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# WOMYNSPACE

WCCN-WOMYNSPACE COMMUNITY CALENDAR /NEWSLETTER is a monthly publication of WOMYNSPACE.

WOMYNSPACE is a non-profit organization designed by and for womyn, and operated by a Steering Committee comprised of the Spokeswomyn of each Womynspace Committee, and any and all interested members who have attended an Introduction to WOMYNSPACE.

Tax-exempt donations, as well as donations of time and energy to help print and distribute this calendar will make it possible to increase the information presented and to expand our circulation to reach more womyn.

Opinions expressed in articles printed herein do not necessarily reflect the views of the editors of WCCN or the Womynspace organization as a whole.

## SUBMISSIONS TO THE CALENDAR:

WOMYNSPACE, ATTN: DEBORAH BELL  
P.O. Box 980601  
Houston, Tx. 77098

Submissions are due the 10th of the preceding month for the next issue.

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~OR~

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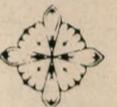
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## Photographic Exhibit

The Houston Center for Photography is hosting Sage Sohiers' collection entitled "At Home With Themselves: Gay and Lesbian Couples," from January 5 through February 4, 1990. The artist will be at HCP for the opening reception on Friday, January 5, from 6-8 p.m. Saturday, January 6, at noon, she will be giving a talk.

Sage traveled around the country for several years, getting to know the lesbian and gay couples portrayed in her art. "In a way we're all androgynous," she comments. Asked about stereotypes, she replied that "a couple is a couple."

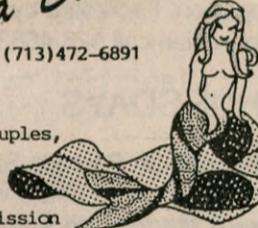
The gallery is located at 1441 West Alabama. Call HCP at (713) 529-4755 for gallery hours and other details.

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1001 E. Southmore, Pasadena, Tx. 473-4334  
Cong. Bill Archer, 515 Rusk, 77002, 229-2763  
Cong. Tom DeLay, 9000 S.W. Frwy, 77074, 270-4000  
Cong. Jack Fields, 12605 East Frwy., 451-6334  
Cong. Mickey Leland, 1919 Smith, 77002, 739-7339

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Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, 515 Rusk, 77002, 229-2595  
Sen. Phil Gramm, 712 Main, #2400, 229-2766

### State Representatives:

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## Pro-Choice Groups

(The following is a partial list of pro-choice groups in Houston.)

**The Choice Coalition, 522-6673**  
**Harris County Women's Political Caucus, 665-2236**  
**Interbranch Council of the American Association of University Women, 681-8085**  
**Planned Parenthood of Houston and Southeast Texas, Inc., 522-6240**  
**American Civil Liberties Union of Greater Houston, 524-5925**  
**Texas NOW, 987-5218 or 688-2001**  
**National Council of Jewish Women, 723-8121**  
**Houston Area NOW, 522-6673**  
**Houston Area Women's Center, 528-6798**  
**Texas Abortion Rights Action League, 723-3633**

## Letters that get results

Spell her/his name correctly and if you know her or him even marginally, use their first name. It gets attention. Be sure to address state senators, representatives and congressional members as The Honorable \_\_\_\_\_ and executive branch holders by their position, e.g., Governor \_\_\_\_\_.

Use your own words on your own stationery. Identify yourself as a concerned citizen, member of a particular organization, teacher, realtor, doctor, homemaker, etc.

Make clear what you are writing about and state your position in the opening sentences.

Keep it short. One page is best. Be polite, positive and constructive. Raise questions. A good question can get a personal response.

**Illegal Abortion  
Kills One Woman  
Every 3 Minutes  
Worldwide.  
Yet Abortion Foes  
Call Themselves  
"Pro-Life."**

# JANUARY CALENDAR

## SUNDAYS

**LISA, Lesbian Incest Survivors Anonymous** meets at Inklings, 1846 Richmond, at 4:00 PM and partners of LISA meet at 3:00 PM, call Sherry for more details 527-8712.

