

Congressional Investigation of Studts was Wild Goose Chase

By Larry Bush

Almost from the outset, the congressional investigation that led to the announcement by Rep. Gerry E. Studts (D-Mass.) July 14 that "I am gay" was clearly a wild goose chase. It was launched by a panicky Congress to stem a media interest in charges made by two former pages in the summer of 1982; both were unidentified at the time, both charged a homosexual ring on Capitol Hill coerced sexual favors from them, and within weeks of their broadcast statements, both publicly admitted they lied.

A Justice Department probe into the charges turned up no evidence, announced its lack of findings, and folded its tent before the House committee even got its effort fully underway.

The House committee, however, had hired Joseph Califano, a former Carter cabinet official known both for his martinet personality and his willingness to absorb the public spotlight. During his tenure as Carter's secretary for Health and Human Services, Califano's straight-laced social conservatism created controversy when he booted out a black divorced mother as head of his department's planned White House Conference on Families, claiming that divorced women do not represent American family ideals, and he sought to constrict the availability of abortions under interpretations of congressional amendments, citing his Catholic faith.

Califano immediately decided his char-



ter extended beyond the original accusations by the then-discredited pages to seek any indications of sexual improprieties he could ferret out. The result was a wild goose chase as the most far-reaching intrusion into the private lives of members of Congress, staff and pages that may ever have been recorded. Female pages who were rumored to have had abortions were relentlessly tracked down, put under oath to tell the name of the boyfriend who had impregnated them, and then the boyfriends tracked down to confirm under oath their sexual relationship and lack of connection to Congress.

Mindnumbing detail on pages' lunchtime habits and occasional beers is collected; rumors based on mannerisms of pages, staff and members of Congress resulted in dragnets through personal financial record, phone logs, and other minutiae to determine whether pages were involved.

Califano reports that he and his investigators conducted "some 700 interviews and had taken more than 125 depositions. They have traveled almost 100,000 miles to interview witnesses in more than 50 cities. One hundred and eleven subpoenas have been issued; 90 to compel oral testimony, 21 to compel production of documents. The Committee compelled testimony from 12 witnesses through grants of use of immunity.

The Special Counsel also obtained sworn statements from 40 individuals." Beyond that, Califano says he involved the FBI, the U.S. Capitol Police (with its 1200 officer corps), the D.C. police, and the media and forced production of hundreds of pages of financial, travel and telephone records.

"This investigation has been searching and exhaustive. There have been no holds barred," Califano told the committee in his report. He adds later, "The most serious costs have been to the many young Americans, a good number still teenagers, for whom this investigation has been a difficult and trying experience. ... Yet, it has taken this kind of inquiry to provide the American people the assurance that the House of Representatives has the institutional stamina and courage to investigate its members, officers and employees searching and thoroughly."

The fact that Califano was able to deliver two instances of what the Committee termed "sexual misconduct" and that the two congressmen nicely balanced the liberal/conservative, Republican/Democrat, Moral Majority/gay rights activist spectrum naturally is giving rise to speculation that Califano, after all, settled for a political solution.

His report adds weight to that suspicion. Califano blithely maintains, for example, that the offenses of Crane and Studts do not specify whether sexual acts that took place at local or federal law. That is patently untrue, and it is particularly surprising that Califano thinks anyone will believe otherwise. The District of Columbia maintains criminal sanctions against both adultery (Crane's legal offense) and sodomy (Studt's presumed offense; sodomy varies by definition and the report does not specify whether sexual acts that took place violated the specific D.C. statute).

Those laws are on the books, moreover, because Rep. Daniel Crane's brother, Representative Crane, introduced legislation to return the reform bill passed by the D.C. City Council in 1981, citing both the adultery and sodomy statutes as necessary to the reform.

Califano also claims that his mandate allowed him to go back as far as ten years to locate an offense he could document against Studts, although he had outered in his preliminary report to the House committee that he was examining only the past three years of page records. And, while Califano eagerly announced that 850 individuals had served on the House during the past ten years, seeking to leave the clear impression that 848 were innocent of any wrongdoing, his report confirms that he received allegations about

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AIDS Panic Impacting More than the Disease

By Pat Streillein

The panic over Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), a debilitating and often fatal disease which breaks down the body's immune system, is spreading faster than the disease, according to research from University of Houston professors.

Only about 1600 Americans, primarily gay men, intravenous drug users and Haitian immigrants, have been stricken with this disease, yet it is impacting society with the force of an epidemic.

While only about 25 cases of AIDS have been reported locally, the panic is having a profound effect on social life in Houston's gay community, estimated to be the third largest in the nation, and is posing a threat to gay civil rights and political clout, according to several University of Houston-University Park researchers.

Dr. Allen Hanes, chair and a professor of sociology at UH, who along with several colleagues is studying the sociological impact of the disease on Houston's gay community, says there has been a noticeable decrease in gay "fast lane" types. Interviews with key informants, persons with the disease or their sexual partners, revealed that homosexuals have become more monogamous, he notes.

AIDS panic, according to Bruce

Remington, a UH graduate student in the history department, may have a negative impact on gays from a political standpoint. Remington, who has researched the political and historical development of the city's gay community, says that while political association with gays did not injure local politicians in recent election, the situation could change if the hysteria over AIDS continues.

Remington explains, "Conservatives may seize upon the opportunity to exploit the panic surrounding this disease in upcoming elections, and groups with similar goals—Blacks and Hispanics—may be reluctant to continue the unofficial political alliance they have had with the gay community because of the stigma surrounding AIDS. Should this happen, gays could lose some political clout as well as gains they've made in the area of civil rights," he adds.

However, Remington is optimistic that Houstonians will continue to reject right-wing conservative political strategies, as they did two years ago, when attempts to link Kathy Whitire with the gay community failed to sway the city's electorate. A survey by a UH political scientist, Dr. Kent Tedin, showed that only 18 percent of those polled indicated strong anti-gay sentiments at that time.

Panic is the normal reaction of the pub-

lic "anytime there is an outbreak of a mysterious, life-threatening disease for which the society has no remedy," says Dr. James Jones, a UH medical historian and author of *Dead Blood*, a book which chronicles the infamous Tuskegee Syphilis Experiment. "And," he continues, "when the disease affects mainly groups who are already subject to prejudice, there is a tendency to blame the victims for having the disease."

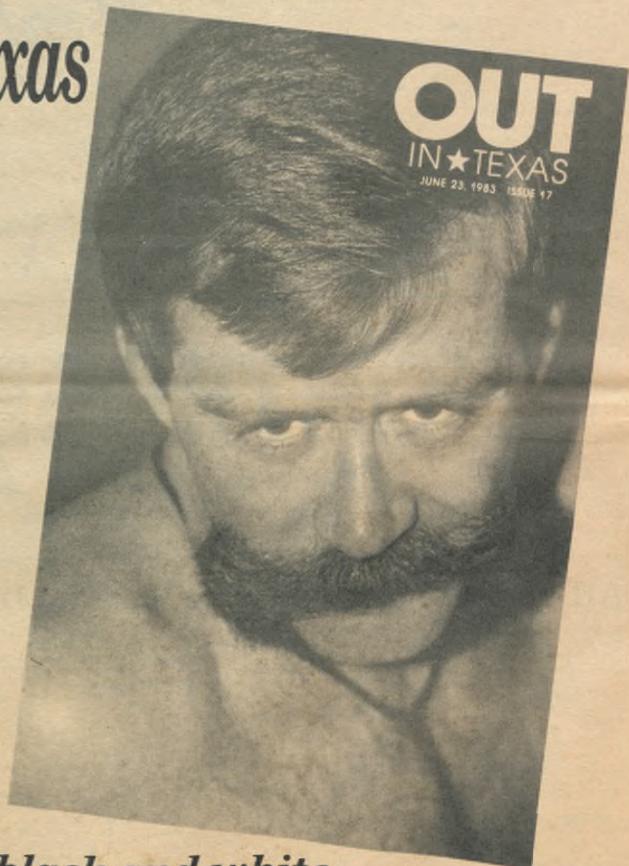
To illustrate, Jones notes that the public reacted in a similar way to the cholera epidemics during the 1800s. "Because it was a disease associated with drunkards, the dirty and the poor, cholera was considered God's way of punishing the victims for their wickedness," he said.

"The hysteria over AIDS is related to fear of the unknown, contagion and death," Jones explains. "Since there is little understanding of gays and their lifestyle, the disease is being used to condemn them just as cholera was used against its victims during the 19th century," he concludes.

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Whitmire Attends Neartown Meeting

By Hollis Hood

There's something very special about being the mayor of Houston and a resident of Montrose, mayor Kathy Whitmire told Neartown Civic Association attendees Tuesday night, July 26, at Bering Memorial Church.

The mayor was the guest speaker at the association's regularly scheduled meeting, and said she was aware of the citizenry's concern for safety and neighborhood betterment.

"Crime is a community problem," she said and cited the recent reactivation of the Montrose Watch as an important step in fighting crime in the area. She also spoke admirably of Lee Brown, police chief hired during her first term in office. "Even politicians want to compliment him," she said, noting that tremendous strides have been made because of Brown's professional attitude toward law enforcement.

Although the city is in a budget crunch, Whitmire said Houston intends to hire 500 new police officers and expand the DART program of crime prevention and investigation. In this program, police officers are assigned to specific areas of town so they are able to get to know the citizens, merchants, etc., and develop a good working rapport in combating crime.

She termed transportation "a critical issue" and said that MTA cannot avoid being congratulated for the outstanding accomplishment it has made in bus service improvements.

Whitmire also said that work on Richmond Street will begin as soon as the right-of-way is secured, as will work on the Montrose Branch Library. As to the proposed ordinance regulating sexually oriented businesses, Whitmire said a draft should be to the Council in August and "hopefully we will be able to see some improvement."

Houston is beginning to see the results of the billboard ordinance, and will continue to realize its effects for two more years, until the six-year amortization period ends, she said.

The mayor listened to the accomplishments and concerns of most of the citizen association in the Neartown/Montrose area and said she was "extremely impressed" by the strong neighborhood associations and that the city needed more "active participation."

She also stated that Allen Parkway Village will not be refurbished because those

residents will eventually be relocated "providing an alternative in the same general area."

Although the city is walking a tightrope financially, she said, it is trying to work out solutions to maintain a good quality of life. Also in closing remarks, she said the city hopes to engage in joint venturing with Metro for street improvement.

You Are What You Pet

Pacific News Service

The old adage about "Birds of a feather" is especially true for people who own pets. A California psychologist who studied 200 pet owners says people with similar personalities often choose the same kinds of pets.

Dr. Aline Kidd says, for example, that turtle owners tend to be hard working, reliable and steadily goal-oriented. Bird

owners are social and courteous, while snake owners are relaxed but somewhat unpredictable, being unable to tolerate routine.

Cat owners, says Kidd, are independent types, while dog owners generally need to love someone and be loved in return.

Kidd says her research will be helpful in the use of pets to treat the aged or mentally disabled.



The Greater Montrose Business Guild had a wine and cheese reception recently to promote membership in the community chamber of commerce

NGTF Moves on Civil Rights Fronts

By Larry Bush

The National Gay Task Force's Virginia Apuzzo joined civil rights leaders in protesting President Reagan's effort to shuffle the members of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission into a line-up that favors his civil rights stance. Apuzzo testified July 15 before the Senate Judiciary Committee, noting that the Reagan proposal was unprecedented in the 25 years since the Civil Rights Commission was established by Congress. Reagan's nominees for three positions he would create by firing the current incumbents must win Senate confirmation.

