



# GAMMA Rays

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## 23rd Annual MAKE A PROMISE Dinner and Auction

Although the exact name for the Make A Promise dinner was unavailable at press time, the event will have a Hawaiian theme. We could all use a little tropical pampering right now.

The event supports the work of the Aids Resource Center in Milwaukee and throughout the State, and will be held on Saturday, April 4th at the Midwest Airlines Center.

GAMMA will have a table of ten for the dinner portion. The cost is \$85 per person and \$50 of that is your tax deductible donation to ARCW.

There will be cash bars in the silent auction area, and some very nice items will be available for your bid. Your table captain is Dan Lagerman, and he promises you will have a good time.

Reservations need to be received by Wednesday, March 11. Send your \$85 check made payable to ARCW to Dan L.



Make A Promise Dinner



Submissions for the GAMMA Rays should be sent to the editor.  
The Deadline for the April edition is March, 20–5:00 p.m.

## Thank you...



Many thanks to Tim A. for hosting the February Monthly Party!

## Rome Movie Night

Please roam on down to Richard Q's place on the lower east side to spend an evening watching "Rome".

The miniseries is an intimate drama of love and betrayal, masters and slaves, and husbands and wives, 'Rome' chronicles the epic times that saw the fall of a Republic and the creation of an empire.

The series is shot throughout Italy and boasts the largest standing film set in the world, comprising five acres of backlot and six soundstages at the world-famous Cinecittà Studios. To learn more about 'Rome', visit the website...  
[www.hbo.com/rome/](http://www.hbo.com/rome/)

A light supper will be provided along with soft drinks.

(This will be a recurring event every month during the winter and early spring.)



## Donations

Dear GAMMA Members:

The Board of Directors recently received a check in the amount of \$125.00 from the G/L Community Trust Fund. These funds came from fundraising benefits and the direct mailing campaign the Trust Fund held during the second half of 2008. We were not informed of the donors but we are confident that our members gave to the Trust Fund on our behalf and for that we are grateful. The monies will be used to supplement funding of our community programming, including social volleyball and our presence at Pridefest.

The G/L Community Center & Trust Fund based in Milwaukee is a tax exempt 501c (3) organization and contributions made to this organization are tax deductible to the full extent of the law. Checks should be made to the G/L Community Center Trust Fund and sent to PO BOX 1686 Milwaukee, WI 53201. In addition, you need to indicate with your correspondence that your donation is for Milwaukee GAMMA and specify the purpose. The funds will then be turned over to GAMMA with the timing based on the amount(s) received.

The GAMMA Board of Directors is thankful for this donation as well as the work of the G/L Community Trust Fund.



## WI Gay Volleyball Association GAMMA Team Members Needed New Milwaukee Division

The WGVA has announced the start of Milwaukee branch league play starting in April or May of 2009.

Full details have not been published yet but GAMMA is looking for players to form both high and low skill level teams.

Please e-mail or call GAMMA Volleyball Director Peter S. if you are interested in joining a GAMMA team of either skill level. If enough members show interest, Peter can contact the league for more information and start forming teams.

Please contact Peter.

## Do You Have an Idea? New Events!

Do you have an idea for a new event? Give it a try! Member hosted events are what makes GAMMA great. There may be others in GAMMA who might also enjoy the event that was your idea.

Many events that we think of as traditional GAMMA events, were once a members brainstorm. Whether your event turns out to be a small gathering of GAMMA friends, or group, it is sure to be enjoyed by all who attend.



Contact any Board Member to find a suitable date and then complete an event sheet for publication in a future newsletter. The Board Member directory can be found on page six of this newsletter.

The success of GAMMA depends on members willing to create and host new events each month!

# Dining Out Notes

## *A Message from the EM*

After having coordinated the dining out events for nearly the last four years I believe that it is time for a few reminders.

The regular dining out events occur on Friday nights which is one of the busier nights in all restaurants, and our group usually consists of 15 to 20 people. Our group can, and often does, overwhelm the staff and kitchens of the restaurants which we patronize.

There are times when we will wait for our food. This is just simply how things are. We must realize we are not the only customers in a restaurant, and that the staff is doing their best. Just because we wait for what can often be a long time this does not give us the right to act as if we are petulant children. I encourage you to visit with your fellow diners, to enjoy a cocktail, or do your very best to resurrect the art of polite conversation. If you are the impatient type please stay home, or have your dinner at Denny's.

