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## ▼ ▼ ▼ DATELINE: HOUSTON

### NGLTF leader gives bad news, good news in Houston speeches

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE  
TNV Editor

During a whirlwind schedule of appearances in Houston, Urvashi Vaid, executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, delivered bleak news to gay and lesbian Texans from "Washington, D.C., the vortex of evil," then issued a call to action with a message of power in numbers, in two impassioned speeches on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 18-19.

A reserved but forceful speaker, she repeatedly urged support for national gay rights efforts, NGLTF in particular, as she has in numerous visits to cities across the country this year. Decrying the low membership in national organizations (NGLTF's is about 17,000), she told her audiences directly, "The point I'm really trying to make is (for you) to join." The Houston visit, coordinated by local social worker and activist Bill Scott and timed to coincide with weekend observances of the Martin Luther King holiday, was also part of a nationwide fund raising/organizing effort for the Task Force.

There are very few—a handful—doing the actual political work of the national gay/lesbian movement, Vaid said. "We need the 650,000 who were at the (1987) March on Washington," she added, noting that national leaders hope the 1993 march will give the movement another boost.

Vaid (pronounced correctly, it rhymes with "mad"), probably the pre-eminent activist at the national level for lesbian and gay civil rights, told Houstonians that in the 90's "We live in a time when the gay and lesbian community has made tremendous advances...but numerous problems still exist" in her address Saturday at evening Inklings, a lesbian/feminist alternative book shop. Laying the blame largely with the federal government and the Washington-centered stronghold of the Far Right, she then detailed these problems, from the lack of support for civil rights legislation extending to lesbians and gay men, to widespread discrimination in employment and accommodations to the wave of hate crimes against gays throughout the country.

"Less than eighty cities or counties have passed ordinances protecting the rights of

lesbians and gay men, and only five states have anti discrimination laws, the fifth (state law) passed this week, in New Jersey," she pointed out. "Recent studies of employment discrimination reveal high instances of discrimination against lesbian and gay people...loss or denial of jobs, denial of promotions."

Gay and lesbian relationships remain without legal recognition or benefits, despite minor inroads in acceptance of domestic partnership proposals in limited areas, she said.

And concerning the nation's major public health crisis—AIDS—Washington's record is even more discouraging, she said.

"We are being held hostage to the Far Right," Vaid asserted. "We are at the mercy of their thinking." Regarding AIDS, she said, the sole reason for such legislative accomplishments as the Ryan White CARE Act is that "We were able to muster a coalition that they could not possibly ignore." And in spite of this, she continued, "Ten years into the crisis, (the government) still does not have an adequate response to AIDS."

The fact that "the vision of the Far Right is the guiding principal of public policy" affects other battles, such as the National Endowment of the Arts controversy, she noted. The NEA fight, she said, "is about the control of ideas, the control of artistic freedoms and sexuality" and its very existence reflects "the creeping fascism of the times."

On Sunday, at a community fundraiser co-sponsored by Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus and Queer Nation, Vaid moved from an assessment of problems and needs to a passionate vision of their resolution. Her speech before a largely activist audience of about 200-250 at the Heights Theater concentrated on gay and lesbian strength and the power of the vote.

"Are we a movement for mere legitimacy or are we a movement for liberation?" she asked, then answered with her own call to action, pointing out the community's diversity and declaring that within that very diversity lies unity and strength.

"We're southern queers. We're Yale graduates, we're no graduates...we're all over



NGLTF director Urvashi Vaid appealed to gay and lesbian Texans to get involved at the national level during two public appearances in Houston last weekend

the place!" she boasted as the crowd responded with shouts and applause.

Vaid shared the bill at the event, titled "Together We Can," with gay performance artist Tim Miller, one of the so-called "NEA Four" gays who gained acclaim through denial of federal art grants in 1990. During the weekend, she made several other appearances for groups within the community, and attended a private fundraiser for NGLTF hosted by local members. Her schedule was so packed that a planned social break had to be canceled, but Vaid told locals she enjoyed her visit and felt inspired by the spirit here.

At one of her appearances, Vaid pointed out that Texas is actually considered one

of the most organized and advanced states in terms of the gay/lesbian movement. "Texas is actually ahead of the times, don't let anyone tell you you're behind (other states). You have a full-time lobbyist, (and) an organized gay political group in every major Texas city," she reminded. "That's certainly more than New York has."

Vaid, was born in New Delhi, India and grew up in upstate New York. Though only 32 years old, she has been active with lesbian, gay and feminist organizations and projects for over a decade. An attorney and Vassar graduate, she is currently in a committed relationship, with lesbian comic Kate Clinton.

## ▼ ▼ ▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

### Congressman Barney Frank leads gay protest against restaurant

LITHONIA, Ga., Sunday, Jan. 19 (AP)—U.S. Rep. Barney Frank joined about 400 gay rights activists on Sunday in condemning a Tennessee-based restaurant's hiring practices.

Frank, D-Mass., joined protesters from the Queer Nation gay rights organization on Sunday at the Cracker Barrel restaurant in Lithonia, an east Atlanta suburb.

Gay and lesbian activists have been protesting the chain of Cracker Barrel

restaurants, based in Lebanon, Tenn., over the firing of nearly a dozen homosexual employees because of their sexual preference.

The group marched several blocks to the restaurant, where Frank, one of two openly gay congressmen, kissed his male lover and addressed the crowd.

"We know when this many people show up on a cold Sunday, that this is a sign of commitment," Frank said, adding that the group's protests will eventu-

ally force people "into the modern age."

He urged the crowd to "keep up the fight."

Frank also will represent the gay and lesbian community on Monday when he helps lead the annual March of Celebration on the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.

Frank's presence in the march "shows that the civil rights of African-Americans and the civil rights of gay and lesbi-

an Americans are the same inalienable rights," said Pat Hussain, co-chair of Atlanta's Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation.

"We always want the march and all the King Week celebrations to be as inclusive as possible, and we support full human rights for the gay and lesbian community," said King Center spokesperson Steve Klein, calling Frank "one of the most progressive and forward-looking congressmen."

### Florida governor Chiles appoints gay activist to compensation judgeship

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Thursday, Jan. 16 (AP)—An attorney appointed to a workers compensation claims seat here may be Florida's first openly gay judge, according to activist groups.

Rand Hoch, of West Palm Beach, a board member of the Washington-based National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, will take over the job Feb. 3.

Gov. Lawton Chiles did not mention Hoch's background in announcing the appointment, referring only to his experience

in his private law practice, although the new judge included his activist background on his application.

"We did not consider that in our selection," Chiles spokesperson Julie Anbender said Thursday. "The governor makes all appointments solely on the basis of qualifications."

Hoch was instrumental in making Palm Beach County the first in Florida to prohibit discrimination against homosexuals who work in county government.

"The issue was never raised by either the state judicial nominating committee or by the governor's office," Hoch said Wednesday. "The thing I'm most pleased about is that it wasn't a factor at all."

The only thing he regrets, he said, is giving up his activism.

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force said there are only 60 to 100 openly gay officials in the United States, and none in Florida judgeships.

"I think it shows that openly gay individ-

uals are coming into their own as public servants and are being rewarded with public trust," said the group's spokesperson Robert Bray.

Lawyer John Risca, who fought the gay rights ordinance in Palm Beach County, said he has mixed feelings about Hoch's appointment.

"On the one hand, I like to be fair with people," he said. "On the other hand, I wouldn't say his being gay is one of his positive attributes."

We are indebted to a nameless Houston Chronicle news editor who, needing copy to fill last Sunday's news inches, included an article by Steve Toloken of the Chicago Tribune (not a noted progressive journal) on gays in local politics.

The article initially focuses on David Scondras, elected to the Boston City Council in 1983, who by virtue of being "at the table" has been able to channel three million dollars into that city's gay community.

Then the focus shifts to national gay organizations concerned with electing local and state gay candidates - the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund in Washington, D.C., and the Speaking for Ourselves in Missouri. The Fund, headed by William Waybourn, formerly of Dallas, while only seven months old has already pledged \$120,000 to gay candidates. Also of Texas interest, Waybourn patterned the Fund after Emily's List, a national organization of women who networked to raise money for Ann Richard's run for governor.

All of this relates to Houston since the National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Elected and Appointed Officials met here last November. We noted at that time how unfortunate it was that little if any publicity, even in our own community, was given to the presence of the grassroots leadership which could provide tomorrow's national gay and lesbian leaders. For instance, Sherry Harris was here. Miss Harris, a black lesbian, had just been elected to the Seattle City Council in an at-large district. This means she was elected citywide, making her the most broadly based elected gay official in the country. (She received more votes than either of the two openly gay congressmen.) Yet her presence was not even noted at the concluding banquet hosted by the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus and she was not interviewed by any press, gay or straight.

Glen Maxey, the first openly gay member of the Texas Legislature, deservedly is better recognized. He is, after all, our claim to "sitting at the table." But Glen was the matching of an outstanding and knowledgeable candidate with a statewide effort at fundraising. Now Glen faces re-election this year and has strong opposition. It would be unfortunate if, once elected, our community assumed an indifferent attitude. We have encountered many in the community who still fail to

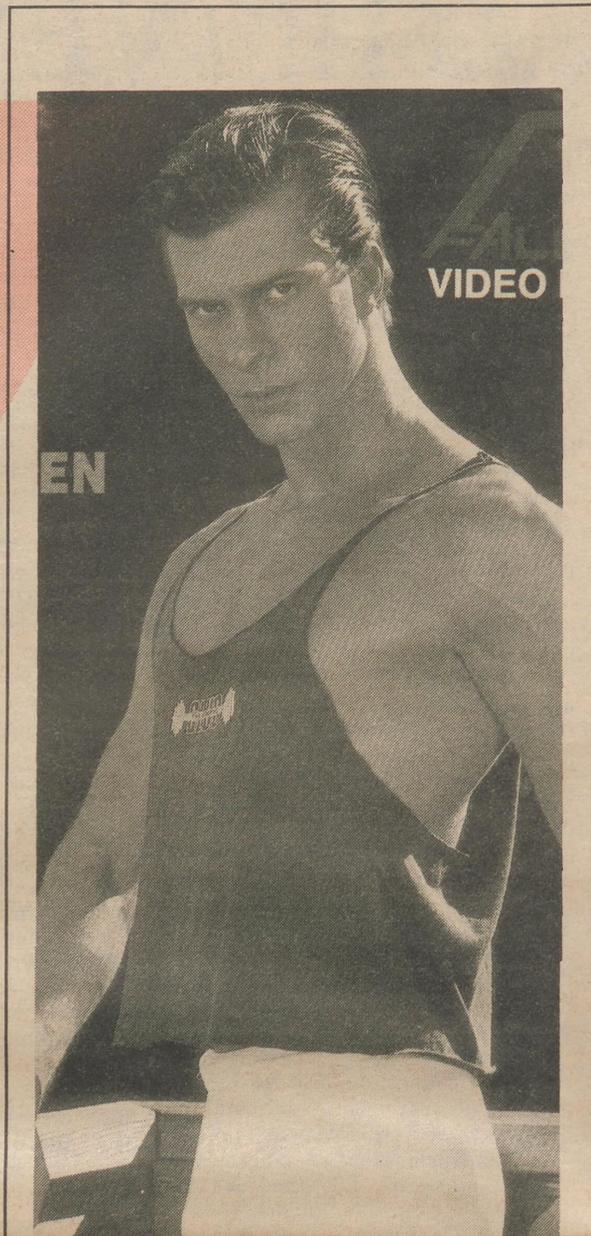
understand the statewide importance of Glen's presence in the Legislature. He truly represents all gay men and lesbians throughout Texas and we all have an obligation to ensure his remaining in office. And yes, that means he needs financial contributions.

The bottom line of Toloken's article is that our community must first establish its credibility in raising money for our candidates to be taken seriously down the road. The second step is for gay and lesbian candidates to establish a broader base on issues and support than simply being openly gay or lesbian. Our community can provide, must provide the seed money and initial support for our candidates but every successful gay or lesbian elected public official will affirm that success cannot come from that alone.

There are openly elected gay officials not only in San Francisco and New York, but in Rochester, New York; Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Bunceton, Missouri, and numerous other cities with far smaller gay communities than Houston.

The answer is not that we are the fourth largest city in the nation, that Montrose is one of the most visible gay communities in the country, that we are here so public officials, even public officials we have endorsed, must listen to us. Only educating our own community, raising our own money, and presenting qualified candidates can achieve here what other gay communities have accomplished.

We need national gay leaders coming to Houston to stir the troops, but we also need gay elected officials coming to share their experiences with all of us. We need a gay press with a commitment to educate our community, not simply to follow the careers of drag performers. At a time when the national gay community is reaching a new political maturity we here in Houston must also grow and our local institutions and enterprises must take the lead in that growth. It is a sad commentary that at the very time when our community has just witnessed a serious candidate for the city council our community political leadership seems confused, divided and withering. Perhaps it is time to begin a new, starting with re-educating our community as to our priorities. This education must begin now.

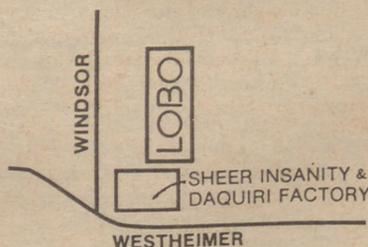


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# Bishop-elect Glenn Jeanmarie of New Orleans' Imani Temple dies

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON  
TNV New Orleans

Bishop-elect Glenn Jeanmarie was buried last week with an Imani Temple Catholic funeral Mass, followed by a traditional jazz funeral procession to Saint Roch Cemetery, Number 2. Jeanmarie died of undisclosed cause at age 40.

Father Jeanmarie became pastor of the break away Imani Temple Number 28 when he left the New Orleans Archdiocese in 1990. He had been pastor of Saint Theresa's Roman Catholic Church. Imani Temple was founded in Washington, D.C. by Bishop George Stallings after he was excommunicated from the Roman Catho-

lic Church in July of 1989.

Imani Temple has only six congregations despite the New Orleans designation as number 28. The African-American congregation is estimated to be about 3500 nationwide. Stallings had nominated Jeanmarie for Bishop but he had not been installed at the time of his death.

Bishop Stallings came to New Orleans for the funeral and said finding a replacement for the position will be difficult. "What I'm looking for is a person with the charisma to electrify people, but who is also well-grounded in his understanding of Catholicism, and who is also an Afro-Centric person. This person has to have a

strong academic and theological background."

Stallings, 43, was excommunicated after forming the independent African-American congregation. "We believe that a woman has the ultimate control of her body and the freedom to employ contraceptive methods to avoid unwanted pregnancy," Stallings said. The main branch Catholics oppose such an idea.

While he considers abortion "genocide" the African-American Catholic Congregation "will not reject or castigate" a woman who has one. Nor will it reject homosexual members, Stallings said.

Both Stallings and Jeanmarie are

viewed by traditional Catholics as renegades. Stallings was the subject of a series of Washington (D.C.) Post stories in which he was accused of being a "practicing homosexual." Stallings denies the allegation.

Jeanmarie was accused by other New Orleans priests of financial misconduct when at Saint Theresa's. He denied the accusation.

"These attacks by the media have brought us closer together," Stallings said. "My concern is creating a Catholic alternative to Rome that is attractive to African-Americans. We do not see ourselves as inferior to, but equal to the Roman Catholic Church."

▼▼▼ DATELINE: AUSTIN

# Austin's new HIV dental clinic receives major grant

By CHRIS LUTHER  
TNV Austin

A newly opened clinic providing dental care to indigent HIV-positive patients has received a major contribution that could allow it to significantly increase its patient load in the coming months. Last Friday, Jan. 17, the Capital Area United Way awarded \$65,000 to the Austin-Travis County HIV Dental Clinic. The award will purchase much needed dental equipment for the clinic, a project of AIDS Services of Austin. Last Saturday, the clinic opened its doors to the first patients, using space

and equipment leased from the city health department. The current lease allows the project to use the city health clinic only on Saturdays.

Dr. Chris Fabre, chair of the HIV Dental Project, called the gift "responsive and magnanimous."

"This will allow us to open in our own space much sooner than we initially expected...we hope by mid-March," Dr. Fabre said. Having its own space will allow the clinic to be open more days. Fabre expects the clinic, which is staffed by volunteer dentists and paid assistants, could eventu-

ally be open up to three days a week in the near future. "To be open more than three days would require us to hire a full-time dentist," he explained.

The clinic, which saw 17 patients on its first day, is already booked for the next month. "We expect to see 16 new patients in the coming month," Dr. Fabre predicted.

A 1991 report prepared by the Austin-Travis County HIV Commission showed that early dental treatment helps to preserve the immune system. At the clinic clients can receive a full range of dental care, from simple cleaning and extraction to the latest treatments for HIV-related ail-

ments. Dr. Fabre announced that Itralesonal Viblatine, a relatively new treatment for Kaposi's Sarcoma, will be available at the clinic.

The Capital Area United Way also announced a commitment of up to \$15,000 to fund educational efforts targeted toward people at high risk of contracting HIV. Christina Garrison of the United Way said these awards are part of her organizations two focus approach to responding to the growing number of HIV cases in Central Texas.

Information on the dental clinic can be obtained by calling (512) 406-6633.

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# Montrose Activity Center looks to focus on funding for community center

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE  
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The Montrose Activity Center, best known in recent years as an umbrella organization sheltering several other local gay/lesbian groups under its 501(c)3 non-profit corporate status, will be putting these services on "hold" as they pursue the long-stated goal of establishing a gay and lesbian community center in Houston, according to MAC's new officers and board. And Clyde Williams, who heads up the fresh crop of directors as this year's president of the decade-old organization, has asserted that there will be important differences in the 1992 MAC's commitment and approach to that goal.

Williams, an attorney, said the new board is aware of and will be working toward what is really needed if the objective of a full-service center is ever to be met: in a word, money. "Our major goal this year will be raising funds to open a community center," said Williams, noting that the board members now include people with strong backgrounds in raising funds, as well as expertise in legal and business areas. Their skills, she insists, are badly needed if MAC and its goals are examined from a realistic perspective.

