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DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Torie Osborn resigns as head of National Gay and Lesbian Task Force

LOS ANGELES, Sunday, Sept. 5 (AP)—Frustrated by the administrative demands of the post, the head of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force said she will resign effective Nov. 11.

Torie Osborn was hired as the group's

executive director in March. But she said the job had not been what she had expected.

"It just isn't working," Torie Osborn said in Saturday's editions of the Los Angeles Times. "This job requires internal man-

agement in far greater measure than I am prepared to give at this time."

The Washington-based task force is one of the leading gay organizations in the country, with a national membership of 32,000 and a budget of \$3.2 million.

Osborn is former director of the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center.

She said she plans to stay in Washington and would like to devote more time to writing, lecturing and consulting.

DATELINE: AUSTIN

Austin City Council approves plan to offer domestic partnership benefits

By JIM RAWSON

The New Voice/Austin

After four hours of public testimony, much of it emotionally-charged, the Austin City Council voted 5 to 2 to grant benefits to the domestic partners of city employees last Thursday. This decision makes Austin the first city in Texas to recognize relationships between unmarried couples of the same or opposite sex. Austin joins Atlanta, Seattle, and several California cities in making this change.

After the vote was taken, a jubilant Sonny Hood of the Austin Lesbian/Gay Political Caucus said, "At last our community has a victory. This was a real grassroots movement—there were people involved in this fight who have never been involved in anything political before. It let us bridge many of the gaps in our community and pull together for something that we wanted."

For several months the domestic partnership issue has been a topic of discussion among City Manager Camille Cates Barnett, several council members, and Austin Lesbian/Gay Political Caucus co-chairs Sonny Hood and Diane Hardy-Garcia. It was originally scheduled on a tentative basis for the August 26 council meeting, but the date was moved to last week to allow more time for public response and for studies by the city's human resources department.

With the approval of this provision in city personnel policy, an Austin city employee will be able to obtain medical, dental, and life insurance through the city for his or her domestic partner. In addition, the new family and bereavement leave benefits mandated by federal law will be extended to cover domestic partnerships as well as conventional marriages and families.

The ALGPC assisted the city in establishing the definition of a domestic partnership. It requires that the persons

registering live in the same household and share common resources and expenses, be able to enter into a legal agreement, and not be related. Persons applying for such status will have to provide documentation of registration.

Dana DeBeauvoir, county clerk for Travis County, sent a letter to the council on August 31 stating in part, "This office stands ready to accept the filing of domestic partnership agreements."

Filing such a document would provide proof of a relationship for the city of Austin, and ALGPC hopes that county registration might also be used by private employers to grant benefits. Several companies, including Advanced Micro Devices, have been studying such extensions of benefits but have been reluctant to attempt to define them. Sonny Hood believes that registration with the county would remove the burden of defining and regulating relationships from employers.

According to studies by the city's human resources department and by the ALGPC, approval of this amendment to city policy is expected to add approximately \$700,000 to cover an estimated addition of 472 people to city benefits. This additional cost to the city of Austin was the basis for several speakers' opposition to the domestic partnership amendment.

Mayor Bruce Todd said "I've received more phone calls, letters, and cards on this issue than any other while I have been mayor."

The interest of supporters and opponents was evident when it was announced that 125 citizens had signed up to speak before the council. In the interest of brevity, speakers' time was cut from three to two minutes.

Those supporting domestic partnerships wore badges with pink triangles, and those speaking stressed fairness and equality as the primary rea-



Opponents and supporters crowd Council chambers

sons for the amendment. State representative Glen Maxey spoke in support of the change, as did many leaders in the Austin gay and lesbian community.

Organizations which sent representatives or messages in support included Metropolitan Community Church, the National Organization for Women, The United Farm Workers-AFL/CIO, Waterloo Counseling Center, Planned Parenthood, the Austin Peace and Justice Coalition, and the City Employees' Association.

Opponents of the domestic partnership amendment were primarily from religious groups known for their opposition to the "homosexual lifestyle." Austin's longtime "moral watchdog" Mark Weaver was the first public speaker for the evening. After the vote he said, "This decision sends the wrong message to the young people of our city. It says that it's okay to shack up—in fact, you'll be rewarded for it."

Local minister and talk show host Jack Chambers also addressed the council with references to "spreading disease and immorality" and "destroying the family" and caused an outburst from the crowd, prompting a warning from Mayor Todd. Those in opposition cited morality and the additional costs to the city as the main reasons for the council to vote against domestic partnerships.

As council mem-

bers were polled for their votes, each made a statement concerning the issue. Councilmember

Brigid Shea said, "This is the kind of decency we want government to extend, especially to its own employees." She and City Manager Camille Barnett stressed that approval of domestic partnerships would benefit the city in attracting quality employees.

Councilmember Ronney Reynolds disagreed, stating, "We are not losing employees

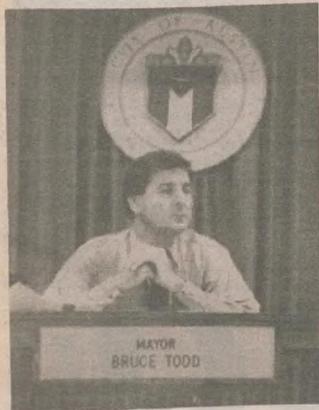
because of this—if we were, I would vote for it. It's a matter of economics. This is going to add \$750,000 to the budget." Reynolds had been confronted by one speaker earlier in the evening in regard to a homophobic quote attributed to the councilmember in another publication. Reynolds stated that his opposition was based on economics, not on any judgments about morality or lifestyles, and that he has supported the interests of the gay and lesbian community.

The other councilmember voting against the issue was Dr. Charles Urdy, mayor pro tem. Urdy stated, "This is not a health care issue; it's a health insurance issue. Our city has a strong commitment to health care for all its citizens." Dr. Urdy, the only black councilmember, also said that he felt that this measure would grant benefits without responsibilities to employees. "Our biggest problem in the black community is the irresponsibility of young black heterosexual men. I can't support perpetuating this lack of responsibility."

In other cities where partnerships have been recognized, approximately 60 to 80 percent of those taking advantage of the change have been heterosexual. As has been predicted, council members Gus Garcia, Jackie Goodman, Brigid Shea, Max Nofziger, and Mayor Bruce Todd all voted in favor of recognizing domestic partnerships. Mayor Todd and Max Nofziger both thanked those attending the public hearing, commending them for their participation and their decorum in allowing each person to present his or her views with respect.

The ALGPC has set obtaining domestic partner benefits from Travis County as its next goal, and co-chairs Hood and Hardy-Garcia are optimistic. They also plan to offer an outreach to private companies that want to establish such benefits.

The changes in personnel policy for the city of Austin will go into effect on Jan. 1, 1994.



Austin Mayor Bruce Todd



Sonny Hood & Diane Hardy-Garcia celebrate

DATELINE: AUSTIN

Lesbian-Gay Rights Lobby of Texas praises utility commission appointment

AUSTIN, Thursday, Sept. 2 (AP)—The executive director of the Lesbian-Gay Rights Lobby of Texas has praised the appointment of Sarah Goodfriend, who is a lesbian, to the Public Utility Commission.

"The appointment of an 'out' lesbian to

such a powerful commission gives our community something to celebrate during these difficult times," said Laurie Eiserloh, executive director of the group.

"I think she will challenge many brutal stereotypes of lesbian and gay people," Ms. Eiserloh said.

According to the group, Ms. Goodfriend is the sixth openly gay or lesbian person appointed to a state board or commission.

"Unlike other appointments of openly lesbian and gay people, Sarah's appointment to the PUC is not directly related to

lesbian, gay or AIDS issues," Ms. Eiserloh said.

PUC spokesperson Guillermo Garcia said that Ms. Goodfriend is a member of the Lesbian-Gay Rights Lobby. Ms. Goodfriend did not immediately return a telephone call from The Associated Press.

As if life for gay bookstores is not hard enough, the same super chains which currently threaten smaller mainstream bookstores are now targeting the once ignored gay market.

First the large trade publishers began tapping into the gay publishing field—and by offering advances once unheard of to the ear of gay writers wooing same from traditional gay publishing houses where advances usually worked in reverse.

In case you are not a book person or have had little interest in the business of book stores, a handful of companies have begun the warfare of the so called "superstores." Bookstop on Shepherd is one example. Originally founded by a bookperson trained by Henry Taylor in Dallas, Bookstop became a regional discount store which was then bought by a national chain which in turn had already been taken over by an even larger European concern. The superstore concept began in Europe and thusly the little ole Bookstop on Shepherd became superstore Bookstop on Shepherd.

Among gay bookstores there are two which come closest to being "chains" in a limited sense: A Different Light and Lambda Rising. A Different Light in New York now gets stiff competition from a B. Dalton in Greenwich Village and Lambda Rising now confronts a new Crown Super Store right on Dupont Circle.

In Houston, besides Bookstop, Crown plans one of its superstores on West Gray. Increasingly, straight stores, and particularly these so called superstores, feature gay and lesbian sections.

Naturally, one would say that's the nature of competition. But, wait. There is a big difference, and it's called money or the bottom line. Stores such as LOBO and the many other gay and lesbian bookstores purchase either from the publisher or a distributor. In either case, the book's cover price is discounted anywhere from 10 per

cent to a rare 42 per cent.

These superstores, because their buying power equals or surpasses even distributors, can usually get up to 55 per cent discounts which, in turn, allows them—with the additional market factor of volume—to discount every book, sometimes as much as 40 per cent—the same discount available to small independent bookstores.

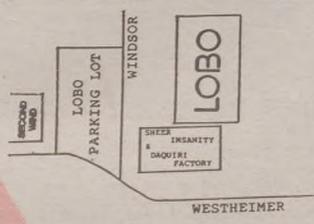
That leaves gay bookstores with either a smaller piece of the pie and/or dependent on the few readers willing to pay full price even when a nearby discounter would save them money.

Another route would be purchases so large as to obtain the greater discount. Obviously this is not possible for gay and lesbian bookstores. At least, until now. Lambda Rising in Washington, which admittedly has benefited from the numerous marches and memorials staged in the nation's capital, may be on the verge of a new era in the history of gay bookstores. Lambda Rising is currently planning at least five new stores across the country. The only one currently identified will be in Atlanta and will be the first gay superstore.

While Lambda Rising does not acknowledge it, very likely, it will establish a central clearing house for this chain, once created. It would then be an easy step up to distribution and those magic greater discounts.

However, unlike the straight chains, Lambda Rising—at least for now—does not plan to create new stores in any city which already has a viable gay bookstore. Business ethics in this day and age—only in the gay community.

On another note, a more personal one. The New Voice has informed LOBO that our cost for this page is being increased by about 30 per cent—and they intend to move us to the back of the newspaper. We do not find these conditions agreeable, and if something is not worked out we shall cease to advertise here. So, if we should disappear, catch our ads in The Texas Triangle.



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▼▼▼ DATELINE: MISSISSIPPI

Effort to establish gay and lesbian community centers sparks homophobia

By SHAUN KEENAN GILSON

The New Voice/Houston

Most residents of the 79 mile stretch that comprises the Mississippi Gulf Coast like to believe that they have tolerant communities by regional standards. Recently, that belief was challenged when a new group, G.L. Friendly announced plans to open three community centers to provide gay and lesbian services.

The group plans to open its Biloxi center as early as this October. G.L. Friendly has the resources to move in

and the volunteer work force to make the facility ready. Centers are planned later for Bay St. Louis and Gautier.

Todd Emerson, one of the group's founder's said that the new centers will provide support groups and other gay-specific services. He also hopes that they can become a unifying force in the gay and lesbian Gulf Coast community. He said that such services are desperately needed. "You can't even go to an A.A. meeting and expect it to be gay-friendly," he said.

The group has grown fast. From a

small core group that began meeting in Emerson's home last February, the G.L. Friendly now has 137 members.

The plans have sparked unexpected controversy. Members of the Ocean Springs City Council tried to prevent G.L. Friendly from meeting in Emerson's home. The conclusion of a fiery city council meeting however was that the group could not be legally stopped.

G.L. Friendly's response was to spin off a second, political group, The Mississippi Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Gulf Coast chapter. The Task Force is organ-

izing the Gulf Coast's first gay and lesbian rights march. The march will go through downtown Ocean Springs, the community that has displayed the greatest opposition, and culminate in a peaceful rally. The march is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 18th. Organizers are hoping that as many as 1800 people will participate.

Emerson said that the group already has commitments from activists in Atlanta, Pensacola, New Orleans and northern Mississippi. For further information, call (601) 875-3335.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: NEW ORLEANS

First fifteen same-sex couples register their partnerships under new code

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON

The New Voice/New Orleans

On Wednesday morning, Sept. 2nd, a loosely organized ceremony took place at New Orleans City Hall. Fifteen lesbian or gay couples registered their partnerships.

On July 15, the New Orleans City Council unanimously passed a domestic partnership registry law. In so doing, New Orleans joined 30 other U.S. cities that recognize the partnership of same sex couples. New York City, Atlanta,

San Francisco and Minneapolis are among other major U.S. cities with such laws. Austin's city employees joined the list last week as well.

The first same sex couple registered in New Orleans was Rip Naquin and Martin Greeson. Naquin is the publisher of *Ambush Magazine*. Greeson is a cook at *Petunia's*, in the French Quarter.

Each couple was issued a certificate stating they were domestic partners.