It is also important to note that alcoholic beverages **MUST** be ordered from the bar and not the table server. I further ask that when you figure your share of the bill that you do not forget tax and gratuity.

(I have personally paid out over \$200.00 over the years to cover for those who have not paid their fair share.)

Warmly,

Rob c.



NEW MEMBER

Jeff H.

*Welcome!*



# March Events

## FRONTRUNNERS

### MILWAUKEE RUN/WALK

MARCH 7, 14, 21, 28

Time: 9:00 a.m. (Saturdays)  
Place: Start from Water Tower  
at East end of North Ave.  
FMI: John S.

Rain or shine, each Saturday we meet in  
friendship for some exercise, all are wel-  
come to join in. Breakfast afterwards.

## ROME MOVIE NIGHT MARCH 1

Time: 6:30—9:00 p.m.  
Place: Milwaukee  
EM: Richard Q.  
RSVP: Highly Suggested

## CRIBBAGE MARCH 5

Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Place: Milwaukee  
Host: David S.  
Bring: \$1.00 and your beverage  
RSVP: Optional  
Other: All abilities welcome!

## MONTHLY PARTY MARCH 7

Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Place: Milwaukee  
Host: David S.  
Bring: A dish to pass and your beverage  
RSVP: Optional

## BOARD MEETING MARCH 11

Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Place: Milwaukee  
Host: Patrick O.  
RSVP: Recommended

## MAKE A PROMISE DINNER RSVP DEADLINE MARCH 11

Place: Midwest Airlines Center  
EM: Dan L.  
Cost: Please send check to RSVP. See  
the front page article of this GAMMA Rays  
for mailing instructions.

## BOWLING MARCH 13

Time: 7:00-9:30 p.m.  
Place: AMF-Bowlero  
11737 W. Burleigh St.  
Wauwatosa  
EM: Tony S. and Yen L.  
Bring: Bowling shoes & ball  
or rent them  
Cost: Shoe Rental \$2.00  
\$4.00 per game  
(We usually play three games)  
RSVP: Recommended

Directions: Take I94 West to Hwy 45. Curve to the right  
(north) on Hwy 45. Proceed to exit #43 Burleigh St.  
Turn left (west) on Burleigh. Turn left (south) onto  
117th and follow street to parking lot.

## GAME NIGHT MARCH 14

Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Place:  
Hosts: Ric F. & Wayne P.  
Bring: Beverage, snack to pass, and a  
game  
RSVP: optional

## ADVENTURE DINING RSVP DEADLINE MARCH 16

Place: Meritage  
EM: Rob C.  
Please call and leave a message so you  
won't be left out on March 19.

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## ADVENTURE DINING MARCH 19

Time: 7:00 p.m. dinner  
Place: Meritage  
5921 W. Vliet St.  
Milwaukee  
EM: Rob C.  
RSVP: MANDATORY BY MARCH 16  
Cost: \$16.00–\$25.00  
Other: Maximum of 15 diners.  
First come, first served.

Directions: From the Marquette Interchange take I-94 West toward Madison. Then Take the Hawley RD exit, EXIT 307B. Turn LEFT onto North Hawley RD. Turn LEFT onto West Vliet ST. End at 5921 W Vliet St Milwaukee, WI 53208-2166

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## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE MARCH 20

Time: 5:00 p.m.  
Submit event listings and articles to the editor.

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## DINING OUT RSVP DEADLINE MARCH 23

Place: Jalapeno Loco  
EM: Rob C.  
Please call and leave a message so you **won't be left out on March 27.**

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## SHEEPSHEAD MARCH 24

Time: 7:30 p.m.  
Place: Brookfield  
Host: Joe D.  
Bring: \$1.00 and Beverage  
RSVP: Recommended

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## DINING OUT MARCH 27

Time: 7:00 p.m. cocktails  
7:30 p.m. dinner  
Place: Jalapeno Loco  
Mexican Restaurant  
5067 S. Howell Ave.  
Milwaukee  
EM: Rob C.  
RSVP: MANDATORY BY MARCH 23  
Cost: \$7.99–\$19.00

Directions: From the Marquette Interchange take I-94 south to Layton Ave. Head east on Layton until you reach Howell Ave. Head south on Howell and the restaurant will be on the west side of the street across from Mitchell Intl. Airport.

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### NOTE ON DIRECTIONS:

Generally, directions provided in the newsletter are from the Marquette Interchange where I-94, I-794, and I-43 intersect. If you need help, call the host or event manager.