"Really, what will it take (to open) a full center, a place with the kind of space and capabilities the people in the community are saying they want? Come on, it will take a couple of million dollars, at the least," said Williams, who said she has had numerous discussions with groups and individuals about their visions for the new center.

Williams' own vision, reached with the input of these entities: the center would house a theater, spaces for art shows and events, office space for numerous organizations, and larger meeting areas. There would be enough space for elaborate social functions and community fundraisers and benefits, educational events. Reflecting what she points to as key to the approach that will eventually make this vision a reality, Williams readily admits this particular setting is a long way off.

"We are looking at establishing a temporary, smaller center this year...and the actual, larger center as a five-year plan," Williams said. The center the group hopes to open this year will have office and meeting space for local groups, and will establish a physical presence and much needed "track record" in operation of a center for MAC, she said.

"Part of the reason for having a short term and a long term plan is that we need the experience, the background of running

the (first) center to project into our goals for the larger center," she said. Also, the community is clamoring already for services the temporary center will be able to provide; the short term plan will enable MAC to "keep abreast of the community's needs and help us focus our resources."

"We won't over commit with the expenses (of the temporary center), but we do want a place that community groups can use...we want a building with enough office space for several organizations, and hopefully some larger meeting areas," she added.

The temporary facility will also provide a space for artists in the community to show their work, she said. MAC hopes to open this first phase center by May, 1992.

Williams said board members have already been looking at real estate and has identified prospects for the temporary center. But opening and operating even the smaller space will take more funding than MAC has ever been able to generate as a community organization. What has been needed, she said, is a re-thinking of the group's fundraising direction, as well as its relationship to other organizations and community resources.

"We want a community center, and so we will be in the business of raising funds," said Williams. This, she added, must also be done in a professional, businesslike manner.

While some board members have been involved in grant writing, MAC is also planning several community-based direct fund raisers. Most of these will take place in local gay/lesbian businesses, and will be tailored to the needs and personality of the people, in a spirit of cooperation and "keeping the economic power in the community itself," said Williams.

The MAC board won't be going begging, and won't waste time on poorly planned or publicized events. "The new members are more conscious, I think, of the need to publicize," Williams said. "We also understand that it's crucial for MAC to be supportive (or local businesses and organizations). What we want to is develop a strong gay and lesbian community by really putting our money and resources into the community, and by (encouraging) cooperation and support between all of the organizations."

"We want to develop sort of a partnership (approach to raising funds) with other groups in the community," said Williams, noting that MAC has already been approaching other organizations with a record for making money to assist in the effort. The response, she said, has been tre-



The fundraising committee of the Montrose Activity Center board includes, from left, James McKinley, Suzanne Anderson, Clyde Williams, Helen Rodriguez and Robert Harris. Other 1992 board members (not pictured): Linda Marshall (secretary), Jim Owens, John Hill (vice president), Bernie Barbour, Larry Garrett, Gary Burns (treasurer) and Glyn LeBlanc

mendously encouraging: businesses and community organizations are helping with various MAC fundraisers already planned for the next several months.

Fundraising events begin this Sunday, 3:00-5:00 p.m. with a Superbowl Party at Gentry. Planned for the spring are four "UFO Shows" (a spoof of USO shows) at local bars. The first live UFO Show is tentatively scheduled for April 5 at the Briar Patch. The second, to which TGRA royalty candidates will contribute their efforts, is set for April 12 at the Brazos River Bottom. A planned Easter fundraiser, also at the BRB, is titled "Hats Off to MAC!"

MAC also has ongoing fundraisers, like a popular monthly roller skating party at Carousel Skating Rink. The skates are held on the third Tuesday of the month. The organization also plans to host a gay and lesbian film festival in August or Sep-

tember. Other plans for this year include MAC's traditional participation in the annual Pride Awards, a joint project with Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection.

Although the board has now has a loose-knit fund raising committee, all of the board members are involved in the intensified effort as MAC works toward opening the center, Williams said. And this time, she added, the effort will succeed.

"The reason MAC can do it now is that we have the mutual support (of other groups), and the contributions and cooperations of the business people," she said. "These people understand that the community center is not just MAC, it's the community. We make the investment, and we pull and reap the benefit."

## ▼▼▼ SAN ANTONIO QUICK NOTES

### 'DocuDykes' to present panel on collecting lesbian-gay materials

As an adjunct to the American Library Association's midwinter meeting, the archivist group DocuDykes of Austin will present a panel discussion titled "Cooperative Collection Development Policies for Lesbian and Gay Materials." The panel will be presented at the Institute of Texan Cultures, 801 S. Bowie in San Antonio, second floor, Classrooms 1 and 2.

This gathering will offer perspectives on collection development policies from archives holding gay and lesbian materials and will provide a forum for discussing policies. Panelists include Brenda Marston, Human Sexuality archivist at Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.; Ginny

Daley, Women's Studies archivist at Duke University, Durham, N.C.; Polly Thistlewaite, archivist at the Lesbian Herstory Archives, New York, N.Y. and Lucinda Zoe, also of the Lesbian Herstory Archives.

The event is wheelchair accessible. Suggested donation to cover the cost of the event is \$5-15, however no one will be turned away. A transcript will be available by mail (\$10).

DocuDykes of Austin are committed to "documenting the under-documented in our culture." Current projects include collecting all materials generated by the four Texas Lesbian Conferences for permanent preservation at the Barker Texas History

Center at the University of Texas; creating an oral history of Austin lesbian activism during the 1970's; identifying lesbian and gay materials held by repositories in the Austin area; and printing an orientation guide for those planning or currently engaging in preservation of lesbian and gay materials. For information on the group, write to DocuDykes, P.O. Box 402063, Austin, TX 78704.

For information on the San Antonio panel, contact Gene Elder in San Antonio, (512) 227-6451; Bella in Austin, (512) 326-5634, or the A.L.A. Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

—SAAF support groups

The San Antonio AIDS Foundation is expanding its counseling program by adding two new support groups.

An open, special youth group has been developed to assist young people to deal with issues regarding the potential loss or suffering of a loved one due to an HIV infection. The group will be overseen by M'lissa Parsons, M.A., LPC of Alamo Mental Health Group, and Suzanne Craig, M.A. of the Women and Children's Resource Center. The group will meet each Friday at the Alamo Mental Health Group offices at 4242 Medical Drive (Vistas Building III). For additional information call M'lissa Parsons at (512) 614-8400.

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### —CHARLES R. (CHUCK) TIGHE

May 4, 1946—Jan. 15, 1992

Chuck Tighe, 45, passed from this life on Wednesday Jan. 15, 1992 at approximately 6:00 a.m. in Johnstown, Pa. He had returned to his family home in Johnstown for the Christmas holidays and suffered numerous seizures on Jan. 1, 1992 and never regained consciousness. Chuck had lived in Houston for the last 12 years and taught special education in Pasadena and Deer Park schools. He was a devoted teacher who loved working with children with needs.

He is survived by his lifemate of six and one half years, Larry Broughton; his mother, two brothers, one sister, numerous nieces and nephews, and many dear and supportive friends. He will always be remembered for his kindness, gentleness, thoughtfulness, and caring about those he loved around him. His death is a tragic loss and he will be dearly missed by all of us whose lives were enriched by our 45 year old "little boy" we loved.

A Funeral Mass was held in Johnstown, Pa. on Jan. 17, 1992. A Memorial Service will be held at Bering United Methodist Church on Saturday, Feb. 1 at 2:00 p.m. Memorials may be made in his memory to the Bering United Methodist Church, 1440 Harold, Houston, TX 77006 or the charity of your choice.

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### Human testing aimed at stronger immune system

SAN DIEGO, Friday, Jan. 17 (AP)—Researchers will use people infected with the AIDS virus to test a new therapy they hope will boost the immune system and help the body attack the virus.

Recruitment of 24 patients for the six-month study at the University of California, San Diego, will begin next month.

Although trials on HIV-infected patients have been conducted with other treatments, the strategy announced Thursday is believed to be the first approach based on monoclonal antibodies to enter human clinical testing, said a spokesperson for the compound's developer, IDEC Pharmaceuticals Corp.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration granted the company permission Wednesday, one month after IDEC sought approval, said company president William Rastetter.

"Our intent is to provide an antibody therapy that acts much like a vaccine, stimulating production of broadly neutralizing antibodies and providing immune protection that could potentially delay or slow down the progress of (the AIDS virus infection)," he said.

The compound, called 3C9, attempts to mimic the shape of a key portion of the AIDS virus to make new antibodies that stop the virus from infecting human cells, said Dr. J. Allen McCutchan of UC-San Diego Medical Center.

Monoclonal antibodies are produced in the laboratory by fusing genetically distinct cells and cloning the resultant hybrids so all produce the same antibody.

McCutchan, the study's principal investigator, and Dr. Leland Rickman will recruit San Diego County residents infected with the AIDS virus for the test.

Subjects must be over 18 and healthy, with a T-cell count of 600. A person with a normal immune system has 1000 or more infection-fighting T cells per cubic millimeter of blood.

The T-cell count drops as the AIDS virus cripples the immune system, leaving the body vulnerable to opportunistic infections that eventually result in acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Subjects will receive six injections. Some will receive 3C9 only while others will receive 3C9 with other compounds that may speed up the body's response. Patients will be monitored for adverse reactions, McCutchan said.

This first phase of the compound's clinical trial is designed to test its safety, not necessarily how well it works. If no serious side effects are shown, it will be considered for studies involving larger numbers of people, said McCutchan.

The IDEC compound was accepted for study "because conceptually, it makes a lot of sense" with neutralizing antibodies targeting a special binding site on the AIDS virus, he said.

Researchers hope 3C9 will stimulate the patient's immune system to produce its own neutralizing antibodies, McCutchan added.

IDEC's director of clinical research, Dr. James Merritt, said in a statement Thursday that 3C9 ultimately may prove useful with antiviral therapies or other vaccines.

However, one analyst specializing in the medical-technology industry said even if IDEC successfully develops a monoclonal-based HIV therapeutic, it might have only limited application because monoclonals have a short half-life in the body.

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▼▼▼ NEW ORLEANS QUICK NOTES

# New Orleans Video Access Center calls for Video Festival entries

By SUZANNE PAILET

NOVAC, the popular New Orleans Video Access Center, is calling for entries for the fourth annual "Louisiana Video Shorts Festival." The statewide competition is limited to short, non-commercial video works. It is designed to bring video producer and media artists to the attention of the public.

The deadline for entries is March 12, 1992. Entries of up to 12 minutes will be accepted in a wide variety of genres, including drama, comedy, experimental, documentary, community portrait, PSA, music video and computer art.

The festival is open to independent producers, artists, students and all others living in Louisiana. Students may compete in a separate category. Television stations, cable companies, corporate media departments and non-profit organizations will also be in a separate category.

The competition will be judged by three Louisiana TV/media professionals and a prize of \$100 will be awarded to

two winners in the overall category, and \$50 to two runners-up. In the student category, a \$100 prize will be awarded to one winner. Entries in the organizational category will compete for honorary awards.

Winning entries will be included in a "Best of the Fest" tape, to premiere at a live screening in New Orleans in April. The tape will also be made available free of charge for selected public and educational screening, and for cable cast on public access channels statewide.

For information on submitting entries, contact Kevin Goodman or Rebecca Drake at (504) 524-8626 or (504) 524-2263.

## —N.Y. calls for Louisiana, Texas videos

Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center in Buffalo, N.Y. is seeking submissions from film makers and video artists from Louisiana and Texas. The series, to be shown in Buffalo, and in Louisiana and Texas, is titled "Louisian-alysis and

Texa-stentialism."

Works should be on 8 mm, super 8, or 16 mm film or video and "should be "fueled not so much by the recent wave of national attention, but by a desire to present a more realistic, anti-stereotypical portrait of the two states," according to curator Rene' Broussard.

The idea for the series was inspired by a return visit "back home," said native New Orleanian Broussard, who now lives in Buffalo. She has taken the name "Texa-stentialism" used for the series from the band "The Hickoids."

The series will showcase and explore "those two completely different 'states' of mind will be placed on presenting works produced within the last two or three years, but not absolutely so limited. "Performances" will also be considered provided film and video play a predominant.

The series will be presented in Buffalo, N.Y. at Hallwalls in the month of June, 1992 and will be presented in New Orleans by the New Orleans Women's

Caucus for the Arts and the New Orleans Video Access Center in July. The program is also expected to tour throughout Texas in August, 1992.

Artists fees will be paid to artists selected for this program. Works should be submitted by March 13, 1992 on either film or video; do not send masters. Written proposals complete with technical requirements and support materials may also be sent.

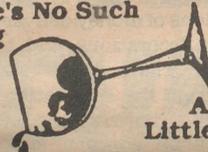
Submissions should include the following information: name, address and phone, title of work, running times, year of completion and a brief summary or artists statement regarding the work submitted. Works will only be returned if submitted with a self-addressed, stamped envelope or a check, payable to Halwalls Inc., to cover the cost of return shipping. Mail entries to Louisian-alysis and Texa-stentialism, Halwalls Contemporary Arts Center, 700 Main St., Buffalo, NY 14202. For more information, call Rene' Broussard at (716) 854-5828.

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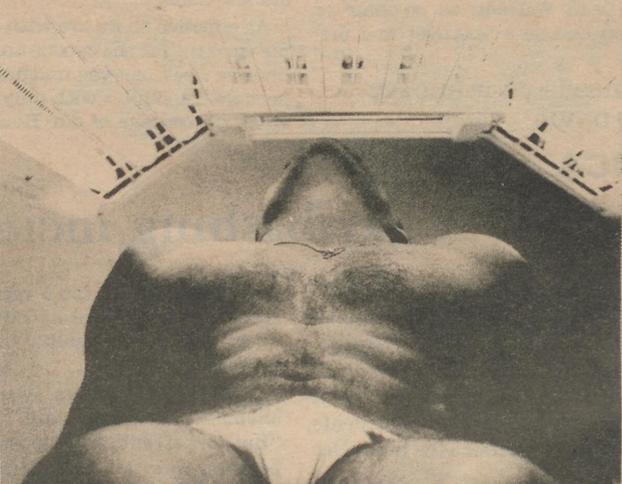
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## ▼▼▼ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### NLA: Houston leader questions actions of HPD officer in arrest of S.A. man

From DEAN WALRADT, co-chair, National Leather Association: Houston

On the morning of Jan. 19, 1992, an individual visiting from San Antonio was arrested for P.I. (public intoxication) on Crocker Street near Fairview. He was a passenger in a truck, which was parked. He and the driver had come from the Venture-N on Main to visit the Ripcord on Fairview. The visitor was sleeping on the driver's side, while the driver was at the wheel. (There was no sex involved!)

A female officer tapped on the window and requested the men get out of the parked truck and either go inside somewhere or leave the area (a reasonable request considering the trouble we have had in the area). Within minutes another officer, a male, arrived while the first was still present, interceded, got the driver out of the truck, talked with him and arrested him on P.I. (a P.I. charge indicates the individual's level of intoxication would allow him/her to be a threat to self or others).

The San Antonio visitor was then pulled from the passenger side of the truck. He was wearing boots, levis and a chain harness (no shirt). It should be noted that this man has permanent piercings in both nipples, meaning they cannot be removed except possibly by a doctor.

The officer said he would have to remove the harness because it was an illegal weapon. The harness consisted of two shoulder straps, two side straps, a single strap to the genitals and a metal ring fitting around the genitals. The visitor started to remove his pants to remove the ring, and the officer asked what he was doing. He said the harness was attached. The officer asked, "Attached to what?" The man responded, "Think about it." The officer allowed him to proceed.

As the officer prepared to cuff him, the S.A. visitor requested his shirt; then he asked for his coat. The officer refused the coat. He protested, requested the jacket again and the officer refused. When he proceeded to reach for the jacket, he was pulled from the truck, thrown to the ground face first and handcuffed. On several occasions on the way to the city jail, the man requested that his cuffs be loosened as they were too tight; the requests were ignored. This resulted in cuts and bruises to both wrists and numbness in the thumb of one hand, which continued throughout the day Sunday. Our visitor was seeing a doctor on Monday (Jan. 20).

At the police station, the man who had been arrested was finally informed of the charges against him. During his booking and processing, his boots, a ring and belt were removed. During frisking by the processing officer, the rings piercing his nipples were felt through his shirt. The officer immediately removed the shirt and told him to take them out. He said he could not as they were permanent. The officer said then that they would be cut off. He continued to refuse. The officer finally got his sergeant, who relented and passed on the rings.

The man's paper work was labeled with

"Sado-masochist" boldly across the front of it. The frisking ended, leaving his two leather arm bands still on him; with his shirt back on, he was taken up to the sixth floor for isolation. On the way there, the officer handling him made several stops, pulling the man's shirt up to show other officers the nipples and rings. Two of these stops included stopping the elevator on two different floors for the sole purpose of showing the arrestee off.

Once at the cell, our visitor requested a blanket, as it was cold and he was still damp. The request was refused or ignored. The man pleaded no contest to the charge, paid \$50 and was out later Sunday morning, BUT ...

(1) Why did the second officer counter the first officer's decision in handling the situation—to our knowledge they were not partners.

(2) This ignorance of an officer in the Montrose area to harnesses and the like is not acceptable.

(3) Throwing someone down in the mud instead of reaching for the jacket, searching it and giving it to the arrestee is not acceptable. Temps were in the mid-thirties to mid-forties that night.

(4) Ignoring requests to loosen cuffs so they are not damaging the wearer is not acceptable.

(5) Not telling an arrestee what he is charged with is not acceptable.

(6) Making a public display of someone else's body (intentionally) and its adornments is unprofessional, an invasion of privacy and not acceptable.

(7) Keeping cells without at least some heat is unacceptable. Not furnishing a blanket is cruel and inhumane punishment.

(8) Marking "Sado-masochist" boldly across the paperwork is unacceptable, untrue and ignorant.

Pierced nipples or anything else for that matter does not denote SM. The right to privacy and dignity were surely violated, and an individual's health endangered (cuffs too tight and put in a cold room, damp and without a blanket). Since when is a chain harness or any harness an illegal weapon? It is not, anymore than a belt or hat.

