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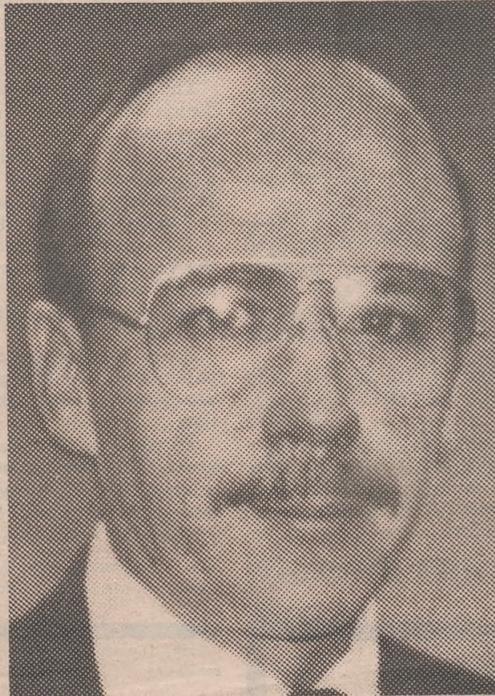
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## Texans To Study New Jersey Patient Program

A New Jersey home care program for AIDS patients will be studied by Texas health officials to determine if it can be instituted in the state, officials said.

Dr. Janice Caldwell, deputy commissioner for services to the aged and disabled, told the Texas Department of Human Resources board the program could be less costly than current plans in Texas used to care for AIDS patients.

The board asked Caldwell, of Austin, to determine the number of AIDS patients who would qualify for such a program, who emphasized the program would only apply to those who meet Medicaid guidelines.

"What we have to do is find out if this program can save money, a consideration in these budget-tightening times," Caldwell said. "It has been successful in New Jersey, but there are different (economic) factors involved here."

State health officials in New Jersey have developed a government-approved home and community based program that offers an alternative to expensive hospital care for people with acquired immune deficiency syndrome by caring for the patient in the home.

The program covers private duty nursing, respite care, medical day care and personal care services. It also offers a drug management program and a medical supplement to the foster care rate so that children with AIDS can more easily gain access to foster care.

Caldwell said New Jersey has unlim-

ited hospital care for its AIDS patients, and the newly-implemented program has cut the average hospital stay to about 35 days from 80 days, and reduced the cost to the state.

In Texas, funding is available for only a maximum of 30 days in the hospital for each AIDS patient who qualifies under the Medicaid program.

"What this new program would do is afford a more comfortable atmosphere for the patient who is in the final stages of the disease," Caldwell said.

Chairman J. Livingston Kosberg asked Caldwell to have her report ready by the board's December meeting.

The board also approved a recommendation that a family planning policy be developed on AIDS prevention. The proposed joint policy will be published as a proposed rule in The Texas Register in November with a recommended effective date of February 1988.

The board postponed any action for the Vendor Drug Program, which is expected to fall short of meeting its projected caseload commitments through next year.

Board members said the number of patients who would be affected had to be determined before taking further action.

The state has received \$1.8 million of a special federal grant to help cover drugs for people who meet strict medical and financial criteria for assistance in paying for azidothymidine, or AZT,

the only prescription drug known to delay the effects of the AIDS virus.

It is anticipated that the \$1.8 million should meet the demand for drugs for about nine months.

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## Letters to the Voice

From the Readers of the Montrose Voice

### ✉ Disappointed with Caucus

From John Hubert

I was amazed and disappointed to see the Houston Gay & Lesbian Political Caucus throw away the opportunity to endorse and support an openly gay and qualified candidate for City Council like Steve Shimer. The small amount of members voting, only 51, probably indicates the current weakness of the once potent HGLPC.

To have an openly gay or lesbian candidate sitting on city council will mean so much to our community, especially the more closeted of our sisters and brothers. The elections of Harvey Milk (San Francisco), Valerie Terrigno (West Hollywood) and David Scondras (Boston) brought wonderful doses of new pride and spirit to their cities. Now, we in Houston can do the same by electing Steve Shimer to City Council.

A vote for Steve Shimer is a vote for lesbian and gay liberation. Let's not miss this opportunity to put Steve Shimer on City Council, and, please bring all your friends. (Nov. 3—District C).

### ✉ More on the Caucus

From Ken Coleman

We are really lucky that 33 members of HGLPC had the guts and good sense to reject the mayor and her candidate for city council.

After she has ignored the gay community and refused to respond to its needs, it's amazing there were 21 wimps willing to lick her boots.

Why should we put up with fair weather friends? We need to learn from other minorities and how their actions get things done.

Actually, a good riot and overturning of a few police cars would do wonders to restore our civil rights.

### ✉ Praise for AIDS Foundation

From Michael Parks

This (last) weekend I am here in Houston attending a convention. Friday night as I was leaving a bar in the Montrose district, I was given a condom, a safe sex card, and asked by a volunteer from AIDS Foundation Houston to "please play safe."

In my line of work, I visit many cities, and I have never encountered a more caring and aggressively innovative approach to AIDS education. Houston and your AIDS Foundation are to be congratulated.

### ✉ Write the Voice

Items here are opinions of readers. Publication does not infer a concurring view by the publisher of the Voice. Readers are encouraged to submit their thoughts on issues of interest. Please keep brief and mail to "Letters," Montrose Voice, 408 Avondale, Houston, TX 77006. All must be signed and include address and phone, which will not be printed, to verify authenticity. Name will be withheld on request.

# Community

News from Neighborhood & Community Groups

## Stone Soup Needs

Stone Soup, a project of the AIDS Foundation Houston, issued 192 orders of free groceries to low income persons with AIDS in September. As of October 17, 146 orders were filled. Stone Soup is stocked through donations of food and cash. Currently some items are desperately needed.

According to Lavelle Shaw, the supply of tuna fish is expected to be exhausted by the end of this week. Spam and corned beef hash have been out for some time. Condiments such as mayonnaise, ketchup, pickles and relish are seldom on hand. There are only a few cans of soup except tomato and chicken noodle. The pantry has not had coffee in weeks. Vitamins, paper towels, facial tissues and spray deodorant are in short supply. Jams, jellies, and peanut butter and canned fruit are also asked for and seldom on hand.

The end of the month is when the pantry has its heaviest demand for assistance and it is hoped that the Fall Harvest Festival to be held at the Brazos River Bottom will help restock the shelves. Donations can be brought to Stone Soup at 1004 California Mondays 2:00-6:00 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:00-8:00 p.m., and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## AIDS Awareness Month

October is AIDS Awareness Month. There will be a variety of activities happening locally, statewide and nationally to increase awareness of the toll AIDS has taken on our community.

Among its planned activities, the AIDS Foundation Houston will receive approximately 200,000 brochures from the Centers for Disease Control for distribution throughout the Houston community. AFH is also co-sponsoring a "Living with AIDS" symposium to be held Saturday, October 24, at the University of Houston's Conrad Hilton College Building.

For more information, contact AFH at 3927 Essex Lane, Houston, TX 77027 or call (713) 623-6796.

## Gay Rights Lobby to Meet in Houston

The state board of the Lesbian & Gay Rights Lobby will meet in Houston Saturday, October 24, beginning at noon.

The meeting will be held at the offices of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus, 900 Lovett, Suite 101.

Following the meeting, a garden-cocktail party honoring LGRL executive director Glen Maxey and members of the Harris County legislature who were helpful in the last session will be held at 711 Hyde Park.

All interested members of the community are invited to both events. There is no charge for the cocktail party but donations to LGRL will be accepted.

## Clinic Prepares for Move

The Montrose Clinic is relocating to 1200 Richmond in the next several weeks. The new location provides two buildings and more than twice the existing space and off street parking. The estimated cost of the relocation is \$50,000.

In addition to financial and volunteer assistance, the Clinic is requesting donated items from a "wish list." Items on the list include examination tables, medical equipment, tables, medical cabinets, copiers, stacking chairs, large folding chairs, office furniture, personal computers, refrigerators, color televisions, and reception area furniture.

In an effort to aid its fundraising efforts, the Clinic has been licensed by the Texas State Comptroller to sponsor bingo. Clinic sponsored bingo is held at the Fannin Street Bingo Hall, 2601 Fannin at McGowen. Play on October 29 is scheduled for 6:30-10:30 p.m. Beginning Sunday November 1, the bingo games will be held every Thursday evening, 6:30-10:30 p.m., and every Sunday, 2:00-6:00 p.m. Doors open 30 minutes prior to play.

The Clinic has also joined the Safeway contribution program. All Safeway receipts dated after August 15, 1987 can be brought to the Clinic where they will be redeemed to Safeway for a contribution equal to one percent of the total purchase value.

The Montrose Clinic is a private, non-profit, medical and educational resource center specializing in the screening, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of sexually transmitted diseases.

For new hours, additional information, or donations, call 528-5535 or 528-5531.

## GLPC Seeks Volunteers

The Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus needs volunteers for several election activities leading up to the November 3 city elections.

The election newsletter mail out is scheduled for today and tomorrow, October 23-24. The caucus will mail out about 15,000 newsletters. Volunteers are asked to meet at 900 Lovett, #10, at 7:00 p.m. tonight and 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Other volunteers are needed for blockwalking, phone banking, putting up yard signs and to hand out endorsement cards on election day. HLGPC endorsed candidates are also seeking help. For more information, call 521-1000.

# Meet the Candidates

What follows here is a question and answer session with many of the candidates in the Nov. 3 city elections, including all the candidates for the important District C council seat.

The Montrose Voice invited all District C and District H candidates and all city-wide candidates to respond. Three of the seven mayoral candidates, two of the five controller candidates and three of the six candidates in contested at-large council seats did so.

However, we do not hold it against a candidate for not responding. Several well-known incumbents who have established themselves as friends of the Houston gay community were simply unable to meet our deadline.

Nevertheless, for what's it's worth (or for your amusement in some cases), here they are.

Some answers may inspire you to place your personal support behind a candidate. But don't be surprised if some answers here may inspire you to work *against* a candidate. Those who responded represent a full-range of political views.

Next week, the editorial staff of the Voice will present our recommendations, should you care to consider them.

2. How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.

The third most pressing problem is a combination of police and education reforms. More money spent on better "people oriented" training and better pay getting the police off moonlighting jobs; instituting a task force system of professionalism (LA's the best) with more emphasis on crimes with victims and putting police in crime areas at night rather than building expensive police centers, would help. Education aimed at families of minorities and public emphasis by the mayor on no drop-out pride would improve education. Tax revenues used to be much larger with less and lower taxes because business was prosperous. If the city would aid and abet business, actively seeking new business help and work positively with a warm sales-oriented manner unlike the current mayor, instead of harassing businesses, then business would flourish hiring more people who with greater purchasing power would spend more, would give us more tax revenue.

3. Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?

I would provide leadership that only the mayor really can provide. This leadership is sorely lacking now with an inept mayor. The real solution is to face facts and become cost effective. Autos are here to stay for many years yet, I have plans to accommodate them downtown, busing should be improved in the south-east sections (but no to Katy), and a beautiful monorail system could be created saving roughly \$540 million rather than rail. It would entail no tracks messing up streets and traffic, cut deaths drastically (no deaths in any monorail system since 1885); create a new industry in Houston (since it will be made and sold here); will more than pay for itself and cause much more interest in tourism and convention (unlike rail), and effectively tie together all major centers of interest. New laws regarding the METRO lanes can make them more effective (though probably not needed on route 59); and traffic flow concepts.

4. What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?

(See answers to 1, 2, and 3) However, note that I also do intend to make Houston "the" great haven for the elderly. We have a lot to offer such as medical facilities, good climate, housing of every manner, (when I'm in office as mayor) very improved transportation facilities, and many other small services to make them feel welcome and well-cared for. In return, these senior citizens will bring in much needed revenues, little crime, more informed voters and a sea of knowledge and expertise. I believe the water tax should be lowered and those revenues kept for water/ sewer problems.

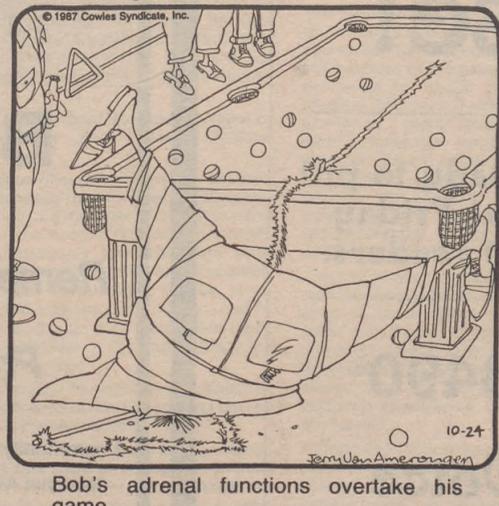
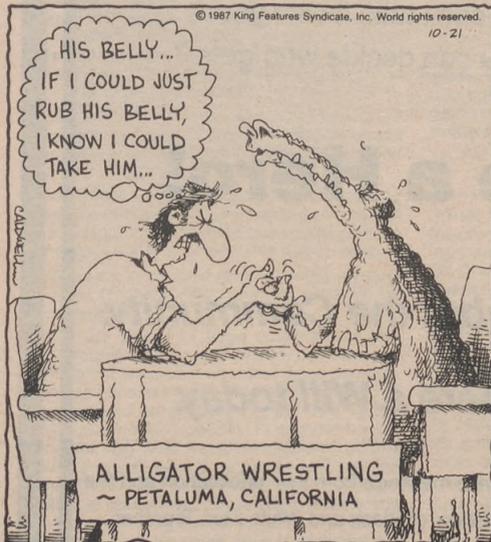
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## Richard Dimond, Mayor

1. Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.

Economy: A vital "new" image is needed by a new mayor who does indeed personify the city. A strong pro-business attitude with real leadership will be of prime value to creating expectation among investors. I intend to aim at the tourist, convention and elderly segments which brings in many investors and instant income as well as an increase in tax revenues. Being an expert in traffic flow and highway building, I will give leadership in a combined auto-monorail-bus system with plans already devised to get traffic flowing in a very cost-effective manner that will enhance the tourist and convention trade combined with the hotel and business entities.

With traffic being No. 2 problem (written up last week in U.S. News & World Report as the worst traffic congested city in the nation after millions misspent on the traffic problem over the past six years). I do have definite plans to correct this.



ities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?

Yes, there is a problem, and there's always prejudice of sorts. Most of the problem lies with the mayor and the department heads who either show no leadership (such as the mayor on the AIDS crisis), or a sad lack of effective communication. I intend to have a weekly television program which will be used to communicate one-on-one with the community about every recognized problem or misconception. Community leaders, department heads and volunteer organizations will have access to this program, as well as legitimate non-political opponents on any issue. The current mayor for the most part, hides after the election for 22 months coming out in public only the last two months before election. I intend to be very visible and accessible.

6. Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?

(1) by addressing the councilperson directly; if not satisfied, by notifying my office directly.

(2) You will be allowed to directly address the problem on the above mentioned television program.

(3) Police will hopefully be better trained and better paid. Emphasis will always be on enforcing laws dealing with crimes with real victims. City money must not be used for personal or private vindictiveness. I truly am "a man for all people equally!"

7. What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?

Exciting new programs have recently been mentioned by candidates and a federal program is in the workings to both take care of AIDS victims and research a cure (preventative). I heartily support these efforts in whatever capacity the city can to combat this No. 1 killer. Death row inmates who murdered others in cold blood get more care and attention and money than do AIDS victims who do not die quickly as the death row inmates do, but rather go through terrible suffering before death. Our priorities are not right. The city can use its resources (such as my T.V. program) to greatly improve public awareness and understanding of the problem.

8. How should criteria for selecting a new city

health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.

Only an over-sight committee as proposed can do the job effectively. However, those most interested in the problem of AIDS should be on his committee. The budget director and comptroller must be included to provide factual assessments of each proffered solution, but this is the committee that should tell me who they recommend for the position.

9. What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?

I do hope that they will work with the federal agencies and come up with at least three possible courses of action. Then the city can work more effectively to put into action the best course of action to resolve our needs. What the outcome will be I can only guess, and speculation at this point is non-productive.

10. Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city?

It can, and still is quite well organized. I would hate to see it disbanded because the city needs input from all areas of its citizenry. However, in this election it can maintain its clout only if they all vote for my candidacy. If the current mayor wins without gay backing, they will probably never be a force for some years to come. Few candidates in the future will feel that they need your support to win. Don't allow this to happen! To keep your clout, you must vote for me in the election this year. I'm on the verge of winning this election due to my two years of grass-roots work in the minority and business community. The latest polls show me leading the mayor. However, a no vote on our part would help the mayor. Only by supporting me with your votes can you win too.

11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?

Yes!

12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?

As previously mentioned in Nos. 5, 6, & 7.

13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination?

Discrimination of any kind is taboo with me. Equality of opportunity is a basic tenant of our society today and must be extended to hous-

ing and employment. No job bias due to sex, race, sexuality (or lack of it) or age must be allowed.

## Don Geil, Mayor

1. Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.

a. Ever increasing taxes and fees (some of which are totally unconstitutional. Example: fees imposed on churches to gather to worship). A 20 percent water rate increase and yet the city can't or won't collect overdue bills from apartment owners. Funding of private enterprises which is totally illegal. These situations must stop. The solution is simple. Vote for an administrator, manager. Traveling to Japan or wherever else won't solve these problems, only create more in the future.

b. Rapid transit needed badly. See further in question 3.

c. Reopen lines of communication and cooperation with all city departments. Stop this foolish infighting between city employees.

2. How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.

I repeat. Elect an administrator who can and will work with people. Arrogant bookkeepers can't do it! Work with people who develop positive attitudes instead of all bickering among themselves. Re-examination of all department heads also a must.

3. Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?

No. I would as soon as legally possible appoint two Houstonians to the METRO board who know public transportation operations. The Whitmire-Kieper clan has spent well over \$5 million to develop something but then can't make up their minds what to do next; and not a foot of track built. What a further waste of your money!

4. What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?

If you want to attract both new business and tourism here you have to cut taxes and spend-

ing, not increase it. Florida tried it. Look what happened. Your present city administration doesn't seem to understand that you have to get your house in order first before you can expect guests. High taxes, lousy streets, crime, poor water and sewage are not items which attract new business to any locale.

5. The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?

Yes we have a problem here partly because of feuding between city hall (your mayor) and HPD. Promises by your mayor to the city's patrolmen have not been kept; so they are retaliating against the minorities that helped put the incumbent in office. Simple, isn't it!

6. Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?

If I am elected mayor, my office will be open to meet you personally to discuss any misconduct charges, not only of police but any of the city's departments. That is a promise. Anybody on public payroll is a servant of the public, not its master.

7. What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?

I have advocated the one cent sales tax be taken from METRO to be used to fund the recently closed facility here in Houston. By working through church groups, etc., we should be able to care for the sick and dying. Research must come from federal sources. This is our real responsibility regardless of who or what is to blame.

8. How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.

What else is needed besides someone who cares for humanity. Any man who is not sensitive to the needs of others, no matter what degrees he holds, would not fill any list of requirements in my book.

9. What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?

Not much.

10. Do you feel the gay community maintains

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No.

11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?

Yes.

12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?

I have lived in the Montrose area for 10 years so I am well aware of just about everything that goes on here—both good, bad and indifferent. Most minority neighborhoods have similar problems; but I can and will establish a clear line of communication to all. As I stated, my office will be open to discuss your problems with you. I repeat—this is a promise!

13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.

First thing, if elected, I simply want to review all departments as to their working efficiency, and make sure that each one is giving 40 hours of work for 40 hours of pay, just as you and I have to do. There will be no room for any discrimination based upon preconceived viewpoint. This should not and will not be tolerated.

## Mary Pritchard, Mayor

1. Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.

City workers have experienced wage cuts, layoffs and speedups on the job. Any effort to combat these attacks—such as the sanitation workers strike last year—has been met by the city administration's harsh anti-worker attitude. We need to work to repeal Texas' backward right-to-work laws which prohibit city workers from striking. We need to stop trying to make a city budget that exacts a toll from its working people and that cuts social services. Second, the people in Houston, like those in the rest of the country, are facing the distinct possibility of a war in Central America. This is not only draining money which could be used to vitalize U.S. cities, but it brings up the real chance of U.S. troops going to fight. I feel that we should be supporting the Nicaraguan revolution—not trying to defeat it. Houston can play a real part in the growing anti-war movement in this country by following examples of other cities—from Portland, Oregon to Atlanta—by adopting a sister city in Nicaragua. This program opens up a rapport between two cities for cultural and material exchange. The act of solidarity undermines Reagan's hysterical war drive. The city can also help organize work brigades of Houstonians to spend a couple of weeks working and living among the Nicaraguan people, to better understand the process of revolution and the building of a new society there.

Finally, we need to stop attacks being made against blacks, gays and women in this city. This can be done with a mobilization of forces to show our might in this town.

2. How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.

City services such as sanitation, education, health care, fire fighting should be a top priority in this city. It shows how confused things get when library hours are being abbreviated while the city plans to build a huge convention center for big businesses. Greater revenues must come from taxing the rich businesses in this town, and by calling for all city governments to demand more money from the federal government, which is pouring billions of dollars into war. We need more city workers, better schools and hospitals, better pay for those working to fill social needs.

3. Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?

Mass transit in this city is hardly sufficient to meet the demand. The city has to plan a transit system that includes more bus routes plus the long-term installation of trains and streetcars.

4. What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?

There are plenty of huge corporations that have found a home in Houston, even as they pollute our water and air. I feel these corporations do not make their contribution to the city. They should be shouldering the bulk of the taxes, not working people. This is not a local problem; big businesses everywhere in this country are allowed to get away with low tax rates. But we must demand from the a responsibility to contribute to the public needs of the city in which they set up shop. And as I said, all cities need to demand aid

from the federal government, which is spending an obscene amount of money on the war drive as its cities continue to decay.

5. The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?

The police department must not be allowed to get away with its harassment of gays, blacks and Latinos. Again and again, we see incidents of this type with no response from the city. Criminal charges must be brought against any policeman who is accused of harassing a private citizen. And members of these communities must be allowed to defend themselves against violent attacks by the cops. We need to build a huge, visible movement of these oppressed groups to show our strength and solidarity. We will not continue to be intimidated. The coalition of activists that worked around the Free Clarence Brandley Committee shows the strength that such a movement can have.

6. Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?

We cannot rely on any elected official to demonstrate the severity of these problems for us. We must do it ourselves. I believe activities such as demonstrations, educational programs, press conferences organized and led by the community are the most effective. We must express your needs loud and clear until they are met, not by quietly endorsing candidates, but by recruiting and organizing a large grass-roots fighting movement.

7. What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?

The closing of the city's one AIDS hospital was inexcusable. AIDS must be considered a priority. As it becomes clear that those affected are mainly gay, black or Latino, politicians are beginning to feel that they can ignore the crisis again. We must demand that the city provide free health care to all AIDS patients. And we must launch an ambitious educational program to demystify the disease and take the blame off the victims.

8. How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.

The health director must be one that will respond to the demands of the gay community as well as minorities. In addition to AIDS, Houston is riddled with infant mortality, neglect for its children and elderly, and no care of its mentally ill. These are not problems that should exist in such a wealthy country. Again, it points to a reversal of priorities. By putting health before the profits of big business, we can wipe out these crises.

9. What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?

The Panel on AIDS has to be pushed by the progressive movements in this city to launch an educational program about AIDS. The public must be informed that AIDS victims need care, but can continue to work and interact socially with others. We need to use this panel to counteract the anti-gay hysteria that has swept the city, fueled by the Klan and other right-wing forces.

10. Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city.

I recently learned that 200 members of the gay community traveled to Washington, D.C. on October 11 to participate in the national gay rights march. I think this shows enormous clout. We need to continue organizing along these lines—recruiting, being public, participating in national activities. By refusing to endorse Kathy Whitmire for mayor, the Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus made a bold and courageous move that shows they are not going to sit quietly while their rights are being trampled on.

11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?

During the week of screening I was in Denver, Colorado attending the National Oil Bargaining Conference as a member of my union—the Oil Chemical and Atomic Workers Union. My absence unfortunately precluded me from being considered for an endorsement, although I would have liked to pursue. More important to me was the opportunity I had to address the Caucus on their candidates night and discuss with them a fighting strategy for gay rights in this city.

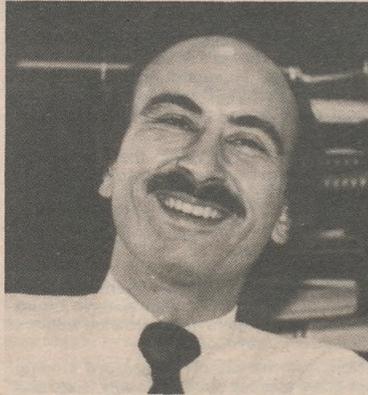
12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?

