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Texas producer Donald Shea is suing New York agency that represents Cole Porter's estate over canceling his gay production of "Anything Goes"

NewsLine: Gay America

Planning underway for conference of gay officials in Houston

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TNV Editor

Planning has begun for the November, 1991 International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Elected and Appointed Officials, which will be held in Houston, the chair of the Houston host committee for the event said this week.

And, said Annise Parker, who was appointed to the still forming committee by the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus, organizational sponsor of the conference, Texas organizers are hoping now to have a special "guest of honor" at the conference—the state's first openly gay elected official. Parker said if gay lobbyist Glen Maxey wins his hard fought election in Austin for state representative, Dist. 51, he will be invited to the conference "so we can show him off."

One of the reasons cited by the conference's national planners for their interest in holding the annual conference here was the fact that no openly gay Texan had ever been elected to public office. The officials group confirmed their decision to hold the conference, scheduled for Nov. 22-24, in Houston on Jan. 4.

Newly-elected HGLPC president Larry Lingle said in January he would create a community-wide committee to oversee

preparations for the conference, one of several planned in Houston over the next two years by national gay groups.

Parker said that organizing efforts so far have concentrated on logistical concerns, the most important being selection of the site where the conference will be held. Presently, she said, the committee is looking seriously at a university setting for the event.

"There are lot of benefits in going to a university setting," said Parker. "For one thing, the conference has to make enough to pay for itself. Also, traditionally there has also been a dinner held during the conference.

"(Meeting rooms and other activity sites) should be close enough together so as not to cause problems, and at the same time we have to cut costs wherever possible," she added.

The site has not been selected. "Right now, we're just talking it up, gathering information. We have a long time to make those decisions," she said. "The most important thing right now is setting up the logistics of the conference...blocking out a space, planning for workshops." The host committee, whose role Parker said is to do the pre-conference legwork, also hopes to give the event

a "big media push" before November, to make the local community aware of what the conference could do for Houston.

"Many of the people in this group (ICGLEAO) are themselves case studies in grass roots political organizing," said Parker, adding that their experience, shared in the conference workshops, could be valuable to Houston activists or potential candidates.

Maxey led a field of 13 candidates in the election Feb. 9 to fill the seat vacated by Rep. Lena Guerrero (D-Austin), who was appointed to the state railroad commission. Austin's 51st district in the Texas House includes much of downtown Austin and Travis County neighborhoods to the southeast, and is considered a very liberal district. The runoff election between Maxey and David Rodriguez is set for tomorrow (Saturday, March 2).

While noting that the "dynamics of the district" show he can win the runoff, Maxey is conservative about his chances, stating that "anything can happen at this point." Fundraisers for Maxey's campaign were held last weekend in Houston and Austin by campaign organizers.

"When the conference was first confirmed, we didn't know this (election)

would come up," said Parker. "Now there's something else we can be excited about...if (Maxey) wins we'll be able to show off our first openly gay elected official."

Meanwhile, ICGLEAO organizer Brian Coyle of Minneapolis said the organization has not yet set the agenda for the Houston conference.

"It will probably be sometime in March," said Coyle. "Some of us on the steering committee will be getting together at the National League of Cities meeting in mid-March...we'll probably discuss the conference then."

Coyle said that while 63 members of the officials group have committed to planning a national mobilization effort and third National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights in 1992, he was not sure if that effort would be a focus of the Houston meeting. The group, he said, was in the process of enlisting support from other national gay/lesbian organizations for the idea.

Coyle said a meeting was planned for March 9 with representatives of two Washington, D.C.-based national groups, the National Gay/Lesbian Task Force and the Human Rights Campaign Fund, to discuss the March on Washington.

The City of Houston recently passed a change in its Sexually Oriented Business (SOB) ordinance to include a number of "adult" businesses. LOBO has long been interested in this change, both as supporters of First Amendment rights and as a lesbian and gay business.

LOBO is also uniquely positioned to assess the ramifications of these changes. While still living in Dallas our store there was subjected to an almost identical Dallas SOB ordinance passed in June 1986. That ordinance was also justified on the very same grounds put forward in this Houston case. In Dallas the ordinance and the push for passage came from a coalition of so-called decency groups headed by Phyllis Schafley's Eagle Forum. In Houston the effort appears to have originated in the office of City Councilwoman Christian Hartung.

If nothing else, LOBO learns from adverse experience: After three years of harassment we achieved a change in our Dallas store which resulted in a ruling by that city's Police Department that LOBO was not an "adult" bookstore. We have applied that lesson to our enterprise here. And by all accounts, we are not viewed as an "adult bookstore" under the terms of this new SOB requirement. LOBO is committed to maintaining and conforming to whatever means are required to remain outside the application of this ordinance.

We fully support the broadest possible interpretation of the rights protected under the First Amendment, but a liberal dose of realism is required. We combine our ideals with a desire to operate fully within the law. Those denouncing the ordinance are perhaps freer to take such a stand, although in all cases we must recognize everyone's vested interest: If someone has a financial commitment to adult bookstores motivating their high idealism, that should be on the record.

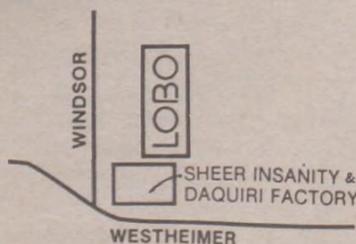
And those who loudly proclaim "today our bookstores, tomorrow our bars" should swallow a dose of realism. The adult bookstores in question are not gay-owned, do not support our community, and, in fact, by

thriving on public sex in so-called arcades, subject members of our community to legal entrapment. These stores offer lip service to safe sex while concerned only with milking our community for the benefit of absentee owners.

The facts are that this new change came about because previous efforts to control these arcades had failed and the law required stronger teeth. The adult bookstores expended huge legal fees (with the implication it was financially worthwhile to do so) to circumvent previous anti-arcade efforts. Such was also the case in Dallas: one store was thriving in an area which rapidly developed into a strong commercial area and other bookstores, smelling the tokens falling into the arcade coffers, congregated in the area causing a backlash which played into the hands of the growing anti-pornography war of the Far Right. Again, the adult industry, rather than defusing the situation, appeared defiant, again spent massive amounts in a legal battle which resulted in that city's ordinance, with some modifications, being upheld by the Supreme Court.

This is not a gay battle and it is not an attack on gay businesses, although at least one such business will suffer. In the Dallas case where the forces behind the SOB ordinance did, in fact, attempt to extend enforcement to gay bars with male dancers, they failed. Gay businesses such as LOBO, Crossroads Market and Tapelenders which deal to some degree in gay adult material have not been targeted by the ordinance.

While there are no guarantees in life, our experience has taught us that in these times we must choose our battles wisely and well. If LOBO or Inklings come under attack hopefully we can marshal our opposition to such encroachment. If our bars are attacked because of male dancers then let us rally to their defense. If a Mapplethorpe exhibit or anything similar is censored, let's hit the streets. But do not let us be led into a hopeless battle on behalf of exploiters of our community by individuals professing high motives based on private monetary interests.



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Newsline Houston

Performance of 'Eastern Standard' to benefit AFH

The Actors Workshop, 1109 Chartres, will hold a special benefit performance of Richard Greenberg's popular and critically-acclaimed "Eastern Standard" to benefit AIDS Foundation Houston. The performance is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. March 17. Proceeds are designated to be used for utility assistance for AFH clients.

"Eastern Standard" traces the experiences of a group of young, rich and somewhat jaded New York "yuppies," their relationships with each other and the bag lady they befriend. One relationship concerns Stephen, a successful and somewhat paranoid architect ready to leave a prestigious law firm to build housing for the homeless, and Phoebe, a financial mogul in love with her criminal client.

Another relationship involves Drew, an upscale painter who falls in love with Peter, a sitcom writer who is dying of AIDS. The third relationship is between Ellen, a waitress pretending to be an actress and May, the schizophrenic bag lady.

AFH currently has 1066 clients with AIDS or AIDS Related Complex. In addition to helping eligible clients with utility

expenses, AFH also provides rental assistance, transportation, case management, mental health coordination and referral, temporary housing for indigent PWA's, a low rent apartment facility and a food pantry.

To make reservations for the March 17 benefit performance of "Eastern Standard," call AQFH at (713) 623-6796. Tickets are \$15.

Group's report addresses racism, sexism and homophobia by police

A committee formed at the Houston Summit on Crimes Against Women on Sept. 18 to address the "critical need to improve police conduct when interacting with women, people of color, gay men and lesbians" was to present its recommendations at a press conference at noon today (Friday March 1). "Work Group Two" of the Women's Summit,

attended by law enforcement officials and Houston citizens, has been meeting weekly since Sept. 18 and has developed 11 recommendations for improving police conduct, representatives said.

The press conference was to be held at the Houston Area Women's center, 3101 Rich-

mond.

The recommendations focus on mandatory training for all police ranks, training designed to eliminate racist, sexist and homophobic behavior by police officers; increased recruitment of female police officers; professional work conditions for female police officers within the Houston Po-

lice Department; respect for diversity and terminology; and the exchange of information between the HPD and the public.

Copies of Work Group Two's recommendations will be distributed to Chief Elizabeth Watson, Mayor Kathy Whitmire and to 31 law enforcement agencies as well as to concerned community organizations.

PWA Coalition appoints Karen St. Laurent full time coordinator

Houstonian Karen St. Laurent was recently named the administrative coordinator of the People With AIDS Coalition. This is a new staff position created specifically to bolster the continuity and the consistency of the Coalition's services to people with AIDS.

Bill Napoli, president of the Coalition, explained the need for a full-time staff coordinator. "The PWA Coalition is run by its board and by a dedicated staff of volunteers," he said. "One of the problems inherent in this is that there can never be any guarantee of the consistency of anyone's time. People have health issues and living issues that generally take priority over their volunteer work. I understand this.