Apuzzo pointed to the small opening that lesbians and gay men were given to have their concerns heard by the Commission, which earlier ruled that antigay discrimination could not be considered until Congress passes an anti-bias law. The single exception the Administration granted was in the area of "administration of justice," which includes police procedures and court areas such as jury service and due process.

Apuzzo called that opening "a vital stake," citing a 1981 Commission study that called for the end of police "no hire" policies towards gays as a partial solution to the tensions between gays and police departments as the type of action that needs strong support from both the Administration and Congress.

In a related development, NGTF Washington director Jeff Levi said that Washington, D.C., police chief Maurice Turner had been asked by NGTF to introduce a resolution at the October convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IAPC) to reverse their "no

hire" policy resolution. Turner is expected to contact several other police chiefs, who like Washington, have renounced that policy to join him in making the resolution.

An NGTF survey of the 50 largest police departments resulted in nearly half of the major city department's reaffirming equal hiring policies.



Montrose Mouth

A Flash!

Stop the presses.

Well, actually it's a flash-dance. Recording artist Viola Willis will be headlining the "Flasdance" Benefit to be held next Friday, Aug. 5, at the Officers Club. An association of community professionals will be sponsoring the benefit and all profits will be donated to the KS/AIDS Foundation of Houston.

This special event will feature an open bar from 9pm until 2am, dancing to the music of D.J. Bill Hidalgo until 4am and a drawing for several door prizes.

Tickets will be available at the door for a tax deductible donation of \$20 until 11pm the evening of the event. For further information phone 520-5206 or 524-0976.

The MSA Men's League Softball Tournament starts this weekend, as all ten teams battle for the chance to go to Chicago to represent Houston in the 1984 Gay World Series.

If you've never been to an MSA softball game, this weekend would be a good one to start. There will be six games Saturday from 3pm to 9:30pm and two Sunday at 7:15pm and 8:30pm, all at Levy Field in the Greenway Plaza area just behind the Travel Lodge on Southwest Freeway.

Folks, we've got the date set now for the "Montrose Video Celebrity Car Wash" in the Texas Renegades parking lot, 1318 Westheimer. It's next weekend, Saturday, August 6, and will benefit the Montrose Video softball team.

And speaking of the MSA, the "Travelling MSA Video Variety Show" hits the Galleon August 20. More on that later.

Rock Goes to Pieces

If you've always wanted a piece of the rock, now's the time to head for Newark, New Jersey, where the headquarters of the Prudential Insurance Company is reported to be falling apart.

Company public relations people claim there's no problem, just some minor damage caused by road salt in the executive garage, but one Prudential officer told *Mother Jones* magazine, "The foundation is crumbling. It's a good thing most people who work here don't know what's going on."

Bacterial Sex Drive

Bacteria are "people" too. Scientists now say that not only do bacteria talk to each other, but they even have sex.

As reported in the *Detroit Free Press*, the scientists say bacteria produce sophisticated hormones that carry messages from one bacterium to another. And although they reproduce by dividing, bacteria engage in a form of intercourse by injecting genetic material into each other.

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 member of Congress no longer in office, but that he did not examine those allegations. At a minimum, that leaves the record of whether pages were coerced into sex incomplete.

Both pages who finally gave testimony to the committee sought to avoid testifying about their personal lives, according to the report, but both apparently were intimidated into on-the-record statements. On each page, now 37, involved with Studts is reported by investigators to have sat through two interview sessions and denied any involvement, and only changed his story when he was forced to undergo an interrogation under oath.

The young woman similarly denied involvement through early interview, and finally admitted sexual relations when forced under oath. Both said the acts were consensual, in private, and did not involve any favors granted in their work. Both were above the age of consent.

Studts, in his statement, strongly implied that he was accepting the committee report out of respect for the privacy of the person he was involved with. The report substantiates Studts' fear that, although the facts of involvement were not in dispute with him, the Special Counsel was prepared to reveal the nature of the page if Studts contested merely on the grounds of jurisdiction and House conduct standards.

In a related case, that the House employee James Howarth was also charged with misconduct, the name of the page involved still has not been provided, so that Howarth can make a reply based on specific allegations.

AIDS Actions Taking Center Stage

By Larry Bush

President Reagan signed into law the Public Health Emergency Fund bill on July 13, the first of the major congressional efforts to deal with the AIDS crisis. The measure allows creation of a \$30 million emergency fund that can be used by federal public health agencies when unexpected crisis drain available budgets.

So money actually is transferred into the fund, however, until Congress decides to pass a separate appropriations measure. Reagan, who has yet to make a public statement on the AIDS crisis, made no comment on the bill he signed. His spokesman had opposed the measure when he first was in hearings before the bill's author, Rep. Henry Waxman (D-Calif.).

Also on July 13, the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health held a one-day mark-up session that passed a new budget for AIDS work for fiscal 1984, beginning Oct. 1. Under House rules, the committee decision will not be released until the full House appropriations committee prepares to act, which was likely the week of July 18-22. Congressional sources suggested the fiscal '84 budget had been set near \$34 million, which would be approximately double the amount the Reagan formally proposed for the coming year.

That figure, however, represents only about a \$2 million increase over what the Reagan Administration has said it hopes to spend on AIDS work in the current year. A fairly large increase would be set for the Centers for Disease Control AIDS budget, which has diverted as many as 70 staffers from other programs to work on AIDS, and other increases would take place in the budgets of the National Institutes of Health and the Food and Drug Administration. In the past, the House Appropriations Subcommittee levels have held fairly firm as the bill moved through Congress.

Meanwhile, actual funding for the remainder of the current year, fiscal 1983, remains uncertain as a result of disputes within Congress and with the White House. Measures passed both the House and Senate setting a \$12 million supplemental budget for AIDS work, but that money was attached to a far larger and

more controversial supplemental budget for several government agencies. Senate and House bills now are being brought into conformity with each other, but some features appear unresolvable.

The Reagan Administration, adding to the problem, has said it is actively considering a veto of the measure should Congress finish work and come to an agreement. AIDS funding, in the eyes of the Reagan Administration, should have been accomplished by a transfer of funds from phased-out government programs to the needy AIDS area, but it cannot legally undertake that transfer without congressional approval. This means a clearly expressed need for \$12 million in AIDS funding for the remainder of fiscal '83 is not yet available.

Other forces also appear to be at work on the AIDS crisis as it makes its way into Washington voting. A proposal for \$60 million in AIDS funding for fiscal 1984 was put into Congress on June 8 by Rep. Mario Biaggi (D-N.Y.), who explained that he was wanted to get the vote up, and that he had sent senior staff for briefings on the AIDS crisis held by the New York AIDS Network. Biaggi's bill escaped public attention originally, although Biaggi's office says that it cleared less about what Washington lobbyists did than what constituents in New York noticed. One of the factors that might be at work there is New York's mayoral election in 1985, and the rumors that Biaggi might throw his hat in the ring.

Visibility for AIDS needs also is one of the aims of an upcoming AIDS Vigil, slated Oct. 8 in Washington with the hope that lesbians and gay men from around the country will arrive for a candlelight ceremony of solidarity. The vigil is a general upsurge of similar candlelight statements held in several cities during Gay Pride celebrations, and specifically comes at the instigation of the Washington, D.C.-based Langston Hughes-Eleanor Roosevelt Club. Working through the Americans for Democratic Action locally and nationally, the group called together representatives from a number of gay organizations in several

cities who met July 8 to form a National AIDS Vigil Commission.

The group approved an immediate \$1400 a week payroll for a total of seven staffers, one of whom will serve as a fundraiser.

Another voice seeking public attention via AIDS was Rev. Jerry Falwell's, who swept Washington in heat the drum for his new AIDS containment proposals. Falwell held a well-attended press conference, where he reiterated proposals first announced July 4 in Cincinnati, calling for the government to shut down all gay bath houses, "exhaustive" questioning about sexual orientation for blood donors, and guidelines for workers coming into contact with "high risk groups." (Note the broadening to a category comprised of tens of millions of people.)

The Washington press corps, however, wasn't having any of Falwell's entreaty that he was genuinely concerned about people with AIDS, rather than simply finding a new venue through which to wage his antigay campaigns. That impression was heightened when Falwell bristled at questions about his motives and began asking questioners about their own sexual preference.

When one person told Falwell that "That's none of your business," a mild cheer went up from the press corp, and when Falwell repeated it, assurances that not answering the question would indicate that your group is associated . . . a howl of protest went up. Finally, as Falwell turned to the last questioner, the person he chose began by saying "I'd rather not say my sexual preference," eliciting a new round of laughter, and a follow-up question, "Isn't the fact that you ask people their sexual preference at a press conference—not that you indicate that you're more concerned with the gay . . ."

"No, not at all," Falwell squinted in. "I just like to know where people are coming from." Later, as Falwell left the room with aides, he was overheard saying, "There were some bad moments . . ."

BY LARRY BUSH
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Lesbian Moms Shatter Stereotypes

Pacific News Service

Lesbian mothers bring up their kids the same way non-gay mothers do. That's the conclusion of two researchers, who say their studies of gay and non-gay single mothers could shatter many stereotypes about lesbian life.

According to medical anthropologist Ellen Lewin and psychiatrist Martha Kirkpatrick, gay women follow "highly traditional" methods of child-rearing. And they have "sons who take out the garbage and daughters who wash the dishes."

They're eager to provide their kids with male role models, and most expect the father to keep up parental involvement.

Lewin and Kirkpatrick also say the kids appear to show no more gender-related problems or sex role confusion than siblings raised by non-gays. And, says Kirkpatrick, lesbian mothers are "not angry at men as most of the straight mothers."

Coke Addicts Are Calling

A new "Cocaine Hot Line" is getting more than 1000 calls a day from people throughout the country, reports the *New York Times*.

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War and Remembrance

Pacific News Service

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None of the companies, however, advertised on "The Winds of War."

Back to Slavery

High unemployment has created a new pool of day laborers whose working conditions resemble something out of Charles Dickens. According to a report in the *Wall Street Journal*, laid-off workers in Houston and other industrial cities are signing up at temporary employment agencies where they're assigned work that is long and hard, and often dangerous, such as cleaning up radioactive waste.

But it's what happens off the job that's causing the most concern. Although the temporary employment agencies bill companies up to \$15 per man hour, the laborers are paid minimum wage, \$3.35. What's more, the agencies charge workers for transportation, lodging, locker rental and work clothes.

One agency even requires them to cash pay vouchers by buying a drink at the company bar.

Workers generally have Social Security taxes deducted from their pay, even though most agencies don't turn the money over to the government.

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Presidential '84 and other Political Bellweathers

By Larry Bush

Three of the Democratic presidential hopefuls issued statements marking Gay Pride Week this year, perhaps the first time that such statements have been issued by presidential contenders. Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.) was first off the mark, with a statement not only hailing Gay Pride Week but also reminding potential supporters of his support in the U.S. Senate for gay civil rights measures.

Former vice president Walter Mondale and Senator Gary Hart also issued statements both marking the Gay Pride Week occasion and reaffirming their support for an end to discrimination against lesbians and gay men.

Of the remaining three declared presidential candidates, Sen. Fritz Hollings (D-S.C.) responded to questions by repeating his support of gay civil rights, but did not release a formal statement, and Sen. John Glenn's (D-Ohio) office maintained that he opposes all forms of discrimination, noting, "His record has been pretty straight on that."

Former Florida Gov. Rubeen Askew had no comment, nor did the likely Republican nominee, Ronald Reagan.

To the extent that such pronouncements are political bellweathers, there were some city officials and governors making Gay Pride statements this year that deserve note.

