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## ▼ ▼ ▼ DATELINE: AUSTIN

### 'From All Walks of Life' exceeds pledge goal, raises over \$163,000

By CHRIS LUTHER

TNV Austin

This past Sunday, Oct. 20, thousands of people from all walks of life walked through the streets of downtown Austin to raise money for treatment and prevention of HIV disease in Travis County. The annual event, called "From All Walks of Life" to emphasize the prevalence AIDS has in our society, was co sponsored by AIDS services of Austin (ASA) and several other health care organizations.

Over 3500 people clapped as they walked amid balloons and banners in beautiful Sunday afternoon weather. The five kilometer trek, beginning at the Capitol grounds, encircled the capitol building before heading to Town Lake and finally returning to the Capitol Grounds down Congress Avenue. Also in the mix of baby strollers and dogs on leashes were signs remembering those who have died of AIDS. According to Janna Zumbrun, the executive director of ASA, the crowd included over two dozen people with AIDS (PWAs) who either walked or rode in wheelchairs for the event.

Walking in the group was PWA Brenda Halterman, who was thrilled at seeing so many people filling the south lawn of the capitol in support of the fight against AIDS.

"It means a lot," she said. "People need



The award for the most money collected went to Jim Campbell, who raised \$5,165 in individual pledges

to know that AIDS involves everybody. If they're not touched by it now, they soon will be."

The pledge walk, now in its fourth year, is the annual fundraiser for ASA. On the day of the walk, the pledge drive had gathered over \$163,150, exceeding this year's goal of \$150,000. The total amount raised will increase as monies pledged but not collected by the day of the walk come in over the next few weeks. The money generated by the event will pay for AIDS care, education and research in Austin. ASA



AIDS Services Austin's pledge walk, "From All Walks of Life," raised \$163,150 for several local AIDS charities last Sunday, Oct. 20

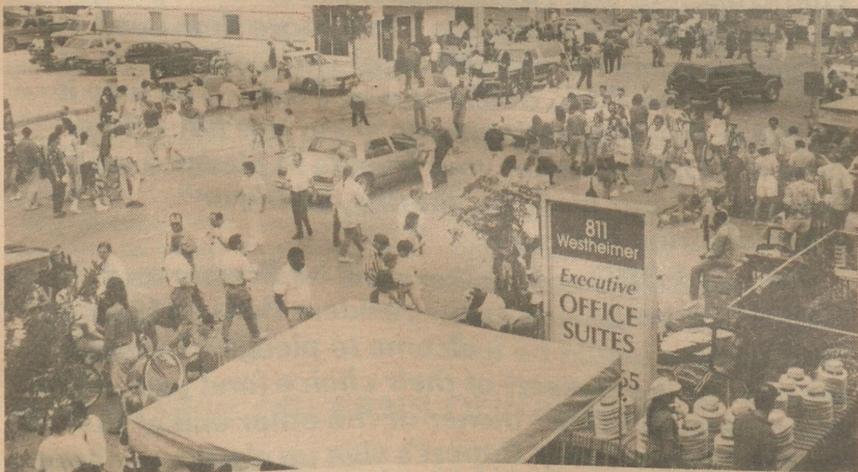
will share 25 percent of the total net amount raised with 11 other Austin AIDS service providers, including Informa SIDA, Austin Immune Health Clinic, Project Transitions, Waterloo Counseling Center, Christopher House and Planned Parenthood.

After the walk the participants celebrated their success with a picnic on the Capi-

tol grounds. As the crowd ate food donated by local area merchants they were entertained with live music. At the picnic, ASA staffer Patricia Presley announced Jim Campbell had won the prize for collecting the most money for the event. Campbell, who individually raised \$5,165, won two round trip tickets to the destination of his choice, donated by American Airlines.

## ▼ ▼ ▼ DATELINE: HOUSTON

### Thousands pursued the pleasures of Montrose ...



Thousands attended the Fall Westheimer Art Festival this past weekend, Oct. 19-20, one of the best attended offerings in the twice-yearly festival's almost 20 years. The juried Westheimer Colony Association art show on the 3300 block of Montrose included 290 artists from all over the country, with 100 being newcomers to the festival, and live music Saturday and Sunday. The event's "unofficial" boundaries spilled out onto parking lots at all four faces of the Montrose-Westheimer intersection and fronting a number of businesses on the Westheimer strip

Last week we had the occasion to fly to our native state, Missouri, for a trip which included a brief visit to our original hometown—a small rural railroad town in west central Missouri, what we called Jesse James country when we were growing up. And, as usual when flying, we took along a book, in this case appropriately titled "Hometowns, gay men write about where they belong," edited by John Preston (Dutton, \$21.95).

We spent all our childhood (depression and war years), our college years and even our Army basic training in the Show-Me state but we retained few pleasant memories of Missouri and, in many ways, it seems even more foreign considering Missourians have now deserted the party of Truman as we knew it for Reagan Republicanism.

But we have not been back during the fall in many years and we did experience some pangs of childhood seeing a landscape covered with multi-colored leaves and a crispness in the air unlike anything felt in Texas since embracing the Lone Star state more than 20 years ago. We remembered so much associated with fall, from returning to school to rips into the country to visit relatives and all that is still fresh in our minds from the simple pleasure of the country.

It is perhaps because of this journeying back to our origins that "Hometowns" conveyed an immediacy and stirred renewed thoughts about where we belong and why. Dallas was our home 15 years, and now Houston for the last three. What constitutes a "hometown"?

In the case of "Hometowns," 28 gay writers explore the question, somewhat evenly divided between defining the place where they were raised and the city they see as "home." Not surprisingly, those recalling the place of their childhood sought to establish at least the roots for their experience and a framework for their emerging homosexuality.

Even those reminiscences of childhood hometowns make clear that rarely do these writers, at least, seek to return to their origins to visit, less so to live. But, also as writers, they seem to search for something in these original home towns to explain their lives today. The editor, John Preston, begins with his own chapter of growing up in Medfield, Massachusetts, and continues later in the book with finding a hometown in Portland, Maine. Obviously, new England as a common denominator is important, even decisive.

Not surprisingly, there are chapters—and writers—from every major gay mecca, from San Francisco to Greenwich Village, from Provincetown to Key West. Perhaps equally surprising, these chapters reflect less contentment with their chosen hometown—gay

ghettos may not be all they're cracked up to be. And some surprising locales fare better—Okemos, Michigan, and Anchorage, Alaska.

Keeping in mind, also, that these are professional writers, not a cross section of our diverse community, many are seeking hometowns uncharacteristic of those envisaged by many others. Several have found "home" literally in a home—buying that first house with a lover.

Others are seeking an environment they consider conducive to their trade, writing. But one thing mutual to all their stories is the combining of "hometown" with "family," family in the sense known uniquely to gay men and lesbians, a circle of friends. In many cases the writers based their choice of hometown with friends uppermost in their minds. And their continued security in that hometown revolves around this "family."

None of this is necessarily startling or new. But it's coming from practiced writers conveys a stronger sense of their search for home.

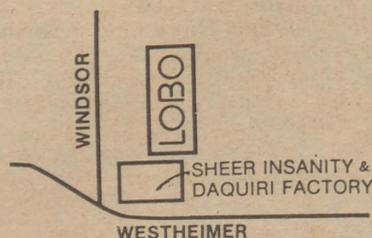
Again, perhaps all this bore home with us as we traveled "home." And maybe in a stronger sense because only the survival of our mother in that homeplace still drew us back. And that last cord was severed literally as we write. We all must occasionally find ourselves questioning our "hometown" and even perhaps searching for that ideal, albeit mythical, hometown. And just perhaps for us it can only be found among friends.

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"Walks for AIDS" have become one of the biggest methods of fund raising in gay communities throughout the United States. Thousands marched recently in Atlanta, Austin and Los Angeles. AIDS Foundation Houston, our oldest community agency growing out of the AIDS crisis, is holding its third annual Walk/run/roll-a-thon Sunday, Nov. 3. Unfortunately, gay Houstonians have, in the past, turned out only in hundreds. Now, more than ever, our service organizations need help. The walk begins at Sam Houston Park, downtown at Bagby. The way it works is that you get a pledge sheet (we have them here at LOBO) and get your friends to pledge a certain amount to your walking, skating, biking or wheelchairsing the route.

Here at LOBO our walkers will be Bruiser and Rupert, better known as the resident Bassett Hounds. And anyone would be welcome to pledge whatever amount to the Bassett of their choice (and you will be guaranteed a LOBO owner at the other end of the leash). Bruiser's and Rupert's sign up sheets are here at LOBO—please join us in this effort.

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## ▼ ▼ ▼ DATELINE: HOUSTON

# HGLPC board sends letter of protest to endorsed city officials

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE  
TNV Editor

The board of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus has sent a letter of reprimand to Mayor Kathy Whitmire and two incumbent city council members who were endorsed by the organization last month. The letter criticized Whitmire and the at-large council members, Eleanor Tinsley and Jim Greenwood, for their support of a council redistricting proposal that moves Montrose out of council District C.

The three were among nine who voted for the proposal on Oct. 11.

The letter followed a resolution adopted by HGLPC at its membership meeting Wednesday, Oct. 16, after members discussed the endorsed candidates' seeming insensitivity to the Montrose gay and lesbian community. Although one member asked if the organization provided a means for reversal of endorsements, there was no motion to rescind any of the endorsements.

Instead, the group voted to refer the matter to the board, which later drafted the letter, said Toni Knight, president.

The letter states, in part: "Upon hearing of this hurried redraw of the boundaries, the Board of Directors of the GLPC convened in order to participate in the process, fearing the worst if we did not make our intentions well-known and clear. The Mayor and each council member was

hand delivered a letter from our board insisting that our input be received and our concerns be represented at the next meeting of council.

"Our representatives were received by an assistant to Councilmember Tinsley, who informed them it was a matter for district council members and that she didn't wish to get involved.

"Our representatives to the Mayor were not received at all by the Mayor or any member of her staff. Our letter of intent was never answered in any fashion.

"In contrast, our representatives were received in person by Councilmember Greenwood. He listened to our concerns and voiced them at council the next morning.

"However, the votes of all three resulted in the same effect. A map was approved that discarded five months of testimony before the redistricting committee. This map effectively disenfranchises the gay and lesbian community and residents of the Montrose/Neartown area. If the city prevails in its legal defense of this map, it will remain lawful and permanent, as reflected in the opinion of Federal Judge David Hittner. We cannot state strongly enough how unalterably opposed we are to this nine district map, and its ramifications for the community.

"By 'packing' the Montrose area into District D, our distinct influence on Dis-

trict C is lost. A loss not only to our community, but also to the minority communities with whom District X has worked successfully over the years because of our inclusive influence."

In the letter, the board asks the endorsed candidates to use their influence to prevent the map from becoming an "irreversible legal reality" and to find an alternative to solving the problem of equal representation for Hispanics, and requests a written response.

Since the meeting, city council candidate Annise Parker has taken legal action in hopes of preventing the U.S. Justice Department from imposing the new boundaries prior to the city elections, currently scheduled for Nov. 5.

In other action at the Oct. 16 meeting, the caucus voted to target the race for At-Large Council Position 1 after charging a former board member of HGLPC with "gay baiting" against the endorsed candidate, incumbent Beverley Clark.

During the heated discussion, Knight ruled an angry member out of order when he shouted that the caucus should form a posse after the meeting to tear down campaign signs posted in the area by the candidate, Sylvia Ayres.

Members charged that Ayres and Leslie Perez distributed Clark campaign flyers intended for HGLPC and detailing Clark's contributions to the gay/lesbian commu-

nity at churches and other sites with the intention of "gay baiting" the Clark campaign. Perez, however, maintained their intent was to "expose (Clark's) closeted agenda" and claimed that Ayres delivers the same campaign message to every audience, while Clark does not.

Ayres is Perez' mother.

Asked what would motivate one candidate to distribute another candidate's literature if not an attempt to discredit the opponent, Perez retorted, "Some people might think that...but I don't see how you could call it gay baiting. She (Clark) isn't being honest...she is hiding her gay and AIDS platform. All we're doing is exposing her closeted agenda."

Knight said she was personally "greatly disturbed" on hearing of the duo's activities. "To know that she (Ayres) would take an endorsed candidate's literature and use the caucus' endorsement (to discredit) that candidate...I was greatly disturbed," she said.

Members voted to "target" the race, meaning they will be giving Clark special attention as endorsed candidate in campaign assistance activities before the election.

Knight quipped that although the District C race was not voted on, "Believe me, that's already a well-targeted campaign." She noted that several HGLPC volunteers were splitting time between the organization's activities and Parker's campaign.

## ▼ ▼ ▼ HOUSTON QUICK NOTES

### Yoga Center's Operation Ambulate raises \$1,905 for Thomas Street Clinic

A community yard sale held on Saturday, Oct. 12 at the Yoga Center of Houston raised \$1,905 for "Operation Ambulate" at the Thomas Street Clinic, the HIV/AIDS outpatient clinic of the Harris County Hospital District. "Operation Ambulate," a funding project of the Yoga Center, was created to help meet the transportation needs of the clinic's patients.

Proceeds of the yard sale were used to purchase eight new wheelchairs for clinic patients, with remaining funds slated for bus tokens and taxi vouchers to expand transportation assistance to the over 1500 patients of Thomas Street Clinic. Clinic director Carolyn Barrett expressed gratitude for the project's success, saying that "through the generosity and hard work of the staff and students of the Yoga Center we will be better able serve the needs of our less ambulatory patients, and to offer expanded transportation assistance to the increasing number of indigent persons living with HIV in Harris County."

For donation information regarding "operation Ambulate," contact John Coon at (713) 542-4572 or Harry Livesay at (713) 746-5511.

—Clean Up project



John Coon, director of the Yoga Center of Houston, receives plaque thanking the center for its efforts from Carolyn Barrett, director of the Thomas Street Clinic

The Hyde Park Civic Association, a civic club whose boundaries are Montrose, Yupon, California and West Drew, has announced a massive "Montrose Clean Up" project concentrating on 17 vacant lots in that area.

According to Rick Carter, director of public nuisance for the group, the lots were left to decay, overgrown and "breed crime and vagrants." The first lot to be targeted for the clean up is located at Maryland and Commonwealth. Carter said the vacant lot had been the site of the rape and beating of

a Montrose resident. "Commonwealth is a main thoroughfare through our neighborhood, but this lot is so overgrown and strewn with debris, as it is used for a dump site, it serves as a hotbed of criminal activity in that area," he said.

Participants will meet at noon this Sunday, Oct. 27, at Grace Lutheran Church, located at Waugh Drive and Missouri. The church is also the site of the civic group's regular meetings, held at 7:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month.

—Harrington roast

The Montrose Counseling Center and the AIDS Equity League are planning a "roast" in honor of Gene Harrington, who is commemorating 25 years with Texas Southern University, on Monday, Nov. 11. The event will be held at the Magnolia Ballroom, 715 Franklin at Milam, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Local entertainer Randy Jobe will emcee.

Tickets are \$25 and are available at Basic Brothers, Inklings and Thurgood Marshall School of Law, and may also be ordered by mail or phone from the Montrose Counseling Center, 900 Lovett Suite 203, Houston, TX 77006 or (713) 529-0037. Mail and phone order tickets will be held at the door.

## ▼ ▼ ▼ NEW ORLEANS QUICK NOTES

### DDI treatment trials to begin; Catherine Ennis book signing

About 100 people in the New Orleans area have been taking DDI, the new AIDS-fighting drug recently licensed by the federal Food and Drug Administration. The FDA has licensed DDI exclusively to Bristol-Myers without the full term of testing that usually precedes a new drug onto the market.

The New Orleans users of DDI are receiving it in tests at the AIDS Clinical Trials Unit under the direction of Dr. Newton Hyslop.

The only other anti-HIV drug on the market is AZT. Some patients are intolerant of AZT side effects, which include kidney problems and anemia, and it is hoped that DDI will prove helpful to them.

A spokesperson for Bristol-Myers said the company will help people with limited resources get DDI through insurance or Medicaid coverage, or by providing it at no cost if no other coverage is available. The government's licensing agreement with Bristol-Myers requires that a "reasonable price" be charged; there are no legal provisions specified in the agreement for no-

cost availability.

According to Bristol Myers, factory price for one year's supply of a common dose of 400 milligrams per day is \$1,745 to \$1,990. A year's course of AZT at a common dose of 500 milligrams per day costs \$2,190 to \$3,000. A five percent fee based on sales is to be paid to the federal government under the licensing agreement, according to the company.

—AIDS/HIV awareness seminar

NO/AIDS Task Force will offer a free AIDS/HIV awareness seminar on Saturday, Nov. 2 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the LSU Medical Education Building, 1901 Perdido Street. Pre-registration is not required.

The seminar is free and open to the public, and is followed by three additional days of training—Sunday, Nov. 3 and Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 16 and 17—for individuals who wish to become NO/AIDS Task Force volunteers. prospective volunteers must attend all four days and pay the \$10 Task Force membership fee.

The Nov. 2 session covers basic medical, legal, social and psychological issues related to HIV. Subsequent sessions will provide more specialized information and training for volunteers, who are needed to carry out the programs and services offered by the Task Force.

Volunteers are needed especially in the following areas: AIDS Hotline, Buddy Program, Charity Hospital's primary care outpatient clinic, HIV testing and counseling, hospital visitation, Project Lazarus (a residential facility for people with AIDS) and the Pediatric AIDS Program of Children's Hospital.

NO/AIDS Task Force conducts the four day training program three times a year. For information, call (713) 945-4000.

—Catherine Ennis book signing

Catherine Ennis, author of "South of the Line" and "To the Lightning" introduced her latest offering on the Naiad Press imprimatur at a book signing Saturday afternoon, Oct. 19 at the South's oldest lesbian/gay bookstore. The Faubourg Marigny

Bookstore sponsored an elegant reception and book signing for Ms. Ennis at its Frenchman Street location.

Alan Robinson hosted the reception, offering vintage wine and an assortment of cheeses for New Orleans literary cognizants. Present were such luminaries as perennial party-goers Maya Schrimmer Hackett, formerly of the Swiss Embassy, Washington, D.C., now retired to the Great Mother Swamp and Jeff Kirsh of Tulane University.

Also present were a host of admiring fans and followers of the acclaimed lesbian author. Ennis, a native of Georgia now living in Louisiana, published her first work for Naiad Press in 1988. That title, "South of the Line," is a historical novel set in Nashville during the War Between the States. She returned to our reading tables with the fantasy/love offering "To the Lightning" and again with her current mystery "Clearwater."

Ennis says she is working on a second mystery using the protagonist, Bernadette "Bernie" Hebert, introduced in Clearwater.

## ▼▼▼ HOUSTON QUICK NOTES

## Bering Foundation AIDS fundraiser to feature local celebrities

A gala benefit at The Great Caruso, 10001 Westheimer, on Monday, Oct. 28, will feature local celebrities, including Warner Roberts as emcee, hosts Janet and Alan Rudy and, as head waiters, broadcast news personalities Dave Ward and Ron Stone. The \$100-per-person affair, "Great Caruso II," includes wine, a full gourmet meal and entertainment, with proceeds to benefit the Bering Community Services Foundation's AIDS programs.

Entertainers scheduled for the event include Nancy Ames and Danny Ward, Jackson Hicks, Jerry Bartee, Atwood and Comeaux, Cantor Robert Gerber, Gregory Spencer, City Controller George Greanias, the Jazz Medics and the Great Caruso Ensemble.

The event begins with wine and music at 7:00 p.m., followed by the dinner and entertainment at 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Bering Foundation at (713) 529-6071.

## —“Medical Steps” workshops

The Montrose Clinic, through its affiliate, the Houston Clinical Research Network, has announced three new additions to its series of workshops on the medical aspects of HIV. The “Medical

Steps” workshops are held in the downstairs meeting room at the Montrose Library, 4100 Montrose.

On Saturday, Oct. 26 at 2:00 p.m., Eloy Montes and Dorothy Anderson, MSW-CSW will present “Public Health Care and HIV,” a discussion of the benefits of case management and practical tips on accessing publicly funded HIV medical services. The following Saturday, Nov. 2 at 2:00 p.m., Bruce Smith, DDS will discuss some of the oral manifestations that can accompany HIV infection in a workshop titled “Dental Aspects of HIV.” Finally, on Saturday, Nov. 9 at 4:00 p.m., Bill Scott, CSW-ACP will present “Biology of Hope,” which will emphasize the effects of positive thinking, hope and the will to survive on the medical treatment of HIV disease.

All Medical Steps workshops are offered at no cost; however, donations to help cover the cost of the workshops are accepted. For more information or to suggest possible topics for future workshops, contact Chris Jimmerson of the Houston Clinical Research Network at (713) 528-5075.

## —Cosmetologists host benefits

The Houston Chapter of the Texas Cosmetology Association will be participating in two special Halloween events to benefit Houston AIDS organizations. Members of the Association have written and produced “Roxie Whorra Beaute Shoppe,” a very campy take off of the London stage and screen hit. This original local production will be performed by members of the Association on Sunday evening, Oct. 27 at the Majestic Metro Theatre. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided by Carter and Cooley Company.

On Saturday, Oct. 26, the cast will again volunteer their services as waiters and auctioneers for a sit down dinner at Treebeard's Restaurant. Both evenings are part of the third “Halloween Magic” fund raising event benefiting Body Positive and AIDS Interfaith Council/FIRM.

Joining forces with the group in hosting the two fundraisers are several businesses and professionals, including Randall's Food Markets, the Earthman Family, Home Nutritional Services, Dr. Patricia Salvato, Dr. Sandra Scurria, Service Inc., Visual Communication, Jane Alderman and Richard Alderman, Ground Control Silkscreens, and over 250 individual hosts. Ticket prices are \$50 for the dinner at Treebeard's and \$25 for the play at the Majestic Metro. For more information contact AIDS Interfaith Council at (713) 682-5995.

## —Four Seasons Military Ball

The Four Seasons Club's annual Military Ball is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 10 from 4:00-9:00 p.m. at the Brazos River Bottom. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Colt 45's Assistance Fund.

There will be a cash bar with happy hour prices and entertainment by “The Ravaged Revue.”

Advance tickets (\$10) are available at Lobo, Basic Brothers, or from any Four Seasons Club member. Tickets will be \$12 at the door.

The Four Seasons Club is divided into four major committees—Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter. Each committee is responsible for planning and hosting one major social event for the year. The entire club participates in a fifth major event each year—the club's annual charity fundraiser. Back by popular demand, the Military Ball is expected to draw several hundred guests in a wide variety of handsome military attire.

## —Halloween bike ride

The Lambda Bicycle Club will be “spooking out” on its Halloween Ride Tuesday evening, Oct. 29 starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Bacchus II parking lot, 2715 Waughcrest, next to Charlie's Restaurant on Westheimer. Costumes are encouraged.

The ride will go along the Allen Parkway and is scheduled to “spin around any cemetery we might find open,” according to organizers. A visit to Cafe Ex-

press is also included.

Rides are casually paced and under \$20 miles; a \$1 donation is requested. For more information, call Annette at (713) 496-0288.

## —Costumes at Alpha 2 Omega

Presently showing at Alpha 2 Omega Gallery are the latest original designs by costumer Christie Kitchens. Included in this show are unique hand made masks by local artists and gallery members. With Halloween and the Texas Renaissance Festival in the air and Mardi Gras just around the corner, said gallery representatives, Alpha 2 Omega offers a particularly creative, out of the ordinary selection.

Kitchens, a designer and costumer of Mardi gras, Halloween and theatrical costumers, is a native of Louisiana and its tradition of lavish costumes. Her designs cover the full range from hand-beaded ball gowns to the fantasy of papier mache heads.

Alpha 2 Omega is a co-operative of local artists. About 40 to 50 percent of sales are donated to the non-profit Alpha 2 Omega Foundation. Funds raised for the foundation presently go to Omega House, a Houston AIDS hospice. The gallery is located at 1538 Welch at Yupon. Hours are 11:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call (713) 526-4415.

## —Shades ceramics

Melting Pot Studio's second solo exhibition of the fall season features Jim Shades works in Raku. Shades ceramic fetishes, shrines and figures will be complemented by canvases echoing the exhibits thematic intention, gallery officials stated.

Shade's adroit use of form, color and texture communicates primitive notions of contemporary experience; his creations are meant to appeal as much to whimsy as reflection. The exhibit runs Oct. 22-Nov. 4 with an opening reception Friday, Oct. 25, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.



Costumes by Christie Kitchens and hand made masks by other local artists are currently featured at Alpha 2 Omega Gallery

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: TEXAS

## Dallas police say 'C.J.' and copycats, are all just hoaxes

By JEAN PAGEL

FOR THE NEW VOICE

DALLAS, Monday, Oct. 21 (AP)—“C.J.,” whose anonymous claims she was deliberately spreading AIDS jolted the city, is a hoax created by a teen-ager and copied by as many as six other women, Dallas police said Monday.

