

Task Force Studies Options After Assault on UT Students in Austin

By Mark Blazek
Montrose Voice Austin Correspondent

The Gay and Lesbian Student's Association at the University of Texas at Austin established a Task Force at their April 17 general meeting to determine what action, if any, GLSA will take in response to the assault on the organization's float during the April 12 Round-Up Parade.

At the meeting, members viewed a set of color slides taken by a GLSA member showing objects being thrown at the parade entry. One slide shows members of the Texas Cowboys, a highly respected UT service organization, gathered in front of Goodall-Wooten Dormitory and throwing objects at the GLSA float.

Louise Guyer, Wooten Dormitory manager, said, "A lot of people from the parade, such as the Texas Cowboys and

whatever, a bunch of them grouped out here and were throwing things." Scott Hendrix, a history student, wrote the *Daily Texan*, "I am now demanding a formal apology to the entire student body for their disgraceful behavior while supposedly representing the University at the Round-Up Parade. ... I witnessed the Cowboys, wearing their western outfits, joining in a free-for-all bombardment of the GLSA members."

At an emergency GLSA general meeting held April 15, the former president of Stanford University's Gay Student Association was present and announced that he had made a video tape of the attack on GLSA. He offered to provide the tape if needed but GLSA did not initially accept the offer.

Since the April 12 incident, letters-to-

the-editor of the *Daily Texan*, the campus newspaper, have indicated a large support for the gay students. Most of the letter writers saw the attack as blatantly homophobic and and life-threatening but a few writers held a different view.

Cain Carter, a liberal arts student, wrote, "I feel the Goodall-Wooten violece was justifiable because of the nature of the groups that were involved. The GLSA is promoting a totally unethical practice, and they deserve some type of hazing for it. They are not a minority organization, but they are a sick group of individuals that needs mental help."

Fallout didn't end with one of the greatest barrages of letters to the *Daily Texan* in recent memory. On April 16 a bomb

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GPC's Sue Lovell Meets HPOA's Mark Clark

Sue Lovell, president of Houston's Gay Political Caucus, and Mark Clark, president of the Houston Police Officers Association, met for two hours May 5 at the HPOA Headquarters to discuss the shooting of HPOA headquarters and resultant publicity.

A GPC press release said that Lovell expressed regret that channels of communication had not already been created prior to the incident.

"On behalf of HPOA, Clark expressed regret for any confusion or ill-feelings that might have been generated as a result of the publicity," said the GPC announcement.

"Both expressed that the meeting was constructive and found many common areas of concern between both organizations," said GPC.

"Channels of communication have been established between Lovell and Clark, and it is the hope that future meetings will develop and refine cooperation between GPC and HPOA," said the release.

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□ 40 Years Ago and Today

On the left, a 1940s photo of Gean Harwood and Bruhs Mero, a gay couple who have been together for over 54 years. Above, Harwood and Mero today.

Gay Senior Citizens: The Silent Pioneers

By Scott Cutsinger
Montrose Voice Film Critic

One of the hardest aspects to deal with in the gay lifestyle is aging. We are expected to stay young looking and enticing, and the thought of wrinkles and less hair brings on images of a lonely and despairing person.

On Wednesday, May 22, PBS Channel 8, will air "Silent Pioneers," an exciting half hour documentary on gay senior citizens. Through a series of interviews with older gays, we come to see that growing older in this type of lifestyle does not have to be lonely and depressing.

"Silent Pioneers" takes a look at elderly gays from a cross section of racial, ethnic, and regional backgrounds. There is an 84-year-old rancher who is a former monk. He came out at age 72 and says that, "You can love God just as much being straight as gay ... I'm thankful I am what I am and who I am."

A black great-grandmother went to a psychiatrist who told her that being gay isn't really so bad. So, she is now very open

with her family, and they accept her. "I knew it would be nice to be with a woman," she says laughing, "but I sure didn't expect the lightning and thunder."

Gene Harwood and Bruhs Mero have been a couple for over 54 years, and they've both experienced the changing gay lifestyle. They explained that there were "severe stereotypical traits when they were younger—butch for women and fem for men. ... The flamboyant drag queens were looked at unfavorably, but they were the ones that started the Stonewall revolt that started everything," he commented.

With senior gays coming out, there are still many problems to face within their everyday lifestyle and even the gay community. The black lesbian complains that if some of the elderly people in the housing complex knew she was gay, they would go up in flames. Yet the real problem lies not in straight people, who in many interviews said that they might as well accept it.

The acceptance by younger gays is what

is needed to keep this vital group of people feeling wanted and not rejected. One person comments in the film that the stereotype of what it means to grow old ... affects how they think of themselves when they age. We in the gay community need to take pride in our gay senior citizens, and

then maybe we can have a little more pride in ourselves and our outlook on life.

Channel 8 (KUHT-TV) should be commended on presenting this outstanding program, and you can write them at 4513 Cullen Boulevard, Houston, TX 77004, or call 749-2304.

Man Fatally Stabbed After Dispute on West Alabama

Houston homicide detectives are searching for several suspects in the fatal stabbing of a 19-year-old man following a traffic dispute in the 1500 block of West Alabama Street last Friday.

Jesse Lynn Ritchie died in surgery at Ben Taub Hospital where he was taken following the 3:00 p.m. incident.

According to witnesses, Ritchie, who was riding with his girlfriend in his pickup truck, was forced to stop abruptly when a car carrying four or five Hispanic

men stopped to turn into the parking lot of a music store.

Ritchie got into an altercation with the men, left and then returned. Witnesses say they saw Ritchie fighting with the men.

Witnesses claim three of the men ran off, but two stabbed Ritchie before fleeing. Witnesses then placed Ritchie in the bed of their truck and took him to a fire station. An ambulance transported Ritchie to Ben Taub where he died a few hours later.

Sgt. R.G. Parish, a Houston homicide detective, is handling the case.

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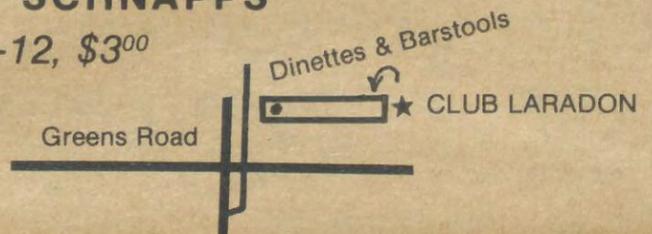
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Task Force Considers Options After UT Attack

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threat made by a male member, who identified himself as a member of the People's Revolutionary Task Force, caused the evacuation of approximately 30 students from Goodall-Wooten Dormitory. On April 18, a banner that read "Fag Busters" was hung from a Wooten balcony. Signs against foreign students were also displayed by Wooten residents. This behavior led to the closing of the balconies for the remainder of the semester.

