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MONTROSE WEATHER: **Friday night**: Partly cloudy, mild, low 65, late night fog. **Saturday**: Partly cloudy and warm, day high 83, night low 64. **Sunday**: Possible thunderstorms, day high 80, night low 55.

## A horse and carrier means class and Montrose has it

By Richard Weekes
Montrose Voice Editor

Just off London's Hyde Park corner sits a line of carriages attached to horses not one of which King Henry V would trade his kingdom for. They await passengers to haul through the park. London has class.

In Seville's plaza awaits another line of carriage-horse combos, the horses looking like they just left the corrida after being the abused mounts of the sadistic picadores. No better way to ride to the cathedral and ogle the senors and senoritas than in a horse drawn carriage. Seville has class.

What would New York's Park Plaza at Fifth Avenue be without its line of scrawny horses waiting at the entrance to Central Park for lovers wanting to holds hands in the privacy of a carriage? Nothing. New York has class.

New Orleans has some at the corner of St. Anne and Bourbon streets. What better way to see the French Quarter? New Orleans has class.

And so does Montrose!

Houston, too, can boast of horses and carriages. They ply the streets of downtown, the zoo, River Oaks, the Galleria and Montrose.

Meet Rocky, a well-fed gelding some 15 years old who nevertheless did not participate in the barrel racing at the recent Live Stock Show and Rodeo. Rocky goes ape over carrots.

With some urging from his carriageman, Lawrence Urban, Rocky will condescend to pull lovers and friends along Pacific Street, down Taft to Lovett and back to Pacific for about $1.00 a minute.

*Rocky and friends tour Montrose*

Rocky walks about five miles an hour if he's feeling peppy. His tail is cut short so as not to rest in the portable diaper or pooper pot hanging behind him to catch whatever might fall and so avoid his owner being fined $200 to dirtying the streets.

Rocky pulls a "vis a vis," an eighteenth century English-style carriage with facing seats that costs about $12,000 today. The carriageman drives from a high seat in front of the passengers, unlike on the old London hansoms which the carriageman drives from a position behind the passengers.

Urban, 25 and Texas born, has driven carriages for nearly two years, first in San Antonio and, since October, in Houston. A love of horses and people make his job just what he wants, even though his hours are 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., six days as week. Any evening he can be found on Lovett or Pacific, easy to recognize in his bowler or top hat.

"Usually people are courteous, especially in Montrose, and just out to have a good time,." Urban said. "Our carriages serve tourists and the romantic. In Montrose it's mostly the latter."

Driving horses is a career for Urban. While he is authorized to drive carriages on the streets, he plans to earn his certificates to do team and competitive driving. He even lives in the stables with his horses.

Rocky and Urban work for Alamo Carriage Service which moved to Houston from San Antonio in 1987, although a factory that makes carriages remains in the Alamo city. The company has six carriages, two horses and three mules ("you talk about stubborn!") and has staked out downtown Houston and Montrose as its "territory."

There are four other horse and carriage companies in Houston. Bluebonnet serves the zoo, Yellow Rose the Galleria, Lone Star River Oaks. Houston Classic Carriage works through reservations only.

"That's the way I like it," Urban says. "We don't compete with each other and we don't compete with taxicabs which, after all, take people to destinations. We are too slow and specialized for that."

Every town and city has a taxicab or two, but only those with class have horses and carriages, cities like Houston, towns like Montrose.

## It looks like a revival in Montrose

By RICHARD V. WEEKES
Montrose Voice Editor
First of a two-part series

The signs are all round that Montrose is on the move—upward: Old houses are coming down or being restored, new businesses are opening, restaurants are busier, new waterlines are replacing the old and inadequate, investors are buying income properties, and homeowners are buying residences more than twice as fast as this time last year.

Here's evidence:

—In North Montrose, American General on Allen Parkway is creating a greenbelt around its complex. When the dilapidated apartments occupying the 1200 block of W. Clay are bulldozed away, the area will have a new park, the first of several.

Said Paul Patrick, vice president for American General Investment Corporation: "We want a good environment for our company and for our neighbors. There's a lot of activity in North Montrose. Younger couples are moving in, fixing up older properties. Old retail buildings are being upgraded along with retail development in general. We are just part of the movement."

*These old apartment houses are due total renovation on West Gray*

—Also part of the movement in North Montrose is in the 500 and 600 blocks of West Gray where John Bibas, owner of the Omonia Cafe, has purchased and begun restoring seven properties.

—Shepherd Square, on the corner of S. Shepherd and Westheimer, when completed in October, will have an impact on all of West Montrose. The $10 million, 8.5 acre shopping center is the investment of Friendswood Development Company and Wulfe & Co. and will include restaurants, and service shops such as Video Central, Waldon Books and Wines of America. A Randall's Flagship gourmet supermarket occupying 67,000 square feet will be the anchor tenant.

Said Ford Hubbard, a Wulfe & Co. spokesman: "We have confidence in this part of Houston. It's Friendswood's first venture inside the 610 Loop and it will be noticed. The Square will be the cornerstone of the redevelopment of Westheimer east to Montrose Boulevard."

—At the intersection of Montrose Blvd. and Westheimer, in the heart of Montrose, Henry S. Miller, real estate, has already pre-leased one-half of the space of what was once the Liberty Bank building. The property is now under contract to a small Houston company which plans to create a new retail center, including a drugstore and video store.

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The recent turmoil over Salman Rushdie's "The Satanic Verses" does not appear immediately relevant to a gay business such as LOBO. But the underlying forces here share much in common with this nation's growing war on pornography.

Whatever tradition, or the lack thereof, in Iran regarding the right of free expression, such a right in the United States is unqualified. To express any opinion on any subject is not a right given out by the government as a privilege - it is a necessity to a free and open society. Such was the opinion of our Founders and so interpreted by repeated judicial opinion. Just as it is also our inalienable right not to read or view that which we might find offensive.

Despite Britain's comparable history in support of free speech, it has not been surprising that the Thatcher government seems to equivocate on "The Satanic Verses" given its current lack of support for such an Anglo-Saxon right in its own country.

Interestingly, those self-annointed censors in this country who have made the war on pornography an essential tenet of right-wing orthodoxy have basically remained silent on Rushdie. The reason is quite simple: The written word is of no interest to these national censors.

This attitude was clearly set forth in the "Bible" of the Right, the Meese Commission Report. This commission, handpicked by Edwin Meese, a stalwart of ethical conduct (recalling the earlier pornography commission set up under President Johnson but which issued its report during the tenure of his successor - a report which called for the end of all restrictions on so-called pornography - the report was totally dismissed by President Nixon as being "morally bankrupt" - who would know better) exempted the written or printed word from all prosecution on the grounds that "the absence of photographs necessarily produces a message that seems to necessitate for its assimilation more real thought, and less reflexive reaction than the more typical pornographic item. There remains a difference between reading a book and looking at pictures." Stunning insight!

First, while concluding not to pursue the written word, they do so only because it is "less" pornographic, not on any grounds of free expression (this, alone, sets back judicial opinion a hundred years). Also, the Meese commissioners showed an awareness that Americans are or have evolved into functional illiterates - or at least those who would peruse pornography. Interestingly, the Meese report is filled with over three hundred pages of graphic "written" descriptions of pornographic material and concludes, without regard to any evidence, that exposure to pornography causes antisocial behavior. To date, the only antisocial behavior exhibited by any of the members of the commission, after three months of such exposure, has been their disdain for the right of free expression.

But what is really at issue here is neither blasphemy nor pornography. Certainly there have been other books attacking Islam - Rushdie's sin was his timing. The Aytollah had only recently gone back on his repeated word that he would never make peace with Iraq as long as that country's leader remained in power. This reversal occasioned much loss of faith in a revolution based on faith. The aytollah acted out of political opportunism, to recapture the hearts, if not the minds, of his followers.

And so too with the general in the war on pornography. This fight against pornography is but one prong of an attack on several fronts: abortion, women's rights, homosexuality, race and all other perceived threats to a publicized image of the "American family values". This is a political battle and at stake is political control on every level. These warriors of the Right seek control over the bodies as well as the minds of us all.

LOBO uniquely straddles two of these issues vital to the Right: homosexuality and pornography. Defenders of free expression and the basic rights of individuals granted by the Constitution conclude that what consenting adults do or view in the privacy of their homes is constitutionally protected. Already the highest court in the land has denied that right to homosexuals, unlike every other minority.

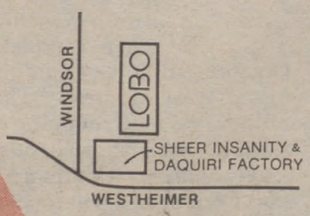
Recent federal legislation, in the name of controlling "child pornography", threatens the free expression of any material which even pictures someone underage. And in the Texas legislature, not an institution noted for raising the level of public debate, there is an attempt to broaden police powers to allow the forced HIV testing of anyone perceived to be a threat to a law officer.

Perhaps there is a presumption on the part of the warriors of the Right, given their disdain for the written word, that the rest of us do not read, are truly illiterate. Certainly there is a correlation between their successes and the declining literacy rates in this country.

Partly for this reason LOBO is consciously attempting a balance between the written word and pictorial portrayal. And, while obviously not gay literature, LOBO feels an obligation, on principle, to offer for sale Salman Rushdie's "The Satanic Verses."

To paraphrase the French two hundred years ago, "Long life freedom."

Lobo is buying gay material from After Dark to Drummer, videos paperbacks and hardbacks by or about gay and lesbians. Wanted, collections large or small.

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# AFH sponsors 'Safer Sexuality and Sensuality' workshops

AIDS Foundation Houston will sponsor two workshops dealing with "Safer Sexuality and Sensuality" on the evenings of Tuesday, March 21, and April 11. These workshops are part of an ongoing outreach program designed to promote safer sex habits in the gay community.

The workshop program will include discussions on safer sex, proper condomwear techniques, information on HIV testing, and an introduction to the concepts of "total health and wellness."

In-home workshops for smaller groups of 10-15 people are also available by appointment. For additional information or to register for the workshops call Bart Loeser, AFH Education Coordinator at (713) 623-6796.

## —AIDS Talk

AIDS Talk, a community education program coordinated by AIDS Foundation Houston, announces the expansion of the program to include first and second year medical students from the University of Texas Medical School at Houston and Baylor College of Medicine. They will be making AIDS educational presentations in junior and senior high school classrooms.

AIDS Talk is the first attempt in the country to have a pro-active program in an AIDS speakers bureau. This also is the first cooperative effort between an AIDS Foundation and two medical schools.

The students have taken 10 hours of special training conducted by local authorities on AIDS as well as a special session on presentation skills. After completing the training, students accompany an experienced speaker and then begin making presentations on their own.

The medical students selected special materials for their presentations which are in the comic book format. The Southwestern Bell Foundation provided the funding for these educational materials.

To request a speaker, call Peggy Sale at 623-6796.

## —Houston quilt

Pete Martinez of the local Names Project Chapter has prepared a panel to include the names of anyone who has died from AIDS in our area. It is to be displayed in Austin the weekend of April 30. He is taking it around to various night spots to be signed by friends and lovers of those who have died. The following is a list of locations and times where the panel will be available for signing: Exile, Friday, March 17, 6:00 p.m.; Chutes, Saturday, March 18, 10:30 p.m.; E/J's, Sunday, March 19, 5:00 p.m.; Kindred Spirits, Wednesday, March 22, 9:00 p.m.; Mother's Money, Sunday, March 26, 4:00 p.m.; Rich's, Sunday, March 26, 8:00 p.m.

For further information contact Pete Martinez at 868-9837 or Larry Replogle at 529-2230.

**Montrose Neighborhood Events**

## —Women's History Month

"All Mujeres Interested in Getting Active" (AMIGA) celebrates Women's History Month Friday, March 17 at Rubio's, 202 Tuam at 9:00 p.m.

According to Linda Morales, AMIGA spokesperson, an entourage of community "movers and shakers" will help salute the many contributions made by mujeres (women).

Attorney and creative writer Joel Martinez and businesswoman and psychotherapist Carmen Zepeda will serve as emcees.

The event will feature pop-singer Alicia; guitarist/singer Edna Garcia; the talented Zeke Meza and other Houston musicians.

Highlight will be the induction of women into the AMIGA "Hall of Fame," which will recognize Houston latinas in visual and performing arts, education and community service/

All monies raised will benefit the 2nd annual Texas Lesbian Conference to be held in Houston on June 2-4 at the Astro Village Hotel. For more information call 520-5667.

## —HGLPC Communications Committee meets

Bar Wilson, co-chair of the HGLPC Communications Committee, has announced the committee will meet on March 21 at 7:00 p.m.at The Barn. Anyone interested is invited to attend.


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# Lesbian can seek custody of baby born to lover

By LINDA RAPATTONI
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—A judge ruled Thursday that a lesbian can proceed with a lawsuit seeking joint custody of a daughter born to her former lesbian lover, lawyers said.

In a closed hearing, Superior Court Commissioner James Endman rejected a motion by the natural mother to dismiss the case after her lawyer argued there is no California law to allow her former partner parental rights.

"The court has said that California law requires a non-parent to be ordered to pay child support ... if they have held themselves out to be a parent ... and therefore they should be able to seek custody," said Gloria Allred, a lawyer for Terri Sabol, 32, who brought the suit.

"It's a big hurdle we overcame today," Allred said. "This case is an inspiration to persons who have been in same-sex relationships and who have acted as co-parents and who would like to have access to courts to protect their rights."

However, Mitchell Jacobs, lawyer for the natural mother, whose identity has been withheld, said he is confident the court will dismiss the case after a summary judgment hearing March 30.

"This is not the right case to take forward to get more rights for lesbians and homosexuals because of the facts of the case, because of the relationship between Ms. Allred's client and the child," Jacobs said.

"It wasn't a close relationship; it was just the opposite," he said.

Allred said if she prevails at the March 30 hearing, she will seek another hearing on whether Sabol can have regular visits with the child until the case goes to trial.

Sabol's partner was artificially inseminated in 1986 after she and Sabol, who had been living together for a year, decided to have a child. A relative of Sabol's donated the sperm and Sabol helped support the baby, who was given her last name.

The women split up last July and although Sabol continued to see and support the 2-year-old, the 29-year-old mother ended the visits in October.

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# Former paralegal, Austin law firm settle discrimination lawsuit

On Feb. 21st, Gilbert Nieto and his attorney, Philip Durst, reached an agreement with Nieto's former employer, the Austin law firm of Clark, Thomas, Winters & Newton, stemming from a lawsuit filed by Nieto in 1987. Nieto agreed to a $40,000 settlement and dropped his suit which alleged AIDS-related discrimination under the Texas disability statute.

Nieto worked as a paralegal at the law firm for two and a half years before he was fired in August of 1987 after informing his supervisor that he had tested positive for exposure to AIDS and had been diagnosed with AIDS-related complex (ARC). Nieto alleged that he was fired because of his ARC diagnosis, while the law firm maintained that Nieto was terminated for taking an unauthorized leave of absence.

"The settlement is in some ways a mixed blessing," commented Frank Stenger, president of the Board of Trustees of the Texas Human Rights Foundation (THRF), which had advanced court costs and funds to pay for discovery in the case. "On the one hand, we are certainly pleased with the settlement and very happy for Gilbert. On the other hand, it was an important case which was going very well; we had many reasons to expect a favorable outcome. As it is, we still have confusing law on the books. But we're very supportive of Gilbert's decision. It isn't really fair to expect an individual who is ill and out of work to take on the responsibility for fighting to overturn a bad legal decision."

## National Gay Community Notes

### —Reimbursement plan

The John Alden Life Insurance Company of Miami will outline the details of a radically new reimbursement plan for AIDS patients to an anticipated 150 physicians, other health professionals, and AIDS patients on April 7 in Atlanta. Larry Cumbie, vice president of John Alden Life, will discuss the company's new national case management program at the Atlanta AIDS Symposium, sponsored by the Southern Medical Association and the Physicians Association for AIDS Care (PAAC).

Highlights of the John Alden Life program include payment for a broad range of investigational drugs and selected services, such as transportation and housing. The cost of these additional benefits would be balanced by anticipated savings from the company's direct purchase of drugs and medical supplies.

According to Gordon Nary, PAAC's executive director, "The John Alden program could be the prototype for third-party reimbursement guidelines for AIDS and other chronic diseases for the next decade." John Alden has already agreed to extend the program to hundreds of patients with cancer and other catastrophic illnesses.

The Atlanta Symposium will also include clinical presentations and a special presentation on nutritional management of AIDS patients. The Symposium is open to all interested parties. For further details, contact PAAC at (312) 222-1326.

### —Immigration reform

The Immigration Exclusion and Deportation Amendments Act of 1989, which would end discrimination against gays and lesbians seeking to immigrate into or visit the U.S., was introduced into the House of Representatives by Congressman Barney Frank (D-Mass.).

The bill, designated H.R. 1280, would remove the current "sexual deviation" exclusion used to block gays and lesbians from entering the U.S. The bill affects tourists, resident aliens or immigrants who wish to become citizens.

"It's time the Statue of Liberty started openly greeting more of those wearing the pink triangle," said Robert Bray, Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) communications director. "For too long many gays and lesbians have been denied entry into our country, while America has been denied the skills, talents and energies of gays and lesbians from around the world."