I am an activist. My background is not in law or business, but as a trade union fighter, an activist in women's liberation, in the anti-apartheid movement, in the black struggle. I have seen

that the only way to keep these issues alive is to keep building these movements. I believe the mayor's office should be open to this kind of movement-building. Its resources should be available to help mobilize groups like the Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus, the sanitation workers on strike, the Free South Africa movement or the Free Clarence Brandley Committee. One woman cannot do it all, but the mayor of a city can use her position to help encourage the growth of independent political action.

13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.

Yes, but furthermore we need to have tougher legislation on such discrimination.



## George Greanias, Controller

1. Briefly state your background in public administration and fiscal management.

B.A., magna cum laude, Rice University, 1970; J.D., Harvard Law School, 1973; Attorney—Liddell, Sapp, Zivley & Brown, 1973-74; Attorney—Singer, Hutner, Levine & Seeman (New York), 1975-76; Attorney-independent practice, Houston, 1977-1981; Attorney—Wood, Lucksinger & Epstein, 1986-Present; Faculty—Jones Graduate School of Administration, Rice University, 1977-1986 (retired at rank of associate professor, taught law and public management); Member—Houston City Council, 1982-Present; Co-chair, City Council Budget Review Committee (1982-Present); Chair, Council Committee on Sexually Oriented Businesses (1983-85); Chair, Council Committee on Flood Management (1983-Present); Chair, Transportation Reform Committee (1984); Chair, Council Committee on Cost Allocation/ Cost Recovery (1985); Chair, Council Committee on Industrial Development Corporation Guidelines (1982); Member, Council Committee on Vessel Taxation Guidelines (1982); Member, Council Committee on Privatization (1986).

2. What are your ideas on establishing and implementing an agenda for long-range economic growth and development and how would these plans impact the inner city (including diversifying the economy from its dependency on the petroleum industry)?

The city's strategy should be in two parts. First, the city must build on the existing base of economic assets. In other cities which have gone through a similar experience, 80 percent of the new growth came from within the city's region; we need to duplicate that experience. Second, the city must attract new business from outside the community. This will likely account for the remaining 20 percent growth in new jobs.

The strategic approach should be predicated on the city's strengths: the energy industry, if somewhat diminished factor; the space industry, because of the presence of NASA and the prospects for space commercialization; the medical industry, using the Texas Medical Center as a giant "research lab" for products with commercial applications; the Port of Houston, which coupled with our rail and air connections offers Houston the chance to become the regional transport hub for the Southwest; and international trade, based on the substantial foreign connections already existing within the city.

The key players in implementing this strategy must be the public sector, especially in matters such as tax abatements and the securing of state and federal grants, the private sector, which is best suited to marketing and prospect development, and the academic community, which must be enhanced to provide the research capabilities that have fueled most recoveries.

Among the tactics we must employ are: creation of new capital, both through venture funds privately and publicly funded; leveraging of private funds, such as providing guarantees of

government contracts to encourage banks to lend against those contracts; more vigorous deployment of tax abatement districts; more aggressive efforts to secure state and federal funds, such as Urban Development Action Grants (used in Boston to buy the old Navy shipyard, where 3,500 new jobs have already been created) and Economic Development Administration grants (used in Philadelphia, for example, to build a new UPS facility employing about 7,000 workers); providing management assistance to smaller and newer business that cannot afford such consultancies on a private basis.

I believe that the creation of a city Department of Commerce will be a substantial step forward in bringing these programs into existence. I also believe that many of these programs must focus on the inner city if the overall economic development effort is to be successful. The clear lesson from cities such as Atlanta, Philadelphia and Boston is that no such program can work unless all parts of the city benefit from the effort. Improved efforts to secure state and federal funds, for instance, will help substantially in expanding the city's options in helping inner city neighborhoods needing infrastructure improvements or service enhancements.

3. If passed, do you feel that pari-mutual betting will serve as an asset or liability to the overall fiscal health of the city?

Viewed strictly from a financial point of view, it would appear that the financial benefits to the city would be neither as great as suggested by pari-mutual betting advocates nor as inconsequential as argued by opponents of the opponents of the proposition. On balance, I would rate pari-mutual betting, if the track were located within the Houston city limits, as a net asset of some financial value to the city.

Exact dollar figures are impossible to provide, since the revenues to the city would not all necessarily be direct. While some sales tax might be involved (if the track were inside the city limits), other indirect revenues such as hotel-motel occupancy tax would be harder to pinpoint.

Clearly, however, the revenues to be generated would not be as great as proponents claim. Historically, the numbers cited in support of such referenda are seldom if ever attained in practice. More important, neither the state, the county nor the city should consider horse racing as the panacea for Texas' economic ills. Our economic problems are structural and run too deep to be solved by such a short-term approach of limited financial value.

4. Define the city's most pressing money needs and immediate means for reducing city government's fiscal/ budgetary woes.

The most immediate needs are for funds to provide adequate police and fire protection, to restore certain losses in the Solid Waste Department and to enhance a troubled Health Department which has undergone a long series of cuts in service capability potentially harmful to the public health. However, there are substantial other needs—such as maintenance of buildings and rolling stock—that are presently being deferred to the long-term detriment of the city.

Immediate revenues can be realized by substantial restructuring of the way the city does business. For instance, we need to move more quickly to consolidate vehicle maintenance operations. The current effort being made at the Gillette Street facility should be substantially expanded and accelerated. The savings here are estimated to be in excess of \$20 million. In the same way, we need to reexamine some of the personnel positions currently in force. For instance, almost every department has a Public Information Officer whose main job is to respond to constituent concerns by referring the matter to the appropriate person in the department. This is duplicative of the role of Council Offices, and either the PIO's role should be redefined or serious consideration should be given to elimination of the positions.

Perhaps most important, we need to establish a comprehensive financial plan for the city that will lay out a service plan and the associated costs. The goal of this plan should be to look down the road three to five years and eliminate the city's habit of reacting rather than moving pro-actively. Once that service plan has been determined, we can decide what other cuts can be made or items need to be added, and how the additional costs (if any) will be funded. However, I would not support any requests for additional revenues without a clear plan and set of priorities as to how that money would be spent.

5. How can the controller's office improve its relationship with the mayor and city council?

I believe that my approach as a City Council member over the last six years will serve equally well to improve the relationship between the Controller's Office and the Mayor and Council.

As a Council member, I have tried to be an independent voice speaking up when I believed the occasion required. At the same time, I have tried to show the integrity not to dissent without offering constructive alternatives. And I have constantly worked to find common ground among differing viewpoints in order to move the city forward.

Two recent events offer good examples of the approach I have taken.

During the most recent budget cycle, the Mayor did not present Council with a proposed budget until two weeks before the start of the new fiscal year. A majority of Council, asked to review a \$1.3 billion recommendation in 14 days, wanted simply to vote the proposal down and tell the Mayor to start over. Although I had serious reservations about the budget and was not inclined to support it, I did work with the Mayor to secure a review process. I personally asked for and received the signatures of eight of my Council colleagues agreeing to a budget review process. Out of this came a budget in much less time that would have otherwise been the case.

I have also dissented from the use of bond funds to pay the salaries and expenses of city employees. But I have gone beyond just dissenting to propose an alternative—namely, a gradual scaling back over four years of the city's reliance on this practice. The goal of my proposal was to provide a constructive alternative that would allow the city to proceed in a realistic fashion to end this departure from our traditional pay as you go approach.

My goal as Controller will be to continue working in this way to enhance the role of the City Controller as a participant in the policy-making processes of the city. I believe the Charter calls for an elected Controller because our community wants that office to be a full and effective participant in setting the city's course in financial affairs. I believe my method of working on Council, and the strong relationships I have built there, as well as the understanding of how to work effectively with the Mayor's Office, will make me an effective and constructive spokesperson for the public interest.

6. What changes, if any, should be made within the controller's office for efficient day-to-day operation?

The current City Controller has made substantial improvements in the office that have considerably raised its professional standards.

This has included the hiring of more competent, professional staff. I would retain those improvements and seek to keep staff intact.

At the same time, there are further improvements that must be made:

First, the audited financial statements must be processed in a more timely fashion. The failure to produce these reports more quickly hurts us with the investment community, as well as encouraging adverse speculation about the city's fiscal health.

Second, the Council must be provided with more and better information on a continuing basis about the city's financial situation. Such information would be invaluable in helping Council undertake better long term financial planning.

Third, the Controller's Office must get into the business of economic forecasting, much as the State Comptroller's Office has done. There presently exists no such function within city government and the Controller's Office is the logical place where that function should be lodged.

Fourth, current staff within the Controller's Office needs to be redeployed so that a better job can be done, especially in two areas: first, the Controller's Office must be more vigorous in conducting internal audits of city operations to assure elimination of waste and abuse of public funds; second, the Controller's Office must become more involved in enforcing the budget as adopted by Council so as to assure public money is spent in accordance with the policies set out by Council.

7. How may the city seek increased funding from other sources such as county, state and federal? (Please include views on the city's use of bond revenues.)

Houston city government has failed to be aggressive enough in securing state and federal funds for a variety of purposes ranging from economic development to AIDS to low income housing. The first step to improving this situation is to identify all of the available monies. The second step is to hire or train people who can write grant proposals that secure the funds. The third step is to create a representative presence in Austin and Washington that can work for the city in getting the grants made to Houston.

As City Controller, I will work to identify sources of state and federal funds for all possible city activities. I will in particular focus on those monies that do not create long term programs

for which the city would be obligated once the state or federal funds ended. After identifying these monies I will work with the Mayor and Council to assure those steps are taken that will secure those monies. And I will provide Council with models of how we might structure a more effective representative presence in Austin and Washington.

With respect to bond funds, I believe they should be used for their original intent: the construction and acquisition of infrastructure. These activities—such as the construction of streets and roads, improvements to and expansions of our sewer and water systems, building of libraries, acquisitions of parks—are absolutely essential to the economic future of our city. Paying for these improvements "on time" is appropriate.

However, I do not believe that bond funds—borrowed money—should be used to pay employee salaries or expenses. Such a practice may have some short term benefit, but long term consequences are extremely serious. Wherever possible, the city should operate on a pay as you go basis.

8. What are your views on the proposed city Department of Commerce as well as involvement with private sector agencies such as the Chamber of Commerce?

As one of the three co-authors of the proposal, I support creation of a city Department of Commerce.

This proposal is based on an on-site inspection of three cities—Atlanta, Philadelphia and Boston—noted for their innovation and success in economic development. It also based on a wide-ranging review of other cities whose economic development programs are frequently cited as models. The proposal is in a sense "off the shelf" technology that has been proved in actual practice.

In our review of these other cities, it became clear that a successful economic development program is comprised of three parts: the public sector, the private sector and the academic community. All three must do their share of the work, and all three must work together, if any economic development program is to be successful.

I believe that the Department of Commerce will enable the city to play its role in economic development much more successfully. The Department will provide focus for the city's efforts; create accountability for various projects; allow the city to exercise greater oversight over private sector entities such as the

Houston Economic Development council, which the city now partially funds; professionalize the city's staff and create a more goal—and results—oriented effort.

Finally, I think the city must work with private sector organizations in order to have a complete economic development program. However, I do not think such involvement should be limited to the Chamber of Commerce or the Houston Economic Development Council. Other organizations such as the regional chambers, regional business organizations, professional groups and individual neighborhood entities must also be part of the process. This is why I have formed, along with two of my colleagues, the Houston Roundtable for Economic Development—a process to encourage involvement by all segments of the community in the effort to revive and expand the economy.

## Fred Harper, Controller

1. Briefly state your background in public administration and fiscal management.

I was a city council coordinator for five years and a news reporter covering City Hall for the previous seven years. During those 12 years of direct experience in city government I helped analyze city budgets, and worked directly with the controller's office in attempts to get the city's bills paid in a timely manner. In addition, as a reporter I was one of the first to point out the serious under-funding problem in the city's pension plan. During five years as a city council coordinator, our council office returned to the city treasury from \$10,000-\$15,000 annually in unspent funds. This is indicative of good fiscal management.

2. What are your ideas on establishing and implementing an agenda for long-range economic growth and development and how would these plans impact the inner city (including diversifying the economy from its dependency on the petroleum industry)?

For several months I have been actively spearheading an effort to expand Houston's almost non-existent clothing manufacturing operations. This would work in conjunction with a fashion apparel mart similar to the one in Dallas. In addition, I have been working for several months on a project aimed at locating an auto race track in Houston. Both of these activities would help diversify Houston's economy. I

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believe every elected official should have as a top priority the diversification and expansion of Houston's economy.

3. *If passed, do you feel that pari-mutual betting will serve as an asset or liability to the overall fiscal health of the city?*

I believe it will serve as an asset.

4. *Define the city's most pressing money needs and immediate means for reducing city government's fiscal/budgetary woes.*

The city's most pressing money needs are funds to continue the delivery of basic city services. Some additional funds may come from the expanded sales tax. Other untapped sources include outstanding liabilities.

5. *How can the controller's office improve its relationship with the mayor and city council?*

The controller's office can improve its relationship with the mayor and city council by ceasing the practice of petty bickering over trivial matters, especially during a time of high unemployment and dire financial problems.

6. *What changes, if any, should be made within the controller's office for efficient day-to-day operation?*

The controller's office can and should do a better job of tracking invoices to ensure the timely payment of bills.

7. *How may the city seek increased funding from other sources such as county, state and federal? (Please include views on the city's use of bond revenues.)*

The city should first ensure that it spends all of the funds it currently receives. Secondly, specific projects that qualify for outside funding, such as AIDS assistance programs, should be pursued diligently.

The current practice of using bond funds to pay salaries of city employees who work on capital projects financed with bonds should be altered. Bond funds should be limited to paying no more than 50 percent of the salaries of such employees, instead of present practice of paying 100 percent.

8. *What are your views on the proposed city Department of Commerce as well as involvement with private sector agencies such as the Chamber of Commerce?*

A city Department of Commerce is a good concept. But even more important is a commitment from every elected official to work as a part of a team to improve Houston's economy. Without such teamwork, the task of trying to improve our economy becomes extremely difficult.



## Dorothy Caram, Council District C

1. *Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.*

a) Job creation/ economic development: capitalize on the assets of the Medical Center as a magnet for biotech and health-related firms; reach out to the garment industry to capitalize on Houston's pool of skilled labor, excellent labor relations and favorable tax climate to attract more international trade and capital.

b) Crime: greatly increased narcotics enforcement/ education for it is the root cause of most crime, coupled with stronger neighborhood patrols.

c) AIDS: vigorous pursuit and enactment of a joint federal-state-county-city program for research, prevention and treatment.

2. *How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.*

Prioritize every city expenditure—make necessary adjustments from the bottom up by either cutting, postponing or eliminating those of lesser priority—fully funding essential city services. Make appropriate use of other funding sources such as community development funds to supply equipment and supplies thereby freeing up local tax funds.

3. *Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?*

No. MTA should put more of its huge hoard of tax funds into assisting the City, County and other municipalities in eliminating traffic bottlenecks for greater mobility and to maintain streets that are used by buses. The new long-range Metro plan must be studied in depth to judge its merit in meeting Houston's transportation needs. I will vote to approve nominees from the City to MTA who are so committed.

4. *What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?*

Stronger City economic development program (see .1), seek to establish a joint City-County funded office staffed by experts to coordinate the fragmented efforts in economic development speaking with a united voice for the entire Metro area; stronger effort to attract production/ filming of movies in Houston, international trade and investments; the importance of attracting industries that are connected with the Medical Center and the garment industries. Provide technical assistance to small businesses.

5. *The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?*

Yes, there has been a problem in the past. The problem can be addressed by acquiring one or two years minimum of higher education for pre-admission along with tighter recruiting/testing procedures, training and stern discipline. Courses which cover human behavioral management and community relations would produce better prepared officers. The efforts to learn additional languages have been well received by minority communities.

6. *Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?*

Attention to these problems should be first brought to the Police Advisory Committee. Then representatives should go before the press and Council Members. Every citizen deserves respect and an opportunity to be heard.

7. *What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?*

See no. 1. I do not believe the City has recognized the enormity of the problem of AIDS, nor the terrible impact it is having worldwide. I view it as potentially devastating as the Bubonic Plague of the Middle Ages, and all levels of government should give the highest priority to funding programs of research, prevention and treatment. AIDS is everyone's problem.

8. *How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.*

I believe the Mayor should nominate at least three individuals with impeccable credentials, and permit Council in closed session to meet with and candidly seek out their views of public health matters.

9. *What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?*

I can only hope it will come up with a positive program. At this point, I do not know.

10. *Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city.*

Not sure.

11. *Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?*

No.

12. *How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?*

I shall be a strong, independent voice for District C, speaking out for programs and projects to benefit all neighborhood groups within it.

13. *Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.*

See no. 12. Yes.

14. *If seeking a district seat, what specific problems will you face in serving the people of your district and how do you plan to address these issues?*

Communications with those within the District. I shall devote my time to making contact with individuals and organizations to seek out their views, their needs for special projects and services. I will seek private funds to establish a community "storefront" office where citizens may easily reach my assistants and where regular town hall meetings may be planned and/or heard.



## Barbara Goldfield, Council District C

1. *Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.*

Improving Houston's economy and quality of life are two pressing problems which must be addressed with equal urgency because they are interdependent.

Because a weak economy negatively affects our jobs, our neighborhoods, our businesses, virtually every aspect of our lives, it is my top priority to work toward strengthening and diversifying Houston's economy.

If we are to be successful at attracting new business to Houston we must offer the assurance that we are taking action to protect our neighborhoods from commercial encroachment; that we have a plan and a commitment to improving our transportation system; that we are taking action on problems of flooding and subsidence; that we have adequate police and fire protection; that redevelopment of vital commercial areas will not languish.

All the things that make Houston an attractive place to live and work are important to our economy, and it is also very important that we maintain our reasonable tax rate, not only as an incentive for businesses to start or relocate to Houston, but for existing businesses struggling to survive and expand in these difficult economic times.

I will continue to work toward building a productive partnership between city government and small businesses, helping start-up businesses to quickly work through the system by speeding up the process of obtaining permits, water hook-ups and street improvements. The City should also serve as an information resource to refer businesses to the various sources of available financing and assistance.

We can, and must, continue to attract foreign investment and new businesses to Houston. I have experience in working with the Texas Medical Center to attract commercial biotechnology research and manufacturing as a logical component of an already-existing research and teaching establishment that is second to none. I have experience in promoting Houston to foreign government and business leaders. And I will, as a Council member, continue my efforts to increase foreign trade and diversify Houston's economy.

I must mention another pressing problem which is urgent to all of us. We must bring together, now, every resource available to us to address the range of critical human needs engendered by AIDS. Getting an increased share of federal dollars for research and patient care, and lobbying to change laws and regulations which stifle private assistance programs for AIDS victims, are among my priorities for addressing this urgent problem.

2. *How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.*

Of course the best solution is an expanded tax base brought about by the diversification of our economy and the expansion of existing businesses. During consideration of the city's budget for the next fiscal year, I will be prepared to examine the budget of every city department, looking for ways to maintain quality city services without imposing a tax increase. Privatization is an option to be considered, and user fees also have merit as a revenue-producing alternative to a general tax increase, an important consideration for companies attracted to Houston, because we've been able to maintain a reasonable tax base.

3. *Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?*

Mass transit is an important element in our transportation system, vital to providing our city with the means to maintain the life and future of our central city.

I am pleased that we are going forward with an integrated plan for improving transportation. I

believe rail development has a place in long-term transit development for Houston, as does expansion of our general mobility projects such as grade separation, street widenings and the continued upgrading of our bus service. The real question on rail is when and how, and I believe in the realistic pay-as-you-go approach. I will be particularly interested to see that the needs of the Texas Medical Center are addressed in the development of our transit system. This is our center of the most dynamic growth in Houston, and we must do all we can to foster its development and make it an attractive place to work and receive medical treatment.

4. *What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?*

I have addressed some of these ideas in other questions, but I want to mention one other very important source of revenue, because it's something that all Houstonians can help to promote. During the years that I have worked closely with the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Board, I have seen the direct, favorable impact of conventions and tourism. The "Think Houston First" program is one that I strongly endorse and I have worked personally during my participation in foreign trade missions to promote Houston to tour packages in various countries.

5. *The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?*

We cannot deny that problems continue to exist. It is unfortunate that the attitudes of a few officers reflect poorly on the decent majority of our police force.

There is no better example of a district Councilmember's role. Immediately after filing my candidacy for City Council I contacted the HPD to talk about the problem and to serve notice of my concern and my commitment to finding solutions.

I believe Chief Brown's administration is making progress in this area. Officers have been disciplined; all new cadets have been sensitized and educated about the gay lifestyle; and Chief Brown personally reviews every Internal Affairs complaint. But the complaints must be filed. Rumor and hearsay are not enough to put a stop to the problem.

6. *Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?*

I think part of the problem lies in fear of reporting. City officials can react only to formally reported incidents. The Police Advisory Commission meets monthly and would be pleased to review such incidents. A person from the gay community sits on this commission. Also, your comments certainly will be welcomed in my office if I am elected to represent you on City Council.

The real solution to this problem will be a commitment by police officers to work with the community to the benefit of all area residents. I believe that our police storefront operation on Westheimer and the special Westheimer patrol assigned to the area on weekends are good examples of policing programs designed to provide the greatest benefit to their community they serve.

7. *What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?*

The city's responsibility with the AIDS crisis is to mobilize every available resource to address research, education and patient care needs. That means active lobbying in Washington to secure federal grants for research and patient care; working to change state laws and regulations that negatively affect AIDS victims; working with the County to improve resources for patient care. City government should play a primary role in efforts to prevent the spread of the disease and in counselling patients at city clinics on how to cope with the disease.

8. *How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.*

The new city health director should be a qualified, public health administrator first and foremost. That established, he or she must have a demonstrated sensitivity to the AIDS issue and its priority as the number one health concern of this city. I will advocate diligently with the Mayor and members of council to ensure that we locate a health director who fits that description.

9. *What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?*

As a member of this newly formed panel, I have high expectations for its potential contribution to the community. The new panel brings together decision-makers in the health care community and the public sector. I hope that we will find solutions to the unique problems

brought on our community by the AIDS crisis. This committee comprises individuals who can address the concerns of indigent patients, facilitate research, address insurance and housing problems, and raise funds to fight the disease and provide better patient care. Though I think the panel has much potential, I do believe we should have a patient with AIDS added to the Panel, and I made this suggestion at its first meeting. With the cooperation of the public sector, the private sector and non-profit organizations, we should be able to find innovative solutions to the AIDS crisis in Houston and hopefully set an example for other cities.

10. Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city?

Although a recent editorial in one of our major daily newspapers negated the political influence of the voters within the gay community, I maintain that it is a significant voting population. However, I do not see this community as being totally represented by any one political organization.

11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus? Yes.

12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?

I worked vigorously in 1985 for passage of the civil rights anti-discriminatory employment ordinance, defeated by referendum in 1985. I have a proven track record in defending equal rights for all citizens. I will continue to fight for these rights as a member of Council and will be in an even better position to do so. I will also work to educate the public on the concerns of gays and other minorities by encouraging the continuation of educational classes to Houston policemen and firefighters on the various lifestyles and cultures in our city. I would also like to see these programs broadened and expanded to all city employees and interface with the public.

13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.

As a working member of the Whitmire administration I know that gays have been consistently included as appointees to task forces, boards, and commissions (including the City's Affirmative Action Committee) appointed by the Mayor. As a Council member I will actively work for further such appointments to the broad spectrum of appointive positions, and particularly to boards, commissions and task forces concerned with health and lifestyle issues.

14. If seeking a district seat, what specific problems will you face in serving the people of your district and how do you plan to address these issues?

First, I am personally and very strongly dedicated to doing everything I can to facilitate the direction of all possible resources, public and private, to the fight against AIDS, through education, research and social responsibility.

Other problems in our district which need attention are redevelopment and crime control on Lower Westheimer and the clean-up of weeded lots and dangerous buildings. I know how to work with the relevant city departments to get action on those problems. In fact, my experience at City Hall has given me the knowledge and working relationships with city departments, to effectively solve for constituents problems ranging from water main repair, to street maintenance, to obtaining waste treatment plant permits to encourage needed development.



**Cathy Mincberg, Council District C**

1. Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.

A. Economic Development—The City must play a role as a catalyst for development by concentrating on businesses currently in operation in Houston.

B. Quality of Life Issues—The City must work to enhance our quality of life. This includes applying for federal dollars where available (AIDS education and service grants), another police graduation class, deed restriction enforcement, street and sewer repair to name a few.

C. Responsiveness of Government—The people of District C must feel and know that their City government cares and is responsive. My job as a member of council is to be visible in and accessible to the community, as well as pressure City government to institute better planning and delivery of services.

2. How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.

City services can be improved by requiring citizen input panels for each department. Services can also be expanded by examining the budget for inefficiencies—something I've done for six years on the school board.

3. Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?

City officials must push Metro and continue to raise the questions of transit. We need a plan that includes high rail and bus to cover our very large city and create a transportation system of world class.

4. What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?

Revenue can be increased by pursuing our fair share of federal dollars, some degree of privatization and especially by thorough budget analysis. Each department must justify its programs rather than receive an automatic five percent increase or decrease.