## MONDAYS

**HeartSong**, the Houston Women's Community Chorus will accept new members during January, you may join by attending rehearsal meetings on any Monday at 6:45 PM at the First Unitarian Church, Rm. 11& 12, 5210 Fannin, Call 522-1747.

**Lesbian Therapy Group**, Therapy group addressing relationships and issues surrounding being a lesbian and a woman, Sharon Stone and Associates, 3935 Westheimer, Suite 306, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, call 623-6081 for more information.

## TUESDAYS

The **Women's Support Group**, women affected with AIDS, themselves HIV+ or in a relationship with a HIV+ partners meets at Bering Memorial United Church, 1440 Harold, call 526-1017 for more information.

**Wilde 'n' Stein Radio**, discussion about Gay and Lesbian community, 9:00 PM to 11:00 PM, KPFT 90.1 FM.

## WEDNESDAYS

**Womyn's Music** weekly hour of music of women starting at 6:00 PM on KTRU 91.7 FM.

**Women's Therapy Group** with special emphasis on Spirituality, 6:30 PM lead by Karen Hanson, CSW, ACP 364-3843.

**Women's Therapy Group** with inner child focus. Meets every Wednesday from 7:30-8:45 PM, 1807 Lexington. Facilitated by Joyce Gayles, PHD. For information call 528-4863.

## THURSDAYS

**Gay/Lesbian Parents Support Group** meets various locations, to share what it is like to be a parent, children are welcome. Also for those who are interested in becoming parents, call 666-1616 for more information. The group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

**Recovery Experience Group** is a new program for those who want to stay on the wagon, giving up booze and drugs. This is for anyone currently on a 12-step program. For more information call the Montrose Counseling Center. Call 529-0037 for more information.

## FRIDAYS

**Breakthrough**, Womyn's Music, 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM, KPFT 90.1 FM

**Dateline Earth**, 4:00 PM, news program on KPFT 90.1 FM includes a series on AIDS.

Friday Feature, **Coffee House Socials**, An Alternative Gathering PWArty for PWAs, PWArCs and Friends at Bering Care Center 1440 Harold, 7:00 PM, call 520-7070 for more information.

## SATURDAYS

**Youth Concerned with Lesbian and Gay Issues**, 7:30 PM at First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin.

**After Hours**, discussion about Gay and Lesbian community, Midnight to 4:00 AM, KPFT 90.1 FM.

## 1 MONDAY GAY NEW YEAR

Welcome to the gay nineties

## 3 WEDNESDAY

**Gay & Lesbian Political Caucus** at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, 7:30 PM, Call 521-1000 for more information.

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## 5 FRIDAY

**"At Home With Themselves: Gay and Lesbian Couples,"** a compelling photographic exhibition of lesbian and gay couples in their homes. The work by Sage Sohier will have an opening reception at the Houston Center for Photography main gallery, 1441 West Alabama from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Show will be from January 5 through February 4, 1990.

## 6 SATURDAY

**The Event** The Montrose Activity Center cordially invites you to spend an evening with George and Martha and Edward for a special benefit performance of Edward Albee's **Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?**, As directed by the author, 7:30 PM, Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Avenue, tickets \$25 to \$250, call 522-2204 for more information. \$25 tickets available at Say Cheese, 3926 Westheimer, Inklings, 1846 Richmond or LOBO 1424-C Westheimer.

## 7 SUNDAY

**The Women's Group** meets at 10:00 AM, Karen Baird will speak on Socialist Feminism: what it is, where it has been and where it is going. How does it compare to other strands of feminist thought?

Dance to benefit LEAP, Cherry Wolf will be special DJ for a dance benefitting LEAP (**Lesbians Equal Access Project**), a new fund for Houston area lesbian mothers involved in custody battles. The first benefit will be 4:00 -7:00 PM at Bacchus. Admission is \$3.

