

Getting Outside with the Houston Outdoor Group

By Donnie Divine
Special to the Montrose Voice

Have you always wanted to hike to the bottom of the Grand Canyon, ride the rapids of the Guadalupe River, or ski the slopes of a remote mountain resort? The Houston Outdoor Group makes just such dreams come true.

One year ago this month, the Houston Outdoor Group was founded. The objective was to provide an atmosphere where men and women, non-gay and gay, could meet and share their common interests in various outdoor pursuits. The group, which now boasts more than 90 members, has been tremendously successful during its first year.

Sailing, skiing, biking, backpacking, camping, scuba diving, bird watching, and canoeing are a few of the activities of the group. Each member of the group is encouraged to express his or her interests and then plan an event in that area. Trips have ranged in length from one day to one week, but most last a weekend.

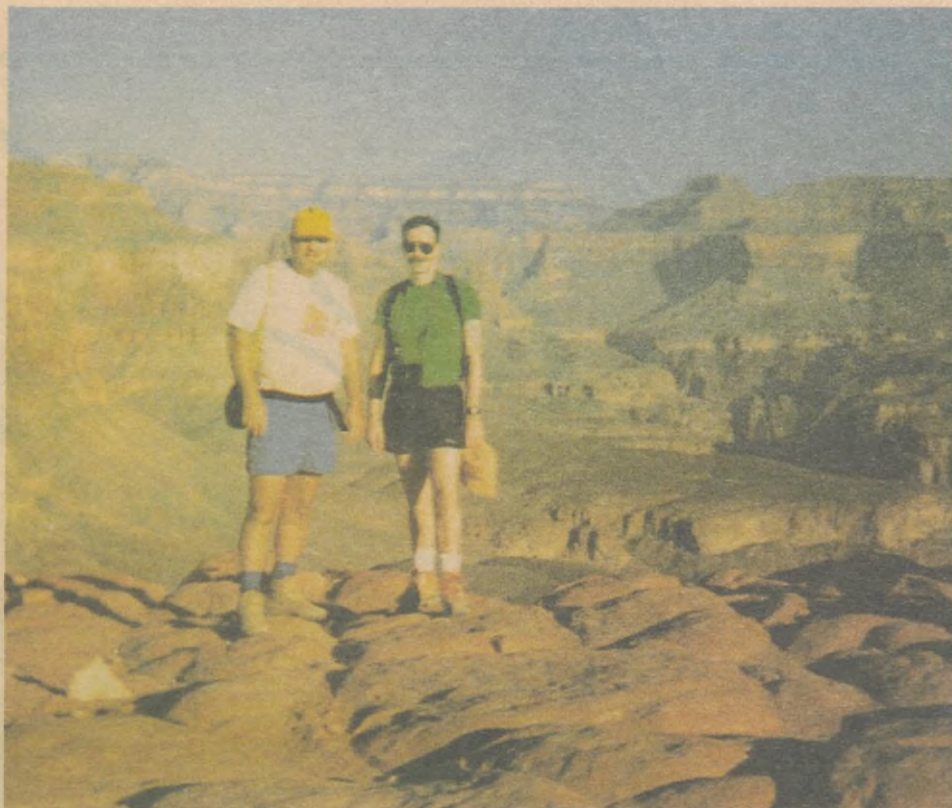
HOG members during a recent trip to the Grand Canyon, Arizona

The group has made 38 trips during the last year, including backpacking on a Hill Country ranch; hiking through the Grand Canyon and Big Bend National Park; rafting and canoeing down the Guadalupe, the Colorado, and the Buffalo Rivers; swimming and camping at Lake Somerville; skiing at Lake Tahoe; biking along the Bluebonnet Trail, and numerous ventures to state parks and wildlife and bird sanctuaries in Texas.

Future trips being planned by the group include sailing on Galveston Bay, skiing in Switzerland, rafting the Guadalupe River, backpacking on the same Hill Country ranch, hiking Enchanted Rock, revisiting the Grand Canyon, scuba diving in Cozumel and Florida, biking in East Texas and the Hill Country, and surfing in the Gulf off Padre Island.

Before each trip, a meeting is held for those planning to attend. These meetings

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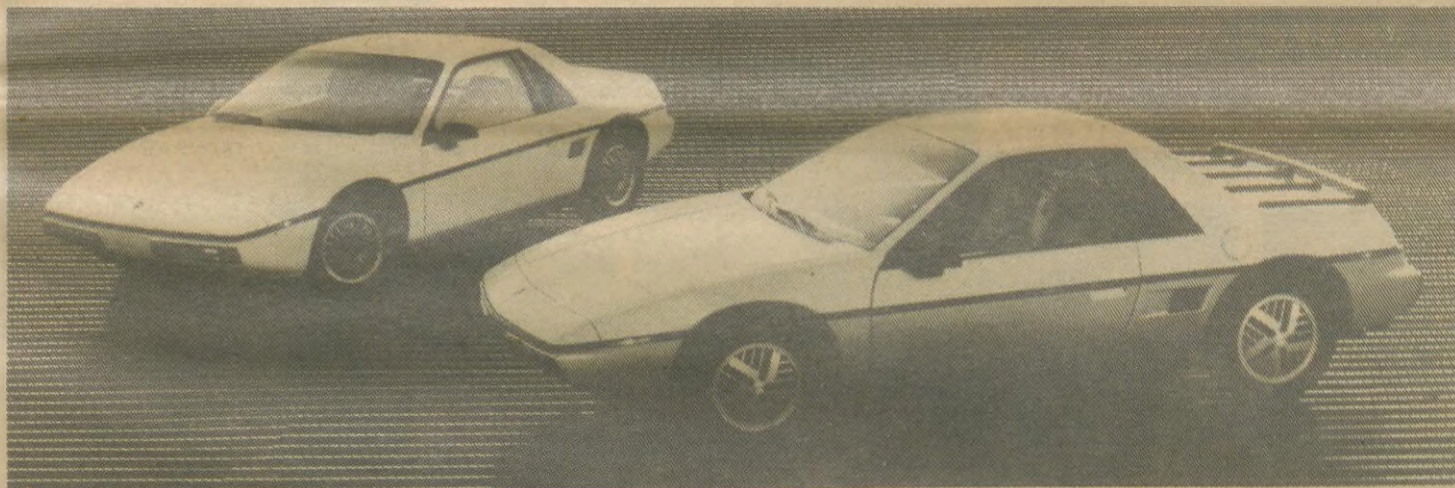
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Houston AIDS Increases Level Off

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Have A Sports Car in Montrose? Better Sit On It



The 1985 Pontiac Fiero, frequent target of auto thieves in Montrose

By Don Maines
Montrose Voice Correspondent

Now you see it, now you don't.

If you own a Pontiac Fiero, chances are great that it will be stolen, Houston Police Officer Al Baker said Tuesday. "The number of thefts is astronomical and probably growing by the minute," he adds.

Chances are also good that you'll get back your sleek Pontiac sports car minus the \$2500 plush bucket seats. Police say thieves in Montrose and throughout metropolitan Houston have found an insatiable market for the hard-to-replace stolen seats. They sell the hot seats to car parts dealers who hike up the price and sell them to insurance companies to fill theft claims.

However, police met Wednesday with insurance companies, security businesses

and Pontiac personnel to come up with some effective ways to halt the booming business of stripping the seats from sports cars. Sgt. W.D. Nickell of the Houston Police Department's auto theft division said he thinks they will be successful.

In the last few months, Houston police reported as many as 30 thefts a day of Fiero, Camaro, Firebird and Trans-Am sports cars. An insurance adjuster who asked not to be identified said Fiero thefts in Montrose have been running "especially heavy."

Travel agent Lee Harrington, who works in Montrose, told police his Fiero was stolen from his office and again broken into at his residence. "Both times they only took the seats, which are popular because they have speakers in the back

of them," he explained.

When his car was stolen, said Harrington, it was retrieved in the parking lot of an apartment complex several blocks away by a fellow Montrose resident who noticed Harrington's name and phone number on papers in the car. Bob Inkman, head of the southern half of Texas's Pontiac motor division, said Harrington's case follows the usual scenario in which thieves break into a Fiero, drive it around the corner, take out the seats and ditch the car—usually with the engine still going.

It's not just a Houston phenomenon," said Sgt. Nickell. "It's been occurring in surrounding towns as well. And much of it has been happening in southwest Houston, the westside and out Katy Freeway around big apartment complexes.

"Once the thieves created a vacuum,

and it was taking Pontiac about three months to replace the seats, the law of supply and demand enticed a lot of hubcap thieves to go into stealing sports car seats," he added.

"The price went as high as \$425, what a thief could get for selling the seats to a car parts dealer," said Nickell, who called a meeting of the minds this week for the parties involved to determine how to curb the problem.

"It went great," Nickell said Wednesday. "We got a commitment from Pontiac that they would be able to start making factory seats available in five to seven days. That way, insurance companies won't have to buy back stolen seats to process their claims," said Nickell.

Police also asked insurance agencies to mark replacement seats when they're installed.

Teen Sentenced in Montrose Murder

News One News Service

A teenager was sentenced to 30 years in prison Wednesday after he pled guilty to the murder of a Salvadoran man last January.

Tony Henry Casey, 16, who was certified to stand trial as an adult in the case, was sentenced on a plea bargain arrangement in the 183rd District Court.

Assistant District Attorney Ned Morris says Casey shot Jose R. Vasquez, 23, in the 1800 block of Fairview on January 24, 1985.

Casey, who was 15 at the time, and an accomplice, accosted Vasquez and his brother Rene and demanded the men give them marijuana, Morris says.

When the victim said he didn't have any marijuana, Casey began beating Rene Vasquez while threatening him with a gun. When Jose Vasquez attempted to aid his brother he was shot to death.

Morris says a capital murder charge against Casey was lowered to murder. He says he did not seek the death penalty because Casey is so young. A state law says a defendant must be 17 in order to be assessed the death penalty.

What Do You Know About Loneliness?

Loneliness is so universal, a human reaction that has been called the common cold of psychotherapy. But loneliness isn't just a simple matter of being alone. It has many facets which contribute to its impact. The fact is, it is a widely misunderstood emotional reaction.

