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GPC president makes it official, files suit, announces anti-discrimination programs

Gay Political Caucus president Lee Harrington said on the steps of City Hall May 12 that he had filed earlier a personal lawsuit in Federal District Court against the City of Houston for his loss of a city job when he was elected president of the GPC in 1980.

Also named in the suit was the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Council (the city agency where Harrington worked) and its general manager, Greg D. Ortale.

Harrington said, "At 9:30 on the morning of Wednesday, June 18, 1980, some ten hours before I was to stand for election to the GPC presidency, the general manager of the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Council told me that if I was elected that night, I would be asked to resign the next morning (from the GPCVC). I was elected and I was asked by the (Greater Houston Convention and Visitors) Council to begin looking for another job," Harrington said.

Harrington was attempting to gain maximum publicity through straight media by making the announcement of the filing of the suit on the steps of City Hall.

Two of Houston's three major television stations covered the announcement.

"My concern is not just gay rights, but the civil and constitutional rights of all city tax-supported employees," Harrington said.

He said the GPCVC had begun to pressure him two months before the GPC election when it was said to have learned of his plans to run for the city's top gay political office.

"This is a clear violation of my individual rights, my freedom of speech and freedom of association, as guaranteed by the United States Constitution. It is a violation of the rights of all employees supported by taxpayers'

money," he said.

Harrington did not reveal the monetary amount of the suit.

The GPCVC later revised its policy regarding political activities by its employees while on their personal time after feeling pressure from the Houston City Council, Harrington said.

A majority of the City Council members in the previous election had sought the endorsement of the Gay Political Caucus, recognizing its influence among voters.

Harrington also announced that two new programs of the GPC were in the "final stages of approval."

One would be a task force to verify grievances from persons who feel they were fired or forced out of jobs because they were homosexual. If verification showed an employer was guilty of firing someone because of sexual orientation, protests would be staged at the business' location, he said.

The other program being planned, he added, would be taking it a step further by using economic boycotts by gay people of products and services at businesses who would not sign a non-discrimination policy document.

Arson ruled in Montrose fire

A May 10 fire that partially destroyed a vacant house on West Alabama was ruled arson.

The two-story house in the 300 block was partially destroyed by the blaze about 7:30 p.m. Fire officials said it appeared vargrants were living in the building.

Damage was estimated at \$75,000.

Art Fest representative presents specific proposal for closing Westheimer

A leader of the Westheimer Colony Art Association presented City Council May 12 with a specific proposed ordi-

nance which would allow Westheimer Street to be closed off during the twice-a-year Westheimer Arts Festival.

John Green of 412 Westheimer also told the council that he had a petition signed by 18,000 people that would put the issue of the closure of the street on a referendum if the city failed this time to act.

For the past several years, members of the Westheimer Colony Art Association had tried to get the street closed during the festival.

Mayor Jim McConn said city attorneys would study Green's proposed ordinance.

Mayor McConn said just prior to the last festival that the city would close off Westheimer during the event "if we can legally do it (but) if it violates city ordinance, no."

In previous years, city government heads had made similar statements but the street has yet to be closed for the festival.

"If it means changing our ordinances, we should tell them we'll do it. If we're not going to cooperate and change the ordinances, we should tell them now," said council member Lance Lalor prior to the last festival. Lalor represents District C, which includes Montrose.

"We always keep them dangling," he said.

City Attorney Ed Cazares was asked to act promptly in determining if city ordinances concerning street closings for such events would have had to be changed, and "if it means changing some ordinances we can go ahead and do it," Lalor said.

The festival normally stretches for ten blocks from Bagby to Montrose and draws hundreds of thousands of people into the area.

In effect, during the festival, the massive crowd in the past slowed the traffic to a trickle anyway.

Texas House approves wiretap measure

AUSTIN—The Texas House of Representative May 4 approved and sent to the Senate a bill to legalize wiretapping by law enforcement agencies.

The bill approved by the House would allow court-sanctioned wiretaps and electronic surveillance, including allowing the Texas Department of Public Safety and local law enforcement agencies to make "covert entries" to place eavesdropping devices.

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Galleria—Loop 610 at Westheimer—626-4011, 626-0140
Greenway—Greenway Plaza Underground—626-3339
Loew's Saks—S. Post Oak at San Felipe—627-9910
Museum of Fine Arts—Brown Auditorium, 1001 Bissonnet—526-1361
River Oaks—2009 W. Gray—524-2175
Shamrock—7017 S. Main—797-1446
Windsor—5078 Richmond—622-2650

■SHOWING ALL WEEK

Titles to be announced: 2:30pm (Monday through Friday), Different Drum, 1732 Westheimer, 528-8508

Topman (gay male erotica) starring Victor Houston and **Savage Rides Again** (gay male erotica): French Quarter

La Cage aux Folles II (1981 comedy, in French with English subtitles, rated R) starring Ugo Tognazzi & Michel Serrault: Greenway

■FRIDAY ONLY

Saturn 3 (1980 science fiction) starring Farrah Fawcett and Kirk Douglas: 7:15, River Oaks

Otto Preminger's **Laura**: 8pm, Museum of Fine Arts

Stanley Kubrick's **2001 A Space Odyssey** (1968, science fiction) starring Keir Dullea and Hal the Computer: 9pm, River Oaks

Title to be announced: 2:15am (Sat. morning), Different Drum, 1732 Westheimer, 528-8508

■SATURDAY ONLY

Gone With the Wind (1939 drama): noon, 4pm, 8pm, River Oaks

Gertrude Stein: **When This You See, Remember Me**: 7pm, First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin, 526-1571

Connie Field's **The Life and Times of Rosie the Riveter** and Jean-Pierre Gorin's **Poto and Cobengo**: 8pm, Museum of Fine Arts

Title to be announced: 2:15am (Sun. morning), Different Drum, 1732 Westheimer, 528-8508

■SUNDAY & MONDAY

Brian de Palma's **Home Movies** (1980 comedy) starring Kirk Douglas and Nancy Allen: (4pm Sun., 5:45pm Sun.) 7:30pm, 9:15pm, River Oaks

■MONDAY ONLY

Title to be announced: 9pm at the Galleon, 2303 Richmond, 522-7616

■TUESDAY ONLY

Cousin Cousine (1976 romance) starring Marie-Christine Barrault and Victor Lanoux: 7:30pm, River Oaks

Yves Rovert's **Pardon Mon Affair** (comedy): 9:30pm, River Oaks

Lawrence of Arabia: 10:30pm, Mary's, 1022 Westheimer—528-8851

■WEDNESDAY ONLY

Martin Scorsese's **Mean Streets** (1973) starring Harvey Keitel and Robert DeNiro: 7pm, River Oaks