Under current immigration law, the "sexual deviation" exclusion may be used to deny visas or deport any foreign gay man or lesbian. However, in 1979, the Public Health Service (PHS) declined to certify visa applicants as homosexual on medical grounds.

Nonetheless, the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled the "sexual deviant" exclusion is meant for lesbians and gays. Under former President Reagan, the Justice Department instructed the PHS to enforce the "sexual deviant" exclusion.

Although the exclusion of gays and lesbians is rarely enforced—many prominent, open homosexuals have been allowed into the country—the law is still on the books and is used to reject, unfairly question or deport some individuals.

"Customs officials can and have made inappropriate and intrusive inquiries of tourists and immigrants," explains Steve Smith, HRCF lobbyist. "More seriously, the law has resulted in separated families, ruined careers and political persecution."

The bill also repeals or revises many other grounds for exclusion. Most of these, dating to the McCarthy era, bar immigrants—including communists and anarchists—on political and ideological grounds. The current law, for example, excludes anyone whom the State Department believes is "prejudicial to the public interest."

The bill would not change the current exclusion of people with AIDS and HIV infection, but it would grant the Department of Health and Human Services authority to waive the exclusion of persons with communicable diseases. HRCF lobbyists said they would seek to broaden the waiver provision.

Congressman Frank has been joined by 45 original bill co-sponsors. The bill has been referred to the House Judiciary Committee, where it is expected to be referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration—chaired by Rep. Bruce Morrison (D-Conn.). Morrison is an original co-sponsor of the Immigration Bill and co-sponsor of the Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights Bill.

HRCF's Field Division urges gay men and lesbians to contact their congresspersons to thank them for co-sponsoring the bill or encourage them to sign on. Concerned individuals may write their Representatives at U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC 20515. If you don't know your congressperson, call HRCF's Field Division at (202) 628-4160.

Gays and lesbians may also send Congress a message by enrolling in the HRCF pre-authorized Speak Out mail program. For more information, write HRCF Field Division, 1012 14th St. NW, #607, Washington, DC 20005.

### —Gay travel

The International Gay Travel Association (IGTA) has announced that its sixth annual convention will be held May 18-21 at the Sandman Hotel in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Travel industry representatives from around the world will be attending the convention, which will include a travel trade show, several workshop sessions, the annual IGTA membership meeting, a grand farewell banquet and a number of social functions.

Workshops scheduled include "Effective Advertising to the Gay Market," "Marketing Women's Travel" and "Hotel/Guesthouse and Travel Agency Relations."

For registration materials, to reserve exhibit space at the travel trade show, or for further information about the convention, call the International Gay Travel Association in Denver at (303) 467-7117, or write IGTA, P.O. Box 18247, Denver, CO 80218.

### —Vaccines for human testing

A new AIDS Vaccine Selection Committee has been established by the NIAID to help decide which of the many potential AIDS vaccines now being tested in laboratories are promising enough to be tested in humans.

With more than a dozen candidate vaccines in various stages of laboratory testing, and several more on the drawing boards, AIDS vaccine development has accelerated to the point where uniform guidelines are needed to evaluate the products.

The NIAID is the lead component of the National Institutes of Health, the government's biomedical research agency, charged with coordinating, supporting, and conducting AIDS research in the United States.

There are now approximately 18 potential AIDS vaccines being tested in government, academic, and industry labs. These candidate vaccines are tested in animals and in the test tube to determine if the products show promise. These experiments are designed to show whether the product has positive biological activity, and if it is likely to have any harmful side effects. Candidate vaccines that pass this stage of testing may go on to small studies in healthy people, called Phase I trials, to determine how the human body handles the product, and whether it is safe.

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# U.S. bishops blast media for distorting sexuality

By CHARLES RIDLEY
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

VATICAN CITY (UPI)—Archbishop John Quinn of San Francisco sharply criticized the media March 10 for contributing to "the trivialized view that sexuality is merely an instrument for personal gratification."

"For example," Quinn told a unique meeting of the leadership of the American hierarchy, Pope John Paul II and top Vatican officials, "the media's commitment to 'religious neutrality' has all too often led to a purely secular view of the world which, consequently, ignores the sacred dimensions of marriage, family and social life.

"The commitment to 'value neutrality' has led the media to present marriage and family as merely one lifestyle among many lifestyles in society, rather than as the foundation for social life and education.

"Also the media, through advertising as well as through its general offerings, reflects and contributes to the trivialized view that sexuality is merely an instrument for personal gratification rather than as a gift with profound unitive and creative dimensions," Quinn said.

Quinn's remarks came as the "summit meeting" between the U.S. church and the Vatican entered its final days and the San Francisco prelate continued the American hierarchy's defense of the church in the United States.

The American church has come under sharp criticism in some Vatican circles for its alleged looseness in enforcing a number of church doctrines, especially those dealing with human sexuality, such as birth control, divorce, homosexuality and pre-marital sex.

The differences have led to profound differences between the American church—regarded by some in the Vatican as allowing "cafeteria Catholicism" in which Catholics pick-and-choose which doctrines they will obey—and the Holy See's bureaucracy, especially the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the agency once known as the Inquisition and charged with enforcing theological orthodoxy.

But the Americans, who sought the meeting with John Paul, are defending the style of the U.S. church by stressing the unique secular cultural context within which the bishops and other church officials must carry on their work.

Under the structure of the closed summit session, formal presentations on a number of issues—such as Quinn's presentation on the family—are followed by give-and-take discussions. The Americans are making the texts of the formal talks public.

Quinn cited the media as a particular problem for families, saying "the picture the media presents is often shaped by philosophical suppositions which serve to undercut the stability and role of marriage and the family."

# National volleyballers arriving in Houston

By D. Edward Anderson III

All eyes of members of the North American Gay Volleyball Association will be focused on Houston Easter weekend when the Montrose Volleyball Association hosts their first ever Lone Star Volleyball Classic March 24 and 25 at Rice University gymnasium.

Publicity chairman, Tom Rodman, reported that 18 teams will be vying for the Classic crown including out-of-town entries from Washington, D.C., New York City, Montreal, Atlanta, New Orleans, St. Louis, Dallas, Austin, Chicago and San Antonio.

Following round robin play on Friday, teams will be seeded into three divisions for championship play on Saturday. Finals of each division should take place around 4:00 p.m.

All matches are free and open to the public.

Rodman said that the weekend festivities would kick off with a March 23rd registration party at Heaven. Following an awards banquet, there will be a wrap-up party at Rich's Saturday night, March 25. Events conclude with a farewell brunch at the Barn Monday morning. All interested parties are invited to attend these functions.

**Montrose Neighborhood Sports**

## —Softball

Last year's Montrose Softball League champion, Montrose Mining Company, and tournament runner-up, Mother's, used a round robin softball tournament last Sunday to prepare for the upcoming Lone Star Classic as well as the regular season.

The tournament, pitting private non-Montrose teams against all comers, was played at the Softball Country Club.

The Mining Company, returning nearly their entire championship roster, rolled to four victories en route to winning their division, although they finished as runner-up in the overall competition.

Mining Company manager, Jerry De Sale, has the luxury of simply fine-tuning his perennial champions with the addition of two former Galleon stars. Pitcher Mark Howell, shortstop Johnny Johnson and outfielders Richard Mendes and Mario Menchaca again spearhead the Company's potent offense.

Meanwhile, Mother's, who were one out away from winning the 1988 M.S.L. tournament championship, suffered during the round robin due to the absence of their pitcher and two veteran infielders. Manager Don Young used the games to get a good look at some new talent he hopes will help Mother's challenge for the league title.

Other teams waiting for the season opener on April 16 are sponsored by the Brazos River Bottom, Fitness Exchange, Galleon and the Montrose Voice.

## —Dart league

Those of you wanting to participate in a dart league need to contact your favorite bar with the game or Ed at E/J's. This is gonna be some fun league.

# Texas AIDS leader Mike Richards accused of robbing banks

By WILLIAM H. INMAN
UPI National Reporter
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

On a February afternoon, Mike Richards, a hero in the national AIDS movement who came to Hawaii to die, was rousted from his sick bed, jumped by armed men, manacled hand and foot, and hauled off to jail.

He was accused of being a bandit, hitting banks in Texas then escaping to his hospice on Maui to spend his loot.

Despite the fact Richards nearly died, no charges were ever filed. The Texas district attorney is not even certain he has a case. It seems no written warrant was ever issued linking Richards, 42, with the heist he was accused of pulling off 4000 miles away.

"Obviously there was a huge screw-up," says Lenny Bloom, a New York attorney contacted by Richards from jail. "Anybody with half a brain would know a man weak and dying of AIDS is not going around the globe robbing banks.

"Here's a man who was so thin you could put one hand around his waist," he says. "He could barely walk, much less run. And the cops leg-cuffed him."

Hints that Richards led a double life began to surface months ago. A tipster phoned the Dallas FBI saying the suspect wanted in the Jan. 1988 robbery of Texas American Bank in Grand Prairie, Texas, was Richards. The tipster saw a poster offering $2,500 reward. (The bandit made off with $6,000.) Later authorities tried to link Richards to a series of jewel and bank heists.

Richards' physician finds the crime story absurd. The day before the Texas robbery, Richards visited his office in Hawaii.

"My notes from the visit indicate that his legs were swollen badly from fluid retention," says Dr. Ron Kwon, an infectious disease specialist. "He was tired and anemic. His blood count was low. He wasn't capable of much activity at all."

But police presented a bank teller with a copy of Richards' driver's license picture and the teller made a positive identification.

"I don't think his illness is really a factor," says Grand Prairie detective Richard Bender. "I have located witnesses who put him in the (bank's) vicinity in early 1988."

Bank surveillance cameras picked up the image of a white male wearing a windbreaker, his left hand stuffed in a pocket displaying the outlines of a gun barrel. Police said it was unusual there was no attempt to cover his face. There was no beard, ski mask or stocking.

Detective Bender presented his evidence to the local district attorney and urged a second degree robbery charge. But the case was never filed.

"We'd feel more comfortable if we could wrap the case up tighter," says Marshall Hines, spokesman for the Tarrant County DA's office. "We don't have enough to go to court. We're still investigating."

Yet with loose ends clearly dangling, Richards was confronted.

He was not hard to find.

His address and phone number were in the book. He was a prominent AIDS crusade leader. He helped establish the national AIDS Action Council, a major lobby group. At one time he ran the agency. He consulted for the Maui Hospice Foundation and helped create the AIDS Resource Center of Dallas. (The facility was torched and records ransacked in late February; authorities do not know if there is a link to Richards' arrest.)

He moved from Texas after he learned of his diagnosis two years ago. He shares a 700-square-foot flat near Wailuki with his octogenarian parents. His 1972 Ford Fairmont has not been driven in months. Richards has been unable to come up with the cash to have it inspected.

The arrest sent Richards into a tailspin, aggravating an array of ailments including hepatitis, cirrhosis of the liver and retinitis. In his prime, he weighed 180 pounds and boasted the physique of a weight lifter. Now his weight has been cut by a third and his biceps can be circumscribed by two fingers.

"At first I thought this was a big joke, a cruel one, but a joke," says Richards, speaking by telephone as technicians attached intravenous feeding tubes to a catheter sewn in his chest. "But the joke wore thin. And nobody would listen to me. I was guilty first."

The trauma began with a phone call. It was Feb. 15, 1:30 p.m. Richards was wakened from sleep and told to sign for a package at the apartment complex office. There police waited.

"I thought I was being attacked by an army," recalls Richards. "The men carried shotguns. They yelled and pushed. They treated me like I was armed and dangerous."

Richards was thrown in a holding cell. His vital signs dived.

"It was extremely dirty. My susceptibility to disease is very high. I was afraid of being in that cell."

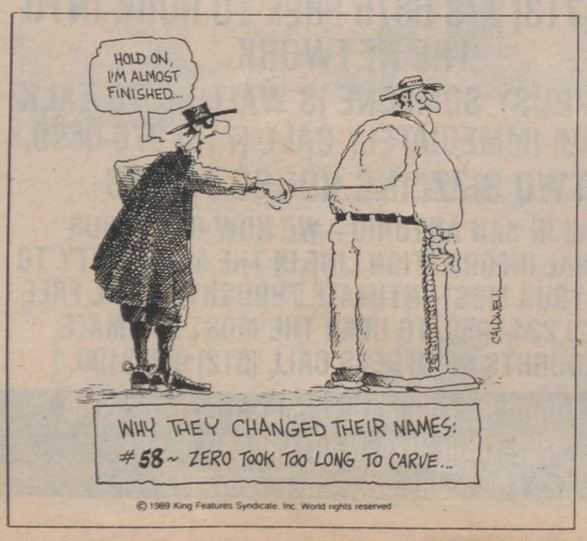
Hours later authorities permitted a nurse to visit and Richards was taken to a hospital.

The next day a judge found police had no written warrant and ordered Richards released to his mother's custody.

Richards still awaits word on official charges. In the meantime he credits police with one favor.

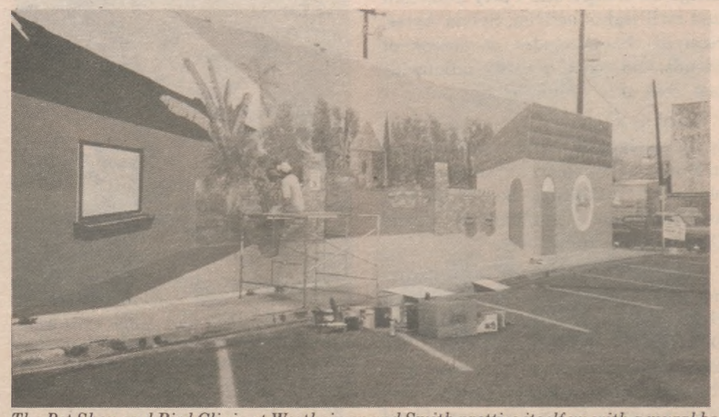
"When I moved to Hawaii, I'd lost my purpose. I was drifting. But after this happened, I got very angry.

"Thanks to the police, I got my purpose back."



# Things are happening in Montrose that look like revival

*An artist's rendering of Shepherd Square to be completed by October at the corner of Westheimer and S. Shepherd. It should affect the rest of Westheimer eastwards*



*The Pet Shop and Bird Clinic at Westheimer and Smith pretties itself up with a mural being created by Creative Arts. The artist is Gary Homan*

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—At the very end of Westheimer, where once rundown houses of prostitution graced the neighborhood, more changes are coming. At 108 Westheimer, once notorious for vice, the once-arsoned home is headed back to where is came from—a lovely Southern Victorian residence built in 1907. It now stands nude after S.S. Khalsa, a contractor, carted off eight 40-yard dumpsters of trash.

"She was such a pretty house," Khalsa said. "She'll be that way again, right down to the wooden doors and windows. Of course, we had to put on a new roof of modern materials such as Masonite, and we'll have air conditioning."

The renovation of 108 Westheimer is only part of a major development of properties along Westheimer in East Montrose.

Said Khalsa: "This part of Westheimer will be a different place two years from now."

—In the heart of Montrose, restaurants are doing better than ever.

Said Susan Molzan, manager of Ruggles: "We're doing 30% more business than a year ago. The food is the same, we are better known, but the area is starting to come back. Now that the weekend traffic mess has been cleared up, we're getting a good after-theater crowd."

—Nowhere is evidence of the revival of Montrose so strong as in the residential real estate market. Investors such as Bruce Dorey, a Canadian-born Texan of nearly three years standing, are purchasing old apartment houses and fixing them up. His latest purchase a few weeks ago was 34 units at 109 Avondale, currently getting a new roof.

"I really love this city," he said. "I'm committed to Montrose."

—Also on Avondale, individuals have purchased 104, 106 and 110 Avondale and contractors are currently renovating the properties.

—In the first 10 weeks of 1988, home buyers purchased only about 10 single family homes in the Montrose area at a total price of $425,000, or $42,500 per home.

In the first 10 weeks of 1989, buyers purchased 26 single family homes at a price of $2,490,600 or an average of $95,790 per property, an increase of 125%.

Using Board of Realtor data from its Multiple Listing Service, data which is not guaranteed accurate, for the same comparative period, residential property sales (single family homes, townhouses and condos) were 21 in 1988 against 40 in 1989. Buyers paid $1,478,000 in 1988 and $4,100,000 in 1989.

"We're seeing a big jump in sales just since November," said Jerry Blum of Acker/Blum Real Estate Company. "Maybe it was the change in administration in Washington. Prices have hit rock bottom and there's a lot of cash buyers. But the public perception of Montrose is changing. We're finally getting people to believe that we are a diversified group of people and that Montrose is a good place to live."

*A park will soon replace this rubble on West Clay*

*108 Westheimer being stripped naked before renovation to its original 1907 condition*

*This is what John Bibas did with an old apartment house on West Gray*

# From infection to symptoms time frame lengthened to 10 years

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—A new study has increased by two years—to nearly 10 years—the average amount of time it takes for men infected with the AIDS virus to develop symptoms of the disease, researchers reported Wednesday.

