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### 1983—The Year Many People Would Like to Forget

It's funny how some years seem to etch their way into one's mind and memories. Many people on the older side of the spectrum remember 1941 as the year a place called Pearl Harbor got creamed by Japanese destroyers and suddenly everyone had to wait in long lines for inoculations, ill-fitting uniforms and unpalatable mess hall lunches.

Conversely, 1945 was the year of great freedom. A fellow by the name of Harry Truman had no problem at all with dropping an atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, thus ending World War II and beginning the Age of the Atom, which led us directly to the Age of Anxiety.

For younger people, 1963 might be remembered as the year Lee Harvey Oswald made "Dallas" a word on everyone's lips, some time before the melodramatic television series. 1969 was the year we saw what all those billions of dollars in the space program were really for—WASPish Neil Armstrong got to bounce around on the surface of the moon, utter a few meaningless homilies and return to earth and Ohio a much-needed national hero.

Now, at the end of 1983, many people may find themselves wondering why they seem relieved to wave good-bye to the past 12 months. A brief scanning of the year's new events, as reported by *Impact*, offers some revealing reasons.

First, there's no getting around it, 1983 was the year of AIDS. In May this newspaper reported, "No individual is immune to the disease, and from all knowledge available, it IS sexually transmitted."

Since that report was filed, dozens of men and now even women have discovered that they've contracted the deadly disease. In the spring, doctors and sociologists reported that the disease seemed to emanate from Haiti and the states bordering the Caribbean. However, it was in the gay communities of this country's largest cities that AIDS was most frequently found.

A disease that attacks the most vulnerable part of the human life support system—the normal function of the immune system to manufacture its own natural defenses against viral invasions to the body—AIDS was eventually accorded the fear and respect it deserved in the medical community.

It's been with the federal government and in local gay communities, that the reaction has been a bit on the slow side. Many gays have simply shrugged or laughed off the possibilities of the disease, while federal officials have been reluctant to support the kind of large funding needed to further investigate the mysterious causes of AIDS.

Said *Impact* in August, "A host of gay leaders, independent medical researchers, and health and social service agency officials told a congressional panel this week that the federal government's response to AIDS has been too little, too late."

Inevitably, the AIDS crisis spurred a host of ugly reactions, one from the Moral Majority's Jerry Falwell, who suggested that the disease was God's way of letting gays know he disapproves of their lifestyle. Jokes, most of them utterly without a sign of intelligent life, also made the rounds. One at Tulane University went, "What's the most difficult part of getting AIDS?" Answer—"Convincing your mother that you're Haitian."

But there was music and fun amidst all the blues. Local gay and straight fans turned out for singer Bette Midler—who was profiled in our January issue, and for comedienne Joan Rivers—who makes it to our pages for the second time in this issue. "Moving Forward Together," was the

theme of the 1983 Gay Pride Week which included music, dance, food and much good times for participants. In November, gay activists were heartened by the early, strong turn-out of financial support for a proposed Gay and Lesbian Community Center, as well as the impressive electoral results of several political contests across the country, resulting in the election of several gay mayors, city council members and state legislators.

In the spring, *Impact* joined with dozens of other publications across the world in mourning the passing of the great dramatist Tennessee Williams.

Williams, whose best plays reveal a world of human frustration in which sex and violence underlie an atmosphere of romantic gentility, died accidentally in a New York residence.

He once said that he laughed at people's ongoing quest for seeking happiness above all else. There was much more in life, Williams said. And his brilliant work clearly exhibited that.

In September, Georgia Representative Larry McDonald died when he and over 200 other passengers were shot down in a Korean airliner by a Russian gunner.

McDonald, a rigid rightist, who frequently voiced his opposition to any and all gay rights, was a former member of the John Birch Society. When his wife attempted to succeed him in office, she was soundly defeated at the polls.

Gay political strength was also examined in the summer and fall issues of *Impact*. In December, just several weeks after Presidential candidate John Glenn announced that he would not support a gay rights bill in the U.S. Senate, *Impact* reported that the reaction in the gay political community was one of anger and resentment.

