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REVERSES DECISION

WASHINGTON, D.C. — In a stunning reversal following a deluge of criticism from around the country, the Montana State Senate reconsidered a bill passed the day before that would have required offenders of the state's "deviate sexual conduct" law to register for life with local law enforcement officials. The bill was approved on March 22 in a 41 to 8 vote. On March 23, the Senate voted to repeal the "deviate sexual conduct" provision in a unanimous voice vote.

According to the now-deleted provision in House Bill 214, those convicted of homosexual acts between consenting adults would be included with murderers, rapists and other violent criminals in the pending law to register violent criminals. Sen. Terry Klampe (D-Florence) led a Democratic effort to remove the "deviate sexual conduct" provision from the list of crimes requiring state registration.

Anti-gay rhetoric rang out during Senate deliberations. Sen. Al Bishop (R-Billings) said that homosexual acts are "even worse than a violent sexual act." Sandy Hale of the Montana gay and lesbian pride group Pride! said at a rally on March 22, "What an insult to women who have been raped, children who have been molested, and any true victim of violent crime — let alone, lesbians, gay men and bisexuals who are in loving committed relationship." Sen. Bishop apologized the next day

for his comment, saying, "We all know in the heat of the debate that things are said without careful thought as to precise meaning or implication. I never intended nor meant to infer that consensual sexual acts between adults of the same sex are in the same category as violent sexual acts. I regret that I made the statement." Gov. Marc Racicot (R), who had not publicly stated his position on the bill prior to the vote, announced that he would have vetoed the legislation if it had reached his desk with the "deviate sexual conduct" provision included. He said his office fielded about 100 calls before noon on the day of the vote from critics of the policy.

After the vote to remove the provision from the registration law, some Democratic lawmakers moved to introduce a bill that would fully repeal the "deviate sexual conduct" law. Because it was past the regular deadline to offer new bills, Sen. Dorothy Eck (D-Bozeman) first offered a motion to suspend the rules to pave the way for the repeal amendment. The motion was defeated along party lines.

"Our phones were ringing off the hook as gay men and lesbians around the nation awoke to the horrifying news that a state legislative body was moving swiftly to target them for monitoring and registration with the police," said Melinda Paras, executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF). "It is a terrible example of how far legislatures will go to satisfy the demands of the Radical Right."

"As long as the discriminatory 'deviate

sexual conduct' law is on the books, the Montana legislature holds a weapon to attack gay, lesbian and bisexual Montanans at any time," said NGLTF spokesperson Robin Kane. "This is a frightening example of the insidious dangers of sodomy laws. These laws, even when not fully enforced, classify all gay men and lesbians as criminals and are used as justification for policies that deny us our rights and dignity."

Currently 22 states have laws barring various sex acts between consenting adults. Six of those states, including Montana, bar only homosexual acts. Montana's law equates homosexuality with bestiality and is sweeping in its definition, including any form of sexual contact between members of the same sex — theoretically applying to kissing. The law contains one of the top ten worst punishments in the country for conviction. — ten years in prison and fines of up to \$50,000.

SUPREME COURT TO DECIDE ON COLORADO CASE

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Supreme Court has set the stage for its most significant gay-rights ruling in a decade, agreeing to decide whether states can forbid laws designed to protect homosexuals from discrimination. The court said it will review a Colorado constitutional amendment that would cancel local laws protecting gays from bias in employment, housing and public accommodations in a case brought forward by the Lambda Legal Defense and Education fund. The amendment, approved by Colorado voters in 1992, was struck down by state courts for

denying homosexuals an equal voice in government.

State officials say voters have the right to prevent homosexuals from being given "preferred legal status." Gay-rights advocates say local anti-discrimination ordinances extend civil rights protection to homosexuals but grant them no special privileges. Will Perkins, whose Colorado for Family Values, a right wing hate group, wrote and campaigned for the amendment, said homosexuals "are not entitled to the same civil rights protection as ethnic minorities or the disabled."