"But we need someone here to mind the

store full time. Our charge is to be here for PWA's—be here to help them with social services, with our household restart program, with updates of new treatments. And be here when they drop in to play cards, do laundry or watch TV in our community room," he said. "That's why we created this position of administrative coordinator. Karen will coordinate all of our programs to make sure there is a continuity of quality and an absolute consistency in the level of our service. We are lucky to get her and we're delighted to have her with us at the PWA Coalition."

St. Laurent was executive director of Omega House from 1988 to 1990.

The Coalition also recently elected officers for 1991. Elected to lead the coalition

were Bill Napoli, president; Mark Siegworth, vice president; Jay Slemmer, secretary; and Gerry Quinones, treasurer.

Napoli and Quinones were reelected to the positions they held in 1990. Siegworth has served on the board since May, 1990, Slemmer since April, 1990.

Coalition members are reminded of the monthly meeting Monday, March 4 at 7:00 p.m. at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray. A special election will be held to fill three vacant PWA positions on the advisory board. Some written nominations have been received, and self nominations with a written resume of related experience will be accepted from the floor. All current members of the Coalition are encouraged to attend and vote.



Karen St. Laurent joins PWA Coalition/Houston as full-time administrative coordinator

Men's Network to present workshops on relationships

During the month of March, the Men's Network of the Montrose Counseling Center will present workshops on March 6 and March 20. On March 6, Michael Grover, attorney, will present "Documenting Relationships" and on March 20, Patrick Vachon, MSW-CSW will present "Relationships." These presentations will be held on

the first and third Wednesday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Discussion will be facilitated by Jean-Louis Amandm MSW-CSW and Ken Antcil, M. Ed. A donation is requested to defray program costs. For information and future topics, contact the Montrose Counseling center at 529-0037 or pick up a program flyer.

—MCCR 'victory Sunday'

After three weeks of canvassing for its Capital Gifts Campaign, Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection—Houston will celebrate its financial and spiritual goals on "Victory Sunday," March 10. That day, the church's worship service will be

held at the Wortham Center for the Performing Arts, Cullen Theater.

During the three year campaign, "Claiming God's Promise...and Building the Vision," MCCR members hope to raise funds for a new home for the church "to better serve the needs of the congregation and the community."

Michael Mizwa named new Education Director At AFH

Michael Mizwa has been appointed director of education at AIDS Foundation Houston.

Mizwa has been an integral part of the AFH education department since joining AFH in 1988 as outreach coordinator. Noteworthy accomplishments have in-

cluded Mizwa's development and implementation of the Juvenile Peer Education program (Teen P.E.P.). Three juveniles, two of whom are minorities, and a third who is HIV-positive address the concerns of Houston youth in this new program.

Other ongoing, successful programs to which Mizwa has contributed are in the areas of substance abuse, homelessness, and at-risk youth.

Mizwa is recognized both locally and nationally for his educational skills and expertise. A graduate of the University

of Houston, he has participated in numerous conferences and forums. Most recently, Mizwa has been invited to address T.C.A.D.A.—Austin, Tx. and The American Society of Phlebotomy Technicians—Las Vegas, Nev. He began his new position Feb. 4.

Newsline Austin

Speakers, schedule announced for Texas Lesbian Conference

Keynote speakers at the Texas Lesbian Conference, which will be held April 12-14 at the historical Driskill Hotel in downtown Austin, will be Del Martin, co-author of *Lesbian/Woman* and founder of the Daughters of Bilitis; Linda Morales, lead plaintiff in the suit challenging Section 21.06; and Deborah Johnson, executive director and founder of the Motivational Institute in California, who appears with her lover in a new book, *Ceremonies of the Heart: A Celebration of Lesbian Unions*.

Workshops covering a wide range of topics will be held throughout the weekend. There will also be a dance on Satur-

day night. The theme of the conference is "Moving Forward Together: Empowerment, Pride and Strength."

The tentative schedule for the conference follows.

Friday, April 12: 4:00-11:00 p.m. evening registration; mixer with live entertainment, 8:00-11:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 13: 8:00-9:00 a.m., registration; 9:00-10:00 a.m., welcome; keynote—Deborah Johnson; 10:15-11:30 a.m., workshops, Session 1, topics including "Speak Out," panel discussion by lesbians of color; "Legal Legislative Issue and Strategies"; "Negotiations: Getting What You Want From Your Relation-

ships"; "Twice Blessed/ Twice Challenged: Being Jewish and Lesbian"; "Texas Lesbian Entrepreneurs," and "Lesbian Youth"; noon to 2:00 p.m., lunch; 2:30 p.m., keynote—Del Martin; 2:15-3:45 p.m., workshops, Session 2, "Reclaiming Our Faith as Lesbians: Christianity Reinterpreted"; "Lesbians and Child Custody/Cohabitation Contracts"; "Our Story of Herstory"; "Lesbian-Oriented Books: Knowledge is Empowering"; "Transforming Poetry and Storytelling into Performance Theater"; "Lesbian Sexuality in the New Age"; 4:00-5:30 p.m., workshops, Session 3, "Safer Sex for Lesbians," "Abuse in Our

Community"; "Building Alliances/Overcoming Differences"; "The American Disabilities Act of 1990"; "Self Massage: Empowerment Through Self-Healing"; "Pathways to Healing: Lesbian Self-Help"; 4:30-7:30 p.m. open mike; 9:00 p.m.—1:00 a.m., dance.

Sunday, April 14, 9:00-10:30 a.m., workshops, Session 4, "Spirituality and Ceremony"; "Healthy Lesbian Relationships"; "Being Deaf in a Hearing World: What Does It Mean?"; "Lesbians at Risk for HIV/AIDS"; "Creating Alternative Families," and "Lesbians and Aging." 11:00 a.m., keynote—Linda Morales; noon—closing remarks.

New Orleans Quick Notes

'Vases & Bowls'; a valued employee; Loyola drama

Ariodante Contemporary Craft Gallery will present a new show titled "Vases and Bowls" from March 2 through April 30. Works in glass and clay by local artists will be featured.

Items to be displayed are "beautiful hand-crafted vases and bowls, appropriate for the blooming flowers of spring," according to Larry Potts, gallery artistic director.

Ariodante is located at 535 Julia Street. Hours are Monday through Saturday, 11:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

—Employee Of The Year

Vaughn L. Glasgow, director of special pro-

jects for the Louisiana State Museum, has been named "Employee of the Year" by the Louisiana Association of Museums, the Louisiana Office of Tourism and the Louisiana Travel Promotion and Tourism Association.

Lieutenant Gov. Paul Hardy presented Glasgow with the award at the 1991 La. Travel and Tourism Summit in New Orleans in January.

The State Museum is an agency of the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in the office of the lieutenant governor.

Glasgow has been with the museum since

1975 and headed the curatorial team that created the lauded 1984 "Sun King" exhibition. He was recognized in 1987 with the "Chevalier des Arts et Lettres" from the government of France.

—'Welcome to the Moon'

The Department of Drama and Speech at Loyola University has announced its upcoming production of "Welcome to the Moon and Other Plays" to open its spring season.

Performances are set for March 1-2 and March 7-8-9 at 8:00 p.m., with a 2:30 p.m. matinee March 3 in the Lower Depths The-

atre, located in the communications/music building, St. Charles Ave. at Calhoun.

"The Learned Ladies" by Moliere, in English translation, will open March 15 and run through March 23.

"A Day in the Death of Joe Egg" by Peter Nicholas is scheduled for April 12-20.

Tickets are \$6 (public) and \$4 (students, faculty, staff and senior citizens). Reservations and information: 865-3824.

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Winners in 27th annual Bourbon Street Awards announced

The 1991 Bourbon Street Awards have been announced by Wood Enterprises, sponsors of the Mardi Gras event. The 27th annual costume contest was held on the corner Burgundy and St. Ann Streets in front of Wood's Rawhide Bar, and was announced by Gary Tighe of Los Angeles.

The award winners were: Best of Show, "Meter Maids and Tow Trucks"; male winner, first place, "Phantom of the Opera"; second place, "George Bush," and third place, Dan Rhoney; female winner, first place, Bliss; second place, Georgette, and third place, Jennifer; group winner, first place, "Meter Maids and Tow Trucks"; second place, "Whistler's Mothers" and third place, "Energizer Bunnies."

Other awards: leather winner, first place,

"Crown Royal"; second place, "Sangria"; third place, TK; fantasy winner, first place, "Queen of Diamonds"; second place, Garron and third place, King Polyphemus and Prince; "best tits" winner, Rock and Brad.

—Gay Sci Fi

The N.O. Lesbian and Gay Fantasy and Science Fiction Club, which is now forming, welcomes all those who are interested in exploring the genres of fantasy and science fiction through the gay and lesbian perspective in all forms, including books, movies, television, comic books, games, art and costuming.

The club's first meeting will be Saturday, March 9 at 7:00 p.m. (For location, call Kevyn at (504) 948-2899.

(Editor's note: an interview with science fiction writer Eric Garber, co-author of "Uranian Worlds," will appear soon in Leonard Earl Johnson's nationally syndicated column "Yours Truly In A Swamp," which is carried by this publication.)

—Corrections: Celebration '91

The telephone number for the gay and lesbian festival Celebration '91 was listed incorrectly in the Feb. 8 issue of the Crescent City Star. The correct number is (504) 586-1006. (This number was listed as the contact number for the health conference associated with Celebration '91, but it is also the information number for the festival itself).

Steve Marchese has been selected to serve as the NO/AIDS health care chair for Celebration '91. The health conference is

designed to further the goal of educating the community about AIDS.

The Crescent City Star and the Montrose Voice were incorporated into the New Voice, beginning with the Feb. 15 issue.