On April 20, about 20 protestors began distributing fliers to passersby outside the main entrance to Goodall-Wooten Dormitory. The fliers were critical of dorm residents and their guests for tossing beer bottles at the GLSA float during the Round-Up parade. Eventually about 180 people gathered in front of the dorm, including many Austin residents and several "skinhead punk rockers," to debate a wide range of topics.

Other action related to the Round-Up attack:

—Two women plastered anti-Wooten

fliers on buildings along Guadalupe Street, prompting the manager of Whataburger to contact the Austin Police Department;

—Representatives of College Houses, Inc., administrators of several housing co-ops in Austin, cancelled GLSA's main fundraiser (a dance planned at the Ark Co-op) due to the potential for violence during the event;

—Daily Texan editors cancelled a regular cartoon strip called "Collage" for three days due to the pro-gay editorializing the strips contained;

—GLSA raised over \$100 at "The Pride Performance," a special benefit to raise money for legal expenses which might arise out of action the organization takes. Among those contributing their talents to the performance were the Safe Sex Players, Harry Wingfield, Nancy Scott, Sons and Daughters of Fred and Ethel.

UT President Peter Flawn has been conspicuously silent regarding the violence against the gay students. The general feeling is that the UT administration has been lying low and awaiting the semester end. Now that the summer break has arrived, it is likely that the administration's strategy will prove successful: the attack on gays forgotten.

Jay Cherin, head of the Task Force, announced at the May 2 GLSA general meeting (and the final meeting of the semester) that no action had been taken to date and that the organization is awaiting enlargements of the color slides "to identify specific individuals against which we can file charges."

Also at this meeting, new officers were elected and the by-laws were revised. During discussion of the proposed changes in by-laws, the organization voted against the wording which would have identified GLSA as a "political" organization.



□ Profiled in 'Silent Pioneers'

The late Barbara Deming is one of the eight women and men profiled in "Silent Pioneers." See story p.1.

Curtain Goes Up for Councilman

News One

Political fundraising activities usually range from cocktail parties to barbecues, but Councilman Goerge Greanias has come up with something different. He is the playwright and the star of *Hello Hamlet*, a musical comedy parody, running this weekend at the Tower Theatre.

Greanias wrote the play when he was a freshman at Rice University and forced to

study Shakespeare in Saturday classes. He first appeared in the show in 1967, and said a sure way to become a star is to write your own play and cast yourself in the lead.

Tickets for the Friday and Saturday performances are on sale at the Tower Theatre. Curtain is at 8:00 p.m. For more information contact the theatre at 526-4272.

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Montrose Mouth

Mid-May In Montrose.

Dirt and Pics by Carl Neil

Yes, this is "M-M-M" week—Mid May in Montrose. M-m-m-m-m-m.

Chris Cristoff, formerly of **Backstreet** in Austin, has taken charge of management reins at **Ray's Five and Dime**. Next week construction begins on their new patio, and this Saturday night sees the return of dancing. The theme for the next dance will be "Battered Baby Dance."

The GPC is conducting a membership drive in some of the bars this weekend. Look for them Saturday night at **EJ's**, **Outlaws**, the **Galleon** and **Kindred Spirits**. (They'll be doing this each Saturday night through May and June. Join up!)

There are some nice changes taking place at the **BRB**. New owner **Walter** is giving back to their clientele by making it a nicer place to go dancing. I understand there are a couple of cocks (as in fowl) running around on the patio.

The **Krewe of Hydra** held a huge garage sale last weekend, with proceeds going to bring New Orleans style partying to Houston for an annual gala.

Tramps of Galveston is now opening at 12 noon so you can get your first Bloody Mary before hitting the beach. (By the way, that Bloody will only cost you 50¢.)

Mr. Southwest Drummer contest will be May 24-27 with finale at **Rich's**.

Don't miss movie night at **Mary's** on Tuesdays. Happy hour prices all night.

Gordon is serving up some mean hash on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday's on **Sally's** patio. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, **Alberta** serves up her wonderful personality along with the chow.

Last Wednesday, the **Midnite Sun** hosted a bartender's work for tips drag show night to benefit the **McAdory House**. It was so camp and raised lots of bucks for a very worthy cause.

Mining Company and **JR's** continue to draw the crowds for beer bust and dancing on Sundays.

Charlie's 24 Hour Coffee Shop opened Tuesday morning at 7am. They are in full operation with a great menu. And they do serve beer and wine.

Speaking of delicious, **Jamail's Country Inn Deli** will have its Grand Opening Tuesday, May 21. Their menu will change daily. Featured will be fresh pates, aspics, mousse, and salads. Sounds yummy.

Beaches, a new club, will open in a few weeks. It's on Albany, formerly the Officers Club. The interior and exterior of the old Rams Club building is hot, hot, hot. The pool will be open and the bartenders will take your credit card. I predict **Beaches** will go over quite well.

Then, coming in July, will be a bar of a different type—**Crummies**, at 1732 Westheimer (the old Drum location). **Crummies** will not be, however, a leather bar. It will be, says owner **Steve Wallace**, a bar of every type. "Just a crummy old bar."

Voice owner **Henry McClurg** also has an interest in **Crummies**. This means his MV softball team will finally have a home bar. "We won't have bring the team to the Voice office to smell the printing ink after the games now. We can go to our own bar and drink beer—just like the other teams."

Until next week, be seeing you out and about. Oh, and smile, you never know when you might be in front of the Mouth's lens.

Carl's Restaurant Review: The Chafing Dish Gets '5-Star' Rating

By Carl Neil

Whoever first coined the phrase "heaven on earth" must surely have experienced something nearly as wonderful as the Chafing Dish, located at 803 Snover. The expression best describes this dining experience.

It is in an out of the way neighborhood just off Washington Avenue. After taking a left turn from Waugh Drive, just go west for a few blocks, turn left again on Snover. It will be on the righthand side of the street. Don't be alarmed or afraid that your trip was for nothing. Allow me to assure you that you have just arrived for an unforgettable evening of exquisite dining that offers atmosphere and pleasantries riveled by none.

Because they prepare their foods only for the number of people expected, it is important to have a reservation.