The cities of Denver, Boulder and Aspen and a group of gay men and women sued, saying the amendment violated homosexual's rights to equal protection and free speech and impeded their right to petition the government. A state judge ruled in their favor, and the Colorado Supreme Court agreed last October. "The right to participate equally in the political process is clearly affected," the state's top court said. The amendment "singles out one form of discrimination and removes its redress from consideration by the normal political process."

Alabama, Idaho and Virginia supported Colorado's appeal. In court papers filed by failed Supreme Court nominee Robert Bork, the three states said the amendment does not impair any fundamental constitutional right. Voters in Oregon and Idaho defeated anti-gay-rights amendments last November. Eight states provide some sort of civil rights protection for homosexuals: California, Connecticut, Hawaii, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Jersey, Vermont and Wisconsin.

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March on Austin A Success

AUSTIN, TX - The Texas March to Stop the Violence, Stop the Hate was termed a success by those who attended. Over 6,400 lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgendered persons and their friends registered as march participants. More than that made the march down Congress Avenue toward the Capitol to protest the increasing violence against gays in the state of Texas.

The families of the gay men killed last year in Texas spoke against hate on the Capitol steps at the end of the March. Edward Tubb, who survived his brother

Randy when they were attacked in Lufkin showed the crowd the scar from the shotgun blast he suffered and shouted, "if you want family values, let's try 'thou shalt not kill!'"

The march on Sunday was followed by "Lobby Day" at the Capitol on Monday. Lesbians and gays visited legislators in their offices to try to persuade them to leave the sexual orientation clause in the existing hate crime law.



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A MONTHLY LISTING OF SPECIAL EVENTS ALL AROUND THE AREA

ALBUQUERQUE - **Wimifest '95**, will be held Memorial Day Weekend, May 26-28. The festivities will be held at the **Klmo Theatre**, the **Convention Center** and **Johnson Field** on the **Unlversity of New Mexleo** campus. The concert portion of the festival will include performances by: **4 Big Girls**, **Laura Bowly**, comedian **Marga Gomez**, **Juca**, **Orquesta Azucar Y Crema**, **Purple Moon Dance Project**, **Alice Di Micele** and **Linda Tillery** and the **Cultural Heritage Choir**. Also included in the festival will be **open mic time**, the **Wimln's Arts and Crafts Fair**, **two dances** and "**Fun in the Sun**." "**Fun in the Sun**" includes **volleyball**, **softball**, **bridge**, the **Canine Costume Contest**. Festival passes include all activities and are priced from \$45-\$75. Other ticket packages are available covering individual concerts and dances and range in price from \$8-\$25. The **Arts & Crafts Fair**, **Fun in Sun** and **Open mic** and other activities are free of charge. For more info on ticket packages or to register, write to: **WIMIN**, P.O. Box 80204, Albuquerque, NM 87198-0204 or call (505) 265-3297. Hotel accommodations are available at **La Posada de Albuquerque**. Special rates are available for **Wimifest** participants. Call 1-800-777-5732 for reservations. Due to another large convention in the Albuquerque area, hotel rooms and rental cars will be hard to come by during the festival, so call early. Work exchange programs and low-cost housing alternatives are available.

AUSTIN - **Splash Day**, the annual summer kick-off party for lesbians, gays and their friends will be held at **Hipple**

Hollow (a clothing optional beach) on **Lake Travis** on Sunday, May 7th. The event is sponsored by the **Austin Tavern Guild**. For more info or directions to **Hipple Hollow**, call any of the gay or lesbian bars in Austin.

HOUSTON - A trio of great women performers will be visiting Houston in May. **Emerson Unitarian Church** (1900 Bering Dr.) will be the site for **Ann Reed** on Friday, May 5th at 8pm and **Libby Roderick** on May 20th at 7:30pm. Tickets for **Ann Reed** are \$12.50, tickets for **Libby Roderick** are \$10. both are available at **Inklings Bookshop**. Call (713) 521-3369 for more info on these two concerts. **Jamle Anderson** will also be appearing in Houston on Wednesday, May 24th at the **Mucky Duck** (2425 Norfolk) at 8:30pm. For ticket info on the **Jamle Anderson** concert, call (713) 528-5999.