The mayor of Shreveport, La., reportedly decided against a formal proclamation, but took out an ad congratulating the gay community in a program published for the occasion. The mayor of Albuquerque, N.M., also did not issue a proclamation, but instead signed a letter stating his willingness to work for nondiscrimination legislation in the city and state.

Richard Celeste, the Ohio governor, wrote a statement that was read on the state capital steps during Gay Pride celebrations in Columbus, and in Houston, Texas, where some 2,000 or more showed up to celebrate, the *Houston Chronicle* included in its coverage of political assessment that no candidate for mayor could win by gaybaiting an opponent, and that, in fact, such tactics might now help the pro-gay candidate. Both incumbent mayor Kathy Whitmire and her likely fall opponent, Bill Wright, attended the festivities.

Among national associations, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), which is the largest and oldest Hispanic civil rights organization in the country, has just elected Mario Obledo as its new director. Obledo was a primary contender in last year's California statewide races, and met with gay representatives at that time. His decision as a state official to pull back on a commitment to air "mental wellness" ads aimed at gay acceptance angered many at the time, but he sought to put a good face on it with civil rights pledges during his campaign.

LULAC was the prime force in fighting the nomination of Rev. B. Sam Hart to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission in 1982, and their Washington office sought gay participation in that fight.

The National Organization for Women has announced a new Reagan Truth Squad which is holding Reagan accountable for actions which it feels goes against the interest of the American people. Among the issues cited are lesbian/gay rights, with the group enumerating more specific failures of the Reagan Administration towards gay people than even gay civil rights groups have noted in their materials. NOW has been under some pressure in the past from lesbian feminists to include more specific lesbian issues, and the new leadership at NOW had pledged to use more of the organization's resources on broad issues following the Equal Rights Amendment deadline last year.

The Democratic National Committee,

meeting in Detroit July 14-17, also spent some time discussing gay concerns, and was prepared to approve a resolution calling for "adequate" funding for AIDS. According to National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs co-chair Peter Vogel, a large part of the gay caucus effort had gone into strengthening contacts with party officials on a variety of levels.

Nondiscrimination at Miller Brewery Adopted

A policy of nondiscrimination on the basis of sexual orientation has been adopted by the Miller Brewing Company, Milwaukee, following discussion for more than a year between Miller and two officers of the National Association of Business Councils.

Ralph Navarro, secretary, and Arthur Lazere, NABC past president, led to the adoption of the new policy by Miller.

Lazere, who wrote "On the Job," a syndicated gay column which appears in the MONTROSE VOICE, wrote last year about Miller Brewing discussing its policies. Despite the passage of the nation's first statewide gay rights law in Wisconsin in 1982, Miller management did not indicate a need for a change in their policy.

Lazere then did follow up with the independent Miller's distributor in San Francisco and with Miller's regional sales manager in northern California. A subsequent meeting between Navarro and two Miller's executives resulted in the new policy.

It is possible that the adoption will have a similar positive result in Miller's parent company, Philip Morris. Miller is also planning to include gay sensitivity materials in company training programs.

NABC is the national organization of lesbian and gay business and professional people, with some 20 affiliated local groups around the country, including the Greater Montrose Business Guild in Houston.

Dallas Club Owner Indicted

David Reed, 24, operator of The Saint of Texas, has been indicted by the Dallas County Grand Jury for the April 21 death of Jim McNabb, 37, his roommate.

The Saint at 2909 N. Pearl is one of Dallas' major gay discos.

According to the police report issued following the death, Reed allegedly "shot McNabb as a result of an altercation in which McNabb was beating Reed." They resided at 3513 Brown St.

McNabb was shot in the right upper chest and in the right lower stomach. A trial date was not immediately set.

Mickey Mouse in Bondage

Pacific News Service

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Second Hand Boom

Secondhand is no longer second best. Americans are seeking out bargain-priced used goods, and the business community is responding, reports the *Detroit News*. A Florida man plans to go national with his used car franchise dubbed "Detroit Two." In California's Silicon Valley, Chip Heads Shop at "Halted," a store that specializes in used computer parts.

San Francisco auctioneer Irving Rubin says even big-business types are shopping at auctions to get low prices for industrial equipment.

Says University of Missouri economist Sandra Helmick, "People attach less significance to everything being new. We're moving away from a throwaway society."

As American as Key Lime Pie

"Americanism" is alive and well in Florida, reports the *New York Times*.

The Florida House of Representatives in Tallahassee voted down an attempt to eliminate the mandatory "Americanism vs. Communism" class from the state's public high schools. Although the class has been required since 1961, the legislator who wanted to can the course calls it "absolute propaganda."

Says Democrat Walter Young, "We are using the same tactics as Communist Russia. ... This course is nothing but sheer McCarthyism."

But another lawmaker who approves of the course called Young's bid to scrap it a "Communist conspiracy."

Keeping Cool with Carrots

Summer sun worshippers can protect themselves from harmful rays by eating carrots, reports *USA Today*.

Emory University chemist Albert Padwa says the carotene in carrots and sweet potatoes protects the skin from damage caused by "singlet" oxygen—a combination of ultraviolet rays, oxygen and chemical pollutants.

Padwa says beach-goers who eat these foods will reduce the risk of skin cancer.

Fight Cancer with Chickpeas

The newest wonder weapon against cancer could be beans, reports the *Seattle Times*.

Biochemist Walter Troll of New York University says beans, as well as chickpeas, rice, corn and other seeds, contain natural chemicals that stop the breakdown and digestion of protein.

Why is that good? Troll says protein-heavy diets, such as we consume, have been linked to cancers of the breast, prostate and colon.

But Troll says there's no need to give up steaks and chops—as long as we eat beans to stop the extra protein from being absorbed.

Professional Volunteers

If you've got training in computers or law, the town of Plano, Texas, may have a job for you, reports *USA Today*.

One catch, though: There's no pay. Nevertheless, half the 34 volunteer positions available have already been taken by professionals who don't work full-time at their regular jobs.

Typical of the volunteers is Gail Hall, who has a master's degree in communications and eight years of teaching experience. Hall works two days a week as an audio-visual specialist for the parks and recreation department.

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Treatment of Eastern Bloc Gays Improving

International Gay News Agency

The treatment of homosexuals in some Communist countries has improved and delegates from Eastern Europe were joining the International Gay Association's annual congress for the first time, announced a representative of that association recently.

(The International Gay Association is not affiliated with the International Gay News Agency.)

Wolfgang Forrester, IGA's Austrian representative, told reporters at the start of the congress that gays in Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia have managed to set up local associations without harassment from police.

"In East Germany, actual homosexual and lesbian groups exist semi-officially within the Protestant Student Organization in Leipzig," he said.

He pointed out that gays in the Soviet Union and Romania still face severe punishment, but "other Communist countries seem to have accepted the fact that these people exist and are no better or worse than others."

Forrester also said the congress will discuss the problem of AIDS.

"We think that the press and mass media have used the disease for campaigns against homosexuality in general and this must be stopped," Forrester added.

The IGA has held international conferences for several years, trying to create a network of communication and interaction between gay groups and individuals throughout the world.

Man Dies in Run for AIDS Benefit

A 36-year-old man running to raise money to fight AIDS in "GayRun '83" collapsed and died after completing the 5-kilometer race in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park.

Steven Berman died July 17 of an aneurism in the brain. He had a history of the problem, although in recent years his health had been good.

At a memorial service, a close friend said that Berman kept his medical history to himself when he moved to San Francisco from Los Angeles two years ago. The friend said he believed that Berman at first walked, then jogged, then ran in the race because he wanted the "freedom" he had enjoyed before the appearance of the aneurism some two years ago.

Come Sing in New York

Internationally acclaimed choral director Gregg Smith has been named guest conductor of Come Out and Sing Together—the first national gay choral festival presented at Lincoln Center, New York, Sept. 8-11 in the Avery Fisher Hall.

The event will feature premieres of two commissioned works by Ned Rorem and Libby Larsen.

Come Out and Sing Together has been in the planning more than two years. The choruses to perform include Artemis Singers (Chicago), Chicago Gay Men's Chorus, Denver Gay Men's Chorus, Detroit Together—A Chorus, Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles, Madison Gay Men's Chorus (Wisconsin), New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus, New York City Gay Men's Chorus, Men's Chorus of Orange County (Anaheim, Calif.), Seattle Men's Chorus, The Stonewall Chorus (NYC) and Gay Men's Chorus of Washington, D.C.

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Police Search for Promoter

A 22-year-old man named Scott Alan Hunsberger, white, 6'V", 130 lbs., is being sought by the Reading, Penn. police department for warrants issued for third degree theft (felony).

According to a communication from that department, he is known to befriend homosexuals, move into their dwelling and steal whatever is of value while they are away. He also claims, the police said,



Scott Hunsberger

to be a booking agent for such acts as Wayland Flowers and Madame Sylvester and others, helping bar owners out of entertainer deposits.

The Reading police said he has traveled using the names Barry Davis, Hathornew Davis, Eric Neal, George Alan Simpson, Barry Monson, William Mearns and Eric Hunsberger.

Investigator Dennis C. Carl, Reading Bureau of Police, 815 Washington, Reading PA 19601, (215) 320-6246, was asked to be notified if Hunsberger was discovered.

We've Come a Long Way: Babies

Parenting may never be the same. So says New Jersey geneticist Robert Francouer, who predicts that by 1990, artificial insemination will bring about up to one-half of all pregnancies.

Francouer claims, in a report in the *Detroit News*, that the trend toward vasectomies and the threat of infertility from on-the-job hazards and disease will inspire men men to freeze and store their sperm.

He calls it a kind of insurance against change of mind or loss of fertility. Francouer claims that within ten years, sexual reproduction and intercourse will be treated as separate activities.

Fitness Boom a Mirage?

A new report from the President's Council on Physical Fitness has dismissed the "Exercise Boom" as a media mirage which has had little effect on the country as a whole.

As reported in the *Chicago Tribune*, the council says despite the jogging mania, over half the nation's 160 million adults never engage in any major physical activity.

Among younger Americans, it's even worse. One third of all children are overweight, and more than half of them cannot meet average fitness standards for their age group.

One expert, John Davis of the National Recreation and Park Association, calls the U.S. "a nation of inactive illiterates" looking for quick fixes in crash diets and fitness gyms.

As Michigan cardiologist Joseph Arends says, "Who is Jane Fonda? Who is Jane Kennedy? They're movie stars. What do they know about fitness?"

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Texas Freedom Festival Planned

Montrose Voice Dallas Bureau

Texas Freedom Festival, a state-wide celebration coordinated by the Dallas Gay Alliance, is planned in Dallas during Labor Day weekend, Sept. 2-5, to celebrate the anniversary of the repeal of section 21.06 of the Texas Penal Code.

Honorary chairpersons for the festival are Don Baker (the plaintiff in the lawsuit which overturned the law), Richard Longstaff (gay business owner fighting immigration officials) and Robert Schwab (an attorney in the Baker case and an AIDS victim).

Events are to include a Cedar Springs street sale, a street dance, organizational meetings and receptions, AIDS workshop, sporting events and bar events. Special activities will include an outdoor 21.06 Celebration and Rally on Saturday evening, featuring many entertainers, speakers and a concert finale with fireworks, they said. Later that same evening, the "Silver and Blue Fantasy Dance" will be held as a benefit for the Foundation For Human Understanding, an educational foundation established recently by the Dallas Gay Alliance.

Special events for Sunday will be an afternoon AIDS forum to be sponsored by the Oak Lawn Counseling Center. Leaders from local, state and national organizations will speak on current information on AIDS including research, education and funding.