—Polyphemus Rush

The tenth anniversary rush of the Krewe of Polyphemus will be open to anyone interested in membership on Sunday, March 3 at Mr. B's on the Patio, 515 St. Philip Street from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

The theme of this year's rush party is "Pearls, Swirls, Curls and Twirls," and everyone is invited to come in a costume that represents any or all aspects of that theme.

For more information, call Gary Martin at (504) 945-6750.

NewsLine: Texas

Plaintiffs in 21.06 case to address rally at Texas Capitol

Urvashi Vaid, executive director of the National Gay/Lesbian Task Force, will be the keynote speaker at a gay rights rally in Austin on Sunday, March 17, following the March on Austin.

Two of the plaintiffs in the lawsuit which resulted in the ruling that the Texas sodomy law is unconstitutional will also address the Capitol Rally for Lesbian/Gay Rights, scheduled to begin at about 12:30-12:45 p.m., after the march, which

begins at noon, makes its way to the Capitol.

Linda Morales of Houston, the lead plaintiff in the case filed by the Texas Human Rights Foundation (THRF), and Tom Doyal of Austin, THRF legal director are the two plaintiffs who will address the rally. The other plaintiffs, Pat Cramer of Austin, Charlotte Taft of Dallas and John Thomas of Dallas, along with attorney J. Patrick Wiseman of

Austin, will join Morales and Doyal on the podium.

Travis County District Judge Paul Davis ruled in December that the Texas sodomy law was unconstitutional. Since the case could be appealed by the state, efforts continue by the Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas to secure legislative repeal of 21.06 during the current legislative session. One purpose of the March on Austin and Capitol Rally is to support legislative repeal of 21.06.



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Newsline Houston

Houston AIDS data shows most 'no identified risk' cases are reclassified

Despite the increasing magnitude of the AIDS epidemic since 1981, there has so far been no data to support "new" modes of transmission of HIV, according to the most recent AIDS surveillance update released by the Houston Department of Health and Human Services. The report states that cases where no recognized mode of transmission (or "risk behavior") is identified are subject to "No Identified Risk (NIR)" investigations by the health department, and that over half of these cases may later be reclassified.

The February report shows the addition (as of Jan. 31) of 106 people with confirmed AIDS, bringing the cumulative total in the Houston Metropolitan Statistical Area to 5,037. Right percent of the new cases were diagnosed in 1991. Ten of the newly reported cases were attributed to intravenous drug use while four were said to have been acquired through heterosexual activity.

According to the health department, a total of 375 Houston area cases were initially reported with no identified risks.

After the NIR investigation, which includes medical record reviews and interviews with physicians, health care workers, and occasionally the patient, 181 of these cases were reclassified into HIV risk populations. Additionally, 109 of the cases are still under investigation.

Of the 85 investigated cases in which no risk behavior was identified, 47 involved a patient who either refused to be interviewed, was deceased, or for some other reason could not be followed up, the report states. In another 24 cases, al-

though no risk could be confirmed, investigation revealed suspected drug abuse, multiple sex partners or sex with prostitutes.

Only 14 cases remain classified as NIR after investigators interviewed the physician, the patient and family members, the report states.

The health department report noted that because of the long incubation period of HIV infection, current AIDS data reflect trends in transmission several years ago.

Houston Front Runners plan trip to Montana Memorial Day

The Montana Front Runners will welcome the Houston Front Runners, as well as chapters from all around the world, for Memorial Day activities in Missoula, Mt.; a week of hiking, swimming and running in Glacier National Park, and racing in the Governor's Cup (Montana's largest road race) in Helena on June 1. The activities will include 5K, 10K, and 20K races, a marathon and a marathon relay.

Activities are planned May 24 through June 2 for the Front Runners, and include hiking, sightseeing and "fun and games celebrating who we are" as well as running and racing events, Houston members said. All who are interested are welcome. For more information on the Montana events, contact Steve Simpson,

610 Washburn, Missoula MT 59801; (406) 721-6718 or (406) 542-6601.

For information on Houston Front Runners and its participation in this or event or future events, call (713) 522-0899 or (713) 522-8842.

—HOG St. Patrick's Day Picnic

Sure'an' begorra, the Houston Outdoor Group will be chasin' faeries, catchin' leprechauns and rollin' in the shamrocks like mischeivin' elves on the afternoon of March 16. The HOG's March Potluck Social will take place out under the trees at Memorial Park. There'll be games plenty, and festivities. HOGs and their guests, and anyone interested in joining the HOGs, are all invited to bring picnic food

and drink, a blanket to sit on or share and a pretty table cloth to spread on the grass. The picnic will be over in ample time to make the trip to Austin for the gay rights march.

Although St. Patrick's Day is actually Sunday, March 17, HOG will celebrate early so that members can also make the trip to the march. Those attending the picnic Saturday are urged to wear green.

In addition to the picnic social, HOG special interest groups (bicycling, scuba diving and volleyball) hold their own meetings and activities. There are usually a number of unscheduled events as well, including theater parties, community projects, and informal gatherings at members' homes.

The Houston Outdoor Group invites all gay men and lesbians in the Houston area to join them at any of their activities. Details about this and other activities are provided in the HOG monthly newsletter, which is available free the first month, \$15 for the rest of the year.

Other activities scheduled in March include: attending the National Gay and Lesbian Film Tour, Rice University Media Center, Saturday, March 2; group trip to the March on Austin for Gay and Lesbian Rights, Sunday, March 17; and the HOG's camping trip to Angelina National Forest the weekend of March 22-24.

For more information, contact Ed at (713) 984-9683. For a sample copy of the HOG newsletter, call Don at (713) 522-7809.

New Orleans Soap

'La Cage' in Bay St. Louis gets big following

FOR YOUR EARS ONLY by GINGER SNAPP
TNV New Orleans

Girl, how the hell are ya? How ya been? It seems like a long long time since we last talked. Well, I've been pretty busy myself, but ya know me, sooner or later I'll get back in touch with ya.

Anyway, how was your Mardi Gras? Well, we made it through another one. This had to be the most quiet one I could ever remember. I put all the blame on that creep in the desert. Just show your concern and love for our men and women who are defending the right for all people to live in peace and freedom. God knows we should all understand that. Show that yellow ribbon wherever and however, you can be proud you're a gay American with passion and dedication. I know, off my soap box. For now only, girl, for now only.

Anyway, ball season is over. This year was a beautiful one at that. Don't forget the Aggies are coming up (March 16) at St. Bernard Civic Center. I hope ya get your tickets. I always love going to these awards. Of course, when certain people don't win, the first said is, "It was fixed." Let me tell ya, it's done by voting and as always the count is available to any and all who would like to see them. This will be my first one in many years that I'll miss, but only because I'm involved with a prior commitment (mo' later on this). I will pass on the winners to you as I find out myself.

Congratulations Department: on the 45th year of Bay St. Louis Little Theatre. At this time they are performing, "La Cage." This is the first amateur production in the country (or anywhere else for that matter).

They made the headlines at that, a smash hit. Not one, but both coast papers, a stint on WLOX (Ch. 13), as well as

a spot on the radio. The cast did a benefit for PWA's in need of AZT. As you already know (I hope) it's very expensive, and when you don't have the do re mi well, you know what's next.

As for the show itself, Dr. Larry Heller had this dream to put on "La Cage." Knowing it's not only a great show, but also it's basically a gay show, to do this in the Bay St. Louis Little Theatre was a very big undertaking, as well as a big step to take. The cast put their "all" into it. Which I want to say it's not an all gay production.

Well, girl, is it a hit! Can we talk? The show was booked for four evenings (two weekends). It is so well done, they're turning away people at the door. So Dr. Heller booked it for the third weekend, only to find the demand for tickets was so great they had to extend for yet another weekend. So, as of now, it'll be March 15-16 (who knows, maybe longer?). Remarks from the audience: "I can't tell which are the real women from the men?" "I hope this show lasts a long long time. I want to bring my friends and family."

This was a show well worth coming out of N.O. to see. That is, if you're lucky enough to get tickets. I did see many Nu Awlinians there already.

Now a little about the cast. Zaza/Albin—Mr. Roy Aultman; George—Ed Scanlan; Jean Michel—Martin Booda; Anne—Maleico Strom; Edward Dindon and Mrs. Dindon—Carl Dana and Carol Young; Jacqueline—Dottie Overal; Francis—Mike Wesley; Jacob—Josef Overal; St. Tropes townspeople—Sandy Higdon, Norma Marrs, Ron Brown and Edith Bock; cyclist—Janet Pickett; M. Renaud—Noel Gillian; Fantasy Bird—Ron (King Amon Ra XXVI) Isler. As for Les Cagelles, Don George, Katie

Reynold, Bruce Pickett, Dave Reynolds, Glenda Coss, Sally Rodrigue, Andora MacNair-Smith and Larry Timmerman.

Now where do I begin? Well, to say this is the most unusual cast I've ever seen is putting it mildly. You have mother and son (the Overals), husbands and wives (Picketts and Reynoldses), father and daughter (Gillian and Coss), sisters (Higdon and Flores), yes, even lovers. Anyway, they all work so well together it's unreal. I tried to pick the best number. It's impossible to do so.

Mr. Aultman is "Zaza" (it had to be written for her). Mr. Scanlan as George complements Zaza to the Max. Ms. Young as Ms. Dindon (no one could do it any better) has to be seen to be believed. Mr. Dana is such a ham and a star at it. Josef Overal as the maid almost steals the show. What a beautiful singing voice at that. Mr. Booda played a very confused young man with mixed emotions and he couldn't have been better. As for the virgin Anne (Ms. Strom), ya really believe she is—what talent, a natural on the stage. Ms. Overal is so French ya think she was born there. the girls of the chorus (both men and women) are without any doubt just too great to say. You have to see them to understand what I mean.

