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Vaccine Made With AIDS Virus Produces Immunity in Mice

From an Associated Press Report

A smallpox vaccine modified to include part of the AIDS virus produced immunity to AIDS in mice, suggesting that it might also protect against the deadly disease in humans.

Houston AIDS Foundation Changes Name

The KS/AIDS Foundation of Houston has officially changed its name to The AIDS Foundation of Houston, Inc.

According to a Foundation statement, the purpose of the name change was twofold. First, the general public seemed confused by the initials "KS" which were part of the former name. Therefore, the letters were dropped to avoid confusion. Secondly, it was felt that the name of the Foundation should accurately reflect the role of the Foundation as being the main provider of AIDS related services to the city of Houston.

Of the name change, boardmember Patrick di Battista said, "We hope that the name change reflects our intent to continue to provide AIDS related services to Houston and our desire to act as a coordinator of other efforts aimed towards battling AIDS."

The vaccine was genetically engineered to include the gene responsible for making the outer coat of the virus, a protein called the envelope. It is believed that this gene can be used to produce immunity against AIDS, said one of the vaccine's developers, Bernard Moss of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases in Bethesda, Md.

"It has not been demonstrated," Moss said in a telephone interview Wednesday, "but at least we have a tool now to see whether or not we can protect with this. The next thing is to try to go from mice to monkeys. We're immunizing monkeys now to see if they develop antibodies."

A report of the research was due to appear April 10 in *Nature*, a British scientific journal. Moss emphasized that considerable research remains before such a vaccine can be tried on humans.

Moss said that he and his colleagues—including Robert Gallo and others at the National Cancer Institute—showed that the AIDS envelope gene would operate normally when it was spliced into the genes of vaccinia virus.

The modified vaccinia virus produced

the principal component of the AIDS envelope, a protein designated gp-160.

The researchers showed further that gp-160 would be "processed," or split, into two smaller proteins in the same way that it is processed naturally in the AIDS virus.

Moss said he and his colleagues are the first to use genetic engineering to make this gene function and be processed outside the AIDS virus.

The modification of smallpox vaccine is one of a variety of approaches aimed at producing a vaccine that would protect healthy people against AIDS infection. Vaccines generally do not help those who are already infected.

Scientists have said though that the normal progression in most disease research is finding a vaccine first, a cure second.

Last month, Essex and Gordon Dressman of the Southwest Foundation of Biomedical Research in San Antonio showed that it was possible to induce antibodies to the AIDS envelope in rabbits by injecting them with a synthetic copy of a very small piece of the envelope protein. Such a fragment is called synthetic peptide.

AIDS Foundation Names New Director

Curtis Dickson, a former director of public health for the city of Beaumont, Texas, has been hired as the executive director of The AIDS Foundation of Houston (formerly named KS/AIDS Foundation).

Dickson was selected from 82 candidates and completed three rounds of interviews before being elected by the board. Boardmember Tom Oden said, "Mr. Dickson's 15 years experience in public health administration and management made him the best candidate."

Other than his work in Beaumont, Dickson's experience includes acting director of the Division of Public Health Promotion for the Texas Department of Health in Austin, as well as experience with several state inter-agency councils and state legislative committees.

Of the screening process, boardmember Patrick di Battista said, "We were impressed with the quality of all the applicants. Those who went through the three rounds of interviews had impeccable credentials. We are glad to welcome Mr. Dickson on board."



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Virginia Cholesterol, also known as Mrs. Chester Cholesterol, is played by Gail Ann Williams, who describes her character as a housewife, a staunch Republican and the widow of a wealthy margarine rancher. As Mrs. Cholesterol, Williams takes to wearing aprons as a hobby and supporting various LAW causes with such slogans as, "Mommies, mommies, don't be commies, stay at home and fold pajammies."



The Plutonium Players are the cast for "Ladies Against Women"

Williams, who joined the Plutonium Players shortly after the group formed in 1977, says the Players started as a nuclear protest group, but expanded to include satires concerning other issues such as hunger and the arms race. She adds that while the group has been touring, they found people have a hunger for political satire. So, to satisfy this need, the organization launched the "Reagan for Shah" campaign in 1980 and held bake sales at the 1984 GOP National Convention in Dallas to help reduce the federal deficit.

Although the group provides "a twisted reality of politics," Williams says some of President Reagan's comments are already so "bizarre" that it is difficult to turn them around and make them funnier. So, if something Reagan actually says is funnier than the satire of it, it's back to the drawing boards. "We do modify the shows as we go along to include current events or

improve certain parts if they need it," Williams says.

While the group tours only about three months out of the year, group members often meet to consider suggestions and criticism offered to the Players and to write and discuss new material. Group members are currently working on a new show they hope to complete by August with all new characters. For now, the group really seems to have struck a nerve with the public over the LAW.

"We were outraged at the coming into power of the anti-feminists during the early eighties with Reagan. A lot of people were feeling the same way. They see the LAW as graffiti in some places," Williams says. And while the Plutonium Players poke fun at politics and antiquated sex roles, they incorporate a great deal of integrity into their performances.

"There's a lot of complexity to what we're saying," she adds. "We laugh a lot at

the conservative attitudes against much of the feminist progress women made during the sixties and seventies. Our jokes are aimed at different targets and we encourage the audience to find different things in themselves to laugh at."

Some people fail to see humor in the group's satires and have walked out, but as Williams says, most shows are sold out. In fact, because of overwhelming demand for tickets in Houston, a matinee performance was added. "We have a loyal fan following even in cities we haven't played in. I'm really amazed how quickly and how far the word has spread about us."

Williams adds that during performances, a great deal of networking goes on between women who want to have a feminist answer for many of the issues brought up by the LAW.

"There's a sizable group that wants a healthy feminist movement," she says. Although she calls the current feminist movement in this country fragmented, Williams says, "The tremendous interest (in such a movement) gives me a lot of hope. It's hard to say if comedy motivates. It's easy to sit and laugh instead of going to a meeting, but my secret hope is that some people who see us will want to get active."

While the LAW is committed to women's rights, or at least returning women to their rightful pedestal—the ironing board—they are also concerned about civil rights for other individuals, including sperms.

They call for "The Rights of America's Unconceived" and "Death to those who masturbate." In addition, the LAW favors slogans such as "warfare, not welfare" and various organizations from "Another Mother for World Domination" to "Physicians for No Responsibility."

Despite their outwardly humorous "consciousness lowering" and participatory satire, Williams says the LAW performance offers viewers numerous messages. Most importantly, she says, "is to be critical, be aware and look at what's going on around you."

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According to the police reports and club owner Gary Smith, two black males entered the front door of the club. When

doorman Kevin Bishop asked if he could help them, one of the suspects reached in his pocket and pulled a pistol.

Assistant manager Kenneth Claybourne was standing with Bishop. The two employees jumped behind the bar and the suspects fled to the parking lot. According to the police reports, witnesses described the suspects' car as a blue and white Buick Regal or Riviera.

The police also said one of the suspects was described by witnesses as a black male about 5'10" wearing a green and tan army pullover and a "Members Only" jacket.

The incident, which occurred about 1:25 a.m., is the latest of several robberies or robbery attempts in the gay community in recent months. One of the attempted robberies left one club owner murdered.

Clubs which have been "hit" include the Outlaws on Richmond Avenue as recent as Saturday, March 29. Other clubs include the 611, E./J's, Lola's, the Venture N and "Just" Marion and Lynn's where the murder occurred in mid-March.

"Everyone (club personnel) is going to have to be prepared for it," Smith said. "It may be the same people. At least, we think it could be."

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'Stoned Zombie' Red Hornets Once Infiltrated His Party When Tables Were Turned on Lyndon LaRouche

By Chip Berlet and Reena Bernards
Pacific News Service
Special to the Montrose Voice

Illinois Democrats, outraged that supporters of right-wing political guru Lyndon LaRouche have "infiltrated" their party and grabbed two primary slots, might find solace in knowing that once, not long ago, the tables were turned.

In 1976 the LaRouche candidate for mayor of Charlotte, N.C., was not really a LaRouche candidate at all. He was Mark Englander, member of an anti-war collective called the Red Hornets that took special glee in disrupting the LaRouche organization.

Back then, LaRouche's method of intervening in elections was to run his candidates not as Democrats but on his own party's ticket. LaRouche himself was the U.S. Labor Party's candidate for president in 1976. By 1980, LaRouche had changed tactics. The U.S. Labor Party had disappeared and LaRouchians were now filing to enter Democratic Party primaries, as in Illinois this year.

Englander posed as a LaRouche enthusiast and managed to get slated on the U.S. Labor Party ticket in Charlotte. Adopting the mind-zapping tactics popularized by Abbie Hoffman's Yippies, Englander's Red Hornet friends then attended campaign rallies wearing "Stoned Zombies for LaRouche" t-shirts emblazoned with the likeness of a wild-eyed LaRouche eating a carrot in a vaguely suggestive way.

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"They were hilarious," recalls Doug Marlette, political cartoonist for the *Charlotte Observer*, "and they really infuriated the LaRouchies. That was the most effective method of dealing with the LaRouchies I've ever seen."

Marvin Sparrow, a Red Hornets leader at the time, remembers that he and other members of his group went to the Charlotte election board and changed their party registration to the U.S. Labor Party. At the time, the U.S. Labor Party had only eight registered voters in Charlotte.

"The LaRouchies saw their registrations jump in one week and probably thought their political message was really finding fertile ground," says Sparrow.

Englander paid a filing fee to register as a primary contender for the Labor Party mayoral candidate slot and then quietly marshalled his secret electorate. Englander won the primary over an orthodox LaRouchian named Stanley Erzol by the lopsided margin of 29 votes to 18.

Like Illinois Democrats in 1986, Charlotte's LaRouchians were stunned. Englander's true colors became immediately apparent, and the U.S. Labor Party—in exactly the manner that Adlai Stevenson has lately been contemplating—went to court to try to get Englander off the ballot. A Superior Court judge dismissed the challenge.

Sparrow said that from the beginning, "the purpose of our campaign was to ridicule the U.S. Labor Party. We wanted to show that the party was not a serious one, that they were crazy."

Once a campaign forum happened to

fall on Halloween night. "Let's just say I was the only candidate to show up in costume," says Englander. A local television station felt obliged to invite Englander to a televised political debate. During it, Englander conspicuously consumed a banana. The Red Hornets issued a campaign poster with Englander appearing bare-chested.

True LaRouche followers lashed back by deriding them as "stoned zombies," and "that's how we first got the idea for the t-shirts," says Sparrow with a laugh.

At the close of the bizarre campaign, Englander received 916 votes in the general election, a mere 19,000 away from victory. Larouche's people went back to court, suing every Red Hornet who, in their view, had falsely registered as a U.S. Labor Party member.

Again, the LaRouchians' case was thrown out of court. Even if the Red Hornets did exactly what they were accused of doing, ruled a federal judge, "this would not constitute an unlawful conspiracy but would simply be political action which must be protected."

The *Charlotte Observer* commented, in language that today might bring a tear to the eye of an Illinois Democrat: "A successful politician in this country has to persuade people of his worth. By the evidence of the ballot box, Stanley Erzol didn't succeed. That may be embarrassing for him, but that doesn't mean that the man who defeated him broke the law."

Dr. Didato's Personality Quiz Are You a Savvy Consumer?

By Salvatore V. Didato, Ph.D.
News America Syndicate
Special to the Montrose Voice

The Romans had a term for it: caveat emptor—let the buyer beware. That nugget is as timely as ever these days, and a wise shopper is one who can "psych out" those merchants who would reap a heavy profit by selling their wares and services.