The featured festival event will be the "Texas Command Performance" in the Majestic Theater, downtown Dallas. The performance will be a benefit for The National AIDS Lobby Project, a newly formed AIDS lobbying effort for additional government funding. The evening is dedicated to the Texas Human Rights Foundation. Tickets will be sold throughout the state soon, they said.

Further announcements and invitations will be sent to gay businesses and organizations soon to participate in the three-day event.

For further information, contact the Dallas Gay Alliance offices at (214) 528-4233 or write to P.O. Box 190712, Dallas, TX 75219.

Doggy Burn-Out

Pacific News Service

A dog's life ain't all it's cracked up to be. Don't think that just because Rover doesn't have a job and mortgage payments he doesn't have worries of his own.

That forlorn look in his eyes when he realizes you're going away for the weekend without him is a sure sign of stress.

Researchers say that just about everything in a dog's life, from car travel and confronting other dogs to strenuous exercise, noisy children and even mating can cause stress.

Owners can fight doggy burn-out by providing a high-protein diet and by being sensitive to how their dog sees the world. An onyx researcher puts it, "Learn to think like a dog."

Human Nature

Sociologists spend a lot of time trying to figure out why we do the things we do, but a group of students at the University of Central Florida is more interested in what we do.

As part of a journalism assignment, they surveyed what you might call "human nature" and the results were printed in *USA Today*.

Eighty-seven of 100 people will ignore a litterbug and 96 of 100 are too embarrassed to tell a man his fly is unzipped. Only nine people out of 100 will ask you to move if you take their seats in an airport or library.

Slightly more than half of the passersby will stop and help a woman who drops a book. No one helps a man.

And, as dog owners know, strangers are more likely to stop and chat with someone who's walking a dog than a person alone.

AIDS Hearings Examine Delays

By Larry Bush

Rep. Ted Weiss (D-N.Y.) has announced that he will hold hearings on the federal government's response to the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), offering the first full forum to examine questions about the federal government's apparent delay in initiating surveillance and research, developing national blood donor policies that are rational and the federal response to over-reaction to AIDS transmission fears.

The hearings will begin August 2, under the Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations and Human Resources, and will include representatives from the gay community, medical and research community, public health officials, patient groups and the Reagan Administration.

"The hearing will provide the subcommittee with the opportunity to review public concerns regarding AIDS and the federal response to the epidemic. The subcommittee wants to assure that sufficient resources are being made available to reverse and solve this public health emergency, and that the efforts of federal agencies involved in fighting AIDS are coordinated to the greatest possible degree. At the same time, we want to make sure that the federal effort is sensitive to the needs of communities at risk and that the confidentiality concerns of AIDS victims are being addressed," Weiss said in a statement.

Weiss, a chief sponsor of the House federal gay civil rights bill, was involved in a mild confrontation with Reagan Administration officials earlier this year over the AIDS crisis. At that time, Weiss sought access to government documents and scientists as part of his oversight responsibilities, but government officials placed roadblocks in his way.

While the federal response to the AIDS crisis has received some attention in appropriations and authorizations committees, notably in sessions chaired by Rep. Henry Waxman (D-Calif.), Weiss' hearings are the first by an oversight committee to examine federal performance during the epidemic.

Is the Man of Steel a Wimp?

Christopher Reeve, the actor who portrays the "Man of Steel" in the Superman movies, has a confession. He hates physical exercise.

Calling himself "a typical neurotic New York actor," Reeve was quoted by the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* as saying, "I'm not a fitness freak of any kind. I don't jog, I don't run, nothing at all. I detest working out. I despise weightlifting, and I wouldn't do it unless I was getting paid for it."

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A Laurel and a Dart for Congressman Studts

By Joe Baker

When I was a high school student too many years ago, I wanted to move to Washington, D.C., and work as a Congressional page. The idea of living and working in our nation's capital—among all the power of politics and government—fascinated me.

The experience, I figured, would be more valuable than anything I would just read about in my civics or history textbooks. Of course, my parents wouldn't even hear of the idea. My folks weren't the type you argued with, so the idea was dropped. I never even wrote my congressman about the possibility of a job as a page.

I got to thinking about my one-time desire while reading all the newspaper accounts about Congressmen Daniel Crane and Gerry Studds—the subjects of the sex scandal involving two teenage pages.

What if I had gone to Washington as a page—and had been sexually approached by a congressman? I knew I was gay back at 17, and was quite willing to experiment. (I just never got the chance.)

If the congressman was somewhat attractive to me, I'm sure I would have accepted his advances. Even if he wasn't much to look at, I probably would have accepted.

Power and politics are a powerful aphrodisiac. Besides, I was quite vulnerable at 17. The combination of being away from home for the first time, my awakening sexual desires and an influential member of Congress would have made me an easy target.

I can easily relate then to the young people who got sexually involved with Crane and Studts. They were willing participants. Their relationships were mutually voluntary and private.

But that doesn't mean that Crane and Studts were right in pursuing the two teen-agers. Their behavior was not only illegal, it was unacceptable for members of Congress.

The two men took advantage of two vulnerable youths. They used their power position. They violated a trust. The fact that the "victims" were willing is irrelevant. The teen-agers were underage and employees of Congress.

No employer—public or private—has the right to pressure an employee into a sexual relationship. Especially, if that employee is a vulnerable minor.

Oh, I'm not saying that Crane and Studts pressured the pages in the true sense of the word. Their pressure was probably more subliminal. More correctly, they took advantage of a situation.

Sure—our congressmen are only human and they are entitled to make mistakes. Congress has publicly censured Crane and Studts, and their careers in government are probably ruined. Time to move on.

But the nation's press and various national columnists don't want to let the issue drop just yet—specifically where it concerns Studts.

Studts was involved with a 17-year-old girl. Crane did his playing with a 17-year-old girl.

Certain people don't want to forgive Studts because unlike Crane he didn't stand before Congress and apologize for his behavior. He didn't cry and carry on before television cameras about how he had made a mistake and wanted everybody's forgiveness.

Studts admitted he was a homosexual—a move for which I applaud him—but then went on to tell his colleagues in Congress, "The mutually voluntary, private relationship between adults, which occurred 10 years ago, should not, by any conceivable standard of fairness, rationality, rule, or law, warrant the attention or action of the House of Representatives of the United States."

In other words, Studts didn't say he was sorry. His words appeared arrogant.

Studts really blew it. He should fire his press secretary and public relations firm.

Crane played it smart. I don't believe for a minute that all his crying was sincere, but it was a good PR move and everybody loves a repentant "sinner."

The least Studts should have done, if he didn't feel he had to make a public apology, was to keep quiet. I would have been able to support his statement if his relationship had indeed involved another adult. But the page was not an adult and had been entrusted (yes, that word sounds idealistic and corny) into the care of Congress.

Seventeen is close to being an adult, but it is not adult status. Besides, Studts was well aware that it is against the rules of Congress to have hanky-pank with the pages. He should have known better.

I am very proud of Studts, however, for having the courage to acknowledge his homosexuality and for not being ashamed of it. Unlike other politicians before him, he did not try to deny it or give some silly excuse such as alcohol made him do it. Example: former congressman Bauman, Hinson and Wyatt.

But Studts still owes his constituents an apology. If for the only reason, he has embarrassed the Congress of the United States and the voters who put him there.

On another note, I would like to take issue with certain comments made by national columnists Jody Powell and Joseph Sobran.

In commenting on the sex scandal involving the pages, they charged that the gay press and gay leaders provide little criticism of their own.

They maintain that the gay movement condones sex with minors, and on the AIDS issue, they claim that the gay press and gay leaders have "refused to admit that changes in the gay lifestyle might be in order."

Several times in this column I have

urged local and national gay rights leaders to tackle the sticky problem concerning sex with minors. If they don't take a strong stand against it and against such organizations as the North American Man-Boy Love Association, the issue is going to give ammunition to our enemies, weakens our support from those who back gay rights and hurts the progress we have made educating the public that homosexuals are not child molesters.

We don't need negative publicity. On the issue of changes in lifestyle because of AIDS, however, I think Powell and Sobran are off base.

Obviously, Powell and Sobran don't read the gay press and have never listened to gay rights leaders.

Yes, as an embattled minority, we are somewhat defensive. But I don't believe that we have shied away from taking one of our own to task—be it a person or an issue—when there is fair and just cause.

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More Concern About Parade Float

From Steven Schafersman

I am writing to express my concern about the Gay Pride Week Parade Committee's banning of a Gay Atheist float for the next four years. I vocally support every organization that fights intolerance and intolerance, and I would not like to see one such organization, the Gay Pride Week Committee, reverse its direction of so many years by discriminating against atheists for what I believed are trumped-up reasons.

It is my understanding that the Gay Atheists described their float fully and accurately in the registration form as required and that the float was reviewed prior to the parade by the parade marshals and allowed to participate. This being the case, I believe that Houston's community of skeptics, free thinkers and nonbelievers deserves an explanation from the Parade Committee about their current about-face.

What specifically did the Gay Atheists add to their float in the parade that was not approved or known in advance by the Gay Pride Week parade organizers?

I sincerely hope that Christian pressure on the Gay Pride Week Committee was not responsible for their decision to ban the Gay Atheists float. I can understand that many Christians were unhappy to see the float with a lion and plastic nun, but I am unhappy to see the superstitious symbol of torture, human sacrifice and ritual cannibalism which the Christians insist on showing to us. Will the Gay Pride Week Parade Committee now also ban all the gay Christian floats with their crosses?

As gays continue to gain acceptance and respectability in society, atheists and nonbelievers are quickly becoming the last minority group to serve as an object of officially-sanctioned discrimination. Although I can't conceive of any reason why a gay would want to be a Christian, since gays have been forced to endure centuries of systematic Christian-sponsored abuse and cruel suppression (all of which continue today), I would hope that the Gay Pride Week organizers, while wishing for their group to enter those ranks of socially-respectable institutions that include Christian churches and ministries, not try to outdo these Christians organizations in officially-sanctioned intolerance and scorn.

In Regard to Allegations

From Gregg Russell

With regards to recent allegations made by myself publicly before the GPC revealing rumors which were circulating about Larry Bagnier's attempt to circumvent the GPC's endorsement of the recent Candlelight Vigil for AIDS victims, I wish to admit publicly that I erred in my approach to such accusations. My actions were spurred by reports originating from City Hall that Mr. Bagnier had contacted the mayor to inform her that "the vigil was not an event of serious significance and that it would, therefore, not warrant her participation."

Although I do not discount the rumor, nor do I claim its authorship, I do admit that in a moment of anger and concern, I erred in publicly exposing a rumor which had been circulating widely behind Mr. Bagnier's back by numerous members of the caucus, and which had been confirmed by sources at City Hall.

My mistake was in proceeding with an assumption that this information would be available should my charges be questioned. I subsequently found, however, that all my original sources of the rumor have denied their charges, despite the fact that several other people have confirmed my allegations that they also heard such reports emitted from sources at City Hall. I believe that such reports are more likely the result of the unreliability and credibility of those sources, than of my personal inter-

city and honesty. I shall be more cautious and less trusting of their reports in the future.

On the Importance of Honesty

From Neil Isbin

Trust is the most valuable asset of an endorsing political organization. If, for whatever reason, that trust is violated, the endorsing organization loses not only its credibility, but its respect, strength and effectiveness.

No one likes to admit failure and mistakes, but it is a sign of maturity to accept responsibility for one's actions. All too often the GPC has emphasized image over substance, either sugar coating, rationalizing or ignoring problems instead of dealing honestly with them.