Two main courses are prepared each evening, but even so, there can be no room for disappointment. Each is served with appropriate accompaniments. Before we get into the palate pleasing evening, let me tell you that your evening begins at 7:30 upstairs in the piano lounge. You will while away an hour mingling with other dinner guests, being served cocktails and hors d'oeuvres that only begin to tease and prepare your taste buds for what is to come.

Your hosts and owners, Robert and Barry, will be on hand at all times to tend to your every desire. Soft piano music in the background sets the mood for the evening.

At 8:30, Robert begins escorting dinner guests downstairs to the main dining room where you are greeted by soft candlelight and incredibly laden tables.

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As you savor every mouth watering bite, Barry, who prepares the main courses, is constantly on hand making sure all is okay. He spends some time also fielding questions about his recipes but cleverly avoids giving away his secrets. (Barry is also a learned gemologist from New York, where he also gained his background in the culinary arts.)

Robert, too, continues to check on the guests and even helps serve the dinners. (He works as a real estate agent during the day. But in the evenings, he and Barry come together to perform cuisine magic that is just fun to them. As long as it is, they'll keep doing it. Let's help make it fun for them by enjoying their special tidbits.)

The Chafing Dish gets the Montrose Mouth's five-star rating. When you try it, you'll agree. And, you'll be pleasantly surprised how affordable it is.

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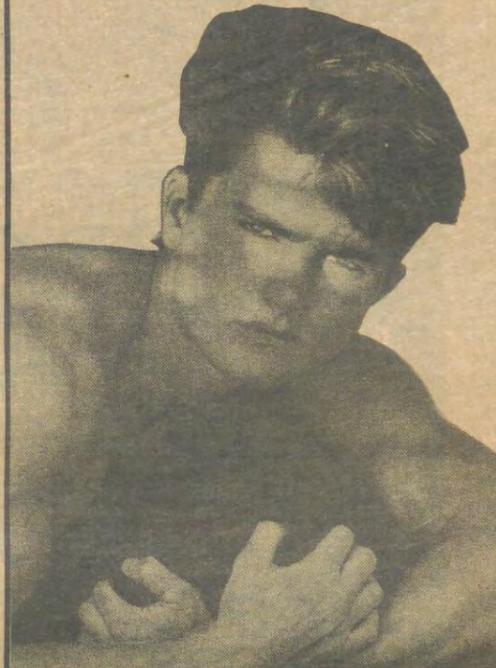
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Texas now ranks third, behind New York and California, in the number of new AIDS cases reported to the Centers for Disease Control so far this year.

Between January 1 and April 21, New York reported 697 new cases, California 504, and Texas 139.

According to the CDC, as of April 30, 1985, physicians and health departments in the United States have reported 9887 adult cases and 113 cases affecting children. The fatality rate is 49 percent overall, 75 percent for those diagnosed before January 1983, and 69 percent among children.

According to Dr. Harold Jaffe of the CDC's AIDS task force, the number is expected to double in the next year.

Houston Health Department records reveal that a total of 280 AIDS cases have been reported since records started being kept in 1981. 152 of those patients have died.

Dr. Paul R. Gustafson, a medical oncologist with the MacGregor Medical Clinic in Houston and a clinical instructor working with M.D. Anderson Hospital and the KS/AIDS Foundation, says "AIDS is becoming a significant problem not only on the East Coast and the West Coast but in the Southwest." Speaking at the Texas Medical Association annual convention, Gustafson added, "The crest of the wave is hitting us finally."

George Reeve, chief epidemiologist with the city's health department says the rate of increase in Houston has remained constant over the past 18 months. There are between 30 and 40 new cases reported in Houston each quarter—or about three new cases a week.

Dignity Center Plans Open House, Dedication

Houston city officials and representatives of several gay organizations will celebrate the open-house of Dignity Center on Sunday, May 19, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Located at 3217 Fannin, near the intersection of Elgin and Fannin, Dignity Center is the new home of Dignity/Houston, Gay Political Caucus, and the Montrose Symphonic Band. Houston Women's Softball League and Gay Fathers also hold meetings at the center.

"Houston's gay community has needed a facility like Dignity Center for a long time," said Stan Ford, president of Dignity/Houston, the organization that coordinates all activities at the center. "Dignity Center provides a meeting place for organizations of all types—religious, political, musical, sports, and social."

City officials will participate in a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 2:00 p.m. Afterward, representatives of the sponsoring groups will greet guests and explain the functions of their organizations.

Refreshments will be provided by Dignity/Houston, an organization for Catholic gay men and women. GPC will register voters, and members of the Montrose Symphonic Band will perform. Members of Houston Women's Softball League and Gay Fathers will also be present.

"All our friends from the community are welcome to stop by," said Ford. "We especially encourage members of other organizations who need to rent office space or meeting facilities for special occasions."

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A report undertaken by the Centers for Disease Control and published in the latest *New England Journal of Medicine* reveals that many blood donors considered to be in a high risk AIDS group can transmit the disease yet remain healthy themselves.

The findings were based on a study of 24 cases in which people apparently got Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome from transfusions. One hundred fifty-two of the reported 10,050 AIDS victims in the United States have caught the disease from blood transfusions.

The research involved 25 donors considered to be at a high risk for AIDS. Researchers examined the donors between 12 and 52 months after they gave blood. Twenty-two of them still carried the AIDS virus, 15 of them are free of the disease, two have contacted AIDS, and five have swollen glands.

"This tells us there is a chronic carrier state of this infection," said Dr. Harold Jaffe, one of the researchers.

No one knows whether these chronic carriers will remain free of AIDS or whether they will someday get AIDS.

The researchers said their work enhances the need for tracking down donors who have passed AIDS through transfusions. Blood banks are now screening donated blood for antibodies to the AIDS virus. Blood containing the antibodies is discarded.

Gay Memorial Unveiled in Germany

A monument, the first memorial to at least 250,000 homosexuals killed in Nazi concentration camps, was recently unveiled at the site of the Neuengamme camp, reports UPI.

The pink granite monument bears the inscription "Dedicated to the Homosexual Victims of National Socialism. 1985." It was erected by a group called Independent Alternative Homosexuals.

During the reign of Adolph Hitler, gays were rounded up by the Nazis and forced to wear pink triangular badges and killed in the same death camps as Jews.