DALLAS/FT. WORTH - **UJIMA** (an African-American, Caribbean Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Coalition), holds a monthly forum every 2nd Sunday from 3pm to 4:30pm at **MCC** (5910 Cedar Springs Rd.) in the educational building. For more info, call **NaDine Rawls** at (214) 521-5342, ext. 828. **Unity Fellowship Church** is an African-American/Caribbean congregation for lesbians & gays. Services are held at 1pm every Sunday. For location and information, call **Rev. NaDine Rawls** at (214) 326-7960.

SAN ANTONIO - **Womanspace** is sponsoring its **Third Annual Poetry Contest**. Deadline for entries is July 1st and entrants must agree to perform their works at **Textures Bookstore** following

works at **Textures Bookstore** following the presentation of their certificates. Date and time of the presentation will be coordinated with the winners and announced in the August issue of **Womanspace** along with the publication of their poetry. Gift certificates from **Textures Bookstore** will be awarded as follows: \$50 for 1st place, \$25 for 2nd place and \$15 for 3rd place. Send your poem along with a \$5 entry fee to: **LISA**, P.O. Box 12327, San Antonio, TX 78212.

LUBBOCK - MCC Lubbock will celebrate their **15th Anniversary** with a formal **Gala** on Saturday, June 17th at the **Baker Building** in downtown Lubbock. Dinner will be catered by the **Depot** restaurant. There will be music, dancing, and an open cash bar. Security will be provided. All proceeds go to benefit the **MCC Capital Gains Fund** to provide for a more spacious church facility so that **MCC Lubbock** can have a greater community outreach. For more info, call the Church at (806) 792-5562.

OKLAHOMA CITY - The Herland Sister Resources Spring Retreat is scheduled for May 19-20 at **Roman Nose State Park** and will feature some of Oklahoma's finest women musicians including: **Cuchla, Marca Cassity,**

Freefall and **Donna D.** Pre-registration prices are based on a sliding scale and range from \$15 to \$60. On-site registration will be \$60 with no exceptions. Deadline for pre-registration is May 17. For more info, write **Herland** at 2312, NW 39th,

Oklahoma City, OK 73112 or call (405) 521-9696.

SAN ANTONIO - A Life Issues Group for Lesbians is being offered by **Kati Shantz, LMSW-ACP, LMFT.** This is a small psychotherapy group developed to offer a safe and supportive place to work on life issues and personal growth. The group meets Tuesday nights from 6:30-8:30pm. For more info, call **Kati Shantz** at (210) 828-6486.

OF INTEREST TO ALL

The **Oak Lawn Soccer Club** is looking for soccer players from all over Texas to join them in the **Atlanta Armory Classic Memorial Day** weekend. The tournament is part of a gay-oriented sports "festival," and the Dallas team is inviting men and women from other cities throughout Texas to join them in Atlanta. Games will be played on Saturday and Sunday, May 27-28. Transportation, lodging and entry fee are at the players expense and will depend on the player's departure city and travel dates. Anyone interested in playing in this tournament should contact **Michael Moore** at (214) 942-9537.



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DEAR AGNES

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Dear Agnes,

I am the lover that was talked about in the April issues (Lover vs. Work). I just wanted to write and tell you that after about a week my lover finally admitted that she was the one who wrote the letter.

She was right when she told you that I was having a very hard time dealing with her work hours and time out of town. I just wanted to write and tell you how much I appreciated your advice. For starters, I hadn't realized how much I complained to her or how much it bothered her when I did. She hadn't realized how much she really ignored me, even when she was at home.

After she admitted that the letter was hers, we sat down and talked for hours. I think it was the first time we've talked about the problem without screaming at each other.

Before she wrote to you, she was coming home from work, but her head was still at work. Now, she is really making an effort to focus her attention on us when she does get some time off. She's even brought me flowers and surprised me with dinner out a couple of times.

