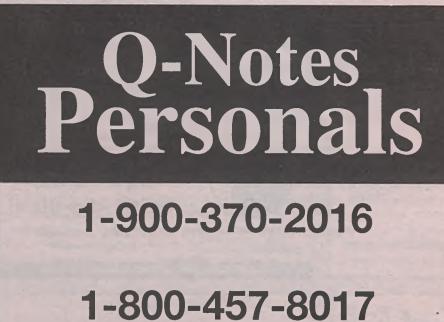
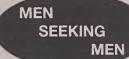
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This 44 year-old WM is loking for the right WM who is honest and clean to top me for the first time. Blue eyes a plus, 21 or older. #1550 081500

Fem male seeks guys 20-40 for fun and who enjoys massage also who loves guys who are fem. #1558 081500

Out...finally!

GWM, low 50s, 6'2", 215#, finally out of the closet after a long, happy marriage. Highly educated and cultured, seeking GM for companionship and friendship amnd maybe love in the future. Enjoys swimming, long walks on the beach, reading and traveling. #1579 081500 GM, black, single, looking for friends and possibly more. Love to have a good time and hope to find someone caring, compassionate and fun-loving between the ages of 35 and 45. #1580 081500

GWM, 55, gray hair, 6', 185#, blue eyes, very caring, loving, clean and honest. I'd like to meet GWM for hot sex and LTR. Let me love you forever. #1581 081500

Fun and Games

MWPM, 54, 185#, 5'11", attractive and disease free ISO friend in NWNC for occasional, private fun. Prefer married, but answers all. #1583 081500

GBM, 27, 6'1", 250#, seeing a GM, any race, 27-48 for friendship and companionship. I enjoy music, movies, museums and good conversation. #1584 081500

Man's man ISO same

Maculine, attractive, WM, 6', 160#, 44 (looks younger). Seeking genuine men to share life's adventures, diverse interests: sports, fitness, outdoors, films, more. New buddies, also relationship oriented. #1578 071500

WM, 30, slim-build, ISO muscular jock, 30-40 only, for LTR. #1575

GWM seeks GWM

HIV+, healthy, 6', 180-#, 50s, graduate degree, financially OK, honest,

sincere, spiritual, lonely, no smoking/drugs. Wants man for conversation, meals, movies, travel, intimacy. #1576 071500

SGWM, fun-loving, caring, compassionate, muscular, mentally ill ISO SGWM hunk who iknows how to have afuna dn is into electronics and/or chemistry. #1274 061400

Cowboy Bear

GWM, 36, 250#, blk/hzl, trim beard, very hairy, tats and piercings, very versatile, into leather, kink and hot sex. Seeking friends for fun and relationship oriented. Answer all, no hangups. #1277 061400

High spirited fem boy ISO a man, average looking, who love's to receive massage and loves fem men. #1278 061400

Maculine, GWM, 44, 6'4", 290#, searing for one good, honest, masculine, WM who enjoys kissing. Prefer in-shape, rugged, blue-collar men. D/D free, Piedmont/SC area. #1279 061400

GWM, 42, 6', 150#, handsome ISO GWM 30-40 for friendship. Enjoy movies, music, travel, quiet times. Call me. Rock Hill area. #1273 061400

Daytime Daddy Play?

GWMM, 43, 5'6", 200#, beard, ISO mature GWM for daytime play in Charlotte area. Large, bearded or hirsute, mature men only. Let's play! #1272 061400

One honest heart

GWM, 30, 5'11", looking for someone to love and someone to love me for LTR. ISO 35-40. #1271 061400

Kinky BM 34 seeking you

Kinky, BM,k 34 seeking straightacting black or white males for long hours of man to man fun. Can you play into pleasure? #1270 061400

WOMEN SEEKING WOMEN

Sexy gal wanted GWF ISO GWF age 33-35 for LTR and fun times together at home.

GWF seeks same. I am 44, enjoy fishing, walks and other things. Not interested in head games. I am a very faithful person if interested, please call. I live in Roanoke, VA. #1275 061400

Call soon! #1276 061400

Mature minds wanted

GWDF, 60, seeks mature minds. No children, headgames, players, high maintenance or losers. Been there, done that. Love life, family, friends, arts, travel and work. #1267 051500

SBGF, 25, 5', 115#, attractive, feminine, faithful seeks 18-29, attractive feminine, disease free, SGF. All calls answered. #1251 040100



Sensuous Male

Professional white male, 54, 5'11", 180#, well built, horny as a hun, gentle as your mama. Seeking married couples for intimate encounters. D&D free a must. NWNC area. #1582 081500