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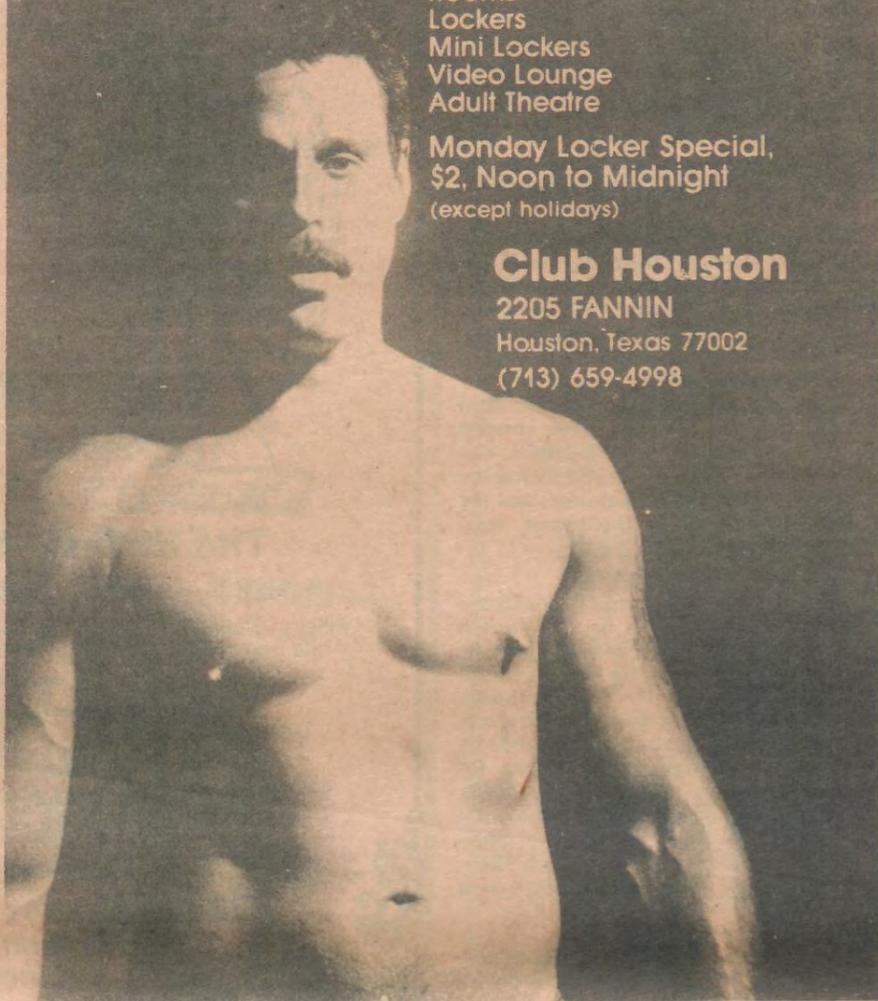
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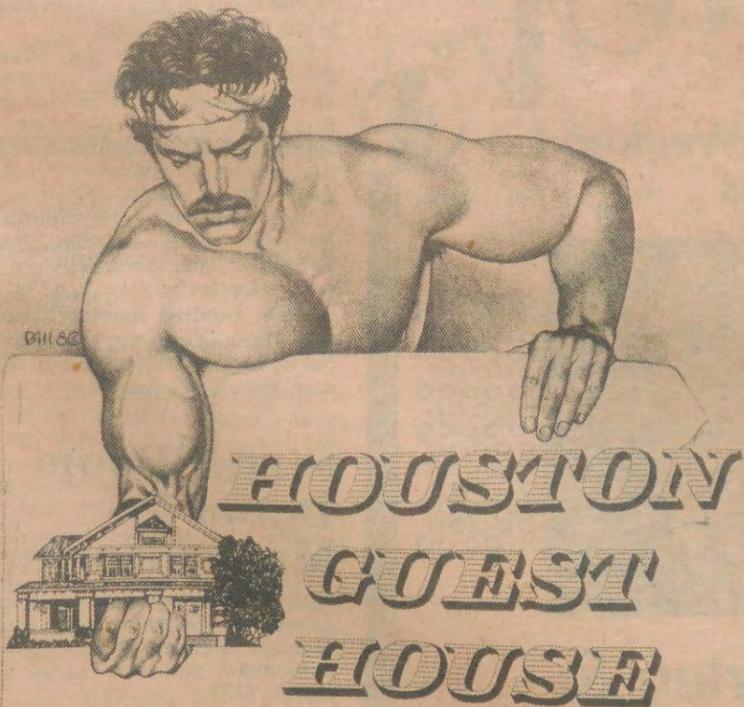


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Teddy Bears' Picnic: A Success for MSBand

It was a pleasant warm May evening and the early picnickers made straight to the grassy hill fronting Hermann Park's Miller Outdoor Theatre, carrying their blankets and coolers and teddy bears directly behind the seats. There are some 1650 seats under the air conditioned canope before the stage, but on this night, all action was on the hill. This was the night the teddy bears have their picnic.

This was an historic night; a night of many firsts. It was the first time the Montrose Symphonic Band performed at Miller Outdoor Theatre; the first time Marijane Vandiver, Channel 39 hostess, actress, and singer, had appeared with the band; the first grant the MSBand had received from the City of Houston and the Cultural Arts Council; the first major free concert the MSBand ever gave on behalf of the City of Houston, actually representing the City of Houston for the first time, and the first major revival of the theme song "Teddy Bears' Picnic."

Under Artistic Director David Christianson and conducted by R. Vernon "Bob" Morgan, the Montrose Symphonic Band provided an evening of light classical, Broadway and Hollywood music, including a special salute to star Judy Garland. A brief apperance was made by the MSBand twirlers and flag corp, for they mainly were the mysterious teddy bears that roamed through the audience. There was Papa Bear, Mama Bear, Baby Bear, Grizzly Dancing Bear, Pooh Bear, and Miss Piggy, who thought she was a bear too.

The audience came in teddy bear costumes or brought their own little bears. The big moment came when Marijane Vandiver brought out the MSBand Bears and did her version of the "Teddy Bears' Picnic." The judges brought on stage the 14 finalists who were all treated to champagne, t-shirts, and the wonderful applause.

The judges were The Papermakers' Al Hazlett and Richard Parawitz; T.L.C.'s Bill Lammey and Gary McLeod, and Critters' Paul Graves and Alida Lorio. They chose the top winners.

Winner for "Best Dressed Teddy Bear" was Chris with Boris Bear; second place was won by Dale with Pedro; and seven-year-old Westly with a no-name plaid bear took third place.

Long-Term Couples Wanted for Continuing Research

A continuing research study on long-term lesbian and gay relationships has been initiated by two California doctors.