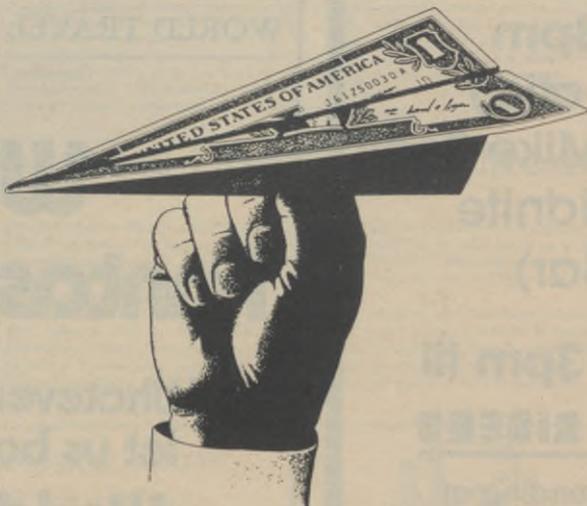
The quiz ahead tests your cleverness in the marketplace. It also gives pointers on how to save some of your hard-earned cash. Answer each item true or false, then read on for explanations.

1. You often dip into your savings to pay off credit card bills.
2. It is wise to shop for groceries before rather than after eating.
3. It is cheaper to buy clothes for durability rather than style.
4. Although some shoppers are impulse buyers, stores don't depend on them for significant profits.
5. To a discerning shopper, the way an item is displayed has been found to be unimportant.
6. It's not a good idea to seek other medical opinions since it will hurt your relationship with your doctor.
7. Despite jokes about it, when shopping for a car, it helps to slam the doors as a simple test of solidity.
8. It's better to make just one long visit to the supermarket weekly than to make a few trips there per week.

□ Explanation

(All items are false)

1. The Institute of Mental Health reports that many consumers overextend themselves on credit cards as an escape from frustration in their job, love life, social activities, etc.
2. Motivation experts find that shopping before eating tends to result in overspending and more indiscriminate



Money easily flies from the hands of those who lack consumer savvy

buying.

3. Clothing is fashion-oriented and the psychology of a large number of consumers is to discard many garments or use them less frequently after the first season of wear.

4. Almost all bad buys are made in a hurry. Impulse buying accounts for a hefty 10 to 15 percent of profits. Items are apt to be purchased on impulse are usually placed in the front of the store because one is inclined to buy when the shopping cart is empty.

5. Merchandisers spend considerable sums to study exactly how items should be displayed. It is well-known that "eye level

is buy level." Also toys and food which appeal to children are often put on low shelves so they can reach them.

6. It pays to get other diagnostic viewpoints even if you run the possible risk of ruffling your doctor. Government studies show that a large number of operations are incorrect and unnecessary.

7. Automakers are aware that the public believes this. That's why they try to build a solid sound to their door slams.

8. It's true you'll save time, but if you spend too much time (say more than a half-hour) in shopping jaunts, it tends to create "supermarket hypnosis." Camera

research finds that a shopper's rate of eye-blinking slows up measurably as time passes and this leads to slower reflexes and impaired judgement. Faced with so many shelves of products, the brain numbs, causing overbuying. Experts say that in this state of mind, "Every minute over 30 is worth 50 cents from a shopper."

□ Score

Total up your score. It's an indication of your consumer IQ.

7-8 points—You are an alert shopper, who knows what to look for and how to save dollars.

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Gays and Alcoholism: Why?

Editor's Note: This is the third installment of a five-part series presented by representatives of the Montrose Counseling Center's MORE Program dealing with alcoholism and drug dependency in the gay and lesbian community.

By James Dickie, M.S.S.W.
Montrose Counseling Center

The National Council on Alcoholism estimates that approximately one in 10 adults in this country has a problem with alcohol or is alcoholic. Within the gay and lesbian population however, this figure appears to be considerably higher. A survey conducted within the gay community in Los Angeles in 1975 led researcher Lillene Fifield to conclude that the rate of alcohol abuse among lesbians and gay men is approximately three times that of the community at large.

In other words, something like one out of every three or four gay people may experience a problem with alcohol. Given the cost of alcohol abuse in terms of health and the loss of human potential, it follows that alcohol abuse constitutes a major health and social issue within our community.

Why is this so? Why are lesbians and gay men at such high risk for substance

City Initiates Employee Misconduct Hotline

From a Press Release

Houston City Attorney Jerry Smith announced April 4 the installation of a City Employee Misconduct Hotline to receive information on illegal conduct by city employees.

Smith explained that the creation of the hotline was precipitated by recent incidents involving city employees.

"It is apparent that, despite vigorous actions taken by city departments to weed out employee dishonesty, a few city employees still believe that they are above the law and can use their city positions for personal gain," Smith stated. "We are creating a mechanism whereby citizens and city personnel can report unlawful employee activity directly to our investigative team, without fear of reprisal."

Smith explained that a special direct telephone line, 224-7643, has been designated the "City Employee Misconduct Hotline." This line, which rings directly into Smith's office in City Hall, will be monitored by Smith's secretary or another Legal Department staff person from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Any information regarding city employee criminal conduct will be reviewed by Smith and referred directly to the Public Integrity Review Group (P.I.R.G.), a team of Houston police investigators working in the Legal Department under Smith's direction, and to the District Attorney or U.S. Attorney, as appropriate.

Alternatively, citizens can call the P.I.R.G. unit directly at 227-7070.

"Bribe solicitation and other dishonest conduct by city employees cannot be tolerated," Smith explained. "The vast majority of city employees are scrupulous public servants and would never think of taking a dime in the performance of their duties. But we cannot allow a few bad apples to benefit illegally at taxpayers' expense and to damage the reputation of honest city employees."

"We intend to see to it that city employees who engage in criminal conduct are not only suspended from city employment, but prosecuted vigorously. Where possible, we will seek to recover city funds from such persons, as well."

abuse?

Years ago, Zero Mostel performed a skit in which he portrayed a zealous Dixiecrat Senator investigating the causes of World War II. At one point he booms out triumphantly, "Well, what was Pearl Harbor doing in the Pacific?!"

Likewise, a similar question is often asked, "Well, what are gay people doing in the bars in the first place?"

This is an example of blaming the victim, and it might be more productive to take a look at the factors that contribute to the special vulnerability to drug and alcohol abuse that gay people experience.

One way of understanding substance abuse is that the use of a substance, such as alcohol, is often a person's attempt to cope with stress, anxiety, or a painful situation. The line between use and abuse is often a fine one, and it sometimes happens that what was intended as a solution to a problem begins to become the problem or adds to the problem. At some point, a person may begin to depend upon alcohol (psychologically and/or physically) to get through the day, to relax, to have fun.

Eventually, he or she may experience the loss of the ability to control the use of alcohol. People vary enormously in their biological makeup. Some are biologically pre-disposed to develop a physical addiction to alcohol quite readily, while others can drink heavily for years before the body's ability to metabolize alcohol changes and addiction sets in.

Gay men and lesbians probably have about the same randomness in terms of "biological pre-disposition" to alcoholism as would be found in the overall population. However, the social and psychological situation for gay people is quite different. The position of lesbians and gay men in a society that discounts, criticizes

and punishes us for being who we are and for feeling what we feel is often stressful, to say the least.

Being a queer, a fag, a dyke in a society that is clearly hostile, being labeled as illegal or immoral or sick is not conducive to feeling very good about oneself. The pain of oppression and the feelings of isolation and damage to self-esteem that gay people often experience increases the seductiveness of alcohol (or other drugs) that take away the pain.

In the fourth article of this series, I will discuss the problems of "coming out" and healthy immune systems. If you or someone you care about has a problem with alcohol, the MORE Program at the Montrose Counseling Center is specifically designed for the gay and lesbian client.

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It's a Theater Under the Stars Production 'Carousel' is Classic Musical Comedy

By Bill O'Rourke
Montrose Voice Theater Critic

Carousel is a classic musical comedy. The beautiful thing about Theater Under the Stars' current mounting is that they concentrated on the musical comedy part, though not to the exclusion of the classical.

No one in this show has become overly impressed with the beauty of either the music or her own voice. This results in fresh, bright interpretations. It is great to be able to see these songs scampering about like frisky colts, full of surprises, rather than to be reminded that they are old workhorses that we perhaps know too well.

Throughout the long second scene that shows us the budding of two romances amid three or four standard songs, the orchestra bobbed and weaved under the baton of Robert Linder. They have been assigned the role of the sea and they bring it out with a brilliance I have never noticed in this passage before.

The freshness of the musical interpretation is matched by an equally clean look in the acting. Linda Michele as Julie Jordan is no posing diva. We really believe in her tender innocence as she falls in love with a bad boy and woos him into proposing to her. She gradually grows a firmer, but never sterner, backbone to cope with his failures.

Nor is Michael Haguire as Billy Bigelow a stereotypical bad boy. This tall, handsome hunk has a smile that, though it rarely flashes, can light up the entire Music Hall. He reminded me of several real-life bad boys that it has been my happy misfortune to know.

Vicki Lewis, as the spunky innocent who marries the tight-lipped New Englander Enoch Snow, who's into money and children, is simply phenomenal. She makes this role, too often seen as a mousey moralizer, into a comic ingenue worthy to compete with the likes of Ado Annie.

Tom Ligon, as Billy's jailbird "friend," has the sea truly in his voice. Monte Ralstin, as Enoch, has a fine tenor. (I love this show, one of the few where the real romantic lead is a young bass.) Eleanor Glockner seemed to be having an off-night with her voice. This was really a pity for hers is the only role in the show with any real belt songs. Although that threw the musical balance off, she still came through lovely on her ballad and her acting as the warm-hearted mother hen. Mary Hay, as Mrs. Mullins, the owner of the carousel, had such a good sense of style that I wish she had more lines.

The scenery by Peter Wolf Concepts is only painted backdrops, but each of them is a wonderful, evocative, detailed work of art. They're so good I wished I could have framed renderings of my home.

The script does show its age in spots. Billy hit Julie once, for which he got an eternal reputation as a wife beater. She forgave him later, to the point that she assures her daughter that it is possible for someone to hit you as hard as he can and it only feels like a kiss. This is the apotheosis of her love?! Of course, it is much more appalling in retrospect than it was in context. But doesn't that make it worse.

However, the same script makes for lots of honest laughter and a good-old public weeping spell at the end.

This is absolutely the best production of this Rodgers and Hammerstein piece that I have ever seen. I heartily recommend it.

□ Notes

Country Playhouse will be celebrating their 30th anniversary with a champagne birthday bash next Friday, April 18. R.S.V.P., 467-4497. ...

The Russian musicians, composers, and scholars due to visit Houston May 20-22 have had to postpone their trip. The HSO now expects them this fall. ...

anybody to realize you." Thornton Wilder (born April 17)
Enjoy



Pauline Oliveros, internationally known avant-garde composer, headed the committee that chose the musicians for New Music America

After the first five weeks of sales, Houston Symphony Orchestra had sold nearly 50% more season tickets than in the comparable period last year. Unfortunately, the more sophisticated samplers are not selling as well as the basic-level, beaten-track classics. The Classical Hits Series has accounted for nearly 60% of the sales whereas the most challenging series, *Adventures in Great Music*, has only brought in slightly less than 11% of sales. ...

Barbara Streisand will produce, direct, and act (in a supporting role) when *The Normal Heart* goes to the movies. Heart is, of course, one of the two best-known plays about people with AIDS. ...

Auditions: Texas Renaissance Festival: April 12, 13, 19, 20; noon-4:00 p.m. Festival site (six miles past Plantersville). Will perform six weekends, starting first in October. Info—David Coulam, 356-2178. Celebrate!

"Between 1777 and 1779 Thomas Jefferson," born April 13, "and a group of liberal reformers suggested a revision of Virginia law eliminating the death penalty for sodomy—they proposed, instead, castration."—Jonathan Katz, *Gay American History*.

B'days: 11—Joel Gray, Uleg Cassini. 12—playwright and anthologist William F. Hoffman, Sally Rand, Ann Miller (who'll be here this summer in *Sugar Babies*). 13—Lanford (*Fifth of July*) Wilson. 14—Loretta Lynn, Rod Steiger, Sir John Gielgud. 15—Bessie Smith, Henry James, Leonardo daVinci (although he might be the 16th). 16—Spike Milligan, Charlie Chaplin, Peter Ustinov. 17—poet C.V. Cavafy.