A case in point is the recent Summit loss of some \$19,000. In order to play down the loss, president Bagnier wrote a public letter, and without admitting to a loss, he compared it to the \$14,000 cost of the free park rally of years past. Ray Hill continued the analogy and, as reported in TW7, said, "The Spots Park rally of last year cost only \$5000 less than what is owed by the GPC now."

When Bagnier announced receipt of a \$6000 pledge, bringing the deficit to a "livable \$13,000," Terry Harris said, as reported in the MONTROSE VOICE, "the negative is about what it would have cost us to do the rally as free to the public."

However, one cannot compare a loss to a cost. While in lay terms, cost is money expended and hence lost, in accounting terms loss is cost less income. The Summit cost \$61,000. It lost \$19,000. The Spots Park rally cost \$14,000 (or less)—GPC

records post a cost of only \$6,700, but that probably doesn't include the \$5000 in donated fireworks! It lost considerably less, if anything.

I cannot believe that Bagnier, Harris and Hill do not understand the difference between a loss and a cost. Their comparison demonstrates either stupidity (which I doubt), or a deliberate attempt to mislead the gay community—a deliberate attempt to diminish the significance of a \$19,000 loss by trying to get people to believe that the entire cost of the Spots park rally was a loss.

To his credit, treasurer Norman Gutman was outraged at the comparison made by Bagnier. However, he declined to make a public correction because it might embarrass GPC.

The gay community does not expect perfection, but it does expect honesty. The willingness to coverup and rationalize

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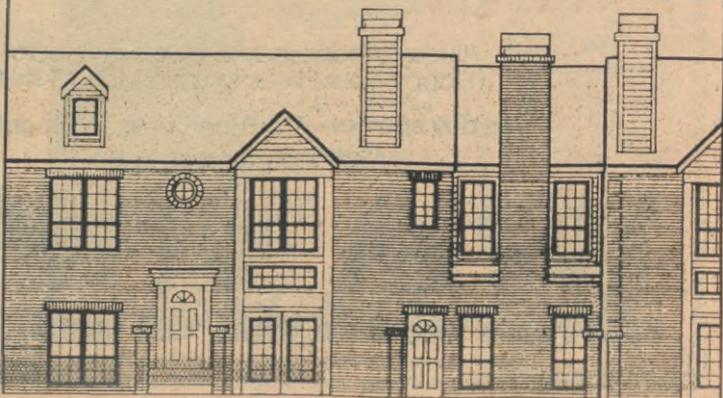
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mistakes with deliberately misleading statements does not engender trust. It would be refreshing to see a leadership that isn't afraid to be honest.

GPC Member Responds

From Timothy Hall

I am writing in response to Neil Iabin's latest tirade to the VOICE. I find it extremely amusing that Mr. Champion of Free Speech himself, Neil Iabin, would want to bring the hammer of silence down on me. As usual, his article contained several inaccurate and misleading statements. Number one: I am Tim Hall not the GPC. To assume what an individual member holding no elective post says is official GPC policy is tripe. I was merely expressing my own opinion that the MONTROSE VOICE continually publishes negative statements and inaccurate meeting minutes concerning the GPC. Secondly, Mr. Iabin said he had his hand up ten minutes and stood up trying to get the president's attention after I had made my remarks at the very end of the GPC meeting on Wednesday, July 20th. I was sitting directly behind Mr. Iabin and he raised his hand after I had made my remarks and he had turned around asking my name. The meeting was in the process of being adjourned. His hand was raised possibly a minute. He stood up as the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m. Mr. Iabin by his melodramatic misrepresentations would have us believe that the leadership of the GPC is unresponsive. I recently read where GPC president Larry Bagneris was named by Larry Bush of the Advocate as one of the ten Americans nationwide who made a difference in the struggle for lesbian/gay rights. In my opinion the current leadership is doing a great job and deserves and needs community support. Neil Iabin's never-ending criticisms are wearing thin. He constantly complains about this or that and he chooses to publicly trash the GPC in the MONTROSE VOICE ad nauseum. I myself firmly believe in and support the Houston Gay Political Caucus. I support the GPC and its goals. I hand out GPC push cards at the polls on election day, I work on the phone tree to get out the vote, I register voters, I screen candidates for endorsement, I help out on the mailers, I pay my dues and I attend the meetings. If I feel something should be changed I would express myself at the meeting not in the press. Mr. Iabin never has anything positive to say and by his addictive habit of nasty letter-writing it is obvious that he projects his own personality above the common good of the organization.

Finally, I refuse to engage in a continued non-productive letter-writing war with Mr. Iabin so I would like to publicly apologize for dragging the National Enquirer down to the level of the MONTROSE VOICE.

(P.S. I've seen some "novels" you've published by Neil Iabin. Please be gentle with your axe when you edit my letter. Thank you.)

VOICE news editor Hollis Hood responds: Thank you for your comments Mr. Hall, and as you can see, your letter was reprinted exactly. We even left your first paragraph as one single long paragraph the way you sent it in.

Please check the criteria for what constitutes accurate reporting before making accusations. The "National Enquirer" has been successfully sued more than once for publishing inaccurate information; the MONTROSE VOICE has sustained no such legal action. Check your facts before you accuse anyone of inaccuracy.

Mr. Iabin did try to communicate with Bagneris in the hall after the meeting that night. Bagneris answered him with "I will not comment, there is a member of the media here." When Iabin reached out to touch Bagneris' arm and said wait, Bagneris turned, extremely agitated, and said "Get your hands off of me. Don't touch me. I will not comment."

Hence, Iabin wrote his letter. Bagneris has personally in the past

come to this office to commend this reporter for the "accurate report of the meeting." Granted that incident was the exception, not the rule, for relations between the VOICE and GPC representatives.

Generally the GPC is reluctant to comment to the VOICE unless its needs something, such as promo coverage for the Summit. And as an aside, this reporter was never in six years in journalism treated by any group, performer or promoter as shabbily as I was treated while attempting to provide coverage of that event.

The door to the VOICE office is open and someone is in the office each day. If the GPC does not chose to communicate with the major gay news disseminator in Texas, then they are in the venacular "cutting off its nose to spite its face."

This is a newspaper, a First Amendment entity—not a houseorgan for the GPC to publish the party line. They have a

media committee for that. We report what happens and try to remain as unbiased as possible.

Even if the VOICE wanted to, it does not have to criticize GPC. Ask the some ten persons who left that meeting early completely disgusted by what was going on. Ask the person who commented, "GPC—I wouldn't get involved with that zoo." The present GPC administration does enough to hurt itself without any help.

Indeed, the GPC does need community support, perhaps community renovation. Your depicted enthusiasm is commendable. I hope to be able to report great things of the GPC in the future.

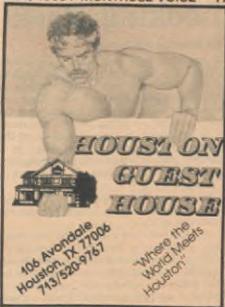
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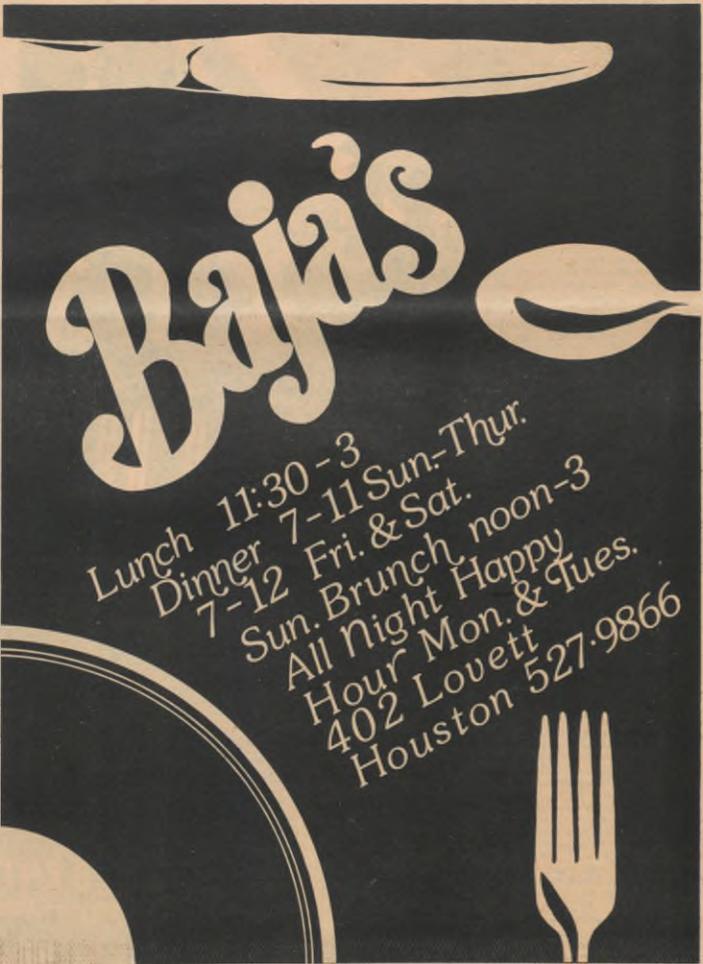
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Looking Back on Gay Pride Week

By Sharon McDonald

A lot had happened the year before. Blacks in Orangeburg, North Carolina, shot back at white rioters. The Teletext offensive kicked into gear. Martin Luther King was assassinated. Dr. Spock was indicted for aiding and abetting draft resisters. Richard Nixon became President of the United States and these clashes in a bloody confrontation with demonstrators at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago.

By the time 1968 turned into 1969, American thought it had heard everything. Well, not quite.

It was a hot June night in the Stonewall Inn, a gay bar in New York's Greenwich Village. Like other gay bars, the Stonewall Inn was subject to periodic raids by the police in which its patrons were rounded up and arrested. These arrests were often accompanied by beatings, and would spell instant exposure of a closeted person to family and non-gay friends, as well as a sudden end to a career. But in 1969, raids were not uncommon.

It was late when the police arrived that night. It was late and it was hot and people had had enough. When the police came in, the customers of the Stonewall Inn fought back. The fight that erupted exploded out of the bar and into the street—Christopher Street, now renowned as New York's equivalent to San Francisco's gay Castro Street—where it expanded. Gay people spilled out of bars and restaurants along Christopher Street and pitched battle, throwing rocks and punches. Too many arrests had been made, too many beatings taken, too many lives damaged. With a visceral anger and a spontaneous unity, gay people resisted the assault against them, and the Stonewall riot had begun. It continued for three days.

It is noteworthy that many of the Stonewall's patrons who fought the police that night were drag queens, a segment of our population often vilified by some gays and lesbians as well as by non-gays. These most effete of men faced the nightsticks and refused to cower, and the rest, as they say, is history. The Stonewall riot has since become a symbol of gay unity and pride.

Each year since then, gays in more and more cities celebrate the anniversary of the Stonewall riot, now called Gay Pride Day, with parades, marches, rallies and parties. It is one occasion that traditionally brings together all factions of the lesbian and gay world, from the campiest queen to the staunchest atompdyne dyke.

The celebrations have not been without their frictions; our diverse population has had more than its share of internal conflicts. But the police at the Stonewall Inn didn't stop to ask the men they were arresting the age of their lover, or whether they ever wore woman's clothing, or if they had eradicated sexism from their language. The unity of the people who joined forces in defending each other in June of 1969 is mirrored each year when all—well, most—factions show up to march together for lesbian and gay pride.

San Francisco's parade has to be the granddaddy of them all, where more gay organizations are represented each year than there are open gay individuals in some cities. The old cliché about strength in numbers is dramatically illustrated there, and in other large cities with turnouts in the tens of thousands. In smaller cities, where it's a major accomplishment to draw a hundred people, the hundred who show up are an especially courageous group.

