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DATELINE: HOUSTON

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force director to address HGLPC dinner

Torie Osborne, the executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) will be the keynote speaker at this year's Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus (HGLPC) fundraising dinner.

Osborne also heads the NGLTF Policy Institute, a gay and lesbian "think tank."

Osborne has described the gay and lesbian civil rights movement as a struggle "for the very soul of American democracy," with the lives of future generations of gays and lesbians in the balance. She has stated that among the successes of the gay/lesbian movement is the link forged between those activists working with the system and proponents of non-violent, direct action which, she says, "has been successful in cracking even the most entrenched bureaucracies, like the FDA."

"Matching the strength," she says, "of the growing minority of well-organized bigots who want us to shut up or go away and die requires not only that all of our community and political organizations work together, but that we do it well. Unity is not a Utopian ideal in the 1990s; it is how we will survive and how we will win."

Prior to taking on the leadership position of the NGLTF last year, Osborne served as executive director, and previously financial director for the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Community



Torie Osborne

Services Center, beginning in 1984.

The annual HGLPC fundraising dinner will take place at the Four Seasons Hotel on Saturday, August 21st. Tickets are \$50 per person or \$350 for a table of eight. Contact HGLPC for further information.

Houston

Health Conference

Hundreds of health care professionals and service providers converged on Houston last week for the 15th National Lesbian and Gay Health Conference

and 11th annual AIDS/HIV forum.

The conference was sponsored jointly by the National Lesbian and Gay Health Foundation and the George Washington University Medical Center. The conference's theme this year was "Taking care of each other: making our voices heard." Voices were heard on Friday when a number of conference participants staged a protest outside the Federal building downtown to demand increased federal funding for AIDS treatment and research.

Workshops were held concurrently in several tracks, ranging from hard science, predominantly focusing on current AIDS research and women's health issues, to administrative and fundraising strategies for service providing organizations. Mental health issues were also prominent.

DATELINE: AUSTIN

Austin Gay-Lesbian Town Meeting aspires to envision the future

By JIM RAWSON

The New Voice/Austin

Men and women from every part of the gay, lesbian, and bisexual communities of Austin came together last Wednesday evening in an unprecedented forum. "InVision, A Family Gathering" was the first in what organizers say will be a series of "town hall" style meetings to discuss issues of concern and attempt to unify our diverse communities.

Sponsored by the Capital City Community Center, the gathering was held at the Metropolitan Community Church of Austin on Woodward. In attendance were roughly 150 members and officers of various gay and lesbian organizations as well as interested individuals. The town hall was the idea of Allen Drexel who described it as "an evening of dreaming, discussing, and sharing." In his welcoming speech, Drexel said that he was inspired by the late Harvey Milk who spoke of "that kid in San Antonio, Texas who's growing up different." In that same address Milk had said that such a person could try to fit in and go along, move to San

Francisco, or try to make things better where he was. Drexel, a San Antonio native, felt that he was that kid.

Realizing that there is a lack of communication and coordination in Austin, Drexel convinced C.C.C.C. to put together "InVision."

After a few opening remarks and a discussion of ground rules, the meeting became an open forum where anyone in attendance was allowed to speak. The basic concepts discussed were the existence of a "community" in Austin, issues of inclusion and exclusion, and visions of a better future for gays and lesbians. Several speakers in addressing the future talked of a time without segregation, violence, and discrimination. Patrick, a representative of Out Youth, said, "I would like to be able to walk down the street holding my friend's hand without hearing a gasp."

Facilitators Dee Duffy, Toby Johnson, and Marvin Prevest kept the three-hour meeting in order and opened new areas for discussion. Some participants brought up the lack of a physical gay/

lesbian community in Austin. Unlike many major cities, homosexuals are integrated into the capital city as a whole—there is not a "gay district." Members of our various communities work together, live side by side, and mix freely. Sonny Hood of the Austin Lesbian and Gay Political Caucus noted that, while this makes communication and unity more difficult, it is also the ideal that many leaders in other cities are striving toward. He said, "What is our biggest strength is also our weakness."

Jay, who recently moved to Austin from Los Angeles, said, "The vision of community for me already exists here. It is a community of inclusion, of individuals who love and support each other and encourage other's growth. In other places where I've lived 'someone else' is always being put down or oppressed—not here. I experience a lot of community in Austin."

A major point of interest and discussion was the Capital City Community Center. First conceived two years ago, the Center at this point exists

solely on paper and in the minds of its board of directors. Representing C.C.C.C. at the town hall was Sean Thompson, secretary and public relations chair. Many participants shared ideas on the establishment of a center, commenting that a physical focal point and center of communication for lesbians and gays would do much to unify and organize the community. Thompson stated that input is always welcome and that the board for C.C.C.C. meets on the third Monday of each month at the Moondance Diner on Congress Avenue. A telephone line with information on the center has been set up and can be reached at 472-CCCC (2222).

Organizers and those participating were pleased overall with "InVision." One woman commented, "I have never seen a gathering like this in Austin. There are men, women, gays, lesbians, bisexuals, transgendered of every race and color here. There are young and old, healthy and disabled. This is a terrific thing." According to Allen Drexel there are future meetings in the works.

DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

New Mississippi gay group plans march in Ocean Springs in August

OCEAN SPRINGS, Miss., Saturday, July 24 (AP)—GL Friendly, the 2-week-old support group for gays that planned to establish community centers on the coast, is planning a parade through Ocean Springs in August.

The group, now forming the Gulf Coast Chapter of the Mississippi Gay and Lesbian Task Force, is considering a boycott of businesses because the city accepted petitions from people opposed to the com-

munity center.

"GL Friendly was not a public issue. It was private and they made it public," said Todd Emerson, the Ocean Springs resident who founded the organization. "We're forming the second group for our public agenda."

Members of the First Baptist Church of Ocean Springs began petitions to stop the organization, and others have joined in.

"We're just going to wait and see what happens now," said David Aultman, the church's pastor.

The petition appealed to the city to "stop this effort by a small minority to impose and promote this lifestyle as a normal thing and to turn our community into a microcosm of what has happened in San Francisco."

City Alderman John McKay said he

totally opposes the group's public stance.

"I don't want to be someone out leading the fight to stop them. They have the right to meet," McKay said Friday. "Nobody wants them to lose their civil rights, but they don't have to push their beliefs on our society."

"They had a right to meet and handle this among themselves. They didn't have to blab it all over the world," McKay said.

DATELINE: HOUSTON

New Houston Jewish social group provides space to link identities

By SHAUN KEENAN GILSON

The New Voice/Houston

Mishpach Alizim, meaning literally, "family of gay people" is a new and growing social group primarily, but not limited to, lesbian and gay Jews. Marcy Rothman, one of the group's founders, said that they began "testing the waters" in 1991 and rapidly found a 105 member mailing list on their hands.

Convinced by this that Mishpach Alizim filled a gap in Houston's lesbian and gay community, they went forward and organized their first Chanukah party. Now, the group has regularly scheduled social and spiritual activities.

For Rothman, the goal is clear but complex. She wants to help create an environment where, she said, she could "harmonize her gay identity and her Jewish identity."

Richard, another early member of the group has similar goals. "Strictly services turn me off," he said, "and it's hard to get involved in Jewish groups if you are both Jewish and gay."

As Mishpach Alizim continues to formalize its structure, it wants to expand its outreach activities, to as Rothman says, "make it safer to integrate within our own community."

Rothman said that they expect that the group will eventually be accepted by



Members of Mishpach Alizim

some of Houston's reformed Temples. "The fact of the matter is," Rothman said, "we are an affluent group that could swell their congregations."

The group now has a ten member board with a male and female co-chair structure to avoid becoming dominated by one sex. People who are not Jewish are welcome at the group's events, Rothman stresses.

For more information, you can write to Mishpach Alizim, P.O. Box 980136, Houston, TX 77298-0136.

(Photo by Sharon Stewart, Impact Visuals. It previously appeared in Out magazine.)

Last week, before a uniformed audience at the National Defense University and entering a few respectful paces behind Colin Powell, President Clinton announced his so called lifting of the ban against gays and lesbians in the military. It is best summarized by a Stephen Kroninger cartoon in The Village Voice showing an armed guard before a closet door: "Gay and lesbian progress in the military—old policy: You're kicked out if you lie. New policy: You're kicked out if you tell the truth."

The new policy and the additions by Senator Sam Nunn attached to the defense budget appropriations have been analyzed sufficiently for us to say simply that any change is not particularly for the better. Defense Secretary Aspin put it best in response to a question from Nunn, that gay men and lesbians would be better off not joining the military. And this was Clinton's goal?

One factoid worth remembering is that in the final closed door meeting between Clinton and seven of his closest advisers the night before the announcement only one person advised the President to totally lift the ban: Vice President Al Gore. Unfortunately the backbone ran no further.

Another factoid to record for future reference, say in 1996, Bob Hattoy, who spoke as a PWA at the Democratic National Convention and has been outspoken even in his post in the White House, was quietly moved from his proximity to Clinton to a cubbyhole in the Department of the Interior.

Recently The New Voice and a few other gay newspapers reported the attempted outing of Oklahoma Senator David Boren. The Village Voice was the only other publication to

pick up the story and it relied primarily on an article in The Texas Triangle.

Richard Petrelis of Washington D. C. Queer Nation engineered the attempt based apparently on a profile in Michelangelo Signorile's Queer in America of a senator accused of sexual harassment against male staffers. As the Village Voice points out Signorile's statement that said senator publicly denied he was a homosexual could easily be checked out since there appears to be only one sitting senator who has made such a statement—David Boren.

Doug Ireland in The Village Voice also points out that it would be an easy matter, for any investigative reporter, to obtain a list of Boren's present and past staff and make a few calls. Ireland, himself, acknowledges that he spoke with one such former staffer who alleged such sexual harassment.

Granted the American press has long been reluctant to expose our beloved members of Congress. But take heart, fearless knights of the Fourth Estate, Congress is now held in lower repute than the President of the United States. Currently 41 per cent of the public believe Clinton is doing a good job

(bombing Iraq helped his numbers) while only 29 per cent approved of Congress' job performance. In the private sector they would all be fired.

However, this lack of approval rating does not mean defeat for our fearless defenders of the pork. The same poll also showed that while voters overwhelmingly disapproved of the performance of Congress, a majority—53 per cent—would reelect their own congressman. Go figure.

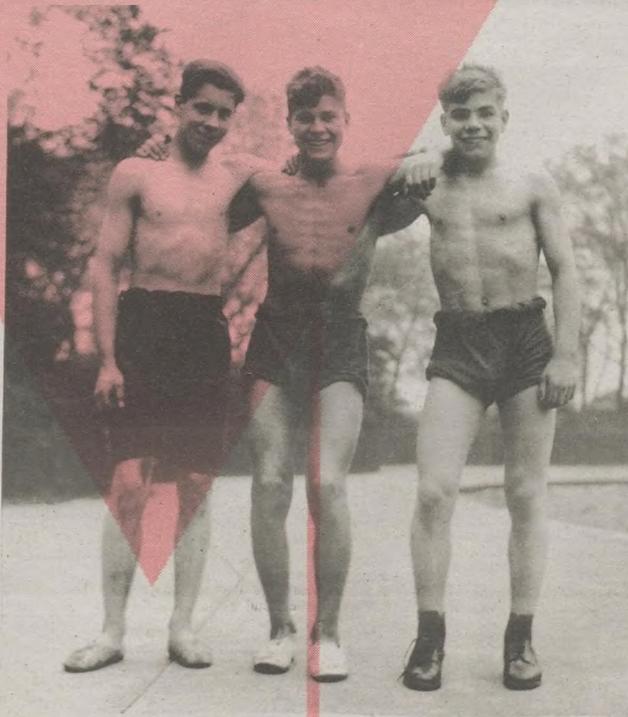
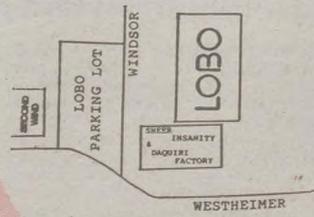


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▼▼▼ DATELINE: TEXAS

Personal stories from the military continue to surface in face of new rule

By SHAUN KEENAN GILSON

The New Voice/Houston

As politicians and activists attempt to translate what the actual meaning of the new military policy on gays and lesbians will mean, new individual stories continue to gain public attention around the country. In Texas, Heidi DeJesus has joined the ranks of the military "outed."

It wasn't her idea, but now she is ready to fight.

The framework of her story is not entirely unfamiliar. It matches that of many other lesbians who were forced to leave the service. DeJesus said that she didn't realize she was a lesbian when she joined the Air Force. "I had no clue," she said, "I didn't understand what was happening to me until the end of the first year I was in."

Upon realizing her orientation, she decided to isolate herself. And then she met Laura.

Laura "Little" Garcia remains DeJesus' partner now, a year after the Air Force invaded their private lives.

DeJesus contends that her troubles on base began, not through being caught with Garcia, but by spurning the advances of a male Air Force member. The man she charges now with sexual harassment is an Air Force reserve member and a captain in the Border Patrol. She feels strongly that women do not have equal rights in the military when it comes to sex, whether or not they are lesbian. "This kind of harassment, when it comes from men (on the base) is socially acceptable, even encouraged."

Once DeJesus was accused of lesbianism, a seemingly unstoppable chain of events was set into motion. An internal investigation unearthed her relationship with Garcia, and the colonels went after her first. In exchange for an honorable discharge, Garcia

revealed the details of her affair with DeJesus. Despite the potential strain that could have damaged their relationship, DeJesus said that she understands. "They took her into another room and really put the pressure on her. If it was me, I know they would have gotten a confession from me too," she recalls.

Harassment of DeJesus continued last fall on the San Angelo base. High ranking officials obtained a warrant to search her apartment for pornographic materials and her "top-secret" security clearance was revoked. While the case is pending DeJesus continues to work on base, although she lives off the base. Among her peers, she said that she has received a great deal of support, "much to the disappointment of the colonels" who orchestrated the investigation and subsequent charges.

A preliminary hearing was held in March in which DeJesus was charged with having an "unprofessional rela-

tionship" and engaging in "homosexual conduct." The legal proceedings continue and it is not clear what, if any, impact the new military rules toward homosexual conduct will have on her case.

She said she plans to see the case through because she is outraged by the fact that the man she accuses of sexual harassment and credits with bringing this attention on herself has had no action taken against him. "It really brought me out," she said, "and I don't want there to be any doubt about why this happened...and why this man is still around."

The DeJesus case has become a rallying point of San Angelo's gay and lesbian community. To help defray her legal fees, The Concho Valley Gay/Lesbian Alliance is holding a benefit variety show on Saturday at Silent Partners. Further information is available through the Alliance by calling (915) 653-2956.

▼▼▼ YOURS TRULY IN A SWAMP

Another look inside gay military life: an interview with Lin Todd Soldani

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON

The New Voice/New Orleans

Lin Todd Soldani is an optimistic soul given to sweeping expressions of his positive attitude. He is a native of New Orleans, and a board member of the Lesbian and Gay Community Center.

At age 19, Soldani was a Navy Medical Corps Reservist. He was called to active duty during the Vietnam War. From 1967 through 1969 he was at the hospital in Pensacola, Florida and the Marine Corps Air Facility at Futema, Okinawa.

"Okinawa was like an uncommercialized Hawaii but it was also like a prison for most of the men. Besides Futema their were huge Air Force and Army facilities on the island.

"They had a strain of gonorrhea going there that penicillin could not cure. As a result, men were not really very active with the 'nassons,' the bar women there. So they were much, much more friendly. I almost re-enlisted."

LEJ: "You mean they were looking for a gay man to relieve their sexual drive?"

LTS: "Not necessarily, they were just friendly in general to other men. In off-hours it was drinking,

going out on the town."

"They also had a recreation center for people from Vietnam, on R/R in Okinawa. Some were injured. They had little cottages on the beach, and you could rent canoes, and go skiing. It was very romantic really."

LEJ: "It seems like wartime always creates a certain sexual laissez-faire. I've heard stories from World War Two people involved in a lot of homosexual activity that was more or less under wraps but in many ways was right out in the open."

LTS: "I found for me, you couldn't say directly but if you connected with anyone on any level and you wanted sex,

you could have it. There was nothing else available, it was really like a prison."

"There were a lot of lesbians when I was in the service. I think the military attracts lesbians more than gay men. At that time, 1967, 'freedom' was everything. People who were in the military were very open, they were not afraid of their sexuality. People that were (gay/lesbian) you knew, you just knew."

"I always kept my eyes open for people who had the most to say about queers. Those were the ones with whom it would be the easiest to broach the matter. Hell, they were already broaching it. They were afraid of their sexuality but they were the ones most ready to experiment if they liked you."

"We were allowed to live off base. I met a few (gay) people out and about and we decided to rent a place. Every weekend we had a party, our weekly goal was to bring two new gay people to the party. By the time I left our group had over a hundred out, gay people that I knew personally."

"All these people were honored members of the military. They were focused on their work and enjoyed the military. They did good work, and anyone who cared to know knew they were gay."

LEJ: "You are saying their superiors knew?"

LTS: "Of course they knew, they were as smart as we were."

"I went to Corps school in San Diego. Just being out there from Louisiana and being a seaman was like ambrosia for the people there. I met a group of singers from Disney World and these guys took me everywhere."

LEJ: "But they were not military?"

LTS: "Some had been. Maybe all had been, everyone joined the military in



Soldani in the navy

those days. I met the elite of the gay community in the service. I never had a problem being a gay person, there or anywhere. I knew that was a part of me and made me look at things differently."

"When I was thirteen I told my folks, who are very religious Catholics, but very loving people, that I couldn't handle Catholicism. The priest said homosexuality was an abomination and advocated castration for sexual criminals. After that I said this (Catholicism) is not something for me."