"Oh, earth, you're too wonderful for

□ Openings

NMA is New Music America. All NMA are One Night Only!

Foretaste the Future (1600 Smith Building lobby, 11, 5:00 p.m.)—Electronic works. NMA. Freebies.

Spring Vocal Concert (HSPVA, 11). Swanworks (Rice Media Center, 11)—Film and video works. NMA.

Lions and Chicken and Golf, Oh My! (Stages, 12, noon)—Texas Opera Theater

presents two one-aria operas for children: Followed by miniature golf with balls wired for sound at the Children's Museum. NMA.

Bayou Bash (downtown, 12)—Choreographer Patsy Swayze and her son, actor/dancer Patrick Swayze preside over the culmination of the Houston Fest.

Bella Davidovich, pianist (Jones, 12)—HSO, Commissiona conducting.

Genesis (Cullen Aud., UH-UP, 12)—Texas Chamber Orchestra. NMA.

Rita Moreno (Galveston's Grand, 12)—Winner of two Emmys, a Grammy, an Oscar and a Tony. The only female to have won all of them!

Diversity (Diverse Works, 13, Noon)—Sound sculpture, dance and silent film. NMA

Ned Sublett Band (c&w stage, 13, afternoon)—funny, modern day c&w. NMA. Freebies.

Keyboard Conversation (Museum of Fine Arts, 13, 4:00 p.m.)—Pianist Jeffrey Siegel plays and discusses Felix Mendelssohn. ONO!

Put a Lid on It or Raise The Roof (650-1300, 13, early evening)—Closing party. Art Rock, including Brave Combo, an avant-garde polka band. NMA. Freebies.

Montrose Symphonic Band (Lansdale Park, 13, 7:00 p.m.).

Pasadena Concert Band (Kaplan, JCC Houston, 13). ONO!

Antigone (Heinen, 14, noon)—Jean Cocteau's version. Will Antigone obey her uncle, the king, and not bury her brother's corpse, even though in her religion this would condemn her brother to hell? Each of these six performances is in a different place. To find out where, and reserve a free ticket, call 630-1113.

Annual Spring Student Art Show (Heinen, 14, 7:00 p.m.)—Juried exhibition by HCCers. Freebies. ONO!

Blithe Spirit (Rice, 14)—Noel Coward. Charles would be quite happily married if his first wife's ghost would only leave him alone.

Adjunct Music Faculty Concert (Heinen, 15). ONO!

Houston Community College Repertory Dance Company (patio behind 1300 Holman, 16, noon). Freebies. ONO!

Comedy of Combination (Goethe Institute, 17)—Edward Haymes lectures about Richard Strauss' *Adrienne Auf Naxos* (with musical examples).

Doonesbury (Stages, 17)—Musical. What happens as the Walden commune graduates from college.

A Salute to Cole (Country Playhouse, 17)—A sparkling revue of Cole Porter's music, directed by Betty Garner.



(left to right) Allan Murley, Carole Shelley and Michael Connolly in a scene from "Noises Off" now playing at the Tower Theater

Depression, Heart Rates, Household Burns

A weekly health information column sponsored by the Montrose Clinic

I have been feeling kind of down for a while. I don't know if this is normal. Can you tell me what some of the signs of depression are?

Most people go through periods of feeling low. This is a normal part of life. However, if you feel this way for more than two weeks at a time, or you feel very down, you may be experiencing depression. Here are the most common symptoms of depression:

- Changes in your eating habits—large weight loss or gain;
- Sleep problems—lack of sleep, sleeping too much, or waking up in the middle of the night and not being able to fall asleep again;
- Changes in your normal pace—feeling very restless or very lethargic;
- Loss of interest—your normal "fun" activities are no longer satisfying;
- Extreme fatigue;
- Feeling worthless or guilty about things that aren't your fault;
- Inability to concentrate, and
- Recurring thoughts of death.

There are many causes of depression. Consult a physician to rule out a physical cause. He or she may be able to refer you to a therapist. If not, the Texas Department of Mental Health (1-800-252-8154) can refer you to someone in your area. The Montrose Counseling Center (529-0037) is also a good place to consult for further information.

Treatment for depression is successful in 90% of all cases. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain from seeking help.

My aerobics teacher keeps talking about maximum heart rate and target heart rate. Do I measure my heart rate by taking my pulse? Could you explain what she is talking about?

Your pulse is a measure of your heart rate (in beats per minute). You take your pulse during exercise by stopping and immediately placing the tip of your middle finger (make sure you don't use your thumb, as it has a strong pulse) on one of your carotid arteries. They are located on each side of your neck, to the left and right of your adam's apple.

You should feel the blood pulsing through your artery. Count the number of beats you feel in six seconds. Multiply this number by 10 and you have your pulse.

Your Resting Heart Rate is the number of beats per minute when you are at rest. The average physically fit person has a resting heart rate of 55-65. The Maximum Heart Rate (MHR) is the maximum number of beats per minute that is safe for your heart.

To calculate your MHR, subtract your age from 220. For example a 30-year-old man has a MHR of 190. Your Target Heart Rate (THR) is the number of beats per minute that your heart must be up to in order for your cardiovascular system to benefit from aerobic exercise. It is 60 to 75% (lower if you are less fit, higher if you are in good shape) of your MHR. For example a 30-year-old man who exercises regularly would have a THR of about 143.

I was making toast the other day and the hot butter splattered on my hands. Can you tell me what the best treatment for household burns is?



The Medicine Chest

Presented by the Montrose Clinic

It is important to determine whether your burn is mild or severe. A mild burn will be red, slightly swollen, and painful. Treat these burns by running cold water over them. (If the area is dirty, then wash with mild soap.) Ignore the old wives tale that recommends applying butter to burns, as it will only slow the healing process.

A serious burn will be badly blistered, may turn white and dry, and will be painless. You must seek medical attention for burns of this nature.

Can you tell me how to treat genital warts?

Venereal warts must be treated by a medical professional. He or she will apply a liquid chemical called podophyllin on the wart. You will probably need more than one treatment to get rid of all the warts.

It's very important to keep going back for treatments until all of the warts are gone. Abstain from sexual relations during this time. And make sure that your partner is treated at the same time so that you don't keep giving them back and forth to each other.

Readers are invited to send their questions

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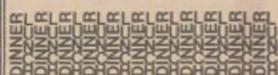
lectors. For the serious collector, you can contact Carl at home (523-1566) to see his private collection of rare and exclusive memorabilia.

Over the years, I've found that collecting movie materials is exciting and challenging. For instance, I have posters from

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The Greanias-Whitmire Relationship

□ Working with the Mayor

Dear Mr. Greanias,

In 1981, I helped vote you and Kathy Whitmire into office because I thought you both believed in the same things. I thought you would work well together, and that you as a council member would support the mayor on her efforts to make Houston a better place for all of us to live.

However, over the last five years I have been dismayed because you have become more and more willing to attack the mayor on all sorts of issues. Rather than working with her, you appear to be working against her. I was especially concerned last fall when you considered running for mayor that you might hurt her chances of beating Louie.

Why can't you support the mayor? Aren't we all on the same team?

(Name Withheld by Request)

Yes, we are all on the same team in the general sense that we have many of the same goals. However, as I am sure has become apparent, the mayor and I have some very different ideas about how the city should be run. To try to make things clearer, I will try to give you my thoughts on our relationship with one another as elected officials and how I approach dealing with her.

First of all, our relationship is not as adversarial as you might think from the media. As you know, the media reports the bad news, not the good. Kathy has done many good things since taking office, for which I give her full and frequent credit. Her appointments of department heads, for example, has set a new and enviable standard for all succeeding mayors to follow. The appointment of Lee Brown as police chief was the most visible and perhaps the most

acclaimed of these appointments. Certainly others such as Don Olson (Parks and Recreation), Jon Vaden Bosch (Public Works) and Paul Gaines (Aviation)—to name just a few—have been equally important to the management improvements that have been made in city government.

The mayor has also been of help to me in my efforts to improve our district. She supported the closing of Westheimer for the (Westheimer Art) festival for the first time back in 1982. She agreed to the improvements on the plans for Richmond Avenue that will make the street a tree-shaded avenue instead of a four lane expressway. She was an enthusiastic supporter of the plans to acquire the sanctuary of the old Church of Christ for a city library. She followed closely and supportively our efforts to establish a storefront police station on lower Westheimer.

At the same time, however, I am an independent elected official who campaigned on the promise that I would exercise my own judgement on all matters of city business. Implicit in this promise was my commitment to stand up for what I believed in, always focusing on issues rather than personalities.

This commitment has come into play most strongly on matters regarding city finances and the city budget. The mayor and I have a very serious disagreement over these issues. For the last four years, I have become increasingly concerned that the Administration's policy of spending more than we were taking in, and making up the difference from various "savings accounts," was going to get us into trouble once the "savings accounts" ran out. I was also concerned about the increasingly

Ask City Hall

By George Greanias
Houston City Councilman, District C



common practice of using federal revenue sharing funds for day-to-day expenses, in direct contradiction of traditional city policy. This is the heart of our disagreement.

Throughout these efforts, I have been careful not to become personal about the issue of city finances. But the issues involved need to be debated, and as a council member I believe that if I have a viewpoint that I think is sound I owe it to you as a constituent to voice that view, and to work to see that it becomes city policy.

As for making Kathy's election more difficult last year, I don't think she was in all that much trouble! Seriously, though, I said all along that I would never enter the race merely to spoil her chances. Once I concluded that that would be the most likely outcome of my candidacy, I decided against running, in order to give her a clear shot at a third term.

Please don't confuse valid debate over issues of public policy with personal dislike. I suppose that life would be much easier if council automatically endorsed all of the mayor's proposals. But that would be a perversion of our whole system of government. A council member who

did not exercise responsibly his or her independent judgement on important matters facing the city would not be doing their job. That is all I am trying to do, and I feel certain the mayor knows that there is no personal malice nor political calculation in it. Please recognize that there is room in government for honest disagreements honestly debated—even when we're all on the same team named Houston.

Ever had a problem with City Hall? Any city service? Perhaps you're just curious about some aspect of our city government or the services it is required to perform for its citizens. Write "Ask City Hall" c/o Montrose Voice, 408 Avondale, Houston, TX 77006. Confidentiality can be maintained if desired. On personal issues, Councilman Greanias will provide a personal answer.