My point is, when are we going to get sensitivity training between the gay/lesbian community and the police and sheriff's departments. We have had a lot of talk from both camps, but have seen nothing. I also demand that the leather community be represented in that training, since we are a subculture within the gay/lesbian community. Most of this could have been avoided had officers, including those at the jail been educated and informed.

A video tape of the person's statement and showing his wrists and their damage was made Sunday afternoon and a complaint to HPD Internal Affairs is being prepared. This information has been prepared by myself, Dean Walradt, as co-chair of NLA: Houston and as a taxpayer and private citizen.

—GLPC needs your energy

From RON DAVIS

An open letter to the Houston Gay and Lesbian Community:

If you knew you could be instrumental in finding a cure or prevention for AIDS, be part of bringing an end to any law enforcement harassment to members of our community, guaranteeing there would be no more discrimination in the work place or in housing due to sexual orientation, put an end to "hate crimes" against our community, obtain the right to legally marry someone of the same sex—if you could accomplish all of the above and more for about three or four hours per week of your time and energy—would you GO FOR IT? I doubt that anyone who reads this letter would not give three or four hours to accomplish the above. Many of you may feel there is no way you could bring these goals into reality. No way could you play a role in these (which to many of us seem like an impossible dream) objectives. My message to you is that it is NOT impossible. The solution to these objectives is so simple it eludes most of us. That solution is to become politically active.

We already have in place in Houston, Texas the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus, a fine organization that is working for all of the above goals and more. This country gives each of us the opportunity to make the laws which we are to live by. Are you taking advantage of that? Do you know the HGLPC screens every political candidate running for local and state offices that wishes an endorsement to see how he or she stands on vital issues that directly affect your quality of life? Are you registered to vote? Do you belong to HGLPC? Do you work for the caucus? There are 10 to 15 dedicated people who do 90 percent of the valuable work the caucus accomplishes. Do you know we have the fourth largest gay and lesbian population in the country? Do you know what it would mean politically if we were truly organized and voted for people who can change our realities?

Sure we have come a long way. We no longer have to enter bars through an alley entrance with no sign, we have parades and proclamations, we do not have the regular expected law enforcement harassment we once accepted as a part of life, we have our own support groups and recovery centers, we have gay churches. If you are willing to settle for what you have you probably have not read this far. If you want true equal rights for persons—PLEASE GET INVOLVED. If you get involved and influence just five friends and they influence just five friends and so on the battle would be won. It must start with you. To be a truly effective force we must do it as a community. Every gay/lesbian organization (social, educational, sporting, charitable, etc.) could have a representative to HGLPC to report to the organization the vital issues that affect our community. When we get together as a community it starts to work (which it will), not only will our quality of life be richer but we will have led the way for our younger brothers and sisters...

As effective as we are with 10 or 15 people working for the caucus an average of 20 hours a week, can you imagine what an impact we could have with only 1000 (a very small percentage of our Houston gay and

lesbian population) working four hours a week: 15,600 man/woman hours per year vs. 208,000 man/woman hours). That adds up to votes for funding for a cure and prevention for AIDS; votes for education against bigotry and discrimination. Our future is in our hands.

The caucus has two very important meetings coming up. Wednesday, Jan. 29 is election of caucus officers and some board positions. If you are a member please come and cast your vote, with the intention of supporting that person you are voting for with your time and energy, so that he or she may better serve you. If you are not a member, you may certainly come to show your support and become a member. The other important meeting is Wednesday, Feb. 5 where the caucus will endorse candidates for the upcoming local and state election. Come and hear the results of the screening committee and the discussion on why we should or should not support those candidates. Both meetings are at the Montrose Palace, 1505 Nevada, at 7:30 p.m. You may call 521-1000 for more information. Please be willing to make a commitment for your future and those that come after you.

—SAAF says thanks

From SHARON RUPP, executive director, San Antonio AIDS Foundation

This is a thank you to the readers of The New Voice for the very generous community support shown to the residents of the San Antonio AIDS Foundation during the holiday season.

People dropped by our facility to make donations of money, deliver food, supplies holiday decorations and to volunteer their time. There were streams of people through the Foundation nearly every day during Thanksgiving and Christmas offering their concern, support and unconditional love. With the stigma, controversy and fear of this disease, it was overwhelming to see this outpouring of caring from so many people. They made it possible for our clients to have a wonderful Christmas, and for six of them who have since died, it was their last. So many people came by and dropped their donations off that we were unable to thank them properly.

From the board of trustees, myself and all of our clients, we thank you and God Bless.

—Wrong on history

From JIM CARUTH, Dallas

A few weeks ago I read a letter in The New Voice stating that Elaine Noble was the first openly gay/lesbian elected official in this country. That is incorrect.

On page 22 of the Alyson Almanac, Kathy Kozachenko is named as the first openly gay/lesbian elected official in this county, having been elected in the spring of 1974 to the Ann Arbor, Michigan City Council. In November of that year, Elaine Noble was elected to the state legislature of Massachusetts. On Dec. 9 of that year, Allan Spear, a state senator in Minnesota who was already in office, publicly came out as a gay man.

So there were one or two openly gay elected officials, depending on how you look at it, before Elaine Noble.

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

### Police, others concerned about gay-bashing incidents in college town

WINONA, Minn., Monday, Jan. 13 (AP)—Police and residents are worried about public safety in their relatively quiet, conservative college town following four "gay-bashing" incidents since October.

When 30 people, most of them teen-agers, showed up on a December night waving baseball bats and clubs and hollering anti-gay slurs, the men inside an apartment turned off the lights and called police.

Now all of Winona is talking about the apartment's residents, who deny being gay, and this and three other "gay-bashing" incidents involving them.

Last week, more than 75 residents showed up at a meeting of the city's Human Rights Commission to discuss the incidents.

Winona Police Chief Frank Pomeroy said he hasn't seen such harassment in 16 years as a local police officer.

"Nothing like this has ever come up be-

fore," said Bob Czarnomski, a chairperson of the city's Human Rights Commission. "This surprised us as much as anybody."

Twin Cities gay activist Tim Campbell, who has met several times with the apartment regulars to discuss the incidents, called the mob scene outside the home Dec. 20 frightening.

"Their words (were) no different than usual," he said this week. "But the size of the crowd and the severity of their cat calling, that is highly unusual. And the fact they did it at a private residence, that also is very unusual."

Pomeroy said only three hate crimes had been reported in the southeastern Minnesota city of 25,000 last year before these incidents, and none was related to sexual preference.

"Generally, we are a very accepting community," Czarnomski said.

Evidence gathered by police suggests

that the hostility isn't random or widespread, but targeted specifically at teenagers and young adults who live at the apartment.

"Obviously, things were said that shouldn't have been said," Pomeroy said. "But the perception of the problem seems to be worse than it is. There's (talk of) random gay bashing. And that does not appear to be the case."

Police believe the attackers are mostly high school students. Pomeroy said police have interviewed more than a dozen juveniles in connection with the incidents, and are talking with officials at Winona High School.

Apartment regulars say they aren't sure who is behind the attacks. They mention names and said they recognized some faces in the crowd outside their apartment in December.

They suggest that they may be targets partly because they don't fit in, because

their hair is too long or short or uneven or because they wear leather jackets and jewelry.

Regardless of why it's happening, the city appears to be trying to stop the harassment.

Pomeroy said police soon will present information on the investigation to the Winona County attorney regarding two of the four incidents. It would be up to the county attorney to decide whether to file charges against individuals.

The Human Rights Commission denounced the actions last Monday night and asked police, school officials and the public to do what it could to discourage further harassment.

"In a small way, anyway, (the violence) has served a somewhat positive function," Czarnomski said. "It's gotten us to take a look at our attitudes. And it's an opportunity to see where we'd like to go as a community."

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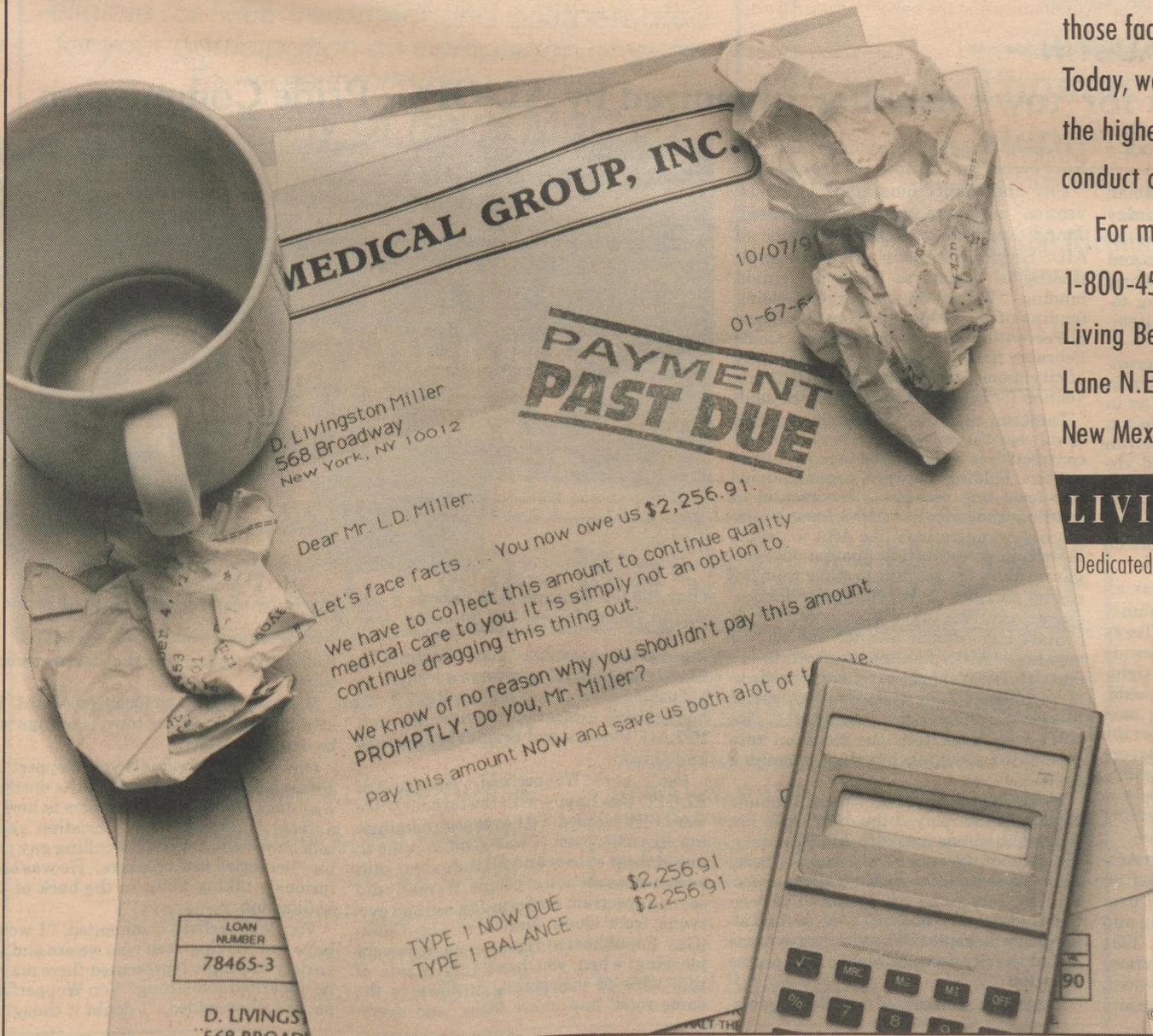
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## ▼▼▼ HOUSTON QUICK NOTES

# AIDS Foundation Houston names Jean Bennett executive director

The board of trustees executive committee of AIDS Foundation Houston recently announced the appointment of Ms. Jean Bennett to the position of executive director. Bennett fills the position vacated by the resignation of former director Evelyn Cox. She brings with her a strong, solid background in both for-profit and non-profit management and public relations, board members said.

Interim executive director Linda Mullins, CSW, will resume her position as director of social services.

Bennett most recently held the position of coordinator of resource development and public relations for Refugee Services Alliance, a non-profit Houston based corporation which specializes in provision of services for refugees and unemployed, homeless Americans. Prior to that appointment, she was the president/owner of Bennett Management Consultants, which provided comprehensive management and consultation services to medical practices and small businesses. Additional executive positions include assistant manager of the Physician's Referral Service with the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Institute; senior financial services counselor, M. David Lowe; director of publications, American General Life Insurance Company and vice president/CFO, Cameron Publishing Company Inc.

With the rapid increase in the AFH client base, Bennett said she recognizes the need to focus on the potential for growth and expansion and sees her primary goals as providing sound management and financial guidance and encouraging greater public awareness of programs and services.

A native of Port Arthur, she is a graduate of Texas state teacher's College (now Texas Women's University) and has attended the University of Chicago and Louisiana State University. She has provided service to community organizations including the March of Dimes, the United Way, the American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association.

### —Names Project

### volunteers

The Houston NAMES Project, as part of "An Event in Three Acts (The Quilt, HeartStrings and You)," has been selected by the Houston Independent School District (HISD) to help in AIDS awareness throughout the school system. Volunteers are needed the show the Quilt in the schools.

A training session has been scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 25, 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the INNOVA building, 20 Greenway Plaza, 10th Floor, Room 5. Contact the NAMES Project at (713) 52-NAMES.

### —GHAA board election

Self-nominations are being taken for a seat on the board of directors of the Greater Houston AIDS Alliance (GHAA). Individuals may submit their names until Wednesday, Jan. 29. To qualify for this position, individuals must be either HIV-positive or diagnosed with AIDS and must also be medically indigent (i.e., a person who has a current identification card from Thomas Street Clinic/Harris County Hospital District). The nominations will be accepted in person or by mail at either the Body Positive/Houston office (Suite 176) or the PWA Coalition office (Suite 164) in the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, Houston, TX 77019.

Body Positive and the PWA Coalition will be responsible for the election of the board position as stipulated by the GHAA board of directors. No late nominations will be accepted.

Individuals must show proof of their HIV condition and evidence of their medically indigent status. Also, they must be willing to have this information made public.

Each person wanting to nominate themselves must submit a written statement of interest and the reasons they feel they could contribute to the GHAA board. A short resume or biography should accompany the nomination.

All nominated persons must be available to answer questions from interested voters on Saturday, Feb. 1, 1992 at the Metropolitan Multi-service Center be-

tween 11:00 a.m. and noon. A representative of GHAA will be available to answer questions from the nominees.

Interested voters include any citizen of greater Houston who has an interest in the AIDS epidemic in the city. The election will be held from noon to 2:00 p.m. on Feb. 1. The person with the most votes will be named to the GHAA board and the second place finisher will be the alternate board member. The names will be announced immediately after the counting of the ballots.

The names of the new board member and alternate will be submitted for publication in the Houston Post, Houston Chronicle, The New Voice, This Week In Texas and the PWA Coalition and Body Positive/Houston newsletters. The new board member will be seated on the GHAA board at their Feb. 6 meeting; the alternate board member will also be introduced at that meeting. For more information, contact the PWA Coalition, (713) 522-5428 or Body Positive/Houston, (713) 524-2374.

### —P-Flag advertisement

The Federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays has produced television public service announcement (PSA) which the group hopes air nationwide. The ad includes a series of photographs showing P-FLAG families. The last 10 seconds of the PSA are tailored to 150 media markets across the country. In Houston, the local P-FLAG phone number and address will be shown while a voice says: "Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays exists in Houston to strengthen families. If your family needs support, call us. If you want to help, call us."

The ad is intended to reach new families needing help and invite supportive persons to join the group, representatives said. It will also portray to the community families who are happy and proud of their lesbian daughters and gay sons.

Each P-FLAG area is asked to help form a media team. Volunteers are needed for the Houston team to arrange meetings with TV stations to present the PSA's, follow up with phone calls

and visit with stations to encourage them to run the PSA's.

P-FLAG Houston also recently elected officers for 1992. They are Gail and Pat Rickey, presidents; Carol Miller, vice president; Nancy Camp, secretary and Barbara Hamel, treasurer. For more information on the chapter or its activities, call Gail Rickey, (713) 440-0353.

### —Lambda Gay Blades

Houston's Lambda Ice Skating Club, now known as the Lambda Gay Blades, will move its next ice skate get together at the Galleria to the evening to try to avoid the crush of wonderful kids who complicate skating a bit on Sunday afternoons. The next Galleria get together will be Tuesday, Feb. 11 from 7:30-10:00 p.m. Participants are asked to wear a red shirt if convenient. Cost will be \$5 admission and \$2 for skates. Those who wish may meet for dinner or a snack at El Fenix Mexican Restaurant between 7:00-7:30 p.m. Meet at the tables next to the ice rink entrance.

Free ice skate lessons for beginners will be offered by Chuck of the Gay Blades. Persons interested in the lessons are asked to call in advance at (713) 523-6381.

The Lambda Gay Blades will also be skating at the Sharpstown Ice Center, 7300 Bellerive, tomorrow this Saturday, Jan. 25, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Cost is \$4.75 and skates are \$1.75. Both skates are sponsored by the Lambda Rollerskating Club, the Houston Outdoor Group and the Chain Gang Bicycle Club. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call the above number.

### —Frontrunners

Members of Frontrunners-Houston will have their "carbo-loading" pasta dinner Saturday, the evening before the Houston-Tenneco Marathon on Sunday, Jan. 26. A hot tub party is planned for after the race Sunday.

Information about these and other events of Frontrunners Houston is available by calling Bill at (713) 666-3393 or Rick at (713) 522-0899.

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: AUSTIN

# Over 100 turn out for 'town meeting' organized by AL-GPC, Pride Commission

By CHRIS LUTHER  
TNV Austin

Over 100 people attended a gay/lesbian community meeting this past Saturday Austin. According to the organizers, the Austin Lesbian/Gay Political Caucus and the Austin Pride Commission, the meeting was possibly the first effort to bring together representatives of the varied lesbian and gay organizations.

