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NOTE:

Our return came so fast that we never had the chance to contact some of our writers. Look for "Jock Shorts", "Lipstick", and "Dance Steps" to return in the next issue.

WHAT'S UP FRONT?

Celebrate with us as we return "to the streets" once again (after a three month absence). Give us some time to "get our act back together" — but let us know what you think.

We're really glad to be back!

Be sure to check out the interview with Christopher Durham (the well-known television star, Playgirl centerfold, and just general hunk) appearing in this issue.

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The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to decide a gay rights case — for the first time in nearly two decades. It was announced that they would rule whether the Constitution permitted local public school boards to fire teachers for advocating gay and lesbian activities.

Upon opening their new term, the justices agreed to rule on 29 of the more than 1,000 cases they considered and said they would review an Oklahoma law that was overturned by a federal appellate court as a violation of the right of free expression by teachers.

Most recently, the Supreme Court has sidestepped a number of opportunities for review of gay rights claims. The last time the justices ruled on the issue was 1967, when they held that the government could lawfully deport aliens found to be homosexuals.

The Oklahoma law authorizes school boards to dismiss teachers for public statements “advocating, encouraging or promoting” homosexual activity when there is a “substantial risk” that such statements will be brought to the attention of students or school personnel.

Milwaukee Journal

Climb Noted In Wisconsin AIDS Cases

The Wisconsin Division of Health on October 1st released its quarterly update on AIDS cases, showing three new native Wisconsin cases since July 1st. That brings the total of native Wisconsin cases to 12 since AIDS reporting began. Of those 12 — six have died; most were sexually active gay males and one may have had multiple blood transfusions while out of state, according to Dr. James Vergeront of the Division of Health.

In a separate tally, two new out-of-state patients have returned to Wisconsin for treatment bringing the out-of-state figure to a total of 12. Six of them have died of AIDS, and all were sexually active gay men.

When questioned as to the strength of Wisconsin’s AIDS reporting system, Dr. Vergeront confirmed the requirement that doctors must report patients with specific outlined symptoms. Vergeront insisted Wisconsin has one of the stronger reporting systems in the country, and said ten other sources were available besides physicians to keep the system in check. Certain test results, which could indicate AIDS, are also filed with the state, including STD tests, hemophilia tests, tuberculosis, and the tumor registry.

Ed’s note: What a terrific gesture by these professional organizations! In having lived with an AIDS patient who eventually died, hospices are a welcome option for those patients. Although AIDS patients are usually besieged with various...
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Infections, etc., they normally do not require constant hospitalization. It sure would have been nice if Scott would have had the opportunity to go home before he died. (This was in California— and they're the ones who are supposed to be more progressive than we are. Ha!!)

New Ray Of Hope For Herpes

A drug, acyclovir, is standard therapy for genital herpes. Given intravenously, it protects patients whose immune systems have been depressed and who might die if infected with the herpes virus. Recently two teams of researchers reported that administered orally, acyclovir also dramatically reduced flare-ups in people prone to recurrent to bouts of herpes. Despite such encouraging results, it was emphasized that the drug is "far from a cure" and, indeed, should be used with caution. The drug causes mutations in cells growing in tissue culture, raising the possibility that it could lead to cancer or birth defects. It is recommended that only those who experience frequent recurrences—more than three a year— should use acyclovir for long periods. And in pill form, the drug has not yet been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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Mandala Provides Needed Services To Community

The Mandala Counseling Service, Inc. provides crisis intervention and referral services to the gay and lesbian community on the Hotline, hours of which are Friday and Saturday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The hotline is staffed by volunteers who have had training in crisis intervention and are sensitive to the issues of emotional and sexual preference and gender. The hotline's number is 291-9463.

Appointments can be made for Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. No fees are charged, but a donation of ten dollars per session is asked. Counselors are professionals trained in the field of psychology and social work and are sensitive to issues of sexuality.

Thanks are extended to an anonymous donor for their designated United Way contribution of $440.00. As Mandala is volunteer-run, and much needed donation will help support the Hotline and aid in public relations efforts. Should anyone want to volunteer please call the Answering Service at 291-9446.

Milwaukee Gay Chorus Forming

Several members of Christian Gay OK (CGOK) have expressed an interest in forming a chorus. In order to plan for such a group, there will be a sign-up and planning meeting on Monday, October 22nd at 7:30 p.m. in All Saints Cathedral, 818 E. Juneau Ave. Milwaukee (use entrance in alley at west end of Guild Hall building). Please plan to attend if you are interested.