“We want to assure the community that this purported danger does not exist,” said Deputy Police Chief Ray Hawkins.

The letter and subsequent calls to radio and television stations prompted increased inquiries to area health agencies, but fears over her claims also caused police to begin searching for “C.J.”

The hoax began with a letter pub-

lished in the September issue of Ebony magazine and signed “C.J.” In it, a woman who claimed to be infected with the AIDS virus said she was searching out men to deliberately spread the virus in retaliation against the man who had infected her.

Subsequently, a woman who claimed to be C.J. called Dallas area radio and television stations to repeat her claim.

But Hawkins said handwriting analysis confirmed the letter to Ebony was written by a 15-year-old Dallas girl who wanted to raise AIDS awareness after a family friend died of acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

In addition, there were “six or seven” other C.J.'s calling radio and television

stations in the Dallas area. Police have identified one of the copycats, a 29-year-old Dallas woman.

“She did it as a joke, as lark,” Hawkins said of the elder C.J. “She didn't intend for it to hurt anyone. ... We fail to see the humor in it.”

The elder woman is being tested for the HIV virus, Hawkins said. Results will be made public only if she tests positive.

No charges have been filed, but if the elder woman tests positive for the virus, she could be charged with knowingly transmitting AIDS, a 3rd degree felony.

There is no indication the teen-ager is infected, Hawkins said.

The two women, whom police refused

to identify, do not know each other.

Hawkins said the teen-ager probably copied the idea from a similar letter written to Dallas KKDA-AM radio personality Willis Johnson two years ago. Johnson read the letter several times when he first received the letter, but destroyed it when no one came forward. Johnson also received several of the latest calls from C.J.

Hawkins said police believe the two women are responsible for most of C.J.'s “appearances” and are not searching for the remaining copycats.

Although C.J. did not exist, Hawkins said, “a dramatic message has come out. Aids is a very real problem. Maybe this did do something to bring it home”

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: LOUISIANA

## AIDS cases continue steady increase in Louisiana

BATON ROUGE, Thursday, Oct. 17 (AP)—Almost 200 more cases of AIDS were reported in Louisiana during a three-month period, the state Department of Health and Hospitals reported Thursday.

The figures showed Louisiana with 2865 reported cases of AIDS as of Oct. 8, 1991 compared with 2677 reported cases on July 1. A total of 1830 related deaths

were reported this year.

“We are seeing an average of 600 cases per year,” said Mark Dal Corso, medical director of state's HIV program. “There is no evidence that the AIDS epidemic is abating.”

DHH statistics show that Orleans Parish has the most cases with 1,405. Jefferson Parish followed with 283, East Baton Rouge Parish with 223,

Caddo with 127, Lafayette with 89, Ouachita 57, St. Tammany 53, and Rapides with 47.

The largest group of AIDS victims remained homosexual or bisexual men, which accounted for 67 percent of the cases, followed by intravenous drug users which at 9 percent.

Blood transfusions accounted for 4 percent of the total number of cases, but

22 percent of the female cases of AIDS were attributed to transfusions.

Thirty six cases of AIDS were reported in children under five. The largest group of victims was in the 30 to 39-year range with 44 percent. Those aged 20 to 29 accounted for 23 percent of the cases and 40—to 49-year-olds accounted for 21 percent.

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**TIME:** 6:30 PM-9:30 PM  
**PLACE:** Wyndham Warwick Hotel  
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Houston, Texas

**FACULTY:** **Didier F. Piot, MD, Moderator**  
J. Stephan Edwards, RN  
Joseph Gathe, MD  
Clint Stevens, Dietician  
Plus: a patient panelist

**TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:**

- HIV Update Overview
- Antiviral Therapy
- Treatment and Prevention of Common Opportunistic Infections
- Women and HIV
- Nutritional Guidelines

**REGISTRATION:** It is not necessary to register; however, if you would like to indicate your attendance at this workshop, please call 1-800-433-4584 between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM Eastern Time and ask for the Management of HIV Workshop Coordinator.

This program is supported under an educational grant from Burroughs Wellcome Co.

▼▼▼ HOUSTON SOAP

# Halloween in Houston: The party week everyone's been waiting for

By TAD NELSON

TNV Houston

Hello Houston! Last Thursday night was a hair dresser's nightmare at Night of a Thousand Hairdos, held at Heaven. The employees of Pacific Street really put on a fun show and the crowd was pleased as well. A total of \$3,588 was raised, with equal portions, \$1794 each, going to the Colt 45's AIDS Trouble Fund and the 800 Pacific Emergency Employee Fund. Spook Lewellyn of Colts was in attendance as well as employee representatives from the Mining Company, heaven and J.R.'s. And as usual Miss Rachel Gardner, aka Bob Dineen found another wonderful Ella Pryor sale rack dress and provided the crowd with many hair-don'ts for the evening (Love you—mean it, Bob! Your proof sheets are on the way to Glamour and Cosmopolitan as we write).

Also last Thursday, Brittany Paige and Toni Rae and cast put on a fun show at E/J's with a 50's Sock Hop theme. The sets and costumes were fun and the songs and steps, well rehearsed. go by E/J's some Thursday and catch one of Brittany's shows.

Last Saturday night, Wigs On Fire party was a hit and a good time was had by all, including the bus driver who shuttled us back and forth from the Venture-N to the Heights Theater. The hoss are to be commended for the great sets and decorations that created the party atmosphere from the moment you entered. And Dennis McGinnis played some really danceable music. Congrats to all.

Did you happen to walk around the Westheimer Art Fest? As usual there was lots to see and do. Some vendors had really unusual and beautiful wares to sell including our friends Boris and John who make their home at Mary's and the Venture-N while in town. And speaking of unusual and beautiful, Pickles put on a great show on top of Mary's during the Arts fest. She got up and she didn't fall off! Way to go, Miss Polanski.

For those of you who attended the Gray Party, I'm sure it's safe to say you had a fabulous time. For those who didn't—sorry—it was the dance with the Woofers! Great looking men everywhere, A sight not for the faint of heart.

Way to go, guys! Can I get a copy of your guest list? (Just kidding sweetie! I really wanted it for Jeff).

Tuesday night was a real surprise at the Ripcord. I was out for an innocent night on the town with my boyfriend, right. And somehow in the midst of pool games between Cousins and the 611, good music and bar talk, these interesting games of hang-man and tic-tac-toe were started. Well, you had to be there—the game boards were most interesting. Of course when my time came, I get placed on a barstool and they play tic-tac-toe on my bald head. If you're around the Venture-N this weekend and see a bald bartender with black stripes and purple X's and red O's on his head, the chance is pretty good that it's me. Gary, I thought you said those Marks-Alots were washable.

Let's get to Vera's dirty paddle and let her stir for a minute.

JoAnne (BRB—, Vera's wishin' she had a convertible too, darlin'!

Robert (Mine), did you really fall off your bicycle or is that cheap carpet burns?

Burt (BRB) why does Kenn have a special name for you?

(And speaking of Kenn):

Splinter Lips (KR), I hear you forgot to take your sandpaper to the library.

Lady B (BRB) was seen bobbing for cucumbers this weekend at the BRB—wonder what other kinds of vegetables she likes?

On the nicer side of dirt—Dominic Abney is joining the European Touring Company of Evita for an eight country, six month stay. Get 'em, girl!

Coming this weekend to a bar near you:

On Pacific, don't forget they are closing the street for the Halloween Block Party this Saturday and Sunday and again on Thursday, Oct. 31. The party begins at 10:15 p.m. with a costume contest each night. J.R.'s will have a haunted mansion theme with contest at 11:00 p.m.; heaven will have Haunted Hollywood as their theme with contest at midnight and the Mining Company will have a Fright Night theme with contest at 11:30 p.m. And Saturday, Oct. 26 the Mining Company is having a special Leather and Levi Fantasy Contest at midnight.



Mary's was packed to the rafters for the Art Festival. Is that why you and the girls are on the roof, Pickles?



Woof! Woof! Woof! At the Gray Party



the Lost Cowboy Band played at BRB Friday night



Mark bartending at Gentry



Heaven's "Night of a Thousand Hairdos" was a riot, as was emcee Bob Dineen



Brittany Paige and Toni Rae put on a great "Sock Hop" show last Thursday



Jan (Heaven/Legends)—Girl, do you keep the makeup in the cash drawer?



Jeff and Dwight enjoying Brittany's show at E/J's



Hosts of a great party Saturday night, Wigs On Fire's "Nightmare on Wig Street"



Jo (Heaven) gettin' pretty for the big hair event



Maude emcees talent night Saturdays at Gentry

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

# Police upset restaurant won't help pay for police protection

BELLEVILLE, Mich., Thursday, Oct. 17 (AP)—Some police departments providing security for a Cracker Barrel restaurant that's been the site of gay-rights protests say they're unjustly being relied upon to handle the crisis for the restaurant.

Dearborn Police Chief Ron Deziel, who's department provided about 20 officers at last Sunday's protest, said Cracker Barrel is refusing to talk to the

protesters and leaving it up to police to handle.

"I'm very disappointed," Deziel said. "Their position is that law enforcement has an obligation to make sure their business operates. Well, I think Cracker Barrel could be doing more to resolve the problem."

Officials at the Tennessee-based restaurant chain declined comment Wednesday.

About 200 gay rights activists demonstrated Sunday, calling for the chain to apologize for its alleged bias against gays that resulted in the firing of at least 12 gay employees.

The protest was monitored by 100 police officers at a cost of \$10,000 to \$20,000 for western Wayne County cities, Deziel told the Detroit Free Press.

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## ▼▼▼ NEW ORLEANS COMMENTARY

## Louisiana governor's race is about as odd as one could imagine

COMMENTARY/NEWS ANALYSIS  
By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON  
TNV New Orleans

We stayed up late in the Great Mother Swamp Saturday, Oct. 19, and watched the "revolution" of incumbent, reformist Gov. Buddy Roemer go down in defeat. Roemer had recently switched from the Democrats and was wearing newly acquired Republican colors for his licking at the polls.

Also campaigning under the Republican flag was former KKK Grand Dragon David Duke. Duke says he has left behind the sheets of his right-winged youth to embrace the Republican label. It seems to have worked, he won the right to be in the runoff against the primary's top vote-getter, three times former Governor Edwin Edwards.

In the toss and tumble of Louisiana politics there was still a third republican candidate, Clyde Holloway, who was never viewed as having much of a chance and in fact came in a very distant fourth. This is odder yet when you realize Holloway was the true, official State Republican Party nominee.

It gets still more bizarre: the incum-

bent Buddy Roemer flew up to the White House a Democrat, crawled into bed (figuratively speaking) with President George Bush and returned to Louisiana a converted Republican, Bush and Dan Quayle both came down to the Bayou State for million-dollar-plus fund raisers aimed at helping the new kid inside the Republican revival tent.

This was a particularly painful development for the state's Republican regulars. Much to their chagrin and consternation, Roemer went to battle with a bulging Republican war chest while Holloway, the official candidate, stomped and fumed in the wings trying to convince the voters he was as dandy a right-winger as David Duke and without the "baggage" of Duke's past. Both Roemer and Holloway are now out of work.

Meanwhile, Acadian, French-speaking, old fashioned Louisiana populist and Democrat Edwin Edwards picked the largest number of marbles out of the ring. Edwards got 516,119. Duke, 484,923. Roemer, 408,904. And poor old Holloway limped away with 82,785.

Where things are headed from here is unclear. No one outside the Duke camp

thinks he has a chance against Edwards. But everyone is a little nervous about the fact that ever since Duke's mysterious trips to Las Vegas and a surgical face lift, the soothsayers have been predicting his failure while his political stock has gone right on skyrocketing. Duke has been elected to the Louisiana Legislature and ran a very strong second for United States senator.

It seems from the day-after vantage point that Roemer's switch to the Republicans was a mistake. Two reasons are probable: (1) a lot of Louisiana voters are Democrats, even if they have been voting increasingly for Republicans; and (2) switching parties didn't do a thing to increase Roemer's appeal. If you recall, Louisiana voters have not had much to do with Republicans since the War Between the States.

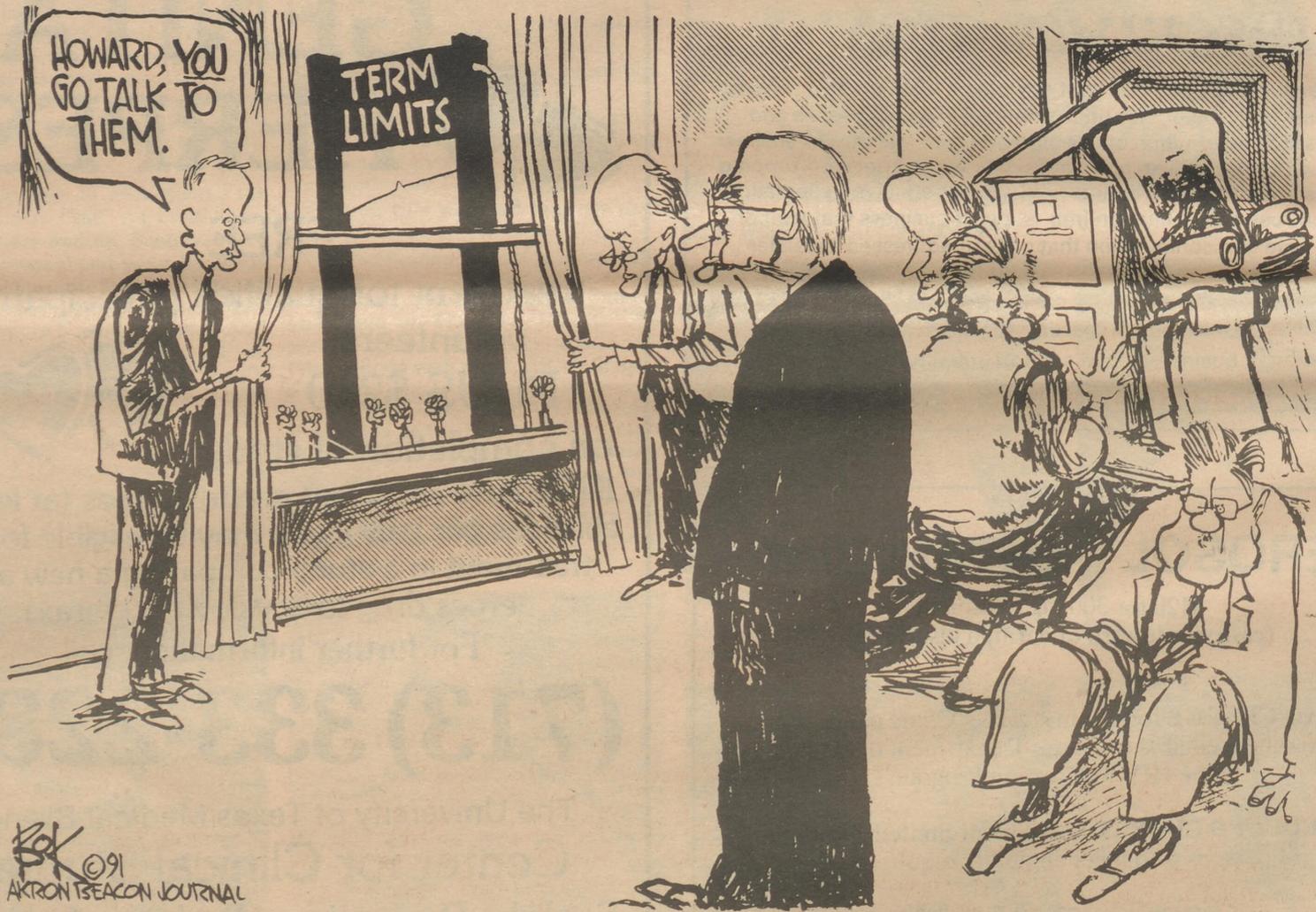
Edwards will likely run a hard-hitting campaign aimed at the classic liberal-conservative debate. He has already been heard on National Public Radio bellying the popular Republican chant about welfare cheats bankrupting the state. "The state's welfare costs amount to only two percent of the budget," Edwards said, adding, "I don't intend to

talk about Duke's past."

By now, everyone in Louisiana—if not the world—knows about Duke's past, of not only leading the Ku Klux Klan but wearing a Nazi uniform on the campus of LSU and selling Nazi books from his Metairie location. His supporters know and they vote for him either because they don't care or they approve.

Edwards also has a past. He was indicted twice by another Republican convert, John Voltz, U.S. Attorney for New Orleans, who began his career as a Democrat but joined up with the Republicans to keep his job after the Reagan revolution.

Edwards was never convicted and some observers feel his indictments were part of a larger Republican plan to woo the state away from the Democratic fold. True or not, the voters certainly knew him to be a flashy and high living politician; indeed, they tossed him out of the Governors Mansion four years ago in favor of the "Roemer Revolution." As an Edwards television ad said in French, complete with porch-sitting Cajun musicians, "Bonsoir, Revolution!" They should now be singing, "Hello, David Duke."



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## ▼▼▼ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Civic group responds to Montrose business owner's letter

From GUY E. PULLIAM, president,  
Avondale Association

The Avondale Association is circulating two petitions to property owners in the area for the purpose of reducing crime and making the area a better place to live, work and visit.

Specifically, the petitions ask the city to create: (1) A public improvement district (PID) that would pay for additional police protection dedicated to the area. The PID would be funded through property tax increases. (2) A Tax Incremental Financing Zone (TIF) that would provide for land controls, i.e. zoning, as well as redirect a portion of inevitable increases in city taxes back into the area. This money would be used for civic improvements such as street lights, sidewalks, parking lots or buildings and neighborhood parks.

This city's crime reports document what is already known: Avondale is not a safe place for any of us. With acts ranging from burglary, robbery, auto theft, drugs and street prostitution to murder, criminals threaten all of us.

At the same time, uncontrolled land use impedes new development. Original structures, many of which have historical and architectural significance, are gradually being lost. Sound structures are being abandoned, serve as homes for street criminals, burn and are torn down. New structures often devalue the best of what is left.

Over the past year, the Avondale Association has attempted to develop community consensus as to how to best address these and other problems. We are disappointed that Mr. Charles Armstrong, in his previous letter to this paper, does not concur... particularly since he was invited to join the

Association's planning committee, in which the petition ideas germinated. Had he chosen to participate, he could have avoided the following errors of fact in his letter:

(1) Both the PID and TIF would be administered through a board appointed by the city—not by the Avondale Association as he suggested. Any resident or property owner in the area is eligible for a board position. Neither district gives the Avondale Association a "blind power of attorney"

(2) Rather than add another "layer of bureaucracy," both districts put control back into the hands of local residents and property owners. They allow us to act rather than wait while our city government sits on its collective posterior and gives us campaign promises.

(3) (Armstrong's) call for a six month review of the districts ignores the fact that

there has been open discussion of this issue since February of this year. Mr. Armstrong and every other resident and property owner in the area has been desperately encouraged to participate in this and every other facet of the Association's activity.

(4) Mr. Armstrong's characterization of the Association as a "possibly well-intentioned group" ignores both the stated objectives of the Avondale Association and our track record... We have made great strides towards our goal of improving the area for all of the residents, property owners and visitors to the area.

The Avondale petition will provide the basis for stabilizing the area, encouraging positive new redevelopment, and controlling crime more effectively. Their passage will affect, especially with regards to safety, no one more than the patrons of businesses who are so often the victims of crime.

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: AUSTIN

*Anti-gay comments of Rep. Billy Clemons draw fire*

AUSTIN, Wednesday, Oct. 16 (AP)—An East Texas lawmaker who's running for speaker of the Texas House is being criticized for anti-homosexual comments he made in a letter to a constituent.

Gay rights groups and at least one state legislator denounced the comments by Rep. Billy Clemons, D-Pollock, as ill-informed and prejudiced.

The Austin American-Statesman, which obtained a copy of the letter, reported Wednesday that Clemons wrote that AIDS "is a homosexual disease. It was brought into this country by homosexuals, spread all over by homosexuals (the original acronym was GRID: gay-related immunodeficiency disease).

"Babies would not be born with it and blood recipients would not get it, if it had not been for homosexuals," he wrote.

The lawmaker also made reference in the letter to homosexuals being promis-

cuous and implies that lifestyles of gays and lesbians are "unhealthy" and "ungodly," the newspaper reported.

The state Health Department said Clemons' statements about the introduction and spread of AIDS, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, in the United States were speculative and misleading.

"How and when the disease was first introduced into this country is somewhat speculative," said Dr. Diane Simpson, the health department's associate commissioner for disease prevention.

"To say that it would not have occurred or spread in the U.S. denies what is going on in Africa and other parts of the world," where the disease has spread mainly through heterosexual means, she said.

Clemons, a five-term legislator, was

the former vice chairperson of the House public health committee, a member of a state task force on AIDS and a sponsor of a 1989 AIDS education and treatment bill.

In an interview, Clemons reiterated his contention that homosexuals are responsible for the introduction and spread of the incurable disease.

"I'm explaining the way the mainstream out here thinks," he told the newspaper. "I was just giving an example of what I hear from other people. But I think (my views) not only reflect my constituency, but also represent the views of the overwhelming majority of the people of this state."

Clemons announced last month that he would challenge five-term Speaker Gib Lewis in 1993.

"I'm very concerned that this man wants to be speaker," said Laurie

Eiserloh, the executive director of the Texas Lesbian-Gay Rights Lobby. "It is a very powerful position."

Rep. Debra Danburg, D-Houston, whose district includes many gay constituents, said she was "shocked" and that Clemons' comments "demonstrate bigotry and a complete lack of rational conclusion."

Danburg said she has worked closely with Clemons on many bills, including the 1989 AIDS bill. Although he is conservative, Clemons has consistently voted for legislation that has helped AIDS-infected Texans, she said.

"Billy must know this is not a gay disease and that in every other country it is found in men and women," Danburg said. "I find it very disconcerting that he would allow his own bigotry to blind him from the facts."

## ▼▼▼ HOUSTON LIVE

*Wood sprites and water nymphs: Houston Grand Opera's 'Mermaid'*

By L. TODD GARRETSON

TNV Houston

Mermaids.

Every civilization and culture has a mythology entailing human confrontations with a sea creature who is half fish, half human. Characteristically this being is an irresistible female, seeming to personify Woman-as-Destroyer, who leads to the annihilation of a mortal for having over-reached the binding laws that govern Nature; frequently there are reminders of the great flood.

The earliest examples in western civilization are the Sirens of Greek legacy, hypnotic singers perched on oceanic rocks, certain wreckers of all seamen who heed their call. Subsequent Loreleis of middle-European folklore dwelt in lakes and rivers, even venturing into sylvan wooden settings. Later incarnations were less vengeful, more anthropomorphic, spawning ethnic variants capable of serving or adoring the human outsider.

From the countries with deep lakes and rivers emerge the water nymphs Melusine and Rautendelein.

These are typically young, beautiful, seductive and supernatural (therefore immortal) mermaids who have chance encounters with usually high-born men. These mortals enthrall the sprites mostly from the promise of a dissimilar land-bound tangibility and the presumption of an eternal, usually Christian, life ever after.

In order to become mortal and loved, she contracts with some supernatural force, at great personal sacrifice and without guarantee. Usually an unrequited outcome culminates in the death of one or both, with various forms of unending damnation for either. Quoting Robert T. Jones, she becomes a "misplaced person searching for love in all the wrong places... she has acquired two omnipresent names—Undine (or Ondine) and Rusalka."

In the Hans Christian Anderson fairy tale "The Little Mermaid" the youngest daughter with the most compelling singing voice agrees to have her tongue cut out (thus made mute) and to accept the razor sharp pain of walking on legs, in exchange for the happenstance of captivating the Prince solely by her devotion and beauty.

Composer Dvorak and his librettist Kvapil in their operatic retelling of this



*Rusalka (Renee Fleming), now a wraith, is about to bestow the kiss of death upon her beloved prince (Neil Rosenshein) in Act II of HGO's production of Dvorak's "Rusalka"*

story interpret her destruction as a consequence of not being conditioned to survive in the realistic realm of humanity. She is no match against her rival, the foreign Princess, for the affections of the Prince, who ultimately betrays her. Himself later rebuked by the foreign Princess, he longs for Rusalka's kiss, fully aware it will lead to his own demise and the eternal wandering of his lost soul. Both are doomed.

The opera companies of Seattle and Houston have mounted a co-production currently on view at the Brown auditorium of the Wortham Center (sung in Czech with English subtitles) that is incandescent in its visual beauty. Rarely has the mis-en-scene for such a fabulously imagined world view been so successfully realized. Three dimensional forest pieces are blended with projections and complex yet subtle lighting design to realistically present the mythical air and water inhabited by the wood sprites and water nymphs. The shimmering, undulating lake leaves one aghast: How did they do it, particularly at the finale when Rusalka makes a

spectral entrance walking over this same watery surface? This is stage craft, and true magic, at its best.