Much of the discussion focused on creating a lesbian/gay community center in Austin, modeled after a similar center in Dallas. Because of a reported increase in violence directed at gay people, a few in the audience said they had stopped visiting gay clubs altogether. Many hoped a community center could provide a safe gathering place for gay people. Close to 30 people signed up as volunteers to work on the project.

Community leaders said work was already underway to make a community center a reality. Suzy Wagers of the Texas Human Rights Foundation, a statewide non-profit organization dedicated to fighting discrimination against gay men, lesbians and HIV-positive individuals, said that one person has been at work over the past three months filing non-profit papers and drumming up support in the community. "He is well along in the process," she said. The man did not attend the meeting and could not be reached by deadline.

Rick Antonie, interim chair of the Austin Anti-Violence Coalition reported on the progress the Coalition has had over the past six months in documenting and combating anti-gay violence. "In 1991 there were nineteen verifiable hate crimes reported to the Coalition, nineteen which involved injury." He urged the community

to report anti-gay harassment and violence even if they do not wish to prosecute.

City and county funding of AIDS prevention and care was also discussed. Janna Zumbrun, executive director of AIDS Services of Austin, alerted those attending of threats to AIDS prevention funding. "We are on the verge of losing funding of our Helper and Gay Community Prevention Education programs. Come February first, there may not be one penny of city money for education in AIDS prevention for the gay community," she said.

Zumbrun explained that beginning this fiscal year, the rewarding of health service contracts has been revised to require competitive bidding between organizations. She feels this process is detrimental in treating epidemics like AIDS, forcing community organizations like ASA to devote more time to competing against other organizations for funding, rather than focusing energies on providing services cooperatively. She urged the community to contact city council and tell the council members "AIDS funding needs to be increased...(ASA's) helper program needs to be re-funded...(and) while we need to tend to emerging populations (with HIV), we can't lose focus that the infection rate among the gay male population remains high."

Maria Benning of the Austin Immune Health Clinic relayed the difficulties her organization has had with AIDS funding. "In spite of the success alternative therapies have had in treating HIV infection...we receive no city monies. I've been told that the city 'does not wish to fund alternative therapies.' What that says to me is that the city does not wish to fund people who live.

Other topics discussed included organiz-



Over 100 representatives of various Austin gay/lesbian and AIDS groups attended the Austin Town Meeting last Saturday, Jan. 18

ing a protest against "Basic Instinct," a film that negatively portrays a lesbian as a "psycho, ice pick wielding dyke" and homophobia education provided through PFLAG, Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays.

Paul von Wupperfield, co-chair of ALGPC was happy with the turnout. "We were very pleased. I'd never seen a gathering like this, ever. It was good to come to one of these events and fill the room...with such a cross section of people. We really did see the spectrum on Saturday. We had everyone from Queer Nation to Log Cabin (Gay Republicans) represented. It is very pleasing when you have individuals of that wide of viewpoints sit down in the same room and share ideas, and every-

body leave feeling that they learned something."

Because of the support expressed, he said he expects future town meetings will be called quarterly.

One of the individuals von Wupperfield was most surprised to see at the meeting was Jack Chambers. Chambers is host of a local fundamentalist Christian radio talk show who is given to calling gay people "perverted law breakers." He was seen furiously taking notes in the back of the auditorium.

Von Wupperfield commented, "I would hope that having seen who we are and the variety of people represented there maybe he'd learned something." Von Wupperfield paused, then added, "I doubt it though."

▼▼▼ NEW ORLEANS SOAP

# How the cold weather just made New Orleans bars cozier

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON  
TNV New Orleans

Brr! Four cold winds that blow lonely! The weatherperson did us dirt. It has been colder than the banker's heart. Cold enough to freeze your banana tree. A critical situation making those watering holes with fireplaces a much welcomed, toasty harbor on a freezing sea (swamp?).

Cafe Lafitte's eternal flame flickered mysteriously and warmly behind the bar's main entrance. Is it a fashion statement born in the early JFK post assassination era? "No," said Robert MacMillan, a Lafitte bartender who thought "the idea was to show the permanence of the bar's present location after a traumatic move from the original Lafitte's Blacksmith Shop, a block down Rue Bourbon.

Friends, visiting from Tallahassee, joined me at Good friends for beer and a warm table that literally wrapped around a gas-fed fireplace. Neat.

We abandoned the fire to tour the photographs upstairs at Queen's Head Pub. (Why do so many bars in New Orleans give themselves two names?) The room, facing a balcony too chilly to utilize this night but normally a great spot for people watching, contains some vintage New Orleans photographs (even a few by Pop Whitsell).

The first room, however, was the eye catcher, ablaze with paintings of Mardi Gras fantasy. The paintings, we were told by bartender Corky Rees, were commissioned by owner Tom Woods. They show the good times and good faces seen daily in the bars around town. The artist's name is Hebert and his regular venue is tourist-infested Jackson Square. Lovely work. If you have not seen them, drop by Good Friends (his paintings are downstairs too) and climb up the ladders to Queen's Head Pub. It is a climb worth the effort.

A.J., the "initial bartender," held court last week around another of the Great

Mother Swamp's inviting tavern fireplaces at The Rawhide. This dark Levi/western bar also gives a free drink on Sundays to gentlemen with facial hair. Glory be, could heaven be any nicer, free beer and a warm fire?

A.J. said, "During the cold snap, some folks took advantage of the fireplace to hang their socks and shoes to dry." Did I mention that it had been drizzling cold rain too?

The weather has been so dreadful it almost seemed the sky was weeping for the death of Comus and Momus, the oldest and third oldest Carnival krewes, which have abandoned their parade slots—five days before Fat Tuesday for Momus and (traditionally, cher) the last parade of Shrove Tuesday for Comus.

The 60 or so other krewes are parading as planned and one or two may move into those now abandoned choice slots.

The controversy causing those two to

quit is over integration, of all things. Didn't you think that was settled 20 years ago, cher? It was reignited by Councilwoman Dorothy Mae Taylor's resolution, passed unanimously the week following the 5-2 passage of the so-called "Gay Rights Ordinance." Her ordinance, similarly worded, is aimed at Carnival krewes and private clubs.

Setting the queers free hardly rustled the trees of The City Care Used To Forger compared to the hurricane whipped up by trying to change Carnival.

Somebody is said to have left a mop and pail outside Dorothy Mae Taylor's office with a note saying, "Use it to be a Mardi Gras Maid." Not nice, cher!

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## ▼▼▼ NEW ORLEANS QUICK NOTES

# Krewe of Comus pulls out of Carnival, but most others don't

Comus, the oldest of all Carnival krewes, has announced it will join Momus, the third oldest krewe, in abandoning its more than 100 year tradition of street parading. Comus and Momus appear to be the only krewes that will actually carry their anger at New Orleans City Council to such extremes. Earlier the Captain of Hermes had told the press his organization would likely not parade. The Hermes krewe members have apparently decided otherwise.

Twenty-two of the large parading krewes have announced their intention to parade as scheduled, including the Krewe of Rex. Something in the neighborhood of the 60 krewes parade between Twelfth Night (Epiphany, Jan. 6 or "King's Day," as it is known in New Orleans) and Mardi Gras, March 3, 1992.

The controversy causing the two old line krewes to drop out is over an ordinance recently passed by City Council aimed at eliminating discrimination in krewe and private club membership for reasons of race, gender, physical handicap, sex and sexual orientation. The ordinance passed unanimously after the penalty portion of the legislation was deferred until 1994.

### —VCMCC programs

Rev. Shelley Hamilton, pastor of the Vieux

Carre' Metropolitan Community Church of New Orleans, will conduct a workshop on "Sexuality and Spirituality." The purpose of the workshop, according to Hamilton, is to "Explore the relationship between your sexuality and spirituality and learn some of the historical events that help to explain why people are oppressed because of sexuality and gender identity."

The four week program costs \$15 and is free to VCMCC members. Sessions are on Mondays, Feb. 3, 10, 17 and 24.

Also at VCMCC, on Sunday, Feb. 9, gay and lesbian community activist and politician Larry Bagneris will deliver a 10:00 a.m. sermon at the Vieux Carre' Metropolitan Community Church of New Orleans. The address is part of the church's observance of Black History Month.

Also on the January, 1992 calendar: Every Sunday, 9:00 a.m. choir practice; 10:00 a.m. worship; 7:00 p.m. worship. Worship services are also in sign language. Wednesday, Jan. 29, Prayer and Praise Choir Practice, 8:00 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, seminar on grief.

The VCMCC is located at 1128 Saint Roch Avenue (across from the Saint Roch Seafood Market), the phone is (504) 945-5390. VCMCC services are also broadcast

on Cox Cable Channel 49 Fridays at 11:00 a.m. and Saturdays at 8:00 p.m.

### —Ryan White forum televised

Valda Lewis, acclaimed video artist and producer of Cox Cable Channel 49's lesbian/gay television show "Just for the Record," aired the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Fund (CARE) Act committee of United Services for AIDS Foundation Jan. 14, 17 and 19.

The Ryan White CARE is a federally funded program directed at the AIDS problem.

"Just for the Record" can be seen on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.; Friday's at 9:00 p.m., and Sundays at 9:30 p.m. The program specializes in lesbian/gay news of New Orleans.

### —"Vampire Lesbians" return

The Bayou Cabaret Theatre, 4040 Tulane Ave., is staging Charles Busch's popular farce, "Vampire Lesbians of Sodom," through Feb. 21, 1992.

The show, first presented locally last summer by the Krewe of Petronius at the Coker Room at the Municipal Auditorium in Louis Armstrong Park, was a sell out production taken to the heart of the com-

munity, and is expected to again be well received.

Becky Allen, who bills herself as "New Orleans' only female female impersonator," will assume the role of Succubus/La Condesa." Randy Patterson will play the role of Hearst gossip columnist "Miss Oatsie Carewe." Ronald Brister is "Madeleine Astarte." Others in the cast are Yvette Hargis as "Renee Vain," Kelsey Farris as "King Carlisel" and Tim Cooper as "Etienne."

No great work of art, "Vampire Lesbians of Sodom" is nonetheless a hoot and a crowd pleaser. Tickets are \$10. For reservations phone: (504) 486-4545 or (504) 525-4498.

### —Correction

The statement in a story two weeks ago that "This Week Guide and The Mint Bar" were jointly sponsoring the first half of the "1992 This Week Guide Calendar" was in error. The cover reading "January thru June 1992 The Calendar from This Week Guide for New Orleans/and The Mint Gay and Lesbian Community" was one of several different covers, each mentioning the name of the establishment where the calendar was being distributed. We regret the error.

## ▼▼▼ GALVESTON SOAP

# Galveston clubs, others plan special events for Mardi Gras in February

By The New Voice Staff

The Fifth Annual Mardi Gras Galveston "Silk Stocking Ball" will be held on Friday evening, Feb. 28 from 8:00 p.m. to midnight at the Garten Verein, 27th and Avenue O on Galveston Island. Live music and entertainment will be provided by Houston's Atwood and Comeaux with Kim Yvette and Sammie Relford. (Jerry Atwood and Ricky Comeaux are well known on the Houston cabaret and entertainment scene, and have also performed at numerous benefits. They are presently recording their first album).

Costume and/or mask are required; tickets are \$25 per person in advance and \$30 at the door. Ticket price includes open bar, dancing, entertainment and a costume contest. All proceeds will benefit Galveston's AIDS Coalition of Coastal Texas Resource Center and Food Pantry.

Attendance at this event will be limited to 400 persons, according to the organizers. For further information or tickets, call (in Galveston) David Bump or Ken Dennis at (409) 737-3122. In Houston, call (713) 337-5900 (Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.).

In general, the Galveston Mardi Gras celebration is shaping up to be a festive event from the perspective of our community. The observance, and accompanying partying, has been extended to two weekends—city and tourist bureau officials hope this will give the sagging Galveston economy a needed boost. the

theme of this year's celebration is "Viva Espana!"—honoring Spain and Christopher Columbus' voyage to America. Both weekends, a live music festival titled "Ole! Ole! Ole!" will be held on the Strand, and festivities feature more than 65 activities and special events; nine parades/processions and 18 masked balls. The Momus Grand Night Parade is scheduled for Feb. 29.

Local taverns, including Galveston's new rage, Evolution, are also planning two weekends of partying instead of the traditional one. stay tuned for details...

Evolution, by the way is open seven days a week from 8:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. with After Hours on the weekends. During the spring and summer, the club will be opening at 4:00 p.m., the management has informed us. The club offers "attitude adjustment" prices 8:00-10:00 p.m. daily and all night Tuesday and Thursday; Buck nights on Wednesday and Sunday with \$1 well, mugs and Schnapps, and \$1.75 frozen 'ritas and Billinis. Lone Star Male revue also now appears exclusively at Evolution, Friday and Saturday nights at 10:00 p.m. Cover charge Friday and Saturday nights is on \$1 (excluding special events).

Coming up this weekend, Evolution will host a Super Bowl benefit for AIDS Coalition of Coastal Texas. Doors open at 3:00 p.m. and viewers are invited to view the game on 10 video monitors and enjoy complimentary food and tortilla chips during the game. A special Super



Jesse Garza of Garza Productions with Friday Night's special guest Taylor Kennedy and dancer Sebastian at the Kon Tiki

Bowl Show starring Kimberly Jones, Janie Summers, Rickey Baier, Buffy Galore, Shonda, Roberta, Mr. Texas Tumbleweed, Cassie Nichole and a host of others starts at 10:30 p.m. Admission is a \$1 donation or canned goods, paper goods or toiletries for the pantry, at the door.

The Kon Tiki also has a special Super Bowl weekend lined up. Join the Tiki's hard working "cheerleaders" as they separate the men and the boys and get everyone's spirit up for Sunday's game at Friday night's Super Bowl show,

11:00 p.m. Sharp. Muscles In Action and special guest Taylor Kennedy are also featured...

On Saturday night, Muscles In Action will also perform and show their athletic support for your favorite Super Bowl team. Saturday night also features Miss Gay Texas USA Jennifer St. John, Oprah DeMario and Celine Crawford. And on Super Bowl Sunday, watch the game on the Kon Tiki's 10 foot video screen, with 25 cent draft beer all through the game and free hotdogs at halftime.

## ▼▼▼ AUSTIN QUICK NOTES

# THRF to present 'Sodomy Night' party this Saturday

The Texas Human Rights Foundation will present "Sodomy Night," a party to raise funds for THRF's legal challenge to Section 21.06 of the Texas Penal Code, this Saturday, Jan. 25. The party starts at 9:00 p.m. at Chances, 900 Red River.

Section 21.06 is the law that makes sex between adults of the same gender a crime. The lawsuit is going to be heard before the Third Circuit Court of Appeals in Austin on Jan. 29. The court will consider the statute's constitutionality after a District Court Judge ruled the law unconstitutional in December, 1990.

Earlier this week, 29 Texas legislators filed a brief in Dallas expressing support of the sodomy law.

Saturday's event features the music of Austin, with Girls In the Nose, St. Cecilia, Nancy Scott, M.J. Torrence and Napoleon Blownapart. A \$7 donation is requested, but no one will be turned away due to inability to pay. For more information, call (512) 479-8473.

### —"Unidentified Human Remains"

Brad Frase's play "Unidentified Human Remains and the True Nature of Love" begins its run at the Vortex Theater on Saturday, Jan. 25. Fresh from a successful Off-Broadway and Chicago production, this thriller combines sex, drugs, serial killers and a search for love in a world which Jesse Helms and

company deny exists. This is a world where gay and non-gay men and women interact casually, sex and sexual orientation is an ongoing area of exploration and sex combines violence and drugs in the lives of "normal" people. The production shows Thursday through Sunday, 8:00 p.m., through Feb. 22. Vortex Theater is located at 1921 Ben White Drive.

### —Maxey Fundraiser

A fundraising reception celebrating State Rep. Glen Maxey's reelection campaign, hosted by 225 gay/lesbian community leaders, will take place Sunday, Jan. 26 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. For more information, call Tim Brown at the Maxey campaign office, (512) 472-2552.

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▼ ▼ ▼ DATELINE: HOUSTON

# Houston AIDS activist files suit challenging CDC guidelines

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE  
TNV Editor

Houston AIDS activist Brian Bradley, who attracted national media attention in July 1991 when he was dismissed from his job as surgical technologist because of his HIV positive status, filed suit Wednesday in federal court against his employer, the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

The case sets a precedent in that it is the first suit specifically challenging federal guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control on July 12, 1991 for healthcare workers with HIV. The guidelines, which recommend HIV-positive health care workers be restricted from performing certain medical procedures, have been attacked by medical associations and professional groups as irrational and unnecessary, a response to public hysteria and fear. A list which

the CDC was to subsequently prepare, detailing those procedures HIV positive health care workers should not perform, was never issued. However, the recommendations remain in place, even after officials of the agency publicly admitted such a list would serve no legitimate public health purpose.

While the suit challenges the CDC guidelines, it also charges that M.D. Anderson violated the same guidelines in failing to comply with all the recommendations in Bradley's case. It also charges hospital officials acted irresponsibly in singling out Bradley for dismissal while allegedly not removing other known HIV-positive workers from the operating room.

Bradley was placed on administrative leave July 22, 1991 after an article was published in the Houston Chronicle, quoting Bradley as an HIV positive

health care worker concerned about the CDC guidelines and legislation proposed by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.). He said at the time that the hospital had known of his status, which he voluntarily admitted, for three years. Within a week, administrators forced Bradley to choose between several offers of positions with no patient contact. Although these positions were less lucrative and not reflective of his experience and training, he claimed he was told to choose one, or he would be fired and lose all benefits associated with his employment. He presently works in the hospital's purchasing department.

Bradley has contended all along that his dismissal stemmed not from the hospital's attempt to conform with the CDC guidelines, but from perceived negative publicity generated by the Chronicle article and his other activist appearances. The suit suggests this reasoning as well,

detailing other cases of non-compliance with CDC recommendations by the institution.