Francis Ford Coppola's **The Godfather, Part II** (1974) starring Robert DeNiro and Al Pacino: 9:15pm, River Oaks

■THURSDAY ONLY

Shampoo (1975 comedy) starring Warren Beatty and Julie Christie: 7:15pm, River Oaks

Title to be announced: 8pm, Wildwood Saloon, 1504 Westheimer, 528-9040

Cruisin' (1979, rated R): 9:30pm, Wildwood Saloon, 1504 Westheimer, 528-9040

Heaven Can Wait (1978 comedy) starring Warren Beatty, Buck Henry and Julie Christie: 9:30pm, River Oaks

Live Theater This Week Near Montrose

(Friday, May 15, through Thursday,
May 21)

(Nina Vance) **Alley Theater** (large stage)—615 Texas—228-8421

William Shakespeare's **Romeo and Juliet**, directed by Louis Criss and starring Scott Wentworth and Patricia Norcia, 8:30pm Friday, 5 and 9pm Saturday and 2:30 and 7:30pm Sunday.

(Nina Vance) **Alley Theater's Arena Stage**—615 Texas—228-8421

Hugh Leonard's **Da** (comedy) starring Dale Helward and Robert Donley 8:30pm Friday, 5 and 9pm Saturday, 2:30 and 7:30pm Sunday, and 8pm Tuesday and Wednesday, 8:30pm Thursday.

Chocolate Bayou Theater—1823 Lamar—759-9840

George Bernard Shaw's **Candida** (comedy) 8:30pm Friday and Saturday, 7pm Sunday.

Comedy Workshop Cabaret and the Comix Annex—1905 S. Shepherd—524-7333

Comedy Tonight 8:30 and 11:00pm Friday and Saturday, 8:30pm Tuesday through Thursday.

The Ensemble—1010 Tuam—520-0055

Tiger, Tiger, Burning Bright (comedy drama), 8:30pm Friday and Saturday, 5pm Sunday.

Equinox Theater—3617 Washington—868-5829

Ira Levin's **Deathtrap** (comedy/thriller) 8:30pm Friday and Saturday.

Main Street Theater—Autrey House, 6265 S. Main—524-6706

Edward Albee's **The Lady from Dubuque** (comedy melodrama) 8:30pm nightly.

Stages Cabaret Stage—709 Franklin—225-9539

James McClure's **Lone Star and Laundry and Bourbon** (comedies) 8:30pm Friday, 5 and 9pm Saturday; 3pm Sunday.

Tower Theater—1201 Westheimer—522-2452

Jesus Christ, **Superstar**, directed by Bruce Bowen, starring J. Brent Alford, Tommy Hollis, Maria Ballas (musical), previews 5pm Saturday and 3 and 7:30pm Sunday; regular performances 8pm Tuesday through Thursday.

Vaudeville Theater—308 Milam—226-9552

Urban Theater's **Inner Wonder** (musical) 8:30pm Friday and Saturday, 5pm Sunday.

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Lalor "Appreciation Party" this Tuesday

A "Lance Lalor Appreciation Party," announced by aide Johnny Peden, was scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, starting at 8:00 p.m. at the Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos.

The party's plans include a bar-b-que buffet. It's planning on being a fund-raiser to help retire campaign debts of the District C city councilman.

Distict C includes Montrose and much of southwest Houston.

Cost of admission will be \$5, with \$25 "sponsorships" available, Peden said.

Montrose man pleads innocent to Caribbean overthrow plot

Michael Eugene Perdue, 32, of the 1600 block of Marshall in Montrose, and eight other alleged mercenaries May 13 pleaded innocent to federal charges of conspiring to overthrow the Caribbean government of Dominica, it was reported.

The charges were said to claim that Perdue and the others were wanting to restore to power the small island's deposed prime minister.

Also, federal Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agency investigators were said to have confirmed that

at least 26 individuals, including two Houston police officers, had been or would be questioned about Perdue.

Among the other eight arraigned with Perdue included an imperial wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, it was reported.

Perdue was initially held under \$500,000 bond.

The men were arrested April 27 when they arrived at a marina near New Orleans with automatic weapons, dynamite and other military gear.

Proposed new law would let police, at their option, issue tickets for "homo- sexual conduct"

AUSTIN—The Texas House tentatively passed a bill May 12 that would let law enforcement officers have an option on whether to arrest certain misdemeanor law violators, or just to issue a ticket.

The bill covers those laws frequently used when arresting gay people.

The bill also covers prostitution, gamblers and marijuana smokers.

Under present law, if the officer cites the person, he must bring them to jail.

Under the new law, if approved by the Texas Senate and signed by the governor, the individual offi-

cer can either write the ticket, or haul the alleged violator to jail as in the past.

Austin Rep. Wilhelmina Delco campaigned against the bill, saying officers would react to their own prejudices of "racism, sexism, elitism and all sorts of preferential and discriminatory treatment" in deciding who to arrest and who to just ticket.

Robbery attempt made on firemen

Three Houston firemen who had just helped extinguish a car fire in Montrose were then held at gunpoint by two men trying to rob them, the Houston Chronicle reported.

No one was injured in the

attempted robbery about 3:20 a.m. May 12 at the corner of West Main and Hazard, according to reports attributed to Capt. J.J. Esterak, one of the three victims.

According to the newspaper:

Esterak said firemen aboard a pumper truck from Station 16 on Richmond had just extinguished a car fire in the 1900 block of West Main. The pumper truck had moved down the street while firemen refilled a water tank.

Esterak said that he and firefighters Tommy D. Olson and S.J. Campbell remained with the burned car as they waited for a wrecker to tow it away. While they waited, it was reported, a vehicle traveling south on Hazard stopped within about 25 feet of them.

Two men jumped out of the car and pointed a gun at the firefighters, the Chronicle

said.

Olson ran to the pumper and called Houston Police, but a police car was not immediately available so the pumper truck was brought to the rescue of Esterak and Campbell, it was said.

Meanwhile, the gunman were demanding money from the two firemen but quickly left as the pumper started to approach, the paper said, adding that no money was taken.

The car fire was ruled arson but no link was established between it and the robbery attempt, the newspaper reported.

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Concerts This Week In & Near Montrose

(Friday, May 15, through Thursday, May 21)

Ab and the Rebel Outlaws (country band)

Friday and Saturday evenings at the Exile, 1011 Bell, 659-0453; Sunday afternoon and Thursday evening at Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, 528-9192.

