

# **SPEARHEAD PHALIA**

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**ELECTION ISSUE  
VOTE - VOTE - VOTE**

## CONTRIBUTORS

Robert Jeyes

John Thompson

Charles MacPhee

Rockey Sheremeta

Randy Boyd

Ross Stretton

Please be advised that our current Director of Publications Chris "Rockey" Sheremeta has had to step down, we wish her the very best with her Future endeavors.

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**Thank you. Director of Publications**

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone

Here we are in the final weeks of summer and I hope you have enjoyed the last few months. Unfortunately we were not that busy during the summer, no matter how hard we tried to get an event going. There was the Christmas in July as part of Flash gives back and over a thousand dollars was raised. Thank you to those members who was able to show up for it. Coming up we are co-hosting an event with Club 717 in September. Daddy Next Door Durham Edition is back we will be getting the proceeds for the raffle. If you can't make it on September 16th they are back November 11th with the club again co-hosting.

Our Thanksgiving food drive is booked for September 30th and October 1st at Pegasus and October 1st at Woody's. Our Vice President will have more information and will be looking for help on it.

Please keep December 9th open as that will be our Christmas party. More information will follow as I get it.

As for the changes to the Bylaws and Articles it is almost ready to go to the board for approval. A big thank you to 3 of our new members for volunteering their time to help with it. Stay tuned for more of our monthly brunches around the village and let's make these brunches grow in size.

In closing with the nominations closed I would like to thank the board for their hard work over the last year and for those not returning enjoy you time off, you deserve it. Until next time stay safe.

Robert Jeyes

President





# TORONTO'S

# HOTTEST

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## Hello Everyone

Back in July I took a last minute trip to Gananoque to take one of their 1000 island tours. I managed to find a hotel a block from where the tours start. I got a ticket for the 5 hour tour which includes a 2 hour stop at Boldt castle and I wasn't disappointed as it was a perfect sailing day. I really enjoyed the commentary as we were sailing and learning some facts about the 1000 Islands. Of the 1864 islands 2 thirds of them are in Canadian waters. The largest island has a national forest and 2 golf courses on it. The bridge that crosses the St Lawrence has 5 expansions with 3 being in Canadian territory, 1 in US territory and the last in international water. I could go on but won't. If you haven't taken a 1000 island tour do so, but remember your passport to visit the castle. Enjoy the photos.



By  
Robert  
Jeyes





By  
Robert  
Jeyes



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# VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## Vice-Presidents Message

Greetings everyone. Over the past several months, I have been busy promoting the club and attending a variety of social events showing support to our community. I also had the distinct pleasure of hosting an affiliate member during Pride this year.

The raffle that Spearhead completed on the Graphic art print was successful and raised \$250.00 for Progress Place.

Going forward, our Thanksgiving food drive late in September and Toys for Tots later in the year. Below are a photos from some of the events that I attended including Pride. To all of you, I wish you the very best autumn with fair weather.

Charles Macphee



Puppy Pride, Charles looking Proud at Pride and Visitors from out of town.





## Summer reading list

During the summer with the hazy days and warm evenings, it is some times good to unplug and unwind with a good book. This summers reading has been a rather broad mix of materials including Scientific American articles as bathroom material to Brian Greene's weighty tomb "Until the end of time". Below are reviews of two of the other bits of reading that I have done this summer between listening to various audio-books.

**Brent the heart reader** by Wynn Wagner published 2012, 243 pages. ISBN:978-1-105-61875-8 (hard cover)

Available additionally as E-book and Audio-book

Wynn was a very prolific writer author during his life, most of the works were scholarly in nature including various writings on the Old Catholic church (not to be confused with the Roman Catholic church), his Vamp Camp trilogy (4 books actually) and a few other pieces. This was actually his last book that he published before his passing and is a gay romance novel.

Now I am not really a person who goes for romance novels but I owed it to him to finally finish the book after sitting on my shelf for so many years. I had to admit that I liked the book about a gay Tarot reader in Texas and him falling in love with a 2 spirited Sioux. It may start slow but it is well worth experiencing

It is a pity that Wynn felt the need to end his life early due to his medical conditions but I would have read a sequel if he had published another book.

**Prev: the sexual deviant in all of us** by Jesse Bering published 2014, 265 pages. ISBN: 978-0-374-53483-7 (Trade paperback)

I found this, purely by chance after seeing the cover in a review in Scientific American and it peaked my curiosity as to what he was talking about. In this case, various Phalialia. With all of the rhetoric flowing out of the United States of late, I decided to give this book a reread.

This book looks at the Social Science and Psychology of what is part of the underlying workings of sexual desires. The books rough definition of a Phalialia from Greek is "Bring it forward". I guess it is a mild irony discussing a book on Phalialia in Phalialia. From the perspective of the author, no phalialia is good or bad and gives the multitude of them a generalized categorizing by type.

The first conclusion that I drew when I first read the book was that something that stimulates your imagination is fine as long as it does not become an obsession which needs to be professionally treated. The other, rather humorous one, is spelling is critical. A perfect example is "Podophalialia vs Pedophalialia". The first is the rather run of the mill, foot/boot fetish. The other is both illegal and immoral.