Few non-symbolic benefits will result from such a registration. "However,"

said Judy Montz, political director of the Forum for Equality, "We are working to get domestic partners of city employees included under health care."

Private employers could be expected to follow such a precedent.

At the moment, some airlines give spouse/significant-other discounts if the union is official recognized. New Orleansians will now be availed of such discounts.

To register a partnership cost \$35. Registration is done at the Clerk of the

City Council, located in City Hall. Couples must state they live together and "have agreed to be jointly responsible for basic living expenses ... have chosen to share one another's lives in an intimate and committed relationship of mutual caring."

Registrants must be at least 18, unmarried and not part of a different partnership within the past six months, except in the case of separation by death. For information phone: (504) 565-6393.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: AUSTIN

Austin City Council to hold meeting with offended viewers of cable program

AUSTIN, Texas, Wednesday, Sept. 1 (AP)—The week after a public access cable station aired a show that included gay sex acts, the Austin city council will discuss viewers' options to avoid programs they consider obscene.

The discussion, which will be held Thursday in Austin, was prompted by the indictment of the producer and host of the

program "Infosex" on Aug. 23.

"I saw about 45 seconds of that tape, and that was about all I could stand," councilman Ronney Reynolds said Tuesday at a meeting of the City Council's cable TV committee. "I'm also concerned about profanity that we often hear on access channels."

Among the suggestions at the cable

committee meeting were placing all public access programs that may be offensive on one channel.

"This could allow parents to more easily monitor what their children can watch," Reynolds said. "We certainly don't want to infringe on anybody's First Amendment rights to freedom of speech. But I think we need to do something."

Last week, a Travis County grand jury indicted Terrell Johnson and Gareth Rees on misdemeanor charges of obscenity and recklessly exposing minors to sexually explicit materials.

Johnson, the show's producer and a former school teacher, said she was only trying to illustrate safe-sex practices. Rees was the show's host.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: TEXAS

Fort Worth judge permits lesbian to adopt live-in companion's daughter

FORT WORTH, Texas, Tuesday, Sept. 7 (AP)—In a rare court decision, a Tarrant County family law judge has permitted a lesbian to adopt her live-in companion's biological daughter.

The 2-year-old, conceived through artificial insemination, now legally has two mothers. The two Fort Worth women have shared a home for the past decade.

"This a landmark case. It's as far as we know the first one in the entire South," Austin attorney Suzanne Bryant, co-chairperson of the National Lesbian and Gay Law Association, said of last month's ruling.

"I'm thrilled to hear that Texas is finally coming out of the dark ages," she told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The Fort Worth couple filed the adoption petition so the girl legally can inherit from both partners and receive health insurance and Social Security benefits through either. If the biological mother dies, the adoptive mother may assume responsibility without legal hassles.

Since 1985 when a lesbian in Alaska adopted her partner's child, about 100 homosexuals have gained parental rights through the courts in what is called a co-parent, second-parent or same-gender adoption, according to San Francisco's National Center for Lesbian Rights.

The Fort Worth parents, a day-care center employee and an aerospace worker, asked that their names not be disclosed because they fear negative

reaction.

Records in the Tarrant County case are sealed, including the name of the judge. The adoption was disclosed in the current issue of "The Alliance News," a monthly publication of the Tarrant County Lesbian/Gay Alliance.

The biological mother said she and her partner and their daughter have attended social gatherings in Dallas for gay and lesbian parents.

In Dallas, at least 10 lesbian couples are raising children conceived by one of the partners via artificial insemination, said Carolyn Dunbar, a Dallas psychotherapist.

Dunbar, a lesbian who gave birth to a daughter two years ago, leads workshops and support groups for homosex-

uals bringing up children and trying to get pregnant or adopt. Some lesbians use sperm banks or donors. Others go through traditional adoption agencies.

"I tell them which agencies will work with you and which will kick you out," the psychotherapist said.

Bryant said a family court judge may remove a child from a home, and therefore many homosexual couples fear filing for adoption.

"It takes a great deal of courage for lesbians to openly ask the court to legalize and validate their everyday reality," she said. "Many times lesbians and gay men are very private about their personal life if children are involved, because they don't want to jeopardize their family relationship."

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Decatur Mayor welcomes Cobb County, Georgia residents who feel oppressed

DECATUR, Ga., Thursday, Sept. 2 (AP)—The mayor of this Atlanta suburb, saying his town is the land of openness and inclusion, says Cobb County residents who feel oppressed are welcome in his city.

"We in Decatur officially recognize same-sex families, single-parent families, everyone," said Mayor Mike Mears. "We in Decatur take a 180-degree opposite view of that in Cobb."

Decatur, seat of DeKalb County east of Atlanta, is home to 17,000 people, includ-

ing a number of homosexual groups, including the Digging Dykes of Decatur and the Lesbian Avengers.

"As a gay person, I've never had a negative prejudice experience in Decatur," said Chester Old, a sculptor who renovated a home in the city.

Residents say that Decatur is a paragon of progressiveness compared to Cobb County, a northwest Atlanta suburb where commissioners passed an anti-homosexual resolution after a complaint about a production at Marietta's Theatre

in the Square.

The Cobb commission also decided to yank arts funding after this year. DeKalb has earmarked \$450,000 for the arts this year.

In fact, a group of DeKalb County residents is trying to raise money to lure Theatre in the Square to the Decatur Square. Theater officials said they would consider the move after the current seasons ends next year.

DeKalb County and the city of Atlanta

have the only ordinances in the state forbidding discrimination against homosexuals in public employment. The Decatur city manager plans to propose benefits for domestic partners of employees, which Atlanta recently approved.

But not everyone in the county welcomes gays.

"If the domestic partnership issue comes up, we'll come out against it because we don't want our tax money going for that sort of thing," said Doug Marshall, head of the DeKalb Christian Coalition.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Lutheran Church assembly ends today; homosexuality issue debated

By AMANDA DAVIS

FOR THE NEW VOICE

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Wednesday, Sept. 1 (AP)—Delegates to a convention of Lutherans have reinforced their church's commitment to fighting racism in their denomination and in society at large.

Approval of a statement on multiculturalism was one of the last votes taken by delegates to the biennial assembly of the 5.2 million-member

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the nation's fourth-largest Protestant denomination.

The convention ended Wednesday, a day after the 870-60 vote approving the statement defining racism as a combination of "prejudice, power, and privilege."

That combination amounts to "sin" and denies "the truth that all people are God's children and ... persons of dig-

nity," the statement said.

The statement reaffirms the goal—first adopted when the church was formed in 1988—of having people of color or those with a first language other than English account for 10 percent of its membership by the year 2000.

The church also set goals for multicultural ministries and public policy activism to eliminate racial or ethnic discrimination.

On Tuesday, delegates discussed a

statement on human sexuality, but decided not to vote on the issue until the 1995 meeting in Minneapolis.

"We've learned we have a tremendous diversity of opinion on sexuality issues, especially homosexuality," said Bishop Herbert W. Chilstrom, spiritual leader of church.

The issue could lead some members to quit the church, Chilstrom added, but he predicted it would not affect the church's survival.



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▼▼▼ HOUSTON QUICK NOTES

Long time activist alleges victimization in possible Montrose hate crime

By SHAUN KEENAN GILSON

The New Voice/Houston

Ron Cavanaugh, secretary of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus and editor of its newsletter was the victim of an apparent hate crime/robbery on Tuesday morning at about 12:30 a.m., according to an HGLPC announcement.

The attack took place in Montrose as Cavanaugh was walking from his apartment to a convenience store. Two men accosted him, beating his head severely and stealing his wallet. No suspects had been apprehended at press time, however, two eyewitnesses have filed reports with the Houston Police Department.

The HGLPC is asking anyone with further information about the attack to contact them at 521-1000 and, or the Houston Police Department at 529-3100.

Cavanaugh, a long-time member of the HGLPC, was honored at the group's recent, annual awards dinner as "volun-

teer of the year."

Biology lesson?

Journalist Chandler Burr created a stir last March with a lengthy explanation of current thinking on roots of sexual orientation in *The Atlantic Monthly*. That article is the precursor to a full book-length treatment of the topic due this winter, which promises to take a central place in the debate on the origins of homosexuality.

Burr will be speaking in Houston on Thursday, Sept. 23rd at 7:30. The talk will be followed by a question and answer session. It will take place at the Bering Memorial United Methodist Church, 1440 Harold. The presentation is sponsored by Crossroads Market and Bookstore in conjunction with P-FLAG.

Further information is available by calling 942-0147.

Positive approaches

AIDS Foundation Houston has several special programs planned in the next

week.

On Monday, in conjunction with Body Positive/Houston, a two-hour seminar on financial planning and legal issues for people living with HIV/AIDS will begin at 6:30p.m.

The program will be offered at the Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond, and feature certified financial planner Peggy Wallace, co-founder of Affirmative Lifestyles, and attorneys Denyse Thierry, NAACP AIDS Project coordinator and Fran Brochstein of the Volunteer Lawyers Program.

On Tuesday, self-esteem, blocks thereto, and building a foundation for self-confidence will be the topic. This two hour workshop also begins at 6:30p.m. and will be held at the Montrose Counseling Center. The presenters are Montrose Counseling Center therapist Greg Cason and AFH's Bart Loeser.

The following Monday, Sept. 20th at 6:30p.m., AFH will sponsor another of its regular "medical overviews" of the

AIDS crisis. A panel of experts in the field will offer the presentation at the Montrose Library, 4100 Montrose Blvd.

For further information about any of these programs or future offerings, call 623-6796 or 529-0037.

Later that summer...

While in the wake of forty-plus rainless, sweltering Houston summer days, dry eyes were abundant when the Texas Gay Rodeo Association/Houston chapter's Hawaiian Beaches got rained out.

Billed as a "first annual end of summer fest," the carnival is designed to raise money for TGRA and participating community groups. There will be a variety of booths, food and live music. Because of the unforeseen, but not unwelcome rain, the festival will now take place Saturday.

It still begins at 11:00a.m. and runs until 7:00p.m. And, it will still take place in the environs of Bacchus II, 2715 Waughcrest, near Charlie's on Westheimer.

▼▼▼ NEW ORLEANS QUICK NOTES

Lynn Lavner hits the swamp with a mighty splash for P-FLAG convention

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON

The New Voice/New Orleans

Lynn Lavner has been playing the piano and writing songs since she was seven years old. "Jewish people from Brooklyn are expected to do this" she tells everyone.

Over Labor Day weekend, she did it with wit, verve and splash at the 12th annual international convention of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG), meeting in New Orleans.

The convention, billed as "Celebrating Family New Orleans Style" was hosted by P-FLAG's New Orleans chapter.

Lavner's performance was sold out, and then some. Over six hundred chairs were reinforced by hundreds more. "I guess someone's supposed to know how many chairs we brought in," a worker at the Sheraton Hotel's Pontchartrain Ballroom said, "But I doubt it, so many different people been bringing 'em in."

Fire aisles were kept clear, but every other inch of space was graced by yet another chair. Toting in all those extra chairs delayed the concert's start by a half hour.

When Lavner finally flounced her "vertically impaired" five foot self onto the piano bench the crowd was well readied to laugh. Laugh they did.

Billed as "America's most politically-

incorrect entertainer," Lavner has taken her original act to 40 states and 5 foreign countries. "Six, if you count Provincetown," it says in the P-FLAG convention program.

Perhaps because of the delayed start a few of the old-Lavner hits with lines like, "Do I swagger, do I swish/Am I too gay for Quentin Crisp" were omitted. But a few new numbers were introduced. One, "Fine Young Man," addressed the profound loss caused by AIDS. It left few eyes dry.

One of the workshops offered to the nearly 900 delegates during the three day convention was titled, "P-FLAG after Your Child Dies."

P-FLAG, has a membership over 20,000. Most cities have P-FLAG chapters. It is head-quartered in Washington, DC. The National Office may be reached by phoning (202) 638-4200.

Between and between the P-FLAG convention was

Southern Decadence

Every year, for the past twenty something years, when gay/lesbian New Orleans grows tired of waiting for Carnival it throws an end of Summer bash called Southern Decadence.

This year's spectacle was interfaced

with the more sedate Twelfth Annual International P-FLAG Convention going on in the sedate chambers of the Canal Street Sheraton Hotel.

The New Orleans' P-FLAG chapter was host. Steward Butler, host committee member, said they expected a number of about 750. It was a little closer to 900.

Back on the streets ('rue' in French, cher) the numbers were uncountable. The throngs that nightly claim Bourbon Street above Rue Saint Ann for pedestrians, claimed the rue past The Bourbon Pub/Parade, past OZ, past Cafe Lafitte in Exile, and down to Lafitte's Blacksmith Shop (from which, so the story goes,

Cafe Lafitte in Exile was exiled).

The annual Southern Decadence parade was led this year by Grand Marshall Lee "Ms. Fly" Featherston, owner of the Corner Pocket and the Wild Side. Each year the grand marshal chooses the parade's theme. This year, it was "Drag-on-Fly."

Up the yup-scale, at the Warehouse District's New Orleans Music Hall, RUPAUL was...ah...RuPAUL, Becky Allen M.C.'d as Becky Allen, and party-time New Orleans was at its best.

Inside the Music Hall, a house full of \$30 tickets swelled the ticket-taker's receptacle. The show was a partial fund raiser for NO/AIDS Task Force and Project Lazarus. Exact gate figures were not available by press time.

Also, Saturday night, the Mr. Louisiana Leather contest was held at the Emerald Room, in the former D.H. Holmes cafeteria.