B.W.M.T. To Celebrate 4th Anniversary

Milwaukee's Black and White Men Together (B.W.M.T.) will hold its 4th Anniversary the weekend of October 19-21. The celebration is being held at the downtown Ramada Inn (633 W. Michigan Ave.) and will entertain with a whole host of events. A regional networking conference for BWMT chapters in the Great Lakes area will be a key part of the activities. Free housing and transportation for out-of-town guests is available. Contact Del at (414) 265-6633 or John at (414) 332-1941 for more information.

United Way Can Be United Gay!

The United Way disperses funds to a great many services and causes essential to our society. Unfortunately, most of the causes essential to our well being as members of the gay and lesbian community are not included in United Way funding.

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3 Great Lakes (W, F) - 230 S. Whitelaw Ave., 344-5760
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6 B & B (M, W) - 230 S. Second St., 291-3732
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9 Grand Avenue Pub (M, W, S, F) - 716 W. Wisconsin Ave., 271-9252
10 No Legs (W, M, D) - 919 W. State St., 266-6663
11 Longshoreman's (W, M) - 135 S. North Ave., 266-6663
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20 Brady East STD Clinic (BEST) (VD, center, health screenings) - 240 E. Brady St., 272-2144
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23 National Coalition STD Clinics & Services - P.O. Box 249, 33000, 277-7761

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- Pabst Theatre (E. Wells St. and N. Water)
- Grand Avenue Mall (W. Wisconsin Ave. between N. Plankinton Ave. and N. 4th St.)
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Cost is $3 per meeting. For more information or registration, call Bob Porter at The Counseling Center, (414) 271-2565.

CGOK Adds Outreach To Hearing Impaired

Christian Gay OK (CGOK) has added an outreach program for the hearing impaired.

CGOK is a non-denominational group for gayos and lesbians and their families and friends. They hold meetings three times a week with all services held at All Saints Cathedral in Milwaukee. Two services per week will be signed for the hearing impaired. Meetings are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7 p.m. and Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. A pot luck dinner is planned for October 23rd at 6 p.m.

All Saints Cathedral is at 818 East Juneau Avenue in Milwaukee. For more information, contact Harry at (414) 289-0801.

Immune Function Research Study

Applications are being accepted for enrollment into the National Institute of Health's immune function research study being conducted at the Howard Brown Memorial Clinic in Chicago. Homosexually active men between the ages of 18 and 60 who are interested in participating can call the NIH research project at (312) 671-5696 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday for more information.

Mandala Seeks Volunteers

Mandala Counseling Service, Inc. is seeking people who want to train for the gay and lesbian crisis hotline. Training is on Sunday evenings and run for six weeks. The training will prepare the volunteer with counseling skills and covers

Organizations: Get Your Events Listed

Send us information about your activities! For the “Group Notes” section, give us a description of what you're about, what projects you're into, and your meeting dates/times/locations. Use a different sheet of paper to get events listed in the “Calendar of Special Events” — send us your special dates. Have a speaker coming? A big fund raiser? Etc.? We'll be glad to list them for you. Please, no phone calls. Mail all information to: In Step Magazine, 823 N. 2nd St., #409, Milwaukee, WI 53203.
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Re: "Comment," Volume 1, Issue 11:

As two Wisconsin lesbians transplanted to California, one of our first decisions following our move was to subscribe to Wisconsin Step. That decision was based on our belief that In Step offered us the most comprehensive coverage of the entire Wisconsin gay (and lesbian) community. And that is what we were a part of — a community — where gay people interacted on social, political and psychological levels. And what was of interest to that community, AS A WHOLE, was and still is of interest to us.

We left behind a large number of friends with a wide range of interests — from female impersonators to political activists to, yes, bar owners who, bless them, provided an atmosphere in which we were free to be openly gay! In Step allows us to keep in touch with ALL these people.

We eagerly await the arrival of each new issue and digest it cover to cover — we're delighted when there's a familiar face in a photo or a bit of Graffiti aimed at an old friend. We are NOT "barflies" — we're just two gay women who are awful damn glad that there's a high quality, diverse publication that keeps us "In Step" with Wisconsin!

Mary and Jane
San Rafael, CA

Dear Editors:

I am not sure, but I would guess there are a lot of — or at least a fair number — of older gays in small towns that would enjoy the company and the meeting with other older gays . . . say 50 or 55 and older.

What really baffles me is the city of Wausau, Wisconsin. There is a population of over 40,000 and they have only one mixed bar. I stopped several times and the group was 30 or younger. Where are they all hiding? The closet in Wausau must cover several square miles. Where

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RESORTS


RELIGIOUS

JOAN OF ARC Metropolitan Community Church. Sunday meetings at 6:30 p.m., 1108 N. Jackson, 372-9745. New beginnings with God! (Milw.)