On the whole, it is an interesting read that could be home on any therapists book shelve and in this case, it gave me an insight as to where some of my creative writing ideas, when it come creating erotic fiction, in my imagination.

By Charles MacPhee



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# ARCHIVIST MESSAGE

Good morning, Spearhead members.

It certainly was a nice warm summer with the odd tolerable evening to enjoy outside on the patios. Fall is upon us, and the colder weather will bring the return of snow and more indoor activities. Scott and I have been busy fulfilling our commitment by digitizing all photos, documents, posters, and memorabilia from the past 53 years of SPEARHEAD. The process of donating these items to the various archives around the world has also begun and by the turn of the calendar into 2024 a lot of archives will be in receipt of items near and dear to Spearhead and to be enjoyed by people for many years to come. The following in no particular order are the interested archives and will receive items from our group. The next page list issues in paper form and digital form that we are missing and require to make up full sets for the archives.

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John Thompson  
Archivist

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# Webmaster

Hello everyone, this is an update from your Webmaster Randy. To find out about upcoming SPEARHEAD events please visit the website [www.spearheadtoronto.com/events.html](http://www.spearheadtoronto.com/events.html)

The Events Page has been updated with the following events:

SPEARHEAD's Thanksgiving Food Drive, Sept 30 & Oct 1, Pegasus On Church  
Daddy Next Door (in support of SPEARHEAD), Sept 16, Club 717 Oshawa  
Book Launch (Non Spearhead Event), Sept 13, Black Eagle, 457 Church Street

There is an updated photo gallery from the Flash Gives Back - Christmas In July at Flash on Church:  
[www.spearheadtoronto.com/galleries.html](http://www.spearheadtoronto.com/galleries.html)

A partial list of SPEARHEAD's Trophy History:  
[www.spearheadtoronto.com/Archives4Sale.html](http://www.spearheadtoronto.com/Archives4Sale.html)

Also the latest issues of Phalia are available on the website [www.spearheadtoronto.com/phalia.html](http://www.spearheadtoronto.com/phalia.html)  
Phalia July-Sept 2023.  
Phalia April-June 2023.

Google Analytics for the website activity:

Views: 591(May), 421(June), 518(July)  
Users: 69(May), 104(June), 130(July)  
Views Per Person: 8.57(May), 4.05(June), 3.98(July)  
Avg Engagement Time: 2m59s(May), 1m47s(June), 2m00s(July)  
Event Count: 1466(May), 1211(June), 1506(July)

Page View results:

Welcome: 136(May), 114(June), 122(July)  
Events: 106(May), 65(June), 110(July)  
Galleries: 91(May), 64(June), 62(July)  
About Us: 71(May), 24(June), 51(July)  
Membership: 65(May), 32(June), 34(July)  
Phalia: 50(May), 50(June), 43(July)  
Contacts: 40(May), 21(June), 26(July)  
Links: 32(May), 17(June), 24(July)

I've decided to move on from the Webmaster position to pursue the role of Publications Director on SPEARHEAD's Board of Directors. It is time for new challenges and I hope to continue learning while helping SPEARHEAD in this position. Thank you to the past Board for continuing the legacy. Congratulations to those Members who have acclaimed their positions for the new Board. Good luck to those that are running in the upcoming Elections.

Best Regards,

Randy Boyd  
Webmaster  
SPEARHEAD Toronto LDSC

# “THE SPEARHEAD”

## TORONTO’S ORIGINAL LEVI/LEATHER CONNECTION.

*If any mystery surrounds The Spearhead affiliation of Toronto, it likely originates in the minds of those who know little about the gay denim/leather community, understand even less, and imagine the worst. The uninformed will tell you, with authority, that these hoods are the very ones that will invade your home, forcibly steal you away, and in some hidden place subject you to sexual horrors and bodily harm beyond imagination. The writer would suspect that such fantasy stems from the dark ages when black leather and well-faded levis were the exclusive uniform of outlaw bikers. Certainly, the older generation will confirm that “that’s the way it was” according to the movies and paperbacks of their day!*

*How times have changed. Although the same ‘uniform’ remains the accepted and recognized attire for serious bikers All over the world, it has also become the wardrobe for that segment of the gay community that tags itself as the levi/leather fraternity.*

*THE SPEARHEAD, now in its 8th year, is such a fraternity. Based in Toronto, Spearhead membership approximates 130 to 150 men, almost half of them from other Canadian and U.S. cities. But all of them, acknowledged participants in “the denim/leather scene.”*

*How that phrase stimulates the imagination! Curiosities come to the fore, and the questions begin to flow. What IS the denim/leather scene? Is it an S & M trip? Is that what Spearhead is all about? What kind of people are members? Are they into drugs? Are they simply a big drinking/sex group? And on, and on, and on. Although answers to questions often prompt new questions which inadvertently remain unanswered , The Spearhead profile is certainly one of the most interesting success stories within Toronto’s gay community, if not in all of Canada.*

*In levi/leather circles, The Spearhead represents a quite different breed of cat. It is not a cub perse, in the more familiar interpretation of the word. It is an affiliation, its prime purpose to “identify” gays who prefer the unique comradery and super macho posture associated with the L/L world.*

