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1973.

Stonewall Has 40% More Space with New Shelving!

Dan Smith of United Business Systems delivered the goods on time, Rob Nathans, Steve Kerr and Ted Golubski coordinated the effort, and the library team delivered. Stonewall Library removed the old and installed new shelving in a three day time period.

Wednesday, July 30th, the



Judy Shepherd and Steve Kerr look to the task of replacing the books.

library team began the awesome task of removing 15,000 volumes from the old shelving, breaking the old shelving down, and cleaning the library for the installation of new shelving. The next day, with the leadership of Ian of United Business Systems, the company installed all but a few rows of

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Researchers from the Minnesota Gay Homicide Study Visit Stonewall

Joe Shulka and Dallas Drake, Co-founders of the Minnesota Gay Homicide Study (MGHS), visited Stonewall during the month of July to review materials in the archives to support their research, funded in part by the Gill Foundation and the Philanthrofund Foundation (a Minnesota glbt Foundation).

The purpose of the study is to discover material that will allow more gay homicides to be solved and to reduce the number of homicides by working to strengthen the relationships between the glbt community and the police.

The problems of collecting statistical information is compounded by the fact gay homicides are often not reported as such. In many homicide cases, the sexuality of the victim is not made public.

Mr. Shulka and Mr. Drake were very appreciative of the help Jonathan Heller was able to provide and both were amazed at the amount of materials available significant to their research. Quite a bit of time was

spent going through our extensive holdings and photocopying pertinent sections.

Both Mr. Shulka and Mr. Drake commented on the excellent organization of the collection and were especially pleased their research could be done in air conditioned comfort. Apparently, many of their previous stops were not air conditioned and the

material they sifted through was simply in boxes, intermixed with other materials. They found Stonewall to be exactly what they needed for their stay.

The Minnesota Gay Homicide Study is an independent, all-volunteer nonprofit organization based in Minneapolis. Their mission is to "promote greater knowledge and understanding of the unique nature of gay homicide through sound empirical research, critical analysis and effective community partnerships."

MGHS will provide Stonewall a copy of their results and acknowledge Stonewall for its contributions.



Joe Shulka, President and Co-founder of the Minnesota Gay Homicide Study

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Stonewall Offers Dining Opportunities

Press Release by Bill Beaton

Stonewall Library & Archives has launched a raffle: "International 3-2-1" offering dinners for two at six great restaurants featuring specific international cuisine - - *Bistro Las Olas, Catalina, Galanga, Il Mulino, Sage* and *The Wine Cellar* representing Cuban, Thai, Italian, French and German Cuisines.

The first draw wins dinner for two at a restaurant, second draw wins dinner for two at two restaurants, and third draw wins dinner for two at three restaurants.

The drawing will be November 10, 2003, in time for festive holiday dining. Raffle tickets are \$10.00 for one and \$15.00 for two. Only a limited

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@ the Stonewall

Monday, September 8th,
First Mondays Opening Reception
- Arts United 6:30-8PM

Saturday, September 13th,
Board of Directors Meeting,
Library 10AM - Public Welcome

Sunday, September 21st.
"See Jane Read" Stonewall
Women's Book Club, Library
3PM

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Tel: 954 763 8565

For more information, visit our website at www.stonewall-library.org.

Naming Opportunities at Stonewall

How would you like to be remembered? How would you like to remember someone? Stonewall has many naming opportunities for yourself or for dedication in someone's memory. If you wish to participate, please call Rob Nathans at 954-563-9484 or email him at eBoxx@msn.com.

- Professional Library metal shelving for book collection (\$15,000)
- Permanent Professional Signs for outside of Building (\$10,000)
- Computer Projection Unit (\$4500)
- Compact Shelving for the archives (\$4000/carriage)
- Large Screen TV with VCR/DVD (\$5000)
- Display case (\$3500)
- Lectern with microphone (\$2500)
- Annual Subscription to an index (several to choose from) (\$1500-\$2500)
- Dictionary Stand (\$1000)
- Public Address System (\$600)
- Audio Visual Cart (\$400)
- Donation to the Stonewall Library & Archives Capital Fund
- Planned Giving to the Library Endowment Fund

Mark LaFontaine Donates Personal Papers to Stonewall

Mark J. Fontaine recently contacted Stonewall Archives to determine whether or not to donate his papers to the Archives. Mark immediately made the decision to donate his personal papers and brought over the first box of material that day.