MISCELLANEOUS

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GRAFFITI

FREE SEND THEM TO US!
Christopher Durham: A Talented And Beautiful Hunk
by Kevin Michael

Arts Columnist Kevin Michael had the pleasure of recently getting to know Christopher Durham when he was in town starring in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat at the Melody Top Theatre. No doubt, you'll recognize him as Matt McCandless on CBS' popular daytime soap opera As the World Turns. Also, he was featured in a six page color feature in the July issue of Plagiarist. He's not only an extremely talented actor and singer, but a warm, charming, and engaging person.

WIS: A reviewer here in Milwaukee describes you as a "hunk... though happily no sex symbol image?"

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CD: Diet is important. I maintain a very strict diet. I work out six times a week and try to take aerobics three times a week. I swim some. I get depressed if I don't work out. I have a lot more energy when I leave the gym — it gets the blood flowing. I want to look good. I don't think I ever would have started lifting if I hadn't gone through the time where I was very skinny. In fact, when I graduated from high school I weighed 126 pounds — and that was just six years ago. I was tiny and didn't want to be that little, so I started working out.

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crying when my agent called and said I got the part because it's your big break. When you get your first professional work like that, you know you've going to get the big exposure. It's that kind of feeling that makes it all worthwhile. Like Joseph's opening night — you're nervous as hell and you think you're getting ulcers. But after wards, it's the biggest release of knowing you worked hard and you pulled it off!

WIS: Any preference for television or theatre?

CD: No, I think I want to do it all. I had a theatre background before I started doing Capitol. I thought it was very strange because you don't have an audience and there's no immediate feedback. It's a different medium. After doing Joseph (and it's the first theatre I've done since Capitol), I called my agent after opening night and said, "I want to do more theatre!" I'm never happier than when I'm on stage.

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CD: Well, I'm not defensive about it. I'm very open minded about anything. I know I'm a good person at heart. Who are they to judge? I don't judge them. It's their
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deck are they all hiding?

I also attended several "rap groups" in Rhinelander, and again the group was
close to 30. There has to be some older gays out there somewhere. I can't be the
only one north of Fox Point.

What I am getting at is some way for older gays to contact one and other, BUT
how to do this or go about it I am draw-
ing a blank.

D. L., Tomahawk

To The Editorial Staff:

I would like to take this time to ex-
press my thanks for all the hard work
and expense that went into the 12th anni-
sary celebration of the Wreck Room.
There was plenty of delicious food as
well as souvenir buttons and keyrings for
everyone.

I especially want to thank the owners
of the Wreck Room for their considera-
tion of the people who patronize the bar.
I was honored that they went to great
expense in preparing food that was espe-
cially tasty on a hot, humid afternoon.
The barbecue was a really nice added
touch to a great meal. My thanks to all
the people who helped cook the food over
hot charcoal fires.

I wish the Wreck Room continued suc-
cess in the years ahead. I will not forget
the hospitality they have shown their
patrons. Thanks for letting me share in
the celebration.

Mark
Milwaukee

Ed's note: Wayne and Jimmy — normally
we would just forward a letter like this
directly to you, but you really did go "up
and beyond" what is expected

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Jackie "Oh"

Christopher Durham
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problem. I can't be bothered with it.

WIS: I have to ask this. Why wouldn't

You reveal all?

CD: There wasn't enough room on the

page! We totally did it for exposure (a lit-

tle pun there). It worked very well. It

was a very modest layout. I'm surprised

to see a lot of theatre. I have never seen La

Cage Aux Folles or The Real Thing. I like

California now, but it was a bigger ad-

justment than going to New York.

WIS: You say '84 was good for you?

CD: '84 has been the best year of my life!

It's been a complete turnaround. I read a

book by Shirley MacLaine, Out On A

Limb, over Christmas that changed my

life. I was going through some changes . . .

questioning. My life just changed — a

lot of the questions were answered. You

know how you read some books and

they'll stick in your head for about two

weeks and then you forget what they

were saying. But that book I always go

back to. She's phenomenal!

WIS: Were you ever trained as an actor

prior to New York?

CD: Yes, but not extensively. I've studied

with acting teachers in New York and

Los Angeles. I've been very fortunate in

that I began working professionally soon

after I arrived in New York. My philoso-

phy of acting is that the best way to learn

is by doing. Experience is the best teach-

er. I feel taking classes is important —

you know to keep polishing your tech-

nique and I always jump right back into

acting classes if I'm not working. It's

great to do some study and be critiqued,

but I learn much faster when I'm out

there actually performing. I love to work

with people more experienced than my-

self. Capitol was terrific because there

are some real pros on that show and they

were so willing to share their craft.