Eight contestants vied for the title Mr. Louisiana Leather 1994. The winner was Kevin Mauldint from Metairie. First Runner-up was Stacy Bartus, from Baton Rouge; Second Runner-up was Russell Landry, from New Orleans.

Lynn Lavner was asked to be a judge of the Mr. Leather contest, she told the Sheraton crowd. "An unbelievable honor." "I can not accept because of a commitment to play that day at a the Mississippi Women's Festival."



Lynn Lavner

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Judge: confession inadmissible as evidence in California homicide case

VALLEJO, Calif., Thursday, Sept. 2 (AP)—Charges against a woman accused of beheading her lesbian lover have been dropped after a judge ruled that the woman's videotaped confession was coerced and cannot be used as evidence.

Prosecutors on Wednesday dropped charges against Roseann Peterson of Vallejo, accused of killing her girlfriend, Laura Venable. But Vallejo police vowed to continue investigating in hopes of finding physical evidence to link Peterson, 24, to the death.

"There are people out there who know about this case, but who don't want to talk," Vallejo police detective James Coughlin said. "We need to have those people come forward, but they are afraid."

The decision angered Venable's relatives, friends and representatives of women's groups. Some have criticized police and prosecutors, saying they did not investigate the case aggressively enough because Venable was a lesbian.

"It is not over, I'll tell you that," Therese Breen said after the hearing. "Laura's death is not going to go unavenged."

Vallejo-Benicia Municipal Court Judge Allan Carter made his ruling during Peterson's preliminary hearing. She pleaded innocent to the crime this spring.

Venable, 29, disappeared in March from the Vallejo home she and Peterson shared. Police found her body in a field near Vallejo two months later and subsequently arrested Peterson.

Peterson confessed to the crime during a videotaped session in jail. But Carter, after watching the videotape, said police forced the confession after Peterson told them she didn't want to discuss Venable's death.

Carter said that Peterson invoked the Fifth Amendment against self-incrimination when she told the officers that she did not want to talk about the decapitation.

The videotaped statement was the key piece of evidence to the prosecution's case because authorities do not have any physical evidence linking her to the crime and no witnesses have come forward, Solano County Deputy District Attorney Robin Keeney said.

"We have no substantial evidence other than the confession," she said.

"This is upsetting. I thought we could get this through."

She said charges could be filed again if detectives find additional evidence. If Peterson's case had gone to trial and she had been acquitted, she could not have been tried again if police came up with additional evidence.

Peterson showed no reaction to the judge's ruling. Her lawyer, Chief Deputy Public Defender Guy Sandler, said she was "relieved, at least for now."

Despite Wednesday's developments, Peterson remains in the county jail in Fairfield on \$50,000 bail on a separate case, in which she allegedly killed a friend's dog, threatened the friend with a crossbow and then threatened officers.

▼▼▼ HOUSTON QUICK NOTE

September Spiritual Renewal at MCCR offers Reverend Dee Dale as guest

Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection (MCCR) will have the Reverend Dee Dale for their guest speaker at the Fall Spiritual Renewal on Sept. 11th through the 13th. Reverend Dale will be preaching at the Sunday services of 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and also a special Monday service at 7:00 p.m.

She will also be doing a seminar on Saturday night, Sept. 11th at MCCR.

The event will begin with a pot luck dinner at 7:00 p.m. and the presentation at 7:30 p.m. The presentation is entitled "How to keep this thing going and have fun at the same time" for singles who want to do it right the first time, newly weds, and for people in long-term relationships.

Reverend Dee Dale will celebrate her 10th anniversary as Senior Pastor of MCC Louisville in December of 1993.

She has served various capacities in the Great Lakes District of UFMCC, including Assistant District Coordinator and as a member of the DCRC (District Clergy Review Committee).

Reverend Dale has been named to "Christian Leaders in America," "The World Who's Who of Women," and the "Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels." She was also the recipient of the Kentucky Stonewall Woman of the Year Award and Clergy Person of the Year in

the Great Lakes District.

She is a member of the National Organization of Women, the American Civil Liberties Union, and the Religious Coalition for Abortion Rights.

MCCR is located at 1919 Decatur Street and services are Sundays at 8:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. For more information about the Seminar, Spiritual Renewal, services and directions call (713) 861-9149.

▼▼▼ YOURS TRULY IN A SWAMP

Conversation with America's first openly gay Congressman: Gerry E. Studds

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON

The New Voice/New Orleans

Gerry Studds has represented the Massachusetts Tenth District in the U.S. House of Representatives for years. He is a veteran of many campaigns. Since a decades-old scandal linked him to a 17 year old House Page he has been open about being gay.

LEJ: "In our conversation during your last campaign, we talked about your ordeal with the page boy. I'm now curious about your growth. Was that what forced you out of the closet?"

GS: "Yes, that was the scandal. It was very upsetting."

LEJ: "Since you've come out have you gained inspiration from your own courage?"

GS: "Approximately ten seconds afterwards. It's different for everybody, and I certainly would not recommend doing it under those circumstances, and not on national television, but the fundamentals are the same."

"You tend to be, I know there are sad exceptions to this rule, but you tend to be overwhelmed by the positive responses of your family, and friends, and colleges. Besides, it's like someone has been sitting inside your head with a pillow for fifty years and suddenly they get up and you can breathe. It is rather a nice feeling."

LEJ: "It's my considered opinion people who hide for fear they will be oppressed for their homosexuality are creating a self-fulfilling prophecy."

GS: "I think that's true. I think it's important to recognize there certainly are instances where those worst fears do come true. Where parents reject, where there is violence, where people are beaten and killed. It is important to never ever forget that it is there. But it is very true for the most part, we construct and seal our own boundaries."

LEJ: "Your rift with Barney Frank over lesbians/gays in the military, how serious is it?"

GS: "I think the press wanted to pick on that, we had a temporary disagreement over tactics, not on goals. The only thing we really disagreed about was when it was appropriate publicly to talk about compromise."

"I felt you don't do that unless you have to, and Barney thought we should, at that point. We never differed on what we were trying to accomplish."

LEJ: "You're fearful, now, of codifying into law the military's gay/lesbian restrictive rules?"

GS: "We will codify something, I'm certain of that. Most likely whatever language Nunn (Georgia Senator Sam Nunn) and company come up with, and we (Congress) may do something much worse."

"People have sat back after (post) Inauguration Day dashing of their euphoric dreams...and realized the President is not by a stroke of the pen going to be able to end the

negative reaction to the President."

"This is, it ought to go without saying, but sometimes you have to remind people, the first and the only president ever to take the position he is taking. He's expended a great deal of political capital on it."

"I spoke to the President a few months ago in the White House and said, 'Mr. President, I want you to know that we understand you have spilled blood on this issue.'"

"He was wearing a red poke-a-dot tie and he said, 'I know, this used to be blue.'"

"The fact of the matter is the Congress is not ready. Even if the President had done what I wanted him to do, which was in the first week issue an executive order (lifting the ban), the next day the Senate would have reversed it, and the House would have done it the following week. There is no doubt about that."

"The bad news is obvious, you can list off the bad news till the sun sets. The good news is that we are going to win."

LEJ: "In our lifetime?"

GS: "I don't know. And I don't know how. I think the military thing will be won in the courts. They will strike whatever in the hell we (congress) do down."

"The civil rights thing obviously, will have to be won in the Congress."



Gerry Studds

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Ohio State University struggles to create housing policy for gays

By CINDY BENEDICTO

FOR THE NEW VOICE

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Sunday, Sept. 5 (AP)—Gloria McCauley and Chris Cozad would like to live at Buckeye Village, a family housing complex owned by Ohio State University. It's in a clean, quiet neighborhood, and rent is pretty good.

Getting one depends on whether the university will consider them and their two children a family, or at least Ms. McCauley and Ms. Cozad as "domestic partners."

Ms. McCauley and Ms. Cozad are lesbians, and Buckeye Village is open only to heterosexual married and single students with children.

"To those who say that Buckeye Village is for family, well, so are we. What makes us not a family?" said Ms.

McCauley, 41.

The university is reviewing its tenant policy at Buckeye Village. In April, President Gordon Gee announced that the apartments would accept homosexual couples, to conform to OSU's policy against discrimination. But opposition from some tenants and a legislator has forced the university to rethink the policy change.

The board of trustees will consider the issue this fall. It has no deadline for deciding.

The idea of homosexuals living at Buckeye Village has divided residents.

Graduate student J.P. Hwang doesn't want homosexuals living next-door to his family.

"We have two young children. We don't want to give them wrong ideas. We

want to teach them the right concept of a family," said Hwang, 36.

But graduate student John Angell said he would welcome same-sex couples to Buckeye Village.

"I'm more worried about my 3-year-old daughter being around intolerant people than being around people with different lifestyles," said Angell, 37.

Ms. McCauley and Ms. Cozad have been together for 11 years and like living in Columbus. Despite its image as a conservative Midwestern city, it has a well-organized gay community. About 100,000 of the 1.3 million in the metropolitan area are homosexuals, according to the homosexual-rights group Stonewall Union.

There are four monthly newspapers for homosexuals and at least a dozen gay bars. It has about 50 political, sup-

port, religious and recreational groups organized by homosexuals.

Still, Ms. McCauley and Ms. Cozad said they have been victims of intolerance. They said neighbors broke windows on their house and car several times in the neighborhood near campus where they had lived.

"We went in and out the back door. We had a porch we couldn't use," said Ms. Cozad, 38. "We couldn't come home from the grocery store without being yelled at."

They now rent a three-bedroom house for \$475 a month. They haven't had any problems with their new neighbors. They live with Lea, Ms. McCauley's 18-year-old daughter from a previous marriage, and 1-year-old Caelen, who Ms. McCauley had by artificial insemination.

▼▼▼ SAN ANTONIO SOAP

Paper plate girls with Victoria West; football begins with Billy and Sam

By LEFTY TAYLOR

The New Voice/San Antonio

I hope everyone had a happy Labor Day weekend. It was kind of anticlimactic for me, but I guess I had an okay time. I worked all weekend. On Monday Jim and I rode through Brackenridge to look at the hustlers, but that was the extent of what we did.

At the Wild Club, Ryan Idol appeared and he is just as good looking as the last time I saw him a year ago. The Wild Club is always bringing to town some hot young man that Randy hides until its time to do the show.

Victoria West had an interesting show Sunday night when she had some "girl friends" do their imitation of the paper plate girls. Also appearing that night was Aaron Davis and that was the first time I had actually seen her perform outside of a pageant. Great job girl! I also met Vickie the other day without the wig. She is a very nice person in or out of a dress.

Its football time with Billy and Sam at

the El Jardin. They will referee the game on Sunday afternoon with drink specials and Billy will handle the Monday night all alone. I heard him say he might miss a few games at the bar because he's going to work the locker rooms...as a towel boy, right. Of course you can always drop by and see Bambi working my old schedule and she pours a better drink than I do.

Coming up this weekend down across from the Gaudelupe Theater is the Diaz Y Sies Parade. Right there is Giovanni's pizza hosting with some of the best pizza in town. They are expecting 15 to 20 thousand people for the parade and hope everyone will drop by to say hello.

Another one of the exciting events this weekend was the first All Women hot oil wrestling at Memories. Sassy St. James, Miss Gay Fiesta herself, was the referee and know it was tempting for her to hop in and put two cents worth up front, but these girls could handle it all by themselves. One girl had the biggest set of feet I had ever

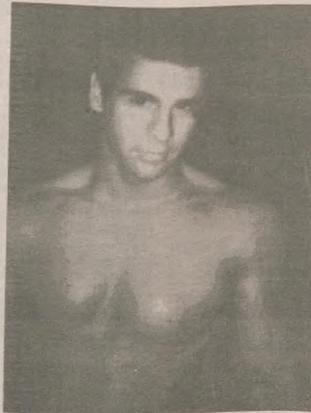
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Tonight out at Sparks is the Mr. Gay Fiesta Pageant hosted by Sassy St. James and Miss Gay Fiesta '93. Next week we'll have the winners and pictures.

For two weeks Robert has been gone and its about time he got back. No one would tell me where he went, as far as I know he was off wrestling the allocators in the Pocos, but I will find out. This month Sparks is celebrating Bob Zwahr and bartender Jim's birthday. I can't say how old they are, I'll go to jail for that, but let's just say they are still up and going strong.

Next Monday at the Papermoon, Chanel White hosts a benefit show to send Christopher Graham to Mr. Gulf Coast All-American. Special guests include Brenda K. Starr, Shady Lady, Erica Andrews, Pauletta Liegh, Denise Michaels, Ariel Andrews and many more. Then on Friday of next week, C.J. Harrington presents the Man of the Year Contest, show time will be 11:00 p.m.

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Ryan Idol at Wild Club

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Its hot out there still and if you're living without air conditioning like me, it seems even hotter. Ken Bradshaw is opening up a third location to help serve San Antonio's home needs and he is located right down the road from Sparks. There's nothing like air conditioning in your own home to

get you going. Now Jim is helping me pick out my snakes. We are the proud parents of a new baby albino corn snake named Rosie. We are out of the pigs now and are looking for flying squirrels, even though he really wants a ferret. That's real good, a ferret in the house with two cats, three chows, and three snakes. My happy little harmonious family would come to a tragic end. I don't think I could afford that many pet funerals without insurance. Anyway, if anyone knows of anyone who has a snake and wants to get rid of them, call me. If I don't want them, I'll find someone who does. Thanks a lot. Chow!