Randy Allen and the Double Eagle Band (country band)

Friday and Saturday evenings at Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, 528-9192; Thursday evening at the Exile, 1011 Bell, 659-0453.

Richard Ellis with Wayne Lyles (piano and vocal)

Thursday, Friday, Saturday

and Wednesday evenings at Jasmine (straight), 1512 W. Alabama, 526-0975.

Paul English Group (contemporary jazz)

Evenings except Sunday at Cody's (straight), 3400 Montrose, 522-9747.

Scott Gertner Quartet (jazz)

Evenings except Sunday and Monday at Birdwatchers (straight), 907 Westheimer, 527-0595.

Thelma Houston (disco) 9pm Wednesday at Parade, 1416 Richmond, 520-9119

Justine Band

Friday, Saturday and Thursday evenings at Our Place, 1419 Richmond, 528-8903.

The Terry Mason/Phil Settle Band (jazz)

Sunday and Monday evenings at Birdwatchers (straight), 907 Westheimer, 527-0595.



Good things for The Who

By ROBIN WELLES
Copley News Service

HOLLYWOOD — The Who is getting up in years but some new attire can work wonders, and it has.

The celebrated quartet has a new member (drummer Kenney Jones replacing the late Keith Moon), a new producer (Bill Szymczak who did such marvelous work with the Eagles), a new label (Warner Bros.) and a new album ("Face Dances").

Plus nine fine new songs (seven Townshend and two Entwistle originals) and some new portraits (16 artists doing the portraits of Who members that grace the new album).

Out of all of this comes one of the best in a long line of quality albums by Who, a musical combination that has been around for some 15 years. It's been about two years since the Who's last album.

Jones, a drummer of great enthusiasm and finesse, seems to have instilled a new flair and vigor to the trio of originals. He got heavy waves of applause when he made his debut with The Who in London in 1979.

It looks like many more good times are ahead for this classic rock group from Britain.

ALABAMA (RCA) — It's been a rough go for cousins Randy Owen, Jeff Cook and Teddy Gentry since they assembled for the first time back in 1969. They had early dreams of cracking Nash-

ville, but personnel changes and other problems kept them down. It wasn't until early last year when "My Home's in Alabama" broke into the top 20. Who ever said success was easy?

PEABO BRYSON - Turn the Hands of Time (Capitol)

— This one is a collection of some of the earlier things recorded by the soul singer who first jumped into stardom with "I'm So Into You" in 1978. Bryson is an exceptional composer, and nine of the 10 on this LP were written by him. He lights a fire beneath the tenth, "Piece of My Heart," which Janis Joplin once spotlighted.

ONE-NIGHT STAND - A Keyboard Event (Columbia)

— The two-record album was compiled live from a jazz performance by various artists in Los Angeles. Stars included Ramsey Lewis, Eubie Blake, Earl Klugh, Bobby Hutcherson, Bob James, Ron Carter, Hubert Laws, Herbie Hancock, George Duke — almost a who's who of the jazz world. If you pick up this one, settle back for some of the best jazz around.

DENIECE WILLIAMS - My Melody (Columbia)

— Williams has one of those super-flexible voices that can do everything from soul to opera. Songs on this LP range from subtle reggae to European calypso. The young lady has come a long way since her days as one of the backup singers for Stevie Wonder.

BEST OF TAJ MAHAL (Columbia)

— His bluesy songs might sound like he drifted out of the Mississippi mud, but actually the man was a New Yorker who grew up in Springfield, Mass., and heard plenty of southern-style music from his parents, both musicians. Fans of Taj Mahal will rejoice to find "Ain't Gwine Whistle Dixie (Any Mo)" and "Fishing Blues" included in this collection.

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A Ironic Celestial Catalog

By Sherwood Harrington/©1981 SAN FRAN. CHRONICLE FEATURES

The most commonly used list of prominent celestial objects was originally compiled as a roster of things that astronomers shouldn't waste their time looking at. It was published by the French comet hunter Charles Messier in 1781 as an aid to other comet hunters.

There was keen interest in the discovery of new comets during the late 1700s, but finding them required slow, meticulous searching with the small telescopes of the time. Comets look "fuzzy" through modest telescopes, but most fuzzy patches are not comets. Comets can be distinguished by their slow movement against the stary background.

During his searches for comets, Messier often found fuzzy patches of light which never moved against the sky. This stagnancy, he correctly concluded, showed that they were not comets; and he felt that to look at them further would be a waste of his time. To save other astronomers such wasted effort, he compiled what is now called the "Messier Catalog." Thus an object's inclusion in the catalog originally meant that it wasn't worth looking it.

Ironically, most of the bodies on Messier's list are now considered far more interesting than comets. Comets are simply tiny pieces of interplanetary debris which are set mildly aglow if they pass close to the Sun. Messier's objects, on the other hand, include some of the most awesome denizens of deep space that can be seen with relative ease from Earth.

His first entry (called "M1" in astronomers' shorthand) is a prime example. Through large modern telescopes, this fuzzy patch is revealed to be an expanding mass of multicolored gassy filaments—testimony to an ancient stellar catastrophe of inconceivable violence. Also called the "Crab Nebula," it is all that remains of a heavyweight star that blew itself to shreds thousands of years ago.

EXPLORING the UNIVERSE



The other entries form a sampling from the bizarre cosmic zoo. The 42nd, for example, is a swirling fluorescent cloud studded by bright blue pinpoints of newborn stars. The 57th is an eerie pale-green bubble of gas exhaled as the dying breath of an aged star. The 31st is the nearest other large galaxy to our own Milky Way—the Andromeda Galaxy—a gargantuan spiral made of billions of stars.

The objects in Messier's list are so fascinating and relatively easy to see that modern clubs of amateur astronomers often hold "Messier marathons." In these marathons, amateurs attempt to view as many of these objects (more than a hundred in all) as possible in a restricted time, using their small telescopes. That's quite a switch from Messier's original purpose in providing the list!

A final twist of irony is provided by the 91st entry in the catalog. Despite careful searching, nothing of particular interest has ever been found where Messier located the object. Now, nearly two centuries after the great comet hunter gave us his list of "boring" non-comets, it seems that number 91 was, in fact, a comet!

Harrington is with the City College of San Francisco.

The Astronomical Society of the Pacific is making available to VOICE readers prints and slides of the dramatic new views of Saturn and its rings and moons, sent back by the Voyager probe. For more information and a price list, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Saturn Pictures, A.S.P., 1290 24th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94122.