At a press conference Wednesday morning, Bradley said he hoped through the lawsuit to "challenge the very intelligence" of the CDC guidelines. "I hope to show that the segregation, stigmatizing and ostracizing of an entire professional body is no answer to the AIDS epidemic. Especially when those very professionals are the ones charged with providing treatment and care to others who are sick," he said.

The Texas Human Rights Foundation is assisting with the costs of the lawsuit because it feels the suit will have a great impact on future cases concerning HIV-positive health care workers, said attorney Pam Oglesby. "Individuals must have the right to speak out on these issues without fear of losing their jobs," Oglesby said.



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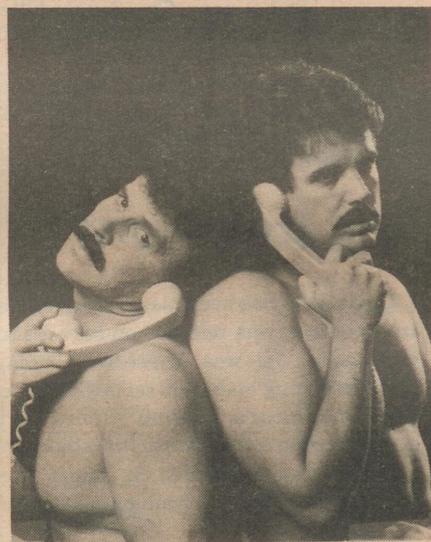
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## ▼ ▼ ▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

# Homosexual group barred from parade for 'outrageous behavior'

By JOHN SHANAHAN

FOR THE NEW VOICE

NEW YORK, Tuesday, Jan. 21 (AP)—Organizers of the St. Patrick's Day Parade said Tuesday a homosexual group will not be allowed to march this year because of "outrageous behavior" it displayed in last year's event.

It also said none of the three dozen annual St. Patrick's Day parades sponsored by units of the Ancient Order of Hibernians across the country will permit any groups to express hostility toward any one.

"Outrageous behavior and conduct" of the Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization and its several well-known non-Irish support groups ... "during the 1991 (New York) parade mandates that ILGO not be permitted to participate in the 1992 parade," parade sponsors said in a statement Tuesday.

The statement did not specify the behavior, but referred to actions it said took place in front of St. Patrick's Cathedral and the parade reviewing stand on Fifth Avenue.

Some officials in the reviewing stand had turned their backs on the gays.

Organizers of the parade—George Clough, national president of the AOH, and Kevin Coggins, state AOH head—discussed the situation with representatives of the mayor's office on Saturday.

On Tuesday, the national, state and New York County (Manhattan) AOH boards and the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee issued a joint statement which said they were "unswervingly determined and resolutely resolved ... to insure that no ... organizations are allowed to use ... St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 17, as a vehicle to publicly insult any person or group watching or reviewing the parade."

The statement also said, "none of the three-dozen annual St. Patrick's Day parades sponsored by AOH units across the country will permit any group marching in its ranks to express, vocally or by gestures or signs, hatred or enmity against any person or group."

ILGO had been turned down in its application last year to march as a group in the New York parade, but its members did accept an invitation from Division 7 of the

AOH to walk with them as individuals celebrating only their Irish heritage, provided they follow the parade rules.

The rules forbid the display of unauthorized banners. However, a key AOH member speaking anonymously said some of the gay marchers wore boutonnieres or tee-shirts with homosexual slogans, and others were seen kissing and making obscene gestures.

Some of the gestures and actions were in reaction to taunts from the crowd, he said.

One Hibernian said the ILGO marchers last year were joined by more militant homosexuals—from ACT-UP and Queer Nation—and that "it just became chaos."

Annabelle Franchesini, a spokesperson for Mayor David Dinkins, said the mayor's Office of European-American Affairs had met with Clough and Coggins Saturday and that "we will continue meeting and talking. We believe there will be a solution" that could be worked out to allow ILGO to march.

Dinkins walked with the gays last year to show support for their efforts to march as a group in the parade.

ILGO spokesperson Paul O'Dwyer, no relation to the former City Council president, said his group was "appalled" by the AOH statement.

"The unseemly behavior was on the part of the spectators and certain members of the AOH," he charged.

He said, "ILGO was subjected to verbal abuse, had missiles thrown at us and we were physically threatened." He said they needed a police escort to go three blocks to the subway at the end of the parade and that charges of obscene gestures were "lies and propaganda."

Asked what ILGO would do this year, he said, "We're going to march under our own banner as our own contingent." If the parade committee still bans them, he said, "We'll play it by ear."

Bernie Morris, president of AOH Division 7 which also has not been invited to march in the parade this year, said ILGO would have to work out its differences with the parade committee by itself.

As for his own group, he said, "We are resolute in our determination to be part of the St. Patrick's Day Parade."

## Oregon anti-gay group turns in petition signatures for referendum

PORTLAND, Ore., Tuesday, Jan. 21 (AP)—The chairperson of the Oregon Citizens Alliance says his group has turned in 23,000 petition signatures in a drive to overturn a city ordinance the anti-gay group claims gives special rights to homosexuals.

The group needs more than 17,000 val-

id signatures to put the issue on the May primary election ballot. The petitions were submitted to the Multnomah County clerk's office for verification.

OCA Chairperson Lon Mabon said Tuesday he was confident the ordinance would be put to a vote by city residents.

He claims the majority of residents

view homosexuality as abnormal behavior.

"That doesn't mean that they hate homosexuals. It doesn't mean that they want to criminalize homosexuality. It does mean that they do not want this behavior-based lifestyle to be given legal minority status with all the political and

social benefits that go with it," Mabon said.

City commissioners said when they approved the ordinance in August 1991 that it merely spelled out constitutional guarantees to civil rights that apply to everybody.

## Washington governor urges passage of law against hate crimes

By STEVE FARR

FOR THE NEW VOICE

OLYMPIA, Wash., Monday, Jan. 20 (AP)—Gov. Booth Gardner, citing a nationwide "epidemic of hate crimes," on Monday urged the Legislature to pass a measure against crimes motivated by bigotry.

"Hate crimes poison the well of American unity. They must be stopped, and the climate that nurtures them must be changed," Gardner said in a Martin Luther King Day news conference. "And one way of doing that is to support the passage of a hate-crimes bill in this session of the Legislature."

HB1037 would establish a state system

for reporting and compiling hate-crime statistics, provide training to law-enforcement officers to identify of hate crimes, and expand the state's malicious-harassment law to protect those who are harassed because of their sexual orientation.

Sponsoring Rep. Marlin Applewick, D-Seattle, said the last provision will make the bill's passage difficult in the Republican-controlled Senate. The Senate killed the bill last year after stigmatizing it as a "gay and lesbian civil-rights bill."

Opponents of the measure "do not want to do anything to sanction gay and lesbian activity," Applewick said.

Proponents of the bill argue that crimes

motivated by bigotry or bias require special penalties because they instill fear in all members of the group under attack.

"Twenty-four years after Martin Luther King's death, this country is experiencing an epidemic of hate crimes," Gardner said. "These crimes are acts of terrorism against not just individuals, but entire communities of people."

Leonard Elion of Bothell said the cross he found burning on his lawn one night was an assault on all blacks.

"Cross burnings are perceived by black Americans as a direct attack," said Elion, who also spoke at the news conference. "When that cross was burned in our yard,

250 years of black history instantly flashed through my mind."

Paul Cowels, Bothell's mayor, said "every citizen has a right to a sense of well-being and security. That's what was violated by the cross-burning."

Bainbridge Island police chief John Sutton also urged passage of the bill, and said police officers need more training to identify, respond to and report hate crimes.

"This will send a message to the minority population that we recognize their needs, and are taking action to meet their needs," said Sutton, whose department recently identified several white supremacists who were living on the island.

## Police officer pleads innocent to stealing money, drugs from gays

BOSTON, Sunday, Jan. 19 (AP)—A Boston police officer is scheduled for a Feb. 3 hearing on charges stemming from allegations he stole drugs and money from gay men.

Shellie Davis, 33, of Dorchester, was arraigned Friday in Boston Municipal Court on felony charges of larceny of cocaine, larceny of more than \$400, attempted extortion and public corruption.

Davis, who has been placed on administrative leave, was released on his own recognizance. He was arrested Thursday night in a sting operation set up by the Police Department's Internal Affairs Division following a five-month investigation.

Davis often frequented St. James Avenue, an area known for male prostitution,

while off duty but still in uniform, said Suffolk County Assistant District Attorney Hugh Curran.

On the night he was arrested, Davis allegedly demanded drugs and money from an undercover officer who was sitting in a parked car with another man.

After the undercover officer gave Davis

cocaine and \$500, Davis threatened to arrest the undercover cop, but agreed to let him go if he could keep the drugs and \$400, Curran said.

"Davis said he needed the money and the drugs for himself and his snitch," Curran told the judge.

Davis' attorney, Frances Robinson, said Davis may be a victim of entrapment.

## They're searching gravity-free space for a key to an AIDS drug

By JOSEPH NEFF

FOR THE NEW VOICE

NEWARK, N.J., Monday, Jan. 20 (AP)—Scientists plan on using the gravity-free confines of the space shuttle this week to create crystals of the enzyme that allows the AIDS virus to infect healthy cells.

Zero gravity-grown crystals may yield superior pictures of the enzyme, which could enable scientists to design drugs that cripple it and halt the spread of the AIDS virus, Rutgers University chemist Edward Arnold said Monday.

The experiment is loaded aboard the space shuttle Discovery.

Liftoff is scheduled for 8:53 a.m. EST Wednesday.

Arnold and Dr. Stephen Hughes of the National Institute of Health are part of a team that has been trying to come up with an atom-by-atom picture of the enzyme, reverse transcriptase.

"We're trying to take a picture of the bad guy, in absolute molecular detail," said Hughes. "Then we make a most-wanted photo and pass it around to chemists who design drugs."

This "most wanted photo" will consist of a long list of coordinates for the ten thousand or so atoms that make up reverse transcriptase, Arnold said.

Scientists need perfect crystals of enzymes, viruses and other substances so they can bombard the crystals with X-rays to learn their precise three-dimensional structure. The structure of an enzyme, protein or virus determines what it does.

The AIDS virus uses reverse transcriptase to turn its genetic material into a form that can be incorporated into the genetic arrangement of a human cell. Without the enzyme, the AIDS virus cannot reproduce itself.

A drug that cripples the enzyme would stop the spread of the disease, scientists reason.

Gravity makes it extremely difficult to grow perfect crystals on Earth. Efforts to grow crystals on previous shuttle flights yielded mixed results, although some were successful.

Some scientists have criticized hoopla about crystallization experiments on the

shuttle, saying it's a giant step from crystallizing a protein or virus to being able to develop a useful drug.

Arnold said he's not looking for the shuttle flight to provide a giant step, but a small one.

"We've had good success making crystals here on Earth, but we want better," Arnold said. "Increased detail would greatly help with drug design."

Once in space, shuttle astronauts will mix a solution containing the enzyme with a saline solution. When the shuttle lands a week later, Arnold hopes to find between 10 and 50 reverse transcriptase crystals suspended in the solution.

The shuttle-made crystals will be X-rayed at the Cornell High Energy Synchrontron Source, the source of the world's brightest X-rays, Arnold said.

Drug design is essential in combating viruses, Hughes said.

Antibiotics were developed using a "brute-force" approach, Hughes said: scientists try thousands of different drugs until they find one that works.

"These brute force searches for bacteria don't work well for viruses," Hughes said. "What we expect to make is that specific picture or map that will allow a chemist to design a drug for the enzyme."

Past attempts to map the enzyme have been thwarted by the enzyme's flexibility, "like an antsy child who won't sit still for a photo," Hughes said.

Arnold added an antibody that acts as molecular clamp and "glues the child's feet to the floor," Hughes said.

Presently, the most widely taken AIDS drug is zidovudine, or AZT. It works by blocking activity in part of the reverse transcriptase enzyme molecule. Long-term use of AZT has been shown in some patients to damage the kidneys or liver.

Hughes said it was unclear when, or whether, the space experiments would lead to a cure.

"But what is clear," he said, "is that if you want to build or break something—and in this case we want to break the virus—the more you understand it, the better you will be able to break it."

▼ ▼ ▼ DATELINE: HOUSTON

**GLPC gets no nominations for officer positions; structure options discussed**

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE  
TNV Editor

Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus, which has its annual election for officer and expiring board of directors scheduled Wednesday night (Jan. 29), is facing an awkward dilemma. So far, no one has announced for any of the four officer positions, and after the second call for self-nominations, members were debating bylaw issues regarding speculated third call, single candidate races at the group's meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

GLPC board chair Chris Bacon asked for a clarification of the caucus bylaw provisions in the event of unopposed races surfacing on the night of the election. Two members said that in the past,

candidates for caucus offices who are not opposed have been accepted by acclamation, usually through a motion. At the request of Bacon and other members, caucus president Toni Knight said she would appoint an election committee to investigate this and other rules issues prior to the election. Before the meeting, only one person had volunteered to serve on the election committee, she noted.

Meanwhile, members of the group quietly discussed the possibility of entering the 1992 cycle under the administration of a board-only structure, with no officers. Many said they believed this would have no negative effects on the organization's ability to function efficiently.

Individuals nominating themselves

for caucus offices must have been members for at least 30 days prior, according to the bylaws.

During second call, no nominations were received for the three available board seats. At the Dec. 18 meeting during first call, Duncan Allen nominated himself for Board Seat 2, which he presently holds, and Norm Thompson nominated himself for Board Seat 1, presently held by David Fowler.

Also at the Jan. 15 meeting, the caucus received a motion to change the bylaws regarding the GLPC meeting schedule. Bacon, who submitted the motion, proposed the group meet only once a month, on the first Wednesday of the month. In explaining the proposal, he said that most of the group's work is done in committees, and lightening the

meeting schedule required of members would give them more time to devote to committee work.

Currently, the group usually meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Meetings begin at 7:30 and are usually held at the Montrose Palace, 1505 Nevada.

The group's candidate endorsement meeting for the coming primary elections was set for Feb. 5.

The group also heard from two speakers, Jeff Daiell of the Libertarian Party and Susan Kennedy of the Texas Abortion Rights Action League. The caucus voted to pay \$50 for an organization endorsement of TARAL to appear in a full page ad in the Houston Chronicle (run this week by the pro-choice group's local chapter).



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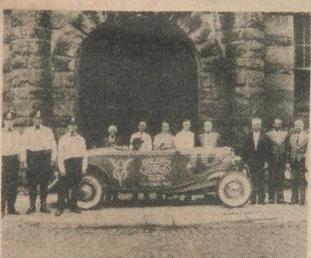
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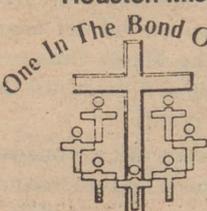
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## ▼▼▼ DATELINE TEXAS

## Houstonians to be honored at annual Schwab Memorial Awards

The Texas Human Rights Foundation will hold the fifth annual Robert Schwab Memorial Awards on Feb. 8 in Houston. This year, the awards will honor Houston activists and organizations for their contributions to the rights of lesbians and gay men in the state.

The award ceremony itself is named for Robert Schwab, a Houston attorney who co-founded THRF and served as its first president.

The 1992 Schwab Memorial Award will be presented to Gene Harrington, a long time lesbian/gay rights activist in Houston and throughout the state for his perseverance in working to obtain equal rights for the gay/lesbian community and especially for those who are HIV-positive.

Other honorees are: Elected Official Award to Lt. Governor Bob Bullock, for support of legislative efforts to ensure fair treatment of those with HIV/AIDS; Jour-

nalism Award to Tim Fleck of the Houston Press for informative, unbiased coverage of lesbian and gay issues; Community Organization Awards to (Arts), DiverseWorks, for consistently supporting the lesbian and gay community; (HIV/AIDS), The Assistance Fund; (Political), Queer Nation—Houston Tribe, for reviving gay and lesbian activism in Houston; Business Award to Inklings, for providing the community with access to gay and lesbian culture; Appointed Official Award to

Lois Moore, president and CEO of the Harris County Hospital District; Advocate Award to John Paul Barnich, Houston attorney, for his work on behalf of people with HIV/AIDS.

The event's featured speaker is playwright Terrence McNally, whose works include "Frankie and Johnny in the Claire de Lune," "Lisbon Traviata" and the teleplay "Andre's Mother." Tickets are \$35; location will be announced. For more information, call THRF, (512) 479-8473.

## ▼▼▼ HOUSTON QUICK NOTES

## Four charities named as beneficiaries of Imperial Court coronation

Marvin Davis, also known as Lady Victoria Lust, Empress VII of the Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court of the Single Star, officially announced on Tuesday the recipients of the proceeds of Saturday's (Jan. 25) "Coronation VIII."

"Sixty percent will be donated to the Colt 45's to be utilized in their various assistance (programs) to PWA's," Davis said. "AVES, the Pet Patrol, the Montrose Clinic's Capital Gifts Campaign and Casa de Esperanza will each receive ten percent of the evening's proceeds," he added.

Proceeds from the Imperial Court's 1991 coronation amounted to \$3,000; Davis said this year the court hopes to double that amount. Davis told The New Voice the goal of the court is to surpass each year's donation from this event, and to continue to raise funds for the various charitable organizations within Harris County.

"Community response to our organizations endeavors this year has been an inspiration to our membership. We have enjoyed and look forward to sharing with the other Houston social and service organizations the achievements of our group's goals," said Davis.

The theme of Coronation VIII is "Comic Books, Cartoon Capers and Court Meetings." Houston's Museum of Fine Arts has loaned the court the banner used to promote MFA's recent comic book exhibition. The 40 foot banner has been incorporated into the set design for the event.

Members of the International Court System are travelling to Houston to attend this event. Courts from Canada and throughout the U.S. have already confirmed reservations at the Holiday Inn

Medical Center, where the voting and production will take place. (Each court in the system operates as an independent organization and is not bound by internationally applied rules or regulations).

Festivities for Coronation VIII are scheduled to begin tonight (Friday, Jan. 24) at the host hotel with the traditional "out of town" show featuring visiting performers. The show starts at 7:00 p.m. with a \$5 admission at the door and a cash bar. At 10:00 p.m. there will be a bus tour of Montrose area bars.