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HIV AND HERPES STUDIES

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HOUSTON SOAP

Holiday in San Francisco; Dog Daze on the way; Church Lady Review III

By TAD NELSON
The New Voice/Houston
Hello Houston!

Was your holiday laborious? I hope it was as fun as mine and the Trucker's holiday. I know a lot of you were being pretty decadent in New Orleans. I saw some of the proof in pictures. Others of you were at Last Splash in Austin no doubt enjoying the sun and waves at Texas' only nude beach. And believe it or not, I saw several of you, who were like myself, in San Francisco where it was cool if not plain cold and damp. Jackets during the afternoon were necessary. There's just no place like the Eagle in San Francisco on a busy night. The Trucker said he saw nothing less than an 8 and the men were shoulder to shoulder.

Have you seen that magazine they carry at Lobo among other places called Bear? We saw the store front and offices while we were out there. A cute cub named Mark was behind the counter. He said he used to live here for a short while and to tell everyone hello. Woof! It's a hard place to find so if you go out looking for it, I would call first. By the way Mitth—saw your ad.

We also drove with the other crazy drivers on Pacific Coast Highway on the way from Russian River to Carmel and Monterey. What a gorgeous drive, but frightening as hell on some of those sudden turns. And everybody drives about nine hundred miles an hour and in no particular lane. It's great to be back on Houston streets.

I see from the pictures that my friend Rick Ruble took for me that I missed quite a contest at the Venture-N. Yes it was the Mr. Venture-N Contest with Glen Weber, M.C. And out of the contestants Don, Randy, Michael, Rick, Dan, Randy and Greg—Don Gill was the winner. I told you he was Mr. Everything and here he has proven it again! Way to go Mr. Gill. Thanks for the pictures, Rick!

This past weekend Heaven said goodbye to summer with their Labor Day Anniversary "neon" Party. The only thing to outshine all of the bright colors was the crowd of gorgeous men. The most stunning of all was Adult Video Mega Star, Ryan Idol. Ryan stripped and told some steamy secrets about the video biz I'm told.

The Imperial Court's Back to the Chicken Ranch Benefit for the Colt 45's Stone Soup Fund raised over \$569 at Gentry last Sunday in a great show.



Group shot at Mr. V-N with Don Gill winner, front center



Don Gill with Kevin

Now for the coming week:

J.R.'s is the place to be this Friday night. Not only will all of the hottest men and women call this club central, DJ Barry Browder will have autographed 12 inch singles of the new vinyl "Craziaskowboi" by LaTour the group that brought us "People Are Still Having Sex." And as if that weren't enough, just the mere presence of club manager Randy Ormes will make any man's Friday at J.R.'s with the drive.

Mishpach Alizim, the Houston Gay & Lesbian Jewish group will have their monthly Sabbath services on Friday Sept. 10th at 8:00 p.m. There is also at least one social event every month. Call the Mishpach Alizim Hotline, at (713) 478-7079 for more details.

Two of our local theatres have been dark this past week, but are opening new shows this coming week. Theater Lab and West-Mon Repertory Theater.

Theater Lab opens today Thursday Sept. 9 with "X" and West-Mon opened yesterday Wednesday Sept. 8 with David Mamet's "Edmond." Also Houston's world famous Alley Theater opened the classic "Cyrano de Bergerac" with Gregory Boyd not only directing, but starring as well.

Did you know there is a new Rockefeller's West at 6400 Richmond? And Janis Ian will be opening her act on Sept. 15. Rumored but not confirmed at this time is also that Rockefeller's West has signed the Village People for Saturday, Sept. 25th and the opening act will be the Houston Gay Men's Chorus. Stay tuned for more details.

This Saturday at E/J's the Back Street Players will feature Brittany Paige, B.J. Williams, Jerry Morin and special guests Andy Flores and Paivi. Then on Sunday Jill Jordan will be appearing in person at E/J's for a special send off show for her to attend the Miss Gay U.S.A. at Large Pageant in North Carolina. These are sure to be shows you won't want to miss. E/J's Toga Party is also this Sunday beginning at 7 pm, so take the sheets off the bed and make a designer toga with the best YSL sheets you



Dee Dale holds spiritual renewal at MCCR



Mama Jo's lookin' good!



Fun on the Mining Company patio

have and have a great time this weekend at E/J's with Ed and Jeff and the gang.

Also this Sunday, but at Marys' naturally it is the 8th Annual "Dog Daze of Summer Show" beginning at 2 pm with registration and the actual contest beginning at 4:00 p.m. This year's co-emcees are Pickles and Don Dowden. Each dog is limited to three categories each from the following: pure bred, ugliest, nelliest, smallest, best costume, mixed breed, butchest, biggest, stupidest dog trick, owner/dog look-alike, best puppy. Jasper Wolf of the Wolf Pack will be honorary host along with the Wolf Pack and the She Wolves.

At Gentry this Sunday night is the Church Lady Revue III Benefit Show for MCCR and RSICSS. Don't miss what is sure to be a fun show by two great groups. You can also watch all the Oilier Sunday Afternoon Games at Gentry with the infamous Rita Boulevard leading the cheers and sloppin' the cocktails. Rah Rah Rita!

It's the battle f—the Titans! Hunks of the Southwest in a head to head match of the century for the title of the King of the Foot Longs. It is the exhibit and contest you will talk about for years; Evan meets Big Blake in a contest of muscle to muscle on Sunday Sept. 12 following Mondance. All of this at Pacific Street, 710 Pacific Street, where Real Men Still Dancel Go by and watch Caged Heat/Men Behind Bars, the shameless male strippers of the Southwest. Enjoy icy cold drinks at the great

Lee at Ripcord



Lee at Ripcord

regularly low drink prices. Remember, it's the battle of the Big ones for the title of King Dong this Sunday at Pacific Street.

If you missed the Pretty Boy Dancers at Venture-N this past Friday night don't miss Movie Day with AJ this Tuesday with cool drinks and hot popcorn. Or on Wednesday night it's "Bear" chest and Harness night with happy hour prices till 11:00 p.m. And there are After Hours till 4:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights.

Coming up in Houston:

RSICSS is having a party at Cousins to introduce it's candidates for emperor and empress of Reign X on Sept. 19 from 5 to 8:00 p.m. They invite you to join them for this special kick off for some very special people.

There is a new club in town. Club Hedonism is coming on Sept. 23. Call 639-5910 for more information. Look for future ads to follow.

Look for Hot Oil Wrestling at the Venture-N on Sept. 25 to benefit the Colt 45's.

Oct. 8—10 is the Living in Leather VIII at the Sheraton Astrodome Hotel. For detailed information and a free registration pack call (415) 863-2444 in San Francisco.

The Gay Men's Chorus of Houston wants you to join them and sing in the 1993 1994 season. Open rehearsals begin Thursday, Sept. 9 from 7 to 10 pm at 811 Westheimer. No experience is necessary but you must be able to carry a tune. Call (713) 522-7626 or 984-9683.

Pet Shop and Bird Clinic is happy to announce the opening of Groomingdales, an independently owned lease department. Rudy "Garland" Ryder, the owner of Groomingdales was the first groomer at PSBC when it was on Tuam. After owning his own grooming shops across Texas and managing PetMart Grooming Salons, he has returned to the Montrose area and PSBC. Welcome him back by bringing in your dog or cat. Call for an appointment at Groomingdales at (713) 524-2540 or just drop in to say hi!

Also don't forget, because I almost did, that Miss Camp America is on Saturday, Sept. 18. This is their 25th year. The Big Silver Anniversary. For tickets call (713) 520-STAR. This year's program will be held at the University of Houston Auditorium.

Well Houston, I hope to see you all around town this weekend. The Trucker and I will probably attend MCCR's Spiritual Renewal among other things about town. I'd love for someone to take pictures for me at Mary's Dog show this Sunday. I'll supply film and developing if you'll do the shooting. Call 529-8490 and ask for me.

Bye for now!

DATELINE: THE WORLD

Zimbabwe labs to test witchdoctors' AIDS cure claims; caution urged

By ANGUS SHAW
FOR THE NEW VOICE

HARARE, Zimbabwe, Monday, Aug. 30 (AP)—Zimbabwe's health minister said Monday they would test herbal remedies that healers said could cure AIDS, but he cautioned against raising false hopes.

Addressing a healer's gathering, Timothy Stamps said government laboratories have started a testing program to help traditional herbalists prove their preparations do more than relieve AIDS symptoms.

Herbal remedies have long been successfully used alongside modern medicine to treat a wide range of ailments,

including fevers. Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome is a fatal disease for which no cure has been found.

"We are not talking about treatment of the symptoms, we are talking about (finding) a definitive treatment," Stamps said.

Claims by a Harare man that he cured two AIDS patients have revived debate here on the role of tribal healers, known as n'angas in the Shona language.

On Saturday, state television quoted doctors at the main hospital in Harare as saying two patients of n'anga Benjamin Burombo tested negative nearly two years after identical tests diagnosed them as carriers of the virus that causes

AIDS.

However, the Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corp. said the new tests were not regarded as conclusive of Burombo's claim to have cured the two patients.

The two were not identified.

The main government laboratory said AIDS testing methods were not completely accurate and experts wanted to see more than just two cases of apparently reversed diagnosis, the television report said.

Experts further admitted administrative problems have led to mistakes with blood samples and the documentation covering AIDS patients.

Since the mid-1980s, numerous Afri-

can herbalists have claimed to have halted the onset of AIDS, but Western-trained doctors argue the traditional practice of puncturing and scarring the skin with needles and razors often did more to spread the virus.

None of the claims have been substantiated.

The 20,000-member Zimbabwe National Traditional Healers Association says it has submitted about 250 plants used to treat AIDS-related ailments for clinical tests.

Stamps has frequently stated his ministry will not dismiss traditional remedies without subjecting them to scientific analysis.

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▼▼▼RIO GRANDE VALLEY SOAP

Just Tery's celebrates its first anniversary with several special events

By ALICIA LUGO

The new Voice/Rio Grande Valley This week marks the one year anniversary for Just Tery's, and have they got one major party planned.

The party kicked off last night with a fun night of tri-cycle races, hula hoop contests and lots of dance music.

And the party continues tonight (Friday) with a great show featuring Victoria West, Miss Gay Southwest USA, Rashelle Stevens, Tara, Lady Laura, Joshua St. Michael and Sonny and Cher.



Catherine York & Rashelle

Then get ready for tomorrow night when Just Tery's will hold their Black and White Ball. So let's all play dress up and party! On Sunday, Just Tery's will have a pot luck barbecue starting at 3:00 p.m. They will have happy hour prices all day long and a special show at night.

Be looking for remodeling and expansion at Just Tery's these next few months as Terry and Peggy strive to make this your party central.

Incidentally, I have some dirt on Terry! I walked in on him sleeping on Sunday morning and he was all curled up in a Minnie Mouse and Daisy Duck blanket. I'm positive he probably lifted it from some poor, unsuspecting little girl. But then again, he acts so immature maybe someone felt it would be an appropriate gift for him.

Don't forget next Friday, Sept. 17th, Just Tery's will be hosting Rashelle's Birthday Bash. There will be a special show with lots of special guests!

Over at 10th Avenue, Muscles In Action will be performing tonight and also next Friday, Sept. 17th. So be sure and go out and check out those tight buns and hard pecs, guys. Also be sure to not forget that 10th Avenue hosts

super Sunday night shows every week featuring Misty and all the girls.

Be sure to mark your calendars for Sept. 19th when they will be celebrating Isaac's Birthday Extravaganza, with a bevy of stars.

Also be watching for a special appearance by Coco, the newly crowned Miss Gay Texas USA, at 10th Avenue sometime this month.

While in McAllen be sure and also stop by at PBD's located on the corner of Ware Road and Daffodil. Enjoy one of Daddy Drew's famous drinks and say hi to Chuck, Don, Jose and all the gang.

Zippers in Harlingen had it's Labor Day Patio Party last weekend. Stop by there on one of these hot September evenings and enjoy their nightly beer specials.



Benefit show for Jeff Sahli

Down in Brownsville, 440 and Michael Brooks Productions held their 1st Annual Miss Cameron County Pageant last weekend. There were four contestants; Carisa Matthews from San Antonio, Rashelle Stevens, Katherine York and Joanna all from Brownsville. They competed in the areas of presentation, evening gown, talent and male interview. Katherine York was crowned Miss Gay Cameron County with 1st runner up position going to Rashelle Stevens. Katherine will now represent us in next year's Miss Gay Texas Pageant in San Antonio.

Tonight, Friday the 10th, 440 will host a super show featuring Brittany Andrews from Corpus Christi and Michael Russell, a male stripper from Kingsville. Also, be looking for the Mr. Gay Rio Grande Valley USA Pageant at 440 later this month, with special guest Chachi, Mr. Gay USA. This will be a Michael Brooks Production.

Last Friday's Pageant was marred by a terrible tragedy at the end of the night. While leaving the bar, Jeffrey Sahli, a 28 year nurse from Brownsville was struck and killed by a drunk driver. Our heart felt sympathy and prayers go out to his family and friends in this trying time.

On Sunday night, friends and performers held a



Members of the new Congregational Church of the RGV

benefit show for Jeff to help raise money for expenses to send his body home to South Carolina. Thanks to everyone's generous contributions, they were able to raise over \$600. It just goes to show what can be done when we pull together as a community.

We all need to pitch in to prevent tragedies like this from occurring. Please don't let your friends drive drunk, and if you are intoxicated, don't be so stubborn as to not give up the keys. Save a life, it might be your own.