WIS: A favorite stage role?

CD: That I've done? I must say — and I

know this will sound corny because I'm

here — but I've the most fun with Jo-

seph. Also, Frederic in Pirates Of Pian-

ance. I like comedy — that's why this is

so nice. On Capitol, I was such a syrupy,

sweet, serious guy, they would never let

me be funny. I'm basically a funny person

— I can be very off the wall. And In Jo-

seph, I can do this. I try not to take life

that seriously. It's great to act crazy and

gooey and get paid for it.

WIS: How do you find Milwaukee?

CD: I'm getting an extra day. I like it and

I'm having a great time now that the

show's opened and I have my days free.

I'm staying on the East Side, the neigh-

borhood is beautiful and the people are

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Compucopia, which has been in business since May of 1983 is based in San Francisco. The cost of membership ranges from $20 to $50, depending on the length of the membership and whether mail forwarding services are requested. The questionnaire and software are custom designed and relevant to gay male relationships. The monthly newsletters will also address issues relevant to gay male relationships.

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CD: I don't want to say anything yet because no contracts are signed, but there are some things in the works when I return to L.A. I'm not superstitious, but I think it's bad luck to talk about an acting job before it's actually yours. I'm very optimistic and I know I'll do well. You have to think confidentially like that and I'm very sure of myself.

WIS: You chose of "A Dream is A Wish Your Heart Makes" as a finale song and the story about your relationship with your father is quite beautiful and touching. Could you speak about this?

CD: That is a favorite song of mine. It struck me — hit me overnight. I had heard Bette Midler do it. It's a Walt Disney song and it's so appropriate for the show. It's the kind of thought I'd like to leave people with. I love to dream and a lot of my dreams are coming true and if I can share that with people that makes me very happy! Have your dreams and dream them and do what you want to in life.

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Conventions And Confrontations: The Directions Of '84

It surely was an active summer, wasn't it? The gay communities of America saw themselves on prime time TV this year; according to some, the coverage was sublime. There are those who feel that our efforts were ridiculous, as well. No matter what camp you find yourself leaning towards, you have to admit that this year our voices were heard and most certainly counted!

The San Francisco march (on the eve of the Democratic convention) was perhaps the most moving event I have ever witnessed. Don't you believe the stories of the media about "100,000 to 150,000 people." Let me assure you that there were at least 200,000 persons there and marching. Gay people and their friends and supporters knew this was serious politics and conducted themselves accordingly: they marched with pride, assurance, dignity. Aware, as the massive crowd seemed to be, that the whole world was watching, those people placed a serious and non-violent philosophy out for media consumption. For the first time, the usual glitter and tom-foolery were absent. And we were taken seriously. Cesar Chevas marched in solidarity with us, Senator Alan Cranston appeared at a benefit held at one of the bars, local politicians showed up by the score.

I was proud to march with that crowd. I will also share a profound personal impression I had: As I marched, I never once looked around to see who was following me. For those few hours, in the middle of 200,000 people, I felt the safest I have ever felt in my years of activist work. I cried as I marched, overwhelmed by the unity and singlemindedness of all those people. They wanted Gay Rights. They wanted those rights — now. And I felt a fierce, incandescent joy at being with them; felt a joy in being a lesbian I never felt before.

Dallas was another thing altogether. The march on the Republican convention was orderly, but diverse. Iranians marched, feminists marched, Palestinians marched — good grief, everybody who wants the Prez out of the White House marched. Certainly the media was there, but it was obvious that they were having as much trouble as I was figuring out who was what was where, initially. There was a great deal of disention within the Dallas gay community as well, due in part to the presence of those wild and crazy persons from San Francisco: The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence. I guess Dallas wasn't ready for gay-style street theatre. Frankly, I don't think Dallas was ready for either marchers or the convention. Although the South has a strong tradition of hospitality, I saw much of that thrown out to the wind. Public buildings (and restrooms) were closed down — there seemed to be some fear that all 1,500 of us marchers were somehow going to just take over the city. The camp grounds reserved for marches had (only two days before people began arriving) been sprayed — to eliminate rattlesnakes . . . or so I was told.

Many Dallasites viewed the marchers with less than restrained hostility: one many threatened to "horsewhip" one of the Sisters and moved toward her in a threatening manner. I stepped between the two (in my navy blue suit and girl shirt) and was nearly punched in the face — until the aggressive fellow realized that I was — really — a woman and not a guy in drag. For once, I was happy that the Dallasite was sexist as he said that he "Din't punch ladies."