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Typestyles indicate events' location: Events in Houston, Events of Local Interest Elsewhere, Events of Area Interest

SELECTED EVENTS THROUGH 7 DAYS

■ **FRIDAY:** "Breakthrough" lesbian-feminist program, KPFT, FM-90, 8:15-11am

■ **FRIDAY:** Montrose Country Cloggers meet 7pm, MCCR, 1919 Decatur

■ **FRIDAY:** Baytown Lambda meets 7:30pm Apr. 11

■ **SATURDAY/SUNDAY:** (April in Montrose) Greater Montrose Business Guild Trash & Treasure Sale, Apr. 12-13

■ **SATURDAY:** Dignity mass & social, 7:30pm, 3217 Fannin

■ **SATURDAY:** National Assoc. Lesbian & Gay Alcoholism Professionals meet 7pm Apr. 12, Montrose Counseling Center, 900 Lovett, suite 201

■ **SATURDAY:** Houston North Professionals meets 7:30pm, Apr. 12

■ **SUNDAY:** Houston Women's Softball League season play Heights Lyons Field, 13th Street near Shepherd

■ **SUNDAY:** Houston Tennis Club plays 10am-1pm, Homer Ford Tennis Center

■ **SUNDAY:** Hou-Tex Tennis Club plays 10:30am-1:30pm, Homer Ford Tennis Center

■ **SUNDAY:** Frontrunners run from Memorial Park Tennis Center

■ **SUNDAY:** Montrose Softball League season opening 12:15pm, Lawrence Field, W. 10th off N. Shepherd

■ **SUNDAY:** Women's bowling league plays, 3pm, Stadium Bowl

■ **SUNDAY:** W.W.B. Bowling League, 7:30pm, Post Oak Lanes

■ **SUNDAY:** (April in Montrose) High School of the Performing & Visual Arts wind ensemble concert Apr. 13

■ **SUNDAY:** Overeaters Anonymous meet 8pm Montrose Counseling Center, 900 Lovett

■ **MONDAY:** Integrity meets 7:30pm Apr. 14, Austry House, 6265 Main

■ **MONDAY:** Montrose Art Alliance meets Apr. 14

■ **MONDAY:** Gay & Lesbian Hispanics Unidos meet 7pm Dignity Center, 3217 Fannin, Apr. 14

■ **MONDAY:** MSA Bowling, 9pm at Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain

■ **TUESDAY:** (April in Montrose) Sculpture garden of Museum of Fine Arts opens Apr. 15

■ **TUESDAY:** Frontrunners run from Memorial Park Tennis Center

■ **TUESDAY:** MSA "Fun Volleyball League" plays, 7pm

■ **TUESDAY:** Montrose Symphonic Band meets Dignity Center, 3217 Fannin, 7:30pm

■ **WEDNESDAY:** It's Okay meets afternoon, Bering Church, 1440 Harold

■ **WEDNESDAY:** Hou-Tex Tennis Club doubles play, 7:30pm, Homer Ford Tennis Ctr

■ **WEDNESDAY:** Gay Political Caucus meets Holiday Inn, S. Main at Blodgett, 7:30pm Apr. 16

■ **WEDNESDAY:** MSA Pool League competition

■ **WEDNESDAY:** Overeaters Anonymous meet 8pm Bering Church, 1440 Harold

■ **THURSDAY:** Houston Tennis Club doubles play, 7:30pm, Homer Ford Tennis Center

■ **THURSDAY:** Frontrunners run from Memorial Park Tennis Center

■ **THURSDAY:** "Wilde 'n Stein" gay radio show 7:30-9pm on KPFT Radio, FM-90

■ **THURSDAY:** Mixed Bowling League, 8:45pm, Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain

SELECTED EVENTS IN FUTURE WEEKS

■ **IN 1 WEEK:** Westheimer Colony Art Festival, 9am-dusk, April 19-20, 500-1100 Westheimer

■ **IN 1 WEEK:** Parents FLAG meets 2pm, Apr. 20, Presbyterian Center, 41 Oakdale

■ **IN 1 WEEK:** Lutherans Concerned meets Apr. 22, Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh

■ **IN 1 WEEK:** Houston Area Gay & Lesbian Engineers & Scientists meet 7pm Apr. 22

■ **IN 1 WEEK:** Montrose Civic Club (Neartown) meets 7pm Apr. 22, 1413 Westheimer

■ **IN 1 WEEK:** Cleis, Lesbian Mothers Group, open meeting Apr. 24, Dignity Ctr.

■ **IN 1-2 WEEKS:** (April in Montrose) High School of the Performing & Visual Arts "Night Must Fall" concert Apr. 24-26

■ **IN 2 WEEKS:** (April in Montrose) Neartown Home Tour Apr. 26-27

■ **IN 2 WEEKS:** Gay Pride Week parade committee meeting Apr. 27

■ **IN 2 WEEKS:** Gay Pride Week Committee meeting 4pm Apr. 27, Dignity Center

■ **IN 2 WEEKS:** (April in Montrose) Houston Symphony presents chamber music, Tower Theater, Apr. 27

■ **IN 2 WEEKS:** Montrose Business Guild regular meeting & annual spring social Apr. 30, Backstreet Cafe, 1103 S. Shepherd

■ **IN 3 WEEKS:** Primary election May 3

■ **IN 3 WEEKS:** Houston Gay Health Advocates meet 7:30pm May 3

■ **IN 3 WEEKS:** (April in Montrose) Montrose Memorial Run May 4 honoring Shuttle Challenger astronaut

■ **IN ABOUT 3 WEEKS:** Gay Pride Week committee Casino Night, late April or early May

■ **IN 3 WEEKS:** Cleis, Lesbian Mothers Group, closed meeting May 8

■ **IN 3 WEEKS:** Avondale Association meets 7:30pm May 8, Christian Women's Center, 310 Pacific

■ **IN 4 WEEKS:** Citizens for Human Equality meets 7:30pm May 13, 2414 Gramercy

■ **IN 4 WEEKS:** Houston Data Professionals meets 7:30pm May 13

■ **IN 4 WEEKS:** Houston Bar Owners Assn. meets 2pm May 14

■ **IN 4 WEEKS:** Neartown Business Alliance meets 7pm May 14, Liberty Bank, 1001 Westheimer

■ **IN 6 WEEKS:** 6th annual "U.S. Gay Open" National Tennis Tournament, San Francisco, May 24-26

■ **IN 7 WEEKS:** Gay Pride Week Committee meeting 4pm June 1, Dignity Center

■ **IN ABOUT 9 WEEKS:** Oak Lawn Tennis Assoc. hosts Texas Cup Challenge, Dallas, competing with Houston Tennis Club, June

■ **IN 9 WEEKS:** Houston Gay Pride Week June 19-29

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) commemoration of the police raid of Mary's, June 20

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Sports Day June 21

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** Gay Political Caucus Community Awards Dinner, June 21

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Walk for Unity June 22

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) DJ Spinoff June 22

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Montrose Art Alliance exhibit June 23, 7:30-11pm

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Group Theatre Workshop presentation June 24

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Texas Gay Rodeo Assn. event June 25

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Day of Remembrance, June 26

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Gay & Lesbian Hispanics Unidos event June 27

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** Gay & Lesbian Hispanic Unidos event June 27

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Greater Montrose Business Guild business building workshop & trade fair 9:30am-3:30pm, June 28, Allen Park Inn

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Bering Church pancake breakfast June 28, 11am-3pm

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** 17th anniversary of Stonewall Riots, New York, June 28

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Couples-sponsored pet show, Bering Church, 4pm June 28

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** Greater Montrose Business Guild business building workshop & trade fair June 28

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Montrose Symphonic Band Concert June 28

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Gay Pride Parade, from 5:30pm, 100-1800 Westheimer, June 29

■ **IN 11 WEEKS:** (Gay Pride Week) Gay Political Caucus Rally, Spotts Park, Waugh Dr. at Memorial Dr.,

June 29

■ **IN 12 WEEKS:** Independence Day, July 4

■ **IN 16 WEEKS:** U.S. Olympic Festival opens, Houston, July 25-Aug. 3

■ **IN 17 WEEKS:** Gay Games II, "Triumph In '86," Aug 9-17, 1986, San Francisco

■ **IN 18 WEEKS:** 4th anniversary of federal ruling against Texas' "homosexual conduct law," Aug. 17, 1982

■ **IN 20 WEEKS:** Women's Softball '86 World Series, New Haven, Conn., Labor Day weekend

■ **IN ABOUT 20 WEEKS:** Gay Softball World Series, New York City

■ **IN 30 WEEKS:** 150th birthday of City of Houston, Aug. 30

■ **IN 21 WEEKS:** Metropolitan Community Churches-sponsored national prayer vigil for PWAs Sept. 5-7

■ **IN 45 WEEKS:** Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches & Dignity International simultaneous international conferences July 19-26, 1987, Miami/ Ft. Lauderdale

■ **SUNDAY:** Montrose Softball League season play 12:15pm, Lawrence Field, W. 10th off N. Shepherd

■ **IN 1 WEEK:** Greater Montrose Business Guild general meeting 7pm Apr. 23, Backstreet Restaurant, 1103 S. Shepherd

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HOGs Going Skating Again

The Houston Outdoor Group (HOG) members and guests that went roller skating with the Colt 45's on March 18 at the Carousel Rink off I-10 had such a great time that skating has been added to the HOGs calendar as a regular monthly event.

The group skates the third Tuesday of each month. The cost of the evening is \$3.75, which includes skates.

On April 25-27 members of the group will be water skiing at Sam Rayburn Lake. They will camp at Twin Dykes State Park in East Texas and rent a boat for water skiing on Saturday.

Anyone interested in any activities of the Houston Outdoor Group may call 680-3144 or 521-3641 for more information.

MSA and GLHU to Sponsor 'Fiesta Houston'

The Montrose Sports Association and Gay and Lesbian Hispanic Unidos will host the second annual "Fiesta Houston" at the Brazos River Bottom on Sunday, April 13, 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Fiesta activities include Mexican food, ethnic entertainers, and Latin music. There will be an enchilada cookoff along with the presentation of the Fiesta Court of the Sesquicentennial. The court is open to all those wearing fiesta costumes. There will be trophies and ribbons awarded to the winner.

A \$3 donation is requested with proceeds benefitting the MSA athletes competing in the Gay Games II and the GLHU gay pride activities. More information is available by calling Nick at 777-1823.

Willis Wins Tennis Honor

Last Sunday, April 6, the Houston Tennis Club membership voted Travis Willis as the Most Valuable Player for March. Although HTC newcomer Willis claimed the honor, four other members each received a vote.

Houston Tennis Club members are sharpening their skills in anticipation of playing in the Oak Lawn Spring Tournament in Dallas on May 3 and 4. Players may enter singles (A, B & C) as well as doubles (A&B) competition. For info, call Rich Corder, 524-2151.

Two members of the club died this past week. Richard Pregeant and Robert Arraga, both past treasurers, succumbed to AIDS. Members of the club extend their sympathies to the families and loved ones of these good members.

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SportsVoice Calendar & Standings

Montrose Softball League

SCHEDULE

Week 1, April 13, 1986

Opening ceremonies 12:15pm

Galleon vs. Richs 12:40

Briar Patch vs. Ranch, 1:50

Galleon vs. Rich's 3pm

Briar Patch vs. Ranch 4:10pm

611 vs. BRB 5:20pm

Montrose Voice vs. Dirty Sally's 6:30pm

611 vs. BRB 7:40pm

Montrose Voice vs. Dirty Sally's 8:50pm

A note about tennis: There are 2 tennis clubs with substantial Montrose or gay community participation. Although names are similar, they are separate clubs. Some players participate in both clubs.

Hou-Tex Tennis Club Challenge Ladder

matches through Mar. 23

TOP TEN LADDER

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Jim Kitch | 6 Pat Power |
| 2 Randall Dickerson | 7 Steve Bearden |
| 3 Eugene B. | 8 Thomas Cortez |
| 4 Donny Kelley | 9 Eddie Chavez |
| 5 David Garza | 10 Tiny Tim |

B LADDER

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|----------------|------------------|
| 1 Sabe Velez | 6 Mark Deardorff |
| 2 Lou Garza | 7 Randy Miller |
| 3 Joe L. | 8 Mr. Bill |
| 4 Ronn Rodd | 9 Rick Massey |
| 5 Larry Jarvis | 10 Bill Santati |

C LADDER

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Rick Knapp | 6 Rudy Garcia |
| 2 Gabe Herpin | 7 David Moskowitz |
| 3 Henry Eckhardt | 8 Randy Jierschbeck |
| 4 Rick Martinez | 9 Steve Chesney |
| 5 Daiwid Hendrickson | |

DOUBLES LADDER

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|---------------------------------|
| 1 Steve Bearden & Bill Santati |
| 2 Ronn Rodd & Richard Peckart |
| 3 Eddie Chavez & Henry Eckhardt |

MSA Pool League

Team Standings, Winter League, Week 16

TEAM Recent Week, Total Matches, Total games

DIVISION A

- | | | | |
|--------------------|------|------|---------|
| 1 Bacchus I | 11-4 | 12-3 | 143-082 |
| 2 Four 611 | bye | 12-3 | 137-088 |
| 3 Ranch Hands | 11-4 | 11-4 | 130-095 |
| 4 Mary's Naturally | 15-0 | 10-5 | 137-088 |
| 5 Too 611 | 4-11 | 6-7 | 122-103 |

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|-------------------|------|------|---------|
| 6 Marion & Lynn's | 10-5 | 8-7 | 119-108 |
| 7 Street Cats | 4-11 | 6-9 | 117-108 |
| 8 Bacchus II | 15-0 | 6-9 | 109-116 |
| 9 BRB Shooters | 0-15 | 6-9 | 075-150 |
| 10 Outlaws | 5-10 | 5-10 | 122-103 |