Gunther Schneider-Siemssen is credited with both the design and direction. He eclipses even his own prior work here, having also designed the spectacular "Tannhauser."

The splendor on stage is reflected from the pit under the ever reliable and illuminating stewardship of conductor Julius Rudel. Transparencies are everywhere, in the winds as well as the strings, as the largely symphonic style of the composer is played by members of the Houston Symphony with unfailing security and idiomatic elan. Only in some of the quasi folk song music at the castle did one wish for a little more rhythmic snap to the dance meter. Rudel is especially deft at maintaining workable balances, most difficult at moments when two or three leitmotifs are played simultaneously under the vocal line.

Soprano Renee Fleming assumes the title role in a portrayal that is dramatically committed and musically articulate, although I, as a distinct minority of

one, find her to be less than the perfect choice. By all accounts her performances during last Spring's Mozart Festival were models of polished perfection, distinguished by clarity and purity of sound—a true Mozartean. In "Rusalka" however, the demands on the instrument are considerably more extreme. While the sound is always pure, it can go white with a tense fast vibrato. Efforts at loudness turn steely, where silver should be mined. Also the dramatic palette necessary during her mute scenes in Act II is still not natural for her. The extreme top voice however is magnificent, free of tension, pearly and vibrant even at a fortissimo. Perhaps last Sunday's matinee was a rare off day.

Tenor Neil Rosenshein IS a near perfect choice for the Prince, certainly looking the part with his tall good looks. His sound is manly and bright, truly Italianate, although a little Slavic buzz and more heft would have been welcome, particularly in the higher confrontational passages of Act II. His longing for release by death at the end brought forth some ravishingly secure high pianissimi, earning enormous sympathy for his character as the true victim of the opera.

Opera Studio soprano Heidi Jones runs the risk of type casting as she once again supplies the witty cackling and hooting of the witch-like Jezibaba (Miss Jones has been the Witch in Hansel and Gretel in recent years). And once again, hidden behind all this colorful and mightily successful character sketch is a voice of immense potential, effortlessly produced, perfectly equalized and capable of opening up to true Wagnerian proportions. Houston has another star in the making.

The Water Gnome is assumed by returning Houston regular Richard Paul Fink. Since his last appearances here the voice has further matured into a very large and well focused bass-baritone, with the range and stature to command his role as father, counselor and keeper of his other worldly domain.

Others in the cast include Patricia Johnson, Terry Hansen and Annette Daniels as the agile and homogeneous sounding Woodsprites; Chris Owens, Don Bravo and Lee Merrill as various attendants to the Prince, all capably portrayed. Debut artist Sue Patchell provided just the right menace and allure as the foreign Princess, singing strongly with a hard-edged soprano.

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: AUSTIN

## Benefit to open fourth annual Austin Gay and Lesbian Film festival

By CHRIS LUTHER  
TNV Austin

The Austin Gay and Lesbian Film Festival celebrates its fourth year from Nov. 1-10. This annual event at the Dobie Theater celebrates the diversity of gay and lesbian communities with films from many different countries and a wide range of subject matter. The films in this year's festival present a variety of viewpoints and demonstrate the broad spectrum of visions in gay and lesbian life.

Through the years, Hollywood has shown that in spite of the large number of gays and lesbians in the film, the industry rarely knows how to deal with gay and lesbian characters, say organizers of the event. According to Scott Dinger, promoter of the film festival, one of the aims of the project is to bring to Austin a selection of films that viewers will likely have little chance of seeing anywhere else.

A highlight of this year's festival will be the opening night gala benefiting the Austin Immune Health Clinic and AIDS Services of Austin. On Wednesday, Oct. 30, the

Dobie Theater will screen Monika Treut's "My Father Is Coming" at 7:30 p.m. "My Father" is the story of Vicky, a German waitress and frustrated actress living in New York whose world is turned upside down by a visit from her father, who believes she is successful and married, and by a sexual relationship with her lesbian Puerto Rican friend. This is the same film that opened up both the San Francisco and New York Gay and Lesbian film festivals.

Following the show, party with free champagne and food donated by Whole Foods Grocery will happen at Chances, 900 Red River. Tickets for the premiere and the party are \$10. All shows except the opening night premiere are \$5. Festival passes, good for any six shows except the opening night benefit are \$22.50. Festival passes and tickets to the opening night benefit can be obtained at the Dobie Theater, Liberty Books and Book Woman.

(More information about the Austin Gay and Lesbian Film Festival will be in The New Voice next week.)



The Austin Gay and Lesbian Film Festival will open with a special screening of Monika Treut's "My Father Is Coming" at the Dobie Theater at 7:30 p.m., followed by an opening night party at Chances

## ▼▼▼ SAN ANTONIO QUICK NOTES

## HAPPY Foundation Advisory Committee holds first meeting

The first HAPPY Foundation Advisory Committee meeting was held Oct. 10 at the Bonham Exchange under the direction of Gene Wesley Elder, archives director for the Foundation, and Alice Reynolds. The purpose was to find members who are interested in serving in an advisory committee, and to decide what committees should be established.

The HAPPY Foundation is a charitable and educational organization focusing on the study of issues relating to sexual preference and education of the public concerning civil rights of lesbian and gay people. HAPPY's planned projects include building a gay and lesbian archives in San Antonio and promoting gay and lesbian studies in the nation's universities. It was named for the late freedom fighter and businessperson Hap Veltman.

Elder gave a history of the Foundation and an update on its present activities and structure. HAPPY Foundation recently

approached the director of the Live Oak Fund, Tim Fuller, to umbrella the Foundation temporarily. (The group may later wish to establish its independence, Elder said).

Elder expressed concern about how and if the Foundation should be competing for the same money in the community that other organizations are in need of. Also, he said, AIDS should continue to get top priority in community funding.

"The alternative to operating with no money is to operate on brain power and cost-efficient ideas," he said. As an example, he cited the Lesbian and Gay Media Project, under the direction of Dennis Poplin. The Media Project recently held a press conference concerning the murder of Charles Resendez and also has held productive meetings with the editorial boards of the San Antonio Light and the Express News, Elder said.

Another example, offered by Reynolds,

concerned the Institute of Texan Cultures. Gay and lesbian people should approach that group about collecting information on gay/lesbian Texans along with other their other categories, she suggested.

Such institutions already have funds to address these needs, Elder noted. "It is their job and their expense and not always our that must be tapped," he said.

Fourteen people attended the meeting and expressed an interest in the Happy Foundation; several others said they were interested in the group and its work, but could not attend the meeting.

The committee also discussed the importance of establishing an archives, and of extending gay and lesbian outreach to the general population.

## —SAAF seeks VISTA volunteer

The San Antonio AIDS Foundation is seeking a VISTA volunteer to assist in

fund raising and grant writing. Major responsibilities are to establish, research and develop strategies and execute a grants-based fund raising plan for the Foundation. Activities will include generating increased income through "annual giving," capital campaigns, corporate and foundation support, planned giving, endowment and bequest programs and special gift plans. Qualifications: bachelors degree desired, but demonstrable proficiency of written and spoken English may substitute; previous fund raising experience preferred. Attention to details and computer experience are necessary. Free parking, meals and a "cordial, friendly, nurturing atmosphere." (For additional benefits, see VISTA information sheet).

For more information or to apply, contact Eunice Van Hoosen at San Antonio AIDS Foundation, 818 East Grayson Street, San Antonio, Tx. 78208; phone (512) 225-4715.

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: HOUSTON

## Annise Parker files suit to stop imposition of new district lines

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE  
TNV Editor

Claiming that the imposition of city council district lines proposed by the city on Oct. 11 would violate state law, District C council candidate Annise Parker has filed a motion to intervene in a U.S. Justice Department lawsuit that seeks to force adoption of those boundaries before the city elections.

At a press conference Monday, Oct. 12, Parker charged that changing council district lines within five months of an election is illegal in Texas, and that the proposed new lines were the result of "blatant political gerrymandering" by incumbents seeking to use the Voting Rights Act dispute to maximize their chances for re-election. Parker said she has raised and spent about \$20,000 since announcing her intention to run for council in District C on July 2. According to the motion statement, the Parker campaign mailed out "approximately 50,000 pieces of mail, and 10,000 pieces of literature have been placed on the doorknobs of homes in District C. In addition, thousands of hours from hundreds of volunteers have been expended in her campaign effort."

The Oct. 11 redistricting proposal takes the central Montrose area—and Parker's residence—out of District C and places them in District D. The new lines would also displace three other city council candidates, less than 30 days before the scheduled election.

Parker, a former president of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus and co-owner of Inklings: An Alternative Bookshop, is the only challenger to incumbent Vince Ryan in District C.

Parker is contending that the provisions of state law cited in the suit were intended precisely to prevent "any type of last minute political gerrymandering by incumbent candidates, which is precisely the case presented here. The statute insures that any opposition an incumbent faces cannot be unfairly prevented from mounting a campaign by altering the boundary lines of the political subdivision in which the election is to be held shortly before a scheduled election."

Parker and her attorneys maintain holding an election on Nov. 5 under any redistricting plan other than the one adopted in June would be "legally impossible under Texas election law." An election using the boundaries proposed Oct. 11 could not legally be held until March 11, 1992, they said.

Representing Parker in the legal action are Texas Human Rights Foundation attorneys Pamela Oglesby of Austin and Donald Skipwith of Houston. According to Steve Kirkland, Parker's campaign treasurer, campaign staff had been consulting with the legal organization for two weeks prior to the action, which he said was "strongly recommended" by THRF.

The boundaries, approved as a compromise proposal to increase Hispanic representation on the Houston council by the Justice Department, were rejected for the current election by U.S. Judge David Hittner on Oct. 12, who ruled that the election should take place as scheduled on Nov. 5 under district boundaries adopted in June. However, the Justice Department, which previously held that the June boundaries were unfair to Hispanics, filed suit seeking to impose the new boundaries before an election could be held.



City Council candidate Annise Parker, with her attorney, Pamela Oglesby of the Texas Human Rights Foundation, filed a motion Monday to intervene in the U.S. Justice Department's suit over city council boundaries

Judge Hittner had ordered that voting proceed under the rejected boundaries for the Nov. 5 election, but that new district lines be adopted before another city election is held in 1993.

On Monday, Parker filed a motion to intervene as a plaintiff and applied for a temporary restraining order, asking for an informational hearing and judgment on the legality of the Justice Department's recommendation. Parker said the relief sought by the Justice Department calls for the election under the new boundaries to go forward "at the earliest practicable date"—which could produce a violation of

the state Election Code.

According to Section 276.006 of the Election Code, changing electoral boundaries "of a territorial unit of a subdivision other than a county from which an office of the political subdivision is elected is not effective for an election unless the date of the order or other action adopting the boundary change is more than five months before the election day." The law also provides legal avenues (Sec. 273.081) through which persons such as Parker who feel their interests are affected by a violation of Sec. 276.006 may seek an injunction to prevent the violation from continuing or occurring.

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

## Georgia attorney general to answer lesbian rights suit this week

ATLANTA, Monday, Oct. 21 (AP)—The state attorney general said Monday he will answer this week a lawsuit challenging his revocation of a job offer to a female Emory Law School graduate who married another woman.

Attorney General Michael Bowers said he expects to answer the suit, filed on behalf of Robin Shahar by the American Civil Liberties Union, "sometime in

the latter part" of the week. He declined to give a specific date.

Bowers was served with the suit Oct. 3, said Deborah Schwartz, attorney for Ms. Shahar. He has 20 days from the date he received the suit to answer it, meaning he must respond by Thursday, she said.

"He will answer," Ms. Schwartz added. "I've never won a lawsuit by de-

fault."

Ms. Shahar, a 1991 graduate who finished sixth in her class, had served as a part-time clerk in Bowers' office last summer. But Bowers withdrew a permanent job offer after Ms. Shahar revealed her plans to marry her lesbian lover of five years.

The ACLU says Bowers' decision violates 1st and 14th Amendment guaran-

tees of freedom of religion and association, and equal protection in hiring.

Bowers said he revoked the offer because Ms. Shahar "was in effect flouting" state marriage law.

State law does not expressly prohibit homosexual marriage, but it officially acknowledges only heterosexual marriages and prohibits sexual relations between members of the same sex.

▼▼▼ AUSTIN QUICK NOTES

## Waterloo Counseling Center to have Halloween benefit Saturday

On Saturday, Oct. 26, Waterloo Counseling center will be holding their Halloween Costume Ball. The costume ball will run from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. at the Metropolitan Club on the 13th floor of the One American Center at 600 Congress. Secured, free parking is provided in One American Center parking ga-

rage.

The Halloween ball is a major fundraiser for Waterloo Counseling Center, which provides counseling services geared for the gay, lesbian and bisexual communities. The event, now in its ninth year, usually draws several hundred people in costume.

"I'll be the one in red mid-length," said Richard Bates, a counselor at Waterloo. When asked if the costume will require him to shave off his moustache he cried, "Of course not! Where would be the gender f—?"

Whatever the greater meaning, prizes

will be given for the best costumes. Additionally, free hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be provided. Tickets for the event can be bought at Waterloo, Liberty Books or Book Woman. They are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. For further information call Waterloo at (512) 322-9654.

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## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: HOUSTON

### Federal health agency rep to answer questions about AIDS survey at forum

The AIDS Equity League will hold a public forum to meet and discuss questions with David Willis, a representative of the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research on Monday, Oct. 28 at the Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law.

The U.S. Public Health Service is conducting a national survey of HIV health care costs and has chosen Houston as one of ten survey sites. Persons participating in the survey were required to

agree to give up their anonymity.

Conductors of the survey visited the Thomas Street Clinic, LBJ Hospital and Ben Taub Hospital and interviewed local HIV/AIDS patients with the permission of the Hospital District. Persons who agreed to participate in the government survey were paid \$50.

The importance of the issue of confidentiality of persons with AIDS/HIV and the manner in which the indigent

AIDS/HIV patients were recruited locally prompted the AIDS Equity League and the Texas Human Rights Foundation to question the Hospital District's actions. In response to these inquiries, Willis is traveling to Houston from Washington, D.C. to explain the procedures used to obtain indigent volunteers and maintain confidentiality. A spokesperson from the Hospital District will also be present.

The forum is open to anyone; however,

those who wish to have lunch during the noon meeting are asked to call (713) 527-7354 for reservations. There will be a \$10 charge for lunch.

The meeting will be in the faculty lounge, Room 228, located on the second floor of the law school. Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University is located on Wheeler Street, one and one half blocks north of Scott Street, off I-45 South.

## ▼▼▼ THE VOICE AT THE MOVIES

### Another thumbs up to Gus Van Sant's 'My Own Private Idaho'

REVIEW By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON

TNV New Orleans

Every movie reviewer from TV's thumbs guys to the Los Angeles Times has been singing the praises of "My Own Private Idaho." Don't look for much different here. I loved it and give it as many upward appendages as a man might point at the silver screen.

The film, written and directed by Gus Van Sant ("Drugstore Cowboy" and "Mala Noche"), takes you on a visually delightful odyssey with young hustlers and old lusters that moves along photographically thrilling road scenes, in the big sky country of Idaho. New urban decay in America's northwestern cities of Seattle and Portland. Old World decay in Rome and its countryside. And back again to the open empty road. All, over-the-distant-horizon succor.

Two directors of photography are credited, Eric Alan Edwards and John Campbell, with this splendid film. They deserve a long round of applause. Oddly, listed for "special photography" is the great talent, beauty photographer Bruce Weber who's name comes up right after "still photographer" Abigail Tarsches. It is not clear what they did but much happens in "My Own Private Idaho" to delight the eye.

There is something chilling in the journey that tears could easily be conjured by the metaphor of those "open-empty"



Mike Waters (River Phoenix) and Scott Favor (Keanu Reeves) search for "My Own Private Idaho" in the film written and directed by Gus Van Sant

roads—where the film begins and ends—were it not so damn funny. I saw it on the last night of the burgeoning New Orleans Film Festival, at a crowded screening that forced me into a dreaded front row seat. Still, I laughed aloud. The scene of the porno—rack magazine covers talking amongst themselves is, itself alone, worth the price of admission.

Much is made by the film's promoters and the attendant press of the Falstaff-like nature of Rob Pigeon (played by William Richert). He is a father-like figure in the street hustler's quest for love and guidance. But as I write this, on the morning after David Duke's victory in the Louisiana primary, I cannot hold back another comparison: the film reminds me of Bertolt Brecht's Three Penny Opera, without the

politics.

Except for the recurring theme of patriotic music imposed over the scenes of father vs. son, Idaho is disappointingly typical of the films filling the American screen in the post Reagan era. It is appalling that we have grown so apolitical in our movies and theater.

We have gotten to a point with drama in the 1990's that is similar to painting in the 1950's. We discuss the issues abstractly or removed from their relationship to the body politic. We hesitate to make the connection to social/political criticism for some reason. Ironically, this is narrowing and dimming our vision of the whole while sharpening our vision of life's small slices.

As right takes over America, at least we have this twilight moment when "My Own Private Idaho" can be enjoyed freely and quietly. But do not rest too contentedly, even without N.E.A. funding this movie is getting too much press to not rouse the primal scream of the religious right and their new allies on the Supreme Court.

The movie stars River Phoenix as Mike Waters, the narcoleptic member of the pair of lost wanderers, and Keanu Reeves as Scott Favor, yuppie in waiting. Their portrayal of the hustlers is convincing and sometimes tender.

"My Own Private Idaho" is a great film; I hope you see it. (Now playing at the Canal Place in New Orleans; River Oaks Plaza Theater and The Spectrum in Houston).

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

### Settlement reached to overturn legal ban of gay bars in Virginia

RICHMOND, Saturday, Oct. 19 (AP)—A cafe owner who challenged a law banning gay bars welcomed a decision by Virginia liquor regulators to seek a court order to overturn the statute.

"We got the law off the books and it's safe for homosexuals to drink in Virginia," said Murray I. Greenberg, owner of the French Quarter Cafe in Alexandria.

Lawyers for the bar and the Alcohol Beverage Control Board said Friday that they will go to federal court in Alexandria this week to enter a formal agreement striking down the gay bar ban, be-

lieved to be the last such ban in the country.

Greenberg sued the ABC Board last spring after receiving what he believed were threats from ABC agents to close his business. Virginia's ban on gay bars has been on the books since the 1930s but hasn't been enforced for more than a decade.

But ABC Board members said they were being pressured to enforce the law by William M. Glasgow Jr., an Alexandria resident who has said gay bars pose a threat to "family life."

ABC Board Chairperson George M. Hampton Sr. declined to comment on the settlement. Hampton and other ABC officials have refused to talk about the case since the controversy started.

"This is history in the making," said Dale Barnhard, a Montgomery County woman who signed on to the suit after she got thrown out of another Alexandria bar for dancing with another woman. "History comes slowly in Virginia, but it's victory anyway."

Glasgow could not be reached for comment. He has said he has no objection to

what people do in private, but that allowing bars where gays gather in public was "traveling a pathway to anarchy."

Gov. L. Douglas Wilder, who appoints members of the liquor board, was in Texas on a fund-raising trip for his presidential campaign and was unavailable for comment. Gay-rights groups have criticized him for refusing to take a stand on the ban.

Gay activists said they tried for years to find a state legislator to sponsor a bill eliminating the ban, but to no avail.

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: NEW ORLEANS

### Author Tony Fennelly robbed, interviewed while preparing for trip

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON

TNV New Orleans

Tony Fennelly, author of the outrageous mysteries "The Glory Hole Murders" and "The Closet" hanging, has spent the last few weeks preparing for a trip to Germany, where she will read to fans sponsoring her visit. Meanwhile, Fennelly, who had her car stolen last year, had her briefcase snatched while parking a borrowed car in front of her Bywater home. Reputed by friends to be less than a skilled driver, Fennelly quipped, "Some people I know think my car ran away; surely they don't feel that way about my briefcase."

In a more pleasant development, two German journalists came to New Orleans to wine, dine and interview the Mystery Writers Association "Edgar" nominee pri-

or to her visit to "der Faterland." Lutz Deisinger, a free-lance journalist from Berlin and Beate Moeller, a producer with radio station RIAS Berlin, entertained Fennelly in the posh Caribbean Room at the Hotel Ponchartrain on St. Charles Avenue.

Fennelly's third mystery, "Kiss Yourself Goodbye," has recently joined her other titles in German translation. She departs in November for a two week visit to Aachen, Frankfurt, Stuttgart, Munich, Hamburg, Berlin, and Cologne. The trip is sponsored by the city of Cologne and by Rotbuch, Fennelly's German publisher.

The adventures of Matt Sinclair will soon be translated into Danish and Czech for the gay hero's first incursion behind the former iron curtain. All three books are set in contemporary New Orleans.

Warp Factor

Karlos Barney



"Why, Professor, these ain't ordinary cattails — they're corn dogs!"

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

# AIDS virus may be developing resistance to AZT, researchers say

ORLANDO, Fla., Saturday, Oct. 19 (AP)—Researchers are finding the rapidly mutating AIDS virus may be developing resistance to the primary drug used to fight it.

AZT—which until recently was the only approved drug for AIDS sufferers—is becoming ineffective in some patients because the virus is mutating just enough to ensure its own survival, experts told a conference here this week.

“So far it is not clear that resistance has

been transmitted from one person to another, but it is important that we maintain vigilance,” said Dr. Robert Yarchoan, chief of retroviral diseases at the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Md.

Yarchoan addressed doctors and researchers Thursday in Orlando at an AIDS conference sponsored by the University of Miami, according to a report in The Orlando Sentinel Saturday.

“This resistance appears to occur only in people who are taking AZT,” Yarchoan said. “And there is some evidence that if people stop taking the drug, the virus evolves back to its sensitive original state.”

Experts are uncertain how many AIDS patients are affected, but reports of the mutation have been worldwide.

AZT, approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration in 1987, sabotages viral replication by homing in on a key AIDS enzyme. It is at this site, deep in the viral core, that scientists speculate the mutation has occurred.

AZT has been credited with dramatically extending the lives of AIDS patients. Not all people who take AZT, however, develop the tough new viral strains, Yarchoan said.

Studies at the University of California at San Diego have found the likelihood of AZT resistance increases as AIDS infections advance. The longer the patient is sick, the greater the chance of viral mutation. And it is the mutated strains—with new genetic makeups—that doctors say render the drug ineffective.

Dr. Douglas Richman, a UCSD pathologist, said studies of AZT and an experimental AIDS drug are under way to see if medications used in combination will limit chances of the mutation.

Resistance to anti-viral drugs is not uncommon with other diseases. It has occurred in influenza-A, herpes simplex and the rhinoviruses that cause the common cold. And cancerous tumors in some people change their genetic makeup to ward off chemotherapeutic agents.

But Yarchoan sees hope in the fight against AIDS.

There’s been an explosion of new drugs in the multibillion dollar race to successfully attack the AIDS virus’ genetic core.



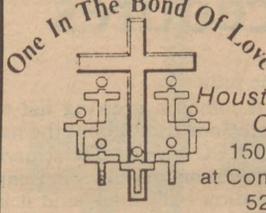
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▼▼▼ AUSTIN SOAP

# Here's what happened and what's about to happen in the Capital City

By CHRIS LUTHER

TNV Austin

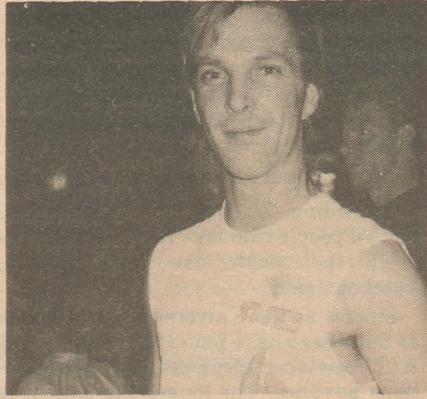
Last Thursday, this reporter found a ruckus goin' on at 'Bout Time in far north Austin. Seems cute, blonde and young bartender Chris is not sooo young anymore. Thursday was his 23rd birthday and in lieu of a more traditional spanking (Chris says "I'm not into that") the 'Bout Time staff figured another way to make his face turn red.

They brought in two studly young men who stripped and danced about Chris as he sat obediently in a chair on the stage. In a fabulous display of the benefits of good nutrition, these gifted men, J.D. and Cody, were able to give Chris a delicate facial massage between their two abdomens. All Chris could do is smile and keep his hands neatly folded in his lap. Then he ate his birthday cake, but not from a plate... those calories kinda went straight from their thighs to his.

Sunday was a gorgeous day for a walk! It was time for the annual "From All Walks of Life" Walkathon cosponsored by ASA. Unlike previous years, which happened on cloudy, rainy days, this year's fundraiser was blessed with sunshine and shorts. Several bars and organizations had teams that walked together. Bill, Kenny and Ron of Oil Can Harry's were ~~daunted~~ before the walk befuddles with so many new faces in the crowd it was difficult to tell who was and who wasn't.