As we all know, without good backstage people like Pat George, Judy DiGerolamo, Wayne Hahn, Valerie Fisher, Beth Benvenuti, Hank Rodrigue (and moi) it couldn't be done. All I can say is, not only have I had a chance to work with some of the best in the business, I also made many new friends. Thank you all for many memories I will have for a lifetime. As ya can tell, Bay St. Louis Little Theatre celebrates 45 years, but "La Cage" put it on the map. By the way, Dr. Heller was the director and Ilene McCarren was assistant director.

The next production, directed by Mr. Ed Scanlan, will be "Hot L Baltimore." Mo on this one later. I will say, I did read for this one. No, I'm not saying which role I want. Well, not yet anyway.

Community Theater is a non-profit group of basically local people who keep the community on its feet as well as entertain. Rivertown Rep. is another one that does great work, as is Le Petit Theatre. Bottom line, local theater is a very reasonable way to be entertained, as well as just a good reason to get out of the house. Little Theatre has come a long way. Try it, you'll love it. You might even want to try out for a role or work backstage. Why not? You'll enjoy being a part of the community. Who and what you are is never asked, nor does it make any difference. It just proves what I've been saying. "We can all get along with each other, no matter what one's preference may be." Thank God I'm not the only one who feels this way.

Well, ya know I'm a very proud Italian/American who happens to be gay (not that that makes a difference). I am looking forward to "Gay Pride Day," it's right around the corner. So get a group together. Either walking or riding in a truck. Just take part in it and be part of it. It makes no matter if you're in Texas, Mississippi or Louisiana (or anywhere else), just be part of making a better place for all of us to live in.

Pass by and say hi to Ms. Joyce at "The Friendly Bar." If ya make it there by Sunday (March 3), say happy birthday to Mr. Buzzy Fanning. Loookin' good, kiddo.

By the way, Tuesday is Pitty-Pat look alike. Although there's only one Pitty Pat. It is truly a "Friendly Bar" to have fun in.

Well girl, it's that time to say "chow." Be talkin' to ya next week. Till then, wear that yellow ribbon and pray.

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Newsline Austin

Souvenir marketers, hotels and bars prepare for March on Austin crowd

By THOM PRENTICE
TNV Austin

Bright, white T-shirts featuring a pink triangle, an outline state capitol with the rotunda pillars forming the numerals "1991" and the words "March on Austin for Lesbian/Gay Equal Rights" emblazoned below the art are being distributed throughout the state as preparations continue for the March 17 "March on Austin."

So are the posters advertising the march, which are now being displayed in bars and offices throughout the state.

The march slogan—"The Spirit Continues...share the excitement of history in the making" reflects the mood organizers hope will sweep gay men and lesbians across the state as the date of the march approaches. "The excitement" seems to be taking effect: by early February, more than 20 percent of reserved hotel space in Austin had been booked for the event, an unusually high response rate here. The march organizing committee's executive team also has begun

holding weekly meetings and daily consultations, to iron out all the details for a smooth march weekend.

Austin gay bars are preparing to welcome the expected influx of more than 20,000 gay men and lesbians for the first of three major, Austin-based statewide gay/lesbian events in 1991. The other two events, which traditionally bring thousands of gay men and lesbians to Austin are Splash Day and Last Splash at Lake Travis.

The T-shirts will be available during the March on Austin at the Radisson Hotel, which is serving as the march headquarters.

The organizing committee has a packed weekend of activities organized around the March on Austin for Gay/Lesbian Equal Rights, which will occur at noon Sunday, March 17. The rally will begin after marchers arrive at the Capitol. Following the rally will be a festival at nearby Waterloo Park.

Several gay/lesbian organizations from Austin and other Texas cities have also scheduled their own activities and observances to coincide with the March on Austin.

—AIDS Quilt Panels, Displays

Twelve foot by twelve foot panels of the International AIDS Memorial Quilt will be carried in the march by representatives of the Names Project, said Tony Tavia, fundraising chair, Names Project/Austin.

The quilt panels will be on display Friday, March 15 during a fundraising reception for the Names Project, to be held in the Ballroom of the Radisson Hotel from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Tickets to the reception are \$10.

The panels will also be on display in the lobby of the Radisson at 4:00 p.m. Friday, and the display will continue Saturday from noon to 5:00 p.m.

The International AIDS Memorial Quilt is a memorial to the tens of thousands of people who have died of AIDS.

The Names Project will conduct a new panel check-in to receive new quilt panels in memory of friends and loved ones who have recently died of AIDS during the march weekend events. The new panel check-in will be from noon to 5:00 p.m. Saturday in the Lone Star Room of the Radisson.

—Lobby Day

On Monday, March 18, the Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas will sponsor "Lobby Day" at the state capitol, a chance for gay men and lesbians to personally lobby their hometown legislators and senators on behalf of gay and lesbian rights, such as repeal of the sodomy law (21.06), legalizing marriage and domestic partnerships, passage of hate crimes legislation, removing sexual orientation as a factor in child custody decisions and full funding for AIDS programs and services.

March on Austin brochures and information on reserving booth space for the Waterloo Park festival is available from March headquarters, (512) 474-5475.

NewsLine: Texas

Texas producer sues to prove 'Anything Goes' in casting dispute

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE
TNV Editor

A Texas theatrical producer is involved in a court battle with representatives of the late composer Cole Porter's estate, following the abrupt canceling of a licensing agreement to take his Dallas production of the 1934 Porter musical "Anything Goes" on tour. The complicated case involves a production largely borrowed—including the director, Martin Teitel—from a gay adaptation, diligently faithful to Porter's script, that was previously produced on Fire Island.

The key question is whether casting an actor of one sex in a role assumed to be written for (or traditionally played by) an actor of the opposite sex is a decision open to the director of a production, or whether such a substitution constitutes a revision that may be protected against by contract provisions.

Contributing to the complexity in the "Anything Goes" matter is the androgynous name and personality of one of Porter's characters and the gay composer's own well-known sexual orientation.

Donald E. Shea, a Houston resident and board member of the Dallas Alliance Theater, talked Teitel into coming to Dallas and the two mounted the DAT production in December. In Shea's production, the role of Reno Sweeney and Reno's four evangelist sidekicks—"the Angels"—were cast as men. Prior to Teitel's Fire Island production, the role had always been played by a woman.

The show played to sold out audiences in Dallas from Dec. 28 to Jan. 13, and was extended to run for three more weeks, accord-

ing to court papers filed by Shea's attorney, Raoul Lionel Felder, in New York City on Feb. 19.

Tams-Witmark Music Library, named as the defendant in Shea's suit, canceled the agreement on Feb. 6, however, advising Shea by telephone that they would not renew his licensing for the show's music and dialogue because the roles of Sweeney and the Angels were cast as males in the Dallas production. The move stopped the Houston show, which was to have opened June 13, to coincide with the opening of Houston's Gay/Lesbian Pride Week.

Shea says he had already booked the Wortham Center for the show's opening in Houston, and claims Tams-Witmark knew about the plans for the tour, which was also to include San Francisco and New York.

He contends the about-face came as a result of unexpected national publicity from the Dallas production and the fact that it was a financial success.

"I think what they're basically saying is, we don't care if you put on a little insignificant gay production somewhere, if that's the case you (producers and directors) can do anything you want. But when we start attracting national attention, and booking 1100-seat houses—they get concerned. I think it was getting scary to them," said Shea.

"Also, I think the (Dallas) success scared them. We were sold out, from start to finish," he said.

Tams-Witmark contends the agreement for the rental of the music and dialogue for "Anything Goes" did not authorize the

show produced by Donald Shea Productions in Dallas. On Feb. 4, the agency requested an additional written request for a licensing agreement for the Houston production. After receiving the request, they refused the agreement, claiming that the roles in question were written to be played by females and that Shea did not have the right to cast males in those roles.

After canceling the contract, says Shea, the royalty agents hinted "they might sue me over the Dallas show." Shea contacted Felder, a New York attorney, and then filed a complaint against Tams-Witmark on grounds of discrimination.

Teitel's successful Fire Island production was somehow largely overlooked in the mainstream press. However, the Dallas Alliance Theater production received considerable attention, including an article in the national theatrical magazine TheaterWeek. In that article, Shea is quoted as saying Porter "may have actually intended" for Reno to be a man.

However, Shea continues to insist that his intent was not to make that decision for Porter, nor to make a political point. He says that he and Teitel made a simple, artistic casting decision that worked for their production of the show. He further claims there was no significant rewrite, no working of the show that could be protected under a legal contractual agreement with the royalty agents. To protect the casting of a part on the basis of sex, he contends, is discrimination.

"We aren't talking about rewriting a show. We're talking about artistic interpre-



Producer Donald E. Shea of Houston is suing the New York agency that represents Cole Porter's estate over canceling his gay production of the musical "Anything Goes"

tation, which is up to the director," he said.

In the court document, Felder stated that "no bona fide reason exists for requiring that actors...in a musical show be hired by a producer for parts...according to race, creed, national origin, age or sex."

Shea said the Houston opening of the show was to have featured "a Broadway style opening" and a benefit show on opening night. The production was to go to San Francisco in the fall.

For now, the production has been closed down completely, pending a court decision on the contract dispute.

NewsLine: New Orleans

Taking the AIDS test, part two

YOURS TRULY IN A SWAMP By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON
TNV New Orleans

Waiting for the AIDS test results: I waited a week and phoned to see if the test results were back. I gave the number assigned me and the voice said, "No, sometimes it takes three weeks." I am worried. If you want to know the truth, I have given in to the gloomy idea of being HIV positive. Why? Because I do not sleep well, and sometimes I wake sweating, and last winter I had the flu and was sicker than I have ever been. So, maybe.