On December 28, 2000, Mark was notified in writing by the National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) they were revoking his membership. This was the same organization that a month before had solicited his participation. When NESA found out Mark was gay, they immediately revoked his membership. Mark received his Eagle rank on January 4, 1983.

Mark soon joined Scouting for All (SFA), a national organization formed after the Supreme Court upheld the right of the Boy Scouts of America to discriminate. Mark is currently South Regional Director of SFA. He is also Cochair of the Ways and Means Committee of the Dolphin Democratic Club.

Included in the donation of personal papers are his correspondence with NESA, his lawsuit against the Veterans Administration for discrimination which he won, as well as material from SFA. The only question Mark had for the Archives was "are we big enough to hold all his material?"

We'll Train You if You Volunteer!

Stonewall Archives is looking for a few good men and women to volunteer to work with archival material. We'll be happy to train you in archival techniques which includes how to preserve the material, how to organize it, and how to properly store the material with conservation in mind.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Fred Searcy at 954-584-3552 or email at f_searcy@bellsouth.net.

Donate A Magazine

More and more, publishers are reluctant to provide Stonewall with complimentary subscriptions. Our budget simply does not allow for us to subscribe to the numerous glbt magazines, newspapers, and journals. If you would like to contribute a subscription to the library, contact Fred Searcy at 954-584-3552 or email at f_searcy@bellsouth.net.

Join our 30th Anniversary by Advertising in the 2003 Annual Report.

You're invited to advertise in Stonewall's 2003 *Annual Report to the Community*, our 30th Anniversary of Stonewall. The Annual Report goes out to our membership base of over 700 dues-paying members and an additional 500 names in our database of politicians, organiza-

tions, corporations, and other gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender libraries, community centers, and groups in South Florida, the southeastern United States and across the nation. It's excellent bang for your buck!

The rates are as follows:

- Full page ad \$800
- 1/2 page ad \$400
- 1/4 page ad \$200
- Business card \$100

All you need to do is send us ready to print copy (or attach your business card), indicate the size ad you wish, and make your checks payable to Stonewall Library & Archives. We'll take it from there.

Membership Drive

Press release by Bill Beaton

Stonewall is launching its annual membership drive, spearheaded by volunteer coordinator Donald Halsband. The drive goes for three months ending on September 30, 2003, targeting a goal of 100 new members. There is a package of six incentives to the volunteer team to be awarded for the most new members. Incentive awards were contributed by our very generous business community supporters: **Blue Door Productions, Bottoms & Tops, Catalog X-treme, Hamburger Mary, Simply Delish and Zoo Two.** Led by Margo Poulson, the Board of Directors has pledged to match each new member with \$10.00.

The community is invited to visit the Stonewall Library & Archives at 1717 North Andrews Avenue, review the services and privileges afforded membership and connect with fellow members.

new shelving. He returned on Friday and completed the job.

Friday, August 1st, the library team then began moving 15,000 books in place on the new shelving and completed the task before three o'clock that day!

It's really strange to walk into the library and see less floor space taken up by the new shelving and even more strange to see one complete range of shelves empty and awaiting expansion.

The new shelving is all metal to meet preservation criteria and the metal finish is baked on to prevent outgassing of compounds that could damage the books.

Included with the new shelving were all new periodical and newspaper racks that almost double the number of issues displayed in the John C. Graves Reading Room.

The new shelving provides approximately 40% more space than the previous shelving. For the first time in years, copy two's of the existing collection can now be placed on the shelves for patrons.

The new shelving was purchased with money from the capital fund held for Stonewall with Merrill Lynch. The capital fund was initially established by Dr. Graves several years ago.



United Business Systems installing the magazine and newspaper racks.



Now, they all have to be placed back on the shelves!

Stonewall Receives \$5000 Grant from GLFSF!