NBC to keep King

The NBC network said May 11 it would be keeping tennis pro Billie Jean King as a commentator.

The network said that "unless there are additional developments, Billie will be at the microphones for us at Wimbledon."

King recently admitted that she had a lesbian relationship for several years with her former secretary, Marilyn Barnett.

King won a temporary restraining order May 5 barring Barnett from publishing some 100 personal letters written during their affair.

King's lawyer's got the order after presenting affidavits claiming Barnett had said she

might sell the letters to the *National Enquirer* for \$25,000, news services said.

It was reported that in an affidavit filed in Superior Court, King said she "wrote the letters to Barnett with the intent and understanding that they were and would remain private and confidential."

When the story first came to light, King denied she had a lesbian relationship with Barnett, but later admitted it.

Only the E.R. Squibb Co. was reported to be dropping King from its list of celebrities who endorse the company's products.

In addition to NBC, companies making Nike athletic shoes, Yonex tennis rackets and a resin substance called Power Grip, were reported to have said they would be sticking with their current arrangements with King.

Avon, which sponsors two major women's tennis tournaments, including one in Houston, was reported as saying they were "reviewing the situation cautiously. We would not be involved in anything that would hurt our image."

News services said that in her affidavit on the letters between King and Barnett, King said: "At various times over the past two to three years, Barnett has told me that she was going to publish to third parties the letters I had written her and that she felt she could make a great deal of money from their publication."

Barnett filed suit a week earlier seeking lifetime support and title to a Malibu house owned by King and her husband, Larry, news services said.

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'A Smile in His Lifetime' by Joseph Hansen

A SMILE IN HIS LIFETIME by Joseph Hansen, published by Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 521 5th Ave, New York, NY 10175. Hardcover \$13.95.

Reviewed by Joe DiSabato

Joseph Hansen is the highly acclaimed author of the Dave Brandsetter mystery series, a collection of novels which led the *Los Angeles Times* to call him "quite simply the most exciting and effective writer of the classic California private-eye novel working today."

Although the hero of the five books in this series is gay, the Brandsetter books cannot be accurately referred to primarily as a series of "gay novels." More accurately, they are primarily mystery novels whose main character happens to be gay.

As such they have earned Hansen high praise as a writer from publications such as the *New York Times* and *Washington Post* newspapers, the *Saturday Evening Post* and *New Yorker* magazines, and are highly recommended for anyone who appreciates finely written mystery stories.

A Smile in His Lifetime, however, is Mr. Hansen's first novel outside the Brandsetter series and will probably be referred to as his first "gay novel." The book

concerns one Whit Miller, a writer who—as the book opens—is churning out cheap porn novels to support himself while waiting for his major novel to be accepted by some large and reputable publishing house.

His marriage to Dell, his wife of ten years, is beginning to unravel as the novel begins, and the first third of the book (subtitled "Dell") shows how his suppressing of—and final acquiescence to—his desire for sex with another man contributes to his marital collapse. Dell was well aware of Whit's homosexuality when they married (after all, Whit's sexual life was exclusively homosexual until he met Dell), and she paid lip service to understanding his needs while fully expecting him to "outgrow" them once he was happily married.

Whit suppressed his true nature for almost ten years, until he was practically seduced by a very sexy young neighbor named Kenny. Dell had been growing increasingly frustrated with Whit and their marriage anyway, but Whit's increasing need for Kenny causes his marriage to finally come apart.

At the end of part I, Whit's book has finally been accepted and he has received a large advance. Feeling

that Whit will now be able to care for himself, Dell confronts Whit with his dissatisfaction, and Whit leaves Dell to live alone in Los Angeles (Kenny, having gotten cold feet about his relationship with Whit, has run off and gotten married).

The second and third parts of the book trace Whit's increasing financial success (his book has been picked up by a major film studio) and increasing emotional isolation. Part II (subtitled "Jamie") deals with Whit's obsession with a beautiful but immature young man named Jamie who is afraid to respond to Whit. By the end of Part II, Jamie has come to believe that Whit really does love him and he moves in with Whit.

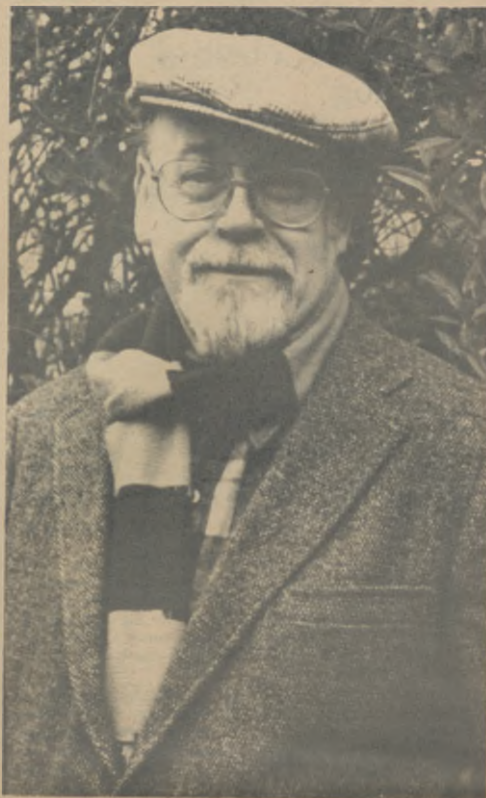
Part III (subtitled "Whit"—the subtitles seem to break Whit's life into periods, with each subtitle indicating the primary center of Whit's emotional life during that period) begins with Jamie having been institutionalized because of permanent brain damage he has suffered from some hallucinogenic drug.

Hansen's style is to set up a situation at the beginning of each part and then deal with Whit's progression from that point while filling in the details as to how the current situation came about through a series of flashbacks. It is a device which maintains reader interest and creates a certain suspense, much more so than a simple chronological narrative.

With the relationship with Jamie having come to an end, Whit learns to accept his situation.

Despite his material success he is unhappy and unfulfilled. Having been through at least three emotionally draining relationships (Dell, Kenny and Jamie), he now has decided to be self-sufficient and emotionally independent. Yet his search for non-involved sexual release finds him being overpowered, tied up, and robbed by a young one-night-stand, and finally being beaten nearly to death by "fag bashers" when he wanders too near a pier on the beach frequented by men looking for sex in the shadows.

The end of the book finds Whit alone, having accepted his loneliness.



Joseph Hansen, author of "A Smile in His Lifetime."
PHOTO BY ROGER BAKER

While themes of loneliness and unhappiness and love gone wrong in gay life are not new to the gay reader, what sets *A Smile in His Lifetime* apart from other such books is the style and craft of the author.