## 8 MONDAY

**Montrose Activity Center**, board meeting, 7:00 PM, at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, business will include discussion on the formation of TEAM Houston and wrap-up of "The Event", call 529-1223 for more information.

**American Gay Atheists** meet at 7:30 PM at 4 Chelsea.

## 9 TUESDAY

**Wilde 'n' Stein Radio**, discussion about Gay and Lesbian community, 9:00 PM to 11:00 PM, KPFT 90.1 FM. Harry Livesay, formally with AIDS Foundation Houston, now case management training for AIDS Demonstration Grant, a new federal grant to serve the Houston metropolitan area.

## 10 WEDNESDAY

**Gay/Lesbian Political Caucus** Board meeting at 900 Lovett, 7:30 PM, call 521-1000 for more information.

**Women's Network**, Montrose Counseling Center, 900 Lovett, 2nd floor, 7:00 PM, Recreating Your World, Often the intensity of life can be overwhelming. In this experimental evening, participants will explore simple and immediate techniques to create the life you want and deserve. This experience will be facilitated by Satya Khalsa, a therapist in private practice who works with NLP, meditation and yoga., call 529-0037 for more information.. Donation requested, no one turned away if unable to pay.

**Gay/Lesbian Hispanics Unidos (GLHU)** meet at Dignity Center, 3217 Fannin at 7:30 PM. Call 520-GLHU.

## 11 THURSDAY FULL MOON

## 13 SATURDAY

**Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby** board meets in Austin, call 512-474-5475 for more information.

**Lesbian/Gay Democrats of Texas (LGDT)** board meets in Austin immediately following the LGRL meeting, call 681-4855 for more information.

## 14 SUNDAY

**The Women's Group** meets at 10:00 AM. at the First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin. The speaker will be Sister Ada Edwards from the Shrine of the Black Madonna.

**The Women's Reading Group** will discuss our favorite poems by women authors. Group meets at 4:00 PM at member's home, for location and information call Kathy at 664-7438 or Cicely at 522-9837.

**Sweet Savage Chocolate**, A 40th Birthday Celebration in honor of Deborah Bell. Bring chocolate and a donation for KPFT in support of Lesbian/Gay programming. Everyone is invited, 7:00 - 9:00 PM at Ovations, 2536 Times Blvd. @ Kirby - Cash bar and Jazz.

## 15 MONDAY

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

**PWA Coalition** meeting, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, 7:30 PM, call 522-5428 for more information.

## 16 TUESDAY

**Wilde 'n' Stein Radio**, discussion about Gay and Lesbian community, 9:00 PM to 11:00 PM, KPFT 90.1 FM.

## 17 WEDNESDAY

**Gay & Lesbian Political Caucus** at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, 7:30 PM, Call 521-1000 for more information. Election of officers and various board members.

**Festival for Women's Safety and Well-Being**, In response to increasing violence, women are taking action. A committee of the Women's Group of the First Unitarian Church is planning a festival/rally for July 1990 to celebrate women's right to well-being. Changing attitudes about violence is the first step toward creating a safer world for women and children. A planning meeting will be held at 7:00 PM in the Women's Room at the Church, 5210 Fannin @ Southmore. Everyone interested in participating (or channeling anger into action) is welcome. For more information call Jacsun Shah at 529-7329.

## 18 THURSDAY

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## 19 FRIDAY

Deadline for items to be included in the January edition of the **Montrose Activity Center NEWS-LETTER**, write to Box 66684, Houston, TX 77266-6684, or call 529-1223.

## 21 SUNDAY

**The Women's Group** meets at 10:00 AM. at the First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin. The speaker will be Dr. Nikki Van Hightower, former Executive Director of the Houston Area Women's Center and current Harris County Treasurer.