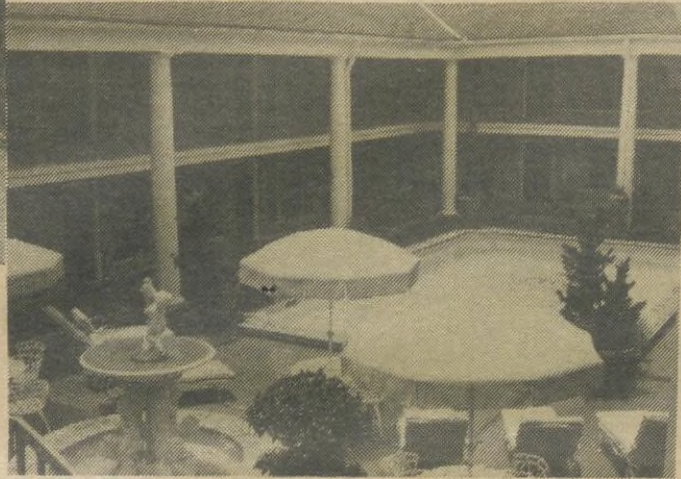
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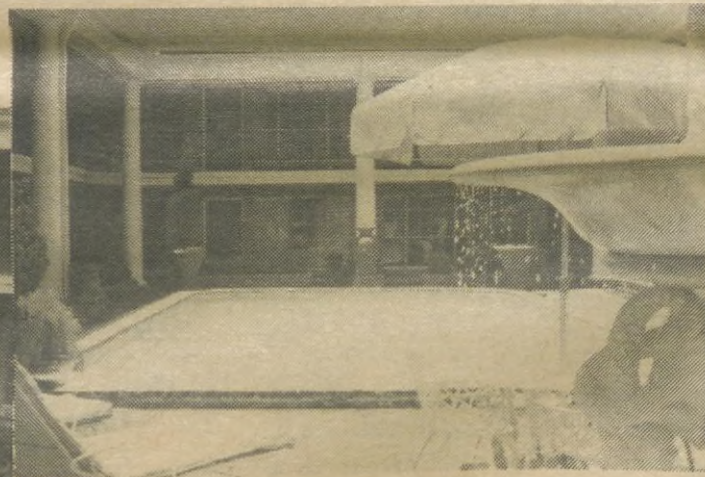
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


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**Whitmire Now Officially
in Race for Third Term**

Exclaiming "We've come too far to turn back now," Mayor Kathy Whitmire announced Monday (July 29) that she will seek a third term as mayor of Houston. Whitmire made the announcement at a \$25 per person fundraiser at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel.

Representatives of the Montrose business community and the Houston gay community attended.

Whitmire's chief opponent is expected to be former five-time Mayor Louie Welch. Other key persons considering the challenge are District C Councilmember George Greanias and State Representative Al Edwards. Only Welch has formally announced.

Greanias said on Monday that he has not decided whether to abandon his District C seat, which includes Montrose, to vie for the city's highest position. Although former allies, Greanias and Whitmire have differed sharply recently over the city's proposed budget. Whitmire believes that Greanias' candidacy will help her chances for reelection because his budget proposals would require a tax increase.

Edwards says he plans to decide within the "next two to four weeks" whether to run. Edwards has been conducting town-hall meetings across the city to discuss his possible candidacy.

In a prepared statement released at City Hall, Edwards advised "those who wish to become mayorr, continue as mayorr, or resume as mayorr," to address "the needs of the Houston worker." Edwards says those needs are "jobs and family."

He reminded those interested in the mayorr's race that 43% of the voters will not be white anglos. The breakdown of voters, he said, will be 30% black, 12% Hispanic, and one percent Asians and Native Americans. Edwards is black.

Whitmire did not mention the four-to-one defeat of the January anti-discrimination referendum in her formal announcement but later acknowledged that "all of us at City Hall accept that decision."

Houston Gay Political Caucus President Sue Lovell was present at the fundraiser.

Whitmire prides herself with "having turned the city around." During her four-year tenure as mayor, the number of police officers has increased, the crime rate has fallen and street repairs have improved. She is quick to interject that these improvements in city services were

accomplished without any tax increases.

Whitmire was first elected mayor in 1981 when she defeated two-term incumbent Mayor Jim McConn in a run-off election.

Other lesser known candidates in the November 5 municipal election, so far, are Dick Dimond and John Lee Hudson.

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The Quiet After the Storm

By L'Angelo Misterioso, Esq., M.B.E.
So what's going on this week? Must say it sure looks pretty quiet after all the festivities last week.

On August 3, the **Barn** will be hosting an affair billed as "A Day At The Fair." Running from 10am until 6pm, the event will feature the Barn's softball team cheerleaders, clowns, games, food and all the fixings. So mosey on down for some good old fun.

Got any out-of-town visitors coming that you don't have any room for? Send them to **Rick** over at the **Houston Guest House/Eaglecrest Inn**. They'll love the place. It's so much nicer and personal than, say, a Holiday Inn or even the Marriott. And, it's so close and convenient to everything. So get your little pencils ready and jott down this number 520-9760. Ask for Rick. He'll tend to your company's needs.

The guys-er-girls-er whatever all dressed to the hilt for the Garden Party looked simply astounding, especially **Jim Bob Smith**. Liz Taylor would've been envious!

There is absolutely no truth to the rumor that **Ray's Five and Dime** is going to close. "We'll be open for 16,000 years" is a quote from an unnamed staff member. But, were the doors locked last Monday night? It all doesn't make sense. Let's hope Ray's will not be closing. Shucks, it's the only place around with a foosball table! Now where am I gonna play. And they've got my favorite beer—Miller (regular, not that stuff that tastes like water!). Let's hope the locked door is only temporary and that it'll be open from now on.

Newest addition to the **3 Mining Company** is deejay **Randy Ryder**. He's the one with glasses and the funky beat.

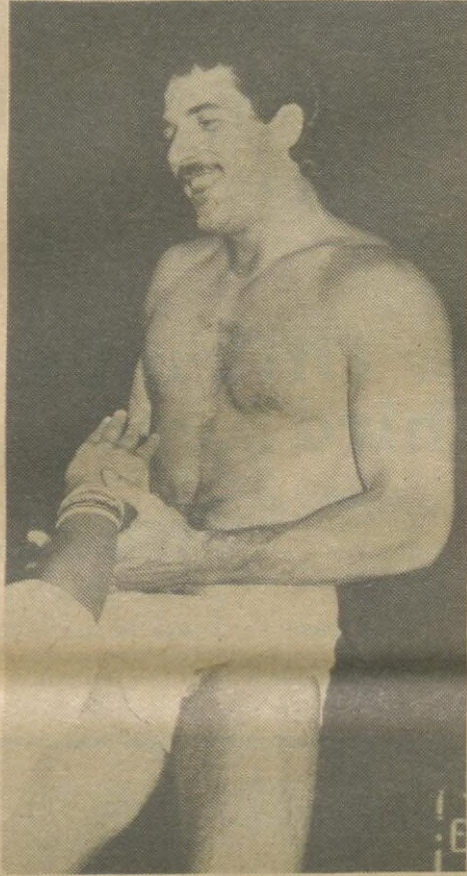
J.R.s announces it will now be open for after hours dancing and cruising. Won't be long till **Heaven** takes over the spotlight. (Then the Mining Company will be due for its face-lift. You see it's all part of a grand master plan!)

So anyway, sorry about getting carried away folks. You know how things are. So

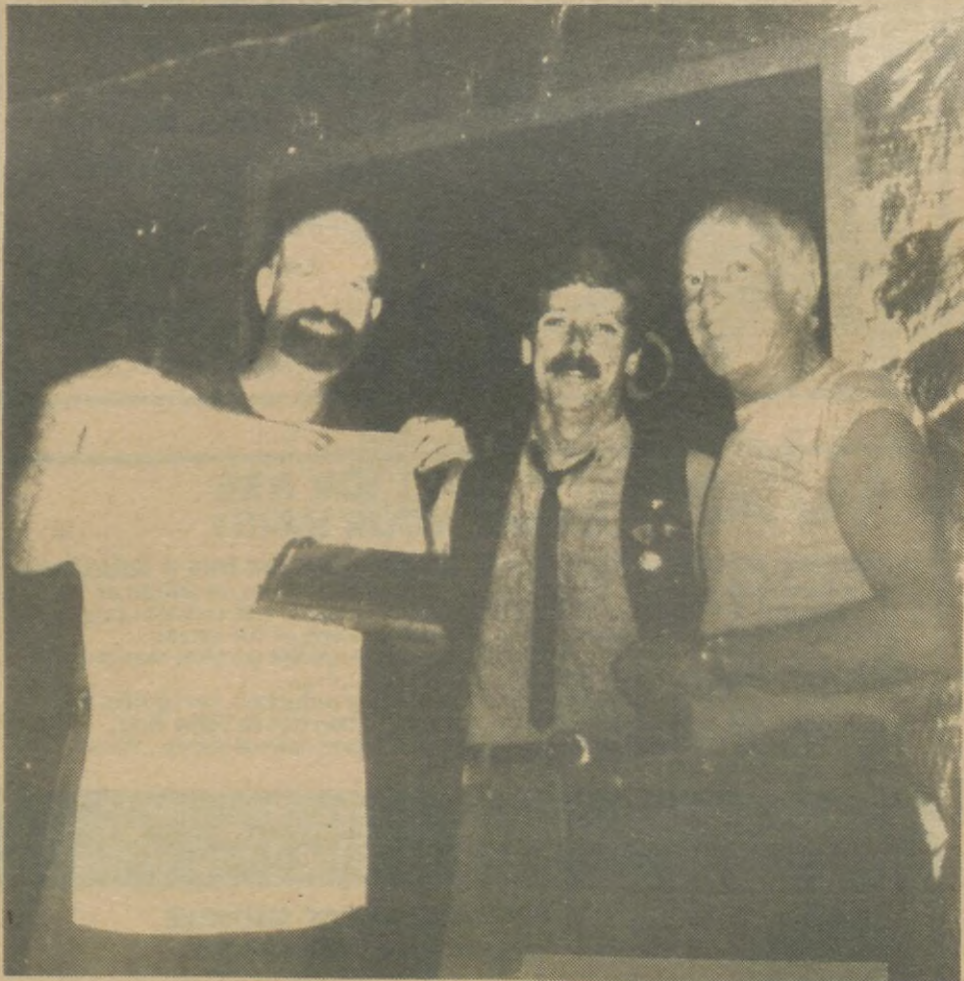
come on out and enjoy a Coke (or is it Pepsi?) and dance until your socks fall off.—J.R.s after hours.

Mary's says bon voyage to "Sammy" who's going back to Austin. Pleasant trip Sam. And **Wilma Jean** would like to know who she/he went home with after the Garden Party. Contact her/him at Mary's.