Drs. David McWhirter and Andrew Mattison, co-authors of *The Male Couple, How Relationships Develop*, are seeking male and female couples anywhere in the United States who have been together for 20 years or longer. The doctors are compiling an extensive video archive of gay couples to be used for research papers.

Says Dr. McWhirter of their current work, "Working with the medium of videotape in this kind of research is one of the most exciting projects we've ever undertaken. Couples that we have taped to date seem to experience the taping sesion itself as a kind of reunion with each other."

Long-term couples who are interested in this research project and who wish to participate should contact either Dr. McWhirter or Dr. Mattison at the Clinical Institute for Human Relationships, 3821 Fourth Avenue, San Diego, California 92103 or call (619) 293-3381.

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That Houston Spirit Yells for Memorial Day Encore

What began as a private Memorial Day Weekend party is growing into a four-day, citywide celebration that could become one of the most spirited holiday weekends the city has seen.

The extravaganza is billed as Houston's Encore Weekend. For the weekend of May 24, more than 20 bars have special Encore events scheduled to cater to both sexes and all persuasions.

"That Houston spirit is yelling for an encore, and the bars in this town are certainly prepared to give it to them," says Duane Day, coordinator for the bar events.

"The bars are pulling together beautifully. Now, if everyone is ready for a good time, it could be a terrific weekend that also nets \$25,000 for the KS/AIDS Foundation," says Mark Firner, fundraising chair for the Foundation. Firner notes that good times will not cost anyone any more than usual because the bars are donating their services or goods instead of charging their patrons higher prices.

The barbecues, beer busts, shows, raffles and even a "carnival" are all designed to offer the patrons a bargain in return for any money they spend, explains Day. He also stresses the importance of the community showing support for gay-related businesses throughout the weekend. "We all benefit from their continued generosity, so it only makes good sense to patronize the bars whenever we can."

The weekend's theme, Encore, originates from a huge "fun"raising party scheduled for May 26 which was to celebrate the music from 1976 to 1981. Day and the party hosts then decided to encourage others to plan special events to help foster a positive, community-wide spirit of togetherness.

"We also want to help the gay business climate by encouraging out-of-towners to come in for the weekend and by urging Houstonians to stay in town and turn out to the bars," Day adds.

Some of the events, including the Mr. Southwest Drummer contests, were already planned, but are joining in the Encore theme to help promote unified spirit in the community. Another event that was already planned will also benefit the Montrose Clinic.

Bars signed up at press time include The Barn, Brazos River Bottom, Cboices, Cluh Laradon, Copa, Dirty Sally's, E/J's, Galleon, Hooters, JR's, Just Marion and Lynn's, Kindred Spirits, Mary's, Montrose Mining Company, Numbers, Odds & Ends, Ray's Five and Dime, Rich's, Ripcord and the Venture-N.

Sister Boom Boom to Marry Woman

Jack Fertig, also known as San Francisco's colorful Sister Boom Boom of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, has announced plans to marry a woman, reports UPI.

Fertig plans to marry Mystie Gray, a 32-year-old sex therapist. Fertig, who has been married twice, once to a man, says getting married "doesn't make me any less gay."

Gray refers to the couple's relationship as a "match made in heaven. It couldn't be any more perfect."

According to Fertig, a social worker, the marriage would allow them to take advantage of spousal benefits such as pensions and insurance. "Everyone's out for prurient interests. The marriage doesn't do anything other than formalize a relationship of deep love and commitment between us."

No date has been set for the wedding.

Welch Quits Chamber of Commerce Post

News One

At the 145th Anniversary celebration of the Houston Chamber of Commerce held Wednesday night, current Chamber President Louie Welch announced his resignation of the post—which appears to be the next step for him in seeking the post of mayor.

"This reaches me at somewhat an awkward time in life. I'm a year too old to be president of the Chamber of Commerce, and I'm eight years too young to be President of the United States."

As Welch described it, his resignation is part of the normal replacement process that takes place at the age of 65.

He explained that his resignation was planned a year ago, and he also planned to do it on this night, and that the timing of his announced resignation has nothing to do with the fact that he has been gaining support as a possible candidate for mayor. He would not commit one way or another as to whether or not he would be running, although he does plan to make an announcement at the end of this month.

Still hedging on an answer, Welch stated, "In the last few days, there's a little excitement about it and if it works out, I won't be disappointed, but if it doesn't, I won't either."

When asked about campaign funds, Welch stated that he has sent money back to people that have sent it to him in support of a possible campaign. Welch explained that any decision he makes to run for mayor will be based on commitments he already has. Some of these are teaching commitments, family commitments, and commitments to boards he serves on, "All of which have to be weighed carefully in my consideration."

Welch said that he was "astonished" at the amount of support he has been receiving to run for mayor, that it was not on his agenda to do so, but that it caused him to take a closer look.

Welch said that he would be serving as Chamber president until a replacement is found, or he announces his candidacy, whichever comes first.

Welch, who served five terms as mayor, received extensive publicity when he led the Chamber's Executive Committee in opposition to the city's anti-discrimination referendum.

Neighbors Threaten Couple Helping AIDS Victim

A Baltimore, Md., couple who opened their home to an AIDS victim with as little as six months to live, have received telephone threats from people who live in their neighborhood, reports AP.

Arline and Robert Mix are allowing Robert Doyle to live in their home. Doyle, a friend of the Mixes' son, had been living in a motel because people were afraid to live with him, long-term health care facilities would not provide him a bed, and he was not ill enough to remain in Johns Hopkins Hospital.

When news of Doyle's plight became public, the Mixes' son, who has known Doyle for 10 years, offered aid. He said, "When I saw the news about Robert, it seemed like a personal message was coming to me."

The Mix's are not afraid of catching the disease. According to Arline Mix, "I don't think it's any worse than a lot of diseases."

It is believed that AIDS is spread by sexual contact, contaminated needles and blood transfusions, but not by casual contact.