The critiques of Hansen's writing ability are not overstated. He has been praised by the *New Yorker* for his "real gift of storytelling—for character, for scene, for pace," and by *Saturday Review* as "a writer of taste and maturity." Rarely have these themes been addressed by an author with such skill and ability.

One brief descriptive paragraph from the book should suffice to illustrate Hansen's craft. Whit has just returned from shopping to his new, expensive Los Angeles apartment, into which he has just moved with his cat (named Polk) from the rundown shack he had been living in with his now-estranged wife:

"Polk is not on the deck. It looks bare, and Whit thinks he will set plants along the rail. He empties the supermarket sacks. Into cup-

boards where no grit falls, where no mouse nibbles. Into a big copper-tone refrigerator that huffs each time the door shuts. He clamps a can into the electric opener, pushes the lever, and watches can and opener wait. Claws scabble outside the kitchen window, and Polk is on the sill, asking to come in. Whit slides the window open, Polk jumps down and starts walking in fast circles, yapping. Whit rinses a white plastic no-tilt bowl under the fancy tap where water comes out fizzing. He sets the bowl on the sleeky waxed floor, and forks food from can into bowl. Polk stops bumping his legs and eats. Whit sets the can with half its fishy contents on the refrigerator shelf. The door falls shut."

In the hands of a less skilled writer, the themes addressed in *A Smile in His Lifetime* could easily result in a soap opera dripping with melodrama. It is due to Hansen's great skill as a writer that this book avoids this trap and presents instead a tender yet unsentimental account of love, need, pain and loneliness as they manifest themselves in the life of one gay man.



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•ASYLUM Bookstore—1201 Richmond

•BALL PARK Bookstore—1830 W. Alabama

•DINER'S News—240 Westheimer—528-8950

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•STUDZ News—1132 W. Alabama
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•TRES CHIC (eyewear)—520 Westheimer—526-0878

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•BAJA'S—402 Lovett—527-9866
Live piano entertainment nightly; Champagne brunch Sun. afternoon.

•BARB—710 Pacific—528-8427
Gay men predominantly; buffet Sun. afternoon; color night & pool tournament Mon. evening; margarita & steak night Tues.; schnapps night Wed.; steak night Thurs.; home of the Mustangs.

•BRAZOS RIVER BOTTOM—2400 Brazos—528-9192
Gay men predominantly; Randy Allen & the Double Eagle Band Fri. & Sat. evening; mud wrestling Sat. afternoon; Ab and the Rebel Outlaws Sun. afternoon & Thurs. evening; beer bust & hot dogs Sun. afternoon; 50¢ drinks Mon. & Tues. evening; Lance Lalor appreciation party Tues. evening; steak night Wed.; pool tournament Thurs. evening; home Colt 45 Motorcycle Club; Colt 45 skate night June 9.

•BRIAR PATCH—2294 W. Holcombe—655-5678
Buffet Sun. afternoon & Tues. evening; video movies Sun. afternoon; “Midnight Bowlers Special” Mon. evening; pool tournament Wed. evening.

•BUNKHOUSE—1704 Westheimer—520-1818
Taped and live-play DJ music by Mike Drivet; drink special Sun. evening.

•CHICKEN COOP—535 Westheimer—526-2240
Liquor and beer busts Sat. & Sun. afternoons; pool tournament Tues. evening.

•COPA—2631 Richmond—528-2259
Disco nightly with Ric Harvey & Lee Powers on sound & lights; after-hours Fri. & Sat. nights; impersonation show Sun. evening with Donna Day & Ernestine; Ermautine & amateur impersonation show Tues. evening; 20¢ full drinks Wed. & Thurs. evening; cover charge nightly.

•COVE—2912 S. Shepherd—524-0170

•DIFFERENT DRUM—1732 Westheimer—528-8508

Where Men can be Men—the Drum.

See our ad elsewhere this issue. Gay men exclusively; dress code evenings; live-play DJ Bobby Konrad; after-hours Fri. & Sat. evenings; movies after-hours Fri. & Sat. & 2:30pm Mon. through Thurs.; beer busts Sat. & Sun. afternoons; liquor special Mon. evening; beer special Tues. evening; club night Wed.; home American Leathermen.

•DIRTY SALLY'S—220 Avondale—529-7525
3rd anniversary party Fri. through Sun.; liquor bust & hot dogs Sat. & Sun. afternoons; oldie music night Mon.; steak night Wed.

•E.J.'s—1213 Richmond—527-9071

•EXILE—1011 Bell—659-0453
Ab & the Rebel Outlaws Fri. & Sat. evenings; 7pm buffet & 8:30pm impersonation show with “Little Bobby” Sun.; color night Monday; Randy Allen and the Double Eagle Band Thurs. evening; home Texas Riders.

•GALLEON—2303 Richmond—522-7616
Gay men predominantly; movies Mon. evening; buffet Thurs. evening.

•GRANT STREET STATION—911 Fairview—528-8342

•THE HOLE—109 Tunn—528-9066
Schnapps special weekday afternoons; beer specials Sat. & Sun. afternoons; spaghetti night Thurs.

•JUST MARION & LYNN'S—817 Fairview—528-9110
Gay women predominantly.

•KINDRED SPIRITS—5245 Buffalo Speedway—665-9756
Gay women predominantly.

•LAMPPOST—2417 Times Blvd.—528-8921
Gay women predominantly.

•MARY'S—1022 Westheimer—528-8851

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See our ad elsewhere this issue. Gay men predominantly; taped music by Larry Fought & after-hours nightly; beer bust Sun. afternoon; “Lawrence of Arabia” movie 10:30pm Tues.; venereal disease tests 9pm-lam May 22; Gay Pride Week police raid commemoration night June 18; home Houston Motorcycle Club.

•MIDNITE SUN—534 Westheimer—526-7519
Impersonation shows Sun. & Wed. evenings.

•MONTROSE MINING CO.—805 Pacific—528-7488
Gay men predominantly; beer bust Sun. afternoon.

•OUR PLACE—1419 Richmond—528-8903
Justine Band Fri. Sat. & Thurs. evenings; pool tourney Wed. evening.

•PARADE—1416 Richmond—520-1646

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See our ad elsewhere this issue. Disco with Otis James, Frank Collins & Phillip Large on sound; Frank Whitten Fri. police raid commemoration night Sun. evening; closed Mon./Tues.; Thelma Houston concert Thurs. evening; Patio opens May 25; Viola Willis concert May 25; cover charge nightly.