"I was very open in my upbringing. I had already learned what my sexuality was about by the time I got to Okinawa. I knew it was never something that would get out of hand."



Soldani and friends in Okinawa

▼▼▼ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Reader responds to the continuing controversy of gays in the military

From TOBY JOHNSON, PH.D.

Austin, TX

All the talk about gays in the military is so judgmental, argumentative and censorious, it clouds the real issue. No one is talking about the "big picture."

In the last hundred years, it appears, a new sexual identity has developed among human beings. Men and women may have had homosexual sex in the past (and some societies have strong opinions about that!), but until recently

nobody's identified themselves as a lesbian or a gay man and experienced that identity as a source of distinctive and positive personality traits. It's like the human species is evolving a new sex.

Isn't this a potentially momentous

event in human history? Shouldn't this phenomenon be of major interest to anthropologist and sociologists and futurists, theologians and philosophers, etc. etc.? The debate shouldn't be about soldiers in public showers; it's about the evolution of human nature.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

AIDS activists bemoan ruling on AZT; claim cheaper version must wait until 2005

By ESTES THOMPSON

FOR THE NEW VOICE

NEW BERN, N.C., Friday, July 23 (AP)—AIDS activists warned that a judge's ruling protecting a pharmaceutical company's patent on AZT means a cheaper, generic version of the AIDS drug won't be available until at least 2005.

"A generic form of AZT would have been much cheaper. ... This is a major disappointment," said Evan Wilder of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power chapter in New York. AZT costs \$2,200 a year per patient wholesale.

U.S. District Judge Malcolm Howard ruled Thursday that Burroughs Wellcome was the sole inventor of AZT. The

company's exclusive patent on the drug is good for 12 more years.

AZT, or azidothymidine, is the most widely used of three U.S.-approved AIDS treatments.

Burroughs Wellcome, based in Research Triangle Park, N.C., got approval in 1987 from the Food and Drug Administration to sell the drug, and later sued two generic drug makers when they asked government permission to make a version.

Barr Laboratories and Novopharm Ltd. had argued that scientists with the National Institutes of Health should be named co-inventors of AZT. Without their work, Burroughs Wellcome wouldn't have known AZT was effective

against AIDS, the drug companies said.

And because NIH used public money on the research, the companies argued, Burroughs Wellcome cannot have an exclusive patent.

Burroughs Wellcome's general counsel said the issue in the patent infringement lawsuit was not lower drug costs, but drug development.

"The point is whether generic companies which spend little money or effort on basic research should have the ability to come in and profit from our discovery before the patents we own legally expire," Paul Holcombe Jr. said.

Patents protect successful, profitable drugs that pay for other research, he

said.

Holcombe said Burroughs Wellcome has programs to help people afford the medicine. He said the company has no plans to change the price of AZT.

Barr, based in Pomona, N.Y., and Novopharm, a Canadian company, said generic AZT could sell for as little as half the current cost.

Their attorneys said they would appeal the ruling.

"Our greatest concern is that this judicial process further delays the availability of AZT at a lower cost to people with AIDS," said Robert Gunter, president of Novopharm Inc. of Schaumburg, Ill. It is owned by Novopharm Ltd.

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▼▼▼ DATELINE: NEW ORLEANS

Louisiana civil rights attorney retires in wake of HIV diagnosis

By SARA SHIPLEY

FOR THE NEW VOICE

NEW ORLEANS, Saturday, July 24 (AP)—Civil rights lawyer Jim Kellogg had just returned to New Orleans in 1988 from a two-year mission in New York when a desperate man sought his help.

The man had to leave his hotel job because of complications from the AIDS virus. He begged Kellogg to help him secure health insurance for another year.

"It was a brand new issue at the time," said Kellogg, a pre-eminent HIV and AIDS lawyer. Even though Kellogg was so unsettled from his move that he didn't have a secretary yet, he went to trial eight days later and won.

"It was not a case that was very publicized," he said, "but it meant a lot to my client and his family to get that coverage."

Now, Kellogg said, new issues are being added to HIV—and AIDS-related cases: parents with AIDS, children with HIV, more heterosexuals with the disease. A lot has changed in the 12 years he worked in the field, he said.

AIDS Law, a non-profit organization that provides free services to Louisiana residents with HIV—or AIDS-related legal problems, recently paid tribute to Kellogg, 41, on the occasion of his retirement.

He has human immunodeficiency virus, the virus that causes AIDS.

Kellogg is open about retirement, calling the decision "one of the hardest I've ever had to make." He plans to care for himself and enjoy life, but his health is good and he plans to stay active. He said he will continue to volunteer with AIDS Law, which he co-founded, and educate people about acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

ciency syndrome.

Kellogg, with a diverse professional history, is respected in other areas as well, including rights for gays and lesbians, prison inmates and the mentally ill. He is an active volunteer and consultant who loves pro bono work.

"As much work as he's gotten paid for, he's done as much he's never seen a dime for," said Denise LeBoeuf, staff attorney at the Loyola Death Penalty Resource Center.

Kellogg's altruistic streak started early. He decided to go into law during high school, he said, because law is an area where one can make a difference.

"I feel I have an obligation to help the world be a little bit better," he said.

Kellogg accomplished that with ground-breaking cases fighting prison overcrowding that resulted in closing of three jails and setting a population limit

for each state prison.

He also challenged institutional conditions for mentally ill children and helped people with AIDS and HIV keep their jobs and insurance.

Kellogg's specialty is gay, lesbian and AIDS-related issues.

One important case came in 1986 when the U.S. Supreme Court turned down his attempt to outlaw state laws against sodomy. The case involved a gay man arrested in Atlanta while having sex with another man.

Kellogg said the case "crystallized a lot of the activism" in the gay and lesbian community.

Kellogg now plans to lead education seminars on AIDS, give speeches, take classes, write and travel.

"I certainly don't intend to sit home watching 'I Love Lucy' reruns," he said.

▼▼▼ NEW ORLEANS QUICK NOTES

Tracy Thorne to speak at Human Rights Campaign Fund dinner in New Orleans

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON

The New Voice/New Orleans

Navy Lt. j.g. Tracy W. Thorne will be the featured keynote speaker at a dinner sponsored by the New Orleans branch of the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF). The dinner will be at the Sheraton Hotel on Canal Street, July 31st at 8:00p.m.

Tickets for the dinner are \$100. For reservation information call (504) 566-0329, or 949-9492.

Proceeds from the dinner will benefit the HRCF, the country's largest lobbying and advocacy organization for lesbian and gay issues.

Thorne declared in May, 1992, on ABC's "Nightline" that he was gay and an active member of the Navy. He was a bombardier/navigator in the famed Fighting Tigers, a A-6 squadron located at Naval Air Station Oceana, Virginia Beach, VA.

Speaking to Nightline host, Ted Koppel, Thorne said, "to live life in the closet is not accomplishing anything. It's time to stand up and say this is wrong."

Handsome, articulate, and brave, Thorne became an instant face on the issue of homosexuals in the military. In quick sequence, Thorne appeared on NBC's "Today," CNN's "Sonya Live" and became a ubiquitous spokesperson on the issue.

While George Bush was still in office, Thorne wrote the Commander-in-chief saying, "the present Department of

Defense policy encourages lying about who I am and punishes truth telling. I know you respect the truth and have every reason to expect that you will re-examine and ultimately reject a policy that discredits it."

President Bush was himself a Navy pilot during World War Two. He was shot down and rescued at sea. During his first presidential campaign much was made of this. Even to the point of briefly labeling Bush "the first American pilot" shot down in the Pacific arena. Later, the Bush people backed off on the "first American" claim.

Neither Bush nor a presidential spokesperson responded to Thorne's letter. On July 24, 1992, he was recommended for a honorable discharge by a Naval Board of Inquiry. The discharge was suspended, but on May 19, 1993, the anniversary nearly to the day of his Nightline appearance, Thorne was removed from active duty, pending a resolution to be agreed upon by President Clinton and the 103rd Congress.

Following Thorne's address at the HRCF dinner the executive committee will present the HRCF Crystal Torch Award to Dr. Norma Kearby and Betty Caldwell; Stewart Butler; and New Orleans Councilmember Johnny Jackson, Jr.

The executive committee organizing the benefit dinner is co-chaired by Joan Ladnier and Glenn Vesh.

Honorary committee members

include: Governor Edwin Edwards; Congressman William Jefferson; Councilmember Johnny Jackson, Jr.; state Senator Marc Morial; state Representatives Troy Carter, and Arthur Morrell; City Chief of Police Ernesta Taylor; Becky Allen, Ginger Berrigan; Angela Hill; and Ida Kohlmeier.

New Orleans L/G Community Center elects new board members

The first election of a new board of directors for the New Orleans Lesbian and Gay Community Center was held July 15. A 25-member board was constructed from a slate of 37 nominees.

Those elected were: Larry Anderson, Randy Bradford, Susan Clade, Margaret Coble, Chris Daigle, Gloria Dauphine, Jason DeCuir, Barron Detro, Randy Evans, Jane Everson, Darlene Flatman, Judy Harris, Zoe King, Joan Ladnier, Judy Montz, Shelia Moore, Rib Naquin, Han Nguyen, Sandra Paillet, Diane Ranna, Bill Rose, Kyle Scafide, Lin Todd Soldani, Leo Watermeir, and Wendy Wolfe.

The board will have its first meeting Tuesday, August 3rd, at 6:00p.m. in the Community Center (816 N. Rampart/ across from Louis Armstrong Park). Officers will be elected at that time. Also a 9-member executive committee will be set up to oversee daily operations.

The Community Center has been open seven months. Several lesbian and

gay groups hold meetings there, including Alliance of Pride, Lesbian Survivors of Incest, Gay and Lesbian Business and Professional Association and Lesbian Avengers.

The Center also serves as an information and referral center for the lesbian/gay community and sponsors forums on issues of interests to gays and lesbians. For further information call (504) 522-1103.

NOLA Gay Men's Chorus looking for members

Starting this summer and into September, the New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus will be recruiting new members for both singing and support staff. No audition is required for membership.

Jim Hammann, Chorus Director, will ask for a "voice placement" to determine in what section a member will be placed.

Anyone interested may phone (504) 523-7036.

The Chorus will perform at the Sept. 4th opening ceremonies of the International/National Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG) Convention. The annual convention is in New Orleans this year.

They will also perform in Audubon Park for the annual September NO/AIDS Walk fund raiser. Dec. 4th is the date for the Chorus's Holiday Concert at the University of New Orleans Theatre of Performing Arts Recital Hall.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

AIDS activists want insurance purchases from dying people regulated

BOSTON, Sunday, July 25 (AP)—William Catalini, an AIDS patient who expects to live no more than another year, sold his \$25,000 life insurance policy for \$20,000.

When Catalini dies, the buyer can file a claim on the policy and make a \$5,000 profit.

That trade, known as viatical settlements or "death futures," surfaced a few years ago on the West Coast and has spread around the country. Massachusetts AIDS activists want the state to regulate the emerging industry.

"It becomes a little scary when you've taken care of yourself all your life and been self-employed, and then you get a terminal illness and over time you use up everything you've saved," Catalini, of Gloucester, told The Boston Globe.

"This aspect of life insurance—selling the policy—can give you a breather," he said.

Proponents, including AIDS sufferers, say it can give terminally ill patients badly needed money while they are still alive. The practice is already regulated in California, New Mexico and Kansas.

"It's definitely macabre," said Denise Williams, a Boston attorney whose practice has included representing gay men and women in legal disputes. "But this can be a huge benefit, especially near the end, for someone with AIDS."

Under these deals, patients agree to sell their life insurance policies, receiving a substantial portion of the face value. Then when the patient dies, the buyer cashes in on the entire policy, making a profit.

Robert Greenwald, director of legal affairs at the AIDS Action Committee of Boston, said this industry has become "more mainstream."

But a few years ago there were reports of price gouging, with some clients reporting getting only 50 percent of the face value of their life insurance policy from investors, he said.

"One of our goals is to get it regulated here," Greenwald said.

"Many companies can be very intrusive in the way they market by putting out lots of personal medical information about the policyholder," he said. "But short of regulation, it's important that customers understand the transaction and that their privacy is maintained."

Neil Sullivan, a deputy commissioner in the Massachusetts secretary of

state's office, said regulators are monitoring the companies doing such business in the state.

"From the state's perspective, we have to determine whether these practices constitute an investment contract and, if it does, then it may trigger securities law liabilities," he said.

Companies that buy the insurance policies say they perform a service for the patients.

"It may appear to be a bit ghoulish, but the reality is we're talking about individuals who've lost a tremendous amount of control of their lives," said Steve Simon, whose CAPX Corp. operates settlement firms in Miami and New Mexico.

"The opportunity to sell the rights to a life insurance policy is a godsend for many who are terminally ill," he said.

▼▼▼ DATELINE REFUGIO

House of Eskew celebrates history while making its own with anniversary

By DEBRA JEAN

The New Voice/Corpus Christi

The House of Eskew, owned by Don Eskew in Refugio, is a beautiful two story Victorian mansion housing twenty-seven rooms. The home has five baths, seven bedrooms, twelve guest rooms, and antique shops filling the entire first floor with charm, nostalgia and arts dating back to 1907.

The Mansion is located at the corner



House of Eskew

of East Empresario St. (FM 774) and South Alamo St. (US HWY 77) in Refugio, Texas. The Mansion was built by Ben S. Hilton around 1927 or 1928.

The current Eskew House actually started as a "little bungalow" and was relocated several years later to where it stands now. House of Eskew is celebrating the first anniversary of the antique shop and the Bed and Breakfast quarters. Mr. Eskew and the staff invites everyone to the First Anniversary Sale,

August 7th.

Visiting this beautiful Victorian mansion will take you back into time forgotten and leave you with the reality of how things used to be. Interesting and rich in culture, the arts and crafts and antique shops will have that extra something you've been looking for.

For more information on reservations and the anniversary sale, call (512) 526-4851.

▼▼▼ SAN ANTONIO QUICK NOTE

San Antonio AIDS Foundation announces plan to continue meals program

The Board of Directors of the San Antonio AIDS Foundation (SAAF) has voted to continue providing outside client dining services despite an announcement several months ago that the program would end. The program was slated to cease because of budget cutbacks at SAAF.

SAAF's outside client dining program provides three meals per day for PWAs in the foundation's dining room. After protest from SAAF clients, the board reconsidered its earlier decision to eliminate the service. SAAF said it will explore "various funding options" to keep the meals program intact.

Board Chair Pat Day contends, in a written statement released last week, that additional funding will be required to continue the program, and SAAF is launching an appeal for both food and cash contributions to area citizens and businesses. For information about making a contribution, call SAAF at

225-4715.

While SAAF is not the only game in town, the board reports that many of their clients are unable to utilize area food banks because they are physically incapable of cooking their own meals or have transportation problems. Other meals programs serve only at noon.

▼▼▼ SAN ANTONIO QUICK NOTE

Openly gay Latino candidate elected to San Antonio city board position

A Gay Latino was elected to the Community Action Advisory Board during city-wide elections held on July 16th and 17th. Braulio Carabajal Veloz won a two year term on the Board and will represent City District I. The Board advises the San Antonio City Council on services that assist residents with emergency home and family needs, such

as help with utility bills, rent, food and clothing.

Veloz is currently working as a Program Analyst and Training Officer for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and has twenty-one years prior Civil Service experience. He has worked in Washington, D.C. and Houston.

He is also a Vietnam-era veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Presently, Veloz is the Southwest Region Representative on the Board of the Latino Lesbian and Gay Organization (LLEGO), a Latino gay and lesbian advocacy organization, based in Washington, D.C. He is also former President of the Gay and

Lesbian Hispanics Unidos (GLHU) organization, based in Houston.

Veloz campaigned as a concerned citizen of District I, and during a recent interview, added that he would "work to ensure that all residents receive the appropriate services and attention from City Hall and the Board."

▼▼▼ HOUSTON QUICK NOTES

New AIDS assistance group formed targeting Metro Bay Area PWAs

A new AIDS/HIV service group has recently formed to serve the Clear Lake/NASA/Bay Area of outer Houston.

The AIDS Alliance of the Bay Area is just forming and seeks volunteers in every aspect of its operation, from answering telephones to public speaking and client support. AABA will offer full training for new volunteers. For more information, call AABA at (713) 488-4492.

Inner-loop volunteer opportunity

The Houston Gay and Lesbian Switchboard is offering another round of training for new volunteers. The course takes 32 hours, spread over two weekends. The upcoming sessions will

be held August 7th and 8th, and August 14th and 15th.

The switchboard is an all-volunteer organization that provides business and organizational referrals, HIV/AIDS information, phone counseling and crisis intervention. The group also operates a TDD/TTY line for the hearing impaired.

Volunteer applicants must be at least 18 and able to complete both weekends of training. If you can't make the August sessions, another round is planned in November. For further information or to sign up for either set of workshops, call GLSH at 529-3211 afternoons or evenings.

Volunteering for the planet

A host of Houston area environmental groups are always looking for volunteers. Perhaps you have wanted to do something for the planet with your spare time, but haven't been able to decide which in the myriad of groups is right for you, who to contact or what preparation is needed.

To give you a chance to sample the wares and needs of some of these groups, the Citizen's Environmental Coalition, a networking arm of about 100 metro area environmental groups is holding an "Environmental Volunteer Fair" on Wednesday, August 11th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The fair will feature displays and representatives from many of the coalition's divergent members. It will be held at the Interfaith

Ministries building at 3217 Montrose.

For further information, call 880-3369.