Ripcordis receiving a new paint job (black and red). The job is being done by new employee **Rick**. The tea rooms are also being painted. So those of you who may have your phone numbers there will have to do it all over again. Oh well.



Tony wowed them recently at JR's jock strap contest



Jack Jackson the winner for highest donations for an individual presenting plaque to David and Gary of the Ripcord for highest organizational donations from the Gay Pride Week Walk for Unity

Denim Party 85



Hosts of the Denim Party—staff of the Brazos River Bottom and members of the Colt 45's



Becky and Beau at the Party



Marty Single, president of Colt 45's, presenting a \$500 donation to Eric Liston of Montrose Counseling Center at BRB Denim Party '85



Two of the Montrose Country Cloggers



A pinch on the cheek for Walter



The crowd at the Denim Party



Rick keeping watch at *The Galleon*



Rascals is proud to have a really fine, top-notch, performer in from Los Angeles named *Maxine Weldon*. Chances are very great you've seen her before as she's been on so many programs and stages, including the Tonight Show, Merv Griffin, Mike Douglas, Midnight Special, and twice on Bill Cosby specials. She recently opened for Bill in Denver. She's also appeared with Little Richard, Sly and the Family Stone, and the list goes on and on. She's quite an impressive performer. Also, say hello to Mr. *Bob Irwin*, He's the new manager over there.

"Workshop, baby, the Workshop . . . Square room, oh square room . . . We be ridin' on the freeway of love in our pink Cadillac . . . Workshop."

The subjects they write songs about these days. They must open a dictionary and pick a word, and that's what they write about. You know what would be a wonderful wallpaper video for that workshop song? Pinnocchio. Where Gypeto is working in his shop on Pinnocchio. Remember, you got the idea here.

Ever want to buy a recent book and don't really get thrilled at the sight of recent book-prices? I'll tell you what to do. Go over to **Half Price Books** on Hyde Park & Waugh Drive. Chances are they will have it or can get it, at half the price. It's a wonderful place and very convenient. Bookworms take notice!

Tila's is getting a facelift. Wonder what all is in store.

Looking for that perfect "something." The new TLC "The Annex" is now open at 1002 Missouri. Check it out for cards, gifts, books, toys, balloons, frames, etc. Hours are 11am-11pm Mon.-Sat. and 2pm-10pm Sunday. Call 524-5227.

Pluccus Flowers & Gifts is having Open House this Saturday from 12 noon until 7pm. They are the newest neighbors on Taft and Fairview.

Waylon Flowers and "*Madam*" were surprise visitors at **Beaches** Sunday and Monday nights after their performance at the Laff Stop. Waylon was visiting his old friend *Cassandra* and did a late night show for customers and staff.

Beaches' Wednesday night swimsuit contest is becoming the talk of the town. Last week's third place winner from the Garden Party Contest, Princess CoCo, donated her prize to McAdory House. *The Texas Gentlemen* will be appearing later this month at **Beaches**. Watch **Beaches'** upcoming ads for the exact date.

Mary's has guest DJ's this weekend. Mike DeGrace of the Mining Co. plays Friday, John Simms of Ray's 5 & Dime plays Saturday, and Disc. Devoon (who's she?) plays Sunday.

The Bayou Landing had festive crowds all their first week in Houston. Hunter and his Headlines were the highlight last Sunday and they'll be back this Sunday.

Choices "Grand Opens" next Friday, the 9th, with the unveiling of "Little Montrose," 175 feet of lighted fantasy.

Tim's Coffee Shop is having a 2 for 1 sale on chicken fried steak dinners. Find the coupon in this issue of the Voice—and take a friend to lunch—or dinner.

Twins in Northwest Houston is have a lip synch contest next Thursday, the 8th. \$500! to the winner. Hey . . . so we always knew you wanted to be a star. Now's your chance—and big money may come your way.

The Montrose Voice softball team has cleaned out their attics and is having a garage sale this Saturday, 2600 Montrose at Missouri. Come by 10am to 4pm

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National AIDS Update

AIDS Risk Disclosed in Bahamas Clinic

As many as 1000 cancer victims may have been exposed to the AIDS virus in a clinic in the Bahamas.

It was discovered that blood used in drugs at the Immunology Researching Clinic, Ltd., in Freeport, Grand Bahama Island, may be contaminated with the virus believed to cause Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

The Bahamas government closed the clinic on July 17, although the clinic director, Lawrence Burton, denies reports of contamination and still defends his

cancer treatment called immunoenhancement therapy.

The closing of the clinic left many patients, including former Georgia Gov. Lester Maddox, without additional treatment for their cancer.

Approximately 40 of the patients from the New York City area protested the closing of the clinic on the steps of the U.S. Capitol on Wednesday. The group, Freedom of Choice for Cancer Patients, is calling for the reopening of the clinic so they may resume treatment. Many are willing to take the risk of AIDS in order to receive the therapy which involves the pooling of samples of blood products.



Rock Hudson Returns to U.S.

Actor Rock Hudson returned to Los Angeles Tuesday after receiving treatment at Paris' Pasteur Institute for AIDS. Hudson is also suffering from a liver ailment.

Hudson requested to return home to be near friends. He is listed in serious condition at the UCLA medical center.

According to reports, Hudson is so weakened by the disease that he must regain strength before more experimental therapy may begin.

Congressman, Administration Argue AIDS Funding

According to Dr. James Mason, assistant secretary of Health and Human Services and head of the Centers for Disease Control, the Reagan Administration has provided adequate response to the AIDS crisis. But, Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., claims the Administration has "short-changed" the fight against the disease.

Mason contends that the Administration, via Health and Human Services Secretary Margaret Heckler, has been "absolutely supportive" in the AIDS battle. The government has set aside approximately \$75 million for AIDS research this budget year.

Waxman, chief of the House health subcommittee, counters by saying that, although the Administration has asked for a 50% increase in AIDS funding for fiscal 1986, "There has to be more money." Waxman claims money for AIDS work is coming from other health programs.

Houston AIDS Increases Level Off

News One News Service

The instances of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) in Houston has "plateaued out" says City Health Department Director Dr. James Haughton.

The Health Department receives a \$43,000 a year federal grant to monitor the occurrences of AIDS.

Haughton says, in the past six months of 1984, about 46 new cases of AIDS were reported. In the first half of 1985, about 43 new cases were confirmed.

In 1981, when the city first began to track the disease, Haughton says 70 to 90 cases were being reported in a six month period. Now it appears that AIDS has "peaked" in Houston.

Haughton believes AIDS deserves the attention it receives in the media because of its mortality rate. Less than 600 cases of

AIDS have been reported in the past five years here, but so far 57% of them have been fatal. Houston has 20,000 cases of Gonorrhea, says Haughton, but nobody dies from it.

In another local development involving AIDS, the Houston Health Department confirmed Tuesday the first pediatric case of AIDS in this area. A three-year old white female contracted the disease as the result of repeated blood transfusions. This is the second documented case of AIDS related to a blood transfusion reported in this area.

The Health Department also confirmed the first reported case of AIDS as the result of sexual contact between heterosexuals. The 32-year old female reported sexual contact with a male lover who was an intravenous drug user.

The Health Department, following the lead of the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, also eliminated Haitians as a risk factor for AIDS. Cases among Haitians are now being categorized as "other" unless they appear to be a member of another risk group.

The City's July AIDS information update states, "The incident of cases among recent Haitian immigrants has been the subject of much speculation concerning sexual promiscuity, involvement with homosexual prostitution and routine use of unsterile injection equipment of medical and folk practitioners on the island. Since the primary contributing factor unique to Haitians has not been implicated, the Centers for Disease Control has eliminated the risk factor."

U.S. Considers AIDS Testing for Armed Forces

The United States government is considering the possibility of screening the blood of all military personnel and recruits for the virus believed to cause Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

The possible use of the test in the military, which would involve nearly 2.4 million individuals, is being considered by the Armed Forces Epidemiological Board in Washington.

The Board is considering whether to discharge personnel found to be carrying the antibodies to the disease.

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It is not necessary to have prior experience or to own all of the proper equipment to participate in an activity. The pre-trip meeting is designed so that those without equipment may be able to borrow

activities. There are no membership dues. Anyone who expresses an interest in joining is automatically included. The group publishes a monthly newsletter which reports activities of the previous month and announces future outings. To receive the newsletter, members pay a nominal

fee to cover printing and mailing expenses.

Anyone who would like to receive further information about the Houston Outdoor Group, including a complimentary newsletter, can call Larry at 521-3641, Jim at 680-3144, or Barbara at 524-9549.

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A Disturbed Peace

'Hey World, I Am What I Am'

By Brian McNaught
Special to the Montrose Voice

The conference room was dark, like a closet. In the many chairs along the outer perimeter sat a semicircle of heterosexuals or those who wished to be thought of as such. In front of them, equally spaced in the same semicircle, stood five gay men holding unlit candles. We were Joe, Jerry, Bob, Brian and Michael.

*I am what I am
I am my own special creation.
So, come take a look
give me the hook or the ovation.*

George Hearn's voice of controlled indignation and pride filled the room with the gay and lesbian anthem from a recording from *La Cage Aux Folles*. Joe lit his candle and stretched it out with a straight arm in front of him like a fearless guide leading the lost through an abyss.

Joe is in his 50's, the eldest of our group. He came to this week-long sexuality conference for teachers, ministers, counselors, youth workers and others as an alleged heterosexual. He had been in a 20-year relationship before his lover died eight years ago. Then he spent seven years locked up in his apartment, alone and afraid of loneliness. Now, he was out in the world again and he wanted to be thought of as a professional, particularly by those others at the conference from his hometown who knew him only as a college professor.

Joe had never participated in any event which called attention to, let alone celebrated, his homosexuality. When I proposed to the gay men (no lesbians were present) that we participate as a group in the conference's last night of "Celebration," they all agreed with varying degrees of enthusiasm. Joe was frightened but determined to take advantage of the atmosphere of acceptance which seemed to have developed among the straight participants. His candle broke his silence.

*It's my world that I want to have
a little pride in;
My world, and it's not a place
I have to hide in.*

Jerry was the youngest and the newest of the concept that being gay was a gift to celebrate. This 25-year-old courageously told the entire group on the first day that he was gay and said that he was struggling with it. He was not comfortable.

Like most of the heterosexuals present, Jerry was ill at ease as we watched sexually explicit films on male and female homosexuality. He said that he was attracted to the men in the film as he had been to men his whole life but he thought it was wrong. We went for a long walk after my presentation on homosexuality to the conferees and Jerry described what he feared about being gay.