5. The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?

There is a problem with police harassment and intolerance in the gay and minority communities. This problem results from narrow views, intolerance and a flippant attitude on the part of police and city leadership. To begin to address this problem a commitment by the leadership to addressing the problem is necessary. With that commitment, the selection, training and evaluation of officers would reflect a new attitude.

6. Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?

As a member of Council I would ask the Mayor to appoint a task force to collect data, conduct a study of police misconduct and anti-gay violence and form recommendations for the Mayor, Council and police administration. This task force should include victims of anti-gay violence.

7. What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?

The City has not played the role it could in the AIDS crisis. The City has a responsibility to hire a health director sensitive to the AIDS issue. The health department needs to hire an AIDS education director to pursue federal dollars and direct an extensive AIDS education program. Finally, the City can pursue a demonstration grant to renovate/ build housing for needy AIDS patients.

8. How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.

I will question any potential health director on his/ her philosophy and record on AIDS. I will also visit the city where he/ she is currently employed to examine, in person, his/ her record on AIDS issues if I am not sure of his/ her position and record.

9. What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?

I expect the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS to spend too long collecting data and publishing its findings to have a high impact. The Panel's credibility has been damaged by the exclusion of AIDS patients or leaders from current AIDS organizations. The Panel has also gotten off to a very slow start which I fear will reflect things to come.

10. Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city.

The gay community has held together remarkably well in the face of the referendum defeat and the lack of support by political leaders. The gay community has gathered its forces to redevelop the political clout.

11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus? Yes.

12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?

I plan to be visible in and accessible to the gay and minority communities. I will not only return phone calls and attend meetings to which I'm invited, but I will also initiate meetings with these communities so that there is communication and trust before a crisis develops.

13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.

I plan to develop planning and advisory committees in District C after my election. These committees will serve as forums for communication between me and the community, as well as planning groups to prepare for the future. I will include official representatives of the gay and lesbian community so that the gay community can be properly represented.

14. If seeking a district seat, what specific problems will you face in serving the people of your district and how do you plan to address these issues?

A. AIDS—I will seek a strong City role in the grant application process; education and housing for needy AIDS victims.

B. Neighborhood Quality of Life—I will work: 1. to increase the legal staff to enforce deed restrictions. 2. provide better quality police protection, and 3. maintain police service storefront on Lower Westheimer, and involve constituents in long range planning for the City.



**Vince Ryan, Council District C**

1. Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.

i) We must improve the economy of this city by attracting new businesses and encouraging local, small businesses through programs such as incubators and loan programs.

ii) The quality of life in our neighborhoods must be improved with better law enforcement, flood control, deed restriction enforcement, and urban redevelopment.

iii) We have to educate our citizens about AIDS and we must acknowledge our responsibility to care for victims of AIDS and ARC. The city, county and county hospital district must spend money right now on AIDS while searching for long-term solutions.

2. How can city services (police, fire, solid

waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.

In a billion dollar-plus budget, there must be efficiencies that can be made. Our essential services—police, fire, social services—must be maintained at the appropriate levels. We should look at combining services that are also provided by Harris County, such as libraries, health services and the jail. Privatization should be considered, where appropriate and where it is really cost effective. However, I believe properly led and managed city employees can rarely be beaten by private enterprise.

3. Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?

The long range plans of the Metropolitan Transit Authority need much more review and review by experts not hired by Metro, who seem to be biased in favor of rail. Metro has to be encouraged, reminded, forced to provide funds for street maintenance and construction of traffic improvements such as grade separations. And Metro has to plan its routes with the needs of working Houstonians in mind.

4. What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?

For several months, I have worked on a proposal to create a Sports Authority similar to our Port Authority. The Sports Authority would form non-profit corporations to manage the three professional sports franchises in Houston and prevent situations such as the one that currently exists with the Oilers. The Sports Authority would be governed by appointees from local governments and would run the sports teams to benefit the city.

5. The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?

I already have a commitment from new Assistant Chief Tom Koby to hold a community meeting in Montrose after the election to discuss such problems. Koby is a personal friend whom I know will really listen to the community. Montrose has had a history of friction with the police department. Although improvements have been made in the past, problems still exist. We have to look to the entire system whenever such problems exist on a large scale for a long period of time.

6. Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?

These problems should be brought to City Hall by the Council member from District C. In a strong mayor form of government, all the council member has is his vote and his voice. I will vote for District C and I will raise my voice for our district. I will be the best squeaky wheel anyone ever saw.

7. What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?

The city should be providing funding and help right now for AIDS education and care for victims of AIDS and ARC. There must be funds hidden away in a billion dollar budget that can be pulled out now for these things while the new AIDS task force looks for long range solutions. The city has done virtually nothing to protect and care for its citizens, as far as AIDS is concerned.

8. How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.

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The new Health Department must be open to listening to the citizens about health problems and dealing with them in an open manner. She/ he must be compassionate about the situation and not stick with outdated ideas in light of new developments.

**9. What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?**

I expect very little, unfortunately. I attended the first meeting of the task force and saw the usual game of tossing the hot potato back and forth. The panel refused to even go on record that a person with AIDS should be included among the membership. We must have action now, not studies and committee meetings. At least 90 to 100 people have died of AIDS between the time the task force was named and its first meeting.

**10. Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city?**

There's no question the gay community's political clout was damaged by the 1985 referendum. But it obviously is growing again because of the number of candidates seeking the endorsement this year of the GLPC.

**11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?**

Yes.

**12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?**

By the same method I have awareness of their needs and concerns now—by being out in the community and talking to them. I will maintain my district office after I am elected and I will visit with any group that has an interest in District C.

**13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination?**

I plan to take the case of all of my constituents to City Hall, no matter who they are. I do not believe an effort to prohibit discrimination against gays would meet with any more success now than it did in 1985. I personally find discrimination abhorrent.

**14. If seeking a district seat, what specific problems will you face in serving the people of your district and how do you plan to address these issues?**

i) Law enforcement must be improved by giving officers the resources to do their job. Morale problems start at the top and they must be contained.

ii) Flood control bond money will be available if the county referendum wins approval. My experience with the Flood Control District will give me the ability to ensure District C receives its fair share of that money.

iii) Urban redevelopment must be undertaken right now. We must do more projects such as the effort I'm leading in my civic, where we've proposed tearing down a blighted apartment complex and replacing it with a library.

ment and support services, the Houston-Harris County AIDS panel must be restructured to include representation of provider organizations and the gay and lesbian organizations which are largely responsible for local efforts to date. The panel, in cooperation with city and county government, must aggressively pursue federal monies which are currently being lost to smaller cities for establishment of additional publicly funded testing and counselling facilities, and for implementation of the community based medical care delivery system recommended by the Harris County Hospital District. A city health director with a proven track record of development, funding, and implementation of programs to meet the mounting AIDS crisis is also a critical element in assuring an adequate city response.

Adequate law enforcement for all citizens can be accomplished by redistribution of existing manpower to increase the number of commissioned officers performing patrol duties by civilianizing additional police duties. With the increase of available officers, neighborhood, mounted, and foot patrols can be expanded to better protect both suburbs and inner city areas.

Expansion of existing economic development initiatives with mechanisms such as tax abatement and small business incubators is critical to revitalization of areas such as Lower Westheimer and Meyerland through establishment of small to medium sized businesses.

**2. How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump?**

Long-term improvements in city services can only be accomplished by expanding the tax base through a strong and effective economic redevelopment program. Short-term improvements can be realized by increasing the efficiency of service delivery through redistribution of existing resources and privatization of some city services to effect cost reductions.

**3. Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?**

While there have been vast improvements in the METRO system, current and projected mass transit needs cannot be met by continued development of an all-bus system. Rail development is essential to complement further improvements in the bus system to service inner city needs as well as suburb to suburb, and suburb to central business district commuter flow. On Council, I will advocate for election of all METRO board members to eliminate factionalism between elected and appointed board members and increase public accountability.

**4. What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?**

Increasing city revenues must involve dual efforts to capitalize on existing resources and expand the tax base through redevelopment of commercial and industrial sectors. Aggressively marketing the George R. Brown Convention Center presents an ideal opportunity for expansion of tourist revenues which can be utilized to further enhance the quality of life in Houston. These capital improvements will, in turn, make the city more attractive to tourist trade. A comprehensive package of redevelopment initiatives including tax abatement, small business incubators and joint ventures of the public and private sectors is essential to a business climate which is sufficiently competitive to attract major employers and foster redevelopment of commercial and entrepreneurial segments of the business community.

**5. The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?**

While significant improvements have been made under Police Chief Lee Brown, police relations with Houston's gay and minority communities continues to be a major problem in the city. As with all forms of discrimination, ignorance and misinformation are the sources of the intolerance which produces the glaring problems in community relations. As such, community relations problems are primarily a problem of education and training. An educational program for commissioned officers and cadets, backed by appropriate disciplinary provisions, is the most effective solution to this long-standing problem.

**6. Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?**

The severity of anti-gay violence and other community problems will only be brought to the attention of City Council and the general public when the gay and lesbian community learns to apply the lessons that other minority

movements have taught. As other minority movements have learned, the only adequate representation is self-representation. On City Council, I intend to be a strong advocate for the gay and lesbian community, bringing community problems to the constant attention of city government and the general public.

**7. What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?**

The key element of my campaign revolves around demands for a comprehensive and effective city response to the AIDS crisis. One publicly funded testing facility is simply not sufficient for a city of 2.5 million people. The city has also been remiss in seeking federal funding for AIDS education, counselling, indigent care and housing. The population of Houston has the right to expect city government to pursue a comprehensive response to the AIDS crisis with the same vigor that is devoted to economic development and other priorities.

**8. How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.**

A demonstrated ability to develop, procure funding, and implement effective programs in the areas of AIDS education, testing, counselling, and medical care must be a primary consideration in selection criteria for a new city health director. Since the city is already far behind in its response to this crisis, establishment of a comprehensive AIDS program must be the first priority for the new city health director.

**9. What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?**

Unfortunately, the structure of the new Houston-Harris County AIDS panel is such that I expect little from it. The glaring absence of AIDS provider organizations, PWA organizations and organizations with gay and lesbian constituencies in the institutional membership of the panel precludes input from the very population which has been most involved in dealing with the crisis. Further, the fact that the first meeting of the panel was scheduled for six weeks after announcement of its formation does not suggest a particularly urgent or aggressive approach to the crisis.

**10. Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city?**

Clearly, the gay and lesbian community does

not have the clout it was once noted for and currently deserves. City politicians are less visible in the community than they once were, and HGLPC endorsements are sought by city politicians if they are considered to be politically expedient. The input of gays and lesbians has not been sought by city government or the HGLPC board in formulation of AIDS policies or other matters that directly affect the community. A strong advocate on City Council who will actively represent the political interests of gays and lesbians is critical to restore the political presence once held by our community.

**11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?**

The endorsement of the HGLPC was one of the first endorsements I sought upon entering the Council C race.

**12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?**

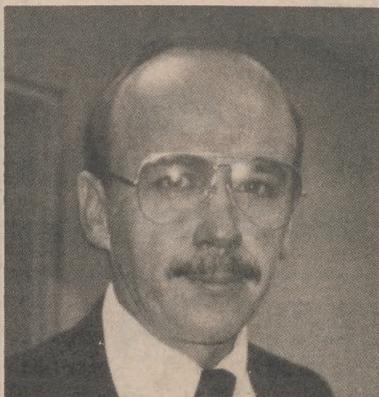
Awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay and other minority populations can only be maintained through active participation in the forums of each of those communities. In intent to maintain an open door policy with all of the District C constituency as well as actively participating in community affairs throughout the district to stay abreast of special concerns.

**13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.**

As a member of the community, my presence on City Council will assure more input in city government and issues of vital concern. My campaign organization is a grass roots effort composed largely of members of the gay and lesbian community, and I intend to carry their input forward as a member of City Council.

**14. If seeking a district seat, what specific problems will you face in serving the people of your district and how do you plan to address these issues?**

Without a doubt, District C is the most ethnically, culturally, and socially diverse council district. Serving the interests of this diverse population will be my primary challenge on City Council. I plan to face this challenge by being an active participant in community affairs throughout the District and by maintaining an open door to all population segments.



**Stephen G. Shimer, Council District C**

**1. Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.**

Houston faces problems of equal magnitude in public health, law enforcement, and economic redevelopment.

The population of the city has the right to expect an aggressive, comprehensive approach to the mounting AIDS crisis that actively seeks and fully utilizes the expertise developed in the city's gay community over the past several years. As a first step to establishment of adequate testing, counselling, treat-

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## David Sherman, Council District H



1. *Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.*

I would think the city's three most pressing problems are, economic development, efficient city services and planning, and the correct implementation of existing city programs and capital improvement projects.

To attract new firms or help existing businesses expand employment, tax incentives such as partial personal property tax reimbursements for items purchased from Houston vendors or neighborhood Multi-Resource Centers. The Planning and Development Department needs to be more receptive to new ideas. User fees that are dis-incentives to do business in Houston may need to be reduced.

Both the Houston Chamber of Commerce and the Houston Economic Development Council recognize that it would not be efficient to create another city department proposed by my opponent. I want to listen to city employees as well as department heads to provide services in a safer more efficient manner. The city paid huge liability settlements in fiscal year '87, cars continue to leave the city evenings for home storage and the city is leasing large amounts of office space when it owns prime real estate. During this slump the space could have been purchased.

Capital Improvement projects in District H have lagged in part due to a failure to be implemented and also poor contracting. The city seems to spend so much on outside planning and consulting and then delay construction.

2. *How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.*

No response.

3. *Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?*

Can you imagine that the city did not go to Metro for a plan to service the George R. Brown Convention Center until after the Democratic party '88 convention had been lost? I believe that Metro should continue to implement the bus system plans and particularly the three transit centers in my district so bus services will be available to all areas of the city without having to travel downtown. I am not yet convinced that car commuters would make the transfer to a rail system or that park-

ing will be adequate near the transit centers. I think that if it was approved this fall it might result in their revenues being cut.

4. *What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?*

As I discussed earlier economic development and new spending will increase the sales tax base and result in a revenue increase. I opened my campaign opposing the regressive new taxes on gas, telephone and electric bills and I think it will be responsible for them being overturned in council this week.

I strongly support the demolition of dangerous buildings and further urged council to foreclose on vacant properties with city liens. These properties need to be marketed and sold and at a minimum be returned to the tax rolls.

If Council pays attention to quality of life issues tourism and new business will improve. I think the way libraries are being short-changed is short sighted, new businesses want to see quality for education and for research and leisure.

5. *The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?*

I agree that this is a problem and I hope the new Assistant Police Chief will be receptive to the liaison representatives of the gay and minority community. Officers who are not receptive after re-training should face discipline.

6. *Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?*

As a council member I would not hesitate to address this issue.

7. *What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?*

8. *How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.*

The new health director must demonstrate sensitivity to AIDS and make a commitment to bring as many state and federal dollars to Houston to help. At a minimum I believe that health clinics need to offer testing for indigent patients. The health educators need to ensure that the AIDS: A Guide For Survival, or a similar work is implemented into the HISD curriculum. The delay in the informational water bill insert was inexcusable.

9. *What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?*

I hope it will bring a cure for AIDS through research in Houston. I also hope that it would bring more awareness to the community and save lives. I am very disappointed that more positions were not allowed from AIDS provider organizations, persons with AIDS and more representatives of the gay/ lesbian community.

10. *Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city.*

I am uncertain, but I am sorry that politicians seem to waiver in their convictions about a desire to help all members of this community.

11. *Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?*

Yes and I was pleased to receive their endorsement.

12. *How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?*

13. *Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.*

I was very impressed with the constructive attitude of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus and will expect they will continue to keep me informed of their ideas. I have told them if there is no representative on my paid staff at a minimum I would hope to have a volunteer representative/ liaison.

14. *If seeking a district seat, what specific problems will you face in serving the people of your district and how do you plan to address these issues?*

City government's first responsibility is to provide safety to its citizens. This means more responsive police protection and criminal investigations, good fire/ ambulance services, the repair of roads, clean affordable water supplies and flood control. District H needs someone who can bring better representation for their share of these services and that is why I am running. I feel the incumbent has become

complacent, and is letting contributions from those outside his district influence his voting on council. I would like to be an independent constructive member of council and work with the Mayor to improve life for everyone in the District.



## Ray Hill, Council At-Large Position 1

1. *Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.*

i) The Economy—Expand and diversify, using the port and rail connections as major selling points. We must help develop small business growth. ii) Fairness—The city is for everyone and must behave that way. iii) AIDS—The No. 1 health problem in the nation needs No. 1 attention in Houston.

2. *How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.*

Schools are funded by their own taxing authority. Solid waste and fire protection need expanded support. The police need better training up front and considerable in-service training—all of which can be, but need not be, expensive. Additional revenues will be needed.

3. *Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?*

Metro is itself a sales tax receiving agency. Heretofore money has not been a problem. The most recent plan is to close 59 south from Elgin to the Loop to add bus lanes. I question the wisdom of that project. Metro needs to bring more Houston area residents into its planning process so we all have a better understanding of our transportation future.

4. *What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?*

We must stop treating our best asset (the port) like a red-headed stepchild. East end development toward raising property values and increasing employment opportunities is essential to revenue enhancement. The NoHo film district project and annexation to expand the tax base are also important. Tourism and hotel tax income would be helped by a Houston/ Galveston fast train.

5. *The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?*

Better command control, better training, and in-service training and testing would help, but other cities have found that civilian review boards are the most effective methods of professionalizing the police.

6. *Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?*

Any member of council can schedule the Council Chamber and hold public hearings. I plan to do so regularly.

7. *What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?*

The city has passed its role in indigent health care to Harris County Hospital District, but continues in education, inoculation and testing. The current relationship with Montrose Clinic needs only greater support. When a vaccine is developed a plan for massive distribution must already be in place.

8. *How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the cur-*

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rent health crisis.

The professional criteria is probably adequate and aggressive health directors are increasingly hard to find. I would suggest an aggressive national search and an adequate salary as the only way to find the right person.

**9. What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?**

Very little. It was a political heat deflection when established and its purpose is to protect politicians from their failure to face their responsibilities.

**10. Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city?**

The clout is still there but directing it and holding it together is increasingly difficult.

**11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?**

Yes and got it and the community coalition, too.

**12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?**

My sitting at Council meetings will be a constant reminder of many issues and communities. Our special concerns among them.

**13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.**

I would begin with the aforementioned hearing process.

**Lon Arnett,  
Council At-Large  
Position 2**

**1. Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.**

1) Water Quality—I am a firm opponent of water fluoridation. The city should stop water fluoridation. 2) Budgetary constraints—The city should slow down on the rate of debt issuance to save future interest costs. 3) Lack of heavy private industry—Maintenance of stable tax rates is vital to attractive manufacturing

jobs to the city.

**2. How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.**

City services can be improved by better organization of departments and resources.

**3. Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?**

The city's mass transit authority is massively overfunded. I see no present or future problems with mass transit in terms of rider capacity.

**4. What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?**

Cable TV should be better regulated and taxed more.

**5. The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?**

No response.

**6. Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?**

No response.

**7. What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?**

The city should prorate social service funds for those in need of care. Perhaps a special facility should be set up for AIDS patients.

**8. How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.**

A doctor should be chosen from the local community.

**9. What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?**

The panel should serve as an liaison between the health care profession and the people of Harris County.

**10. Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city?**

No.

**11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of**

the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?

No.

**12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?**

My door will be open to individuals with grievances.

**13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.**

No.

**Chris Sarabia,  
Council At-Large  
Position 2**

**1. Prioritize the city's top three most pressing problems with a brief explanation of possible solutions.**

1. Jobs! The city needs to create more jobs. 2. Unequal taxation! The city has to be fair in taxation.

3. More money! The city has to learn to get grant, loans, and other money from the federal and state government.

**2. How can city services (police, fire, solid waste, schools) be improved despite the city's economic slump.**

By making better use its personnel! Too many are doing desk work. Too many chiefs very little Indians.

**3. Are the city's current and projected future mass transit needs being met, and how would you deal with the current stalemate between METRO and city government?**

Mass transit needs are not being met. Free-ways are outdated, too many cars, Metro is not working. The problems between Metro, I would have to look at both sides before making a comment.

**4. What are your ideas for expanding revenue sources (tourism, new business, possible tax increases)?**

1. Create a tourist department, that would bring in tourism and conventions to the city.

2. Create a new business bureau that will try to bring new business to Houston.

3. No tax increase is needed!

5. The police department has come under fire for problems in the gay and minority communities. Do you agree there is a problem? If so, what do you see as the source of this problem (administration, training, discipline)?

It see it as a miscommunication problem.

6. Such problems as police misconduct, and anti-gay violence (both police and civilian) seldom seem to reach the floor of city hall. How can the severity of these problems be brought to the attention of the council?

Bring as a lawsuit.

7. What is the city's role in dealing with the AIDS crisis including funding for prevention, counselling and indigent care?

The city needs to have a better organization to solve the problem.

8. How should criteria for selecting a new city health director be amended in light of the current health crisis.

The only criteria that I would use is "qualifications." The best man or woman for the job.

**9. What do you expect from the newly-formed Houston-Harris County Panel on AIDS?**

I hope something positive would come from it.

**10. Do you feel the gay community maintains the political clout it was once noted for in this city?**

I don't believe they are strong as in the past.

**11. Did you actively seek the endorsement of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus?**

I seek the endorsement of all Houston's voters!

**12. How do you plan to maintain awareness of the special concerns of the city's gay as well as other minority communities?**

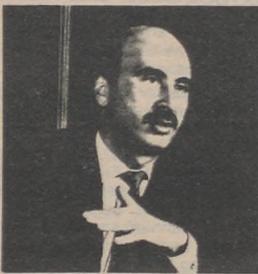
All of Houston's citizens should be treated with respect.

**13. Do you plan to include more gay input in city government or action being taken in such areas of housing and employment discrimination.**

All citizens should have an input in the city's governmental actions.

**14. If seeking a district seat, what specific problems will you face in serving the people of your district and how do you plan to address these issues?**

I am at-large candidate Position 2, the whole city is my territory. Therefore, all the citizens will be treated the same.



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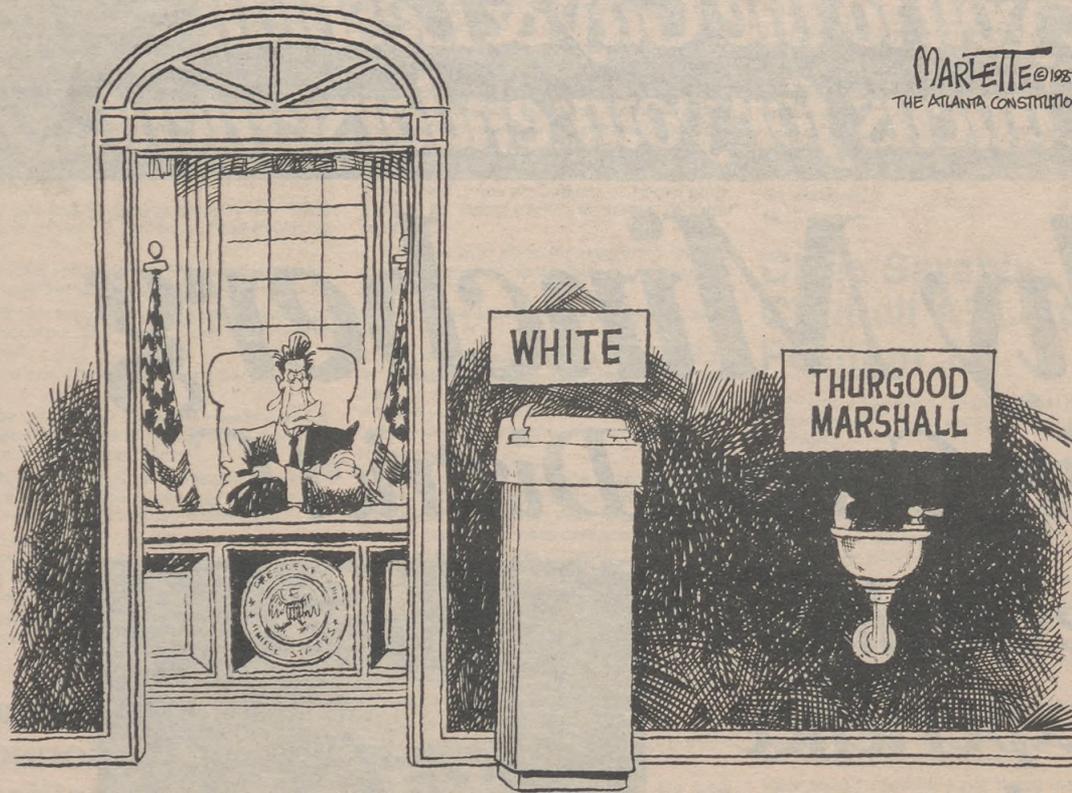
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## Bell Blasts 'Bigots' In Meese's White House

by Anthony O. Miller  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Racism ran rampant among White House staffers when civil rights and equal opportunity in education were discussed in President Reagan's first term, former Education Secretary Terrel Bell says in his memoirs.

