreams and hard work. I have learned the value of every drug-free day.

From now until May 18, a small collection of our work will be shown at University of Michigan Hospital, 2nd floor, West Corridor. This show is a culmination of 18 months' work. Kathy Moore helped make it possible. She wrote letters, raised money, and carried stacks of drawings in the back seat of her car, always eager to show them to anyone willing to look. She encouraged the two of us to keep going and helped us to continue to grow and to believe. Love and trust and encouragement create beauty, even in the harshest of places.

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The Foully Fated Pigeon Fish Affair

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ENVIRONMENTAL LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN

by Solomon Eagle



Fish disasters and suspicious crimes against trout often get underplayed in the media, probably because egocentric humans prefer their own colorful and endless catastrophes. So a curious Michigan cause not so celebre recently involving fish may have gone unnoticed by most readers. Yet the Pigeon Fish Affair flirts with major issues.

In July 1984, an employee of Golden Lotus, Inc., a Michigan resort business upstate, while repairing a dam operated by the company on the Pigeon River, accidentally let silt from a pond enter the river. The sad demise of some 7,000 trout ensued before fish fanciers could hook and eat them. We have no quarrel with fish fanciers, though Pigeon is a rather sissy name for a river in this Eagle's opinion.

Among DNR skills is an ability to count fish. Thus, the Michigan DNR competently and no doubt promptly counted the departed trout. Then DNR joined the Attorney General, the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, and the Michigan Council of Trout Unlimited in a concerted battle against Golden Lotus. The late and fiercely lamented members of the family Salmonidae were perseveringly championed by this strange quartet, not to be confused with the Guarnieri. And after four years a consent judgement was finally reached under which the company pays the Environmental Protection Division \$15,000 annually on or by November 30 from 1988 through 1993. The state's \$90,000 payoff works out to about \$12.86 per fish. The Michigan United Conservation Clubs gets another \$2,000.

Also Golden Lotus must "within a reasonable time" take measures "to assure the long-term strength and safety of the dam and nonrepetition of sediment release." Sounds reasonable, and hopefully fish of the future will be protected. Both fish and their fanciers should feel relief. Robert Reichel of the Attorney General's office proudly reported that this was "one of the largest cash payments made in a single fish-kill event in Michigan." But a four year fish fight between the state and a Michigan business makes us wonder why so much legal sweat and calisthenics are necessary to accomplish so little. Shakespeare and probably Casey Stengel pointed out the folly of "much ado about nothing."

Questions: How much did the litigants spend on the case? What state talents and resources were tied up? Did the state efficiently invest time and resources by focusing legal fury on an accidental silt spill? Could those involved have been given more productive assignments to benefit the businesses and public that pay them?

Matters such as the Pigeon Fish Affair call for quick, responsible agreements and cleanup instead of extended state-business disputes and legal pushups for 40% of a decade. Certainly more serious issues wait to be resolved. For the environment's sake, the litigants' energy might better have gone into fixing what was wrong. Such affairs encourage the suspicion that the DNR favors badgering and working over a business rather than friendly chit chat and rational resolution. Businesses as well as fish are important to the state and also deserve concern, support, protection, fair play. Our advice to all is sit together, get the facts straight, reach a civilized agreement by supper time, and then convivially dine—on Michigan trout perhaps—and toast the rare but not impossible achievement of business-government rapport with a glass of Michigan wine.

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Hash Bashers not to Blame for Riot

There's been a lot of finger pointing when it comes to who's responsible for the vandalism on S. University on the night of April 1. Officials from the South University Merchants Association blame the City of Ann Arbor for not having enough police on patrol. Ann Officials from the City of Ann Arbor U-M for not controlling their students. Officials from U-M blame the Hash Bash, the \$5 pot law and the Grateful Dead concerts of April 5 and 6. According to an Ann Arbor News article, U-M Vice President of Student Services Johnson vowed that, as a consequence of the vandalism that occurred on April 1, the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) would not be granted future permits for the Diag.

On April 1, NORML estimates that at least 2,500 people were at the Diag at the peak of the Hash Bash, and as many as 5,000 people passed through the Diag at one time or another throughout the afternoon. The crowd was in a peaceful and festive mood, and when one speaker told the crowd to sit down, the crowd sat down. I saw no rowdyism or vandalism on the Diag, and if there was any public consumption of alcohol, it was isolated and minimal. I've heard that the police agree that the crowd was well behaved.

Later in the afternoon NORML held a private benefit far from the Diag and campus area. After the

benefit and the basketball game were over, I drove a NORML member back to his apartment at Forest and S. University and found that the police had barricaded the street. I became curious and walked to Church and S. University to observe the crowd for myself. What I found was a different looking crowd than had gathered at the Diag earlier. This crowd was drunken, shouting and in some instances, very rude. They were noticeably younger and less hippyish-looking than the Diag crowd. Beer cans and broken beer bottles literally filled the streets. I left long before any vandalism occurred and I was thoroughly convinced that whatever this crowd did, it would be ludicrous to link it to the Diag crowd.

It would be easy to blame the basketball game itself for what my friends now call the "Basketball Riot." Perhaps the university should consider withdrawing from the NCAA Tournament. But since the university made over \$600,000 from the tournament, I doubt that will happen. Even if the university paid for all the damages, which I believe they have a moral duty, but not a legal duty to pay, they would still make over half a million dollars. I read in the Ann Arbor News that U-M President Duderstadt will not authorize payments to the City of Ann Arbor for the city's damages and expenses. There is no doubt in my mind that the university would prefer not to pay anyone anything, and they are using the Hash Bash and NORML as the reasons.

As for future events, I doubt the university can stop the Hash Bash. The Hash Bash has a life of its own; it's an Ann Arbor tradition. NORML still plans to have a Marijuana Law Protest April 1, 1990.

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The Death of a Patriot: Abbie Hoffman 1936-1989

by Bruce J. Allen

Now that he's dead and all the eulogies delivered, Abbie Hoffman is at last enjoying some good press. With the exception of a few predictable spit-on-your-grave celebrations from such quarters as Philip Terzian's piece of vengeful vitriol in The Journal, the dailies have adopted a benign tone along the lines of "it can't hurt to give the guy a little credit now that he can't bother us anymore."

Hoffman named his vocation, at progressive points in his life, as "cultural revolutionary," "community organizer," and finally, "American dissident." The last fits best; although, since his community was the country whose democratic ideals he loved with a passion dwarfing that of self-styled "patriots" like Oliver North, the organizer label may fit best. He didn't just dissent. He organized.

Though his ideals didn't change over the years, he did. The '60s were a battleground, and guerrilla theater is the only kind that can survive such times. American blood was not only being shed overseas: Presidents, preachers and students were being killed in the streets by the hatchetmen of the status quo. We now live in times when a civilized veneer has been forcibly draped over the social war that still rages in the U.S., while surrogate troops are enlisted from the native populace, in the regions where we wage our wars, to distance the public from the carnage.

No matter how irreverent and shocking, every-

thing he did was done in the same hope. So now, as Alaska oozes with Exxon oil, and our cities reel beneath the weight of the homeless and contra-aid crack, Nixon's main flunkie sits in the White House and Abbie Hoffman's dead.

Hoffman's daunting combination of intelligence, wit, energy, and dedication will not be seen again soon, if ever.

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PANAMA

May 7 Election Pits Noriega Against U.S.

by Eric Jackson

Panama will go to the polls on May 7 to decide a three-way presidential race which pits Noriega-backed legislator Carlos Duque against the two opposition hopefuls, lawyers Guillermo Endara and Hildebrando Nicosia. The president and his two vice presidents will be elected to a four-year term.

The Noriega-backed National Liberation Coalition (COLINA) is a center-left alliance whose presidential candidate is Carlos Duque. Duque's family owns Panama's largest newspaper, La Estrella. He is a member of the National Assembly. His running mate for first vice president is Ramon Sieiros, Noriega's brother-in-law. Duque's running mate for second vice president is Aquilino Boyd, an old diplomat from a wealthy shipping family.

The U.S. is unofficially backing the Democratic Opposition Alliance (ADO), a center-right coalition. Its presidential candidate, Guillermo Endara, is a lawyer and political unknown whose background is with the fascist Panameñista Autentico party of Arnulfo Arias. He was selected largely because he has little political baggage. His running mate for first vice president is Christian Democratic leader Ricardo Arias, a professor tainted by ties to the U.S. The ADO's second vice-presidential candidate is Guillermo Ford, past president of the Chamber of Commerce.

The third presidential candidate and potential spoiler is Hildebrando Nicosia, a lawyer who defeated Endara's backers in a contest for control of the Panameñista Autentico party. Nicosia represents the far right wing of Panama's wealthy oligarchy. His running mate for first vice president is Emiliano Aguilar, a member of the National Assembly. His running mate for second vice president is Alfonso Diaz, a businessman and crony of Arnulfo Arias.

Most Panamanians would like to see the de facto head of Panama's government, General Manuel Antonio Noriega, leave office. Yet most Panamanians do not approve of the opposition, which is a despised

wealthy elite that owes its primary allegiance to the United States.

The Crisis

A crisis has been brewing since the 1984 elections, which were stolen from the late Arnulfo Arias by Noriega and the Electoral Commission on behalf of Nicolas Barletta. Barletta's tenure of presidency ended soon after the September 1985 murder of former Panamanian health minister Hugo Spadafora. This led to accusations that Noriega ordered the assassination. President Barletta's promise of an inquiry into the Spadafora affair, along with unpopular economic policies, led Noriega to oust Barletta and install Eric Delvalle in the Presidential Palace later that same month.

