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MONTROSE WEATHER THRU MONDAY: Rain ending Friday night, then fair and warm. Highs near 86, lows about 68.

Undercover operation terrorized Texas gays, reports say

Developers go public with 'Founder's Park' plans

Representatives of two companies involved in plans to renovate the Fourth Ward that include a section of the North Montrose area revealed those tentative plans publicly for the first time on Friday, April 13. The proposal is expected to receive a bitter outcry from North Montrose homeowners, who recently massed a city council meeting to demand an opinion from city attorney Clarence West regarding the legality of the plan.

Public forums will be held this summer to get input from citizens and leaders of civic and community groups. Those opinions will be considered in developing the master plan, according to a spokesperson for the developers.

Representatives of American General Investment Corp. and Cullen Center Inc. appeared on Channel 8's "Almanac" television program Friday and confirmed



This Montrose block could be condemned under a Fourth Ward renovation plan unveiled April 13 by representatives of American General Investment Corp. and Cullen Center Inc.

the development plans. The project proposal concentrates on new residential development, with commercial structures concentrated along Allen Parkway. The area covered in the proposal is bounded by Waugh Drive, Allen Parkway,

West Gray and Interstate 45.

A third company, Ayrshire Corp., is said to also be involved in the plans.

Under the proposal, a taxing district would be created within

those boundaries that would help finance part of the redevelopment, which includes 200 units of low-income housing. The Allen Parkway Village public housing project, which was built in the early 1940's, would be razed.

But both homeowners and rental residents of North Montrose object to including an estimated 600 acres of land they say is not part of the Fourth Ward in the plan. At recent meetings of the city council and the Metro board, several homeowners told public officials they will be financially ruined if American General's Founders Park proposals, and the route of the city's planned rail project, are adopted.

The homeowners say that a law passed in 1982, giving the city condemnation powers that would facilitate the development, should not be applicable to the area described in the proposal.

Other residents of the area are concerned with preserving the historical nature of the neighborhood, and its "charm."

Marvin Marshall, president of Cullen Center, said condemnation powers would be used "sparingly" and that land owners in the area would receive a fair price for any property taken over by the district.

F. Max Schuette, retired chairperson of American General, said the area in question has "suffered from official neglect."

"Something needs to be done," Schuette said. "It's clearly an area of high visibility for the entire city of Houston."

Meanwhile, members of the North Montrose Civic Association and the Individual Landowners and Homeowners of North Montrose say they will continue the fight to preserve their neighborhood.

DALLAS (AP)—A homosexual's slaying at a rest stop was preceded by a series of a questionable sex arrests in which a former sheriff's deputy bragged about using his badge to extort money from gays, published reports said.

The Dallas Morning News said in copyright reports Sunday, April 22, that arrests of about 400 men on sex charges at the rural roadside park during an undercover operation by Wise County deputies raised an estimated \$140,000 in bail bond fees for a sheriff's friend.

A statement obtained by the newspaper said former Chief Deputy John Byron Yarbrough coached an associate on how to recognize, terrorize and rob gays. Yarbrough and Milton Brumfield face capital murder charges in the Feb. 27 shooting of Jerry Lee Shaw, a gay hair stylist.

The pair were arrested in March in the death of Shaw at the park near Burleson, south of Fort Worth.

"When he was a cop, he used to mug gays in roadside rest stops," Brumfield said in his statement to police obtained by the newspaper. "He said that he would give the gay men the opportunity to pay him money or go to jail."

Many of those arrested at the roadside park told the newspaper in interviews that they had only stopped there to use the restroom when they were charged by deputies with indecent exposure or public lewdness.

Most of the victims posted bond through a Decatur bail bond company owned by David Lowayne Box, a friend of Sheriff Leroy Eugene Burch. They won releases on the misdemeanor charges, which were often dismissed, for fees of about \$1,000 each.

"I'm probably the poorest sheriff in the state," Burch said, denying that the 21-month stakeout was illegal. "There ain't nothing crooked here."

However, the operation was termed "a bond scheme" that preyed on men who appeared to have enough money to post it, said Sam Lee, a former deputy who made more than 60 of the arrests.

"If you had a nice car, a Jaguar or something like that, I felt like saying, 'Hang on. You're going for a ride,'" Lee, now an investigator with the Wise County Attorney's office, said.

The officer who made most of the arrests, about 130, was Yarbrough.

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Committee adopts rules for pride week organization

The Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week 1990 planning committee adopted official rules to govern the operation of the organization in coming years at its general meeting Wednesday, April 25. The rules were written by John Nix, male co-chair, who was charged in November as then-secretary of the committee to research the usual policies in practice of the group, and to draft rules that reflected those policies.

Though details of the wording of several sections in the rules were changed by amendment after the rules were read, only two motions for major changes were debated. The changes, both proposed by Lee Harrington, would have required pride week officers to be "open" enough to appear before the media, and would have made inclusion of the words "Lesbian/Gay Pride Week" (or "Gay/Lesbian," depending on the year) to appear on all official stationery, marketable products including T-shirts, buttons and other items, and publicly regarding the celebration.

Harrington later amended his own proposal regarding officers' willingness to be public to include heads of official pride week subcommittees as well.

Those opposed to the motions cited the concerns of people who wish to be involved in the planning process but are not "out" to the point where they can appear publicly. Not to allow their participation would be depriving the planning body of valuable talent,



The Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week 1990 executive committee, from left, standing: treasurer Ken Hertz, co-chairs Ronnie Diaz and John Nix, and secretary Clark Moore; seated, from left, are subcommittee chairs Mark Franceschini, Leslie Perez, Debbie Holmes, Clair Koepsel and "Lady Victoria Lust"

energy and organizational skills, said Clark Moore, secretary of the executive committee.

Debbie Holmes noted there are several stages in the coming out process, and that many people at the different stages want to be involved or to have souvenirs of participation even though they are not fully "out." Others noted the commercial advantage of having two "lines" of pride merchandise to sell.

But Harrington and Mark Franceschini pointed out that the purpose of the organization is to promote gay and lesbian pride, and that by excluding the lan-

guage and representation of the central purpose, the celebration loses its focus.

"Until the community and its leadership comes to grips fully with the closet, we can never expect our rights to be granted," Harrington said.

Both motions were defeated, and the rules were adopted by the body.

A minor debate occurred over the section of the rules that gives the male and female co-chairs the responsibility of appointing heads of various subcommittees. Separate motions were introduced to require self-nomination and full bod-

election of subcommittee chairs, then to require appointed chairs to be ratified by a vote of the planning body. Both were defeated.

After the section-by-section discussion of disputed areas, the group voted to adopt the amended rules for operations of gay pride week.

Included in the rules is the first written non-discrimination policy of Houston pride week. The policy underwent several wording changes to be more inclusive. The policy (subject to grammatical changes to improve the flow) is as follows: "The committee is proud to state that it shall not discriminate against any person seeking membership on the committee or election as an officer of the committee regardless of race, color, creed, sex/gender, sexual orientation, gender identification, physical handicap, religion/ideology, national origin or age, or for any other arbitrary reason."

During the meeting, planning committee co-chair Mark Franceschini gave an update of planned events in the pride week schedule. Events so far scheduled are: Friday, June 15—Astroworld Night; Saturday, June 16—Pride Awards, at the AstroVillage Hotel; Sunday, June 17—Montrose Singers event and P-Flag event; Monday, June 18—Gay/Lesbian business network; Tuesday, June 19 and Wednesday, June 20—open; Thursday, June 21—Mission Church discussion; Friday, June 22—Lone Star Symphonic Band event; Saturday, June 23—

Star Nite '90; Sunday, June 24—Parade and Star Nite '90.

Clair Koepsel reported that Debra Danburg has officially accepted the offer to be an honorary grand marshal of the parade; Ray Hill said he is waiting for confirmation of the proposed male honorary grand marshal, Craig Washington.

The fundraising committee announced two coming fundraisers, one of which is scheduled for this Sunday (April 29), 2:00-6:00 p.m. at Heaven. "Pride in Performance," a variety show co-hosted by Lady Victoria Lust of the Lesbian/Gay Pride Week executive committee, B.J. Summors, candidate for Miss TGRA and Mark Coleman, candidate for Mr. TGRA, features a long line of recognized community performers and specialty acts. The entertainment line-up includes musicians, theater artists, impersonators, dancers, singers and more, the committee members said.

The other fundraiser, the "What's It Worth Auction," will be held May 20 at the Brazos River Bottom. A preview of items to be auctioned will begin at 2:00 p.m., with the auction scheduled to begin at 4:00 p.m. Committee members are currently seeking donations of items for the event. Guest auctioneers will be Vicki Vines and Miss Bobby. In addition to money raised by the auction, the BRB has offered to donate a percentage of drink sales on that day to pride week, the members said.

Art festival weekend ...

These pictures were taken at various locations in Montrose during last weekend's semi-annual Westheimer Colony Art Festival, the weekend of the Westheimer Colony Art Festival.



In Memory Of

Leaders say city 'foot-dragging' keeping Stone Soup in the closet



—VARNEY (LEE) PHILLIPS

Oct. 14, 1953—April 19, 1990

Lee was born in Lawton, Okla., but lived in Dallas and Houston most of his life. He leaves behind his best friend and lover of many years, Roger Manchester of Houston; a sister, Stella Davis; father, Ken Phillips, a nephew and one great-nephew, all of Irving, Texas, and many friends from both Houston and Dallas.

Services were scheduled to be held Tuesday, April 24 at Hayes Funeral Home in Santa Fe, Texas.

"The Lord may have taken him from us, but he will never be forgotten by all who loved him. May he now rest in peace."

—DAVID BRUCE CLAYTON

Feb. 20, 1947—April 18, 1990

David Bruce Clayton, 43, of Houston, died peacefully in his sleep at Park Plaza Hospital on April 18. He is survived by his mother and sister and a host of loving friends.

A Renaissance man of the twentieth century, Dave had a myriad of interests and projects, all of which he performed with a zeal and fervor that could exhaust those around him. He composed and arranged music, taught deep sea diving and prepared gourmet meals. Known to many of us as "Buddy Builder," he operated the ALLEY bulletin board system. He meticulously drew cartoon characters which reflected his keen and subtle sense of humor; he rode with the Texas Riders. He loved to ice skate, to have "stumber parties," but most of all, he took fierce pride in his independence and dignity.

David was a rare and wonderful man who will be conspicuously absent in life but ever-present in the hearts of those he leaves behind.

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, April 29, at the Rotkio Chapel, 3900 Yupon at Sul Ross. No flowers, please. Remembrances should be made to a charity of choice.

50,000 rally against federal AIDS policy

By LARRY NEUMEISTER FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

NEW YORK (AP)—Police and organizers of a rally by Haitians and African Americans to protest AIDS policies had expected 10,000 people, but an extra 40,000 flooded Lower Manhattan and coaxed Mayor David Dinkins out as well.

"The FDA is wrong," he shouted, attracting a scream of delight from the crowd. "I predict they're going to reverse themselves."

The march Friday, April 20, was in protest of a Food and Drug Administration policy prohibiting anyone who has emigrated from Haiti or certain African countries from giving blood, as a precaution against spreading AIDS.

Later, Dinkins' prediction came true as a federal AIDS advisory committee in Washington recommended that the government's ban on blood donations be eased for people who have been screened for the deadly virus.

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By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE
Montrose Voice Editor

Houston City Council member Vince Ryan, gay/lesbian community leaders and a spokesperson for AIDS Foundation Houston are claiming that bureaucratic muddle and "foot dragging" by the city are to blame for keeping Stone Soup Food Pantry in its almost closet-sized original location. Ryan and John Paul Barnich, former AFH board chair, say efforts to obtain a city-owned vacant building first intended as the site for the Montrose Branch Library have been strangled in city red tape for two years. The building, along with two adjacent buildings that were condemned and slated for demolition, has been sitting vacant at Mandell and Richmond for almost five years.

Ryan, who says he has been working on this project since February of 1988, demanded documentation of a policy claimed by city officials to prevent a long-term lease of the property during the council members' "pop off" session at the council meeting Wednesday, April 25. Ryan said City Attorney Clarence West has yet to produce evidence of a city ordinance, state law or even a written policy preventing the lease.

"The bottom line is, if the mayor really wanted it to happen, it would happen," gay activist Lee Harrington said of the conversation, calling the dispute "one more example of foot dragging by the city ... on anything involving the (gay/lesbian) community."

"Our issues have always been a low priority," Harrington said. "There is a hesitancy in (Mayor Whitmire's) office to deal with things that concern us in a public way. This is not the first time. The foot-dragging goes back a long, long way," he said.

Barnich said AFH had proposed to the city, at least two years ago, an agreement whereby the foundation would renovate the prop-



Trash and red tape: city council member Vince Ryan and others say bureaucratic foot-dragging is keeping this city-owned building and lot from being cleaned up, renovated and used to house the Stone Soup Food Pantry.

erty and maintain the grounds in return for a five year, rent-free lease for the pantry. The city agreed to provide the site rent free, but only on a month-to-month basis, an arrangement that would be impractical for the foundation since the deteriorating building requires major renovations. Additionally, Barnich said, a separate store-room would have to be constructed for the property to serve the needs of Stone Soup. Though Barnich said he believes community organizations and individuals would donate services, supplies and funds to do the project right, "no one in their right mind" would make such donations to renovate property that might be sold or demolished on a 90-day notice.

The reason why the pantry project was only offered a monthly rental depends on largely who you talk to. This week, Joanne Adams,

Mayor Kathy Whitmire's chief of staff, told a reporter for the Houston Chronicle that a city ordinance prevented the city from releasing the property for other than month-to-month occupancy.

But Ryan said Wednesday that the policy, if it exists, may not even be written and that even written policies can be changed by action of the council. He said the problem was a "lack of leadership" and a matter of the city bureaucracy "protecting itself" at whatever expense.

"It's easier not to deal with it. There's always an excuse," Ryan said. "We (the city) have got property sitting around everywhere that's not doing anybody any good, that people want to use."

What makes the Richmond property, a former convenience store, a particularly frustrating concern for Ryan's office is the

fact that the location has been targeted as a "city owned eyesore" by neighborhood groups as well. The buildings were purchased with Houston Public Library Department funds in 1981 for locating the Montrose library there. But the library project was moved to another location, and the city, which paid about \$947,000 for the property when land values were at a high, was left holding the bag on a site that could not be resold at market without a substantial loss.

In February, library spokesperson David Bates said the property had been reverted to the dangerous buildings department and would probably be demolished. However, no action has been taken since then toward the demolition, according to Ryan's office, and the lots are now overgrown with weeds and have become dumping sites for trash.

Barnich said the site, with the needed renovations and an added storeroom could be an ideal location for the pantry. But AFH's interest in that location is primarily because the site has not been productive for the city, and the foundation hoped to strike a "deal" to benefit both parties.

The main problem in securing any larger space for Stone Soup, Barnich said, is funding. But if the city were to donate the space rent-free, the foundation would probably be able to come up with what is needed for the repairs and maintenance of the property, he said.

Ryan's office pursued the property for Stone Soup under the statutory authority of a state law allowing cities and towns to provide publicly owned facilities for use by organizations that provide human services to the indigent. The statute defined "human services" as including the provision of housing, food, clothing and day care services.

The council member and AFH negotiated with various city departments in 1988 and 1989 and were told in May of 1989 that the library department intended to clean up the property for sale so the funds could be used for other library projects.

But in February of this year, Bates told the Montrose Voice that the library department no longer had anything to do with the site and that its fate was "up in the air."

Meanwhile, clients of the present Stone Soup, a six-foot by 24-foot pantry space adjacent to AFH's MacAdory House on California Street, often must wait in line outside the building for their turn to "shop" for their groceries.