And Bell, who held the Cabinet post that first term, lays ultimate blame at the doorstep of former presidential counselor Edwin Meese, now attorney general, for the problems he had staffing his own department and running it according to the requirements of federal law.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Tuesday he knew of no basis for the allegations made by Bell. "People do some crazy things in books," Fitzwater quipped.

In "The Thirteenth Man: A Reagan Cabinet Memoir," Bell claims he locked horns with some of the Department of Justice and White House staff over "equal opportunity, the meaning of justice, civic morality and 'equal protection under the law.'"

"Despite supportive comments I had heard several times in meetings with the president," writes Bell, "I never received any encouragement from others in the White House of from those in the Department of Justice to support enforcement of civil rights laws."

Bell said he believed his own ideals in applying civil rights laws to education "would have the full support of the president. But the reinterpretation of these statutes by some of the senior officers in his (Reagan's) administration was alarming."

"And so was the evidence of apparent bias among mid-level right-wing staffers in the White House and at OMB

(the Office of Management and Budget)," writes Bell, now a professor at the University of Utah.

"I was shocked to hear their sick humor and racist cliches," says Bell, who strongly supported equal educational opportunities for ethnic minorities, women and the disadvantaged while opposing unrestrained busing of students.

"For example, when the bill to establish a national holiday to honor Martin Luther King Jr. was before the president for his signature or veto, these bigots referred to Dr. King as 'Martin Lucifer Coon! Ha Ha! We'll soon be able to celebrate Martin Lucifer Coon's birthday,'" his book quotes the staffers as saying.

"They delighted in making other slurs," he writes. "Arabs were called 'sand niggers.' They referred to Title 9," of the civil rights law, which bars sex discrimination on college campuses, "as 'the lesbian's bill of rights,'" writes Bell.

While such slurs were not customary fare among White House staffers ... I heard them when the issues related to civil rights enforcement," writes Bell, "... so it seemed obvious they were said for my benefit, since they often accompanied sardonic references to 'Comrade Bell.'"

Bell blames Meese for the difficulties he had staffing his department, which he facetiously names "The Titanic" because Reagan swore to abolish it when elected.

He describes "the conservatives close to Meese" as "almost like a secret society," that considered Bell, Vice President George Bush and former White House chief of staff James Baker, who is now treasury secretary, as "philosophically unfit for a high-level position" because

they were not considered rigidly right-wing.

Bell, an Idaho native, has been an educator all his adult life. He rose from the ranks as a teacher and school administrator in several Western states to accept the post of President Nixon's commissioner of education.

A former Marine sergeant, Bell holds a doctorate in educational administration from the University of Utah, where he now teaches.

It was during his tenure as education secretary that a presidential commission produced "A Nation at Risk," the critical evaluation of the failure of American education that shocked the nation into educational reform.

## House And Senate Follow Helms' Lead

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The House, angered by an AIDS education "comic book" depicting homosexual activity, has joined the Senate in voting to bar the use of federal money to promote homosexuality.

Illustrations in the booklet show two men "engaged in any physical contact involving the sex organs that the mind of man can conjure," Rep. William Dannemeyer, R-Calif., said Tuesday.

The booklet was produced by the Gay Men's Health Crisis, a New York City group organized to combat the spread of acquired immune deficiency syndrome. The organization has received \$674,000 in federal grants, Dannemeyer said.

By a 368-47 vote, the House approved a motion opposing the use of funds by the federal Centers for Disease Control to "promote or encourage" homosexual activities, which are blamed in most cases of AIDS transmission.

The ban was similar to an amendment adopted by the Senate the previous week during debate on the 1988 appropriation for the Health and Human Services Department.

## FCC Postpones Clarification Of Obscenity Ruling

By Sydney Shaw  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Federal Communications Commission, saying it needs more time to study First Amendment concerns, postponed a plan Monday to "clarify" its April crackdown on broadcasts of indecent or obscene material.

The agency was scheduled to act Tuesday on petitions from the National Association of Broadcasters, Action for Children's Television and others that had criticized the policy statement as too vague and confusing to radio and television stations.

After studying the issue last weekend, however, FCC Chairman Dennis Patrick decided to pull it from the agenda for Tuesday's meeting, a commission spokesman said.

"At issue is reaching a proper accommodation between the First Amendment and the interest in protecting children from seeing or hearing obscene materials," the spokesman said, emphasizing the agency planned to "clarify" the earlier decision, not weaken it.

At the same time, the FCC notified a federal appeals court of the delay, saying it would take up the issue at its Nov. 24 meeting.

The commission on April 16 reaffirmed its authority to regulate the broadcast of "obscene, indecent or profane language" and issued new standards on decency stricter than its previous yardstick, the so-called "seven dirty words."

At that time it said it would apply "the generic definition of indecency ... language or material that depicts or describes, in terms patently offensive as measured by contemporary community standards for the broadcast medium, sexual or excretory activities or organs."

It also said stations may no longer assume no children are listening after 10 p.m.

The crackdown on on-air indecency arose from complaints against three stations including the Pacifica station KPFK in Los Angeles. At the same time it issued the policy statement, the FCC sent warning letters to the stations.

Soon after, Pacifica appealed the new standards in federal court, saying they violated the First Amendment. The FCC asked the appeals court to hold off ruling on the Pacifica appeal until it could review the petitions seeking clarification.

In a letter Monday to the court, the FCC said, "The commission has today determined that it is unable to resolve issues in time for the Oct. 20 meeting. The commission has therefore postponed action on this matter until its next scheduled open meeting, which is presently scheduled for Nov. 24."

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## Washington Window: Sowing And Reaping

Commentary By Arnold Sawislak  
UPI Senior Editor  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—“They have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind.”—Hosea 8:7.

That thundering Old Testament judgment came to mind when supporters of Judge Robert Bork's nomination to the Supreme Court cried foul over the negative campaign opponents waged against him on television and in newspapers.

Many of the very people who were outraged at the slick TV attacks on Bork either supported or looked away in 1980 and subsequent campaigns when “New Right” groups, led by the late Terry Dolan's National Conservative Political Action Committee, spent \$16 million to attack liberal candidates with the same kind of simplistic appeals to fear and loathing.

It is true that the NCPAC-style attacks were aimed at elective, not appointed, officials. Dolan claimed to have defeated Democratic Sens. John Culver of Iowa, Birch Bayh of Indiana, George McGovern of South Dakota and Frank Church of Idaho, and of course those victories for Republicans were instrumental in giving the GOP control of the Senate for the first time in a quarter century.

Bork and his conservative advocates say the use of such tactics to influence the confirmation of a Supreme Court justice is unprecedented, which is true, and that they constitute, at the least, a deplorable degradation of the judicial confirmation process, which also may be true.

However, it should be recalled that the so-called independent political expressions of opinion represented by the New Right campaigns since 1980, were upheld by the Supreme Court that Bork wants to join as clearly within the free speech protections of the First Amendment.

That amendment does not limit the subject matter of free speech, but as Bork said during his confirmation hearings, it certainly covers political opinion.

Which raises another objection of the pro-Bork side. The claim is made that judicial appointments, unlike candidacies in elections, are or should be, above politics.

That might sound high-minded except it comes from many of the same people who supported inclusion of a plank in the Republican platform demanding the appointment of only “pro-family”—for which read, anti-abortion—federal judges and who hailed the nomination of Bork as the dawn of a glorious new conservative era on the high court.

It might also be recalled that conservatives in the 1960s and 1970s seriously proposed impeaching both Chief Justice Earl Warren and Justice William O. Douglas for their views.

In truth, the constitutional provision of checking the presidential power of appointment with the Senate power of confirmation assures an exercise of politics, if not partisan, then almost surely ideological. That has been the nature of the process for two centuries, as is demonstrated by the failure of 26 Supreme Court nominations since George Washington sent the name of John Rutledge to the Senate in 1795.

The obvious lesson here is that those who plant poison ivy in the garden of democracy should not be surprised when they start to itch.

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## Bork's Final Debate Finally Underway

By John Hanrahan  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Supporters of Supreme Court nominee Robert Bork used the first full day of Senate debate Thursday to criticize “the big lie” they said opponents told to deny confirmation to the conservative judge.

The chamber, which opened debate on the nomination late Wednesday, gave Thursday over to discussion of Bork, but senators more closely focused on the events to come after the Senate, as expected, votes against confirmation.

The debate itself was a product of Bork's own wishes; though his nomination is virtually doomed, he declared on Oct. 9 that he would press for a vote in the full Senate for the sake of an independent judiciary.

Fifty-four senators have declared they will vote no, three more than needed for the required simple majority. Thursday, however, William Roth, R-Del., and Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, became the 41st and 42nd senators to say they will vote for confirmation, leaving four still undecided: William Proxmire, D-Wis., John Stennis, D-Miss., Sam Nunn, D-Ga., and John Warner, R-Va.

Even if all the undecideds vote for Bork, the final count would be 54-46 against confirmation. On Oct. 6, the Senate Judiciary Committee voted 9-5 to urge the Senate to reject Bork.

Senate Democrats were hopeful debate could conclude and a vote taken Friday. But some Republicans have said they favor anywhere from three to five days of debate, which could make it early next week before a vote is taken.

Thursday's debate turned on two themes—the efforts by critics to defeat Bork and the judicial philosophy of the next nominee.

Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, scored the lobbying campaigns of liberal organizations for distorting the conservative judge's record and philosophy.

“The big lie is standard operating procedure for some of these groups,” he said. “All you have to do is repeat the

same outrageous charges and repeat them so often that people believe they are true.”

Two weeks ago, Grassley criticized President Reagan for being “asleep at the switch” after nominating Bork and taking the entire month of August for vacation—thus allowing opponents to marshal their forces.

Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., a leader of the anti-Bork forces, said the judge's supporters were attempting to shift the grounds of debate away from the main issue—Bork's philosophy—to the “largely irrelevant” one of tactics used to oppose him.

Leahy said attacks by the nominee's supporters on “the honesty and integrity” of anti-Bork senators were unjustified because opponents had made up their minds based on Bork's record and not on appeals by liberal groups.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, acknowledged Bork's impending Senate rejection and said he is confident President Reagan would select a successor nominee “who will be a conservative” in Bork's mold.

Gramm said he was also certain of confirmation for the next nominee “because after a while, that old argument”—criticizing a nominee's philosophy—“won't work, and people will stop making it.”

Since Bork, 60, was nominated July 1 by Reagan, he has been attacked by civil rights and civil liberties groups as a right-wing ideologue who, if elevated to the high court, would likely vote to repeal gains in individual and minority rights of the last three decades.

Similar criticisms of Bork's views were heard in 12 days of confirmation hearings last month before the Judiciary Committee and in Wednesday's floor debate.

Gramm noted that the Senate debate is over the Supreme Court's direction into the 21st century and added that Reagan's 1980 and 1984 landslide election victories were mandates for a more conservative high court.

In opposing Bork, Gramm said, liberal organizations and some senators are

“trying to win in the Senate something they could not win at the ballot box.”

Proxmire said he was “troubled” by Bork's failure to win a unanimous favorable rating from the American Bar Association and by the opposition of 40 percent of the nation's law professors to his nomination.

Roth said Bork was well qualified for the court and had been victimized by a confirmation process that was like a political race with the Judiciary Committee extracting “campaign promises” from him.

“I am very troubled that the questioning of the nominee was too specific and too detailed,” Roth said.

Bork was selected to replace the moderate retired Justice Lewis Powell. A former Yale Law School professor and former U.S. solicitor general, he now sits on the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

## Mayor Orders Gay Dancers Expelled

SAO PAULO, Brazil (UPI)—When Janio Quadros was president of Brazil in the 1960s, he tried to prohibit women from wearing bikinis. Now, as mayor of Sao Paulo, he has ordered the city ballet corps to expel all homosexual dancers.

Quadros, an eccentric politician who resigned Brazil's presidency just seven months after taking office in 1961, published a decree in Sao Paulo's official record this past week authorizing police to help ballet director Mariana Natal expel any homosexuals who might be under her instruction.

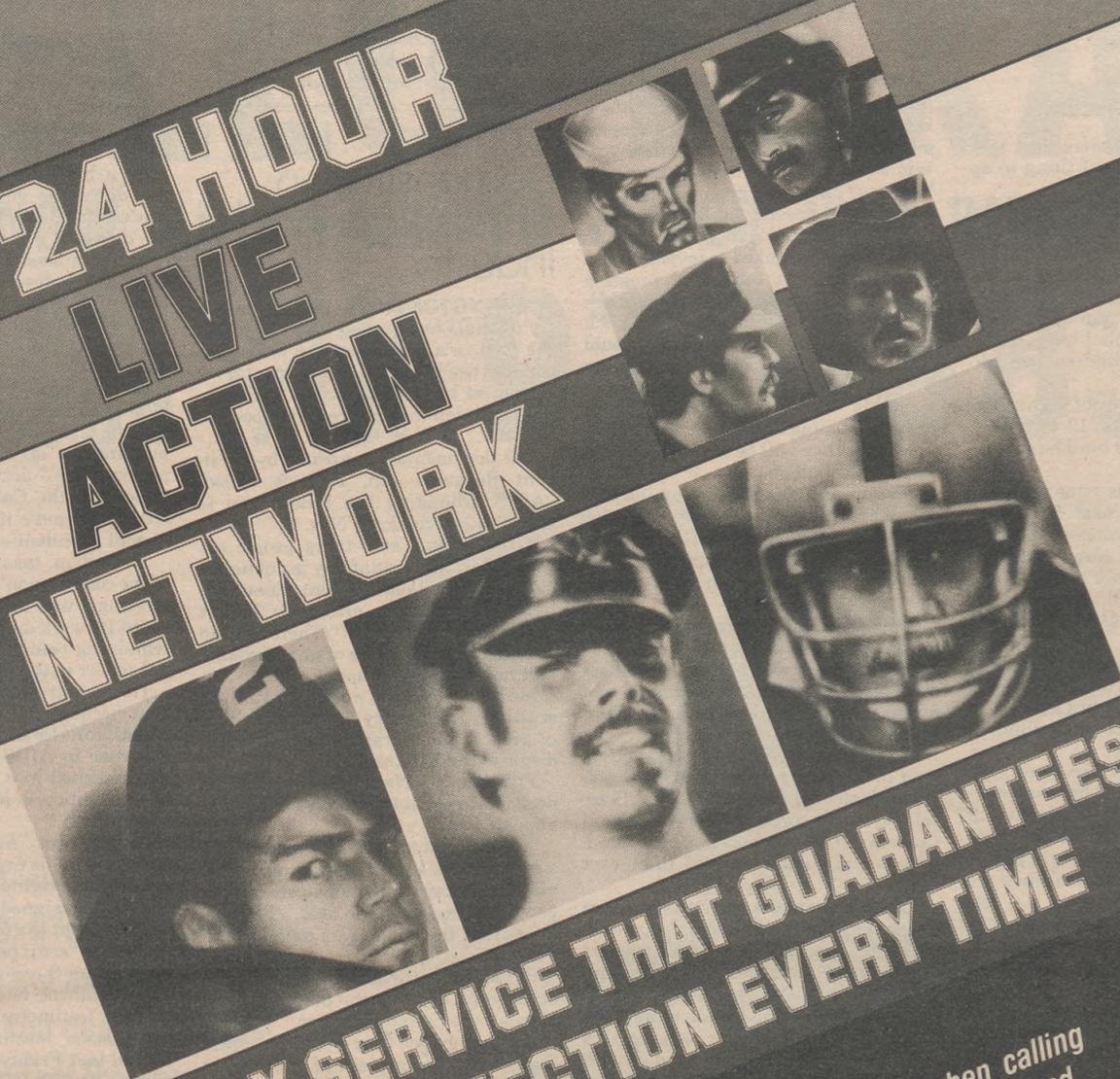
“Mrs. Natal, you deserve all my confidence. Homosexuals must not enter (the school). Use the municipal guard (police) if necessary, and be rigorous,” Quadros said in his expulsion order.

Human rights groups attacked Quadros for his “fascist” order, and Natal said she had no idea what criteria she was supposed to use to determine which dancers were homosexual.

“Mayor Quadros must have been inspired by ideas from (Hitlerian) Germany,” political columnist Walter Ceneviva said.

The 70-year-old politician was elected mayor of Brazil's largest city in 1985. His first act upon taking office was to spray his predecessor's desk chair with disinfectant before sitting down.

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# Alcohol And Kids: Mix Has Health Officials Worried

By Gayle Young  
UPI Science Writer  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

NEW YORK—Wine coolers are sweet and fizzy, just the type of thing to appeal to a kid.

A recent survey of 500,000 youngsters between grades four and six indicated one third had already tried the alcoholic drink and half felt pressured to do so.

Health officials say the alarming finding is only one of a number of recent studies indicating alcohol use is a serious problem among children and adolescents.

A 1986 national survey of high school seniors found one third of 12- to 17-year-olds drink beer, wine or hard liquor on a regular basis.

While this figure has remained relatively steady for the past few years, health officials are concerned about studies that indicate children are taking their first drink at earlier ages and others that suggest dwindling numbers of youngsters think drinking is a health hazard.

For years, surveys have indicated the average child takes his or her first drink at age 12, but newer studies suggest in some regions of the country children start drinking by age 8.

The annual national survey of high school seniors, conducted by researcher Lloyd Johnston of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, showed four out of 10 seniors in 1986 thought people who drink heavily on the weekends are at risk of hurting themselves, a 9 percent decline over the previous year.

But the most disturbing study is the one showing a significant number of fourth- to sixth-graders are drinking wine coolers and other forms of alcohol and feel pressured to do so, health officials said.

Only 21 percent of those surveyed thought wine coolers were a drug, whereas 93 percent thought cocaine was, according to The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., which released the study results in a recent report on alcohol and children.

Only one in four sixth-graders thought a person could be harmed by drinking alcohol daily.

In the wake of the report, health officials said schools need alcohol awareness programs on the same order of educational programs designed to discourage drug use.

"We need to start targeted prevention programs at early ages," Dr. Otis R. Bowen, secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, said a recently. "We need to have clear 'non-use' messages given by families, communities, peers and the media.

"Use of alcohol and other drugs by youth is clearly linked to juvenile delinquency, truancy, unwanted pregnancies, poor academic performance, traffic-related fatalities, homicides, suicides and other problems," Bowen said.

His office has started a new prevention campaign aimed at helping 8 to 12-year-olds "say no" to alcohol, hoping that by catching children at impressionable ages, they will be able to stem adolescent alcoholism.

Several private groups on alcohol abuse have also started early education campaigns and Metropolitan Life recently awarded a dozen schools and institutions for innovative anti-alcohol programs.

Some health officials believe the alcohol industry must also pitch in. They accuse advertisers of making wine, beer and spirits look attractive to youth, and for making wine coolers look especially tasty to young children.

"Wine industry marketing practices tend to obscure the fact that wine coolers have alcohol," said Thomas V. Seessel, executive director of the National Council on Alcoholism. "These products contain more alcohol than beer does."

Another council spokesperson, Lora Friedman, said wine cooler commercials often feature cartoon characters and animals that appeal to children and said the alcoholic beverages are located next to soft drinks in the supermarkets. "We have to tell kids, 'Maybe this looks like a lot of fun to try, but it's still alcohol,'" she said. "We have to get them before the sixth grade, before they really start to experiment seriously."

But spokesmen from the liquor industry suggest parents may be giving alcohol to young children, and it is they who should be responsible for teaching them its dangers.

"I don't know how these children are getting this alcohol because it sure isn't being sold to them," said Joe Gegg, director of the Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of America, an industry trade association.

"They are obviously getting it from

their parents," he said in a telephone interview.

Friedman said the survey of 500,000 youngsters—conducted by The Weekly Reader children's magazine in association with the alcoholism council—did not ask children under what circumstances they tried wine coolers.

"I would guess it includes celebrations with parents present," she said.

# Condom Demonstration Upsets Banana Industry

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Banana industry officials have urged PBS not to use the fruit in a demonstration on proper condom use in an AIDS documentary scheduled to air next month, threatening legal action if the request goes unheeded.

The documentary, narrated by President Reagan's son, Ron, is called, "AIDS: Changing the Rules" and is slated to be broadcast Nov. 6.

"To associate something people eat with a part of the anatomy is not necessarily in good taste," International Banana Association president Robert Moore said Monday. "(There is) no shortage of substitutes of an inanimate and non-product nature."

Moore has written a letter to PBS executives, urging they use another kind of prop or photographic techniques to disguise the banana.

PBS attorney Nancy Hendry said the decision to use a banana is not open to appeal.

"Considerations of taste made it desirable to use a prop instead of the human anatomy to demonstrate proper use of a condom," she said. "PBS believes that the choice was an appropriate one."

But Moore is threatening legal action because he believes the broadcast will blemish the banana's image.

"We had hoped they would recognize the intense seriousness of the subject matter," Moore said.

Hendry says PBS officials do not believe the banana industry will be damaged because of the fruit's use in the documentary.

"It's not as though someone who eats a banana is going to think about AIDS," she said.

Surgeon General C. Everett Koop and scientific researchers studying acquired immune deficiency syndrome say condom use can be effective in reducing the risk of contracting the disease, which destroys the body's ability to fight infection.

# AIDS Commission To Review Drug Approval Process

By Jan Ziegler  
UPI Science Writer  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Reagan's embattled AIDS commission has agreed to enlist legal and medical experts to help find out if red tape is slowing down the government's approval process for drugs that could help fight the disease.

The commission will set up advisory boards of professionals in law, medicine and other areas to review documents that panel members write and to help guide their deliberations on the issue of acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

"If this doesn't do it, then we need a Manhattan project where people do this full time, (where) they're locked into a building for six months and they do nothing else," declared Cardinal John O'Connor, the Catholic archbishop of New York and a member of the controversial presidential panel.

The action, taken last Friday as part of the commission's second set of public meetings, was one of several taken to speed its work during the eight months remaining before it must present its final report to the president in July.

The action was particularly significant because the panel has been criticized for lacking members with expertise in AIDS issues. That charge was repeated in a lawsuit filed Oct. 15 by a coalition seeking changes in the commission.

Retired Navy Adm. James Watkins, presiding at his first meeting of the panel since its original chairman and vice chairman resigned this month, suggested looking at the federal drug approval process to "see if perceived bureaucratic hurdles are there or are not there."

Government red tape was criticized often in testimony at the first round of commission meetings, and the panel agreed last Friday to call in experts to discuss drug development and the Food and Drug Administration's approval process.

Many scientists and FDA officials insist the drug approval process has been speeded up specifically for AIDS, and they warn that to hasten it further could result in patients receiving a drug that does more harm than good.

But so far the only drug approved by the government in the fight against AIDS is AZT, sold under the name Retrovir by Burroughs Wellcome Co. of Research Triangle Park, N.C. The FDA gave approval March 20 for its prescription sale.

Within the AIDS commission, meanwhile, resignation talk hung in the air last Friday following the departure of Dr. Eugene Mayberry as chairman and Dr. Woodrow Myers as vice chairman.

There were no hints of when Reagan would bring the commission back up to a full 13 members, but Frank Lilly, head of genetics at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and the only avowed homosexual on the panel, said he would consider resigning if the two new appointments do not meet with his approval.

O'Connor announced he had no intention now of resigning but would continue to evaluate his role and would consider leaving if he or his fellow commissioners felt someone else could do the job better or could devote more time to it.

The panel agreed to meet next at an unspecified site in Miami Nov. 11-12.



When his wife leaves the house, Mr. Wilson has difficulty feigning affection for the cat.



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# Puerto Rico Holds 1st National Gay Meeting

**Gay Happenings Worldwide by John Hubert**

The Colectivo do Concientizacion Gay (CCG), known in English as Gay Consciousness Group, organized the first conference about homosexuality to be held on the island of Puerto Rico. The conference called "Perspectives of Homosexuality in Puerto Rico" took place October 2-3 and included participation from all parts of the gay community of Puerto Rico. This was the first time that such an activity of this magnitude has been presented in this largely Spanish speaking Caribbean island, which has a special "free state associated partnership" status with the USA.

The CCG also reports that they sent a lesbian member to the First Latin American Lesbian/ Feminist Conference in Mexico (October 14-16, 1987) and that lesbians have a significant participation in the CCG group. They also report that they have received funding from the "National Community Funds" which has helped continue publishing of their newsletter. For more information, write to CCG, Apartado 1003, Estacion Viejo San Juan, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00902.

Lesbians and gay men in British Columbia, Canada, are mobilizing against the July 7 introduction of a bill that could be used to set up concentration camps for all people suspected of

testing positive for antibodies to HIV. *Angles*, Vancouver's community newspaper for lesbians and gays, is leading the fight against this proposed law, which was submitted by the governing Social Credit party.

The Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC), a Christian denomination with a primary outreach to lesbians and gay men, has some 30,000 members in 234 congregations around the world. Besides the USA, Canada and Europe, they now have MCC church groups in Mexico, Indonesia, Costa Rica, Nigeria, Australia, and New Zealand. Japan and the Philippines have been targeted for churches in 1988 as well as several Latin American countries. Interested people can contact Ravi Verma at UFMCC, 5300 Santa Monica Bl #304, Los Angeles, CA 90029.