It was a family outing. So there were as many dog leashes as there were baby carriages. From the showing, one would suspect Austin is a big dog town. Labradors and Rotweilers, as well as SPCA lovable mutts dressed in bandannas permeated the crowd. Not a poodle was to be seen.

But back to the shorts. One tall and lean gentleman was snagging many of the



Dean Chinn models a "Mt. This" T-shirt



Bill, Kenny and Ron of Oil Can Harry's

guys' eyeballs as he strode down Congress Ave, in his black elastic shorts, the kind that football coaches often wear (but never as well). At one point another walker, Derrick, was found trailing these shorts, capturing the fashion event with his Nikon.

Derrick said that this was his second year to walk. He and his friends, Nancy Eric, Iona Dryer and Ineda Walker together had raised over \$427 dollars. When asked if he would be walking next year he replied "Sure! In addition to a great way to raise money for AIDS, it's also a fun way to get a little exercise." Then he added, "But you wish that you wouldn't have to."



Project Transitions' Cindy Basettschaer, Charlotte Hale and Phillip Hale before the Walk

This coming weekend, Friday through Sunday, Chances will be having its third Octopus Club Volleyball tournament. Proceeds from the event will go to the Paul Kirby Emergency Fund of ASA. This program financially assists PWAs when they are encountering financial problems that prevent them from obtaining medication or maintaining housing or insurance. Although the registration deadline for teams was last week, you can expect a good time if you drop on by to give your chosen team a holler.

This weekend is, of course, the start of "Halloweek," traditionally the high holiday of all faithful homosexuals. You are advised that the several parties and celebrations scattered all over our fine city will create a traffic hazard as people frantically rush around town to attend them all. Be on the lookout for jeeps recklessly careening down streets as the biggest and butchest men in town discover, they say for the first time, the difficulties of driving a standard shift in heels while a false eyelash is flapping in the wind against your

left pupil.

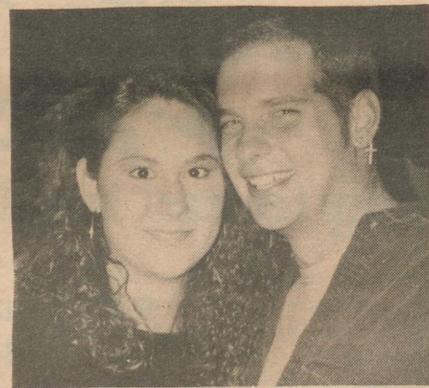
For the curious, the frustrated and those with an itch to scratch, the Chain Drive will be having a fetish ball on Saturday night. Also on Saturday night, Waterloo Counseling Center will sponsor their annual Halloween Ball (see accompanying story). If you want to see, or be seen in, the best and most outrageous costumes in Austin, these will be the places to be. Expect that The New Voice will be there to capture the moment.

Also expect that, after spending all of Saturday doing her hair and squeezing into go-go boots, no queen in her right mind will be satisfied with just one party and just one entrance. So the Crossing, always with their customer's vanity in mind, will be providing drink specials all night long to those in costume.

And, allowing all of its customers every opportunity to squeeze last dime out of those \$20 size 13 pumps, the Crossing will be holding its own costume contest on Halloween, next Thursday night. Being adjacent to the Halloween madness on 6th Street, this will likely be the best place to spot ghouls, girls and curls that evening. Crossing G.M. Richard is even considering trying something different this year, maybe even wearing some leather.



J.D. helps Chris (of 'Bout Time) celebrate his 23rd birthday



Laurie Crim and Jeff Bennett were spotted on the patio at Oil Can Harry's



Corey and David of Charlie's at the "From All Walks of Life" picnic

▼▼▼ DATELINE: NEW ORLEANS

## Bagneris loses state representative race to incumbent Avery Alexander

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON

TNV New Orleans

Incumbent Avery Alexander defeated openly gay contender Larry Bagneris 4,264 to 2567 in the Louisiana 93rd District House race. The 93rd District comprises the French Quarter and parts of Uptown.

Bagneris, son of a politically important New Orleans Creole family that al-

so includes playwright Vernel Bagneris, ran second in a field of four. Bagneris is a long time community activist in both New Orleans and Houston. He has worked for the NO/AIDS Task Force since his unsuccessful bid two years ago to claim New Orleans City Council Dist. C seat.

Alexander's advancing years were thought to be a detriment to his re-elec-

tion. The incumbent, running as a 16-year veteran of the House and with a popular civil rights record among the district's predominantly black voters, won with 52 percent of the total vote. Bagneris scored 31 percent. Two other contenders evenly split the remaining 17 percent.

Bagneris has been on leave from his job with the NO/AIDS Task Force during the campaign. He is expected to re-

sume those duties.

In a late development, Bagneris has asked for a recount of the vote which will be completed Tuesday, Oct. 22. Bagneris, speaking in a telephone interview after an all night vigil, said he expects "The final outcome will lead to a runoff because the opposition has less than 50 percent, according to our figures. No one will know for sure 'till we open the machines and see."

▼▼▼ DATELINE: GAY AMERICA

## Physicians reject federal request to list risky procedures

SAN FRANCISCO, Friday, Oct. 18 (AP)—California's largest physician group has rejected a federal request to develop a list of surgical procedures too dangerous for doctors infected with the AIDS virus to perform.

Such a list would lead toward segregated care for AIDS patients, Dr. Howard Lang, president of the California Medical

Association, said Thursday.

"We'll end up with leper colonies where only HIV-infected physicians are treating HIV-infected patients," he said.

"There are no documented cases of transmission from surgeon to patient ... and fear is not a way to develop public policy," he said.

The federal Centers for Disease Control has asked that doctors' groups throughout the country draw up lists of "exposure-prone procedures" by Nov. 15.

Physicians known to be infected with the human immunodeficiency virus, which causes AIDS, were not to perform such procedures unless they got clearance from a panel of experts and revealed their

condition to the patients.

But the CMA joined a growing list of medical organizations throughout the nation defying the CDC request. The American Dental Association and the American Medical Association both have said it is impossible to devise such a list, and New York last week became the first state to formally defy the request.

## ▼▼▼ AUSTIN LIVE

## Lone Star Women's Music Festival held in the woods near Austin

It was a weekend of good music mixed with feminism in the woods during the second annual Lone Star Women's Music Festival, held Oct. 11-13. This event, held outside of Austin on land fronting the Guadalupe River, brought together over 500 women from all parts of Texas and the world. At the festival they experienced three days packed with informal workshops and top-name Southwestern female performers, many from Austin's rich and varied musical community.

At the retreat there were over 46 musical acts. According to festival organizer Bonnie Morris, their musical styles were all over the map, ranging from "...Cannibal Club (punk) rock to smooth 30's style jazz music to country and western." The performers included Miss Brown To You, the Virgin Machine, Step Pappas, Girls in the Nose, Betty Elders, the Therapy Sisters,

MJ Torrance and Tina Bustamante.

Morris, who began the festival as a response to other women's music festivals around the country which, she feels, have grown too large and too expensive. "The bigger women's music festivals will draw five to six thousand people. At those (large events) it's easy to lose the intimate feeling of sisterhood. She said that although she would never sacrifice quality, final cost and accessibility for the participants was always an important factor to her.

In order to keep the tickets under \$65 women were asked to volunteer four hours of labor contributing to the food preparation and cleanup or the maintenance of the camp. Norris says she feels the festival succeeded in a large part due to the eagerness of the participants to help. "Many have commented that they were pleased to help because they were impressed with the

talent of the performers and the organization event. They wanted to be a part of it."

Lisa Rogers of the Therapy Sisters, one of the Sunday performers, agreed. "The whole event was well run. Everyone went out of their way to take care of each other, like people tripping over each other to bring ice water to the stage. It was a weekend of good ol' fashioned sisterhood!"

But the festival was about more than just music. Morris adds "It was an important that we created a village, a tribe of sorts, where each person worked to protect and feed ourselves and each other." In defending the festival's women only policy, she said, "It's not that we wanted to exclude the guys, or that we're separatists. We just wanted to create an intimate 'healing space' for women."

Morris commented on a coworker who

called her the following Monday after attending the festival, her first time to attend a women's festival. "She said 'you said that the weekend would be fun but you didn't say that I'd be changed.' We have so many barriers in our lives, so many that we don't realize until we get out away from everything and into an environment where we can be with our own."

Morris, hoarse and recovering from exerting herself during the festival says that she has already started on Lone Star '92. "This is now a year 'round project...from all the positive feedback I suspect next year's festival to be even better. Some of the bands have already called to make sure that they'll be on the lineup." Then, as a side comment that indicates the labor of love that the festival has become to her. "I expect that we might even make some money."

## ▼▼▼ HOUSTON SOAP PART 2

## Halloween in Houston: Pumpkins, ghouls, ghosts, jocks, fairies

By TAD NELSON

TNV Houston

Saturday it's the Little Shop of Horrors at E/J's by the Royal, Sovereign and Imperial court of the Single Star at 9:30 p.m. It's a benefit for the Colt 45's Charities starring Jerry Morin, Lady Victoria Lust, Scotty, Rita Charles, Shayna Lloyd, Marilyn Marx and Babs Morin.

PastTime is having a "Barn Reunion" Saturday, Oct. 26 with hors d'oeuvres at 7:00 p.m. and a show at 10:00 p.m. Go by and see your favorite bartenders from the Barn.

Gentry is having a pumpkin carving Saturday at 6:00 p.m.—They provide the pumpkins and you provide your own pumpkin drag. The halloween night

don't forget their "Haunting House of Whorers" with costume contest at 11:00 and \$300 in prizes. Gentry has been designated as HGLPC Election central and will host the Annise Parker campaign celebration Tuesday, Nov. 5 from 7:00 p.m. 'till?, with complimentary pizza.

The Venture-N is having its 15th Annual Freakers Ball on Halloween Night from 8:00 p.m. 'till close, with a costume contest at midnight with cash prizes and emcee Brucella DeValle.

And at Mary's on Sunday it's the Cajun Fest, with a gumbo cookoff and the Zydeco Rockers, a live Cajun band. Bars, clubs and individuals are invited to enter the cookoff. Gaye says you don't need a team to enter but you better have

a winning recipe...naturally! Don't forget Mary's pumpkin carving Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with Cassandra guest bartending.

At the BRB on Sunday it's the TGRA Royalty Candidates' Turn About Show and Lady Victoria Lust's Birthday Bash at 6:00 p.m. and on Halloween, the staff and management present a Mardi Gras Halloween party with midnight costume contest.

The Ripcord is having a Masquerade Saturday, Oct. 26 at 9:00 p.m. with costume contest at midnight. Sunday, it's the Whore of Babylon Mask Party; Monday it's a Fall Harvest Buffet at 4:00 p.m. and Halloween night, the theme is Metropolis-City of Light with a mid-

night costume judging.

And at 710 Pacific, the new Men's Dance and Cruise Bar opens Friday at 7:00 p.m. with 75 cent well and \$1.50 call drinks. Sunday they are having a "Man Dance" with no cover before 7:00 p.m. And Halloween night, a costume contest at midnight!

Whew! What a week.

Lastly I would like to wish Happy Belated Birthdays to Woody last week, Kenn Rankin Oct. 23 and Dick Fisher Oct. 22, and just Happy Birthday to Cassandra Oct. 26 and Cliff Owen Oct. 28.

Have a great safe Halloween!

Love and Woofs to all. Bye for now.

## ▼▼▼ DATELINE: TEXAS

## Austin AIDS activist is among those slain in Killeen massacre

The tragic massacre of 24 people at the Luby's Cafeteria in Killeen also claimed the life of an Austin area AIDS service activist and volunteer. Dr. Connie Peterson-Miller, a mother of two, was shot in the side of the head as she lay motionless on the floor of the cafeteria's serving line.

Dr. Peterson-Miller served on the board of the Austin Immune Health Clinic since April of this year. She was recently voted the vice president of the board. Hers was a familiar face around the clinic, volunteering to provide chiropractic care to HIV in-

fectured patients on a weekly basis. In the past she was also a tireless volunteer for the American Lung Association and Austin Immune Clinic AIDS Service's "From All Walks of Life" pledge walk. A fellow Immune Clinic board member remarked that her enthusiasm and energy will be greatly missed.

Memorial services were held Saturday at the Weed-Corley funeral home. The family has requested that memorial gifts should be sent to "Feed the Children" or The Austin Immune Health Clinic in lieu of flowers.



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▼▼▼ SAN ANTONIO SOAP

# Costume parties, contests abound in San Antonio all week long

By ESHCOL RICHARD WRIGHT  
TNV San Antonio

With all the Halloween costume contests that are planned for next week, everyone in San Antonio should win at least one. Here's the agenda for All-Hallow's Eve (the real name for the celebration of the night before All Saint's Day, Nov. 1) in the Alamo City.

The Bonham Exchange is turning its office area into a haunted house, which will be open on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 25 and 26, and again on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 30 and 31. If you've ever been in the "back of the house" at the Bonham, you know that converting the area into a haunted house shouldn't require too much redecoration. Proceeds of admission to John Kimble's "dream home" will benefit the San Antonio AIDS Foundation. By the way, there's a delicious rumor floating around The Bonham. On Halloween night, all The Bonham's employees will be in drag.

The Country Club is planning a costume party for Oct. 31, with a \$150 prize for the best ensemble.

Over at the Noo Zoo Co., it takes two days to celebrate Halloween. On Wednesday, Oct. 30, Jennifer Wells will be there. Look for five cent draft, \$1.25 well drinks and \$1 shots. Then, on Thursday, Oct. 31, the Noo Zoo's costume party will feature \$400 in cash prizes. I must say, Lollie always does things first class.

Over at The 2015, the costume party starts when the clock strikes the witching hour, 12:00 midnight on Halloween night. Look for some terrific drink specials.

Mariam clued me in on Halloween plans at Memories. There will be door prizes, T-shirts and \$50 in cash for the best costume. Memories has male and female strippers every Thursday, and she's not going to let Halloween interrupt that tradition. Janis Dumont will host the festivities. Speaking of rumors, I hear that Memories plans to introduce Lady Hot Oil Wrestling beginning on Friday nights in November. Uh oh, Hard Hat.

My favorite cowboy, Bill Walker, gave me the lowdown on Halloween plans at the oldest gay bar in Texas, El Jardin. They'll be mixing up a big batch of their famous Witch's Brew. It tastes a lot like apple pie, but it's not the kind your grandmother used to make. The costume contest will feature prizes for the best drag outfit and the most original. While you're there, introduce yourself to El Jardin's new bartender, Lefty. I hear he has the best buns on Navarro Street.

Lots of festivities are about to go down at the Night Owl. Friday, Oct. 28, is Julie's "real" birthday and Barbara has spent all week blowing up balloons. On Friday, Oct. 28, the girls are planning a Pajama Party. Julie will be cultivating that "slept around a lot" look. And no one will be admitted without their PJ's. I guess those of us who sleep in the buff will have to do a little shopping. (Let's see. Shall we do white silk with chocolate brown piping in memory of Richard

Burton, or pink flannel with a button flap in the rear)? On Halloween, the Nite Owl will present a crisp \$50 bill to the patron in the best costume. See you over on San Pedro.

Speaking of the strip, Halloween at the Wild Club will last for three nights, Oct. 31 and Nov. 1 and 2. Thursday night's costume contest will start at 11:30 p.m. And there's no cover at the W.C. on Thursdays. You 18-20 year old fans are welcome at the W.C. after 2:00 a.m.

Elsewhere on the San Pedro Strip, the cowboys will be ducking and weaving at Ab's Westernaire on Halloween night. Ab is giving out cash for the best costume, the most original and the most ridiculous. Whoops! Now I know where to compete.

That's the deal in San Antonio for Halloween. Now let's do a little recent history.

Those of you who circled by the Bonham after Gay Fiesta had to be impressed with Tabatha Sexton. Her version of Blondie's "Rapture" was something to behold. And that purple metal mesh gown and electrically lighted stole even made Johannes green with envy. Depend on the Bonham to give us the fresh, new talent we deserve.

The community's efforts to rescue our financially troubled SAAF are relentless. Hair Dimension's "cut-a-thon" is one good example. Keep up the good work, San Antonio.

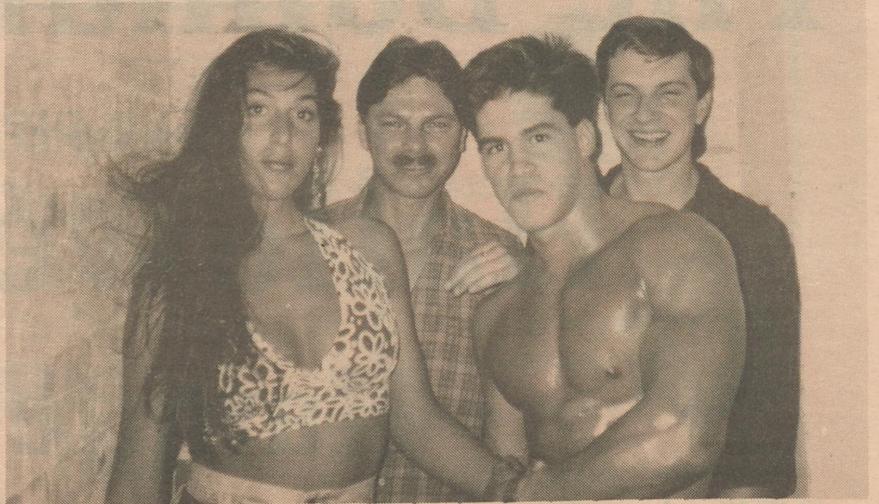
Octoberfest at El Jardin was as campy as they come. The staff had been trying for years to get Sammy Fong in drag, and they finally got their wish. Ah Sammy, where have you been all our lives? And did you catch that number by Trixi La Rue? She was sporting more feathers than a Rhode Island Red, not to mention a 35 pound headdress. I'm convinced that El Jardin's Octoberfest should become a post-Fiesta tradition.

Meanwhile, over at the Bonham, Oct. 16 was Hot Chest Night. John, a 21-year-old personal fitness trainer took the men's competition to new heights. If you want pectorals like John's give him a call at Gold's Gym. And guess who won the women's event? None other than Tandy Andrews. It looks to me like the Hot Chest Contest at the Bonham has gone pro.

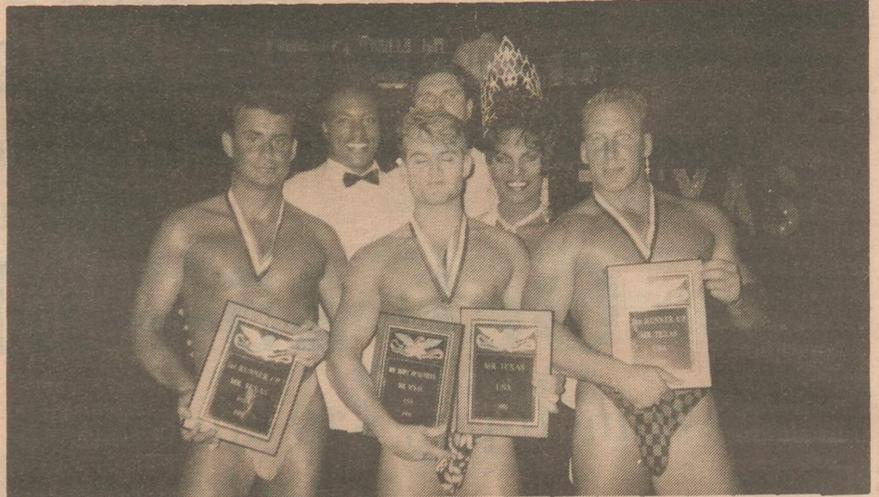
This past Friday, Joey's boyfriend, Victor, gave Joey the surprise birthday party of the year. Where do you take a Miss TGRA candidate for her birthday? The Silver Dollar, of course. The Dollar's patio was awash with red, white and blue balloons. And the buffet was spectacular. Happy 29, Joey and good luck in TGRA competition.

The local rumor mill says that The Stallion's Gene Evans may be opening a new restaurant. Horsefeathers, Gene! You can't sit on news like that.

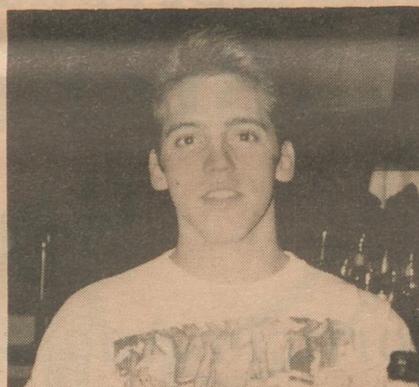
Speaking of new ventures, Nexus of San Antonio is continuing to refurbish The Circle's former headquarters over on Pinebrook drive. New lighting for the dance floor is the most recent addition.



At the hot, hot Hot Chest Contest at the Bonham Exchange, from left: Terren (aka?); the ever elusive proprietor Kenneth; John (Woof!), and M.C. Charlie Chalupa (smile, Charlie!)



The hunky winner and his gorgeous runner-ups at the Mr. Gay Texas USA pageant held at the Paper Moon



San Antonio says farewell to Johnny of the Wild Club. We'll miss the cold beer and hot nights, Johnny



Do you recognize the cute restaurateur in the middle? Yes, Alfred, of Rosario's fame at Gay Fiesta

visions of sugarplums. If you can't wait for Santa to bring you that new toy, go by Planet K, the toy shop for grownups. You'll usually catch me at 1645 Babcock, but Planet K also has an outpost at 2138 Austin Highway.

As the second largest dance club in San Antonio, Nexus is setting high standards. Its mirrored walls make for great people watching, and its stage is big enough to accommodate live musical entertainment. The club's all female staff is as friendly as you'll find anywhere. Hands up to Daisy and Myra, two beautiful women who have brought a lot of Austin spirit to the Alamo City. Care to shoot some hoops on the patio, girls?

It's still T-shirt weather here in San Antonio. I guess I need to stop by To-A-Tee, say hello to Kenneth and Ron, and do a little shopping. But despite the warm weather here, I'm already seeing

The fall and winter holidays in San Antonio also start my annual craving for tamales. This Mexican holiday tradition always reaches its high point at Rosario's, where Carolina makes the best tamales in San Antonio and, therefore, the best anywhere. It's not too early to start thinking about holiday parties, And Rosario's caters its cuisine just about as well as the food is served on the premises. Stop by for tamales by Carolina and wish proprietor Will and bartender Norma a happy birthday.

Now, back to planning my Halloween costume. You can catch me between gluing feathers and sewing sequins at (512) 824-4735.



And what is this going on at El Jardin? To tell the truth, it was too good to remember, but by the look of this bunch, we must have had a blast



Scot coming in for a landing at Canyon Lake. This is my idea of a great high!



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▼▼▼ AUSTIN QUICK NOTES

# LGRL to host celebrity 'roast' for state rep Glen Maxey

On Nov. 16 at 8:00 p.m., the Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas (LGRL) is hosting a roast and toast of "our former fearless leader," state Rep. Glen Maxey, announced current LGRL director Laurie Eiserloh. Molly Ivins will be the event's master of ceremonies and "roasters" include former Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower, Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, Rep. Debra Danburg of Houston, Rep. Elliot Naishtat of Austin and Travis County Clerk Dana DeBouvoir. All proceeds will benefit LGRL.

The event will be held in Austin at Saengerrunde Hall, 1607 San Jacinto next to Scholz' Garten. Tickets are \$25 each and are available from the LGRL. Everyone is welcome to attend. For tickets write to LGRL, P.O. Box 2579, Austin, TX 78768.

In March of this year, Maxey, former executive director of LGRL, became the first

openly gay elected official in the history of the state. Since taking office as representative of District 51, maxey has championed such causes as ethics reform, consumer protection, AIDS funding, civil rights and environmentalism. He was replaced as executive director by Eiserloh, who led a lobbying effort this year that helped pass hate crimes legislation and blocked six separate AIDS bills that would have criminalized persons with HIV and undercut past AIDS successes. Texas is one of only five states to have a full-time lobbyist at the State Capitol working for lesbian/gay rights.

### —Maxey is Prime Timers' guest

State Rep. Glen Maxey will be the guest speaker at the Nov. 3 meeting of Austin Prime Timers, an organization for older gay and bisexual men. Maxey, the only

openly gay person ever elected to the Texas legislature, spoke to the club before his election, when he was lobbyist for the Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas (LGRL).

Also, the Austin chapter of Prime Timers will celebrate its second anniversary on Nov. 9 with a birthday banquet and party. For more information on the group and its events, write to Prime Timers, P.O. Box 436, Manchacha, TX 78652.

### —Women's Halloween dance

Live Wire productions, an Austin non-profit organization for the promotion of women's music, comedy and culture, will host a women's Halloween dance Friday, Oct. 25 from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Austin Opera House. The event will benefit the group's coming productions, and a donation of \$10 is suggested. However, said organizers, no one will be turned away from the community event, which

will include DJ music, carnival booths, costume contests and prizes.