Barnich said he would like to see a new location—wherever it turns out to be—with ample room for waiting clients to sit inside the building, and ample storage facilities.

Honolulu priest told to stop holding gays-only masses

HONOLULU (AP)—Roman Catholic Bishop Joseph Ferrario has told priests in Honolulu to stop holding gays-only masses.

Priests in the Honolulu diocese

have been offering special services to Dignity Honolulu, an organization of gay and lesbian Catholics.

In a letter, Ferrario said priests

should welcome gays into the full body of the church, but should decline requests for special, separate masses.

Francis Duran, president of Dig-

nity Honolulu, requested a meeting with Ferrario.

Duran said Catholic priests have been offering services to the group every Saturday since Janu-

ary and have held monthly masses in the past.

Ferrario said arguments that homosexuality is morally acceptable contradict church teaching.

Student groups plan spring offensive against anti-gay ROTC

By KIM I. MILLS FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (AP)—College campuses across the country will be the scene of a spring offensive in the battle between gay activists and the Pentagon over its policy barring homosexuals from military service.

Activists led by a University of Wisconsin-Madison group are organizing simultaneous news conferences to take place May 4. The thrust will be joint attacks on Reserve Officer Training Corps programs that exclude gay people from receiving financial aid or being commissioned as officers.

The groundswell of student interest has come as a surprise to some national gay leaders. Until ROTC emerged as an issue last year on college campuses, gay activists had been focusing primarily on the courts and Congress to change Pentagon policy.

"I don't understand this—why the schools in the Midwest are getting so revved up about this, but they are," said Sue Hyde, director of the Gay and Lesbian Military Freedom Project, based in Washington.

In recent weeks, Hyde said, she has fielded inquiries from students and faculty at about a dozen schools seeking information and advice on how to shake up their ROTC chapters or continue protests already begun.

The effort has begun to show some results. Several universities already have written the Pentagon warning that ROTC's future on campuses is in jeopardy unless the policy changes. In a recent letter to the Defense Department, John M. Deutch, provost of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said the exclusion of gay men and lesbians runs counter to MIT's "principle of non-discrimination against individuals on the basis of sexual orientation."

About 96,000 students participate in ROTC programs on 585 campuses, according to the Defense Department.

In 1989 alone, students or faculty at least six schools—the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Yale, Harvard, the University of Minnesota, Northwestern and the University of Iowa law school—took action against ROTC chapters for their discriminatory policies. Those actions ranged from bar-



ring ROTC from using Iowa law school buildings to refusing to re-instate the corps at Harvard and Yale. (ROTC was ousted from the latter two campuses 20 years ago to protest the Vietnam War.)

At the University of Wisconsin, the student and faculty senates voted in December to recommend that the board of regents phase out ROTC by 1993 unless the military changes its anti-gay policy. The following month, Chancellor Donna Shalala instead recommended working within the system to pressure the Pentagon and allowing the ROTC to remain indefinitely.

Many students contend that Shalala's solution violates the university's own anti-discrimination policy and a state law prohib-

iting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, said Jordan Marsh, university affairs director of the Wisconsin Student Association.

"I think it's important to start a comprehensive mobilization effort," said Marsh, a senior who is organizing the simultaneous news conferences. He said he has invited about 120 colleges to participate.

Alan Berube, a San Francisco-based historian whose book "Coming Out Under Fire: The History of Gay Men and Women in World War Two" was published this month, said he had just returned from a talk at Chico State College in California and was surprised at how quickly interest was spreading.

"The whole issue in the last six or eight months has become much more public," he said.

He pointed to the cases of Joe Steffan, a naval cadet who was expelled from Annapolis for admitting his homosexuality, and James Holobaugh, a former ROTC cadet at Washington University in St. Louis who in January was denied an Army commission for the same reason.

At least two other ROTC cadets have also come out recently, leading the military to try to make them pay back their scholarships. Several dozen members of Congress have sent protest letters to the Pentagon. The cases are still open.

The Defense Department policy

says flatly that "homosexuality is incompatible with military service." The Defense Department contends that the presence of gay people would undermine discipline, order and morale; and that gay people in the military would be particularly susceptible to blackmail.

However, internal Defense Department studies—which the Pentagon had tried to suppress but leaked out anyway—disputed those arguments and concluded that gay people perform their military duties as well as straight people.

Nevertheless, the military expels about 1400 people every year on charges of homosexuality, according to the DOD's own estimates.

Nan Hunter, who heads the Lesbian and Gay Rights Project of the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, predicted that campus protests would resonate all the way to Washington.

"In general, I think the tide is turning in our favor," she said. "I think the irrationality of the policy is becoming more clear even within the military."

But gay leaders are divided on how and when change might come. Hyde said she doesn't see the political courage in Congress to pass even a symbolic amendment on the subject right now.

Hunter said she does not see much evidence that the courts will confront the military, either.

"There is a longstanding tradition of deference to military on a whole range of issues," she said, pointing to the U.S. Supreme Court ruling that it was constitutional to discharge an Orthodox Jew from the Air Force for wearing a yarmulke.

Another option would be for President Bush to change the policy by executive order, much as President Harry Truman integrated the military in 1948.

But Hyde said she believes change is still a long way off.

"One of the big questions we always grapple with on our project meetings is, 'What time is it?' meaning, do we think the moment is really ripe for some kind of clear statement by Congress," she said.

If midnight is the goal of passing legislation, "I think it's about 6:30," she said. "PM."

Organization mails copies of 'filthy' art to Congress

By JANE E. ALLEN
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (AP)—A pornography-fighting Christian group is blanketing Congress with envelopes it says contain "filthy" pictures of homosexual acts from a taxpayer-funded art exhibit.

Each envelope enclosed "extremely offensive material explicitly" holds explicit photographs and drawings from the "David Wojnarowicz, Tongues of Flame" show mounted with a \$15,000 federal grant.

The American Family Association hopes a good look at reproductions of 14 images displayed at the University Galleries at Illinois State University will convince lawmakers to kill funding for the National Endowment for the Arts.

"We're spending \$175 million in this area that benefits primarily the rich and the perverted," the Rev. Donald Wildmon, founder and director of the Tupelo, Miss.-based association, said Wednesday, April 18.

But Barry Blinderman, director of the galleries, said the exhibition's beneficiaries were the 6000 students

and middle-class residents of Normal, Ill., who turned up.

"The show received excellent local coverage and the support of a supposedly conservative media here," he said.

Wildmon said he resorted to pictures to show congressmen just how taxpayer money was being spent.

"Someone once said that a picture is worth a thousand words," Wildmon said. "That sheet contained 14,000 words. What I sent to those congressmen is as filthy as anything I've ever seen."

Wildmon also objected to a Wojnarowicz collage that included an image of Christ with a hypodermic needle.

Blinderman defended the Christ image as purely symbolic.

"In no way is the artist trying to say Christ was a heroin user. It's a poetic image that's placing the redeemer of mankind with a very contemporary issue," Blinderman said. "Metaphor can be understood by common taxpayers. Christ himself spoke in parables so everybody could understand him clearly."

Blinderman said the artist's sexual images are presented as if the viewer is peering through a telescope.

"The point of the work is that there is no one kind of sexuality in our country, and they address the surveillance of what should be private activity," he said.

Some lawmakers say Wildmon's campaign is having an effect.

"We've received 270 to 300 postcards or letters in the last month as a result of Don Wildmon writing to the constituents," said an aide to Rep. James Saxton, R-N.J.

"At this point, it's going to be very difficult for us to vote to fund the NEA," said aide Jeff de Korte.

Although Saxton supported endowment funding last year, he voted to withhold \$45,000 for controversial exhibits of photographs by the late Robert Mapplethorpe, which included explicit images of homosexual acts, and by Andres Serrano, which depicted a crucifix immersed in urine.

Those works sparked criticism of the endowment, which also provides

seed money for mainstream artistic activities from opera to dance nationwide.

Rep. Dean Gallo, another New Jersey Republican, fired off a letter to endowment Chairperson John E. Frohnmayer on Wednesday, April 18, contending the agency showed poor judgment in supporting the Illinois exhibit.

"What is so unfortunate is that these few decisions could put many worthy local projects ... in jeopardy," Gallo wrote. "Frankly, support for the NEA is fast disintegrating among members of Congress and our constituencies."

Frohnmayer and President Bush have strongly opposed government censorship of the arts, while saying taxpayers have no place financing obscenity.

Wildmon said he also was sending the package of pictures to editors of daily newspapers nationwide, 1000 Christian radio stations, 100 Christian television stations and 3200 clergymen.

Asked whether sending potential obscene materials through mail

might be illegal, Wildmon said he had consulted with the U.S. Postal Service.

"They told us ... that it could leave us open to prosecution. But they doubted very seriously if there would be any government agency that would prosecute us. The contradiction is this is government-funded material!"

Lawrence Maxwell, manager of the fraud and prohibited mailings branch of the U.S. Postal Inspection Service in Washington, said the courts have jurisdiction in determining what is pornographic.

Anne Murphy, executive director of the American Arts Alliance, a lobbying group for the arts, pointed out that some of the most respected art has been shocking, such as a Goya altarpiece depicting Christ with syphilis.

"I think there are many people who are outraged by these pieces of art," she said. "But for every one of those citizens who are outraged by the content of the art there is another citizen who is outraged by the idea that one minister will set the standards for the rest of the country."



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Survey: Experts split on diversion of funds for research

By PAUL RECER

AP Science Writer
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (AP)—Biomedical scientists are almost evenly divided about whether the government is taking too much money from cancer, heart disease and other medical studies to support AIDS research, a congressional study finds.

The survey released Tuesday, April 17, by the Office of Technology Assessment said most of the experts believe AIDS research "has made many important contributions to advances in the biomedical and behavioral sciences" and that virtually every medical specialty has benefited from money spent on AIDS studies.

In the current fiscal year that ends Sept. 30, the federal government is spending about \$2.9 billion for treatment and prevention of acquired immune deficiency syndrome. Research into the human immunodeficiency virus or HIV, which causes AIDS, is about \$1.16 billion.

"Critics of rising expenditures on HIV disease point out that HIV funding has exceeded funding for heart disease and rivals funding for cancer, despite the much greater number of deaths from these latter diseases," OTA said.

Undercover Texas operation terrorized gay men, reports say

The report said almost 10 percent, or \$743.5 million, of the National Institutes of Health's 1990 budget goes to AIDS funding.

To determine how the federal AIDS spending is affecting other biomedical fields, the OTA sent questionnaires to 400 scientists and received completed replies from 148.

The study said 48 percent of those who responded "agreed or strongly agreed that too much research funding has been diverted" to AIDS research from other fields. Forty-four percent "disagreed or strongly disagreed with this statement," it said.

Asked to evaluate federal spending for AIDS research, 45.7 percent of the scientists surveyed said the amount was "about right," 18.1 percent said it was too high, 31.2 percent said it was too low and 5.1 percent had no opinion.

There were 87 scientists with some professional activity related to AIDS in the survey, and 51.7 percent of those believed the level of AIDS spending was "about

right." One-third called it too low, and 10.3 percent saw it as too high.

Among the 49 surveyed scientists with no professional AIDS activity, 34.7 percent called federal spending about right, 32.7 percent said it was too high and 26.5 percent found it too low.

Dr. Mervyn Silverman, president of the American Foundation for AIDS Research, said more money generally needs to be spent for health care.

"We need to maintain and increase the amount of research in AIDS, but we should not be doing this at the expense of other diseases," he said. "The impact of heart disease, cancer and AIDS are all terrible in our society and we should be dealing adequately with all of them."

In the OTA survey, more than half the experts agreed that each of nine basic biological sciences enjoyed at least some spinoff benefit from the AIDS research.

Among the medical specialties, the experts said virtually every one has received some spinoff ben-

efit. At least 40 percent of the experts said the fields of medicine most helped by knowledge from AIDS research are oncology (study of tumors); neurology (study of the nervous system); hematology (study of the blood); pulmonary medicine and general infectious disease treatment.

The AIDS research, the experts said, also has stimulated public health studies in teaching people about hazardous behaviors, such as drug and alcohol abuse, and in the public control of all sexually transmitted diseases.

Even sociology has benefited from AIDS research, the experts said, by improving public understanding about social stigma and prejudice.

Scientists surveyed were from universities, government agencies and private organizations. Seventy-two percent were physicians and the rest held Ph.D. degrees in biomedical sciences. More than half are in research, and 16 percent are in patient care.

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Brumfield said Yarbrough, who became chief deputy after he resigned his 17-year career with the Fort Worth Police Department, still carried a silver badge. The 21-year-old Brumfield said he believed it was a Fort Worth shield.

The pair went to Randol Mill Park in Arlington earlier on the day Shaw was killed and found a man who Brumfield said was gay, sitting alone in the bathroom.

"John Yarbrough told me to keep the man busy while he took a briefcase from the (gay man's) car," Brumfield told police investigators, adding the pair then drove down Interstate 35 to the rest stop near Burleson.

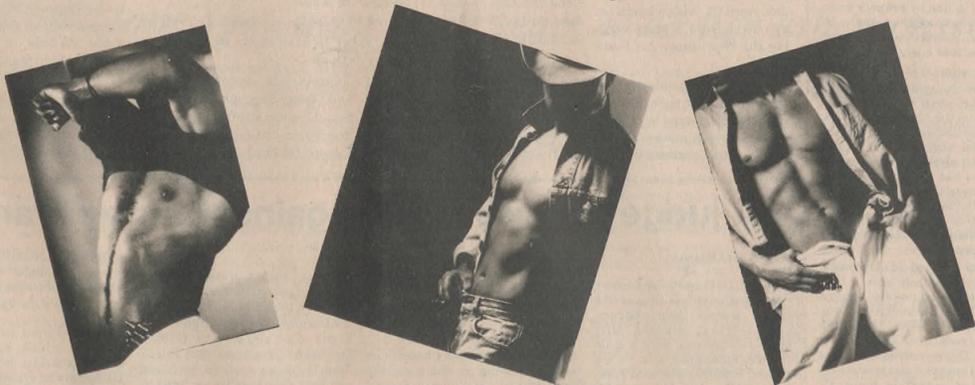
"As I was leaving, I looked over my shoulder and I saw John Yarbrough with a gun in his hand and I saw him shot (sic) the man once," he said. "I turned and ran from the bathroom ... John Yarbrough stated that the man grabbed his gun and that is why he shot him."

The newspaper said that, at the time Yarbrough was charged with murder, he already had been fired from the Wise County Sheriff's Department after being indicted on unrelated civil rights charges.

The sheriff blamed Yarbrough for any questionable arrests in the county.

"I should have been on top of it better," said Burch, "but I trusted my chief deputy. I made a mistake."

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Service providers hear Equity League's views

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE
Montrose Voice Editor

Eugene Harrington, president of the AIDS Equity League, told members of the Houston HIV Service Providers Organization that the league and others in the community are concerned with "lousy prioritizing" by the Greater Houston AIDS Alliance at the group's regular meeting Friday, April 20. The organization, a coalition of agencies, foundations and health care entities, both public and private, that provide services to people with HIV or AIDS, meets monthly at the American Red Cross building on Kirby.

Harrington, who has private insurance, said the health care plan, which would establish a so-called preferred provider organization (PPO) for employed AIDS patients with insurance, does not address existing gaps in HIV service and should not be given priority. Some of the "gaps" which should be addressed first by the coordinating group are improved care for indigents, more clinical drug trials, early intervention programs, better coordination of services and case management, and improved transportation services, Harrington said.