Your own environment

The Pet Patrol and the staff of Basic Brothers are brewing up the dip for another Sunday morning flea genocide session. This month, you can bring your loving canine, with leash and towel, to the Basic Brothers parking lot between 10:00 a.m. and noon on Sunday, August 8th. Basic Brothers is located at 1232 Westheimer.

They don't do cats and a \$5.00 donation to help the work of Pet Patrol is requested. Pet Patrol clients get in free. Further information can be obtained by calling 522-1954.

▼▼▼ AUSTIN QUICK NOTE

Benefit weekend for Christopher House pulls community groups together

By JIM RAWSON

The New Voice/Austin

A varied group of participants and sponsors is coming together next weekend with the goal of raising \$50,000 for Christopher House in Austin.

Christopher House, a much-needed intermediate care facility for people with AIDS, is scheduled to open in October. Currently under construction on East Martin Luther King Boulevard, the 10,000 square foot complex will provide private rooms and support services for fifteen patients. The complex is intended to house people who are too ill to live on their own

but not sick enough to be in a hospital or hospice.

While major funding for the house has come from the federal government, Caremark International, the Association of Remodeling Contractors, and several private foundations, over one million dollars has come from individuals, small businesses, and benefits.

Local dance instructor Helen Foshee has been instrumental in organizing two events which she hopes will bring the straight and gay/lesbian communities together in support of the completion and initial operating expenses of Christopher

House.

The first of these is a benefit at Dance Across Texas on Sunday, August 7th. The popular country bar at 2201 East Ben White Boulevard will open its doors from 2 to 6:00 p.m. for open dancing, a silent auction, dance exhibitions by Southern Country, and live music by the Lonesome Dove Band. A buffet will be catered by Jazz Louisiana Kitchen, and cash bars will be open. Donations will be accepted at the door.

The silent auction will feature sports memorabilia and chances to bid on celebrity partners for the Christopher House Charity Golf Classic on Monday,

August 8th. Local television and radio personalities as well as sports figures will be available to the highest bidders. The tournament will be hosted by the Lago Vista Country Club, and an awards banquet for contestants is scheduled for Monday evening at Embassy Suites. Call 218-GOLF for more information or to enter.

Participating sponsors are Dance Across Texas and their instructor Helen Foshee, Jazz Louisiana Kitchen, KVET-AM, KASE-FM, KVUE TV (Channel 24), The Barter Exchange, The Austin American-Statesman, GTE Mobilnet, and McMorris Ford.

▼▼▼ HOUSTON LIVE

New company Goat Song, presents 'The Haunted Host' at Kuumba House

By JAVIER TAMEZ

The New Voice/Houston

Another local theatrical company has presented its first production. Goat Song, a theater group, is presenting "The Haunted Host" by Robert Patrick, at Kuumba House, but this production could have used some spiritual intervention.

The story is about Jay (Randall W. Jobe), a (and this word seems woefully inadequate) flamboyant writer living in Greenwich Village in 1969. Jay spends a lot of time talking to the ghost of his dead lover, Ed, and as the play opens Jay is taking a major step toward burying his past by removing a large photo portrait of Ed from his living room wall and replacing it with some ugly abstract art.

A friend calls Jay and asks him to put someone up for the night. Jay, with arms flailing in every direction, agrees. He is shocked to discover, however that his guest, Frank (Dan DiDonato), looks exactly like Ed. Although clearly flustered, Jay makes his guest welcome and the two begin an emotional sparring that leaves them both wounded.

Besides looking like Ed, Frank shares other similarities with him. He also wants to be a writer and is looking for a guiding hand, and he also seems prone to take without giving. For Jay, Frank's presence, however discomfiting, provides him with the opportunity to air grievances with Ed that went unuttered.

Though it's at times fun to see Jay and Frank going round after round, the play never really develops consistency of purpose. It's evident early on that Jay fears that Frank, like Ed, will never return most of the support he is given, but that's not enough to sustain the pro-

duction. At one point, a very long point, the audience must sit through an entire Liza Minelli number, listening to her belting out a proclamation that she's a "one man woman." Whether this is meant to be analogy or irony is wholly irrelevant with anything so absurd.

The real strength of this show lies with Jobe, who practically carries the production. He delivers a spectacularly outrageous performance as Jay, playing the character as the mother of all queens. Still this is no real stretch for Jobe. Where he really shines are in Jay's more sincere moments. He successfully displays pain, anger, confusion and fear with captivating nuance. Jobe reveals a

rich depth and range previously hidden because of his typecasting.

DiDonato appears to have once again been cast for his bulk more so than his talent. He lacks a natural calling for the stage, so most of his action comes across as stiff and forced. In all fairness though, DiDonato's failed characterization can be blamed on director Mike Hanks.

Hanks must have surely attended the Edward D. Wood school of directing. The staging is amazingly ill-conceived, even ludicrous. After all how many times does one want to hear Jobe while staring at his butt. Even more amateurish is the way the director handles the

character of Frank.

Under Hanks' hand, Frank is part bumpkin, part sophisticate. Initially, the character is dumb. He is the personification of the endearing and hulking moron. This is strikingly at odds with his social commentary, delivered in ridiculous profundities like, "I think the homosexual should find his place in society." Further, Hanks has DiDonato falling off his feet seemingly every time he stands on them. DiDonato spends an inordinate amount of time rolling around on the floor unable to master balance and coordination, while at other times he jumps up and down in robotic spasms.

Where the larger fault lies here is not really important. Neither Hanks nor DiDonato has ever impressed me; feel free to flip a coin.

Robert Patrick's play is far from compelling drama. Jay's trepidation is played out to a singularly unaccomplished climax, abetted in part by Patrick's decision to never fully elaborate on the nature of Frank. Is he an invidious doppelganger whose sudden appearance is intended to re-tether Jay to a draining relationship? Or is he an artistic debutante whose genuine desire to grow as a writer is saddled by his coincidental appearance to Ed? In truth, Patrick's intention when he drew the character would make little difference. The play would still be little more than constant haranguing.

"The Haunted Host" is certainly not a premier of grand note, but Jobe's performance makes the evening worthwhile. Goat Song may have stumbled out of the block, but they have a full season planned and plenty of time to work out the kinks.



Randall W. Jobe (L) as Jay and Dan DiDonato as Frank in the Goat Song production of "The Haunted Host"

▼▼▼ FILM REVIEW

'Orlando' beautifully combines sobering and frivolous elements

By JAVIER TAMEZ

The New Voice/Houston

Imagine growing to be 400 years old. Imagine that for four centuries you remain in the blossom of young adulthood. Imagine that you live half your life as a man and half as a woman, but that you maintain the identical mental state, the same sentient cognizance, that you have always had.

This fantastic scenario is the gist of "Orlando." Based on the novel of the same name by Virginia Woolf and written and directed by Sally Potter, "Orlando" is a meticulously crafted work with sumptuous cinematography and delectable costumes. Although the pace is a tad too deliberate, the filmmaker's unharried approach results in a film that is stunningly beautiful. It is a veritable collection of color photographs each of which deserves to be mounted and framed.

Woolf wrote the account as a free-form composition on the life and the world of Vita Sackville-West, an aristocratic friend with whom Woolf had a passionate, albeit largely spiritual, affair. Woolf describes the book in her diary as "an escapade, half-laughing, half-serious; with great splashes of exaggeration."

In this sense, Potter's screen vision of "Orlando" is remarkably attuned with Woolf's intention. The post-Edwardian audience that originally read the book received it well, but took it much too seri-

ously. Subsequent critics have had a tendency to treat it as light fluff. The truth, and thanks to Potter's interpretation, the film lie somewhere in the middle.

The film begins with Orlando (Tilda Swinton) returning tardily and hastily to his family's palatial manor in the English countryside. Queen Elizabeth I (Quentin Crisp) is paying the family a visit, and the proper respect must be paid. Orlando impresses the aging monarch, and she promises him the royal title to all the family holdings on the condition that he never grow old.

Orlando's future secure, he turns his attention more intently to self-examination. He falls in love with Sasha (Charlotte Valandrey), the daughter of the Russian ambassador, even though he is promised to another woman. He

attempts poetry but is humiliated when a poet raucously mocks his efforts. He then dutifully accepts an appointment as ambassador to an unnamed central Asian kingdom. There, in the midst of war, Orlando realizes that despite his false bravery, he neither wishes to kill nor be killed.

And he awakes as a woman. Staring at her reflection with soothing complacency, she remarks that she is the same person in a different body. Returning to England, Orlando discovers that because of her altered sex, she no longer has legitimate title to the property bequeathed to her male self two centuries earlier. She must marry or lose everything.

While faced with this decision, Orlando meets Shelmerdine (Billy Zane), a handsome American pioneer. Though he is akin to the man of her dreams, Orlando forsakes Shelmerdine's love and her own inheritance as she still searches for herself.

The beauty of Potter's work lies in the juxtaposition of the sobering search for oneself and for love

with the tongue-in-cheek frivolity inherent in the notion of a life lived four hundred years, first as a man then as a woman, without aging, and the ostensible ease with which that facet is accepted. Even with the quintessentially quixotic Quentin Crisp, Potter never slams the humor in your face, and given the story, the film could easily have been constructed in that fashion. Rather, Potter uses intimation and nuance; the humor is left for the audience to discover in the serene manner of the presentation.

Tilda Swinton does a fine job in the title role. She is lovely and her varied expressiveness is caught in subtle gestures, provocative gazes and elegant mannerisms.

Quentin Crisp, for the brief time he is on the screen, gives a thoroughly grand performance. Though he pooh-poohs the film and his performance (speaking by phone from New York, he said things like, "It's a film I would never watch in a hundred years unless I was in it," and "I could never be a real actor because I've no idea why people do the things that they do."), Crisp nevertheless extolled the film's success at festivals in Venice, Toronto and Sundance.

"Orlando" is an ethereal film that is both intelligent and visually tantalizing. It will leave you with delicate and haunting images.

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Quentin Crisp as Queen Elizabeth I walks with Tilda Swinton as Orlando

▼▼▼ BATON ROUGE QUICK NOTE

Baton Rouge to host the last Louisiana performance by The Born Divas

The Born Divas, a pair who have delighted audiences across the country with their powerful voices and sassy personas, will make their last scheduled Louisiana appearance together August 7th in a benefit concert for Joie de Vivre Metropolitan Community Church of Baton Rouge.

Proceeds from the concert will benefit Joie de Vivre's People With AIDS fund and its building fund.

The Divas, Zelda Rose and Daphne

Mushatt, announced earlier this year that they intend to pursue separate interests at the conclusion of their current concert tour. The August seventh appearance at the Varsity Theater in Baton Rouge will be their final performance together in the state before the concert tour ends Labor Day.

"We feel fortunate that our fundraising team came up with this idea and was able to book the Born Divas for their last scheduled concert in Louisiana," said

Reverend Nancy Horvath, pastor of Joie de Vivre MCC.

"I can't stress enough how important it is for us to raise money for our PWA fund, which grants direct assistance to people affected by HIV in our community, and for our building fund," Horvath said, explaining that the Divas are known throughout the country for their efforts to raise funds for People With AIDS.

"But that's just one aspect of this concert," Horvath said. "We also want

people to have a good time, and we've attempted to keep the ticket prices for this benefit concert low enough that people can afford to come out and enjoy seeing the Divas one last time."

Tickets for the concert are \$12.50 in advance and \$15.00 at the door and are available at the Chimes, 3357 Highland Road in Baton Rouge, or at any Ticketmaster outlet. They also may be ordered by phone by dialing (800) 488-5252.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Barbara Streisand and Glenn Close to produce movie about lesbian colonel

SEATTLE, Thursday, July 22 (AP)—Barbara Streisand and Glenn Close will produce a TV movie about Margarethe Cammermeyer, the Army colonel forced out of the Washington National Guard after disclosing she is a lesbian.

Close will portray Cammermeyer in the two-hour film, scheduled to air in the fall of 1994, NBC said in a release from Los

Angeles Wednesday.

"This is a story that throws light on one of the most important issues of our time," Streisand said in a release.

Cammermeyer, 51, was a 26-year veteran and chief nursing officer for the Washington National Guard at Camp Murray near Tacoma when she was forced out of the service in 1992.

She said from her home in suburban Des Moines Wednesday night that she has been "almost overwhelmed" by people wanting to do film versions of her story.

She said she decided to go ahead with the movie because "hopefully, this will help break the stigma that people seem so bound to maintain that makes us so frightening to them."

Cammermeyer said she has been assured she will be involved in the filming and hopes to work with scriptwriters.

Cammermeyer now works as a clinical nurse specialist at the American Lake Veterans Administration Medical Center in Tacoma. She has a federal suit pending seeking to overturn the military's ban on gays and reinstate her to her former rank.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Several thousand lesbians attend Massachusetts lesbian festival

CUMMINGTON, Mass., Saturday, July 24 (AP)—Several thousand lesbians from around the country gathered in the Berkshires this weekend to celebrate their orientation and discuss ways to educate the public about lesbianism.

Organizers of the fourth annual Northampton Lesbian Festival said they expected about 5000 lesbians and their supporters to attend the three-day event, which began Friday.

"We are all for education and showing people what we're about," said Aliza Ansell, one of the founders of the festival, which had been held at various sites in Amherst for the past three years before coming to Cummington.

Festival organizers had expected some protesters from the surrounding communities to show up at the event, but nothing had been reported either Friday or Saturday.

Participants attended workshops on legal issues and building communities through lesbian media, heard lesbian musical performers and comedians, and bought crafts made by lesbians artists.

Media attention focused on lesbians was a topic for discussion. A recent Newsweek cover story examined the growing public perception of "lesbian chic," while ABC's "20-20" did a segment on Northampton's lesbian community. Media accounts are just a snapshot of a broader picture, some said.

"The whole lesbian scene is portrayed as being young, urban, trendy, and white," said Martha Nelson of Northampton, who owns a store that caters to gays and lesbians. "The reality is that it is as diverse as the population of the country."

Yet increased media exposure was seen as favorable by others.

"I think the visibility is good because it helps people gain confidence and shows them that they are not the only ones around," said Georgia Ragsdale, a lesbian comedian from Provincetown.

"We have some of the last untold stories that have not appeared in the mainstream media," Ragsdale said.

Festival organizers said proceeds from this year's event were to go towards purchasing a permanent home for the festival to be called "Womynsland."

"Every year we've produced the festival at a different site, so it's really important for us to have our own land," said Diane Morgan, a co-founder of the festival.

Morgan said the group was looking at possible locations in the Berkshire Mountains.

Brenda Burdick, a manager for the Cummington inn that hosted the festival, said the inn had received several phone calls and letters from residents unhappy about having the event there.

But Burdick added that the majority of people had been supportive of their decision.

Most Cummington residents said they did not mind the festival being held there.

"If that is what they want to do, it's fine," said Pat Beckwith, who owns a video store in Cummington. "I don't think people really care about the festival being held here."

"I think it will open some minds in the area," said Chris Sullivan, an employee at the Old Creamery Grocery Store.

"This has turned out to be one of the biggest weekends of the year for us," Sullivan said.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Song 'Uncle Sam Wants Everyone' promotes idea of gays in military

LAS VEGAS, Wednesday, July 21 (AP)—Female impersonator Kenny Kerr says gays should have a right to serve in the military, and is releasing a record which backs the stand of the gay community on the controversial issue.

Kerr, whose stage show "Boy-Lesque" features female impersonators, introduced

the song—"Uncle Sam Wants Everyone"—at a news conference.

Kerr appeared wearing a high-girth skirt emblazoned with admirals' braids and stripes on the sleeves.

"If somebody is brave enough to go out and die for their country, they shouldn't be told they can't because they're gay," Kerr

said Tuesday.

"It just makes no sense to me," Kerr said of the national outcry over allowing gays to serve openly in the military. "I don't see how your job performance is affected by your performance in the bedroom. If you do something that isn't within the rules of your job, you should be reprimanded, but it

shouldn't be because you are gay."

Kerr said he was upset with the compromise proposal that would permit gays in the military provided they don't openly engage in homosexual activity. He said President Clinton is attempting to appease all sides of the issue with a compromise that will still draw fire from Congress and military officials.

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▼▼▼ OBSERVER'S NOTEBOOK

Looking to an end of the war on AIDS: a post-Berlin conference reflection

By PAUL VARNELL
FOR THE NEW VOICE

"So," the mainstream journalist asked me, "how are you guys feeling about the stuff coming out of the Berlin AIDS conference? Are you depressed? Angry? What?"

Well, yes, there was just cause for anger. It was reasonable to be depressed. But I reached for a better way to characterize the response. "Numb," I said. "Numb. Tired. And bored." Those seemed closer to the truth.

The tone for the Berlin conference was set early by the preliminary release of results from the British/French Concorde study of AZT, showing that the heavily promoted anti-viral drug does not do very much, if anything. To see Burroughs-Wellcome busily attempting damage control was almost a paradigm of gallows humor. Years ago, AIDS activists chanted "ten years, one drug, big deal." What can they chant now?

The message of the Berlin conference was that we are right back where we started when the gay community began its war on AIDS a dozen years ago. There are no effective drugs, and frankly there are none in prospect. All the vaccines and vaccine therapies, including the widely publicized Salk "vaccine," have shown no significant effect. There is no clear understanding, no understanding at all, of how HIV causes disease and death.

"Indeed, this is a bleak moment in AIDS research," says Garey Lambert, the well-informed medical writer for the Baltimore Alternative.

Scientists nonetheless claim, "We have learned more about this virus in a shorter time than any other disease in history."

Maybe. But they said the same thing five years ago, and the refrain is getting a bit lame. As Randy Shilt commented, we are no longer in the age of van Leeuwenhoek or Louis Pasteur. This disease occurred in an era marked by the exponential growth of medical knowledge and technology. More money and research time has been spent on AIDS than any other single disease entity, and yet the results in firm knowledge are astonishingly meager.