A study of San Francisco male homosexuals found that 9.8 years after infection with the AIDS virus, one-half of the people infected would have developed the signs of full-blown AIDS.

Previously, the infection-to-diagnosis time frame was figured to be seven to eight years in most cases.

The study, conducted by the University of California-San Francisco and published in the journal Nature, also predicted the number of new AIDS c'sis has started to level off in San Francisco's homosexual population and will drop by as much as 15 percent by the end of 1991.

However, the authors noted that AIDS continues to spread at an alarming rate among intravenous drug users.

The AIDS virus is spread by sexual or blood-to-blood contact, such as sharing contaminated needles. It also can be passed on from an infected woman to her baby during delivery.

Using stored blood specimens, some dating back to 1978, UCSF researchers Peter Bacchetti and Andrew Moss compared patterns of infection with the human immunodeficiency virus, which causes AIDS, to patterns of AIDS cases diagnosed in San Francisco.

The study, which researchers claimed is the most accurate to date, was the first to link observed incidence rates in homosexual men with the drop in new infections believed to have happened between 1982 and 1984.

The researchers predict new AIDS cases among San Francisco's homosexual men would peak this year, followed by a gradual decline in incidence. Moss, director of the AIDS epidemiology group at San Francisco General Hospital, said it was possible the peak already had occurred, but it will take some time to compile the data required to pinpoint the peak.

The expected decline is due to a dramatic drop of more than 80 percent in new infections from 1982 to 1984, said Bacchetti, also an associate professor of epidemiology.

During that time, he said, the number of new HIV positive findings dropped to less than 50 a month from an estimated monthly high of 450 for the peak period in mid-1982.

That finding was corroborated by a similar downward turn in rectal gonorrhea reported among San Francisco homosexuals at that time. Bacchetti said the reason was that an entire community experienced major changes in sexual behavior, such as using condoms and practicing other forms of "safe sex."

In addition, Moss said, "Use of antiviral treatment with AZT and improved treatment of pneumocystis carinii pneumonia may have reduced AIDS incidence below that predicted by our model, making the drop in AIDS cases even larger."

A flattening in AIDS incidence rates in homosexual males also has been noted in New York and Los Angeles, Bacchetti and Moss noted.

In the United States, AIDS has stricken 87,188 people and claimed 49,976 lives, the federal Centers for Disease Control said.

"Maurice will be your waiter."

# Democrats honor Sylvia Ayres on her 70th birthday

Longtime Democratic Party politician and civil rights activist, Sylvia Ayres, received the accolades of dozens of friends and acquaintances nationwide last week at her 70th birthday party.

Billed as a Lifetime Achievement party, the celebration at the Arriba Cantina in Montrose brought congratulatory resolutions from the Texas Senate, the Texas Democratic Party and the Harris County Democratic Party.

Telegrams arrived from Texas Governor, Bill Clements, Lt. Governor, Bill Hobby, Massachusetts Governor and Democratic presidential candidate, Michael Dukakis, State treasurer, Ann Richards, State attorney general, Jim Mattox, and U. S. Senator Lloyd Bentson.

*Criminal District Court Judge, Carl Walker, presents Sylvia Ayres with Senate Resolution No. 157, signed by Lt. Governor Bill Hobby, honoring her as a "treasured citizen" on her 70th birthday*

A proclamation from Houston Mayor, Kathy Whitmire, declared March 10 "Sylvia Ayres Day."

A Houston resident since 1948, Ayres has been active in Precinct 39 and Montrose affairs for three years. She was a delegate to the 1988 National Democratic Convention and remains precinct chairman. Ayres has been particularly active in gay and lesbian life of Montrose, where she is frequently called "Montrose Mom." Last year she received the Gay/Lesbian Political Caucus "Volunteer of the Year Award." Her primary volunteer efforts now are with individuals who have AIDS.

## Letters to the Voice

### Thanks to AFH

From ARMOND LOUIS FORET, PWA

I would like to take time to thank the AIDS Foundation of Houston, Mr. Barnich, Sharon, and Domingo, and a special thanks to the sweet lady with the most pleasant and welcoming voice at the front desk for that blessing that God gave some of us, love, caring, and help. You guys will never know how much I appreciate what you've done for me when I had nowhere else to turn. A special thanks to Jim Weaver for his help and support. Now we know what it is to hit rock bottom.

I would also like to express myself to Barbra. We both did what we had to do. I understand, I still love you.

Again, thanks to all.

## *Give or be gone*

The gospel according to the Rev. Jerry Falwell will now be strictly enforced on all his employees at the Thomas Road Baptist Church in Lynchburg, Va.—and that includes tithing.

Falwell met March 10 with the 2,000 employees of his vast ministry, which will make $40 million more in revenue than last year, and told them that by July they should all join his church and begin giving 10 percent of their salaries to it.

"You cannot enforce tithing and church attendance," he said.

"But if you cannot do this, then you shouldn't be a part of this team. You shouldn't be doing something you don't believe in. If you cannot comply, we will not have any bitterness. We will fondly, warmly bid you good bye."

# Austin activists protest Parker's 'Kill 'em' comment

AUSTIN (UPI)—About 40 demonstrators, chanting "AIDS is not a crime," and "fight back, get the rat," Thursday protested a state senator's joking comment that people who test positive for the AIDS virus should be killed.

The demonstrators, members of Austin Act Up, an AIDS victims' rights group, rallied on the front steps of the state Capitol, calling Sen. Carl Parker's comment callous and irresponsible."

"The real crime here clearly is not AIDS, but rather a legislator who would, both in jest and in law, condemn as criminals persons who are HIV infected," said Act Up spokeswoman Margaret Tucker.

Parker, a Democrat from Port Arthur, is sponsoring a bill that would make it possible to prosecute an AIDS sufferer for attempted murder if he or she knowingly tries to spread the illness to others.

Asked by Tucker during a committee hearing Tuesday what should be done with people who test positive for the AIDS virus, Parker jokingly said, "Kill 'em."

AIDS and gay rights groups immediately denounced Parker, who said he received a death threat because of his remarks.

Parker, who said one caller Wednesday referred to him as a "Nazi pig," declined to comment on Thursday's demonstration.

"Act Up denounces Senator Parker's callous attempt at making AIDS an issue to joke about," said Tucker. "Although Parker contends he was joking, Act Up maintains that his words portray the climate of intolerance, discrimination and scapegoating that has characterized the reactions of government and society to HIV infections."

Tucker, who is also a volunteer with AIDS Services of Austin, said there are already criminal laws in effect to cover the situation envisioned by Parker.

Parker, who often uses humor to make a point during Senate debate, strongly criticized some reporters Wednesday, saying their news stories did not properly convey that his comment was a joke.

"If you use humor, your timing has to be just right. If you change one word ... one bit of timing, it's not funny," he said. "I'm here to tell you that not one of you wrote it the way it happened. If you can't tell it right, don't do it."

Parker said he made the comment in jest "to disarm a youthful witness (Tucker) who was so uptight she was about to pop."

"Obviously Senator Parker was joking, but he didn't answer my question," said Tucker. "What is the point of mandatory testing. It wasn't just a random joke, but a targeted joke."

# 'Lawrence of Arabia': Blistering return to the large screen

Review by Donald Owen
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

The movie industry is only now becoming aware of the tragic loss, through neglect, of its own legacy. For decades almost no protective measures have been applied to preserve in archival condition the glories of even the best cinematic art.

Still it comes as a shock that a film of such quality and importance as director David Lean's "Lawrence of Arabia" could have been abandoned to the point that there was no surviving print of the original premiere copy and that earlier re-editings had resulted in much being cut, lost and even junked. It comes as a tremendous relief that people like Robert A. Harris and many of the participants in the original production have dedicated their considerable talents to restoring a version of this Best Picture of 1962 that surpasses even the original release in its epic sweep and complex interior psychology.

Working from Robert Bolt's screenplay inspired by T.E. Lawrence's own "Seven Pillars of Wisdom," David Lean assembled a cast of international stars who were to surround a relatively unknown actor chosen to play the enigmatic, quixotic and, with some license, historical title character. Thus fell to Peter O'Toole the task of creating one of the most multi-layered characterizations to be attempted in film, while in the august company of an all-male cast including Alec Guinness, Anthony Quinn, Jack Hawkins, Jose Ferrer, Anthony Quale, Claude Rains, Arthur Kennedy, and Omar Sharif!

O'Toole brings to his characterization all of the intensity, self-doubt and ultimate resolve to triumph over seeming unassailable odds that the real Lawrence chronicled while leading the Arab revolt against Turkey during World War I. He virtually invented himself in response to the shifting political and military exigencies he encountered and O'Toole has captured it all in a carefully modulated virtuoso performance. This is big acting and he dominates throughout, appearing in virtually every scene. Of the others, a simple listing should suffice: what other film can boast of so many extravagantly famous names?

But Sir David (he was knighted in 1984) had more than a story to tell with some interesting characters to give it flesh. Part and parcel of Lawrence's story was the particular landscape—precisely Old Testament—unimaginable to any who have not seen it, with its fields of brilliant red sand dunes reaching illimitably to the horizon. To the musical underpenning provided by Maurice Jarre, here evoking sui generis a sound picture that defines this space and time, Lean captured exactly the desolation of the desert, in turn serene as well as violent, which frames and compels the almost inexorable events that occur. This is epic film making at its biggest and most authentic, with history and the elements as protagonists. The wonder is that so expansive an undertaking could be unified stylistically to compose a work of art that is all of a piece.

Restoring "Lawrence" to its original length and conditon was an epic journey of its own. No print of the original premiere version had survived and the available copies had been cut twice,

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*Peter O'Toole stars as T.E. Lawrence in "Lawrence of Arabia," now re-released in a 4-hour 70mm version*

from the original 222 minutes plus additional music, down to 187 minutes. Negatives were worn to near disuse, scratched, warped and spliced over 1000 times. A magnetic track of the sound was discovered, but it was only 202 minutes long. Even the supposed archival copies of the black and white masters (3 each carrying a portion of the full color spectrum) had unexplainably been cut. Somehow a working print was produced from all the available sources including 35mm copies and color footage where the sand was blue!

Harris contacted the Oscar-winning editor of the film, Anne V. Coates, the one person who knew how the picture was put together, as well as how it was taken apart. Eventually it was completed right down to the Colombia Pictures logo, but eight minutes of sound had to be newly created. To this end sound effects were borrowed from other scenes; and dialogue, scripted with the aid of a hearing-impaired couple, was re-recorded by surviving cast members and computer processed to make the voices sound as they did over 25 years ago. Capitalizing on newer technology, the entire sound track was transferred to a 6-track stereo Dolby Spectral Recording. Sir David himself made the final cut of the completed 70mm work print. The result: this version is definitive, looking and sounding better than even the original release of 1962.

Now enjoying a limited engagement at the Spectrum, "Lawrence" deserves your time (4 hours) and attention and will reward the new viewer, especially, as no other modern English film since—well—"Lawrence of Arabia."

## '60 Minutes' sneak

Andy Rooney sneaked some controversial reading material into his "60 Minutes" commentary last Sunday.

A copy of "The Satanic Verses," the Salman Rushdie book that so infuriated Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini that he put a price on the writer's head, was at Rooney's right elbow during his "A Few Minutes With Andy Rooney" segment.

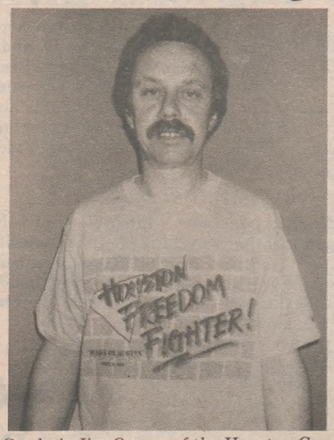
Rooney was so sure that viewers wouldn't notice that he bet $10 with his editor, Bob Forte, but a Washington Post reporter called Rooney to quiz him about his taste in books.

"I didn't want to hit anybody over the head with it," Rooney said.

"I wanted to make some small statement—I was on the side of the good guys."

The book apparently wasn't noticed by "60 Minutes" executive producer, Don Hewitt, who recently pad caught Rooney trying to get sneak photos of former colleague Diane Sawyer into the scene.

## 'Houston Freedom Fighters' is theme for marchers




*Co-chair Jim Owens of the Houston Committee for the March on Austin, wears a T-shirt with the committee's new logo: "Houston Freedom Fighters"*

At its organization meeting on March 7, the Houston Committee for the March on Austin selected the theme of "Houston Freedom Fighters" around which to promote the April 30th event.

T-shirts and buttons with this theme are now available in various locations and through the March committee.

"The theme won unanimous approval," said Annise Parker, who with Jim Owens, was elected co-chair of the committee. "Our fund raising and organizing efforts will center around the idea of a unique 'Houston spirit' and our willingness to fight for what we believe."

Owens said: "The theme will also be used for a special pledge drive to raise funds for our state and national lobby efforts. Even those who cannot attend the events of the March weekend can be there in spirit. Houstonians marching will be asked to carry special signs bearing the names of those who made Freedom Fighter contributions."

The Committee next meets on March 20 at 7:30 p.m. at 800 Rosine. Volunteers are needed in many areas.

## Im Memory Of ...

### —DAN JONES

JUNE 29, 1956—MARCH 15, 1989

Dan Jones' body, but not his mind, lost a three and a half year battle with AIDS when he died on March 15, 1989 in Park Plaza Hospital.

There were several reasons for Dan's ability to survive for such a long time, one being the positive mental outlook he always maintained and the hope he always sustained that a drug of some type would be developed to halt the deterioration of his body.

Coupled with the excellent medical care he received from Dr. Didier Piot and the staff at Park Plaza Hospital, Dan maintained the physical strength necessary to fight off one illness after another.

Perhaps more important was the support he received from a fantastic group of friends, among them Mac, his AIDS buddy, and Bill and Randell.

Dan's parents, Martha and J.D. of Huntsville, Alabama, were the best in-laws Tim Putman, Dan's lover of 10 years, could have had. This relationship also served to reduce the stress and frustration that Dan endured. Dan's bother, Donny, and sister, Liza, were equally supportive.

Dan made it clear that everyone know that he died of AIDS. He felt it important that everyone realize that you do not have to be a drug user or a promiscuous individual to fall victim to the disease because he was neither.

Obviously Dan will be missed by all who knew him, but in lieu of flowers and donations of any type he requested that each of you remind someone you know that engages in unsafe practices to remember that it only takes one time to become a statistic and not a productive member of society, particularly of the gay community.

Dan will be buried at Huntsville, Ala. on Friday, March 17. Memorial services will be held for Dan at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 26 at Bering Memorial United Methodist Church, 1440 Harold.

### —OLIVER SIPPLE

1947-1989

Sometime Montrose resident and the man who thwarted an assassination attempt on President Gerald Ford in 1975, Oliver Sipple died sometime around Jan. 19 in San Francisco.

Sipple, a Vietnam veteran on 100% disability, was in Union Square in San Francisco when Sara Jane Moore aimed a revolver at Ford. Sipple lunged and knocked away the gun. He later said it was no big deal. President Ford sent him a thank you note.

Those who knew Sipple remember him as a generous, heavy-drinking person with more problems than one individual needs, including family rejection because of his homosexuality which was revealed by the press after his act of heroism.

Former president Ford again acknowledged Sipple's courage in a letter to "friends" after Sipple's death in which he said "I will forever be grateful for Oliver's action on my behalf..."

# Drug-related AIDS now are third of all cases

By KEN SUGAR
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

ATLANTA (UPI)—One-third of all AIDS cases in the United States are now drug-related and more than 400 were babies born with the deadly disease last year, mostly to parents who used intravenous drugs, the government said Thursday.

In 1988, a total of 10,747 drug-related AIDS cases were reported, up from 6747 drug cases in 1987, the national Centers for Disease Control reported.

"In some places in the country, AIDS related to intravenous drug use is the leading risk factor for AIDS," said Dr. James Buehler in a CDC report. "I think it emphasizes the urgency of addressing preventative measures for drug users."

The drug cases represented 33.3 percent of the total AIDS cases in 1988. In 1987, the 6747 drug-related cases comprised 26.8 percent of the total AIDS cases, Buehler said.

The CDC said that of the 447 babies born with AIDS in 1988, 314 were infected by mothers who used intravenous drugs or who had drug-using sex partners. In 1987, 189 of the 256 infant AIDS cases were drug-related, the CDC said.

"We need a multi-faceted approach," Buehler said. "First of all, we need to prevent people from becoming drug users, provide treatment to drug users and, in the interim, we need to do what we can to prevent the sharing of dirty needles. Sharing dirty equipment is the worst problem."

Of the 10,747 drug-related AIDS cases in 1988:

—53.9 percent were in heterosexual men.

—16.2 percent in women.

—19.1 percent in male homosexuals or bisexuals.

—2.1 percent in men whose heterosexual partners were drug-users.

—5.8 percent in women whose heterosexual partners were drug users.

—2.1 percent in children whose mothers were drug users.

—0.8 percent in children whose mothers were sex partners of drug users.

"One thing we have seen is that the percentage of cases in drug users who are also homosexual-bisexual men has declined. We are seeing a change in behaviors in the homosexual population," Buehler said, referring to the practice of safe sex. "The epidemic is growing more rapidly in the drug-using population at large."