I am also making an effort not to blame her for the hours she must devote to her career to get ahead. Your advice made us see that we were letting the problem control us and not really trying to compromise.

Things are improving every day. I feel like I got my lover back — Thank you.

Name Withheld

Austin, TX

Dear Agnes,

My lover is very pretty and people (women and men) are constantly flirting with her. The problem is that she flirts right back. I can't hardly stand to go out with her anymore because I spend the whole evening feeling jealous. She doesn't ignore me or anything like that, she just flirts with everyone who comes by our table. I know she isn't cheating on me or anything like that, but it is still hard to take her constant flirting.

I've tried telling her how much it bothers me, but she won't quit. She says she is just being friendly and that I am being silly. Is there any way I can convince her to quit it?

JEALOUS

El Paso, TX

Dear Jealous,

Obviously, she isn't going to "quit it." What you see as flirting, she sees as "friendly" and that isn't likely to change. If you think back, her outgoing personality and friendliness was probably part of what attracted you to her in the first place.

The best advice I can give you is to work on your own feelings of jealousy. Your possessiveness is likely to drive her to cheat on you if you don't lighten up. If she was taking it further than flirting by ignoring you when you are out or dancing with everyone but you, you might have cause to be concerned. As it is, I don't think there is anything to be worried about.



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Confessions of a Basketball Junkie

by Cynthia Lucas

*Lord, grant me the serenity not to
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outcome of any game no matter
how badly we were cheated,
And the wisdom not to max out
my credit cards while I follow
this team around the country.*

I am sitting on a plane, bound for the NCAA women's basketball regionals, filled with dreams of victory and glory. No, I am not a coach, a player, a family member, or even an alumni of the school. I am a women's basketball junkie. I was not always a fan of women's basketball. Growing up in Indiana, it was strictly a man's sport. Oh, they let us play intramurals...half court...six on six...sissy ball. But REAL basketball was what the guys played, and being a



basketball player was tantamount to being a minor deity. We worshipped the game.

I was environmentally set-up for this addiction...I went to college and graduated with Larry Byrd...I did my masters in Houston when Phi Slamma Jamma was going strong. Then, lo and behold, a girlfriend and a job offer brought me to Lubbock where the women's coach at the university was in the midst of creating a brand new sports dynasty.

It took me many years to actually start going to games. Sure, I watched on TV when Texas Tech won the NCAA championship in '93. I was invited to watch at friends homes and would often chide them for being old ladies trying to live vicariously through a bunch of young girls.

Chewing on those words now, at 30,000

feet, only the sweetness of the game washes through me.

I went to my first Lady Raider game in December of '94. A friend called to offer me tickets. She said, "It's a great place to meet new women." OK, so that's what really made me go. But a funny thing happened. I started watching the game. I saw the intensity, the athleticism, the warrior-like passion of these...women. And it sucked me in. Actually, seeing their faces, watching them move, hints of the intricacies of their defense and the lane charging offense tickled some primordial spot in me. This was REAL basketball...this was fantastic...these are WOMEN!!!!

I had no idea that women's basketball had reached such a level. It is the best of both worlds — not yet the slam dunk game of giants that men play... it is a game of strategy, teamwork, fast breaks and slow maneuvers. There is power, poise, precision and a whole lot more that make it one hell of an engrossing game. These kids are doing what I knew we could be doing back in the 60's...running full court, playing an aggressive, knees, elbows and swan-diving game. Perhaps most beautiful of all, beyond the strength and pride, the sensitivity of a young woman's soul plays across their faces...you can feel the hope, the charge, the triumph and the agony just by watching their eyes. Basketball has a brand new heart, and it belongs to women.

Even at that level, it would have been great. I could have bought a season ticket, come around fifteen minutes before the home games, watched, cheered, gotten popcorn at the half and gone out with some of these new Lesbians I was meeting.

Oh, but no.