In other news, last Sunday I had the pleasure of attending the New Congregational Church of the RGV for the first time. I would like to thank them for collecting over \$200 in offerings that they gave to me for a 10 year old child with AIDS that I work with. The new church meets at Just Tery's at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays in the back bar.

Also, don't forget the Metropolitan Community Church meets at 7:00 p.m. on Sundays in Alamo. They are located on Earling Road between 907 and Morningside Roads.

This week the Valley Voice will meet at Creasy's Bowl in Harlingen on Tuesday night at 8:30 p.m. And next Tuesday, Sept. 21st, Valley Voice will hold its second volleyball match at Pendleton Park on Morgan Blvd. and Grimes Road in Harlingen at 7:30 p.m. Y'all come!

▼▼▼GALVESTON SOAP

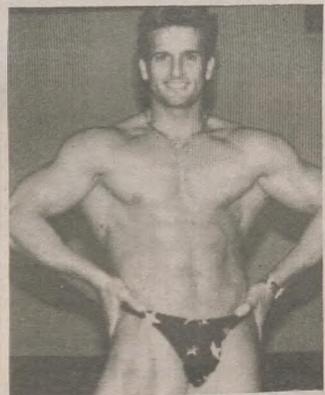
Labor Day weekend parties abound in Island City; Taylor does Wynonna Judd

By JERRY STUART

The New Voice/Galveston Well it was just as I thought it would be this past Labor Day weekend here in Galveston. The weather was great with the exception of the thunderstorm we got Friday night.

The clubs were slow Friday evening due to the weather, but Saturday and Sunday they were packed. The entertainment at the clubs was exceptionally festive last weekend.

Friday night, the Kon Tiki had Adonis from Muscles In Action dancing and Taylor Kennedy as a special guest. Taylor did songs by Wynonna Judd.



Lex at the Kon Tiki

Due to the fact that one of the Queens didn't show up, she and Shawanna Brooks did numbers back to back. As Donna Summers would say, these girls worked hard for the money that night.

Saturday evening, that incredibly good looking, god of a man, Lex, from Muscles In Action, was dancing at the K.T. and this was one man I had a hell of a hard time taking my hands, I mean eyes, off of. I only wished that I had a couple more rolls of film to shoot him, because he really knew how to Vogue for the camera.

Sunday, I was hung way over from the night before's festivities so I didn't get out to the Last Splash Party on the beach till 6:00 p.m., and by that time the party had moved to the bars and Jim had already gone home. Sources tell me, the sand was hot but the men were hotter. There was free beer and free wienies for everyone. This



Miss Diva

before the show. David, a.k.a. Miss Diva, cracked all our faces when she came out with a foot high hairdo and four inch spiked red pumps to do a number by Annie Lenox. Girl, I always knew you had it in you.

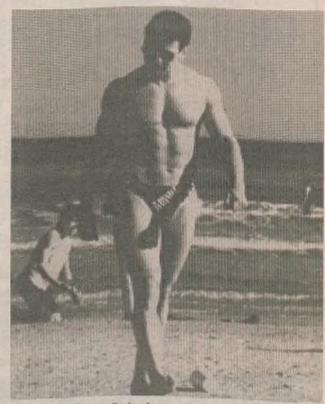
I found myself running back and forth between the clubs trying to cover both shows. I'm wondering if this is going to be a weekly thing with new shows at Evolution. You have all heard of "Star Wars," and you have heard of "Gas Wars," now I'm afraid we're going to see some "Drag Wars!" This coming Sunday, the 12th,



Taylor Kennedy

was one party I truly wished I hadn't missed.

The After Beach Party at the clubs was also a lot of fun. John was the winner of the Mr. Splash Contest at Evolution. Jason was the only other contestant that had the balls to stick around for the contest. It seemed the other three guys just disappeared right



Adam at Last Splash

there is going to be a benefit show held at Club Evolution with a whole cast of entertainers. So you are all going to have to save some coins for this charitable event.

Well now it's time to spread the local dirt. The beach was so steamy last week I can't even put the stories in print. Let's just say, I haven't seen so much flesh since the locker room in high school.

I'd like to ask Josh how he got the bruises on his leg and hip. Too much pushin' on the cushions? Mmmm? Only her hairdresser knows! Till next week. I've gotta run and don't forget to call me with any gossip at (409) 740-7403.

▼▼▼DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

President of Stonewall Cincinnati resigns after executive committee meeting

CINCINNATI, Friday, Sept. 3 (AP)—The president of a gay rights advocacy group has resigned just as the organization was preparing to fight a ballot challenge of the city's human rights law.

Shirley Lesser resigned from Stonewall Cincinnati on Thursday following a review by the group's executive committee

of Lesser's three-month probationary period, said committee member Betsy Gressler.

"They have a particular image and particular ways they perform," Ms. Lesser said. "They desire someone who can do it a little bit differently than I can do it."

John Maddux, a former board member,

said the organization is "middle-of-the-road" and that Ms. Lesser was "too activist, too open, too out."

"They have a real problem with someone who's too openly gay," Maddux said.

Ms. Lesser previously worked with gay rights groups in Virginia.

She said she probably would stay in Cin-

cincinnati to continue working against a ballot initiative to repeal the gay rights provisions of a human rights ordinance enacted last fall.

A coalition of conservative and religious organizations called Take Back Cincinnati wants to repeal the law, which prohibits its discrimination against homosexuals.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

Gay rights group threatens Colorado-style boycott in Cincinnati

By SONJA BARISIC

FOR THE NEW VOICE
CINCINNATI, Thursday, Aug. 26 (AP)—Gay rights activists figure that if it works in Colorado, it could work in Cincinnati.

A group called Gay and Lesbian March Activists is threatening a tourism boycott of Cincinnati if a city gay

rights ordinance is repealed.

"If the lies and rhetoric of the anti-gay extreme right succeed in taking away equal protection for gays and lesbians, then we are prepared to set a national boycott in motion," said Gregory Gajus, spokesperson for the 1,200-member local group.

Last fall, the city adopted a human rights ordinance that includes a provision barring discrimination against homosexuals.

A conservative group, Citizens for Community Values, is trying to get a ballot issue that would prohibit the city from adopting or enforcing gay rights ordinances.

The citizens group submitted 17,000 signatures on a petition to the Hamilton County Board of Elections. The signatures were verified last week, and City Council is expected to place the issue on the November ballot during its next meeting, Sept. 1.

Gajus said that if the measure passes, his group will ask people not to patronize several downtown attractions, such as the Cincinnati Convention Center and the Ohio Center for the Arts, which is under construction.

GLMA also would ask citizens and corporations that do business in Cincinnati to stop, Gajus said. He estimated Cincinnati would lose \$100 million a year because of the boycott.

"It's crucial that people understand that if they pass this initiative there is going to be a really heavy economic price to pay," Gajus said.

Dan Lincoln of the Greater Cincinnati Convention and Visitors Bureau said a boycott would only hurt people who have no control over the law.

"They're not hurting the city—they're hurting people that wait on tables and work in the hotels," said Lincoln, the bureau's vice president of tourism and communications.

He said tourism is a \$1.5 billion-a-year industry in Cincinnati, which gets 3.5 million visitors annually. About 73,000 people work full time in the tourism and hospitality industry.

"Quite frankly, a boycott by the homosexuals in Cincinnati might help our businesses," said Phil Burress, president of Citizens for Community Values, which has a membership of 16,000 families.

"How many people went out there (to Colorado) because of the boycott?" Burress said.

Burress said he opposes gay rights provisions because homosexuals are not a disadvantaged minority group.

"We are not anti-gay," he said. "This is about civil rights. They are perverting the 1964 Civil Rights Act."

GLMA's boycott would be patterned after the one in Colorado. That began after voters last November passed a state amendment barring local ordinances that offer civil protections to homosexuals.

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▼▼▼DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

After anti-gay vote, stamped 'gay money' shows up in Georgia county

MARIETTA, Ga., Saturday, Sept. 4 (AP)—Cash and checks stamped "Gay Money" or "Gay \$" are turning up in Cobb County, an apparent response to the county commission's recent vote condemning homosexuals.

The commission in the suburban Atlanta county passed a resolution last month condemning the "gay lifestyle." The commission later voted to eliminate arts funding, a move seen by some as another stab at gays.

The stamped money is not part of an organized effort, said Jon Greaves, president of the Cobb Citizens Coalition—a newly formed gay group. "I think it's an effort to demonstrate economic power," he said.

A variety of businesses throughout the county have received the imprinted money. Smyrna City Clerk Melinda Dameron said some stamped cash came in utility payment envelopes this week. The stamps are blue or pink, cashiers at local businesses said.

▼▼▼NEW ORLEANS QUICK NOTES

Omaha woman pledges \$25,000 grant to P-FLAG at New Orleans convention

Fern Watanabe, of Omaha, Nebraska pledged \$25,000 to Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG) at their 12th international convention meeting in New Orleans over Labor Day weekend.

Match-credits ask others to match the amount pledged with the threat of not paying up if the match is not made. Watanabe's offer was made without a time restraint. Within minutes delegates attending a luncheon address by Massa-

chusetts Congressman Gerry Studds had pledged over \$15,000.

"We expect no trouble matching that generous gift," Studds told the nearly 900 delegates.

Watanabe who said she had a gay child. She operates the Oriental Trading Company of Omaha.

The New Voice's New Orleans correspondent offers reading

Leonard Earl Johnson will be the featured reader on Wednesday, Sept. 15th, at Kaldi's Coffee Shop.

The readings are sponsored by the Vieux Carre' Hard Core, a literary society, and begin at 8p.m., lasting until 10:30. Kaldi's is at Decatur and Dumaine, in the French Quarter.

At the last Kaldi's reading, Johnson read a column from The New Voice titled,

"Easter on the River of Bourbon Street." He was asked by organizers to return to read in the "featured readers' slot. Featured readers are allotted more time.

Johnson writes the syndicated column "Yours Truly in a Swamp" which is the headline under which "Easter on the River of Bourbon" first appeared.

Johnson has written for The New Voice since 1989. A native of Illinois, he has lived in New Orleans since 1976.

▼▼▼NEW ORLEANS SOAP

Who in the world is Carmen Leveau?; the rumors build toward NO-AIDS Walk

By DEAN ROUSSEL

The New Voice/New Orleans

I don't know how to tell you what I'm about to tell you. Last week, I mentioned that Heckle and Jekyll, my informational sources, shared with me some soap that I wasn't able to write about. Since it was only rumored, I had to do some digging to find out if there were any other confirmed sightings before I reported on it. All the evidence is circumstantial; however, I'll tell you what I know.

This is how the mystery unfolded.

At Sunday evening's T-dance at the Parade Disco, Heckle and Jekyll informed me about a rumor that is beginning spread throughout the city. There is an obscure person roaming the gay bars and businesses of greater New Orleans that is effecting hundreds of patrons. I thought they had too many free drafts; Sunday T-dance at the Parade can make one talk out of one's mind. Jekyll stated that when this person walks into one of these establishments, a sort of mysterious energy (as described by one patron) saturates the entire atmosphere; an energy characterized by one group of witnesses as a feeling of extreme joy and jubilation, a sort of religious experience. I asked Jekyll who this person was, and he said he did not know. Heckle gave me a few names I

should contact.

On Monday evening, I called the names I received from Heckle and asked them if they could meet me for dinner at La Peniche at 1940 Dauphine. Jekyll told me that they would be very reluctant to give me any additional information because of fear of the unknown. "Unknown?" I asked. "Yes, unknown," Jekyll replied.

"This obscure person and mysterious energy is not known by anyone; most don't want to talk about it because they fear it may go away if discovered." I wanted to meet the contacts anyway. Perhaps if I bought them dinner at La Peniche they would talk.

I arrived at the restaurant at 8:30 p.m., seeing my two contacts sitting at a table. They got there early and already had two drinks each. They better talk if I am paying for the drinks, too.

Eight drinks, three dinner specials, and three homemade deserts later, they finally revealed what they knew. I knew that La Peniche would get them to talk. The mystic person is a woman (or a very good drag queen), standing about 5'7", and has blond hair that flows past her behind. They stated that no one has ever met her, so nobody knows her name.

My contacts left me there pondering. As I was finishing my coffee, a gentleman passed by my table dropping a

piece of paper crumbled into a ball onto my lap. I quickly opened it to read the contents, only to find a wad of gum inside; apparently, it was not a clue.

On Tuesday, I thought I would do a bit of foot work. I walked over to 816 N. Rampart to speak with Renee' Parks, volunteer coordinator of the Gay and Lesbian Community Center; perhaps she had come across some information. She was putting together a volunteer orientation to be held on Thursday, Sept. 16th at 6:30 p.m. at the center. R.S.V.P. by the 15th at (504) 522-1103. She had no details on the blond mystic woman except that some call her Carmen Leveau. At least now I have a name, maybe not her true name, but a name.

My next stop was the NO/AIDS Task Force at 1407 Decatur. A volunteer told of a feeling of exhilaration that came across the office when a woman with the most beautiful blond hair came through the reception area. I ask him to describe her to me, only to get the response, "That's all I saw was blond hair." She had picked up a NO/AIDS Walk information packet from the brochure table.

I finally got a clue. She would probably be in the NO/AIDS Walk on Sunday, Sept. 26th, but I can't wait that long to discover her identity. However, in the meantime, I will get involved in that

walk, too. Perhaps she, or someone else with information on Carmen Leveau, will call me with a pledge at (504) 524-3279.