"I think it would be quite naive to believe that, out of the generosity of their hearts, the Alliance (officials) have chosen me because they genuinely believe my need is greater than that of those people who are waiting right now...possibly for hours, in the Thomas Street Clinic," Harrington said.

Among other concerns of the League are the amount of time, energy and money the Alliance will put into developing the care plan, and specific issues regarding the development of the plan itself, including guarantees of confidentiality and co-insurance, an effective case management system and quality of service and medical care to those covered by the plan, he added.

Harrington also pointed out that gay men, who are statistically the group at highest risk for AIDS, have a disproportionate lack of representation in both the AIDS Alliance and the service provider group.

"We're not here to end the Alliance, or to end PPO's ... but we are the people you're making decisions about," he said.

Seven members of the service provider group also sit on the board of the AIDS Alliance. Most members of that board's service providers' committee voted against continuation of a feasibility study for the plan at the Alliance's last board meeting April 5.

In other action at Friday's meeting, members voted to retain the Alliance (over Harris County Hospital District) as lead agency in the next Texas Department of Health grant.

Members dropped a motion that would have forced a position of the full group on the Alliance plan, after service provider members of the Alliance board suggested the timing was not appropriate. Since the Alliance board had already voted April 5 to continue the feasibility study, the organization should wait to hear the results of that study before continuing discussion, the committee members said.

Also, the group decided to send a letter to state health director Dr. Robert Bernstein expressing concern over the lack of Houston representation on a state HIV services committee appointed by TDD. Chair Gretchen Thorp recommended that individual agencies also send letters to Bernstein regarding Houston's exclusion from the committee.

The data management committee reported on its attempts to build a data base and comprehensive directory of local HIV services. The committee hopes to create a base that is accessible to all providers in universal computer language, to be used for information and referrals.

Gay activists debate kicking public figures out of closet

By KIM L. MILLS
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (AP)—Few privileges are more sacrosanct in the gay community than the right to decide for oneself when and whether to tell friends, family, co-workers or even strangers, "I'm a homosexual."

But the AIDS epidemic has produced a new generation of militant gays who believe not only that every homosexual should come out of the closet, but that those public figures who refuse should be kicked out and the door locked behind them.

"This new philosophy has given rise to a debate (and a new verb): whether to 'out' or not to 'out' a person, and under what circumstances."

"Public figures don't have a right to privacy," says Ann Northrop, a gay youth counselor in New York and a member of the militant AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power, known as ACT UP. "They certainly have a right to privacy about what particular sex acts they perform but in terms of sexual orientation, no, I don't believe they have a right to privacy."

Gabriel Rotello, editor of "OutWeek," a New York magazine devoted to making the world more hospitable to gay people, said it is not his position that all gay public figures be forced out—yet.

"We were the ones who planted the germ of the idea that maybe

this might be an appropriate thing to start thinking about," Rotello said.

His magazine has gained notoriety for gleefully pushing famous people to the edge of the closet and leaving them clinging by their fingernails. "OutWeek" has published deliberately provocative columns, features, letters and, for two issues, a list called "Peek-A-Boo..." which was just the names of prominent people—readers could draw their own conclusions.

Last month, "OutWeek" published a piece purporting to prove that a prominent New York businessman was gay. Accompanying the feature was an editorial rationalizing that the "outing" was for the benefit of gay and lesbian youth who need role models.

But some gay political activists just say no to the whole question.

"We will not make the decision for anybody, public figure or private citizen, to bring them out of the closet, no matter what they're doing in public life," said Urvashi Vaid, executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington.

Timothy McFeeley, executive director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, a gay lobbying group, agreed.

"On a more philosophical level, I object to the practice because I think what our movement really is about is privacy and allowing peo-

ple a certain area of privacy even if they're public figures," he said.

Somewhere in the middle is Thomas Stoddard, a lawyer and executive director of the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund in New York. He said he can envision circumstances under which it might be justified to "out" someone.

"I would suggest that tug of war can be best resolved through what one might call a nexus test—a test of job-connectedness," Stoddard said. "If sexual orientation is related in some fashion to job performance or evaluation of job performance, then that issue is an appropriate subject of public discussion or disclosure."

In recent months, gay activists have held protests to shame elected officials by charging that they weren't doing enough to combat acquired immune deficiency syndrome, even though they themselves were alleged to be homosexual.

Last March, for example, about 3000 members of ACT UP stormed New York's City Hall to demand more money and care for people with AIDS. Some demonstrators wore placards ridiculing then-Mayor Edward I. Koch's assertion that he is heterosexual.

Koch's sexual preferences were the subject of rumor from his first run for mayor as an unmarried congressman in 1977. At that time, Koch refused to answer ques-

tions on the subject, saying that any answer would indicate that sexual preference should be an issue.

At the same time he was accompanied by former Miss America Bess Myerson at campaign stops and seemed to be actively cultivating gossip that the city might have a First Lady if he was elected.

Then last year Koch unexpectedly proclaimed his heterosexuality on a radio talk show during his failed bid for a fourth term.

By raising the issue himself, Koch signaled it was OK to discuss the subject of his sexuality, according to Stoddard.

"Up until that point, it seems to me the subject of his sexual orientation ought to have been off-limits because it did not relate to job performance or public character," Stoddard said.

So when does it relate? Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., one of two openly gay U.S. congressmen, and the only one who came out voluntarily, says hypocrisy is the test for any public personality.

"I think you have a right to privacy but not hypocrisy," he said in an interview. "Anybody who is himself 'X' or does 'X' and then uses 'X' against other people ought to be exposed as a hypocrite."

But Frank stopped short of so doing last June.

That was when the Republican Party circulated a memo falsely implying that House Speaker Tom Foley, D-Wash., was gay. Frank threatened to blow the cover of truly homosexual GOP congressmen, and most Washingtonians believed his list would be accurate.

However, the gay-bashing stopped and Frank kept his counsel.

Asked if he would feel compelled now to "out" a colleague who, for example, voted for legislation to exclude gay people from basic civil rights protection, Frank said no.

"This is an option, not an obligation," he said, adding, however, that forcing someone out under those circumstances would be justified.

Robert Bauman, a former Maryland congressman who lost his seat in 1980 after being arrested for soliciting sex with a teenage boy, said he could see no justification for pushing anybody out of the closet.

"If hypocrisy was a justification for exposure, everybody in public life would be dragged out into the streets and pilloried" for something, said Bauman, who was an outspoken conservative while in Congress.

"It would be better if everyone voluntarily decided to identify themselves in their own circles or publicly, if that was appropriate," he said. "Because then everyone would see the extent of gay and lesbian presence in America and the world."

Rapid rise in cases has officials fearing Asia's first epidemic

By JOHN POMFRET
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

BOMBAY, India (AP)—Suprati Mahana has been working the fetid alleyways of Bombay's red-light district since she was sold into prostitution four years ago. Ms. Mahana, 16, doesn't know what AIDS is.

"Why should I force my customer to use a condom," she said as she sat on a small bed in a rat-infested bordello. "Besides, if the men give it to us, we'll just give it back to them. I'll go to a doctor."

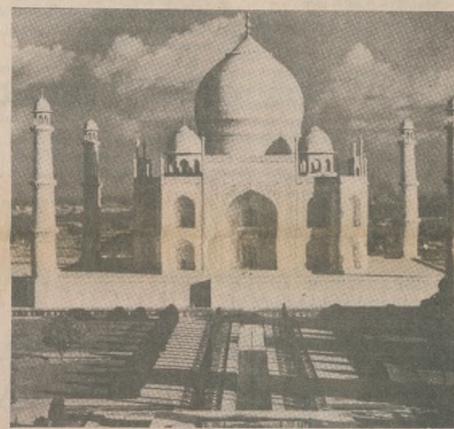
The sprawling slums of one of India's biggest cities have become a breeding ground for the deadly virus and health officials fear that if the government doesn't act fast, India will be faced with Asia's first AIDS epidemic.

About 10,000 prostitutes in this city of 10 million people are believed to be infected with the virus, AIDS specialists say, five times higher than three years ago.

Hundreds of professional blood donors also carry the virus although the government has been slow to screen donations. A 1989 survey showed the incidence of AIDS-infected blood had increased almost 40 times since 1987 to more than 1 percent.

Many enclaves which work the red-light districts of Bombay, Madras and New Delhi are also infected, doctors say.

Of the world's 20 worst national AIDS epidemics, 18 are in poor countries, although the United States has the most cases, more than 120,000. Since India's first reported AIDS-related death in June 1986, at least 17 people have died.



In Asia, while Thailand has more people carrying the virus, Indian health officials worry that their country—with 880 million people and a weak health system—will soon top the list.

"We could have an epidemic situation in 10 years," said Dr. S.M. Bhadkamkar, the top health official in Bombay. "Every six months the number of AIDS carriers is doubling."

Critics say Bhadkamkar and his

colleagues in New Delhi have done little to stop the disease. After a brief flurry in 1986, there have been few government-backed educational drives. More than 90 percent of the \$8 million used to battle AIDS goes into testing and less than 5 percent into education and prevention.

Solutions from the medical community have also been criticized. Two years ago, A.S. Paintal, who now heads the Indian Council on Medical Research, called for a bill

outlawing Indians from having sex with foreigners and Indians living overseas. It was never introduced.

"The government is doing nothing about AIDS," said Dr. J.S. Gilada, a crusading specialist on the disease who founded India's first AIDS clinic in Bombay several years ago. "They have their heads in the sand."

"In Thailand, they have posters on almost every street corner and condoms everywhere. In Zaire and the Ivory Coast, they use music to fight it," Gilada said. "In India, the professionals say they're still studying the problem."

Gilada, a government doctor, is a onetime anti-AIDS publicity machine. Bureaucrats accuse him of seeking the limelight, but his response is that the problem is too serious to worry about style.

When the first AIDS patient died in Bombay's J.J. Hospital in 1988, government officials told Gilada to certify the cause of death as tuberculosis, Gilada said.

He refused and publicized the death. The government tried to transfer him to a leprosy unit outside the city, Gilada said. A court ruling prevented his move.

Bhadkamkar declined to comment on Gilada's allegations.

Now Gilada spends much of his time in Bombay's three red-light districts, attempting to educate prostitutes and professional blood donors about the disease.

Prostitution is legal in India. Many prostitutes come from the countryside. Homosexuality is illegal but tolerated if the men join a certain Hindu cult.

One organization of prostitutes,

the Neglected and Helpless Woman's Association, has crusaded against AIDS with Gilada's help. Its president, Rukminibai Barsode, said she has received no help from the government.

"A rich businessperson gave us 10,000 condoms for World Health Day last April, but the government won't give us one rupee," said the 50-year-old madam, speaking out of her office on 14th Alley. "The government also ignores any attempts to keep our daughters and the young street urchins from the business."

As she spoke, three 12-year-old girls in braids and shabby dresses sat together on a rock near the door. They poked each other and giggled. All three said their mothers were planning on making them work as prostitutes.

Ms. Barsode said pimps have stopped many prostitutes from joining her organization, which has 500 members. On 13th Alley, Suprati Mahana said she wanted to join but her "uncle" wouldn't let her.

Gilada has also called on the government to pay professional blood donors who test positive for the AIDS virus not to give their blood.

Partly because of Gilada's jostling, Bombay is starting to take action.

In January, Maharashtra state, which includes Bombay, began screening all blood donations, Bhadkamkar said. In May, it will start a comprehensive AIDS education program aimed at college students, industrial workers, prostitutes and professional blood donors.

"We are committed to attacking this disease," Bhadkamkar said. "And now we have to."

'Pride Awards' balloting for six categories begins

The coordinating committee for the 1990 Pride Awards has announced the completion of its nomination election, which ended April 15. Balloting for the awards began last Saturday, April 21, with a booth set up on the patio of Mary's during the Westheimer Art Festival.

According to members of the committee, these were the nominees recommended in pre-ballot nomination process by lesbian and gay organizations:

- Category 1, Promoting Pride Within the Community: (1) Bering Community Services Foundation; (2) PWA Assistance Fund.
- Category 2, Promoting Pride Beyond the Community: (1) AVES, Inc.; (2) Heart Strings; (3) March on Austin; (4) Montrose Clinic.
- Category 3, Promoting Pride by a Community Organization: (1) ACT UP/Houston; (2) AIDS Foundation/Houston; (3) Body Positive; (4) Colt 45's AIDS Trouble Fund; (5) Heartsong and (6) March on

- Austin.
- Category 4, Promoting Pride by a Business: (1) Brazos River Bottom; (2) House of Coleman; (3) Inklings; (4) LOBO; (5) This Week In Texas.
- Category 5, Promoting Pride by an Individual: (1) Charles Armstrong.
- Category 6, Promoting Pride and Gaiety Through Community Social Event: (1) Heart Strings National Tour; (2) Lesbian/Gay Pride Parade; (3) The Baile.

Ballots and ballot boxes will be available at selected Montrose businesses and organizations beginning Saturday, April 28, the committee members said. Voting may also be done by mail; individuals desiring a ballot may contact The Pride Awards at P.O. Box 542258, Houston, Tx 77254-2258.

Individuals may vote for any of the nominees, or may provide their own "write in" for any of the six categories.

D.C. judge dismisses suit against Barney Frank

By JOHN DIAMOND
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (AP)—A District of Columbia judge has dismissed a lawsuit against Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., alleging that Frank's relationship with a male prostitute amounted to a public nuisance, Frank's office said Tuesday, April 17.

The suit alleged that Frank was aware his Capitol Hill apartment was being used by Stephen Gobie for his prostitution business.

continuing. The one-page decision, dated April 10, was released by Frank's office Tuesday, April 17, as Frank, in Boston, was announcing his candidacy for a sixth term.

The suit was filed by two ministers of Washington churches, the Rev. Cleveland B. Sparrow Sr. and the Rev. John G. Martin. It was financially backed by the Conservative Caucus, which has long opposed many of Frank's liberal views. John F. Banzhaf III, a law professor at George Washington University and a legal gadfly who has pressed several high-profile cases in Washington, helped pre-

pare it. Frank has admitted paying Gobie for sexual favors and hiring him as a personal aide.

Attorneys for Frank argued that Frank was unaware of Gobie's prostitution business; that Frank fired Gobie as soon as he found out; that Frank no longer lived in the Capitol Hill apartment and that the plaintiffs lacked legal standing to sue Frank.

In his one-page order, Cushmanberry wrote that he "concluded that an ongoing statutory violation is required" to seek an injunction against Frank blocking the alleged nuisance and that the

plaintiffs "have failed to allege the 'special damage' that must be pleaded in order for a private party to prosecute a public nuisance claim."

Banzhaf tried an unusual legal tactic in which, technically, the suit was being brought by the United States government. "What I tried to do was use a very unusual and heretofore untested statute to deal with an unusual situation," Banzhaf said. "In that area, it's very difficult to predict what the court will do and it's not unusual not to win."

Banzhaf has said he would explore other avenues to bring a case against Frank.

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National Gay Rights Advocates co-founder dies of AIDS

Donald C. Knutson, prominent San Francisco attorney who co-founded National Gay Rights Advocates (NGRA) as well as the Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom (BALIF), died April 19, 1990 of complications from AIDS.

Knutson taught the first law school course in the nation on homosexuality and the law, at the University of Southern California Law School where he was a professor of law. He also served as the first faculty advisor to the Gay Student Union at USC.

In 1977, Knutson co-founded NGRA in San Francisco with Richard Rouillard, and served as the national public interest law firm's first legal director. Among the key cases he argued was the precedent-setting Pacific Bell case which resulted in a California State Supreme Court ruling that protects job rights for lesbians and gay men. He also was the lead attorney on challenges to a 1917 U.S. immigration law which bars homosexuals from entering the country, and a case argued before the U.S. Supreme Court on an Oklahoma law banning gay teachers, modeled on California's defeated Proposition 6 of 1978.