There were bright spots though: the older man who said he had changed his mind, after all, and gays weren't so bad — and went to welcome the Sisters to Dallas and to apologize for some earlier rude remarks. Another speck of joy was watching her surprise when she found that we had a great deal in common, and as she said, "You remind me of my sister, but you're just a tad bit more vocal."

You've noticed that I have not mentioned much about the dark side of things; the negative side of things. I guess that's because I feel that these marches...
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were so profound and so full of meaning that I don’t care to harp or carry on about such glitches. There were plenty, but those things don’t matter.

What matters is that in the Summer of 1984, the gay community of the United States of America began to really come of age! We are a sophisticated people, able to respectfully but strongly put across the message that we are no longer satisfied with being taken for granted, that we are no longer happy with second class citizenship, that we shall be taking our rightful place in society no matter the blocks placed in our way.

It is a powerful message — one that the heterosexual society will no longer ignore. My hope is that the power of the message will not be lost on our own people, the ones who could not march. So much splendid was done this Summer — let it not go to waste.

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Getting Back In The Swing Of Things

Again...

Disco Diva Pamela Stanley said it first — "coming out of hiding" — but those are the perfect words to describe me. It's been over three months since our last In Step, and nearly as long that I've been out and about. It was hard taking an "unplanned vacation," and thank God I didn't go out to the bars and gay/lesbian events because I got real tired of people asking me "Where's In Step?" I had no idea when we'd be able to publish again and just didn't know what to tell people. But now we're back — and I'm "coming out of hiding!"

I must salute those advertisers who stuck by us and appear in this issue. I "sneer" in the voice — to those I now (ppptthhh!!!). It was difficult for me to give a healthy dose of raspberries months. It was difficult for me to pass over most of those contest, and rather than just show a few — we won't show the calendar of events — if not to enter, at least to go and be entertained. It'd be nice if a certain person in Milwaukee who's been out for the show only and $25 for the dinner. Tickets cost $15 at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30, and the show at 8. Tickets cost $15 per person, double occupancy.

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told several times that men will be more than welcome). The Boot Camp Saloon is a levi/leather bar on National, diagonal from DK's (this is a new spot for a gay bar). We also welcome the re-opening of Grand Avenue Pub (GAP) — Milwaukee's only gay bar on "The Avenue."

# # #

Congratulations go out to the Brady East Sexually Transmitted Diseases Clinic (BEST) on their recent 10 year anniversary celebration. Events included an open house and information sessions on AIDS and hepatitis, along with a Harvest Ball. Besides STD testing on Tuesdays and Saturdays, BEST has a hepatitis B vaccination program on Mondays, and preliminary AIDS exams along with referral and advocacy. Thanks to a grant from the Cream City Association Foundation (CCAF) of $1,800 — BEST is developing a handbook on healthy lifestyles and they are planning a survey on health needs of both lesbians and gay men. Keep an eye out for clinic volunteers dressed in nun's habits — they're the "Sisters of Inaccurate Deception" and they intend to regularly show up at events to focus attention on gay health issues.

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Believe it or not, Don Knotts is Mick Jagger's illegitimate father. Need proof? Here: Place a photo of bug-eyed, big-lipped Mick next to a photo of bug-eyed, big-lipped Don Knotts. Look similar? I though you'd see it my way. But how? Easy: Aunt Bee spread for every dude on the set of Mayberry RFD. Why do you think they called her Aunt Bee? Even Andy was her sex drone, but especially Don Knotts. She had a thing for Don, a thing that eventually produced . . . Mick Jagger. Think it over.

Did you know that the Flying Nun is based on a actual man who really lived? Of course she wasn't as good looking as Sally Field and could only stay airborne for maybe ten or twenty seconds at a time, but I still think that's pretty fucking interesting.

Here are my beliefs: Capital punishment is okay by me. Phone calls should always be returned promptly and courteously. The United States should not try to be a world policeman. Hot food should be served hot. I guess that's about it.

Some people need cards to tell the future, or tea leaves. Others prefer the entails of animals, or the bump on your head. But only I have perfected a system — solely based on the stretch marks of Bobby Rivers.

I went down to the recruiting office the other day and volunteered to join the Army. Now, it turns out, by mistake I seem to have enlisted in the Salvation Army. So instead of fighting communists in far off countries, I'm going to be spending my Christmas clanging a bell in the middle of some shopping mall. How the hell do you like that?

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