Stonewall Library & Archives is pleased to be the recipient of a \$5000 grant from the Gay and Lesbian Foundation of South Florida (GLFSF) for general operating expenses. The GLFSF is the new name of the old Dade Human Rights Foundation (DHRF).

Rob Nathans and Fred Searcy wrote the grant with a \$10,000 request. The competition was keen and GLFSF had more grant requests than money. Stonewall was pleased to receive half of their funding request.

The Gay and Lesbian Foundation of South Florida wishes to be more inclusive of Broward and Palm Beach counties, thus the name change from DHRF.



Movie Nights at Stonewall

Stonewall Library & Archives is pleased to present movies from Strand Releasing, one of the premier art film companies in the world. Strand was honored with a ten year retrospective at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. They have distributed works of such renowned international filmmakers as Manoel de Olivera, Lino Brocka, Jon Jost, Terence Davies, Gaspar Noe, Lodge Kerrigan, Cindy Sherman, Nigel Finch, Raoul Ruiz, John Maybury, Ferzan Ozpetek, Jacques Audiard, Benoit Jacquot, Hal Hartley, Nina Menkes, Jon Moritsugu, John Duigan, Francois Ozon, Lou Ye, Marcelo Pineyro and John Curran.

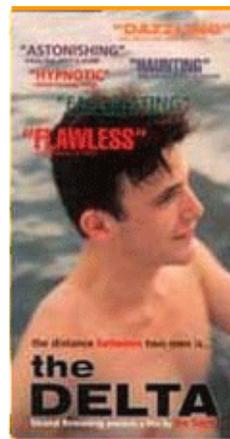
Movies scheduled for Stonewall are

- The Delta - Sept 2003
- Edge of Seventeen - Oct 2003
- Head On - Dec 2003
- Latin Boys Go To Hell - Jan 2004
- Boys to Men - Feb 2004
- Tongues Untied - Mar 2004

All movies are on the second Friday of the month at 7 PM in room #2 of the GLCC. The movies are free and open to the public, but we accept contributions for refreshments and for the GLCC.

September 12th Movie: The Delta - Directed by Ira Sachs

Lincoln Bloom (Shayne Gray) stars in *The Delta*, a movie about a



white 17 year old boy playing straight but who revels in the world of gay cruising and peep-show sex. Shayne soon meets a poor Vietnamese immigrant, Minh (Thang Chan), son of a black GI, at an all-night movie house. Quickly, they are off on a "river" trip down the Mississippi in Lincoln's father's cabin cruiser. It's a Huck Finn moment for the duo that unfortunately, ends with tragic consequences.



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number of tickets will be sold to increase winning chances.

Tickets can be purchased at the Stonewall Library & Archives Circulation Desk. All proceeds benefit the Library's Annual Fund and support our programming and services to the community. Visit the Stonewall Library & Archives at 1717 North Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale. Open Monday through Friday, 11AM - 9PM and Saturdays, Noon - 3PM.

Mary Britton's Photography on Exhibit

Press Release by ArtsUnited

ArtsUnited, the nonprofit organization that uses the arts to present a positive message about the gay and lesbian community, will feature the photography of author and artist Mary Ellen Britton in an exhibit at the Stonewall Library and Archives, 1717 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale from August 11 through September 6, 2003.

Ms. Britton is perhaps better known for having authored *Surprised by Peace*, a collection of true stories from the hearts of individuals whose lives have been changed by the power of God. Her artistic

talents extend beyond writing as is evident by this exhibit of her photography.

Admission is free and the library is open 11am-9pm M-F and Saturday from noon to 3pm. For more information call 954.530.2723 or go to www.artsunitedonline.org.

Want to Help with the Newsletter?

The *Archeion* is looking for volunteers to help with the newsletter by serving on the newsletter committee. The committee would gather content for the newsletter, aid in layout and design, work with distribution lists, and help the newsletter to continue to grow.

The *Archeion* initially started as an informational sheet for volunteers in the archives, but soon was distributed to the membership in light of the demise of the original library newsletter, *The Legacy*. It is sent out electronically to our email database of over 400 names and some hard copies are printed for distribution to those who don't have email and also for distribution within the library. If you are interested in helping, contact Fred Searcy at 954-584-3552 or email at f_searcy@bellsouth.net.

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