Perhaps to show the truly pervasive power of the gay market, *Impact* announced in October that a publication directly targeted toward the gay community would soon be released. *A Gay Visitor's Guide to New Orleans and the Gulf South* would be the first book of its kind, detailing pertinent information on bars, restaurants, discos and art galleries.

A public relations fiasco in July ended up with happy faces for all in December when the Krewe of Tragodia was at long last allowed to board the *Riverboat President* for a fund-raising. Earlier in the year, the New Orleans Steamship Company announced that it could not let the gay krewe on the ship because of a scheduling problem. As a commitment had already been made, the Krewe folks decided to sue the steamship company with the final result being an even bigger party on the large steamship this month—and a public apology from the company.

After the trials, tribulations, and triumphs of 1983, one might be well-advised to listen to the calming, thoughtful words of David Farragut, who told his much-interested platoon of men at the Battle of Mobile Bay to forget about all else and "Damn the torpedoes—Full speed ahead!"

### For the More Mature Man

A new organization is being formed called "Interact-New Orleans," which primarily will be looking for a social outlet outside of the bars, that will allow interaction within the over 40 age group. If interested, please contact Dick O'Connor at *Impact*, P.O. Box 52079, New Orleans, La. 70152.

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## Holiday Stress for Gays and Their Families

It has long been noted by mental health professionals that the holiday season can be a very stressful, sometimes depressing time for some people. Emergency hotlines are busier during the Holiday Season and unfortunately suicide rates increase. But one does not have to be a mental health professional to be aware of this. A simple Christmas with the family is sometimes enough to understand this phenomenon. It is a time when many family members are gathered together, perhaps for the first time all year. Family patterns and interactions emerge that may be anxiety provoking. It is also a time of busy preparations for entertaining, financial strain for some, high emotions, and excitement.

The holiday season can present some unique problems for the gay family member. If the gay family member is very closeted within his/her family, there is the question of where and with whom to spend the holidays. If you choose to spend Christmas with your lover, then there are stories to tell the family. If you choose to spend Christmas with the family, there are often the personal questions from family members to be dealt with. These may include, "Who are you dating?", "Why aren't you married?" and "Do you have a girlfriend/boyfriend?" Making up false answers and trying to keep track of your stories can create much anxiety for some gay people.

If the gay family member is "out" to his/her family, there are generally three situations that may arise. The first is that your family is very open and accepting of your lifestyle. They know and accept your companion into their home and your "gayness" in itself is not a stressful factor in your holiday with your family. In this case, you should have a MERRY CHRISTMAS, at least as far as your family and your homosexuality is concerned.

The second situation, and one I hear about from clients frequently, is the family that "knows," but they don't discuss it. They don't accept or reject, but there is tension. In this case the lover may or may not be comfortably brought home; if so, they may or may not feel welcome. This "in between" is sometimes the most stressful for the gay family member. These are the individuals who may drift away from their family and not be as close as they might like to be. They may also get the questions regarding marriage, etc. from their relatives and be very uncomfortable in this situation.

The third situation is the family that "knows" and totally rejects or disapproves. This is the situation that often brings individuals to therapy or groups for help. This family may totally disown their son or daughter, or very openly fight and disapprove of their lifestyle. They definitely would not have the lover in their home or interact with them in any way. They may in fact not allow their daughter or son to interact with the family. I have seen gay individuals who have been totally "cut-off" from their families for years. For these individuals, the holidays may present a serious emotional and stressful time. If this individual is single or not closely associated with friends, the holidays may be the worst time of the year.