To underscore that brute fact as sharply as possible, here are excerpts from a recent article on "The Immunopathogenesis of Human Immunodeficiency Virus Infection" by Dr. Anthony Fauci, the head of the nation's drifting, directionless AIDS research effort:

"...is generally agreed...remains unresolved...may...associated with...probably...suggesting that...may be influenced by...It is highly likely...probably...is probably...most patients...may...potential mechanisms...may result...may be involved...could therefore...could...it has been suggested...the hypothesis that...the possibility...may play an important part...it is more likely that...has been suggested...may...there...has been speculation that...if confirmed...hypothesis...Models...may...may...may...may...may...a hypothesis...may...may...probably...may...may...has been interpreted as...complex and not well understood...not entirely clear..."

Get the idea? Most researchers and journalists agree that "the only way to get the truth out of Tony Fauci is with a crowbar," but it seems to me that Fauci here is crystal clear, at least for those who know how to read. To be sure, Fauci scatters up and down many frankly assertive statements, but none of them speak to the central topic

of the article. Anyone who doubts the essential fairness of these excerpts can look up the original in the "The New England Journal of Medicine" for Feb. 4, 1993.

So the War on AIDS, during which 180,000 Americans have died, has lasted a dozen years, has cost billions of dollars, and has absorbed massive amounts of time and energy from gay activists, lobbyists, journalists and doctors. It has consumed millions of hours in meetings, demonstrations, research and patient care. And after a dozen years we have nothing to show for it.

In many ways, the war on AIDS resembles the war in Vietnam. Americans have never supported or had to support a war for more than four or five years. The Civil War, the Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, the Korean War, all lasted five years or less. During the Vietnam War, the American public began to lose interest in the war and even turned against it when it became clear that after five years the U.S. military effort was making no significant gains. One senator suggested that the U.S. simply declare victory and pull out. Which is, years later, what we did.

Gay Americans are no different from other Americans. We have been involved in a war for more than a decade. People are numbered by having their hopes repeatedly dashed. They are tired of fighting a battle with no victories and no surcease. They are bored by the monochromal sameness of the battlefield landscape.

They, we, are ready to move on to something else, something that provides the prospect of a fair fight, a meaningful engagement with a visible enemy, something that might have at least a prospect of victory. Perhaps one reason for the

enthusiasm for ending the military's gay ban, besides the intrinsic justice of the cause, is that it offers the opportunity to work on something that provides exactly those possibilities.

After the gay ban agitation is ended, will people's energies move on to something else? To sodomy law repeal? To a renewed push for state and national civil rights laws? To gay marriage? To school curriculum form? To support for gay political candidates? Perhaps. But probably not back to AIDS.

Frankly, it is hard to argue otherwise to anyone. All of us are given in life a limited amount of time and a limited amount of energy. Those who have spent five, six, eight, ten years largely on AIDS issues—what can they say they accomplished? People want to get on with their lives.

I wrote my first letter to the CDC in 1992, asking some questions and suggesting some (primitive) research ideas.

Since then I have, after a fashion, learned to read the scientific and medical journals. The philosophy of science grew from a casual interest of mine to a passionate obsession: I have corresponded with researchers. I have attending meetings with my governor, senators, lobbied my congressman, I have participated in countless meetings of city and state health departments, written memos and position papers and innumerable letters. I have been a spokesperson about AIDS issues on radio, on television, in newspapers. I have advised sick friends. I have written about the disease as a reporter and columnist, trying to separate truth from hype, fact from rhetoric. It was all pointless.

I am numb. Tired. Bored. I don't care any more.

REGIONAL QUICK NOTES

The Passage House Flea Market actively seeking donations in Corpus Christi

The Passage House is holding a "Flea Market/Rummage Sale." This event is being sponsored by the Naval Hospital Volunteer Action Team and will benefit Passage House, a home for terminally ill AIDS patients.

The Flea Market will be held August 7th and 8th from 8:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. at The Belair Shopping Center located at 2749 South Staples. Any donations can be made by contacting Chris Anderson of Bruce Herling at (512) 887-7042.

New Austin TV

Austin cable subscribers can now tune in on Sunday nights for a new lesbian and gay TV program. Its producers hope to make it available on cable in Houston in the near future as well.

The magazine format show is co-hosted by Suzy Wagers (of the Texas Human Rights Foundation) and Charles Allen Dews. It is produced by Bonnie Moore.

The Texas Gay and Lesbian Review airs on Austin cable channel 10, Sunday nights at 11:00 p.m.

Hatch awards

H.A.T.C.H., a Houston area group dedicated to addressing the special needs of gay and lesbian youth has announced plans for its second annual HATCH Awards reception. The event will take place on Saturday, Sept. 11th from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at the First Unitarian Universalist Church, 5200 Fannin.

This year's recipients have already been announced. Tracy Brown has been cited for the "Outstanding Community Involvement for Youth Fulfillment" award. For "Outstanding Contribution by a HATCH facilitator," in the female category, the award will be shared by Johanna Johanson and Joanne Morphew. Don Carlson is being honored in the male facilitator category.

Marking an "Outstanding Contribution by a HATCH Youth," awards will be presented to Bobby Bass and Alma Aguirre.

HATCH is also about to receive national media attention. The group is profiled in a documentary special on

HBO on August 10th. For further information about either the reception or broadcast, call HATCH at (713) 669-0452.

Houston on ice

The Montrose Ice Picks, Houston's gay and lesbian ice skating club is switching its monthly Galleria skate night to Thursdays. Several members had a conflict, with the previous Tuesday night get-togethers. The time remains 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

As before, since "other" people will be on the Galleria's rink, ice pickers are encouraged to wear gay/lesbian-identified attire. This month, they're having a little contest. The best gay-identified T-shirt wins free admission to the September skate.

This month, the group gathers on Thursday, August 12th.

International appeal

The International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA) has issued an urgent appeal for funds. The group monitors gay and lesbian human rights vio-

lations around the world and serves as a networking center for fledgling gay groups in many countries where homosexuality remains criminal.

The group publishes regular updates on conditions in various countries as well as lobbying in specific cases. Recently, after campaigning for many years, ILGA obtained official consultative status with the United Nations, has been invited to join the organizing committee for the UN World Conference on Human Rights and begun work an extensive report on the state of homosexuality in the European Community.

Unfortunately, the group is also broke. They report, that will they have attempted to get grants from foundations to support their work, by and large, international homosexual issues are too controversial for most to consider.

For further information or to make a donation, contact the ILGA London Support Group, 141 Cloudesley Road, London N1 CEN, England. Donations can be accepted in U.S. currency.

DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

News analysis: Clinton paying political price for stand on gays

By WALTER R. MEARS
FOR THE NEW VOICE

WASHINGTON, Saturday, July 24 (AP)—Once the campaign promise was uttered, there was no way to avert a political price for President Clinton's pledge to lift the ban on gays in the military. Now he's paying it on an installment plan.

He stirred the issue in the first place, let it become an early White House distraction, arranged to make an unpopular decision twice, and isn't through with it yet.

Congress is going to vote on a compromise that satisfied neither the gays who want the ban eliminated, nor the opponents who want it to stand unaltered. With the influential Sen. Sam Nunn apparently on board for the Clinton plan, chances are it will be approved, but not without a fight.

The courts are just getting started and they'll have the last word. They might have had the first, too, but for the campaign pledge that put a no-win question on the Clinton agenda.

"I don't view it that way," Clinton said on Larry King's CNN call-in program.

"I was in a no-win if the only way I win is to do exactly what I think is right ..."

That would have meant lifting the ban as promised, a step he said Congress would have overruled immediately, probably as part of a defense bill he could not have vetoed.

Besides, to let it become a veto issue—his first—would have heightened the argument and helped opponents keep it going, into the 1994 congressional campaign and probably into Clinton's own in 1996.

Republicans didn't tackle Clinton on the question in the 1992 campaign, when the subject drew neither notice nor attention. The year before the election he'd said that he wanted to lift the ban, an ad lib reply to a student question after a talk at Harvard University. He made the campaign promise to a gay audience at a fundraising rally in Beverly Hills, and in his campaign book, "Putting People First."

Clinton says he never committed to a change in the rules of conduct that would let gays serve in the military without regard to what they do in private. The record bears that out; he didn't

mention it.

Now private lives have become the disputed crux of the compromise, which forbids disclosure of homosexuality and continues the rule against homosexual conduct, on or off base. It takes effect Oct. 1.

Still, Secretary of Defense Les Aspin said it achieved most of what Clinton promised. His nutshell explanation at one in a series of congressional hearings on the issue:

"As a general proposition, the policy being 'don't ask-don't tell-don't pursue,' the new part is in the 'don't ask' and 'don't pursue,' not in the 'don't tell.'"

So the military won't try to find out who's gay—no inquisitions or witch hunts, Aspin said—but if it does learn of homosexuality, that remains grounds for discharge.

It also will be grist for lawyers. "We're going to have to test any proposal in the courts," Aspin said. "There are people out there who want to litigate lots of things, and test the limits and push their different agendas ..."

A USA Today-CNN poll published on Thursday suggests that Clinton may

have gained support with the compromise, deemed acceptable by 58 percent, including some of the majority who still favor a ban on gays in the military.

A first, temporary order, to stop asking recruits about homosexuality, was issued Jan. 29.

To counter complaints that he'd been distracted and lost his focus, Clinton commissioned a time study and said it showed he'd spent only 2 1/2 hours on the issue in his first 100 days. According to the White House, the president spent very little time on the matter until the week before the new policy was set, and then dealt with it for only a few hours.

That same sensitivity erupted when Clinton was asked a question that suggested his compromise signaled weakness.

"I am the first president who ever took on this issue," he snapped. "... It may be a sign of madness, sir, but it is not a sign of weakness."

Editor's note: Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30 years.

BATON ROUGE SOAP

Crowns to pass in Baton Rouge Crew of Apollo's Summer Extravaganza X (SEX)

By CURTIS E. JACKSON, JR.

The New Voice/Baton Rouge
The Baton Rouge Crew of Apollo crowned the weekend with prestige, honor, and glory. Summer Extravaganza X (S.E.X.) started out at the Hide-A-Way with the Miss Apollo de Baton Rouge pageant. The emcees were Ronald Devalier, Curt Sheets, and the classic Lady Rhonda who was one of the premier Miss Apollo de Baton Rouge crown holders.

This past year, the reigning crown holders of Mr. and Miss Apollo were John Clein and Chandler Sinclair. After a full year of performing for various Apollo functions, they then gracefully gave up their titles to this year's winners.

This year's contestants in the Mr. category were: Paul Corcellie of the Mirror Lounge, C.W. Huff from Texas, Tim Hunter of Baton Rouge, and Tim Palmer from New Orleans. The Miss category was graced by Tony Alexander from Texas, our own Effie Marie, Cristine King represented by Buddies, Kelly Cruise, and Kalesia Valder from New Orleans. A special guest of the evening was India Sherry. India was first runner-up to Miss Louisiana U.S.A. 1993 and holds many other titles.



Holli Woods

The honorable panel of judges consisted of Darren Rodgers of Apollo, Dianne Mega, Terry Adams, Nicole Dubois, an expert in female impersonation and Pam Holts of Hot Shots photos. We tell you the story behind the first award. The Reba Ross award is a commemorative award representing Reba Ross, the very first Miss Apollo de Baton Rouge. Reba, regrettably, has passed away from AIDS, but the memory of her and all she has done for our community will be kept alive with the Reba Ross Award. This award goes to the contestant who scored the highest in talent alone, Kelly Cruise. The Miss Congeniality Award went to Miss Effie Marie for being the best sport and the most positive contestant. The crown holders will be announced in next week's issue.

Last week started out, however, Wednesday night with Buddies' second Summer Hits show, featuring the comedy acts "You Make Me Feel" in a night gown, shower cap, and "Mamma" style stockings. Her accessories included a feminine cleanser and a box of sanitary napkins. Effie Marie also made an appearance advocating condom use with Billy Jackson's "This is Dangerous."

Also performing for the crowd's entertainment was Frangelica Chevalier. Seren-

ity Sommers was the cocktail waitress of the evening. Serenity offered \$1.00 tube shots of Lime Lizzard and whatever else the seated guests desired.

Thursday, featured Marilyn Mills' second show as Argon "Entertainer of the Year." Her special guests included Tiffany Alexander who now holds the title of Miss Argon Americus for being the first Argon Entertainer of the Year. (which lasted nearly two years by the way). It was nice to see Tiffany back in action after her tragic incident in New Orleans. She was still in pain but the show must go on.

The locally famous Trixi also did her thing. They called Trixi a newcomer but we all know that Trixi has been around for quite some time now. This however was Trixi's first formal performance. Last, but not least, was a newcomer to Baton Rouge, having recently moved from Monroe and having performed at Argon's sister bar Hot Shots, Hollie Woods. Hollie unfortunately and literally got off on the wrong foot in her first number. "Walking on Broken Glass" by Annie Lennox, by nearly losing one of her heels but she managed through it gracefully enough. Her final number by Grace Jones saved her day. What impressed me most about Hollie Woods was the fact that she designs and constructs all her own costumes. I wish you luck, Hollie, in your future performances.

Friday night was stuffed with food at



Marilyn Mills



Trixi

Buddies first annual Christmas Eve in July celebration. They had turkey, ham and sides of all sorts. Also, there were drink specials all night.

Coming up: Marilyn Mills will be doing it up again at Argon on Thursday, August 5th. The guests are as of yet unconfirmed but I'm sure it will be well worth your time. Then on Friday, August 6th, the Hide-A-Way will be holding their Country Western Night. This one will be extra special since it is also Minette's birthday bash. There will be lots of food and prizes so don't miss this one.

Keep in touch Baton Rouge. I can be reached at (504) 927-3694. Call me about anything and everything. I love to hear from you.

▼▼▼ IN MEMORY OF



JOEL D. BRIDGES

Joel D. Bridges, a native of Louisiana and a resident of Houston since 1978, passed from this life Friday, July 23, 1993. Joel is survived by his companion and friend, John Pietrzak, his loving pets, Hope and Toonces and many special friends. "It matters not how long we live, but how well..."

Joel would like to be remembered for his contribution to the larger community through his life-long profession of work with nonprofit organizations such as the American Red Cross, the United Way, and most recently Private Sector Initiatives. "I hope it can be said of me that my work made a difference for the lives of people I worked with and those we helped to serve." Joel also is survived by his parents, Mr. Mrs. Dale Bridges of Kentwood, La.; four sisters, Connie Varden, Mona Stewart, Teri Hanks, and Marilyn Bridges; four brothers, Marshal, Reggie, Brad and David Bridges. Visitation was held at Geo. H. Lewis & Sons in Houston, followed by a funeral service and interment in Tangipahoa, Louisiana on Tuesday, July 27, 1993. A memorial service will be held at the Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection, 1919 Decatur at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 15, 1993. Joel's friends are invited to attend.

JERRY DORSEY

Born: February 22, 1943
Died: August 1 1992

Jerry,
Our loving God watch as you weakened.
Hearts were heavy from Earth to Heaven.
Finally, those loving arms encircled you and carried you home.

A golden heart stopped beating that moment and a determined Spirit moved into Glory.

Although I cherish you deeply, I could not keep you from going.

You're being my friend meant more to me than you're being gone could ever take away.

You are loved and missed deeply.

ENJOY HEAVEN JERRY!

Till I see you in GLORY

Linda Curry



LESLIE EARL SOWERS, JR.

Born: December 8, 1957
Died: July 22, 1993

Les passed away peacefully at Houston's Twelve Oaks Hospital after a courageous and valiant battle with AIDS. A graduate of Cy Fair High School, Les excelled in the real estate field, working with Swilley-Hudson and Associates before successfully utilizing extraordinary talents renovating houses in the Heights area.

He is survived by his loving companion, Bart Loeser; mother and stepfather Joyce and Pat Thompson; father and stepmother, Leslie, Sr. and Loretta Sowers; sisters Kathy and Linda; brother David and six nephews and nieces.

Les also leaves behind a legacy of friends and other loved ones. His loving friendship, quick wit and (often off-color) humor will shine brightly in our hearts and memory always.

Many thanks for the care, compassion, and professionalism of Dr. Gordon Crofoot and his staff, as well as the staff on On Col Center and Twelve Oaks Hospital, 7th Floor.

A memorial celebration of Les' life will take place at the Swilley Hudson office, Heights Blvd. (at 15th). In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Les' memory to AIDS Foundation Houston, 3202 Wesleyan Annex (77027).

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▼▼▼ HOUSTON SOAP

18th Anniversary at V-N; Randy White at Club Houston; see Chablis' full moon

By TAD NELSON

The New Voice/Houston
Hello Houston!

You know it's really wonderful to find out that many of you really read my column and follow the antics of the trucker and myself. I ran into one fan at the Brazos River Bottom's Denim Party this weekend and he asked if Trucker Mom really had a run in with polar bears while visiting Alaska. Well I wrote it didn't I. Of course she did. As one of my favorite divas, Annie Lennox puts it, "Would I lie to you?"

Seriously next to being interviewed by Deb Price of the Detroit Free Press, having someone local come up and say they follow and like what I write is a great thrill. Thanks, Bill. The Trucker thanks you, too.

By the way, that Opera had nothing to do with Pants Pirates. It looked like a bunch of sissys in red and white striped socks and bandannas. There were too many women in Victorian dresses, too. It looked like we were at the Garden Party a bit early. And you know the authors' names were Gilbert and Sullivan. The other corrections you can figure out for yourself. I might go into culture shock soon. Next the Trucker is taking me to a ballet. Mel Brooks' Robinhood and his merry men aren't the only men in tights! Woof woof.