•PINK ELEPHANT—1218 Leeland—659-0040

A Montrose Alternative—The Pink Elephant

See our ad elsewhere this issue. “Playgirl Follies” Sat.; gay men predominantly.

•RANCH—9620½ Main—528-8730
Happy hour all day & night Mon.; pool tourney Tues. evening; schnapps special all day Wed. & Thurs.

•ROCKY'S—3416 W. Dallas—528-8922
Gay women exclusively.

•SADDLE CLUB—911 W. Drew—528-9261
Live country band Fri. Sat. & Sun. evening; color night Sun. evening; dance contest Mon. evening; pool tourney Tues. evening; beer bust Wed. evening; bare chest night Thurs. evening.

•SOUTH 40—11034 Alameda/Genoa—941-9796

On your way back from the Beach—the South 40

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•TWIN'S—535 Westheimer—522-6058
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•VENTURE-N—2923 Main—522-0000

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•WILDWOOD Saloon—1504 Westheimer—528-9040

Happy hour all day, all night Monday at the Wildwood Saloon.

See our ad elsewhere this issue. Beer bust & hot dog Sat. & Sun. afternoons; happy hour all day & night Mon.; pool tourney Tues. evening; club night Wed.; sneak preview movie 8pm & “Crusin'” movie 9:30pm Thurs.; home Sundance Cattle Club.

Here is the fifth in our series of the exclusive Montrose Crossword.

Some clues and answers deal with Montrose people and places. The others are standard crossword clues and answers.

If you're not familiar with the gay lifestyle, you will have trouble filling out some of the answers. But don't worry. You can cheat. The solution appears elsewhere in this issue.



DOWN

- Poems
- Body condition at the 2306
- Unsettling
- Mediterranean
- Strange smell of grass and poppers
- A gay one of these might join Gay Nurses and Physicians of Houston
- Atlanta entrepreneur Turner
- Spanish
- Arab chieftain
- A hard liquor (pl.)
- Candidate Soliz, endorsed by GPC in last race against Councilman Goyen
- Well, how —!
- Charged atom
- Put the grass out of sight when mom visits
- Australian animal
- Do wrong
- Places
- Author Turgenev
- Barnyard bird
- That trick you had last night was even more — than the one last week
- Barnyard sound

ACROSS

- College athletic group
- Metric volume (abbr.)
- School organization (abbr.)
- Ch. 11 sports announcer
- Stare, as at Mining Co. bartender
- Allow
- What Crisco does between your fingers
- President (abbr.)
- Am not (sl.)
- As well
- Good (Lat.)
- Eye infection
- HPD answer (pl.)
- Scot
- Non suffix
- Iridescent gem
- Activity at the Steam Table
- Pounds (abbr.)
- Chinese and Japanese
- Proper exercise and a good — will give you that
- Jim's Gym look
- Buddhism type
- Tree kind (pl.)
- Refuse
- Superlative suffix
- Mediocre (comp. wd.)
- Christmas decoration

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ACLU—1236 W. Gray—524-5925

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 Seminar June 20-21.

AMERICAN LEATHERMEN (social club)—c/o Different Drum, 1734 Westheimer—528-8508
 Club night Wed.

BERING Memorial Methodist Church—1440 Hawthorne—526-1017

Integrity/Houston's Community Coffeehouse: 7:30pm-midnight Fri.; United Methodist worship service 11am Sun. Integrity/Houston educational forum 7:30 Thurs. on "Gay Needs" with Montrose Counseling Center speaker.

BLACK & WHITE MEN Together—529-5006, 774-3501

(Montrose) CHURCH OF CHRIST—520-K Westheimer—774-2368

CHURCH OF CHRISTIAN FAITH—413 Westheimer—529-8005
 Gay Young Adults meeting Fri. evening; worship services Sun. morning & evening & Wed. evening; Bible study Mon. & Tues. evenings; choir practice Wed. evening.

CITIZENS FOR HUMAN EQUALITY—609 Fannin #1301—236-8666
 Board meeting June 9.

COLT 45'S (social club)—c/o Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos—528-9192
 Skate night June 9.

CONG. BETH CHIAM/Gay Jews—meets at MCCR, 1919 Decatur—529-8576, 624-3180
 Service & social 8pm May 22.

DATA PROFESSIONALS—meets at La Quinta Motor Inn, 4015 Southwest Fwy—522-7809
 Meeting June 9.

DEBUTANTES FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
 "Debutantes Ball" at the Copa June 26.

DIGNITY—528-7644
 Meeting Thurs. evening, Catholic Student Center.

EPISCOPAL INTEGRITY—meets at Avirey House, 6385 Main—520-8298
 Meeting 7:30pm June 9.

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF GAYS—meets at MCCR, 1919 Decatur
 Meeting June 14.

FIRST UNITARIAN Church—5210 Fannin—526-1571
 Lambda meeting Fri. evening, worship services, Sun. morning; Unitarian/Universalist Gay Caucus meet Sun. afternoon; "Gertrude Stein: When This You See, Remember Me" movie 7pm Mon.

GAY ARCHIVES of Texas—c/o Integrity/Houston, 3406 Mulberry—529-7014

GAY ATHEIST LEAGUE
 "American Atheist Hour" 6:30-7:30pm June 25 on KPFT, FM 90, devoted to gay atheists.

GAY HISPANIC CAUCUS
 Gay Pride Week, "We The People," Heritage Day June 26.

GAY JOGGERS Association—523-8788

GAY NURSES & PHYSICIANS of Houston—c/o GPC, 4600 Main #217—772-2287

GAY PARENTS—861-9149, 526-7025

GAY POLITICAL CAUCUS—4600 Main #217—521-0030
 "Legal Services" education forum 7:30pm Wed.; general business meeting 7:30pm June 3; Gay Pride Week, "We The People" educational forum June 22 at 1st Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin; Gay Pride Week, "We The People," rally June 28.

GAY PRIDE WEEK PUBLICITY Committee—527-0890

GAY PRIDE WEEK GUIDE Committee—529-8496

GAY PRIDE WEEK PARADE Committee—1647 P&L—521-9265
 Gay Pride Week, "We The People," parade 5:30pm June 28.