Live Wire, a volunteer collective, has produced over 25 concerts since its formation in 1986, and other activities including women's dances and an art show. Upcoming productions include Ferron in concert Nov. 1 at the University of Texas Union, Cactus Cafe (\$10 donation at the door), and the premiere of Chris Williamson's "Changer and the Changed" video at the Austin Gay and Lesbian Film Festival at the Dobie Theater at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7. After the film, a reception will be held at the Quadrangle Room, second floor UT Union at 9:00 p.m. Information on Olivia Cruises will also be available at the reception.

Chris Williamson will be presented in concert with Tret Fure at the Cactus Cafe on Nov. 8 at 9:00 p.m. (\$12.50 at the door).

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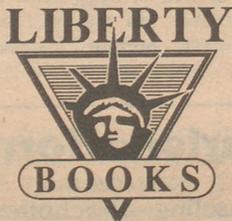
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### —KIRK DOUGLAS LINDSAY

Kirk Douglas Lindsay passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Oct. 8, 1991, in Park Plaza Hospital, Houston. Born in Milwaukee, Wisc. on Feb. 25, 1955, Kirk lived in Houston for the past 10 years. During this time he had been an active member of several Houston area gay organizations.

Kirk is survived by his mother, three sisters, one brother and many nieces and nephews, as well as his special friend, Loyal Kletzien. A memorial service will be held at MCCR, 191 Decatur, on Sunday, Oct. 27 at 1:00 p.m.

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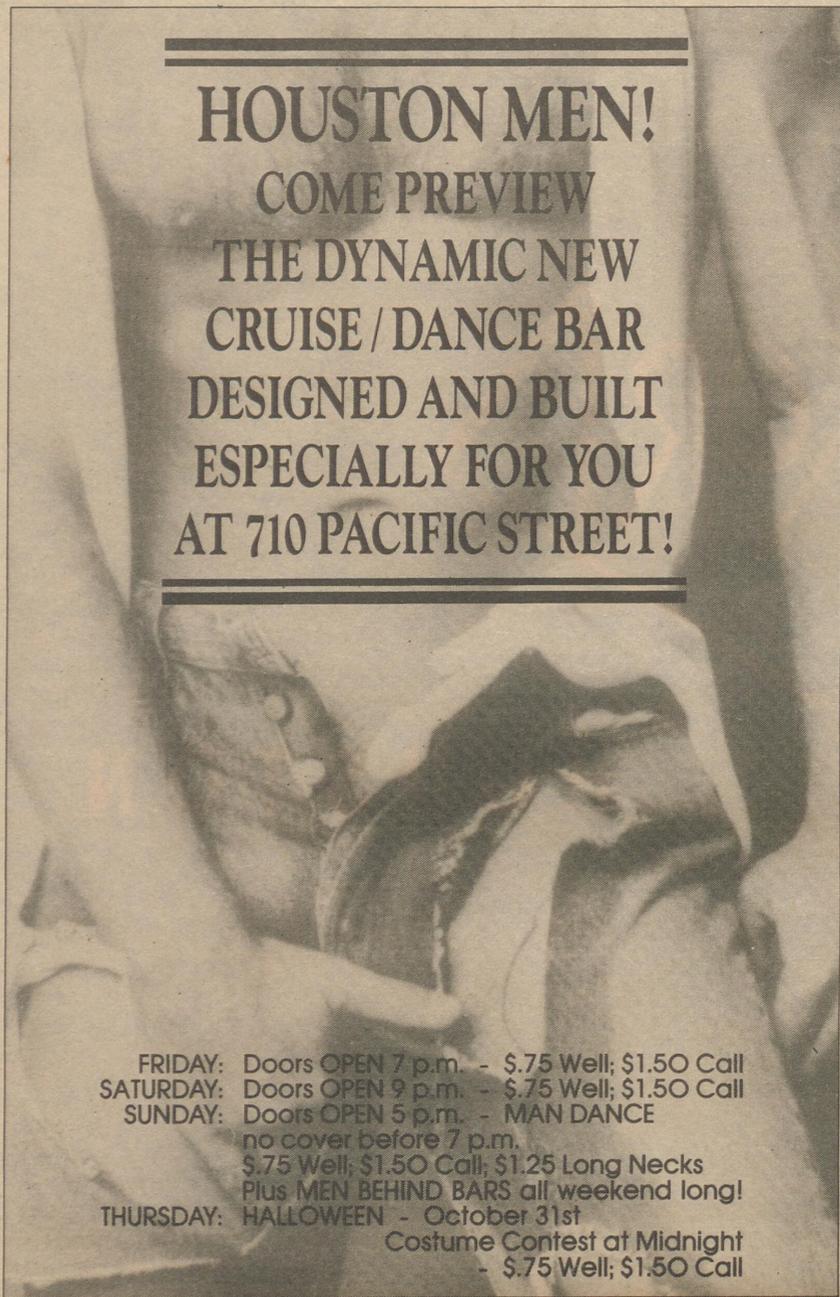
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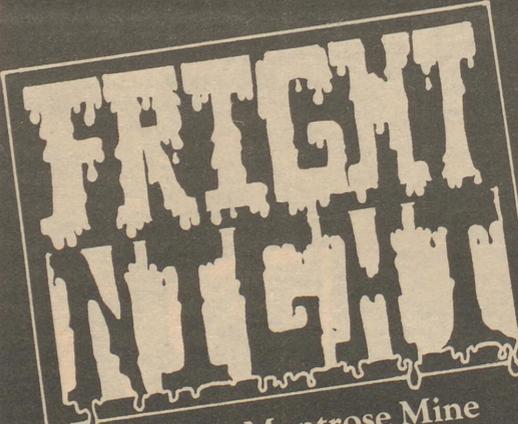


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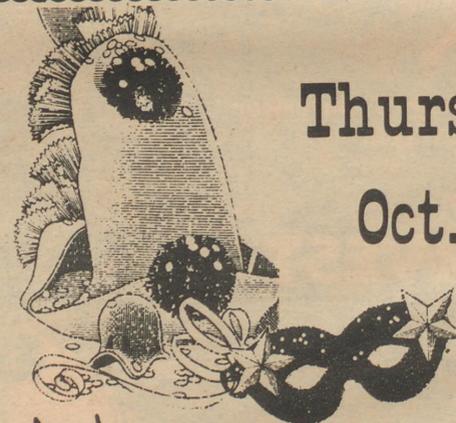
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## Your Stars: Men in tutus and women with beards

October 25-31, 1991  
HOROSCOPE FOR THE NEW VOICE

### Aries

Between now and three weeks from now, a certain restlessness has you yearning to travel. Short, spur-of-the-moment jaunts prove more pleasurable than long and expensive journeys. After the parties, make your plans.

### Taurus

Offer support to a demanding friend but remember your own limitations. Be honest with yourself in realizing you can't give what you don't have. Above all, don't feel guilty. Now, forget all this and go party with the ghouls and goblins.

### Gemini

A woman with facial hair is on your agenda this weekend. But it's not real. Maybe she isn't either. Listen to her advice on matters of the heart.

### Cancer

Halloween plans afford you an opportunity to break out of your pattern. Accept as many of those party invitations as you can. The moon's cycle gives you the energy to get through the festivities. Your well-planned costume proves to be a big hit.

### Leo

This weekend should be your hottest party time ever. A holiday of fantasy and fun is just what the doctor ordered. Friends will be surprised when you pull off the real mask.

### Virgo

Eat fresh foods, then party. Party here. Party there. That's where you'll meet a man dressed as a Klingon. Do not worry. They're our allies now.

### Libra

It's a ghastly weekend for a ghostly encounter? Or is it the other way around? You'll find out, beginning tonight. Asking the right questions will be the key. You will figure it out and you will be surprised.

### Scorpio

Your sharp eye for detail helps you find an error at work. Although a minor mistake, correcting it lessens tension on the job as well as on the home front. A little scrutiny of work systems helps avoid future problems.

### Sagittarius

Although you seldom gamble, you're being tempted by a spooky venture. Since it concerns an affair of the heart, your judgement may be clouded. Don't take the chance.

### Capricorn

You may find yourself the brunt of a practical Halloween joke. Your sense of humor helps you understand that pranksters are laughing with you not at you. Enjoy the fun. Remember, playful revenge is the sweetest kind of all.

### Aquarius

Put your worrying on hold for the holiday weekend. Your concern for others has you all worked up. Things will be okay. Relax and pamper yourself for now.

### Pisces

This is a great time for meeting a stranger. Whether he's green and slimy or dressed in a tutu, it doesn't matter. When you get him home, and out of the outfit, he will be tall, dark and handsome.

Look what it's done for these people...  
**IMAGINE** what it can do for you!



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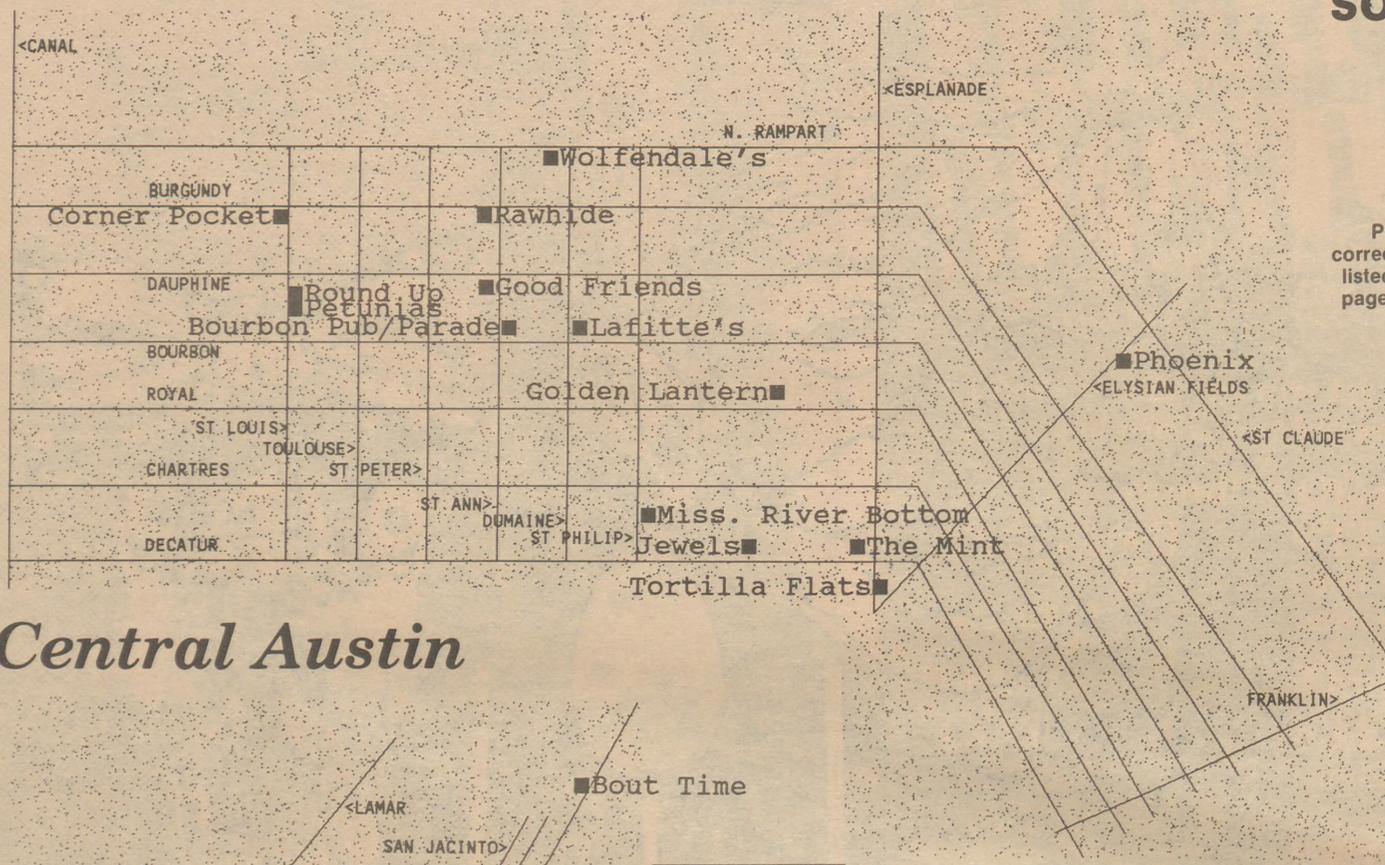
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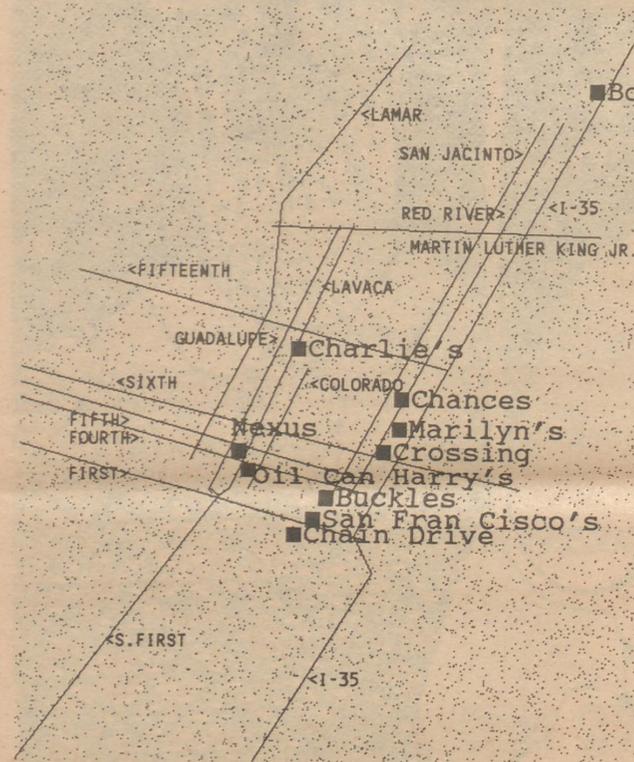
# New Orleans Greater French Quarter



Here are some of our favorite places

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Adventurous European, 5'9, 160#, blonde/ blue, into working out, good looking, straight acting, have a lot to offer the right guy. Enjoy outdoors, music and traveling, seek friends who are sincere. AD 25949

**2 FOR 1 SPECIAL**  
Rural GWM couple, HIV neg., mid 30's, looking for safe GWM bottom for fun in the country. Must be masculine, mature, energetic and stable, between the ages of 21 and 40. Call now, don't let this opportunity slip by. AD 25967.

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and more to share lots of interests. Although big in size, I am healthy, neat, energetic, & my clothes fit. I am GWM, 28, clean shaven & only lightly hairy. Love to dance, do the malls, travel, watch tennis, etc. To find out everything, listen to my ad in Voice Mail. AD 25912.

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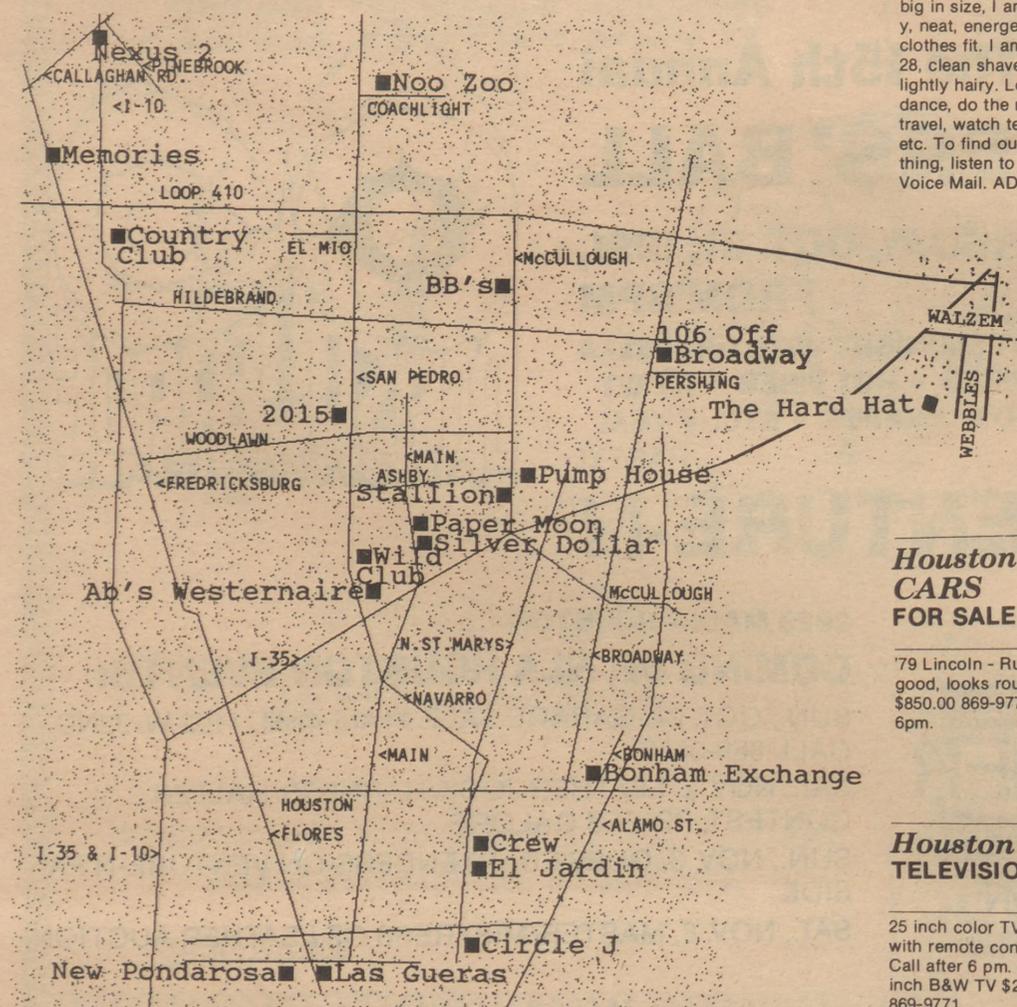
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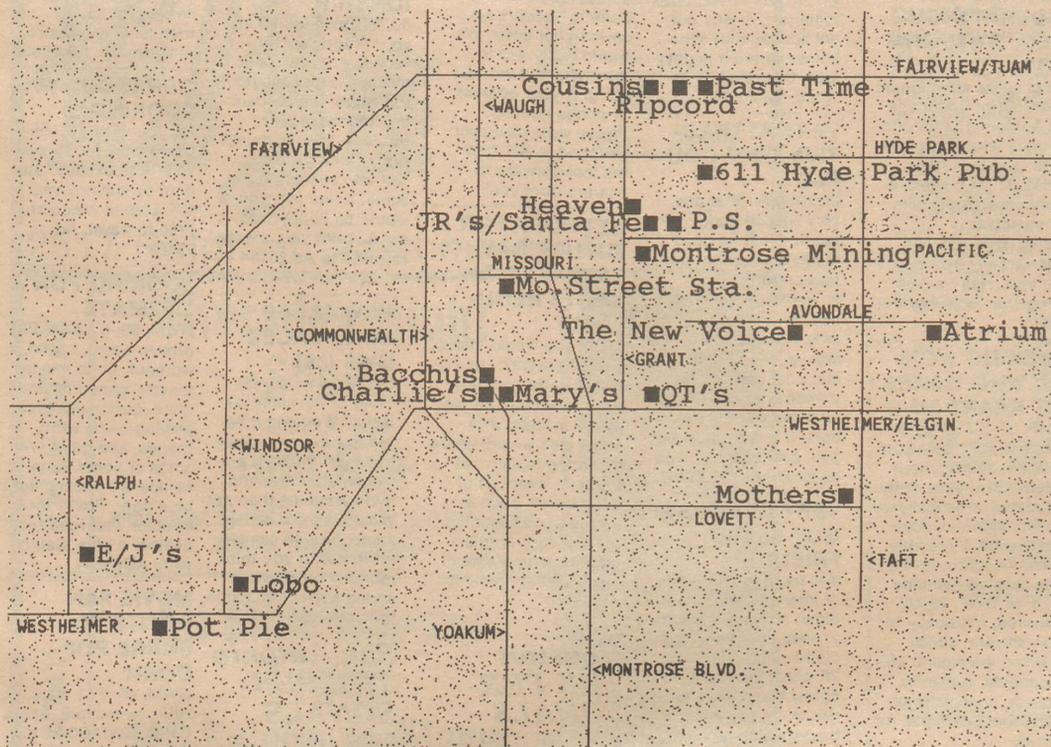
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# Houston's Inner Montrose



## Houston THE PERSONALS 2220 (INDIVIDUAL) PERSONALS

Single WM, 37, 5'11", 280#, brn/ blu, transvestite, looking for lasting relationship, possible marriage. Write AD 563-T.

## MUST SEE GUY 1ST BOOTH ARTS FESTIVAL

Adventurous European, 5'9, 160#, blonde/ blue, into working out, good looking, straight acting, have a lot to offer the right guy. Enjoy outdoors, music and traveling, seek friends who are sincere. AD 25949

All ads in this category should be strictly individual to individual. No commercial offerings. Nothing for sale. No promotions.

Almost 40 GWF seeks GF for friendship and/or romance. I am a real homebody & enjoy gardening & love animals. I like eating out occasionally, going to movies, baseball games & spending time with my friends. I drink very little & don't smoke, do drugs or casual sex. I would like to meet someone with similar interests but I'm open to sharing new experiences with someone special. Ad 25177.

letter and picture for prompt response. AD 25969.

GM couple, early 30s, for hot & wild safe sex 3 ways. Looking for GM 18 to early 30s, masculine looks & manners, weight in proportion to height. Ad 25109

GWF seeks sensitive and caring person to share romantic times at the beach. I also enjoy concerts, and movies and dining out. Role-playing not necessary. AD 25954.

GWF, 33, attractive, blonde/ blue, working on doctorate - but like cartoons and other mindless entertainment. Seeking quality companion to spend some time with. I've tried but have low/ no tolerance for PMS, smoking, C & W music. Photo Appreciated. AD 25189

GWF, 33, seeks GWF, 30-40, for a serious friendship/ lover & doesn't play mind games. I enjoy sports, dancing, quiet times & romance. No heavy drinking or drugs please. If you're serious about life & relationships. I'm stable & know what I want out of life; hope you do too. AD 25205.

GWF, attractive, blonde/ blue, stable, professional, 33. I don't smoke, do drugs, and rarely drink. I'm not a stereo type & am not looking for one. I'm tired of bar seaze & game players & would like to meet a serious minded individual who knows what honesty is. AD 25955.

GWF, who is thoughtful, gentle, compassionate, original, open-minded, intelligent, good sense of humor, looking for GWF under 30 with same qualities. I'm 19, 5'9", 135 lbs, short hair. People say I'm attractive. An avid reader, especially literature. I'm abstract, sometimes absurd. Enjoy music, poetry, movies, renting videos, dining out, being with friends. Please write and enclose picture if possible. Ad 25123

GWM, 26, 5'11, 185#, blonde/ brown. Looking for 18-30 year old for friendship and fun. Possible relationship. Enjoy the beach, C & W music movies and sports. Let's do lunch or dinner. AD 25940.