I decided to go to San Francisco to wait. New Orleans has a Fairmont Hotel, it also belongs to San Francisco's Swigg family. (Unless they've sold them to the ubiquitous buyers of America). I rode my bicycle to the New Orleans one and picked up a special, low-priced, last gasp Eastern Airlines ticket. It was a non-stop, first class Atlanta-to-San Francisco ticket that included an afternoon touring the Atlanta airport.

Eastern—since fallen from the sky—couldn't sell enough assets to soar long

through the rarefied air of the 80's economic miracle. The Atlanta Airport, however, looked as prosperous as in the days before Messrs. Reagan and Bush made everything better.

The first class section was empty except for a frail young man and me. We sat across the aisle from each other. He was returning from Paris where he was undergoing an experimental treatment for a rare urinary bladder cancer. "I have AIDS," he added. I told him of my pending test for HIV. He said he hoped it was negative.

Over California I stood in my stocking feet, looking down through his window at Old Half Dome and listening to him talk of places he loved in Yosemite. I shifted my weight and feet felt cold, wet. I love looking out of airplane windows, so why do my feet feel wet? My God, they are wet! I'm standing in what?

Panic. I glanced at his seat. It was wet. Hopefully I asked, "Did you spill your drink, my feet are wet?" "No." He smiled, pointing at a plastic bag by his feet. "It is ice for my medicine." The steward gave us

towels and another bag of ice.

Back in my cushy seat I sipped coffee and Kahlua (if you put Kahlua in airplane coffee it tastes better). The smog had turned to silver, gray fog fingering over the South Peninsula. Gold light dappled into the cabin. My friend across the aisle said, "when I die I hope it is like this." "Me, too, but I hope I do not die." "Someday you will, my friend, but I hope not soon."

I went to California to attend a reunion of a group from the fabled 1960's. We gathered on a mountain above the Napa Valley and dreamed of then. I had arrived on a magic Eastern rocket, skimming nearer the stars than the highest mountain. "Camelot will never die!" we told each other as we toasted our memories.

Back in New Orleans, ACT UP was getting arrested in the street in front of Charity Hospital. Sweet Louisiana: Charity has the only AIDS clinic in all the state, and so little money. If I have AIDS will I end up there? Scary thought. No wonder people do not like taking the test, it makes you think of scary things.

"Yes, it is back," the voice on the phone said. I had given my secret number, she had said I could come in at 3:00 p.m.

I don't have a car and the bus would be too slow, a cab too expensive. Calm, it is four hours 'till three. I went to lunch; food is a good reason to live. I need to lose 50 pounds. If the test is positive I will. And still get to eat? Maybe not. Some people with AIDS do not eat much. Are they sick from treatment, cancer or just their taste for it?

All the chilling thoughts went through me, sitting in the waiting room. My name was called.

"You are negative." We sat in a tiny room. I must have looked unbelieving. "Look, you can see for yourself." I looked; two places on the card were blackened. Both said negative.

Outside a large, young black woman and I waited for the bus. She looked like her news was bad, she looked like she was pregnant. I thought of cheering her with my good news but thought better of it. Overhead the sky was an azure blue heaven. If I must die someday, I hope it is a day like this.

'Workout for Hope' set for April: 'Sweat with the best'

"Workout for Hope," a three hour national event benefiting AIDS research at the City of Hope National Medical Center, will provide an opportunity to "sweat with the best" on Saturday, April 6 at the Houstonian Club. Rose Ann Meyer, local fitness consultant, will again chair the Houston event.

Headlining the workout will be the Reebok World Champion and well known fitness personality, Jeff Vandiver. This high energy event will spotlight local fitness professionals and will include styles ranging from athletic low impact to cardio-funk. The workout will include something for all ages and fitness levels.

Participants are once again asked to bring non-perishable food items or toiletries to the event on April 6. The items will be donated to Stone Soup Food Pantry.

Sponsor forms will be available by contacting Rose Ann Meyer at (713) 266-9933. "Workout for Hope" is sponsored locally by Health and Fitness Magazine, MIX 96.5, and the Houstonian Institute.

—Diffa To Host Fundraiser For Pet Patrol

DIFFA, the Design Industries Foundation for AIDS, is hosting a "purr—fect" fundraiser for the Pet Patrol on Wednesday, March 13 at the Black Labrador Pub, 4100 Montrose, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The Pet Patrol is a non-profit volunteer organization which provides in-home care for pets of people with AIDS who are unable to care for them. Pet Patrol volunteers feed and walk the pets as well as provide transportation to a veterinarian

or to visit a friend in the hospital. The Pet Patrol, the brainchild of Tori Williams, Volunteer Coordinator and Special Projects Manager of the Interfaith Council, has provided care for over 250 pets since its organization in 1986.

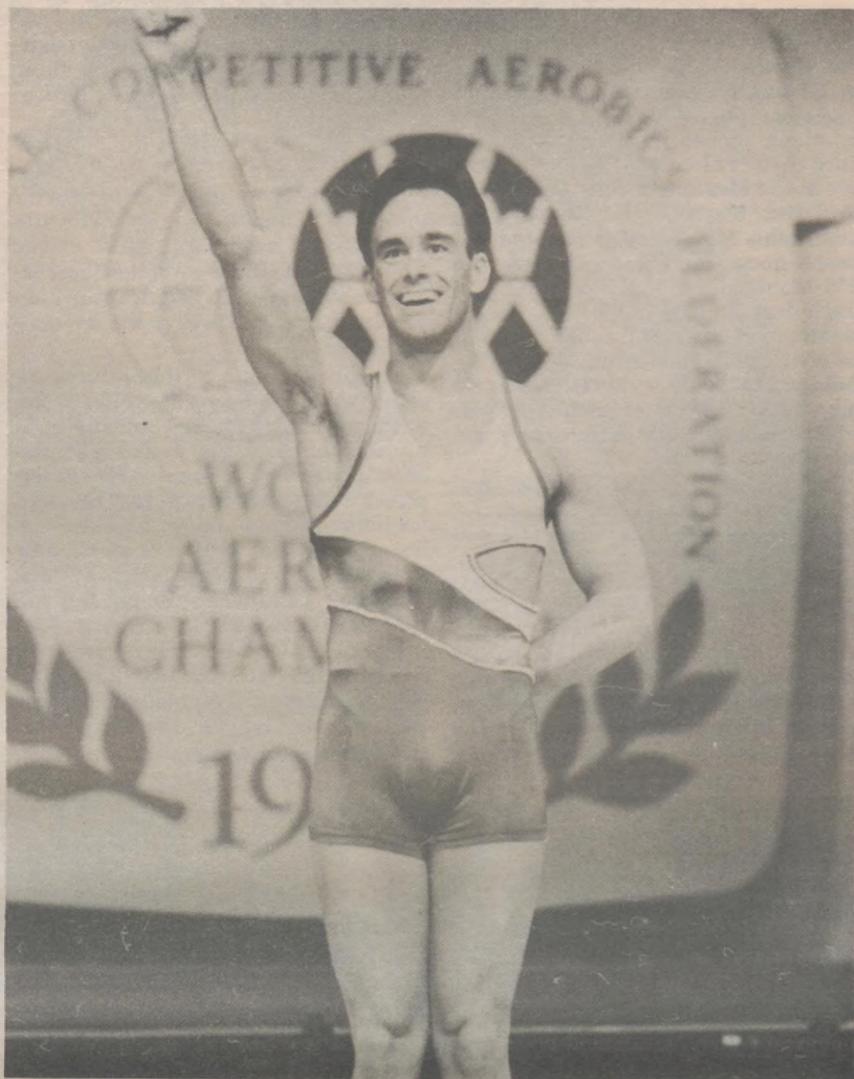
Last year, a similar party was organized by friends of the Pet Patrol, and despite rain "falling like cats and dogs," over \$2,500 in donations, pet food and services was raised.

This year's party should prove even more successful, say organizers. Featured will be the animal-inspired tin jewelry and scarves by local artist Jody Wagner and a silent auction of pet-related gifts and services. Already donated are "Doggie Vestitos" (Santa Fe blanket doggie coats) from Neiman Marcus. Cover charge to get into the party is a pet food donation. Hors d'oeuvres will be served (compliments of the Black Labrador) and a cash bar at reduced prices will be offered.

—Good Shepherd UCA Church

A new community church, Good Shepherd United Christian Assemblies Church, will hold its first praise and worship service at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, March 10 at 3207 Montrose (at Westheimer). Everyone is welcome, and those interested are invited to "come as you are," coordinators said.

The church is a branch of United Christian Assemblies, and is affiliated with Glad Tidings Church of Beaumont. For more information, call (713) 520-6929.



Jeff Vandiver, Reebok World Champion, will headline the third annual "Workout for Hope" to benefit AIDS research, April 6 at the Houstonian Club

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Houston Art

Interesting exhibits open in Montrose for Black History Month

By LISETTA LAVY
TNV Houston

An informative and compelling exhibit of photographs of Martin Luther King Jr., which opened in conjunction with Black History Month, is on view through July at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. Titled "Martin Luther King and the Civil Rights Movement," these 44 photographs document the period from the 1956 Montgomery, Ala. bus boycott to King's death in 1968 and focus on King's role in promoting racial equality during the civil rights movement. Most of the photographs in the exhibit, chosen by Anne Tucker, curator of photography at the Museum, were drawn from the Museum's own collection.

The exhibit features four photographers—Frederick Baldwin, Louise Martin, Benedict J. Fernandez III and Moneta Sleet Jr. Baldwin's photos concentrate on efforts (in 1963-64) by civil rights leaders to register voters in Georgia, while Houstonian Louise Martin captures the mood surrounding King's funeral in Atlanta. Fernandez' pictures of King are part of a photo essay documenting the protest movements of the 1960's. Pulitzer Prize winner Sleet cap-

tured numerous images of King throughout the 1950's and 1960's, while Sleet worked as a staff photographer for Ebony magazine.