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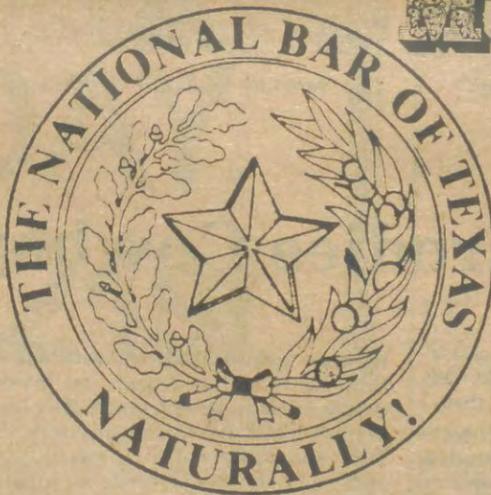
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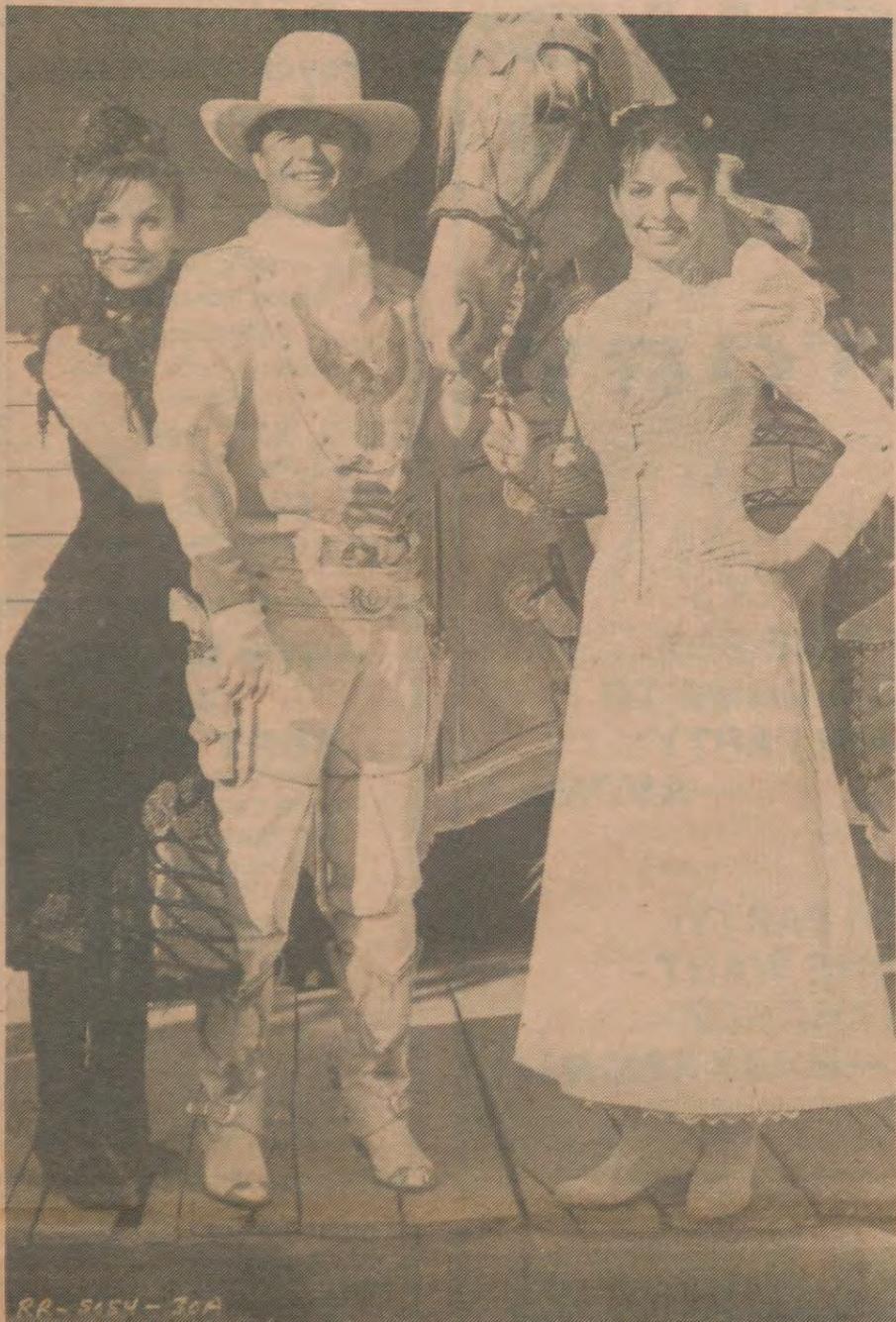
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Marilu Henner, Tom Berenger, Wildfire and Sela Ward in "Rustlers' Rhapsody"



Tom Berenger as Rex O'Herlihan in "Rustlers' Rhapsody"

'Rustlers' Rhapsody' Parodies Cowboy B-Movies

By Scott Cutsinger
Montrose Voice Film Critic

Director Hugh Wilson has surprised everyone by following up his silly hit film *Police Academy* with (of all things) a parody of singing cowboy B-movies from the 40's.

This is a strange comedy indeed for today's audiences, with a do-gooder cowboy who seems a little gay (maybe festive is a better word) and a gaggle of bizarre characters that resemble wacked out "Gunsmoke" retirees.

Paramount Pictures obviously took a look at Wilson's film and decided that it was probably a little too gay for general audiences. While the film is being pushed in gay publications, the movie actually contains only very subtle gay implications. The more obvious material must be laying on the cutting room floor at Paramount.

Our hero is Rex O'Herlihan who dresses in emaculate white get-ups and pulls a small wardrobe behind him with 14 designer cowboy suits and a tall stack of white hats. My press kit describes him as a spoiled mama's boy who comes from a cultured background—probably San Francisco. A virgin at 30, he is less concerned about sexuality than singing range songs and fighting injustice ... as long as he doesn't get too dirty in the process.

Riding into the town of Oakwood Estates, Rex orders a milk at the bar and soon finds himself among a strange group of people. There's the town drunk who wants to be a

sidekick, and the saloon girl "town hostess" who tries to seduce him. (She only talks dirty to customers, never goes to bed with them.)

Soon Rex is involved with an evil cattle baron and a railroad baron who want him dead. The two evil doers hire another good-guy called Bob Borber (Patrick Wayne) to come into town and get rid of Rex. You see, they figure that the only way they can win against good is to fight with good. Okay.

Well, the whole shenanigans is just a loose structure for a string of jokes and one liners, some that are funny and many that fall flat. As a whole, the movie keeps you smiling with a few chuckles and no belly laughs. Jokes about getting drinks "with a hair in it" just seem sick, but watching Rex in his spangled array of outfits certainly brings a grin.

As the cattle baron Colonial Ticonderoga, Andy Griffith brings off a nifty role as a humbling guy with slightly gay leanings. Obviously, his part has been reduced severely, leaving us with scenes such as him inviting the boys "in for a drink" and their disgruntled replies. Press material talks up this guy as being really gay, even coming out of the closet at the end of the movie. Unfortunately someone high up decided that he really didn't need to be "that gay," and we are left with a sketchy character.