Only "out" to himself for three months, he feared that if he really accepted his homosexuality he would have to change; he would have to become a "different" Jerry; a Jerry who wouldn't recognize his former, decent, fun-loving, ethical self. Being gay, he was convinced, meant being promiscuous; being lonely; being drunk; being immoral; being divorced from the things which had, to date, given his life meaning.

In the beginning, Jerry seemed enthusiastic about participating as a group of gay men in the celebration, but shortly before the evening's program began, he told us that he would sit it out. "I just don't believe what we're saying," he pleaded. Yet, during the skits, songs and poetry readings by other participants that night, Jerry stared at the floor seemingly lost and shamed.

During a break, I asked the master of ceremonies to plan on a five minute recess before we gay men began our presentation. I then sought out Jerry to say that whatever he decided to do was okay and

that there would be time to change his mind if he wanted to be a part of the group.

The second candle lit was Jerry's. He held it in his left hand. His right arm was around the shoulder of a woman friend upon whom he leaned for critical support.

*Life's not worth a damn
'til you can say 'Hey world,
I am what I am.'*

*I am what I am
I don't want praise, I don't want pity.
I bang my own drum
Some think it's noise, I think it's
pretty.*

*And, so what if I love each feather
and each spangle
Why not try to see things
from a different angle?*

Next came Bob. Thirty years old and ready to pounce on the world like a puppy let off its leash for the first time, Bob bloomed at the conference in a way that makes the heart of a gay activist burst with pride. He walked on air as he privately confided, "I'm going home to my parish and I'm coming out to everyone. I want to start talking to groups about being gay like Brian does. I feel so connected."

I saw myself as I watched him soar to emotional heights he had never thought possible. I did, however, do my best to temper with reason his plans to immediately embark upon the career of a gay activist.

*Your life is a sham
'til you can shout out loud
I am what I am*

My candle was next. I was shaking so with pride for Bob and Joe that it took two tries to light the wick. When I finally did succeed, I illuminated eyes which were puffy with tears over the sight of Jerry standing tall to my left.

*I am what I am
and what I am needs no excuses
I deal my own deck
sometimes the ace, sometimes the deuces.*

*It's one life
and there's no return and no deposit;
one life
so it's time to open up your closet.*

*Life's not worth a damn
'til you can say
'Hey world, I am what I am.'*

Michael was the last in the large semicircle to light his candle. He, like me, has been out for at least 10 years and, like me, is a "recovering perfect person." A best little boy in the family and in the church, Michael is now dealing with his anger at the injustices in his life and he is proudly and confidently claiming space in the world as his own. He is a mature gay man who lives not in reaction to straight people but rather in response to the invitation of life to grow to his full potential.

As the song ended, we took turns reading short passages from lesbian and gay authors about the experience of being gay. As we finished our reading, we walked slowly to the center of the room and encircled an oblong box on the floor. When Michael joined the circle, the lights were turned on, the recording "I Am What I Am" was replayed and the box was opened to reveal several dozen white sweetheart roses. These we took and ceremoniously handed a rose, accompanied by a good, long hug, to each non-gay participant.

Our plan was to then regroup in the center of the room, await the song's conclusion and exit to thunderous applause. However, when we finished handing out our roses and hugs, we realized that everyone in the room was weeping and hugging one another. Joe, Jerry, Bob, Michael, and I then began hugging each other and eventually ended up in one intergenerational embrace of affirmation.

"Thank you for allowing me to be honest for the first time in my life," whispered Joe. "I'm so proud and I'm so happy."

"Unreal," gasped Bob. "This is unreal. Look at those people hug and cry. Dammit we did it. We really did it. I will never forget this as long as I live."

"How you doing?" I asked Michael as we held onto each other for dear life. "I'm great. I'm just great."

"How's Jerry?" I asked.

"Hey, Jerry, how are you doing?" we asked together.

Jerry smiled coyly. "Piece of cake."
Brian McNaught, gay activist and author, lives near Boston, and has had his syndicated column appear in Houston gay newspapers since 1974.



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Hill Resigns Caucus Position

Veteran Houston gay rights activist Ray Hill has resigned his position as political coordinator of the Gay Political Caucus. Hill's move is related to his position concerning the city's proposed pornography ordinance.

Hill says the ordinance, if approved, would lead to an increase in arrests of gay men and help in the spread of sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS.

He theorizes that those who are now having sex in the booths in bookstores would simply move to public toilets.

Hill accuses Mayor Kathy Whitmire and members of City Council, including Eleanor Tinsley, of making a "political football" out of the issue. He says Tinsley personally told him she is supporting the proposed ordinance because of political expediency.

According to Hill's resignation letter to GPC President Sue Lovell, "I plan to remain active in the Caucus as a member/volunteer and board member. My resignation as political coordinator is pursuant to my realization that I will be unable to approach the screening process objectively. Many of the candidates whom we have successfully supported in the past are supporting a bookstore ordinance that will result in the arrests of many gay men and exacerbate the spread of sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS."

Hill says he will volunteer as a screening panel member during the endorsement process, but to serve as coordinator would compromise his own ethics and the integrity of the Caucus.

Council Delays Vote on Ordinance

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What good is a law if there is no enforcement? City Councilmember George Greanias delayed the vote on an ordinance designed to regulate sexual conduct in adult bookstores Tuesday (July 30) because there is no money in the budget to pay for its enforcement.

Police Chief Lee Brown told City Council that he would assign six more officers to the Vice Squad to enforce the arcade ordinance and pornography laws.

However, Brown said he did not know where in the budget the \$40-60,000 needed to pay for office supplies and equipment would come from. A representative of the Finance and Administration Department also said they did not know where the money would come from.

Greanias requested the money be found before the ordinance is voted on next week.

Mayor Kathy Whitmire says she expects the money will be found because it is such a small portion of the overall police budget.

GPC Demos to Meet

The Democratic Committee of the Houston Gay Political Caucus will meet Thursday, Aug. 8, at the Dignity Center, 3217 Fannin at Elgin at 7:30 p.m.

Officers will be elected and there may possibly be a guest speaker. More information is available at 526-8834.

Memorials

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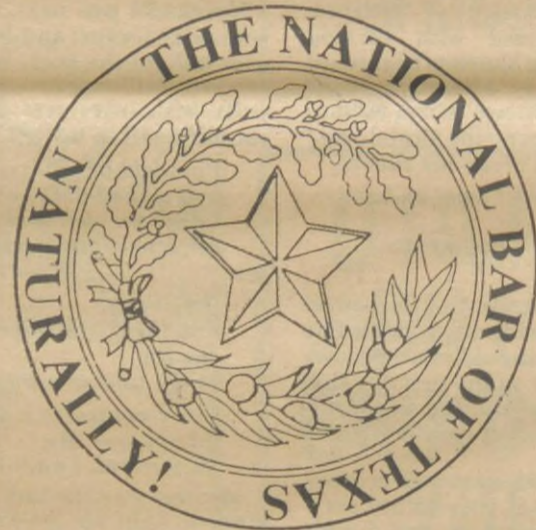
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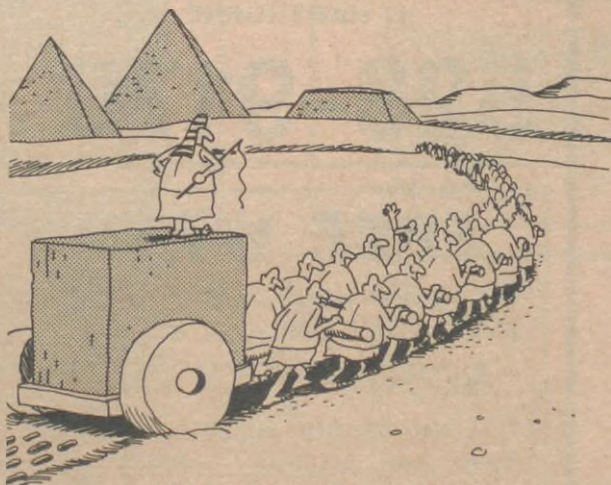
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Make the Most of the Nighttime, Pisces

By Mark Orion

For Friday, Aug. 2, 1985, through Thursday, Aug. 8, 1985:

ARIES—It is hot but love is the air and that makes things bearable. Love is in bloom, and you're taking your share of the good times. As long as that's all there is to it, fine. But don't take anyone too seriously for the moment. Play it (and them) as it falls.

TAURUS—You know what to say and you know how to say it. There's nothing wishy-washy or half-baked about you. If someone needs converting or convincing, now's the time to tell them. They'll love to hear whatever you say, so speak. Say it lovingly, but say it.

GEMINI—If things have begun to clear up, you may want to have a party. You're natural at bringing people together, so enjoy yourself and entertain. Find something slightly silly to celebrate, throw in a touch of the bizarre, and circulate.

CANCER—Join in. Whether it's business or fun, your ability and enjoyment in working and playing with others is at a high point. As usual, you'll get back as much as you put in, so put in all you've got and get back something more than yourself.

LEO—Dredge out an old idea and dust it off for new possibilities. Do watch your words this weekend, as misunderstandings are likely, so don't be too quick. Later, celebrate!

VIRGO—Your parents figure in this week's picture (oh no!), and if not parents, someone older that you're close to. Get even closer. It could be a very good time for all of you if you can find some important points of understanding.

LIBRA—Feeling feisty and impetuous? Want to get things done before you're even started? And you're usually so cool! What do you really want to do? Talk to yourself about what's important, then do it carefully. After all, what are you going to do when you get there?

SCORPIO—Put on the brakes, and watch out for a bully. Slow down, and let someone know if they're abusing you or misusing you. Don't get stuck in a bad habit just because you're in a hurry. Being used could be the basis for a problem.

SAGITTARIUS—Time to stop thinking and start doing. This may mean marching to a different drum, and although I know you like to stay in the mainstream, go forth! Messages, money matters, and home affairs keep you busy, too.

CAPRICORN—Did you have your head in the air this past week? Flying around up there, you were closer to the stars than I am. How's the view? This coming week is a good time to accept the good things without worry for the future.

AQUARIUS—A serious confrontation with the main person in your life may be unavoidable. Additionally, another person of the same sex that you care for may surprise you with generosity and understanding. A topsy-turvy time when you may need hugs and shoulders.

PISCES—During the day, you and possibly your partners are caught up in all kinds of hassles and confusion. But comes the night, and the need for romance and good loving puts you both in tune. The contrast is more apparent than usual. Make the most of the nighttime.