*Although highly structured, with elected Executives and assorted working committees, a man accepted into Spearhead membership is not obligated in any way to actively participate in affiliation projects or business matters. Nor will he jeopardize his membership through failure to attend affiliation meetings or functions. On the other hand, if he chooses to become involved— to give of his time, interest and assistance there are abundant opportunities to do so. These are the differences that have made the Spearhead concept so desirable to so many.*

*Is Spearhead a promoter of S & M activities? Not according to the Spearhead Constitution, the bible of the organization! And not according to the Executive and Directors whose responsibility it is to represent its members and Spearhead policies. Nonetheless, with over-100 members from all avenues of life, and all corners of the continent, it would be folly to insist that S & M games do not take place. The Spearhead executives are the first to acknowledge this point, with no apologies, for as they say, the very nature of*





*the L/L cult tends to attract some of those people who lean towards the 'kinky' in their bedroom gymnastics. And 'kinky' can mean anything from simple nipple play to master/slave boot worship.*

*Nevertheless, the Spearhead controls are quietly there, for members know that any untoward behavior, privately or publicly, which brings embarrassment or shame to the Spearhead name, can result in immediate expulsion from the affiliation.*

*The same tough policy applies to the use of drugs. Spearhead will not tolerate the presence of drugs at its events and functions. "It's impossible to police what people do in their own time, away from Spearhead. But any member exhibiting a Spearhead patch, or present at an official Spearhead gathering, who is found to be in possession of any unprescribed drug, is the hottest target of all for immediate dismissal from the organization, I/I/e won't stand for it!"*

*There's a refreshing community awareness within the Spearhead affiliation. Contrary to popular opinion that L/L Groups are interested in no more than parties, booze and sex, Spearhead has become increasingly involved in charitable projects. A special Spearhead committee named HAC (Have-a-Care) now exists for this very purpose. Its contributions to the surrounding community, both straight and gay, are already noteworthy. Over the past two or three Christmas literally hundreds of toys (as well as cash donations) have been acquired and distributed among needy families. Dozens of underprivileged kids have been sent to summer camp. Senior citizens have been provided with clothing and given special assistance. And more. Members on this committee are not elected or appointed. They are Spearheads who volunteer.*

*What else do Spearhead members do? They socialize with their fellow colleagues at scheduled general meetings. Hear firsthand details of future plans and activities. Voice their views. Obtain reduced rates and courtesy shelter on Spearhead-sponsored group travel. Receive bi-monthly news, as well as bulletins relating to other L/L organizations. And they support, enthusiastically, Spearhead's annual Labour Day involved— to give of his time, interest and assistance Weekend run, "Round-up", a 356 day event purported to be one of the best on the North American continent — usually 'sold out' weeks in advance. You'll find that Spearhead members range in age from the 20's to the 50's and represent almost any profession that might come to mind. Sales Manager. Professor. Accountant. Pressman. Writer. Mechanic. Designer. Director. Musician. Rancher. For many of them, The Spearhead is their first L/L connection. Others, also belong to smaller, more family-type L/L clubs.*

*The close fellowship exhibited by Spearhead members is truly unique in the Toronto gay community. It is unlikely that you could match it in any public tavern, or lounge, or discotheque, or private party. It undoubtedly comes from over seven years of practice, trial, and error. Besides, they were Toronto's original oldest and largest levi/leather... or the well-weathered jeans...or the beige college cords. The Spearhead "villain", whether biker or beer hall cowboy, is found to be as human and interesting as you will meet anywhere. You may not agree with all of his tastes, Chances are, you will, with many of them. But if you don't have no fears. The only thing he;s apt to "knock down" is another pint of his favorite beer*

**Ken Bate – Taken from Phalia # 77 – Anniversary Issue - Spearhead President 1985**



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## **SPEARHEAD ELECTIONS 2023'**

The results of the email nominations produced the following slate of Offices for the 2023 – 2024 Board of Directors and Elected Committee Members.

### **Positions Acclaimed**

***President - Rob Jeyes***

***Vice President - John Thompson***

***Secretary - Ross Stretton***

***Membership - Joe Poirier***

***Operations - Scott Leroux***

### **CANDIDATES FOR BOARD POSITIONS – based on Vote by electronic Ballot.**

***Treasurer - Ron Gullis***

***- Michael Hunt***

***Publications - Randy Boyd***

***- Xavier Thrace***

**2023 – 2024 Elections will take place Electronically from October 6<sup>th</sup> – October 27<sup>th</sup>.**

### **COMMITTEE POSTIONS – nominated and seconded by membership.**

**Public Relations - John Bell - Accepted Acclaimed**

**Membership - Charles MacPhee - Accepted Acclaimed**

**- Humberto Couto - Declined**

**Archivist - Randy Boyd - Declined**

**- Kris Joseph - Declined**

**- Aharon Trottier - Declined**

**Member at Large - Ross Stretton - Declined**

**- Kris Joseph - Declined**

**- Aharon Trottier - Declined**

**Webmaster - Randy Boyd - Declined**

**Publications - Gustavo Masis - Declined**

# Elections & Nominations 2023

Once again this year the election for the Board of Directors will utilize an electronic election system. This allows all members the chance to vote and saves Spearhead the cost of printing and mailing ballots to our membership.