Last year, Mayor Art Agnos named Oct. 16 as Don Knutson Day in San Francisco. Knutson was also honored with a tribute from Robert Raven, president of the American Bar Association.

Knutson, born on July 12, 1930 in St. Paul, MN., graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School. He served as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force, then clerked for Robert Traynor, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court.

He was an associate attorney with the San Francisco law firm Pillsbury, Madison and Sutro before accepting appointment as professor of law at USC.

Knutson was the author of "Homosexuality and the Law" (Haworth Press, 1980) and editor of the Journal of Homosexuality special issue on homosexuality and the law. He also authored the first text book on case law involving sexual orientation.

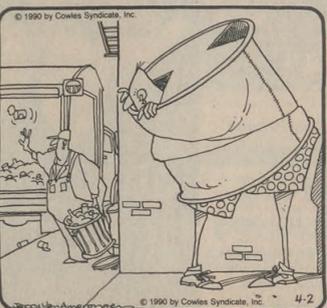
Services will be May 10 at the First Unitarian Church on Franklin Street in San Francisco. Mayor Agnos will deliver the eulogy.



"Two times, Herbert. I only asked you to get me water two times."



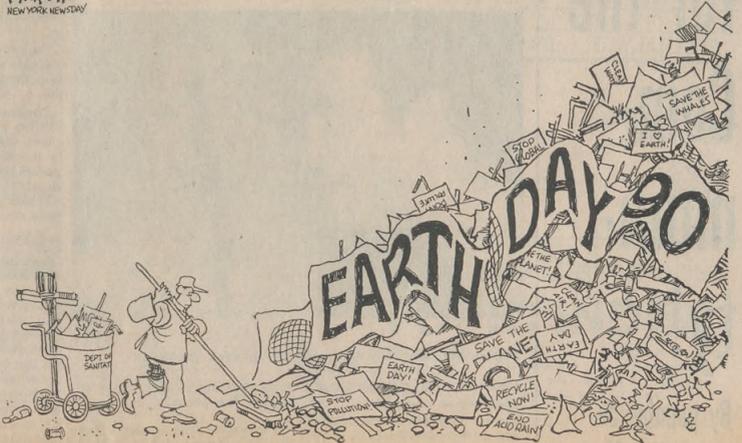
Bob is almost a very prophetic guy.



Neal reminds himself not to come this way on Mondays.



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'A Longtime Companion' to benefit AFH

The Houston International Film Festival will sponsor a special screening of the film "A Longtime Companion" at 5:00 p.m. on April 29 to benefit AIDS Foundation Houston. The movie will be shown at the Museum of Fine Arts.

"This movie deals with a group of homosexual men who watch each other fall victim to AIDS," said Hunter Todd, chair of the film festival. "Each man chooses his own way to cope with his death, as well as that of his friends."

"We are screening this movie because it lends so much human understanding to the fight against AIDS. Every bit of the proceeds from this movie will go to benefit (AFH)," Todd added.

Sheryl Hussey Homoudah, director of development for the foundation, was pleased with the choice and the donation. "The war on AIDS must have popular support," she said. "I hope Houstonians will see the movie and be inspired by it to help us."

Tickets to "Longtime Companion" are \$20 and are available at the AFH office, and at the Museum of Fine Arts on the day of the screening. For information, call 965-9955.



Wily (Campbell Scott) and Fuzzy (Stephen Caffrey) get to know each other in a scene from "Longtime Companion." A special screening of this Houston International Film Festival feature will benefit AIDS Foundation Houston.

Report: Shortage of AIDS doctors delays detection

NEW YORK (AP)—Most physicians are neglecting the fight against AIDS, the New York Times reported.

In New York City, which has more AIDS patients than any city in the world, 78 percent of local physicians and dentists have never tested a patient for the HIV virus, according to the April 23rd editions of the Times.

In rural Georgia, 65 doctors were asked whether they were willing to treat an AIDS patient. Two said yes, the newspaper reported.

The lack of physician involvement delays diagnosis for some people in the early stages of the disease, who have the most to gain from life-prolonging drugs, the newspaper said.

The undiagnosed AIDS sufferers also are spreading AIDS without knowing it.

"An awful lot of people are hanging back, pretending to themselves there may be a place left in the world where you can practice medicine without dealing with AIDS," said Dr.

June E. Osborn, chairperson of the National Commission on AIDS.

When an AIDS organization in Albuquerque, N.M., invited 1,300 medical practitioners to a recent seminar on new AIDS treatments, only one person showed up, the Times said.

The list of AIDS specialists in Manhattan, compiled by the Gay Men's Health Crisis, has just 45 names. The other four boroughs have one or two apiece, the newspaper said. About 25,000 physicians practice in New York City, which has an estimated 200,000 AIDS patients.

AIDS specialists often are deluged with cases, and some have burned out from emotional stress. Others are gay men who already are dying from AIDS, further shrinking the pool of specialists, the Times said.

Some doctors and dentists have been accused of outright refusal to treat AIDS sufferers. But AIDS organizations say others simply decline to educate themselves about the disease.

Rural epidemic spawning same fears as earlier urban crisis

By DAVID PACE FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

WASHINGTON (AP)—It was like a journey back in time when the National AIDS Commission traveled to south Georgia last week for a firsthand look at how rural areas are coping with the disease.

"I'm afraid we're seeing history repeat itself," said Dr. June Osborn, chairperson of the panel, after the commission spent two days in Waycross, Albany and Macon visiting with AIDS patients and talking with health care professionals.

"The same fear, the same isolation for people with AIDS, the same difficulty in mobilizing coordinated care that we saw in the beginning of the urban epidemic back a few years ago is happening all over again," she said.

The commission's trip came on the heels of a federal Centers for

Disease Control report that AIDS is spreading more rapidly in rural areas than in cities. From 1988 to 1989, the CDC found that non-metropolitan areas had a 37 percent increase in new AIDS cases while metro areas had only a 5 percent gain.

In Georgia, the state Department of Human Resources reported in January that the number of AIDS cases had tripled in two years, with the rapid spread of the disease in rural parts of the state linked to drug users and heterosexual transmission.

Rep. Roy Rowland, D-Ga., a member of the commission, agreed with Osborn's assessment that history may be repeating itself. But Rowland, a physician who practiced in rural Dublin, Ga., for 28 years before being elected to Congress, said he does not think rural areas will have as much difficulty overcoming those

problems of fear and discrimination as urban areas had had.

"There's a lot more acceptance of the fact that this is a disease that we need to be fighting and not fighting the people who have the disease," Rowland said. "I don't think the battle is going to be as tough in rural areas because of that."

Still, Osborn said she was shocked at the extent to which health care professionals in rural Georgia were avoiding AIDS cases.

"Some of the public fear is bouncing off the fear of health professionals," she said. "It was striking to us that while there were some very committed people doing wonderful work, there was also an undercurrent of health professionals not really wanting to touch these people."

In south Georgia as in most rural areas, commission members

said they found a health care system even less prepared to deal with an onslaught of AIDS cases than the already overburdened health care systems in cities like New York and San Francisco.

"The rural health care system is much more fragile than the urban, just on a matter of scale and the fact that many of these rural areas already have severe doctor shortages," Osborn said.

Since even a small number of AIDS cases could overburden a struggling rural hospital, Osborn said it is critical that people infected with the HIV virus in rural areas be treated in the early stages of the disease and continuously after that.

"In the big cities where AIDS is already hitting as hard as it is, it's going to be very hard to play catch-up because you've already got hospitals teetering," she said.

"But in rural areas, if one were

paying good attention and showing up some of the existing primary health care and public health capabilities, it's possible you could get out in front before the number of cases gets overwhelming," she said.

Both Osborn and Rowland said they expect the commission to take an active role in urging Congress to provide new funding to attack the AIDS problem in rural areas.

The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee earlier this month unanimously approved a bill that would provide \$600 million in emergency funds to help alleviate the AIDS care crisis.

Half of the \$600 million would be directed to cities with more than 2000 AIDS cases, but the other half would go to states to permit them to develop comprehensive HIV care programs in small cities and rural areas.

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THRIF receives \$1600 in grant support from two groups

The Texas Human Rights Foundation (THRIF) has announced the receipt of two grants totaling over \$1,600, from the Design Industries Foundation for AIDS (DIFFA) and Razzle Dazzle Dallas. The moneys will go toward support of THRIF's two main current areas of work, its AIDS legal resource project and prosecution of its challenge to the constitutionality of the Texas sodomy statute in the 21.06 case.

Of the grants awarded, one is for \$1,000 from DIFFA, the main producer of the national tour of "Heart Strings: An Evening of Hope for the Healing of AIDS."

"Heart Strings" played in Houston in February of this year, and in San Antonio last October. The money will be used by THRIF to help pay overhead costs in operation of the AIDS legal resource project. During the 12-month period ending March 21, the project served a total of 528 clients. The project is a statewide counseling and referral service for persons who have AIDS-related legal problems.

Margaret Tucker, coordinator of THRIF's AIDS legal resource project, expressed appreciation for DIFFA's support of the project and reiterated the need for legal services

for persons with HIV infection. "Texas now has three cities—Houston, Dallas and Austin—on the Centers for Disease Control's latest list of the 20 metropolitan areas with the highest incidence of AIDS diagnosis," Tucker said. "At the same time, Texas has a legislature which has refused to provide specific protections for persons with HIV infection against employment and health care/insurance discrimination, but focused instead on criminalization of HIV transmission and homophobic limitations on AIDS care funding. Legal services are, unfortunately, an essential part of the AIDS

struggle," she added.

Persons who have AIDS-related legal problems may contact Tucker by calling 1-800-828-6417.

THRIF has also received a grant of approximately \$600 from Razzle Dazzle Dallas, receiving notification recently from that organization's president, Reed Hunsdorfer. (Razzle Dazzle Dallas is the annual lesbian and gay pride week celebration staged in Dallas.) The \$600 grant represented additional proceeds held back by Razzle Dazzle Dallas after its 1989 event as an emergency fund, to be distributed to organizations in the gay and lesbian community

if not tapped sooner for an appropriate need. THRIF had previously received \$6,120 from Razzle Dazzle Dallas as a beneficiary of the proceeds of the 1989 event.

THRIF board member David Bryan said that the monies from Razzle Dazzle Dallas would be used to help pay legal fees and educational costs in THRIF's lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the Texas sodomy statute, Section 21.06 of the Texas Penal Code. The case, known as "Morales et al. vs. the State of Texas," seeks to invalidate the Texas law which criminalizes the private, consensual sexual relations of two persons of the same sex.

Stage and Film

Main Street's 'The Constant Wife' is clever and charming



Eoghan Ryan and Molly Ward in Skyline Theater's "Rashomon"

Houston Live by JAVIER TAMEZ
The Montrose Voice
Marital fidelity, sexual equality, financial dependence, societal acceptance: these are all addressed in "The Constant Wife" a clever and charming drawing room comedy by W. Somerset Maugham, being presented at the Main Street Theater through May 20.

The play is set in 1930 and revolves around Constance Middleton, the wife of a well-to-do surgeon, who, it would seem, is the only person who doesn't know about her husband's affair with Marie-Louise, he self-absorbed best friend. To complicate matters, Bernard, an old suitor of Constance's, appears on the scene still, professing his love.

In steering a course through the advice of her well-meaning family and friends, Constance makes some wry and trenchant observations on the economics, not the sentiment, of marriage among the well-to-do.

There are fine performances all around, led off by Shane Stewart as Constance and Joe Kirkendall as the wayward husband, John. Stewart is coyly smug and at times comes across a bit too self-satisfied, but she exudes confident charm and succeeds in being prim without being matronly. Kirkendall is all proper English stuff. He's appropriately restrained, befitting his upper-crust character, and indignant when he does get emotional. He cuts a dashing figure and his presence domi-

nates the stage without overpowering the other actors.

The best performances come from two supporting players. Tanya Lunstroth is Mrs. Culver, Constance's tradition-bound mother. Lunstroth has a genteel maternalism and displays a parental assuredness that could spin morals out of thin air, which is perfect for her character. Victoria Thornhill plays Matha Culver, Constance's disaffected sister. Sibling rivalry and jealousy are clearly shown as Thornhill pouts and fumes in varying degrees of indignation and disbelief throughout the play and comes off as the most enjoyable character of the production.

Jodi Wonio, as Marie-Louise, the other woman, is just the right mix of tart and child. Nancy Sherrard as Barbara Fawcett, a concerned friend, is somewhat spinsterly but quite believable in her bewildered sympathy for Constance.

As Bernard, Constance's old flame, Kent Johnson is at times forced in his delivery, but otherwise convincing, especially when professing his undying love to Constance. Michael Wonio is Mortimer Marie-Louise's husband, and he gives a rousing comic performance, first in pitiful outrage and then in wanton regret. Bill Laney as Bentley the butler is downright snootish, but in a most endearing way.

The stage design is simple and ef-

fective, and its arrangement allows for an easy, natural flow of action from one area of the stage to another.

The costumes were tasteful and, if not the genuine thing, they were more than passable as period attire.

Director James Gale has brought together a very talented group of actors, and with very ideal casting, he has brought a telling tale of modern marriage to them local stage. "The Constant Wife" not only makes you think, it makes you smile.

—Skyline's 'Rashomon'

"Rashomon" is a drama in two acts, taken from an ancient Japanese story of a strange incident, resulting in the death of a samurai, that took place in a bamboo forest. It's supposed to be the unresolved dramatization of the meaning of life as viewed by different people, but in this version, being presented by Houston Skyline Theater on weekend evenings through May 12, it is an amateurish, poorly directed production that is reduced to comic farce.

There are good performances here. Molly Ward is beautiful and dainty and plays her role as Kinume, the wife, at times delicately and at times passionately. Tim E. Lane, as the wigmaker, is repugnant, crusty with age, and even though he tripped over some of his lines, he's forceful and believable in the role. But these minor successes are virtually lost in the flood of mediocrity and insipid directing that compose the rest of this production.

Mark Karpel as the priest and Damon Scott as the woodcutter are so completely two-dimensional that it's laughable. Both characters are supposed to be burdened with the events in the forest—the priest unable to bear his lack of comprehension at the course taken by fate; the woodcutter shouldering his knowledge of what he saw in the forest—so a certain amount of pensive reflection and weary dialogue is expected. These two, however, delivered their lines as if they were recording an answering machine message. Dan Jordan, as Takehiko, the samurai, is equally flat in his characterization. Most of the time, he sits bound and gagged, looking stone-faced and uninterested. Only when he speaks does one wish he had remained muffled. He has the emotion and matching stage presence of a mannequin.

Eoghan Ryan, as Tajomaru, the bandit, is animated and more than adequate as the bombastic thief. Un-



Part of the cast of "One Foot in Heaven," May 4 through June 2 at Theatre Southwest

fortunately, for the entire first act he speaks in a ridiculous, choppy fashion—an embarrassing attempt to mimic a Japanese speaking English.

Director Willie Dirden has presented this work with serious flaws in his production. The woodcutter speaks most of his lines with his head turned away from the audience. Also, as he begins to relate his account of the events in the woods, the woodcutter says the bandit was on his knees. Whereupon the bandit makes an expression of pained dismay, and the woodcutter affirms his statement, "Yes, on his knees." I suppose this could be construed as cutely amusing, but this comic relief is prevalent throughout the second act. At one point, the bandit annoyedly kills a bug on his chest and then licks his hand clean.