The CDC survey said the rate of AIDS-related drug cases was higher among blacks and Hispanics and varied widely by region, with 54.5 percent of the total reported in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania.

The cases were "primarily focused in New York and northern New Jersey," Buehler said.

In 1988, drug-related AIDS cases accounted for 50.7 percent of all AIDS cases reported from the Northeast, 23.5 percent from the South; 19.8 percent from the Midwest and 15.8 percent from the West, the CDC report said.

"The rate of intravenous drug use-associated AIDS continues to be higher for blacks and Hispanics than for whites," the CDC report said. "Except for the West, where rates for whites and Hispanics were similar, this difference by race and ethnicity was observed for all regions of the country and was greatest in the Northeast."

# At it again: Retologist promoting safe sex

AMHERST, Mass. (UPI)—Delivering the message "Say yes to safe sex," Roger Libby and his talking human-sized puppet Roxanne Ribbit will hand out condoms and lecture college students next week on spring break in Florida.

"I'll be handing out condoms and lubricants to promote pleasure with responsibility," said Libby who last year began lecturing and promoting safe sex during spring break in Daytona Beach, Fla.

Libby has a doctorate in sex education and is among the "few sexologists who promote healthy, safe sex," he said.

Libby's now annual trek to Florida from Amherst, where he formerly taught at the University of Massachusetts, has been deemed "National Orgasm Week" by nightclubs that allow him to lecture the students who are on spring break.

"What I'm saying is it's time to have some good news about sex rather than censorship and hysteria," Libby said. "What I'm trying to say is that sexual desire will flourish despite paranoia, but first we've got to be responsible enough to eliminate the paranoia."

Libby, who has written several columns for newspapers and is a guest radio talk show host, will also be handing out buttons that read "Say yes to safe sex."

"Actually, it will be my life-size puppet, Roxanne Ribbit the horny toad, who will be handing out the condoms and buttons," Libby said. "The students identify me with Roxanne. She's more famous than I am."

The puppet contains a tape recorder and Libby uses her as a device in a sometimes "very funny, but informative conversation," he said.

"I use humor as a vehicle to encourage the students to get to know their sexual partners first, and discuss the pertinent issues of safe sex before moving on in the relationship," Libby said.

Still, Libby's attempt to promote safe sex is not a message that all want to hear. In the Amherst area, he has been the focus of rallies in opposition to his message.

After arriving in Florida, Libby received a telephone call Thursday from Amherst Police who told him his house had been spray-painted with an obscene message by someone opposed to his safe sex campaign.

"It makes me mad, but it also makes me want to work even harder to get my message out," Libby said.

# Video reviews: 'Betrayed,' 'Punchline,' 'Moon Over Parador'

By JACK E. WILKINSON
United Press International
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

What's new on the home video scene ...

## —Movies

"Betrayed"—An intense, thought-provoking drama about hate in the heartland, a vicious web of deadly, deep-rooted bigotry spun incongruously among theñamber waves of grain. Set in peaceful-looking Midwestern farm country, undercover FBI agent Cathy Weaver (Debra Winger) falls in love with a murder suspect (Tom Berenger) she believes to be innocent, only to discover a numbing truth about the good folks hereabout during a nighttime "hunting" trip. With an infusion of radical politics and high-level help, the farmers are part of a plot to wage a widespread assault aimed at wiping out certain minorities and "saving" the white race. It's up to Weaver to stop it, but they've found out who she is and now she's an unsuspecting target, too. Director Costa-Gavras presents his disturbing message of prejudicial evil so matter-of-factly in its bucolic setting that it seems almost far-fetched. 1988. 128 minutes. MGM-UA Home Video. Rated R. $89.95.

"Punchline"—There's little funny about being funny; it's a serious, demanding business, sometimes downright demeaning. That's the clear message of this film, itself a serious look at laughter. Tom Hanks plays a gifted but self-destructive comic, a failed medical student turned unstable jokester. "We're God's animated cartoons," he tells Sally Field, a New Jersey housewife determined to do standup comedy no matter what, after they meet at a club where both are performing—he's the star, she's an "unfunny lady." But, not for long. Taking her under his wing, he teaches her how to get laughs, (even with that same old Polish husband routine) and soon she is on the threshold of stardom while he keeps shooting himself down. The overall story seems contrived, but there are some rewarding moments and the acting, especially by Hanks, is good. 1988. 123 minutes. RCA-Columbia Pictures Home Video. Rated R. $89.95.

"Moon Over Parador"—Richard Dreyfuss plays American actor Jack Noah forced to impersonate a suddenly deceased banana republic dictator in this fairly pleasant political satire. At first, he balks but gets to like the attractive perks of the job, among them the late ruler's mistress (Sonia Braga). Jack begins taking his role seriously and quickly becomes a delight to the people but a major headache to the Harvard-trained police chief (Raul Julia) who set up the scheme. Unfortunately, things start getting politically preachy about now as well. It's Dreyfuss' show and he energetically hams it up royally in his dual role. Jonathan Winters pops up here and there as, of all things, a sneaky CIA agent and Director Paul Mazursky puts on a dress for a bit as the dictator's mother. 1988. 103 minutes. MCA Home Video. Rated PG-13. $89.95.

"Sullivan's Travels"—Preston Sturges blends Hollywood satire with stark drama in this excellent and still pertinent 1941 film making its long overdue home video debut. Hard to categorize, but easy to like, it's a quick study in what many consider moviemaking at its best. Director John L. Sullivan (Joel McCrea) is tired of churning out fluff ("Hey! Hey! In The Hayloft") and wants to do a serious social statement, certain that's what the people need. To get some background and taste some of the "suffering of humanity," Sully disguises himself as a hobo and hits the road. Along the way he is joined by an out-of-work actress (Veronica Lake), is robbed, beaten and imprisoned in a brutal chain gang. Among the scenes etched in memory: the silent montage of a sea of homeless, hopeless "bums" foraging through life, and a small black church where shackled convicts guffaw at Mickey Mouse, forgetting their plight for a few moments. It is here that Sully realizes the power of laughter. 1941. 91 minutes. MCA Home Video. $29.95.

## —Special interest

"Shirley MacLaine's Inner Workout"—No matter what you think of oriental meditation, this video, which makes thorough use of the practice, looks like a good method for relieving stress. With Shirley's soothing narration, a dreamy musical background and an impressive, hypnotic kaleidoscopic show, it is indeed relaxing if you join in. There is even an eyes-closed section toward the end in which Shirley conjures up an idyllic scene in a lush forest beside a babbling brook. The techniques she demonstrates are designed to reduce both mental and physical strain. Called the "chakra" system, it spotlights seven areas of the body along the spine that supposedly correspond to sexuality, creativity, control, love, power, communication and judgment. 1988. 70 minutes. Vestron Video. $29.98.

## —Billboard's top 10 rentals

1. Die Hard—CBS-Fox Video
2. Bull Durham—Orion Home Video
3. A Fish Caljed Wanda—CBS-Fox Video
4. The Dead Pool—Warner Home Video
5. The Presidio—Paramount Home Video
6. Married to the Mob—Orion Home Video
7. Midnight Run—MCA Home Video
8. Young Guns—Vestron Video
9. Big Business—Touchstone Home Video
10. Red Heat—IVE

## *Working Overtime On St. Patrick's Day*

The Chieftans, Ireland's traditional music group, had no trouble finding work on St. Patrick's Day. They were to start the day in New York on "Good Morning America" and then appear on the syndicated show "People Are Talking."

The afternoon schedule included a live show for BBC radio and then a 90-minute special being beamed back home from the Tavern on the Green with actor Richard Harris, Peter Yarrow from Peter, Paul and Mary and Pete Seeger. The evening schedule was filled by a Carnegie Hall performance.

Back in the British Isles, taped specials were to be aired on two networks Friday night.

# Sex survey: Women more satisfied than men

NEW YORK (UPI)—American women are more satisfied with their sex lives and men would like to have sex more often, a Glamour magazine survey reported Tuesday.

In the poll of 1155 men and women around the country between the ages of 18 and 65, 46 percent of women questioned said they were very satisfied with their sex lives, compared with 35 percent of the men.

Twice as many men as women said they would have sex more often if they could change their sex life—51 percent to 26 percent, while more women than men wouldn't change anything about it—34 percent compared with 26 percent.

In the survey on sexual attitudes, done under the supervision of the Mark Clements Research Inc., the No. 1 worry of women is catching AIDS, while 39 percent are concerned with how they look.

Forty-nine percent of men questioned said their chief concern in bed is whether their partner has an orgasm. Thirty-four percent said they are afraid of catching acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Men and women 55 and older indicated they were much more satisfied with their overall lives than younger people, with 52 percent saying they were very satisfied.

In comparison, 39 percent of those aged 40 to 54 said they were satisfied with their lives overall, while 34 percent of those aged 25 to 39 said they were satisfied.

The men surveyed indicated they have more self esteem than women, with nearly 40 percent of the males indicating they were very satisfied with the degree of self esteem and confidence they possess. Only 30 percent of the women answering the poll registered such satisfaction.

Only about half of the respondents said they believe having children is very important to their self-fulfillment.

Those most likely to agree that having children is the most important way to achieve their identity were women who never went beyond high school, the survey said.

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# HGLPC members sworn in as voter registrars

"This was a good response," Renny Glover of the Harris County Voter Registrar's office said after swearing in 32 members of the Houston Gay/Lesbian Political Caucus at a meeting on March 15.

Glover works for Carl Smith, county assessor, and in an election year such as this, spends plenty of time going before groups encouraging voter registration.

So begins one of HGLPC's three major projects for the year designed to increase the solidarity of the Houston gay and lesbian community: A concentrated effort to intensify the formidable gay and lesbian voting bloc in Houston. The campaign will include prizes ranging from cameras to cash for the three top voter registrars.

A second major project is to improve and enhance the computer system of the organization and to streamline and update the mailing list.

Computer committee chair Mike Stubblefield said: "We are currently updating, research and cross-referencing more than 4500 pieces of mail. We plan to implement four computer work stations for data entry on the master mailing list." Jack Valinski, Membership Committee chair, heads up the third project for the year: To increase membership to 1000 before the November general election.

Other business at the HGLPC meeting was concentrated on a letter-writing campaign to Houston legislators in Austin concerning AIDS legislation, hate crimes, abortion, and censorship.

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# Unique clothing designs on exhibit at the Art League

By ALLEN THOMSON
Montrose Voice Art Critic

Original items of artistically designed wearables is the subject of an exhibit opening at the Art League of Houston March 16 and running through April 8.

Curated by Houston artist Mark Diamond, the exhibit features unique clothing, boots, jewelry, head dresses and hats designed by eight Houston-area artists, as well as costumes designed and worn by the Urban Animals, a roller skating group.

Artists whose unusual wearables will be displayed include:

Steven and Robin Bumbera, self-taught artists whose jewelry collection, called "Gelez Sable," has delighted customers of Janice Rudy and Judy Youens;

Mariam Levy and John Haba, whose use of iconographic images from world history and a variety of processes of paint application create historically referential art on a wearable canvas;

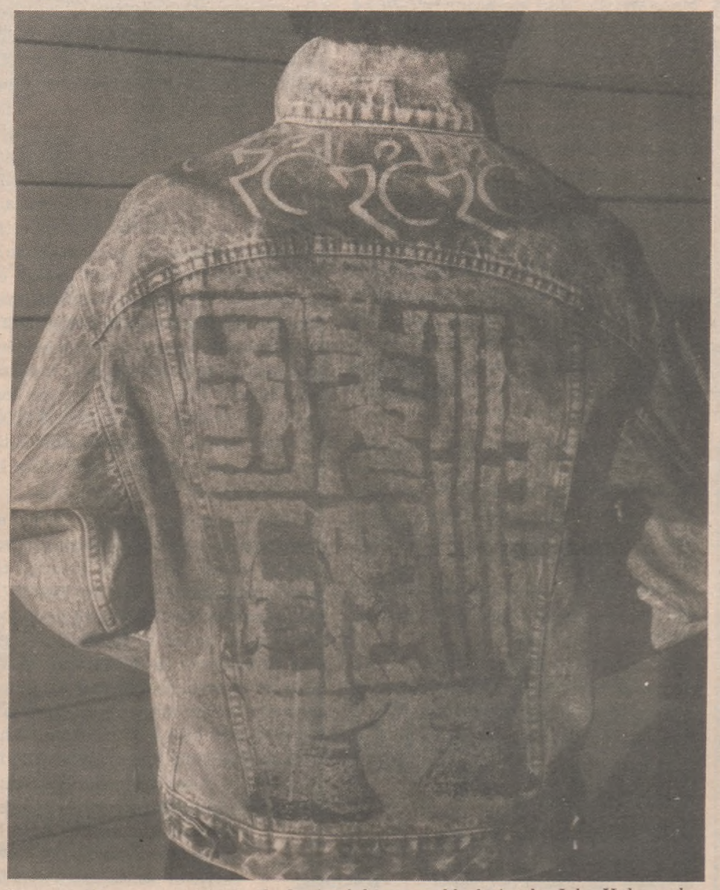
Galveston metal smith/jewelry-maker Diane Falkenhagen;

Dixi Gay, whose elaborate and festive head dresses have been worn at many Mardi Gras events;

Beautifully crafted boots inlaid with unusual materials by Dave Wheeler, designer for the Wheeler Boot Company;

Alicia Doplan, self-employed tapestry weaver whose works have been displayed locally and who is also known for her use of unusual materials;

Kat Chrisope, John McKay, Sandy Spence, Ralph Vuger Smitty, members of the Urban Animals, who will display their bizarre jousting uniforms.



*Stone age Japanese writing is the basis of this wearable design by John Haba and Mariam Levy*

The Art League of Houston Gallery, at 1935 Montrose Blvd., is open to the public free of charge Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday, noon to 4:00 p.m.

## —Alpha & Omega

Another opening this weekend is at the Alpha & Omega Gallery at 1538 Welch with showings of work by guest artist, Robert Middlebrook, P.W.A.

Middlebrook works in various media and this show will be structured around his drawings and his found object constructions.

Other artists showing their work with Middlebrook are Raymond Whitt, painter, and Mark Mywatt, painter and decorative artist.

Earnings from the show, which will be on view March 19-April 1, benefit Omega House, an AIDS hospice. For more information call 526-4415.

## —More openings

Other openings this week include:

The 1989 Core Fellows Exhibition at the Glassell School of Art, 5101 Montrose Blvd, March 16-April 30;

"Americans in Paris," Hillaire Hiler and Ary Stillman, two artists of the "Lost Generation," are rediscovered at the New Gallery, 2639 Colquitt, March 18-April 18 with a reception on the first day, 6-8 p.m.; Michael Collins New Work at the McMurtry Gallery, 3508 Lake St. March 18—April 15, with opening reception 6-8 p.m.

# Rock Hudson's lover files malicious prosecution suit

By LINDA RAPATTONI
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—Marc Christian, who was awarded $21.75 million last month in a lawsuit against Rock Hudson's estate and the late actor's secretary, filed a second suit Monday alleging a countersuit they filed against him was malicious prosecution.

Christian's Superior Court suit alleges Hudson's estate and personal secretary, Mark Miller, made false allegations against him in a countersuit they filed before the trial to "smear" him and try to get him to drop his original lawsuit against them.

Christian's suit filed Monday seeks $1 million in compensatory damages and a total of $6.2 million in punitive and exemplary damages against the defendants.

Named in the lawsuit were Miller; lawyers Gideon Cashman, Donald Zakarin and Samuel Pryor; their New York law firm, Pryor, Cashman, Sherman & Flynn, and Wallace Sheft, executor of Hudson's estate.

The defendants could not be reached Monday for comment.

Christian was awarded $21.75 million last month by a jury that decided Hudson and Miller conspired to prevent Christian from knowing Hudson had AIDS so they would continue having sex.

The countersuit filed by the estate and Miller was dismissed on the eve of the trial. It had sought $2.1 million in damages for "recovery of money obtained by extortion and recovery of property converted."

The countersuit alleged Christian admitted to Hudson that he got paid for having sex with several men and women, and that Christian threatened to destroy Hudson's reputation and career by publishing personal letters Hudson wrote him and by publicly exposing Hudson's homosexuality.

As a result of Christian's threats, the countersuit charged, Hudson was forced to allow Christian to continue living in his house and to give him money and other things valued at $72,000. It also alleged Christian took items from Hudson's home that were worth another $60,000.

In his malicious prosecution suit Monday, Christian denied the allegations in the countersuit and said its purpose was "to carry out Mark Miller's threat 'to smear' plaintiff with false accusations to ruin plaintiff's reputation if plaintiff filed any lawsuit against Rock Hudson's estate."

Christian also charged in the lawsuit that the allegations were "outright lies made up by Mark Miller" to pressure him to abandon his original lawsuit or settle it for a lesser amount.

Meanwhile, a hearing is pending on a request for a new trial by lawyers for Hudson's estate and Miller who contend the $21.75 million jury award was "excessive," and that there was juror misconduct.

## Fortunes

BY TYCHO
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE
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**Aries**

Being out there with the eyes of the public upon you, and all of the hustle-bustle that that entails, has whetted your appetite for a very private kind of retreat. Do your best to get away for a delicious weekend.