What should one do in these situations? There are no set answers as every individual and their family is different. A family's patterns and ways of interacting are very complex. The reaction to one's gayness may very well depend on other factors, i.e., your ability to relate to your parents as an adult, and how your parer relate to you and your siblings. What I would suggest is that the gay family member try to be aware and access how much stress or discomfort they experience in regard to their sexuality and their family. Observe your family as they interact

with you and one another. Do these "secrets" take a toll on you, or are you content with your relationship with your family? I don't feel that everyone who is gay should necessarily come out to their family. There may be other factors to work out that would eliminate stress if it is present. One thing I do suggest, in most cases—do not come out to your family during the holidays. Christmas is usually an intense, emotional time and is not the time to introduce this to your family. Timing is important when you share this with anyone. Be sensitive to what is going on in their lives before acting. Another suggestion is to never come out during an argument. Do not use coming out as a weapon. If you feel ready to scream if Aunt Martha

asks you one more time about your boyfriend or your inability to get a husband, try and hold out until after the holidays.

It is important to make this decision at a calm distance. If you decide to come out to your family, there are some steps that may be helpful. First and foremost, be clear about your own feelings about being gay. If you are dealing with feelings of guilt or depression, get help with that before coming out. If you are comfortable with your gayness, others will be more comfortable. Secondly, get information on how to more effectively come out to your family. There are pamphlets, books, and therapists who can help. Be prepared to discuss homosexuality in an intelligent manner with your family. Many gays are misinformed and harbor homophobic ideas of their own. It is important to try and understand

parents' reactions and the stages they may go through in accepting your homosexuality. One group formed to aid parents in this process is Parents and Friends of Gays. There are chapters in every state and the local chapter can be reached at the St. Louis Community Center.

This is a brief discussion of a complex issue. The message is that the holiday season can bring up issues for the gay family members that may be pushed aside most of the year. All to often gay men and lesbians drift from their families and thus sacrifice an important part of their lives. Effectively interacting with family and non-gay friends is an important issue for most gay individuals. It is an issue that can be best handled with a calm, intelligent approach. There are groups, books, and professionals available to help.  
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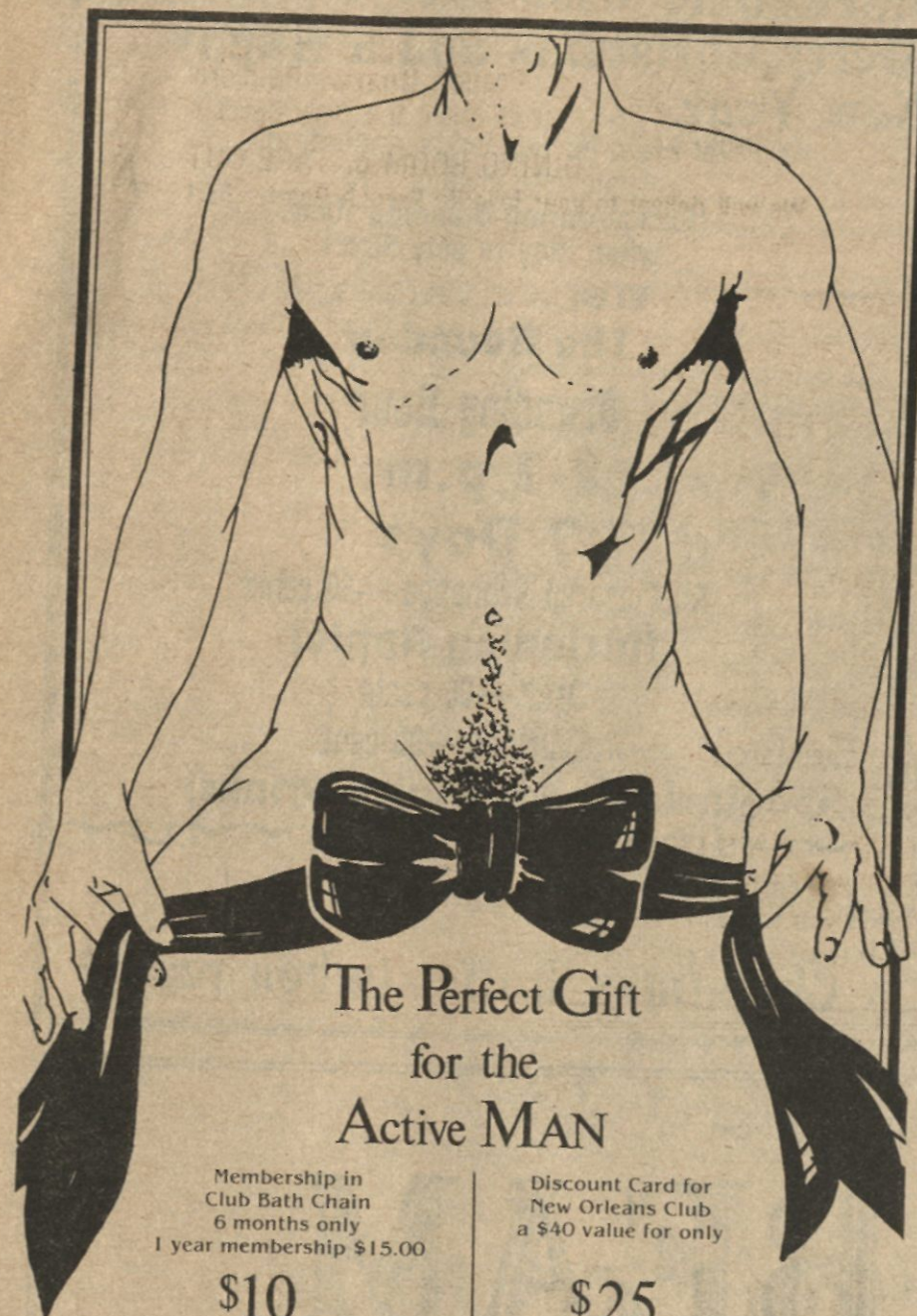
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By Wally Sherwood