# Accolades

## FEBRUARY EVENTS

- Richard Q.—Rome Movie Night  
Rob C.—**Cribbage, Valentine's Brunch, Dining Out**  
Tim A.—Monthly Party  
Tony S. & Yen L.—Bowling  
Peter S.—Volleyball, Game Night  
David H.—Sheepshead

THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED  
OR HELPED TO MAKE THESE EVENTS A SUCCESS!

## GAMMA BOARD DIRECTORY

Kyle P. (09)	President
Richard G. (10)	Vice President & Membership
Patrick O. (09)	Secretary & Historian
Brad R. (10)	Treasurer
Peter S. (09)	Volleyball & Game Night
Rob C. (09)	Social & Cultural
Chris R. (09)	Outdoor/Recreational & Events Calendar
Bill W. (09)	Special Projects
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John S.	Front Runners
Ken K	Webmaster
Michael H.	Sheepshead
Dan L.	Mail Coordinator
Art S.	Cribbage Coordinator
Todd S.	Newsletter Editor

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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Please notify the club of changes in mailing and/or e-mail address. Proper addresses insure prompt delivery of the newsletter. Address-change notifications by the Postal Service cost the club money.

## LIABILITY WAIVER:

Event participants should understand that some activities can be physically demanding and even dangerous. Neither GAMMA nor the organizers of an event assume liability for any injury which may result from participating in an activity. Participants assume all liability for their own conduct and safety.

The membership directory as well as the personal information listed in the newsletter is for the private use of our members ONLY and should not be distributed or shared.

**GAMMA's membership year is from July 1 to June 30**, but join any time during the year, and the dues are pro-rated. Annual dues are \$30.00 for individuals, \$48.00 for two persons receiving one newsletter, or \$15.00 for out-of-state members. Dues are not tax deductible. Call Richard G. at (414)530-1886 for membership dues information.

GAMMA also maintains a web site complete with event information as well as digital copies of the newsletter. Please visit us on-line at:  
[www.milwaukeegamma.com](http://www.milwaukeegamma.com)



# March 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <b>ROME MOVIE NIGHT</b> 6:30-9:00 p.m. 	2	3	4	5 <b>CRIBBAGE</b> 7:00 p.m. 	6	7 <b>FRONTRUNNERS</b> Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.  <b>MONTHLY PARTY</b> 7:00 p.m.
8 <b>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS</b>	9	10	11 <b>BOARD MEETING</b> 7:00 p.m.  <b>MAKE A PROMISE RSVP DEADLINE</b>	12	13 <b>BOWLING</b> 7:00 p.m. 	14 <b>FRONTRUNNERS</b> Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.  <b>GAME NIGHT</b> 7:00 p.m.
15	16 <b>ADVENTURE DINING RSVP DEADLINE</b>	17  	18	19 <b>ADVENTURE DINING</b> 7:00 p.m. Meritage	20 <b>NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE</b> 5:00 p.m.	21 <b>FRONTRUNNERS</b> Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.
22	23 <b>DINING OUT RSVP DEADLINE</b>	24 <b>SHEEPSHEAD</b> 7:30 p.m. 	25	26	27 <b>DINING OUT</b> 7:00 p.m. cocktails 7:30 p.m. dinner Jalepeno Loco 	28 <b>FRONTRUNNERS</b> Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.
29	30	31	April 1	April 2 <b>CRIBBAGE</b> 7:00 p.m.	April 3	April 4 <b>FRONTRUNNERS</b> Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.  <b>MONTHLY PARTY</b> 7:00 P.M.  <b>MAKE A PROMISE DINNER</b>

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anytime up to the deadline of March 20, 5:00 p.m.



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# Future Events

DATE & TIME	EVENT
April 2—7:00 p.m.	Cribbage
April 4—7:00 p.m.	Monthly Party
April 5—6:30 p.m.	Rome Movie Night
April 8—7:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
April 10—7:00 p.m.	Bowling
April 19—1:00 p.m.	Volleyball
April 21—7:00 p.m.	Sheepshead
April 24—7:00 p.m.	Dining Out
<i>PLAN AHEAD...</i>	
August 20-23, 2009	Devil's Lake Camping

*Save the date . . .*  
 ARCW  
 23rd Annual  
**Make A Promise Dinner**  
 April 4, 2009  
 Join GAMMA for this annual fundraiser, dinner and silent auction along with live entertainment and dancing.