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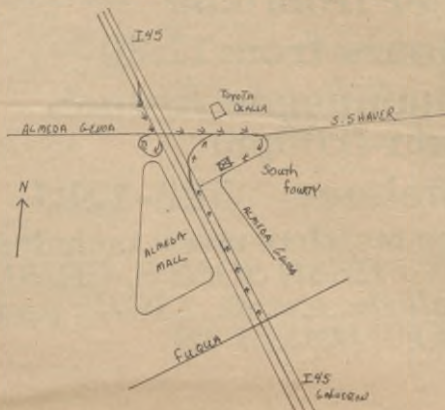
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Selected Events through 7 Days

■**FRIDAY:** Integrity/Houston's "Community Coffeehouse" 7:30pm-midnight at Bering Memorial Methodist Church, 1440 Hawthorne

■**SATURDAY:** Venereal disease tests 9pm-1am at Club Baths, 2205 Fannin

■**SUNDAY:** Montrose Sports Association afternoon softball games at Levy Field

■**SUNDAY:** Unitarian/Universalist Gay Caucus afternoon meeting at First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin

■**SUNDAY:** Venereal disease tests 5-9pm at the Different Drum, 1734 Westheimer

■**MONDAY:** Final league playoff games for Montrose Sports Association Bowling League, evening, at Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain

■**TUESDAY:** Lance Lalor (City Council representative from Montrose) Appreciation Party and fund-raiser at Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos

■**WEDNESDAY:** Gay-Political Caucus's educational forum on "Legal Services" 7:30pm at 4600 Main #217 with attorney Victoria Powell

■**THURSDAY:** Integrity/Houston's educational forum on "Gay Needs" with speaker from Montrose Counseling Center at Bering Church, 3405 Mulberry, 7:30pm

Selected Events Later

■**IN 1 WEEK:** Montrose Sports Association hosts first annual International Gay Bowling Organization Tournament with registration (7pm-1am May 22) at Brazos River

Bottom, 2400 Brazos; games (teams 12:30pm May 23; singles 8:30am May 24; doubles 1:30pm May 24) at Big Texan Lanes, 440 W. Little York and awards (5-10pm May 24) at Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos

■**IN 1 WEEK:** Gay Pride Week Planning Committee meeting 2:30pm May 24 at the Copa, 2631 Richmond

■**IN 1 WEEK:** Memorial Day May 25

■**IN 1 WEEK:** Mr. & Ms. Gay Pride Week Contest May 28 at Babylon, 300 Westheimer

■**STARTING IN 4 WEEKS:** Gay Pride Week, "We The People," June 18-28 with ...

□Mary's 1980 raid commemoration June 18

□City-wide gay club night June 19

□Montrose Sports Association softball games with Houston police and fire department teams 1pm, June 20, in Memorial Park field #1

□"Salute Dallas" day June 21

□"Word is Out" and "A Very Natural Thing" gay films at the River Oaks Theater June 21

□Educational forums June 22

□National Day of Remembrance June 23

□Gay youth day June 25

□Heritage Day June 26

□"Debutante Ball" at the Copa June 26

□Fred Paez Memorial Day June 27

□Westheimer parade 5:30pm June 28

□Spotts Park rally June 28

■**IN 5 WEEKS:** The Advocate Experience seminar June 20-21

■**IN 5 WEEKS:** Dallas Gay Pride Week parade June 21

■**IN 10 WEEKS:** "GayRun '81" in San Francisco July 26

■**IN 11 WEEKS:** Reno Gay Rodeo July 31-Aug. 2

■**IN 16 WEEKS:** Texas Gay Task Force Conference VIII Sept. 4-7

GAY PRIDE WEEK (overall) PLANING Committee—521-9295
General meeting 2:30pm May 24 at the Copa, 2631 Richmond; Mr. & Ms. Gay Pride Week Contest May 28 at Babylon, 300 Westheimer; Gay Pride Week, "We The People," June 18-28, with Mary's 1980 raid commemoration June 18, city-wide gay club night June 19, Montrose Sports Association softball games with Houston police and fire department teams 1pm June 20 in Memorial Park field #1, "Salute Dallas" day June 21, "Word is Out" and "A Very Natural Thing" gay films at the River Oaks Theater June 21, educational forums June 22, National Day of Remembrance June 23, Gay Youth Day June 25, Heritage Day June 26, "Debutante Ball" at the Copa June 26, Fred Paez Memorial Day June 27, parade 5:30pm June 28, and Spotts Park rally June 28.

GAY PSYCHIC/Metaphysical Group—523-0852
Meeting Wed. evening.

GAY YOUNG ADULTS—meets at Church of Christian Faith, 413 Westheimer—471-1289
Meeting Fri. evening; Gay Pride Week, "We The People," Gay Youth Day June 25, "Concerns of Gay Youth" program on KPFT, FM-90, 1:40pm June 25.

HOUSTON HUMAN RIGHTS LEAGUE—523-6969

HOUSTON MOTORCYCLE CLUB—c/o Mary's, 1022 Westheimer—528-8851

HOUSTON TAVERN GUILD—members include Barn, Dirty Sally's, Exile, Mary's, Midnite Sun & Venture-N

INTEGRITY/Houston & Community Coffeehouse—meets at Bering Church, 3405 Mulberry—529-7014, 694-1732
Community Coffeehouse 7:30pm-midnight Fri; educational forum 7:30pm Thurs, with Montrose Counseling Center representative discussing "Gay Needs", business meeting June 4.

■**KPFT Radio**, FM-90—419 Lovett Blvd—526-4000
Wild 'n Stein gay radio show 10pm Thurs; Gay Pride Week special broadcasts June 23, 25 & 27.

LAMBDA—meets at 1st Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin
Meeting Fri. evening.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED—meets at Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh—521-0863, 453-1143
Meeting May 22

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY Church—1919 Decatur—861-9149
Protestant worship services 11am Sun., Sun. evening & Wed. evening; Montrose Singers meeting Mon. evening; Spanish class Thurs. evening; Cong. Beth Ch. class Thurs. evening; Cong. Beth Ch. & Friends of Gays meeting June 14.

MONTROSE CLUB/Neartown—meets at Bering Church, 1440 Hawthorne—522-1000
Meeting May 26.

MONTROSE CLINIC—c/o City of Houston Health Department—1115 N. MacGregor—222-4297
Venereal disease tests daily weekdays; venereal disease testing 9pm-1am Sat. at Club Baths, 2205 Fannin; venereal disease testing 5-9pm Sun. at the Different Drum, 1734 Westheimer; rape counseling session for women Wed. evening.

Mother Ruth's "Montrose Clinic on Wheels" this week:

Venereal disease testing 9pm-1am Saturday at Club Baths, 2205 Fannin

Venereal disease testing 5-9pm Sunday at the Different Drum, 1732 Westheimer

Compliments of the City of Houston Health Department.

