Community

May 23 — Members of the activist group AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT-UP) protest the awarding of a Pulitzer Prize to a nationally syndicated cartoonist whose work they describe as homophobic.

June 4 — Faced with serious financial constraints, the Marlin Cafe closes after 46 years. The West Side Market expands into the bar’s former space.

June 18 — Opening ceremonies for the Gay Games are held at Baker Field. Considered by its organizers to be the single largest sporting event ever convened, more than 11,000 athletes and 25,000 spectators gather to kick off a week's worth of activities.

July — Through lobbying and Congressional testimony, Columbia administrators and faculty succeed in blocking the creation of a congressional proposal that would have reduced indirect cost supports to the University. Indirect cost supports are federal funds which universities use to support facilities that are used to conduct research. They are considered crucial to the financial well-being of an institution.