June 1987 brought a split in the Panama Defense Forces command into the open, when Col. Roberto Diaz was removed as Noriega's second-in-command. Diaz then publicly denounced his superior for alleged involvement in several political murders and a visa-selling scam. Anti-Noriega demonstrators hit the streets. That fall, Panama's second vice president, Enrique Esquivel, split with Noriega.

After U.S. drug indictments of Noriega by two Florida grand juries in February 1988, Delvalle met with U.S. Undersecretary of State for Latin American Affairs, Elliott Abrams. On Feb. 23, Delvalle and Noriega met, each demanding the other's resignation. On Feb. 24, the National Assembly sided with Noriega and impeached Delvalle. Strikes and demonstrations peaked in March. The opposition, led by the Chamber of Commerce, was hurt by splits, arrests, censorship, the exile of leaders and public disgust with its ties to U.S. actions against Panama.

The opposition had been quiet since May 1988. It is now running in the May 7, 1989 elections for the presidency and national assembly. As AGENDA went to press, the mainstream press was reporting that George Bush, with the approval of congress-

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Stopped at the Salvadoran Border

by Don Coleman

I was one of 46 U.S. and Canadian citizens driving a caravan of 17 vehicles to El Salvador. The Caravan spent 11 days at the border and never gained entry to the country. The vehicles were being transported as part of a massive relief effort intended for victims of El Salvador's 1986 earthquake.

The Caravan was a special project of Building With the Voiceless of El Salvador whose purpose is to provide material aid to the poor of El Salvador. Some of the leadership and initiative for the project also came from Salvadoran refugees in Sanctuary in the United States.

Three million dollars of material aid was collected by church groups and solidarity organizations from around the U.S. The aid, which included medical aid and school supplies, was shipped by boat from New York, Miami and Houston to Guatemala then trucked commercially to San Salvador. The Caravan, another part of the aid package, was to deliver 17 empty trucks to the National Unity of Earthquake Victims of El Salvador (UNADES). Once there the drivers were to load the trucks and help distribute the aid when it arrived.

The aid was collected to help victims of the October 10, 1986 earthquake in San Salvador. A majority of Salvadorans live in desperate poverty and the earthquake added to their desperation. The earthquake left 1,500 dead, 10,000 injured and 300,000 homeless. It destroyed schools, health facilities and neighborhoods where the poorest people lived. UNADES was organized by Salvadorans in response to earthquake damage, poverty and government harassment.

The Caravan originated in the Northeast, the Midwest and the West. After a 3-day orientation session in San Antonio, Texas the convoy travelled nearly 2500 miles through Mexico and Guatemala to Hachadura, El Salvador.

The Caravan reached the Salvadoran border March 13. Our papers were processed quickly and we thought we were going to be in San Salvador in record time. However, at the final stage, border

guards reported that they had received a phone call from higher immigration officials refusing the Caravan entrance into the country.

We spent 11 days at the Salvadoran border hoping and anticipating that we would be permitted to cross through the gate to complete our journey to San Salvador.

Time at the border was frustrating. It was hot (90 to 100 degrees), dusty, boring at times and exasperating. Most exasperating was the treatment we received from the U.S. Embassy in San Salvador.

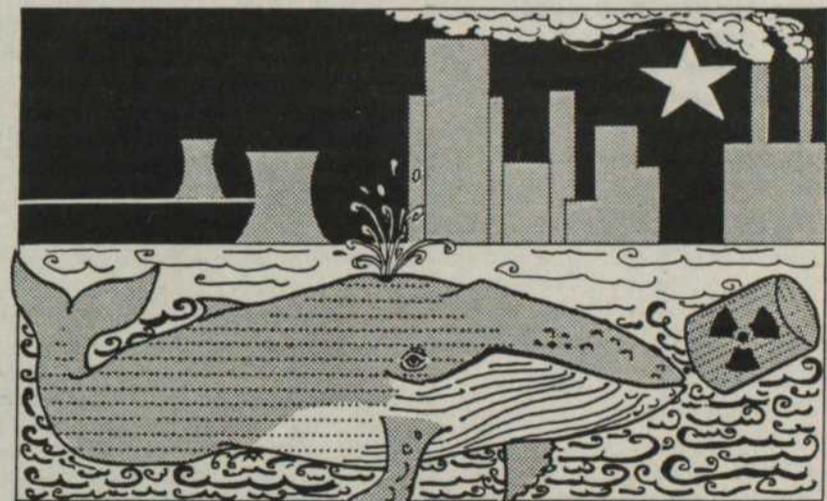
Our calls to the embassy were met with excuses and insulting responses, the worst of which was: "We can't act as advocates on your behalf because the U.S. Embassy cannot interfere with the actions of a sovereign nation." U.S. foreign policy is by definition involvement in the affairs of sovereign nations. The U.S. has poured more than \$3.3 billion into El Salvador since 1980, the equivalent of more than \$1 million a day. El Salvador, a nation of 5 million people and the size of Massachusetts, is the fifth largest recipient of U.S. aid in the world. Over 60,000 people have been killed by U.S.-supported death squad activities over the last eight years.

After camping out of the trucks for a week and a half, it became clear we were not going to be granted entrance. Eventually a few attorneys from San Salvador came and transferred the vehicle titles over to members of UNADES and other service groups waiting for the aid. Twenty-six Caravan drivers then left for Guatemala City. They flew from there into San Salvador to help unload the aid as planned. The others went home.

I went on this trip because I believe U.S. citizens should act in solidarity with the people of El Salvador. I came home even more convinced of the need to support groups such as Building With the Voiceless of El Salvador, which support self-empowerment organizations like UNADES. Those of us who are part of church organizations and solidarity groups need to work for change in U.S. policies toward El Salvador and other Central American countries.

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"BUILD HOMES NOT PARKING LOTS"

by Ken Garber

The small surface parking lot on N. Ashley Street, tucked in behind Kline's department store, rivals the nearby Library lot on Fifth Ave. in popularity among downtown shoppers. On most Saturday mornings it fills quickly, but as a light fog lifted on this particular Saturday morning in mid-April it was almost completely empty.

Empty of cars, that is. In front of each parking meter stood cardboard boxes of varying sizes, with the word "home" painted in orange, red or blue paint along with crudely drawn windows and roof-lines. Some boxes were adorned with cardboard picket fences and carefully drawn flower beds. A sign at the entrance said "Lot's Full" and another read "Build Homes Not Lots," and sign-carrying protesters prevented cars from entering.

The April 15 action was perhaps the first demonstration in Ann Arbor history to blockade a parking lot instead of a building. Renuka Uthappa, a U-M senior and an active member of the Homeless Action Committee (HAC), said the site was chosen because of the \$9 million parking structure soon to be built there. "We're trying to force the city to change its priorities and allocate more money to housing," she said. Explaining that the committee had gone before City Council last November to ask for help in providing housing for the homeless, Uthappa said that city officials told them that the city lacked the resources to build housing. "Our position has been that the city lacks the will, not the resources," she said.

The money spent to build the parking structure is clear evidence that funds exist to begin to address the city's affordable housing crisis, said Uthappa. "It's so obvious—you can't argue that it's more important to house cars than to house people."

By 11 am the small crowd had swelled to about 100 people. Most of those scattered around the parking lot were young-looking, but there were several couples with children and several older people. One of them was June Lindsay, a member of the Gray Panthers. "Two beautiful young people came to our meeting and told us about their work with the homeless," she said. "The Gray Panthers believe in putting people first, above profits, and we endorsed them."

At about 11:30 am Uthappa climbed on the back of a pickup truck with a megaphone and asked everyone to gather around for a short program. There was a brief theater presentation by seven people carrying signs identifying them as "Physically Disabled," "Vietnam Vet," "Single Mother," "Mental Problems," and "Unemployed Man." One by one they stepped forward, saying "You know me only as homeless—you avoid (ignore, don't look at, are afraid of) me." Each actor alternately



PHOTO BY GREGORY FOX

narrated a story of homelessness and offered factual information such as "Federal support for housing was slashed by 77% during the Reagan years" and "2.5 million units of affordable housing have disappeared since 1980."

In Ann Arbor, the term "affordable housing" has become a contradiction in terms as both rents and home prices have skyrocketed in recent years. The city's average rent in 1988 was \$514 a month and the average home sold for \$133,904 (The Ann Arbor News, 3/18/89). City officials acknowledge the problem but have done little to solve it, citing either lack of resources or the desire to rely on "market forces" to find a solution. But housing activists believe the city's Downtown Development Authority (DDA) has both the responsibility and the money to create affordable housing in Ann Arbor.

The DDA is an appointed city commission whose primary purpose is the improvement of downtown for public benefit. It captures tax funds from new downtown developments and from increased valuations on existing buildings. With this money, the DDA has so far built two parking structures for \$13 million and plans at least three more, including the Kline's lot structure and an underground structure to accompany a Comerica Bank office building. All but 10% of the 317 spaces are for use by Comerica only—a huge DDA subsidy. To date, there are no plans to build or subsidize new

downtown housing, despite state-enabling legislation permitting use of DDA funds for housing.