DIVISION B

- | | | | |
|----------------------|------|------|---------|
| 1 The Barn | 10-5 | 13-2 | 140-085 |
| 2 Lipstick | 10-5 | 10-5 | 135-090 |
| 3 611 III | 13-2 | 10-5 | 130-095 |
| 4 The Galleon | 5-10 | 10-5 | 127-088 |
| 5 Kindred Spirits I | 9-5 | 8-7 | 116-107 |
| 6 Kindred Spirits II | 2-13 | 7-5 | 125-100 |
| 7 JR's | 8-7 | 6-9 | 104-121 |
| 8 The 611 | 6-9 | 6-9 | 102-123 |
| 9 Hooters II | 5-10 | 3-11 | 073-130 |
| 10 Lone Stars | 7-8 | 3-12 | 081-143 |
| 11 Hooters I | bye | 2-13 | 080-145 |

Houston Tennis Club Challenge Ladder

matches through Apr. 6

TOP TEN LADDER

- | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1 Andrew Morris | 6 Rick Hadnot |
| 2 Robert Holmes | 7 Ed Farley |
| 3 J. C. Barrera | 8 Rich Corder |
| 4 Armi Albanza | 9 Oscar Martinez |
| 5 Ron Bell | 10 Edward de Leon |

B LADDER

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|-----------------|----------------------|
| 1 Ron McCauley | 6 Randy Lunstford |
| 2 Billy Green | 7 Daiwid Hendrickson |
| 3 Steve Bryant | 8 Oscar Ysassi |
| 4 Roy Mendiola | 9 Rudy Garcia |
| 5 Travis Willis | 10 J.V. Klinger |

C LADDER

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| 1 Joe D. | 2 Howard Brown |
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DOUBLES LADDER

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|-----------------------------------|
| 1 Billy Green & Paul Brown |
| 2 Randy Lunstford & Rich Corder |
| 3 Andrew Morris & Bill Dee |
| 4 Travis Willis & Randy Lunstford |
| 5 Paul Brown & Rich Corder |
| 6 Jerry Barker & Dave |

Regular Weekly Events

SUNDAY: Frontrunners, Memorial Park Tennis Center

Houston Tennis Club 10am-1pm, Homer Ford Tennis Center

Hou-Tex Tennis Club 10:30am-1:30pm, Homer Ford Tennis Center

Women's Softball League regular season play, through June, Heights Lyons Field, 13th

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Street near Shepherd

Montrose Softball League regular season play, Lawrence Field, off N. Shepherd at W. 10th

Women's Bowling League 5pm, Stadium Bowl

W.W.B. Bowling League 7:30pm, Post Oak Lanes

MONDAY: MSA Men's Bowling 9pm, Stadium Bowl

TUESDAY: Frontrunners, Memorial Park Tennis Center

MSA "Fun Volleyball League," 7pm

WEDNESDAY: MSA Pool League plays 8pm, various locations

Hou-Tex Tennis Club doubles 7:30pm Homer Ford Tennis Center

THURSDAY: Frontrunners, Memorial Park Tennis Center

Houston Tennis Club doubles 7:30pm Homer Ford Tennis Center

Whatever Happened to Baby Jane? MSA Mixed Bowling League 8:45pm, Stadium Bowl

Special Events

April 13: Montrose Softball League opening day, 12:15pm-10pm, Lawrence Field, off N. Shepherd at W. 10th

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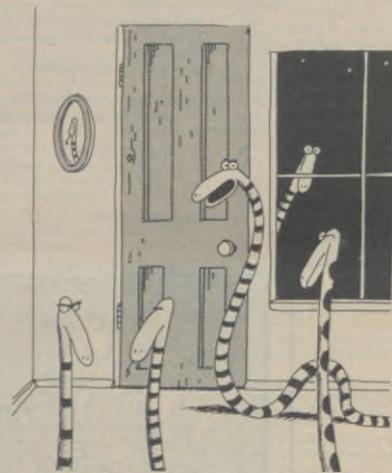
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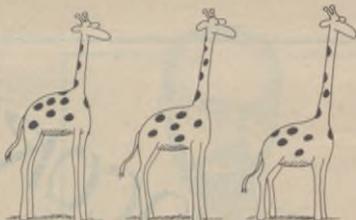
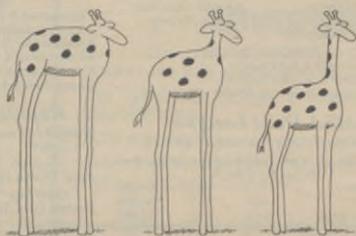
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"Uh-oh—did anyone remember to feed the giraffe tonight?"



Giraffe evolution



"And here we are last summer off the coast of ... Helen, is this Hawaii or Florida?"

Fortunes

Opportunity Knocks For Aries

By Mark Orion

For Friday, April 11, through Thursday, April 17, 1986.

ARIES—Opportunity knocks at every turn this week. Be alert to chances to improve your lot in life. Be flexible to changes required to reap the benefits.

TAURUS—Your spring social schedule slows down. Now is the time to catch up on much needed rest. Use the quiet time to finalize summer vacation plans.

GEMINI—Get on with that spring cleaning project you've been postponing. You'll be amazed at the difference a fresh coat of paint makes. Brightening up your surroundings goes a long way at brightening your mood. The work will be done in no time.

CANCER—A new relationship brightens your month. Things may seem difficult at first. Just remember the saying, "April showers bring May flowers."

LEO—You come out of a work conflict smelling like a rose. You hold your ground in a debate and management notices your tenacity. This incident will be recalled at a later date and your career will benefit.

VIRGO—You feel a remark made by a friend was rude and insensitive. A tactful and discrete discussion solves the problem and those around you now know how you feel about the matter. No serious damage done and others understand you better.

LIBRA—You are enjoying a wonderful burst of physical energy. People notice the spring in your step. Match that with a generally good mood and you're more popular than ever.

SCORPIO—A romantic interest has you feeling like a million bucks. Your feet haven't touched the ground in weeks. Enjoy yourself. Let honesty and sincerity guide you through this one. The other party knows how you feel and reciprocates.

SAGITTARIUS—Fortunately, you didn't get burned from your recent play with fire. As a matter of fact, it was kind of fun and no one got hurt. Occasionally, try taking these little risks. You'll know when the time is right.

CAPRICORN—A long-awaited invitation has you needing to make a fashion statement. Your good taste in clothing and your charming personality make you the hit of the party. You meet new people and more invitations will be coming your way.

AQUARIUS—You gave an unsuccessful effort your best try. All is not lost because others noticed how hard you worked. Don't let this setback slow you down. Future efforts will bring success.

PISCES—Financial matters take up most of your time this week. Concentrate on long term planning. At this time you can afford to set a little more aside each week. Knowing that you're saving for a rainy day eases tension and helps you enjoy time spent with family and friends.

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New Travel Agency Caters to Gay Clients

This story appears out of commercial considerations

"I've been looking at this place for a long time. The airplane on top of the building always caught my eye," said native Houstonian Mark Duncan, owner of the World Travel Agency on Shepherd Drive. "Through the years the plane has changed."

The airplane on top of the building is now a 747. But when the building opened in the late 1940's, the 747 was not yet even an idea much less a reality.

Not only has the airplane changed, the concept of a travel agency has also changed since the agency opened in 1974

in that building. Computers have replaced the excessive paperwork, reservations and planning have become faster and easier, and the clientele has also increased and even changed.

Duncan, the owner of three Houston agencies, purchased the agency in March. "We (he and his employees) got to thinking about it and felt that the gay community had a need," he explained. "And the need should be fulfilled."

Duncan, who is married and has children, listened to his staff and heard their opinions about the need for a travel agency to offer information and travel arrangements where homosexuals can travel and be in a comfortable environment.

"People, whoever they are, can come here and feel comfortable. Whatever they are looking for, we can assist them and will be most willing and helpful," he explained. "Many travel agencies do not realize the need nor have the information to accommodate the gay community," he added.

"If someone calls to say they want to go to San Francisco for the weekend, we will be able to suggest locations and give them a choice of a resort, bed and breakfast accommodations, or a hotel where they will be most comfortable," he continued.

Duncan's staff, which includes several from the gay community, is actively working to compile information and locations of the major cities to accommodate the gay community. "We even have a list of the gay bars in most major cities," he said.

In speaking of international travel, Duncan said, "We are familiar with Amsterdam, which has to be the gay capital of the world. We know where to stay, the bars and the activities there. After all, right now you can go to Amsterdam for about \$400 plane fare plus about that much for expenses," he went on to say.

Duncan also pointed out that his agency is familiar with cruises which are gay-oriented. He said he had scheduled cruises from New Orleans to Key West, for example.

"We'll serve everyone, but we want to have a comfortable situation for gays to express their travel desires without having to explain everything or feel uptight about it," he said.

"My experience with gays is that they are very demanding about service and the quality of that service and the accommodations. We are going to offer that quality," he emphasized.

Duncan, who has been in the travel agency business since 1974, saw the need for an agency which could better serve the gay community and be located in a convenient place. He purchased the Shepherd location because it was centrally located near the Montrose area, the Heights and Village.

He also actively pursued a person to work in that office. "When we decided to do this, one of my Galleria employees called a friend of his in Oklahoma. He came down for an interview and was hired. Kevin Hill, a former Houstonian, accepted the position," Duncan explained.

"I was excited about returning to Houston and joining the agency," Hill said. "It sounded like a great opportunity with Mark and I wanted to get back to Houston," he explained.

"We run what we believe to be a very professional organization. We not only work at getting sales but we also control costs and offer a service which basically entails no fees," Duncan explained.

He also said the agency offers two types of services, commercial and leisure. He said the commercial accounts basically get the business person from one point to another with or without pre-arranged accommoda-

tions.

"For the leisure accounts we must even offer such information as what to wear on the second night of a cruise or what the weather will be upon arrival," he said. He also pointed out that the agency has detailed information stored in the computer including a detailed formula of information for the repeat customers so that they do not have to repeat it each time.

World Travel is planning an open house for Saturday, April 26, for people to stop by to meet the staff and see the facilities and computer information.

Duncan also has made another commitment to the gay community. "Everytime a ticket is generated I am going to donate a percentage of it to the KS/AIDS Foundation," he said.

Letters

On the Race for County Judge

From Tom Radloff

While attention has been centering on the gubernatorial race, it should be noted that an equally dreary choice seems to be presenting itself in the No. 1 local race, the tilt for county judge.

Incumbent Jon Lindsay has never condescended to support equal rights for gays. Challenger Jim Greenwood, when presented with an opportunity to make a forthright statement on the subject, split his vote.

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See ads under "Yard Sales" at the end of the Montrose Classified.

MODELS, ESCORTS, MASSEURS

APRIL 15

It can be bad news for your immune system if your stomach's tied in knots. Massage for health and relaxation at the Fitness Exchange. 524-9932.

BODY MASSAGE

Full body massage. Hot oil—in or out. Bruce 622-0370.

TOP TO BOTTOM

Relaxing and soothing deep muscle massage by bodybuilder. 568-2544.

RELAX AND ENJOY

The Body Works Massage is back. For appointment, call Bill 526-2470.

Therapeutic Relaxing Healthy Loving Mark—Master of Massage 713-527-9753

PERSONALS

VERY IMPORTANT

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Joseph Rosselli please contact his sister, Shirley, at 658-5262.

Love!! Lost Love!! Money!! Vegas!! Friendship!!

All of these things can be yours. Use your own personal winners circle's numbers. 11,000 year old science is now a tool for you. Send exact data: Birth Name, Birthdate, AM or PM. Makes perfect gift. \$7 each (7 page chart). If using Visa or Mastercard, send info from raised print. Your check is welcome.