A new group has formed in Bogota, Colombia, called Grupo de Ayuda E Informacion (GAI) which translates to the Gay Help and Information Group. GAI is a non-profit organization with the goal of offering educational services, information and help to AIDS patients, those with HIV positive tests, as well as to individuals within groups at risk for AIDS. They also maintain contact with the Colombian press so they will have adequate and correct information about AIDS.

GAI has already presented three 30

minute specials on the principal TV station, Television, produced articles for scientific and medical journals as well as audiovisual and video tapes on AIDS.

GAI, as a group, includes women and men as well as non-gays who are interested in their work. GAI would like to receive material from other groups and individuals who provide help and information services to lesbians and gay men concerning AIDS. Write to Manuel Antonio Velandia Mora, Apdo. Aereo 25770, Bogota 1, Colombia.

The gay press in Europe recently met in The Netherlands to lay the foundations for a proposed press association. More than 20 publishers and editors of leading European gay periodicals were greeted by the Mayor of Best, Hans de Widt, who presented each delegate with a souvenir pair of Dutch clogs, marked "Gay Press—Best, 1987."

The "Jewish Lesbian Daughters of Holocaust Survivors" group provides support and networking services and welcomes contact from other Jewish Lesbian Daughters of Holocaust Survivors. The next meeting is November 13-15 in New Hampshire, and they will be held semi-annually after that. A partners group has also been formed for lesbians who are in a relationship with a JLDHS person. For information write to Catherine Lohr, P.O. Box 6194, Boston, MA 02114.

The following people are looking for international pen friends. Due to a lack of women making requests, I am sorry not to be including any in this column.

Pole, 26, wants to correspond with gays worldwide in English or German. Hobbies are correspondence, pop music, film, travelling and foreign languages. Marek Szczepaniak, U1. Walicow 10 n

27, 00-851 Warszawa, Poland.

Istanbulian, 27, wants correspondence in English with gays all over the world to exchange stamps, banknotes, gay photos, pictures and magazines.

Write with photo. Will answer all. Mithit Alici, Aksaray, Vatan Cad, 47/1 Deniz Apt. Istanbul, Turkey.

Spanish Gay, 29, wants to know gays in the USA who can write to him in Spanish. Juan Manuel Rivas, c/Quintela No. 22—Bajo, 36.209-Vigo, Pontevedra, Spain.

A Cuban man, 24, student of geology would like to hear from new penpals in English, Spanish or German. Hobbies include swimming at the beach and correspondence. He's looking for good friends, any age. End photo if possible. Mario Lorenzo Fonseca, Apartado 102, Z. Postal Habana 1, Cuba.

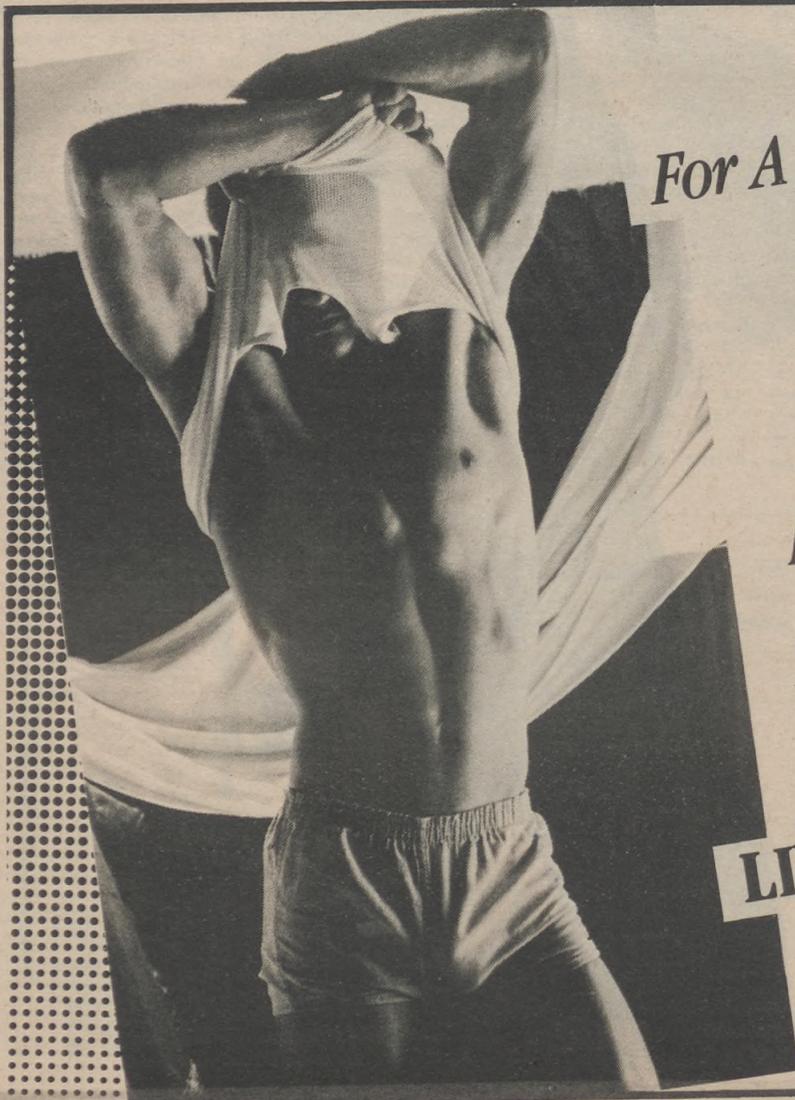


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# The Story Of The AIDS Epidemic: A Tale That Must Be Told

By Jan Ziegler  
UPI Science Writer  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON—On April 12, 1983, Health and Human Services Secretary Margaret Heckler tried to reassure a House appropriations subcommittee.

"I really don't think there is another dollar that would make a difference, because the attempt is all out to find the answer," she said.

That same day, Don Francis, a researcher at the Centers for Disease Control, wrote a memo unwittingly contradicting the testimony, asserting that "our government's response to this disaster has been far too little."

"The inadequate funding to date has seriously restricted our work and has presumably deepened the invasion of this disease into the American population."

In three years, it sometimes seems little has changed. Researchers still accuse the government of financial negligence, while the administration says that everything possible is being done.

This is typical of the contradictions and ironies that allowed AIDS to progress from a few isolated cases to an epidemic of national proportions while nearly everyone, it seemed, looked the other way, according to Randy Shilts, investigative reporter and author.

"Year in and year out, the story never changed. The band played on," Shilts said in a telephone interview. "Everyone wanted to go on with business as usual."

"And the Band Played On" is the title of Shilts' new book, which traces the disease from one of its earliest known victims in Africa, through discovery of the virus that causes it, to President Reagan's first speech on the subject last spring.

Shilts believes the United States allowed AIDS to happen. The government, including large research institutions, the media, and even homosexuals, among whom the disease has continued to hit hardest, ignored early warnings of the few visionaries who saw what the new disease could mean.

"The gay community was slow to respond," he said. "On the other hand, just about anything good that happened in the first five years of the epidemic happened because of the gay

community's efforts."

The gay community, he said, successfully lobbied for expanded funds to fight the disease. It has also pioneered an education effort that has already helped stem the rate of increase in new infec-



Randy Shilts, "author of 'And the Band Played On'"

tions.

Shilts' book puts a personal face on the disease, which has often been a laboratory and statistics story. AIDS in the United States started with a few people, and one of them, Gaetan Dugas, a handsome French-Canadian flight attendant, is described in detail.

Dugas, who admitted to 250 sexual contacts a year and a lifetime total of 2,500 partners, was the "Patient Zero" referred to in scientific papers and media stories reporting on clusters of the new disease, first referred to as Gay-Related Immune Deficiency.

"At least 40 of the first 248 gay men

diagnosed with GRID in the United States, as of April 12, 1982, either had had sex with Gaetan Dugas or had had sex with someone who had," Shilts wrote.

"Whether Gaetan Dugas actually was the person who brought AIDS to North America remains a question of debate and is ultimately unanswerable."

It is certain that Dugas played a key role in the epidemic, however at first because he was in such demand, and later, after he knew about his affliction, because he couldn't face up to his disease, or because he wanted revenge.

"Of course I'm going to have sex. Nobody's proven to me that you can spread cancer," Dugas said, referring to the spots on his skin caused by Kaposi's sarcoma, one of the most common symptoms of AIDS.

Then, contrarily, he said: "Somebody gave this thing to me. I'm not going to give up sex."

Dugas, who died in 1984 at age 31, was said to have told his partners: "I've got gay cancer. I'm going to die and so are you."

Few people involved the epidemic were this vindictive. But even though Dugas' story is a small part of the book, it is an important piece of the overall puzzle—not a pretty one to look at, but necessary.

"It is a tale that bears telling," Shilts says, "so that it will never happen again, to any people, anywhere."

## House Approves Program For Health Workers

by Robert Shepard  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The House voted earlier this month to set up a program to identify workers who have been exposed to hazardous substances and to notify them of the possible need for medical treatment.

The bill, passed on a 225-186 vote and sent to the Senate, would establish a risk assessment board in the Department of Health and Human Services to determine which jobs expose workers to health risks. The government then would notify workers in those fields of the risks and encourage them to begin medical monitoring and health counseling.

The House approved an amendment to the bill, offered by Rep. William Danenmeyer, R-Calif., directing that health workers be designated a risk group because of the danger of infection they face while treating patients with AIDS. The amendment was approved on a 219-198 vote.

## Fortunes

### Scorpio Should Go Ahead and Say It

By Mark Orion  
Your Horoscope from the Voice

For Friday evening, October 23, through Friday morning, October 30, 1987:

**ARIES**—No parties or travel plans for you this time. That comes next week. You'll be more than content to stay home and do something good with someone good. (A Capricorn friend, or a Scorpio lover?) Choose someone you know will let you really be you. Really.

**TAURUS**—All right, it's time to take care of all that work that's been piling up. You can do whatever needs to be done. Though you may not see the purpose behind it, what you accomplish this time could have far-reaching results.

**GEMINI**—Ambition finds the perfect vehicle. The wheels of harmony and understanding that were turning full speed last time are now directed toward a specific goal. Now that you know what you're up to, don't feel like you have to do it all right now.

**CANCER**—New ideas and thoughts abound. You're full of a kind of pizzazz that can take most anything and make something else out of it. That special touch will mean a lot to the one who's your wonderful one. Lots of deep appreciation.

**LEO**—Feeling a bit more dominant and assertive than usual? Don't let this feeling just pass by. Someone's listening to what you say and loves the way you're saying it. Just be yourself and keeping talking.

**VIRGO**—Combine last time's hot action with a lot of harmony and understanding, and what do you get? A very happy and contented you. You can do whoever or whatever you want; ain't no stopping you now.

**LIBRA**—You recently were told that dreams do come true. That's wonderful, but ... when they do, be ready for big changes and confrontations that you may not have planned for. Though you're feeling strong and sure, be ready to remain calm and turn the other cheek.

**SCORPIO**—You've got something important to say, something you know needs saying. Be sure to check the depths of the water before you go diving in the sea of love. If it's deep enough, and clear enough, start talking.

**SAGITTARIUS**—You're moving fast. You're making the right moves. You're truckin' on down. You're always best in a starring role, and you've got it. Now, influence those friends and get rid of those enemies. *Hot* is your key word.

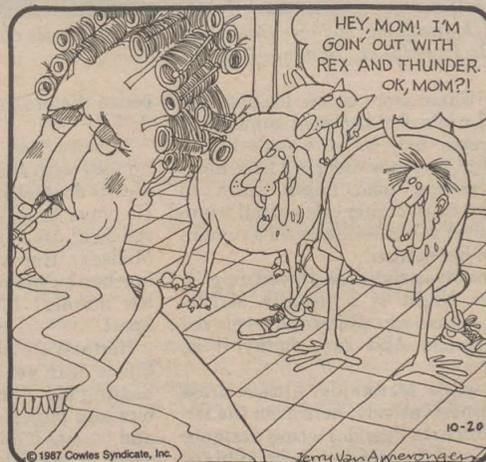
**CAPRICORN**—Been doing your homework lately? I hope so. This is a time when dreams come true, and those dreams that have been prepared for brings things and people together that have previously been separate or separated.

**AQUARIUS**—Still dancing up a storm and having a good time? Sure, but now there's a definite love object blowing in the wind: someone who's solid and secure is getting your attention. You'll have to keep the promises you make!

**PISCES**—Quickie sex isn't bad at all. Sometimes, it's incredible. But too much of it can be just too much. Frazzled nerves and a worn-out body mean it's time to stop for a while. How about a vacation with Grandma?

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# Play Safe!



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# 'Mermaids Singing' First in Feast of Gay Cinema

Houston Screens by Bill O'Rourke  
*Montrose Voice*

## □ *I've Heard the Mermaids Singing*

Gay men and women have been cropping up in a number of movies within the past few months. They are usually treated with dignity and respect, but they are always villains or victims. *I've Heard the Mermaids Singing* is the first truly positive rendition of gay people since *Waiting for the Moon*. Then there are two more due out next week. Feast or famine.



Director Patricia Rozema (left) and Sheila McCarthy who stars as Polly, on the set of "*I've Heard the Mermaids Singing*"

*Mermaids* is a love story. Young Polly (Sheila McCarthy) falls head over heels into hero-worship type love with her new boss, Gabrielle (Paula Baillaryon). Gabrielle has a young, talented lover, Mary (Ann-Marie McDonald). But this delightful film does not develop into a love triangle. It's better than that!

Polly is a sweet little klutz. She blunders into giving Gabrielle and Mary a guilty secret and then she blunders into discovering it. Again, it has nothing to do with their sexuality. It concerns the three of them as artists.

Sheila McCarthy's Polly is such a funny sad sack. Her shyness and reserve are nearly painful. She lived with her parents until they died when she was 21 and has kept to herself since then. Like so many of us whose special graces must be subtly different from the herd, she hasn't really learned enough of them to function to her fullest, happiest capacity.

There is a positively hilarious scene in a formal Oriental restaurant. First, Polly doesn't know how to sit at the floor level table. Then she can't use chopsticks. And she accidentally orders squid. All this time, Gabrielle has her head in the clouds and is loftily discussing "Polly's future."

There is a lot of understated slapstick, played quietly and with dignity in this classy movie.

Writer/producer/director Patricia Rozema has done some very pretty, arty things here, dealing especially with textures. There is the grainy black and white of Polly's Walter Mitty like fantasies. And the wavy television screen quality in which Polly narrates her story—the warm colorful art museum and Polly's black and white glossies (She's a photographer). And the painting most central to the plot, which is

represented by a radiant white sheet. (It is too important emotionally to be actually seen for itself.) They all blend so well, yet without losing their individual feel.

It is difficult to say that his quiet, little film is very nearly perfect. But it is—3.75 out of four stars.

## □ *Summer Night*

*Summer Night*, director Lina Wertmuller's latest, contrasts interestingly with *Mermaids*.

It is more concerned with the sea.

It is very romantic, but in a more blatantly sexual way. It is also very hetero-

clothes and a castle fitting for the new, corporate royalty.

Such fantasy! Yet so delicious to the eye.

Three out of four stars.



Tom Hulce is C.C. Drood, a cartoonist using his art to solve a murder, in "*Slamdance*"

## □ *Slamdance*

*Slamdance* is the story of a cartoonist (C.C. Drood, excellently played by Tom Hulce), one whose work would be very much at home in this newspaper. His sense of humor is a weird defense against the world, especially the adult world of responsible action.

But then his world becomes so threatening that he has to act or die. He has to grow up very quickly. Actually, he'd already been nudging himself in that direction anyway, since he really wanted to reunite with his estranged wife and daughter. But can he do it without losing that gamin impishness? Does it have to be left behind as only being fit for a juvenile defense system?

With a body count of only five and no chase scene, *Slamdance* is a thriller in the old mode. Hitchcock might have been very pleased with it. I keep imagining him, pretending to imitate John Houseman, saying, "We make our sus-



Fulvia (Mariangela Melato) gives in to the animalistic charms of Beppe (Michele Placido) in "*Summer Night*"

sexual. There were a few long scenes where I could feel the heat coming off the screen, but, as it wasn't aimed directly at me, they did get a little long.

The person who might want to become a third corner of a sexual triangle is never taken seriously on a romantic level here either.

*Mermaids* is slapstick played quietly. *Summer Night* is a usually serious subject—class war philosophy—played for slapstick. And very funny it is, indeed.

And while *Mermaids'* artists dress fairly conservatively, here even the terrorist (Michele Placido) wears designer clothes, and the rich lady who kidnaps him (Mariangela Melato) is into conspicuous consumption, gorgeous

pense the old fashioned way—we earn it."

Screenwriter Don Opper rewarded himself with the most fascinating role, and he does it like it was written for him. He plays an enforcer who is conscience stricken. He loved Yolanda (Virginia Madsen). How can he work at protecting her by helping to frame Drood for her murder? It's visibly tearing him apart.

Herta Ware plays Drood's landlady. She is deaf, yet she refuses to wear her hearing aid. She is lonely, so she steals bits and pieces of everyone else's mail and blames it on the post office. Murder aside, it is really his relationship with her that matures Drood. It also accounts for a lot of the good humor of

the film.

There are a multitude of familiar faces and names in very small roles.

The only real drawback to the film is the camera work. It is very interesting at times, but . . . . At one point, the main action of a scene is kept out of focus as the camera, but not the audience, examines Hulce's reactions. At many others, the dim lighting combined with dark colored sets and costumes got me squinting, wishing that someone would light a candle so that it would be easier to see what was going on.

Another three out of four stars.

## □ *Hiding Out*

*Hiding Out* is the kind of movie which John Cryer has been wanting to make all along. There is plenty here for him to sink his dramatic teeth into, as well as his comedic ones.

For the first few minutes of the movie, he looks utterly ridiculous in a full beard and mustache. It looks just like what a hit man draws later on a picture of him clean-shaven.

The first several scenes are not funny, either. They get the serious plot rolling. He is a young stockbroker who has found out something about a crime lord. That boss is trying to kill him, to make sure he won't testify in court. The F.B.I. is after him to make sure he will. He's off on the run and successfully, for a while, eluding both groups.

He has to haggle (a great touch) with a bum to trade courts. He shaves (Thank the good Lord.), and dyes his hair punkish. Then, when trying to get in to see his aunt, a high school administrator, he is mistaken for a student and decides to play along with it.

His cousin becomes his only confidant, and good little comic foil, too.

His hip, adult attitude wins him widespread popularity and a new girlfriend. And a lot of opportunities for memorable laugh lines.

Or are the lines actually that good? It may be just the finesse with which they are delivered.

Although surrounded by good, talented people, this is John Cryer's movie, and he makes the best of a good situation.

Three out of four stars.

## □ *Trailers*

This week the Italy En Houston Festival presents a Roberto Rossellini Festival, honoring the tenth anniversary of the death of that famed director who, incidentally, used to work for Mrs. Menil, and call her friend. He also, on her suggestion, spent a lot of time in Houston pursuing his interest in science at Rice.

And the Asian American Film Festival begins at the Museum of Fine Arts.

Be sure to check out River Oaks on the 27th and Greenway on the 29th.

Orphans, which was to open today, has been postponed indefinitely.

## □ *Dailies*

The Earring of Madame De; Le Plaisir (Rice, 23)—two films directed by Max Ophuls

Joan of Arc at the Stake (Bel Air, 23)—Rossellini. Freebies

Toll of the Sea (MFA, 23)—Anna May Wong's first major role

Escape (Rice, 24, 2:00 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies

Father Balweg, Rebel Priest (MFA, 24, 2:00 p.m.)

Open City (Rice, 24, 2:00 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies

Karma (MFA, 24)—1986 Vietnamese film with subtitles

Germany Year Zero (Rice, 25, 1:00 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies

Harmony (Rice, 25, 4:00 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies



Anna May Wong stars in the 1922 silent film, "Toll of the Sea," which opens the Asian American Film Festival at the Museum of Fine Arts

Prisoner (Rice, 7:30 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies

Chan is Missing (MFA, 25)—Wayne Wang's first full length feature. A San Francisco cabbie solves the mysterious disappearance

Murder Most Foul; Murder Ahoy (River Oaks, 25 and 26)—Dame Margaret Rutherford as Miss Marple

India (Rice, 26, 7:30 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies

Red Shirts (Rice, 26, 9:00 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies

Louis XIV (Rice, 27, 7:30 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies

A Virus Knows No Morals (River Oaks, 27 and 28)—German underground filmmaker Rosa von Praunheim's agitprop burlesque about AIDS

Cosimo de Medici (Rice, 28, 7:00 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies

Videos (Rice, 29, 4:00 p.m.)—Rossellini. Freebies

Platoon (River Oaks, 29)

Too Outrageous (Greenway 3, 29)—Before it officially opens, you can see this show about a female impersonator. Judging from the first movie, this sequel should live up to its name. This showing is a benefit and every penny of the \$5 admission fee will go to the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard of Houston.

Blaise Pascal (Rice, 30, noon)—Rossellini. Freebies.

## Bill Introduced To Ban Dispersals Of Video List

By Greg Henderson  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Rep. Al McCandless, R-Calif., shocked by the publication of Judge Robert Bork's video rental history, introduced a bill Wednesday that would make it illegal for video rental stores to release such information.

The Video Privacy Protection Act of 1987 got the immediate backing of the American Civil Liberties Union, which opposes the drive to confirm Bork as a Supreme Court justice. McCandless supports the Bork nomination.

"These records are entitled to privacy protection," said Jerry Berman, chief legislative counsel for the ACLU.

The law would permit anyone whose record of video rentals was disclosed to sue a rental store in civil court for up to \$10,000.

"I kind of liken it to a speed limit sign," McCandless said. "It's a deterrent."

Last month, City Paper, a weekly newspaper in Washington, printed a story detailing Bork's video viewing

habits, based on a list of 146 video cassettes rented by Bork and his family in the past year and a half.

The story caused more controversy than the list of movies, which contained no X-rated films and very few R-rated films.

"I only hope he (McCandless) has the decency to name the law after me," said Michael Dolan, a freelance writer who wrote the story for City Paper.

"I'm sort of bemused by it," Dolan said of the legislation. "I see the story—even without the press of legislation—sort of as a non-recurring phenomenon. Nobody else is going to do this again, anyway. What video store clerk in his right mind would do this?"

Dolan said he got the information by simply asking a clerk for it, after explaining he was a reporter doing a story on Bork.

The bill follows a local ordinance under consideration in the District of Columbia city council that would make it a misdemeanor for video rental stores to disclose unauthorized information on clients.

Jan Przybora, manager of Video Unlimited of Georgetown, called the Bork story "the stupidest thing I ever saw," but said federal legislation is not needed.

"It's the same as I go to McDonald's and ask what someone eats on a daily basis," he said. "I don't see how that could be legislated. It's just indecent."

Przybora, who said he would "absolutely never, ever, ever" disclose a client's rental history, also said the marketplace would halt any widespread disclosure of rental lists.

"Video stores are a business," he said. "In case someone has a problem with what that video store did, they can just stop renting from them."

McCandless, asked how often in the past he has been on the same side as the ACLU, said, "Probably minus zero."

## Lure Strong For 'Fatal Attraction'

By Vernon Scott  
UPI Hollywood Reporter  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

HOLLYWOOD—"Fatal Attraction," a grim drama of marital infidelity, continued to gross more than \$1 million a day as the No. 1 movie attraction in North America for the week ending Oct. 17.

The Paramount film starring Glenn Close as a woman neurotically obsessed

with a married man, played by Michael Douglas, raked in \$7.6 million in 1,324 theaters during the measured week.

In its first 31 days in release "Fatal Attraction" has grossed \$55.4 million. For five consecutive weeks it has topped all other films in release.

Running second, as it did the previous week, was "Like Father, Like Son" starring Dudley Moore as a sober-sided doctor who drinks an elixir that accidentally places him in his teenage son's body and vice versa.

Playing on 1,272 screens, "Like Father, Like Son" captured \$4.2 million in its third week. So far the surprise hit has grossed \$19.8 million.

"The Princess Bride," director Rob Reiner's comic fairy tale, was No. 3 for the second straight week. Its per-screen average gross of \$5,830 was higher than that of "Fatal Attraction" (\$5,807 per screen).

Showing in only 623 theaters, "The Princess Bride" grossed \$3.6 million in its fourth week. So far it has earned \$9.4 million.

"Someone to Watch Over Me" was fourth in the box-office rankings for the measured week as it was the previous week with a gross of \$2.2 million and a two-week total of \$5.6 million in 894 theaters.

In another story of marital infidelity, Tom Berenger plays a happily married cop who seduces a wealthy New York socialite (Mimi Rogers) whom he is protecting against a vicious killer.

No. 5 was "Dirty Dancing," moving up a click from the previous week with a gross of \$1.8 million and a nine-week total of \$34.8 million.