A 20-minute video of Dr. King delivering his famous "I have a dream" speech runs continuously in conjunction with the exhibit. Despite the fact that its title has become something of a cliché, King's speech is still one of the finest examples of persuasive rhetoric in the English language, and well worth another listen.

The photographs in this exhibit, together with the speech video, offer a compelling vision of Martin Luther King's life and philosophy, as well as his influence on modern thought. The exhibit presents an excellent picture of the fight for human rights and serves both as a lesson about the past and as an example to those still struggling for civil rights. The show continues through July 14, 1991 at the Museum of Fine Arts, 1001 Bissonnet at Montrose. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m., Thursday evenings, 5:00—9:00 p.m. and Sundays, 12:15 to 6:00 p.m.

Another exhibit of particular interest



Equestrian figure from Republic of Mali Dogon people, 19th century, from the University of St. Thomas exhibit "Form and Spirit: West African Sculpture," through March 22



Untitled photograph from "Countdown to Eternity" portfolio, from the exhibition "Martin Luther King and the Civil Rights Movement" on view at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

is on view at the University of St. Thomas. This exhibit is comprised of over 50 carvings from the cultures of West Africa. The sculptures included in "Form and Spirit: West African Sculpture" were selected to illustrate not only the artistic sophistication and craftsmanship of the carvers but also the unique spiritual dimension which animates the sculptures. The show will be on view daily from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. through March 22, 1991, at the Jones Gallery of the University of St. Thomas, 3900 Yoakum.

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Jimmie Dwayne (Jim) Flock passed away at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 18 at Omega House. He was 56 years old.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22.

He is survived by his mother, Lena Edwards; Doris Flock; five children: Randy, Kelly, Laura, Linda and Elizabeth; seven grandchildren: Kathleen, Nickolas, Hanna, Andrew, Heather, Sean and William. He also leaves behind many friends who will miss him greatly.

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Correction: Grand

Marshal Nominations

An article which appeared in last week's New Voice (Friday, Feb. 22) listed nominations at the Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week meeting on Feb. 19 for grand marshals of the 1991 Gay/Lesbian Pride Parade. In the story, we neglected to mention that Larry Lingle, president of the Houston Gay/Lesbian Political Caucus, had also been nominated for parade grand marshal. We regret the omission.

Grand marshals and honorary grand marshals for the "Feel the Music" parade will be elected on Tuesday, March 19. The complete list of nominations for grand marshal: Larry Lingle, Linda Morales, Jack Jackson, Gene Harrington, the Lone Star Symphonic Band, and Thaddeus Coverdale. Nominations for honorary grand marshal: Katy Caldwell, Harris County Treasurer and Lady Victoria Lust, entertainer.

The pride week meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. March 19 at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center. Besides the election, the tentative agenda includes "Take Pride Awareness Month" and viewing of photographs taken Feb. 23 and selected by the photographer for the "Take Pride Poster."

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'M. Butterfly:' Irony of stereotypes was playwright's ticket to

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE
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David Henry Hwang had never seen the Puccini opera, "Madam Butterfly," when he began working on the script that would become the longest-running straight play on Broadway since "Amadeus." And, although intrigued and initially inspired by newspaper accounts of a 1984 scandal involving a French diplomat, Bernard Bouriscot, and his Chinese spy lover, Shi Peipu, he admits that at the time he was not that familiar with the facts of that case either.

"What was really incredible," said Hwang, "is that later, after my play opened, I heard that (Bouriscot) was saying much of it was true, including things I'd thought I made up. He said the psychology was basically correct."

Hwang, interviewed by The New Voice a week before the scheduled opening of the critically acclaimed "M. Butterfly" in Houston, said the psychology behind the characters' actions and reactions was in fact the premise around which the play was built.

To Hwang (pronounced "Wong"), the play is an examination of the irony—and great power—of social stereotypes. In "M. Butterfly," the playwright explored, and perhaps exposed, two biases which are perhaps the most prevalent in our society, those involving culture and gender. The play intricately weaves unanswered questions about the stereotypes of east and west, and of men and women, into a plot that is seemingly unbelievable—and, disturbingly, known to be true.

The controversial play opened on Broadway in 1988 and ran for 777 consecutive performances at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre, closing on Jan. 27, 1990. "M. Butterfly" won three Tony Awards, including the 1988 award for Best Play, as well as three Drama Desk Awards, three Outer Critics Circle Awards and the John Gassner Award.

The New York Times report that Hwang calls "a jumping off point" for the creation of "M. Butterfly" told the incredible story of Bouriscot, who fell in love Peipu, with a former singer in the Peking opera, in 1964. He carried on a 20-year affair—physical and emotional—with the Chinese singer, and was so smitten that he allowed himself to be lured into espionage against France. Never once, according to the reports, did the Frenchman suspect that his beautiful lover was

actually a man.

Bouriscot, according to later interviews, now explains his confusion as inexperience—he claims that when he met Peipu, he was 19 and sexually inexperienced. The 26-year-old Peipu was a life long expert in female impersonation who had played female roles in the opera, Bouriscot says; their physical affair lasted only a short time, and he saw his lover only in the dark...and never nude.

It is the Frenchman's explanation of his lack of visual intimacy that first aroused Hwang's interest, the playwright said.

Bouriscot said he did not suspect his lover's aversion to being seen in the nude. He thought that she was simply exceptionally modest—as he believed Asian women were apt to be.

"He said he thought it was 'a Chinese custom,'" said Hwang. "Of course, we (Chinese) know that it is not a custom. But what intrigued me was that I also knew this is a common misconception about Oriental women."

Hwang, realizing Bouriscot's assumption was "consistent with a certain stereotyped view of Asians as bowing, passive flowers," concluded that the diplomat fell in love "not with a person, but with a fantasy stereotype."

"Given this, it isn't particularly difficult to see how he could have been fooled," said Hwang. "I intuitively understood what (Bouriscot) believed."

"In writing the play, I developed a better understanding of the misconceptions between east and west," he continued. The play also explores misconceptions about gender and identity, he noted, and shows how easily can be duped by thinking along stereotypical lines.

"There is a concentration on both human and cultural relationships, how are we seduced into believing certain things, or do we seduce ourselves," he said.

In his author's notes on the play, Hwang explains his use of the "Butterfly" parallel to expound on this question:

"The idea of deconstructing Puccini's 'Madam Butterfly' immediately appealed to me. This, despite the fact that I didn't even know the plot of the opera! I knew Butterfly only as a cultural stereotype: speaking of an Asian woman, we would sometimes say, 'she's pulling a Butterfly,' which meant playing the submissive Oriental number," he wrote. "Yet,



Philip Anglim (top) and A. Mapa star in the touring production of *M. Butterfly*, playing Houston's Jones Hall March 5-10

I felt convinced that the libretto would include yet another lotus blossom pining away for a cruel Caucasian man, and dying for that love. Such a story has become too much of cliché not to be included..."

Soon afterward, Hwang said he came up with the basic arc of his play: the Frenchman fantasizes that he is Pinkerton and his lover is Butterfly. However, compounding the bias-based confusion in "M. Butterfly," these characterizations are also reversed. Hwang shows us that the beautiful transsexual opera star is really the "Pinkerton" manipulator in his story; and the Frenchman, who believed his love to be fragile and innocent, is in fact the naive "Butterfly," fooled and shamed by his own emotions.

The result was a work that touches a weakness in everyone's psyche, which may be the key to the play's phenomenal success. People love to catch their own flaws—or perhaps the pleasure is in knowing those flaws are so universal that a playwright can use them to make other people think. The twice-doubled confusion of Hwang's play appeals even to those who believe they are beyond trusting in stereotypes: even the gay community has its long-held biases regarding transgenderism, and everyone has views of unfamiliar cultures which are mired in the influence of literature and film.

In spite of the strength of the message in "M. Butterfly," Hwang insists his play is "first and foremost, just a story."

"I think that most of my work does deal with cultural issues, to some extent," he said, "But a writer's first responsibility is to tell a story. If the story isn't there, then there's no point."

While "M. Butterfly" is one story he both liked and believed in, Hwang said its success caught him off guard. "I

wasn't prepared for it," he said, sounding ironically modest. "It's very difficult to expect this kind of success...I don't think anyone really goes into writing expecting to make money."

"M. Butterfly," with a box office gross of around \$27 million, did make money for Hwang, and brought the "inevitable changes" to his life as well, the playwright said. However, Hwang said he won't let the pressure of that success affect his future projects if he can help it.

His latest projects include a play in progress, still untitled, that he refuses to discuss ("I'm really just not ready to talk about it yet,") the recently-completed screenplay for "M. Butterfly" and another film script.