Letters

Isn't Somebody Going to Say Something?

By George F. Barnhart

It would appear we are headed the wrong way down a one-way street with no cul-de-sac and nobody saying or doing much about it.

Recent events prove once again how vulnerable the tenets of human rights and individual liberty are to the onslaughts of political expediency and posturing to satisfy the whims of the bigots (who are elated by their recent win-by-default referendum success) who are endeavoring to tighten their death-dealing stranglehold on progressive ideals activists in this community have fought so hard, sacrificed so much, and even died for over the past decade and a half.

And the majority of those who should care are either asleep at the wheel or have sold-out to the bigots.

It is frightening to watch the efforts of Lady Whitmire to cuddle up to these patrons of mistaken religiosity and adopt the medieval mentality that is so reminiscent of the puritanical book-burnings and witch hunts of Salem and Bedford.

More frightening than all that however, is the silence with which our own community leadership has to this date maintained on the issues. Silence, that some tell me, apparently signifies a sort of approval or consent to this new challenge facing our constitutional liberties represented by Whitmire's capitulation of the Hoetze gang's attack on the bookstores.

I am informed that our leading political persons consider these attacks on us as a non-issue and that sadly these apologists for the Mayor's office who now occupy positions of trust and responsibility in our community are so afraid of criticizing the Mayor (and her blatant attempts to appease the anti-human rights forces) that they have lost any sense of their own collective responsibility to protect our rights and uphold the high ideas of liberation.

You would expect a politician like Whitmire to exhibit such an astounding lack of ethics. But we certainly should not see our own community leadership lay down and allow us to get rolled over by the steamroller of oppression. Today the bookstores and theaters, tomorrow the bars and baths. Will the next target be our bedrooms?

Parallel to this recent bogus attempt to protect the morals of our fair city we also see some signs that perhaps even some of our own community are actually joining in the fray against us. Duped into believing that the do-gooder organizations they have somehow found themselves belonging to, are really going to make the streets safe for all living beings once and for all (a nauseating thesis that they try to trot out everytime they can get a news-cam to turn on), through the employment of various cloak-n-dagger tactics borrowed direct and intact from Goebbel's standard operating procedure manual for the Gestapo.

They would have you know that should you drive down "their" streets in search of an evening of fun and enjoyment you are subject to their scrutiny and observation (a la Big Brother is Watching You!) followed by harrassment and intimidation via the U.S. mails courtesy of this little group of public peeping toms.

It is sad indeed that these so-called civic groups always seek such negative and punitive courses of action against someone else rather than taking the trouble to create and apply positive, constructive actions and goals to resolving traffic congestion, and other problems in the neighborhood.

It would appear that we soon will be checking with our neighbors before venturing to bring a trick home. Otherwise we will get notification that our cars have been seen doing what comes naturally. Strikes me there is nothing so distasteful as the prospect of being subject to pristine attitudes and whims of a bunch of chicken hawks who can afford to buy theirs in Chicago or San Fran and move them into their home who find it within the sphere of

their civic duties to go around spying on less moneyed chicken hawks who pick up guys and play with them in their cars on Avondale.

It would be laughably ludicrous were it not so dangerously a violation of our constitutional guarantees of freedom.

It's time somebody said something.

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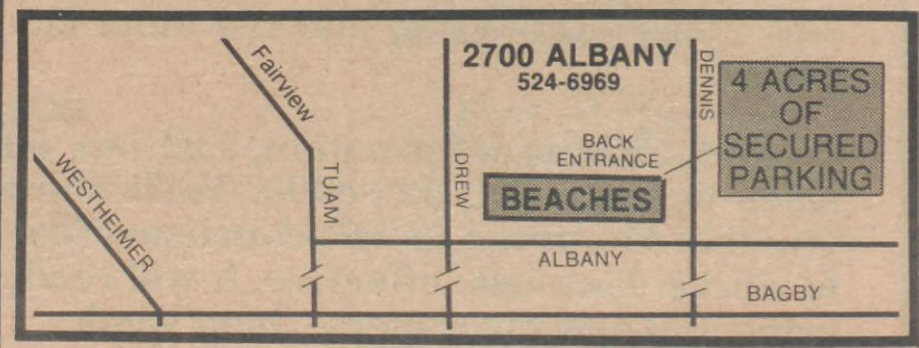
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'Introductions 85' Makes Lasting Impression

By Albert Puente
Montrose Voice Art Critic

Dear Readers, it seems as if 'Introductions 85' is making a lasting impression among many Houstonians. Hopefully, visitors to our creative city will walk away realizing that Houston is another U.S. art center. 'Introductions 85' is a multi-gallery exhibition currently open throughout Houston. Two participating galleries are McMurtrey Gallery at 1 Chelsea and Davis/ McClain Gallery located at 2627 Colquitt.

Represented at McMurtrey Gallery in her first one-person exhibition is Ellen Berman. Berman, a Houston-based artist, paints in both oil and watercolor. Her primary subjects are the human figure and the still life, both of which she executes with care.

Berman's figure studies are somewhat of a family anthology. Her life size paintings such as "Double Portrait in Landscape," "In the Late Afternoon, On the Edge," and "Sarah and I with Granny" are sensitively painted portraits. Because of the size of the paintings, the viewer appears to be visiting Berman, her family and friends in these peaceful settings. Included in a handful of paintings is Sarah, Berman's daughter. Sarah, whether smiling or not, is beautiful.

One painting entitled "Sarah and the Illustrated Insults" is a particularly touching portrait. Sarah, centered in the middle of the small portraiture, is confronted by a variety of "insults." The feeling of the painting is sad and one appears to be viewing a realigning icon. Mexican painter Frida Kahlo's persecuted self-portraits come to mind.

Steven M. Sweet is another artist participating in "Introductions 85." Steven M. Sweet is exhibiting at Davis/ McClain

Gallery. Sweet is often referred to as a modern day Cubist. Sweet's work consists of life size xeroxed personality portraits. The portraits are whimsical yet well

Hopefully, visitors to Houston will leave here remembering us as an art center

thought out. Sweet's most important tool in producing his art is the xerox machine. Sweet instructs his subjects to lie down on copying machines, where upon he makes numerous copies of various body parts. The copies are wonderfully lifelike. Eyelashes, wrinkles and even pores are visible. The xerox copies are then assembled in collage form. Xerox on mylar, acrylic and nylon are his medium. The colors are bright and cheerful.

The most fanciful piece is entitled "Nudes and Figures from the History of Jazzsize." The work is a collection of xeroxed bodies on transparent mylar attached to the wall, with various figures floating above. Some of these figures literally jump, hop, skip and run across the length of the wall.

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Dr. Didato's Personality Quiz

What Do You Know About Loneliness?

Loneliness is so universal, a human reaction that has been called the common cold of psychotherapy. But loneliness isn't just a simple matter of being alone. It has many facets which contribute to its impact. The fact is, it is a widely misunderstood emotional reaction.

A survey of over 25,000 persons in 1978 by New York University sociologists obtained some interesting answers on the subject of loneliness. The conclusion: Many mistaken notions abound about man's oldest interpersonal problem.

The following quiz explores a number of these findings. Compare your responses to the statements with those of behavior experts and you'll achieve a clearer understanding of the nature of loneliness and how to deal with it. Answer each item True or False.

1. If I live alone, I'm more prone to loneliness than if I lived with someone.
2. If I had money, a good job and plenty of education, I would be less vulnerable to feel lonely.
3. Chances are that if I were an only child, I would be lonelier than someone who had brothers and sisters.
4. Generally, women are lonelier than men.
5. It's tough to make friends today because this is the "me generation" and people are into themselves so much.
6. Children of lonely parents tend also to be lonely.
7. Early separation from parents has no direct effect on the loneliness we may experience as adults.
8. Loneliness is a basic part of one's personality and, as such, can't be changed much.

Explanations:

1. FALSE—Author Thomas Wolfe once described loneliness as a sure cure for vanity. It certainly can be a sobering experience. But not everyone who is alone necessarily feels lonely. Much depends upon how one interprets his or her situation. A hermit, recluse or explorer, for example, may be isolated from people but may not suffer from it because his situation is perceived as something self-imposed and over which he has some control. On the other hand, a teenager, in the midst of his classmates, may, by contrast, feel sharply alone and rejected. Here he doesn't feel he has a choice about changing his lot.

2. TRUE—Money does count in combating loneliness. The survey found that the loneliest persons were likely to be poor and uneducated. Simply put, money helps us to be in the right places socially and offers us

the opportunity to meet interesting people.

3. FALSE—Only children usually have learned to adjust to being alone. Studies show that they are actually less apt to feel lonely than children who are accustomed to being around siblings.

4. FALSE—Work at the University of Rochester, N.Y., finds that men view loneliness as unmanly and probably won't admit this on most surveys which include them. It is more likely that men are lonelier than women because women tend to communicate more readily with others than men do.

5. FALSE—Professor Letitia A. Peplau of UCLA, an authority on the subject, says that many loners blame their plight on the indifference of others. But it's much more likely that their isolation is due to their own shyness, fear of rejection and lack of basic social skills.

6. TRUE—Lonely persons often report that their parents were also lonely. They describe them as disagreeable, remote and uninvolved. Those who were not lonely saw their parents as close, warm and helpful.

7. FALSE—The N.Y.U. survey confirmed what many child experts have claimed, i.e., parental separation can have lasting effects on children. As adults, such persons will be prone to feeling lonely when separated from others.

8. FALSE—No matter what your developmental circumstances were, a sense of loneliness can be overcome. Dr. Gerald Phillips, director of the Friendship Clinic at University Park, PA., head a staff which teaches social skills to those who wish to expand their social contacts. He says that lonely persons must overcome a variety of attitudes of social insecurity, self-deprecation and low self-esteem. If

these personal insufficiencies can be overcome, then much of the loneliness which Americans suffer can be banished.

SCORE:

Five or more correct answers—You have an adequate grasp of the causes of loneliness. You have the capacity to understand those who are lonely and to help yourself when loneliness strikes.

Four or less correct—You have false assumptions about loneliness and lonely people might feel misunderstood by you. Perhaps some reading on the subject will help you deal better with this common problem of mankind.

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Fire Closes Pet Shop

The 71st case of arson in the Montrose area this year is responsible for the temporary closing of the Pet Shop and Bird Clinic at 3118 Smith Street. The building suffered heavy smoke and water damage as a result of the fire which was discovered at approximately 10:00 p.m. last Sunday night, July 28.