GWM, 30 something, green eyes, red hair, enjoys cuddling, movies, TV, music, occasional happy hour. Exceptionally excellent FR active. Let's get to know each other. Possibilities unlimited. AD 25200

GWM, 40, 5'10, 145, br/ br, moustache, masculine, HIV-, a little bit country, in good shape, responsible, sincere, out-going, with a good sense of humor. Sexual interests are diverse. Looking for someone who is also in good shape, masculine, non-smoker, HIV- 35-45, with large variety of interests. AD 25956

GWM, 5'10, 155, 49, attractive, non-smoker, HIV-, professional, enjoy eating out, movies, working out, aerobics, & C/ W dancing. Sense of humor, masculine, seeks slim/ athletic GWM 25-40 who is a non-smoker & HIV- for friendship/ dating. Photo please. AD 25901

GWM, soft romantic looking for a considerate sensitive individual who is a good communicator, able to listen and understand. Aware of obstacles in life and able to give life a challenge to make a difference with life partner. Looking for friendship, possible relationship with person 25-35. I am a 29 year old Latin with well proportioned body, HIV pos., and physically attractive. Answer to Voice Mail with phone #. AD 25961

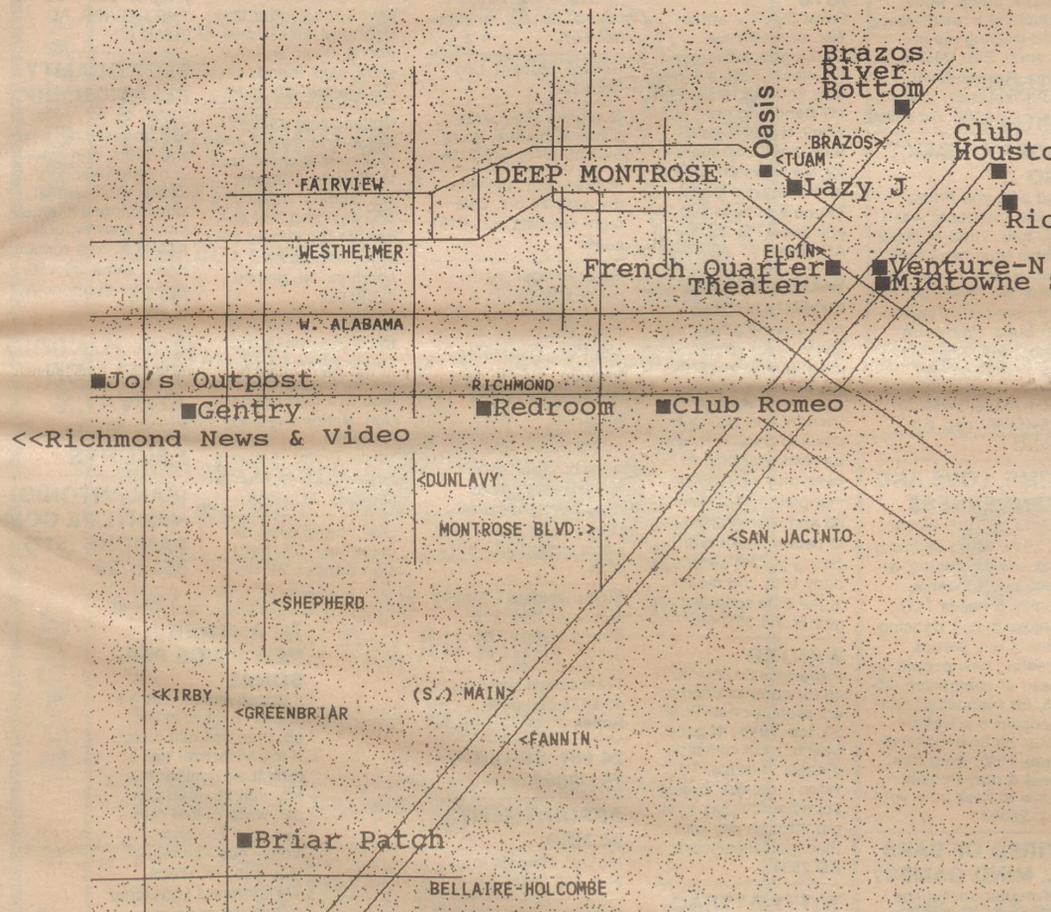
I am a GBF professional, 31, interested in meeting other GBF professionals. Must be feminine 226-30, honest sincere and enjoy life. For friendship or more reply to AD 25938.

Very nice looking WM, 33, 5'11, 175#, brn/ hzl, great body, straight (at this point anyway) looking for financially secure GWM or GWF (age unimportant), for partnership in future venture that guarantees big returns. I promise to make you personally happy. AD 25968.

**1960 AREA FRIENDSHIP**  
60 year old professional GWM looking for discreet GWM in 1960 area for quality friendship. Am not into games or bars or casual sex. Prefer someone 38-55 for a good, old-fashioned kind of friendship. AD 25155

**5'4" WOULDN'T TURN HEADS, BUT ...**  
friends say I make them feel good about who they are. I'm neither gorgeous or ugly, defeated or bold. Just a decent guy tired of being undersold. So with winter coming on, remember the sheets get cold, unless there's someone there with you as we together grow old. AD 25000

# Houston's Greater Montrose



Creative Pisces, attractive GWM, 5'11", 165 lbs., forty-something, in good shape, mentally & physically. My interests run the gamut. Fantasy/ security, independence/ support, laughter/ tears. Desires attractive GWM, 28-45, mature, but capable of boyish charm, to explore & cherish the wonders of living & loving. Ad 25093

For the best in laid-back, hassle-free French service, contact this 6'1", 173#, br/ br, gd/kg, 39 y.o. GWM. Ad 25133

Gay Asian Male, 20, HIV neg., college student, looking for compatible males of any age and race for fun and friendship and possible relationship. Prefer masculine stable person who's height is proportionate to weight and is HIV neg. Enclose

## YOURS TRULY IN A SWAMP

# Continuing with our 'Politically Correct' Tulane symposium

By LEONARD EARL JOHNSON  
TNV New Orleans

"Law and Sexuality," a journal published by Tulane University's Law School, recently sponsored a symposium titled "Legal restrictions on Homophobic and Racist Speech." In the last column we considered the talk given by Professor Charles Nero. Today, we will consider Sandra Lowe, staff attorney, Lambda Legal Defense Fund.

Lowe began by saying, "Whether or not we regulate speech takes us really out of the way of doing anything about the society we live in, the discrimination and devaluation of peoples based on group membership: people of color, women, poor and gays and lesbians."

Lowe described a case involving a young woman working as a guidance counselor. She told a co worker of having fallen in love over the weekend with another woman. She told of this wonderful experience. Her "friend," in turn, spoke ill of her, did her slander and harm.

As a result of her trust, she was demoted to a position where she had no contact with students. She took the matter as far as the Sixth Circuit Court, which held her speech was not protected from doing herself harm. In other words, she is not free to speak without assuming the risks and suffering the consequences. The U.S. Supreme Court by refusing to hear the argument upheld the decision.

What was upheld here is ironic. The "friend's" hateful speech is protected under the First Amendment. But the guidance counselor's speech, expressing love, is not protected from any such reaction.

Granted, this is a dastardly predicament but not one that can be regulated by regulating speech. Everyone must be free to express their feelings. That must be a given in a democratic society. Otherwise, the underlying prejudice, which is the real problem, will never be addressed and never corrected.

We must outlaw the discrimination rather than the speech. The guidance counselor was assumed to be a threat to her stu-

dents because she expressed love for another woman. That false assumption is what has to be debated and exposed for the untruth it is. Such a debate cannot occur if hate speech is outlawed.

Lowe: "I believe as a defense attorney, that you don't punish speech. The reason you don't is because it doesn't work, doesn't change the environment. It may punish an individual and you, as a society, can walk away and say we did that. But you have done nothing."

"We cannot allow this debate to sketch out for us what is very complex and takes energy and humanity and will to change. We must insist that people stop their lives for a moment and figure out how we are going forward."

The Bill of Rights is the last bulwark against the demagogues. Think about how stridently these constitutional protections are targeted by the right wing's warriors. Never forget, we are also their target. Don't let them enlist us in our own massacre.

Here is something to keep you up tonight

and to consider the next time you are in a voting booth: Ronald Reagan appointee, "William Rehnquist, Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, wrote in a case asking for university recognition of a gay/lesbian campus group, that homosexuality is like a communicable disease and the question was akin to whether people suffering from measles had a constitutional right to violate quarantine regulations and spread their disease among healthy individuals." (p. 147, "The Gay Book of Lists" by Leigh W. Rutledge, Alyson Publications).

Clarence Thomas was sworn onto the Rehnquist court contending he held none of the opinions indicated by his life time work as a right wing advocate. Should we believe, not expressing his prejudice will protect us from it?

I believe the right wing gained power by camouflaging its true beliefs. Holds power by hiding its failures. And would benefit more than us by further subterfuge. In truth there is hope, in darkness there is none.

**DARE TO DARE**  
28, 6', 195, blk/ green/ brown eyes. Intelligent, well educated, attractive, financially secure professional. I like to run, bike, read & dance. A gourmet cook, I also volunteer with PWAs. I'm healthy, non drug and/ or smoker. Seeking GWM 20-30 with similar taste. Sound to good to be true? You'll never know unless ... AD 25247.

**DO YOU LIKE COUNTRY LIVING?**  
GWF-B wants to meet GWF-F 45-55 who has a good sense of humor & old-fashioned morals. I like small social groups, dancing & quiet dinners. I'm a homebody that smokes some, drinks little. If this sounds compatible, please contact me. AD 25804

**DON'T STOP SHORT OF COMPLETE QUEST**  
GWM, 5'1, 26 yrs, seeking same for stable companionship & hopefully more. 5'5 a plus. Your search for a sincere, honest, warm companion has ended. I am an understanding, compassionate & affectionately laid back person. I don't get the opportunity to meet many guys with the same qualities who can return them. AD 25182.

**ENGLISH TEACHER,**  
love conversation, cuddling, safer sex. Don't like bars, drugs, cigarettes. GWM, 6'2, brown hair, brown eyes, glasses. HIV neg., youthful in appearance and outlook. Want someone to talk to, be close to, hold. Seeking stable professional 30-45 who likes music, reading. AD 25212.

**EXPERIMENTING A BIT**  
well adjusted GWF, 30's, attractive, physically fit, blonde, blue, non-butth professional. Looking for non-butth GWF with similar zest for life who is seeking quiet times, good conversation & a good disco dance partner. Creativity & discretion a must but absolutely no cigarette smoking. AD 25926.

**FEMININE WOMEN!**  
Cute GWF, mid 30's, secure, professional, br/ br, med to small build, seeks other non-smoking, non-drugging, fun loving GF, late 20's to early 40's for dating & friendship. Light drinkers okay. Photo appreciated. AD 25905

**FINALLY SETTLING DOWN**  
GWM, 37, 5'9, brn/ hzl, HIV pos., slim, attractive, masculine, educated, traveled, clean/ sober, professional. Love outdoors, cultural pursuits, new experiences. Sexually versatile, adventurous, accommodating, passionate. Seeking sincere companion, GWM, 30's with similar qualities. Must be stable, mature, thrive on affection, intimate and ready for meaningful relationship. AD 25960

**FOR LONG TERM RELATIONSHIP**  
GWF mid 20's, 5'7", 150, attractive, outgoing, feminine, thoughtful, honest, romantic, responsible, mature, good morals, enjoy playing sports, going to movies, dancing, walks on beach, traveling. Music interests include: jazz, classical, C/ W & Top 40. No mind games. Non-smoker. No drugs. You: should have similar interests. AD 25909.

**FUTURE'S SO BRIGHT, YA BET-**

**TER WEAR SHADES!!!**  
DWIGHT, it's been so long since I've come across a kind, thoughtful, loving, sincere, sexy, interesting, responsible, worldly, talented, (did I say sexy, hunky Woofer?) man, and this time I'm holding on. I hope to share a very long time with you. Don't let the jealous, have nots, used to bes, should have beens, or wanna bes, get to you and I won't either. The past is past and the future's so bright, ya better wear shades!!! TAD

**GBF SEEKING GF'S TO DATE**  
Former collegiate athlete, graduate, humorous, dancer, dresser, financially and emotionally sound. Drinks & smokes. Music freak (all but C&W). Prefer Yankee's or hip together southern gals who don't shop at Wieners or Don's Western Wear. Homegirls with Buckwheat mentality (2 thumbs down). Asians (2 thumbs up). Your reply gets my photo/ phone. AD 25948.

**GWF SEEKS OTHER GF**  
In a city full of wrong way signs, I want to be left in your mind. To understand your talent, not to compete. Don't want to be out of balance, just want to stand on my own two feet. Right by you. AD 25897.

**GWM DESPERATELY SEEKING ULTIMATE TEDDY BEAR**  
Average joe mechanic type. You're HIV-, over 35, versatile, hairy, chubby, bearded, respectable, employed. This bear cub's 26, 5'10, 140 lean, smooth boyish looking, not effeminate, good job, morals, sensitive, honest. not out long but know what I want. For possible relationship, contact. AD 25193.

**GWM PROFESSIONAL**  
32, brn/ brn, moustache, straight actions and appearance. 6'5, 220, seeking sincere person for friendship or possible relationship. Alcohol & drug free. AD 25970.

**GWM SEEKS MATURE ROMANTIC GBM**  
Handsome sexy and professional! at 39, 5'10, 160, I'd like to share my fantasies with you. Prefer large tops, and great sense of humor. Enjoy home-life, cooking, music, and loving. Can do anything with right man. AD 25230.

**HANDSOME GHM**  
30, 144, blk/blk, well equipped, versatile, mostly top, slim muscular build and clean-cut, enjoys football, movies & tennis, seeks attractive GWM or GHM 25-35, muscular build, clean-cut and weight in proportion to height. For friendship & fun. AD 25925

**HANDSOME GWM PROFESSIONAL:**  
42/ 5'11/ 170 lbs/ salt & pepper hair/ blue eyes/ degree/ professional/ masculine. Interests: travel, working out, collecting antiques, writing, self-improvement, dining out. Good Listener. Great conversationalist! Seeking significant relationship with good-looking GM of similar or intriguing qualities. Could this be THE one for you? Let's get together & find out! AD 25237

**HAPPY HEALTHY HORNHY HIV POS.**  
Three out of 4 ain't too bad. GWM, 37, 160, 5'10", brown hair, blue eyes, looking for others

with a very positive outlook on life. Interests vary from sweaty workouts at the gym to cultural events. AD 25809

**HISPANIC? ORIENTAL? BLACK? CONSIDER THIS**  
Shy but great looking GBM ready to welcome you home. Wants to get close to you mentally & physically. You, just as myself, are in great shape, open minded, & drug free. A person of color who should take a few more chances. I invite you to take a chance now. AD 25216.

**HOT GM COUPLE**  
GWM couple, early and mid 30s, would like to meet other couples and singles for hot, safe fun. We are looking for similar men who are uninhibited and who enjoy B&D within limits. AD 25210

**HOT PHONE SEX**  
GWM, 43, loves hot phone sex but hates to pay for it. Looking for other horny Houston guys who like to get off on the phone. Please send descriptive letter or message, including fantasies, with your phone number and best times to call. AD 25962

**I'M MR. RIGHT. WHERE ARE YOU?**  
GWM, 24, 5'10", swimmer build, knows that you've been looking but maybe in the wrong direction. I enjoy song writing, weight lifting, valued friendships. Have driving need to succeed. Is that a crime? Seek someone 19-29, "responsible," offering not mind-games & manipulation but complete honesty, sincere caring & faithful heart capable of monogamy. AD 25191

**I'M THE HAYSTACK - YOU THE NEEDLE?**  
GWM, 6', 185lbs, former model, 40-ish looking, masculine, brown hair, educated, healthy, happy, sensitive, non-smoker, drug-free, but fun loving. In search of an attractive, discreet, responsible, intelligent, sincere, goal oriented, GWM, under 40, for a very, very, special relationship. AD 25199

**I'M THE RIGHT MAN FOR YOU**  
If you're looking for a non-smoking GWM, 6', 240, 50ish, HIV neg., smart, sassy, solvent into good sex, kissing and monogamy, then I really am the right man for you. Let's talk. AD 25173.

**LAI D BACK BUT ADVENTUROUS COUPLE**  
GWM couple seeks other couples & singles for weekend trips to Austin (and elsewhere), backyard BBQ & fun in the sun. We drink beer (probably more than our fair share), catch a buzz every now & then, & use foul language more than necessary but we're pretty good people otherwise. AD 25099

**LAP DOG**  
GWM, 33, brn/grn, moustache, very attractive, healthy. This frisky Fr active puppy wants to be your lap dog. Let me fetch your soup bone and lick it all night. Pet my head & feed me a special treat! Man's best friend answers to the call of attractive clean GWM with facial hair. AD 25039

**SEEKING A HOT MAN WITH A GOOD MIND**  
GWM, 38, 5'9", 165, HIV-, good body, versatile, seeks other intelligent, educated, masculine, well-built men age 30-40, under 6'. I'm looking for men who

are interesting outside of the sack as well as in it. AD 25066

**SEEKING CONSIDERATE HIV-NEG. GWM/GHM TOP**  
GBM seeks affectionate GWM/GHM under age 43 & under 170 for continuous weekend pleasures. This HIV-neg, GBM, 31, 141, seeks a truly considerate slim or muscular GWM/GHM top who can verbally express his feelings. Hairy a plus. Drug-free expected. AD 25009.

**SEEKING WOMAN WHO MAKES MY HEART SING**  
GHF, 37, 5'2", 118, attractive, light olive complexion, androgynous, intense brn. eyes, witty, educated, artistically inclined, spiritual, compassionate, incredibly romantic about love & life, seeking feminine GHF or GWF, 28-40, cultured, physically fit, non-smoker, social drinker, intelligent, affectionate, romantic, honest, financially secure, monogamous. AD 25183.

**SHORT GUYS**  
GWM, 52, tall, slender, long hair. Seeks submissive short guys, 5'7 and under. Wearing tight bulging jock straps, briefs, while watching x rated videos and training me in French. Big/ thick a plus. Respond with your fantasies, vital statistics, phone. AD 25950

**SORRY, I CAN'T GO ...**  
out with you Friday night. I've got to wash my hair. Tired of those dates from hell? Problem solved! I'm an upbeat, fun GWM, 31, 150, 5'9", sold, slim/muscular build. Enjoy cuddling, wrestling, intelligent conversation. Seeks one similar monogamous GWM/GHM 25-40 HIV neg. AD 25122

**TIME, LOVE AND TENDERNESS**  
GWM, 25, 135, bl/ grn, 6' HIV-, who's considerate, understanding, affectionate, lovable, lonely & needs TLC. Enjoys music, dancing, dining out, parties, meeting new people. In need of companion, 25-35, for friendship/ relationship & affection! Must be financially secure, HIV-, drug free, neat & non-smoker. Love to hear from you! AD 25904

**TIRED OF BARS ... MIND GAMES?**  
Muscular, masculine, GWM, 36, 190, 6', brn/ grn, moustache, seeks other masculine, built GWMs, who enjoy working out, good laughs, quiet & fun times, mixed with safe sex, kissing cuddling, & are sensitive listeners, ages 30-40. Non smokers please. AD 25238.

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**UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS**  
Am I the only gay student here? Where are the rest of you guys? I'm a young, masculine, fun-loving athlete seek-

ing classmates who share interests in weight-lifting, business, music and law. Maybe we already attend class together. So why not get acquainted? Who knows where it might lead. Discretion is assured. AD 25908

**VERY ATTRACTIVE GWM COUPLE**  
Looking for that one very special buddy for friend. Must be good looking, weight in proportion to height, straight acting. Must like children, dogs, cats, horses, boats, movies, the country, etc. Looking for one person who can enjoy all these without the bars. If this sounds like you, give us a call, you never know. AD 25952.

**VERY HEAVY SET GUY SEES FRIENDS**  
and more to share lots of interests. Although big in size, I am healthy, neat, energetic, & my clothes fit. I am GWM, 28, clean shaven & only lightly hairy. Love to dance, do the malls, travel, watch tennis, etc. To find out everything, listen to my ad in Voice Mail. AD 25912.

**VOYEUR SEEKING EXHIBITIONISTS**  
GWM 35 slim/ attractive, blonde/ blue. Looking for Montrose locations. Have a window you like to perform in? Send address, which window, best time, best/ safe place for me to watch. Like me? Invite me in. Phone # optional (to let you know I'm watching) AD 25947

**WANTED GWM COMPANIONS**  
GWM seeks other GWM(s) for companionship and hopefully more. I am 5'7", average looks, shy but friendly and willing to develop a value-for-value relationship. You need only be easy-going, playful, open-minded and willing to meet in person. I like nudism, giving/getting sensuous body rubs and meaningful time spent together. AD 25104

**WANTED**  
Professional GBM 30-40 for companionship. I am professional GWM, 33, top, HIV+, in good health. I like romantic dinners at home. TV, video's, movies, or just spending the day driving through city with that special someone. AD 25941.

**WITTY ATTRACTIVE SINGLE LABEL-DEFYING LESBIAN**  
late 20's. Venture beyond the self-confident smoke screen and discover an educated, well traveled, body conscious, gourmet cook who is actually terrified of first encounters. Seeking a secure, discreet, non-role-playing GWF. Just looking for some insanity, that temporary kind. AD 25936.

**YOU**  
Didn't run an ad so I will! Good looking GWM, 34, seeking someone special 18-24 for permanent relationship. I'm HIV+ in excellent health, non smoker, stable, honest, and fun loving. Looking for someone to share my life with. If you're looking for someone special, let's explore the possibilities. AD 25957

**Houston THE PERSONALS 2240 (COMMERCIAL) PERSONALS**  
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**FUTURE GAY PARENTS NETWORK**  
Maria, the Future Gay Parents Network received your letter. We would really like to meet you, but you did not give your address or phone number. Please write us again! Respond to AD 25921. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Adventurous European, 5'9, 160#, blonde/ blue, into working out, good looking, straight acting, have a lot to offer the right guy. Enjoy outdoors, music and traveling, seek friends who are sincere. AD 25949

**BI-W-M SEEKING LONG-TERM FEMALE COMPANIONSHIP**  
40, 5'7, medium build, very progressive attitude & youthful looks, masculine, & college educated. Big on dancing, tennis, creative hobbies. Like all music/ prefer rock. HIV neg. Not into sexual pressures. If you feel you would be happy with me & I with you, please respond to AD 25164

**NEW FACES, NEW PLACES GWF (39)**  
Seeks same (35-45). Tired of the same old faces? Wouldn't it be fun to have an out-of-town girl friend? I am single, attractive and more feminine than not. Would enjoy meeting someone with similar attributes. If you think monthly rendezvous sound appealing, get in touch. AD 25931.

**San Antonio THE PERSONALS 2220 (INDIVIDUAL) PERSONALS**

Adventurous European, 5'9, 160#, blonde/ blue, into working out, good looking, straight acting, have a lot to offer the right guy. Enjoy outdoors, music and traveling, seek friends who are sincere. AD 25949

College senior, 22, 5'7, 135, black/ brown, trim, nice eyes & smile. New to lifestyle. Interests: art, reading, politics and anything that enhances the human condition. No racial hangups. No games. AD 25941

GBF 26, 5'7, butch of the 90's is looking for fellow San Antonio's for Friendship that may lead to a love connection. Nationality and looks is not of importance. Prefer someone between 23-30. Must like kids. AD25930

GWF, hazel eyes, dk. blond hair, 5'6, birth sign Cancer, 23. Ro-

mantic person, enjoys clubs, camping, fishing, beach, most all kinds of music, love animals, dancing. Desperately seeking butch for friendship or possibly relationship. AD 25889.

**GENEROUS W/M LOOKING ...**  
for young single Hispanic male for personal valet & houseboy. Student or unemployed OK. Live-in welcome. Free to travel. AD 25184.

**LOOKING FOR A LIFEMATE**  
GWM, 29, 6', 200#, Blw/ brown, beard. I bowl, workout, go to movies, theater, concerts, and out occasionally. Like playing cards with friends, and quiet evenings at home. Navy hankie left pocket, light blue right. Prefer men of color with food build. Leather a plus, Call or write AD25934.

**MOVIE FAN WANTS TO SHARE POPCORN**  
GWM, 46, 5'11, balding, HIV-, ex-military. Seeks GHM/ GWM 20-35 for Dutch Treat movies, dinners & friendship (but won't rule out more). A good sense of humor would be a big plus. Not into bars, and prefer no fems or heavy weights. SEE YOU AT THE MOVIES. AD 25955

**SEEK QUALITY RELATIONSHIP**  
GWM, 48, 5'7, 140#, br hair, moustache, average looks, non-smoker, non-drinker, HIV-, stable, professional, sincere, honest, enjoy music, theater, quiet evenings, true romantic. Seeks same. 30 - 50. Open to all offers. AD 25891.

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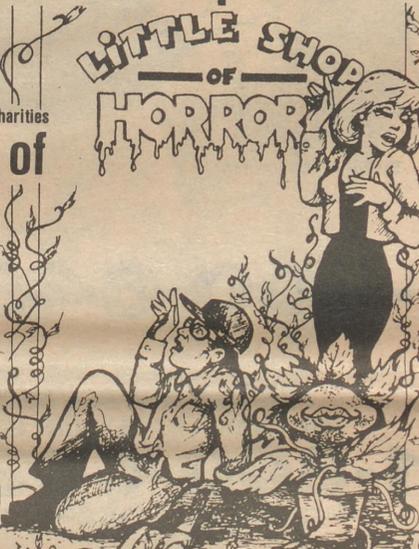
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By selecting this ad,

you're been pre-approved to receive a phone call from 6'2", 235 GWM. Try me for no-risk trial examination. You're under no obligation to enjoy yourself. If not completely satisfied, simply say so. Win a bonus if you're: intelligent, energetic, attractive, sensuous, have warm smile & good sense of humor. AD 25213.