ALTERNATIVES

Looking for a Carolina TS wife Aquarian, 6'2", 185#, Jewish worldfamous travel writer, attractive seeks n/s, n/d, passable TS or ultra-feminine, tall TV for lifetime romance. Must be willing to relocate to Reno. #1577 071500

TV fem and cute boy

A very fem, cute guy seeks a guy who is understanding. I love giving massage, 20-40. I have a loving heart, call me. #1256 051500

Just friends

Two GWMs, fun and outgoing ISO GWM for dining, camping, movies, travel to beach or mountains, biking, skling and trying new, adventurous things. #1258 051500

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by The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation

MacDonald's food for thought causes indigestion

In a column appearing in the July 6 edition of *The Wall Street Journal*, writer Heather MacDonald suggests that attempts to protest the Boy Scouts' exclusionary policy against gays — a policy upheld by a sharply divided US Supreme Court — will victimize "poor, minority children."

"If financial and institutional support for the Scouts dries up, what will urban children lose?" MacDonald asks. "Perhaps their best hope for conquering their circumstances. Scouting teaches a set of values rare anywhere today, but especially in troubled inner-city neighborhoods — perseverance, personal responsibility and self-discipline."

MacDonald fails to acknowledge that the same boys who are learning these inarguably important values also are being taught that prejudice and discrimination against gay people is admirable. Just as damaging is the message that young, gay, closeted Scouts must lie about who they are in order to be accepted. Clearly, these are not the values most parents want instilled in their children. Yet by choosing to publicly advocate discrimination, the Scouts' national leadership has sent a dangerous, divisive message to its youth that runs counter to their best interests.

MacDonald also argues that if corporations pull funding from the Scouts, it will make it increasingly difficult to recruit Scout leaders. This is ironic, given that the organization's discrimination policy against gays has already shrunk the pool of qualified Scout leaders. Likewise, it is ironic that the Scouts is now on the record condemning those who demonstrate the bravery, courage and honesty necessary to come out of the closet — the very qualities scouting seeks to instill.

MacDonald's piece represents divisive politics at its worst, attempting to divide people by race, class and sexual orientation in an effort to pit them against one another.

Let *The Wall Street Journal* know that you expect a more objective summation of the significance of the Supreme Court's ruling on the Boy Scouts. Contact: Max Boot, Editorial Page Editor, *The Wall Street Journal*, 200 Liberty St., New York, NY 10281-1003; fax: (212) 416-2658; email: letter.editor@edit.wsj.com.

Lesbian and gay seniors in *The Miami Herald*

As the baby boomers enter into their 50s, the challenges of aging and retirement continue to garner increasing media visibility. However, the aging gay and lesbian community is largely invisible in this coverage.

On July 2, *The Miami Herald* published an excellent article exploring the problems and opportunities facing gay seniors and the innovative solutions many of them have devised to stay active and build friendships within their community.

"Growing Old Among Friends," by Johnny Diaz and Shari Rudavsky, draws on interviews with a diverse group of gay and lesbian seniors (and seniors-to-be), allowing them to tell their stories in their own voices and deftly linking their common experiences. Among those interviewed: Edda Cimino, a 70-year-old former teacher and recent co-chairwoman of the South Florida chapter of GLSEN; Bill Laing, a psychology professor who, after retiring, built a retirement community for lesbians and gay men in Sarasota, NY; John Dorr, a resident in Laing's community who, after the death of his partner, began offering assisted living services to his next door neighbors; Jeffrey Dillon and John DeLeo, partners who are currently developing a 320unit assisted-care high-rise in Fort Lauderdale, FL; Randi Adler, who works through the Jewish Family Center of Greater Miami to help seniors who are fearful of coming out; and many others. Their stories, their fears, their independence and their compassion reflect the depth of experience in this often underappreciated part of our community.

Diaz and Rudavsky's interviews also reference several important groups for gay and lesbian seniors, including the Gay and Lesbian Association of Retiring Persons (GLARP), Pride Senior Network, Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE), Golden Threads (a support group for lesbians over 50) and Silver Strands (an online group for gay men over 50).

Diaz and Rudavsky do a tremendous service by promoting visibility of gay and lesbian sentors, the resources available to them, and the rich history and future of this important but often overlooked group.

Thank *The Miami Herald* for this groundbreaking feature. Contact: Larry Olmstead, Managing Editor, *The Miami Herald*, 1 Herald Plaza, Miami, FL 33132-1693; email: heraldEd@herald.com.

For more information, visit these web sites: www.gaylesbianretiring.org; www.sageusa.org; www.pridesenior.org; members.aol.com/ goldentred/index.htm. ▼

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