So many comic bits are present that the tight scene in the second act, ostensibly a very dramatic moment, is turned into a joke. The bandit getting his sword embedded in a stone, the samurai cutting the sash which holds up the bandit's garment, causing the loose-fitting knee trousers to fall (thus tripping the bandit) and the sword flying out of the hand of the samurai as he struggles with the bandit are all played for maximum laughter, which is just as well because by this point the failure of the production is lost on no one.

The set design by Jerry Kenney is well done, especially considering the space limitations, and lighting is handled deftly by J.W. Moore.

Rashomon is a deep story of the search for truth and the varying interpretations of the same incident by different people, but in this production, the search has gone seriously adrift.

"One Foot in Heaven"

Theatre Southwest's 1989-1990 season will bow out with Hartzell Spence's warm family comedy-drama, "One Foot in Heaven." The play will run Fridays and Saturdays, May 4 through June 2 at 8:30 p.m., with one Sunday Matinee May 20 at 3:00 p.m.

Co-directed by Peg Glazer and Carol Giris, the production's "blessed with a topnotch cast," Giris said. "One Foot in Heaven" takes place in a small Middle American town in 1910. It is the story of a young parson and his growing family as they serve a church where things "have always been done a certain way." Humor dominates the family's troubled past.

Bill French and Ellen Toelke portray the parson and his wife. Other cast members are Carole A. Dimon, Lisa Schofield, Matthew Hamilton, Anne Bates, Maria Winkler, Katie Wieser, Jason Berry, Rose Ann Cook, Brad Landry, Connie Hansen and Scott Merryman.

Key character roles are assigned to Joe McHale, Gordon Williams and Robert Sealon. Anthony E.P. Hill is assistant director/stage manager.

Theatre Southwest is located at 6830 Wilcrest in southwest Houston.

—Shakespeare Festival

Houston Shakespeare Festival's producing director Sidney Berger has announced that James Martin will direct "Troilus and Cressida" for HSF's 17th season of free productions in Miller Outdoor Theater in Hermann Park. "The Tempest," the alternate play in HSF's ten performance season (July 27 through Aug. 11) will be directed by Berger.

James Martin has been director of the Alley Theatre's Sharp Young Company since 1985 and has directed Alley productions including "The Waltz of the Toreadors," "The Voice of the Prairie," "The Nerd," "Stepping Out" and "The Foreigner." Martin instituted the Alley's Shakespeare-in-the-Schools program and has directed annual Alley productions for young audiences. Earlier this season, Martin developed an original touring production, "The Man Who Had No Story," for the La Jolla Playhouse. His many productions at other theaters include Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" and "The Two Gentlemen of Verona," Gogol's "The Inspector General," Wedekind's "Spring Awakening" and Shaw's "Man and Superman" and "The Arms of Man."



Plots and plans begin to fit together as Marie-Louise (Jodi Wonio, right) tells Constance (Shane Stewart) that she no longer wishes to carry on with Constance's husband, and would like her to tell him, in Main Street Theater's production of W. Somerset Maugham's "The Constant Wife," through May 20

Australian group may boycott S.E. conference

SYDNEY, Australia (AP)—A federal AIDS group said Friday, April 20, that Australians should boycott an international AIDS conference in San Francisco in June if U.S. authorities do not lift travel restrictions by next month.

The Australian National Council on AIDS said it would ask the federal health department to approach American authorities about Customs and Immigration laws that could effectively prevent AIDS-HIV infected people from legally visiting the country.

The council condemned the U.S. travel restrictions, which it said required a public acknowledgement on applications for medium or long term visas that signified the person had AIDS or was HIV positive and the carrier of a "contagious and dangerous disease."

It said the U.S. allows a waiver of travel restrictions for people attending conferences or business matters, but still notes the "inferior status on records held by both local and federal government agencies."

Officials for the Australian council said the boycott has international support from the British Medical Association, the Canadian National Advisory committee on AIDS, the International League of the Red Cross and the Red Crescent Societies, the European Parliament and the Swiss Federal Office of Public Health.

Wis. students stage sit-in to protest ROTC's ban on gays

MADISON, Wis. (AP)—About 60 students held a sit-in April 26 demanding that the University of Wisconsin-Madison print a disclaimer on school documents noting that its ROTC programs ban homosexuals.

The protest outside Chancellor Donna Shalala's office began about 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, and was planned to continue through the weekend.

"We're just going to stay until (Ms. Shalala) at least agrees to make some concessions," said Jordan Marsh, senior class president and an organizer of the sit-in.

The proposed disclaimer would state that the Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs on campus exclude lesbians and gay men despite a university policy banning discrimination based on sexual orientation. Wisconsin also has a state law barring discrimination against lesbians and gay men.

Dean of Students Mary Rouse, who met with the protesters to discuss alternatives to the disclaimer, said other options include discussing ROTC policy with summer orientation programs and sending letters to incoming first-year students and their parents, "letting them know where the university and the Department of Defense stand on ROTC."

Ms. Shalala told student leaders ROTC decisions are made by the federal government, not the university. "The whole point of all of this is that we want to keep ROTC but we want it to be open to every student. I do not see the usefulness in this disclaimer in achieving that goal," Ms. Shalala said.

University of Wisconsin regents have refused a faculty recommendation to expel ROTC. But they told university system President Kenneth Shaw to lobby the state congressional delegation, which includes House Armed Services Committee Chairperson Les Aspin, to reverse the Defense Department policy.

Top administrators, faculty groups and students from the University of Minnesota, Northwestern University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and other schools also have campaigned against the ROTC policy.

The Pentagon contends that homosexuality is incompatible with military service because of close quarters in which people of the same sex must live and because of the security risk posed by the possibility of a homosexual officer being blackmailed.

About 21,700 students nationally receive ROTC scholarships.

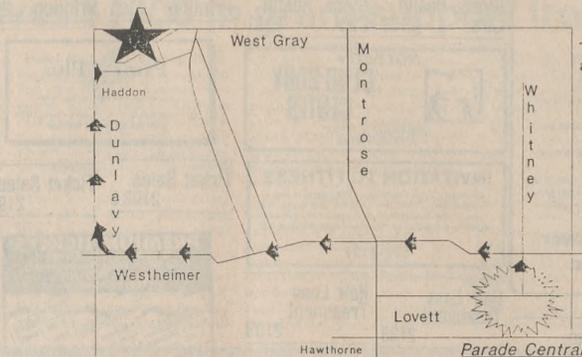
Planners hope parade, Star Nite to be biggest ever

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE
Montrose Voice Editor

The parade committee of Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week 1990 and the planners of "Star Nite '90" are making a combined push for community participation in hopes of making this year's parade and festival the biggest and most colorful gay pride event ever held in Houston.

Already linked by the newly approved parade route, the festival (actually a two-day event climaxing with the post-parade activities) and the parade are anticipating attendance of over 20,000. Parade co-chairs are urging groups, organizations and businesses to participate actively by entering a unit in the parade; Star Nite planners are seeking exhibitors for booths at the festival both Saturday, June 23 and Sunday, June 24.

The final, city-approved route for this year's pride parade was announced by parade co-chairs Debbie Holmes and Lady Victoria Lust this week. The parade will begin at the corner of Whitney and Westheimer ("Parade Central" for preparations is at Whitney and Lovett, one block south of the starting point), and will travel west on Westheimer to Dunlavy Street. The parade will turn north on Dunlavy, headed for the Star Nite festival site on the grounds of the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, and will enter the center's grounds off Haddon Street.



The route of the 1990 Lesbian/Gay Pride Parade: from Whitney to Dunlavy on Westheimer, north on Dunlavy to Haddon, ending at the Star Nite '90 festival

The parade planners are asking participants to "think big, think color, think loud, think festive!"

"The parade is one of the most looked-forward-to events of the year. It is our chance to put our troubles and differences aside and unite and take to the streets and celebrate, to take pride in the past and 'Look to the Future,'" Holmes said. The committee hopes to make this year's parade the longest and most festive in the history of Houston's gay and lesbian pride celebration, she added.

Star Nite planners hope to provide a multi-faceted celebration incorporating live entertainment, dancing, fireworks, carnival rides, game booths, and booths for arts and crafts, community organizations and information. Proceeds from the festival will benefit the Montrose Activity Center Building Fund, according to festival co-chairs Ronnie Diaz and Jim Owens.

The parade, which begins at 3:00 p.m., is expected to reach Star Nite's gates at approximately 4:30

p.m. on Sunday, June 24.

Anyone interested in being an exhibitor at Star Nite '90, or with questions regarding booth space and exhibiting at the festival, should contact Patrick Sims, logistics and vendors director at 529-6930. Booth rental fees are due no later than June 2, the co-chairs said.

The deadline for parade unit applications is June 1. For more information on the parade, or to obtain an application, call the HLGWP "pride line," 490-4484.

Dallas apt. complex for PWA's burns for 3rd time

DALLAS (AP)—An apartment house here where AIDS patients and their families live has caught fire for the third time in two years, and firefighters investigating the latest blaze say all are suspicious.

Firefighters said the latest fire at the Oak Cliff area apartment complex in South Dallas began the afternoon of Monday, April 23, forcing 13 people to search for new housing. Arson is suspected in the blaze. No one was injured.

Ten units were burned and damage was estimated at \$150,000, said Don Maison, executive director of AIDS Services of Dallas.

The complex has been undergoing renovation for two years.

It is the third suspicious fire there since 1988, when the group, earlier known as the People With AIDS Coalition, expanded housing services to victims' families.

The first blaze, in Nov. 1988, caused major structural and interior damage to eight units facing the street, forcing AIDS Services to tear down the wing and scale back renovation plans.

A small fire on New Year's Day this year caused minor problems in the complex.

"This is a major problem," Maison said. "We don't know if we have enough funds approved for all of the renovations."

He and other AIDS Services workers believe the blaze may have been started by vagrants, often seen around the 28-unit complex. No one was living in the 10 units that were severely damaged.

Gas and electricity was shut off to the building, prompting the American Red Cross to find temporary shelter for eight adults and five children living there.

Sylvia Ayres is among demonstrators arrested in Chicago

Sylvia Ayres of ACT UP/Houston was among approximately 100 demonstrators arrested at a national ACT UP demonstration in Chicago on Monday, April 23. Ayres, the 71-year-old mother of ACT UP/Houston president Leslie Perez, spent six hours in the Cook County Jail along with the other protesters, most from the San Francisco ACT UP chapter. The activists were held on charges of mob violence and disturbing the peace after allegedly blocking the entrance of the American Medical Association building during the protest.

Ayres, released on a self-re-



AP LASERPHOTO BY CHARLIE BENNETT
A group of AIDS activists clash with Chicago police April 23 during a demonstration. Hundreds of protesters from ACT UP marched through Chicago to call attention to the level of health care coverage by insurance companies for AIDS patients

dered \$1,000 bond, is scheduled to appear in court in Cook County on May 31.

Chicago's ACT UP chapter joined with chapters across the county to stage the intense protest in the wake of the impending failure of Cook County Hospital, the public health care facility there, and alleged neglect by the county of AIDS health care, according to a flyer distributed at the protest. The groups were also protesting insurance discrimination, the flyer stated.

Perez was with Chicago-based activists at another location when her mother was taken into custody. She was not arrested.

Greater Montrose garage sale is Saturday throughout Montrose

Over 25 businesses and residents have signed up to participate in the Greater Montrose Garage Sale, a multi-location shopping and "junking" spree sponsored by the Greater Montrose Business Guild. The sale takes place tomorrow (Saturday, April 28) from 9:00 a.m. until dark. Sale locations will be marked by blue and white balloons, streamers and signs. A map is also available from guild members. Visitors and shoppers are encouraged to try shops and restaurants and to spend the day in the area, guild members said.

Sponsored by the guild as a neighborhood event, the sale is providing as an opportunity to bring people into Montrose to shop, part and explore the historic district. The guild is an organization of over 70 area businesses whose purpose is to promote Montrose for living, doing business and investing.

For details on the garage sale, call 528-1414. For more information on the guild, call 528-1111.

—Summit AIDS activities

The local chapters of Cure AIDS Now and Action on AIDS are sponsoring several events during the week of the International Economic Summit in Houston, highlighted by the International March to Cure AIDS Now and a rally at city hall on July 8.

The week of activities will begin with a reception for visitors to the city at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 6, at the Bayou Terrace, 711 Franklin. An "international" themed dance and fundraiser will be held at Heaven beginning at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 7, with participants invited to come as their favorite country.

The march begins at 11:00 a.m. Sunday, July 8, downtown at the corner of Texas and Smith Streets, and will be followed by the rally at 1:00 p.m. in front of Houston City Hall. Also on Sunday, another event is scheduled to be held at 4:00 p.m., details and location to be announced.

On Monday, July 9, at 8:00 p.m., a world leaders look-alike contest will be held, location to be announced; and on Tuesday, July 10, a "meet the media" event will be held at the Houston Garden Club in Hermann Park.

time to be announced.

For more information on any of the scheduled events or to volunteer to help with the planning, contact David Fowler at 529-0100.

—AIDS and ideas

The AIDS Equity League will sponsor a forum titled "AIDS and Ideas" as the first in a series of discussions to raise the consciousness about HIV issue. The forum will be held at 7:00 p.m. this Monday, April 30, at Bering Care Center (fellowship hall), 1440 Har-Old. It is co-hosted by the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus.

Among topics to be discussed will be the AIDS Alliance PPO health care plan, its validity as a priority of the umbrella organization, and other needs for HIV services that must be addressed regardless of the fate of the plan.

Guest speakers include Evelyn Cox of AIDS Foundation Houston; Ralph Lasher of the Montrose Clinic and Ann Robinson of the Montrose Counseling Center; The Rev. Chris Steele, special assistant to Lt. Gov. Hobby for health issues, will moderate the evening. Refreshments will be provided.

—Alliance Francaise

The Alliance Francaise will present a

slide-lecture program with slides on French monasteries at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 3, at its facility at 427 Lovett Boulevard. The lecture will be given by architect Frank S. Kelly and his wife, Lynda Kelly, and will focus on French monastic architecture and its manifestations in Spain and Portugal.

The 11th and 12th centuries reflected in the architecture were a time of great religious fervor marked by crusades to the Holy Land, pilgrimages to far-flung shrines, the establishment of religious orders and a vast program of monastic building, growth and expansion. Among the monasteries to be discussed are Le Thoronet, Senanque, and Moissac in France; Foblet and Sainte Creus in Spain; and Alcobaca in Portugal.

Frank Kelly is a fellow of the American Institute of Architects. He is a principal in the firm Sikes, Jennings, Kelly and Brewer. He holds a B.A. and B.S. from Rice University. Lynda Kelly holds a Ph.D. in French literature from Rice University and has lived, studied and travelled extensively in France. From Oct. 6-19m, she will lead a tour of southern France sponsored by the AIA/Houston chapter to visit architectural sites throughout Provence, and

Languedoc to Toulouse. (For information on this tour, contact Dr. Kelly at 789-0675).

L'Alliance Francaise is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of French language and culture. For information, call 528-1121.

—Singers garage sale

The Montrose Singers, Houston's gay men's chorus, is having a garage sale on Saturday and Sunday, May 12 and 13, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 1630 Vermont. Proceeds from the sale will help the singers pay for their trip to Vancouver to represent Houston at Gay Games III and Cultural Festival.

To donate items for the sale, call Jason Cabot at 520-8298. The singers will arrange to pick up any donated items.

—Correction

An incorrect phone number appeared in an announcement in last week's "Neighborhood News" section of the Montrose Voice. The correct number for the Healing Network, which meets at the Human Relations Institute, is 528-1638. We apologize for any inconvenience the mistake may have caused.