Or even better, because there will be so many people supporting NO/AIDS at the Walk, I could use some help scouting out Ms. Leveau. If you can walk with me, go down to the NO/AIDS Task Force to pick up some pledge sheets or call the office at (504) 948-WALK for further information. I could really use your help one way or the other. I'll mention a place next week where we can meet on Sept. 26th and then we can devise a plan to find out just who this Carmen Leveau is.

I just got some extremely hot info about Carmen Leveau off the fax from a new source. I have to find out how reliable the source is before I give details. However, the information is supposed to include unclear pictures of Ms. Leveau. You will hear from me next week, but before I go, I need to make an appeal.

Ms. Leveau, if you are reading this soap column, you know the agony I am going through trying to find out just who you are. I hear about the atmosphere of jubilation that you fill rooms with. Please contact me so that we all can understand your powers. Until next week. ...

▼▼▼CORPUS CHRISTI SOAP

Tattoos and pearls...Beachhead Six party may be gone, but not forgotten

By SUZETTE LOCKE

The New Voice/Corpus Christi

Well, Beachhead Six maybe over, but it's long from forgotten. This year's biggest beach party was a smashing success! Riders from The River City, Capital City, Sparkling City by the Sea and many, many motorcycle clubs converged on the Texas Riviera this past weekend! (Because of limited space and pictures this will be continued next issue also!) Everyone at the CCMC worked extra hard together to bring you this great event. Extra special koodoos to Richard and Randy, Alfred Rodriguez, Ken Boeker, David Molbe, Steve Falgout, Henry Ortega, Richard Martinez, Lisa Sheinburg, Buck Myers, and Aaron Deal; your host for the weekend!

Friday night at the Hidden Door, cocktails by the Sundance Cattle Company and cocktails by the Bay Area Leather, Levi Society, and cocktails by CC Rebels W.L.L.C. As you can gather, there was some serious partying going on! You were fore warned...if you missed it! But, a mistake was made... its not 52 weeks till Beachhead VII, its 104!!! Yikes! Oh well, since I'm only here

half the time anyway... But seriously folks, two years is along time! But we'll be there, whenever and wherever it is.

Saturday morning...feeding time at the zoo! Breakfast at "La Falgout" on the menu: Steve a la Quiche, fruit and juice. For that hangover head, "eye openers" by Tejas M.C. The Motorcycle Enduro ended at Hidden Door. Getting ready for the Caravan to the beach. At the Beach, a major beer bust, hot dogs, condiments and drinks, with special events! Pictures of the Sand Sculptor Contest will be in the next issue! In the interest of space, it will be necessary to continue. But it's worth the wait! This was a major event with 3 rolls of film, which all can't be produced! There were Labor Day Parties all over town!

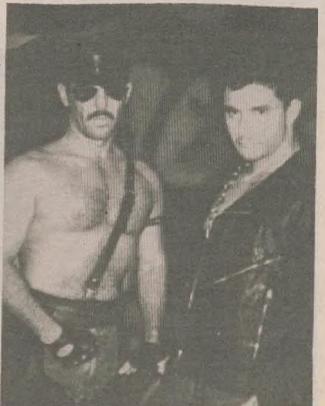
Enchantress "Deliahla," dazzled 'em at Desert Hearts. Always a show stopper! Deliahla always packs the house, even without much notice. Radiant, gorgeous, magnificent, are only a few choice words to describe devastating beauty. I heard bibs were needed to wipe any faces after Deliahla was through working the crowd. She danced her way from San Antonio to delight (or

should I say drive crazy) the wild women of the Coastal Bend. Won't be too soon for her return! Come on Zondra, when's the next showing? Other fish fries going on Sept. 17th with a benefit show for the M.C.C. at 11:00 p.m. Dinner is at 7:00 p.m. Better hurry! Desert Hearts is hot and shows no mercy! Make a special note...every Thursday (win one or both) a pool tournament and dart tourney with cash prizes. One of the hottest D.J.s in town will be there. Master Scott mixes the latest dance music for you!

Did you catch the Key Hole Production of Leathermen? Ooohhh!! It made the crowd sweat! Leather, chains, candle wax, and spankings...sounds like fun to me! Key Hole puts on a spectacular show every Friday at Choices. The best built, nastiest, sweatiest show in the Coastal Bend! If you have a heart condition or are prone to heat flashes, stay away from Choices on Fridays...only the strong survive! See ya' there next Friday!

Babalous! Extra, extra apologies to the newest Tejano Club in Corpus Christi! We've attempted to bring you the latest news and drink specials from Babalous at 213 S. Staples, but the holiday deadline was an obstructive stumbling block. Bring your favorite spirits and party to the latest Tejano hits Wednesday through Sunday from 7:00 p.m. till 2:00 a.m.

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▼▼▼ AUSTIN SOAP

Rainbows, sunshine, and water sports fill Labor Day weekend in Austin

By JIM RAWSON

The New Voice/Austin

We cannot even begin to tell you what a fabulous weekend it was here in the capital city! The timely arrival of a cool front brought a drop in temperatures and beautiful, clear blue skies to welcome the thousands of men and women who came to Austin for our final summer parties.

The fourth annual Pride Festival opened its gates on Saturday afternoon at Fiesta Gardens to a crowd estimated at just under 3000 people. (A visiting National Park Service employee from Washington, D.C. told us he thought it was more like 70). Continuous comedy and musical entertainment provided a backdrop for shopping, eating, meeting community leaders, and playing.

Sixty vendors and organizations nestled under shade trees and tents offering everything from snowcones to rainbow vests. Crowd favorites were "Hug A Hunk" for Team Austin, the Lesbian Avengers kissing booth, the Lesbian/Gay Film Festival previews, and getting ACT-UP tattoos.

The Austin Lesbian/Gay Political Caucus sponsored a table with marvelous poster-sized thank-you cards for the five City Council members who voted in favor of granting domestic partnership benefits to city employees. We had so much fun that we hated to leave at closing time.

If you did not make it to Hippy Hollow before 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, you (like us) found yourselves parking miles from Last Splash and hiking or paying for a ride. One group of men we met commented that the county should build a little train into the Hollow, something like the ones at Disneyland. With the small fortune that Travis County takes in from the two Splash celebrations, they could afford it!

By 1:00 p.m. the rocks and trails along the lake were full of men and women lugging blankets and coolers, and the water was so packed with floats and swimmers it seemed that you could walk out to the big party boats on them. We waited and waited in vain for the arrival of the beer barge and discovered as we were leaving that it had docked at the far cove near the Oasis restaurant.

Back in the city, every bar was shoulder-to-shoulder after sunset on Saturday and Sunday. Latecomers to Oilcan Harry's found themselves waiting in line out on Colorado Street and there was barely room to two-step at San Francisco's. The patios at The Crossing and Charlie's and Chain Drive were popular spots to get some air and cruise the beautiful men and women showing off their new tans (or sunburns). Partying went on well into the small hours of Monday morning with after-hours at the 404 and Cisco's street dance.



The 21.06 jail

The first-ever lesbian/gay street party in Austin was a huge success as San Francisco's closed the 100 block of San Jacinto on Sunday night. Lots of dancing room, outside bars, deejay music, and live entertainment by Sid Spencer and Austin's own



Tatiana receives her crown

Donnie Everett under the stars made it a night to remember. Owner Janet and manager Jay were all smiles despite the vast amount of work that this event required, and they thank the volunteers from the Austin chapters of TGRA and Southern Country who helped keep everything running

smoothly. Sources tell us to watch for a new location for Cisco's in the near future.

So much happened in these three days of celebration that it was hard to keep track of it all, but here are some of our



Last Splash 1993

favorite moments: entertaining hunky Dallas trucker George and his partner Junior at The Crossing Friday happy hour; bailing Deacon Dave out of jail at the Festival; the songs of the Therapy Sisters and the Capital City Men's Chorus on Saturday; the "Saving Our Stories" history exhibit; melt-in-your-mouth fajitas at Ben and Wayne's anniversary party at Socials, Etc.; the rainbow balloon sculptures atop Mick's party boat on Lake Travis (what the heck is Mick's?); the gorgeous man in the striped Speedos at Last Splash; bar-hopping with De Shannon; Cisco's bartender Gary in his light-up cowboy boxer shorts; the hilarious "drawers" number by Miss 404 Heather Thomas at 5th Street Station; test-tube shots at Auntie Mame's; poster boy Jim Horgan at Charlie's (our friend J.R. plans to establish a cult to worship this man).

5th Street Station was the setting for the Miss Gay South Texas America 1994 pageant Sunday evening. Show director De Shannon and Heather Thomas, Miss 404, were hostesses for this event which featured guest performances by Paris Chanel, the reigning Miss Gay South Texas America, and the stunning Whitney Paige, Miss Gay Texas 1993.

Tatiana captured the crown, and Renee Thomas was first runner-up. Pictured are Whitney Paige (on left) and Paris Chanel (right) crowning Tatiana.

"Family By Design," a workshop for same-sex couples, will offer a basic seminar on Saturday, Sept. 25th and an advanced workshop on Sunday, Sept. 26th at the Moondance Diner. These seminars address some of the financial, legal, and personal issues involved in the alternative families of lesbians and gay men. Topics



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end featuring graphics by barback Robbie who also does the popular murals on the Bar's dance floor. Apparently, "X" marks the spot...

Liberty Books has a whole new look. In less than a week all the merchandise was re-arranged to give the shop a better

flow and more comfortable feel. We find new items and books every time we stop in, and we've enjoyed seeing the found metal sculptures by our buddy, John Mason. If you haven't been by the store at the Castle Hill Center on Lamar lately, make a trip.

Saving Our Stories and the Capital City Community Center will present a workshop on the importance of preserving the histories of the gay/lesbian/bisexual community on Saturday, Sept. 18th, at the Ruta Maya Coffeehouse on Fourth Street. Sessions are at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. For more information, call 472-2222, extension 6.

Socials, Etc. is having an old-fashioned fish fry to benefit Christopher House on Wednesday, Sept. 22nd. Manager Wayne tells me that there will be lots of good catfish and all the fixins' from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale now. Why cook dinner?

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Happy Hour, well \$1.50, longnecks, \$1.50, mega mugs \$1.25 2-8pm, Kon-Tiki; \$1.00 well drinks, draft & Schnapps 4pm-2am, Evolution; Beer Bonanza, 1st draft \$1 refills 10¢ 5-10pm, Kon-Tiki; Happy hour 4-7pm, Evolution; Recesson Busters, well \$1.75, longnecks, \$1.75, mega mugs \$1.25 8-10pm, Kon-Tiki; Cabaret 10:30pm sharp, Kon-Tiki

- Galveston, Monday, Sept. 13**
Happy Hour, well \$1.50, longnecks, \$1.50, mega mugs \$1.25 4-8pm, Kon-Tiki; Happy hour 8-10pm, Evolution; Recesson Busters, well \$1.75, longnecks, \$1.75, mega mugs \$1.25 8-10pm, Kon-Tiki; 75¢ well 10-11pm, Kon-Tiki
- Galveston, Tuesday, Sept. 14**
Happy Hour, well \$1.50, longnecks, \$1.50, mega mugs \$1.25 4-8pm, Kon-Tiki; Happy hour 8-10pm, Evolution; Recesson Busters, well \$1.75, longnecks, \$1.75, mega mugs \$1.25 8-10pm, Kon-Tiki; Pool Tournament 10pm, Kon-Tiki; Lone Star longnecks 75¢ 10pm-2am, Kon-Tiki
- Galveston, Wednesday, Sept. 15**
Happy Hour, well \$1.50, longnecks, \$1.50, mega mugs \$1.25 4-8pm, Kon-Tiki; Happy hour 8-10pm, Evolution; Recesson Busters, well \$1.75, longnecks, \$1.75, mega mugs \$1.25 8-10pm, Kon-Tiki; 100 well drinks, draft & Schnapps 8pm-2am; Evolution; Shear Madness, \$1.25 well, \$1.25 50cm longnecks, 75¢ Schnapps, \$2 Harvey Wallbangers 8pm-2am, Kon-Tiki
- Galveston, Thursday, Sept. 16**
Happy Hour, well \$1.50, longnecks, \$1.50, mega mugs \$1.25 4-8pm, Kon-Tiki; Happy hour 8-10pm, Evolution; Recesson Busters, well \$1.75, longnecks, \$1.75, mega mugs \$1.25 8-10pm, Kon-Tiki; Lottery drawing 10:30pm, 11:30pm, 12:30am & 1:30am, Kon-Tiki

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

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

Corpus Christi, Sunday, Sept. 12
25¢ draft beer noon-7pm, Hidden Door; Happy Hour noon-7pm, Desert Hearts; Happy hour noon-7pm, Hidden Door; Crown Royal & bloody marys \$2.00 noon-2am, Desert Hearts; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; Free Bar-B-Q with trimmings 6pm, Choices; Free BBQ w/trimmings, male strippers 6-9pm, U.B.U.; Club night 6-10pm, Choices; 25¢ rum & coke, 25¢ draft, 75¢ well 8-11pm, U.B.U.; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; Show Midnight, U.B.U.