According to DDA chairman Jim Hart, the DDA charter does not allow for construction or direct subsidy of housing in the downtown. Even if it were modified to allow housing, as state law permits, it might not be appropriate, said Hart. "There is a need for housing, but DDA isn't the answer for it," he said, citing expensive and scarce land for building downtown as well as a pressing need for more parking so the fragile downtown retail trade can be protected. "Given a choice between a parking structure and low-income housing, I think everyone would say, 'build housing,' but there are other factors to consider."

HAC member Larry Fox said his group will continue to work to change the city's priorities. "We'll continue to find new creative ways to pressure Council and the DDA to build housing," said Fox. "We won't allow these parking structures to be built until we see some new affordable housing units. If necessary, we'll use our bodies to stop the bulldozers," he said.

The parking lot occupation ended around 4 o'clock. The cardboard boxes were removed and cars once again began to queue up to use the lot. One of the day's speakers, Jim Clough, a 26-year-old resident of the city shelter on W. Huron, summed up the theme of the protest with the question, "Why do the cars have better homes than we do?"

AIDS Educators Reach Out to Prisoners

by Judson N. Kempson

The course of the AIDS epidemic is changing. Once considered a "gay disease," AIDS is increasingly threatening other stigmatized and oppressed communities, particularly IV drug users and communities of color. In the wake of the governmental non-response to the crisis, the gay white male community, which was already politically organized, has responded to the epidemic by forming volunteer organizations that provide educational and support services to people with AIDS.

The efforts of these organizations have been successful. The incidence of HIV infection has dropped off in the gay white male community. Other affected groups, however, have not been so fortunate. The spread of the virus continues unabated among IV drug users, their sexual partners, their children and the homeless. More and more, the disease is disproportionately one of poor people of color.

The statistics are sobering. Blacks account for 12% and Hispanics account for 7% of the general population. Yet 26% of people with AIDS are Black and 14% are Hispanic. Eighty percent of the women with AIDS are Black or Hispanic. Black children make up 53% and Hispanic children make up 23% of pediatric AIDS cases. In Michigan, 45% of people with AIDS are Black.

AIDS organizations, therefore, are going through growing pains. In the race to get information to the people who need it before they become exposed to HIV, these organizations are rethinking their strategies and trying to expand their services beyond the white middle class.

One such local organization, Wellness Networks Inc.—Huron Valley, has just launched an educational project targeting prisoners, a population that is also disproportionately Black. On March 15 and again on April 5, Wellness volunteers showed a video on AIDS, presented statistics about the epidemic in Michigan, discussed safer sex and safer drug use, and answered questions from enthusiastic inmates at Cassidy Lake Technical School. Cassidy Lake is a minimum security correctional facility located outside Chelsea.

The prison project began when Wellness began to receive requests from prisoners for visitors. One such prisoner with AIDS was "buddies" with Wellness workers Michael Patrick O'Connor, Jim Becker and this reporter. (A "buddy," in AIDS parlance, refers to the person with AIDS and the volunteer, who provides both practical and emotional support.) From their experience with the prisoner, who died last September, the volunteers realized that there was little AIDS education in

prisons.

"The prison population is more likely to be neglected," said O'Connor, who leads the prison project, comprised of himself, Becker, this reporter and Judith McCormick, a nurse. "Clearly a number of the prisoners (at the presentations at Cassidy Lake) knew about AIDS but just weren't clear on it."

In his experience with the Department of Corrections, O'Connor indicated that there was a great deal of ignorance about AIDS or an unwillingness to address the issue on the part of prison officials. In some cases, he noted, it did not appear that the prison health care staff took AIDS seriously.

According to O'Connor, the immediate goals of Wellness's prison project are to set up educational programs in the prisons, starting with the minimum security facilities and progressing to medium security facilities in the area. The program, he hopes will establish dialogue between AIDS activists and the Department of Corrections. Both staff and prisoners, then, will become aware of the educational and support services that Wellness is willing to provide. Wellness plans on giving two more presentations at Cassidy Lake and then moving on to Camp Brighton, another minimum security facility outside Pinckney.

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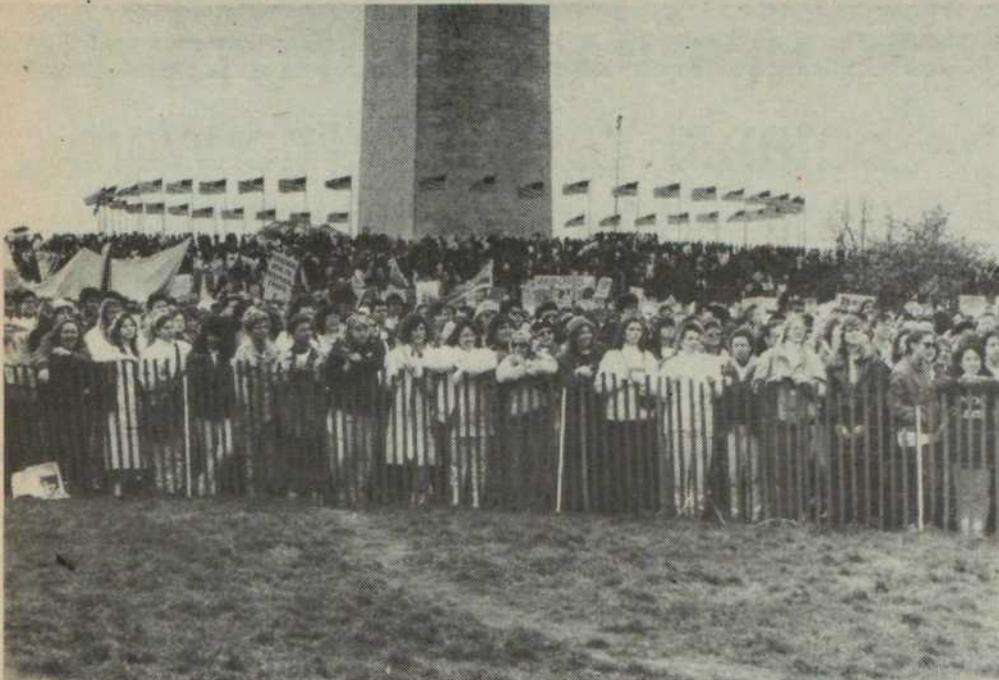


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April 9, 1989: Halo of flags encircle crowd at beginning of March for Women's Lives and Women's Equality in Washington, DC.

Using Our Power to Make a Difference

Audre Lorde Visits Ann Arbor

by Catherine Fischer

Black, lesbian, feminist, mother, poet, cancer survivor and warrior, Audre Lorde says she writes poetry and prose to break silences which would otherwise drain her strength. Speaking articulately and powerfully about her own life, Lorde has provided many of us an opportunity to identify parts of ourselves for which we did not know words, or which had been silenced by sexism, racism or other forms of oppression. Lorde stresses the need to affirm differences—in race, class, sex, age, sexual orientation, ethnicity—rather than ignoring or assimilating them. She is the author of books including: "The Black Unicorn," "The Cancer Journals," and her most recently published work, "A Burst of Light." Lorde is a professor of English at Hunter College in New York City. She is also a founder of Kitchen Table: Women of Color Press, and of the Sisterhood in Support of Sisters in South Africa, a coalition which supports women in their resistance of apartheid in South Africa. Lorde's talk was the local beginning of Sexual Assault Prevention month, which was observed state-wide in April. The primary sponsor of Audre Lorde's talk was the U-M Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Center.

On March 30, Audre Lorde addressed a crowd of 500 people in U-M's Hale Auditorium. In her speech "Women, Power and Difference," Lorde encouraged the audience to keep in mind that we are part of an international community. Lorde stated that being answerable to that community is "not altruistic thinking. It's survival." Lorde asked us to question ourselves about how we identify our own personal power and differences. "Power is not static," said Lorde. "If you do not use who you are in the service of what you say that you believe, someone else is using you. And it is always to your detriment, and my detriment and the detriment of our children." Difference is

creative, according to Lorde, and so we must learn to use it. Lorde remarked that we waste energy "lusting to become each other," and said "I do not have to be you in order for us to work together."

Throughout her speech Lorde stressed the responsibility of each individual to be answerable to others in how we use our power. "I would like each of you here for one moment to feel—not think—feel what it means to be a citizen of the most powerful country in the world," said Lorde. "And then I want you to feel what it means to be a citizen of a country that stands on the wrong side of every liberation struggle on earth." There was some laughter to which Lorde responded, "I hear your nervous laughter—as terror." Lorde suggested that it was appropriate to feel afraid, but not to be immobilized by terror.

Lorde used several examples of international situations where oppression needs to meet our resistance, underscoring her message with her poetry. For example, German feminists are beginning to address attempts to ignore the victims of the holocaust Lorde said. She described a monument in West Berlin, dedicated to the Generals of the German resistance, which includes an urn containing earth from German concentration camps. What is missing from this urn, said Lorde in her poem is "the unremarkable ash of fussy, thin-boned infants, adolescent Jewish girls."

Lorde pinpointed several situations in which U.S. citizens should examine our responsibility to the international community. The Virgin Islands are a territory of the United States, while the rest of the Caribbean Basin nations are independent. Describing this as a colonial relationship she said each one of us should ask ourselves what we know of the Virgin Islands and the independent nations in the Caribbean referred to as the Caribbean Basin. Lorde asserted, "A basin is someplace where you wash your hands when you are dirty. The Caribbean is nobody's basin."