Please be advised that on October 6th you will be getting an email from [noreply@electionrunner.com](mailto:noreply@electionrunner.com) in regards to voting in the upcoming Spearhead 2023 general Election.

Voting will take place electronically and will run from October 6th 12:01 A.M. until 11:59 P.M. October 27th , 2023.

Results will be announced at the AGM on November 4th, 2023.

The Election will be for Director of Publications and Treasurer.

Meet the Nominees, they will all be volunteering at our Food Drives on September 30th, and October 1st.

Please see below for the Candidates for Director of Publications.



**VOTE**

**A journey well shared  
Is a journey well enjoyed**



I'm Xavier Thrace, and I'm running for the Director of Publications in the upcoming Spearhead General Elections .

I will share a bit about who i am, and what i offer to the position. I was Toronto Puppy 2017 and organized 14 of my own events, in which I produced my own posters for all these events, which were always well-received by the community.

In the Autumn of 2017, I joined Spearhead L.D.S.C. and took over from Ron Gullis as the Director of Publications. During my time in the position, I produced both Phalia, Spearhead's event posters and awards until I resigned in Autumn of 2019 due to my own mental health which needed to come first.

I have an extensive knowledge of graphic design; using Affinity Publisher, Design & Photo. I also have an extensive knowledge of publication design having produced my own kink magazine in 2018 as well as a proper understanding of copyright laws.

Please choose me as your next Director of Publications!



# VOTE NOW

## RANDY RUNS FOR DIRECTOR OF PUBLICATIONS

Seeks new challenges within SPEARHEAD following roles as Webmaster (2023), Mr. SPEARHEAD (2016 & 2013), President (2015 & 2014), Membership Committee (2012 & 2011), Nominations Chair (2012 & 2011).

## OTHER ROLES

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# Christmas In July

2023



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VP Charles and Ron  
Calling Bingo at  
Christmas in July at Flash





# New Member

## Connor Alexander MacLeod

Joe P. presenting a back patch and membership card at the August 12 meeting at the 519. Welcome Connor.





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**SUNDAY OCTOBER 1**

**PEGASUS 1:00PM - 5:00PM**



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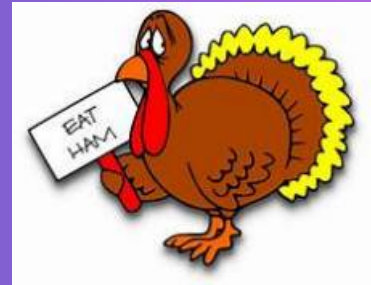


VP Charles MacPhee is looking for volunteers for these events.

Lets show the community our **SPEARHEAD** spirit by showing up at the host bars PEGASUS, WOODY'S AND FLASH with our donations and pride.

This Thanksgiving let's make a difference.

[vicepresident@spearheadtoronto.com](mailto:vicepresident@spearheadtoronto.com)



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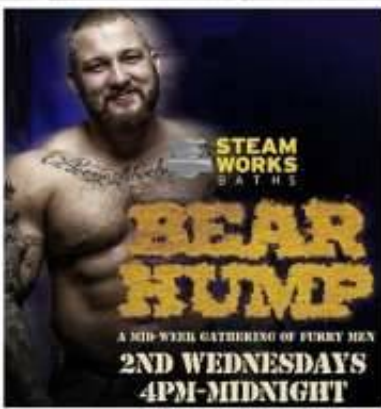
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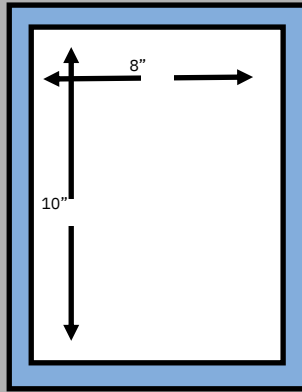
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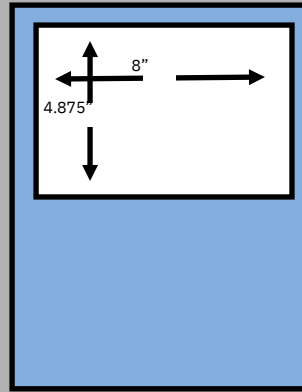
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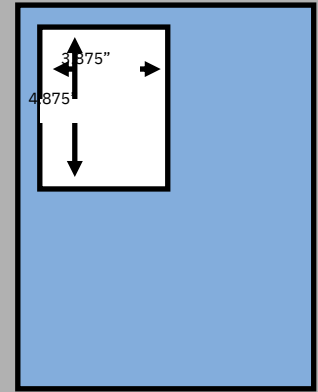
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# The Lighter Side of Life!