According to Houston Fire Department Investigator Bruce Koger, the fire had "multiple points of origin." A flammable liquid was used to ignite the blaze.

Arson investigators are currently seeking an individual believed to be responsible for the fire. "We have a possible suspect we would like to interview if he can be located," said Koger.

The Pet Shop remained closed as of Wednesday, but a spokesman for the company known for its exotic pets says that every animal was rescued. The amount of damages had not been determined.

Arson has plagued Montrose during the past year. Several occupied and unoccupied buildings have either been destroyed or heavily damaged by torchers.

On Sunday, July 21, an arsonist's fire destroyed a Montrose landmark, the Happy Buddha, located on lower Westheimer.

In an effort to curb the growing arson problem, HFD Arson Division, has initiated a new campaign which involves offering a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of arsonists.

Anyone with any information concerning the Pet Shop Fire can call Bruce Koger at the HFD Arson Division South Office, 669-9807. Anyone with any information concerning any arson can call 22-ARSON. Confidentiality is assured.

Leland Will Not Seek Judgeship

News One News Service

U.S. Representative Mickey Leland, whose Congressional District includes Montrose, said on Monday that he "definitely will not" seek the job of Harris County Judge. Leland said his job as chairman of the Select Committee on Hunger is the "greatest challenge" of his "political career."

And he needs the power of the U.S. Congress to try and end world hunger.

Leland held a press conference at the Four Seasons Hotel to dispel rumors that he would run for county judge since Jon Lindsay has said he probably would not seek reelection.

Leland says he will be active in campaigning for a Democratic County Judge. Leland mentioned former Harris County Democratic Chairman John Odam, and County Attorney Mike Driscoll as possible candidates for the position, but added he would work to develop other candidates.

Leland "rejected out of hand" the notion that minority candidates should not seek the Democratic nomination because they could not win a countywide race.

Leland also said his constituents urged him to remain in Congress.

Dallas Gay Group May Not 'Adopt-A-School'

The Dallas Gay Alliance has been banned by the Dallas Independent School District from implementing an "Adopt-a-School" program.

The program, which would have involved enlightening educators and students about homosexuality, was met with adversity from parents and the media.

School Superintendent Linus Wright rejected the program primarily due to letters received from parents protesting the program. Wright claims of 75 letters received, only one supported the program.

Bill Wright, president of the Alliance, says that although the Alliance is disappointed they will not protest the decision.

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The Perfect Taming of Frank

By Bill O'Rourke
Montrose Voice Theater Critic

With the current production, *Currently Frank*, Country Playhouse begins its 30th season. (The Alley will be in its 38th season this fall.) Is is a quiet worthy production.

I also went to the circus last week. The contrast between the two is a real lesson in showmanship.

At the circus, the performers first make the difficult look easy and graceful. Do you really worry about Wade Burck when he's locked into a cage with nine imperial white tigers and six royal bengals? On the odd night that Miguel Vazquez misses the catcher on the quadruple somersault and hurtles into the net, do you think he could break an arm? You know you could never do the personal gymnastics of a Rudolf Delmonte or a Mark David, but you tend to forget that when you're immersed in the sheer beauty of their moves.

Then the circus people turn around and make the "easy" look difficult again. They give it a particular style. I have been bored by liberty camel acts twice in the past. But this time Daniel Suskow adds only one two hump camel and cracks his whip from horseback. Suddenly watching six camels do a do-si-do strikes my fancy. The Survivors (a multi-racial troupe from South Africa) does their trapeze act without a trapeze! When contortionist Nellie Ivanov balances herself on top of something she's holding in her teeth, that something is rising out of a bowl of flowers.

Finally, when the circus wants to show us something that is boringly simple, they use all their expertise to gussy it up. Michu may be the smallest man on earth, but, if he were to simply walk into the center and just stand there, everyone would wonder why the spotlight had come up on a stagehand. Fear not! By the time you see him, he is the stuff of "stardust, spangles and dreams" (as a song in Billy Rose's *Jumbo*



Cleo Laine to star in TUTS' "Pal Joey"



Houston Shakespeare Festival's "Measure for Measure" with James Black as Vencentia and James Gale as Angelo

puts it). In *Perfectly Frank*, the cast is charming and unruffled. Their harmonies are beautiful. It isn't easy to stand in front of an

The Circus: Making the easy look difficult and the difficult look easy

audience that knows most of your songs about as well as you do and perform those songs so well that they won't sing along. This cast has tamed the situation. That's the problem. They tamed it. Most of them haven't taken that second step, yet.

Frank Loesser wrote a lot of beautiful ballads. They are served with élan. But several songs that are not ballads were done as if they were. This problem seems to trace back to the arrangements. So perhaps I should blame Kenny Solms who conceived and wrote this revue.

For the most part, the music returned the favor and tamed the cast. They were so wrapped up in their duties to the material that they forgot its duty to them: to help them shine and sparkle, each in his own inimitable way. Joel Hoffman is obviously trained for opera, but that sometimes puts him into a weird dichotomy with the material rather than synergizing. Douglas Matens has the same trouble with his ballet training, but at least it makes him shine more than the rest. (My best friend John mistook this for mugging, I'm afraid.)

Christine Miller certainly knows how to make the material work for her, mostly

when it is hers by natural right anyway, as in "Ooh, My Feet!" The rest of the time she tends to lapse back into the general pleasantness.

Carrie Woliver is excellent as our hostess/ narrator. She's taken what could have been a wacky role and given it an oddly elegant Alistair Cookishness. I loved her.

Tamara Siler can blend into a chorus when she needs to, but the real highlights of the show come when she's alone on stage. She really cuts loose with "Rumble, Rumble" and "Junkman, Junkman." Brava. This is real showmanship!

One wishes musical director Jeol Fram could find some more upbeat songs that would fit the cast and insert them into the score. But he and director Tim Driscoll have created a pleasant evening. Quite, quite pleasant.

Notes

Cleo Laine makes her NYC acting debut tonight (August 2) at the Delacorte Theater in Central Park. She's had a hit on B'way, but it was a personal concert. She's in the *Mystery of Edwin Drood*. That musical has five different endings. At a certain point in the script, the audience votes on which ending they'll see that night. Later this season, she'll be in town to star in *Pal Joey* for TUTS. . . .

By the time *Sing, Mahalia, Sing!* reaches the Great White Way, Jennifer Holiday will probably have bowed out. So seeing the Tony-winning Dreamgirl playing Mahalia Jackson is another up we have on the Manhattanites. (Her replacement might be Patti LaBelle.) . . .

There are two Jonathans in the NYS cast of *As Is*—Hadar and Hogan. The L.A. cast might star two Richards—Dreyfuss

and Thomas. This play about two lovers reacting to the news that one of them has AIDS could be Thomas' second major rendition of a gay character. You'll recall that the director of *Fifth of July* said he might not have done the best acting in that role (it was also played by Chris Reeve), but he was definitely the best at kissing the man playing his lover.

There is a chance, however, that R.T. will be tied up in NYC, playing the title role in *The Count of Monte Crisco*. That show's playing to auds at D.C.'s Kennedy Center. Anyway, bartender, make my next one a screwdriver. (It's not just for breakfast anymore.) . . .

Celebrate! So many authors' birthdays this week! James Baldwin (2), Martin Duberman (6), Gordon Merrick (3), Goldie Dickinson (6), and Percy Bysshe Shelly (4). Also actor Robert Taylor (8), dancer/ choreographer Louis Falco (2), and that quintessential spirit of the '60s, Andy Warhol (6).

Openings

Richard III (Miller, August 2)—Richard can "smile and smile and be a villain" as he relegates such modern villains as Jason to the minor leagues. Opening of the Week.

Sing, Mahalia, Sing! (Music Hall, August 6)—A musical celebration of Mahalia Jackson, starring Jennifer Holliday, Musical OW.

Measure for Measure (Miller, August 3)—Angelo gives Isabella a choice. She must lose either her virginity or her brother's life.

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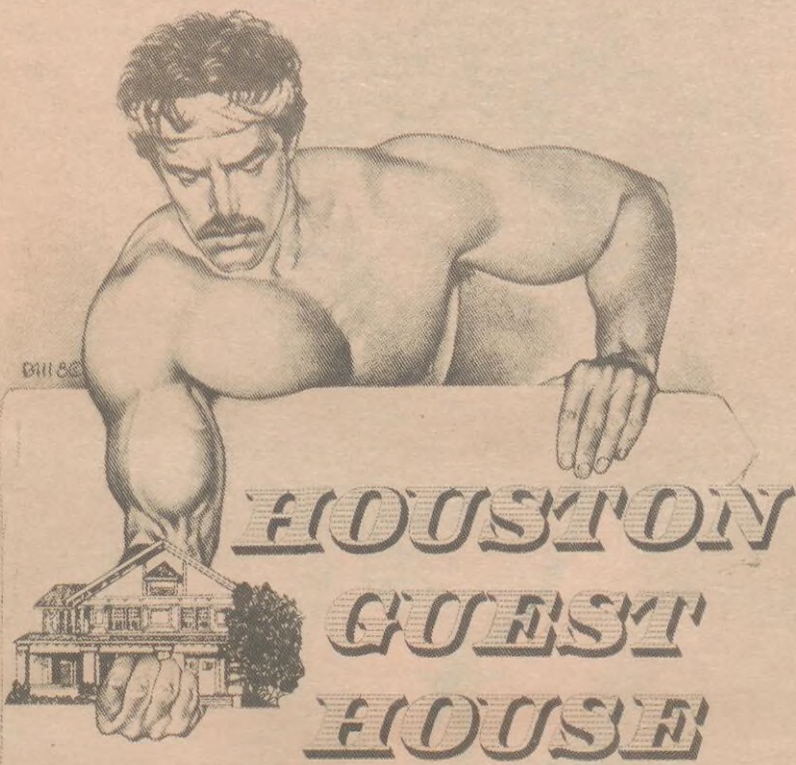
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New Comedies Provide Inadequate Laughs

By Scott Cutsinger
Montrose Voice Film Critic

This week's film entertainment is a little short on laughs, with one comedy being a bit overly broad and the other just uninteresting because it repeats material from other popular films.

Tom Hanks stars in *The Man With One Red Shoe*, a frantic farce about an innocent man who gets mixed up in conflicting CIA shenanigans. There's a lot of people running around getting in each others way, but for some reason we never feel like we're going anywhere necessary or important.