Nationally, business dropped off at the box office from the previous week, which was aided by the three-day Columbus Day holiday in many parts of the country.

The total weekly gross in the United States and Canada was \$74.7 million, as opposed to \$79.1 million in 1986 and \$65 million in 1985.

So far all movies released in 1987 have grossed \$3.2 billion, heading for an annual record. At this time last year the gross was \$2.8 billion and \$2.9 billion in 1985.

The top 10, the week's gross, total gross, weeks in release:

1. "Fatal Attraction," \$7.6 million, \$55.4 million, 5 weeks.
2. "Like Father, Like Son," \$4.2 million, \$19.8 million, 3 weeks.
3. "The Princess Bride," \$3.6 million, \$9.4 million, 4 weeks.
4. "Someone to Watch Over Me," \$2.2 million, \$5.6 million, 2 weeks.

5. "Dirty Dancing," \$1.8 million, \$34.8 million, 9 weeks.

6. "Surrender," \$1.2 million, \$3.9 million, 2 weeks.

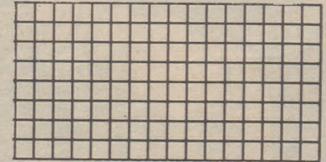
7. "The Principal," \$1.2 million, \$16.8 million, 5 weeks.

8. "Stakeout," \$1.2 million, \$60.4 million, 11 weeks.

9. "Baby Boom," \$1.2 million, \$3.1 million, 2 weeks.

10. "Hello Mary Lou: Prom Night II," \$911,351, 1 week.

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## Neighborhood Sports

Sports News from Montrose & Community Groups

### ◆◆New Pool Season Begins

Twenty-eight teams, the largest number in its five-year history, began play Wednesday night in the Montrose Sports Association Billiards League. To accommodate the large number of teams, the league has voted to consolidate play into one longer season versus its previous two season a year format.

The officers for this year's play are Debbie Scott, president; Pat Turner, vice president; PJ Ford, secretary; Becky Burrell, treasurer, and Don Walley, sergeant-at-arms.

The next league meeting will be held November 8 at Kindred Spirits beginning at 2:00 p.m. Club Romeo will be the site of a fundraiser to help send Houston pool players to the 1990 Gay Games to be held in Vancouver, British Columbia. The benefit will be held on November 13 beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Anyone interested in becoming a substitute player or desiring more information about the MSA Billiards League may call 863-8482.

### ◆◆Tennis Club Hosts "Scarey Doubles"

This Sunday, October 25, the Houston Tennis Club is hosting a Pre-Halloween Scarey Doubles Tournament. The term scarey is being used because the teams will be drawn from a batch of "good" players from a batch of "not-so-good" players. Andy Morris is directing this doubles event, a round-robin three-hour tournament to be held 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at Memorial Tennis Center. The draw will be held at 10:00 a.m. Celebration drinks will be at the club's home bar, Mary's, at 2:00 p.m.

For information about joining the Houston Tennis Club, call Rich at 524-2151.

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# HGO's 'Abduction' Takes You Away

Houston Live by Bill O'Rourke  
Montrose Voice

It's time to pull out P.T. Barnum's book of phrases again. Houston Grand Opera's *The Abduction from the Seraglio* is stupendous. It's mystifyingly awesome. It's everything except colossal.



Francois Loup is Osmine in HGO's production of Mozart's "The Abduction from the Seraglio"

The audience feels too personally involved as one of the players in this superb artistic gamesmanship to be overwhelmed by its size. It's nearly intimate.

Director Peter Mark Schifter has revitalized this Mozart comedy by showing us a Hollywood soundstage on which they are busy filming this opera. Then, in the rousing finale, the film complete, the director is awarded an Oscar for this very work. This bit of hubris is right on the mark. The show deserves lauds, even if it does say so itself.

To give us the feel of the back lot, set designer Lowell Detweiler pulled out old pieces from set barns around town. I recognized two-thirds of a set from TUTS' *The Desert Song*. But Detweiler had put it at a different, jauntier angle and dressed it up a little. What fun!

And the lyrics were changed to match the concept. I heartily approve. How gloriously camp, when a soda bottle carries a Mickey Finn instead of the usual wine, to have the entire stage erupt into a spirited praise of Coca-Cola!

Perhaps we are all thumbing our noses at the purists. But the Austrian Emperor is long dead. The show may have been written for him, but we are now the audience this production has set out to please. It caters to us now! And we like it so much we're not going to give it back. So there!

That is not to say that Mozart is absent. You can feel him there every second, not only in his divine music, but also in his impish contrariness. Scant months after the first production of this show he married his beloved Constanze. He gave the heroine her name, and almost all the best music. He gave the comic leads to boisterous songs and almost the entire plot. "If someone else

is to make love to Constanze besides me," he must have been thinking, "I will make him look like a great booby. He will accomplish nothing, just stand around looking dashingly handsome (Confound him!) and have to wait for the beginning of the third act for an aria to which he can bring any bravura. Take that! And that! And that!" Oh, Wolfgang Amadeus, what a tricky little devil you were.

So, Mark Thomsen does absolutely the best he can (which is a lot) with a fairly thankless role, while Evelyn de la Rosa shines, sparkles, glitters and gleams as Constanze. She looks a bit plain, dressed up as Jane (Tarzan's) to his Indiana Jones, but her voice could melt diamonds till they puddled around your shoulders like a velvety bra.

Jeanine Thames, as Blonde (ala early Dagwood), has a somewhat lighter voice and a flair for comedy that just won't quit. What a character! We can all be very proud that she calls Beaumont her home!

Rod Loomis, as the Pasha/ Director is quite a romantic older man in the Walter Pigeon/ Adolfe Menjou vein. It is difficult to see why Constanze doesn't take his advances with a much more positive view. But, as he already has a whole seraglio (It means harem.) full of wives, perhaps she has a point.

That harem includes a bevy of local bellydancers and two handsome young boy builders in gauzy trousers, period. Vive la difference!

Bonaventura Bottone looks cute in his sailor outfit, has a reassuringly strong voice and carries off comedy like it was a bride in his arms and your funnybone was the threshold. But the true comic star of the evening, the top banana, is Francois Loup. He plays the wily Turk to the hilt. This is his HGO debut. He can hardly help but be in great demand everywhere. I certainly hope that he has already signed the contract for his next appearance here or it might be years before we can get him back.

Conductor John DeMain looks like such a jovial rascal. That might explain his deep understanding of Mozart's music. They are psychic blood brothers.

Thanks to the new Wortham Theater, you have until November 10 to see this show. But I wouldn't wait that long. It deserves to be a very hot ticket.

## □ Notes

The opening tonight of Houston House Theater's *The Passion of Dracula* cele-



Jeanine Thames as Blonde, with chorus ladies, in Act I of Houston Grand Opera's production of "The Abduction from the Seraglio"

brates the beginning of the theater's second year. Congratulations!

This is the second weekend of the Houston Poetry Fest! There will be an open reading period tomorrow afternoon at which any poet who wants to may read for three to five minutes from his own works. All of the other sessions will have a featured poet, several guest poets, more poets reading translations from other poets and a poet or two reading in Spanish. Poems behave well on the printed page, but most of them really must be heard to be fully appreciated. You can certainly celebrate this art form at the University of Saint Thomas, starting tonight!

Conductor Giuseppe Sinopoli, due to a shoulder ailment, has had to cancel all his engagements, including this weekend's Houston Symphony Orchestra performances. He is being replaced by another world class conductor, Christof Perick.

Isn't it ironic that new little theater like The Group and the Panda Monium players can't afford to go non-profit? The major rub seems to be that to do so they would have to incorporate first. That's a bare minimum of \$200 or so right there. And, of course, until they are non-profit, no donations can be deducted from the donor's taxes.

Since they must depend solely on their box office, and since they take so earnestly to the happy task of supplying us with up-to-date gay comedies, let's all support The Group's *Life of the Party*, opening tonight at Kindred Spirits!

This week is Buffalo Bayou Days. There will be one event or another along the bayou every day, getting ready for the day it can become a park similar to San Antonio's River Walk.

The Cultural Arts Council of Houston has inaugurated The Minority Incentives Program. These new grants will be aimed mostly at encouraging joint

efforts between minority and non-minority cultural institutions.

## □ Celebrate!

October 25, 1783—Deborah Simpson is honorably discharged from West Point. After having been excommunicated from the Baptist church for wearing men's clothing, she had joined the Continental Army as a man and became a Revolutionary War hero.

B'days: 23—Ned Rorem, August von Platen, Pele. 24—The Big Bopper, Emperor Domitian, David Nelson. 25—poet Ron Schreiber, Helen Reddy, Johann Strauss. 26—Giles de Rais (a.k.a. Bluebeard), Jackie Coogan, Jaclyn Smith. 27—Freddy DeCordova, Nanette Fabry, Cleo Laine. 28—Evelyn Waugh, Edith Head, Joan Plowright. 29—James Boswell, Kate Jackson, Akim Tamiroff.

"It is the chiefest point of happiness that a man is willing to be what he is."—Desiderius Erasmus (born October 27, 1466)

## □ Openings

Steve Epstein, Jim Holder, Michael Irving (Comix Annex, 23 and 24)—standups

Jazz (Tower 23, 8:00 and 11:00 p.m.)—Hiroshima (Japanese jazz) and Najee (saxophonist). ONO! (One Night Only)

James Langdon, etc. (University of St. Thomas, 23)—Houston Poetry Fest (HPF). Freebies. ONO!

Life of the Party (Kindred Spirits, 23)—Deep bonds of friendship sustain a mainly gay group of young people in San Francisco in the 80s.

The Passion of Dracula (Houston House Theater, 23)

Christof Perick, conductor (Jones, 23 and 28)—Houston Symphony Orchestra

Irish Festival (University of St. Thomas, Jerabek Center, 24, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.)—live music, dance and crafts. ONO!

Asian American Festival (Miller Outdoor, 24, noon-9:00 p.m.)—Freebies. ONO!

Open Readings (U. of St. T., 24, 2:00 p.m.)—HPF. Freebies. ONO!

Music from Italian Movies (Wortham, 24, 3:00 p.m.)—featuring conductor Riz Ortolani and singer Katyna Ranieri. Italy En Houston. ONO!

Les Ballet de Mote Carlo (Jones, 24 at 8:00 p.m., 25 at 2:30 p.m.)—and an exhibit of costumes and set models from the original Ballets Russes de Monte Carlo.

Evita (Galveston's Grand, 24)  
Much Ado About Nothing (HCC's Heinen, 24)—reset in 1930's Cuba. John Houseman's troupe. ONO!

Western Arts Trio (UH, Dudley Hall, 25, 3:00 p.m.)—violin, cello, and piano. ONO!

Heartsong (Rothko Chapel, 25,



The Group's production of "Life of the Party" opens tonight, October 23, at Kindred Spirits, 4902 Richmond. (left to right) Buz Smith, Joel Sandel, Greg Montgomery and Mario Durham share a moment from the play

3:30)—Houston's women's chorus sings as part of an ecumenical healing service, recognizing Domestic Violence Week. ONO!

William T. Alexander, Peter Grivich, etc. (U. of St. T., 25, 4:00 p.m.)—HPF. Freebies. ONO!

Minifest '87 (Midtown Live, 25, 5:00-10:00 p.m.)—Musicfest presents a benefit for the HSPVA scholarship fund. Country and western with Pappy Selph and the Blue Ridge Play Boys and jazz with Scott Gertner and band. \$25. ONO!



Ann Miller will be in Houston, Sunday, October 25, for the Downtown Foley's 40th Birthday Party benefiting the Sesquicentennial Park project.

Foley's 40th Birthday! (Foley's Downtown, 25, 6:00-10:00 p.m.)—featuring Ann Miller. A benefit for Buffalo Bayou Park. ONO!

Five by Tenn (HCC's Heinen, 25)—one acts by Tennessee Williams, performed by John Houseman's troupe. ONO!

Today and Tomorrow: New Solutions to Old Problems (Museum of Fine Arts, 26)—seminar. ONO!

Jasna Corrado Merlak, harpist (Museum of Fine Arts, 27, 6:00 p.m.)—Italy En Houston. Freebies. ONO!

I Sostiti Italiani (Wortham, 28, 12:15 p.m.)—string sonatas. IEH. Freebies. ONO!

Artist in Residence (Central Library 29, noon)—Freebies. ONO!

HSPVA Jazz Quintet (MFA, 30, 10:00 a.m.)—aimed at senior citizens. ONO!

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## Robertson Again Denies Wrongdoing

by David E. Anderson  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Pat Robertson's presidential campaign committee denied any wrongdoing Thursday in a "very straight, fully disclosed" business deal aimed at selling its computer system well above the \$233,000 it paid for it. "There is nothing unusual about this transaction," said Americans For Robertson spokeswoman Connie Snapp. "It is a solid business transaction."

Questions were raised about the deal in a Washington Post article that said the computer was sold "for at least \$100,000 more than it cost to a shell company in Denver," suggesting the sale may have been prompted by efforts to get around legal limitations on campaign contributions.

But Snapp said the sale was "a very straight deal, a perfectly legitimate, fully disclosed" sale of hard assets that violated no election laws.

"I feel quite confident they (campaign lawyers) would not pass on anything that would not pass muster with the FEC (Federal Election Commission)," Snapp said. "It is not a method of fund-raising; it's a sale of hard assets."

Snapp made her comments at a news conference called by the campaign to release key portions of evangelist Robertson's income tax returns for the past two years.

The returns showed Robertson with an income of \$55,728.04 in 1986 as a result of his position as head of the Christian Broadcasting Network. In addition, the tax return said the television preacher, seeking the GOP presidential nomination, received \$185,371.92 in book royalties and declared a \$56,048.90 loss on his horse breeding farm.

Overall, Robertson was shown with a total 1986 income of \$202,228.17, itemized deductions of \$85,809.91—including \$62,602 in contributions to CBN—and that he paid taxes of \$22,538.31.

In 1985, Robertson reported total in-

come of \$132,627.52, including \$53,328.12 in wages from CBN, and \$41,207 in contributions to the network. He paid taxes of \$12,003.01.

In the computer deal, described by Snapp as part of a plan to upgrade the campaign operation, the campaign told the FEC it received \$337,500 from a Denver firm, "Computer Futers Ltd." for "deposit-sale of fixed assets."

The Post said there is no such listing for the firm in Denver and no record of it

in the state's records for corporations.

Snapp acknowledged that the computer sale was handled by Clarence Decker, the campaign's regional director in Denver. The Post said a "Computer Futures" is listed at the same address as Decker's office.

"We did hire a law firm... for the sale of hard assets, including the computer system," Snapp said. "We hired this (Decker's) law firm to put the deal together."

Snapp also said the deal has not yet been completed, that the system the campaign originally bought—from Robertson's earlier organization, the Freedom Council—had been "augmented" and that she believed the campaign is seeking "a fair price" for the system.

## Koop: Believe In Your Government

By Jan Ziegler  
UPI Science Writer  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Surgeon General C. Everett Koop said Monday he wished Americans had the same confidence in their government as the British do in theirs in the battle against AIDS.

Koop, who just returned from a trip to Great Britain, said remarkable progress has been made against the disease, largely through U.S.-government backed efforts, but many people in the United States are still suspicious.

"The average Britisher has the feeling of confidence that his government is in control. I covet that feeling for this country, because I think the average person doesn't feel the government is in control," Koop said during a breakfast meeting with reporters.

Koop was joined by Health and Human Services Secretary Otis Bowen, Assistant Secretary for Health Robert Windom and Dr. James Mason, head of the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

Koop said he was aware some people feel the government is lying when it says there is no evidence mosquitoes or casual contact can spread the AIDS virus.

Others have said that government red

tape or infighting among scientists is holding up development of drugs that show promise in treatment of acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Yet, Mason said, scientists "have nothing to gain from slowing down any drug in getting to market."

"We can do serious irreparable damage if we allow to get on the market drugs that are ineffective," he said. "It doesn't help to get snake oil on the market."

Mason said he has personally reviewed data about several drugs that outside non-scientific groups say are beneficial, and has found "they don't help at all. Some of them are even toxic and harmful."

When asked whether the two recent resignations from President Reagan's AIDS advisory panel or reports that at least one member of the group believes the AIDS virus can be spread through casual contact have damaged public perception of the government's anti-AIDS efforts, the four officials had no specific answer.

The government had originally planned a mass mailing of AIDS education materials to all households in the United States, but Bowen said this would be overkill.

# Gay and lesbian reading

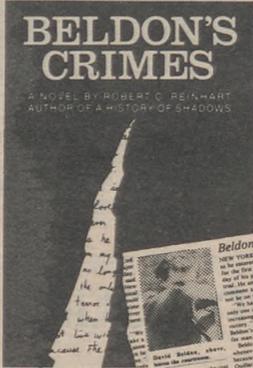
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**LOVESEX:** The horny relationship chronicles of Max Exander, by Max Exander, \$7.00. Exander gives a vivid description of his personal six-month odyssey toward establishing a lasting gay relationship which incorporates safer sex.

**SECRET DANGERS,** by John Preston, \$5.00. In this latest installment of the Alex Kane series, ex-marine Kane and his young partner, Danny Fortelli, battle a world-wide terrorist ring that is using violence against gays to promote its own ends.

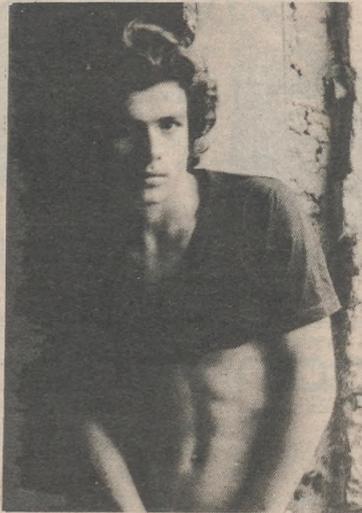


**BELDON'S CRIMES,** by Robert Reinhart, \$7.00. A grisly sex murder and a homophobic job dismissal suddenly turn Dave Beldon's life upside-down. When he decides to fight for his rights, he becomes the country's most recognized gay man. But soon the question arises: Will Dave Beldon ultimately be the victor — or victim of the three-ring media circus that surrounds him? A new and original novel from the author of *A History of Shadows*.



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**EIGHT DAYS A WEEK,** by Larry Duplechan, \$7.00. Johnnie Ray Rousseau is a 22-year-old black gay pop singer whose day starts at 11 pm. Keith Keller is a white banker with a 10 o'clock bedtime — and muscles to die for. This story of their love affair is one of the most engrossing — and funniest — you'll ever read.



**MEDITERRANEO,** by Tony Patrioli, \$12.50. Through some 46 photos, Italian photographer Tony Patrioli explores the homo-erotic territory in which, since the beginning of time, adolescent boys have discovered sex. (Oversize paperback)



**THE MOVIE LOVER,** by Richard Friedel, \$7.00. Burton Raider's problems begin in high school when he realizes he's in love with his friend Roman. As he gets older, the problems increase — and so does the humor of his situation, in what *Christopher Street* calls "the funniest gay novel of the year."

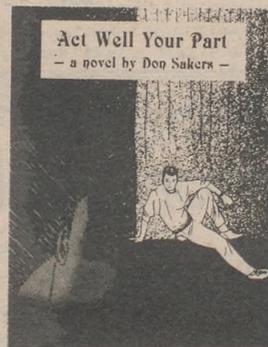
**QUATREFOIL,** by James Barr, \$8.00. The year is 1946, and Philip Froelich faces a court martial for acting insubordinate to a lazy officer during the closing days of World War II. Then he meets Tim Danelaw, and soon the court martial is among the least of Phillip's concerns...

This classic novel, first published in 1950, remains a romantic and suspenseful read, an intelligently-written love story that gives a vivid picture of our recent but often-forgotten past.

**SECOND CHANCES,** by Florine de Veer, \$7.00. Is it always harder to accept what is offered freely? Jeremy, young and still naive about the gay world, could easily have the love of his devoted friend Roy, yet instead he finds himself pursuing the handsome and unpredictable Mark.

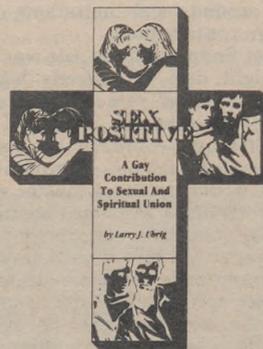


**LONG TIME PASSING: Lives of Older Lesbians,** edited by Marcy Adelman, \$8.00. In their own words, women talk about age-related concerns: the fear of losing a lover; the experiences of being a lesbian in the 1940s and 1950s; and issues of loneliness and community.



**ACT WELL YOUR PART,** by Don Sakers, \$5.00. When Keith Graff moves with his mother to a new town, he feels like the new kid who doesn't fit in. Then he joins his high school's drama club and meets the boyishly cute Bran Davenport...

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**SEX POSITIVE,** by Larry Uhrig, \$7.00. Many religious leaders have distorted Biblical passages to condemn homosexuality. Here Uhrig fights back, discussing positive Biblical views of same-sex relationships, and arguing that sexuality and spirituality are closely linked.

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**IN THE LIFE:** A black gay anthology, edited by Joseph Beam, \$8.00. When Joseph Beam became frustrated that so little gay male literature spoke to him as a black gay man, he decided to do something about it. The result is this anthology, in which 29 contributors, through stories, essays, verse and art-work, have made heard the voice of a too-often silent minority.



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Mr. BRB David Seville (c) with first runner-up Don Culver (l) and second runner-up Larry Garrett

## Greenway Show Will Benefit Switchboard

**"Soap" by the Staff of the Montrose Voice**  
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

Greenway 3 Theater will host a preview showing of the hilarious "Too Outrageous" on Thursday, October 29, 8:00 p.m. The total \$5 admission price will be donated to the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard of Houston.

Mark and Rick have become partners at Bacchus. They will be joining L. and R. in ownership of the club. Congratulations.



Narene Kee celebrates her birthday at Rock-n-Horse with one of her gifts

Club Romeo and Houston Billiards Invitational Tournament will present the 1987 Fall Variety Show on Friday, November 13, at 8:30 p.m. Don Wally (Kitty Keye) will emcee the show which will help Houston pool players go to the next Gay Games as well as benefit Omega House.

Rumor has it that the 611 schnauzer will be shaving and wearing a dress real soon. That should be something to see.

We have been informed that a recent brunch turned cocktail party was such a great success that Peter (Leather by Boots) couldn't make it to work the next day. Peter, watch out for those famous heavy men in the Heights.

The Fall Harvest Festival Weekend is going strong at several bars. The grand finale show will be at The BRB on Sunday beginning at 9:00 p.m. All non-perishable items donated will go to Stone Soup and all monies raised will go toward the purchase of a new van for the AIDS Foundation.

The Mr. BRB contest held last Friday netted \$1,100 for the Montrose Counseling Center. A great big thanks goes to the contestants and the Colt 45's.



Terry Clark caught checking out birthday cards at Leather by Boots



Bartender Bill McDougal greets customers at the Montrose Mining Company

## In Memoriam

### BRET WARNER

Bret Warner, 48, was born in Altoona, Pennsylvania on August 7, 1939. He passed away at the VA Hospital in Houston on October 13, 1987 after a short battle with AIDS related cancer. Graveside services were held at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Houston, Texas, where he was laid to rest. May he rest in peace.

Known by many, loved by few, missed by all. But I'll miss you the most of all! Love you always. Vern (Booby)

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## All Issues Matter

**On the Campaign Road with Bill O'Rourke**

"Bobby" killed himself last week. He was only 16.

He didn't think, intellectually, that he was the only gay person in the whole wide world. Emotionally, he might as well have been. He had never, that he knew of, met another one. He didn't know anyone who had the same problems he had, much less anyone who had overcome them.

He wasn't sure he ever wanted to meet one. He'd been taught all about those ogres in school.

His health classes had taught him that they were "different." That they were lurking just outside the school grounds, waiting to give him AIDS.

He had no gay heroes. His history teachers left out certain interesting details about everyone from Alexander the Great to Harvey Milk. His art teacher never discussed the love lives of Michelangelo, da Vinci, etc. His English teacher censored those of Whitman, Wilde and Stein. And, of course, his gym coach never even mentioned Jim Thorpe or Tom Waddell. The good gays of the past were either castrated or ignored.

Use of the word "faggot" was never as punishable by his teachers as "nigger." He knew that some of the school toughs alleviated their irrational fears of the pandemic through queer bashing. He'd been hassled so severely, with no respite from the administration even when he begged for it, that he finally dropped out of school.

He wasted his mind. He wasted his future. He was afraid of everyone, including himself. So he finally sat in a closed garage with the motor running.

This particular "Bobby" is fictional, a composite taken from other young men's stories. But the problem is very real. On a nationwide basis, the statistics even scare the experts. We all close our eyes and make believe that teenage suicide is a rare thing. It is not. And a gut-wrenchingly high percentage of them are our gay sons and daughters.

So don't laugh and say that you don't see how some of the things on the ballot could possibly affect an unmarried person, except in the pocketbook. I don't yet know the shape of this problem in Houston. I do know that it is inevitable that it is here, to one degree or another.

