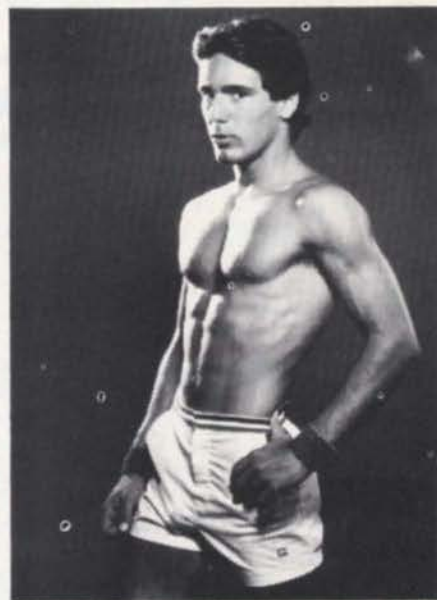


"If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away."

Henry David Thoreau



GETTING OFF



We sent the following letter (First Class Mail) to THOSE RESPONSIBLE at In Touch magazine since you last read this column. We are sharing it with you, dear readers, because it eliminates having to write a column and because we mean every word of it:

Congratulations on your Tenth Anniversary of I.T., or whatever you are calling it these days. It is a beautiful issue and, as Milton Berle once said about Jack Benny, "I laughed so hard I almost dropped my pencil."

John Rowberry has promised to print a version of your press release in "What's Hot" in MANIFEST and I shall mention it in my little-read editorial in DRUMMER. It will give us an excuse to run that beautiful Joe Kool model from your front cover which you were foolish enough to send us.

It is good to see In Touch so deservedly surviving and prospering. You started a good year-and-a-half ahead of DRUMMER and I am certain that I.T. has given encouragement to the many other courageous gay publishing attempts in the decade that has passed.

Whenever you are in T^he Cⁱt^y drop in on us at our new quarters at 960 Folsom. After almost getting it all completed, we hope not to move again for the next decade, if ever.

Best regards from your friends at Alternate Publishing.

John H. Embry, Publisher

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