Saturday, the doors open at 6:30 p.m., with Coronation VIII beginning promptly at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and are available at the door. The Holiday Inn Medical Center is located at 6701 South Main.; the event is scheduled for the Center Ballroom on the mezzanine level.

## —Houston Tennis Club

The Houston Tennis Club elected officers for 1992 at a recent meeting. The officers elected were Bernie De La Torre, president; Joe Starr, vice president; David Holland, secretary; Barry Austin, membership chair; Steven Walker, treasurer; Ron Bell, ladder director; Mike Wheat and Mark, social directors; Bob Neil, publicity and Tony Crawford, newsletter.

The officers and club members say they are looking forward to a good 1992 for gay tennis. Those interested in playing with the club are urged to call Barry at (713) 524-8046. The club plays at Memorial Park Tennis Center on Wednesday, 7:00-9:00 p.m.; Friday, 7:00-9:00 p.m. and Sunday, 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Players of all levels and abilities are welcome.

## —HMBL registration



"Rough Sketch of a Spiral," the first documentary about homosexuality in Japan, will be shown in the Brown Auditorium of the Houston Museum of Fine Arts on Friday, Jan. 24 at 8:00 p.m. as part of the museum's ongoing Asian Film Festival. For more information, call (713) 629-7515

Registration for the spring, 1992 season of play for the Houston Metropolitan Billiard League will be held Saturday, Jan. 25 and Tuesday, Jan. 28. The first registration, at noon this Saturday at the Lazy J, will be accompanied by a Scotch Doubles tournament. First prize is a full season dues free; second prize, one half season free.

On Tuesday, registration will be from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Past Time.

## —Montrose Singers

The Montrose Singers will hold an open rehearsal on Tuesday, Jan. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at

Bering Memorial United Methodist Church, 1440 Harold at Mulberry. The open rehearsals provide an opportunity for interested persons to come learn more about the Singers and their activities.

The Montrose Singers are beginning to prepare music for their new season, including a concert in May and performances at the international gay and lesbian choral festival, GALA Festival IV, being held in Denver in late June. For more information, contact Gary Worster at (713) 463-8735.

## ▼▼▼ YOURS TRULY IN A SWAMP

## More conversation with Nadine Strossen, president of the ACLU

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON  
TNV New Orleans

"Some of our most famous, or notorious, people who you wouldn't expect to be sympathetic to civil liberties are people who, fairly late in their careers and in their maturity, have become the victims of violations or at least what they perceive to be violations (of their civil rights). You know, Oliver North and Lyn Nopsinger, and others who have been on the other side of criminal law, suddenly have a very different view—both of the provisions in the Bill of Rights that protect people accused of crimes and the ACLU," explained Nadine Strossen,

ACLU president, during our recent conversation.

LEJ: "It is hard for me to think of Oliver North as having any sweeping liberal principles."

NS: "It may not be principals we're talking about, it may be pragmatism. As long as people recognize this is something that could help 'me,' it becomes a motivation to support it in other contexts. That is fine."

LEJ: "I would expect an Oly North to not support the principle broadly. He would support it in favor of Oly North and oppose it in favor of you or me."

NS: "That's human nature, let me give you an example. A few years ago, in the context of the George Bush bashing of the ACLU during the '88 presidential campaign, the New York Times Magazine did a cover story on ACLU, and they were talking about this fact that even the most sophisticated and intellectual people have this very selective view about, 'I have rights but they don't have rights.' That is the problem that we as primary enforcer of the Bill of Rights face, and it's the problem the Bill of Rights itself faces."

"To illustrate that phenomenon the author interviewed a student at Dart-

mouth College who was associated with this notorious reactionary Dartmouth Review when it felt its free speech rights were being violated. The student editor immediately called the ACLU to ask for representation. The New York Times reporter asked him, 'Are you a member of the ACLU?' and he said, 'Of course not, they defend Communists.'"

Nadine Strossen is the first woman to head the American Civil Liberties Union. She also teaches law at the New York Law School. She is listed by the National Law Journal as "One of the 100 most influential lawyers in America."

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: NEW ORLEANS

## Council member Jackie Clarkson hedges on Carnival controversy

Jackie Clarkson, New Orleans District-C council member, said in a lengthy letter in Sunday, Jan. 18's Times-Picayune that she is not in favor of the council's recently passed resolution opening up krewe and club membership, on which she voted yes. The resolution passed unanimously.

Clarkson said, "Contrary to recent reports, the City Council did not unanimously support the Mardi Gras ordinance. I spoke against the measure that day and I oppose it still."

"The vote we took was for a one-year delay in the enactment and enforcement

of the ordinance, a compromise supported by the Carnival captains who tried so hard to save Mardi Gras. Rather than support the ordinance as written, I voted at the request of the Carnival captains to prevent it from becoming effective immediately."

Clarkson, who recently cast on of only two votes in opposition to the passed ordinance extending 20-year-old city civil rights laws to cover lesbians and gay men, went on to say, "To legislate equality is one thing. To require us all to be identical is something else entirely."

▼▼▼ HOUSTON SOAP

Super Bowl weekend: Parties for football fans at all your favorite places

By TAD NELSON  
TNV Houston

Hello Houston! It was quite the leather weekend in town last Friday through Sunday, and NLA and those involved had a great celebration. If you were in your leather or just observing—everyone was welcome, and the crowds of people that followed this anniversary event from bar to bar was sure to have boosted the morale of the owners and bartenders and created quite a stir (and I don't mean with a straw).

Thanks National Leather Association-Houston for an impressive party weekend. I, for one, can't wait 'till next year!

This weekend over at the Holiday Inn Med Center, it's going to be the big event for the Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court of the Single Star. Yeas, Coronation Weekend, and you're all invited. It actually will begin Thursday at Cousins for the In Town Show, where all the local court members and friends will entertain.

This Friday at Holiday Inn on the second floor ballroom (I always like the sound of that word—ballroom—brings back memories of the old MAC Mardi Gras parties and dark rooms with black plastic tents! Oops! Memory Lane again). Yes, the second floor ballroom at 7:00 p.m. and for \$7 you can see performances by court celebrities from all over Texas, the USA and even Canada. From there at 10:00 p.m. will begin a city wide bar tour by bus of course. (Remember these are big girls and two to a limo would just be, too expensive!).

Then Saturday at Holiday Inn again from 5:30-7:00 p.m. anyone who can prove they for the RSICSS candidates who happen to be; Bill O'Rourke, Frank Pierce or Deb Dillehay for Emperor and Pitty Pat Magnolia Sugarbaker (PMS for you with twisted tongues) or Rona Bare-It Sugarbaker for Empress. Coronation is at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday at 9:30, there is free victory party for the new royalty and supporters. The event is expected to raise around \$5,000 for local charities and for further info call 864-2233 or 864-0817.

For you into various sports, don't forget ice skating at Sharpstown from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25 and an upcoming Chain Gang bicycle ride from Heaven's parking lot at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 1.

It sure would be nice to hear from some of you bowlers out there. You know, scores, events, parties, dirt, etc. If you want some

free publicity for your sporting events—you too, tennis and soft ball, etc.—send us your press releases by Tuesday noon each week or FAX them to 529-9531.

Now for you football fanatics, yes, you Super Bowl freaks, you Monday night football maniacs who will surely be glued to the TV screen from 4:30 'till who knows when on Sunday—every bar in town (just about) wants you to come make your loud, obnoxious hoots and hollers, spill your drinks and throw your wienies and popcorn at their TV screens.

For example at Gentry, there is a SB party and benefit for MAC with a SB contest with drawings at the end of each quarter and SB drink specials and four monitors to watch the game on.

At the BRB there's a pre-game party and six (count 'em), six screens to view the big game. You can wander all over the vast interior of the BRB and never miss a play. (Kenn, there will be a screen in the office and has that new congoleum been installed yet?)

Mary's has an entire patio bar devoted to the game, with separate sound system and your very own bartenders and big TV.

Mother's, too, will open the upstairs bar especially for you SB fans and Jerry will be tending the frantic, frothing fans of football.

E/J's says come by enjoy the game in their special, big screen TV room. And they'll have "Super Bowls" of popcorn—free.

Ripcord has a giant projection screen (whole wall) TV and the whole bar can view the game during their SB party with what's sure to be some special fun for all in attendance.

And finally PastTime will be having a special SB party from 2:00 p.m. 'till game time and the viewing of the SB with Beau and the gang.

Enough of that old SB. How about some dirt. Vera tells me Dee at E/J's and Beau at PastTime were so old (how old are they) that they got their start entertaining troops during the Civil War! Whoa, Vera.

Don Salmon, 50 isn't so bad—ask Lulu (611), she still remembers her 50th birthday.

Robert (BRB), is it true your first modeling job was for Mad Magazine?

Steve Wright—what's this—another night spent in the city's free hotel.

Curtis (Cousins), now that you have gone back to work, Vera wants your food stamps since she eats so much.

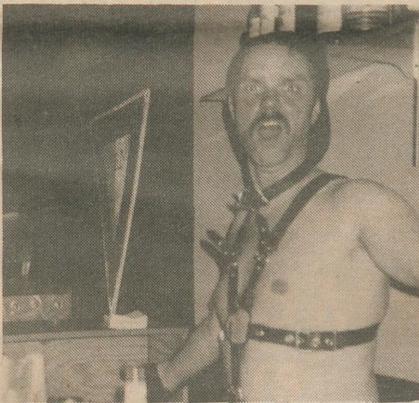
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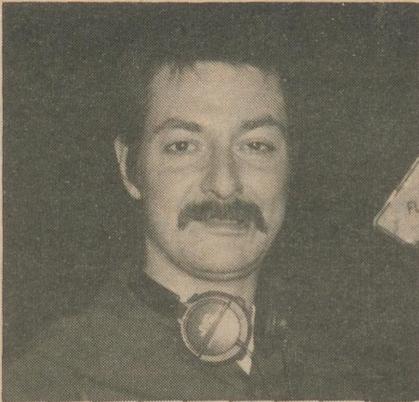
Is that Loretta Lick again?



Elroy didn't know who this was but who cares? Woof, woof!



Bobby (PS), I think your belt was way too long and you missed your belt loops!



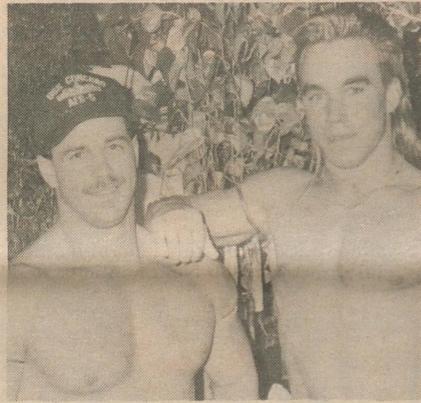
Mardi Coleman of Ripcord Dallas was guest DJ at Loading Dock '92



Dean, Jim and Larry party with Jay Allen and David Szynal at Pacific Street for Loading Dock '92



Rainbo and his men are at E/J's Friday nights!



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Lee Baber of San Antonio's Chain of Command celebrates with NLA:Houston at the V-N



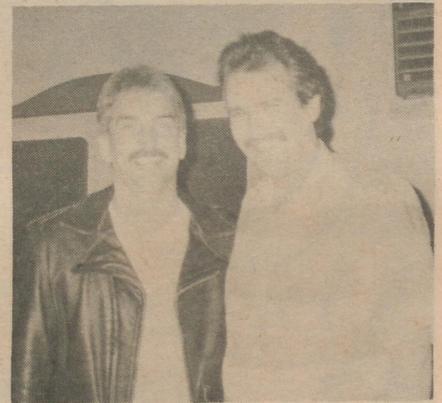
"Master of Leather" Ken Sledge entertained at the NLA anniversary



Mark Frazier, Mr. Gulf Coast Drummer '91 made it to town this time!



"Mistress of Leather" Viva, who hangs out at Bacchus II



Tom (Sue Ellen to y'all) greets Larry Arbo, Mr. Gulf Coast Drummer '90 at the BRB

and David Chapman of the BRB.

For those of looking for Friday things to do, try the customer appreciation party at Heaven called "Thirtysomething." If you are 30 or over, get your free passes at any of the 800 Pacific bars and party at Heaven with 50-cent well drinks from 9:00 p.m.-

2:00 a.m.

And Friday at Pacific Street (the club), the publisher of The Guide will be there with his own private dancer to dance with Caged Heat/Men Behind Bars.

Bye for now!

▼▼▼ SAN ANTONIO SOAP

Wednesday at the Wild Club; Sunday at the BX, Friday at Rosario's



Brandon, male dancer at the Bonham



The slick has spread, but the Hard Hat still has Hot Oil Wrestling on Thursdays



The crew of Rosario's says come down and join the happy crowd!

By ESHCOL RICHARD WRIGHT

The New Voice

I'm baaack...! No, it's not the little blond girl from Poltergeist. It's me, none other than Richard Wright, with the 1992 version of San Antonio Soap. Wherever you are (maybe in a bar), grab a friend 'cause you have now entered The New Voice Zone (dee-dee-dee-dee...zap!)

Okay, I got carried away a bit. Anyway, it's good to be home. If you recall, a few months ago The New Voice reported that Hot Oil Wrestling was going on at the Hard Hat, over off Webbles and Walzem Road. Well, some time has gone by, and hot oil wrestling is "out" in San Antonio. (Oops, really, no pun intended. We're not that evil). That's right, starting Wednesday the 29th, the Wild Club will be featuring a new edition: "Wild Hard Bodies In Hot Wrestling Till the

Finish in G-Strings." Hmm. By the way, from what I hear from the gossip line, it's "bring your own towels," so you can scrub down those hard bodies after the show.

Just when you thought you could stay home for the weekend and put on a local movie from the local bookstore, and think about those hot oily men from Wednesday at the WC, you remember that the Wild Club still has those wild dancers on Friday and Saturday, so just look for the wild Wild ad this week in The New Voice.

Dee-dee-dee-dee-dee-Caboom, the Bonham Exchange has just hit the big 101. That's right 101 years old. Well that's about time to celebrate a historical building with the Historical Bash on Friday, Jan. 24. From now on, there is no

cover on Sundays. By the way, 18-20 year olds, now you only pay a \$3 cover. And on Sunday, see the ever so popular and talented Brenda "K" Starr and "Of Course," standing behind this great queen's throne will be the Hard Body, handsome young man Brandon. "Who's Brandon?" you ask. Brandon is one of the top male performers at the Bonham Exchange. Standing six-foot-two and smooth chested, Brandon is a delight to see when Yoni, the light technician from the BX, works wonders with those gliding rays shining over him. And just a reminder, the USO party on Friday (the 24th): the theme is Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard attire.

"See you at the Bonham, Sgt. Pepper" "No, I will see you, Private Benjamin, at that Exchange." Dee-dee-dee-dee...

Bash went the twelve balls on the 18th week of the River city Pool League. Grab your stick and chalk your cues and prepare to meet the top five teams. They are: (1) Ab's Ropers, 213; (2) New Ponderosa, 192; (3) Nite Owl Hooters, 159; (4) Ab's Wranglers, 150 and (5) Ab's Roughnecks, 144.

Hey, hey, hey. It's five o'clock on a Friday. The traffic is bad and it's time to have a cold drink. One of my favorite places to go is Rosario's. As a matter of fact, I think I will go there. There is nothing like a cold beer or Margarita. Every Friday, there is a huge FREE Mexican buffet with beverage purchases. Believe me, it is enough to feed hundreds, I've tried the BLT's at Rosario's and they are great (four jalapeno's, for those of you who didn't know). They make BLT's like no other...

By the way, Lonnie Walton, one of your favorite DJ's at the Bonham Exchange, is now bartending at El Jardin on Tuesday afternoons. Go by and see him, and tell him S.A. Soap recommends a "Silver Bullet." This contains peppermint Schnapps and Absolut vodka.

Until next week! (P.S.: the new The New Voice San Antonio Soap gossip line is 22-8558).



Ron, the man with the cash, and a friend at the Paper Moon



Who is this lonely bartender at the Silver Dollar?



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## THE NEW VOICE Your Good Fortune Friday, Jan. 24 thru Thursday, Jan. 30, 1992

**Aries:** You have reached the end of the tunnel. It was dark for a while but you now see the light. Don't take your new

found knowledge for granted. It is something no one can take away from you.

**Taurus:** You will snap out of that blue mood. It's been hanging on for far too long. As you find yourself feeling better, you will be something else to deal with.

**Gemini:** You've been so busy lately that it's time to stop and smell the roses. They are blooming all about you, but your time has been all so limited. Take a break. A short winter vacation may be the answer. You know how to live. You just need a little practice right now.

**Cancer:** You've been asked to advise a friend who is making a major decision. Stay clear. The matter doesn't concern you and may result in a ruined friendship.

**Leo:** You find yourself falling behind on a major project. Arrange to postpone other activities until you catch up. You've gone too far not to complete the work. Those around you will understand.

**Virgo:** Although things are moving along rather smoothly, don't allow fate to take total control over your life. Expend some time and energy correcting shortcomings in the workplace. Recognizing problems now and working on solutions help you avoid trouble down the road.

**Libra:** You avoided a possible disaster by stopping to think about the consequences. Let out a sigh of relief but don't let one close call make you overly cautious. You love to take chances and most of the time you come out on top.

**Scorpio:** People beyond your normal sphere are concerned about your future. Listen to them. If you get in any hot spots, they'll help you out and point you down the right road.

**Sagittarius:** Even though you may consider it highly impractical, it's time to start concentrating on that trip out of town you've been wanting to take. And you probably know the person who'd love to go with you. Let loose of those coins and see your travel agent. Get ready for romance.

**Capricorn:** It's time for you to harness all that strength and magnetism you're going to unleash as the weather changes. Just look at your assets! Concentrating on your appearance before you hit center stage again will do wonders.

**Aquarius:** 3All that tension that's been building recently is about to turn into something positive. Follow your intuition and save yourself a lot of trouble—blow the loser's off and grab the hand of a winner. With your seductive appeal on the verge of a full swing, you can have practically anything you want. Then again, you always have, haven't you?