Every year there are some lesbians and gay men who are attending the Gay Pride Day events for the first time. Whether they've just acknowledged their own homosexuality, or just acknowledged their need to be open about their long-standing homosexual life, their first Gay Pride Day is generally an eye-opener.

The culture shock for a usually closeted or newly out gay person is often intense. Even for veterans, the sight of a street crowded with men holding hands with

men, women kissing women, and smiles and bright banners everywhere is overpowering. Especially when the loyal contingent of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays troops by with their placards reading, "We love our gay children," the eyes behind many a pair of chic sunglasses get downright misty.

These annual Gay Pride Day festivities are important not only to the thousands of gay people who organize and attend them, but also to the invisible audience who watch film clips of the parades on their television news that night or read accounts in their newspapers the next day. This audience includes mothers who suspect their children are gay, longtime lesbians who teach school and won't attend gay events no matter how privately organized, married men with families who

make furtive trips to the baths for gay sexual contacts, adolescent girls who aren't outgrowing their "tomboy phase," ex-wives and ex-husbands of gay people who left marriages to make consistent lives for themselves, parents who are trying to understand their children's coming out announcement, ministers who are struggling to incorporate the knowledge that some of their congregation are homosexual with their understanding of God's love, teenage boys racked with guilt over a homosexual encounter, gay fathers on the fearful verge of telling their children that daddy is gay, and many, many others.

As important and restorative as the celebrations are for those of us who participated in them, there is no way to measure the positive effect they also have on those who couldn't or wouldn't attend.

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Bush-League Backbiting

By Dan Siminoeki

Regular readers of this column know that I am optimistic about the structure, accomplishments and future prospects of the Gay Rights Movement. As a civil rights advocate for more than 20 years, I have a longer view of it than those who remember only the "post-Stonewall" era. My background makes me more attentive to the rhythms that movements go through as their purposes evolve and their institutions become more "legitimate."

These perspectives urge me to conclude that the Gay Movement is building strength as effectively as any I have supported, especially in the past few years. This growth must be credited to the work of our institutions and leaders at all levels. We know that they are not perfect, but we can also see that they are growing along with us. I think most readers would agree that we have much to be proud of.

However, the people over at *The Advocate* seem to disagree. In a series of essays in the recent Gay Pride issue, publisher David Goodstein and Washington editor Larry Bush allege that many of our national leaders are incompetent and should be removed from office. While some of their criticisms are reasonable, the conclusions they draw are heavy-handed and inappropriate. Because of its reputation as a national gay news journal, the charges are likely to be believed by thousands of readers if they go unchallenged.

Both Goodstein and Bush focus on Steve Endean's leadership of the Gay Rights National Lobby (GRNL) and its political fundraising arm, the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF). Bush also criticizes the National Gay Task Force, the National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs and local organizations in Los Angeles and D.C. Neither author offers quotes from any other gay leaders to support their charges.

The writers make little attempt to demonstrate their assertions of grassroots dissatisfaction with those leaders. They present little evidence that our organizations are not respected by Congressional, media and any other non-gay groups.

Speaking directly of GRNL, and implicitly of other groups, Goodstein suggests: "The gay community must acknowledge Endean, his staff and directors for their contributions towards getting us where we are. ... However, what sufficed in 1981 will not do now. It is time for a change in leadership."

Speaking to grassroots gays who purportedly share his feelings, Bush declares: "You who are not directly part of such debates are understandably indifferent because, in some very fundamental ways, gay politics has not delivered much that is relevant to the lives of gay men and women."

It is hard to believe an intelligent observer could make such a statement in 1983, much less believe it. I doubt that many of us question that it is easier to be gay now than it was five, 10 or 20 years ago. The improvements we all enjoy are the accomplishments of the very activists Bush and Goodstein have chosen to attack.

I don't know whether or not the authors have visited the local communities they claim to speak for. But I doubt their assertions of a general dissatisfaction with our national organizations throughout the country. I've travelled more than 10,000 miles in the past three months, visiting gay organizations in a variety of cities. I usually ask to be hosted by local organizations and become as involved in the community as time allows. With this as background, I must say that nothing I have heard confirms the allegations made by Bush and Goodstein.

On the contrary, I find pride and satisfaction in our national accomplishments, and a great energy in many "young" communities to get into the mainstream of the national movement. I can't recall a single criticism of a national leader or group. I really wonder who the *Advocate* writers have been talking to.

There are too many unfair and unsupported charges in these essays for my complete response. But one charge must be addressed. It is alleged that many of our leaders are incompetent, or as Goodstein puts it, "We have boys and girls doing men's and women's jobs." Yet they admit that those same individuals were successful beyond expectation in the Congress and in last year's elections. According to the authors, this success has propelled our groups to a "new level" of legitimacy, thus requiring different leaders.

In Goodstein's words, "The students and recent graduates Endean has supporting him simply do not have the experience needed to handle these recent (successes)." He presents no evidence to indicate how Endean and others have failed.

Bush and Goodstein suggest that they are trying to "save" the Gay Rights Move-

ment from its leaders, men and women who are not "real" leaders, but, in Bush's words, merely "individuals who were hired to run minibureaucracies and who have assumed the mantle of spokespersons for the ... community in the process. Their loyalty, with very few exceptions, has never been to a constituency or a community, but rather to a job, and, at most, to the people who hired them."

There is room for reasonable people to argue about some of these allegations, and some of what they say is sensible. But there is no room, in my opinion, for discussion of this last statement. It is a lie. It is a phony portrait of our leaders' motives and actions, calculated to damage them, and guaranteed to hurt all of us in the process.

I've worked with many of these leaders, and I've watched many others work for us for more than a decade. They are hard-

working people, dedicated to advancing the rights of all of us at national and local levels. Like Bush, Goodstein and myself, they are fallible humans whose work can be improved.

But these reckless and undocumented charges go too far. They threaten the stability of all our institutions. We must let our leaders know that we support them for the jobs they have done so well. And we must demand that they continue to do those jobs even better. Our future demands no less.

"Dare to struggle/dare to win."

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Order Can be Better, or Makin' Whoopee

By Joseph Lee

Theater Under the Stars, as it's only summer musical in Miller Theatre this year, for fun chose to recreate the 1979 Broadway revival of the 1928 slapdash musical comedy, *Whoopee*, which closes here this Friday and Saturday night.

And unless you're hard core, this bit of nostalgic nonsense will brighten your evening.

Charles Repole directs and plays the central role of Henry Williams, which he performed in the 1979 revival in a role created by Eddie Cantor in 1928. Repole is a real charmer as the hypochondriacal tenorist who becomes involved with a runaway bride, a tribe of tap-dancing Indians and a family of zany millionaires.

Laurel Smith is recent High School for the Performing and Visual Arts graduate as Sally, has a wonderful squawky voice, perfect for the sweet flavor of "Whoopee." Her duet with Paul Mack (the Dartmouth-educated Indian) is very pretty, with a somewhat McDonald-Eddy style. Robert Harting does a fine job as "good ole boy"—Buck. Repole and Smith perform a sweet and happy duet called, "Until you Get Summertime."

Good character acting by Bert Williams as Jerome Underwood, the richest man in Arizona. He has a very funny scene with Repole, comparing illnesses and scars. Pat Cook, as Black Eagle, also shines in his Big Pine Pipe "F" number.

A special hand to Catherine Gaines for her super number in Act II singing beautifully "You."

And then Miss Show-Stopper herself, Carol Swartzick (what a honey) who knocks 'em dead with her wonderful humor and grandeur in the classic torch song, "Love Me or Leave Me." Carol flew in the day before opening to replace an ailing Marjio Pound in the role of Mary Custer (the nurse in love with Henry). Carol starred with Repole in the 1979 revival, and it was easy to see why, she is a tall refreshing drink of dynamite.

The soft show/tap number ending Act I is very polished and a real smash. The choreography by Susan Stroman (also in the 1979 revival) was quite good, better than most TUTS shows.

Charles Repole is a real magical musical man of all seasons. Attention to details make this a tight, tender terrific show. *Oh Make Whoopee!* Good clean summer fun.

o Gail Guidry at Place in Sun

By Gaele Lee and Lynn Herrick

"Mysterious as a Cajun backwater/haw deep as the black eyes/millions of years sitting at the table/flows of nature/skull, the sea/million round stone age..."

It's hard to describe such a poetic performance of Gail Guidry's except in more poetry. Too bad Houstonians were water-soluble the night of July 12 when some were kept away from a night of her poetry and song.

Dressed in stark black with hatwing sleeves, this pint-sized dynamo was like a swooping, swooping bird, riveting her audience. She paced the bookstore room like one of the wild things she loves, bring her poems instead of reciting them. Her explanation: "I'm a chronic liar. I have to get out and emote what I write."

Her poems gush with this urgency. They're an emotional and rhythmic, it's no wonder many of them lend themselves to actual music and become some of her most powerful songs. Gail demonstrated the "before and after" of a couple of them first: the poem and then the song.

Most of them flowed out of her two great passions: nature and Egyptology. One or two were inspired by another very popular passion: love. She thoroughly agreed with the woman in the audience who felt that such was yesterday to the public, especially love poetry, was "really dancing out on the edge."

Lamenting the paper she uses up in re-

writing her work to its final poster, the ecology-conscious Gail said "Ohhh, all the trees I've wasted."

Finally she said, "I hope my small performance will encourage other women to come out and present their work here."

The audience didn't let her get away without giving them some of her ever-popular birdcalls and one last song.

o Stewart Jazz Dance to Appear at Tower

The popular and dynamic jazz dance group the Delta Stewart Jazz Dance Company will be in concert Aug. 6, 8:00 p.m. at the Tower Theater on Weathermer. Tickets are \$2-\$10 at Ticketmaster and Ticketron.

From the classic blues and dynamic music of George Gershwin and Duke Ellington to show music, jazz dances is shown in its many moods. Stewart is a choreographer intrigued by the many emotions and faces of jazz and musical theater dance and her young company is versatile enough to handle all these styles.

Continuing the entertaining formula of the near sell-out houses at the spring concert at the Tower, Stewart will add new musical theater choreography plus continue exploration of the abstract. Two guest choreographers, Gilbert Rowe and Lynda Martha from Chicago, will be arranging new pieces for the show.

o Country Playhouse Schedules Auditions

Auditions for production of Edward Albee's *The Sandbox* at the Sad Cafe will be held at the Country Playhouse (Town and Country Village, 18002 Queensbury St.) on August 1 and 2 at 7:30 p.m. Director Tim E. Lane is looking for an aggressive six-foot actress, a dwarf actor, seven additional females and ten other males. Actors should be able to sustain a believable Southern accent.

"Sad Cafe" open Sept. 9 and runs weekends through Oct. 2.

o 'Mademoiselle' at Main Street

Mademoiselle Colombe, a frothy farce by Jean Anouilh, will be presented on the Main Street Theater stage, 2540 Times Blvd., July 29 through Aug. 27, Thursday thru Saturday at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

It is a story of Paris and its characters in the 1930s seen through the life of Mile. Colombe, who when her soldier husband leaves in the care of his flamboyant actress mother, learns the joys of her new theatrical environment and the traps of life on her own.

For reservations call 524-6706.

o Hal and David Wow Rascals

By Hollis Hood
Hal and David, a self-defined "Club Med of club acts—cheap but good," delighted the Rascals audience with their riotous humor, campy candor and expert vocalizations all week, and will be appearing through Aug. 6.

The couple, who have been together professionally for three years and personally for six years, come to Texas from California, where they met while working on a CETA project.