After the third game, something happened. I had an idea...a great idea for a poster. I decided I needed some better pictures so I borrowed a camera and took it to the game. First game, two rolls. Second game, three rolls. It went on and on. New lens...bigger lens...filters...different films...new F-stop...better color labs...one hour developing. Only the best could capture the magic I watched on the floor.

And I just wanted more.

Soon, I was going to every function associated with the game...the after game gatherings with the coaches, players and 300-1000 other fans...the coach's radio show which was always produced live in front of an audience. It wasn't enough just to go to the home games, either. I begged my boss to "let me follow the fleet," and started taking vacation time to make the road games. Then, it wasn't enough just to fly around Texas. I started taking booster busses, flying on the same flights with the team, staying in the same hotel with them, meeting their parents and passing out pictures I had taken, playing with their children. Nothing made me happier. Nothing was more fun. Let all my ex's stay at home with their new honeys...I'm going to the game.

Now I start by fasting the day before or the day of the game. I light a votive candle and say special prayers for the team. I get up early on the day of the game and work out, always doing 40 minutes on the bicycle, because if my girls can last that long, so can I. I have my lucky shirts, my lucky pants, lucky socks, lucky boots, and a lucky rock in my right pocket. I get to the game at least an hour early and take pictures while the team warms up. I buy two or three tickets to every game, sometimes

sitting in the cold for hours, to get the best seat and camera angle possible. I scream at the officials when they make bad calls. I jump, holler, rejoice and usually break a sweat. It's almost as good as being "born again." And, for those of you who remember early Cheech & Chong, it is the ultimate "basketball Jones."

If there was a women's basketball convent...I would join it. If there was professional women's basketball in the U.S....I'd be working for them. But, that's the kicker. These kids just get better, stronger, more focused, more fabulous. And then...they play the last game. And unless they want to play ball in Europe or Australia, or become a coach, that's it. Period. Career-over.

It sucks. But, being a pre-Stonewall kinda girl, I know that things can change. I challenge anyone who hasn't seen the game to come out and watch it...especially the really good teams like A&M, Houston, Texas, SMU and, of course, Texas Tech. If you like it...keep coming...bring a friend...send letters and complain when the media doesn't cover them...write sponsors and thank them for putting up the bucks...make some noise. If a former player endorses a product, buy it... and tell the people in the store or the manufacturer why you're buying it. Be the first one on your block to wear "Air Swoopes." Can I get an AMEN!

Three days later.
My team has been stopped at the regionals, one of eight

in the nation to make it that far. The seniors I have come to love will never play together again. It is a strange mix of glory and heartbreak. I shake the hands of these kids, feel the kleenex damp with tears they still clutch, and mourn the end of the season. Yet, I have over 500 pictures, game tapes and assorted memorabilia to remind me of the wonderful year and keep me company until the fall. Then, a new team will play, a new dynamic develop, and a brand new affection spring forth. That's what it boils down to, at least for me. It is the purest form of hope...the hope that is born before every season, every game, every shot. It is the truest sort of love...love for the game...love for the kids...love of the crowd and its roar...love that never leaves you. Yes, I'm hooked. Hooked on the life and spirit of the game. Hooked on the way it makes me feel so good. Hooked on the hope that the sport continues to grow and that these wonderful young women can someday go on to professional glory in their own country. I'll see you courtside.



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WHAT A WORLD, WHAT A WORLD NANCY'S LOVE QUIZ

BY NANCY FORD

Bob Beck, a clinical associate professor at Houston's Baylor College of Medicine's department of Psychiatry says that three important requirements for a successful marriage are premarital counseling, knowing your needs and communication.

Though I'm relatively sure that Dr. Beck was addressing his research to needs of heterosexual couples, I am equally relatively sure that the message is the same. And admittedly, I'm no clinical associate professor in Baylor College of Medicine's Department of Psychiatry, but I'm pretty sure it doesn't hurt to get something in writing. Or, at least on video. Right, Martina?