**Womynspace** meets 12 Noon for scrumptious potluck brunch (bring something delicious to share), and sisterhood, Meeting follows at 1:30 PM, Inklings Bookshop, 1846 Richmond, upstairs, call Deborah 521-0780 for more information. This will be the annual membership meeting, it is very important that every member concerned about the organization attend! Major decisions to be made about the organization, including possibly incorporating under the Montrose Activity Center.

**Lesbians Over Age Fifty (LOAF)** meets the third Sunday of each month at Autry House, 6265 S. Main at 2:00 PM with speakers, refreshments and fellowship.

**AMIGA de Houston** holds its business meeting at 5:00 PM with potluck dinner. Call 520-5667 for information.

**Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)** meet for discussion of "Religion and Homosexuality - What the Bible Says", call 952-2525 for information on time & location.

**Team Houston**, the organization committee for the the 1990 Gay Games in Vancouver will hold a fund raiser at Riches, 2401 San Jacinto, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, for more information call 520-0838.

## 22 MONDAY

Anniversary of Roe v. Wade

## 23 TUESDAY

**Wilde 'n' Stein Radio**, discussion about Gay and Lesbian community, 9:00 PM to 11:00 PM, KPFT 90.1 FM.

Luncheon celebration of **anniversary of Roe v. Wade** at The Houstonian, 111 N Post Oak, featuring Linda Elerby 11:30 AM sponsored by the public affairs department of Planned Parenthood of Houston, \$35, call 522-6363 for more information.

## 24 WEDNESDAY

**Women's Network**, Montrose Counseling Center, 900 Lovett, 2nd floor, 7:00 PM, Incest - Healing the Wounds. Participants will view the film, "Why, God? - Why me?", followed by a discussion of reactions and feelings. An atmosphere of confidentiality and emotional safety will be maintained by experienced therapists. Survivors and their female loved ones are welcome (please refrain from bringing non-adult children). call 529-0037 for more information... Donation requested, no one turned away if unable to pay.

**Pride Awards Committee** meets at the AstroVillage Hotel, Kirby Dr. @ S. Loop., Business includes selecting speakers for the event and the beginning of the process to choose award recipients.

## 26 FRIDAY NEW MOON

## 28 SUNDAY

**The Women's Group** meets at 10:00 AM at the first Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin, Shelly Vuschner, R.N. a midwife in private practice will speak.

**Atheist Open House** with American Gay Atheists and Houston Chapter of American Atheists at #4 Chelsea Place from 2:00 - 5:00 PM. Video showings, literature and books available for sale, refreshments and camaraderie.

## 30 TUESDAY

**Wilde 'n' Stein Radio**, discussion about Gay and Lesbian community, 9:00 PM to 11:00 PM, KPFT 90.1 FM.

## 31 WEDNESDAY

**Lesbian/Gay Pride 1990 Meeting**, planning for the 1990 events 7:00 PM, Dignity Center, 3217 Fannin, upstairs, call 523-2575 for more information.

## 3 FEBRUARY

**Heart Strings** an upbeat two act musical review produced by the Design Industries Foundation for AIDS (DIFFA). The local production is co-sponsored by DIFFA/Houston and Bering Community Service Foundation. The "Evening of Hope for the Healing of AIDS," is designed to educate audiences and inspire investment in our nation's response to AIDS. Tickets are \$25 to \$250 and are available at Ticketron, 526-1709.

## APRIL 12-15, 1990

Second Annual **Gulf Coast Women's Festival**, in Gulfport, Mississippi, call 601-896-6453 or 601-896-3196 for information.