MONTROSE COUNSELING Center—800 Lovett 2305—523-0337
Speech 7:30 Thurs. at Integrity/Houston educational forum, meeting at Bering Church, 3405 Mulberry, on "Gay Needs."

MONTROSE PATROL—3329 Richmond—528-2273

MONTROSE SPORTS Association CAMPING—665-1734
New Braunfels outing May 29-31.

MONTROSE SPORTS Association SOFTBALL—plays at Levy Field
Softball games Sun. with teams from the Gallean, Brian Patch, Jim's Gym, Montrose Mining, Brazos River Bottom, Venture-N, Different Drum & Saddle Club; Gay Pride Week, "We The People," police and firemen softball game 1pm, June 20, Memorial Park field #1.

MONTROSE SPORTS Association BOWLING—meets at Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain—961-5409
Final league playoff 9pm Mon.; 1st annual International Gay Bowling Organization Tournament registration 7pm-1am May 22 at Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos; IGBO games 12:30pm (teams) May 23 & 8:30am (singles) & 1:30pm (doubles) May 24 at Big Texan Lanes, 440 W. Little York; IGBO awards 5-10pm May 24 at Brazos River Bottom; bowling party June 8; summer bowling league starts June 8.

MONTROSE SPORTS Association TENNIS—meets in Memorial Park Tennis Center—521-0837
Practice 7:30-10pm Thurs.; Cheap Singles Open finals May 27-29; River Oaks Tennis Center Challenge Cup Tournament May 30-31.

MONTROSE SPORTS Association VOLLEYBALL—meets in Cherryhurst Park—523-3487
Games 2pm Sun.

MONTROSE BAND—meets at Cockatoo, 3400 Travis—527-8669

MUSTANGS (social club)—c/o the Barn, 710 Pacific—528-9427
Color night Mon.

OPERATION DOCUMENTATION—a project of GPC, 4600 Main #217—521-1000

(Fred) **PAEZ TASK FORCE**—c/o GPC, 4600 Main #217—521-1000, 521-9186, 523-3533

Gay Pride Week, "We The People," Fred Paez Memorial Day June 27; Fred Paez Memorial Program hosted by Ray Hill on KPFT, FM-90, 11am-4pm June 27.

ORAL MAJORITY—1022 Westheimer—527-9669

SUNDANCE CATTLE COMPANY (social club)—c/o Wildwood Saloon, 1504 Westheimer—528-9040
Club night Wed.

TEXAS BAY AREA GAYS—332-3737
Meeting Thurs. evening.

TEXAS GAY TASK FORCE—528-3636
Conference VIII Sept. 4-7.

TEXAS HUMAN RIGHTS Foundation—526-9139

TEXAS RIDERS motorcycle club—c/o the Exile, 1011 Bell—659-0453
Color night Mon.

UNITARIAN/UNIVERSALIST Gay Caucus—c/o 1st Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin—524-7524
Meeting Sun. afternoon.

WESTHEIMER COLONY ARTS Association—908 Westheimer—521-0133

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Gary Larson



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The "Montrose Voice," the newspaper of Montrose—the leading publication in your neighborhood.

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Cronies has new Summer Menu!

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Samantha Reads Your Stars

If you were born this week: You are one of those people who can easily do two things at once. In fact, you usually have a number of current irons in your fire. You have an excellent mind and your moods and interests are like quicksilver. You have the gift of gab and can be very persuasive.

ARIES (3-21/4-19): Use this week to get back to basics. Aries. Establish prime directions with careful planning to make the most of all your assets. Think before you speak so you won't have to retract your words later. The clink of coins ends week.

TAURUS (4-20/5-20): As usual, Taurus, you know where you want to go. This week, though, you may not be sure of exactly how you're going to get there. Several avenues are open to you. Be sure you don't shut one off prematurely, babe. **GEMINI (5-21/6-20):** You can put yourself in a leadership position this week, Gem, if you don't vacillate. Choose your goal and pick your perspective and stick with 'em. Be consistent!

MOONCHILD (6-21/7-22): When in doubt, Moonbeam, go with the flow. There's nothing wrong in following someone else's lead and that will give your own thoughts time to gel, too. Before days are through, you let it all hang out. Goody! **LEO (7-23/8-22):** Activities with friends and groups are really helping this week, Leo. The old adage about two heads being better than one is proved once again, as exchanges of information play a key role. Week closes with a pause.

VIRGO (8-23/9-22): A fresh approach to an old chore can add zest. Experiment, Virgo, and find an unexpected bonus, look for a meeting that may seem to muddy the waters instead of clearing them. Don't worry, they'll settle out!

LIBRA (9-23/10-23): An influx of your new ideas contributes to a general feeling of restlessness. New and different options abound, Libby. Consider them all this week.

SCORPIO (10-24/11-22): Give cohorts your game plan and allow them to run with the ball in their own ways. It's not necessary to supervise every little detail, Scorp. Your days include a bit of flirtation and a proposal made on the Q.T.

SAGITTARIUS 11-23/12-21): Lots of talk this week, Sag, not to mention a fair amount of action, too. Keep all communications lines open. Domestic matters may profit from a family forum. Cupid visits and latter days bring a spot of work.

CAPRICORN (12-22/1-19): A flexible schedule is a must this week, Cappy, to take advantage of spur-of-the-moment opportunities. Be prepared for one with little patience to try to prod you into speedy action. Kisses complete your week.

AQUARIUS (1-20/2-19): Manage routine affairs this week, Aquari. Tend to budget, bills, correspondence and errands. And don't worry about boredom setting in; Cupid provided lots of stimulation! Creative capers and news are big pluses.

PISCES (2-20/3-20): A lack of organization can be a real enemy for the next several weeks, Pisces. You need to have everything at your fingertips because you'll be so busy you just won't have time to search. Get your act together, babe!

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Trend

Priorities will change

"Trend" is column that each issue gives you a final thought to ponder. This column is a joint effort by the staff of the VOICE.

Today's gay world of fun and thrills will, to a great degree, give way in a few years—perhaps five years—to a more serious gay world of "truth-seeking."

The World War II baby boom homosexual population that created the gay ghettos of major American cities will see such unheard of popular things as gay science groups and gay ancient history organizations in a few years.

Gay people—more than other people—will organize to seek the truth about the universe and human existence.

Why gay people more than others? Are we more inclined to intelligence than others? No. It's just that we're now becoming settled in life. We understand ourselves better. There's less frustration in our daily living. We're more aware of the difference between "love" and "sex" than straight society. Therefore we're more at peace with ourselves. And thus, we've the time to pursue higher goals—goals of the mind.

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