They begin their routine, and routines change three times a night, with "I write these lyrics, now let's see if we can remember them..." and continue with a perfect combination of musical quality coming from a swing background (Hal) and a funk background (David).

With comic comments about an article that recently appeared in a Los Angeles publication about them entitled: Gay



Simon and Garfunkel will be in the Astrorama Aug. 17



Hal and David at Rascals



John Cagan tries to comfort Laura Daniels in a scene from the thriller "Wait Until Dark" playing at the Alley Theater through Aug. 21

Comics on Crossover Route" they burst into song with "We don't need analyzing... we're not sick, we're just in love."

And in love they surely are with enough enthusiasm to share with everyone in the house. "What you are and what you feel comes through on stage," said Hal. "People can tell if you are happy, and we are. This is a lot of fun."

David informs the audience that he and Hal hope to be the premier gay couple in America, stating that he doesn't think he

has that many rivals—"perhaps Rock Hudson and Jim Nicholson." However, they say they've found that being a first has had its share of problems.

"I think gay men are taught to hate themselves," comments David, "and then when they see two gay men singing and doing comedy they're very suspicious."

"It's almost like we've had to educate some of our audiences," said Hal, "into being that's its OK to laugh and enjoy themselves at open gay humor." They say they have found Houston audiences more sophisticated than some, and Houston is certainly taking the performers to its heart.

"We have been wine and dined and comped and chaffered. We have been treated royally here," said Hal. "There's nothing like Southern hospitality."

Both men are in their early 30s, both with backgrounds heavy in music, and Hal has been performing in movies since he was 17. A second cousin of Elvis Presley, he came from a family that wasn't afraid of performing—and he certainly does.

Each set features different characterizations. One includes Gertrude Lawrence complete with feature headress, and another is a 60s hippie—complete with headress.

These guys are absolutely wonderful, as they would put it, "Fab-a-doo Fab-A." Their acts are witty and lively, and besides that they are really quite nice to look at! The tunes they use are classics with a new twist. They announced that American needed a new national anthem and crashed into an ancient RCA color TV commercial.

And when they are serious, they are very serious. Hal's ballads to David's piano accompaniment would bring tears to the most hard-hearted.

Don't miss this engagement. They may not be back for some time, and they are a rare treat. None of the standard fairy jokes and gimmicks so don't be put off, their material is fresh, inventive and earthy. They will say, anything! And you will come away from Rascala cabaret with a super buzz. And this time, it won't necessarily be from the liquor.



Cast of crew of Risky Business after hours

Hastings Opening at Stages a Wonderful Cultural Exchange

By Joseph Lee

Thursday, July 21, 1983—a special night for Ruth Hastings & Co., Eleanor Tinsley and the City of Houston.

Ruth, Craig Jessup (her husband) and Barry Lloyd opened their cabaret show *Brel/Piaf* (adding a few songs from their new Sondheim revue) to great success and fine fanfare. Ruth called Councilwoman Eleanor Tinsley (a board member of Stages) to the stage and read a letter to her from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. (San Francisco has been home to Ruth and Co. for many years).

The letter congratulated Tinsley for her fine work for Houston. Then after a lovely and amusing speech from Eleanor, she presented Ruth with beautiful red roses welcoming her to Houston. Quite a nice and tender exchange.

"Brel/Piaf" is a cleverly crafted, tastefully tuned tribute to the late Belgian-born balladeer Jacques Brel and the late French chanteuse Edith Piaf, with songs either written by, or associated with, the two.

Those who have seen and heard and certainly enjoyed Ruth, Craig and Barry during their Baja's engagements should bless themselves with a classy treat and get

thru to Stages for an exciting, uninterrupted sit down and enjoy the hell out of this show.

Ruth Hastings is a stunning vocalist and is well known for her performances in the revue *Jacques Brel Is Alive and Well and Living in Paris*, both in New York and abroad. She does wonderful things to this music and our ears are all the better for it.

Some of my favorite numbers in the "Brel/Piaf" show are Amsterdam (life in the raw), Craig's fine performance on "Jackie," and "Next," a very dramatic, gripping piece. Also the French number "La Tendresse," good French accents from all, especially Barry Lloyd. Barry does a beautiful piano intro for this show that proves he is Mr. Mastermind of the Keys. A polished act full of many moods and much music to savor.

On this special evening only a few of the songs from the new Sondheim show were presented, and Ruth's Sunday Times number "Crossword Puzzle" was absolute genius, but I will go back for a full revue which will run in repertory with "Brel/Piaf" Thursday-Sundays through Aug. 6.

Quiet please, there's a singer and company on stage at Stages, and hear ye, hear ye, ye must.



Texas Renegades held its grand opening last weekend—to a packed house. Shown here are two of the bartenders



Risky Business Swinging

By Jon Cheetwood

Well, folks, Risky Business, 2700 Albany, is swinging again. They have proved themselves to be a cornucopia of musical and humorous delights. Their new show, "Swing," which features the music and dance of the '30s and '40s, is another feather in the cap of director Andrea Modisette. She has taken her talented troupe and formulated another totally entertaining evening.

Although there are four less members for this show, the vocal quality of the cast has not wained. "Do It Get Around Much Anymore," "Welcome aboard, Jodi," Back again were Paul Hope and Russell Jones, whose talents contributed so much to the first show. Hope, who thoroughly entertained us with his caustic Barrymore characterization in "From Blues to Broadway," now displays his vocal dexterity in "Any Place I Hang My Hat Is Home" and "Ting Went the Strings of My Heart."

Russ Jones returns with his fresh bouncy personality to abet such numbers as "I

Feel a Song Coming On."

And of course, never to be forgotten is Annette (Molly) McGee, who has a major showstopper with "Sweet Georgia Brown." Her hot style and personality are perfectly matched by her voice.

Poppy Champlin, souped-up with a Grable, again attacks the funny-bone with no mercy, chucking one-liners at the audience with the pace of a dock worker. This lady is going to "make it," so come catch her now while she's "budding."

Terrence Karn and Lea Geslin, choreographers of the show, were joined by another newcomer, Steve Johnson, to highlight the dance aspects as well depicting the Swing Era.

As I have said before, "If you've been before, you'll go back. If you haven't been, don't be foolish... go."

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MSA Softball Playoffs Start Saturday

By Chuck Meredith

The final day of the regular season of MSA men's softball last Saturday featured games involving the three teams that were competing for the third place spot in the North Division. But when Charlotte's defeated The Barn twice, the issue was settled, and this weekend's playoff picture was brought into focus.

Charlotte's Wins Third Place

Charlotte's needed at least a split of games with The Barn in order to assure themselves of third place in the North Division. With timely hitting and a staunch defense, they scored 10 runs in each game and ended their season on a winning note, 10-3, 10-4.

The opening game saw Charlotte's build up a 10-0 lead before The Barn was able to push across their first runs. Larry Bradley led the assault with two hits, including a first-inning triple that drove in the first two Charlotte runs. Benny Beck, Pat Vachon and Ron Kennison also contributed two hits apiece. The Barn's outstanding shortstop, Sammy Spanihel, was the only Barn player with more than one safety.

In the second game, The Barn showed a much stronger defense, but again were outthru as Charlotte's followed their game one script and mounted another 10-0 lead before the Barn tallied four times in the bottom of the last inning.

The crushing blow came in the fifth rinning when Charlotte's scored five runs on seven hits assisted by two outfield errors. For the game, nine out of the ten Charlotte starters hit safely totalling 16 hits for the game. Seven Barn players shared their team's seven hits, while none were for extra bases.

BRB Saddles Mining Co. 9-5

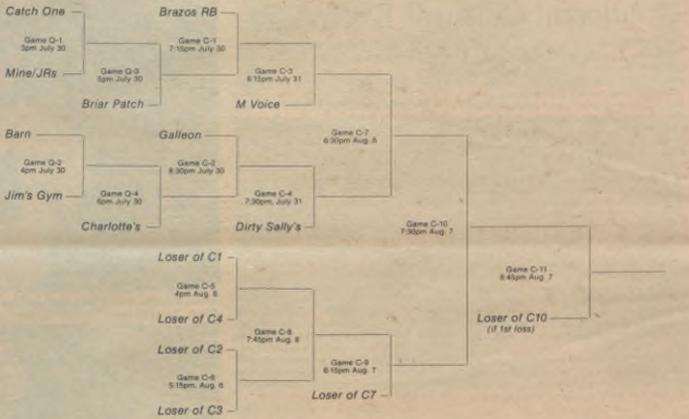
The Brazos players were eager to match 12-5 records with their counter-part in the South Division, the Montrose Voice, but nearly overlooked a pesky Mining Co./JR's team in the process.

Phil Loveland led off the game with two hits in the first two innings as the Mining Co. jumped to 5-0 lead. This quickly woke the BRB up as they responded with three runs in the bottom of the second inning and five more in the third.

Rodney Dietz added two hits for the Mining Co., who were only outthru 11-10 by the Brazos. Robert Arriaga again led the BRB with two hits and 3 RBIs. Arriaga, who is a definite candidate for league MVP, leads this team in runs, hits and walks. Bob Powell and Ken McGaughey also added two hits each.



Mark Hall powered in several runs late the second game when his Barn Team played Charlotte's last week. The effort, however, was not enough to overcome Charlotte's early lead.



Montrose Tennis Retains Texas Cup Trophy

By Rich Corder

Saturday, July 23, Dallas' Oak Lawn Tennis Association came to Houston to challenge for the Texas Cup. Competition consisted of seven singles matches and four doubles. In the biggest margin since the Cup was initiated three years ago, Houston again proved worthy of the challenge and kept the Cup, where it can be seen in its place of honor at The Galleon.

In 1982 the teams were tied going into the final doubles match, so there was quite a bit of suspense, but this year Houston removed all doubt by sweeping all seven singles. Rich Ryan won no. 1 over Don Draper, 2-1; second was Jan Mauldin over Al Leong, 2-1; third, Don Kesler over Luther Menke, Love-1; fourth, Tim Calhoun over Jon Papp, Love-2; fifth, Ron Landrum over Ray Barvello, 2-1; sixth, John Ryan over Bill Sims, 1-4; and seventh, John Colbert over Bill Nelson, 1-3.

The doubles matches still developed quite a bit of interest as OLTAs surprised no. 1 by 2 and 4, Draper/Leong playing consistently against MTC's Mauldin/Kesler. No. 2 doubles saw Ryan of Houston victorious over OLTAs Papp and Mike West for the second straight year, by 6-1, 6-7, 6-4. These two teams were the only ones to split sets—good competi-

tion. Houston won the other two doubles as Colbert/Jim Kitch beat Menke/Nelson 4 & 5, and Landrum/Lester Vela beat Barvello/Guero 5 and love.

MTC hosted a party at The Galleon (champagne corks popping, compliment

of Stephen and Jay at the Galleon, thank you!) with cheese burgers for the fans and teams Saturday night. Plans are already underway for the 1984 challenge. New players will be able to try to make the teams and are welcome to participate.

Volleyball Heats Up

The Tuesday night MSA Volleyball League regular season entered its week with a match up of its top two teams, the Hurricanes and Houston Sol. The Sol team warmed up for the match by sweeping two games from the Diablos and immediately moved out in front of the Hurricanes and won the first game 15-9.

In the second game the Hurricanes relied more on the power-hitting of Wayne Holloway and Jerry Ingram and were poised to win at 14-11 when the Sol team came to life. Sparked by outstanding hits by Don Davidson, the Sol tied the game at 14. With the game and the match hanging in the balance, Pete Houso rotated into the front line and supplied the touch the Sol needed as they eventually pulled it out 17-15.