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Long hair	Longing for hair
8 Tracks	Cataracts
KEGs	EKGs
Streaking	Leaking
Acid Rock	Acid Reflux
Seeds and stems	Fiber
Stayin' Alive (the song)	Stayin' Alive (the goal)
Hoping for a BMW	Hoping for a BM
Going to a new, hip joint	Getting a new hip joint
Rolling Stones	Kidney Stones
Bell bottoms	Big bottoms
Disco	Costco
Whatever	Depends
Rock n' roll all night	Sleep through the night
Think you know everything	Think you know your name



## **From the Archives - A HISTORY LESSON**

You have seen Totem poles, Wigwams, Indian Chief bonnets, and Eagle feathers, but have you ever seen a gay Indian symbol?

Long before the White man arrived in Canada with his sexual prejudice, founded on various religious and moral beliefs, the Indian was flourishing. They had their own traditions and religion which had served them faithfully for many years.

The gay male was not only accepted but was considered blessed by some tribes. The general belief was that he possessed both male and female spirits in his body and was therefore doubly blessed. The job of hunter and warrior was left to the braves. The arduous task of shining, tanning, cooking, and making of clothes was left to the female of the tribe. Our gay male (in most cases effeminate) had an easy life. He was clothed in the most decorative of garments, fed and entertained by the females of the tribe, and in fact, he was something of a queen, so to speak.

The moral code of the Indian was very strong. Once joined together in marriage, a man would not get involved with another female, as it could cause him his life — a high price to pay for infidelity.

Unfortunately, this led to a minor problem. What was our brave to do when his woman was pregnant? Was he to become celibate? Of course not. Our gay member of the tribe performed his necessary function. Sex between the Indian brave and the Gay was acceptable and was simply thought of as a release valve to the very strict moral code.

The Indians did not, at the time, have an alphabet, so their writing was in the form of signs — hence our gay Indian symbol. The symbol combined both the penis and the anus.

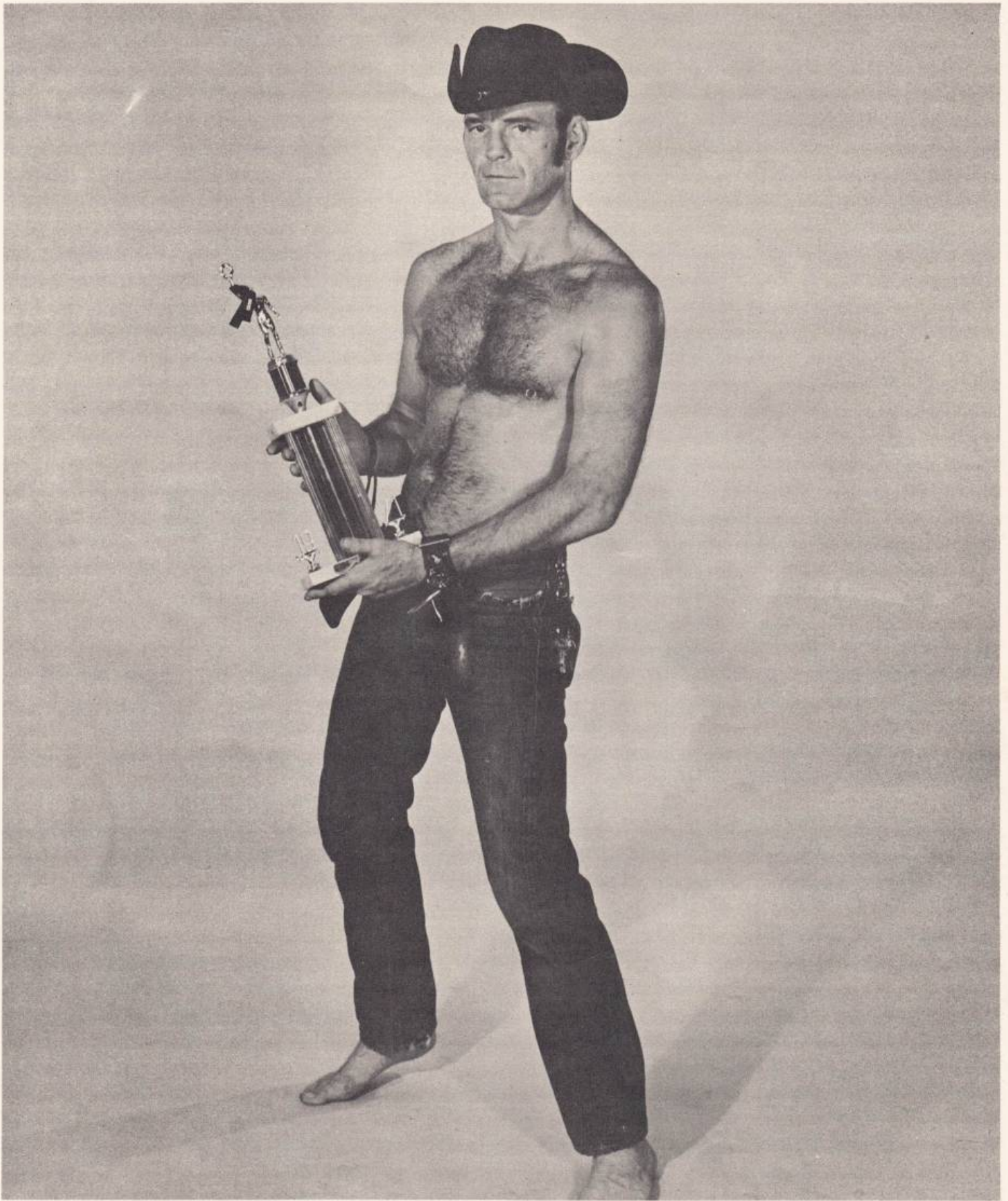
Let us now, in our history lesson, come a little more up to date. The founding President of Spear-head, Alan McGowan, went to the west coast of Canada for a vacation. He discovered an Indian symbol that caught his fancy and returned to Toronto with it. This symbol was the afore-mentioned gay Indian symbol of penetration and receiving. Many men in the past and present have worn it with pride.