The Winners Circle (2008)

P.O. Box 111638
Houston, Texas 77293

STUDENT/HOUSEBOY

This ad is directed towards one serious 18-20 year old, student who, for either financial and/or family reasons, would find it difficult to continue his education. Son, if you prove to be the right young man, I would like to help you secure your academic or arts school education. And help you in many other ways.

This is who I am: 1. 40 years old. 2. Quite youthful appearing and acting. 3. Totally straight appearing and acting. 4. Bearded. 5. Tall (6'11 1/2"). 6. Thin (160lbs.). 7. Hirsute. 8. Negative to the antibodies of HTLV-III virus (which means that I am proven to be free from infection with the AIDS-causing virus). 9. Professional bachelor. 10. Possessing an aching need to love, guide and care for a young man who needs that love, guidance and care.

This is what I will do if you prove to be the right person: 1. Subsidize your education at a four-year college or arts school. 2. Fully care for all of your financial needs (clothing, food, travel, books, sports, recreation both cultural and educational, hospital and medical insurance, dental needs, etc.). 3. Give you the security of a stable home. 4. Give you the security of a long-term, protective relationship. 5. Introduce you to the good life of New York City (including theatre, ballet, opera, sports events, dining out at better restaurants, etc., at least weekly). 6. Offer you my maturity and sophistication. 7. Guide you in your studies and development. 8. Offer you my avuncular (like an uncle) love.

This is what I require of the right person: 1. Be between 18-20 years of age (proof of age required). 2. Appear 2-3 years younger than your chronological age. 3. Be happy that you are gay. 4. Appear boyish, not effeminate. 5. Possess a strong urge to further your education without possessing the financial facility that that education. (But, please do not respond to this ad if you believe, that by so responding, you are selling your soul to the Devil in a last-ditch effort to obtain your education. Please respond if you believe that you would truly enjoy the particular type of gay lifestyle which I offer, as well as desiring having your education subsidized). 6. Be prepared to be totally honest with me. 7. Have no involvement with or interest in the gay bar scene, drugs, alcohol, or cigarettes, or be real to totally abstain from these activities. 8. Be intellectually bright and/or artistically talented. 9. Be prepared to work quite hard to maintain a 3.0 or higher college average or the arts school equivalent. 10. Have a strong need to be loved and cared for by a surrogate "uncle". 11. Be as determined to maintain a long term (at least throughout the 4 years of your undergraduate education) commitment to me as I am determined to commit myself to you. 12. Physically be short (5'8" or preferably less) and (even more importantly) quite slender (130 lbs. or preferably less). 13. Have wavy hair (or be willing to have your hair permed). 14. Be extremely boyishly, youthfully handsome.

I am pleased to be able to inform you that, 3 months ago, I selected the first of the two young men for whom I wish to care. That young man is presently successfully completing his first semester of a 4 year college program. He has told me that he looks forward to meeting you and letting you know how satisfied he is in having been selected by me and to serve as one of my references and to assure you that my search is bona fide and that I am completely sincere in my desire to care for the second young man as well as to continue to care for him.

Son, if you believe that you are the right person whom I seek, kindly call collect 914-428-3991 between 5:00pm and 10:00pm weekdays, or 9:00am and 5:00pm weekends. Eastern Standard Time. If no answer, either leave a message on my answering machine (if you feel comfortable in doing so, leave your telephone number and the best time for me to return your call) or kindly call again. Thank you. Good luck.

SET A RECORD

Deep throat expert needs horny, hung volunteers to try for Guinness Book of World Records. Must be 21 or older, most often, etc. Reply Blind Box 285-W, c/o Voice.

Attractive, versatile, masculine couple desires exclusive commitment with one other non-promiscuous gay couple for less risky sexual encounters. One of us has exceptional endowment, the other exceptional phallus. One of you must be heavily hung top man (over 9 and very thick). Sincere calls only. No phone sex. 524-8390 or 526-6695.

Attractive GWM looking for possible relationship/safe action. If you are age 30-45, Gr Active, let's talk. Call Frank 523-4857. GWF seeks special friend, possible relationship, no drugs. 30-45. Reply to Blind Box 285-P c/o Voice.

GWM couple would like to meet GWM, GBM 23-45 single or non-jealous, non-weird couple. He is 26 (constantly I.D. ed), very thin (skinny) 5'10". Small town type who's been corrupted by me. Prefers Fr Act, pass, some Grk types. I'm 37, stocky, light beard, moustache, 5'8" (tiptoes). Big city type, small town type corruptor. Prefer Fr pass, some Fr act. Hung types. However we're both very versatile. We like most things life has had to offer, expect you do, too. Sex is great and we want it, but we're fresh in town and would like to make new friends for keeps, also. Please, no over-fats, over-fems, over druggies, wackos or those who are pratty and "know it". Revealing photo, letter if you can. Super fast reply in return. Reply Blind Box 285-S c/o Voice.

UNUSUAL OPPORTUNITY

Bi-male, 28, 6'2", brown/blue. Am healthy, enthusiastic, masculine and happy. Work out regularly although not musclebound. Professionally employed, enjoy involvement in career as well as finding new friends. Perfect opportunity to meet someone with whom you have common interests and lifestyle out of bed as well as in bed. Am open minded. Single? Great. Married b? OK too. Rush your reply with photo and any questions/comments/suggestions and will answer post haste. Reply Blind Box 285-H c/o Voice.

GWM, mid 40s, 5'11". Trim bid/blu, enjoys home life, entertaining with friends, boating, working out good personally. Looking for slim well built GWM or GLM 25-32, non-smoker/doper, discreet. Please reply to Chris, P.O. Box 66973 No. 147, Houston 77006.

ERICA BACARDI—URGENT

Please contact B.T. 526-8721 or 528-2825. Thanks

GWM, MODEL, 36

A slim and hung bottom seeks non-smoking top thru 40's, who's thick, hung and horny for deep and satisfying safe sex, possible long-term relationship. Reply Blind Box 274-A c/o Voice.

PHONE SEX

Our service connects guys 24 hrs. a day. No models or scripts. Hot live action. Call now: (415) 346-8747.

21 YR. OLD BLACK MALE

Slim, attractive, clean cut, is looking to meet single females, or married couples. Provocative, sophisticated, intelligent, passionate, energetic, 5'6", 130, clean and safe. Just a drink, a dance and conversation or secret meeting place for a hot extra spicy, sexual encounter. I can handle it! Heavy, age, race, size, is no problem. Photo and phone or personal suggestion would be nice! But not necessary. Will reply w/photo if requested. P.S. No single males. Reply Blind Box 284-K c/o Voice.

HOT HUNG LATINOS

Wanted for safe encounters. Call 868-4172.

Gay wrestling! Uncensored infotopix \$3.00. NYWC, 59 West 10th, NYC 10011.

GWM, 6'11", 160, 160, blonde/blue. Non-smoker, non-drugs, non-effeminate, conservative, warm, independent, caring. Seek similar 19-35, enjoy life outside clubs. Prefer slender guy. Your returnable photo gets mine. It matters, I'm well endowed. Occupant, P.O. Box 771372, Houston, 77215.

PLAY SAFE

Safe sex is fun, erotic. Play safe, for your sake, for your partner's sake.

CONFIDENTIAL PHOTO FINISHING

Don't take those pictures of your boyfriend to the drug store. Bring them to Henry's 1-Hour Photo, 428 Westheimer, for confidential photo developing and printing. We promise Big, Bright and Beautiful Prints... as clear and sharp as your original negative allows.

A CLASSIFIED AFFAIR?

John Preston and Frederick Brandt can show you how to have active fun or play passive games with the personal ads in their book, "Classified Affairs," they'll tell you how to write an ad that really stands out, what to expect when you place or respond to an ad, and even what all those funny little abbreviations mean. Send \$8 to "Classified Affairs," Alyson Pub, Dept. P-5, 40 Plympton St., Boston, MA 02118. (Also included will be a coupon for \$5 off on your next Personals in your choice of 25 gay publications, including the Montrose Voice.)

OUR POLICY on Sexually-Explicit Advertising

The Montrose Voice does not believe that humans engaging in consenting sexual acts with one another is immoral. Our readers are encouraged to advertise here to seek relationships, encounters, adventures, etc. All advertising should, however, not contain language that would offend an unsuspecting reader.

PETS

AKC PUPPIES

Poodles, Lhasas, Shih-tzus, West Highlands, Dobermans, Cairns. Shot wormed, M/C—Visa. 404-3729.

YARD & GARAGE SALES

Garage sale, 1507 Dunlavy. Sat. Sun. April 12 & 13, 10-5.

Two couples. Antiques, books, paintings, trash and treasure. 4122 Duval. April 12 & 13, 9-5.

HUGE GARAGE SALE

King bed (\$125), W&D (\$400), Frig (\$425), desk (\$100) 524-4555.

HAVING A YARD SALE?

Announce it here... then stand back for the crowd! Call 529-8490 or visit the Voice at 408 Avondale to place your yard sale announcement.

WERE FIGHTING FOR YOUR LIFE

American Heart Association




WE TAKE EXCEPTION TO WHAT YOUR MOTHER TAUGHT YOU.

YOU SHOULDN'T EAT EVERYTHING PUT IN FRONT OF YOU.

You should avoid foods high in cholesterol. It's a fact, a high blood cholesterol level substantially increases your chances of developing heart disease. By cutting down on fatty, rich foods, you can do yourself a big favor. You could lower your blood cholesterol level and reduce your risk of heart disease.

For more information about a planned and balanced diet, contact your American Heart Association. We'll give you some free advice on how to plan a diet good for life.



EXERCISE

BOX DO I WORK HARD AT THIS JOB?

SORRY, BUT I HAD TO PASS YOU UP FOR PROMOTION, SOMEHOW YOU JUST DON'T EMANATE CONFIDENCE.

AW, SHOOT.

THAT DOES IT! I'M BLOCKING UP MY SWEAT GLANDS FOR GOOD WITH FLONOMO.

FLONOMO—HOLDS BACK THE ONLY THING THAT'S BEEN HOLDING YOU BACK.

...TO UPHOLD THE CONSTITUTION... OF THE UNITED STATES.

Montrose Voice Classified Advertising

These rates apply only to advertising in this section of the newspaper. For regular display advertising rates, call our Display Advertising Sales Department, 529-8490.

THE HEADLINES: Headline words in bold type, centered, are \$1 each word (minimum \$3 per line). (Centered bold headlines can also appear within the text or at the end of the ad, and are also \$1 per word, with a minimum of \$3 per line.)

THE TEXT: Each word in regular type is 40¢. (Additional regular words in "ALL CAPS" or **Bold Words** not in all caps are 55¢ each. Additional **BOLD WORDS** in all caps are 70¢ each.)

EXAMPLES:

THIS HEADLINE \$3.00
Then each additional word like this 40¢

THESE TWO LINES
HERE TOTAL \$6.00
Then each additional word like this 40¢.

THESE THREE LINES
ALL CAPITAL LETTERS
CENTERED, BOLD, \$9.00
Then each additional word like this is 40¢.
ADDITIONAL CAPITAL WORDS LIKE THIS IN TEXT ARE 55¢ EACH. Additional bold words like this in text are 55¢ each. ADDITIONAL BOLD, ALL CAPS, WORDS LIKE THIS IN THE TEXT ARE 70¢ EACH.

LONG TERM ADVERTISING: Run the same ad 4 weeks or longer, make no copy changes during the run, pay for the full run in advance, and deduct 15%. Run the same ad 13 weeks or longer under the same conditions and deduct 25%.

BLIND AD NUMBERS: Want secrecy? Ask for a Blind Ad Number. We'll confidentially forward all responses to you and to you by mail or you can pick them up at our office. Rate is \$3 for each week the ad runs. (Responses will be forwarded indefinitely, however, for as long as they come in.)

ORDERING YOUR AD: You may mail your ad in or phone it in. You can pay by check, money order, Mastercard, Visa, American Express, Diner's Club or Carte Blanche. Or we'll bill you.

DEADLINE: Classified ads received by 3pm Wednesday will be placed in that week's newspaper. Ads received later will be placed in the following week's newspaper.