### REGARDING SUBMISSIONS TO THE WAND

Original writing by women is desired for publication in **The WAND**. Writing may be poetry, news articles, commentary, etc. Also original drawings and cartoons are welcome. Groups may send us notice of their regular meetings and special events by the 10th of the month for the next month's issue. Use of any submitted material is at the discretion of the Newsletter committee. We are glad to network with other groups that work for social change and share a perspective in line with the feminist concept of **WOMYNSPACE**

*Donations to help us defray the cost of printing are appreciated.*

Articles submitted are also subject to acceptance for publication at the discretion of the committee. Articles do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the organization or individual members of the committee. We try to use what we can as space allows. For the return of any material, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. It is best if articles are typed in column width of 3" (length is not a problem provided material is not too lengthy).

**WOMYNSPACE** is a feminist organization whose concept is to provide alternative space for women in a women-only, chemically free, supportive environment. Founded in 1984, the group publishes **THE WAND**, a community calendar/newsletter, sponsors various events throughout the year\*, such as dances, concerts and video showings, sponsors CR and other types of support/recovery groups for women and a networking system.

Membership is open to all women who pay annual dues (or do a work exchange). Members receive **THE WAND**, discounts with some of our advertisers and opportunity for involvement in the community.

**WOMYNSPACE** may be contacted through writing to P.O. Box 980601, Houston, TX 77098-0601 or by calling Erika at 713/880-9517 or Deborah 713/521-0780.

\*Several of the events are open to men as well.

### DIRECTORY

**AMIGA (All Mujeres Interested in Getting Active):** 520-5667

**Gay/Lesbian Switchboard -** 529-3211

**Heartsong (Women's Chorus):** 522-1747

**Houston Area NOW (National Organization for Women):** 522-6673

**Houston Area Women's Center:** 528-6798

**Houston Gay/Lesbian Political Caucus (HGLPC):** 521-1000

**Lambda Center (AA Groups):** 521-9772

**Lesbians Over Age Fifty (LOAF):** 661-1482

**Montrose Activity Center (MAC):** 529-1223

**Montrose Counseling Center:** 529-0037

**Single Lesbians Group:** 522-1014

**Rape Crisis Hotline** 528-7273 (528-RAPE)

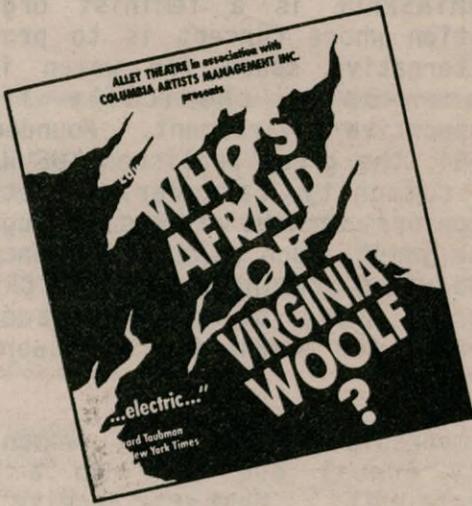
**WIRES (Women's Information and Referral Exchange):** 528-2121

**Women's Group at The First Unitarian Church - 5210 Fannin:** 723-4237 or 522-9113.

**Women's Reading Group:** 589-0005 or 522-9837

**WOMYNSPACE:** 880-9517 or 521-0780

**YWCA (Willie @ Waugh) Masterson Branch:** 868-6075



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January 6, 1990  
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  - \$100 (the Visiting Relative) choice seating and reception.
  - \$50 (the Neighbor) seating and reception.
  - \$25 (the Guest) seating only.
  - ? (the Distant Cousin) unable to attend, but would like to make a donation toward the NEW HOME.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Category of Ticket(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_  
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R.S.V.P. (The earlier the better. Remember, a house is not a home without people there), with your check or charge information to:  
**MAC, Box 66684, Houston, TX 77266-6684.**  
 Deadline: December 15. Order now for best seats.

Your tickets will be mailed, or \$25.00 tickets can be purchased at Inklings, 1846 Richmond; Lobo, 1424-C Westheimer (at Windsor) or Say Cheese, 3926 Westheimer (Highland Village). Information: 522-2204 or 523-6109.  
 Your tickets are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. Co-Chairs for THE EVENT: Joe Watts and C. Williams.