This game gave viewers a good look at what play will be like in the Houston Invitational Tournament, to be held Aug. 6 at Fonde Recreation Center.



Montrose Tennis Club players, many of whom recently competed in the Dallas tournament.

MSA Greater Houston Softball League

RESULTS

Saturday, July 23

Charlotte's	10	Barn	3
Briar Patch 7 Jim's Gym 0 (forfeit)			
Charlotte's	10	Barn	4
Catch One 0 Galleon 0 (double forfeit)			
Brazos RB	9	Mine Co./JR's	5
Catch One 0 Galleon 0 (double forfeit)			

FINAL 1983 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	Pct	GB
<i>North Division</i>				
Dirty Sally's	16	1	.941	-
Brazos River Bottom	12	5	.706	4
Charlotte's	8	9	.471	8
Montrose Mine/JR's	6	11	.353	10
Barn	5	12	.294	11
<i>South Division</i>				
Montrose Voice	12	5	.706	-
Galleon	10	7	.588	2
Briar Patch	9	8	.529	3
Jim's Gym	3	14	.176	9
Catch One	0	17	.000	12

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FINAL BATTING STANDINGS

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	AB	R	H	AVG
1 Jerry DeSole DS	39	14	23	.590
2 Mario Marchena DS	47	29	25	.532
3 Bill Schmidt DS	46	26	24	.522
4 Phil Loveland Mine/JR's	53	14	26	.491
5 Robert Arvigo JR's	49	20	24	.490
6 Mike Morrison DS	49	18	24	.490
7 Jimmy Cates DS	48	13	22	.458
8 Timmy Boates sv	46	15	21	.457
9 Fred Lopez Mine/JR's	46	11	21	.457
10 Bob James MV	53	17	24	.453

THIS WEEK'S PLAYOFF GAMES

Saturday, July 30

(QUALIFYING ROUND, single elimination)

3pm, Catch One vs. Montrose Mine/JR's
 4pm, Barn vs. Jim's Gym
 5pm, Briar Patch vs. winner 3pm game
 6pm, Charlotte's vs. winner 4pm game
 (CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES, double elimination)

7:15, game 1, Brazos RB vs. winner 5pm game
 8:30, game 2, Galleon vs. winner 6pm game

Sunday, July 31

6:15, game 3, Montrose Voice vs. winner game 1
 7:30, game 4, Dirty Sally's vs. winner game 2

NEXT WEEK'S PLAYOFF GAMES

Saturday, Aug 6

4pm, game 5, loser game 1 vs. loser game 4
 5:15, game 6, loser game 2 vs. loser game 3
 6:30, game 7, winner game 3 vs. winner game 4
 7:45, game 8, winner game 5 vs. winner game 6

Sunday, Aug 7

6:15, game 9, winner game 8 vs. loser game 7
 7:30, game 10, winner game 7 vs. winner game 9
 8:45, game 11, if necessary, winner game 10 vs. loser game 10 (if it was loser's first loss)

Montrose Tennis Club Challenge Ladder

Following July 17 competition

A LADDER	
1 Rich Ryan	6 John Ryan
2 Tim Carhoun	7 Jon Colbert
3 Jan Mauldin	8 Lester Vela
4 Don Kessler	9 Jim Kitch
5 Ron Landrum	10 Mike Green
B LADDER	
1 David Garza	6 Rich Corder
2 Arni Alabazza	7 Terry Rich
3 Donny Kelley	8 Eddie Chavez
4 Robert Arriaga	9 Richie Robicheaux
5 Randy Dickerson	10 Gina Kulaja

MSA Volleyball

STANDINGS

following July 26 competition

	Won	Lost	GB
Houston Sol	7	1	-
Hurricanes	5	2	1 1/2
Diablos	5	3	1 1/2
Magic	3	4	2 1/2
USA Reds	2	5	3 1/2
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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31	1	2	3	4	29	30
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For additional information or phone numbers for events listed below, look for the sponsoring organization under "Organizations" in the Montrose Classified.

Selected Events through 7 Days

- **SUNDAY:** Montrose Tennis Club plays 10:30am-1:30pm, MacGregor Park
- **MONDAY:** AIDS victim support group meets 6:30pm, Montrose Counseling Center, 900 Lovett Blvd., Suite 203
- **TUESDAY:** MSA Summer Season Bowling, 9pm at Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesman
- **TUESDAY:** Montrose Symphonic Band meets at Bering Church, 1440 Harold, 7:30pm
- **TUESDAY:** "A Place in the Sun," 7pm, 704 Fairview, presents Hawkeye Graham
- **TUESDAY:** Greater Montrose Business Guild meets 7:30pm, Liberty Bank community room, 1001 Westheimer
- **WEDNESDAY:** Gay Political Caucus meets 4:00pm Main #217, 7:30pm
- **WEDNESDAY:** Montrose Choral rehearsal at Bering Church, 1440 Harold, 7:30-10pm
- **THURSDAY:** 8th International Conference of Gay & Lesbian Jews opens in Miami, lasting to Aug. 7
- **THURSDAY:** Reno National Gay Rodeo opens, lasting to Aug. 7
- **THURSDAY:** Wild 'n Stejn gay radio show 7:30-9pm on KPFT Radio, FM 90.9
- **THURSDAY:** MSA Mixed Bowling League bowls, 9pm at Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesman

Selected Events in Future Weeks

- **IN 1 WEEK:** Montrose Tennis Club hosts Houston Invitational Tournament Aug. 6, Fonde Recreation Center
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Montrose Voice Celebrity Car Wash, benefit for Montrose Sports Association, Texas Renaissance Hotel, lot, 1318 Westheimer, Aug. 6
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Lambda Bicycle Club meets Aug. 6, then tours, from 3pm, unless raining, at 210 Fairview, apt. 1
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Choice's Lesbian Mothers' Group meets Aug. 6, 6:30pm, 210 Fairview, apt. 1
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Lesbians & Gay People in Medicine meet 7:30pm Aug. 6
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Lutherans Concerned meets Aug. 9, Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh
- **IN 1 WEEK:** CITEH for Human Equality (CHES) meets Aug. 9
- **IN 1 WEEK:** Houston Data Professionals meet 7:30pm Aug. 9, East Room, Holiday Inn Central, 4640 South Main
- **IN 2 WEEKS:** Dallas' gay softball league invitational tournament, Aug. 13
- **IN 2 WEEKS:** Black & White Men Together conference opens Aug. 16, Columbus, Ohio, through Aug. 21

Health Crisis benefit, Oct. 1, Madison Square Garden, New York

- **IN 9 WEEKS:** Texas Renaissance Festival opens near Ploverville Oct. 1 and 2, also running Oct. 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30 & Nov. 5 & 6
- **IN 10 WEEKS:** Oct. 8 deadline to register to vote in November elections
- **IN 10 WEEKS:** National AIDS vigil, Oct. 8, Washington, D.C.
- **IN 10 WEEKS:** Columbus Day, Oct. 10
- **IN 11 WEEKS:** Westheimer Colony Art Festival, 100 to 1100 blocks Westheimer, Oct. 15-16
- **IN 13 WEEKS:** Halloween, Oct. 31
- **IN 14 WEEKS:** Houston city elections, Nov. 8
- **IN 15 WEEKS:** Veterans Day, Nov. 11
- **IN 16 WEEKS:** Thanksgiving, Nov. 24
- **IN 17 WEEKS:** Gay Academic Union 9th National Conference, San Diego, Nov. 25-27
- **IN 26 WEEKS:** Gay Press Association Southern Regional Convention, Jan. 27-29, Houston
- **IN 41 WEEKS:** New Orleans World's Fair opens May 12, lasting to Nov. 11
- **IN 46 WEEKS:** 1984 Gay Pride Week begins, 15th anniversary of Stonewall uprising, June 15-24
- **IN 47 WEEKS:** Houston hosts 1984 Gay World Series Softball Tournament, Sept. 1-2, 1984

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 Integrity/Houston (EPC)—POB 6000, 77366—548-5566; meets 7:30pm 2nd Tuesdays at Audry House, 8955 Main & 4th Tuesdays at various locations
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 KFFPT, FM, 90—419 Lovett Blvd.—526-6060; "Wakeup" gay radio show Thursdays, 7:30-9:30pm
 K5/AIDS Foundation—1001 Washburner #193—524-A053
 Lambda Bicycle Club—David 860-0456, Casey 529-8975
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 Lesbian Mothers, subgroup of Chicago; meets 1st and 3rd Sat., 6:30pm, 210 Fannin, 661
 Lutheran Convocant—meets at Grace Lutheran Church, 2815 Waugh—521-0863, 453-1143; meeting 2nd & 4th Sat. evenings
 Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection (MCCR)—1919 Decatur—861-9148; potluck dinner 7:30pm 1st Sat; monthly services 10:45am & 7:15pm Sun., 1st, 7th, 15th Wednesdays; inquirers class 7:30pm Tues; education classes Tues & Wed. eve.
 Montrose Art Alliance—521-8811; affiliate I/II Inc.; meets 2nd Thursdays
 Montrose Chapel and Bayou Blue-Robert Meyer, 621-0206; rehearsal 7:30-10pm Wed. at Baring Church, 1440 Harrell
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 Montrose Civic Club see Heartmen Association
 Montrose Circle—109 Washburner—525-9231; open weekdays, 10am-5pm (reception) and weekdays eve 6:30-9:30pm; women's emphasis program 1st Sat.
 Montrose Counseling Center—800 Lovett 9203—525-0511; AIDS victim support group; meets 5:30pm Mondays
 Montrose Singers—Carl Lawrence, 774-3691; rehearsal Mondays, eve, Baring Church, 1440 Harrell
 Montrose Sports Association (MSA)—622-3034
 Montrose Tennis Club—Jim at 521-9176; plays Sundays, 10:30am-1:30pm, Mackay, 2000
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MSA/Volleyball—888-2550; games 7:30pm Tues. Gregory-Lincoln school, 1105 Taylor
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Mountain Association—Montrose Civic Club—meets at Bering Church, 1440 Harold—5:22-8:00 meeting 7pm 4th Thurs
New Freedom Christian Church—312 W. 11th—591-1342; services 10am Sun, 7:30pm Wed
Park Fellowship—c/o Montrose Community Fellowship—141-2524
Pg 7 Literature—PO# 80006, 7260-5233
Recreational Land Fund—Commission—Montrose Club project
Rice Univ. Gay/Lesbian Support Group—524-0724
Texas Bay Area Gay—523-3737 meeting Thurs. evening
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Texas Gay Lesbian Task Force—669-7231, 866-8621
Texas Human Rights Foundation—1915 Commonwealth—527-2024
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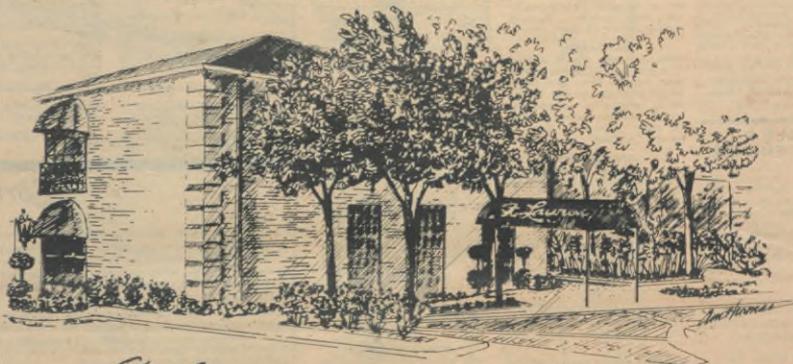
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