Well, those Garden Party gurls really know how to throw a party as if you didn't already know that. I doubt that there are many of you that have not attended a GP at least once in your gay life. Okay, maybe you didn't put on a dress, but a lot of men now wear tuxedos. I prefer the old rules—everyone in a dress and wig except for the photographers. Ha ha!

The Denim Party was packed as usual with a few gurls from Garden Party and lots of hot men. And if you weren't hot when you arrived. You were after a short while. Phew wee, the combination of 97 degree sun and that enormous pit grill on the patio were incredible. I won't have to worry about hair on my knuckles for a time. (Or moustache, eyelashes or nose hair) But it was good to see the BRB buzzing. And also good to see Brian Keever there since he wasn't at church!

I also saw that royal person of confused gender and questionable taste from RSICSS as I was leaving the BRB and she/he was entering. She will remain nameless and faceless in this paper until my picture and name run in that other publication. (And I don't mean my obit, evil drag queen!)

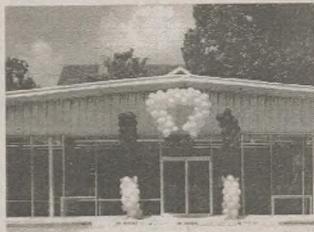
Speaking of drag, Bobbi was this year's winner of Gentry's 4th



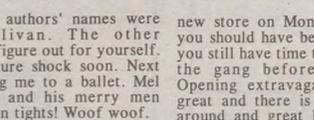
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Miss Garden Weed 93—Bobbi



Roni enjoys Garden Party

Annual Miss Garden Weed Costume Contest. See her picture in this issue. Congratulations Miss Thang—you looked good! And following the contest Black Velvet did a great show as Whitney Houston. Her picture is also in this issue somewhere.

Were you at the opening of Boot's new store on Montrose last Friday? Well you should have been. And if you weren't, you still have time to go by and say hello to the gang before the official Grand Opening extravaganza. The store looks great and there is lots of room to move around and great big dressing rooms. By the way—Shirley says not to be afraid of those windows. The fun stuff is in a side section of the store and is blocked from street viewing and you must be a certified adult to enter that portion of the store. Martin and Joe were at the opening Friday. See their picture in this issue. No Martin they don't have as many or as big toys as you've got! I think you still hold the record for

having and taking. Check out Boot's new store at 2424 Montrose.

Last week I reported that Damion at Club Houston had an Adult Video Star coming in August. Well I was half right. He does have a great show planned on August 8th with an Adult Video Star but his name is Randy White. Randy was the centerfold of The Advocate Classifieds two months ago. Woof! Damion, I'll let you flip me for him! Also the Pretty Boys of Houston will be there along with Jill Jordan for a stellar performance.

Damion promises great food and beverages, loads of fun and hot men by the pool.

This Friday, July 30, Pacific Street in conjunction with Basic Brothers will present New York City Club Clothes in a fashion show beginning at 10:00 p.m. sharp. There will be something for everyone to admire and feast upon as Pacific Street salutes the end of summer '93. Then as a close to the Christmas in

July celebration, Pacific Street presents New Years Eve in July! Saturday July 31, 1993 with surprises, party favors—the whole works. Come and recall the beginning of 1993 with the latest New Years Eve Party.

This Saturday, July 31 there is a birthday party for Ron Dixon at Mothers from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. with a live band, food and \$1.75 well and domestic beer. Then on Sunday, Mothers welcomes the Houston Metropolitan

Billiards League Picnic from 1:00 p.m. till 7:00 p.m. Go by and say hi to the folks at Mothers. It's still a fun place to party!

Also Friday, Saturday and Sunday is the 18th Anniversary of the Venture-N. Bob and the gang invite you to come help them celebrate the ever-popular bar's existence on Main as "Wacko City." (And they are too!) Friday is an all day all night customer appreciation party. Saturday will see Boy Toy Dancers at the V-N and Jail House Rock party. And Sunday is Blow Out Party with cupid Carolyn handing out marriage certificates. Don't forget that Venture-N now has after hours until 4:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

This Sunday at Gentry, Kim Haraway presents "Rustlers in Action" a Houston Chapter TGRA Benefit Show. At Gentry on Monday and Tuesday are the new Boy Toy Dancers. Papa Del says if you like the "boy next door" types, you'll love these dancers.

Ed at EJ's tells me that they have a great Tuesday night line up planned as B.J. Williams emcees Dancers by Sebastian. It's a festive night on Ralph Street so go by and check it out. I hear the dancers are really cute too!

Wednesday nights are pretty busy at the BRB. They have happy hour until 11:00 p.m., with \$1.00 margaritas and a free Tex-Mex buffet, too. Then beginning at 8:15 p.m. the Southern Country gang will teach you some of their favorite dance steps. Free dance lessons each Wednesday night at BRB.

Hey people—do you who live in the Montrose but don't enjoy doing things that are bar related? Want to be involved in the community, here's a thought for you. Tuesday, August 3 is National Night Out. Help fight crime in the neighborhood by meeting with your neighbors on the street and then attend the 802 After Party in an outdoor tent at the Neartown Police Community Center at 802 Westheimer. For



Pooh Bear—the oldest living Denim host?



Great hat gurhl!

more information on this event call Valerie Peiser at 528-1143 or Alice Collette at 528-3228.

In ending this week I want to share a poem with you that was sent from a hair customer of Don Gill. Her name is Peggy McCue Rhoads. She is straight and has observed the plight of gay people in our losing battle with AIDS over the years. These are her words entitled: AIDS and the Working Man—The Caretaker.

Somebody's brother. Somebody's son. Nobody's lover. Each attempt to walk the path of love foiled by the foe. A strong man. Wiry, frame, gentle hand, face ravaged by the quiet agony of too much

death. Need for love repeatedly eclipsed by fear. Desire to escape his fate of pain overwhelmed by selfless mercy. We live in different hemispheres—I bask in the sunlight of a hopeful future, while he shivers in the damp dark fog of hate and prejudice. I call him friend, but can never really know the tortured soul of this man who dreads love, knowing it can kill. His past is strewn with broken bodies. His dreams haunted by lovers he watched die. His life a bitter battle with a Demon he cannot see, but who rules his world with silent and terrible purpose. This Thief of Life has stolen his heart. Left him empty, but alive and alone. Brutal destiny.

I'm sure that many of you can relate to these words. However it is most unusual to find straight "Friends" who can understand to the capacity shown here by Peggy's words. She sounds like a truly wonderful person Don. Too bad we don't all have this ability to understand each others feelings. If we did we would certainly be more careful of the things we said and did to each other in these difficult times. Especially among our own.

Hey Trucker! Do you want to sit a gee-gee this weekend. I thought so. See you Saturday evening.

Bye for now!



Roni enjoys Garden Party



Miss Garden Weed 93—Bobbi

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Homosexual discussion heats up Baptist Church aldermen meeting in Mississippi

OCEAN SPRINGS, Miss., Wednesday, July 21 (AP)—A protest against homosexual gatherings has been organized after a gay group announced plans to seek members for a community center welcoming homosexuals.

Members of the First Baptist Church took part in the protest and presented six pages of signatures Tuesday at the Board of Aldermen meeting.

Ocean Springs resident Todd Emerson says most opponents of the gatherings have the wrong idea.

Emerson said he does not want to open a gay community center in Ocean Springs, however, he has held twice-a-month meetings since June at his house on White Avenue to gather support for a center in each of the three Coast counties.

He said he is scouting Biloxi, Bay St. Louis and Gautier as locations for the centers, which would attract people "who promote the acceptance of homosexuality." The group is called GL-Friendly. The initials stand for gay-les-

bian. Some residents of White Avenue say the meetings cause extra traffic which is dangerous to children playing in the neighborhood. Aldermen were asked to accept the petitions. The aldermen agreed to ask the police to patrol the area more heavily on meeting nights. "I'm glad they did it," Emerson said. "For all of our sakes. I have two children of my own and I'm concerned for their safety as well."

Emerson said he anticipated some

protest but did not expect the outcry.

Three preachers spoke against homosexuality. Resident John Hart asked the aldermen: "Would you like your sons kissing on your neighbors' sons and your daughters hugging and rubbing on your neighbors' daughters?"

"I don't see why we need a special building for a special group to commit their special sins."

Mayor Kevin Alves reminded the audience that aldermen had not been asked to approve a center.

▼▼▼ GALVESTON SOAP

Galveston Outdoor Musicals Theater takes on 'Best Little Whore House'

By JERRY STUART

The New Voice/Galveston

Hi dee ho girls, it's me again. We're doing it Texas style this time with the Galveston Island Outdoor Musicals Theater located on the West end of the Island. The Outdoor Musical is now showing "The Best Little Whore House in Texas."

Lets just say its a colorful story about a little of modern day, off color history. The people who created this production are all natives of Texas, and some people are even calling this musical the national show of Texas. The advertisement for this production promised it would be more than a beer

tote'n hay ride at a Mardi Gras, and gave the play a "R" rating. Well you know how curious I am, so I had to find out what all the rukus was about.

I'm not much of a country fan, but I found myself tapping my boots and clapping my hands along with the rest of the crowd. The dancing was wonderfully entertaining, the acting was superb, and the script was well written. The only disappointment came when they said "R" rating! I was hoping for a few skimpy sex scenes. It was not to be, but just between you and me, I don't know a drag queen alive who wouldn't kill for just one of the

costumes they had on. They were absolutely Faaaabulous!

The only thing "R" about the play was the cursing and swearing by Sheriff Ed Earl Dodd, played by James Anthony. I, myself, on the other hand, would have given the show a double back snap with a Z formation to top it off! And you know I just HAD to have my picture taken with those cute boys in the cast! Get the picture girls? Good, because the show will be playing through August 28th.

Now on to the soap! Congratulations go out to Lew and David on their eighth anniversary this week—eight years with one man—imagine that!

This past week seemed to be the week for parties, we had the Denim Party, the Garden Party, and even an Underwear Party. Ooohwee am I tired! There were some pretty interesting parties in Galveston this past week. The Kon Tiki club threw a birthday for Walter, the reigning M.C., who was very reluctant to divulge his true age, even though we all know he has been around since God was a boy! (just kid-



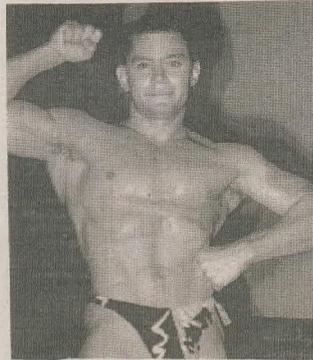
Johnny

ding!) I'm sure there are lots of us who hope to age as gracefully as you. By the way Walter, what's this I hear about the Lands of Lakes? Hmmmm! Could this be your fountain of youth?

One special birthday party this past weekend was for Johnny, the former D.J. from the old Garbo's. Now ain't that a blast from the past. The party turned out to quite an occasion. It was even catered by Red and Sherri, two of Galveston's local lesbians. Far be it from me to pay out compliments, but the food was especially tasty! Good job girls (boys?).

One last item, poker seemed to be the game of the week here on the Island. Oh don't worry, it was strictly legal, we weren't using money or chips! All I can say is, Josh, honey I thought you lost your shorts, but I found out later you had a full house!

Gotta go, Y'all come back now, ya' hear!



Ernie



Melvin P. Thorpe & The Thorpe Singers

▼▼▼ SAN ANTONIO SOAP

The Hardly Girls pull it off again, despite hardships; Tom Katt appears

By LEFTY TAYLOR

The New Voice/San Antonio

Exciting was the word—tiring too. The Hardly Girls show at the El Jardin was yet again something else entirely. Maxee got lost downtown and Miss Kraven stomped out madder than a dry frog. Other than Miffy's hair getting caught in the light fixture, it was an over-all good show. Boy did Miffy have some hair though. I guess she's going to start doing more Spanish numbers. Billy Walker was a mess too. He's dangerous with a cup of coffee. I would like to personally thank Leo and Jose for such a fun night.

I would like to welcome Shady Lady to the Paper Moon on Wednesday nights and Tandi for her variety show on Thursday nights. I would also like to welcome to the staff New Assistant Manager Robert Rios and door lady Alice Reyna. I am really glad to see that Raphael is going to turn the place around. Not only is he planning on a new approach to the shows, but renovation will be in progress soon. I would love to see some new carpet. Even Krystal Kelly was on her knees...scrubbing the floor.

It will be a "purrfect" show this Saturday night with Tom Katt at the Wild Club. This man is hotter than the weather. And no to all the people who asked me if I've got any pictures of Chance Caldwell naked, and I wouldn't give them away if I did. Nothing like a cat on a hot tin roof, or a Tom Katt between hot silk sheets. I can't wait for this one. New on Sundays at the Wild Club is Victoria West, Denise Fairchild and Denise Michaels with special guests.

Ken Bradshaw is ready and willing to help anyone into a new home. If your tired of paying rent, now if the time to call. New August specials are coming soon.

The Dream Boys are hiring. Every



Tino

week I get to put a new picture in their ad and it always is a good one. You should see the ones I can't print. If you like 'em young, these guys can't be missed.

It's a Pre-Stripper Day Party on Wednesdays, with Jim bartending and Yvette DJing. There are \$2.00 Long Island Teas all night long and don't forget Happy Hour is everyday from 3:30 p.m. till 7:00 p.m. For that special evening you can always call Twinkles. She's up every night with the President on the phone. I also think there's a gas leak at Memories. Some things pretty rotten around the DJ booth.



Billy & Trish

For great prices for Happy Hour, how about the 2015? Their Happy Hour is from 2:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. everyday and it's a great place to cool off during the worst of the heat. They also have dancers on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. Harry, Roger and Phil are always ready to serve you whatever beverage you request.

If you are looking for tickets for the Women's Folklife Festival on the Gaudelupe River, you can get them at Textures. It's more than a bookstore. Lord knows I buy something from them at least twice a week. There are T-shirts, cards, jewelry and music women. It's located conveniently in the Yard off McCullough.

We are right in the middle of the Olympics and everything is taken up downtown. The San Antonio Bed and Breakfast would be glad to help you in any way possible. They are located conveniently downtown close to all the attractions and the Alamo D.o.m.e. Their number to call is (210) 222-1828.

Welcome back to The New Voice, Nitelife USA, here to serve all your personal needs. "Money can't buy love, but it can buy you a date..." is

what they say. You can contact Nitelife USA by calling (210) 554-5720.

Sunday nights at the 2015 the boys from Keyhole Male Review perform. These are some of the hottest men around and you have probably already seen some of them in the adult videos.

They are also looking for new amateurs to train. Give Roger a call at (210)637-8102.

Now here's a new one for everyone: San Antonio's only live, all male phone sex. I met these people and did we have a great time. It's called Fantastic Phone Dreams and it's for the discriminating gentleman. The number is (210) 690-3930. I've seen some of the guys and they are really good looking. Too bad we don't have picture phones.

Sparks is just too much. I seem to get into trouble every time I go in there. I am not going in there any more on Mondays or Thursdays when they have Karaoke. I have already embarrassed myself too many times. Now they've got Jello Shots on Wednesday for Fifty cents! Dancers are every night at 11:00 p.m. I guess Robert ain't going to take the hint. But I'll keep trying.

Now it's time to wrap up yet another long typing session. I will really be glad when all this heat is over with. But if I didn't have anything to complain about I wouldn't be happy. Thank you all, you faithful readers for putting up with me when I was sick. Sometimes it's good to know someone is reading what I write. Keep slinging 'em Sam, I'll visit ya' later. Chow!



Krystal Kelly

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Wyoming insurance company 'uncomfortable' with Park City 'gay ski games'

LARAMIE, Wyo., Thursday, July 22 (AP)—The employees of a Laramie insurance company felt uncomfortable meeting in Park City, Utah, because of a decision by officials there to host a gay and lesbian ski event, according to company officials.

Raymond Johnson, a claims director for Mountain States Farm Bureau Insurance, said the company decided to change the site its winter "ski weekend" from Park City to Steamboat Springs, Colo., when ski resort officials in Park City agreed to host the "Winterfest 94 Gay Ski Games."

"Family members are invited," he

said. "There was a general feeling by our employees that they didn't want to go to Park City after they announced in the media that they were promoting a gay and lesbian ski week."

Organizers of the Winterfest are promoting the event as an alternative to a similar event usually held in Aspen, Colo.

Homosexual organizations are urging people to boycott Colorado because of its adoption of a constitutional amendment prohibiting the adoption of laws that protect gays from discrimination.

Johnson said the 30 to 35 Farm

Bureau Insurance employees decided to hold their meeting in Steamboat Springs in part because of the boycott.

"We had been there before and it is a known quantity," he said. "I think (the amendment) and the boycott influenced things for us, too."

Wyoming's chapter of the National Organization of Women has urged people to boycott Farm Bureau Insurance because of its decision, but Johnson said his company has seen no negative impact from the call.

"How big are they (NOW) anyway in Wyoming?" he asked. "Our response has actually been quite positive. The

majority of people we've talked to support our position. Despite its constitutional problems, a majority of voters in Colorado support (the amendment)."

Nancy Volmer, communications director for Park City's convention bureau, said the Farm Bureau cancellation is the only one received by the resort since it announced it would host the Winterfest.

"Even a small cancellation is a disappointment to us," she said. "We like to make everyone feel welcome in Park City."

▼▼▼ AUSTIN SOAP

New Miss Gay Austin USA crowned; it's luau time in the capitol city

By JIM RAWSON

The New Voice/Austin

Air conditioning—that's what we vainly kept searching for this past week as the temperatures here in the capital city hovered just under 100 degrees all week. Once you fill up a bar with a hundred or so hot men and women on these summer nights, it gets really difficult to cool things down.