Ten years ago the Montrose Activity Center was conceived as the nucleus of a Gay & Lesbian Community Center. Perhaps you know us better by some of our other names: Gay & Lesbian Pride Week, Names Project Houston or Gay & Lesbian Hispanics Unidos. But the activities we sponsor are steps toward realizing that **ORIGINAL DREAM**. Now we are taking the next step...the creation of a dedicated "Building Fund".

**WALK HOME WITH US!**

In Memoriam... Robin Ortiz

A very popular and well loved Santa Cruz lesbian died in the recent northern California earthquake. Robin Ortiz was the last one of several leaving the coffee shop where she worked, and she was trapped in falling stone rubble. Some of her friends were arrested for crossing police lines; they felt that rescuers weren't doing enough, quickly enough, to reach the buried woman. Her woman lover consented to interviews with major media people (alleged to be Dan Rather's crew) on the proviso that the reporters were honest about her relationship, since that is what Robin would have wanted. The media did not honor their word. Robin's lover was alternately described as "best friend" or "roommate". When Robin was found, they said that even an immediate rescue could not have saved her life.

May her lover, and may we, live to see the day when the expressions of lesbian spouses and lesbian community families have equal public respect.

**Recovery Conference**

The National Women's Recovery Roundup, a non-profit organization, is producing a convention for all women in recovery. Planned are speakers, workshops, on site child care, a dance, celebrations of recovery and more.

Houston will be the host city. The conference is scheduled for April 13-15, 1990. For more information, call Dee or Charlene at 868-3919 for more information. Donations are welcomed at P.O. Box 980131, Houston, Texas, 77098-0131.

The Book Review Sonnet

— Kathy Hubbard

"Shoulders!" How refreshing and how pure  
 This vibrantly engendered literature!  
 How easily I spent soft evenings wound  
 Around the patterns woven in its sound.  
 A lesbian liana, vined embrace,  
 So tenderly describes dyke loving space.  
 Subjunctive style, to communicate,  
 With languid lines, all structured well, relate.  
 The speaker fretting all her conversation,  
 The natural sequencing of each relation,  
 Refreshingly phrased sexual honesty  
 All merge in molding credibility.

I hope she sells so many that she can  
 Afford the time for many more to pen!

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**OPERATING ACCOUNT**

Sources of Funds

Donations	\$ 80.00
New Memberships	85.00
Renewing Members	75.00
WAND Subscriptions	15.00
WAND Ads (Business)	270.00
WAND Ads (Political)	140.00

Total Sources 665.00

Uses of Funds

The Wand	\$ 333.20
Subscriptions	25.00

Total Uses \$ 358.20

Total Income over Expenses \$ 306.80

**SPECIAL EVENT - CONCERT**

Total Event Donations \$ 130.80

Less:

Performers	\$ 23.00
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**HEARTSONG OPENS TO NEW MEMBERS**

HeartSong, Houston Women's Community Chorus will accept new members during the month of January, 1990. Women interested in joining the chorus need not have trained singing voices, just a love of music and a desire to share that love with other women.

Join HeartSong on any Monday in January (as early in the month as possible) at the First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin at Southmore, Room 11 & 12 (the Sojourner Truth Room) upstairs at 7:00pm. For more information on joining this exciting group of singers call Nancy at 522-1747.

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# VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN MUST STOP

ATTENTION: All Women

You are invited to attend a meeting to help plan a protest in the form of a Festival for Women's Safety and Well-Being, a kind of "Take-back-the-night" event that I have been calling WIN - Women (In)fest the Night.

DATE: Every Wednesday  
 TIME: 7:00 p.m.  
 PLACE: First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin at Southmore

For More Information Call  
 Jacsun Shah  
 co-facilitator, The Women's Group

529-7329

Law enforcement officials and woman's advocates have responded to violence against women by forming a network to provide help that is often only a phone call away.