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The current television version has transposed the locale to New Orleans in 1914. The production was filmed entirely on location here, with primary scenes in the French Quarter, along with the Mississippi River and the Garden District.

In fact, Lillian's pink palace that she calls "home" in the movie is located at the grand corner of St. Charles and Bordeaux. And she joined the rest of the cast—including the locals—at a gala New Orleans-styled premiere party Dec. 12 at the MGM Commissary in Hollywood.

Other locals, such as Robert Hudson and Mike Redmond, winged their way to California for the soiree, as their Paw Paw's Cajun Country is among the backdrops seen in *Hobson's Choice*.

### PEOPLE 'N' PLACES

When the New Year dawns, the West Bank will be blessed with its first butch bar. George and Tom have purchased Lenny's Lounge and will rename it Lenny's I-Beam, which is more in keeping with the atmosphere they want—including such events as construction parties.

Meanwhile, in the spirit of the season, the Galley House will be holding a tree-trimming party Dec. 18 from 5 until 7 p.m. If you bring an ornament (besides yourself, that is) you'll get a free drink.

Charlene's has booked Tim Williams for its Seventh Anniversary blowout Dec. 22nd at 8 p.m. That's the same night of the Kathryn's Upstairs/Downstairs Yuletide party out in Metairie, beginning at 9.

It'll be a benefit Dec. 17 at Partner's Saloon for the Heritage Manor Nursing Home for Forgotten People. There will be drink specials, prizes and surprises from 8 p.m. until midnight and there're suggestions for gifts posted in the bar.

The Corner Pocket has really come up with a novel idea. Each Wednesday from 7 until 8 p.m., they have a guest bartender. The Mississippi River Bottom is not only having a Cajun buffet New Year's Day, but have a heady surprise for patrons and friends Christmas Eve.

Right on the heels of Sunshine's birthday buffet, the Roundup will have a double celebration Dec. 16: its Fifth Anniversary and Bill Wooley's birthday. Diane's Cocktail Lounge is hosting its first Christmas buffet Dec. 18 at 7 p.m.

While all the watering holes are beginning to look fine and festive, it is Paw

Paw's that has really outdone itself as the paper goes to press.

—And the French Quarter looks beautifully ablaze at night for Christmas and the rapidly-approaching Carnival with all the little white lights seemingly everywhere. The Lemon Tree and Pour Moi? are particularly striking in this category and On the Line Hair Design has a very attractive window.