Continuing on this theme, Lorde urged the audience to think about South Africa while fighting racism here in the U.S. She pointed out that "apartheid U.S.A. and apartheid South Africa" are not separate from each other. Lorde said the U.S. fuels and props up the system of apartheid. The people of Africa look to the people of the U.S. to see how we are using our power said Lorde. She warned that our children will hold us accountable. She said they will ask what you were doing before South Africa was free. "Because, you see," she stated "South Africa will be free!" Lorde was interrupted by applause.

Concluding her talk, Lorde received two standing ovations from an energized audience. She told the people: "I feel the tremendous amount of power in this room. You are beautiful, you are real. I urge you all to know that the power that you feel right now doesn't reside in me. It is yours. Each one of you owns it. It is yours to take out of this room and to use in some way."

OUTREACH

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A large part of the success of the program will depend on the cooperation of the Corrections staff. The volunteers were warmly welcomed by the staff at Cassidy Lake, particularly Jack Willsey, principal of the school, and Adria Libolt, Deputy Warden.

Libolt, who supervises five other camps in the area in addition to Cassidy Lake, is very enthusiastic about the program. She has attended both sessions and was impressed by the presentation and the level of discussion which followed. "The program is important," she said, "because AIDS is a problem for everyone."

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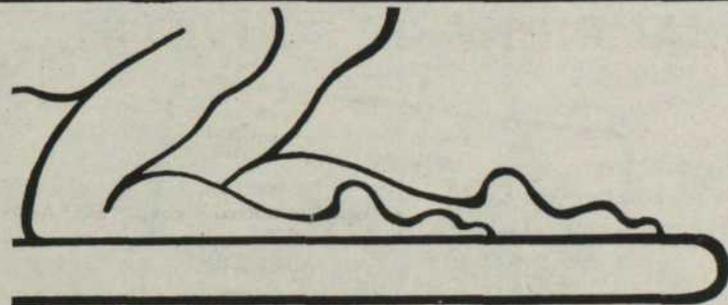
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"Satanic Verses": The Word
Made Fresh

by Jim Jones

In contrast to our cynicism and disdain for mere words, the Islamic fundamentalists, who do not separate secular from religious, and apparently, as we see in the case of "Satanic Verses," fiction from sacred text, hold all words as meaning what they say. There is something admirable, even enviable about this. Commercial TV, politics, and literary theory could certainly use a healthy dose of this kind of "word truth."

Just when we were beginning to forget the Ayatollah Khomeini, the world's *enfant terrible*, the furor over Salman Rushdie's "Satanic Verses" has allowed Americans to rekindle their love of Iran-bashing. As we gleefully waste newsprint and pollute outer space with our broadcast waves condemning the "barbarism" of the Ayatollah and the Islamic Republic, we pat ourselves on the back for being so "civilized" and rational. After all, when was the last time America condemned a writer to death for attacking Christianity, or our way of Government (the two are hard to divide in the Islamic Republic)? Certainly a few centuries.

While we concentrate on this obvious example of our tolerance and their evil, everyone, so far, has failed to look at a fundamental difference between contemporary American and Iranian culture that underlies this crisis. Fundamentalist Islam, like fundamentalist Christianity holds sacred the word. If Muhammadans believe every word of the Koran is divinely inspired and true (as opposed to metaphorical), then an attack against the Koran and Muhammad, its recorder, is an attack against God.

There can be no argument in this case that Rushdie blasphemes Islam, just as surely as a number of our writers have blasphemed Christianity (one strong example that comes to mind—Michael Moorcock in his 1967 novel "Behold the Man" depicts Mary and Joseph as ignorant peasants and their child Jesus as retarded). The religious of the West deal with writers such as Moorcock in a more civilized way, attacking the work, not the man. They stage book-burnings, picket book stores, write to the publishers, and until the 1950s, the Pope put the book on the index of forbidden works. But such events occur rarely, and even then are lucky to be deemed worthy of a mention on the evening news.

Today books are rarely seen as important in mainstream culture. In a bizarre circling of our history, the image has supplanted the word. Our TVs flickering in darkened living rooms are the modern equivalents to the bison painted by our ancestors on

the caves at Lascaux. One third of American adults have difficulty reading. We must face the fact that we are now a post-literate culture. And it has been a long time since a mere book like Rushdie's "Verses" has had the impact to make the TV news give the written word back its power with over a week of coverage.

And this gets to the heart of my point. The West long ago gave up its belief in the word. One need only look to advertising to see once precious cultural ideas mocked: "Freedom equals 7-11." One need only look at our last presidential race to see the devaluing of words to such an extent that even the media, the masters of word debasement, commented on it. Unfortunately this debasement is taken for granted by most people today. The French Post-Structuralist philosopher, Jean Baudrillard, current hero of the avant-garde, has even developed a literary theory that revels in our cultural disregard for the integrity of the word.

In contrast to our cynicism and disdain for mere words, the Islamic fundamentalists, who do not separate secular from religious, and apparently, as we see in the case of "Satanic Verses," fiction from sacred text, hold all words as meaning what they say. There is something admirable, even enviable about this. Commercial TV, politics, and literary theory could certainly use a healthy dose of this kind of "word truth." That is not to say I applaud Iran's ransom on the life of Rushdie, although it certainly makes more sense to kill the source of the blasphemy than to enrich him by buying up his books and burning them!

I can't help but feel our attitude toward this latest Iranian spectacle is due partially to envy. We envy a culture which believes so strongly in anything. We have lost our faith in religion, government, even our precious TVs. If only someone could write a book as explosive to the West as "Satanic Verses" is in Iran, India and Pakistan, it would prove that words still counted, that something still mattered. We would feel so good building that gibbet.

Costa Rican Debt
2nd only to Israel's

During a panel discussion on U.S. policy in Central America, March 23, sponsored by the Latin American Solidarity Committee, U-M biology professor John Vandermeer spoke about the effects of U.S. aid on Costa Rica.

"Costa Rica has now accumulated a debt that is second only to Israel's, that is per capita," he said. "Right now, Costa Rica is so dependent on U.S. aid that President Oscar Arias... is forced into certain political actions by the threat of the U.S. withholding economic aid."

When U.S. aid is threatened, Vandermeer said, "Arias immediately faces strikes by workers, closing of plants and certain segments of universities. He is dependent on U.S. aid just to keep their economy afloat. That puts the Costa Ricans in a position of being blackmailed, and routinely blackmailed, I might add."

During a trip to Washington D.C. last month, Arias publicly expressed his support of the new round of U.S. aid for the *contras*. This position was in direct contradiction to the August 1987 Esquipulas II plan which Arias authored and to the Central America Peace Accords which he signed along with the other four Central American presidents.

PANAMA

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sional intelligence committees, authorized a CIA slush fund of some \$10 million for the opposition's campaign. While this money could give Noriega's opponents the edge, the revelation of its existence could be politically fatal for its recipients.

Panama suffers most of the ailments common to other heavily-indebted third world economies. All aid, payments of canal revenues and rents owed to Panama under the 1977 canal treaties, payments of taxes withheld from Panamanian employees of the U.S. military and the canal, and Panamanian access to funds in U.S. banks have been cut off by the U.S. And trade sanctions have been imposed. As a result, billions of dollars have been divested from Panama's economy. The U.S. vows to continue its hostility until Noriega no longer commands Panama's military.

U.S. and opposition sources claim that fraud is in the works for the May 7 elections. Some observers warn that a widespread public perception of fraud may lead to civil war. Conversely, acceptance of the results by the Panamanian public and Defense Forces would do much to ease tension. If the Bush administration also accepts the election results, a way out of the crisis would be open.

To publicize June CALENDAR events, send formatted listings by Monday, May 15 to AGENDA, 202 E. Washington #512, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. (996-8018)

FORMAT—Date, event, sponsor, time and place. One or two sentence description, (fee), phone number.

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

ONGOING EVENTS

Pen and Ink Drawings: Gifts of Art U-M Hospital Gallery, Main Corridor West, 2nd floor. Exhibition by Paul Robert Green, artist and prisoner; & Blaine Crosby, artist, poet and prisoner. Runs through May 18. 769-1616

Handblown Glass Exhibit: Sixteen Hands 119 W. Washington. Exhibit by New York artist Gary Genetti runs through May 20. Gallery hours: Mon-Fri, 11 am to 6 pm (Fri 8:30 to 10 pm also); Sat, 10 am to 6 pm. 761-1110

"Gallery Artists II": Le Minotaure Gallery 11 am to 5 pm daily (Thur & Sun, 2 to 5 pm), 115 E. Ann. Exhibit through May 15. 665-0445

Cobblestone Farm Tours: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. 1 to 4 pm, 2781 Packard. Authentic 1844-1860 farmhouse open to public Thur to Sun, May to Oct, \$1.50 adults/\$0.75 youth, \$5 family. 994-2928

Freedom on the River Rowing Program: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. 5:30 to 8 pm, Argo Park Canoe Livery. Rowing program for the mobility impaired using specially modified craft. Aides available to assist rowers. Runs Tue & Thur, May to October. 662-9319

1 Monday

Youth Bass Fishing Clinic: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec./Washtenaw Co. Bassmasters 6:30 to 8:30 pm, Gallup Park Livery, 3000 Fuller Rd. 4-wk. course begins. Ages 13-17. Pre-regis. required. 662-9319

Ballroom Dance Lessons: Apartment Lounge 7:30 to 8:30 pm, \$2. 769-4060

DJ Dance Music with Dorian Deaver: Apartment Lounge 8:30 to 11:30 pm. 769-4060

Open House for Lesbians & Gay Men: Integrity 8:45 pm, Canterbury House, 218 N. Division. 665-0606

2 Tuesday

Lesbian-Gay Men's Radio Show 6 pm, 88.3 FM, WCBN. 763-4186

Meeting: Lesbian & Gay Rights Organizing Committee (LaGROC) 8 pm, 3100 Michigan Union. 763-4186

Tommy Keene: Prism 10 pm, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Singer, songwriter, guitarist, \$7.50. 99-MUSIC

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"Man at table" (1987), one of Ann Arbor artist John Elkerr's pen & ink drawings on display exclusively at Le Minotaure Gallery, 115 E. Ann St.