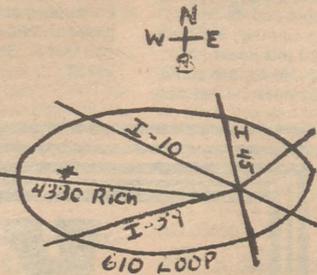
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GWM couple, both 26, well built and attractive, seeking GWM (21-30), stripper type who loves his body and wants to share it with us. Intimacy only and must be versatile. Into working out/ dancing for money? You're the one! Send revealing letter and photo! AD 25963

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**ATTRACTIVE DARK-HAIRED GWM**  
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well-equipped, someone to date, sleep with and share life, etc. Blonde a plus. Take a chance. Ad 25131

**ATTRACTIVE GWM COUPLE**  
who are masculine, intelligent, HIV+ but healthy, beard & moustache, smoke & drink. Like to entertain at home. Enjoy camping, BBQ's, music, videos, quiet evenings & pets. Seeking other HIV+ couples or individuals with similar qualities for friendship, moral support, & possible encounters. AD 25894

**ATTRACTIVE, EDUCATED, CLEAN CUT, PROFESSIONAL,**

well-endowed, outgoing, great sense of humor, non-smoker/drugs, excellent health, HIV-negative, masculine appearing/sounding, tall, weight in proportion to height, seeks same (20-45 years old). Enjoy movies, hiking, cook-

ing, computers, photography, animals, long walks/talks, children, volunteering. Ad 25011

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I am a cute, impish, adventurous bisexual male, looking for bisexual males & females to

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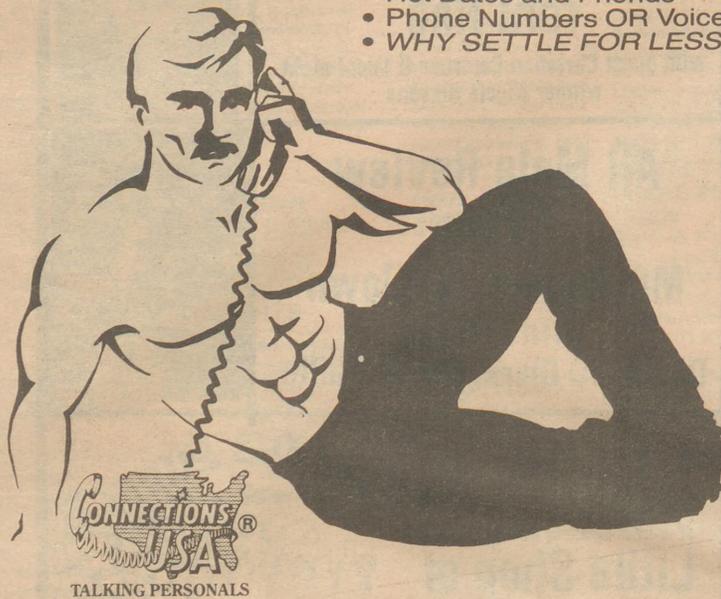
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WM, middle age, 5'7", med. build, youthful looks & progressive attitude, college-educated, artistic aptitude. Likes playing several sports, socializing & some night life. Not into sexual pressures. I seek to know one who needs an energetic, warm, caring & fun guy around. I like kids too. Let's talk soon. AD 25185

### LOOKING FOR SINCERE AFFEC-

### TIONATE MAN

GWM, 42, 5'8, 135, HIV+. I have a Master's Degree, travel frequently, like movies, theater, evenings at home & like to go to the bars occasionally. Seek GWM 35 - 45 HIV+ to share fun times & quiet evenings. I'd like to take things slowly & get to know you. AD 25907

### MAN LOCKED BEHIND BARS

Lonely 37 yr. old brown/ brown, 5'8, 185#, incarcerated man seeks correspondence with mature warm 45 plus person. Me, very athletic - ex bodybuilder. No family or friends. Please write to me. I will respond. AD 25938.

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### MOUSTACHE SEEKS MOUSTACHE

GWM, 31, 5'10, moustache, slim, attractive, masculine, intelligent, HIV-, professionally employed & mostly in jeans. Seeks HIV- GWM or GWM 28-40 with moustache, drug free, non smoker, for serious

monogamous long term relationship. AD 25244.

### NEED DADDY YOU NEVER REALLY HAD?

Mature professional, very hairy body/ hairy chest, Edwardian beard, (sign of Cancer). You mentally mature, non-smoker, large equipment a plus, bottom - into safe sex. AD 25916

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GWM, 5'10, 172, blk/hzl, 33, airline employee, college grad. Works out and in shape. Likes old classic movies, new age and classical music. Meditates, is renovating home. Would like to meet athletic GWM 30-39, responsible yet easy-going, for companionship or more. Non-smoker or light drinker. AD 25159.

### NO MORE COMMITMENTS

GWM 30's, 5'7, attractive, masculine, muscular, well adjusted, HIV-, professional. Busy guy with lots of commitments, yet looking for unencumbered safe sex meetings. Seeking attractive GWM 28-40 average height, HIV-, clean, & preferably hunky, for discreet encounters. AD 225927.

### OLDER MEN

Lonely, slim, cute, GWM, 21, deeply loyal, seeks stable and secure GWM 40ish a plus. Provide home, intimacy and long term relationship. Friendly and outgoing and likes to spend quiet time alone. Call or write AD 25958.

### PANHANDLE COWBOY

GWM, 38, 6.2, 195lbs, br/ bl, moustache. Grew up on ranch. Am looking to meet others between 21 & 41 for good times and possible relationship. If you like levis, leather, construc-

tion workers and cowboys, then this is for you. Reply by phone or write. AD 25222

### POSITIVELY ABSOLUTELY POSITIVE ABOUT BEING POSITIVE

GWM HIV+, 38, 6'1, 185, brown/ hazel. Looking for GWM with warm heart for friendship and help with fighting the wicked witch. Prefer tall (6'4+) muscular, heavy (220+) with big heart from the Victoria, Bay City, Houston area. Will certainly consider all. AD 25943.

### PUMP ME TILL DAWN

That's all I want. GWM, 25, tanned, toned and cute, wants physically fit, attractive and overly-endowed studs 18-25 to pound me into the next century. Let's cut right to the quick & get on it. Time's a wastin' ... AD 25890

### PUT A SADDLE ON THE STOVE

... We're riding the range tonight. This 27 yr. old buckaroo is looking for a saddle buddy for more than just bedding down. Wanted between 25-35. Hairy bod a plus, hairy face a must. Reply with philosophy. AD 25240.

### QUALITY GUY SEEKING QUALITY RELATIONSHIP

GWM, upper 20's, 6.3, brown/ grn, well equipped, masculine, educated, professional. HIV- Smoke/ drug free, stable and mature. Enjoys quiet times, reading, music, outdoors. Seeking the same (24-45). Must be masculine, successful, educated, easy going, height proportionate to weight. AD 25937.

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**REAL WOMYNI**

Tired of game playing and facades? I'm a GWF, 31, in 12-step recovery. Tenderhearted, sensitive, funny, philosophical, interested in bicycling and holistic health. Seeking a woman who can risk being herself with me and vice versa. Heart to heart. Ad 25141

**REWARD OFFERED**

GWM, 34, 6'2, 175, brown/ blue. New in town, just moved from Los Angeles. Looking to meet special gentleman. I'm happy, healthy, mainstream. am professionally employed, with varied interests including skiing, sailing, Nautilus, socializing. Seeking well adjusted, out-going, reasonably

sincere boyfriend/ stud. Respond for a rewarding experience. AD 25935.

**SEARCHING FOR THAT SPECIAL GYM**

GWM, 49, 6'1, 174#, blue/ brown, HIV-, Christian, self-employed, secure, stable, honest. Wants monogamous relationship with GYM who is attractive,

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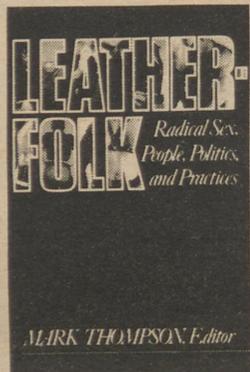
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There's a new leather community in America today. It's politically aware and socially active. In his groundbreaking new anthology **LEATHERFOLK** (cloth, \$20.00), Mark Thompson has asked many of this community's most prominent members to relate the history of the leather and S/M movement, how radical sex practice relates to their spirituality, and what S/M means to them personally.

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Two decades ago, Dr. George Weinberg coined the term *homophobia*. In a single word, he

thus turned the tables on decades of prejudice, and declared that it is not being gay but a fear of gayness that is the real sickness. In **SOCIETY AND THE HEALTHY HOMOSEXUAL** (\$8.00), Weinberg elaborates on these insights. He cautions gay people against assuming that universal problems such as loneliness stem from their sexual orientation, and shows the way to getting the most out of being gay. "Dr. Weinberg's words were im-

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Whether she's discussing the eti-

quette of a holy union ceremony or the ethics of zoophilia, Pat Califia's advice is always useful, often unorthodox, and sometimes quite funny. For a decade, she's contributed the advice column to *The Advocate*. Now, in **THE ADVOCATE ADVISER** (\$9.00), her best columns of the past combine with some new material, to definitively establish her as the Miss Manners of gay culture.

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### ●FRIDAY, OCT. 25

Happy hour buffet 5pm, dancers 6-9pm, The Crossing

Lone Star Male Review 5-9pm, 25¢ well, \$1.25 beer, Charlie's

Happy hour buffet 6-8pm, \$1.25 well & beer 8-10pm, 'Bout Time

### ●SATURDAY, OCT. 26

\$1.25 well & beer 8-11pm, Charlie's

Drinks specials for ghouls in costumes, The Crossing

\$1.25 well & beer 9-10pm, 'Bout Time

### ●SUNDAY, OCT. 27

Pam's Food Feast, \$1.50 well & beer noon-8pm, 'Bout Time

Cookout 5pm, beer special, liquor busts, The Crossing

Lone Star Male Review 7-11pm, \$1.50 well & beer 2-10pm, draft special, Charlie's

### ●MONDAY, OCT. 28

Nasty Boys 11pm & midnight, The Crossing

Margaret Wright on piano 6-8pm, happy hour all day, all night, TV football, 'Bout Time

\$1.25 well & beer 8-10pm, draft special, Lone Star Male Review 10:30pm & 12:30am, Charlie's

### ●TUESDAY, OCT. 29

Draft beer special

"Cocktail Wheel" hourly specials, steak night 6-8pm, amateur strip midnight, draft special, Charlie's

### ●WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30

25¢ well with hand stamp, The Crossing

25¢ well deal, Charlie's

Happy hour buffet 5-8pm, \$1.50 well & beer 8-11pm, 'Bout Time

### ●THURSDAY, OCT. 31

#### Halloween

(Regular specials by bars may not apply for Halloween night. Check with the bar.)

\$1.25 well & beer 8-10pm, Lone Star Male Review 10:30pm & 12:30am, Charlie's

Costume ball, The Crossing

Golden Boys 10:30pm, midnight, The Crossing

Country Night, 'Bout Time

### ●FRIDAY, NOV. 1

Happy hour buffet 5pm, dancers 6-8pm, 25¢ well drinks 8-9 & 10-11pm, The Crossing

Lone Star Male Review 5-9pm, 25¢ well, \$1.25 beer, Charlie's

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## The New Voice recommends in Houston ...

### ●FRIDAY, OCT. 25

Happy hour 7am-2am, Ripcord

\$1.50 vodka 7am-noon, slop shot pool tourney 11:30am, Mary's

\$1 schnapps & \$1.75 Cuervo 7am-noon, Ripcord 1/2-price rooms & lockers 11am-4pm, Midtowne Spa

Beer bash 4pm-2am, Muscles in Action dancers, Montrose Mining Co.

Hors d'oeuvres 6pm, male dancers 10pm, Gentry P.S. (710 Pacific) preview 7pm, 75¢ well

Sexuality/Sensuality Seminar 8:30pm, Club Body Center

"Taggots" upstairs 9pm, Venture-N

Piano bar 9pm-1am, Charlie's

Rainbo de Klown's All Male Review 11pm, E/J's After-hours Mary's, Ripcord, Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

### ●SATURDAY, OCT. 26

\$1 schnapps & \$1.75 Cuervo 7am-noon, Ripcord

Pumpkin carving contest 7am-noon, Cassandra guest bartender, Mary's

Mug club 9am-noon, E/J's

Poolside BBQ 1-3pm, Club Body Center

Beer bust 1-6pm, Mary's

BBQ 3pm, Midtowne Spa

Well drinks \$1.25 4-7pm, Mug Club 4-10pm, E/J's

The Barn reunion party, Past Time

Beer bash 4pm-2am, Montrose Mining Co.

Fantasy Ball, Magnolia Ballroom

Cash pool tourney 5pm, Venture-N

Pumpkin carving contest 6pm, Gentry

9-ball tourney 8pm, Past Time

P.S. (710 Pacific) preview 9pm, 75¢ well

Maude's talent contest 10pm, Gentry

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#### HAPPY HOURS

Morning:  
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Afternoon: 5-9pm

#### POOL TOURNAMENTS

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MONDAYS,  
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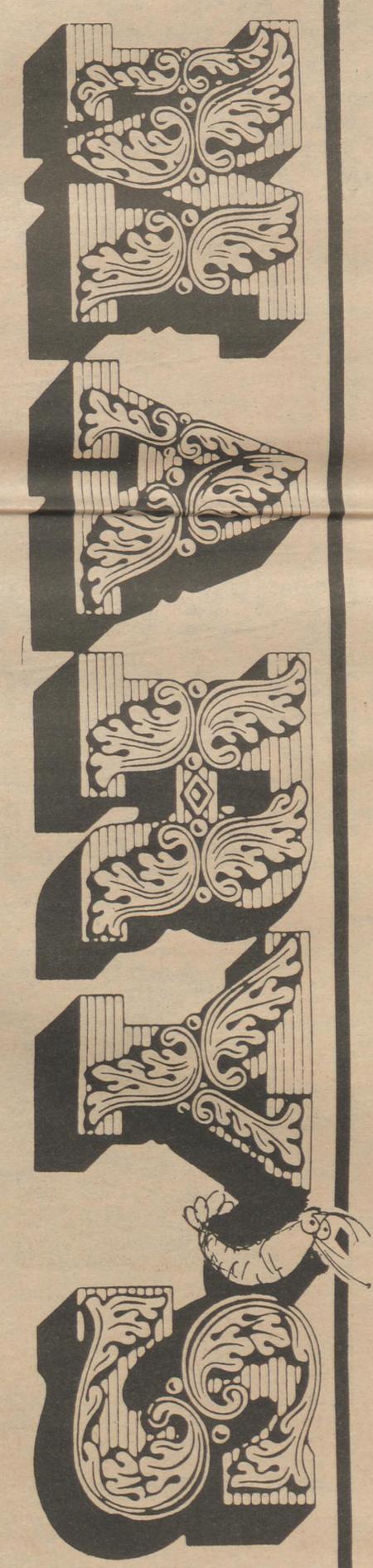
Tuesdays Burgers  
Thursdays  
Bar-b-que

#### AFTER HOURS

Friday & Saturday  
2am-? with coffee,  
juices, sodas



COMMERCIAL MEMBER



"Masquerade" 9pm, costume contest midnight, Ripcord  
 Leather/Levi fantasy contest midnight, Montrose Mine  
 Movies 9pm, Midtowne Spa  
 Little Shop of Horrors 9:30pm, "Just a Little Bit of Country" 11:30pm, E/J's  
 Piano bar 9pm-1am, Charlie's  
 After-hours Mary's, Ripcord, Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

●SUNDAY, OCT. 27

\$3.00 pitchers, \$1 mugs all day, E/J's  
 Poolside BBQ 1-3pm, Club Body Center  
 Beer bust on patio 1-6pm, steak night, Mary's  
 BBQ 3pm, Midtowne Spa  
 Beer bash 4-11pm, Montrose Mine  
 Cajun Festival & Cook-Off 1-8pm, Mary's  
 Leather day on the patio, Mary's  
 Chili dogs 5pm, blue light specials, Venture-N  
 Night of Magic, Metro Majestic  
 Steak-n-tater 5pm, male dancers 7pm, Gentry  
 Steak night from 5pm, TGRA Royalty candidates  
 Turn About Show & Lady Victoria Lust's Birthday Bash 6pm, BRB  
 Man Dance 5pm, no cover 5-7pm, 75¢ well, P.S. (710 Pacific)  
 "Whore of Babylon" mask party 9pm, happy hour prices to 11pm, Ripcord  
 Monster Madness 10:30pm, E/J's  
 \$1.75 longnecks to 2am, costume contest 11:30pm, Montrose Mine  
 Piano bar 9pm-1am, Charlie's  
 After-hours Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

●MONDAY, OCT. 28

\$1 margaritas 7am-2am, Ripcord  
 Slop shot pool tourney 11:30am, Mary's  
 Fall Harvest buffet 4pm, Ripcord  
 Male strip contest 10:30pm, MC Maude, Gentry  
 Half price admission with Stone Soup donation, Midtowne Spa  
 After-hours Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

●TUESDAY, OCT. 29

Happy hour prices 7am-2am, Ripcord  
 Half price lockers for 6-mo. members 10am-midnight, Midtowne Spa  
 \$1.50 well & longnecks 4-8pm, Montrose Mining Co.  
 Burgers noon-3pm, Mary's  
 Pizza Party with Rita Boulevard 6pm, Gentry  
 C&W dance lessons, 10pm BRB  
 Muscles in Action dancers, Montrose Mining Co.  
 Talent contest 10:30pm, MC Giovanni, E/J's

After-hours Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

●WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30

\$2 domestic beer 7am-2am, Ripcord  
 Half price lockers for 6-mo. members 10am-midnight, Midtowne Spa  
 \$1.50 vodka 7am-noon, slop shot pool tourney 11:30am, Mary's  
 Wet Jockeys Contest 10pm, MC Maude, Gentry  
 Steak night 6pm, Lee Chardon & the Uptown Boys 10:30pm, E/J's  
 Bare Chest Night, Venture-N  
 After-hours Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

●THURSDAY, OCT. 31

Halloween

(Regular specials by bars may not apply for Halloween night. Check with the bar.)  
 \$2 well 7am-2am, Ripcord  
 Half price lockers for 6-mo. members 10am-midnight, Midtowne Spa  
 Burgers & BBQ noon-3pm, Mary's  
 Room & locker specials noon-midnight, Club Body Center  
 \$1.50 well & longnecks 4-8pm, Montrose Mining Co.  
 50¢ hamburgers 6pm, dance lessons 7:30pm, BRB  
 Dart tourney 8pm, Past Time  
 Rolling Rock \$1 to 11pm, Venture-N  
 Video classics 9pm, Gentry  
 Dance show 9pm, Midtowne Spa  
 "Metropolis—City of Light" 9pm, costume contest midnight, Ripcord  
 Piano bar 9pm-1am, Charlie's  
 "Mardi Gras" Halloween, midnight costume contest, BRB  
 Haunting House of Whores, contest 11pm, Gentry  
 Costume party, contest, 11pm Mary's  
 Freakers' Ball from 8pm, contest midnight, Venture-N  
 Costume contest 11:30pm, Montrose Mine  
 Halloween contest midnight, P.S. (710 Pacific)  
 After-hours Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

●FRIDAY, NOV. 1

Happy hour 7am-2am, Ripcord  
 1/2-price rooms & lockers 11am-4pm, Midtowne Spa  
 Slop shot pool tourney 11:30am, Mary's  
 \$1.50 well & longnecks 4-8pm, Montrose Mining Co.  
 Hors d'oeuvres 6pm, Annise Parker 6-8pm, male dancers 10pm, Gentry  
 Movie and pizza night 7pm, Midtowne Spa  
 "Taggots" upstairs 8pm, Venture-N

Piano bar 9pm-1am, Charlie's  
 Beer bash 4pm-2am, Muscles in Action dancers, Montrose Mining Co.  
 Rainbo de Clown's All Male Review 11pm, E/J's  
 After-hours Mary's, Ripcord, Club Body Center, Midtowne Spa

●LATER

NLA's leather jock, harness, halter contest Nov. 2, Venture-N  
 NLA guest bartends Nov. 3, Venture-N Far Side  
 Master/mistress slave auction Nov. 8, Venture-N  
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The New Voice recommends in San Antonio ...

●FRIDAY, OCT. 25

Dance 9pm, strippers 11pm, no cover to 1am, after hours, Wild Club  
 Adults no cover to 10pm, 75¢ well & draft, male & female strippers, after-hours, Bonham Exchange  
 Black Ball III 7-10pm, Haunted House 11pm-1:30am, Bonham Exchange  
 Rosario's serves Mexican food to 2am

●SATURDAY, OCT. 26

Rosario's serves Mexican food to 2am  
 Haunted House 11pm-1:30am, Bonham Exchange  
 Dance 9pm, strippers 11pm, no cover to 1am, after hours, Wild Club  
 Adults no cover to 10pm, Brenda's Halloween show, 50¢ well 8-11pm, 25¢ draft to 2am, after-hours, Bonham Exchange

●SUNDAY, OCT. 27

50¢ draft, pool tourney 8pm, Nexus  
 Cowboys in Action, 50¢ draft, Silver Dollar  
 Liquor Rush 8-11pm, male dancers 11pm, no cover, Wild Club  
 Adults no cover to 10pm, 50¢ well 8pm-11pm, 25¢ draft to 2am, show 11pm, Bonham Exchange  
 \$1.75 Cuervo, \$1.50 longnecks, Memories  
 Super Sunday Show, Paper Moon  
 Bartender tag team hot oil wrestling, Hardhat

●MONDAY, OCT. 28

Lone Star Male Review, Hardhat  
 Mad Money Mondays, Wild Club  
 \$1.75 frozen margaritas, Memories

Talent contest & square dancing, no cover, Bonham Exchange

●TUESDAY, OCT. 29

Happy hour 10am-10pm, El Jardin  
 Happy hour all night, Nexus  
 Wild Wheel drink specials, Wild Club  
 Birthday bash party for Will & Norma, Rosarios'  
 Steak night, happy hour to 9pm, Memories  
 No cover, Bonham Exchange  
 Male dancers, Hardhat

●WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30

50¢ draft, country night, Nexus  
 Male strippers 11pm, Wild Club  
 Haunted House 11pm-1:30am, Bonham Exchange  
 J. Leslie live 8:30pm, \$1 longnecks to 11pm, Memories  
 Hot chest contest, 50¢ well & draft, cover charge, Bonham Exchange  
 Rosario's serves Mexican food to 2am

●THURSDAY, OCT. 31

Halloween

(Regular specials by bars may not apply for Halloween night. Check with the bar.)  
 Steak night 7pm, Nexus  
 Amateur strip, Wild Club  
 "Halloween is Such a Drag," adults no cover to 10pm, amateur male strip contest midnight, 25¢ draft to 2am, Bonham Exchange  
 Costume contest, door prizes, Memories  
 Fright Night 91, Wild Club  
 Haunted House 11pm-1:30am, Bonham Exchange  
 Rosario's serves Mexican food to 2am  
 Hot oil wrestling, Hardhat

●FRIDAY, NOV. 1

Dance 9pm, strippers 11pm, no cover to 1am, after hours, Wild Club  
 Adults no cover to 10pm, 75¢ well & draft, male & female strippers, after-hours, Bonham Exchange  
 Rosario's serves Mexican food to 2am

●SATURDAY, NOV. 2

Dance 9pm, strippers 11pm, no cover to 1am, after hours, Wild Club  
 Adults no cover to 10pm, \$1.25 drinks, after-hours, Bonham Exchange  
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 After hours, Nexus

