

local briefs

Shelter for battered lesbians funded

The Equity Foundation has granted Bradley-Angle House \$6,606 to provide emergency shelter and related services to lesbians and their children escaping domestic violence. This project will provide 462 days and nights of emergency shelter, peer counseling and advocacy services to lesbians and their children creating lives free from violence.

Bradley-Angle House has the only domestic violence program in the state offering support groups for battered lesbians. Sixteen years ago Bradley-Angle House established the first domestic violence shelter on the West Coast, and four years ago recognized the need to offer lesbian-specific support groups.

If you are in an abusive relationship you are not alone—call the crisis line, 281-2442 or Support Group Coordinator, 232-7805.

Assault update

A trial date has been set for PSU wrestler Clay Woodward. Woodward is charged with three counts of assault against Bruce Fuller and two others in a gay bar in downtown Portland. (See article *Just Out* April '91.) The trial date is May 21 at the courthouse just off of Pioneer Square. According to Fuller, Woodward's attorney has hired a private detective who is questioning all of the witnesses to the early morning events of March 5. The detective

is apparently trying to piece together what actually happened.

On another front, PSU's student newspaper, *The Vanguard*, did three front page stories, including a photo, exposing Woodward and giving information about the case.

The trial date may change, so if you are attending the trial, call the courthouse first.

Lesbian and Gay Pride '91

This year's Lesbian and Gay Pride Celebration is on Sat. June 22, and will start at noon from the north park blocks. The festivities will not take place on Waterfront Park, instead the parade will march south on Broadway to Portland State University for the rally, which will begin around 1 p.m. Romanovsky and Phillips are slated to perform at the rally. For more information on the parade, or booth space, call 232-8233, or visit the new LGP office in the Governor Building at 408 SW 2nd Ave., Suite 432.

Adult movie arcade bombed

Hart's Movie Arcade at 330 SW Third Avenue was bombed soon after opening in April. Owners Lynn Gillis and Dillard Hart said after the bombing, "Our arcade is designed to please the gay community, [and] we think this is the reason we were assaulted." They went on to say that they are taking steps to prevent any future problems, and to keep Hart Video Arcade open to the gay community.

Scholarships for lesbians and gay men

The Audria M. Edwards Scholarship Fund offers one or more scholarships each year to assist gay and lesbian students or students who are children of gay and lesbian parent(s).

The fund, established by Edwards' family, administered by her children, Lady Elaine Peacock and Misty Waters, is available to members of the lesbian and gay community and their children residing in the Portland, and Vancouver metropolitan area. Applicants must be pursuing their education through the secondary level and beyond and require financial assistance to that end.

Applications are available by calling Elwood Johnson at 284-6289 in Portland, or at City Nightclub, 624 SW 13th.

Applications must be received at 5232 NE Rodney, Portland, OR 97211 no later than May 17, 1991. The scholarship will be awarded June 30, 1991, at Peacocks in the Park.

You too can be heterosexual

On April 10, Radical Activist Truth Squad (RATS) joined forces with Queer Nation, the Lesbian Community Project, and the PSU Women's Union to protest Moonie Richard Cohen in his rampage against gays and lesbians. Although he claims to be on an apolitical mission to recruit gays into heterosexuality, he is strongly

suspected to be working with the Oregon Citizen's Alliance.

Queers descended onto Cohen's PSU lecture where he spouted anti-lesbian and gay disinformation and called for gay de-programming.

Senate bills

On March 28, RATS attended hearings of the State Health Insurance and Bio-Ethics Committee in Salem, and lobbied state senators in support of Senate Bill (SB) 790 and against SB 29.

SB 790 insures adequate health care for all Oregonians. SB 29 rations out health care based on a prioritized list. AIDS is near the bottom of that list, virtually eliminating any state funding for AIDS treatment.

RATS contacted Gov. Barbara Roberts and 15 state senators (including members of the Health Insurance Committee, the leadership of both parties, and all senators from the Portland area) to urge them to support SB 790 and reject SB 29.

Call Senator Frank Roberts (378-8803) to encourage him in continuing his support of SB 790 and rejection of SB 29.

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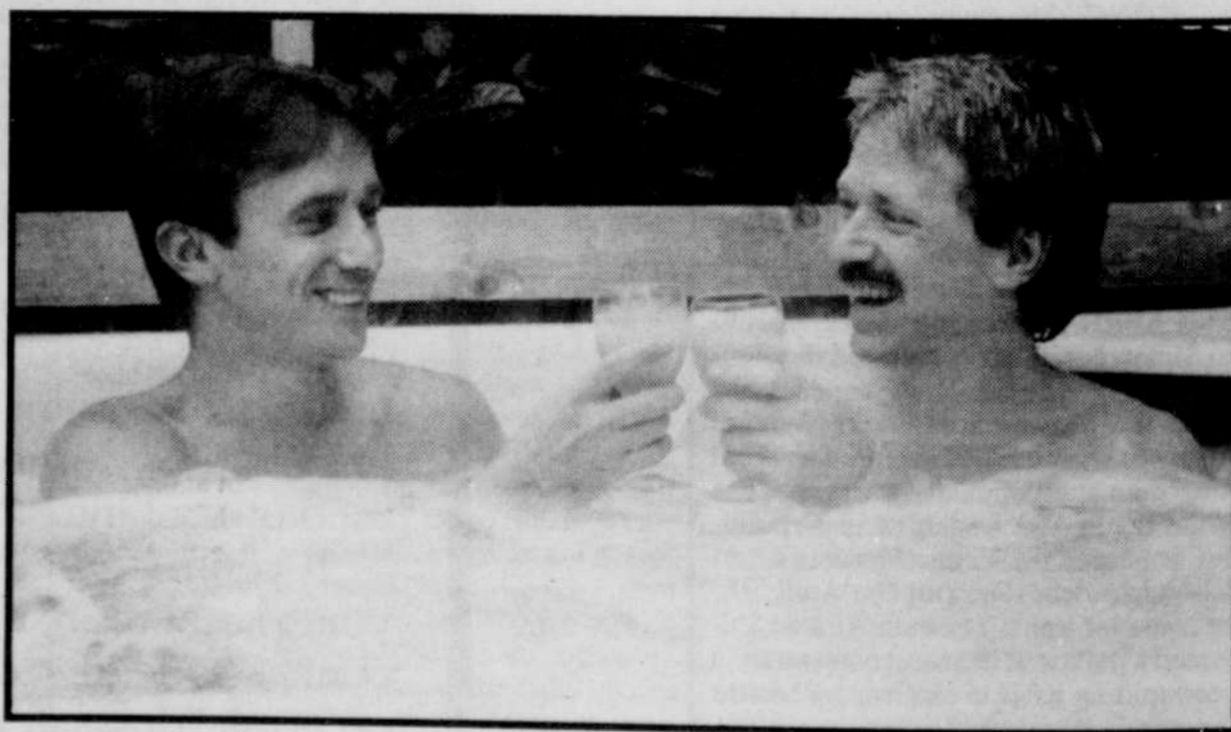
Our House pledge drive

Our House of Portland, a residential care facility for people with AIDS, launched its first ever pledge drive in April with the theme: "Pledge to Excellence in Care." The facility opened in Feb. 1989 and has provided quality of living and professional care for 65 people with AIDS.

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