**Pisces:** Even though you are experiencing heavy mood swings, concentrate on just yourself and you'll come through fine. Let others take care of themselves.

## The New Voice recommends in Austin ...

(Listings are furnished by the clubs and are subject to change)

●AUSTIN, FRIDAY, JAN. 24

Happy hour buffet 5pm, dancers 6-9pm,

### The Crossing

Happy hour buffet 5pm, Marilyn's  
Happy hour buffet 5-8pm, Oil Can Harry's  
Lone Star Male Review 5-9pm, Charlie's

●AUSTIN, SUNDAY, JAN. 26

Sunday brunch 5pm, Texas Gentlemen  
10:30 & midnight, Oil Can Harry's  
Patio cookout, Crossing  
Food Feast, Buckles  
Pool tourney 8pm, Nexus

Air hockey tourney 9pm, San Fran Cisco's

●AUSTIN, MONDAY, JAN. 27

C&W dance lessons 9pm, San Fran Cisco's

Happy hour buffet 5-8pm, Oil Can Harry's

●AUSTIN, TUESDAY, JAN. 28

Happy hour buffet 5-8pm, Oil Can Harry's  
Dart tourney, Auntie Mame's  
Pool tourney 9pm, Nexus

●AUSTIN, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 29

Happy hour buffet 5-8pm, Oil Can Harry's  
C&W dance lessons 7:30pm, Nexus

●AUSTIN, THURSDAY, JAN. 30

Happy hour buffet 5-8pm, Oil Can Harry's  
Steak night 7-9pm, Nexus

●AUSTIN, FRIDAY, JAN. 31

Happy hour buffet 5pm, dancers 6-9pm,  
The Crossing  
Happy hour buffet 5pm, Marilyn's  
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Lone Star Male Review 5-9pm, Charlie's

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●HOUSTON, FRIDAY, JAN. 24

\$1.50 vodka 7am-noon, slop shot pool  
tourney 11:30am, Mary's  
1/2-price rooms & lockers 11am-4pm,  
Midtowne Spa  
Buffet 4-8pm, BRB

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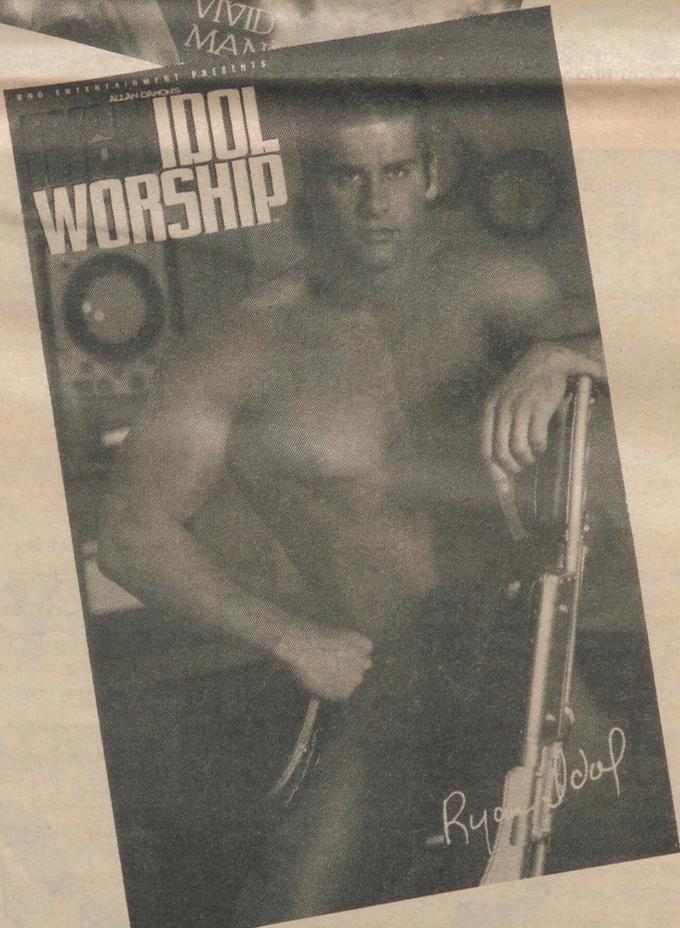
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No cover 7-9pm, 75¢ well, Pacific Street dance bar  
"Taggots" upstairs 9pm, Venture-N  
Little Bit of Texas band 9:30pm, BRB  
Piano bar 9pm-1am, Charlie's  
Rainbo de Klown's All Male Review 11pm, E/J's  
RSICSS bus tour hits Mary's 1am  
After-hours Mary's, Ripcord, Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

**HOUSTON, SATURDAY, JAN. 25**  
Mug club 9am-noon, E/J's  
Beer bust 1-6pm, Mary's  
BBQ 3pm, Midtowne Spa  
Well drinks \$1.25 4-7pm, Mug Club 4-10pm, E/J's  
Beer bash 4pm-2am, Montrose Mining Co.  
Cash pool tourney 5pm, Venture-N  
75¢ well vodka 6-11pm, Mother's  
9-ball tourney 8pm, Past Time  
Movies 9pm, Midtowne Spa  
Torn Levi party, Montrose Mining Co.  
Saturday Super Show 11pm, E/J's  
Maude's Madcap Mayhem talent showcase 10pm, Gentry  
Piano bar 9pm-1am, Charlie's  
After-hours Mary's, Ripcord, Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

**HOUSTON, SUNDAY, JAN. 26**  
\$3.00 pitchers, \$1 mugs all day, E/J's  
Leather day and beer bust on patio 1-6pm, steak night 5pm, Mary's  
BBQ 3pm, Midtowne Spa  
Beer bust noon-11pm, Montrose Mine  
Alabama Follies & Pot Luck Meal 2pm, Past Time  
Switchboard & NLA leather demo, 2-5pm BRB  
Food & blue light specials from 5pm, Venture-N  
\$1 schnapps 4-8pm, pool tourney 6pm, Juliet's Place  
Steak-n-tater 5pm, Gentry  
backwardslashMontrose Activity Center benefit 4pm, Gentry  
Super Bowl on TV, E/J's, Ripcord, BRB, Gentry, Past Time, Mary's  
No cover 5-7pm, Pacific Street dance bar  
Steak night 5-9pm, blue light specials 6-11pm, BRB  
Little Joe & David's birthday 6-8pm, BRB

\$3.00 pitchers, \$1 mugs all night, E/J's  
The Pretty Boys 10pm, Mother's  
Piano bar entertainment 9pm-1am, Charlie's  
After-hours Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

**HOUSTON, MONDAY, JAN. 27**  
75¢ mug beer 7am-2am, Mother's  
Slop shot pool tourney 11:30am, Mary's  
Cricket dart tournament 7pm, Venture-N  
"Boys Night Out" 9pm, Pacific Street dance bar  
Happy hour all day, all night, BRB  
Lockers 1/2 price noon-midnight, Club Body Center  
Male strip contest 10:30pm, Gentry  
Half price admission with Stone Soup donation, Midtowne Spa  
After-hours Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

**HOUSTON, TUESDAY, JAN. 28**  
Half price lockers for 6-mo. members 10am-midnight, Midtowne Spa  
Lockers & rooms 1/2 price noon-midnight, Club Body Center  
\$1.50 well & longnecks 4-8pm, Montrose Mining Co.  
Burgers noon-3pm, Mary's

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W	WET JOCKEYS 10:00	T	VIDEO CLASSICS 9:00

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Pizza Party 6:30pm, Gentry  
 Strip contest 10pm, Mother's  
 Chili night & \$1.50 beer, Juliet's Place  
 Young executive night, Pacific Street  
 C&W dance lessons 10pm, BRB  
 Muscles in Action dancers, Montrose Mining Co.  
 Talent contest 10:30pm, E/J's

**HOUSTON, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 29**

Happy hour 7am-2am, Ripcord  
 Half price lockers for 6-mo. members 10am-midnight, Midtowne Spa  
 \$1.50 vodka 7am-noon, slop shot pool tourney 11:30am, Mary's  
 "The Bear Club for Men," Montrose Mining Co.  
 Dance show 9pm, Midtowne Spa  
 Wet Jockeys Contest 10pm, Gentry  
 White Hot Wednesday, Pacific Street  
 Steak night 6pm, Lee Chardon & the Uptown Boys 10:30pm, E/J's  
 Slop shot pool tourney 7pm, Learn to Clog 7pm, BRB  
 Bare Chest Night, Venture-N  
 After-hours Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

**HOUSTON, THURSDAY, JAN. 30**

\$1 shots 7am-2am, Mother's  
 Half price lockers for 6-mo. members 10am-midnight, Midtowne Spa  
 Burgers & BBQ noon-3pm, Mary's  
 Room & locker specials noon-midnight, Club Body Center  
 \$1.50 well & longnecks 4-8pm, Montrose Mining Co.  
 50¢ burgers 6-9pm, beginners dance lessons 7:30pm, advanced dance lessons 9pm, \$1.50 longnecks all night, BRB  
 \$1 vodka, dart tournament, Juliet's Place  
 Dart tourney 8pm, Past Time  
 Video classic 9pm, Gentry  
 Dance show 9pm, Midtowne Spa  
 Piano bar entertainment 9pm-1am, Charlie's  
 The Pretty Boys 10pm, Mother's  
 Brittany Paige & Co. 10:30pm, E/J's  
 After-hours Club Body Center, Midtowne

Spa

**HOUSTON, FRIDAY, JAN. 31**

1/2-price rooms & lockers 11am-4pm, Midtowne Spa  
 Slop shot pool tourney 11:30am, Mary's  
 Buffet 4-8pm, BRB  
 \$1.50 well & longnecks 4-8pm, Montrose Mining Co.  
 Not just your ordinary happy hour buffet 5-8pm, Ripcord  
 Hors d'oeuvres 6:30pm, male dancers 10pm-2am, Gentry  
 No cover 7-9pm, 75¢ well, Pacific Street dance bar  
 Movie and pizza night 7pm, Midtowne Spa  
 "Taggots" upstairs 8pm, Venture-N  
 Piano bar entertainment 9pm-1am, Charlie's  
 Beer bash 4pm-2am, Muscles in Action dancers, Montrose Mining Co.  
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 After-hours Mary's, Ripcord, Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

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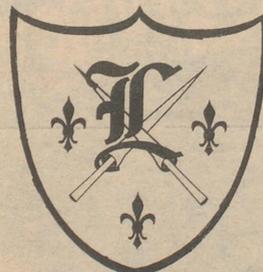
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 Feb. 5: Bear Chest Contest 11pm, Montrose Mining Co.  
 Feb. 9: Cowboy of the Month, BRB  
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**The New Voice recommends in San Antonio ...**

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**SAN ANTONIO, FRIDAY, JAN. 24**

Male strippers with MC Sassy St. James, 75¢ draft, \$2 frozen kamis, Wild Club  
 All drinks \$2, Memories  
 101st birthday Bonham Building, USO theme party, buffet, Bonham Exchange  
 Rosario's serves Mexican food to 2am  
 After-hours Paper Moon, Wild Club, Bonham Exchange



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Gong with the Wind Gong Show, Hardhat

\$2 drinks, Memories

Rosario's serves Mexican food to 2am  
After hours, Nexus, Wild Club, Bonham Exchange, Paper Moon

**●SAN ANTONIO, SUNDAY,  
JAN. 26**

50¢ draft, pool tourney 8pm, Nexus  
Cowboys in Action, 50¢ draft, Silver Dollar

Sassy's Variety Show 9:30pm, \$1.75  
Cuervo Ole, Memories

Adults no cover, show 11pm, \$1.50 well,  
\$1.25 beer, Bonham Exchange

Liquor rush 8-11pm, Sunday show, Wild Club

T dance & 25¢ draft 8-9pm, 50¢ draft 9pm,  
Cowboys in Action midnight, Silver Dollar

Super Sunday Show, Paper Moon  
Bartender tag team hot oil wrestling,  
Hardhat

**●SAN ANTONIO, MONDAY,  
JAN. 27**

Lone Star Male Review, Hardhat  
No cover for adults, Wild Club

50¢ draft, \$2 well, Paper Moon  
25¢ draft, \$1.50 well, Silver Dollar

\$1.75 frozen margaritas, pool tourney,  
Memories

Talent contest & square dancing, no  
cover, Bonham Exchange

**●SAN ANTONIO, TUESDAY,  
JAN. 28**

Male dancers, Hardhat  
Happy hour 10am-10pm, El Jardin

Happy hour all night, Nexus  
Happy hour to 9pm, Memories

Amateur male strip, 50¢ draft, Wild Club  
No cover, Bonham Exchange

**●SAN ANTONIO, WEDNESDAY,  
JAN. 29**

50¢ draft, country night, Nexus  
Strip dancers 11pm, Wild Club

Muscles in Action, Paper Moon  
Cowboys in Action, 25¢ draft, \$1.50 well,  
Silver Dollar

Hot oil wrestling with Tandy Andrews  
MC, Wild Club

\$1.25 longnecks to 7pm, Memories  
Hot chest contest, 50¢ well & draft (cover  
charge), Bonham Exchange

Rosario's serves Mexican food to 2am

**●SAN ANTONIO, THURSDAY,  
JAN. 30**

Steak night 7pm, Nexus

Tandi's Talent Search, Wild Club  
25¢ draft, Silver Dollar

Adults no cover to midnight, amateur  
male strip contest midnight, 25¢ draft,  
boxer shorts theme, Bonham Exchange

Sassy St. James host strippers 9:30pm,  
Memories

Hot oil wrestling, Hardhat

Rosario's serves Mexican food to 2am

**●SAN ANTONIO, FRIDAY,  
JAN. 31**

Male strippers with MC Sassy St. James,  
75¢ draft, \$2 frozen kamis, Wild Club

Adults no cover to 10pm, 75¢ well & draft,  
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Attractive, tall, professional, 40 GWF seeks non-stereotypical, single, responsible, caring woman. I like a little taste of everything (except drugs, alcohol or

cigarettes), from movies to sports, music, theater, books, travel, even kids. I believe in loyalty & love & am ready & looking for a monogamous lifetime relationship. Ad 25353.

Creative Pisces, attractive GWM, 5'11", 165 lbs., forty-something, in good shape, mentally & physically. My interests run the gamut. Fantasy/ security, independence/ support, laughter/ tears. Desires attractive GWM, 28-45, mature, but capable of boyish charm, to explore & cherish the wonders of living & loving. Ad 25093

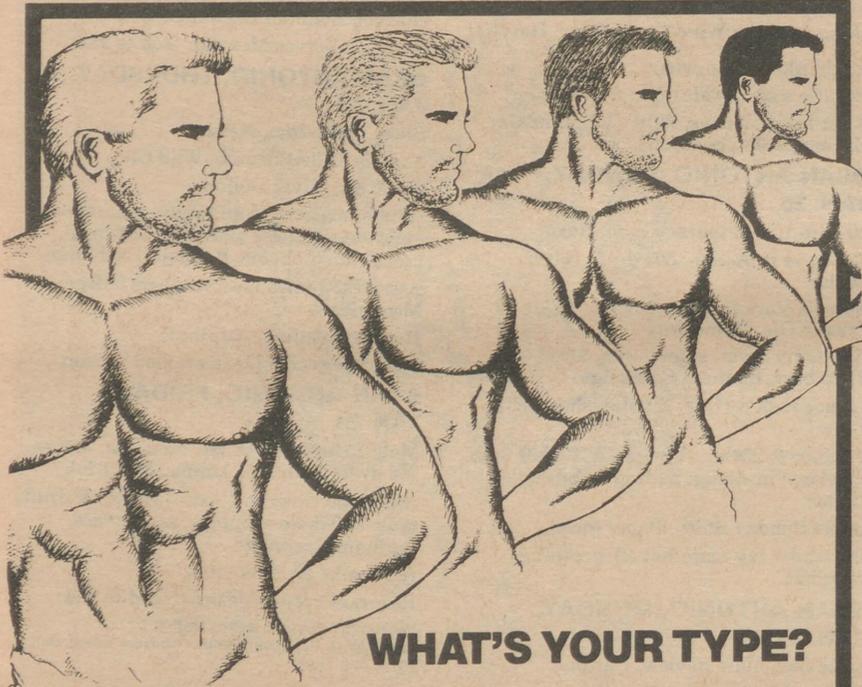
**GBM'S**  
GWM 46, very tall, thin, very hairy, HIV-, seeks

GBM'S. You 25-40 smooth chest, weight in proportion to height, healthy, HIV-, non-smoker, non-drug user, interested in safe fun or something more. Ad 25380.