**Taurus**

Oh, those words of love. Listening to that smooth talker could turn your head, change your mind, make you weak in the knees, have a strong effect all over your body. You might learn a thing or two. What an education!

**Gemini**

March twenty-first signals the beginning of spring, the start of the zodiacal year. You'll be right in tune with a fresh and happy feeling. Share the smiles, enjoy the laughter. Get frisky. Be silly and forever young.

**Cancer**

Aren't you glad that your X-ray eyes are working so well? (Or at least your strong intuition.) Someone's attempt to fool you will seem foolish and laughable. Observing their stupidity will increase your appreciation of the honest relationships in your life.

**Leo**

The sexual excitement continues. (Oh, to be with Leo, now that spring is here.) The intensity of the passion could amaze even the most experienced lion. The negative side of this big positive could be someone else's jealousy of your great pleasure.

**Virgo**

A piece of the puzzle is missing. There's something important that you can't seem to figure out. The cause could be a weird gap in communication with one that you work closely with. A Cancer or Scorpio could provide needed advice and information.

**Libra**

Aren't you the lucky one. Things have been a bit confused of late. But little worries about little troubles seem to fly out of the window when a special friend knocks at your door. This is one of those times when you learn what's really important.

**Scorpio**

When you combine the best of your practical side with the best of your idealistic side, what do you get? Great results! You're seen as one who can get the job done. "Nothing succeeds like success" definitely applies now.

**Sagittarius**

A healthy, competitive approach can be a fine way to develop your skills if you don't let the competitiveness overwhelm you. Winning is fun and the object of the game, but there are times when you must consider at what expense. Think about it.

**Capricorn**

Work on making your home life as comfortable as possible. Stress is a continual factor in the world that you inhabit. Guard against the toll it takes on mind and body by making the place you go home to the place that you want to be.

**Aquarius**

Security is indeed a very real need. And you can go a long way now toward attaining it. An improved financial picture and a special opportunity could combine to make this a good time for purchasing a home.

**Pisces**

Your "window of opportunity" could appear quite suddenly, and then just as suddenly disappear. Be alert, especially to the possibility of travelling for business purposes. The ability to move quickly and decisively will make all of the difference.

# Publication describes NGLTF's new 'Campus Project'

The Campus Project of the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) has released a publication outlining strategies for gay and lesbian activists to organize for non-discrimination policies on campus. Authored by Campus Project Director Kevin Berrill and former NGLTF volunteer Sam Paul, the publication is entitled "Making It Official: Organizing for a Policy to End Discrimination," and is contained in Organizing For Equality, the newsletter of the NGLTF Campus Project.

The NGLTF Campus Project was launched in 1987 to assist gay and lesbian students, administrators, faculty and alumnae/i in organizing to advance equal rights in the college setting. Earlier issues of the Campus Project newsletter covered how activists can secure fair AIDS policies on campus, and detailed gay and lesbian film resources available for screening on campuses.

The new NGLTF publication lists colleges and universities that have non—discrimination policies covering sexual orientation discrimination. It highlights successful organizing efforts on several campuses and outlines for activists the mechanics of changing campus policies.

"These practical guidelines are designed to help activists begin the fight to protect lesbians and gay men on campus," said Campus Project Director Kevin Berrill. "They also contain helpful suggestions for activists working in settings where policies already exist."

Copies of "Making It Official" may be ordered by sending $1.00 to NGLTF Campus Project, 1517 U Street NW, Washington, DC 20009. The two earlier issues of the Campus Project newsletter may also be ordered for $1.00 each.

## —Southeastern Conference

The Southeastern Conference For Lesbians and Gay Men will hold its 14th annual event this year in Dallas. The Conference, the theme of which is "Southeast Meets Southwest," will be held over the weekend of April 13-16, 1989 at the Sheraton Hotel and Towers in downtown Dallas at 400 N. Olive Street.

Southeastern Conference For Lesbians and Gay Men is a non-profit educational organization which provides an annual conference filled with over 65 workshop sessions, keynote addresses and panel presentations by regional and national gay and lesbian leaders, social and cultural events. Over 500 gay men and lesbians are expected to attend from the 15 Southeastern states, with outreach to the Southwestern states.

The Conference will begin with a welcoming reception Thursday, April 13, 6-10:00 p.m., with an address by Vivian Shapiro of the Human Rights Campaign Fund.

Workshops sessions will begin on Friday morning, April 14, following addresses by Dallas area representatives with continuous workshop sessions from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Friday evening entertainment will include the Turtle Creek Chorale and the Oak Lawn Symphonic Band, followed by a guided bus tour of Dallas nightlife.

The Southeastern Conference For Lesbians and Gay Men was begun in 1976 by students and concerned faculty in the Chapel Hill, North Carolina community. Its membership is comprised of representatives of over 1700 gay and lesbian organizations serving communities across the United States. The southeastern Conference Board is comprised of representatives of a 14-state area: Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Maryland, Washington, DC, and Texas. Previous Conferences have been held in Atlanta, Georgia, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, New Orleans, Louisiana, and other major southern cities.

It is with great honor that Texas has been chosen to host the 14th Annual Southeastern Conference For Lesbians and Gay Men. Through our theme "Southeast Meets Southwest," the 1989 Southeastern Conference will provide the forum and the strategies for lesbians and gay men to affect change in their communities into the 1990's.

For travel and accommodations information and reservations call Fantastic Voyage at 1-800-622-6988.

For additional Southeastern Conference information call 1-214-471-6040.

## —'AIDS Forum'

"AIDS Forum," a new newsletter "devoted to the dissemination and discussion of diverse views about AIDS," has begun publication, published and edited by PWA and AIDS activist Michael Callen.

Although created in part to permit rational debate about what role, if any, HIV plays in the development of AIDS, AIDS FORUM is committed to "publishing any well-written, well-reasoned writing about AIDS." It will be a serious journal which will explore the scientific and social implications of AIDS and AIDS research with a "fundamental respect for the truth and the rules that should govern a search for the truth."

## —Levi to leave NGLTF

National Gay & Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) Executive Director Jeffrey Levi announced that he will leave the organization effective August 1 after six years of service with the nation's preeminent gay and lesbian civil rights organization. Levi plans to stay actively involved in the gay and lesbian rights movement and said his departure reflects a strong desire to work full time on the development and formulation of national AIDS policy.

Levi said, "My tenure at NGLTF has been the most exciting and stimulating work experience of my life. I am very proud of the organization, its staff, its board and its large and loyal membership. But I want very much to devote all my time to policy issues, particularly the complex and long-term policy issues raised by the AIDS health crisis. This decision reflects a personal career choice to fully devote my energies to programmatic concerns rather than dividing my time between program and the administrative and fiscal responsibilities of an executive director."

Levi joined NGLTF in 1983 as the Director of the Washington office. When NGLTF consolidated its offices to Washington, DC in 1986, Levi was named Executive Director. Levi directed the emergence of NGLTF as the most productive and responsive arm of the national gay and lesbian movement. During Levi's tenure, NGLTF doubled its lobbying staff, dramatically expanded its grassroots organizing department, and strengthened its ties to local and state-based gay and lesbian organizations. Organizationally, Levi managed the growth of NGLTF from a staff of five and a membership of 5000 to its current staff of ten and national membership of over 15,000. Levi led the Task Force in erasing a long-term $90,000 debt, and leaves the organization in the strongest financial condition of its 15-year history.

Praise for Levi's contributions was expressed by a number of persons who have worked closely with him through the years. Congressman Barney Frank (D-MA) observed, "Jeff Levi has done a superb job on behalf of lesbians and gay men in his work at NGLTF, and we will miss him a great deal. In fact, all Americans who believe in the ideals of our Constitution owe him a lot, because he has worked creatively and energetically for six years to make those ideals a reality. Personally, as a Member of the House, I very much benefited from his advice and analysis on a wide range of issues, and I look forward to continuing to benefit from his strong commitment and excellent judgment."

**National Gay Community Notes**

Congressman Gerry Studds (D-MA) joined in Frank's praise of Levi, noting, "Jeff Levi's accomplishments as Executive Director of NGLTF have been vitally important to our community. I know his extraordinary energy and commitment will prove equally invaluable in his new exclusive focus on AIDS."

Founded in 1973, NGLTF is the gay and lesbian movement's leading activist voice. NGLTF's program encompasses full-time lobbying of Congress, the White House and federal agencies; grass-roots organizing on the issues of anti—gay/lesbian violence, sodomy law repeal, recognition of gay and lesbian families, passage of local and state gay rights ordinances, discrimination on college and university campuses; and public education through the publication of reports, surveys, and other materials as well as strong media advocacy on behalf of the gay and lesbian community.

Persons interested in applying for the position of NGLTF Executive Director may write to the Executive Director Search Committee, NGLTF, 1517 U Street NW, Washington, DC 20009.

## —Young leaders internship program

The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) is seeking applications from young adults for its board of directors as part of the new HRCF Young Leaders Internship Program.

Under the internship program, up to two young adults—ages 19 to 25—will serve a one-year internship on the 25-member HRCF Board. One female and one male intern will be selected. The program will be implemented by this summer.

The young adult interns will have the same rights and responsibilities as other board members, including full voting rights. Responsibilities of the interns will include networking and fundraising to college and universities and other young adult communities. Interns will also participate in key political and legislative projects involving the board of the nation's largest gay and lesbian and AIDS political action committee and lobbying group.

"It's important to establish strong leadership in our community by educating and actively involving gay and lesbian youth," said Hilary Rosen, HRCF Board co-chair. "We want to bring in promising and talented young members of our community and provide a forum for them to become future leaders of our movement."

Intern applicants must submit to HRCF a typewritten resume and a two-to-three page biographical summary. Applicants will be reviewed by the HRCF Intern Committee. Interviews will be required of all finalists. Consideration will be given to the applicant's contributions to the gay and lesbian community, political expertise and contacts, leadership potential and fundraising capabilities.

Interns need not be active college students, but should have close ties to the academic community.

Applications should be sent to HRCF Board Intern Program, 1012 14th St. NW, Suite 607, Washington, D.C., 20005, by April 19, 1989. Call (202) 628-4160 for more information. Notification of selection will be by May 10, 1989.

## —Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays

"Why Is My Child Gay?" is a 16-page booklet published by Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) with answers to the question provided by 11 nationally known scientists in the fields of human development and sexual behavior. Among the respondents are Alan Bell, Richard Green, Evelyn Hooker, John Money and June Reinisch.

The booklet invites the 11 scientists to address three questions: How is sexual orientation affected by genetic, hormonal, social or psychological factors? Do any of these factors determine sexual orientation alone? Can lesbians and gay men change their sexual orientation through therapy or other means?

Most of the 11 surveyed agree that there is a biological predisposition toward sexual orientation at birth, no single factor causes homosexuality, and sexual orientation cannot be changed permanently through therapy.

The booklet also includes a reading list, information about the Kinsey scale, and information about the PFLAG Federation with its over 200 chapters and contacts. Tineke Bodde, the author, is a medical writer and member of PFLAG.

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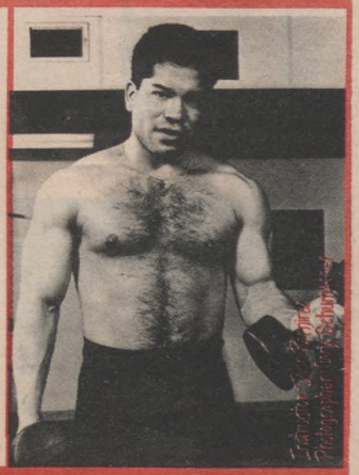

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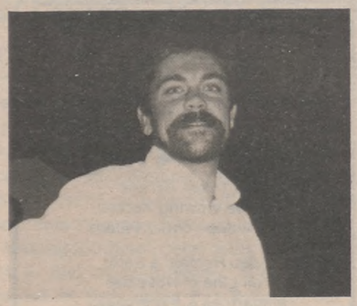
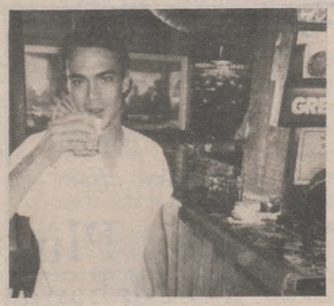


*Jeff, one of the newest good looking bartenders at The Barn*



*Rick (Pot Pie) relaxes during an early morning happy hour*

*The Lady B.-A.K.A. The Barn's door person, quite a switch*

*J.R. Jenkins performs at The Briar Patch during happy hour*

# Montrose Soap: People & Places

St. Patrick's Day on Pacific Street will last for three days with drink specials, give-aways, and the biggest celebration in town. Don't miss the craziness at J.R.'s, The Mining Company, and Heaven, beginning Friday and continuing through Sunday. Come join the fun... even if you're not Irish.

The Rock-N-Horse celebrates its 3rd anniversary tonight (Friday) combined with their St. Patrick's Day party. Congratulations, Nareen. The fun starts at 8pm complete with band at 9pm.

Larry of The Lazy J. is celebrating his birthday Saturday (which one?) and we hear he is doing a drag number complete with a leather skirt. This should definitely be worth seeing. Happy Birthday, Larry.

Will (Mary's), we like your new leather image. Are you after someone special?

This Tuesday (21st) is once again Colt 45 Skate Night. For a great time join them at the Carousel Skating Rink at Campbell Road and I-10 on Old Katy Road. The fun is 8-10pm, so plan to attend.

We hear that Nurse David and Magnolia (Cousins) have been keeping unchaperoned company since Danny fell in lust with Blow-up Bobby. Any comments, anyone?

David Carpenter, candidate Mr. T.G.R.A. 1990, will host a fundraiser this Sunday, 8pm at Bacchus, benefiting Colt 45's AIDS Troublefund and Stone Soup. A non-perishable food item or personal item (soap, tooth paste, razors, etc.) will be collected at the door.

Fridays at the Mining Company have become hotter earlier as the Special Forces Dancers now begin dancing at 8pm with 3-in-1 Happy Hour until 10pm. The Mine is wall-to-wall Men.

We understand that Till (BRB) received a refresher course in automotive maintenance (where the oil goes) from Rein-Car-Nated Steve before going out of town for the weekend. Thank goodness he has finally learned.

The Magistellus Herb Shop Mail Order Business will be opening real soon. Watch for the upcoming ad with details. For more information call John at 351-9128.

Richard, the staff of Scandals hopes your back is better soon. They're tired of getting up at 5:30am.

We hear Curtis (Cousins) lost his new diamond ring and was too embarrassed to tell anyone. Since Woodie found it in the dryer, everyone knows about it.

We understand the BRB is doing some construction work on their floors. By reinforcing the boards, Buz can stand in one place all night and Walter's tennis shoe strings won't get stuck in the wide cracks.

Heaven continues to have the largest crowd in town on Thursdays as M.C. Randy Jobe hosts The Headliners and Fantasy in Motion in a Las Vegas Style Revue. The fun starts at 11pm.

Is Bruce (BRB) really going to be in drag for Christmas in July??? Ask Ray (Back Pocket).

Terry (Mary's), can't you have any calm Mondays? Gaye wants to know what you do to the Monday customers in the mornings.

Cal and Cody are together again in Dallas this week. What's going on up there this time?

What's this about Patrick and Wayne trying to cut Clay's tail in a local bar? Which tail and which bar?

Check out Tuesday nights at J.R.'s where the Male Dance Contest is gearing up for the Spring Fling Finale to be held on Tuesday, April 18th. Winners from weeks past will compete for $300 in cash prizes.

Ms. Dianne Barnett, a candidate for Miss Texas Gay Rodeo Association (T.G.R.A.) 1990, is having an Easter Egg Hunt for kids of all ages. This event will be on Saturday, March 25, at Dunlavy Park (Dunlavy at Woodhead) 11am till 2pm. All participants are requested to bring a non-perishable food item for admission. All food items will benefit the Stone Soup Pantry.

Will (Mary's), guess it's true. What goes around comes around. Heard of any Masters Moving recently? Tad.

Haircutters. The 1989 Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week Committee is sponsoring a cut-a-thon and hair style show scheduled for late April. All those interested in participating in these events or in planning these events are requested to attend a meeting on April 22nd. For more information, please call Loyd Powell at 861-6495.

The BRB Softball team will be bartending on the patio at BRB this Fri./Sat. starting at 10pm. Also cheerleader tryouts will be Sunday at 4pm.

Kayce Glass from Stages' production of "Always... Patsy Cline" will be the guest vocalist at the BRB Friday and Saturday.

Hairs for Charity. Get your hair cut at the BRB on April 1 and 2 and April 8 and 9. All licensed stylists. $5 donation.

Vera (BRB), is it true that you don't have anything that can stand up on its own?