Supporting cast is a fun bunch with G.W. Bailey as the drunk. (He was the sarge in *Police Academy*) and Marilu Henner ("Taxi") as the saloon slut. As Rex, Tom

Berenger makes a naive and witty parody of Gene Autry or Roy Rogers, but his comic timing needs to be sharpened. He's been in drama's like *Butch and Sundance: the Early Days* and *Eddie and the Cruisers*, so he's obviously unaccustomed to comedies. However, he has a certain charm (and a wonderful selection of clothes) that make

him an appealing hero.

In all, a nice and mildly funny little film from a director who could have brought us some sort of rehash of his *Police Academy*. Give *Rustler's Rhapsody* an A for effort and a C for laughs, but an F to Paramount Pictures for not having faith in developing some fun gay characters.

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Economic Response Committee Says 'Here's One More Item to Consider When Picking Lawyer

By Ray Hill, Tom Tate, Mark Stevens and Alice Belle Williams

As too many of us already know, choosing an attorney is like shooting at a snake tangled in one's feet. You are just as likely to shoot yourself in the foot as hit the snake.

Even if you choose a good lawyer for everyone else, his or her prejudice may result in your getting poor representation.

Over the years, I have shuddered at the names of attorneys hired for some cases, knowing the attitude many attorneys have toward gay people. I am hesitant to

tell people that the legal counsel in whom they have placed their trust and money is a prejudiced bigot, so I keep my mouth shut and hope for the best.

There are many capable attorneys who either are gay or have demonstrated no prejudice towards gays. If you need an attorney, call the Gay Switchboard for a referral or ask a gay or lesbian friend for the name of an attorney with whom they have dealt. Do not spend money to learn that the services you are paying for are not of the quality you expected.

Below is a list of attorneys who gave

generously to oppose the extension of civil service protection to gay men and lesbians working for the city of Houston. I know several attorneys on the list who have been hired to represent gay individuals and businesses.

In a very direct way these unsuspecting folks have contributed to their own oppression, to say nothing of handicapping their chances for successful litigation. Don't make the same mistake.

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Boyd and Zivley are associated with the same firm

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Letters

— And Justice For All

From M. Bach and E.T. Grinstead, II

It occurs to us that "Houston's Finest" have a warped sense of priorities. For example, on the evening of May 8, 1985 around midnight, while enroute to the Midnite Sun, we observed two police cars issuing traffic tickets. A few minutes after we arrived at the Sun, Lulu, the bartender, received a citation for disturbing the peace. The police lectured Lulu for about 20 minutes on playing the music too loud. Too loud for whom. Certainly not to the Coop or any of the empty buildings across the street.

We are curious to know how many similar citations for disturbing the peace are issued to those who invade Westheimer every weekend. The invaders parade the "strip" with blaring radios, screaming obscenities, littering and endangering the residents with far more reaching and intolerable perpetration than anything we've been accustomed. We who make purchases, taxable purchases, which help pay

Items in the "Letters" section represents opinions of some of our readers and not necessarily the views of the MONTROSE VOICE.

the salaries of Houston's Finest, are intimidated by them while those outside of our community are welcomed to destroy our neighborhood.

Hiring a Houston police officer to guard a place of business will not help. When a Houston police officer refuses to help a victim because he is on private duty, the culprits feel no fear of the uniform. Liberty Bank had no less than five officers, none of which would step off the property to assist with a mugging at the Tower Theater Saturday evening, May 11. Houstonians should well remember when a citizen was arrested, jailed and fined for not assisting a plain clothes policeman.

Had the priority of protecting the citizens been above nuisance complaints, the 20 minutes could have been best spent patrolling the streets. As the officers were lecturing Lulu, Monty, another bartender at the Sun, was being savagely beaten by three assailants who managed to break his arm and inflict other substantial injuries. The priority level such as described here was a blatant disregard and possibly a discriminatory stand on the right to safety and equal justice for all.

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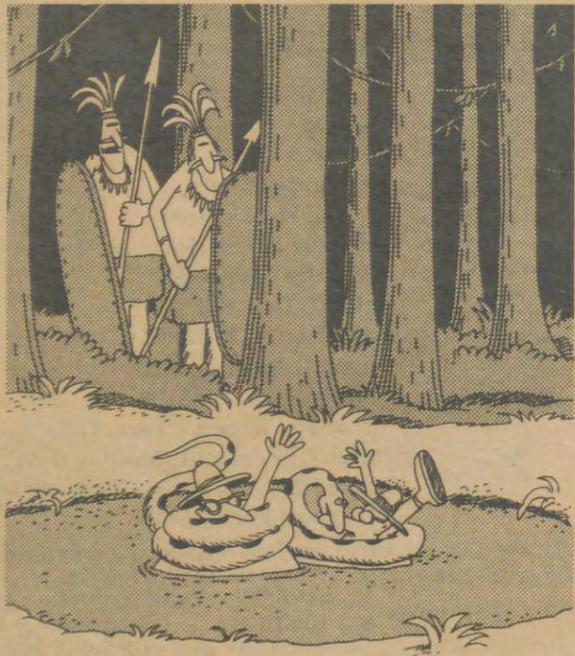
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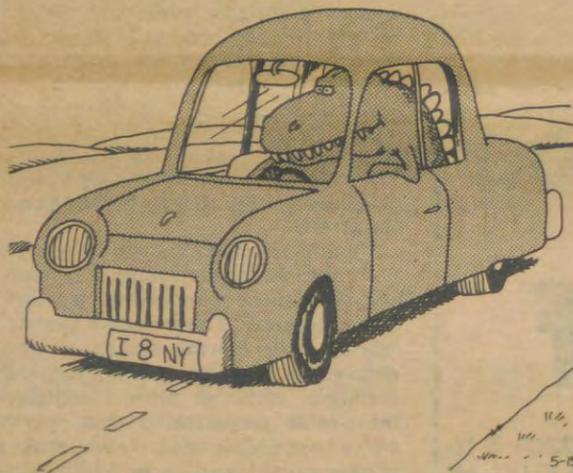
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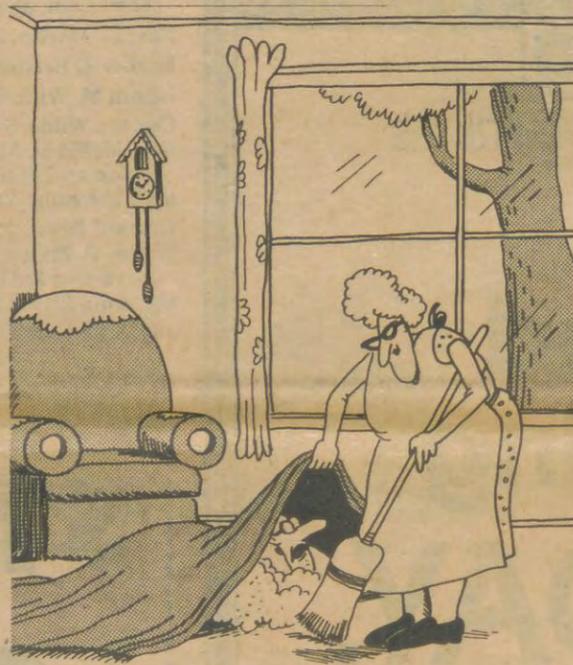
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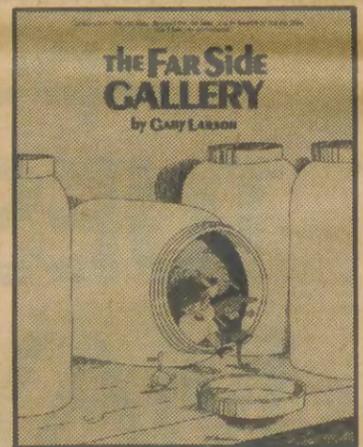
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Council Votes Down Police, Fire Depts. 'Bill of Rights'