Corpus Christi, Monday, Sept. 13
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; \$2.00 drink special 3pm-2am, Desert

Hearts; Happy hour 3pm-closing, Desert Hearts; 100% beef cheeseburgers, \$1.00 plate 6pm, Choices; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices

Corpus Christi, Tuesday, Sept. 14
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; \$2.00 Margaritas & Colorado Bulldogs 3pm-2am, Desert Hearts; Volleyball 6-8pm, Hidden Door; Steak Night 7-10pm, Hidden Door; 25¢ draft beer 7-11pm, Hidden Door; Pool tournament, \$20 prize, no entry fee 9pm, Hidden Door; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; DJ 10pm-2am, Choices; Pool tourney \$25 cash prize No entry fee 10:30pm, Choices

Corpus Christi, Wednesday, Sept. 15
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1.00 well drinks 11am-2am, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; Happy Hour 3-7pm, Desert Hearts; \$2.00 Absolute 3pm-2am, Desert Hearts; \$4 steaks & real tators 6-10pm, Desert Hearts; 25¢ rum & coke, 25¢ draft, 75¢ well 8-11pm, U.B.U.; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; Hot male strippers 10:30pm, Choices

Corpus Christi, Thursday, Sept. 16
Happy hour 11am-7pm, Hidden Door; \$1 well 2-9pm, Choices; Happy hour 2-11pm, Choices; 50¢ draft 2pm-closing, Choices; Happy hour 3-7pm, Desert Hearts; \$1 well drinks 3pm til closing, Desert Hearts; 25¢ draft beer 7-11pm, Hidden Door; 25¢ rum & coke, 25¢ draft, 75¢ well 8-11pm, U.B.U.; Pool Tourney, no entry fee, \$50 cash prize 9pm, Desert Hearts; 69¢ well 9-11pm, Choices; Pool tourney \$25 cash prize No entry fee 10:30pm, Choices; Variety show Midnight, U.B.U.

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Brownsville, Friday, Sept. 10
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Brownsville, Wednesday, Sept. 15
Happy hour 8:30-10:30pm, Club 440; \$1.50 well drinks 10:30pm-2am, Club 440; Amateur night Midnight, Club 440

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**The New Voice
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Harlingen**

Harlingen, Friday, Sept. 10
Happy hour 6-9pm, Zippers

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Happy hour 6-9pm, Zippers

Harlingen, Sunday, Sept. 12
Beer Bust, 50¢ draft/glass, \$1.50 qt. mug, \$3 pitcher 6-11pm, Zippers

Harlingen, Monday, Sept. 13
Happy hour 6-9pm, Zippers

Harlingen, Tuesday, Sept. 14
Beer Bust, 50¢ draft/glass, \$1.50 qt. mug, \$3 pitcher 6-11pm, Zippers

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Happy hour 6-9pm, Zippers

Harlingen, Thursday, Sept. 16
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McAllen, Friday, Sept. 10
Drink Specials 8-11pm, 10th Avenue; Happy hour 9-11pm, Just Terry's; Show midnight, 10th Avenue

McAllen, Saturday, Sept. 11
Drink Specials 8-11pm, 10th Avenue; Happy hour 9-11pm, Just Terry's; Show midnight, 10th Avenue

McAllen, Sunday, Sept. 12
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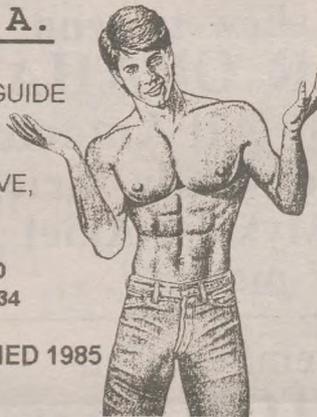
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San Antonio, Saturday, Sept. 11
\$1.00 bloody marys & screws 10am-3pm, El Jardin; Happy hour, \$1.75 well drinks 10am-10pm, El Jardin; Happy hour 2-8pm, 2015; Happy hour 2-8pm, Country Club; Drink specials all night, Country Club; Fiesta hours 4-9pm, Bamboleo's; \$2 drinks, Memories; 75¢ draft & \$2 frozen drinks, Wild Club; Shady Lady hosts The Wild Club Dancers, Wild Club; Adults no cover to 10pm, Bonham Exchange; \$1.75 drinks 8-11pm, Bonham Exchange; Dancers 11pm, Sparks; After hours, Wild Club; After-hours 2-4am, Bonham Exchange

San Antonio, Sunday, Sept. 12
Sunday Tea Dance with early male dancers, Sparks; \$1.00 bloody marys & screws noon-3pm, El Jardin; Happy hour, \$1.75 well drinks noon-10pm, El Jardin; Happy hour 2-8pm, 2015; Happy hour 2-8pm, Country Club; 50¢ draft 2pm-2am, Country Club; Fiesta hours 4-9pm, Bamboleo's; \$1.75 Cuervo Ole, Memories; \$3.00 cover, 50¢ well & draft, Bonham Exchange; The Wild & Wicked Sunday Show, Wild Club; \$1 well drinks 9-11pm, Wild Club; Sassy's Variety Show 9:30pm, Memories; Dancers 11pm, Sparks; Super Show, no cover 11:30pm, Bamboleo's; Male & Female strippers 11:30pm, Bonham Exchange; After-hours 2am, Wild Club

San Antonio, Monday, Sept. 13
\$1.00 bloody marys & screws 10am-3pm, El Jardin; Happy hour, \$1.75 well drinks 10am-10pm, El Jardin; Happy hour 2-8pm, 2015; \$1.75 well & longnecks 2pm-2am, 2015; Happy hour 2pm-2am, Country Club; Fiesta Hour All day, all night, Bamboleo's; \$1.75 frozen margaritas, Memories; Pool tourney, Memories; Talent contest & square dancing & no cover, Bonham Exchange; \$1.75 well drinks, \$1.75 longnecks & 50¢ draft all night, Wild Club; The Shady Lady Show, Wild Club; Dancers 11pm, Sparks

San Antonio, Tuesday, Sept. 14
\$1.00 bloody marys & screws 10am-3pm, El Jardin; Happy hour, \$1.75 well drinks 10am-10pm, El Jardin; Happy hour 2-8pm, 2015; Happy hour 2-8pm, Country Club; \$1.75 well & longnecks 2pm-2am, 2015; \$1.75 well drinks 2pm-2am, Country Club; Fiesta hours 4-9pm, Bamboleo's; Happy hour to 9pm, Memories; \$1.75 well

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San Antonio, Wednesday, Sept. 15
\$1.00 bloody marys & screws 10am-3pm, El Jardin; Happy hour, \$1.75 well drinks 10am-10pm, El Jardin; \$1.25 longnecks to 7pm, Memories; Happy hour 2-8pm, 2015; Happy hour 2-8pm, Country Club; \$1.25 frozen margaritas 2pm-2am, 2015; \$1.75 frozen margaritas, 50¢ draft & \$3.00 pitchers 2pm-2am, Country Club; Fiesta hours 4-9pm, Bamboleo's; Adults \$3.00 cover, 50¢ well & draft, Bonham Exchange; Hot chest contest, Bonham Exchange; Jennifer St. John hosts 5x5 Specials, 75¢ draft, \$1.25 longnecks & 50¢ well drinks all night, Wild Club; \$1.25 well drinks, \$1.50 dom, beer, 75¢ Schnaaps 9pm-2am, Bamboleo's; Dancers 11pm, Sparks

San Antonio, Thursday, Sept. 16
\$1.00 bloody marys & screws 10am-3pm, El Jardin; Happy hour, \$1.75 well drinks 10am-10pm, El Jardin; Happy hour 2-8pm, 2015; Happy hour 2-8pm, Country Club; \$1.50 longnecks & 6 ponies \$4.00 2pm-2am, Country Club; Fiesta hours 4-9pm, Bamboleo's; \$1.75 well, 75¢ draft & \$2 frozen drinks, Wild Club; Talent Nite, Wild Club; 50¢ well drinks & draft, Bonham Exchange; Karaoke Sing Along 9-11pm, Sparks; Male dancers 9pm-1am, 2015; Sassy St. James host strippers 9:30pm, Memories; Amateur Contest 10:30pm, Bamboleo's; Dancers 11pm, Sparks; Strippers midnight, Bonham Exchange

San Antonio, Friday, Sept. 17
\$1.00 bloody marys & screws 10am-3pm, El Jardin; Happy hour, \$1.75 well drinks 10am-10pm, El Jardin; Happy hour 2-8pm, 2015; Happy hour 2-8pm, Country Club; \$1.75 longnecks, \$2.00 Cuervo & \$1.75 well drinks 2pm-2am, Country Club; Fiesta hours 4-9pm, Bamboleo's; \$1.25 well drinks & longnecks 6-8pm, 2015; 75¢ draft & \$2 frozen drinks, Wild Club; Male & female strippers, Bonham Exchange; Male Dancers, Wild Club; Male dancers 6:30-8:30pm & 9-11pm, 2015; No cover till 10pm, 75¢ well & draft, Bonham Exchange; Dancers 11pm, Sparks; After-hours 2am, Wild Club; After-hours 2-4am, Bonham Exchange

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

New Orleans, Sunday, Sept. 12
Breakfast with Bobby 9-11am, The Phoenix; Buddy night, pay for a room, get a locker free 8am-8am, Midtowne Spa; Champagne Brunch 10am-3pm, Heart Break Cafe & Bar; Music by DJ Mitch Dale 3-9pm, Heart Break Cafe & Bar; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Mint; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Phoenix; 75¢ well drinks 9pm-midnight, Quasi

New Orleans, Monday, Sept. 13
Daddy night, anyone over 40 gets a room 1/2 price 8am-8am, Midtowne Spa; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Mint; 25¢ draft, Quasi; Bring your own meat BBQ 7pm, The Phoenix

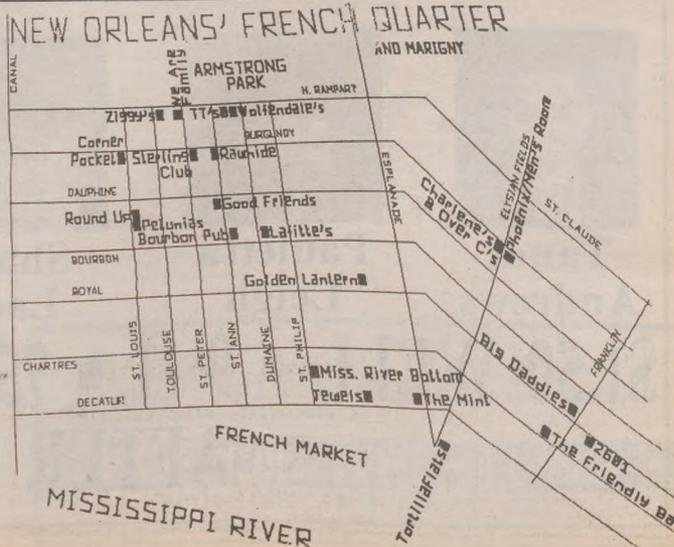
New Orleans, Tuesday, Sept. 14
1/2 price for everyone 8am-8am, Midtowne Spa; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Mint; No cover with Student ID, \$1

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New Orleans, Wednesday, Sept. 15
Boy toy night, anyone under 30 get a room 1/2 price 8am-8am, Midtowne Spa; Happy hour 4-9pm, The Mint; Men's Night, 2 free drinks 9-11pm, Quasi

New Orleans, Thursday, Sept. 16
Happy hour 4-9pm, The Mint; \$1 well drinks all night, Quasi; Show featuring hot guys 9:30pm, Midtowne Spa; The Ken & Barbie Bouffont Beach Party Boogaloo, with Ricky & Becky 10:30pm, The Mint

New Orleans, Friday, Sept. 17
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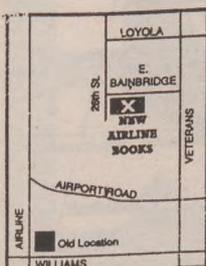


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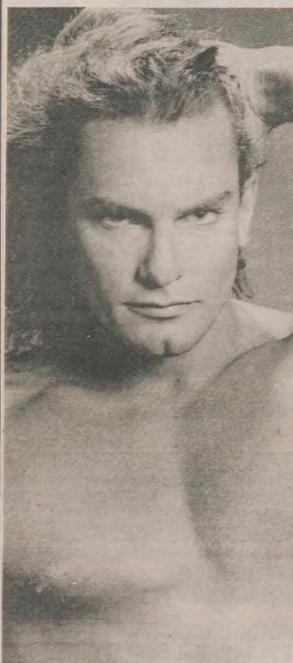
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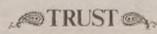
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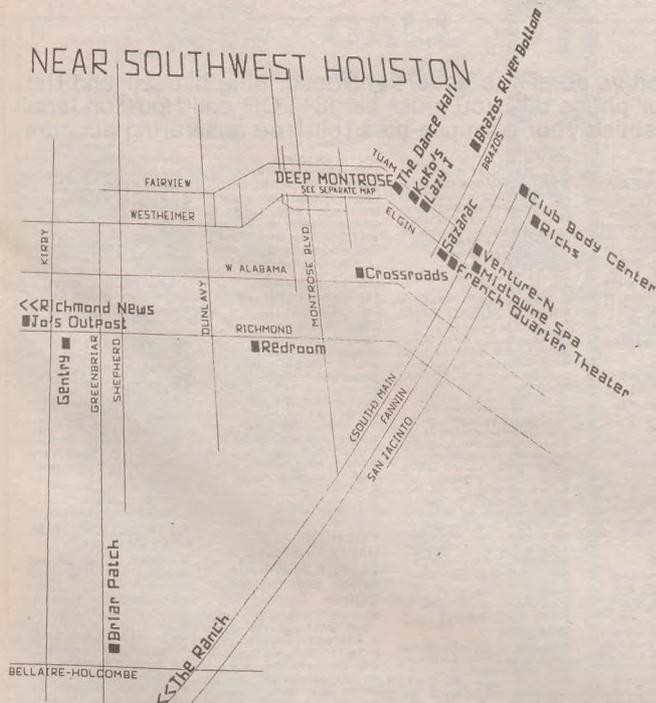
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GBF 40 BUT LOOKS 35
Seeks GW or GH butch to share my love. Enjoy cooking, dining out, movies, travel, some C&W late nights and quiet evenings at home. Must be open minded, financially stable and very honest. Smokers okay. Age not important but maturity a must. Friendship first. Ad#25960

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GWM wanting to meet GAW Chinese, Japanese, Tai, Indian etc. You: 20-30 y.o., responsible, attractive, slim or muscular, no smokers please. Me: 6', frequently told I'm good looking, 30's, excellent physical shape. Call, let's talk. Ad#25973

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GWM, 31, blonde hair, 5'9", 160lbs. Good looks. I'm HIV+ but in good health. I am looking for someone around my own age and in my situation or able to understand. All I want is someone to love, and can love and respect me back! Ad#25910

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GWM SEEKS GBM
 I enjoy outdoor sports, water skiing, running and biking. I also love to dance and love modern R&B music. Looking for friend first. I am well-built, 200 pounds. Please contact me if you are a GBM looking for a down to earth person to have fun with. Ad#25979.