3 Wednesday

Waste Awareness Awards Presentation: Ecology Center 12 to 1 pm, Leslie Science Center, 1831 Traver. Awards include "The Most Waste Conscious Business or Institution of the Year" & "The Most Wasteful Consumer Product of the Year" 761-3186

Meeting: Latin America Solidarity Comm. (LASC) 8 pm, ask for rm. at info. desk, Mich. Union. 665-8438

4 Thursday

"Curse Of The Starving Class": Nother Productions 8 pm, Performance Network, 408 W. Washington. Sam Shepard's disturbing and insightful look at the underside of the American Dream. \$9/\$6 students & seniors, \$5 groups of 10. 663-0681

Recycle Week Dance: Ecology Center 9 pm, Blind Pig, 208 S. First. Frank Allison & the Odd Sox in this fundraiser for Eco. Center, \$5. 761-3186

Walt Symanski Group: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm. Motor City Jazz. 769-4060

5 Friday

Follow Your Recyclables Bus Tour: Ecology Center 6 am to 8 pm. All day tour of recycling processing facilities in Illinois, Indiana & Michigan. Reservations by April 21, \$40 (\$35 Eco. Center members). 665-6398

Happy Hour: Apartment Lounge 4:30 to 8:30 pm. Early 60's pop with Bluefields. 769-4060

Women's Tea: Women's Crisis Center & U-M Lesbian Programs Office 5:30 to 7 pm, 1st Congreg. Church, 218 N. Adams, Ypsilanti. All women are welcome to this alternative happy hour. Enjoy pleasant company in an alcohol-free atmosphere. 485-2310

Benefit Concert: First Unitarian Universalist Church & others 7:30 pm, 1917 Washtenaw. Folk musicians Beutel, Carter, O'Brien & friends in a fundraiser for Detroit Witness for Peace delegation to Central America, \$6/\$10 patrons. 663-1870

Gay Men's Coffee House: Brothers 8 pm, Guild House, 802 Monroe. 763-4186

"Curse Of The Starving Class": Nother Prod. 8 pm (see 4 Thur)

Jeanne & the Dreams: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm, \$3. 769-4060

6 Saturday

10th Annual Dog Walkathon: Humane Society of Huron Valley 9 am to 4 pm, 3100 Cherry Hill Rd. Walk 6 to 18 miles of rural roads, with or without your dog. Refreshments & prizes. Sponsor sheets & pledges, 662-5545

White Pine Seedling Giveaway: Ecology Center/Nat'l Women's Farm & Garden Assoc. 9:30 am to 4:30 pm, Recycling Station, 2050 S. Industrial. Free seedling to 1st 400 people returning recyclables. 761-3186

Ultimate Frisbee: A2/U-M Ultimate Club 10 am to 5 pm, Mitchell Athletic Fields, Fuller Rd. Collegiate Central Regional Tournament. Men's &

women's teams. Fast moving, exhilarating, non-contact sport. 668-2886

Annual Canoe Symposium & Display: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec./CanoeSport 10 am to 4 pm, Gallup Park, 3000 Fuller Rd. 662-9319

Canoe Auction: A2 Dept. of Parks & Recreation noon, Gallup Park, 3000 Fuller. Auction of used & damaged canoes. 662-9319

Rugby: U-M Rugby Football Club 12:30 pm, Mitchell Field, Fuller Rd. U-M vs Samia Saints. 668-7505

"Curse Of The Starving Class": Nother Prod. 8 pm (see 4 Thur)

George Bedard & The Kingpins: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm, \$3. 769-4060

Mojo Nixon & Skid Roper: Prism 10 pm, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Maniacal, mind-melting music, \$11.50. 99-MUSIC

7 Sunday

18th Annual Bike-A-Thon: Ecology Center 7 am to 5 pm, 417 Detroit St. Ride one of 4 different routes. 2 live bands. Routes & brochures, 761-3186

Ultimate Frisbee: A2/U-M Ultimate Club 10 am to 5 pm (see 6 Sat)

Meditation & Service: Zen Lotus Society 5 to 7 pm, 1214 Packard. Meditation, traditional Buddhist chanting, reading, & Dharma talk. 761-6520 days

Blues Jam: Apartment Lounge 5:30 to 8:30 pm. Dave Pickard & Idyll Roomers. 769-4060

Meeting: Homeless Action Committee (HAC) 6 pm, First Baptist Church, 512 E. Huron. Plan further actions to fight homelessness. Earl 930-2959

Sunday Jazz: Del Rio 6 to 9 pm, 122 W. Washington. Paul Voornhagen & Friends with Rick Burgess. 761-2530

"Curse Of The Starving Class": Nother Prod. 6:30 pm (see 4 Thur)

"Intro. to the Holy Works": School of Metaphysics 6:30 to 7:30 pm, 719 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti. Interpret holy works. 8-week course begins, \$40. 482-9600

Lesbian-Gay Men's Music: Gay Liberation 8 pm, Blind Pig, 208 S. First. 996-8555

8 Monday

Youth Bass Fishing Clinic: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec./Washtenaw Co. Bassmasters 6:30 to 8:30 pm (see 1 Mon)

Ballroom Dancing: Apartment Lounge 7:30 to 11:30 pm. 769-4060

Open House for Lesbians & Gay Men: Integrity 8:45 pm (see 1 Mon)

Buck Pets: Prism 10 pm, Blind Pig 208 S. First. Big crunchy guitars, ferocious sound, \$7.50. 99-MUSIC

9 Tuesday

Lesbian-Gay Men's Radio Show 6 pm (see 2 Tue)

Meeting: Amnesty Int'l Group 61 7:30 pm, Michigan Union (check at desk for room). Activities to protect human rights and free prisoners of conscience around the world. 761-3639

"Why Socialist Activism?": Solidarity 7:30 pm, Guild House, 802 Monroe. Speaker: Peter Landon, Solidarity organizer. 665-2709

Meeting: LaGROC 8 pm (see 2 Tue)

10 Wednesday

June News & Feature Deadline: AGENDA News & feature articles due before 5 pm, 202 E. Washington, #512, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 996-8018.

Meeting: LASC 8 pm (see 3 Wed)

11 Thursday

"Curse Of The Starving Class": Nother Prod. 8 pm (see 4 Thur)

Acoustic Jazz Network: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm. Marc Anderson & others. 769-4060

12 Friday

Kris Good: Apartment Lounge 4:30 to 8:30 pm. Happy hour. 769-4060

Women's Tea: WCC & U-M Lesbian Programs Office 5:30 to 7 pm (see 5 Fri)

Metaphysical Rap Session: School of Metaphysics 7:30 pm, 719 W. Mich. Ave., Ypsilanti. Explore mysteries of the unknown. 482-9600

"Curse Of The Starving Class": Nother Prod. 8 pm (see 4 Thur)

Bluefields: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm, \$3. 769-4060

13 Saturday

Time Capsule Entry Deadline: MSU Lesbian/Gay Council Send prose, poetry, etc. to: Lesbian/Gay Council, Attn: Time Capsule, 442 Student Union Bldg., E. Lansing, MI 48823 (for details see Gay Liberation's CRD, page 10).

Tree Clinic: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. 9 am to 1 pm, Allmendinger Park Shelter, 645 Pauline. 994-2769

Tole Painting Workshop: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. 9:30 am to 3:30 pm, Cobblestone Farm, 2781 Packard. Make ornamental items. Beginners. To register, 994-2780

Rugby: U-M Rugby Football Club 12:30 pm, Mitchell Field, Fuller Rd. U-M vs MSU. 668-7505

"Curse Of The Starving Class": Nother Prod. 8 pm (see 4 Thur)

The Whip with Rafe Savage: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm, \$3. 769-4060

14 Sunday

Annual Mothers' Day Peace Celebration: Ypsilanti Peace Fellowship & others 1 to 3 pm, Edith Hefley Peace Park, Elm St., Ypsilanti. Commemoration of peace &

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Fifth Annual Mother's Day Festival of Peace: WAND (Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament) 2 to 5 pm, Band Shell, West Park. Entertainment, refreshments, & children's activities. 761-1718

Meditation and Service: Zen Lotus Society 5 to 7 pm (see 7 Sun)

Blues Jam: Apartment Lounge 5:30 to 8:30 pm. The Gringoes. 769-4060

Meeting: Homeless Action Committee 6 pm (see 7 Sun)

Sunday Jazz: Del Rio 6 to 9 pm. Marc Anderson Quintet (see 7 Sun)

"Curse Of The Starving Class": Nother Prod. 6:30 pm (see 4 Thur)