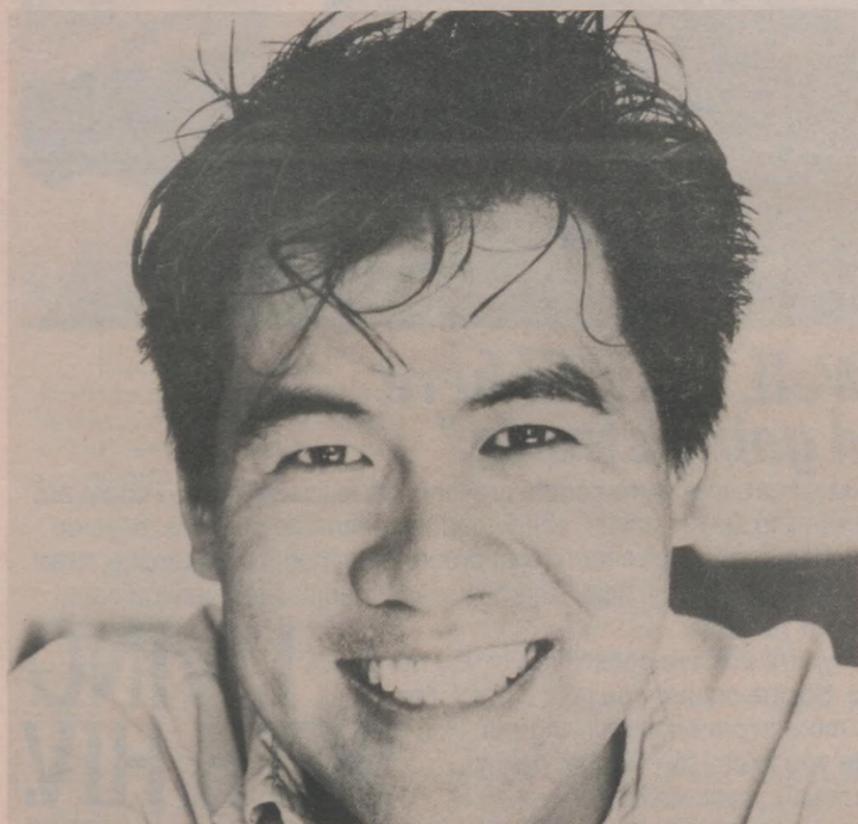
Regarding the coming Warner Bros. film version of "M. Butterfly," Hwang said he is assuming a man will be cast in the role of the singer, Song Liling, as in the play. If the directors attempt to cast a woman, however, he said he will argue against it.

"To cast a woman...would be sort of like cheating," he said, "It would take away part of what the play is about. Of course, it would be up to the director, but if it should happen, I think I would advance the same arguments as for the play."

For the role of the Frenchman, Hwang said he has a "soft spot" for John Lithgow, who originated the role (later played by David Dukes and Tony Randall) on Broadway. However, he said, "I'm keeping an open mind, as far as casting for the film."

In the national tour—which Hwang said will also be the longest tour of a Broadway non-musical play—Philip Anglim plays the diplomat. A. Mapa, who starred as Liling on Broadway opposite Tony Randall, is recreating the role on the tour.

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With just a touch of royal pomp, Emperor Steven C. Wright and Empress Lady Victoria Lust will grant titles—and therefore both honors and duties—to leading mem-

bers of their public service organization. This ceremony is expected to attract many guests from across the state.

There are presently courts in five Texas cities, all which work to raise funds to help fight the AIDS epidemic.

At each stop on the Houston bar tour, a member club of the Houston Council of Clubs will host a party, Court members said. Stops on the tour will include EJ's, Mary's, Cousins (the court's home bar) and

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—Empowerment workshop

Body Positive Houston and the AFH Wellness Program will co-sponsor a day-long workshop called "A Positive Approach to a Healthier and Happier Gay Lifestyle." The workshop will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 9 at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray.

The workshop will be directed by Hous-

ton therapist and community leader Bill Scott of the New Counseling Center. Scott will focus on the many issues affecting self-esteem, personal satisfaction and relationship-building among gay men.

There is a \$20 fee, which will include lunch and snacks. Participants are asked to dress comfortably and to be prepared for a day of openness, warmth and sharing. Capacity for the workshop is limited; advance reservations are encouraged. For reservations, contact Bart Loeser at (713) 623-6796.

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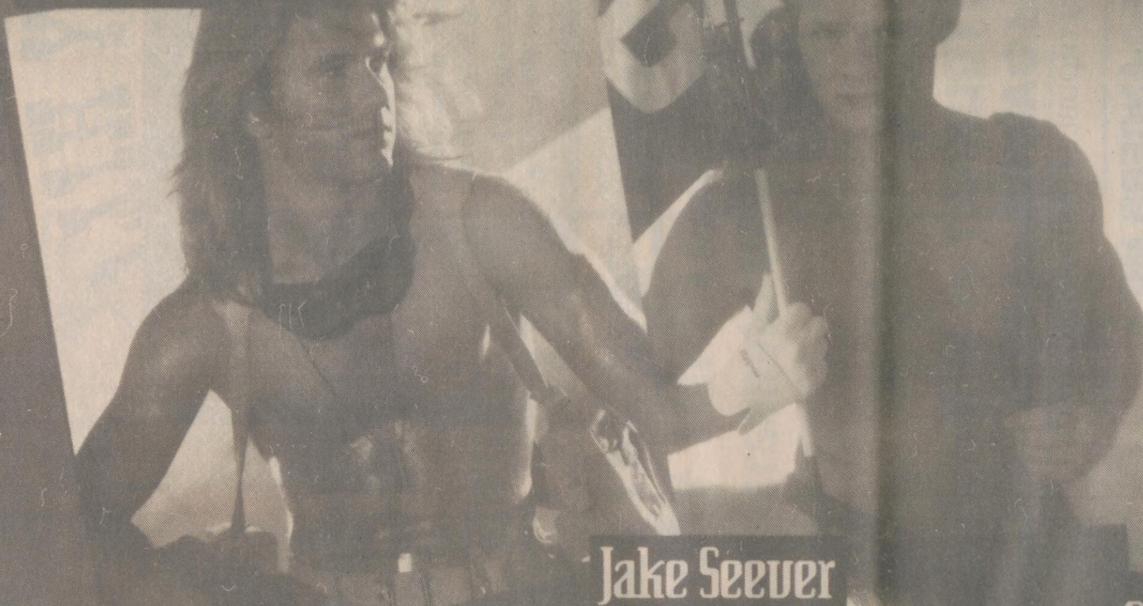
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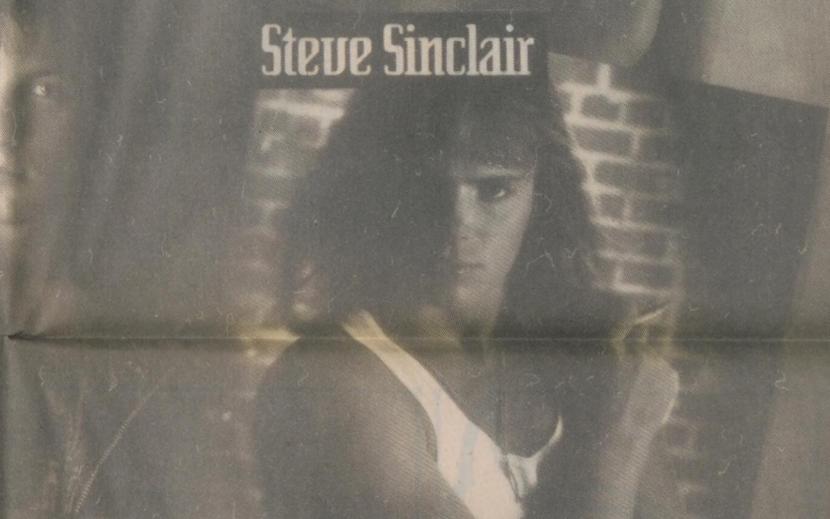
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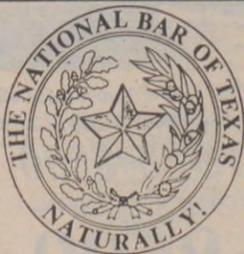
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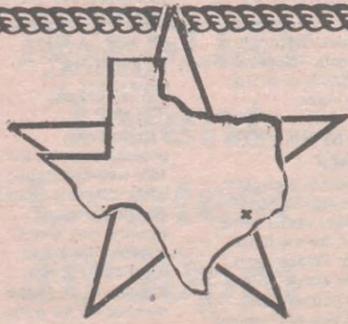
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GWM SEEKS FRIENDSHIP & COMPANIONSHIP

I'm a GWM, 42, 5'10", 180 lbs. I'm HIV negative, drug free and a professional who is looking for someone who is 18-25, white, Hispanic or Oriental, but must be discrete. I enjoy dinners in/ out, the theater, seeing shows, good conversation, enjoying the