Somehow the ladies in the Miss Gay Austin USA '93-'94 contest last Sunday managed to keep their cool. Hosted by Fifth Street Station, this production featured some of the best female impersonators in our city. Dropping in for cameo appearances and performances were Nicole, Chili Pepper, Coco (who apparently sneaked out of the White Party), and the reigning Miss Gay Austin USA, Sweet Savage. Popular Jame Perry took the crown, and the beautiful Bibi Gunn was first runner-up. Miss Perry's entry in the talent competition was a showstopping number complete with sets and a RuPaul look-alike. You can see Jame Perry on Sunday nights at Charlie's at the 80's Generation show.

The real thing, supermodel RuPaul, hit Austin last Friday for a show at Acropolis and just like before there was a huge crowd of straight, gay, and undecided spectators. How long is this girl going to be a star?

AIDS Services of Austin is looking for volunteers who can donate time to helping people with AIDS. Buddy volunteers give a few hours weekly to talk, visit, or do social things with an ASA client. Volunteers in the Helper Program assist in routine household tasks like cleaning, laundry, or yardwork and provide



Goodbye, Laurent



Want a lei from Montgomery?

transportation. People interested in these programs need to attend a 2 1/2-day weekend training session. For more information on how to participate, contact Robert Stewart of ASA at 406-6151.

There are too few ornaments on the memory tree at Fifth Street Station. The Christmas tree by the dance floor was placed there for Tuesday's Christmas in July benefit and is decorated with clear glass spheres carrying the names of people lost to AIDS. You can add an ornament to the tree for one dollar—ask a bartender for details.

Why is there a running battle over the new lights on the patio at Chain Drive? And how did senior deejay Don get that terrible sunburn?

We caught Montgomery, the doorman at The Crossing, trying to lei all the customers last Sunday afternoon! It was the annual summer luau at the bar on Red River, and a host of Hawaiian-shirted party-goers had a good time in spite of the heat. (But where was owner Roy?)

The Crossing is losing one of its long-time employees. Handsome barback Laurent is leaving the capital city for the metropolis of Houston where he intends to finish his degree and ultimately go on to law school. Houston readers should keep an eye out—he'll probably be working somewhere on Pacific Street very soon!

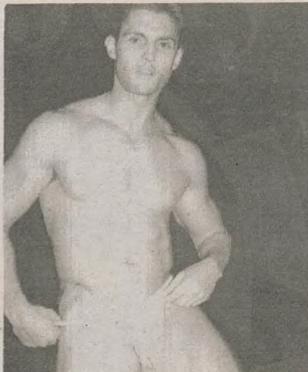
We were fortunate enough to be invited to the opening of a new gallery/studio featuring handpainted furniture and accessories last Friday evening. A hundred or so young professionals and artists came to look at marvelous colorful chairs, benches, chests, boxes, and frames. All are the creation of Zita whose new studio is in the stone building at 902 East

Fifth Street. Stop in for a look.

Dare to do something different: Karaoke is coming to Austin. Auntie Mame's will feature this popular entertainment on Sundays starting August 1st, and Fifth Street Station will give you a chance to sing on Mondays. Maybe it's time to give up those shower performances and let the world hear your voice.

Up on Lavaca everyone at Charlie's is working hard to prepare for the Black Tie Masquerade Ball on Friday, August 7th. These guys always throw great parties, and this one benefits Christopher House—we won't miss it!

Keep cool until next time.



Taylor shows his stuff

▼▼▼ RIO GRANDE VALLEY SOAP

RuPaul plays the Valley, but Lashes L'Amour attempts to steal the show

By ALICIA LUGO

The New Voice/Rio Grande Valley

The Valley played host last Sunday to Super Model, RuPaul. She packed them in at Club X and held her audience captivated as she performed several numbers. Decked out in a sexy white body suit and silver hot pants. She put on a great show, although a few did complain the tickets were just a bit steep, and the show got a slightly late start.

But RuPaul wasn't the only girl that "worked it" that night. It seems that there was a RuPaul impersonator in the bar too. As a matter of fact a few confused party goers even asked her for an autograph.

After the show, this Valley Diva moved on over to 10th Avenue where she was again mistaken for RuPaul. This

time however she was the one who put on the show as she performed "Super Model." And this girl really "worked it." Who was this ingenue "impersonator"? No other than our very own Lashes L'Amour. Way to go girlfriend!

This Friday and Saturday, 10th Avenue will be featuring the men of Muscles in Action and on Saturday, ladies, be sure and come out to watch those lovely ladies from the Longhorn Saloon. They always offer a titillating performance.

PBD's had another straight 8 pool tournament this week. Oops! I meant a gaily forward 8 pool tournament. The winner will be announced next week.

Over at Just Tery's, Valley Voice held their second anniversary party this week. They had entertainers from across the Valley join in on the festivi-

ties. Tonight, be sure and catch the antics of the Tery della Douche Show along with the guys from the Lonestar Male Revue. And the guys will be back again tomorrow, on Saturday, together with the lovely and talented Miss Gay Southwest, Victoria West.

In Harlingen, the friendly folks over at Zippers held the Miss Zippers contest last Saturday night. Paulina Mercedes Lane gave up her title to Lady Laura, this year's winner. The first runner up position went to Caprice Deveraux, second runner up was Sweet and Luscious. Performing that night, in addition to the contestants, were Rashelle Stevens, Tanya Lee, Kelly Kline and Paulina Mercedes Lane.

Down, at the Tip-of-Texas, the 440 Club the Miss Texas-Frontier Pageant was held last Saturday night. The win-

ner that evening was Melisa Jones from Brownsville. First runner up was Sandra from Mexico City and second runner up was Arlene Grego from Matamoros.

This Friday, the 440 will have a show featuring the talents of Melisa Jones, Nikki Wilde and Rashelle Stevens. Rashelle has been in popular demand since she moved back from San Antonio. Also while at 440, be sure and register for the 440 Lotto on Friday and Saturday. Last week's winner was Rogue. Maybe this week it will be you!

I'd like to congratulate LuLu and Luz (my comrades) on their anniversary this week. I hear it's number eleven, right girls? Well they say eleven is still like heaven.

Well folks, that's about it for now. Catch ya next week same time, same channel, bye!

▼▼▼ CORPUS CHRISTI SOAP

Memorial service scheduled for Andy White this Sunday at Memorial Temple

By DEBRA JEAN

The New Voice/Corpus Christi

Our dear friend, Andy White, you are missed dearly. Memorial services will be held at Memorial Temple Community Church, 1315 Craig, Sunday, August 1st at 6:00 p.m.

House of Eskew is celebrating its 1st anniversary! Visit Eskew's glorious 26 bedroom home and antique shop. Follow Highway 77 to Refugio to find something special and enjoy the anniversary celebration.

Desert Hearts is bringing a super hot entertainer to Corpus Christi. Dena



A Choices performer

Kay, one of country music's favorite ladies appears Thursday, August 19th at 9:00 p.m. See Dena Kay and see the show that has taken her nationwide. Desert Hearts "where the girls are" invites you to the after the game celebration every Tuesday night. Be there and see the hottest girls in town two step to victory.

Remember, Desert Hearts has Steak Night on Wednesday, pool on Thursday and all day, all night happy hour prices on Friday.

Choices, offering drink specials everyday, all day, all night has got it

going. Hot-hot-hot men everywhere! The All Male Revue was hot. Congratulations Miss Texas Riviera winner, Ashley Everett. Congratulations to a beautiful and talented performer. Ashley brought the house down. Choices and the judges thank all the contestants who participated. They had a hard time deciding on the winner.

The Texas Riviera Empire does it again and again with hot, fabulous shows. See TRE put on a show and see why the community does so well because of the benefit shows they put on.

The Hidden Door invites everyone to join the action and see Levis and Pearls in style at Beachhead 61!



Reba's look-a-like

U.B.U. has Talent Night on Wednesdays with \$50 prize. Hip-Hop-Ho-come top U.B.U. and catch the latest in fashion from grunge to hip-hop wear. Get your hip hop gear and show it off at U.B.U.

U.B.U. raised \$172 for CBAF recently and \$350 for Mr. Corpus Christi All American. They sponsor many talented performers and are having a special benefit for The Loving Spoonful Kitchen

August 5th. Anthony's is moving. Reserve your room now at the prestigious location in Rockport. A beautiful historical mansion with a huge swimming pool, gazebo, garden and just a few minutes from the ocean.



Desert Hearts party buddies

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

7th annual AIDS walk San Francisco raises \$2.6 million for charity

SAN FRANCISCO, Sunday, July 25 (AP)—Organizers of the AIDS Walk San Francisco said \$2.6 million was raised Sunday by thousands of people who participated in the seventh annual charity fundraiser.

Proceeds from the AIDS walk benefit several San Francisco Bay Area agencies that provide services for people with HIV and AIDS.

Organizers said 17,000 people participated in Sunday's walk through Golden

Gate Park under sunny skies.

"I am deeply touched by the tremendous outpouring of support that Bay Area AIDS organizations received today," said Pat Christian, executive director of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation. "It shows people from our

community recognize the AIDS crisis is far from over and are taking real action in the fight against AIDS."

Money raised Sunday also goes to educational programs and the promotion of fair and effective public policy concerning AIDS.

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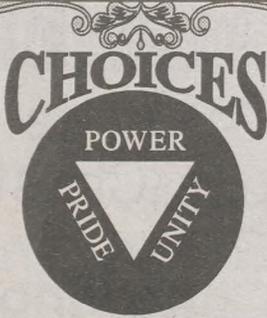
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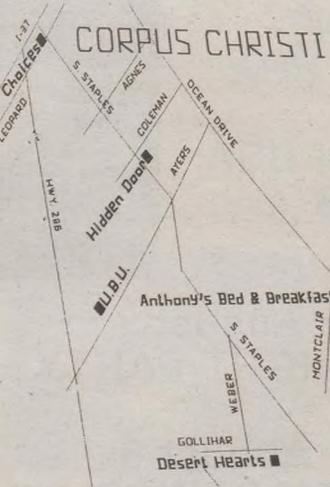
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The New Voice recommends in Corpus Christi

Corpus Christi, Friday, July 30
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; Happy Hour 3-7pm, Desert Hearts; \$1.00 shot specials 3pm-2am, Desert Hearts; \$2.00 margaritas 8-9pm, Desert Hearts; 25¢ rum & coke, 25¢ draft, 75¢ well 8-11pm, U.B.U.; \$1.00 well drinks 9-10p., Desert Hearts; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; \$1.50 domestic longnecks 10-11pm, Desert Hearts; DJ 10pm-2am, Desert Hearts; DJ, male strippers 10pm-2am, Choices; Show midnight, U.B.U.

Corpus Christi, Saturday, July 31
25¢ draft beer 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; Happy

hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; Happy Hour noon-7pm, Desert Hearts; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; \$1.00 shot specials 3pm-2am, Desert Hearts; \$2.00 Crown Royal 8-9pm, Desert Hearts; 25¢ rum & coke, 25¢ draft, 75¢ well 8-11pm, U.B.U.; \$1.00 well drinks 9-10pm, Desert Hearts; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; \$2.00 Colorado Bulldogs 10-11pm, Desert Hearts; DJ 10pm-2am, Desert Hearts; DJ, Patio Party 10pm-2am, Choices

Corpus Christi, Sunday, Aug. 1
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noon-2am, Desert Hearts; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; Free Bar-B-Q with trimmings 6pm, Choices; Free BBQ w/trimmings, male strippers 6-9pm, U.B.U.; Club night 6-10pm, Choices; 25¢ rum & coke, 25¢ draft, 75¢ well 8-11pm, U.B.U.; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; Show Midnight, U.B.U.

Corpus Christi, Monday, Aug. 2
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; \$2.00 drink special 3pm-2am, Desert Hearts; Happy hour 3pm-closing, Desert Hearts; 100% beef cheseburgers, \$1.00 plate 6pm, Choices; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices

Corpus Christi, Tuesday, Aug. 3
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; \$2.00 Margaritas & Colorado Bulldogs 3pm-2am, Desert Hearts; Volleyball 6-8pm, Hidden Door; Steak Night 7-10pm, Hidden Door; 25¢ draft beer 7-11pm, Hidden Door; Pool tournament, \$20 prize, no entry fee 9pm, Hidden Door; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; DJ 10pm-2am, Choices; Pool tourney \$25 cash prize No entry fee 10:30pm, Choices

Corpus Christi, Wednesday, Aug. 4
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm,

Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; Happy Hour 3-7pm, Desert Hearts; \$2.00 Absolute 3pm-2am, Desert Hearts; \$4 steaks & real tators 6-10pm, Desert Hearts; 25¢ rum & coke, 25¢ draft, 75¢ well 8-11pm, U.B.U.; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; Hot male strippers 10:30pm, Choices

Corpus Christi, Thursday, Aug. 5
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; Happy hour 3-7pm, Desert Hearts; \$1 well drinks 3pm til closing, Desert Hearts; 25¢ draft beer 7-11pm, Hidden Door; 25¢ rum & coke, 25¢ draft, 75¢ well 8-11pm, U.B.U.; Pool Tourney, no entry fee, \$50 cash prize 9pm, Desert Hearts; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; Pool tourney \$25 cash prize No entry fee 10:30pm, Choices; Variety show Midnight, U.B.U.

Corpus Christi, Friday, Aug. 6
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; Happy Hour 3-7pm, Desert Hearts; \$1.00 shot specials 3pm-2am, Desert Hearts; \$2.00 margaritas 8-9pm, Desert Hearts; 25¢ rum & coke, 25¢ draft, 75¢ well 8-11pm, U.B.U.; \$1.00 well drinks 9-10p., Desert Hearts; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; \$1.50 domestic longnecks 10-11pm, Desert Hearts; DJ 10pm-2am, Desert Hearts; DJ, male strippers 10pm-2am, Choices; Show midnight, U.B.U.

DATELINE: GAY AMERICA
Elton John and tennis titan Billie Jean King join fight against AIDS

LOS ANGELES, Thursday, July 22 (AP)—Music master Elton John and tennis star Billie Jean King, both dominant in the 1970s, are taking their battle against AIDS to the courts.

The tennis courts, that is. The flamboyant singer-songwriter and the for-

mer Wimbledon champion will play together in the first annual "Smash Hits" fund-raiser to benefit the Elton John AIDS Foundation.

The two-day event, to be held Sept. 22-23, will feature a team tennis match showcasing some of the sport's all-time

greats, followed by a private concert by John and an invitation-only dinner at the Beverly Wilshire hosted by Lily Tomlin.

John said he and King intend to make the tennis tournament, which is backed by corporate sponsors, an annual event.

Among the tennis pros and other celebrities scheduled to take part in the tourney are Elizabeth Taylor, John McEnroe, Don Henley and Chris Evert.

John established his foundation in Nov. 1992 and serves as co-director.

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Club; \$1.75 longnecks, \$2.00 Cuervo & \$1.75 well drinks
2pm-2am, Country Club; Fiesta hours 4-9pm, Bamboleo's;
\$1.25 well drinks & longnecks 6-9pm, 2015; 75¢ draft &
\$2 frozen drinks, Wild Club; Male & female strippers,
Bonham Exchange; Male Dancers, Wild Club; Male
dancers 6:30-8:30pm & 9-11pm, 2015; No cover til 10pm,
75¢ well & draft, Bonham Exchange; Dancers 11pm,
Sparks; After-hours 2am, Wild Club; After-hours 2-4am,
Bonham Exchange

San Antonio, Saturday, July 31
\$1.00 bloody marys & screws 10am-3pm, El Jardin;
Happy hour, \$1.75 well drinks 10am-10pm, El Jardin;
Happy hour 2-8pm, 2015; Happy hour 2-8pm, Country
Club; Drink specials all night, Country Club; Fiesta hours
4-9pm, Bamboleo's; \$2 drinks, Memories; 75¢ draft & \$2
frozen drinks, Wild Club; Shady Lady hosts The Wild
Club Dancers, Wild Club; Adults no cover to 10pm,
Bonham Exchange; \$1.75 drinks 8-11pm, Bonham
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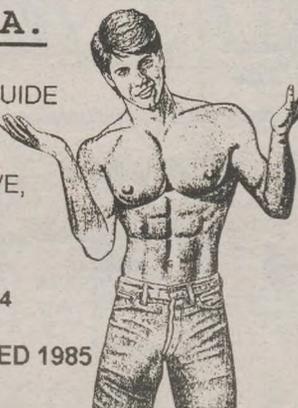
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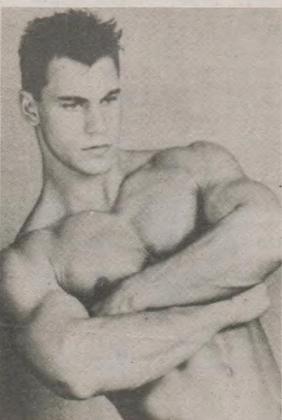
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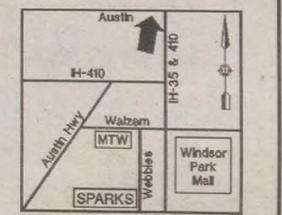
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San Antonio, Wednesday, Aug. 4
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San Antonio, Thursday, Aug. 5
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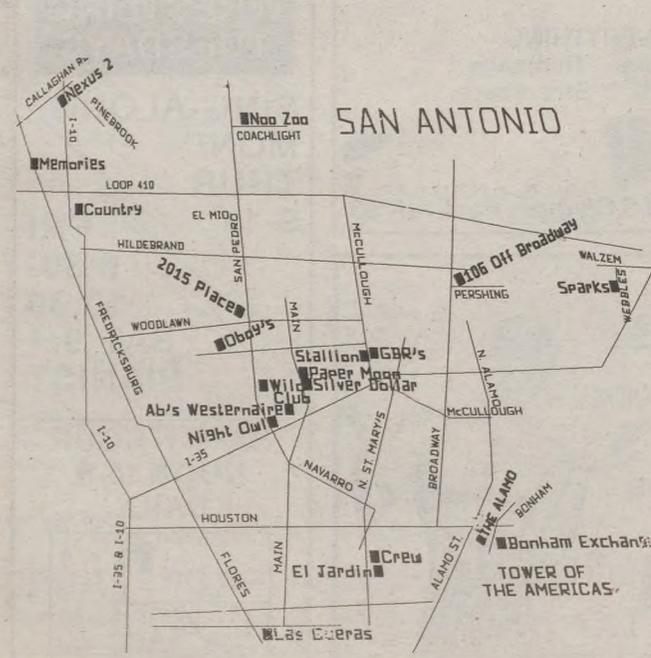
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Beer Bust, 50¢ draft/glass, \$1.50 qt. mug, \$3 pitcher 6-11pm, Zippers