*Tony tries to look butch for a change*

*Happy Birthday, Jimmy. Toilet trained again?*

*Ram Rocha, Scandal's hot D.J., spins away*

*Debe and Till contemplating trouble-are the other halves out of town?*

*John, Fred and Terry during Mary's Pajama Party last weekend*

*Frank and Seth relaxing at a local watering hole after a hard day of playing lawyers*

*Miss Oblivion (Barbara Bush?) prior to his performance at Larry Garrett's fundraiser*

*Bill is the happy hour bartender at The Briar Patch. Stop by and say hello to him*

*Larry Garrett (Mr. T.G.R.A. Candidate '89) and Rikki O'Shea are making plans for an upcoming fundraiser.*

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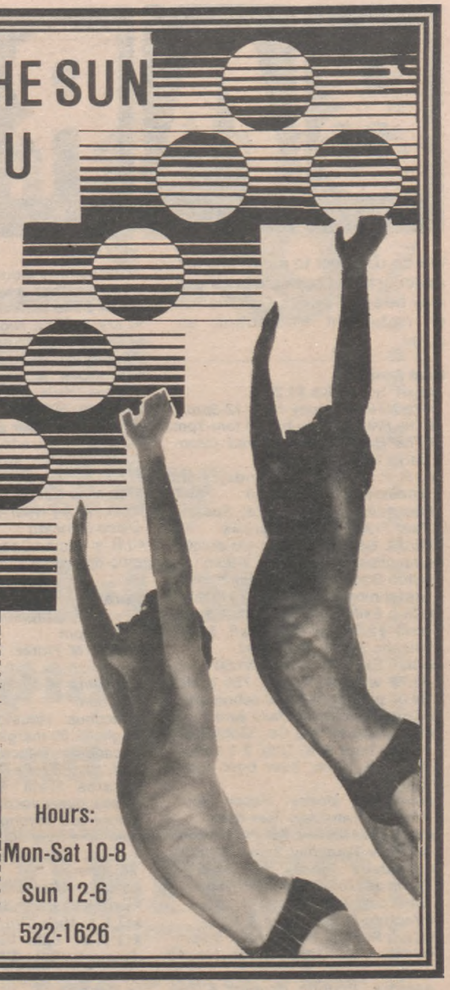

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# BARZAAR

We do our best to make this list as accurate as possible but there may be some errors. Call the bar or restaurant to confirm an event.

**Most Always**

★Exit: Schnapps $1.25
★*Past Time: Happy hour 12-8pm.*
★The Barn: Happy hour 11am-7pm
★*The Barn: Lunch served (Mon-Sat) 11am-3pm*
★J.R.'s: Monday thru Friday, hors d'oeuvres 5:30 until 7:30
★*Scandal's: Early Bird Special, 7am-11am, 75¢ Well Drinks*
★E/J's: Beer Bust, 4pm—Midnight
★*Bacchus: Happy Hour 4-8pm*
★Club Body Center: $5 for 30 minute tanning session, $30 for 8 visits
★*Club Exile: 8am-8pm ($1.00 beer, well, $2.00 call, 50¢ draft, $3.00 pitcher, & 50¢ schnapps)*
★Club Exile: 8pm-2am ($1.50 beer, $1.75 well, $2.50 call, 75¢ draft, $4.00 pitcher, & $1.00 schnapps)
★*Club Exile: Open daily 8am*
★Montrose Mining Co.: Gold Rush Happy hour 4pm-7pm, 3-1 happy hour till 10pm, beer bust 4pm-10pm.
★*Momma's Money: Happy Hour, Monday-Saturday, 7am-8pm*
★Momma's Money: 75¢ Well Drinks, Monday-Thursday, 9pm-Midnight
★*Momma's Money: $1 Well & Domestic Beer, Monday-Saturday, 7am-11am*
★Venture-N: Beer bust 4-10pm
★*Club Romeo: Happy hour 5-9pm*
★Venture-N: Happy hour Noon-8pm
★*Mary's: Pouring doubles & 75¢ draft*
★J.R.'s: 3-in-1 Happy Hour opening-10pm
★*Galleon: Happy hour 2-8pm*
★Chutes: Frozen margaritas $1.25 6pm-2am, happy hour to 10pm
★*Charlie's Restaurant: Dinner and midnite specials*
★Exit: Keg Party 4-midnight
★*Rock 'N' Horse: Open Tues-Sat (4pm-2am), Sun (4pm-2am), Closed Mondays*
★E/J's: First Happy Hour (9-10am) Last Happy Hour (1-2am) $1 well, 75¢ schnapps
★*Briar Patch: Happy hour till 8pm*
★Exit: Happy Hour 7am-8pm (Mon-Sat)
★*Mary's: Happy hour 7am-noon, 5-8pm (ex. weekends)*
★Charlie's Restaurant: Open 24 hours
★*Chutes: Beer bust 4-Midnight*
★Chutes: $1 frozen margaritas noon-6pm, happy hour 12-10pm
★*Spanish Flower Restaurant: Open 24 hrs. (ex. Tues.)*
★Mary's: Happy hour 7am with $1.50 vodka drinks to noon
★*Club Exile: Krazzee Hour 9-10pm 75¢ beer & well*
★Brazos River Bottom: Happy Hour Mon-Sat, 7am-9pm, Sun, Noon-6pm

**Friday**

★*Exit: Keg Party 4-10pm*
★Bacchus: The Gay Dating Game 8pm
★*Parkway Athletic Club: Open 7am-10pm*
★Rock 'N' Horse: St. Patrick's Day 3rd Anniversary Party, 8 til ?
★*Cousins: Cousins & Company, 10:30pm*
★Cousins: Drawing, 6:45pm, win triple your shoe size in cash
★*Scandal's: Dance to the music of D.J. Ram Rocha*
★E/J's: Beer Bust, 4-10pm
★*Brazos River Bottom: Kayce Glass, guest vocalist, 9pm*
★Montrose Mining Co.: Gold Rush Happy Hour 4-7pm ($1.10 well & beer), 3 in 1 Happy Hour 4-10pm, $2 beer bust 4-10pm
★*Club Romeo: TGIF Party 5-9pm*
★Mother's: Happy hour 7am-10pm
★*Mary's: After-hours*
★Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour til 9pm with snacks at 4pm, Brazos River Band 9pm
★*Lazy J: Show Night 10pm*
★Club Exile: Muscles in Action, 10pm-1am
★*Montrose Mining Co.: Special Forces (male dancers) 8pm-2am*
★Heaven: 50¢ well, cover
★*K.J.'s: $5 Liquor Bust 7-10pm*
★Chutes: Cruise Night happy hour to 10 pm, Male strip
★*Q.T.'s: 8am-10am, $1 Well, Domestic Beer & Schnapps; 2pm-8pm, Happy Hour; 9pm-2am, DJ & Disco Dancing*
★J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers nonstop 6pm until 2am

**Saturday**

★*Parkway Athletic Club: Open 10am-6pm*
★Rock 'N' Horse: Live band 9pm-1am
★*Cousins: Cousins & Company, 10:30pm*
★Bacchus: Houston's Org. Party Night $2.00 margaritas
★*Scandal's: Dance to the music of D.J. Ram Rocha*
★Brazos River Bottom: Kayce Glass, guest vocalist, 9pm
★*Montrose Mining Co.: 25¢ draft beer in a mug 10pm-2am*
★J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers 10:30pm
★*Mary's: After-hours*
★Exit: Keg Party $2.00 2pm-10pm
★*Q.T.'s: Male Strip Revue*
★Q.T.'s: 8am-10am, $1 Well, Domestic Beer & Schnapps; 4pm-9pm, $1 Well Drinks; 9pm-2am, DJ & Dancing
★*E/J's: $1 Well Drinks 4-7pm*
★Lazy J: Show Night 10pm
★*Club Exile: Tiger Lady and Company*
★Club Romeo: $1.75 Coronas, $1 schnapps
★*Mother's: 75¢ well drinks 4-9pm*
★Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour til 9pm, Brazos River Band 9pm
★*Chutes: Cruise Night & liquor bust 4-8pm $6*
★Heaven: 50¢ well 9-11 pm, cover, DJ-Scooter Bearden
★*K.J.'s: $5 Liquor Bust 7-10pm*

**Sunday**

★Bacchus: "A Night With The Stars", 8pm
★*Mother's: Male dancers 10pm & Midnite*
★Exit: Keg Party $2.00
★*Exit: Happy Hour 12pm-8pm*
★Q.T.'s: The Young Ladies of Q.T.'s, 5pm
★*Brazos River Bottom: Steak Night 5pm, $4.50*
★Bacchus: Pool Tournament, 2pm
★*Rubio's: Free draft 7-10pm, "Rubios Presenta" 10:30*
★Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour til 6pm, Brazos River Band 7pm
★*Scandal's: Mama Jo's Country Western T-Dance, 5pm-10pm*
★J.R.'s: 75¢ cape cods, bloodies, margaritas, & schnapps Noon-10pm
★*Brazos River Bottom: Cheerleading tryouts for BRB Softball Team, 4pm; Steak Night, $4.50, 5pm; Kenny Rutledge and Friends benefit show, 6pm*
★Club Exile: Miss Zack's Review
★*Momma's Money: Happy Hour, Noon-4pm, $1 Well with 50¢ Schnapps 4-7pm*
★Parkway Athletic Club: Open Noon-6pm
★*Exit: 75¢ Well Drinks*
★E/J's: $1 Well Drinks 6-9pm
★*Club Romeo: Hangover Blues, beer $1.25, Bloody Marys $2*
★Mother's: 75¢ well 4-9pm
★*Galleon: Steak night 6pm, Show at 10pm*
★Mary's: Beer bust 3-6pm, After hours
★*Chutes: Beer bust 1-Midnight*
★Rock 'N' Horse: Bloody Marys $1, Live band 6pm-10pm, free hot dogs
★*Venture-N: Booze/Beer Bust 4-10pm*
★Montrose Mining Co.: Beer bust 1pm-10pm, 50¢ draft in a mug 10pm-2am, 50¢ hot dogs 4pm-10pm
★*Heaven: Free well 7-9, free draft all night, $1.25 Corona all night, cover*

**Monday**

★Brazos River Bottom: $1.00 Well & Beer 7am-2am
★*Q.T.'s: 8am-10am, 9pm-Midnight, 75¢ Well, Domestic Beer & Schnapps*
★K.J.'s: $1 Beer and Well Drinks
★*E/J's: $1 Margaritas all day*
★Parkway Athletic Club: Open 10am-10pm
★*Club Exile: $1 Day, 8am-2am*
★Mother's: 15¢ beer 6pm-1am
★*Exit: $1.25 Margaritas*
★Montrose Mining Co.: Happy Hour 4-7pm ($1.10 well & beer), 3 in 1 Happy Hour 4-10pm, $2 beer bust 4-10pm
★*Rubio's: CLOSED, Available for private functions, reserve one week in advance*
★Ripcord: $1 Margaritas 9pm-2am
★*Club Body Center: Lockers $3.25 noon-midnite*
★J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers nonstop 6pm until 2am
★*Galleon: Male strip contest 10pm*
★Mary's: Bowler's Special Night
★*E/J's: Pool Tournament, Open to everyone, 8pm, $50 prize*
★Chutes: Free pool, beer bust 4-Midnight, happy hour till 10pm, liquor bust 8-Midnight

**Tuesday**

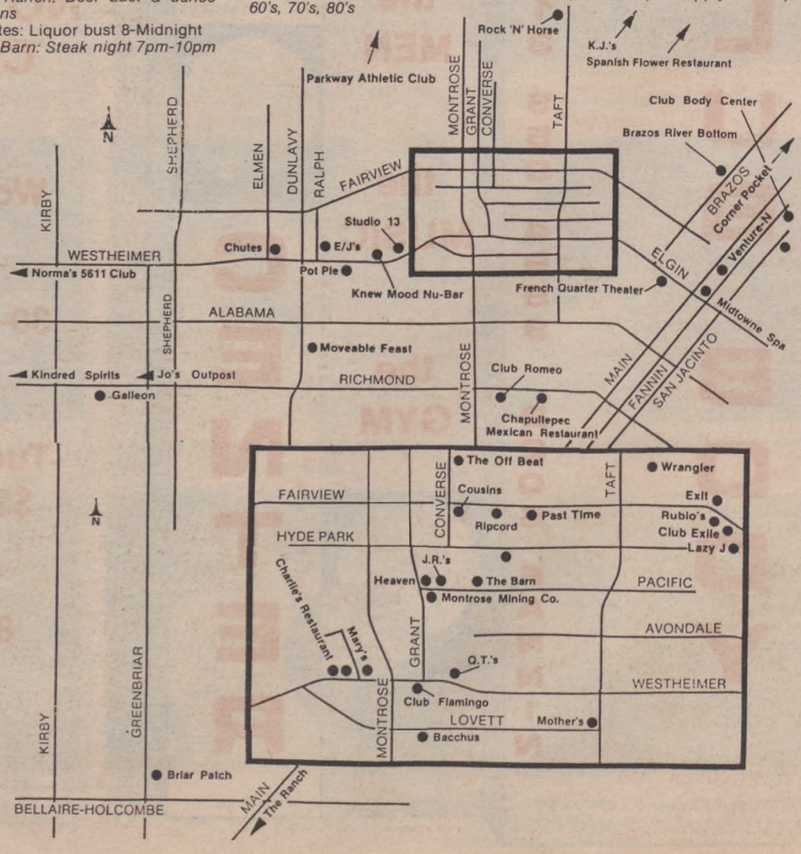
★*The Ranch: Beer bust & dance lessons*
★Chutes: Liquor bust 8-Midnight
★*The Barn: Steak night 7pm-10pm*
★J.R.'s: Male Dance Contest, 11pm, with M.C. Maude
★*Q.T.'s: 8am-10am, 9pm-Midnight, 75¢ Well, Domestic Beer & Schnapps*
★Bacchus: Pot Luck Night
★*Midtowne Spa: Male Dancers*
★Parkway Athletic Club: Open 10am-10pm
★*Club Exile: Muscles in Action, 10pm-1am*
★Venture-N: Pool tourney 7pm
★*Ripcord: $1.25 canned beer 8pm-2am*
★Mother's: $1 well, Disco oldies 8pm-12am
★*Galleon: Twisted Wheel of Fun 9, 10 & 11pm*
★Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour til 9pm, dance lessons 9:30pm
★*Montrose Mining Co.: Happy Hour 4-7pm ($1.10 well & beer), 3 in 1 Happy Hour 4-10pm, $2 beer bust 4-10pm*
★Rock 'N' Horse: Pitcher of beer $2, Steak night 7pm
★*Exit: $1 Well Drinks*
★K.J.'s: All Day All Night Happy Hour-double drinks, 75¢ beer
★*Montrose Mining Co.: Men at Work (male dancers) 10pm*
★Club Body Center: 1/2 price rooms & lockers, 7pm-3am
★*Club Romeo: $1.25 beer*

**Wednesday**

★Exit: $1.25 Margaritas
★*Midtowne Spa: 1/2 price (rooms & lockers) for members 8am-Midnight*
★Rock 'N' Horse: Schnapps $1
★*Club Body Center: Complimentary Pizza 8pm-10pm*
★Parkway Athletic Club: Open 7am-10pm
★*Ripcord: $1.50 well all day*
★Q.T.'s: 8am-10am, 9pm-Midnight, 75¢ Well, Domestic Beer & Schnapps
★*Montrose Mining Co.: Nickel draft beer in a mug 10pm-2am, music of 60's, 70's, 80's*
★Club Romeo: Vodka specials
★*Mother's: "Daddy's Night" 8pm-midnite, 75¢ longnecks*
★Club Exile: Talent Night, $50 First Place
★*Bacchus: Corporate Ladies Happy Hour, free hors d'oeuvres till 8pm*
★Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour til 9pm, Cheeks of the Week 10pm-$100 cash prize
★*Exit: Herman's Steak Night $3.50*
★J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers nonstop 6pm until 2am
★*Heaven: 10¢ well 9pm-2am, cover, biggest Wed. crowd in Houston*
★Rubio's: Talent night ($75 first place), drink specials, dancing till 2am.

