



# Milestones

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On April 22, the Equal Opportunity Commission ordered Cirque du Soleil to pay HIVer acrobat **Matthew Cusick** the maximum fine of \$600,000, ruling that the big-toppers had discriminatorily grounded him (see "[Cirque du So Lame](#)," POZ, April 2004).

President Bush named **Carol J. Thompson** director of the Office of National AIDS Policy. His first two directors were both gay and MDs; Thompson is neither.

South African DJ **Fana Khabzela Khana**—who traded his AIDS meds for olive oil, as recommended by Health Minister Manto Tshabalala-Msimang —died of AIDS shortly before the minister's April reappointment.

At his April 8 campaign fundraiser, Democratic New York state legislator **Kevin Parker** offered condoms, fruit-flavored lube and Altoids à la Monica Lewinsky.

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