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Happy hour 6-9pm, Zippers

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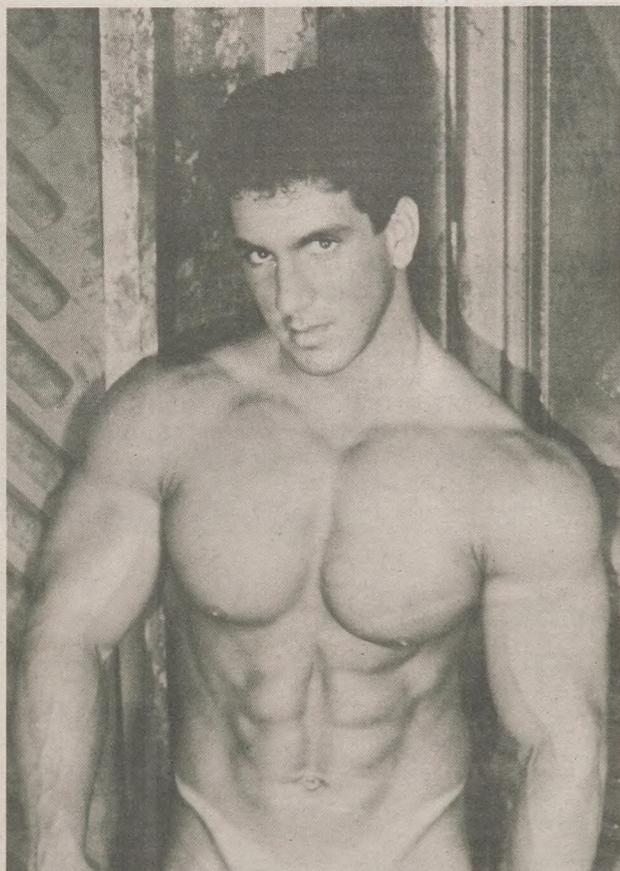
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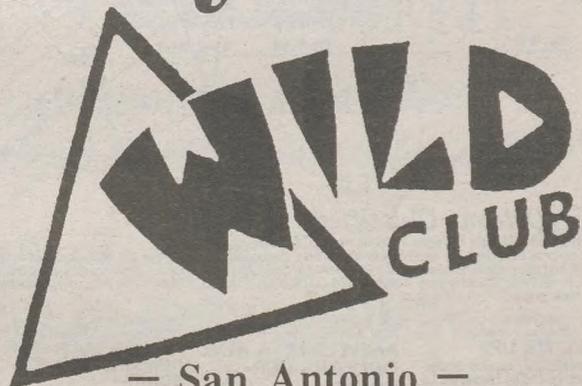
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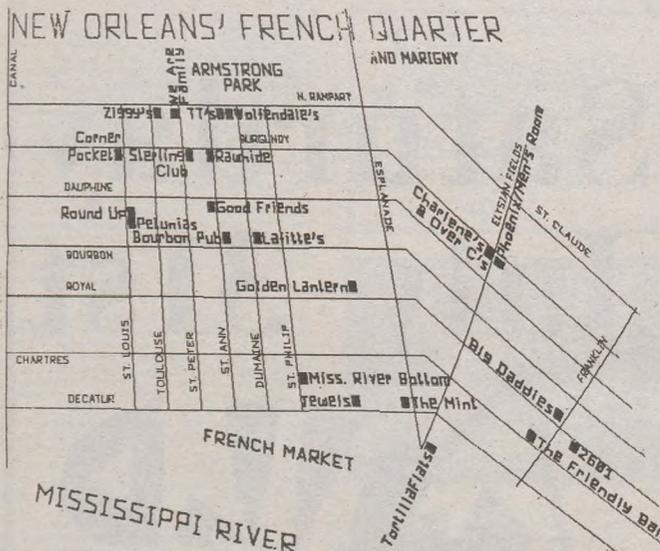
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 Beer bust 4-7pm, The Phoenix; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Mint; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Phoenix; Pool tourney 4:30pm, The Phoenix; Music by DJ Mitch Dale 9pm-2am, Heart Break Cafe & Bar; Hot Stuff New Orleans Style, featuring Becky Allen & Ricky Graham with Joel Simpson on Piano 11pm, The Mint

New Orleans, Sunday, Aug. 1
 Breakfast with Bobby 8-11am, The Phoenix; Buddy night, pay for a room, get a locker free 8am-8am, Midtowne Spa; Champagne Brunch 10am-3pm, Heart Break Cafe & Bar; Music by DJ Mitch Dale 3-9pm, Heart Break Cafe & Bar; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Mint; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Phoenix; 75¢ well drinks 9pm-midnight, Quasi

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New Orleans, Tuesday, Aug. 3
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New Orleans, Wednesday, Aug. 4
 Boy toy night, anyone under 30 get a room 1/2 price 8am-8am, Midtowne Spa; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Mint; Men's Night, 2 free drinks 9-11pm, Quasi

New Orleans, Thursday, Aug. 5
 Happy hour 4-9pm, The Mint; \$1 well drinks all night, Quasi; Show featuring hot guys 9:30pm, Midtowne Spa; The Ken & Barbie Bouffant Beach Party Boogaloo, with Ricky & Becky 10:30pm, The Mint

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DATELINE: GAY AMERICA
Military policy on gays met with compliance, protests in California

LOS ANGELES, Thursday, July 22 (AP)—Marine Corps installations moved to implement President Clinton's new policy on gays and lesbians in the military, but the policy sparked minor protests elsewhere in Southern California.

Five bricks were thrown through the windows of two recruiting stations in Hollywood and about 100 gays and lesbians marched peacefully in Anaheim.

Slogans written on the bricks criticized the "Don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue" compromise between Clinton and the armed services, said police Sgt. Dean Anderson.

An Army-Air Force recruiting station and a neighboring Marine-Navy office were vandalized between 11:00 p.m. Wednesday and 1:00 a.m. Thursday, he said.

About 100 gay and lesbian protesters in Anaheim marched Wednesday night around a busy intersection toting signs saying "Betrayed By Bubba" and "The Marines Are Looking For A Few Good Homophobes."

The policy announced by Clinton this week allows gays and lesbians to serve in the military if they keep quiet about their sexuality.

The policy is not official until Oct. 1,

but Marine Corps commandant Gen. Carl Mundy has ordered his service to institute the policy smoothly and swiftly. Officials at El Toro Marine Corps Air Station have begun the transition, said base spokesperson Capt. Betsy Sweatt.

"The commandant has set the tone, and it's time to get on with implementing this policy, which is exactly what we will do," Sweatt said.

The Anaheim protesters criticized the policy for requiring homosexual celibacy and for allowing gays and lesbians to be discharged for their sexual preference.

Several said the religious right had too much influence, but they were divided on whether to blame Clinton or Congress and society.

"Let's say to Clinton, don't ask for our votes or our money, don't tell any more lies, don't pursue a second term in office," Jeff LeTourneau of the Orange County Visibility League told a cheering crowd.

Another protester disagreed.

"Clinton isn't the enemy, he's doing what he can," said David Hoover, co-chairperson of the Eleanor Roosevelt Society. "The enemy is homophobia and hatred."

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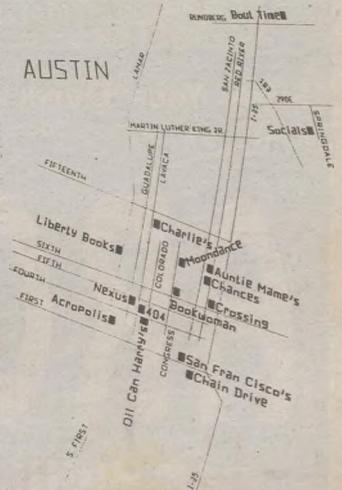
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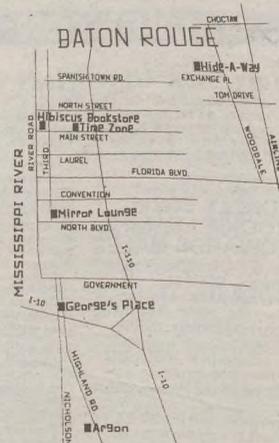
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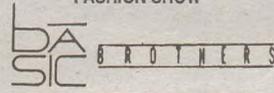
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Houston, Saturday, July 31

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Houston, Monday, Aug. 2

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Houston, Tuesday, Aug. 3

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Houston, Wednesday, Aug. 4

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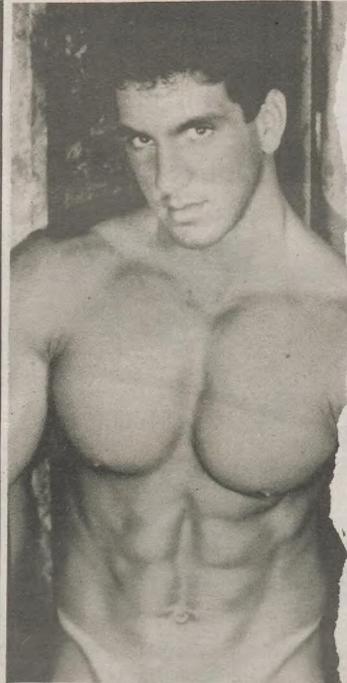
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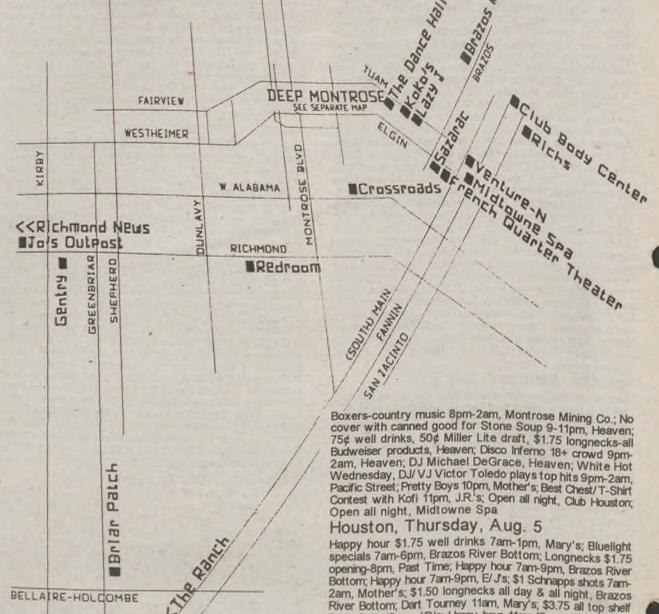
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Houston, Thursday, Aug. 5
 Happy hour \$1.75 well drinks 7am-11pm, Mary's; Bluelight specials 7am-5pm, Brazos River Bottom; Longnecks \$1.75 opening-8pm, Past Time; Happy hour 7am-9pm, Brazos River Bottom; Happy hour 7am-9pm, El J's; \$1 Schnapps shots 7am-2am, Mother's; \$1.50 longnecks all day & all night, Brazos River Bottom; Det. Torney 11am, Mary's; \$3.75 all top shelf liquor 11am-10pm, J.R.'s; Happy hour 11am-10pm, J.R.'s; Cookin with Herman Noon, Mary's; Slop-shot pool tournament Noon, Mary's; Happy Hour \$1.75 well, beer & wine noon-5pm, Venture-N; Happy hour, longnecks and well drinks \$1.50 Noon-6pm, The 611 Hyde Park Pub; Rooms & lockers half price noon-midnight, Club Houston; Happy hour 1-11pm, Montrose Mining Co.; \$1.25 longnecks-all Budweiser products 1pm-2am, Montrose Mining Co.; Happy hour 4-9pm, Ripcord; Mine Shaft happy hour 4-9pm, Montrose Mining Co.; Beer bash 4-11pm, Montrose Mining Co.; Happy Hour 4pm-2am, Ms. B's; Tex-Mex Buffet 5pm, Brazos River Bottom; Power hour \$1.00 well, beer & wine 5-7pm, Venture-N; Happy hour \$1.75 well drinks and beer 5-9pm, Mary's; Steak night 6pm, El J's; 1/2-price rooms & lockers with food donation to Stone Soup, Midtowne Spa; Longnecks & well drinks \$2.00 6-9pm, The 611 Hyde Park Pub; Male dancers 6pm-2am, J.R.'s; Club night, Colors gets you happy hour prices till 11pm, Venture-N; Happy Hour 7pm-2am, The Ranch; Group C&W dance lessons by Southern Country 7:30-9pm, Heaven; DJ John Sims 7:30pm-2am, Heaven; DJ Paul Lumpkin 8pm, Venture-N; Dance lessons 8:30pm, Brazos River Bottom; Dance show 9pm, Midtowne Spa; \$2.00 longnecks, well drinks, frozen ritas & \$1.00 Schnapps 9pm-2am, Heaven; Country Heaven, no cover 9pm-2am, Heaven; Muscles in Action-male dancers 9pm-2am, Montrose Mining Co.; Tan Line Night, \$3 cover, 90¢

\$1.00 Margaritas 7am-11pm, Brazos River Bottom; Happy hour 11am-10pm, J.R.'s; \$1.50 all Miller products 11am-2am, J.R.'s; Happy Hour \$1.75 well, beer & wine noon-5pm, Venture-N; Happy hour, longnecks and well drinks \$1.50 Noon-6pm, The 611 Hyde Park Pub; 6 month membership special (1/2 price room) noon-11:45pm, Midtowne Spa; Happy hour 1-11pm, Montrose Mining Co.; \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 1pm-2am, Montrose Mining Co.; Happy hour 1pm-2am, Ripcord; Mine Shaft happy hour 4-9pm, Montrose Mining Co.; Beer bash 4-11pm, Montrose Mining Co.; Happy Hour 4pm-2am, Ms. B's; Tex-Mex Buffet 5pm, Brazos River Bottom; Power hour \$1.00 well, beer & wine 5-7pm, Venture-N; Happy hour \$1.75 well drinks and beer 5-9pm, Mary's; Steak night 6pm, El J's; 1/2-price rooms & lockers with food donation to Stone Soup, Midtowne Spa; Longnecks & well drinks \$2.00 6-9pm, The 611 Hyde Park Pub; \$1.25 frozen ritas 6pm-2am, J.R.'s; Male dancers 6pm-2am, J.R.'s; Bare chest/harness night-Extended Happy Hour till 11pm, Venture-N; Montrose Cloggers 7pm, Brazos River Bottom; 90¢ well all night, Pacific Street; Happy Hour 7pm-2am, The Ranch; Joe De Hoyas, DJ 8pm, Venture-N; Karaoke night with Bill Sansom 8:00pm, El J's; Boots-N-

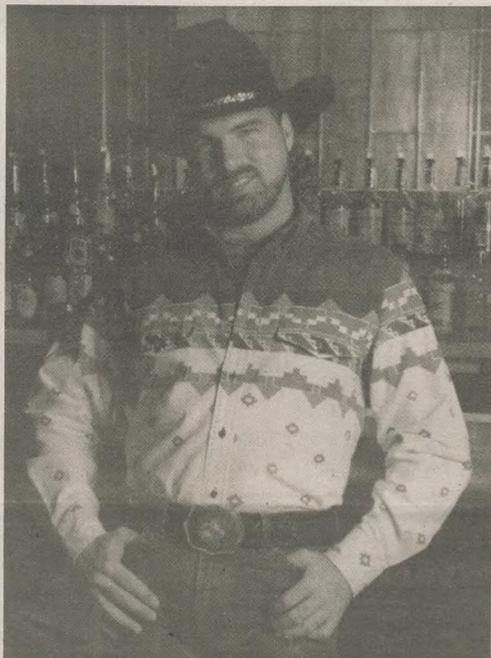
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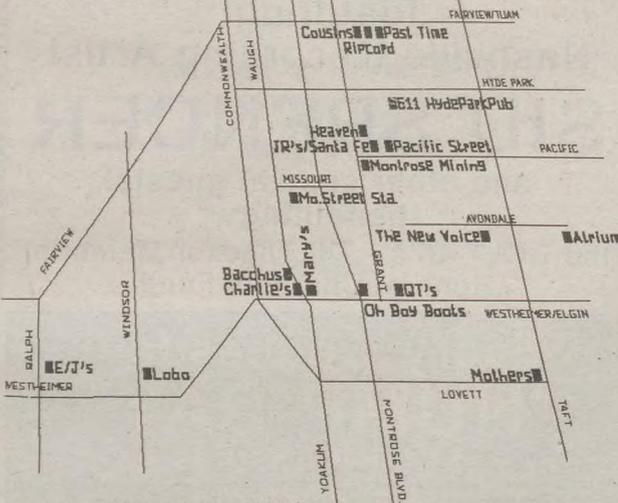
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Houston, Friday, Aug. 6

Happy hour \$1.75 well drinks 7am-1pm, Mary's; Bluelight specials 7am-6pm, Brazos River Bottom; Well \$1.75 opening-8pm, Past Time; Happy hour 7am-9pm, Brazos River Bottom; Happy hour 7am-9pm, E/J's; Happy hour till 10pm, Mother's; Happy hour 11am-10pm, JR's; Strip shot pool tourney noon, Mary's; Happy Hour \$1.75 well, beer & wine noon-5pm, Venture-N; Happy hour, longnecks and well drinks \$1.50 Noon-8pm, The 611 Hyde Park Pub; Happy hour 1-10pm, Montrose Mining Co.; \$1.00 Schnapps 1pm-2am, Montrose Mining Co.; Buffet 4-8pm, Brazos River Bottom; Mine Shaft happy hour 4-8pm, Montrose Mining Co.; Beer bash 4pm-2am, Montrose Mining Co.; Happy Hour 4pm-2am, Ms. B's; Houston's Biggest Party, hors d'oeuvres 4:30-7:30pm, JR's; Power hour \$1.00 well, beer & wine 5-7pm, Venture-N; Happy hour \$1.75 well drinks and beer 5-9pm, Mary's; Longnecks & well drinks \$2.00 6-9pm, The 611 Hyde Park Pub; Male dancers 6pm-2am, JR's; TGJ Friday party, no cover 7-9pm, Pacific Street; 90's well all night, Pacific Street; Happy Hour 7pm-2am, The Ranch; 8 Ball Pool Tournament 8pm, Past Time; Muscles in Action-male dancers 8pm-2am, Montrose Mining Co.; Chuck O'Leary, D.J., Venture-N; No cover with canned good for Stone Soup 9-11pm, Heaven; 75¢ well drinks, \$1.75 longnecks-all Miller products 9pm-2am, Heaven; Alternative Music 9pm-2am, XTC; DJ/VJ Michael Lowery, Heaven; Houston's Biggest Dance Party 9pm-2am, Heaven; Men of South Beach Dancers, Heaven; Strip contest with Pavi 11pm, E/J's; After-hours 2-4am, Ripcord; Open all night, Club Houston; Open all night, Midtowne Spa

Houston, Saturday, Aug. 14

Sundance Cattle Company Anniversary, Mary's; Master & Mistress of Montrose Contest (A Camp Contest), Mary's

SUNDAY

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SUNDAY

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Rustlers in Action
Variety Show 8pm

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Strip, Strut and Tantalize
5pm - 1am

WEDNESDAY

Male Strip Contest
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You can change your ad as often as desired during the year. But you must call us or mail us a note every 4 weeks to keep the ad running.