Lesbian-Gay Men's Music: Gay Liberation 8 pm (see 7 Sun)

15 Monday

June issue deadline for Calendar & Community Resource Directory: AGENDA Submit by 5 pm, 202 E. Washington #512, 48104. 996-8018

Meeting: World Hunger Education-Action Committee (WHE-AC) 6 pm, 4202 Michigan Union. Learn more about WHE-AC and how to help, locally or internationally, with hunger-related issues. 930-6944

Youth Bass Fishing Clinic: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec./Washtenaw Co. Bassmasters 6:30 to 8:30 pm (see 1 Mon)

Meeting: Parents-FLAG/Ann Arbor 7:30 pm, First Methodist Church, State at Huron. 763-4186

Ballroom Dancing: Apartment Lounge 7:30 to 11:30 pm. 769-4060

New Class in Applied Metaphysics: School of Metaphysics 7:30 to 10:30 pm, 719 W. Mich. Ave., Ypsilanti, \$8/wk. 482-9600

Open House for Lesbians & Gay Men: Integrity 8:45 pm (see 1 Mon)

16 Tuesday

Lesbian-Gay Men's Radio Show 6 pm (see 2 Tue)

Meeting: LaGROC 8 pm (see 2 Tue)

17 Wednesday

National Bike to Work Day: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. Hit the saddle and prove that it's possible to leave the car at home. 994-2780

Meeting: LASC 8 pm (see 3 Wed)

18 Thursday

Hunger Task Force Meeting: Bread For The World/Interfaith Council for Peace & Justice 7:30 pm, Memorial Christian Church, 730 Tappan. Discussion of local & int'l hunger issues, legislative updates & local action planning. 487-9058

"Extremities": West End Productions 8 pm, Performance Network, 408



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W. Washington. A study of rape and the laws which protect rapists, \$9/\$6 students & seniors; \$5 groups of ten. 663-0681

John Lawrence & Straight Forward: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm. 769-4060

19 Friday

Volunteer Training Begins: Domestic Violence Project/SAFE House Volunteers needed for all programs: crisis line, crisis intervention, counseling & support groups etc. To register, 995-5444

Kris Good: Apartment Lounge 4:30 to 8:30 pm. Happy hour. 769-4060

Women's Tea: WCC & U-M Lesbian Programs Office 5:30 to 7 pm (see 5 Fri)

"Dreams: The Journey Within": School of Metaphysics 7:30 pm, 719 W. Mich. Ave., Ypsi. Using dreams for learning and growth. 482-9600

Gay Men's Coffee House: Brothers 8 pm (see 5 Fri)

"Extremities": West End Productions 8 pm (see 18 Thur)

Glass: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm, \$3. 769-4060

Throwing Muses: Prism 10 pm, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Jangly, gothic, fast dance music, \$11.50. 99-MUSIC

20 Saturday

Build Mixer Playground: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. & others 7:30 am to 8 pm, Fuller Park, 1519 Fuller Rd. Help build barrier-free playground. Continues four consecutive weekends. 994-2780

Summer Hours Begin at Canoe Livery: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. Argo Park Canoe Livery open Sat, Sun & holidays, 8 am to 9 pm; Mon to Fri, 11 am to 9 pm. 662-9319

Canoe Instruction Clinic: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. 10 am to noon, Gallup Park, 3000 Fuller Rd. Basic canoe techniques, \$7.50. 662-9319

Buddha's Birthday Celebration: Zen Lotus Society 11 am, 1214 Packard. Children's Service. 761-6520

Rugby: U-M Rugby Football Club 12:30 pm, Mitchell Field, Fuller Rd. U-M vs Detroit. 668-7505

Lecture Marathon: School of Metaphysics 1 to 4 pm, 719 W. Mich. Ave., Ypsi. Lectures on astrology, crystals, pyramids, etc., \$15. 482-9600

Buddha's Birthday Public Forum: Buddhist Movement for Justice & Peace 1:30 to 4 pm, 1214 Packard. Panel discussion: "Buddhism & the Environment" Vegetarian feast & cultural evening to follow. 761-6520

The Cowboy Junkies & Roger Manning: Prism & U-M Office of Major Events 8 pm, Power Center. Blue country swirling folk sound, \$14.50, \$16.50. 99-MUSIC

"Extremities": West End Productions 8 pm (see 18 Thur)

Glass: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm, \$3. 769-4060

21 Sunday

Build Mixer Playground: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. & others 7:30 am to 8 pm (see 20 Sat)

Statewide Organizing Meeting for Nat'l. Lesbian Conference: Gay Liberation 1 pm, Mich. Union, Kuenzel Rm. 763-4186

"Extremities": West End Productions 2 pm (see 18 Thur)

Cat Behavior & Care Clinic: Humane Society of Huron Valley 4 to 6 pm, Ann Arbor Dog Training Club, 1575 E. North Territorial. 662-5585

Meditation and Service: Zen Lotus Society 5 to 7 pm (see 7 Sun)

Blues Jam: Apartment Lounge 5:30 to 8:30 pm. Bob Cantu & the Blues Nuts. 769-4060

Meeting: Homeless Action Committee 6 pm (see 7 Sun)

Sunday Jazz: Del Rio 6 to 9 pm. Paul Voornhagen & Friends (see 7 Sun)

Phone-a-thon: Housing Bureau for Seniors 6:30 to 9:30 pm, Turner Geriatric Clinic, 1010 Wall. To volunteer for this fundraiser, call 763-0970

Lesbian-Gay Men's Music: Gay Liberation 8 pm (see 7 Sun)

22 Monday

Randy Erskine Golf Classic: Humane Society of Huron Valley 11 am, Washtenaw Country Club, 2955 Packard, Ypsilanti. Benefit Golf Outing. Lunch & 18 holes. Entry forms, 662-5545

Meeting: WHE-AC 6 pm (see 8 Mon)

Youth Bass Fishing Clinic: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec./Washtenaw Co. Bassmasters 6:30 to 8:30 pm (see 1 Mon)

Ballroom Dancing: Apartment Lounge 7:30 to 11:30 pm. 769-4060

Open House for Lesbians & Gay Men: Integrity 8:45 pm (see 1 Mon)

23 Tuesday

Lesbian-Gay Men's Radio Show 6 pm (see 2 Tue)

"Solidarnosc & the Current Situation in Poland": Solidarity 7:30 pm, 802 Monroe. Talk by Padraic Kenney, U-M History Dept. 665-2709

Meeting: LaGROC 8 pm (see 2 Tue)

24 Wednesday

Meeting: LASC 8 pm (see 3 Wed)

25 Thursday

Introductory Zen Meditation Course: Zen Lotus Society 6:30 to 8:30 pm, 1214 Packard. 5-week course, \$120/\$100 students. 761-6520

Meeting: Bread for the World/Interfaith Council for Peace & Justice Hunger Task Force 7:30 pm, Memorial Christian Church, 730 Tappan. Discussion of hunger issues, legislative updates, and planning for local events. 487-9058

"Extremities": West End Productions 8 pm (see 18 Thur)

Suzanne Lane & The Bruce Dondero Trio: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm. 769-4060

26 Friday

Kris Good: Apartment Lounge 4:30 to 8:30 pm. Happy hour. 769-4060

Women's Tea: WCC & U-M Lesbian Programs Office 5:30 to 7 pm (see 5 Fri)

"Extremities": West End Productions 8 pm (see 18 Thur)

Glass: Apartment Lounge 9:30 pm, \$3. 769-4060

27 Saturday

Build Mixer Playground: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. & others 7:30 am to 8 pm (see 20 Sat)

Summer Hours Begin at Canoe Livery: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec. Gallup Park. Open Sat, Sun & holidays, 9 am to 9 pm; Mon to Fri, 11 am to 9 pm.

Salvadoran Dinner: A2 Friends Meeting 6:30 pm, 1416 Hill St. Fundraiser for the Celaya family, a Salvadoran refugee family living in Ann Arbor, \$5. 930-9767

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29 Monday

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Youth Bass Fishing Clinic: A2 Dept. of Parks & Rec./Washtenaw Co.
Bassmasters 6:30 to 8:30 pm (see 1 Mon)

Class in Applied Metaphysics: School of Metaphysics 7:30 to 10:30 pm (see 15 Mon)

Open House for Lesbians & Gay Men: Integrity 8:45 pm (see 1 Mon)

30 Tuesday

Lesbian-Gay Men's Radio Show 6 pm (see 2 Tue)

Meeting: LaGROC 8 pm (see 2 Tue)

31 Wednesday

Meeting: Campus WAND 7 to 8:30 pm (see 3 Wed)

Meeting: LASC 8 pm (see 3 Wed)

Riffs: A Theater & Blues Cabaret: Performance Network 8 pm, 408 W. Washington. Annual Spring Benefit featuring all-star cast of local musicians & actors. Dance party follows show. \$9. 663-0681

COMMUNITY RESOURCE DIRECTORY

Why Socialist Activism?

Solidarity will kick off the second installment of its Summer Discussion Series with two talks in May at the Guild House. On Tuesday, May 9, Solidarity organizer Peter Landon will speak on the topic "Why Socialist Activism?" On Tuesday, May 23, Padraic Kenney from the University of Michigan's History Department will speak on "Solidarnosc and the Current Situation in Poland." Both talks get under way at 7:30 pm and they are free.

