

JUSTOUT *at 25*

Continued from Page 15

Charles Hinkle made a name for himself in 1972 when he filed the country's first lesbian civil rights case. He successfully represented teacher Peggy Burton of Turner, who was fired for being a lesbian.

Hinkle has since offered critical strategic support to ballot measure campaigns, served as a cooperating attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon and lent his expertise to Basic Rights Oregon's legal advisory group.

With a mind like a steel trap and a collected demeanor, Hinkle is one of the community's most reliable historians. He received BRO's Fighting Spirit Award in October.

SUSIE SHEPHERD

Leatherwoman

Claim to Fame: As the first out child of Bill and Ann Shepherd, co-founders of Portland Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Shepherd maintains a legal scholarship fund named after her folks that helps brilliant and idealistic law students develop into attorneys who will take a stand on the tough issues and continue the work that "Mother and Daddy" started.

So They Say: "It has been difficult for many minorities in Oregon to feel good about ourselves



since the passage of Ballot Measure 8. The blessing of bigotry sent out by that measure is reaffirmed with each incident of discrimination." (November 1989)

Who's Next: Inaugural Shepherd scholar Beth Allen. "She has the chutzpa, the legal brilliance and the commitment to our causes that qualified her for our scholarship in the first place," Shepherd said. Also, Alec Esquivel at Willamette School of Law and Percy Wise at Northwestern School of Law at Lewis & Clark, the first transgender Shepherd scholars.

Susie Shepherd may be best known in reference to her parents who, along with Charles and

Rita Knapp, founded the Portland chapter of PFLAG. Shepherd grew into an activist in her own right through speaking engagements with her other gay sister and transgender brother and abundantly supportive parents.

Shepherd, a legal secretary, was also in charge of creating *A Legislative Guide to Gay Rights*, which caught the national gay press' attention as the first publication with a holistic look at prejudice against gays and lesbians. The guide nearly swayed the 1977 Oregon Legislature to pass omnibus civil rights legislation.

Shepherd came out again in the late '80s as a member of the kink community and earned the titles of Portland Leatherwoman and Ms International Leather in San Francisco in 1989. She and partner Kaite Chase held the titles International Master/Slave, with Shepherd as the submissive, in 1992.

GAIL SHIBLEY

Political pioneer

Claim to Fame: Helping break the back of the Oregon Citizens Alliance through a gut-and-stuff of House Bill 3600, which threw the OCA's effort to pass discriminatory legislation in the trash. The



law, signed by Gov. Barbara Roberts, said the state pre-empts local action on laws limiting the rights of people based on sexual orientation.

So They Say: "I want people to know me as a person, not as a label—whether that label is 'white,' 'young,' 'woman,' 'gay' or 'environmentalist.'" (April 1991)

Who's Next: Candidates for Shibley's newly created Pioneer Leadership Award.

Oregon's youngest and first out sexual minority legislator, appointed as state representative in 1991, Gail Shibley became a target of the OCA for being a gay woman from Portland.

Though she fought for a variety of issues as a

Continued on Page 18

happy art
groupshow

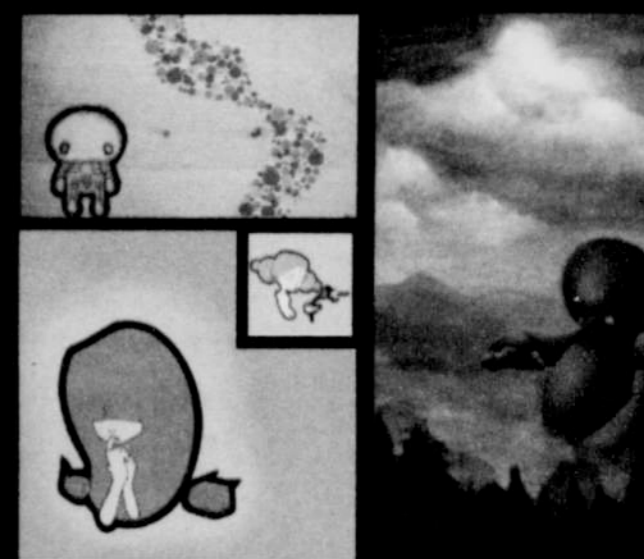
show runs
dec. 2nd to jan. 31st

artist reception
fri. dec. 5th. 5 to 8 pm



BRIAN MARKI FINE ART & FRAMING

503-249-5659 | 2236 NE Broadway | Mon - Sat 10 to 6 | www.brianmarki.com



Minkief Kimmie Hutchins Angel Roman

Become a Foster Parent with Boys & Girls Aid



You can make a
difference in the
life of a child!

Call Joseph at
503-542-2323
to learn more.



Boys & Girls Aid

Valuing and Supporting
our Foster Parent Community

www.boysandgirlsaid.org

Serious Injury & Death Cases

Wrongful Death • Medical Malpractice • Serious Accidents • Brain Injuries
Trucking Accidents • Spinal Cord Injuries • Nursing Home Abuse • Therapist Malpractice

Over 17 Years Experience • Top "AV" Rating

Proudly serving our community since 1989

Free Consultation 503-295-1940 • 800-795-8945

www.goreslaw.com



Hala J. Gores, Attorney

Holding Insurance Companies Accountable