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Call 1-900-454-3576. Listen to the verbal instructions. A charge of \$1.49 per minute will appear on your telephone bill from "Multiquest." Call (713) 529-8490 for information about this service. You must be 18+.

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● **To RESPOND to a Personal Ad by Mail:**

Mail each response separately to New Voice Personals, 408 Avondale, Houston, TX 77006. Write the 5-digit ad number on the outside of the envelope. Your response will be forwarded unopened to the advertiser. (Do not mail multiple responses in a single envelope. Only individually-sealed, first-class, personal responses will be forwarded.)

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We will forward to you daily, unopened, at no charge, all responses received by mail.

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2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
BOY IN SHORT SHORTS
 Young 23, sexy, very attractive, oddly enough single, disease free, GWM, bl/bl, 5'11" seeks similar 23-30 for dating and possible relationship filled with romance, fun spontaneous times, honesty and monogamy, stable, masculine, dark hair a plus, non-smoker, no drugs. Show me the right attention and you'll receive the same. Ad#25365

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
SEEKING AN OLDER MAN
 40ish GWM, college educated, 5'9", br/br, weight proportionate, DDF, NS, seeking a masculine GWM, 50ish for friendship and possible relationship. I enjoy fishing, sports, the outdoors, biking, music, weight lifting, theater, movies, gourmet cooking, dining out and quite times at home. Tired of the bar scene and ready for a monogamous relationship that will last. If you are serious, sincere and honest, please respond to Ad#25940

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
GMC
 Early 30's personal and safe, attractive, masculine. One a smooth 5'8", 145lbs, hot Latino. The other a smooth 175lb country boy wanting a third party between 18-30's, slim or proportionate to size. Ad#25399

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
GUY'S WHO WANT TO HAVE FUN
 Got your attention? Fun, physical kind only - no relationship or ties. GWM, great looking, work out, red, trendy, DDF, looking for similar (21-40) for safe fun. Minority men ok. Say, you want some fun? Ad#25531.

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
SCORPIO LOVERS ARE WONDERFUL MAGIC MAKERS
 GWM, 6', 190, br/br, handsome, distinguished, professional, well-educated, and traveled, socially and financially secure, in search of a drug/smoke free masculine GWM 30+. Healthy, happy, honest, sincere, romantic, fun-loving guy. One who enjoys dining by candlelight, quiet evenings at home, "black-tie affairs", old movies, opera, theater. Most important loving and being loved and wanting a long term monogamous relationship. Ad#25275

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
TELEPHONE MAN SEEKS RIGHT NUMBER
 In shape GWM, 41, 5'9", 145, br/br is looking for a sincere masculine man for dating. I enjoy dancing, outdoor activities and quiet evenings at home. Non-smoker a plus, but not a must. Ad 25956

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
YOGIE LOOKING FOR BOOBOO
 Yogi's 33, 6'4", bearded, hairy, affectionate, and masculine. Looking for den mate, BooBoo 29-39, non-smoker, honest, stable, masculine, dark hair, blue eyes a plus but not essential. Enjoy quiet times at home, romantic dinners, bike riding, long walks in the park, movies, music and more. Looking for a "friends first" relationship with someone who is together inside and out with possibilities of much more. Sincere replies only. Ad#25955

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
IT'S THE QUALITY THAT COUNTS
 Seeking a young, slender, healthy, GWM who is drug/alcohol free, has real values and who believes that sincerity and personality are more important than physical features. I am a GWM, 52, honest, healthy, sincere. I like to make friends with decent guys in their 20's and 30's for good conversation, quiet evenings at home, touching and snuggly. I am a quality guy seeking a quality friend. Ad#25947

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
FATHER, SON, UNCLE
 Hot GWM, 34, 200, body build, very masculine. Seeking real fathers, sons and uncles who have had experiences with each other. Write descriptive letter and best means to contact. DDS, discretion a must. No fantasies. Ad#6018

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
GHM WANTED FOR TRAVEL COMPANION
 and/or possible relationship by versatile GWM, 35 yrs old with dark brown hair and eyes. Handsome, romantic, versatile with moustache. You: Must like to travel - USA and international and outdoor activities, be masculine, drug free, versatile, responsible, affectionate, romantic, moustache preferred but not necessary. Strong drive. No games. Ad#25972

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
INNER LOU AREA GWM
 mid-thirties seek same. You are attractive, stable, under 5'10" and looking for romantic companion and lots of safe times. Drinking, smoking are okay. Please respond for details. Ad#25931

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
HISPANIC MALE WANTED
 Good looking GWM, 37, 5'11", 165lbs, well built seeks smooth, slim or muscular Hispanic male 20-40 years old for hot times. Ad#25973

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
MATURE, ROMANTIC PROFESSIONAL, INTENSELY ATTRACTIVE ARTICULATE
 with good sense of humor and a lover of life, thirty something, very dark hair and grey eyes, very solid 180 pounds at 5'10 1/2" and works out on a regular basis. Looking for a "friends first" relationship with someone who is together inside and out with the possibility of much more. Ad#25951

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
MARRIED MAN SEEKS DISCREET BUDDY
 BWM 37, 6'5" Dark Blonde/Blue, weight proportionate to height, football player build, clean shaven, professional, know who I am, what I want and how to get it. You should be 32-42, have a brain, a heart and can handle a discreet dating and loving relationship with a married man. Ad#25968

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
NEW TO HOUSTON
 Mature, masculine, professional, all GWM would like to meet other professional GWM's for friendship and social activities. I enjoy all music, the arts, dining out, tennis, open to new suggestions and activities. Nice looking person, clean shaven, br/gr hair, brown eyes, social drinker, non-smoker, drug/disease free. Would also like to meet attractive lesbian for certain social requirements and obligations. Ad#25965

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
AGGRESSIVE PROFESSIONAL GWF 35
 Red/hazel, 5'9", 150. I like romantic evenings at home, movies, camping, music and go to bars occasionally. Non-smoker, social drinker and drug free. Financially stable, non-rolie playing and have a good sense of humor. Looking for that special someone age 25-40. Ad#25264

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
RODEO WRANGLER READY TO RIDE
 These days I'm much more of a cowboy in spirit than practice, but I still hold true to my country values and beliefs. I'm a GWM, 40, 215lbs, above average looks, br/hazel, medium hairy chest and a moustache. I'm seeking a cowboy in spirit, someone I am HIV+ and seek someone who is also HIV+ or who can deal with the situation on a mature and informed level. I am healthy, financially secure, and own home. I prefer handsome men, weight proportionate and a NS. Ad#25962

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
LOOKING FOR FRIENDS
 41 yr. old GWF looking for women friends. I don't smoke, do drugs and only drink occasionally. Romance is possible, but friends are more important right now. Ad#25939

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
MARRIED MEN
 Spend quality time day or night w/ semi-retired GWM in Houston. Ad 25328

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
SERIOUS LEATHER BOY PAY ATTENTION!
 Moderate to experienced S/M boy 20-30, masculine, medium to short, muscular, slender and attractive needed to serve experienced GWM dominant 40+. Limits respected. Red hairy optional, what ever I want, whenever I want it. 24hrs, a day protocol. More than one boy might be selected. Ad#25381

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
ARE YOU THE RIGHT ONE
 GWM, 30, attractive and athletic. I enjoy having a good time and being around friends. Interests include dancing, inline skating, movies, and dining out. I seek someone who is active, sincere, honest, and fun loving. If you are a GWM and looking for a serious friendship please respond to Ad#25178

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
NEED DADDY YOU NEVER REALLY HAD?
 Mature, professional, very hairy body/ hairy chest, Edwardian beard, (sign of Cancer). You, mentally mature, non-smoker, into the fun. Please respond to Ad#25916

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
AN OLD FASHIONED ROMANTIC
 GWM, mid 40's, 5'10", 170 lbs, dark hair, average looking, non-smoker, non-drinker. I'm healthy, honest and employed. My interests include entertaining, C&W quiet times, movies, and roller coasters. Seeking GWM, 28-42, with similar. A gym body a plus. Let's have dinner and see what happens. Ad#25390

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
HIV+ COWBOY
 Healthy, 34, 6'2, 180lbs, br/bl, moustache, masculine, professionally employed, non-smoker, drug/ free. Enjoys C&W music and dancing, leather, uniforms, camping, cooking and sports. You: GWM 30-45, hairy chest and similar interests looking for someone to share life with. Ad#25364

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
ALL MEN ARE NOT CREATED EQUAL
 and this GWM, 40, br/br, 5'9", 150lbs, HIV+ is living proof of that. I'm an honest, adventurous, fun loving nudist in a long term "understanding" relationship. If you are a GWM, 30-50, HIV+ who seeks mutual sensual fun with no strings, if smoking or light drinking is no problem then please respond to Ad#25904

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
ARE YOU INTERESTED?
 I'm an attractive 39yr. old, 5'9", 150#, well built professional WM that enjoys working out, art, mixed outdoor, travel, dinners out, good conversations and hot times with masculine, muscular men of all ages and races. If you are inter-act and looking for someone to date and perhaps develop a relationship, let me hear from you. Ad#25937

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
PRINCE OF A GUY SEEKS KING
 GWM, 37, 5'1, 125, (looks younger). Being with someone, the outdoors, traveling, C/W dancing occasionally fishing, boating or anything outdoors are some of the things I enjoy. I am open to new activities/ places outside of the bars. I am HIV-, h/w proportionate, stocky, muscular with boyish good looks. I am interested in you for friendship, dating and/or a possible monogamous relationship if you are active, assertive, between the age of 38-45, young at heart, NS, DDF with dark hair (graying okay) moustache/beard a plus. Only really sincere, honest people need respond. Ad#25367

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
ATTENTION: WHITE CALVIN WEARERS
 GWM, Daddy bear, 43, 5'6", moustache, balding, hunky, HIV+. Successful professional with a dry sense of humor and a lot of energy. Not looking for love, relationship, or anything serious - just someone who want to play and who likes to cuddle after. If you are 23-35, straight, bl, or gay, athletic, and look fit in white calvins, why not give it a try. Attorneys, architects, doctors a plus. Ad#25387

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
GWM, healthy HIV+, European, 30, 5'9", 172, attractive, educated, br/grn, seeks someone attractive, intelligent of similar ages for long term mutual relationship.
 Ad#6019

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
I NEED AND WANT A MAN!
 GWM, 34, br/ bl burr, medium build, moustache and goatee, conservative in appearance, professional with strong libido. Likes top 40 to C&W, dancing, movies, sports or just plain mindless fun. Seeks stable GWM between 30-50, a masculine "regular guy" with a sense of humor and no emotional baggage. Like cowboy types, but will consider all. Willing to explore friendship, relationship or ... ? I'm easy. Please respond soon. Ad#25926

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
WANTED BOY FRIEND LOVER SITUATION
 Good looking, healthy, HIV+, GWM, 35, 6', 165, br/br. Seeking serious boyfriend/lover situation. I'm a fun loving, affectionate, stable, non-smoker into huggin & squeezing & kissin & pleasin. Looking for drug-free GWM or GWM 18-25 for monogamous relationship. I have a lot to offer the right person. Ad#25578.

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
DESIRING HIV- GWM OR GHM CUDDLER
 Seeking a totally drug-free, slender GWM for friendship and to meet occasionally. I'm very discreet GWM who's independent and financially stable. This GWM is slender, 35, 5'8 1/2", drug/smoke free. I'm submissive and seeking a dominant GWM cuddler, but Greek not necessary. Desiring lasting friendship with someone who built GWM cuddler. Ad#25028

2200 THE PERSONALS
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DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Nebraska guardsman says gay policy means he'll have to leave military

LINCOLN, Neb., Thursday, July 22 (AP)—Sgt. Jeff Gorder thinks President Clinton probably did the best in could, given the current political climate, in coming up with a compromise policy for allowing gays to serve in the military.

But Gorder, who has announced his homosexuality and faces a discharge hearing next month, said Thursday the compromise policy won't work for him. He said he expects to be discharged from the Nebraska Army National Guard.

"In my personal case, it appears that I

am history," Gorder said.

"I wouldn't go in and swear that I would be celibate forever and that's what would be required under the policy," Gorder said. "It's really not much different than the previous policy."

Gorder, 26, of Lincoln announced his homosexuality at a gay rights march in Washington in April. He then became the only Nebraska guardsman on record to face discharge because of sexual orientation.

A Guard administrative board is

expected to review his case in August; a specific date has not been set.

Gorder earlier said he hoped eventually to find a sense of justice within the military that would let him keep his job. He had said then that Clinton's consideration of lifting a ban on gays in the military should help to encourage gays to fight for legal and political equality.

The Clinton policy announced Monday directs the military to allow homosexuals to serve as long as they remain silent about their sexuality. They still

would be subject to dismissal for homosexual activity, from holding hands to sexual acts. But they would not be discharged for simply going to a gay bar, reading homosexual publications or marching in a gay rights parade.

Gays previously were barred from the military and could be discharged solely because of their sexual orientation.

The Defense Department, which plans to enact the new policy Oct. 1, will offer guidelines to commanders.

DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Oregon group sues to remove anti-homosexual charter amendment

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Wednesday, July 21 (AP)—A group challenging Josephine County's new anti-homosexual charter amendment in court said Wednesday it wants to settle whether the measure is constitutional.

"We feel it is the right of every American to know whether this would clear the constitution or not," said Kathy Burkley, chairperson of the Josephine County Human Rights Alliance.

The alliance, the Rogue AIDS Awareness Network and 12 individuals filed a lawsuit in cooperation with the American Civil Liberties Union this week against Josephine County in Josephine County Circuit Court.

County commissioners had no comment, but sponsors of Measure 17-1 said the lawsuit was groundless.

"I believe that there's a tremendous

amount of bark involved here, but I think we'll see that there's very little bite," said Gary Cound, local director of the Oregon Citizens Alliance.

"Our basis for opposing homosexuality is the same basis that has stood with our Measure 17-1," Cound added.

Measure 17-1, passed by a 61 percent majority last month, amended county charter to prohibit the county from granting minority status to homosexuals or

spending any money to promote homosexuality.

The charter amendment was among a number of local measures sponsored around the state by the Oregon Citizens Alliance following defeat last year of a similar statewide measure.

The ACLU is involved in legal challenges to them all, as well as an effort to keep a new statewide measure off the ballot next year.

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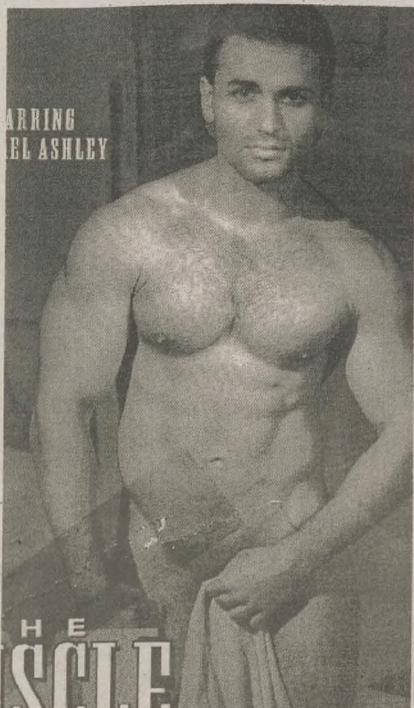
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