When one chooses an occupation — one that he or she is interested in committing at least 40 hours a week for possibly the rest of his or her productive life — one fills out an application and resume. Isn't it reasonable that, before we embark on as important a preoccupation as romance. A similar application should be completed? — to separate the wheat from the chaff, so to speak? — the good from the bad? — The potential from the *im*-potential?

The Advocate, in its recent publishing of its annual lesbian sex survey ("Survey of Sexuality and Relationships: The Women") goes a long way to provide us with an excellent information-gathering outline for a potential love-hunt. This survey is a 186-question grilling that inquires about everything from what we call ourselves (*Lesbian? Gay women? Queer? Betty?*) to "Do you feel guilty about masturbation?" (*Only if it makes me late for an appointment*).

If dating is the audition, falling in love is the call-back. To assure that you and your could-be love-mate are optioned to each other for a blockbuster run at least as lengthy as *Cats*, ask her to complete the following quiz. The answers will reveal volumes about basic values, aspirations, HQ (hipness quotient), and her tolerance of your own particular quiriness before you take the all-important plunge from separate checks to a joint account.

When all is said and done, the only thing that really matters is

- love.
- art.
- family and friends.
- *Melrose Place*.

The best thing about living in Texas is

- the restaurants.
- the women.
- the men.
- the fact that it's not Oklahoma City.

In the movie of your life, the person you would choose to portray you is

- Jodie Foster, using that crazy *Nell* language.
- Foster Brooks, using that crazy *Nell* language.
- Brooke Shields. She was engaged to Michael Jackson, you know.
- Panty Shields. (Brooke's drag queen sister from Dallas).
- All of the above, to accommodate my various personalities.

Next to sex, the best thing in the world is

- love.
- foreplay.
- a clearance sale at Neiman's.
- chocolate.
- three balls in on the break.

Diamonds are a girl's best friend, but frankly I'd rather have

- a best friend.
- girls with diamonds.
- girls with diamonds who share their best friends.

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Complete this line from the love theme from Oliver Stone's popular romantic comedy, *Natural Born Killers*: "I want to f___ you like —

- an animal."
- a vegetable."
- a mineral."

SCORING:

Start with one point for every question answered. Add 50 points for completing the entire quiz. Subtract 10 points if you used a crayon to circle your answers. Add 30 points if you used one of those squatty little blue lottery pencils with no eraser. Add five points if it's raining. Add ten more points if it's dark and raining. Divide by the number of personal body piercings. Add 50 bonus points if you are still reading.

Frankly, scoring doesn't matter. We should be happy if we score at all. As time passes, it becomes more and more obvious that when it comes to romance, we're all graded on the curve. So good luck, good love, good sex and remember — no cheating!



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THIS MONTH, TASHA SUMNER INTRODUCES:

Images in the Dark:

An Encyclopedia of Gay and Lesbian Film and Video

by Raymond Murray

You've seen *Desert Hearts*, *Personal Best* and *Lianna* a hundred times each. You've searched through the video store looking for more films with lesbian characters and can't seem to find any in the film descriptions on the back of the video boxes. Where do you turn? To the new book, **Images in the Dark: An encyclopedia of Gay and Lesbian Film and Video** by Raymond Murray.

Two years ago, Mr. Murray, president of a chain of video stores in Pennsylvania, decided to develop a handy reference guide on gay and lesbian themed videos available in the United States. It turned into much more. The resulting book gives a brief synopsis and a short review of over 3000 films with lesbian or gay content or characters, as well as looking at gay or gay friendly directors, actors and actresses and other artists. The initial chapters focus on personalities and their movies and are broken down into categories of directors, actors and other artists. The rest of the book is filled with films grouped by

category of interest. There are separate categories for queers, lesbians, gay men, transgender and camp films as well as a chapter on honorable and dishonorable mentions.