Montrose Art

Menil Collection features 30 years of work by Jay Defeo

Montrose Art by LISETTA LAVY
The Montrose Voice

A traveling exhibition of works on paper by the late San Francisco artist Jay Defeo is currently on view at The Menil Collection. The first major museum survey of the artist's work, "Jay Defeo: Works on Paper, 1951-1989," consists of about 45 pieces employing graphite, charcoal, oil, pastel and collage, some of which have not been shown publicly before. The show was organized by the University Art Museum, Berkeley.

Defeo, who died in 1989, was a

leading member of the San Francisco Bay Area art community for 30 years. (She moved to San Francisco at age three in 1932). Defeo received her master's degree from the University of California at Berkeley. After traveling abroad, she returned to San Francisco, where she was involved with the artists and poets of the "Beat Generation," associated with abstract expressionism, assemblage and funk. The Beat era artists admired her drawings for their expression of emotion and mysticism. From 1958 to 1964, she worked almost exclusively on a monumental ab-

stract painting called "The Rose." She withdrew from the art world in the last half of the 1960's, until she began working with collage, painting and drawing in the early 1970's.

The exhibit spans Defeo's career, beginning with drawings from her "Paris" and "Florence" series, done while living in these cities. These small abstract pieces introduce characteristics that recur in her later works: geometric shapes, an active gestural style, and a palette of black, grey and white. Also among the works in

the exhibit are some of her early photocollages and examples of her experimentation with photocopying in the early 70's. Some large drawings, such as "Doctor Jazz" and "The Eyes" combine abstract and representational imagery, while Defeo's most recent work, from series entitled "Seven Pillars of Wisdom" and "Samurai," utilize an expanded visual vocabulary. Defeo's works on paper stretch the boundaries of drawing by exploring new materials and concepts.

The show continues through

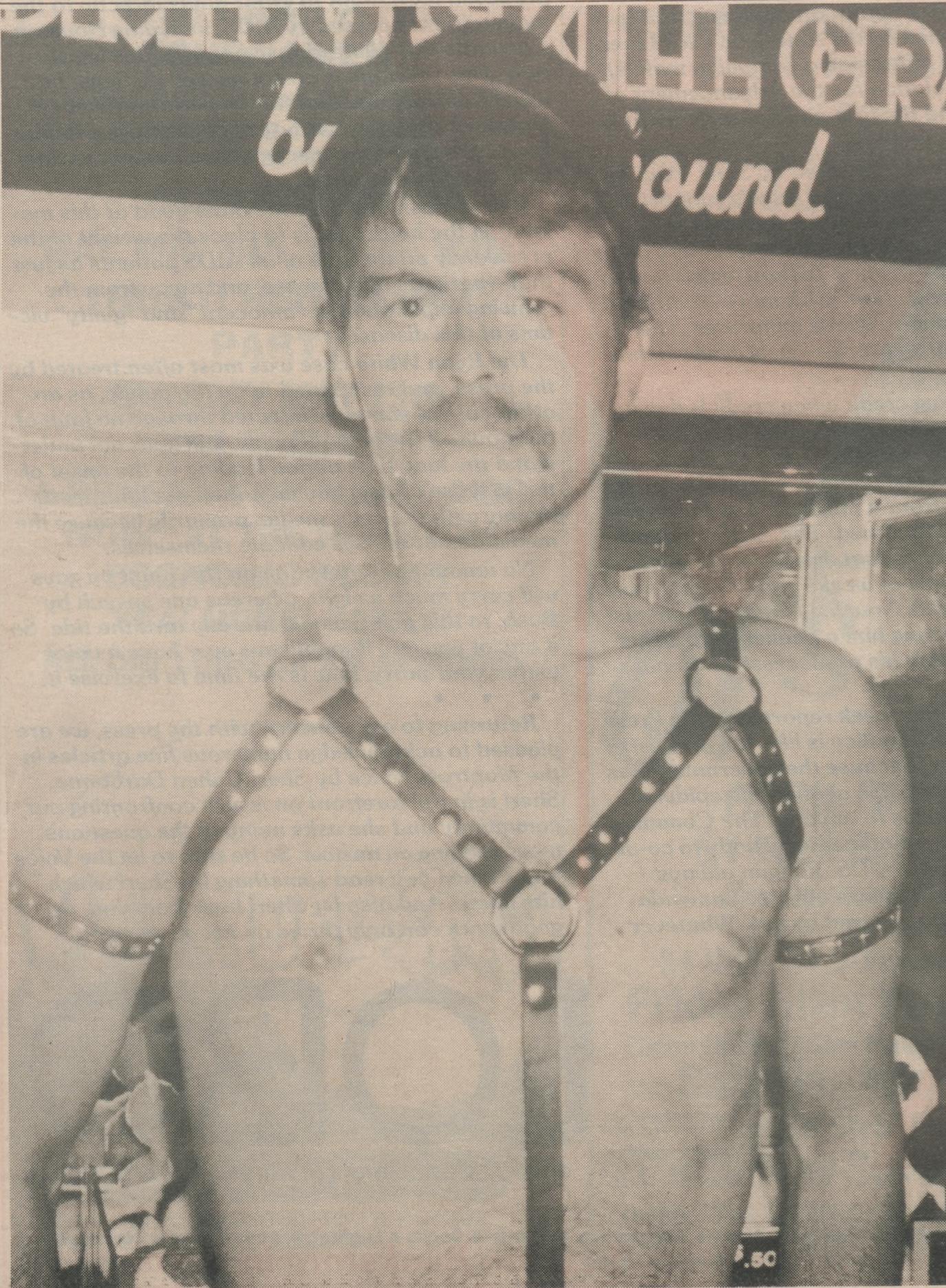
May 27 at The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross. Museum hours are Wednesday through Sunday, 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Also worthy of note: There's still time to see the Faculty Exhibit at the Art Institute of Houston, 3600 Yoakum. The show includes a wide variety of pieces common to such shows, but a couple stand out. Especially interesting is a wonderful painting by Michael Clarke titled "My Son Zachary Upon Realizing He Was a Human Being." The gallery is open until 8:30 p.m. Monday through Thurs-

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Here's Doug Schulz, 30, a Sagitarian, and our Friday Fox. Doug's favorite nightspots are the BRB and the Venture-N. He's a member of the Colt 45s.

PHOTO BY JERRY MULHOLLAND

GAY LEADERS IN THE WHITE HOUSE

You didn't read it in either of the Houston dailies but *The New York Times* (not an admirer of "homosexual" advocates) reported that on Monday President Bush formally signed *The National Hate Crimes Statistics Act* before an audience that included representation by the American Civil Liberties Union (ah, the difference a campaign makes), the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the first gay rights advocates to a White House ceremony.

The Hates Crime bill, initiated by Sens. Paul Simon and Orrin Hatch, received Bush's support and he noted the law "helps us move toward our dream, a society blind to prejudice, a society open to all." This becomes the first federal legislation to include "sexual orientation" with more traditional groups like racial and religious minorities. The bill's chief opponent—surprise—was Jesse Helms of North Carolina.

We believe in giving credit when credit is due and Bush took a decided leadership role both in the bill's passage and making the signing a public event with the presence of gay leaders. However, Bush must still confront a major test as far as the gay community is concerned: The AIDS epidemic. He has begun moving in that direction with his first AIDS speech a couple of weeks ago (already more than Reagan ever did). Now the National Commission on AIDS is offering him a challenge to either go forward or emulate his predecessor's do-nothing policy.

The Commission this week reported to the President that federal AIDS policy is like "an orchestra without a conductor" because the government has failed to lead the campaign against the epidemic effectively. Hardly news to anyone. The Commission went on to urge a Cabinet-level body to coordinate the fight against AIDS. Reagan always chose to ignore the Commission's recommendations—now comes Bush's trial by fire. Whatever

our previous views of the President, we hope he will rise to this occasion.

The Commission also urged support of currently proposed legislation to grant funds directly to the major cities impacted by AIDS, including Houston. Currently the White House opposes this legislation. This relief bill is co-sponsored by Sens. Edward Kennedy and Hatch. We perhaps detect in Senator Hatch that variety of conservative Republican with a social conscience we thought extinct with the doo-doo bird.

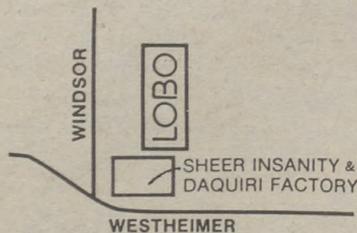
Where Bush could do the most good at this moment in the holocaust is to place the weight of the presidency on the side of all AIDS patients as just that—patients of a disease, and away from the growing implication of "innocent" and "guilty" victims of this disease.

The Ryan White case was most often treated by the press, and responded to by the public, as another case of someone infected through no fault of their own. If the general public still does not understand the long time period leading to the onset of this disease among gay men then the fault rests mainly with the news media, primarily because the media do not always educate themselves.

No amount of reiteration on this point by gays will carry much weight, whereas one speech by Bush, to this point, would literally turn the tide. So if any of you gay Republicans ever have a voice within your party, now is the time to exercise it.

Returning to our concern with the press, we are pleased to acknowledge numerous fine articles in the *Montrose Voice* by Sheri Cohen Darbonne. Sheri is in the forefront on issues confronting our community and she asks many of the questions most needing an answer. So be sure to let the *Voice* know when you read something by Sheri which hits home. And also let Sheri hear from you, as good work can only thrive on encouragement.

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Male Strip Review

**QT's Sunday Super Show 9pm
Tranee, Miss T, Pattie and more, MC-Tondelayo
Never A Cover**

Montrose Voice Bar Zaar

A LISTING OF THE SPECIAL AND REGULAR EVENTS AT HOUSTON CLUBS, RESTAURANTS AND OTHER PLACES OF ENTERTAINMENT WHICH ADVERTISE IN AND DISTRIBUTE THE MONTROSE VOICE

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

Most Always

- Charlie's Restaurant: Dinner & midn specials
- Past Time: Happy hour 12-8pm
- J.R.'s: Grill open 11am-4pm (noon-4 Sun.), 3 in 1 Happy Hour to 10pm daily
- Pot Pie Restaurant: Free Home Delivery
- Club Romeo: Happy Hour 5-9pm
- Venture-N: Open at Noon
- Venture-N: New Art by James Preuss & Jim Kronlage
- Cousins: Happy hour prices every day opening-7pm
- Mary's: Mon-Sat happy hours 7am-noon, 5-9pm
- E/J's: 7am-8pm Happy hour, 7am-6pm \$1 Vodka drinks, Beer bust 4-10pm Mon-Sat
- Montrose Mining Co.: 3 in 1 Happy Hour until 10pm daily
- Inergy: Open Mon-Fri 5pm-2am, Sat & Sun 2pm-2am
- Ballpark News: Open 24 hours
- Inergy: Happy Hour 7 days a week from opening to 8pm, Happy hour on Monday til 2am
- The Atrium: Open 7am-2am Mon-Sat, Noon-2am, Sun., 75¢ Vodka drinks Mon-Sat 7am-2pm, Sunday Noon-8pm
- Q.T.s: April Special: \$1 Well 8pm-10pm Monday thru Thurs., every morning \$1 well, \$1.50 beer, 50¢ mauri
- Santa Fe Trading Co.: Open daily 5pm, 3 in 1 cocktails, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, Urban Cowboy Dancers
- Scandal's: Open 8am Mon-Sat, Noon Sunday, DJ Dennis McGinnis
- Mary's: Boot Shines by Chris daily 4pm-Midnight, \$4
- E/J's: Sun-Thur, \$1 well drinks 1am-2am
- Briar Patch: Happy hour to 8pm
- Momma's Money: DJ George Worley, Fri-Sun 7pm-Close, \$1 Schnapps, Blue Light Specials
- Momma's Money: Happy hour Mon-Sat 7am-8pm, \$1.75 Well 10am-6pm
- Missouri St. Station: Open 4pm-2am, Happy Hour prices to 9pm
- Mother's: Volleyball on patio, happy hour 7am-8pm, Keoki Kona 6-8pm Mon-Fri
- Charlie's Restaurant: Open 24 hours
- Venture-N: Beer bust 4-10pm, Happy hour 4-8pm, free pool noon-8pm

Friday

- Bacchus: Live DJ
- Brazos River Bottom: May 11 LACY J. DALTON
- Chutes: 75¢ well 7am-noon, \$1 well & \$1.50 beer 12-6pm, beer bust 3-11pm, male strip contest 11pm, MC Cassandra Landa
- The Atrium: Muscles in Action 10pm-Midnite
- J.R.'s: Houston's biggest Friday happy hour, Pacific Coast Dancers 6pm-2am, hors d'oeuvres 5:30-7:30pm
- J.R.'s: Hors d'oeuvres with Carol Gifford 5:30-7:30pm
- Santa Fe Trading Co.: Urban Cowboy Dancers 6pm-2am
- Miss Kitty's: Cowboys in Action, continuously from 7pm, Dance floor opens 9pm w/DJ Barry Browder

- Scandal's: DJ Dennis McGinnis
- Scandal's: Lulu's Friday Review, April 27, 12 Noon
- Mary's: "Bull-it" Taurus Birthday Party
- Mary's: TGI Fridays: 5 minute specials with Tad 2-8pm, Bare Chest Night w/Robin & John 8pm-2am, After Hours 2am-?
- Chutes: Male Strip Contest 11pm
- Club Romeo: TGIF Party 5-9pm
- Lazy J: Show Nite 10pm
- Cousins: Cousins & Company 10:30pm
- Montrose Mining Co.: Muscles in Action 8pm-2am, beer bust 8pm-2am, \$1.75 longnecks and \$2 Corona 1pm-10pm.
- Mother's: Dance music by Phil Ware
- Q.T.s: Friday Night Frolics 11pm with Ebony Halston, Gina Malone, Paivi and more
- Brazos River Bottom: Happy Hour 7am-9pm, Brazos River Band 9:30pm
- French Quarter Theater: This week's feature: "Main Attraction" with second feature "Dreamen-Dirty Dialouge"
- Heaven: 50¢ well drinks all nite, cover
- Momma's Money: Male Dancers 10pm
- Missouri St. Station: Free buffet, live entertainment 9pm

Saturday

- J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers 10:30-close
- Club Romeo: \$1.75 Coronas, \$1 Schnapps
- Bacchus: Live DJ
- Santa Fe Trading Co.: Lords of Leather male dancers 10pm-2am
- Miss Kitty's: "PARTY" beginning 9pm
- Venture-N: May 5th, 9pm til ?
- TRUST: Red Hanky Party
- Mary's: May 5, The Blizzard Party
- The Atrium: Muscles in Action 10pm-Midnite
- Chutes: Beer bust 3-11pm, frozen margarita bust & liquor bust 8-midn, Dash for Cash 10pm-2am
- Momma's Money: May 5: Cinco de Mayo benefit for AVES
- Mother's: Vodka drinks & shots of schnapps 75¢ 7am-8pm
- Venture-N: \$1 eye openers noon-3pm, 1st anniversary of the March On Austin and \$150 cash pool tournament at 2pm
- Lazy J: Show Nite 10pm
- Mary's: Beer Bust on patio 1pm-6pm, \$3, Leather Night with Robin & John, 8pm-2am
- Montrose Mining Co.: 3 in 1 cocktails 1pm-10pm, \$1.75 longnecks and \$2 Corona 1pm-10pm, Beer bust 4pm-closing \$2.
- Q.T.s: Male Strip Review 11pm
- Scandal's: DJ Dennis McGinnis
- Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour to 9pm, Brazos River Band 9:30pm
- Cousins: Cousins & Company 10:30pm
- E/J's: Beer Bust with Miss Dee 9am-Noon, \$1 well 4-7pm, male jock strap contest 11pm
- Heaven: 50¢ Well drinks 9-11pm, House Music, 18 and up, Cover