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 Healthy, educated, employed, GWM, 25, 6', bl/br, 200, 30", waist seeks running buddy/ more in area. A man who enjoys swimming in the creek, movies, dancing, talking and having fun in the country. Ad#25981

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

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SMALL KINGDOM IN NEED OF PRINCE
 Ruler tired of kissing frogs. GWM, br/ gr, businessman, 46, 5' 10", wishes to meet younger (20-30), attractive GWM. Prefer trim, clean shaven, in shape with smooth body. Seeking a quality individual to help me enjoy the rewards of a successful career. Dating out, theater, movies, travel as well as quiet and sometimes passionate times at home. Ad#25983

2200 THE PERSONALS
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HIV+ HISPANIC MALE
 Mid 30's, professional, healthy, sincere, good sense of humor. Seeking other HIV+ man for friendship, but I'm primarily interested in entering a serious relationship with an honest, caring and loving man. Ad#25987

2200 THE PERSONALS
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STILL LOOKING
 for that masculine man who will make my day complete. A man who's a great dancer and a catcher, someone who is sincere, easy-going and fun. I hope you don't mind a lot of many affection. I'm partial to cowboy types, construction workers and other types of "real men." GWM, 33 yr. old, 6', 198, masculine, non-smoker. Ad#25162

2200 THE PERSONALS
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HANDSOME GWM SEEKING SAME
 I'm 30, 6'3", 210lbs, HIV+, short brown hair, hazel eyes, hairy chest and moustache. I own my home and am financially secure. Seeking a relationship with a man who is also HIV+ or able to deal with the situation on a mature and informed level, about my age, sexually secure and versatile, non-smoker, weight in proportion to height, comfortable in jeans or a tuxedo, and financially secure. I'm a very romantic person and seek out those qualities in others. We'll have to start out as friends first and let nature take its course. Ad#25962

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DO YOU PREFER?
 The color blue, Italian food, roses to carnations, equality vs. dominance, jazz instead of C/W, self responsibility and self blame, hugs not drugs. If your first 30-45, great smile, with gym body, let's connect. Age 40, br/ br, 5'10", 160lbs, clean shaven, smooth body. Ad#25992

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FRIENDSHIP IS WORTH THE EFFORT
 Two GWM's, 35-52, HIV+, healthy, Houston Heights, seeks other couples or singles for friendship. Interest include movies, dinners, games, travel and good companionship. Prefer non-smokers. If your sincerely interested in finding friends we would love to hear from you. We know you are out there. Don't be afraid to reach out. Ad#25934

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2200 THE PERSONALS
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LOOKING FOR LIFE-LONG PARTNER
 GWM, 29, 6'1", stocky, and hairy like a teddy bear seeks GBM or GHM, 25-45. I enjoy cooking and quiet evenings at home with that special man. I also enjoy travel on weekends and outdoor activities. If your interested in talking please contact Ad#25396.

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WANTED CUDDLER:
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HARD BODY - SOFT HEART
 Progressive, free thinking, GWM with a hard body and a soft heart seeks same. I'm 40, 5'10", 165lbs, enjoy intelligent conversation, reading, writing, healthy food, the gym, nature, dancing, social change, hot times and the truth. You too? Then please respond now. Ad#25935

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

2200 THE PERSONALS
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WANTED: VERY TALL, HUSKY MAN
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2200 THE PERSONALS
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TIRED OF MIND GAMES
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2200 THE PERSONALS
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WHERE ARE YOU?
 GWM, 5'11", trim 160#, 45 but look 35, moustache, stable, HIV-, romantic, sincere, optimistic, non-smoker and drug free. Looking for GWM with similar qualities for fun, interesting and one-on-one relationship. Ad#25168

2200 THE PERSONALS
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ARE YOU SINCERE MALE SEEKING SUPER ATTENTION?
 Let's entwine on heart dreams, lives, change house to home, private times to Shangri-La, built on mutual respect, respect, concern. I'm 5'8", 250, br/bl, bearded, PASSIVE, DDF, GHM, homebody, professional. You're under 40, employed, (Hirsute, GHM, A+) looks/etc. unimpaired. You're into serious, ACTIVE, GM seeking devotee to your pleasure. Ad#25911.

2200 THE PERSONALS
2220 Individual Personal
Senior Bi-WM age mid 60's
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2200 THE PERSONALS
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PRINCE SEEKS KING
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2200 THE PERSONALS
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FOR THE RIGHT PERSON
 I am looking for a Bi/Wm or a GWM to live and deal with a long term relationship. Income is not a factor, but would be nice between the age of 25-35, slim but sexually active, must be masculine appearing in public (no bars are red neck). I live 35 miles out of town and play darts. I am 44 years old, 5'9", br/bl and 200lbs. If this is what you are looking for then please leave a message with name and telephone number in mail box number #25927.

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GWM 54, SEEKS GWM 18-29
 Looking for that special someone, must be drug free. I am 8'1", br/blu eyes. Interests include dining out, movies, astrology, numerology and other new age subjects. Want someone to love, care, appreciate you? To depend on? Please respond to ad#25984.

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GWM, 36, 5'11", 180, professional, masculine, sincere and stable. I enjoy sports, movies, theater, dining out, and travel. Seek similar 30-45 year old for friendship and/or relationship. Ad#25912

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HEY, DUDE!
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YOAKUM, HALLETTSVILLE, CUERO, SCHULENBURG, SHINER, VICTORIA
 38yr old, 6', 175, WDF, motivated GWM with wide range of interests. I have recently moved to this area from the city, but travel regularly. If you are a masculine, enthusiastic, good-hearted regular guy 35+ GWM or BIGM and either live in or have reason to visit this area I'd like to hear from you. Ad#25961

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HELLO LADIES!
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IF YOU CAN FOLLOW ORDERS,
 let's get together. I am 43, 5'9", 180, hairy, demanding and aggressive. Ad#25134

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ATTENTION REAL MEN
 GWM, 37, good looking, 6', dark brown/ blue, clean shaven, professional, affectionate, well dressed and educated, seeks GWM or BWM 25-39 years old who is together and knows who they are and where they are going and would like a loving monogamous relationship. Only the serious need reply. Previous responses to this ad number 25948 were not received, please respond again to the new Ad#25984.

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

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DEDICATED AQUARIAN SEKS HIS SPECIAL SOMEONE
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Rights group takes on Idaho Citizens Alliance's anti-gay initiative

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho, Sunday, Aug. 29 (AP)—The Kootenai County Task Force for Human Relations is launching programs to encourage tolerance and fight discrimination in the battle against the Idaho Citizens Alliance's anti-gay initiative.

The statewide initiative would prevent the state from granting civil rights protections based on sexual orientation. The task force links its opposition to it to their fight against the white supremacist group Aryan Nations.

Task force members and leaders of North Idaho Voices for Human Rights say it's a battle they can win.

"There's no question that the people in this area have been sensitized by the presence of Aryan Nations ..." said Sen. Mary Lou Reed, D-Coeur d'Alene, a member of Idaho Voices for Human Rights. "I think the initiative backers are counting on a knee-jerk reaction to

the idea of homosexuality, and we expect to raise the level of discussion here."

Meanwhile, the Oregon Citizens Alliance is trying to put a new statewide anti-gay rights initiative on the Nov. 1994 ballot. The group had hoped to collect signatures at the Oregon State Fair, but were told they couldn't because of a legal challenge to the ballot title filed by State Attorney General Ted Kulogoski.

In Idaho, Voices for Human Rights began working last week at the North Idaho Fair in Coeur d'Alene.

While the alliance gathered signatures in a remote booth near the stockyards, the initiative's opponents in two other booths across the fairgrounds distributed small yellow fliers urging people to "Keep Idaho safe from discrimination."

"We're still trying to educate people," said Bob Brown, who handed out the

yellow slips from the Kootenai County Democratic Party Booth.

"We're not talking about whether homosexuality is acceptable. We're talking about what this initiative means in terms of discrimination and constitutionality. I think when people listen to that, they support it."

Initiative opponents have organized into committees to rally against what they believe is an attempt to infringe upon the privacy and basic human rights of one group of people.

But it's not a human rights issue; it's a moral issue, say alliance members, who argue that northern Idahoans are "family oriented" and want to keep homosexuality out of their lives.

"I think the majority of people up here agree with the initiative," said Matt Roetter, Kootenai County director of the Idaho Citizens Alliance. "We represent a larger number of people than the oppo-

sition thinks we do."

But on Saturday, alliance volunteers had collected less than 700 signatures. They had wanted to collect at least 2500 signatures by the fair's end on Sunday.

Roetter blamed the shortage on the booth's location and bad weather.

But at Boise's Western Idaho Fair, the response was strong.

Rich Wilson, who heads the alliance's efforts in southwestern Idaho, estimated that volunteers had gathered 9500 signatures in nine days.

Kelly Walton, the alliance's chairperson, would not say whether the group had collected the necessary 32,061 signatures to put the initiative on the Nov. 1994 ballot.

"The way to determine support is not by the number of signatures," Walton said. "The important thing is to look at the number who walk by the booth and end up signing."



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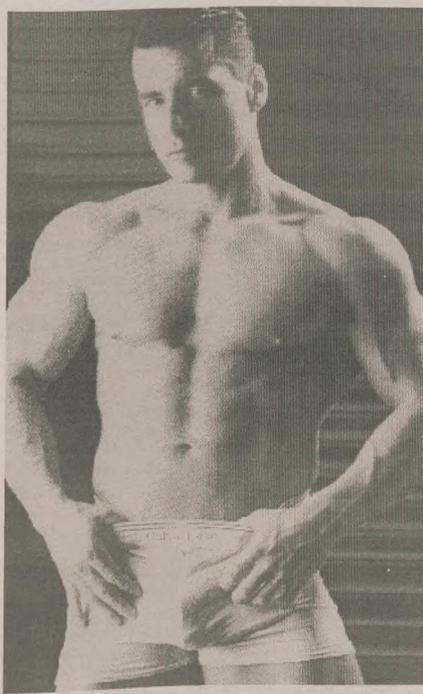
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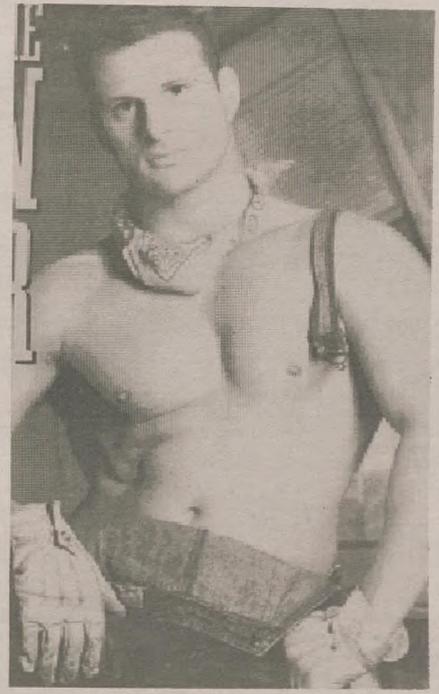
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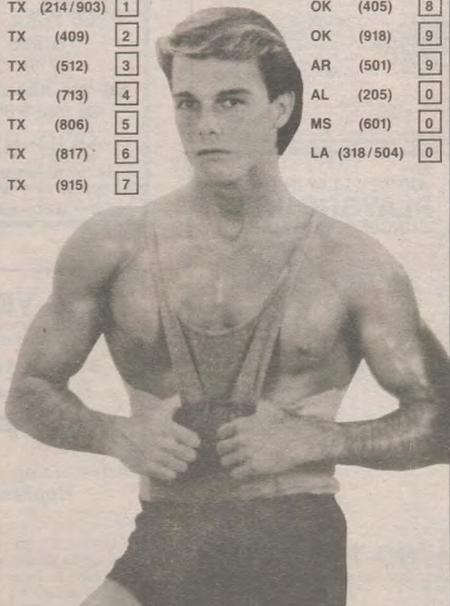


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