The corner of Rue Royale at Dumaine looks nice, thanks to the combined efforts of Bongo, Li'l General, Thaddeus & Company and the 927 Gallery.

A beautiful example of old-fashioned decorations, coupled with the modern convenience of tiny white lights, can be enjoyed at 1030 Rue St. Peter. And you shouldn't miss going by 612 Rue St. Philip to see their decorations upstairs as well as across the street.

The "Noel" house at 816-20 Rue St. Ann, as well as next door, is nicely done, as well as the Casa de Felicidad at 716 Rue Dumaine.

—And I knew it was only a matter of time. It happened when I received a Christmas card from friend Terry Williams of New York City (or, more exactly, "Jersey") who exclaimed, "I'm coming to the fair."

We'll only be able to catch our breath from the mass of Mardi Gras company before the onslaught of house guests coming to see the world in New Orleans.

### THE ARTS & ARTISTS

And don't dare miss the New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus seasonal concert Dec. 15-17 at St. Mark's Church. It begins at 8 p.m. with Randall Thompson's *Alleluia*; tickets are available at \$5 or by calling \$29-1146.

Other musical artists, the Original Spades, will provide music for the Loretta Mims/Mickey Brocato-produced New Year's Eve celebration at the St. Bernard Cultural Center's grand ballroom. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$13 at either Charlene's or The Clinic.

Jack Payne's *Le Moulin Rouge* d'Orleans is dark through Dec. 28, but will be back with a beefed-up version of *Follies on Broadway* and a new production, *Follies Go Hollywood*, is due after Mardi Gras. *Sing, Sister, Sing*, a new musical about the Boswell Sisters, is in production at the Pitt Theatre.

Dec. 23 is the last day you can catch the exhibition, *George Dureau's Most Famous Model*, at the Galerie Jules Laforgue. The 50 photographs of B.J. Robinson, taken over the past five years, can be seen Tuesdays through Saturdays from noon until 5 p.m.



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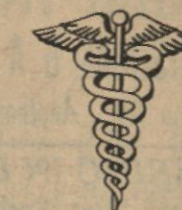
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INTEGRITY—For gay Episcopalians and their friends, to meet 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the St. Louis Community Center.

DIGNITY—for Catholic Gay Men and Lesbians and their friends. Friday evening sharing 7:30-9:00 p.m. (for members only). Coffee house 9 p.m. till midnight at our new coffee house location, St. Louis Community Center, 1022 Barracks. Sunday Mass—4 p.m. 3037 Dauphine St. 524-6932 or 899-8538.

LET'S ALL WORK TOGETHER to get off drugs. Meetings every Monday, 8 p.m. at the Lambda Center, 1431 Chartres St. Call: 945-0222 for more information.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF GAYS is a peer support group which provides a warm, non-threatening environment in which families, friends, and gays express their feelings and learn about each other. Our major focus is to help gays and non-gays to communicate, and to prevent the family breakdowns which sometimes follow the revelation that a person is gay. We meet on the second Thursday of each month; the meetings are free and open to anyone, gay or straight, who is interested in breaking down barriers of fear and misunderstanding. For more information, call the Center at 524-6932 or 524-7032.

NEVER FINISHED HIGH SCHOOL? The Adult Learning Center, 420 N. Rampart, offers help in Math, English, Reading, etc. thru programs geared to each student's level and pace. No charge. The Center is open Mon.—Fri. 9 a.m.—2 p.m. Students may earn a H.S. equivalency ("G.E.D.") diploma. Call 522-2940.

NEW ORLEANS GAY MEN'S CHORUS—Open rehearsals, Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., St. Mark's Church, 1120 Rampart. 529-1146.

THE NEW ORLEANS VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION (NOVA) sponsors a weekly summer, fall, and spring recreational league for all power volleyball players of all levels (especially beginners). A member of the North American Gay Volleyball Association, NOVA maintains a year-round training program for advanced players to compete in semi-professional tournaments all over the country. We also host picnics, parties, and tournaments of our own. All of the community is welcome to get involved. For more information, please call 949-6542.