The Heavenly Kid is a fairly dumb rehash of the same material that *Back to the Future* was made of. This time it's a 50's teen angel sent into the 80's to save a bookwormish kid. Somehow you get the feeling that the boy might have done better without the heavenly help.

□ *The Man With One Red Shoe*

Actor Tom Hanks hit the big time last year with two smash comedies, *Splash* and *Bachelor Party*. As on his television series "Bosom Buddies," Hanks forte is physical comedy in the mode of an innocent Chevy Chase.

Unfortunately, the producers of *Man With One Red Shoe* failed to realize how they could use Hanks to his fullest capacity. Except for a few hilarious scenes, our main character ends up walking endlessly and aimlessly through a dense scenario.

The biggest problems with *Shoe* is that it never becomes more than a one-note movie. The main thread is that one CIA employee (Dabney Coleman) is using what he knows to discredit the current head of the CIA so he can take over. It's just like *Mad Magazine's* "Spy vs. Spy" where everyone is using the same dirty tricks to outsmart each other.

What keeps the film moving along is the fact that Coleman thinks that Hanks is a new spy, but of course the other half of the CIA wants him to think exactly that. Every move that Hanks makes, Coleman has it investigated for possible microfilm, secret codes, etc. Of course, knowing that these investigations are fruitless make

them seem all the more outrageous. Still, even a good thing gets old after repetition, and we get tired of seeing the poor boy's privacy invaded.

Various actors pop in and out throughout the film, never staying long enough to make much difference. Carrie Fisher, Charles Durning, Ed Harrmann, and Jim Belushi all make meager contributions to the story. Only Jim Belushi seems out of order with his rude impressions of the late John Belushi that seem totally unforgivable. Dabney Coleman has a larger, juicier role as the hyper CIA agent who will go to any lengths to gain power.

As the love interest, Lori Singer (*Falcon and the Snowman*, *Footloose*) is glamorously funny but very vague. She sort of acts the "mysterious lady" until her big seduction scene with Hanks. In the definite highpoint of the film, Singer gets her long hair caught in Hanks' zipper and has to slink along the floor in a backless dress to get scissors from the bathroom. It is a brilliant comedy routine that is so good it almost seems out of place here.

The Man With One Red Shoe will make a fun matinee to get out of the heat, but it's throwaway material. Tom Hanks will be teaming up with John Candy in another film called *Volunteers* to be released in a few weeks. Hopefully this comedy about Peace Corp volunteers will be able to utilize his talent better than the *Shoe* could.

□ *The Heavenly Kid*

When Bobby Fontane is killed in a 1960's drag race, he suddenly finds himself on a subway train. He can go uptown (heaven) or downtown (hell), but right now he's stuck in midtown until they decide what to do with him.

In the great tradition of *Heaven Can Wait* and *Here Comes Mr. Jordan*, Bobby must return to earth and help someone in order to redeem his own soul. His assignment is Lenny Barnes, a cute little loner who is booksmart but definitely not streetwise. Lenny lives in 1985, so the time change presents quite a culture shock for Bobby.

It's kind of fun to watch Bobby try to turn Lenny into a "cool dude" from a 60's perspective. Slick back the hair, don some leather, and fix up (magically, of course) a



Tom Hanks in "The Man With One Red Shoe"

flashy red 60's convertible. There are lessons to practice on how to be cool around

"chicks" and how to "hang out"—although the old pickup spot is now a gay bar. The boys develop a nice rapport and become sort of fun to watch.

Still, it wasn't enough to have Bobby and Lenny be just buddies. Lenny's mother has to turn out to be Bobby's true love from the early 60's, and then Lenny has to turn out to be the son of both of them. Too bad that 1985 minus 1965 equals 20 years, although Lenny is just in high school. Just a small plot dysfunction.

The main fault with *The Heavenly Kid* is the fact that we've seen a lot of what happens before. There are too many scenes of the invisible angel riding a bike or driving a car (with silly stares from passersby), and too much emphasis on making a wimpy kid become popular. Actually, Lenny is much more likable earlier in the film than when the girls start drooling over him.

Feminists will be offended by the women's roles. There is the shy "best friend" of Lenny who secretly loves him, but who must wait until the end before he notices her. There is also the bountiful girl who Lenny lusts for, but is disappointed in when he finally gets what he wants. Both women are sorry, cliché characters.

The two leads are watchable, but not anything special. Jason Gedrick smiles a lot and gets to act cute and clumsy as Lenny, and Lewis Smith is appropriately macho as Bobby. Richard Mulligan is wasted in a mundane role as Bobby's guardian angel who rides a beat up motorcycle and whips up advice.

Like *The Man With One Red Shoe*, *The Heavenly Kid* is not much more than summer fluffery with minor delights. More than likely, both will be out on videotape by fall so if you have a tape player you might as well wait on these two.



"The Heavenly Kid": From left, Richard Mulligan, Jason Gedrock and Lewis Smith

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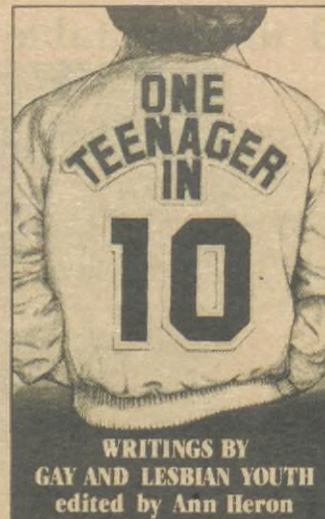
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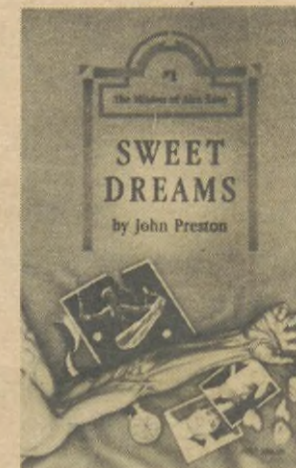
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SportsVoice

Briar Patch Takes MSL Title; Now Off to Series IX

The Briar Patch capped an undefeated season by rallying to defeat Dirty Sally's 4-3 in the finals of the Montrose Softball League tournament.

As a result of this victory, BP advances to the 1985 Gay World Series in Milwaukee later this month.

The contest was the second in as many days for the Patch and the defending MSL champions.

After the Patch took a 2-1 first inning lead, Sally's went ahead with a run in the fourth inning, 3-2. But in the seventh, the Patch tied the score with a sacrifice fly and won the game by taking advantage of a two-out Sally's error.

Strong defense and timely hitting combined to provide a capacity crowd with perhaps the most exciting and well-played game of the season.

Offensive stars included John Moretta, who went 2-for-3 and drove in one run. Moretta started the seventh inning rally with a ground rule double, and scored the tying run.

For Sally's, Mario Marchena capped a great offensive season with two hits.

Other scores from the final weekend of the playoffs follows.

Dirty Sally's 8, Galleon 1

In an earlier qualifying game, the Cinderella Galleon saw its glass slipper shattered by Sally's 8-1.

Sally's jumped out to an early 6-0 lead and never allowed the Galleon to mount a substantial offensive threat.

Sally's balanced offensive attack provided 12 hits. The Galleon, which picked up seven hits, was led by Gary Alexander who went 2-for-3.

Galleon 21, Rich's 6

Everything the Galleon touched turned to gold, as it pounded out 27 hits in routing Rich's 21-6. Rich's finished the tournament in fourth place.

After Rich's took an early 5-0 lead, the Galleon stormed back with four runs in the second, seven in the third, five in the fourth, and five in the final two innings to continue its storybook tournament.

Offensive credits were spread throughout the roster, but headed by Marvin Peterman and Alexander. Peterman went 4-for-5 and drove in four runs, while Alexander went 4-for-5, including the three ground rule doubles. Dickie Hoke and Hec-

tor Meza lead Rich's with two hits each.

Briar Patch 6, Sally's 2

The Patch cleared its first major hurdle with a 6-2 win over Sally's in an earlier round contest.

BP jumped out to an early 5-0 lead and never were seriously threatened.

Bill Sansom, Ken Bailey and Jeff Broome led a balanced offensive attack with two hits each. For Sally's, Jerry DeSale contributed two hits.

Rich's 9, Ray's 5¢ and Dime 5

Rich's eliminated Ray's 9-5 by pounding out 15 hits.

Rich's jumped out to an 8-1 lead and never was seriously threatened.

Offensively, Tony Matwyzuk, Dickie Hoke and Harry Goldbert contributed three hits each for Rich's. Billy Holbrook was 3-for-3 for Ray's.

Galleon 3, Montrose Voice 2

The Galleon surprised the Voice 3-2 with a run in the bottom of the eighth inning to eliminate the Voice.

With the game tied 2-2, Bill Goetz singled with the bases loaded to provide the Galleon its margin of victory.

1985 Tournament Standings

1. Briar Patch
2. Dirty Sally's
3. Galleon
4. Rich's
5. (tie) Montrose Voice, Ray's 5¢ & Dime
7. (tie) Mining Company, Barn

Barn Remains on Top in Pool League

The Barn remained in first place last week in the MSA Billiard League by defeating the third place 611 III team. Bacchus I took advantage of the tardy BRB Cowboys team to win a 15-0 forfeit and keep pace with The Barn.

Kindred Spirits I made their first appearance in the top three by defeating Sally's Shooters.

The August Team Captains meeting will be held Sunday, August 11, at Dirty Sally's. All team captains are required to attend. The meeting will start at 2:00 p.m.

