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LETTERS

Fulmer shares Humanitarian Award

Dear Global Awards Committee and Friends,

On behalf of all of the volunteers and staff of Community Health and Essential Support Services and our Pal Project, I'd like to thank you for recognizing our work with the Humanitarian of the Year Award.

Although this award was given to me personally, I would like to accept it on behalf of those whose services to our community during the AIDS epidemic have equaled or exceeded my own. In particular I wish to thank the many persons with AIDS whose courage and willingness to help others despite their own challenges have set an example for us all. Their dignity and continual good will in the face of prejudice and fear continues to be one of our community's greatest contributions.

I also wish to thank our 75 Personal Active Listeners (PALs), who have given so much of their time in support of patients, loved ones, and each other. It is they who give true meaning to our work.

There are other individuals, as well, who deserve the thanks and recognition of us all; especially Brown McDonald, whose constant effort to educate has reduced the risk for countless gay men in our area, and has un-

doubtedly saved lives in the process; Tia Plympton, who as PAL Volunteer Coordinator continues to be the heart of an incredible and outstanding relief effort; Bernie Sanford, Sanford Director, and Cal Hackler, whose work with the Chester/Esther Brinker Fund has made a critical financial difference for many when no other help could be found; Keeston Lowery, whose skilled rapport and effective diplomacy in the political community continues to benefit every homosexual person in this area, regardless of their gender or medical condition; and John Baker, whose work with the Right to Privacy PAC and leadership in the City Nights AIDS fundraisers is too often taken for granted.

Without the funding provided by the Portland Gay Men's Chorus, CHES and the PAL Project would not have been able to organize so quickly and effectively. Moreover, the joy and pride which emanates from their music continues to spread cheer and good will at a time when it is most desperately needed. Similarly, we are grateful for the work of City Nights who continue to give us the opportunity to enjoy fun entertainment, while contributing to AIDS efforts in the process.

Perhaps most of all this award should be shared with the doctors of the Oregon AIDS Task Force, especially Mark Loveless, Jim Sampson, Larry Foster, Bob Miles-Lawrence, and Estill Deitz, whose tireless efforts in the face of so much suffering bring hope and

comfort to everyone they meet.

The tasks facing us all are truly great — greater than any we have ever faced before. Without the sacrifice of so many other individuals — donors, businessmen, artists, writers, clergy, health care providers, employers, friends, and families, we would have been overwhelmed by the sheer weight of the burdens we MUST bear.

Thanks to you, the gay and gay-supportive citizens of the Portland area, and the gay and lesbian press, we are meeting one of the greatest challenges to life and liberty in our lifetime. Without your continuing sacrifices we cannot succeed in an effort which must not fail.

Thank you for your recognition, and for your support which all of us in CHES/PAL Project, CAP, and the Brinker Fund hope to always merit.

Love,
Steve Fulmer

Unsportsmanlike

To the Editor:

Like Sallee Huber, I was embarrassed to see the demise of *The Eagle* gloated and snickered over in the issue of *Just Out* preceding the current one. Even worse was your treatment of her letter, in which you not only printed but emphasized her misspellings and

errors of punctuation. If her letter had been critical of the standards of spelling and punctuation in *Just Out*, you might have been justified in taking such a measure. But it wasn't, and you weren't.

Just Out is the most professional effort at journalism for the Portland gay community I've seen in my seven years here, and the Cathartic Comics are always clever and crisply drawn. It's disappointing to see those achievements soiled by your recent unsportsmanlike conduct.

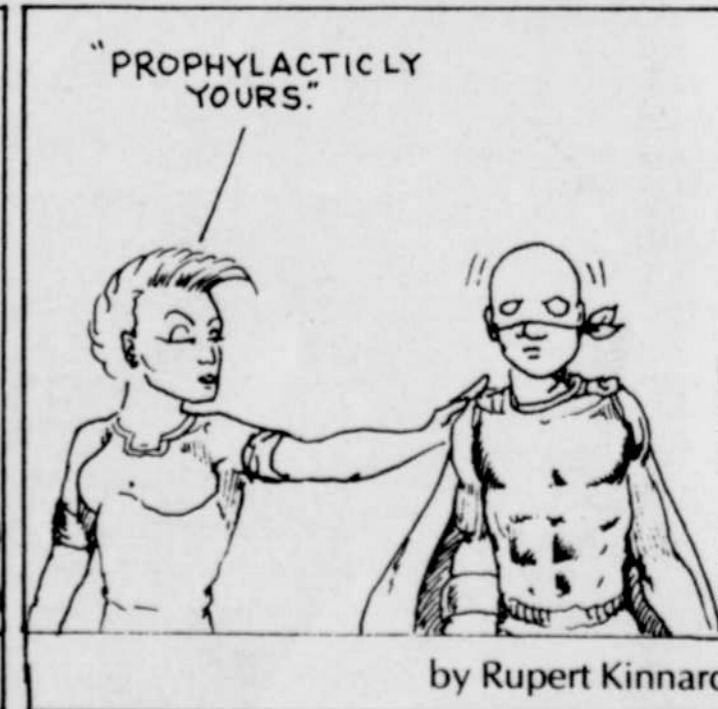
Sincerely,
John Medlin

Yes, it was tacky. As Joe E. Brown said to Jack Lemmon in Some Like It Hot, "Nobody's perfect." And sincere thanks for your kind words. Ed.

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