Every gay person *must* make an intelligent, informed vote on every issue. Proposition One. The School Board. All the way down the line.

## Doctors Fear AIDS

The vast majority of 200,000 health care workers surveyed recently sided with a controversial surgeon who refused to perform open heart surgery on a patient who had AIDS.

Surgeon General C. Everett Koop recently referred to physicians who refuse to treat AIDS patients as a "fearful and irrational minority," but the survey showed 91 percent of health care workers believed doctors have a right to refuse to perform surgery on patients with AIDS.

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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.

**Always**

- \*Pot Pie: Open
- \*Chacie's Restaurant: Open
- \*Sally's: 75¢ draft
- \*Mary's: \$1 Vodka juice drinks 7am-Noon
- \*Mary's: Pouring doubles & 75¢ draft
- \*The 611: \$1 screwdrivers & bloody marys till 2pm

**Daily**

- \*The Outlaws: Happy hour 7am-8pm
- \*The Barn: Happy hour 7am-8pm
- \*Q.T.'s: Happy hour 8am-9pm
- \*Spanish Flower Restaurant: Luncheon special 11am-2pm
- \*J.R.'s: 3-in-1 Happy Hour opening-10pm
- \*Venture-N: Happy hour noon-8pm
- \*Chutes: Crazy hour noon-4pm, \$1.25 well & bottle beer
- \*Chutes: Frozen margaritas \$1 noon-6pm
- \*K.J.'s: Happy hour 12-7pm
- \*Briar Patch: Happy hour noon-8pm
- \*Camp Closet: Happy hour noon-8pm
- \*Galleon: Happy hour 2-8pm
- \*Montrose Mining Co.: 3-in-1 happy hour 4-9pm
- \*Hunt Room: Happy hour 5-7pm, live entertainment 6-8pm
- \*Club Romeo: Happy hour 5-9pm

**Nightly**

- \*Venture-N: Beer bust 4-10pm
- \*Montrose Mining Co.: Beer bust 4-10pm
- \*Chutes: Frozen margaritas \$1.25 6pm-2am, happy hour to 10pm
- \*Norma's 5611 Club: Piano bar
- \*Charlie's Restaurant: Dinner and midnite specials

**Friday**

- \*Mother's: Happy hour 7am-10pm
- \*E/J's: Beer bust 4-10pm
- \*Club Romeo: TGIF party 5-9pm
- \*Q.T.'s: Free TGIF patio buffet 6-8pm
- \*J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers 6-10pm
- \*Camp Closet: Steak night 7pm
- \*Heaven: 50¢ well, after-hours, cover
- \*The Barn: Steak night 7-9pm
- \*K.J.'s: \$5 Liq bust 7-10p,
- \*Chutes: "Cruze Night," happy hour to 10pm, midnite buffet, after-hours
- \*Mecca: 50¢ well drinks, after-hours, cover
- \*Q.T.'s: \$1 well 9pm-showtime
- \*Cousins: "Talent Search" amateur female impersonation show
- \*Michaels: Men of Montrose with Maude, 10pm, midnite
- \*Exile II: Show till 4am

**Fri.-Sat.**

- \*Exile II: After hours till 4am
- \*The Outlaws: Miss Alabama's Follies 10pm with Robbie Roberts
- \*Q.T.'s: Show 10pm & midnite
- \*Brazos River Bottom: Brazos River Band

**Saturday**

- \*Mother's: Happy hour 7am-8pm
- \*Exile II: Beer bust 3-8pm, show till 4am
- \*E/J's: Beer bust 4-10pm, Liquor bust 4-7pm, talent nite at 11pm, finals Oct 24
- \*Michaels: Beer bust 4-7pm
- \*Club Romeo: \$1.75 Coronas, 75¢ schnapps
- \*Norma's 5611 Club: Pool tourney 6pm
- \*Cousins: Open 7am
- \*Lazy J: Show night 10pm
- \*Heaven: 50¢ well 9-11pm, after-hours, cover
- \*Rock 'N' Horse: Live band "Choice" 9pm-1am
- \*Q.T.'s: \$1 well 9pm-show

- \*J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers 10:30pm
- \*Chutes: Renaissance party
- \*Cousins: "Cousins 'n Company" show w/Ron Sioux
- \*Michaels: Muscles in Action with Maude, 10pm, midnite
- \*Mecca: After-hours, cover

**Sat.-Sun.**

- \*Chapultepec Mexican Restaurant: Brunch special 11am-2pm
- \*Sally's: Happy Hour opening-4pm
- \*Sally's: Liquor bust 4pm-till
- \*Mother's: 50¢ well drinks 4-9pm

**Sunday**

- \*Hunt Room: Brunch 10am-3pm
- \*Q.T.'s: \$1 well vodka & mimosas
- \*E/J's: Beer bust Noon-10pm, Volley ball till dark, Hop scotch tournament 7-30pm
- \*Michaels: \$1 white well liquor 12-8pm, beer bust 4-7pm
- \*Montrose Mining Co.: Biggest Sunday crowd in Houston
- \*Mother's: Happy hour noon-4pm
- \*Bacchus: Pool tournament 1pm
- \*Briar Patch: "Suck 'em Up Sundays" 2-8pm, 25¢ draft, 75¢ bloodyds, screws, cods
- \*The 611: Pool tourney 3pm, 3 in 1 until 10pm \$2.50
- \*Exile II: Express Band 3-7pm, show 8pm
- \*Mother's: BBQ 4-9pm
- \*Sally's: Meals on Wheels, BBQ Joe, 4pm
- \*K.J.'s: Free B-B-Q 4:30pm
- \*Venture-N: Liquor and beer bust 4-10pm
- \*Mother's: T-dance 4pm
- \*Camp Closet: Pool tourney 5pm
- \*Club Romeo: Hangover Blues beer bust 5-9pm
- \*Bacchus: Slave auction
- \*Brazos River Bottom: Steak night 6pm, Brazos River Band 8-12pm
- \*Heaven: Free well 7-9pm, free draft all night, cover, after-hours
- \*Mary's: Steak nite 7-10pm
- \*Galleon: \$1.25 margaritas & chips, steak night 8pm
- \*The Outlaws: Oldies But Goodies Talent Show, 8:30pm
- \*Rock 'N' Horse: Rockettes drag show 8pm, Burgundy Woods, Lady Z, Peaches, Frankie
- \*Lazy J: Mustang Band 8pm-midnite
- \*Brazos River Bottom: Fall harvest show
- \*Mother's: Mother's Men male dancers 10pm-1am
- \*Mecca: Free well 8-10pm, free draft, "Fab 4" impersonators, cover

**Tue.-Fri.**

- \*Club Flamingo: Happy hour 5-9pm

**Tue.-Sat.**

- \*Norma's 5611 Club: Happy hour 5-7pm, open microphone
- \*Club Flamingo: Commercial Art live entertainment 9:30pm-1:30am

**Wednesday**

- \*Club Romeo: Vodka specials
- \*J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers 6-10pm
- \*Camp Closet: Pot luck supper 7pm
- \*Norma's 5611 Club: Talent show, \$1.75 bar drinks
- \*K.J.'s: \$5 beer bust 7-10pm, steak night
- \*Mary's: MSA Pool Night
- \*Mother's: "Daddy's Night" 8pm-midnite, 75¢ longnecks
- \*Bacchus: MSA Pool Night
- \*Michaels: Amateur male strip 10pm
- \*Heaven: 10¢ well 9pm-2am, cover, after-hours, biggest Wednesday crowd in Houston
- \*Sally's: liquor bust 9pm-midnite
- \*E/J's: Liq bust 9pm-Midnite

**Sun.-Mon.**

- \*Norma's 5611 Club: Closed

**Mon**

- \*The Outlaws: Open till close \$1.25 well drinks & beer
- \*Rock 'N' Horse: closed
- \*The 611: Happy hour 7am-2am
- \*E/J's: \$1 Margaritas all day, Hair-burners delight
- \*Club Body Center: Locker special noon-midnite
- \*Q.T.'s: all day 50¢ schnapps
- \*Chutes: Free pool, beer bust 4-10pm, happy hour to 10pm
- \*Club Romeo: \$1 margaritas, \$1.50 bloody marys
- \*Sally's: Beer bust 6pm-till
- \*Mother's: 15¢ beer 6pm-1am
- \*Camp Closet: Buffet 7pm
- \*The 611: Monday Night Football
- \*Mary's: Pickles' slop shot pool tournament
- \*Galleon: Male strip contest 10pm, biggest Monday crowd in Houston
- \*Ripcord: \$1 margaritas 8pm-2am
- \*Michaels: Liquor bust 8-11pm
- \*Exile II: Pool tourney 9pm
- \*J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers 10:30pm

**Mon.-Tue.**

- \*Michaels: Happy hour all day, all night

**Mon.-Thu.**

- \*Mother's: Happy hour 7am-8pm

**Mon.-Fri.**

- \*Sally's: Happy hour 7am-8pm
- \*Exile II: Happy hour noon-8pm

**Mon.-Sat.**

- \*Mary's: Open 7am with \$1 vodka drinks to noon
- \*Mary's: Happy hour 7am-noon, 6-8pm (ex. weekends)
- \*Chutes: Beer bust 3-9pm

**Tues**

- \*Q.T.'s: all day \$1 long necks
- \*Club Romeo: \$1 beer
- \*Norma's 5611 Club: Opera & classical music, lovers' night
- \*The Barn: Steak night 7-9pm
- \*Venture-N: Pool tourney 7pm
- \*Mary's: Tacos 7-10pm
- \*Mother's: "Prom Night," disco oldies, \$1 well, 8pm-midnite
- \*The Ranch: Beer bust & dance lessons
- \*Ripcord: \$1.25 canned beer 8pm-2am
- \*Brazos River Bottom: C&W dance lessons, biggest Tues. crowd in Houston
- \*The 611: Singles pool tourney 8pm
- \*Michaels: Beer bust 8pm-till
- \*Galleon: Twisted Wheel of Fun 9, 10 & 11pm
- \*Sally's: Buck Night, \$1 well & longnecks

**Tue.-Fri.**

- \*Club Flamingo: Happy hour 5-9pm

**Tue.-Sat.**

- \*Norma's 5611 Club: Happy hour 5-7pm, open microphone
- \*Club Flamingo: Commercial Art live entertainment 9:30pm-1:30am

**Wednesday**

- \*Club Romeo: Vodka specials
- \*J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers 6-10pm
- \*Camp Closet: Pot luck supper 7pm
- \*Norma's 5611 Club: Talent show, \$1.75 bar drinks
- \*K.J.'s: \$5 beer bust 7-10pm, steak night
- \*Mary's: MSA Pool Night
- \*Mother's: "Daddy's Night" 8pm-midnite, 75¢ longnecks
- \*Bacchus: MSA Pool Night
- \*Michaels: Amateur male strip 10pm
- \*Heaven: 10¢ well 9pm-2am, cover, after-hours, biggest Wednesday crowd in Houston
- \*Sally's: liquor bust 9pm-midnite
- \*E/J's: Liq bust 9pm-Midnite

- \*Brazos River Bottom: Amateur Night with Brazos River Band 10pm

**Wed.-Sun.**

- \*The 611: Blackjack table open 9pm-till

**Thursday**

- \*Club Body Center: Half price day noon-midnite
- \*Q.T.'s: \$1 Margaritas
- \*Brazos River Bottom: "Dollar Day," \$1 beer, well, shots, noon-2am
- \*Club Romeo: \$1.50 well drinks
- \*Bacchus: steak night
- \*Norma's 5611 Club: Black Jack contest, \$1.75 bar drinks
- \*Sally's: Steak night 7pm
- \*Bacchus: Steak night 7pm
- \*Venture-N: Pool tourney 7pm
- \*The 611: BBQ 7pm, Levis night
- \*The Ranch: Beer bust & dance lessons
- \*Galleon: Buffet 8pm, "Brothers" 9pm
- \*Mary's: Pickles' slop shot pool tourney
- \*Kindred Spirits: Auditions every Thursday in Oct for All Female Entertainment Co
- \*Exile II: Goldie Oldie night
- \*Michaels: Talent night, 10pm, with Cassandra Landa
- \*E/J's: Dance contest, Finals Oct 22
- \*Lazy J: Talent Night amateur show 9:30pm
- \*K.J.'s: Free C&W dance lessons 9pm
- \*Mother's: Mother's Men 10pm-1am
- \*Cousins: Male strip contest, 10pm

**Thu.-Sun.**

- \*Mary's: After-hours

**Oct 30-31**

- \*Bacchus: Halloween Haunted House
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- \*Kindred Spirits: Halloween Show
- \*The Outlaws: Toga Party

**Oct 31**

- \*Halloween
- \*The 611: Halloween Party
- \*Kindred Spirits: Contest with cash prizes
- \*Sally's: Costume Contest

**Nov 6-8**

- \*Bacchus: Anniversary weekend

Here's the BAR-ZAAR list: places you might consider for drinking, dining and sensual pleasures.

The 611, 611 Hyde Park, 528-9079

Bacchus, 523 Lovett, 523-3396

The Barn, 710 Pacific, 523-0213

Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, 528-9192

Briar Patch, 2294 Holcombe, 665-9678

Camp Closet, 109 Tuam, 524-8531  
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

Cousins, 817 Fairview, 528-9204

E/J's, 2517 Ralph, 527-9071

Exile II, 302 Tuam, 528-9809

Club Flamingo, 907 Westheimer, 527-8830

French Quarter Theater, 3201 Louisiana, 527-0782

Galleon, 2303 Richmond, 522-7616

Heaven, Pacific at Grant, 521-9123

Hunt Room, 3404 Kirby, 521-9838

J.R.'s, 808 Pacific, 521-2519

Kindred Spirits, 4902 Richmond, 623-6135

K.J.'s, 11830 Airline Rd., 445-5849

Knew Mood Nu-Bar, 1336 Westheimer, 529-3332

Lazy J, 312 Tuam, 528-9343

Los Jorges, 5605 Washington, 869-5599

Mary's, 1022 Westheimer, 528-8851

Mecca, 2401 San Jacinto, 655-0769

Michaels, 428 Westheimer, 529-2506

Midtowne Spa, 3100 Fannin, 522-2379

Montrose Mining Co., 805 Pacific, 529-7488

Mother's, 402 Lovett, 520-7935

Norma's 5611 Club, 5611 Val Verde, 782-4761

The Outlaws, 1419 Richmond, 528-8903

Pot Pie, 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, 5731 Kirby Dr., 520-9910

Club Romeo, 903 Richmond, 528-9110

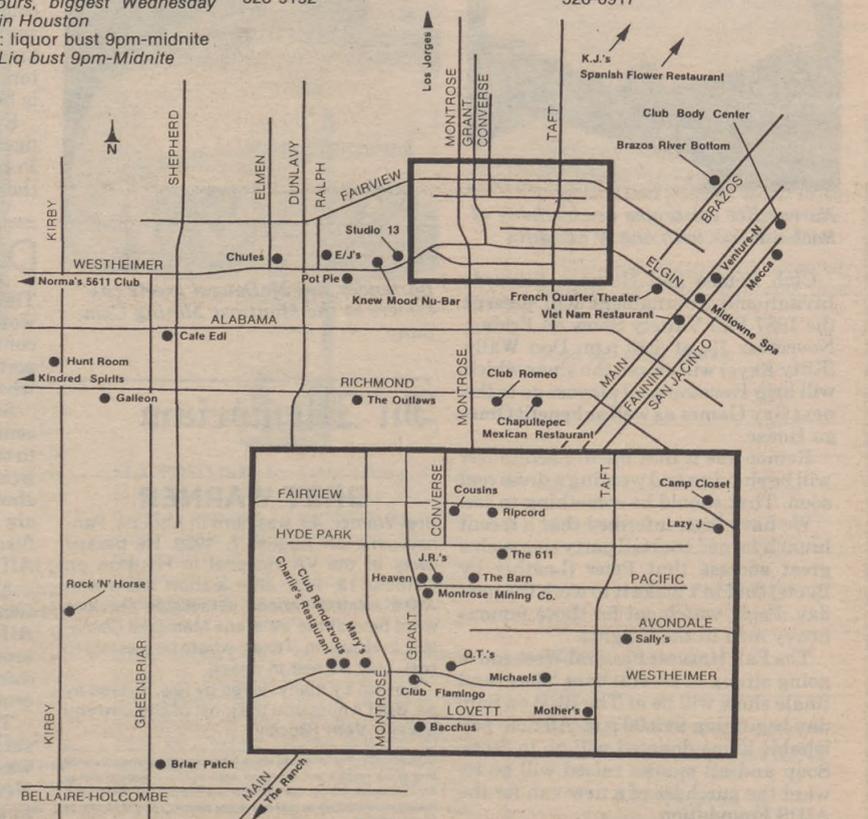
Sally's, 220 Avondale, 529-7525

Spanish Flower Restaurant, 4701 N. Main, 869-1706

Studio 13, 1318 Westheimer, 521-9030

Venture-N, 2923 S. Main, 522-0000

Viet Nam Restaurant, 3215 S. Main, 526-0917



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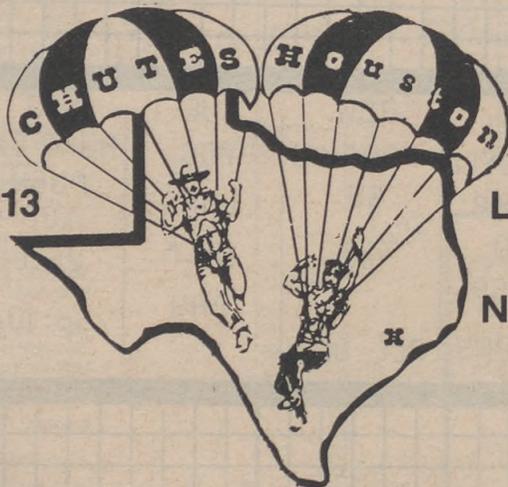
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- Nov. 6-8: Anniversary Weekend with Bar-B-Que and Beer Bust
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**Thirsty Thurs. with Tad**  
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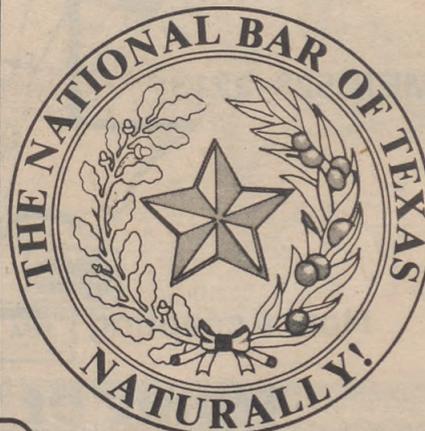
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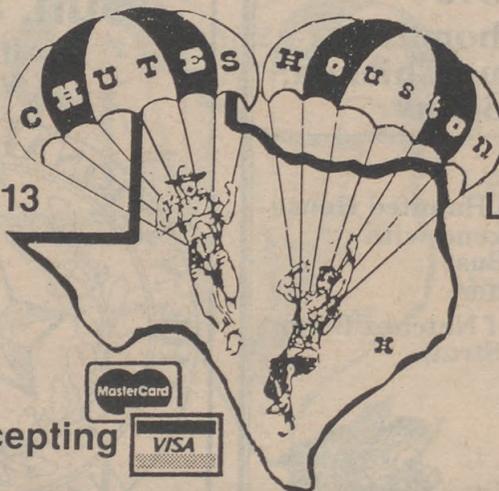
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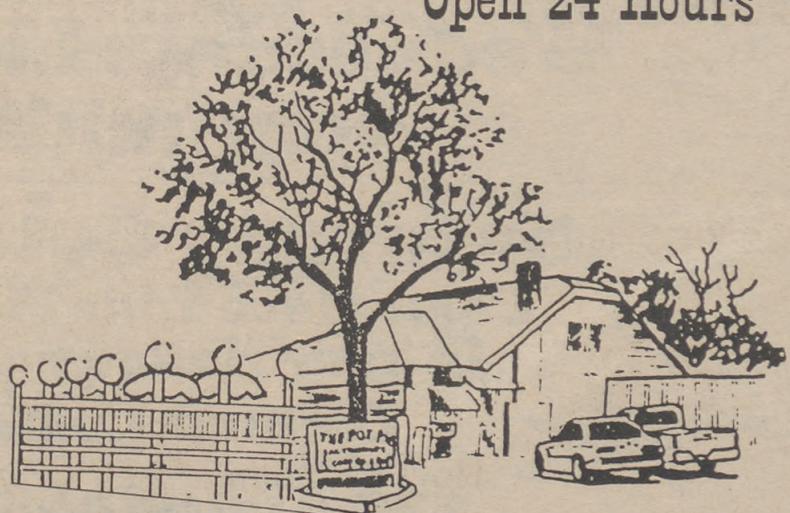
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**Saturday & Sunday  
\$5 Liquor Bust 4-7pm**

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**Sunday Beer Bust  
4-7pm \$2**

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**Monday  
Beer Bust 6pm-til**

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**Tuesday: Buck Night  
\$1 Well & \$1 Longnecks**

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**Wednesday: Liquor Bust  
9pm-midnight**

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**Saturday October 31st  
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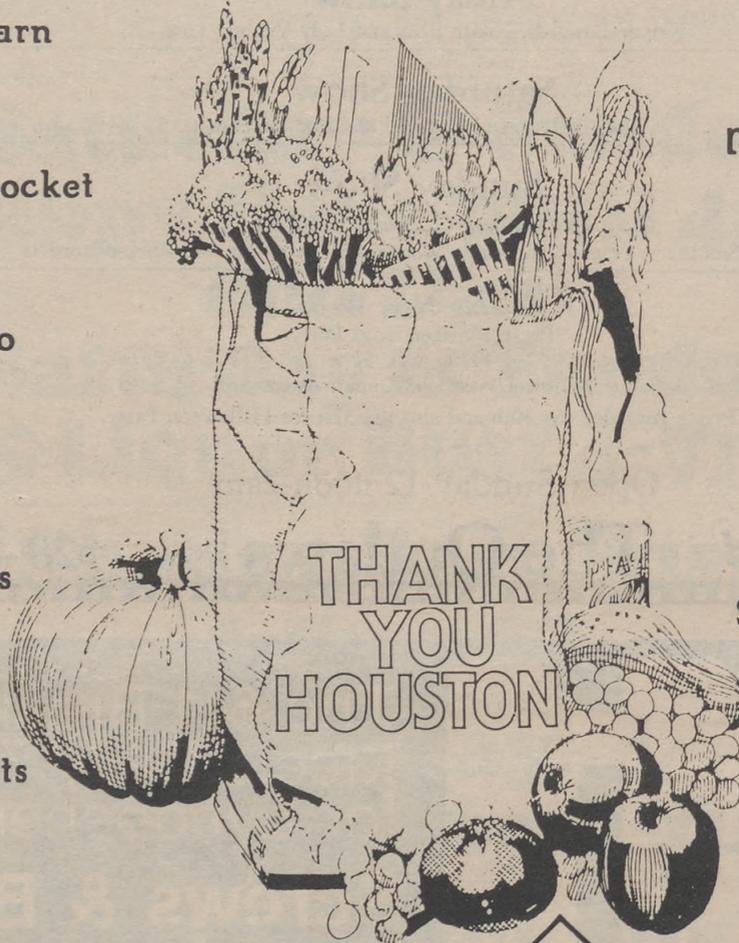
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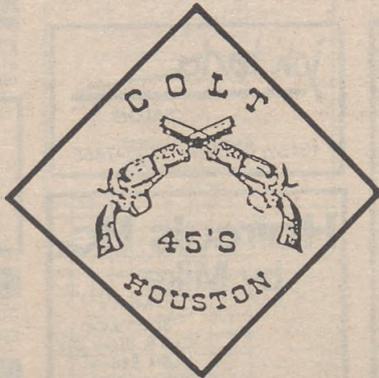


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## ADVERTISING

**PROVIDING A SERVICE?**  
Keep it listed here in the Voice where literally thousands turn each week.

**TARGET YOUR MARKET**  
A brochure, newsletter, promotion can help our business target your goals and reach your market. Call 524-0409.

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Life stimulation and re-affirmation committee is in session. This health and healing meeting will come to order at 8pm Thursday night. For location, call 520-8232.

## VENTURE CAPITAL

I am looking for investors who will take an equity share in a motion picture production that could make a difference in world peace and bring in 10-fold the original investment. For more information, call or write: Alpha to Omega Seminars, P.O. Box 66715, Houston, TX 77006. (713) 526-4220.

## ANSWERING SERVICES

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SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**BEEPERS**  
For Sale  
only \$29 each

**ANSWERING SERVICE**  
only \$12 monthly

**ELECTRONIC MESSAGE CENTER**  
only \$12 month

Call today  
Page Me!  
Electronic  
Message Center  
**621-2822**

## ATTORNEY

ROBERT E. DELANY, 520-5226  
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**WILLS-ESTATES**

Free Calls  
Signing at Home  
or Hospital

Fees as low as \$50  
**Robert E. Delany**

Attorney-Montrose Area  
**(713) 520-5226**

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The Law Offices of  
Daniel W. Louie, P.C.  
Practice Limited to Personal Injury,  
and Worker's Compensation

**James S. Walker**  
Attorney at Law  
4515 Yoakum  
Boulevard  
Houston 526-4300  
Statewide  
1-800-833-0250  
Se Habla Espanol

Located in the Ross Sterling  
Mansion, in the Historic  
Montrose, Museum District.