SportsVoice Calendar & Standings

Regular Weekly Events

SUNDAY: Frontrunners, Memorial Park Tennis Center

Houston Tennis Club 9am-Noon, MacGregor Park

Women's Bowling League 5pm, Stadium Bowl

W.W.B. Bowling League 7:30pm, Post Oak Lanes

MONDAY: Frontrunners, Golf Center, Hermann Park

MSA Men's Bowling 9pm, Stadium Bowl

TUESDAY: Frontrunners, Memorial Park Tennis Center

MSA "Fun Volleyball League," 7pm

WEDNESDAY: Houston Tennis Club plays 7:30pm Homer Ford Tennis Center

MSA Pool League, 8pm, in sponsors' clubs

THURSDAY: Frontrunners, Memorial Park Tennis Center

MSA Mixed Bowling League 9pm, Stadium Bowl

Special Events

Aug. 11: MSA Billiard League team captains meeting at Dirty Sally's, 2pm

MSA Pool League

Standings, Summer League FOLLOWING WEEK 11

TEAM	This Week	Matches so far	Total games
1 The Barn	10-5	9-2	117-48
2 Bacchus I	15-0	9-2	105-60
3 Kindred Spirits I	11-4	8-3	95-60
4 Ranch Hands	10-5	8-3	93-72

5 Street Cats	8-7	8-3	91-74
6 611 III	5-10	8-3	89-76
7 Lipstick	9-6	7-4	99-66
8 JR's	8-7	7-4	93-72
9 Bacchus II	11-4	6-5	96-69
10 E/J's	11-4	6-5	78-87
11 BRB Cowboys	0-15	6-5	72-93
12 Rays 5¢ & Dime	4-11	5-6	74-91
13 Too 611	12-3	4-7	88-77
14 Sally's Shooters	4-11	4-7	64-101
15 The 611	7-8	3-8	81-84
16 Kindred Spirits II	5-10	3-8	72-93
17 Al's Pals	3-12	3-8	60-105
18 Rancheros	6-9	2-9	69-96
19 Yard Dogs	7-8	2-9	60-105
20 Hooters	4-11	1-10	53-112

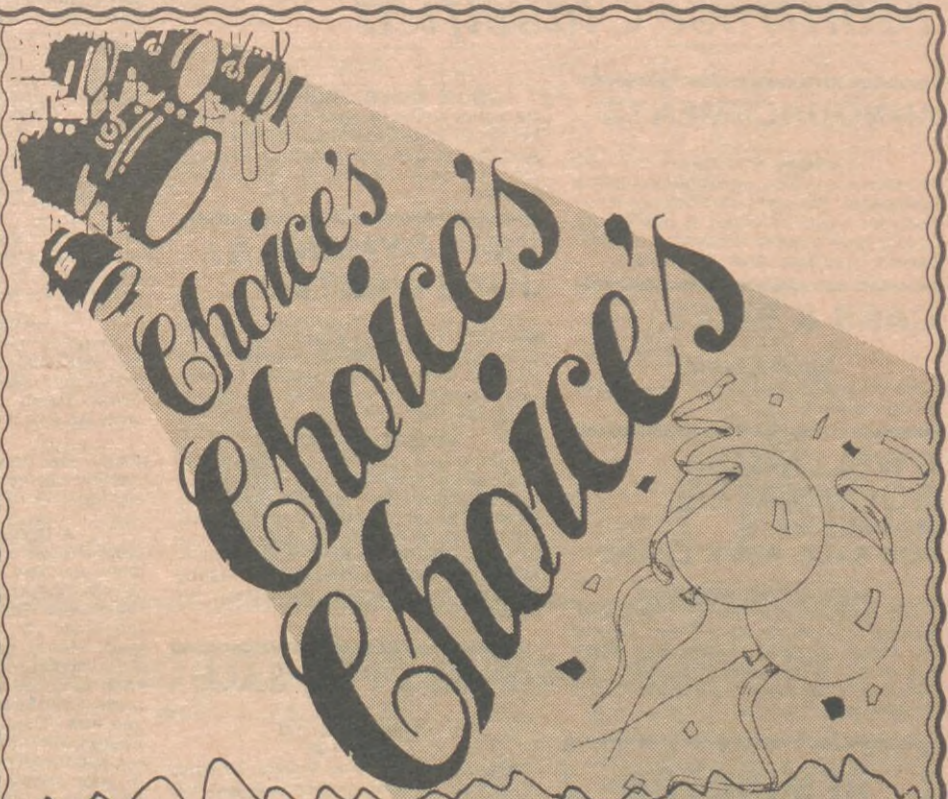
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matches through July 28

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2 Rick Hadnot	7 Ron Bell
3 Randall Dickerson	8 Rich Corder
4 Donny Kelley	9 Armi Albanza
5 Rick Dupont	10 J.C. Barrera

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1 Richard Pregeant	6 Larry Jarvis
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3 Pat Power	8 Eddie Chavez
4 Lou Garza	9 Paul Brown
5 David Heiland	10 Rick Knapp

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7 Day Montrose Events Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					AUG 2	AUG 3
AUG 4	AUG 5	AUG 6	AUG 7	AUG 8		

Criteria for inclusion in 7-Day Calendar and Montrose Resources: 1. Event or group must specifically pertain to neighborhood of Montrose or Houston's gay community unless major city, state or national holiday or major national gay event. 2. Strictly commercial events not included. 3. Business, civic and social groups and their events are generally qualified. 4. Political events where only one view of a subject, candidate or party is dominant not qualified.
 For additional information or phone numbers, look for the sponsoring organization under "Resources."

Typestyles indicate events' location: Events in Houston, Events of Local Interest Elsewhere, Events of Area Interest

SELECTED EVENTS THROUGH 7 DAYS

- **FRIDAY:** "Breakthrough" lesbian-feminist program, KPFT, FM-90, 8:15-10:30am
- **FRIDAY:** Montrose Country Cloggers meet 7pm, MCCR, 1919 Decatur
- **SATURDAY:** KS/AIDS Foundation meets 3400 Montrose, no. 501, 11am
- **SATURDAY:** Houston Gay Health Advocates meet 7:30pm Aug. 3
- **SUNDAY:** Montrose Tennis Club plays 9am-noon, MacGregor Park
- **SUNDAY:** Frontrunners run from Memorial Park Tennis Center
- **SUNDAY:** Women's bowling league plays, 3pm, Stadium Bowl
- **SUNDAY:** W.W.B. Bowling League, 7:30pm, Post Oak Lanes
- **SUNDAY:** Overeaters Anonymous meet 8pm Montrose Counseling Center, 900 Lovett
- **MONDAY:** Frontrunners run from Golf Center, Hermann Park
- **MONDAY:** MSA Bowling, 9pm at Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain
- **TUESDAY:** Frontrunners run from Memorial Park Tennis Center
- **TUESDAY:** MSA "Fun

- Volleyball League" plays, 7pm
 - **TUESDAY:** Montrose Symphonic Band meets Dignity Center, 3217 Fannin, 7:30pm
 - **WEDNESDAY:** Gay Political Caucus meets 3217 Fannin, 7:30pm Aug. 7
 - **WEDNESDAY:** Houston Tennis Club plays 7:30pm, Homer Ford Tennis Center
 - **WEDNESDAY:** MSA Pool League competition
 - **WEDNESDAY:** Overeaters Anonymous meet 8pm Bering Church, 1440 Harold
 - **THURSDAY:** Frontrunners run from Memorial Park Tennis Center
 - **THURSDAY:** GPC Democratic Committee meets Dignity Ctr, 7:30pm Aug. 8
 - **THURSDAY:** "Wilde 'n Stein" gay radio show 7:30-9pm on KPFT Radio, FM-90
 - **THURSDAY:** Avondale Association meets 7:30pm Aug. 8, Christian Women's Center, 310 Pacific
 - **THURSDAY:** Mixed Bowling League, 9pm, Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain
- SELECTED EVENTS IN FUTURE WEEKS**
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Baytown Lambda meets 7:30pm Aug. 9

- **IN 1 WEEK:** Houston North Professionals meets 7:30pm, Aug. 10
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Gay Asians & Friends meet 3pm Aug. 11
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Integrity meets 7:30pm Aug. 12, Autry House, 6265 Main
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Montrose Art Alliance meets Aug. 12
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Lesbian/Gay Resource Service, Univ. of Houston, meets 2:30pm Aug. 13, Spindletop Room, Univ. Center, Univ. Park
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Lutherans Concerned meets Aug. 13, Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Citizens for Human Equality meets 7:30pm Aug. 13, Houston House, 1617 Fannin, 9th floor
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Houston Data Professionals meets 7:30pm Aug. 13
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Neartown Business Alliance meets 7pm Aug. 14, Liberty Bank, 1001 Westheimer
- **IN 2 WEEKS:** Sundance Cattle Co. 5th Anniversary, Aug. 16-18
- **IN 2 WEEKS:** Seventh Biennial Dignity Convention, New York, Aug. 16-25
- **IN 2 WEEKS:** Choices meets 1pm Aug. 18, Masterson YWCA, 3615 Willia
- **IN 2 WEEKS:** Parents FLAG meets 2pm, Aug. 18, Presbyterian Center, 41 Oakdale
- **IN 3 WEEKS:** Series 9, Men's Softball Gay World Series, Milwaukee, Aug. 27-Sept. 1
- **IN 3 WEEKS:** Houston Area Gay & Lesbian Engineers & Scientists meet 7pm Aug. 27
- **IN 3 WEEKS:** Montrose Civic Club (Neartown) meets 7pm Aug. 27, 1413 Westheimer
- **IN 3 WEEKS:** Greater Montrose Business Guild meets 7pm Aug. 28, Brennan's Restaurant, 3300 Smith
- **IN 3 WEEKS:** 1st Annual Gay Women's Softball World Series Aug. 29-Sept. 1, Milwaukee
- **IN 4 WEEKS:** 150th birthday of City of Houston, Aug. 30
- **IN 4 WEEKS:** Labor Day, Sept. 2
- **IN 6 WEEKS:** GPC's 10th Anniversary Dinner Sept. 14
- **IN 7 WEEKS:** Yom Kipper, Sept. 25
- **IN 9 WEEKS:** Human Rights Campaign Fund annual awards, Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York, Oct. 9, honoring TV host Phil Donahue, publisher Gloria Steinem & Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund
- **IN 10 WEEKS:** Texas-OU Football Weekend, Dallas
- **IN 10 WEEKS:** Annual Lesbian & Gay Pride Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., Columbus Day Weekend
- **IN 10 WEEKS:** Columbus Day, Oct. 14
- **IN 12 WEEKS:** Houston Triathlon IV, Oct. 26
- **IN 12 WEEKS:** Halloween, Oct. 31
- **IN 13 WEEKS:** Election Day, Nov. 5
- **IN 14 WEEKS:** Houston Tennis Assn. "Hou-Tex V" Nov. 9-11
- **IN 14 WEEKS:** Veteran's Day, Nov. 11
- **IN 14-15 WEEKS:** Texas Gay Rodeo, Nov. 15-17, with judging Mr. & Ms. Rodeo Nov. 14
- **IN 16 WEEKS:** Thanksgiving, Nov. 28
- **IN 16 WEEKS:** Turkey Trot Fun Run, Nov. 28
- **IN 19 WEEKS:** Jingle Bell Fun Run, Dec. 15
- **IN 20 WEEKS:** Christmas, Dec. 25
- **IN 21 WEEKS:** New Year's Eve, Dec. 31

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