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SPORT

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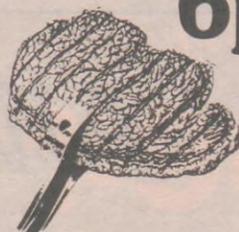
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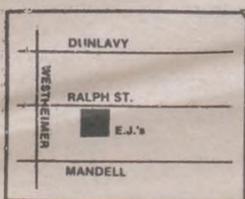
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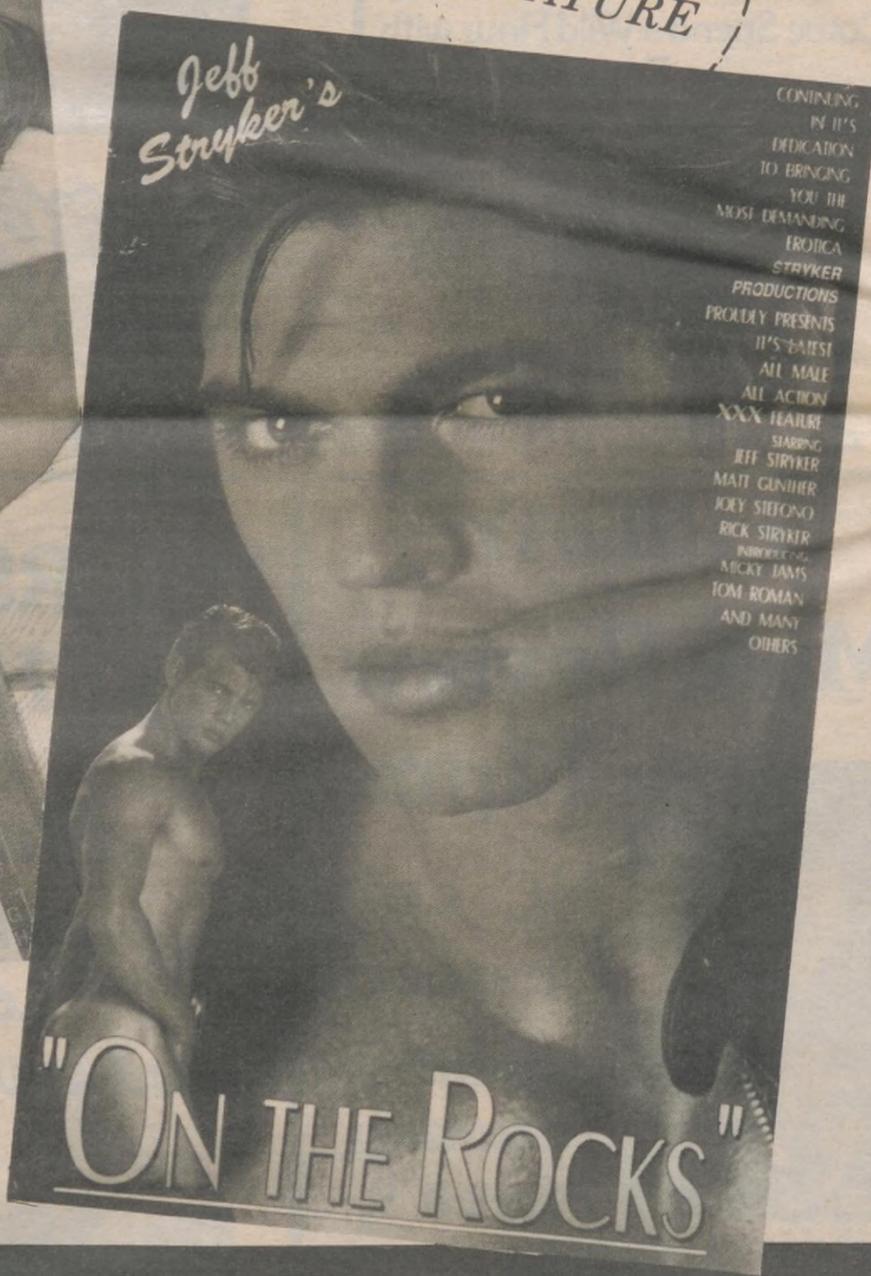


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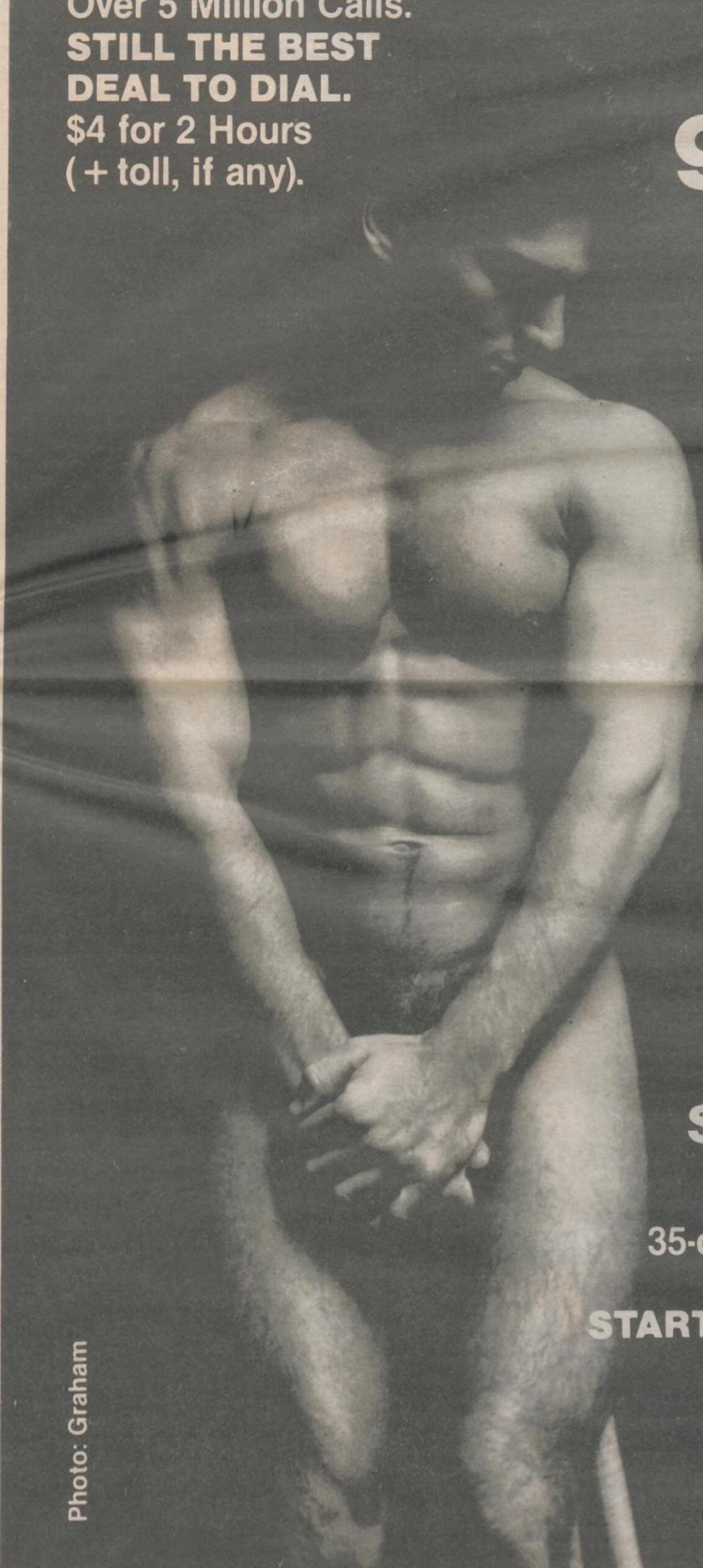
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Houston Soap

NLA:Houston hangs its colors Saturday night at the Venture-N

This Saturday, March 2, National Leather Association: Houston (NLA:H) will host HOT! A Night in Black Leather and hanging of its colors at the Venture-N beginning at 10:00 p.m. Next Friday (March 8), NLA:H will host a "bar crawl." A bus will be provided to shuttle participants to several area bars. For more info on this event contact any NLA:H member National Leather Association: Houston holds regular business meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at the C & N Cafe, 604 Fairview, as well as Social Nights on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Venture-N which starts at about 8:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend any of these nights.

As we reported in last week's Soap, Mary's is sponsoring a community yard sale on the "Outback" Saturday and Sunday,

March 23 and 24. Everyone is welcome to participate. The bar asks only that you supply your own tables or other items needed to display your sale items. For more information on this worthwhile fundraiser contact Terry Smith or Bobby O'Brien at 527-9669.

E/J's will be adding another show to the weekly schedule beginning next Saturday, March 9 at 10:30 p.m. with Lee Chardon's "Flash From The Past." This should make for even more fun weekends at E/J's.

Sundance Cattle Company will be holding a Bake Sale Auction on Sunday, March 3 at 4:00 p.m. on Mary's patio. President Don Dowden tells us that there'll be plenty of goodies to help fill your sweet tooth so be sure to stop by the National Bar of Texas.

Don't forget to get your applications from any of the BRB's bartenders for the 1991 Mr. BRB Contest to be held on March 17.

Which just happens to be the last day of the BRB's 13th Anniversary Week (March 14-17).

Hawaii Kai, a Chinese and Polynesian cuisine restaurant, has just opened in the new River Oaks Plaza on West Gray. We haven't been able to sample the food yet but the decor and seating arrangement allows for intimate dining and their full service bar specializes in exotic tropical drinks. Be sure to check their ad in this issue of TNV for hours and specials.

Now for this week's gossip and tantalizing questions. ...

Albert, why were you sweating so much last week at the BRB? Was the restroom that hot?

We understand Miss Tetra will be very upset when she finds out Larry brought Miss Dee and helium balloon that says "I

Love You." Larry, Tetra will probably want the ring back.

Dennis, where did you find your teeth? Or did you borrow a spare set from someone?

Tommy Marshall, we hear someone is asking the musical question: "If I hold your hand, will you dance with me?"

Reggie, Albert wants to know if they still use eucalyptus in the baths.

David Chapman (BRB), Jack Daniels and old Judy Garland records will always make you forget computer class.

Jimmy, what do you owe Wayne? Why will Vera (BRB) be compensated?

Jack (BRB doorman), why does Cal (BRB) say, "Hail Mary, Queen of Scotts" each time he sees you?

Vera, what besides the bar is made of petrified wood?

NewsLine: Gay America

NGLTF receives major grant for anti-violence work

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force has received a \$50,000 grant for its anti-violence work from the Public Welfare Foundation (PWF). This award represents the largest single grant in NGLTF's history, and is part of PWF's initiative to address rising incidents of hate-motivated violence in the U.S.

Each year, the PWF awards more than \$2 million in grants for the environment,

community development, health, the elderly, disadvantaged youth and criminal justice programs. NGLTF is the first lesbian and gay organization to receive a grant from the prestigious foundation.

The \$50,000 has been designated for NGLTF's Anti-Violence Project and will be used for, among other things, the Task Force's "Campaign to Count and Counter Hate Crimes." The nationwide cam-

paign to document hate crimes, educate lesbians and gay men on resisting violence and advocate for strong official response will kick off on March 6, 1991.

"We are honored by this vote of confidence from Public Welfare Foundation for our critically important work in stopping homophobic violence and harassment," said Jaime Grant. "The Anti-Violence Project, under the direction of

Urvashi Vaid, executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, will continue its ground breaking work."

For more information on NGLTF membership or the Campaign to Count and Counter Hate Crimes, contact NGLTF, 1734 14th St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20009, (202) 332-6483. The Anti-Violence Project, formed in 1982, is part of the NGLTF Policy Institute.