#### IN AN EMERGENCY

- Police or sheriff's department: 911.
- WIRES (Women's Information and Referral Exchange Service): 528-2121.
- Crisis Hotline (24 hours): 228-1505.
- Crisis Hotline (Bay Area, 24 hours): 333-5111.
- Family Time Help-line (Humble, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.): 446-2615.
- Help Hotline (Fort Bend County): 342-4357.
- The Rape Crisis Program: 528-RAPE.

#### FOR LEGAL ASSISTANCE

- Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse: 664-AVDA. 2626 South Loop West.
- Gulf Coast Legal Foundation: 660-0077. 2626 South Loop West.
- Houston Volunteer Lawyers: 228-0732. 806 Main.
- Harris County District Attorney's Office, Family Offenses Section/Domestic Violence Unit: 221-5888. 49 San Jacinto, Room 328.
- Harris County District Attorney's Office, Victim Witness Office: 221-6655. 201 Fannin.

#### FOR COUNSELING & SUPPORT

- Family Service Center Domestic Violence Intervention Program: 861-4849.
- Houston Area Women's Center Outreach Service. Call 528-5785.
- Pivot Group (For Batterers): 524-HELP.
- Alcoholics Anonymous: 686-6300.
- United Way Information and Referral: 527-0222.
- Community Education and Development Program. Call 528-6798.

#### TO REACH A SHELTER

- Shelter for Abused Women and Their Children, call WIRES 24-hour hotline in Houston: 528-2121
- Angleton — Women's Center of Brazoria County: (409) 849-5166.
- Bay City — Matagorda County Women's Crisis Center: (409) 245-9299.
- Baytown — Baytown Area Women's Center: 422-2292.
- Galveston — Women's Resource and Crisis Center: (409) 763-5605.
- Houston — The Roseate: 351-4357.
- Huntsville — Walker County Family Violence Council: (409) 291-3369.
- Pasadena — Bridge Over Troubled Water: 473-2801.
- Richmond — Fort Bend County Women's Refuge: 342-HELP.



### Valentina Dance

Place a heart on your calendar for Saturday, the seventeenth of February. The annual Homynspace Valentina Dance will last from eight to twelve, at a place to be announced in next month's W.A.N.D.

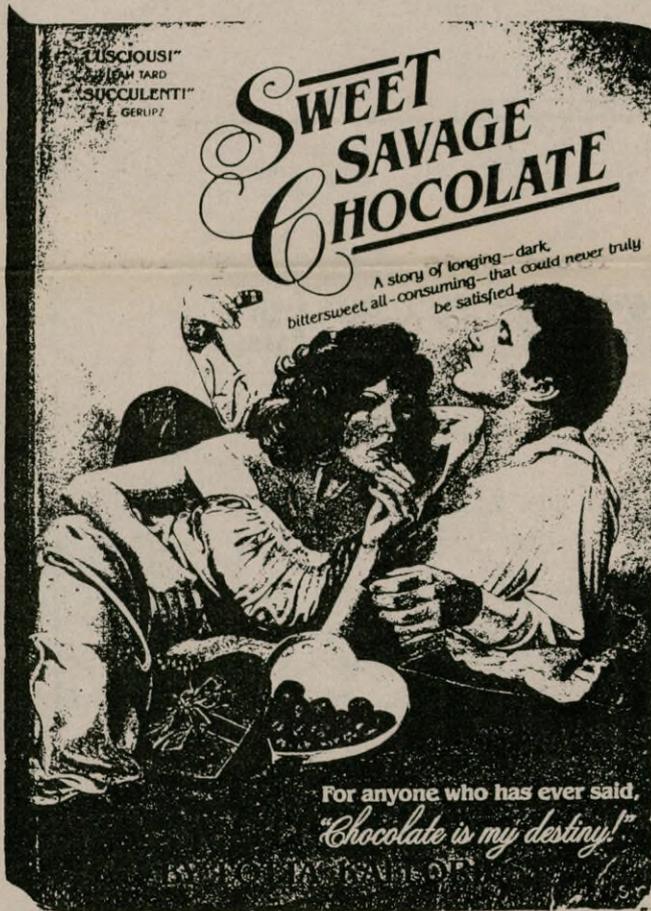
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## MERLIN STONE: KEYNOTE SPEAKER