Among the actors profiled are those who are known to be gay or bisexual, as well as those who hold a special interest for gay audiences (Bette Davis, Judy Garland, Elizabeth Taylor, etc.). Others profiled include: Tallulah Bankhead, Amanda Bearse, Sandra Bernhard, David Bowie, Marlon Brando, Raymond Burr, Richard Chamberlain, Montgomery Clift, James Dean, Marlene Dietrich, Harvey Fierstein, Greta Garbo, Rock Hudson, Danny Kaye, Paul Lynde, Lily Tomlin and Rudolph Valentino.

In the film portion of the book, you will find reviews on all kinds of films ranging from the Oscar winning *Philadelphia* to the amateur (but very entertaining) *Vegas in Space*. Reviews are truthful — Murray tells it like it is, good or bad. The reviews cover movies from silent

films through the present and tells (with a small symbol following the review) which of them are available on video in the U.S. Also included are documentaries, cartoons, TV movies and television episodes. An extensive order form listing hundreds of hard to find videos is included in the back of the book.

Included in the "Of Lesbian Interest" section of the book are such wide-ranging films as: *Aileen Wournos - The Selling of a Serial Killer* (1993), *The Children's Hour* (1961), *Dracula's Daughter* (1936), *The Hunger* (1983), *Madchen in Uniform* (1931), the *Northern Exposure* "Cicely" episode (1992), *Salmonberries* (1991) and *Thelma and Louise* (1991) among hundreds of others.

The sheer talent and breadth of the gay and lesbian actors, directors, writers and artists included on the pages of **Images in the Dark** is astounding. "The full influence of gays and lesbians in the film world has never truly been documented," notes Murray. "So with this book, even for gays and for those people who are experts in the field, there will be surprises. And for the casual filmgoer there will be even greater surprises. Some people know about the artier side of gay cinema or that Rock Hudson was gay," continued Murray, "but few people know that gay men directed movies like *The Philadelphia Story*, *Dirty Dancing*, *The China Syndrome* or *Marathon Man*. Also, not many people are aware that one of the pioneers for women in the entertainment industry, Dorothy Arzner (who directed the likes of Katherine Hepburn, Lucille Ball and Ginger Rogers), was an "out" lesbian in the 1930s!"

Murray contends however that sometimes the thing that surprises people the most about **Images in the Dark** is not the specific information

that is contained in the book, but how much information there is. Murray says that when he tells people that the book is 600 pages long, with 200 actor/director/artist bio's, 400 photographs and 3,000 film reviews, they often respond that they didn't know there was so much homosexuality in the movies. "And that," Murray says, "is exactly why I wrote the book."

Images in the Dark is a "must have" book for lesbians and gays and any lover of film — straight or gay. Although mainly a resource guide, **Images** is also filled with fun facts and some great quotes — Tallulah Bankhead once said she was "ambisextrous"; James Dean got out of the draft by "declaring" himself gay; and Rudolph Valentino was married to a lesbian set designer.

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if you made a difference, you did.
Your life even now can make a difference
to those who are willing to stop and listen,
for in your passing I was reminded that there is only love,
and love we should, as you did.
There is a struggle and a battle to stop the dying
and I am compelled to join with so many others
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- 15. Personal illness or injury? *53 points*
- 16. Death of a close family member? *63 points*
- 17. Separation from your lover? *65 points*
- 18. Break-up of a long term relationship? *73 points*
- 19. Death of your lover? *100 points*

SCORING

Add up all your points for "yes" answers.

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TO HELP RELIEVE STRESS, TRY ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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SCHEDULE at least 30 minutes per day for relaxation. Read, write, think

pleasant thoughts, listen to soft music.

DO DEEP BREATHING EXERCISES

for a few minutes, several times a day or whenever you start to feel tense. Clasp our hands together over your abdomen and inhale slowly through your nose. Breathe in until your abdomen is extended as far as it will go. Hold your breathe for several seconds then exhale slowly through your mouth.

DO STRETCHING EXERCISES

to loosen up tense muscles.

TRY PROGRESSIVERELAXATION.