GAY BRIDGE PLAYERS—Let's get back in the swing and play cards. Guys & Gals can get along together. Tiger, 943-2244.

GAY GOLFERS—There is more to City Park than cruising. They have several nice golf courses. Let's get together & hit the balls around. Tiger, 943-2244.

GAY TWIN OR TWINS (M or F)—Needed for university research study conducted by gay professor. Please send name, address and phone number. \$ paid for telephone interview.

Write: Twin Study, Dr. Williams, P.O. Box 77632, Los Angeles 90007.

N.O. AIDS TASK FORCE is working to establish programs offering legal and financial assistance and emotional support to persons with AIDS, as well as a regular series of educational programs. Meetings are the 4th Wednesday of each month, 7:30 p.m. at the St. Louis Community Center, 1022 Barracks Street.

DIGNITY CHAPTER, PENSACOLA is an organization to meet the spiritual and social needs of gay and lesbian Catholics and other interested persons. Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Sundays, YWCA, 1417 Twelfth Ave. at 7:30—9:30 p.m. For information, write: Box 9244, Pensacola, Florida 32503 or call: 432-3894 or 476-9166, 6 to 9 p.m.

BATON ROUGE AREA GAY POLITICAL ACTION CAUCUS—formed to work for the rights of all Louisianians and in particular the area residents. Join now. Face the challenge. Send a self-addressed, stamped envelope for applications and information to P.O. Box 19098, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70893.

"IF YOU WISH TO DRINK, it's your business. If you wish to stop—it's ours." In Mobile, Alabama, the Phoenix Gay AA meetings are held 8:30 p.m. Sundays at 908 McRae. A member of the ALANO club.

THE METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH—We meet every Wednesday & Sunday at 7:00 p.m. at 1800 Jefferson Avenue. Pot Luck Dinner, last Wednesday of the month at 6:15 p.m. Service to follow.

GRACE FELLOWSHIP IN CHRIST JESUS—944-9836. Tired of "straight" churches telling you you can't be a Christian and be gay? Come hear the truth... Sunday, 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Our family is fellowshiping on Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24, and we would like for you to join us. 1913 Dauphine.

THE WOMEN'S COFFEEHOUSE: Saturday, December 17, 1983, 7-11 p.m., St. Louis Community Center, 1022 Barracks St. Join us for a Winter Solstice Party given in appreciation of all the support we have received from the women's community. Come celebrate the changing season with us. We will supply free refreshments and the opportunity to meet others in a chemical free space. Bring flutes, lutes, guitars, a plate of goodies, a friend or just yourself. All donations are welcome. Call 524-6932 for more information.

GAY PARENTS—is a support group offering the gay person who has been married or is presently married, a non-threatening group where they can communicate their needs and be supported by others in similar situations. Support is offered in coming out after marriage, dealing with children, family and friends, legal aspects and other topics. It is an educational and social group for a special segment of the gay population. Meetings held every 1st and 3rd Monday at members' homes. For more information, please call the Center, 524-6932 or 524-7023

NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER—SEX ABUSES ANONYMOUS, St. Louis Community Center, 1022 Barrack Street, Meetings on Fridays at 8 PM. For information or literature, write: P.O. Box 19432, New Orleans, La. 70179 or call 525-7794 evenings.

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH (a Christian church with a special outreach to the gay community). Services: 7:00 p.m. Sundays and Wednesdays; Potluck dinner—6:30 p.m. on the last Wednesday of each month. Inquirer's Classes Sundays, 5:30 p.m. on January 8, 15, 22, and 29. Bible Study—Thursdays at 7 p.m. beginning January 5, 1984. Counseling by appointment: 899-1468. Rev. Linda S. Bynum, pastor, 1800 Jefferson Avenue (First Unitarian Church building) COME AND WORSHIP WITH SOMEONE YOU LOVE.

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Baton Rouge/Hammond area.

GWM, 34, seeking GM under 21, unattached and free to travel, permanent partner. Details: write P.O. Box 4549, Baton Rouge, La. 70895

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