Solidarity is an organization committed to building a non-sectarian socialist movement in the U.S. We are socialist activists who participate in the struggles against racism and sexism, as well as the struggles for lesbian and gay rights. In Ann Arbor, our members participate in FSACC, LASC, POWER, UCAR and Concerned Faculty. We firmly believe that any socialist movement worthy of the name must join in such struggles now, rather than perpetuate the

illusion that they can either be separated from or take a back seat to the class struggle.

We oppose the growing U.S. drive toward war, whether that be in the Middle East or Central America. We support the PLO and the FMLN in their struggles against Israeli and U.S. oppression. We see the need for international solidarity among working people and the oppressed in a period of concessions, deindustrialization, unemployment and the growing debt crisis. We believe in a creative rethinking of socialism for the 90s in which an open environment and a variety of views is more important than presenting a monolithic face to the world or engaging in pretenses of being "the vanguard."

Solidarity, 4104 Michigan Union, Ann Arbor, MI 48109, 665-2709.

Time Capsule Entries Due

The Lesbian/Gay Council at MSU is creating a Lesbian/Gay Time Capsule to commemorate the twentieth anniversaries both of the group at MSU and of the Stonewall Riots in New York City. You are invited to submit contributions for the time capsule. Contributions might include "a letter to the future" expressing your concerns about today's society, or describing how you experience the "coming-out" process. You might write a creative piece (short story, poem, play) or record yourself on tape reciting a poem or monologue or singing a song. Articles from newspapers or magazines would be welcome, as would works of art. People of any orientation are welcome to submit entries—entries simply need to reflect your thoughts, feelings, or experiences about being a lesbian, a gay man or a bisexual person, or your special concerns about homosexuality. The entry deadline is Sat., May 13. Address entries to Lesbian/Gay Council, Attn: Time Capsule, room 442, Student Union Bldg., MSU, East Lansing, MI 48823. For more information call (517) 353-9795.

Other Events For information about our local community's plans for Pride Week, please call 994-5403. The Southeast Michigan Pride Festival will be held Sat. June 24 in the Fieldhouse of the U-M Dearborn campus. For information, call 646-8784. A statewide march on the capitol in Lansing in honor of the twentieth anniversary of Stonewall is scheduled for Sun., June 25. For information call (517) 393-0686 or 372-2262. We will provide further details in this column next month. The 14th Michigan Womyn's Music Festival will be held near Hart, Michigan from August 9 to 13. For information: WWTMC, Box 22, Walhalla, MI 49458, (616) 757-4766.

Gay Liberation'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; help provide factual information to offset prejudice and misinformation about lesbians and gay men; work to obtain human and civil rights for all, regardless of sexual orientation; and help lesbian and gay men's groups organize.

Community Services include a **Hotline**: crisis intervention, peer counseling, referral. **Education**: workshops and conferences on lesbian and gay male concerns, with an emphasis on how people in the "helping professions" and "teaching professions" can work positively with lesbian and gay male clients, patients, students. **Speakers Bureau**: phone for information. **Human & Civil Rights**: information and referral to help people under discrimination because of their actual or presumed sexual orientation or

HBS Provides Housing Options to Local Elderly

It's a painful fact that thousands of elderly members of our community are simply unable to sustain themselves in their lifelong homes, unable to support the costs of moving, or unable to find the accessible, affordable permanent housing they require. The Housing Bureau for Seniors (HBS) is an organization working to provide information and alternatives for housing for the older population in Washtenaw County.

HBS is working to explore new housing options ranging from cooperative ownership to shared apartment living with a daily housekeeper and creating new building plans that would accommodate privacy as well as shared living in rented space. HBS has up-to-date information on the availability of retirement homes, apartments, subsidized houses, mobile homes, and cooperatives. Volunteer counselors provide information as well as help explore options to consider. HBS also helps arrange shared living for individuals who want to live in mutually beneficial situations. Statewide statistics show our HomeShare program is the most successful in Michigan! The Housing Bureau for Seniors provides community education by presenting workshops, publicity and information.

Community support is critical to make these programs possible. Twenty percent of the Housing Bureau for Seniors' budget comes from individual donations. The Housing Bureau for Seniors is holding a **Phone-a-thon May 21, 1989**. Volunteers are needed to help make calls between 6:30 and 9:30 that evening at Turner Geriatric Clinic, 1010 Wall. (Supper will be served at 5:30 pm for volunteers.) We will call community members to talk about HBS services and to ask for their support. We are looking forward to generous support from people who have given before as well as from new donors.

Housing Bureau for Seniors, 1010 Wall St., Ann Arbor, MI 48109, 763-0970. Hours: 9 am to 5 pm.

because of their presumed "cross-gender" characteristics; lobbying for human and civil rights. **Community Organizing**: information and assistance in organizing groups, setting goals, addressing conflict, linking with other groups and resources.

Gay Liberation, c/o 4117 Michigan Union, Ann Arbor, MI 48109, info: 763-4186; hotline: 662-1977.



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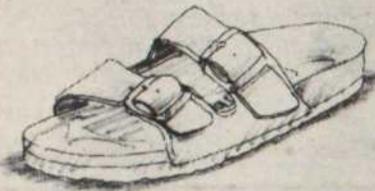
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RECYCLE

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includes white photocopy or typing paper and laser print-out paper. Computer paper is the kind with holes at the sides, green bar or white. Colored bond includes colored photocopy paper as well as lined notebook paper (white or yellow), and envelopes (remove plastic window, stamp O.K.) All paper should be free of paper clips, rubber bands, plastic, cardboard backing, carbons and sticky labels.

The following office paper items are NOT acceptable: carbon copy or carbon copy paper (even if it has holes); crayon marked paper and construction paper. Large yellow clasp envelopes and manilla folders should be saved and re-used.

GLASS

Only food/beverage container types of glass are acceptable and must be clean and sorted by color: clear, green, or brown. Pale green glass is green. Blue glass can go with green. Painted glass goes with the color glass underneath the paint. Glass must be clean and the lids removed (lids can go with tin or aluminum, unless they're plastic). Paper labels do not need to be removed.

The following glass items are NOT acceptable: drinking glasses, light bulbs, mirrors or window glass, plate glass, pyrex or cookware glass, glass pie plates or baking pans, vases, ashtrays, ceramic or coated glass. Remove wicker from wine bottles.

METAL

Magnetic Metals include tin/steel cans and are the most common household recyclable metal (test with a refrigerator magnet). Cans must be clean and the paper label removed. Take the tops and bottoms off (they can be recycled too) and flatten. The easiest way to flatten is to lay the can on its side and step on it. The bottoms of some cans (like tuna cans) cannot be removed with a can-opener and will be accepted unflattened. Magnetic jar lids and magnetic pop bottle tops can be mixed in with tin cans. Heavier, thicker metal materials must be separated from tin cans and free of non-metal materials—no food, no plastic, and no mixed metals.

Aluminum is non-magnetic and should be separated from tin. Please separate food packaging aluminum like foil and cans from other scrap curbside pick-up to one piece, no longer than 3 feet.

Aluminum pop and beer cans are acceptable. Recycle Ann Arbor will gladly accept donations of 10-cent deposit cans as well. Please keep them separate from non-deposit containers. The following items are NOT acceptable: butter wrappers and potato chip bags.

Scrap Magnetic Metals should be separated and must be under 50 lbs. and 3 ft. by 1 ft. or smaller for curbside pickup (i.e. a flattened trash can is too big and must be taken to the Drop-off Station). All non-metal parts must be removed (no plastic parts, chair webbing, nothing but bare metal). Keep separate from lighter food grade metals.

Other Metals which are acceptable include: Copper (pipes, pans); Brass (pipes, instruments);

ing material or barbed wire, insulated wire (i.e. plastic coated house wiring material, no cords), and metal banding.

OTHER RECYCLABLES

Motor oil must be in a smaller than 3 gallon leak-proof container and clearly marked for curbside pick-up. It must be fluid (no gunk) and not mixed with water or anything else.

Car Batteries are acceptable for curbside pick-up. Household use batteries like the kind used in flashlights and radios are NOT acceptable.

The following miscellaneous items are NOT acceptable: anti-freeze/coolant, brake fluid, vacuum pump oil, transmission fluid, synthetic oils, kerosene, gasoline or fuels of any kind, paint, paint thinner or solvents. Call the Washtenaw County Cooperative Extension, 971-0079 for proper disposal of these items.

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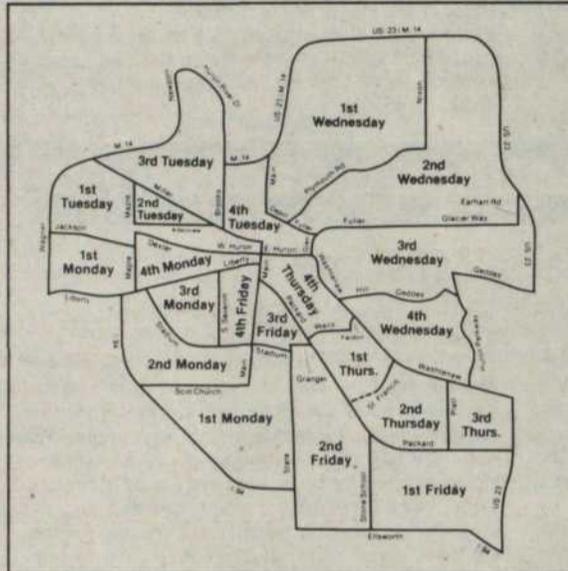
Start small. If nothing else, vow never to throw away another newspaper. Collect them in a box, sort them according to the guidelines above, bag or bundle them and take them to the curb on the right day. It's a start. You might be surprised how good it feels. Work your way up to glass and metal slowly. Begin with after dinner cleanups: soak cans or jars in leftover dishwater (paper labels must be removed from cans but not glass), wipe and rinse them, let dry, and throw them in the box. This washing process ensures against insects infesting your home recycling center.