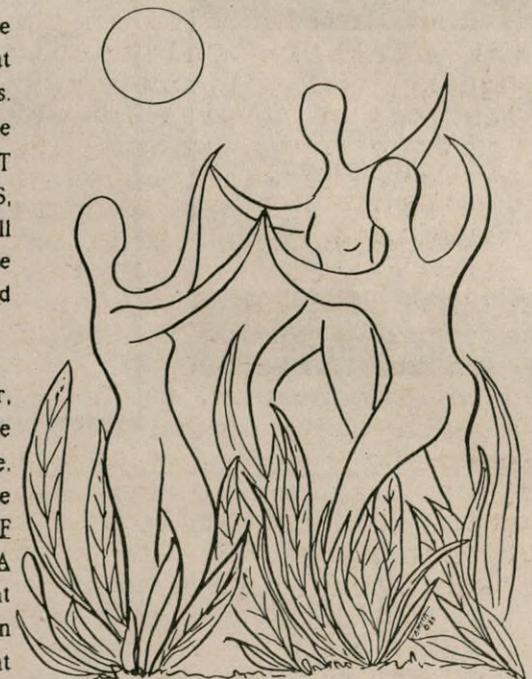
### FOURTH ANNUAL SOUTHWEST WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

#### JOIN HANDS IN HOUSTON

This years FOURTH ANNUAL SOUTHWEST WOMEN'S CONFERENCE will be held February 9th thru 11th, 1990, at the Astro Village Hotel, Houston, Texas. The theme of the Conference will be THE RITUAL PATH TO EMPOWERMENT FOR MAKING CHANGES IN OUR LIVES, IN THE WORLD. The conference will explore the many ways we can create situations for healing, for growth, and for empowerment.

Well known author, feminist, scholar, and historian Merlin Stone will be the theme speaker for the conference. Among Ms Stone's published works are the books: ANCIENT MIRRORS OF WOMANHOOD and WHEN GOD WAS A WOMAN. She has studied ancient religions, and in particular, the religion of the Goddess, and the role this ancient worship played in Judeo-Christian attitudes toward women.

The opening celebration will be at the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Houston and will feature female vocalist and song writer Jan Loe. The conference will offer more than 20 different workshops, and a bazaar. "Heart Song" an all-women's chorus will sing songs



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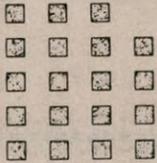
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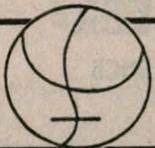
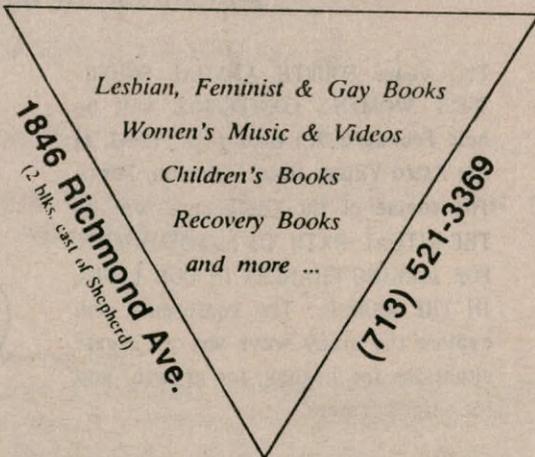
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