For the past 15 years, it has been respected in Canada, the U.S.A., and overseas. Let's wish it well and may it continue for many years. Congratulations Spearhead!

*Ron Welham*

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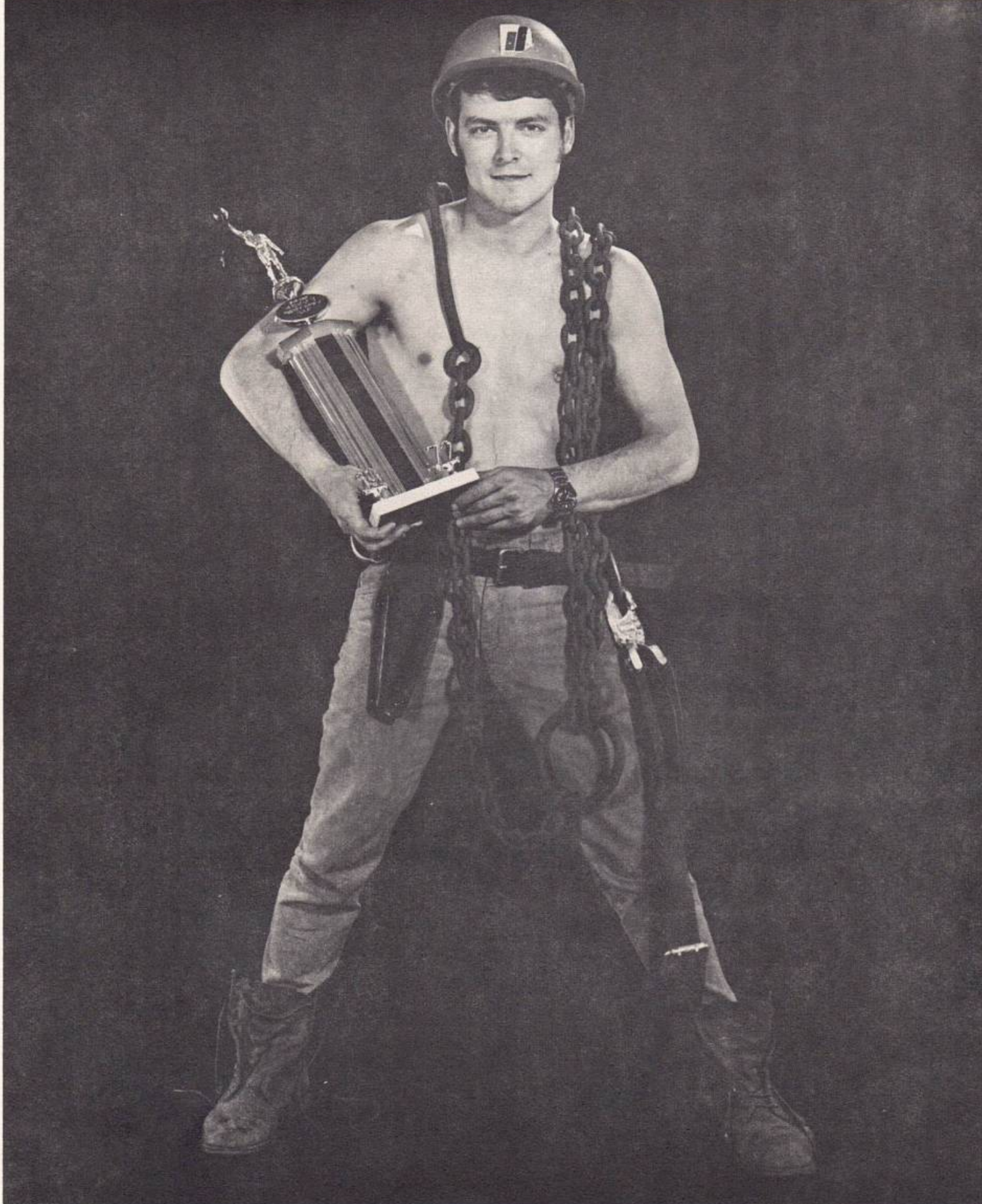