ANSWERING A BLIND AD: Address your envelope to the Blind Ad number, c/o Montrose Voice, 408 Avondale, Houston, TX 77006-3028. It will be forwarded, unopened, to the advertiser. Enclose no money.

ADDITIONAL NOTES: A "word" is considered anything separated by "spaces," except hyphenated words are considered 2 words when each segment is a recognized word if it stood on its own. A complete phone number, including area code, is 1 word. City, state and zip is 3 words.

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CATEGORIES: Announcements

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Commercial Space Dwellings & Roommates

Employment & Jobs Wanted Items For Sale

Models, Escorts, Masseurs Personals Pets Rides Travel

Yard & Garage Sales

PLACE MY SERVICE-ORIENTED AD UNDER _____ IN THE
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OPPOSITE PAGE _____

bold headline words at \$1 each
(minimum \$3 per line);

regular words in text at 40¢ each;

ALL CAPS regular words in text at 55¢ each;

Bold words in text at 55¢ each;

BOLD ALL CAPS in text at 70¢ each;

Blind ad number assigned for \$3?

Complete issue of newspaper with my ad in it mailed to me, \$1.25?

TOTAL FOR 1 WEEK:

Times _____ weeks:

Less 15% discount for 4 to 12 weeks or 25% discount for 13 weeks or more equals COST OF AD(S):

Also, I wish to receive The Voice home delivered each week. I have enclosed (or will be billed or charged, as indicated below) an additional \$29 for 6 months or \$49 for 1 year.

TOTAL ENCLOSED or to be billed or charged: _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT: Check enclosed Money order enclosed

Cash VISA charge MasterCard charge Diners Club charge

Carte Blanche charge American Express charge Bill me

If charging, card expiration date _____

Credit card number _____

Signature _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone(s) for verification of ad, if necessary _____

MAIL OR BRING TO:

Montrose Voice, 408 Avondale, Houston, TX 77006-3028.

OR PHONE (713) 529-8490 weekdays 10am-5:30pm

MONTROSE RESOURCES

SELECTED STATE, NAT ORGANIZATIONS:

Bur Owners Assn of Tx (BOAT), 720 Brazos #602, Austin, 512-479-3333

Gay Action Committee, c/o Federation of AIDS Related Organizations, 1115 Independence Ave SE, Washington, DC 20003, (202) 547-2101

Gay & Lesbian Press Assn, P.O. Box 350, 512 Chelsea St, New York, NY 10011, (212) 699-6622

Gay Rights Nat Lobby, POB 1899, Washington, DC 20013, (202) 546-1931

Human Rights Campaign Fund, POB 1936, Washington, DC 20013, (202) 546-2025

Int'l Gay Assn, RF55, Box 350, 512 Chelsea St, New York, NY 10011, (212) 699-6622

Lambda Legal Defense, 132 W 43rd, New York, NY 10018, (212) 684-9488

Lesbian/Gay Rights Advocates, POB 832, Austin 78767

Nat Assn of Business Councils, Box 15145, San Francisco, CA 94115, 415-869-6363

Nat Assn of Gay & Lesbian Demo Clubs, 1742 Mass Ave SE, Washington, DC 20003, (202) 547-3104

Nat Gay Health Educ Foundation, POB 794, New York, NY 10036, (212) 963-6213 or Dr Greenberg (713) 523-5204

Nat Gay Rights Advocates, 543 Castro, San Francisco, CA 94114, (415) 863-3631

Nat Gay Task Force (NGTF), 80 5th Ave, New York, NY 10011, (212) 741-5881

NGTFs, Crainline, (800) 221-7044 (outside New York State)

Rural Coalition, c/o Walter-Zanghi, Box 511, Blum, TX 76027

Tx Gay-Lesbian Task Force, POB AK, Denton 76201, (817) 387-1111

US Transvestite-Transsexual Contact Soc, 1017-B E Pike, Seattle, 98122, (206) 624-8296

ATTENTION ORGANIZATIONS

Check your listing. We list here each week name of organization, address, phone, regular meeting dates & times, & dates of special events. If your listing is incorrect, mail correct information to The Voice, 408 Avondale, Houston, TX 77006.

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Aid for AIDS, POB66414, 77266, 526-6077

American Gay Men's Chorus, Church of Christ, POB 6674, 77266, 526-1855

A Place in the Sun, 526-7666

ACLU, 1236 W Gray, 524-5925

AIDS Hotline, 529-3211 (G&L Switchboard)

American Gay Athletes, POB 66711, 77266, 527-9255

Apr in Montrose (joint community project, Greater Montrose Business Center, 1100 West Sale Ave 12-13; High School of the Performing & Visual Arts wing ensemble concert, Apr 13 8:00pm; Musical presentation, Apr 24-26; Westheimer Country Art Festival, Apr 19-20, 500-1100 Westheimer, Nearshore Home Tour, Apr 26-27; Houston Symphony chamber music, Tower Theater, Apr 27; Museum of Fine Arts sculpture garden opens, Apr 15; Montrose Memorial Run, May 4.

Astro Rainbow Society for the Deaf, 520-0732 (TTY)

Avondale Assn, POB 66504, 77266 meets 7:30pm 2nd Thurs, Women's Christian Ch, 310 Pacific

Azulae Womyn's Magazine, 6130 SW Fay #335, 268-5232

Bayou Blu Singers, Robert Moon, dr, 209 Stratford, 668-3054

Bering Memorial United Methodist Church, 1440 Haroid, 526-1017, svc 10:00am Sun, Gay Pride Week pancake breakfast, 8am-3pm Jun 28, Gay Pride Week pet show 4pm Jun 28

Choices Unlimited, 529-3211 (G&L Switchboard)

Christian Church of the Good Shepherd, 1707 Montrose, svc 1pm Sun, Bible study 7:30pm Thurs (Montrose) Church of Christ, 1700 Montrose, 528-1852

Church of Christian Faith, 1840 Westheimer, 528-8055, svc 10:45am Sun, Bible study 7:30pm Wed, Rev. Chria A Rice, pastor

Church of the Rock, 580-6456, svc 10:30am Citizens for Human Equality (CHE), POB 30045, 77253, 680-3347, 937-3516; meet 2nd Tues, 2414 Gramercy

Cleas, Lesbian Mothers Group, Sara 473-3708 meets 2nd & 4th Thurs, Dignity Ctr

Clippers, 642-8522

Colt 45's, Darrell Butler pres, meets at Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, 529-4192

Committee for Public Health Awareness, POB 3045, 77253, 528-6333, 528-5084; "Sharing Group for the Wounded Well" meet Fri, 7-8pm, Montrose Counseling Ctr

Community Political Action Committee (C-PAC), POB 2005, 77252, 236-8666

Community Gospel Ctr, 3207 Montrose, 521-0511, Svcx 11am Sun, 7:30pm Thurs

Congregation Aytz Chayim, 728-5181, 688-8997, meets 2nd & 4th Fri, Holiday Inn, Dallas Room, Main & Blodgett

Couples, Gay Pride Week pet show 4pm Jun 28, Bering Church

Crisis Hotline, 228-1505

Demo Committee of GPC, 526-8534

Dharma Study Group, 406 Avondale, 524-9554

Diana Foundation, 2700 Mason, 524-5791

Dignity/Hou (gay Catholics), 3217 Fannin, 528-0111, 523-7644, met & svc 7:30pm Sat

ESOPS Private Professional Social Club, 961-9876

Federation of Charities United for Social Services (FOUSS), joint fundraising arm of G&L Switchboard, KSAIDS Foundation, Montrose Clinic, Montrose Counseling Ctr

Tal Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin, 526-1571, svc 11:15am Sun

Transfrontiers, Joe 520-8019 or Salvador 529-1288, runs Sun, Tues & Thurs Memorial Park Tennis Ctr, Montrose Memorial Run May 4, Gay Pride Week sports day Jun 21

Gay & Alive Sharing Experience (GASE), 528-1311, 528-0891

Gay & Lesbian Archives of Tx, affiliate of I/H Inc

Gay & Lesbian Mothers, 1713 Westheimer #640, 77098, 568-1413

Gay & Lesbian Student Assn at UoH, Box 314, 4800 Calhoun, 529-3211 (G&L Switchboard)

Gay & Lesbian Switchboard, POB 66591, 77266, 529-3211; information, counseling, referrals, TTY, AIDS Hotline

Gay Asians & Friends, 785-3633 or G&L Switchboard

Gay Fathers, 3217 Fannin, 528-0111, 2171-1761, 381-6653

G&L Hispanics Unidos, POB60921, 77260, 521-3641, meets 7pm 2nd Mon, Dignity Ctr, Gay Pride Week Jun 28

Gay Nurses Alliance, 880-9486

Gay People in Christian Science, Box 613, Belaire 77401, 665-2642

Gay Political Caucus (GPC), POB 66664, 77266, 521-1000; official GPC event #101; meets Holiday Inn, South Main at Blodgett, 1st & 3rd Wed; primary election May 3; Gay Pride Week community awards dinner Jun 21, Gay Pride Week Sports Park Rally Jun 28

(Hou) Gay Pride Week Committee, POB 66821, 77266, Stan Ford, 523-7844 or Cathy Lenahan 686-6256; public meetings Apr 27, Jun 1, 4pm; Dignity Ctr, parade committee meetings Apr 27, Jun 1, 2pm; after 4pm public meeting; Dignity Ctr, Gay Pride Week, Jun 19-26; commemoration of raid on Mary's Jun 20; Sports Day Jun 21; GPC Community Awards Dinner Jun 21; Walk for Unity Jun 22; DJ Spinoff Jun 22; Montrose Art Alliance exhibit 7:30-11pm Jun 23; "The Group" live theater presentation, Jun 24; Tx Gay Rodeo Assn event Jun 25; Day of Remembrance Jun 26; Gay & Lesbian Hispanics Unidos event Jun 26; GPC community awards dinner Jun 27; Bering Church pancake breakfast 11am-3pm & pet show 4pm Jun 28; Greater Montrose Business Guild business building workshop & trade fair, 9:30am-3:30pm Allen Park Inn Jun 28; Montrose Symposium, Band concert Jun 28; Lower Westheimer-Walkoff Ctr, parade & 3:30pm Jun 29; GPC Sports Park Rally Jun 29

Greater Montrose Business Guild, Phyllis Frye 770-9211; general meeting, 1pm, 1st Wed, Backstreet Cafe, 1103 S. Shepherd; board meeting 2nd or 3rd Thurs; Trash & Treasure Sale Apr 12-13; Spring Social and meeting Apr 30; business building workshop & trade fair 9:30am-3:30pm Allen Park Inn Jun 29

"The Group" theater, Joe Watts 522-2226, meets 7pm Thurs, Alliance, 3217 Fannin, Gay Pride Week presentation Jun 24

Hazelwood Productions, POB 66242, 77266; lesbian concerts, events, free mailing list

Homophile Interfaith Alliance, 723 Manor, 523-6969

Hou Area G&L Engineers & Scientists, POB 66631, 77006, 439-1879; meets 7pm 4th Tues

Hou Bar Owners Assn (HBOA), c/o Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, 528-9152, meets 2pm 2nd Wed

Hou Community Clowns, 862-8314

Hou Council of Clubs, 526-8054

Hou Data Professionals, 523-6922, 664-6459; meets 7:30pm 2nd Tues

Hou Flag & Drill Corps, David Walker pres, 526-2776 after 6pm

Hou Gay Health Advocates, Steve Burton, 790-9448, meets 7:30pm 1st Sat

Hou Gay Students Assn, 747-3098

Hou Inter-Faith Alliance; contact through Integrity/Hou

Hou Motorcycle Club, c/o Mary's, 1022 Westheimer, 528-6661

Hou North Professionals, POB 3640, Humble 77347, 481-7126; meet 7:30pm 2nd Sat

Hou Outdoor Group (HOG), 521-3641 or Jim 680-3144

Houston Tennis Club, Rich 524-2151; play 10am-Ton Sun & 7-30pm Thurs, Homer Ford Tennis Ctr