Sunday

- Past Time: Happy hour all day & all nite
- J.R.'s: 90¢ well vodka juice cocktails noon-10pm, Jockey Shorts Contest 11pm, MC Naomi Sims

- Chutes: \$1 well & \$1.50 beer noon-6pm, beer bust noon-11pm, liquor bust & frozen margarita bust 8-midn
- Santa Fe Trading Co.: 3 in 1 Happy hour, \$1.75 longnecks all day, all nite
- Miss Kitty's: Mr. Club Body Center Houston Contest 8pm, May 20th
- Venture-N: May 13th, "Unleashed" a benefit for "Cure AIDS Now" at the Houston Economic Summit
- Bacchus: Open 2pm-2am, Happy hour til 8pm
- Club Body Center: May 20, 8pm Mr. Club Body Center Houston contest at Miss Kitty's Dancehall & Saloon
- Missouri St. Station: 3pm-7pm \$1 well
- Inergy: \$1 Bloody Marys & Ritas, \$1.25 Longnecks 2pm-8pm
- Miss Kitty's: Open Air T-Dance 4pm
- Club Romeo: Hangover Blues, beer \$1.25, Bloody Marys \$2, Barbecue and drink specials, open 3pm
- Cousins: Zack's Revue 9pm
- E/J's: noon-10pm beer bust, \$1 well drinks 4-7pm
- Montrose Mining Co.: Beer Bust 4pm-12am; \$1 Cape Cods, Bloody Marys, Screwdrivers; 50¢ draft on patio 12am-closing.
- Venture-N: \$1 eye openers noon-3pm, free burgers and hot dogs 4pm
- Q.T.s: Sunday Super Show 9pm with Tranee, Miss T, Pattie, MC Tondelayo and special guests
- Mary's: Patio beer bust 1-6pm; \$3 S.S.S. (ask bartender), Steak Night with Herman 5pm \$3.50
- Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour noon-6pm Steak Nite 5pm, \$4.50, Brazos River Band & Little Bit of Texas 7pm
- Heaven: Free well drinks 7-9pm, cover, 25¢ well drinks and draft beer 9pm-2am, \$1.25 longnecks
- Mother's: Vodka drinks & shots of schnapps 75¢, 12-8pm, Male dancers 10pm-1am, Bar-B-Que on the patio 5pm-9pm

Monday

- Past Time: Beer happy hour open-close
- J.R.'s: Hors d'oeuvres with Carol Gifford 5:30-7:30pm
- Ripcord: \$1 Margaritas 9pm-2am
- Santa Fe Trading Co.: Urban Cowboy Dancers 6pm-2am, non-stop
- Chutes: 75¢ well 7am-noon, \$1 well 12-6pm, free pool, beer bust 3-11pm, Liquor bust & frozen margarita bust 8-midn \$6
- Bacchus: Open 6pm-2am, Happy hour til 8pm
- Cousins: Bridge Nite, 7pm, Happy hour prices til 2am
- Mary's: Mary's Bloody Monday with Terry, \$1 Bloodys
- Midtowne Spa: free video upgrades
- Inergy: Happy Hour 5pm-2am, \$1.25 Well & Longnecks
- Club Body Center: Mini-lockers \$6 8am-4pm
- Momma's Money: Pool Tourney, 8:30pm, cash prize
- J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers 6pm-2am non-stop, hors d'oeuvres 5:30-7:30pm
- Mother's: Beer bust 25¢/mug or \$1.50 60 oz. pitcher Miller Lite Draft 6pm-1am
- The Atrium: Happy Hour all day/all nite 7am-2am
- Miss Kitty's: Cowboys in Action
- Montrose Mining Co.: Clubber's Night 1pm-2am, 1/2 price super premium, premium, call & well,

- \$1.75 longnecks, \$2 Corona
- Montrose Mining Co.: 50¢ draft 4pm-2am
- E/J's: \$1 Margaritas, Dart Tournament 9pm
- Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour \$1.25 well & longnecks all nite
- Club Body Center: Lockers \$4.50 noon-midn

Tuesday

- Inergy: 50¢ Well, \$1 longnecks 11pm til Midnite
- Ripcord: \$1.25 canned beer 8pm-2am
- Momma's Money: Every Tuesday: \$2.50 pitchers 6pm-Midnight
- J.R.'s: Male Strip Contest 11pm, MC Maude
- Chutes: 75¢ well 7am-noon, \$1 well 12-6pm, Beer bust 3-11pm, liquor bust & frozen margarita bust 8-midn
- Santa Fe Trading Co.: 3 in 1 happy hour and \$1.75 longnecks all day, all nite
- Mother's: Well drinks \$1.75 7am-1am, dance music from 70s & early 80s
- Miss Kitty's: Steak nite 7pm, trash disco 9pm
- The Atrium: Dart Tournament
- E/J's: Talent Night 10:30pm
- Midtowne Spa: half price lockers
- Bacchus: Donna & Charlene
- Club Romeo: \$1.25 beer
- Mary's: Hamburgers on patio with Gaye, Noon-2pm, \$1.50 Cuervo & Corona
- Montrose Mining Co.: Back to the past-music hits from the 70's and 80's, liquor bust 8pm-12am-\$6, \$1.25 longnecks 10pm-2am.
- Club Body Center: 1/2 price rooms & lockers 7pm-3am
- Missouri St. Station: Beer Blow Out 7pm-Midnite, \$1 domestic longnecks
- Brazos River Bottom: Dance lessons with Brent & Jonathan, 9:30

Wednesday

- Inergy: Inergize with Latin & Disco Music
- Mother's: Long neck domestic beers \$1, 8-midn, Tequila Gold Slammers \$1.50 10pm-2am
- Mary's: Coupon Clipper's Day; other bars' advertised specials honored with clipped ad
- The Atrium: Draft pitchers \$2!
- Ripcord: \$1.50 Well all day
- Club Romeo: Vodka Specials
- Santa Fe Trading Co.: Urban Cowboy Dancers 6pm-10pm, BVD Contest 10:30pm, MC Maude
- Bacchus: Pool tournament
- Midtowne Spa: half price rooms
- Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour 7am-9pm
- Chutes: 75¢ well 7am-noon, \$1 well 12-6pm, Beer bust 3pm-11pm \$3
- J.R.'s: 3 in 1 Happy Hour, \$1.75 longnecks until 10pm, BVD Contest 11pm
- Montrose Mining Co.: Beer bust 8pm-2am, \$1.75 longnecks and \$2 Corona all day, all night.
- Chutes: Steak Nite 7pm-10pm, liquor bust or frozen Margarita bust \$6 8pm-midnite
- Montrose Mining Co.: Muscles in Action (male dancers) 8pm-2am
- Missouri St. Station: Professional & Executive Ladies Nite, 5pm-?, Free hors d'oeuvres
- Heaven: 10¢ well 9pm-2am, cover, biggest Wed. crowd in Houston
- Miss Kitty's: Kit Kat Revue 11pm

Thursday

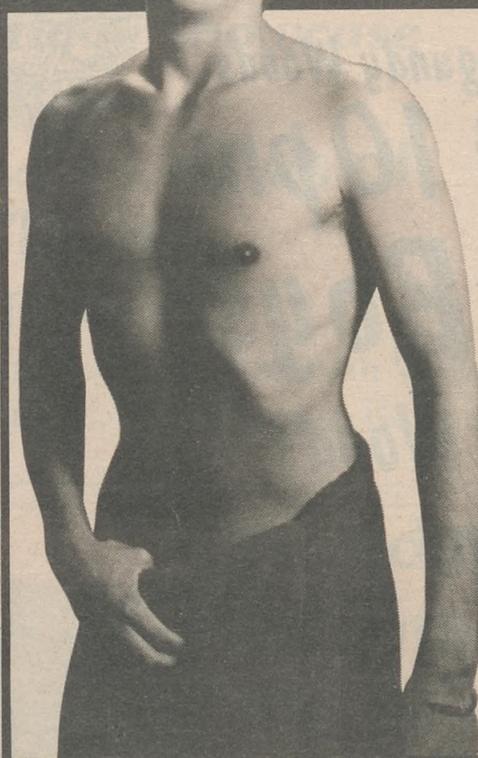
- Midtowne Spa: half price lockers
- Ripcord: \$1.50 Margaritas
- Mother's: Burgers 6pm-10pm, male dancers & shows 10pm & midn,
- Inergy: Trash, Trash, Trash Disco
- Club Romeo: \$1.50 Well
- Missouri St. Station: Live Cabaret,

- Houston's hottest new acts begin at 9pm
- The Atrium: \$1.50 Longnecks
- Montrose Mining Co.: Liquor bust 8pm-12am \$6, \$1.25 longnecks 10pm-2am, 50¢ draft beer on patio 4pm til closing.
- Chutes: 75¢ well 7am-noon, \$1 well 12-6pm, beer bust 3-11pm, Liquor bust \$ frozen Margarita bust \$6 8pm-Midnite
- Santa Fe Trading Co.: 3 in 1 Happy Hour, \$1.75 longnecks all day, all night, Best Buns Contest with MC Randy Jobe 11pm
- Bacchus: Little Bit of Texas (band)
- J.R.'s: 3 in 1 Happy Hour, \$1.75 longnecks until 10pm, BVD Contest 11pm
- Club Body Center: Half price rooms & lockers noon-midn
- Heaven: \$1 Margaritas, longnecks and well ddrinks all night, 18 and up, House music, cover
- Mary's: Hamburgers on patio with Gaye Noon-2pm
- Brazos River Bottom: Happy Hour 7am-9pm, \$1 longnecks 7am-2am, Hamburgers & Hot Dogs 7pm, Brazos River Band 10pm
- Brazos River Bottom: May 3: Jeff Miller, gay country singer, 9pm, \$1 cover

Names and phones

- Here's the BAR-ZAAR list: places you might consider for drinking, dining and sensual pleasures.
- The 611 Hyde Park Pub, 611 Hyde Park, 526-7070
 - The Atrium, 220 Avondale, 526-9321
 - Bacchus, 523 Lovett, 523-3396
 - Ballpark News, 1830 W. Alabama
 - Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, 528-9192
 - Briar Patch, 2294 Holcombe, 665-9678
 - Club Body Center, 2205 Fannin, 659-4998
 - Chapultepec Mexican Restaurant, 813 Richmond, 522-2365
 - Charlie's Restaurant, 1102 Westheimer, 523-3332
 - Chutes, 1732 Westheimer, 523-2213
 - Cousins, 817 Fairview, 528-9204
 - E/J's, 2517 Ralph, 527-9071
 - French Quarter Theater, 3201 Louisiana, 527-0782
 - Heaven, Pacific at Grant, 521-9123
 - Inergy, 6121 Hillcroft, 771-9611
 - J.R.'s, 808 Pacific, 521-2519
 - Keystroke, a club on the move, 785-9258
 - Miss Kitty's, 710 Pacific, 523-0213
 - Lazy J, 312 Tuam, 528-9343
 - Mary's, 1022 Westheimer, 527-9669
 - Midtowne Spa, 3100 Fannin, 522-2379
 - Montrose Mining Co., 805 Pacific, 529-7488
 - Momma's Money, 534 Westheimer, 522-0045
 - Missouri St. Station, 1117 Missouri, 524-1333
 - Mother's, 402 Lovett, 520-7935
 - Jo's Outpost, 2818 Richmond, 528-8318
 - Past Time, 617 Fairview, 529-4669
 - Pot Pie Restaurant, 1525 Westheimer, 528-4350
 - Q.T.s, 608 Westheimer, 529-8813
 - The Ranch, 9150 S. Main, 666-3464
 - Rich's, 2401 San Jacinto, 759-9606
 - Ripcord, 715 Fairview, 521-2792
 - Club Romeo, 903 Richmond, 528-9110
 -
 - Santa Fe Trading Co., 804 Pacific, 528-6969
 - Scandal's, 1419 Richmond, 528-8903
 - Spanish Flower Restaurant, 4701 N. Main, 869-1706
 - Studz Adult Bookstore, 1201 Richmond
 - Venture-N, 2923 S. Main, 522-0000

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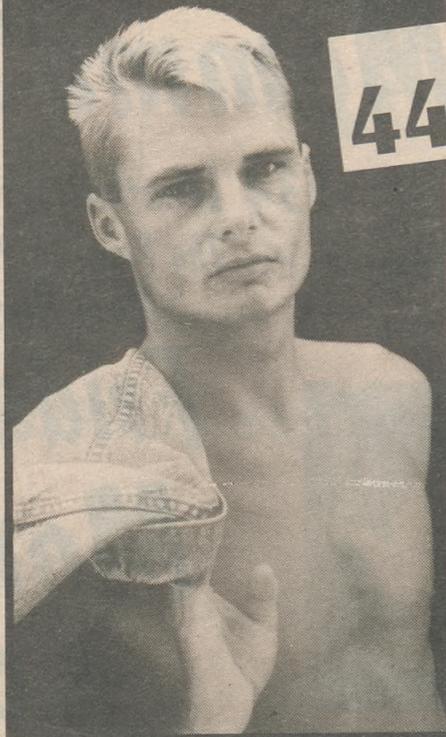
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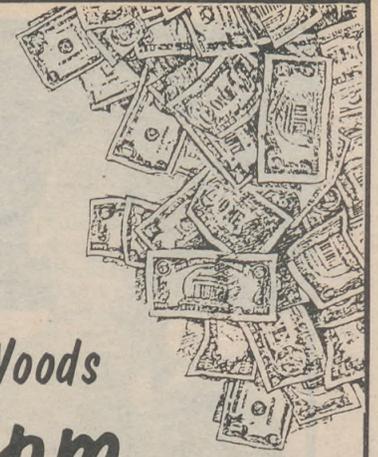
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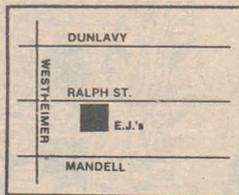
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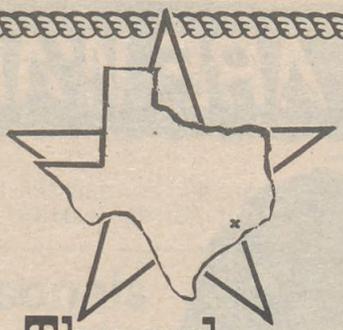


Afternoon:
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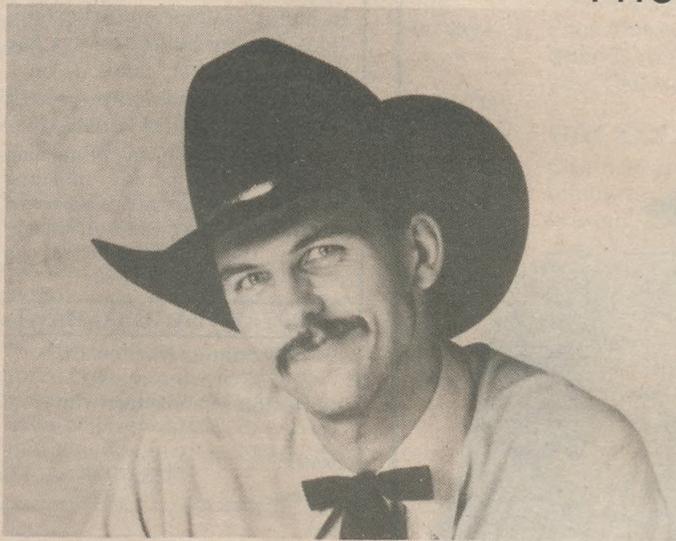