**Mr. Round-up '71**

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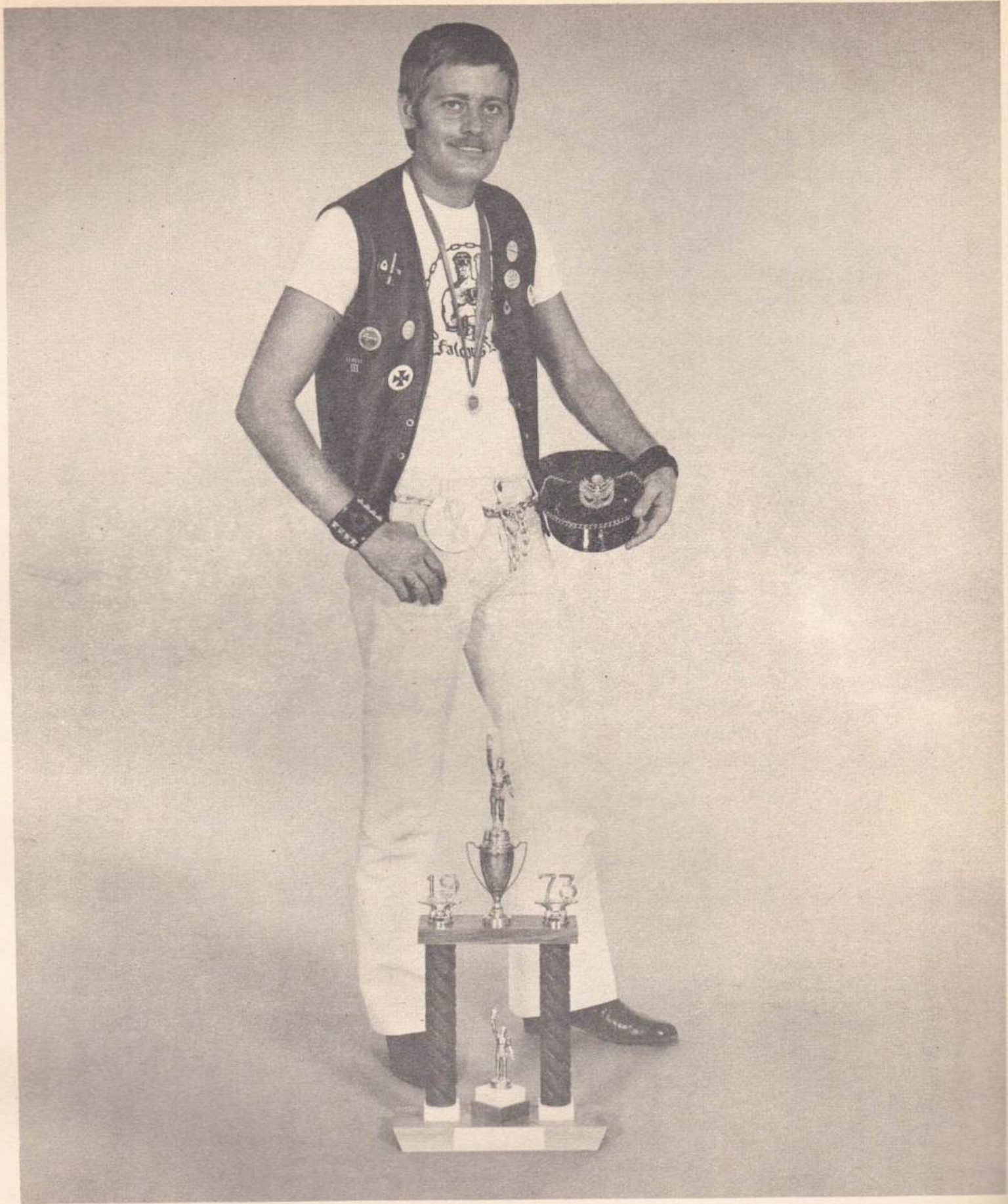




MR. ROUND-UP '72

John





**MR. ROUND-UP '73**

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*The book launch was a great success! There was a large and enthusiastic crowd, as captured in the photos here by Ross Stretton, and I sold quite a few books . . . The launch coincided with the first anniversary of "The Dirty Queer Poetry Night" hosted by the wonderful Patricia Wilson and David Bateman and happens in the backroom of the Black Eagle on the second Wednesday of every month at 8 pm. (All are welcome to read your filthy jottings!)*

*And the reviews are in . . . "Great evening last night . . . you did [an] amazing reading, so much so I had to rush home to read to see if you do piss like Niagara Falls. Know what? You nailed it! Thanks for the extras, 'A picture is worth a thousand words' on their own, but with the text to go along. The images are much stronger and vivid." John Thompson, Spearhead LDSC.*

*"Such a great reading... a momentous event for you, first (and hopefully not last) time publishing a poetry collection, but also momentous for queer poetry in general. Your poetry is at times discomfoting, kinky, funny, and more... but always honest, brave, thought-provoking. And the publication is beautifully designed, printed and bound." Josh Heuman, The Koffler Centre*

*The book is in a limited edition of 100, signed and numbered; 8.75" x 8.75", 64 pages, hard cover, coated stock with colour photos and two inserted signed and numbered multiples from editions of 25 (with a retail value of \$100) accompanied with certificates of authenticity. If you're interested in purchasing or distributing, don't hesitate in contacting me directly at [evesham@sympatico.ca](mailto:evesham@sympatico.ca). \$35.00 (plus shipping).*