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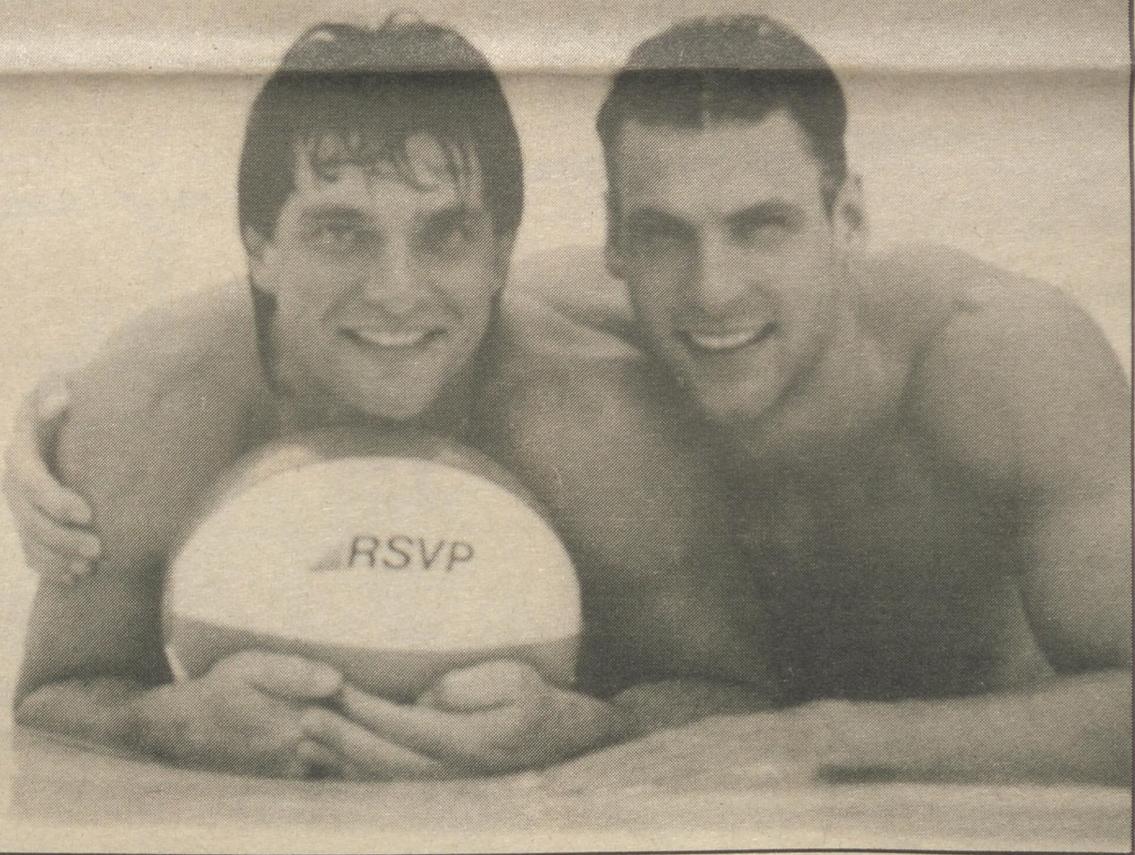
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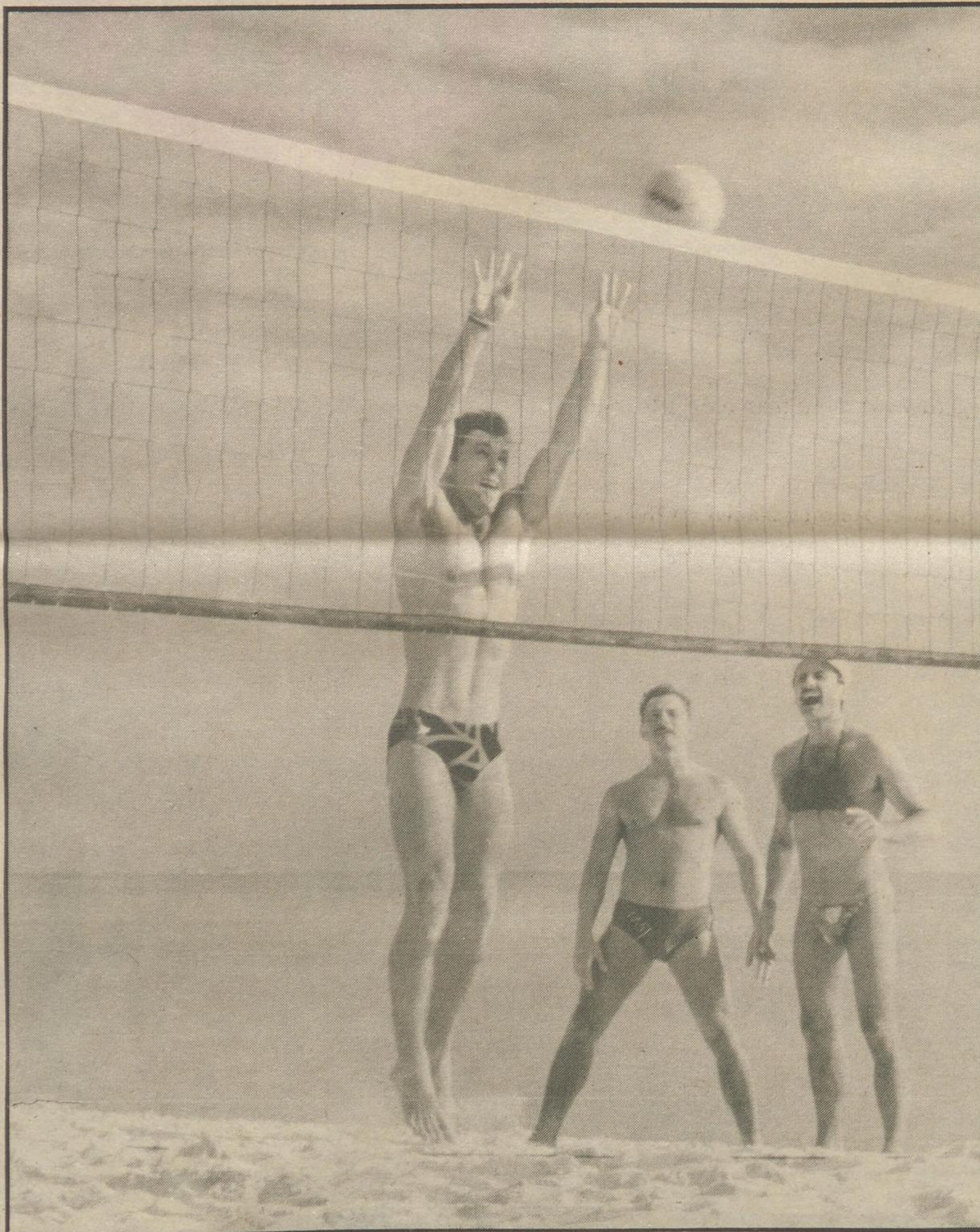
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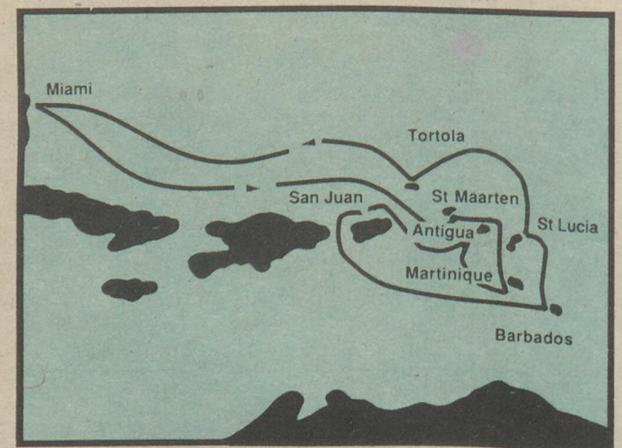
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someone like him a passing glance, much less find his company enjoyable. As he caught his breath after the latest burst of laughter, his friends back in the city flashed through his mind. "If they could be here now," he thought.

**D**oug stood still, deeply inhaling the heady perfume of tropical flowers winding along the hiking trail. Before him he could hear the crash of a waterfall, overhead a joyful chorus of birds hidden somewhere in the thick canopy of broad leafed trees. He moved on to catch up with his hiking party and found them all standing like statues mesmerized by the sight and sound of water cascading wildly into the first of several stepped stone pools. The pools gently overflowed from one to another becoming a quiet stream that serenely snaked its way through the jungle to the ocean. Travel brochures and film simply couldn't do justice to Nature's beauty, he thought. Finally someone spoke. "Last one in is a heterosexual" Suddenly shirts, shoes, and shorts flew everywhere as they rushed into the pools,

howling at the fresh chill of the crystal water, laughing and splashing like kids on the first day of summer vacation.

**M**ost everyone in the small town where Angie and Susan were teachers thought of them as best friends and probably felt sorry that neither had found a husband. It's funny how few think twice about two women living together for more than a decade. Still, they longed for someplace where, at least for a while, they could let their guard down completely free from fear of exposure. As they leaned on the ship's railing, Angie nestled in Susan's arms, delighting in the technicolor purples and pinks dancing on the western sky as the indigo sea consumed the orange-red fireball and the first star winked from above, both silently marvelled at this new sense of freedom enveloping them. Simple pleasures that were forbidden fruits at home — walking hand in hand, watching a sunset head to head, stealing a kiss for no reason at all — were suddenly the most natural things to do. Nothing

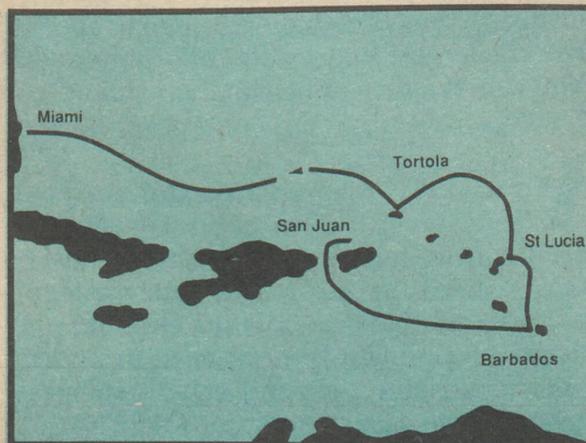
was said, nothing had to be, they instinctively knew each other's thoughts. In a final burst of hot pink, the rays of day reluctantly yielded to night's black velvet curtain embroidered with a zillion stars. Angie turned her face to Susan, their lips met and lingered softly for a moment before melting together. Nearby others smiled in approval.

**P**hil and his friends undulated in unison with several hundred other men on the fantail, brilliant lights spinning and chasing, popping and flashing overhead in time to reague rhythms which seemed to propel their ship through the sultry Caribbean night, caught in its magic hypnotic spell that none could escape. As the crowd heated up T-shirts and tank tops disappeared, sweat soaked tanned skin glistened iridescent in the colored lights, the atmosphere delicious with the sensuality of seductive sights, sounds and smells. Images of light, bodies, stars and color whirled past Phil's eyes as he spun, then suddenly a face...



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# GAY TRAVELER

## ALASKA

**Y**ears ago the Aleuts named it Alyeska—the Great Land. Today, Alaska still lives up to its name. Its a land of vast pristine wilderness and incomparable scenery. The Last Frontier. A land you have to see to believe. And there can be no better way to see it than on RSVP's 1992 Alaska Cruise, sailing July 3 - 10. You'll get about as close as you can get to the lush forests and teeming wildlife of Alaska's Glacier Coast. You'll feel its rich history come to life as you visit its most colorful seaside towns. And through it all you'll enjoy the on-board excitement and attentive service that passengers have come to expect from RSVP.

**Y**our Alaskan adventure begins at Anchorage, Alaska's largest and most cosmopolitan city, where you'll set sail from Whittier port into the crystal clear waters of Prince William Sound. You may spot seals and their pups lounging on icebergs as you take a leisurely cruise past rugged coastlines, soaring mountain peaks, and massive glaciers carving their way down the coastal mountains, calving icebergs into the sea.

**Y**ou'll get a firsthand view of Columbia Glacier, one of Alaska's largest and College Fjord, one of the world's most beautiful collection of glaciers.

**Y**our first port of call will be the historic Russian town of Sitka. For one hundred years, until 1887, Sitka was the headquarters of the Russian fur empire, and evidence of its Russian heritage appears at every turn: from its onion-domed buildings and churches to the priceless 18th-century Russian icons at majestic St. Michael's Cathedral. At Sitka National Historic Park you can watch Tlingit artists demonstrate totem carving, while the Sheldon Jackson Museum houses Indian and Russian artifacts.

**F**rom Sitka you'll enjoy a leisurely cruise through the Lynn Canal, with its lush green islands, hanging glaciers, and rugged cliffs rising to snowy peaks.

**N**estled at the end of the canal is Skagway, a town whose frontier shopfronts and wooden sidewalks recall its gold rush heydays. Skagway once provisioned thousands of Klondike gold-seekers for the trek into the Yukon.

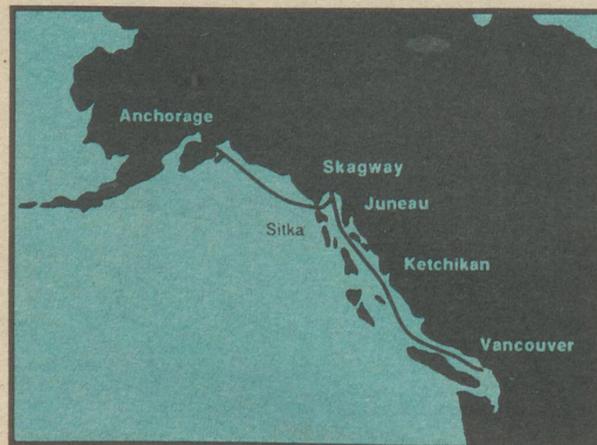
**T**hen it's off to sail through the sparkling fjords and emerald islets of the Inside Passage, a 1,000-mile sheltered waterway that's prime habitat for bald eagles, ospreys, sea lions, porpoise, whales, and an infinite variety of seabirds.

**A**long the Passage you'll stop for a visit in Juneau, Alaska's bustling capital. Here, under the shadows of Mt. Juneau, you can tour the Governor's Mansion, and view the impressive collection of Eskimo and Indian artifacts at the Alaska State Museum. Or visit nearby Mendenhall Glacier, perhaps the most easily accessible glacier in the world.

**S**pruce-covered mountains, tranquil shores, and clean skies continue as you sail to Ketchikan, one of Alaska's most picturesque communities. Pastel-colored homes cling to its steep hillsides, and boardwalk-lined streets stretch out along its shores. Shop the city's many waterfront shops, explore historic Creek Street, or visit one of the world's largest totem pole collections. You can even try your hand at salmon fishing.

**Y**our RSVP Alaskan adventure ends at Vancouver, whose natural scenic beauty offers a most fitting finale to this most scenic of cruises. And your vantage point for all this beauty is the elegant Regent Sea, where you can relax in luxurious staterooms and enjoy gourmet cuisine throughout the day. And RSVP will have plenty of on-board activities: deck games, dancing, entertainment, seminars and much more. All in a relaxed, comfortable Gay environment.

**W**hat better way to the 4th of July, than to explore our nation's most beautiful lands — the great lands of Alaska.



**ALASKA** — from \$1095  
Anchorage, Sitka, Juneau,  
Ketchikan, Vancouver  
7 Day Cruise — July 3 - 10, 1992  
Aboard the SS Regent Sea

Cruise prices are based on per person double occupancy.



# GREEK ISLES

**R**SVP has added a special treat to its 1992 sailings. For the first time in three years, RSVP will cruise the Mediterranean. The 620-passenger cruise will sail Sept. 7-14, 1992, stopping nearly every day in a different port in Greece and Turkey - doing the Mediterranean as only RSVP can. There's no better way to see the Greek Isles than on a cruise, and no better cruise than RSVP. For lovers of idyllic islands, exotic lands rich in history, and cruise vacations, it's a dream come true.

**T**his dream cruise starts and ends at Piraeus, the ancient and modern port of Athens. Before or after the sailing, you can explore the Acropolis, Temple of Zeus, and many other wonders of this sprawling, bustling capital city of Greece that was once the center of Classical and Western culture. From Piraeus you'll sail to the exotic, mesmerizing city of Istanbul, where Europe meets Asia; west meets east. Here you can visit some of the most spectacular buildings in the world: the Hagia Sophia, Constantinople's cathedral for 900 years, the Blue Mosque, the Mosque of Suleiman the Magnificent, and Topkapi Palace, home of the Ottoman sultans. Or shop for rugs, perfumes, and other fine Turkish goods in the Grand Bazaar, one of the world's largest covered markets. A shopaholic's dream come true!

**T**he dream continues as you sail from Istanbul along Turkey's Aegean coast to the modern Turkish port and resort city of Kusadasi, neighbor to one of the most impressive ancient ruins in the world: Ephesus. Once a seaside city of 250,000 and capital of the Roman province of Asia Minor, Ephesus now offers visitors the rare opportunity to view the remains of an entire Roman town. You can walk the

city's ancient marble streets past the town's brothel, school, marketplace, library, grand theater, homes, and many other buildings—some painstakingly restored to their original splendor. A history buff's dream come true!

**T**hen it's off to sail the dreamy, enchanted Greek Isles, starting with the island of Rhodes. Here you can walk the cobblestone streets and tour the medieval castles and palaces of Rhodes City's Old Town, or take in the cosmopolitan atmosphere of the city's New Town area.

**N**ext stop is the volcanic isle of Santorini, where it's easy to daydream on the island's stunning black sand beaches as you gaze at some of the Mediterranean's most breathtaking scenery.

**A**nd no RSVP Cruise of the Greek Isles would be complete without a stop in Mykonos, which has become a haven for Gay travelers from around the globe. RSVP will make an extra long stop in Mykonos, so you'll have plenty of time to wander through the maze of white buildings and winding alleys of Mykonos Town, take in the sun and fun at Super Paradise Beach, and enjoy the bars and discos that have made the Mykonos dreamland famous for its nightlife.

**T**his special RSVP Mediterranean cruise will be aboard the spacious Stella Solaris, a ship overflowing with Greek hospitality and distinctly European touches—like the cappuccino served in the dining room or the fresh croissants and orange juice delivered to your cabin door for breakfast. And all the other special touches of RSVP. No, it's not a dream... It's RSVP.

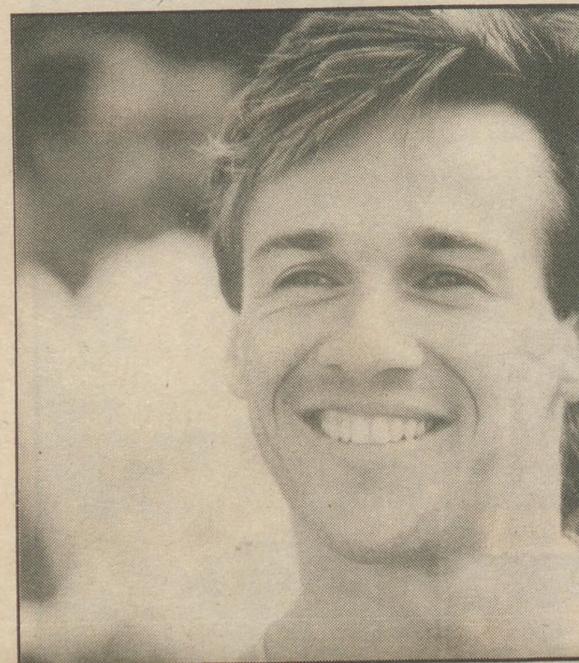
**GREEK ISLES** - from \$1595  
Piraeus (Athens), Istanbul, Kusadasi,  
Rhodes, Mykonos, Santorini, Piraeus  
7 Day Cruise - Sept. 7-14, 1992  
Aboard the Stella Solaris

**There's no better way to see  
the Greek Isles than by ship.**

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## MEXICAN RIVIERA



**S**ince the beginning of gay travel times Mexican vacations have been pretty much the Same Old Thing: get some friends together, fly to Puerto Vallarta, camp out on the beach during the day, have dinner at a cafe serving safe water, cruise the local disco at night, retire to your hotel or hacienda and then do it all over again the next day. Fun the first day, mildly amusing the second, boring as cold enchiladas the third and you still have four more days to go. But, for what it lacked in variety, it was the most affordable tropical vacation option going.

**R**SVP has a better idea about how to go to Mexico. Fly to San Diego (drive or take the AmTrack from L.A.), board an exclusively gay luxury cruise ship with 700 other travelers, and sail down the coast to PV, calling on Cabo San Lucas and Mazatlan as well. Fun the first day, more fun the second day, more fun than you've ever had on any vacation the third day and it gets better as the week goes along. Never ever boring. Very, very affordable. For what a week of the same old enchilada in Mexico costs, RSVP will spoil you with a fantastic fiesta you'll be bragging about for months. The fiesta starts the minute you step aboard ship and continues through the week. There's the

send off party, the captain's party, the costume party, all mixed in with aerobics (the daily fitness party), celebrity entertainment, and an endless variety of ship board games and activities to fill every waking moment.

**B**etween parties you can explore the ports of call, pick up shopping bargains where your dollar buys more, taste the local cuisine, and join other passengers on a day trip to historic and cultural attractions or a morning of one-on-one with local marine life in the big blue.

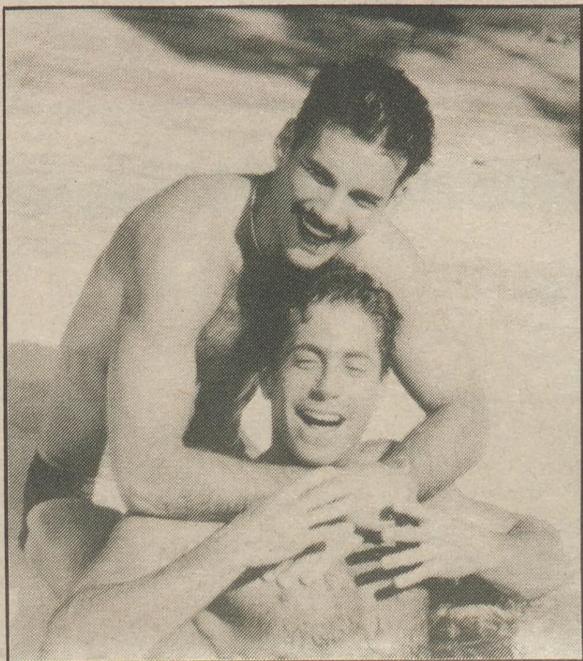
**N**ot that every second need be action packed. There's always time to soak up the tropical sun lounging lazily on deck or the several Mexican beaches you'll visit during the week. One day you can stroll along the crashing surf at Cabo San Lucas surrounded by perhaps the most spectacular rock formations nature has ever sculpted. Another day you'll spread

the wings of a parasail and soar with the seagulls above shimmering waters of a Pacific cove. After all, who will believe you've been anywhere near the equator without a fabulous tan?

**W**ith RSVP you'll meet lots of bright, interesting people and make many new friends in an atmosphere that's more open, supportive and free than the streets, cafes and discos of Mexico. Gay men and women from all over the country and around the world sail with RSVP to Mexico and RSVP cruises creates a friendly environment that makes it easy for everyone to get acquainted. By the time you reach the first port, you'll likely have several playmates to share the day's adventures.

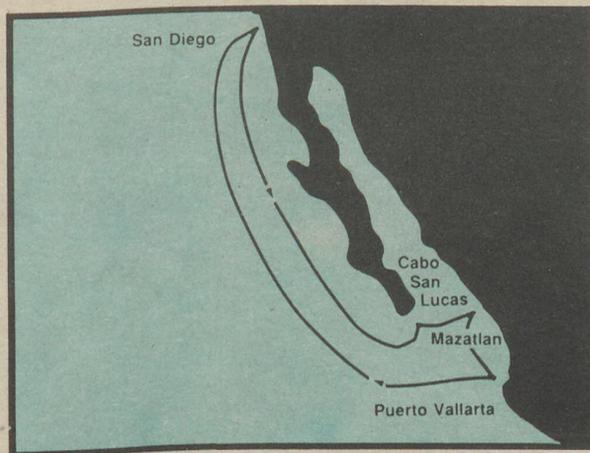
**E**ach day's happy experiences will combine to forge friendships that last a lifetime and by week's end you'll probably find it difficult, if not impossible, to keep a dry eye. So now when you and

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your friends start planning an affordable Mexican vacation you have a choice: The Same Old Enchilada or an RSVP Fiesta full of fun, excitement, and carefree days cruising with 700 other gay men and women along the sun drenched beaches of the Mexican Riviera. Which will it be, feast or famine?

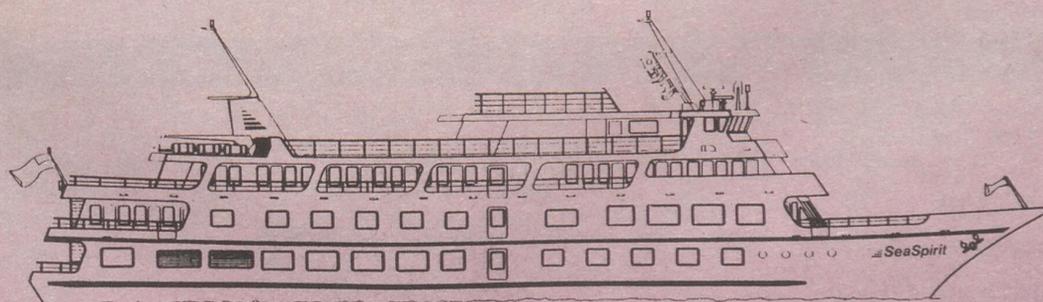
A second sailing has been added to this popular cruise — March 28 - April 4, 1992.



### **MEXICAN RIVIERA**

San Diego, Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan, Puerto Vallarta, San Diego — from \$795  
Mar. 21-28, '92 & Mar. 28 - April 4, '92  
Aboard the Enchanted Isle

Prices are based on per person double occupancy.



## **OUR SHIP HAS COME IN!**

RSVP is proud to announce a new venture with the purchase of the MV SeaSpirit (formerly the Newport Clipper). This intimate luxury Resort-At-Sea with only 100 guests begins sailing in June of 1992. Vacation adventures on the SeaSpirit will provide you with a totally new and different travel experience. Itineraries and details will be available soon from your travel agent!

RSVP will, of course, also continue to operate and increase the number of travel events aboard large cruise ships each year.

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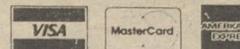
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