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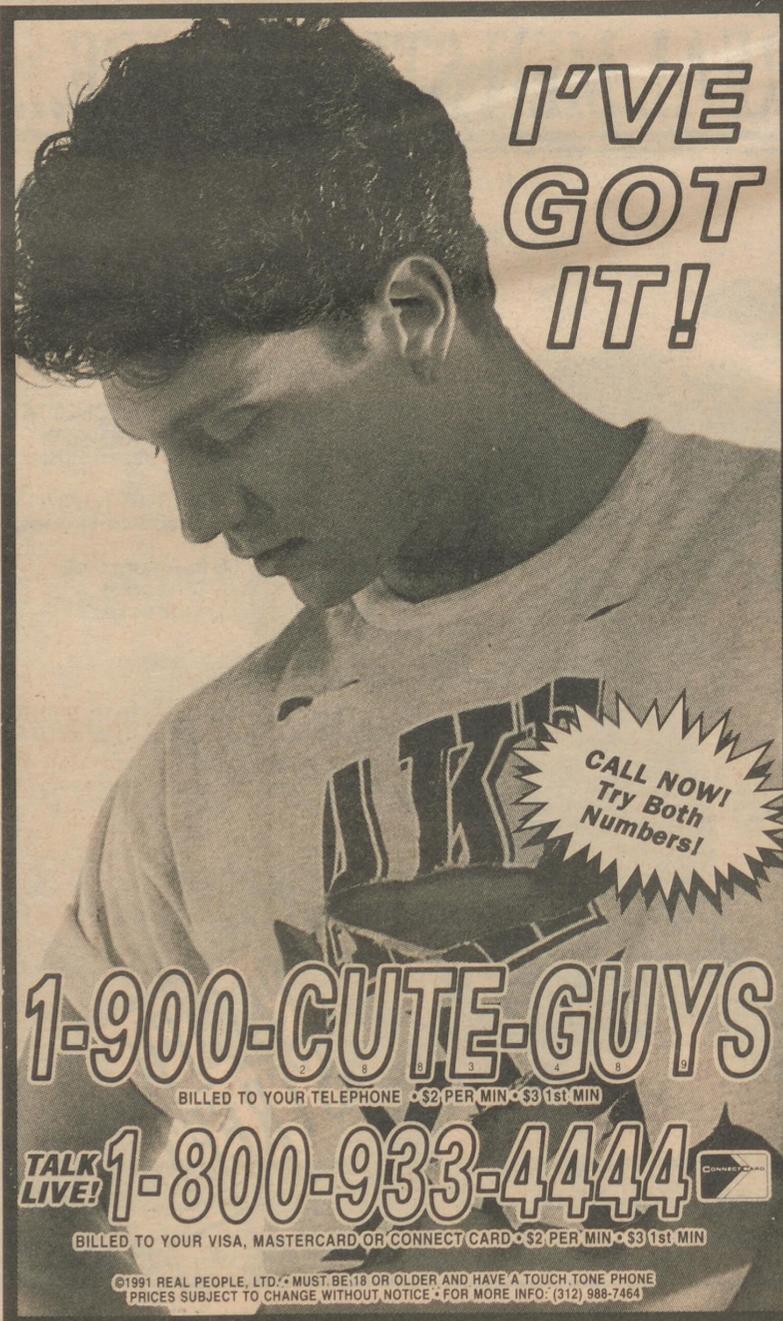


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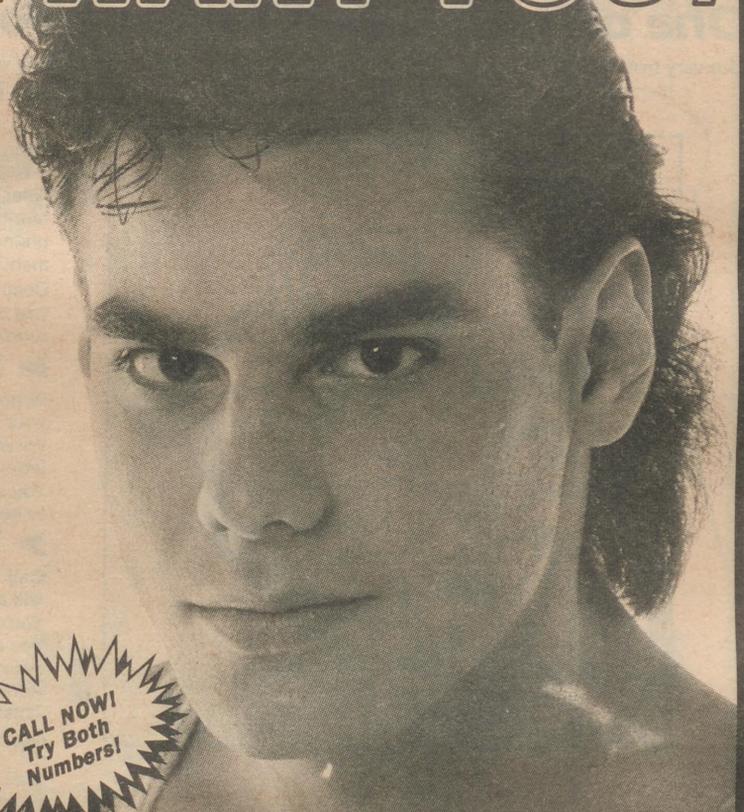
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**MARRIED W BI MAN**

Professional, 38, 160, 5'11. Looking for contacts with another married white bi male professional. I live out of town, but come often to town. Interested in golf, movies, dinner, conversation & safe sex. No smokers or druggies. Discretion required & assured. Prefer blond, 21-40. 25300

**MASCULINE MAN SEEKS SAME**

GWM, who is 44 at 180lbs with brown eyes & moustache & HIV+ seeks someone who is open-minded, stable & honest. I enjoy a variety of interests which include sports, travel, the arts as well as nights at home with someone special. Ad 25298

**GET REAL**

Me: 6'1 Blk/ Brown 250 lbs of Teddy Bear, Semi-Hairy, 33yrs old with black beard. My friends say I am nice looking. I do smoke, I do drink, I do go to the bars & I'm HIV+. I don't want to make love on the beach, have quiet times with someone special at home or go to movies. I want, You: 30-55yr old GWM or GHM who likes to be pleased in every way you can think of. Lets Party & have some fun & get real! 1 25298.

**GHM, 32, 5'6, 125#, SELF-MOTIVATED PROFESSIONAL**

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mous relationship. Ad 25360

**GWM 52 SEEKS GWM 18-29**

Looking for that special someone. Must be drug free. I am responsible, good listener, with a lot of love to give. Interests are astrology, numerology & most new age subjects. Enjoy watching pro sports, movies & dining out. Looking for someone to depend on? Ad 25984

**GWM, 32, 6'5, 285**

mostly bottom, but can be versatile. Enjoy camping, canoeing, politics, movies, theater. Non-smoker, occasional glass of wine. Know what & who I am - hope you do too. Looking for friendship/ companionship - worry about the rest later. If this sounds interesting, let's have lunch/ dinner & see where things go. Ad 25919

**GWM, 40, 5'9, 145, br/ br**

slim but very firm. Big moustache, big heart, responsible, sincere, stable. I enjoy music, anything from country to disco, also enjoy movies, opera, theater, the outdoors & quiet evenings at home. Looking for someone who is in good shape, 35-45 years old, good sense of humor. Ad 25956

**HANDSOME GWM PROFESSIONAL:**

42/ 5'11/ 170 lbs/ salt & pepper hair/ blue eyes/ degree/ professional/ masculine. Interests: travel, working out, collecting antiques, writing, self-improvement, dining out. Good Listener. Great conversationalist! Seeking significant relationship with good-looking GM of similar or intriguing qualities. Could this be THE one for you? Let's get together

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**HOT BOTTOM SEEKS HOT TOP**

GWM, 39, HIV-, 5'11, 165. br/ br attractive good body, hairy chest. Seeking aggressive hot top, 35-45, attractive, good body, weight proportion to height. If I looking for hot sexy fun with hot bottom, I'm your man. Guaranteed Satisfaction. Call back for direct contact information. Ad #25891

**HOT GM COUPLE**

GWM couple, early & mid 30s, would like to meet other couples & singles for hot, safe fun. We are looking for similar men who are uninhibited & who enjoy B&D within limits. Ad 25210

**DON'T NEED ANOTHER FATHER**

Very handsome masculine GWM, 19, 6', br/gr. Hobbies include reading, working out, collecting music. Looking for a very handsome, faithful & caring guy, 21-29, for possible relationship. Must be drug & smoke free. If this fits you please respond to Ad 25116

**EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL**

GWM, late thirties, br/br, 5'10", 150lbs, moustache, hairy chest, nice looking, nice guy, healthy, financially secure, romantic. Likes music, animals, reading, writing, eating out, playing the piano & kissing! Seeks nonsmoking GWM, twenties or thirties for fun, romance & spirited conversations.

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GWM, 37, 5'9, healthy HIV pos., slim, attractive, masculine, educated, traveled, sober professional, still a touch wild, sexually versatile, adventurous, leather oriented. Love outdoors, cultural pursuits, new experiences. Seeking GWM, 30's with similar qualities, also capable of passion, intimacy & affection, mature, stable & looking for a meaningful relationship. Ad 25960

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GWM 18-40, if you like to sit back & watch movies while being serviced, this is the ad to respond to. Looking for men who are quiet & enjoy slow, long, sensual evenings. No reciprocation needed. I'm 150, 40, 6', average looking & hairy chested. Ad 25241

**GBM**

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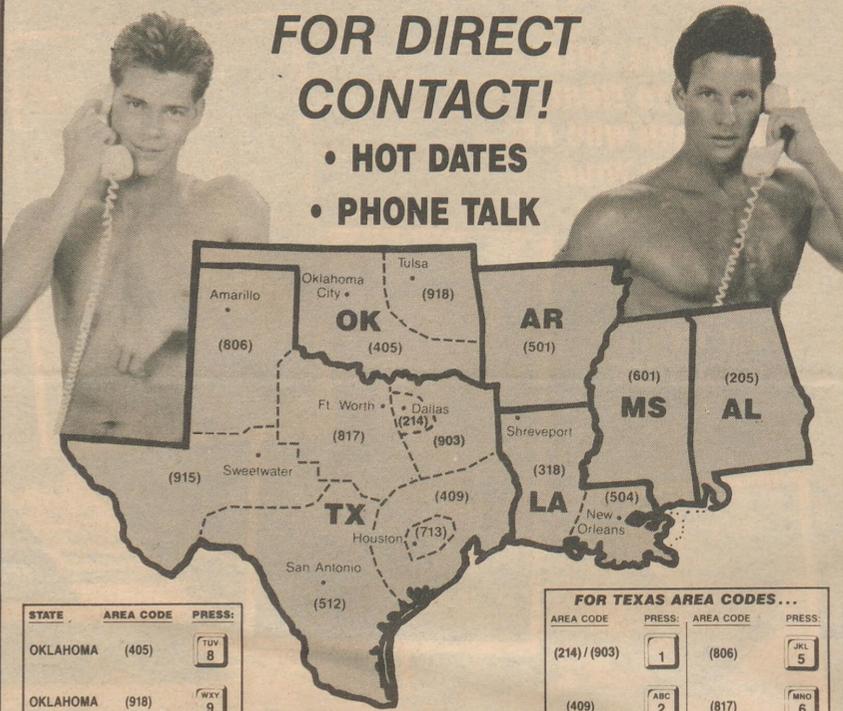
You've always wanted to try a third to spice up your sex life, but were afraid to bring up the subject with your partner. ... Go to the other room right now & show him this ad! I'm a GWM, 25, 5'9", 150, br/br, & versatile! Ad 25890

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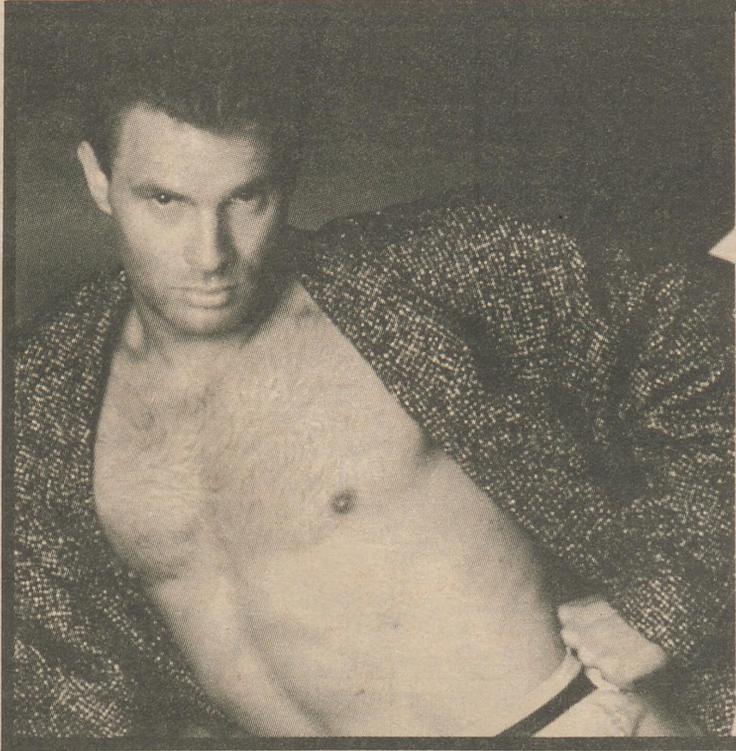
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Looking for healthy mind & body, fun loving, versatile man. You - blue/ green/ hazel eyes - prefer body hair - safe sex a must - over 21. Me - 30's, stocky Hispanic - HIV +, on occasions called hand-

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**NOT MARRIED  
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GWM 37, 5'6, 130 lbs br/hz Italian, mustache, nice looking, firm build, HIV pos. Raising two young teen boys alone. This dad needs companions & distractions, like to party on weekends. Into old cars, dancing & raising hell. Would like to make friends & meet others in similar situation. Ad 25362

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this attractive, slender,

healthy, mid-50's, GWM has an abundance of affection, energy, talents & wit to share. Insist on replies from dependable, stable, happy men of any age with no alcohol, drug or weight problems. Defined tastes, sensitivity, fun loving, spiritual awareness combine to promise a rewarding friendship/ relationship. Ad 25358

**HOT HUNG STUD  
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GWM 29 5'10 160Lbs Handsome endowed top. dark hair, hazel eyes, humorous, responsible, professional,

sincere, masculine Taurus. Enjoy traveling, dancing, movies & cuddling. If your Hispanic average looks & build seeking fun, hot times, friendship or possible relationship. Also seeking same in other cities for fun times. Ad 25378

**LEATHER DADDY**

Professional, versatile, GWM 45, 5'11 170lbs, VIRGO, bn/ bl, trimmed beard & moustache seeks new friends for new horizons in Beaumont area. Likes leather, levis, uniforms & kink. Also like movies, musical 1, travel & new scenes. Ad 25889

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Lonely 37 yr. old brown/ brown, 5'8, 185#, incarcerated man seeks correspondence

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**BEAUMONT** Professional GWM, 38, 5'9, 165, masculine, good body, drug & tobacco free, HIV-, wants to meet similar MEN 30-40 who are intelligent, masculine, well-built, & healthy for friendship & possible relationship. My interests include classical music, working out, cooking, travel, outdoor activities. Ad 25066

**BIG DADDY SEEKS DADDY'S BOY**

To qualify, you must be trim, strong, determined to please, non-smoker/drinker & have a stable job & pleasant personality. I prefer blonde to med. brown hair. I am big, tall, 40, bearded & I require domestic

service as well. Ad 25928

**BIG STUD WANTED**

GWM, 29, 5'11, 210#, bodybuilder. Workout intensely 5-6 times a week. I'm also very masculine, college educated, & ambitious & enjoy reading, sports, conversation & trying new things. Looking for similar type male who enjoys body building, etc., for friendship, workouts, plus possibly more! Seek ages 21 - 45. Non-smokers please. Ad 25356

**COUNTRY BOY**

Mid 20s, ex military, living north of the Loop, is looking for someone who isn't perfect in appearance or manner. I want a country guy who is unassuming & between 25-35. Hairy bears a plus. Am kind of a bottom but want someone versatile. Ad 25240

**COUNTRY LIVING EXPERT**

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Discreet, Masculine, GWM Couple, 30's would like to meet other like couples & singles for hot safe fun. All ages & races. We are open minded, you should be too. Ad 25379

**TIRED OF BARS, LONELY**

GWM, 31, 5'5, 125, brn/ brn, moustache, masculine, built. Enjoy jogging, working out, cooking, sports, basketball, flea markets, quiet evenings at home, cuddling. Looking for that special someone. We could meet & hopefully develop a relationship. Just remember that when you're down in the dumps, I will always be there to hold you. Ad 25352

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**City raises AIDS issue in battle against adult bookstore**

RAMSEY, Minn., Monday, Jan. 13 (AP)—City officials are trying to close or restrict an adult bookstore they say poses a health risk because it promotes the spread of AIDS.

But critics say the city is using a phony concern over AIDS to try to accomplish its primary goal of closing the XXX Adult Bookstore.

The controversy was the subject of a city hearing aired live last Wednesday on the city's cable television channel.

The city's key witness was Lyle Pierce, a gay man who said he contracted AIDS from visiting bookstores and bath houses for anonymous sex.

"A certain amount of cruising occurs at the Ramsey bookstore?" asked William Goodrich, the city attorney.

"A certain amount? A lot of it," Pierce replied. "They'll reach right out and

grab you."

Pierce was preceded by Debbie Fugate, the regional coordinator in St. Cloud for the Minnesota AIDS Project. Fugate, who was subpoenaed by the city, said the Minnesota AIDS Project was reluctant to participate in the hearing. But she said many of the fundamentalist church members, who hold a prayer meeting every weekday morning outside the bookstore, were supportive after she and Pierce testified.

"When we went out on breaks, they would thank us," she said.

But Glen Hampton, the pastor of Victorious Jesus Church who sat in the audience, later indicated that the support was limited. "My opinion of the homosexual lifestyle? I'll give you God's opinion—it's an abomination," he said.

Ever since the bookstore opened in ear-

ly 1990 in the east-central Minnesota city of around 6500 people, controversy has followed.

City officials and Larry Holmberg, the bookstore's owner, are still locked in a separate federal lawsuit over the city's attempt to force the bookstore to move elsewhere in the city because it sits too close to a church and day-care center.

But Mary Jo Sentyrz may lose her business, the Small World Child Care Center, before the lawsuit gets settled. The center, which was near its 84-child capacity when Holmberg opened the bookstore, now has only 45 children daily because parents are pulling their children out.

"It's in foreclosure," Sentyrz said of the day-care center, which is about 50 yards from the bookstore. "We are losing it to the adult bookstore."

While critics claim otherwise, Ramsey officials say the hearing was not an attempt to close the bookstore. The city, they say, simply wants Holmberg to take the doors off the booths, increase the lighting in the store and cover the "glory holes"—all in the name of public health.

A judge is expected to rule in the case, perhaps by late February.

"It's strictly a health issue. . . . We expect they'll stay open," said Goodrich, the city's attorney. "(But) it's somewhat helpful in reducing the spread of communicable diseases."

Randall Tigue, the bookstore's attorney, said cities are increasingly trying to link adult bookstores and AIDS to camouflage their attempts to close the stores.

"It's absolutely clear that municipalities are enacting these (to close bookstores), not out of any concern for public health," he said.