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Don't jump the gun on a financial matter during the first part of May. Taking friendly advice could get you in trouble — do your homework before you act. After the 15th you may have the itch to travel. Stay alert to possible problems and don't over-react when they occur. Romance is in the air toward month's end. Quell the urge to overspend on this new love. Your natural charm should be enough to keep her interested!

TAURUS

Home matters are at the forefront during the first part of May. You may be changing addresses or embarking on a major remodeling or redecorating scheme. Friends may look to you for help with financial problems around the 17th. Be careful and make sure you have enough reserves to cover you before you lend money. A skeleton in the family closet could come to light toward month's end if you don't take precautions. Be careful of what you say and to whom.

GEMINI

You may be feeling moody during the first part of May. You will have to make a real effort to be nice to people around you who are being difficult. You'll be the center of attention at work after the 18th. Don't try to take advantage of it — you will only undermine your current popularity. The 29th will signal a new start for you both at work and at home. This is the time to start self-improvement projects and new romances.

CANCER

Take charge of your finances during the first part of May. You may have been trying to

keep up with the Jones and creating problems for your pocketbook. Avoid choosing sides in the arguments of friends and/or co-workers after the 16th. Just listen and stay neutral. Don't pass along gossip or be careless when confiding in someone toward month's end. What you say now could come back to haunt you later.

LEO

You'll have to try hard to keep your concentration on work during the first part of May. Be careful — the bosses are watching you and what happens now could affect your career for years to come. Your lover and a friend may be at odds after the 16th. Try to bring them together to talk out the problem. Mind your manners at social events toward month's end. Take care not to appear cocky or boastful — you could alienate someone important.

VIRGO

You may be worrying about nothing during the first part of May. Keep your thoughts positive — it's possible you are blowing things out of proportion. Try to maintain your composure when critical remarks come your way after the 17th. How you react could affect both your job and your home life. Your career may be taking all your energies toward month's end and making loved ones feel neglected. Take time out and show them you care.

LIBRA

Creativity is your best asset during the first part of May. An idea you have now could pay off handsomely in the future if you work at it. Try extra hard to be diplomatic at work after the 15th. Stress on the job has made

everyone touchy and good communication could help relieve the pressure. Romance is in the cards toward month's end. If you are already in a relationship, passion returns with a vengeance.

SCORPIO

Keep your bags packed during the first part of May. A great travel opportunity could come up sooner than you expected. Financial gains could be part of the picture after the 17th. A raise, promotion or winning lotto ticket could be right around the corner. Guard against using your manipulative powers to get what you want toward month's end. Try it and you will only cause resentment and anger.

SAGITTARIUS

Your self-confidence is high during the first part of May. Try not to get ahead of yourself or you'll end up redoing your work. Try to take some time to relax before the 11th when your work load will increase dramatically. After the 17th you may feel like you are being pulled in a million directions. Remember that you don't have to be the one who fixes everything. You may meet a special someone toward month's end.

CAPRICORN

Spring fever has got a hold of you during the first part of May. You will be in the mood for romance, travel and outdoor activities. Use tact when dealing with friends after the 13th. Don't voice your opinions unless you are sure they are welcome. Don't ignore a health concern around the 24th. Although your fears are probably groundless, it's better to know for sure. Get some rest at month's end — it's been a long month!

AQUARIUS

Your career is emphasized during the entire

month of May. Don't argue with the boss and avoid confrontations with coworkers during the first part of the month. Although you may be thinking about a job or career change after the 10th — don't make any rash decisions. Work lets up toward month's end and gives you some time for what you've been craving — fun and romance!

PISCES

You may be moving up the career ladder during the first part of May. Complications could arise, but will be worked out eventually. Don't let it stress you out. Self-confidence is essential if you want to succeed in a personal endeavor after the 17th. Let loved ones help instead of trying to do it all yourself. You and a partner could be moving toward a serious commitment at month's end. The outcome looks like a happy one so go for it!



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The Graffiti Page



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Written, you are what my heart desires. My love is yours till death do us part. Little Girl

Constance,

I'm glad you said yes.
I love you very much,
Ch., Ching -
Susan



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