Not Bd. Cert. Tex. Bd. Leg. Spec.

JOHN PAUL BARNICH, 2100 Travis  
#1214, 739-0202  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

JAMES S. WALKER, 4515 Yoakum,  
526-4300  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

JAMES D. HESS, 3407 Montrose #205,  
521-9216

## AUTO REPAIR

MONTROSE AUTO REPAIR, 2516  
Genesee (100 Pacific), 526-3723  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

TAFT AUTOMOTIVE, 1411 Taft,  
522-2190  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**MONTROSE AUTO REPAIR**

Free Estimates  
All Work Guaranteed  
**2516 Genesee**  
(100 Pacific)  
**526-3723**  
Carburetors Rebuilt  
Electrical Repairs  
All Brake Work

## BARBER SHOPS, HAIR SALONS

HAIR BUSINESS APPOINTMENT,  
256-2626  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

Dino's Barber Shop, 302 W. 11th, 863-  
1520. Haircuts \$6 and up!

RICHARD MARQUEZ/THE ROMAN,  
2602 Whitney, 522-2263, 522-8576  
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PARKER/THE ROMAN, 2602 Whitney,  
522-8576  
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HAIRCUTS BY MIKE, 522-3003  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

JON BARTON, 1515 1/2 Dunlavy,  
522-7866  
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**WARM SENSATION**  
Free tanning Session with Cut  
by  
**PARKER**  
Every Saturday at  
**THE ROMAN**  
522-8576  
WALK-INS WELCOME

jon barton  
SALON

1515 1/2 Dunlavy 522-7866

**Haircuts Etc.**  
by Mike

Men's Shampoo  
Cut & Blow Dry  
\$14  
by Mike

Complimentary  
Beer & Wine  
with Appointments  
Mon-Fri. 9-6  
Saturdays 9-3  
**522-3003**

## BARS

**BAR LISTINGS?**  
Our bar listings have moved to the BAR  
ZAAR pages.

**Exile II**

The Legend Continues ...  
Still a Texas Tradition  
302 Tuam—528-9809

**Montrose Mining Co.**  
805 Pacific Street  
529-7488

Beer Bust 4pm-10pm M-S  
Sunday 4pm-Midnight

**VENTURE**

Beer Bust—7 days a week  
Cash Pool Tournaments  
Tues. & Thurs. 7:30pm  
2923 MAIN 522-0000

## BOOKS

BOOKSTOP, Alabama at Shepherd,  
529-2345  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

## CABLE TV

**WARNER CABLE**

Live Wire  
Installation Special  
**\$9.95**  
**FREE**  
First Month Standard Service  
Limited Time Offer  
For Details  
Call Paul **731-8146**

## CARS AND BIKES

**SELL YOUR CAR**  
through a Montrose Voice classified ad.  
Call 529-8490.

## CHURCHES

KINGDOM COMMUNITY CHURCH,  
614 E. 19th, 880-3527, 351-4217  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**Kingdom  
Community Church**  
Join Our Family in 1987  
614 E. 19th Sundays 11am

862-7533

## COMMERCIAL SPACE

**GAY BAR FOR LEASE**  
Est. 10 yrs. 523-6900 Agent.

## COUNSELING

DR. NICHOLAS EDD, 2128 Welch, 527-  
8680  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

## DENTIST

RONALD M. BUTLER, D.D.S., 427  
Westheimer, 524-0538  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**Ronald M. Butler**  
D.D.S.

427 Westheimer  
Houston, TX 77005  
Monday thru Saturday  
Hours by Appointment  
**(713) 524-0538**

## DRESSES

GARDNER SALES CO. 2420 Bissonnet,  
526-9469.  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**DWELLINGS, ROOMMATES,  
HOUSES/APTS. FOR  
SALE, RENT, LEASE**

**MOVE IN TODAY!**  
FREE RENT!

til Nov. 1. GWM looking for employed  
GWM or GHM to share large 2 br, 2 bath  
apt. in Greenway area. \$225/mo. All bills  
paid. Call David today 623-2664 for  
details evenings til 11pm

Walk to Herman Park. Charming court-  
yard apt. Quiet, cozy, one bedroom \$225.  
2 bedroom \$295, controlled entry gate!  
895-2873.

Large updated 1/1—Off-street parking,  
on-site laundry, well-maintained. Com-  
monwealth/ Montrose. \$300. 520-9768.  
Metropolitan Management.

Low move-in—2/1 in fourplex. Central  
a/h, off-street parking. Fargo & Stanford,  
\$325. 520-9768. Metropolitan Manage-  
ment.

All bills paid—1/1 & 2/1, carpeted, pool,  
on-site laundry, central a/h, \$300-\$425.  
Montrose & Colquitt. 520-9768. Metropol-  
itan Management.

Large 1/1—central a/h, dishwasher,  
enclosed patio, hardwoods/ carpet.  
Montrose Blvd. \$350. 520-9768. Metropol-  
itan Management.

Low move in—large 1/1 & 2/1 in four-  
plexes. 900-1400 square feet. Hardwoods,  
sunrooms, spacious. \$300-\$400. Mont-  
rose & W. Clay. 520-9768. Metropolitan  
Management.

Updated living—large 1/1, central a/h,  
carpeted, mock fireplace, built in book-  
shelves, dishwasher, on-site laundry and  
large pool. Convenient Kirby location.  
\$279. 520-9768. Metropolitan Manage-  
ment.

One bedroom, small quiet complex,  
security gates, w/d on premises. \$260  
plus electric. 529-8178.

Nice 2/1—beautiful 2/1 in fourplex, wood-  
burning fireplace, dishwasher, hard-  
woods, off-street parking. W. Alabama/  
Brandt. \$375. 520-9768. Metropolitan  
Management.

Cozy garage apartment—1/1, hard-  
woods, secure, on bus-line, close to  
downtown. W. Alabama/ Brandt. \$225 low  
deposit. 520-9768. Metropolitan Manage-  
ment.

Large 2/1 in duplex—1100-plus square  
feet, hardwoods. Reduced rents! \$350.  
Stanford/ W. Pierce. 520-9768. Metropol-  
itan Management.

Secure 1/1—Nice 1/1 in 10-plex, new  
carpet, fresh paint, security gates, on-site  
laundry, off-street parking. \$250. Mont-  
rose/ Yupon. 520-9768. Metropolitan  
Management.

\$39 deposits & 1 months free rent! Sound  
interesting? Call today for all the details  
and best selection. Metropolitan Manage-  
ment Co., 4414 Montrose Blvd., 520-9768.  
Hours: 9:00-6:00 M-F, 10:00-4:00 Sat.,  
12:30-4:30 Sun.

Montrose—one bedroom apartment in  
all-adult complex. All appliances, pool,  
central a/c, security gates and laundry.  
Free gas heat. New carpet. 306 Stratford  
at Taft. \$295 plus electric. 523-6109.

Montrose 2-1, duplex, newly remodeled,  
hardwood floors. \$395 plus bills. 520-  
6166.

**SEEKING NON-SMOKING G/W, H/M,  
SHARE TWO BEDROOM APT. ON HAW-  
THORNE AT GRAUSTARK IN MONT-  
ROSE. \$200, ALL BILLS PAID. (713)  
528-6539.**

Montrose/ Marshall, 2 bedroom, new  
paint, new carpet, ceiling fans, pool, car-  
port, CA/CH, gas stove. \$425/ mo. 524-  
8683.

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can NOT be changed once ordered. Our  
computer allows only that classified ads  
can be CANCELED and then (if desired)  
another ad placed. (Thus, we start over.)  
And remember, if an ad is canceled in the  
middle of a 4-week or 13-week run, you  
lose your 15% or 25% discount. The ear-  
lier weeks that ran will be back-billed at  
the open rate, not your discount rate.

## New in Town?

Looking for a  
New Place to Live?  
Don't Know Where to Start?

Free Service  
Call Mike Spear  
**520-9898**  
Acker Blum & Assoc.

## EMPLOYMENT, JOBS WANTED

Daycare position. 2-6pm. Mon.-Fri.  
\$100/wk. Good English skills and referen-  
ces required. Neartown 523-3633.

Floral designer, Heights area, must be  
experienced and creative, non-smoker.  
880-5683.

Young, experienced waiter for night shift.  
Apply Charlie's Coffee Shop.

**EXCITING NEW OPPORTUNITY**  
For articulate arts-oriented individual  
with established performing arts publica-  
tion. Arts background sales experience  
helpful. Call George Finwick. 526-5323.

## (MISC.) FOR SALE

Must sell seldom found genuine antiques,  
chandeliers, tables, empire chest, lamps,  
decorator items, silver, crystal and  
clothes. Sat. only Oct. 24, 9-4, 3150 Las  
Palmas.

Incredible stacks of stuff. Just bought a  
30,000 sq. ft. building full of theatrical  
sets. Need to clean it out this weekend.  
Downtown at 1302 Nance St. 3 blocks  
east of U. of H. downtown. Sat. & Sun.  
10:00-6:00. 227-7208.

Fine jewelry for the entire family, discount  
prices, precious and semi-precious  
stones. For catalogue, send \$2 cash or  
money order, refundable on first order to  
G&W Distributors. 8222 Kingsbrook Dr.,  
Suite 522. Houston, Texas 77024.

For sale, motorcycle trailer, holds 3 bikes.  
Call 522-7866.

## FUNERAL DIRECTORS

CREMATION SERVICE INTERNA-  
TIONAL, 692-5555, 363-9999  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

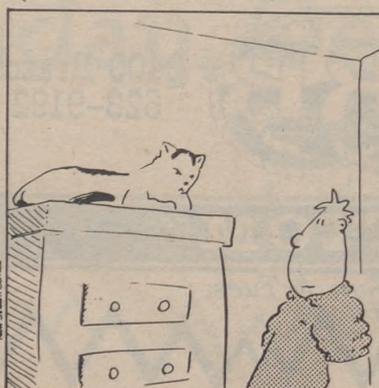
## HAIR PIECES

HAIR BUSINESS, Angie 956-2626 days,  
Gene 523-1325 eyes  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

## HEALTH CENTERS, GYMS

**HOUSTON  
CLUB BODY  
CENTER**  
2205 FANNIN 77002  
(713) 659-4998

EYE BEAM



by Sam Hurt

CLUB BODY CENTER, 2205 Fannin, 659-4998  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**INSURANCE**

Major medical insurance available for individuals. Life insurance available with no physical examination. Call Brian 266-8832.

CYNTHIA H. MANSKER INSURANCE, 3311 W. Alabama #100, 522-2792  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

Are you tired of struggling with the high cost of insurance? Call today for a free competitive quote.

**Cynthia H. Mansker Insurance Agency**  
522-2792

Auto • Homeowners • Renters • Life Health • Commercial

**LAWN CARE**

BETTER LAWN & GARDENS, 523-LAWN  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**MEDICAL SERVICES**

ACT HEALTH SERVICES, 467-1822  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

PROCTOR CLINIC, 4126 SW Fwy #1616, 12 Oaks Tower, 960-1616  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

SUMMIT AREA CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC, 3222 Marquart, 963-9143  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

STEVE D. MARTINEZ, M.D., 12 Oaks Tower, 4126 SW Fwy #1000, 621-7771

**AIDS PREVENTION Testing and Counseling**

- Totally Anonymous
- 24 Hr. Test Results Available
- Professional Health Counselors
- HIV Antibody Testing
- Desirable Location

**ACT HEALTH SERVICE INC.**  
(713) 467-1822

**MODELS, ESCORTS, MASSEURS**

**THE OVERNIGHT EXPERIENCE**

Dinner, culture (a play, art opening or new movie), bar tour (3 rounds), late night snack, ..., morning massage (certified), and brunch. Now that's an escort! \$200 (expenses included). Must reserve it by the evening before. (713) 981-3075.

**THE BEST OF RUBS**

Dennis (713) 520-8232. \$15 total.

Super massage. Feel the very best that you can. Non-sexual. Professional credentials. 10am-10pm. John 774-0919.

**Rx: RELAX**

Real massage at reasonable rates: Bill (713) 869-2298.

Bodyrubs, muscular, masculine, hairy, hunky, anytime. Midweek specials. 684-6672.

**THOM OF HUSTON**  
523-6577

Stop getting rubbed the wrong way. Fri-Mon. Carl 622-3942.

**BODY RUBS 24 HRS.**  
713-529-3970

**Rx: RELAX**

Massage: A soothing, sensual, non-sexual experience at a reasonable price—\$30 minimum. Available 24 hrs. on a one hour notice. Bill O'Rourke, MST. 869-2298.

**A PREMIUM SERVICE**  
Bodyrubs 24 hrs. 661-0665.

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Brad's Good Vibrations. The ultimate body rub. 24 hr. 7 days a week. Call 984-0231.

Soft, sensual bodyrubs. Weekday evenings, weekends. Marc (713) 523-8938.

Relaxing, soothing, rubdown by experienced professional. Stephen 640-6422.

**MOVERS**

**MOVEMASTERS**

Boxes, tool Visa, MC, Amex welcome. 1925 Westheimer. 630-6555.

**HOUSTON/ MOVING?**  
T.S.T. & Co. MOVERS

\$49/hr. October only with this ad. 981-0706.

**PATIO FURNITURE**

Patio and More, 2704 Lincoln, 523-1114. Sat. 9-6.

**PERSONALS**

Hey **SPEECHLESS**, Hope your birthday is as wonderful as I think you are...**ARRGH**.

**IT'S BETTER IN LEATHER**

I'm just one of 1000's of guys who love the smell, look and touch of a real Leatherman. Let's get together on the Private, Low-Cost Sex-Link. 415/346-8747.

**LIFEMATE**

Realize how long a single roll of toilet paper takes to use up for just one person who is alone and depression will eat you. Being alone for some is a dream with no return on it. Together is return. To meet and be wherever need exists in your lifemate. Not a bad devotion. One-sided selfish imagination says you can grow old alone. Seeking GWM, 38 to 50. Roles not necessary. Just be you. No trips, S&M, etc. Me: GWM, 40, a little over average height, dark red/grn, very sharing—receiving—affectionate person. Medium weight. Looks are okay. 96.5 and KIKK Radio. Loves home, pets, treasure plundering, T.V., movies, Christmas, Thanksgiving, birthdays, to grocery shopping together. Be for me and I'll take you. Detailed letter about you with first name and phone. Blind Ad 365-B c/o Voice. Go for it. Destiny isn't your lack of faith. Being alone is.

**PADDLINGS & WATCHBANDS**

Hard paddlings wanted by GWM, 35, 5'9", 165. Corporal punishment scenes desired. I also have a fetish for Spield Twist-O-Flex watchbands. Other interests include light bondage and wearing leather. Write Jim, P.O. Box 66034, Houston.

Especially attractive WM, 5'8", 135 lbs, 28 yrs, advanced degree, professional & successful career, new to Houston, desires to meet an exceptionally attractive, masculine professional man with diverse interests for a quality relationship. Thoughtful letter & photo to: Ad 365-J, c/o Voice.

Monthly gay, lesbian, TV personal ad magazine now forming. Place your free personal ad by calling, (713) 981-3077.

**MARCH ON WASHINGTON**

Videotapes of rally, march, wedding, etc! VHS, Hi Fi Dolby Stereo, \$45. 523-7133.

**ORIENTALS**

Sincere only, GWM, 50, seeks sincere friend. Mac. 782-4457.

Wanted part-time house slave into bondage and S&M to serve master and boy. Send application and photo to Blind Box 363-A c/o Voice.

**RESPONDING TO A MONTROSE VOICE BLIND AD**

It's easy to respond to a "Blind Ad" in the Montrose Voice. Simply address your response to Montrose Voice, 408 Avondale, Houston, Texas 77006 with the Blind Ad number appearing plainly on the outside of the envelope.

**SUSIE'S RECORDED LOVE STORIES,**  
976-3600, 976-3700  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**976-GABB, 976-4222**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**DIAL DUDE, 976-3833**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**LIVE ACTION NETWORK, 976-8500**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**RULES FOR THE PERSONALS:** Personals (and other advertising) should not describe or imply a description of sexual organs or acts. No Personals should be directed to minors. Advertising must be "positive," not "negative." (If you have certain preferences in other people, list the qualities you desire. Please don't be negative by listing the kinds of people or qualities you don't desire.) Thank you, and happy hunting.

**CONFIDENTIAL PHOTO FINISHING**  
Henry's One-Hour Photo has moved to 408 Avondale, in the same building as the Montrose Voice. Open Monday-Friday 9am-6pm.

**SAFE SEX?**

For your mental health, have sex. For your physical health, make it safe sex. Safe sex is where there are no bodily fluids exchanged. The virus which leads to an AIDS condition is believed usually transmitted from one person to another from blood or semen. Those who are "receptive" are especially at risk. Do condoms protect? They certainly help. But condoms MUST be used with a water-based lubricant. Petroleum or vegetable-based lubricants will actually dissolve the condom and eliminate the protection. Please "Play Safe."

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
★ **SUSIE'S** ★  
★ **RECORDED** ★  
★ **LOVE STORIES** ★  
★ *She'll Whisper Sweet* ★  
★ *Nothings In Your Ear* ★  
★ **CALL 713-976-3600** ★  
★ **DIRECT 713-976-3700** ★  
★ **NOW!** ★  
★ No Membership Necessary ★  
★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

**ATTENTION SWINGERS**

Meet gay, bi's, guys, girls, couples, bondage, S&M, all sorts

We have current Houston area swinger listings. Hot action phone numbers.

Texas and local connections.  
See Our Swingers Section.

**DINER'S NEWS**  
240 Westheimer  
522-9679

**A CLASSIFIED AFFAIR?**

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

**PEST CONTROL**

RESULTS, 223-4000  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**PHOTO FINISHING**

**1 HOUR QUALITY PHOTO**  
WE DO IT ALL! Printing and developing, enlargements, jumbo prints, film, Kodak paper, 2615 Waugh Dr. 520-1010.

**HENRY'S 1 HOUR PHOTO, 408 Avondale, 529-8490**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**PRINTING**

PRINTEX PLUS, 1617 W. Alabama, 524-4365  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**SPEEDY PRINTING, 5400 Bellaire Blvd, 687-7417**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**PSYCHOLOGISTS**

GLENN STERNES, 3233 Wesleyan #205, 622-7806  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**DR. NICHOLAS EDD, 2128 Welch, 527-8680**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**Dr. Nicholas Edd, Psy.D**  
PSYCHOLOGIST  
Insurance and Credit Cards Accepted—24 Hour Phone Service  
Memorial City Prof. Bldg. 1  
902 Frostwood Ste 269  
Houston 77024 — 465-2377  
Montrose: 2128 Welch, 527-8680

**RESTAURANTS**

**CHARLIE'S, 1102 Westheimer, 522-3332**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**POT PIE, 1525 Westheimer, 528-4350**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

*Charlie's*  
Coffee Shop  
1102 Westheimer  
Daily Specials  
522-3332

**SPAS**

**SPA-TO-GO 5816 S.W. Frwy. 772-8646**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**TIRES**

**THE TIRE PLACE, 1307 Fairview, 529-1414**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

529-1414  
**THE TIRE PLACE**  
ALL BRANDS  
1307 Fairview —  
3 blks West of Montrose

**TRAVEL**

**NEW ORLEANS GUEST HOUSE, 1118 Ursulines, (504) 566-1177**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**TYPESETTING**

**SAME DAY TYPESETTERS, 408 Avondale, 529-08490**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**VIDEO**

**DINERS NEWS, 240 Westheimer, 522-9679**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**LOBO VIDEO, 1424-C Westheimer, 522-5156**  
SEE OUR DISPLAY AD

**YARD & GARAGE SALES**

**COSTUMES**

Belly dance and other, furniture and upholstery, small appliances, clothes, misc., Sat. only Oct. 24, 9-6. 2603 Genesse at Fairview (between Brazos & Montrose)

Incredible stacks of stuff. Just bought a 30,000 sq. ft. building full of theatrical sets. Need to clean it out this weekend. Downtown at 1302 Nance St. 3 blocks east of U. of H. downtown. Sat. & Sun. 10:00-6:00, 227-7208.

**HAVING A YARD SALE?**

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

**Deadline for all Classified and Display Advertising is 5pm Wednesday to appear in Friday's Newspaper.**  
For more information call 529-8490  
Montrose Voice  
"The Newspaper of Montrose"

**ADS BY THE WORD**

Rate: 40¢ per regular word per week. **55¢ for regular bold. 70¢ FOR BOLD ALL CAPS.** Bold headline (up to 4 words) on a line by itself, \$3 per week. All other words on lines by themselves, \$3 per line per week. Blind ad number assigned \$3 per week that ad runs. (Responses will be forwarded indefinitely.) Run identical ad for 4 weeks and deduct 15%. For 13 weeks deduct 25%. HOWEVER, regardless of discount or length of ad, minimum charge is \$3 per week per ad.

**ADS BY THE INCH**

In addition to our regular classified rates of paying "by the word," you can purchase space here "by the inch." Since these are considered "Display Ads," not "Classified Ads," you can include special art, logos or fancy typestyles.

REGULAR RATE		
1" \$34	2" \$44	3" \$54
1 AD PER WEEK for 4 WEEKS		
RATE		
1" \$29	2" \$39	3" \$49
1 AD PER WEEK for 13 WEEKS		
RATE		
1" \$24	2" \$34	3" \$44
1 AD PER WEEK for 26 WEEKS		
RATE		
1" \$19	2" \$29	3" \$39

**Place a 'Personal Ad' in Next Week's Montrose Voice**

Seek a date, an adventure, an encounter

Send a message for all to see to someone you love

Advertise your secret fantasy

TO PLACE A 'PERSONAL' IN THE NEWSPAPER OF MONTROSE, JUST CALL

**529-8490**

# "For Love and For Life, We're Not Going Back."

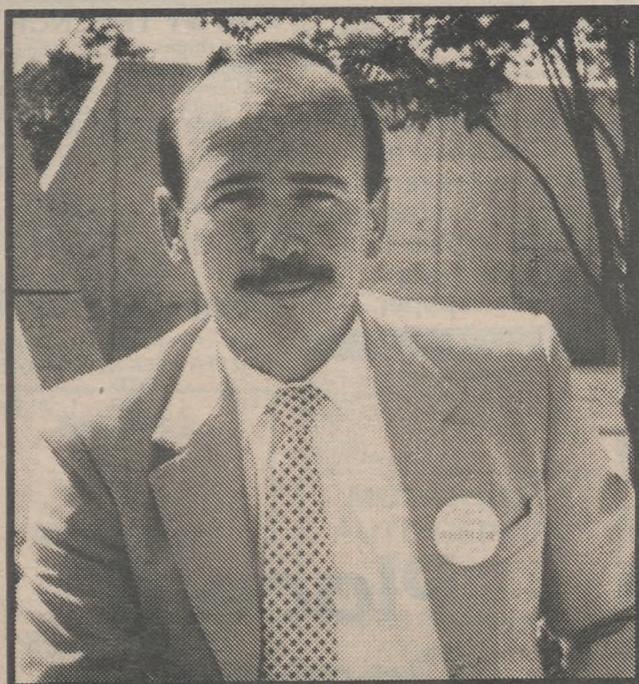
"The time of being political groupies has ended."

—Harvey Milk

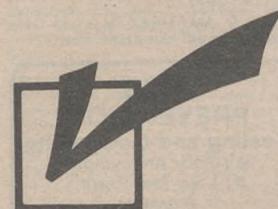
*The Life and Times of Harvey Milk*

"The time to become strong is NOW!"

—Stephen G. Shimer



## VOTE FOR



# STEVE SHIMER

**—DON'T BE TURNED AWAY AGAIN—**

- The gay and lesbian community must learn the lesson that other minorities have learned before us!!!

## **THE ONLY REPRESENTATION WE ARE EVER GOING TO GET IS OUR OWN REPRESENTATION**

- Do not be fooled again by politicians who say they are sympathetic to our concerns. We have the opportunity in this election to stand strong and regain the leadership position we once enjoyed. Together we can achieve our goals in our struggle for full equality.

- Keep the momentum of the March on Washington alive. Together we can show this City that we are going to elect one of our own!

Economic revitalization of our district and community will be hampered until Houston's educational system is improved, the crime problem is solved, and the AIDS crisis is met.

- I can and will provide strong leadership for the AIDS programs of the City, County, churches, schools, media, press, medical community, police, and youth groups.

To help Steve get elected, call your friends and call campaign headquarters at [713] 529-4677.

**Stephen G. Shimer Headquarters—3400 Montrose, Suite 109**

Paid for by the Stephen G. Shimer Campaign. Phyllis Moore, Treasurer