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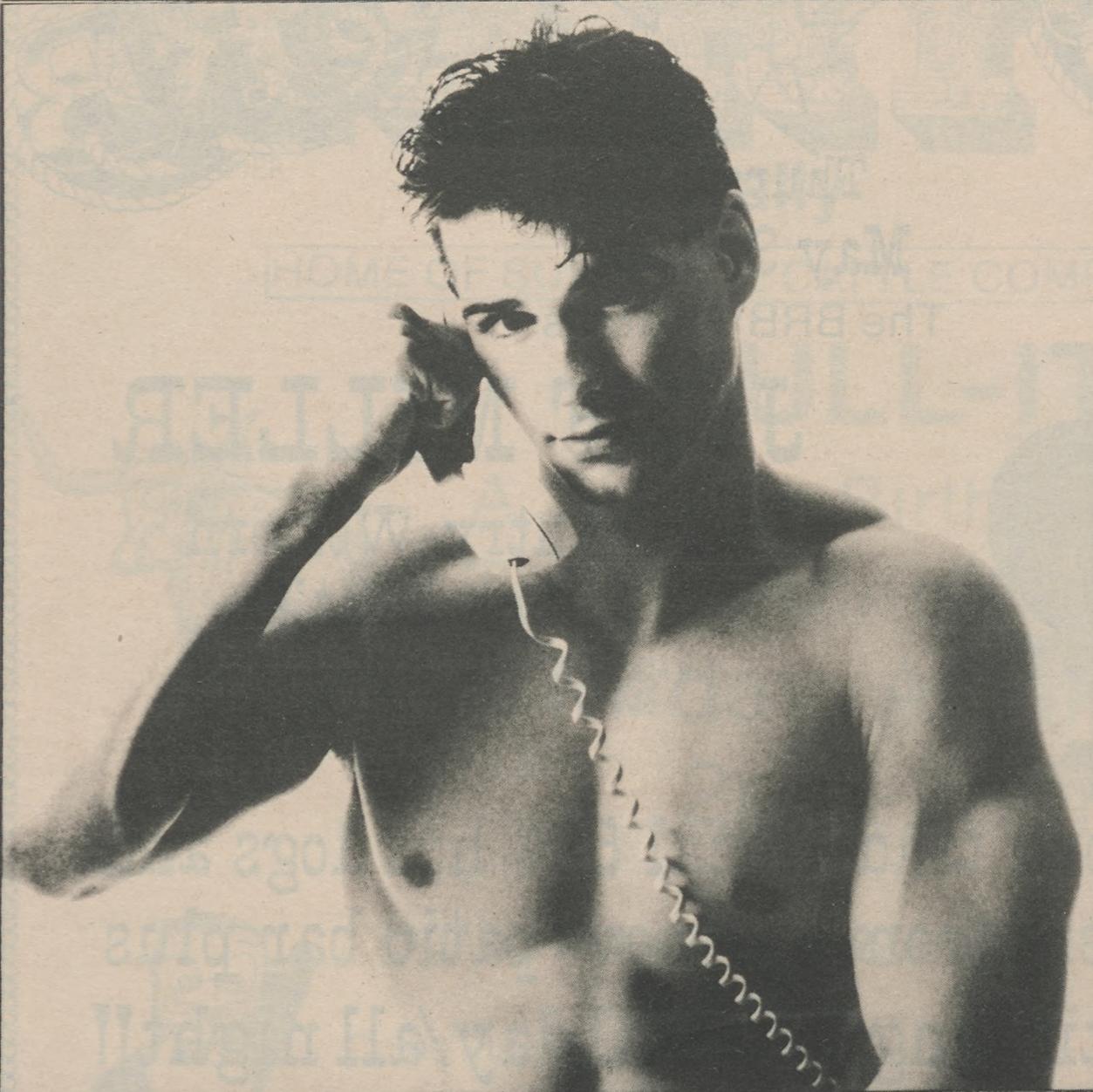
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Scandals
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Show with Burgundy Woods & Momma's Boys, Momma's Money 10pm
QT's Friday Frolics, 11pm
Male strip contest, 4th week, 11pm, Chutes
E/J's Ladies of the 90's, 11pm
After-hours Mary's

●SATURDAY

Beer Bust 9am-noon, E/J's
LSUSA car wash & garage sale 10am-4pm, E/J's
Cash pool tournament 2pm, Venture-N
Beet Bust 3pm, impersonation show 10pm, Atrium
Brazos River Band 9:30pm, BRB
Dash for Cash 10pm-2am, Chutes
Illusions & delusions 10pm, Momma's Money
Male strip review 11pm, QT's
Jock strap contest, 2nd week, E/J's 11pm

●SUNDAY

Beer bust noon-11pm, buffet 5:30-6:30pm, Chutes

Larry Snyder birthday party & show 3pm, Chutes
Beet Bust 3pm, liquor bust 6pm, impersonation show 10pm, Atrium
"Burgs and dawgs" 4pm, Venture-N
Steak night with Herman 5-7pm, Mary's
Benefit show 4pm, Steak night 5-9pm, Brazos River Band 7pm, BRB
Tracy & Rikki O'Shea, Momma's Money 9pm
Sunday Super Show 9pm, QT's

●MONDAY

\$1 bloody Mary's all day, Mary's
Casino night, 7pm E/J's
Motown Mondays at Midtowne Spa

●TUESDAY

Hamburgers noon-2pm, Mary's
Beer pitcher special 6pm-midnite, Momma's Money
Steak night 7pm, Miss Kitty's
Talent contest, 1st week, 10pm, E/J's
Half price rooms & lockers, Club Body Center
C&W dance lessons 10pm, BRB

●WEDNESDAY

Amateur strip contest 9pm, Mamma's Money
Impersonation show, Miss Kitty's
Lee Chardous Variety Talent Night, Food by Herman, Chutes
Western Wednesdays at Midtowne Spa

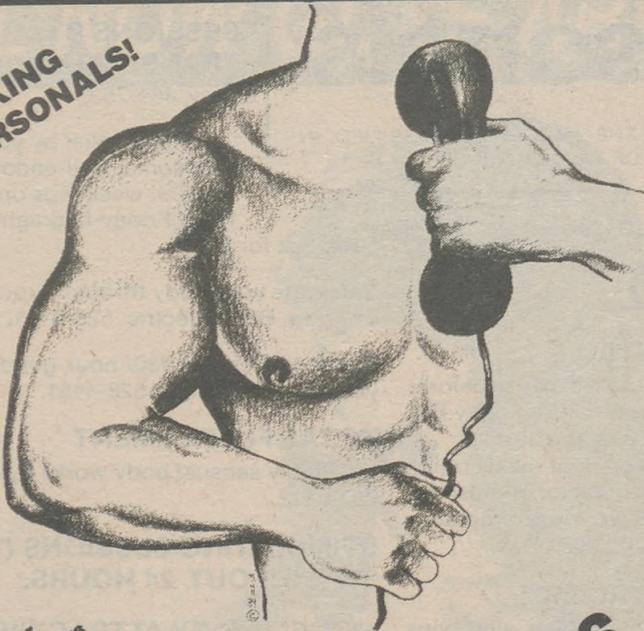
●THURSDAY

Hamburgers noon-2pm, Mary's
Half price rooms & lockers, Club Body Center
Dart tournament, Chutes
C&W singer Jeff Miller 9pm, BRB

●LATER

May 5: Cinco de Mayo; Blizzard Party, Mary's; Benefit for A.V.E.S., Momma's Money 7:30pm; Trust, Red Hanky Party, Venture-N; Cinco de Mayo show, Mr. & Mrs. Cinco de Mayo contest, Chutes
May 11: Lacy J. Dalton, BRB
May 13: Unleashed, benefit for Cure Aids Now, Venture-N
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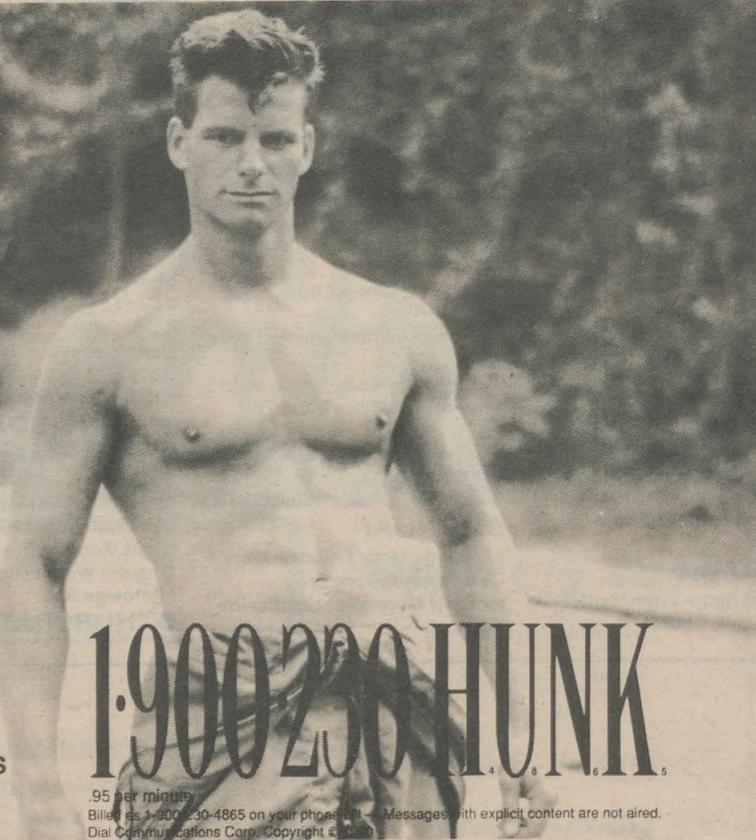
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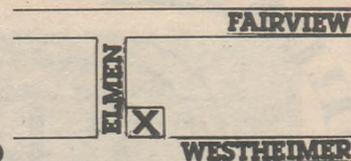
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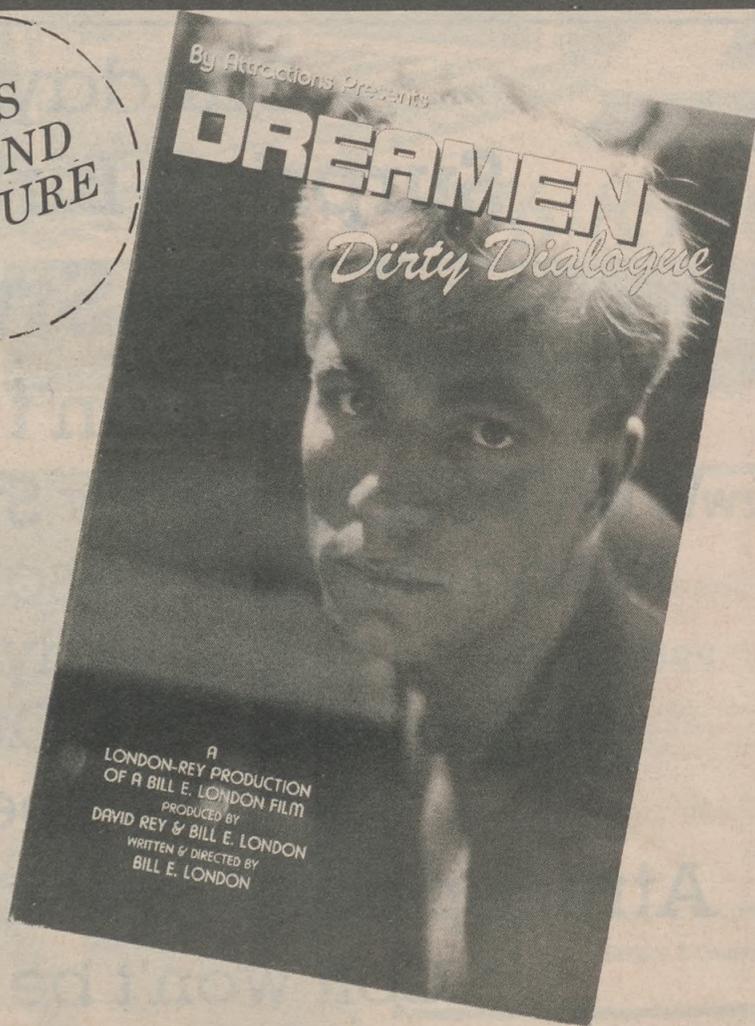
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Cassandra Landa returns to Chutes' stage after a five week break

This Sunday at Heaven, Lady Victoria Lust, Mark Coleman and B.J. Summors (TGRA royalty candidates '90) will host a benefit for Lesbian/Gay Pride Week. The entertainment community and local community organizations are coming together in support for pride week with this event, with over 30 acts now scheduled. Make your plans to attend from 2:00-6:00 p.m.

The Lone Star United Sports Association and the Greater Montrose Business Guild are sponsoring a garage sale and car wash in the parking lot of E/J's on Saturday, April 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We understand Dog Lips is now working at TNT Shirts. How long will this job last, Doug?



The infamous Ramona Sims was caught off guard by our cameras during the art festival

Chutes welcomes Rico to their staff as their newest bartender. Stop by for a refreshing adult beverage and say hello to him.

The well-known "Mama Jim" (Studz News) will be guest bartending at the Atrium this Sunday 3:00-8:00 p.m. It definitely should be an interesting day.

Hey Mike (aka Little Myrna), you win the most considerate award for the timely fashion in which you give notice about vacating apartments.

All you TGRA members, don't forget tomorrow (Saturday) is the state meeting at Bonham Exchange in San Antonio. The meeting starts at 1:00 p.m., so hit the road early as this is a general meeting.

Next Thursday (May 3), the Bra-



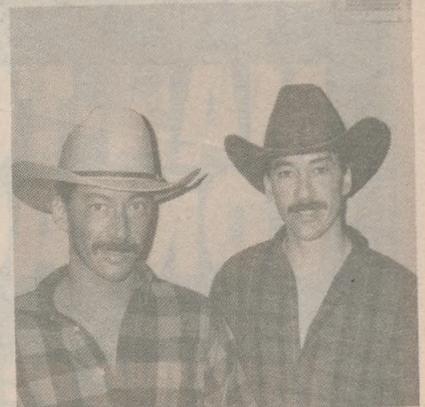
Cal Moran (left) and Karl MaGee watch the review of beauties that raised over \$3,200 to help with Karl's expenses

zos River Bottom will present Jeff Miller, the gay C and W singer, for your enjoyment beginning at 9:00 p.m. Make your plans to attend now.

Curtis (Cousins), we hear Vera has a new sofa. Do you? Surely you don't want to be outdone—maybe you should call Rusty.

A special "Happy Birthday" goes out today to Tad Nelson (33), Randy (35), and Gary Fowler (33), all of Mary's and to Dog Lips (TNT-39). What a day this should be.

Last weekend Tom and Duke celebrated their 20th anniversary—congratulations, guys. You've both held up well, although certain parties want to know if they should send sympathy cards.



Double trouble: Mike Swain (aka Little Myrna, right) was recently visited by his twin brother Miles (aka Little Mona) from Atlanta

Chutes has announced that on Saturday, May 12, they will present "Rocky Horror" at 10:00 p.m., with Lee Chardon, Lynne, Scotty, Jeff, Brenda, T-Man, B.J. Summors and Pickles live on stage.

Last weekend's TGRA raffle winners were—gas grille, Jim Bremer, TV—Ron Mathis, VCR—Bud May, answering machine—Larry Hillman, dog grooming—Lucky and belt buckle—C. Akers. Congratulations to each of you.

Congratulations to Houston TGRA members Murmur Tuckness (all around cowgirl) and Sande Miller, who won seven buckles (between them) in the recent Los Angeles rodeo.



Wayne (Missouri Street Station) is looking so lovely after a hard day's work



David (manager, Momma's Money) serves up some mean cocktails on day shift



Gaye (Mary's) had to do some work during art festival for a change



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