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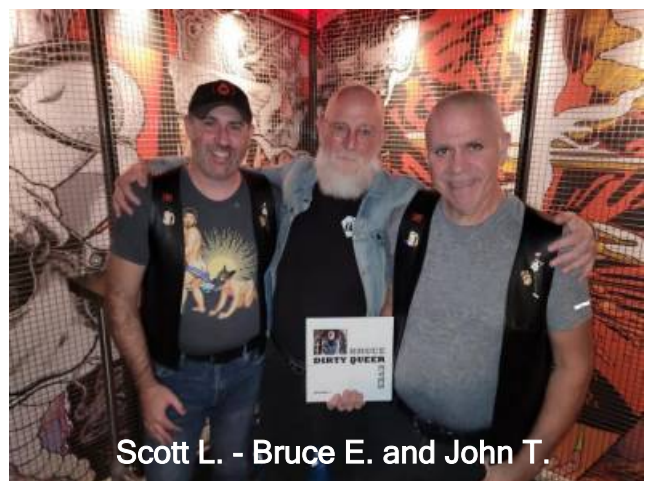
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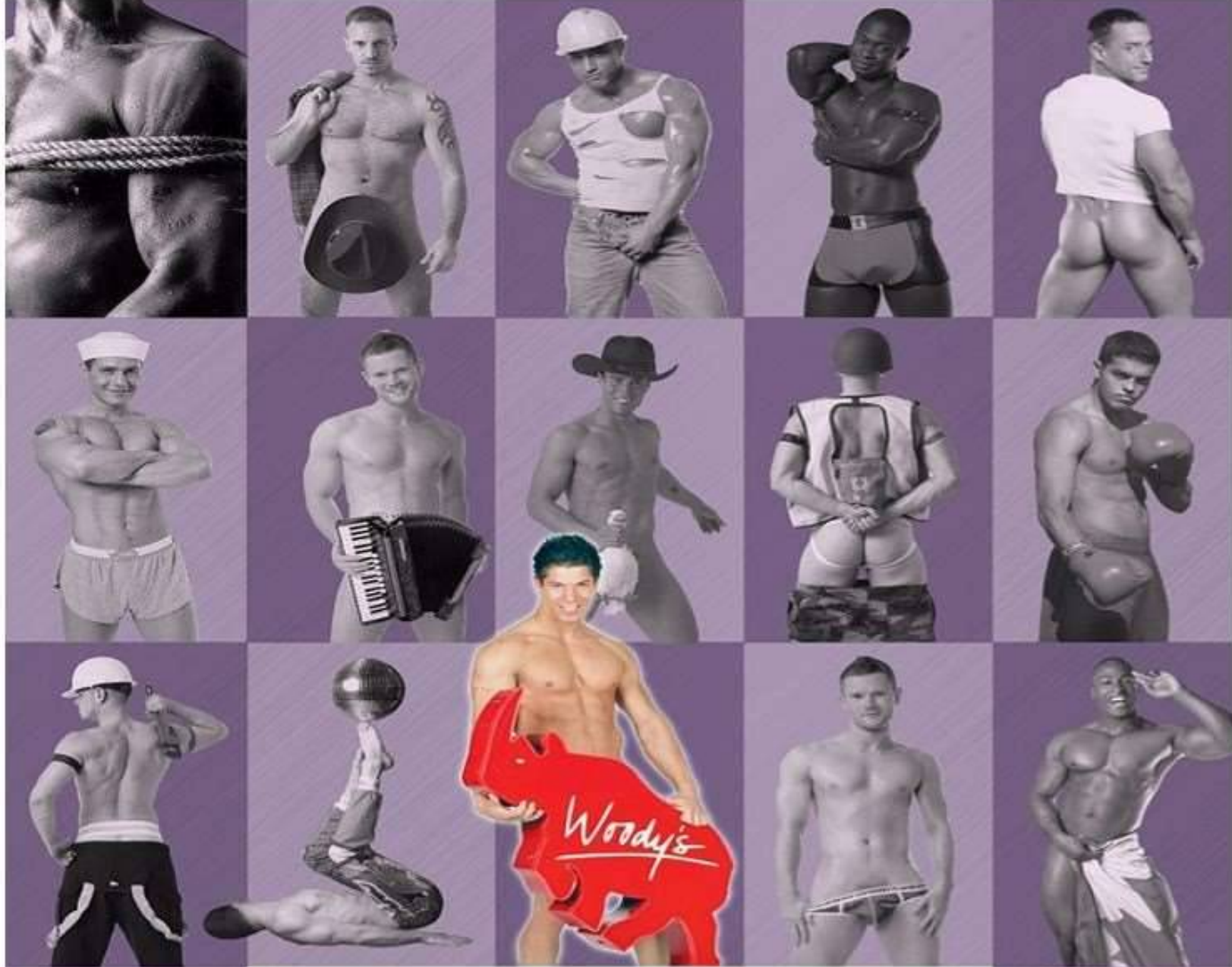


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