**Thursday**

★*Mary's: Slop Shot Pool Tournament 9-?, cash prizes*
★Ripcord: $1.50 Margaritas 9pm-2am
★*The Ranch: Beer bust & dance lessons*
★Rock 'N' Horse: All can beer $1
★*Club Exile: Open 8am, daily drink specials*
★E/J's: $1 Well Drinks 9-12pm
★*Mary's: Sundance Night, 8-close*
★Midtowne Spa: Male Dancers
★*Scandal's: Oldies Night, 50's—60's—70's Rock-N-Roll*
★Heaven: Male Dance Revue with Hunter and the Headliners and Fantasy in Motion at 11pm. M.C. Randy Jobe.
★*Venture-N: Pool tourney 7pm*
★Club Romeo: $1.50 well drinks
★*Parkway Athletic Club: Open 10am-10pm*
★Club Body Center: Half price day noon-midnite
★*Galleon: Buffet 8pm, "Brothers" 9pm*
★Mother's: Mother's Men 10pm-1am
★*Chutes: $1 margaritas in a glass all day/night, $1 Busch longnecks*
★Exit: $1 Well Drinks
★*Montrose Mining Co.: Happy Hour 4-7pm ($1.10 well & beer), 3 in 1 Happy Hour 4-10pm, $2 beer bust 4-10pm*
★Brazos River Bottom: $1.00 Well & Beer 7am-2am, Brazos River Band, 9pm
★*Midtowne Spa: 1/2 lockers for members 8am-Midnight*
★J.R.'s: 3 in 1 happy hour, $1.25 frozen drinks all day all night
★*Bacchus: Steak Night, 7pm (you bring the meat; we supply the rest)*

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**Bacchus**, 523 Lovett, 523-3396
**The Barn**, 710 Pacific, 523-0213
**Brazos River Bottom**, 2400 Brazos, 528-9192
**Briar Patch**, 2294 Holcombe, 665-9678
**Club Body Center**, 2205 Fannin, 659-4998
**Chapultepec Mexican Restaurant**, 813 Richmond, 522-2365
**Charlie's Restaurant**, 1102 Westheimer, 520-5221
**Chutes**, 1732 Westheimer, 523-2213
**Corner Pocket**, 823 Congress at Travis, 222-2901
**Cousins**, 817 Fairview, 528-9204
**E/J's**, 2517 Ralph, 527-9071
**Club Exile**, 302 Tuam, 528-9809
**Exit**, 109 Tuam, 528-8623
**Club Flamingo**, 907 Westheimer, 527-8830
**French Quarter Theater**, 3201 Louisiana, 527-0782
**Galleon**, 2303 Richmond, 522-7616
**Heaven**, Pacific at Grant, 521-9123
**J.R.'s**, 808 Pacific, 521-2519
**Keystroke**, A club on the move for women and friends, 785-9258
**Kindred Spirits**, 4902 Richmond, 623-6135
**K.J.'s**, 11830 Airline Rd., 445-5849
**Lazy J**, 312 Tuam, 528-9343
**Mary's**, 1022 Westheimer, 527-9669
**Midtowne Spa**, 3100 Fannin, 522-2379
**Montrose Mining Co.**, 805 Pacific, 529-7488
**Momma's Money**, 534 Westheimer, 522-0045
**Mother's**, 402 Lovett, 520-7935
**Norma's 5611 Club**, 5611 Val Verde, 782-4761
**The Off Beat**, 2212 Converse, 522-7527
**Jo's Outpost**, 2818 Richmond, 528-8318
**Parkway Athletic Club**, 800 Rosine, 528-5467
**Past Time**, 617 Fairview, 529-4669
**Pot Pie Restaurant**, 1525 Westheimer, 528-4350
**Q.T.'s**, 608 Westheimer, 529-8813
**The Ranch**, 9150 S. Main, 666-3464
**Ripcord**, 715 Fairview, 521-2792
**Rock 'N' Horse**, 1220 Taft, 520-9910
**Club Romeo**, 903 Richmond, 528-9110
**Rubio's**, 202 Tuam, 522-1207
**Scandal's**, 1419 Richmond, 528-8903
**Spanish Flower Restaurant**, 4701 N. Main, 869-1706
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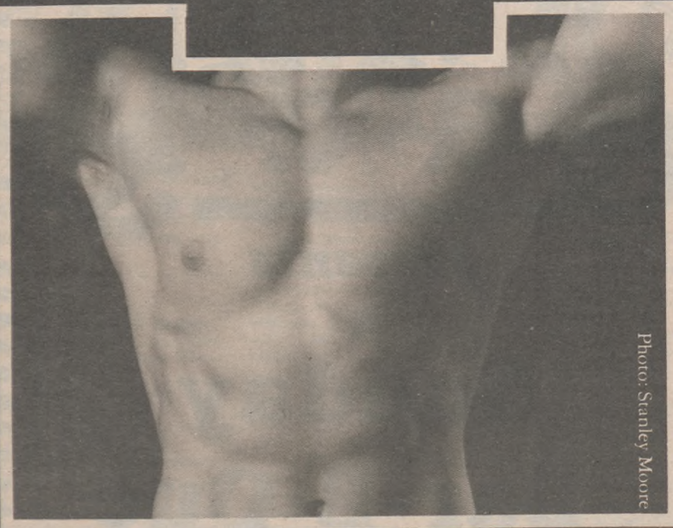
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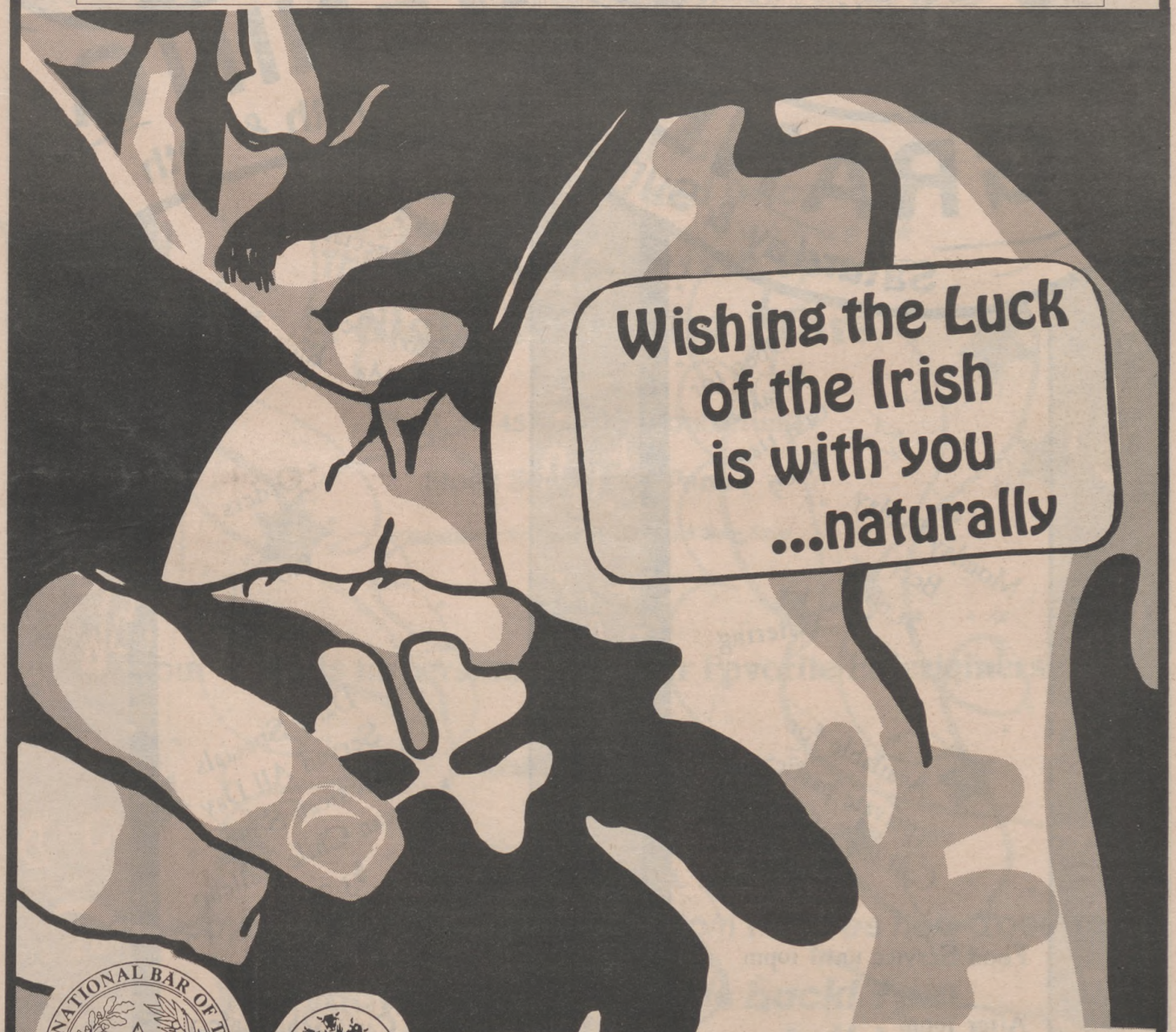


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**($1.00 coffee, juices, sodas & Artesia)**
**Plus - Live D.J. During After Hours**

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**This Sunday, March 19th, 8pm**

## A Night With The Stars

*A Benefit for*
The Colt 45's/AIDS Troublefund
*and*
Stone Soup Food Pantry

*(non-perishable food items at the door for Stone Soup)*

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***You bring the meat—we supply the rest***

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*Come enjoy the spring-like weather on our patio.*
*Happy St. Patrick's Day—Have a green weekend*

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# The BRB & The Brazos River Band

*present*

## Friday March 17 & Saturday March 18

## *Kayce Glass*

as Guest Vocalist

*beginning at 9pm*

**Sunday March 19**

4pm-Come show your cheerleading skills for tryouts for BRB Softball Team

5pm-Steak Night begins

$4.50-16oz T-Bone-Potato-Salad Bar

***Kenny Rutledge and Friends***

present

***A Variety Show***

**to benefit the Colt 45's AIDS Troublefund**

featuring many of your favorite live performers

**Showtime 6pm**

**The Brazos River Band will follow the show for your dancing pleasure.**

## *Beer and Soft Drinks*

*(Proper I.D. Required)*

8 to 10 PM $4.00 Admission

Carousel Skating Rink

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Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and
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To advertise, call 529-8490 during business hours

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## Cars 0102

**Buy or Lease a Car or Truck**
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*BODAN AUTO*
*Phone 520-6627 102 Fairview*
Used Tires
$7.95, $12.95, $17.95, $22.95, $27.95

EMPLOYMENT AVAILABLE
## General Help Wanted 0650

Part time rub down personnel, must be neat, have phone. Transportation and photo a plus. Mr. C, 622-3942.

Help wanted (Moving Company, 981-0706).

Club Body Center, 2205 Fannin.

**VOLUNTEER M.D.'S WANTED**
Montrose Clinic needs volunteer physicians four hours per month to provide continued medical service to community. Call 528-5536.

Wanted: social workers and counselors to volunteer as small group leaders for a program designed to empower people who have HIV, ARC or AIDS. Interested? Call Joe at 523-8321.

Mary's is now accepting applications for all positions: bartenders, barbacks, clean up, etc. Apply in person at 1022 Westheimer between noon and 5pm, Monday-Friday. Ask for Tad or Terry.

General production position available for garment manufacturing company in Montrose. Call 522-3443.

ASH seeking Director of Social Services **AIDS FOUNDATION HOUSTON INC.** has formed a search committee to recruit and hire a Director of Social Services. The position carries responsibility for the development, supervision and management of all social services provided to persons with AIDS/ARC by ASH. Presently, the social service program consists of seven employees and over 200 volunteers who provide a wide range of services to over 700 clients. Applicants must have a minimum of a master's degree in a health-related field; also 5 years managerial supervisory in social services experience. Persons who wish to apply may submit a resume to ASH Research Committee, 3927 Essex Ln, Houston, TX 77027. The deadline for consideration is April 7, 1989.

Cashier wanted, full time, desk experience. Apply in person between 8am-4pm. Midtowne Spa, 3100 Fannin.

Need experienced stable waiter or waitress. Apply 7am-3pm, Monday-Friday, Charlie's, 1102 Westheimer.

MERCHANDISE
## Furniture 1037

**MOVING—MUST SELL FURNITURE GREAT BUYS ON EVERYTHING**
2 Kroehler recliners (blue, black pin-striped)—$215 each; sofa (blue, black pin-striped)—$315; 5-piece solid dark wood bedroom set (dresser, lighted mirror, chest of drawers, night stand, queen headboard)—$1000; plush, barely used, twin mattress and boxsprings—$100; queen mattress and boxsprings—$100. Very well taken care of furniture. MUST SEE. Prices negotiable. Call today, 528-6244.

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ANIMALS
## Stables 1180

529-2081
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An alternative to the traditional workout.

RENTALS
## Apartments 1405

2 bedroom 2 full bath loft apartments, central air/heat, security gates, ceiling fans, mini blinds, dishwasher, disposal, covered parking, laundry facilities, spacious closets, beautiful courtyard, quiet adult only atmosphere. 5 minutes from Galleria and Medical Center. $550/month, bills paid. Contact manager to set appointment, 529-8000.

Heights/Norhill efficiency and 1 bedroom available in 4-plex. Appliances in both. $250-$280, all bills paid. 591-2512, 861-2029.

Duplex, $450, unfurnished, 1 bed, fully carpeted, 1 1/2 blocks east of Montrose. 667-1068.

Medical Center, all bills paid. Bright, large 1-1 condo, security, pool, covered parking, cable, track lights. $425. 864-3006, no pets.

**SPECIAL-2 WEEKS FREE**
Montrose/219 Marshall. One bedroom apartments from $265 plus electric and gas. Free basic cable, pool, access gates, covered parking, mini blinds, skylights. $100 deposit. Call 528-5218.

COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT-Menil area, 1/1, nice hardwoods, central air-/heat, great complex, $325 plus electric. (523-9335).

COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT-Montrose/Richmond, 1/1, hardwoods-/carpet, gas heat/stove, quiet complex, very reasonable, only $275 plus electric, gas. (523-9335)

COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT-Central Montrose, 1/1, carpet, central air/heat, dishwasher, off street covered parking, $300 plus electric. (523-9335)

COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT-North Montrose, 1/1, hardwoods, ceiling fans, mini-blinds, gas heat/stove, w/sunroom, $300 plus gas, electric. (523-9335)

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RENTALS
## Townhomes & Condos 1440

River Oaks 1-1 condo, covered parking, pool, $25,500. Robert, 524-6135, 659-6666.

RENTALS
## Roommates Wanted 1460

**Roommate Masters**
We provide:
-Someone to share expenses
-Personal placement service
10% discount with this ad!
Call 683-2276 today!

Gulf Freeway nice 3-1, central A/H, washer/dryer, serious inquiries only. 943-1617.

Share large Montrose home, many extras, 529-3970.

GWM to share large house near I45 and 610 Loop North. Private bedroom with bath. $235/month, utilities included. After 5pm, 691-6258.

Heights-roommate wanted. Non-smoker, no drugs. 869-8540.

REAL ESTATE
## Homes for Sale 1601

**MONTROSE/HEIGHTS REALTOR**
Single family homes, townhomes, duplexes. Planning to buy soon? I can help find the right home for you. David Powell, 523-2717/868-3496.

REAL ESTATE
## Real Estate Inspections 1602

**KNOW BEFORE YOU BUY**
"A Closer Look" Inspection Company. Structural, mechanical, electrical reports in 24 hours. Licensed inspector. Lee Howard, 523-2717.

SPIRITUAL
## Churches 1920

"The Road Less Traveled"
...With us!
Embark on an exciting journey of spiritual and psychological growth in a small group setting using Scott Peck's bestseller as your guide. The ten week program, Tuesday, March 14, 7pm.
Kingdom Community Church
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**Houston Mission Church**
3217 Fannin at Elgin
529-8225
Sunday Worship Services
10:30am
Support Groups every
Thursday 6:30pm

SERVICES
## Accounting, Bookkeeping 2105

**BOOKKEEPING**
Complete or flexible, person to person, pick up and delivery, Montrose and Southwest area, 527-8114.

SERVICES
## Cleaning, Janitorial 2121

Hate housework? Let Lavelle, 529-0228.

SERVICES
## Computer Services 2121.5

Computer systems, consulting, custom programming. Larry, 465-3131.

SERVICES
## Construction & Repair 2123

Roof leak specialist. Home maintenance repair, painting, small job. Bill, 668-0991.

Roofing, remodeling, sheetrock repair, painting, patio, decks, ceiling fans installed, free estimates, 821-4350.

SERVICES
## Counseling 2124

MONTROSE PSYCHOTHERAPY, P.C.
*Gabriella S. Rappaport, Ph.D.*
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Individual ● Family ● Couples
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## Dentistry 2125.5

*Ronald M. Butler D.D.S.*
427 Westheimer
Houston, TX 77006
Monday thru Saturday
Hours by Appointment
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SERVICES
## Gyms, Health Ctrs. 2131

Tuesday and Thursday Male Dancers 9pm
Wednesday-½ price rooms and lockers (members only)
Thursday-½ price lockers (members only)
Saturday-Midnight "Rocky Horror Picture Show"
Tanning Special—5 sessions-$30 (includes 1 hour locker fee)
MIDTOWNE SPA
3100 Fannin 522-2379

SERVICES
## Hair Care 2132

jon barton SALON
1904 DUNLAVY 522-7866

Haircuts Etc.
Men's Shampoo Cut & Blow Dry $16
522-3003
NEXUS PRODUCTS
*Complimentary Beer & Wine with Appointments Mon-Fri 9-6 Saturday 9-2*

SERVICES
## Insurance 2138

*Are you tired of struggling with the high cost of insurance? Call today for a free competitive quote.*
*Mansker Insurance Agency*
*522-2792*
*Auto, Homeowners, Renters, Life, Health, Commercial*

SERVICES
## Massage (licensed) 2145

Ads in this category (massage) are intended to be from licensed masseurs and masseuses. Unlicensed masseurs and masseuses are listed under "Body Rubs," section 2260.

**MASSAGE**
J.V. Porro and Associates, 528-3010.

**COLONIC 528-3010**

I love my work! Massage therapy, prompt call back. Ronnie, 278-3824.