Hou-Tx Tennis Club, David 926-7171; play 10:30am-3:30pm Sun, 7:30-9pm Wed, Homer Ford Tennis Ctr

(MUTUAL TENNIS) events: 6th annual "U S Gay Open" National Tennis Tournament May 24-26, San Francisco; Gay Pride Week sports day Jun 21

I/H Inc, POB 16041, 77222, 694-1732, 529-7014; affiliated groups are Interact, Bizarro's a Place in the Sun, Montrose Art Alliance, G&L Archives of Tx, G&L Switchboard, Montrose Symposium Band; board meet 7:30pm 1st Thurs (venue location), educational forum 7:30pm 3rd Thurs

Ingersoll Speakers' Bureau, POB 391, Belaire 77401, 669-4064

Integrity/Hou (Episcopalian), POB 86008, 77266, 524-1469; meets 7:30pm 2nd & 4th Mon, Autry House, 6265 Main

Interact (over 400), POB 16041, 77222, 694-1732

It's Okay, Frank Skinner 529-2416 or KSAIDS Foundation 524-4183; meets Wed afternoons, Bering Church

KPRT Radio, FM-90, 419 Lovett Blvd, 526-4000; "Breakthrough" lesbian-feminist pgm, Fri 8:15-11am; "Wild n' Stein" gay pgm Thurs 7:30-9:00pm

KSAIDS Foundation, 3317 Montrose Box 1155, 77006, 528-2437

Jerry Kauffman Cancer Fund, 778-4106

Krews of Hydra, 811 Graceland, Bill Mercier 726-1032

Lambda Ctr Gay Alcoholics & Alanon, 1214 Jo Anne, 521-9172

Lesbian/Gay Resource Svc, University of Hou, 4800 Calhoun, box 309, 77004, 749-1253; meets 2:30pm alternate Tues, Spindletop Room, 2nd floor, University Ctr

Let Us Entertain You Weekend, project of Hou Council of Clubs, 526-8054

The Little Church, 212 Fargo, 522-7695; svcx 2:30pm Sun

Living Water Church, 271-6472 (5-10pm); svcx 8pm Sun, Holiday Inn Main & Blodgett, Rev Jeanne Leggett

Lone Star Nudist Group, POB 740572, 77274

Lower Westheimer Police Sub-Station, 802 Westheimer, 529-3100

Lutherans Concerned, meets at Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh, 931-0648; meet 3rd Thurs evenings

McAdory House, c/o KSAIDS Foundation, 3317 Montrose Box 1155, 524-2437

Men Against Deception Courtney Club, POB 54181, 77254, 529-3211 (G&L Switchboard); meet bi-weekly

Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection (MCCR), 1919 Decatur, 861-9149; political, 7:30pm 1st Sat monthly; svcx 10:45am & 7:15pm Wed; membership inquires class 7:30pm Mon; education classes Tues & Wed evens; national prayer vigil for PWA's Sep 6-7

Metropolitan Pentecostal Church, 686-0280; svcx 2pm Sun, Bering Activities Bldg, Mulberry at Hawthorne

Montrose Watch subgroup Nearshore Assn

Nat Assn Lesbian & Gay Alcoholism Professionals (NALGAP), Texas chapter, Ron Conway 921-3132; meets 7pm 2nd Sat Montrose Counseling Center

National Gay Health Educ Foundation, 523-5204

National Organization for Women (NOW) Lesbian Rights Task Force, POB 40422, 77244

Nearshore Assn (Montrose Civic Club), 1413 Westheimer; meet 7pm 4th Tues; Apr in Montrose Home Tour Apr 26-27

Nearshore Business Alliance, 529-7010; meets 7pm 2nd Wed, Library Bldg, 1001 Westheimer

New Freedom Christian Church, 829 Yale, 663-8377; svcx 10am Sun

Overaters Religious Alliance, c/o Montrose Counseling Ctr, 900 Lovett, Peggy at 526-4015; meets 8am Sun, Montrose Counseling Ctr, & Bpm Wed, Bering Church, 1440 Haroid

Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (Parents FLAG), 464-6963; meets 2pm 3rd Sun, Presbyterian Ctr, 41 Oakdale

Park People, c/o Nearshore Community Fire-house, 714-2524

Piz 7 Liberation, POB 66083, 77266, 862-1478; Presbyterians for Lesbians/Gay Concerns; Presbyterian Ctr, 41 Oakdale, 528-2584; meets 7:30pm 2nd Tues

Presidential Club (past presidents GPC), POB 66474, 77266, 529-6204

Recreation Land Fund Committee, RENEGADES project

Montrose Soap

Rendez-vous Montrose!

By the staff of the Montrose Voice
Many items appear in Soap out of commercial consideration

Last Saturday's Rendez-vous Houston light and laser show was certainly a spectacular event for Houston. The viewing party given by *Jac and Gene* at *Neartown Karz* was a spectacular event for the neighborhood. Jack and Gene have long been known for finding unique and creative ways of repaying their customers and friends. And, it is almost a certainty that after the hospitality displayed last Saturday, they know how to make new ones.

Is it Ever Gonna End Dept.: Yes it takes a fish to know a piranha. So, sorry Charlie, only good tuna get's to be Starkist. Love and Kisses from *Maria* to *Chutes*.

The *Texas Riders* are hosting a fish fry starting at 4pm this Sunday at *Chutes* in honor of "The Barracuda from Mary's."

Congratulations to Euford Martin for being named *Mary's* Customer of the Week. (Wonder what qualifies one for that honor?)

The Montrose Softball League gets underway with their regular season this Sunday. The *611's* softball team will move its Hamburger day to Saturdays from 4pm 'til.

Alan Frederick's is serving the daytime specials at *Venture-N*—starting at noon.

Adam's Apple is serving daily drink specials, Texas size sandwiches and appetizers. They have added after hours on weekends and *Darryl* is as wonderful as

ever. A hearty Montrose welcome to the newest member of the management team, *David*.

The new happy hours at "*Just*" *Marion & Lynn's* are making M&L's the hottest after work meeting place for Houston's hottest women. Good luck to *Pat and Lynn*.

Ricky's Drag Show comes to the *Rock 'N' Horse* this Sunday at 3 p.m.

Ms. A has gone across town and taken her No-Name Show to *The Exile* on Friday nights at 10:30.

Does the *Bayou Landing* ever charge full price for a drink? Now they are touting Happy Hour, Monday-Thursday, from noon til closing with \$1.50 well drinks. From 7am til noon, well drinks are an unbelievable 25¢. If that doesn't beat all, they have Beer Bust on Monday and Thursday from 9:30 pm til closing. The cost for beer bust: Just your smiling face, kid. It's free and there's never a cover at the Landing.

Rita Mae Brown ("Rubyfruit Jungle") will be in Houston autographing her latest novel *High Hearts*, at Crown Books, 5534 Westlawn, from 12:30 to 1:30 on April 15.

SisterSong sings again at the First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin, in Channing Hall, at 7:00 Saturday night, April 19. More info: 522-7695.

Get ready Montrose! Next weekend is Westheimer Art Festival. See ya there. And get those art fest photos developed at *Henry's 1 Hour Photo*, 428 1/2 Westheimer. He needs the money.

Here's a different idea for a date or a party: a cruise on Clear Lake and Galveston Bay in the "*Carol K*." This luxury yacht is available for charters for the day, night or longer. Call them for specifics and prices (see ad here in the Voice).

Cousins is having a IRS Going Away Party Tuesday with 69¢ Lone Star long-necks and 69¢ schnapps, among other things.

KJ's this Saturday night is going butch—or nellie. Take your choice. They're having a leather and lace party. Try to make it there by 10 for the costume judging.

Plant and Accessories is the newest business in Montrose, now open at 1759 Richmond at Woodhead.

"The Challenge Was Met" last weekend at the *Ripcord*. And they say thanks.

Michael's opening should be announced right here next issue. Keep your eyes peeled.

That little cool spell last week must be the last of winter. It's officially spring now but the weather this weekend will again feel like summer. And speaking of summer, good-looking *Doug Summer* (notice how we worked that in) is now playing vinyl at the *Venture-N* nightly.

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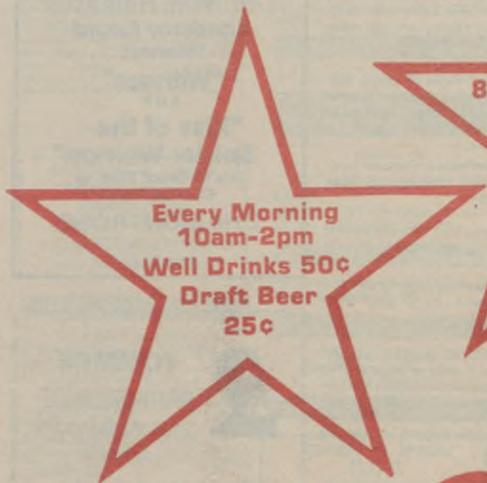
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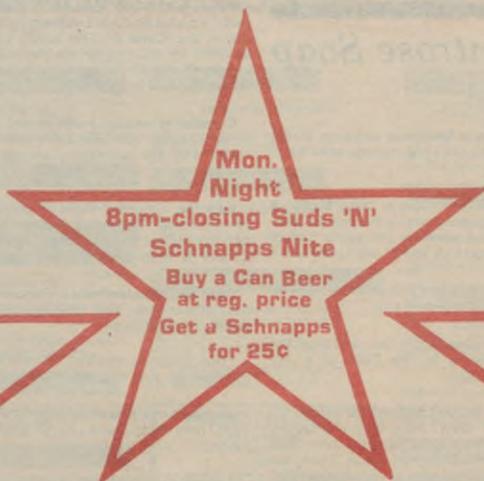
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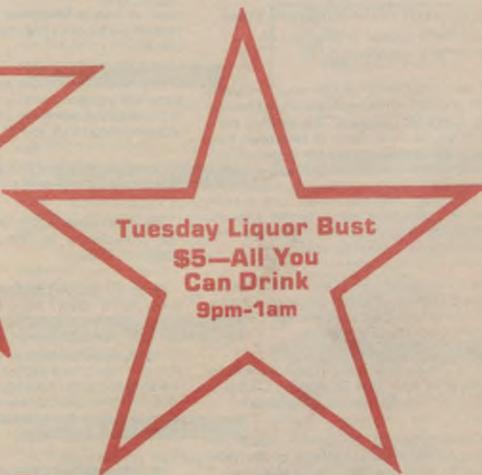
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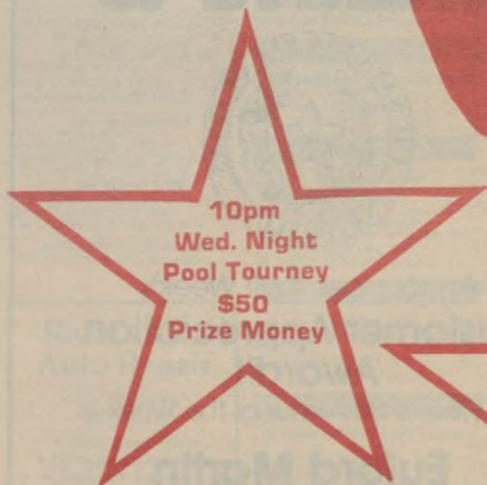
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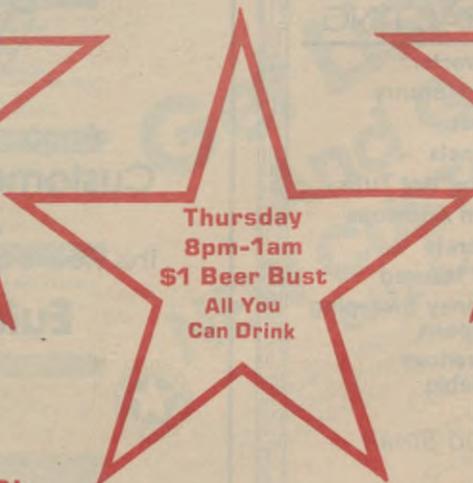
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