The next time you're at the grocery store, make sure your food purchases are packaged in recyclable containers. For example, buy ketchup in a glass, not plastic container. Make sure to ask for paper bags, not plastic, at the check-out.

If after reading all of this, you still need more help with the "how-tos" of recycling, call 665-6398 or visit the Recycling Drop-Off Station and see exactly what can be recycled and how it's done. It's easy and fun once you start!

May 1-7 is Recycle Week. See AGENDA's Calendar (pages 7-8) for local activities. For more information about recycling practices, or to volunteer to help, call the Ecology Center of Ann Arbor at 665-6398.

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Materials should be placed on the curb by 8 am, 8 to 10 feet away from regular trash and labeled "For Recycle Ann Arbor."

For more information on recycling, call 665-6398.

and Lead (pipes). Please separate different metals from each other (i.e. copper from iron from aluminum).

The following metal items are NOT acceptable: bi-metal cans (steel and aluminum mixture, i.e. tennis ball cans), hangers, white appliances, metal drums, aerosol cans, paint cans, olive-oil metal cans, metal fuel containers, gas tanks, fenc-

WAND To Celebrate 5th Annual Mother's Peace Day

by Susan Elise Wyman

The Washtenaw County chapter of Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament (WAND) will be sponsoring the fifth annual Mother's Day Festival of Peace on Sun., May 14 from 2 pm to 5 pm at West Park in Ann Arbor. Last year's event attracted over 1000 people and even more are expected this year.

Entertainment will include: singing, dancing and theater by Jay Stielstra, Jesse Richards, Elise Bryant and Common Ground Theater, Michael Lee, Shiela Ritter and Linda Jones and the A2 Trio. Events for children will include: The Aesop Fable

Puppet Theatre, The Goodtime Players, new games, arts and crafts, face painting, and workshops in juggling, balloon animals, and mime. The fourth annual WAND Mother's Day Peace Award will be presented to a member of the community who has made a significant contribution toward peace or social justice. Last year's award was shared by Kim Groome and Barbara Ransby. There will also be a raffle.

Local peace and justice groups will join WAND in setting up tables with literature and peace-oriented items for sale. Pizza and apple cider will also be sold.

Mother's Day, originally called Mother's Peace Day, was founded by Julia Ward Howe, composer of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," in 1872. She intended that it be a day to honor women who had lost sons in the Civil War while "speaking, singing and praying for those things that make for peace." Howe felt strongly that all people had to work for a peaceful world but that women, especially mothers, were in a unique position to make their feelings known as they felt most directly the pain caused by the loss of a son in war. In her book "Reminiscences" Howe asked "Why do not the mothers of

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In Defense of Local Wilderness

by Robert Treemore

Human population pressures in southeast Michigan are on the rise and are threatening the remaining wild areas around us. Looking to pave and sterilize the woods, marshes and farms in an insatiable quest for the Lord Dollar, "developers" are invading the most precious undisturbed land in these parts. For those of us who love and appreciate this place of rivers and trees, our land is in need of protection and the time has come to defend it. To this end, *Wapin' Earth First!* (*Wapin' EF!*) is declaring the Waterloo-Pinckney State Recreation Areas and their adjacent lands a Wilderness Recovery Area (WRA).

Wapin' EF! is a newly-formed group of people who have come to understand the ecological and spiritual values of whole, intact ecosystems. (*Wapin'* is the Potawatomi Indian word for daybreak.) The group derives much of its information and energy from the international Earth First! movement, which seeks to protect and restore the vast tracts of unspoiled wilderness necessary for the maintenance of life on the planet. The movement promotes a philosophy known as "deep ecology" (concerning the wholeness and integrity of the Earth), an uncompromising defense of the great mosaic of life, and visionary wilderness proposals. In addition to those concerning the mountains and deserts of the western U.S., several groups have proposed WRAs

in areas where humans are more densely populated.

There are three basic steps to the wilderness recovery process. The first step includes identifying the existing wild areas, discovering who controls their use, and ensuring they are preserved from disturbance. In the case of the Waterloo-Pinckney WRA, much of the core is controlled by the state of Michigan in the form of recreation area (similar in management to state parks). Designated uses on the land include horseback riding, hunting, hiking, fishing, skiing; generally non-motorized activities except for power boating. Outside of the core, the rest of the recovery area is controlled by individual landowners, some of whom control forest and marsh areas, others who are ranchers and farmers.

The second step in the wilderness restoration process is to heal the areas with human-inflicted scars, such as illegal off-road vehicle (ORV) trails. These scars occur on state land where that use is prohibited. Once access to the trails has been sealed off, *Wapin' EF!* plans to rehabilitate the land with efforts such as building natural erosion control structures on steep hillsides and helping to re-establish the conditions necessary for native plants to repopulate and thrive.

The third step is to begin large-scale land restoration in the WRA adjacent to and inside the core. There are several pieces of state land where the process of

plant community succession can be "jump started." More importantly, a group dedicated to the recovery effort could play a key role by securing agreements with landowners to maintain or enhance wilderness characteristics and by buying and controlling parcels of land.

When all of these wilderness restoration objectives have been accomplished, the land to our west and northwest will be a vast green space where low-density, low-impact human populations co-exist with healthy, sustainable populations of native species of plants and animals. We hope, in the longer term, to create the conditions necessary for the re-introduction of beaver, moose, bald eagle and other endangered species. Then we will be able to experience and feel what it's like to have a wilderness within a short distance of the city.

Wapin' EF! is planning a series of work days for the warmer months. We have purchased several hundred native tree seedlings and will be planting them in early May. Several days of repairing land damaged by ORVs are on tap. In addition, being a fun-loving, outdoors-oriented group, we will be continuing our explorations of the little-known, out-of-the-way and unique places of the area, followed by good food and lots of dancing. If you are interested in any of these activities, feel free to call 1-878-3805 and we'll be happy to set you up.

Tree Planting Calls Attention to Global Warming

by Carrie Brownstein, Lauren Sekuler, Mike Eisner, and Jim Hartman

On April 21, a group of students from Alice Lloyd Pilot Program's class in Planet Management planted a ten-foot Norway Maple in the U-M diag. A plaque will be mounted by the class on an adjacent concrete bench. The plaque will spell out several major ways in which global warming can be reduced including global reforestation.

The class claims that this will require intensive reforestation efforts around the world. According to the World Watch Institute, planting 320 million acres of trees (nearly twice the size of Texas) by the year 2000 in developing countries would cut net carbon dioxide releases from tropical forests by one-half. This wood would meet growing demands created by fuel

and industrial products and rehabilitate deteriorating ecosystems. As trees grow they absorb carbon dioxide through photosynthesis, storing the carbon as wood and giving us oxygen. The reduction of carbon dioxide reduces global warming.

According to James E. Hansen of NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies, global warming has begun. Five of the warmest years of this century have occurred in the last decade. With an increase in carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide, methane, and chlorofluorocarbons the earth is over-insulated as the atmosphere traps heat that normally escapes into space. If we continue our present course a rise of three to eight degrees fahrenheit could occur as soon as 2030. This would result in earth's

highest temperatures of the last two million years.

The class utilized a global version of the action/research community problem-solving process developed at the U-M School of Natural Resources. They decided which issues they were going to work on and what actions to take. The class chose to plant the tree because of global deforestation presently occurring at the rate of five football fields a second. The newly planted tree represents the student's hope that others will also take initiative to reduce global warming.

Project donors include U-M Plant Operations, Turner's Nursery and Landscape Contractors, Rainforest Action Movement and the Alice Lloyd Residence Hall House Council.

MOTHER'S DAY

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mankind interfere in these matters, to prevent the waste of human life which they alone bear and know the cost?"

As the cost has now grown beyond anything she could have imagined, many peace groups, especially those primarily composed of women, feel an increased urgency to educate the public about the realities of nuclear war. This is true of Ann Arbor WAND where a significant number of members are mothers of young children. Jenni Zimmer, the mother of three young sons, is the coordinator of the event for the fifth year in a row.

For more information about the festival or WAND's activities, call the WAND information line at 761-1718, Jenni Zimmer at 662-3523, or Susan

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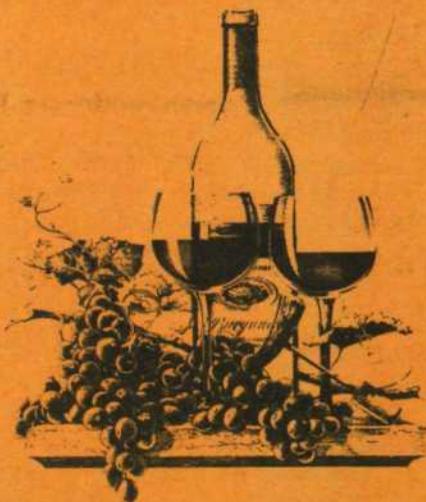
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