SERVICES
## Medical Care 2155

STEVE D. MARTINEZ, M.D., 12 Oaks Tower, 4126 S.W. Fwy. no.1000, 621-7771

SERVICES
## Movers 2160

**MOVEMASTERS**
Boxes, too, at 1925 Westheimer. Visa, M/C, AmEx welcome. 630-6555.

SERVICES
## Plumbing 2182

**MASTER PLUMBER**
Licensed plumber, residential, commercial, repairs, remodel. New installations. Free estimates. Larry, 524-0460.

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THE PERSONALS
## (Individual) Personals 2220

**YOUNG TRIM SUBMISSIVES**
Masculine WM, 43, 6', 170 lbs., trains, disciplines. Boxholder #221, 2615 Waugh, Houston, 77006.

If you know how to follow orders, send letter and photo plus address and/or phone number to Gene, 5615 Morningside #199, Houston, 77005.

Two aggressive businessmen would like to meet passive individual for occasional evening encounters. Safe only. Letter with picture gets ours. P.O. Box 66146, Houston, TX 77266.

**ATTENTION**
New contact magazine for gay/lesbians for Texas. No charge for personal ads (with or without photo). Write today: P.L. Publications, P.O. Box 841203, Houston, TX 77284.

Handsome, hairy, stocky, submissive professional, 37. Only aggressive tops 25-40 reply. POB 7111, Houston 77248.

Attractive, professional, mid 30's, GMC (Gay Male Couple), new to Houston, wish to meet other GMC's or GFC's interested in friendship. Because of professional considerations, we must be extremely discreet and seek others in similar positions. Please respond to Blind Box 436-G.

Girls, guys, TV's, TS's, etc. Hair, nails, facials, ear piercing, personal shopping. Complete make-overs in private, and complete line cosmetics and skin care. For appointment, Peggy, 526-2080.

Racquetball Downtown Y.M.C.A. Alex, 527-8918.

WM, 38, 6', 170, nice body, willing to receive back rubs and massage from individuals 40 and older. 692-4438.

Wanted "Top" GWM to share home and life with GWM couple mid 40's. Share laid back weekends and more as family. Write: Nelson Adams, 1215 Old 105, Conroe, TX 77304.

**LEATHER BOOTED MASTER**
Expands your limits. Reply to Box 436-K c/o Montrose Voice.

GWM, 27, 5'11", 160, seeks masculine, discreet, monogamous man 25-35 in the Lake Jackson area. Reply to Blind Box 436-P, c/o Montrose Voice.

GWM, 6', 180 lbs., BD/BL, 45, successful, educated professional, responsible, wide interests, masculine, looking for GWM or GHM, 30-45, of like interests and qualities who are uncomplicated, caring. Please respond with photo/phone # to Box 437-W, c/o Montrose Voice, and I will call. I'm new to Houston and live in a downtown highrise.

GWM, 30, clean cut, curious, attractive, slim, wants to meet Hispanic and/or Latin males who are 21-37, gay, uncomplicated, considerate, independent. Respond to: Boxholder, P.O. Box 542303, Houston, TX 77254.

THE PERSONALS
## (Individual) Personals 2220

Looking for a weight lifting partner to share weight lifting room in professional complex, southwest area. Universal weight machine, sauna, pool, jacuzzi, lockers available. Call Tuesday and Thursday after 5pm. 974-2737, ask for Don.

**MASTER SEEKS SLAVE—DALLAS**
Master with lover seeks slave to complete the household. Permanent live-in, monogamous relationship. Master—WM, 42. You—under 35, ready, willing, obedient. Send photo, phone, letter to blind box 427S.

GWM, 30's, HIV negative, handsome, athletic, professional, looking for same for some DISCRETE, SAFE, and HOT TIMES. Photo and phone gets reply. Blind Box 438-R, c/o Montrose Voice.

THE PERSONALS
## (Commercial) Personals 2240

**ASTROLOGY-PERSONALIZED-COMPREHENSIVE**
Profile. 10 pages ($7). Relationship, Compatibility, Profile for 2, 15 pages ($10). Both ($13). Send birth date, birth time, birth place. Lifecycles, Box 55191, Houston, TX 77252.

THE PERSONALS
## Body Rubs 2260

For massages by licensed masseurs and masseuses, see section 2145, "Massage."

Warm oil body rub, 464-3213.

Soothing, sensual full body rub by one or two hairy, well-endowed, bearded men. 526-1339.

Sensational body rubs by great looking guy. Private, discrete, safe. In or out calls accepted. Mark, 780-8570

Massage by Lee, 446-4553.

**STOP GETTING RUBBED THE WRONG WAY**
Repeaters' discount, Carl 622-3942.

Body works, muscular, masculine, hunky, handsome, safe, Montrose location, in/out calls, anytime, 684-6672.

Body rubs, 24 hours. 529-3970.

**CALL GLEN**
For an incredibly sensual body rub by great looking guy. Private, discrete, in or out calls. 781-6112.

**PERSONALIZED SERVICE**
Good looks, muscular body, great hands, full body rub! 522-1549.

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24 hour body rubs in private studio. 528-3079.

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Full body rubs by honest, neat, attractive transsexual. Anytime, 522-8060.

Body rub by man in full leather, JAM-8414.

Choose your man or men for your rub. 622-3942.

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Relaxing body rubs. Perry, 866-4068.

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Young swimmers! Good attitude, private/discreet—safe and fun. Appt only, 621-3117.

Rubdown, your place, $10.00, $15.00. For masculine WM's, 18-45, not overweight. Van, 5'11", masculine WM, 150, 45, HIV-negative. (713) 523-2312.

**BODY RUBS**
I'll rub you the right way. Hairy, masculine man-evenings/weekends. David, 529-6843.

Reflexology/rubdowns. Ronnie, 278-3824.

Professional... Quality... Caring... Massages. 520-6706.

Loving Hands Will Travel, 520-6706.

**SWEDISH MASSAGE**
Discrete, professional, private...a total experience by appointment. 520-6706.

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**To advertise in the next Montrose Voice, fill out this form, OR simply phone us**

**529-8490**

**daily 10am-5:30pm**

**We can do it all by phone, and bill you later**

**EXAMPLES:**

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

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**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.

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Signature _____

10 Name _____

Address _____

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Montrose Voice, 408 Avondale, Houston, TX 77006.
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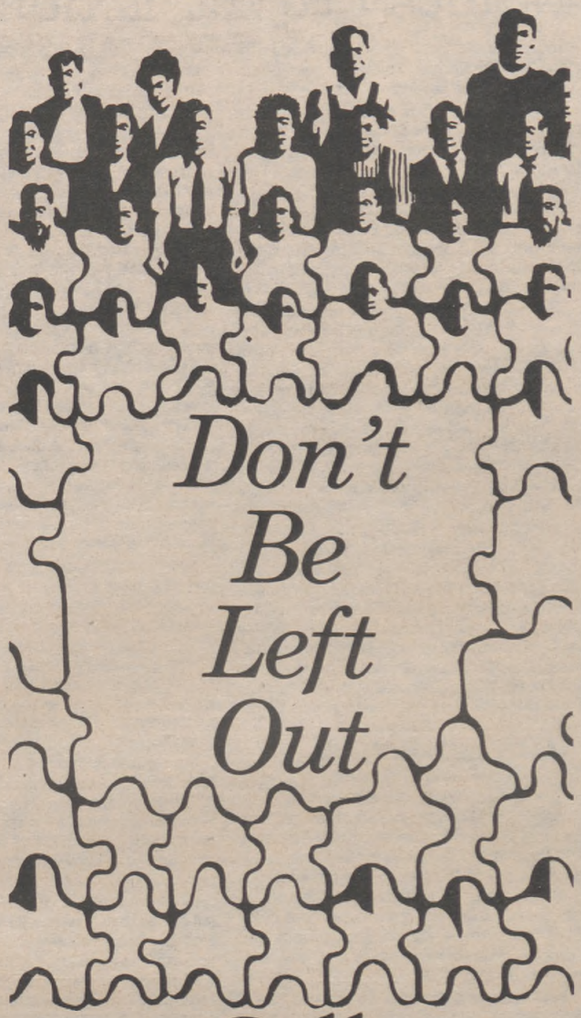


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IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION WHICH LEADS TO THE ARREST OF ANY PERSON WHO HAS COMMITTED SUCH OFFENSES AS MURDER, ROBBERY, RAPE, BURGLARY, AUTO THEFT, OR ANY OTHER FELONY CRIME.

CALL **222-TIPS**
YOUR IDENTITY WILL REMAIN ANONYMOUS

CRIME STOPPERS OF HOUSTON, INC.

# 'Names Project' is nominee for 1989 Nobel Peace Prize

Announcement has come from San Francisco that the Names Project has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

The annual award, which carries an honorarium of $200,000, is bestowed by a committee in Norway from a foundation begun by Alfred Nobel. Past winners have included Amnesty International, Lech Walesa and Bishop Desmond Tutu. The prestigious international award is announced in December from Oslo, Norway, honoring an organization or individual whose efforts have fostered world peace and human rights.

The Names Project Quilt, which was displayed in 1988 in Houston, commemorates the names of those who have died from AIDS. In October, 1988, the quilt was displayed on the ellipse in Washington, D.C., and had, in the two years since its beginning in San Francisco, grown to 10,000 names. The quilt is scheduled to return to Texas the weekend of April 28 in Austin. This will be the only Texas showing of the quilt this year.

Since the May 1988 showing of the quilt at George R. Brown Convention center, many more Houston area residents have died from AIDS. To assist their loved ones in making memorial panels for them, to be displayed in Austin the last of April, the Names Project Houston has re-opened their panel-making workshop on Sunday afternoons at the People With AIDS Coalition, 800 Rosine, Suite 204. Further information can be obtained by calling 529-2230.

## —AIDS quilt in Texas

The AIDS Memorial Quilt will be returning to Texas next month during the March on Austin. Pete Martinez has created a panel to be signed with the names and dates of those who have died from AIDS in the Houston area. This panel is to be displayed with the Quilt in Austin during the April 28th weekend. Pete will be taking the panel to various sites for it to be signed with names and dates by friends and lovers of those who have died from AIDS.

Following is a list of locations and times: Briar Patch, Friday, March 10, 6:00 p.m.; Bacchus, Saturday, March 11, 7:00 p.m.; Lazy J, Sunday, March 12, 7:00 p.m.; Chutes, Saturday, March 18, 10:30 p.m.; E/J's, Sunday, March 19, 5:00 p.m.; Kindred Spirits, Wednesday, March 22, 9:00 p.m.; Rich's, Sunday, March 26, 8:00 p.m.

## —A Common Bond

A national support network based in Pittsburgh has been established to benefit former Jehovah's Witnesses who are gay or lesbian.

Known as "A Common Bond" the group seeks to unite in a spirit of healing gay ex-Jehovah's Witnesses suffering the stigma of being excommunicated from the faith because of their sexual natures.

Unlike some religions who condemn homosexuality but reluctantly welcome the homosexual, Jehovah's Witnesses tolerate neither. Their governing body, The Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Incorporated, excommunicates, or disfellowships, thousands of Jehovah's Witnesses each year for offenses ranging in severity from using tobacco to disagreeing with the sect's doctrines. An estimated seventy percent of the total are ousted for reasons of sexual immorality. But, according to Dan Restid, a former third-generation Jehovah's Witness and founder of "A Common bond," it doesn't stop there.

"The Watchtower Society requires its members to shun disfellowshipped witnesses and treat them as dead," he explained. "They are so adamant about this that Jehovah's Witnesses who communicate with former members do so at the risk of being ousted themselves."

Restid further explained that many people who have grown up as Jehovah's Witnesses find themselves with few friends when they leave the Watchtower Society.

"All our lives we were taught that only Jehovah's Witnesses will survive the coming end of the world and that if we socialized with people who weren't Jehovah's Witnesses we may be exterminated along with them."

"The network is not the first of this type," he noted. "A similar group in the pacific northwest has experienced tremendous success. Together, we want to provide similar opportunities for gay ex-witnesses everywhere to come together in a spirit of love and support."

"A Common Bond" does not subscribe to any particular belief system. Some former witnesses remain sympathetic to the Watchtower's teachings while others have joined different churches or remained neutral.

Restid was on the verge of suicide when he voluntarily left the Witnesses in the spring of 1985.

"Although it has meant alienation from family and many life-long friends, it has been worth it," he recalls. "I'm at peace with myself. I now have a sense of self-worth and a treasury of friends. I've experienced a remarkable renewal."

He recently had the opportunity to tell his story in Revelations: A Collection of Gay Male Coming Out Stories, released last fall by Alyson Publications of Boston.

A free newsletter is issued periodically with a contact list for those wishing to correspond. To receive the newsletter or request further information, write: "A Common Bond," P.O. Box 405, Ellwood City, PA 16117. For more information, contact Dan Restid at (412) 758-0704.

**National Gay Community Notes**

## —Health Conference

More than 2000 attendees are expected to participate in the nation's largest annual meeting concerning lesbian and gay health issues when the Eleventh National Lesbian & Gay Health Conference and the Seventh National AIDS Forum convene in San Francisco, Calif., April 5-9.

Workshops and presentations will be facilitated by health care professionals and gay and lesbian community leaders from across the country, including many in the forefront of the AIDS pandemic. The conference is sponsored by the National Lesbian & Gay Health Foundation and George Washington University Medical Center.

Dr. Mervyn Silverman of the American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR) will deliver the Conference keynote address. Other guests will include Dr. James Curran, Director, AIDS Program, The Centers for Disease Control, Atlanta; JoAnn Loulan, author of Lesbian Passion: Loving Ourselves and Each Other; Caitlin Ryan, NASW Social Worker of the Year, 1988; Dr. David Smith, Founder and Medical Director, Haight Ashbury Free Clinics; Laura Davis, co-author of The Courage to Heal: A Guide for Women Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse; California Senator Milton Marks, San Francisco Mayor Art Agnos and Harry Britt, Chair of the Board of Supervisors, City of San Francisco.

Bill Scott, President-elect of the NLGHF Board of Directors said, "This event brings together the most talented and accomplished lesbian and gay health care and AIDS service providers in the country. The knowledge exchanged during these four days will be brought back to our local communities helping to build stronger networks of support and quality health care for lesbian and gay people everywhere."

Ellen Ratner, Board President of NLGHF and Program Chair said, "As in each year past, the goals of this conference are to meet our new challenges through an exchange of vital information and vast resources and to renew our commitment of a shared agenda to make our community strong, united and safe."

Conference registration materials may be obtained by calling The George Washington University Medical Center at 202-994-4285. Registration fees are $175 regular/ $100 student. PWA scholarships are available through the National Association of People with AIDS.

## —Hate Crimes Bill

When a group of teenagers in San Francisco dragged David Johnson from his car in a supermarket parking lot, they did so solely because he was a homosexual. They called him a "diseased faggot," beat him with their skateboards, broke his jaw and three ribs, gashed his head and bruised his kidneys.

David Johnson is just one of the thousands of victims of the anti-gay violence that has been growing at an alarming rate during the past several years. Today, legislation was introduced in the U.S. Congress that takes the first step in ending the national epidemic of hatred and "crimes of bias."

The Hate Crimes Statistics Act of 1988 (H.R. 947) was introduced in the House of Representatives by co-sponsors John Conyers (D-MI), Barbara Kennelly (D-CT) and Hamilton Fish (R-NY). The bill is expected to be introduced in the Senate in the near future by Paul Simon (D-IL) and Orrin Hatch (R-UT).

The Hate Crimes Statistics Act requires the Justice Department to collect comprehensive national data on crimes of prejudice committed because of race, religion, sexual orientation, and ethnicity.

"It is time for the federal government to fully accept its responsibility to protect all Americans from acts of violence and intimidation," said Vic Basile, Executive Director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, a national political and lobbying organization representing the gay and lesbian community in Washington, D.C.

"From verbal harassment to physical assault, violence against lesbians and gay men is born of irrational fear and hatred of such individuals," added Basile. "AIDS hysteria and the 'Wrath of God' beliefs of conservative religious groups have no doubt helped spurn much of the ever-increasing violence against our community."

Incidents of hate crimes against gays and lesbians have risen dramatically during the 1980's. Recent attacks on homosexuals and other minorities by "skinheads" and other gangs have received national attention. Groups that monitor acts of violence and intimidation against homosexuals agree that 80 percent of "gay bashing" cases may go unreported.

Random surveys by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force reflect the alarming frequency of verbal/physical abuse aimed at the gay community:

1985—2042 reported cases
1986—4946 reported cases
1987—7008 reported cases

Additional surveys by federal, state and local organizations indicate the problem of anti-gay violence may be far worse than suspected. An Oct. 1987 report on hate violence solicited by the Department of Justice states that "homosexuals are probably the most frequent victims of hate crimes."

Last year, the Hate Crimes bill passed by an overwhelming vote of 383 to 29 in the House of Representatives, after members rejected attempts to remove gays and lesbians from the bill. This was the first piece of pro-gay related legislation passed in the history of the U.S. Congress.

However, the act was killed in the Senate after threats by Jesse Helms (R-NC) to gut the bill with anti-gay amendments.

The new bill will be considered first in the Judiciary Committees of both the House and Senate. Activists are predicting a floor vote within the next few months.

"We look forward to passage of the Hate Crimes Statistics Act and the eventual resolution of what must be recognized as a major threat to all Americans," said Basile. "We can begin to counter hatred by first counting the crimes."