By Ray N. Bow
Montrose Voice Reporter

With an 11-2 vote, Houston City Council on Tuesday defeated a compromise agreement made between Mayor Kathy Whitmire and Houston police officers and firefighters.

The agreement would have allowed for the implementation of a "Bill of Rights" for police officers and increased pension benefits for firefighters in exchange for the elimination of accrued future sick leave. Presently, the sick leave is paid in a lump sum upon retirement or resignation. Currently, that liability costs the city \$120 million and is expected to rise to \$500 million by the end of the century.

Only Councilman Ben Reyes joined Whitmire in voting for the agreement negotiated by City Attorney Jerry Smith.

Those in the gay community anxiously awaited the outcome of Tuesday's vote for many feared the section of the Bill of Rights prohibiting investigation of an officer on the basis of anonymous tips. Also, under the plan, both officer and complainant would be subjected to a polygraph examination. Many felt that such a policy would lead to further police harassment of gays.

Ray Hill, a long-time activist and member of the Gay Political Caucus said that, if passed, the agreement would "lead to all kinds of unprofessional behavior. ... It is the antithesis of professional behavior on the part of police."

The Bill of Rights controversy even divided Whitmire from some of her normal allies. The bill was adamantly opposed by Police Chief Lee Brown who said before council that the agreement would hamper his ability to administrate to the department.

Before the final vote was taken by the Council, amendments to the Bill of Rights were suggested by Councilman Jim Greenwood, who stated, "Parts of this (bill) I find acceptable and parts make me throw up."

He explained that the council previously had taken a position on most of the items presented in the Bill of Rights except for some of the benefits. Greenwood's suggestion was voted down 7-6.

Councilman George Greanias attempted to persuade the council to vote on seven separate sections of the Bill of Rights for police. This attempt at compromise failed 8-5.

Councilman Anthony Hall said that except for two items (Bill of Rights and pension benefits), "Everything else is the way they're performing right now."

The Texas State Legislature had hoped that the City Council and employee groups could develop a compromise agreement so the legislature could conduct business besides the problems of Houston.

Greanias emphasized that the Legislature should know the position of the Council. "We don't agree with the compromise package because of management reasons," said Greanias.

Councilman John Goodner made reference to a former legislative committee recommendation that council support H.B. 1734, which he and council voted for. Tuesday, Goodner stated he would have voted against it if he knew that the bill contained a "special pension for exempt city employees." Concerning the Bill of Rights, he said, "I'm not getting sand-bagged again into something I philosophically oppose."

After the council meeting, Chief Brown said the action of council "preserves my management prerogatives."

Whitmire concluded "We (the council) should not have to make all these concessions to those unions ... the legislature should have to give that authority back to the City Council where it belongs."

The Legislature must now settle the dispute between the City of Houston and police and firefighters unions.

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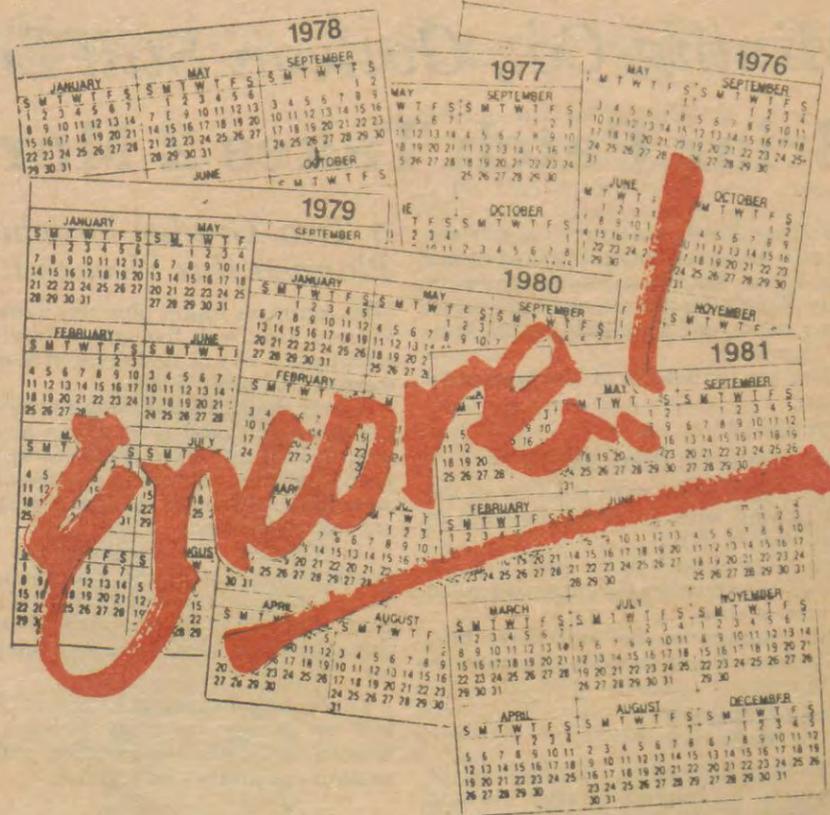
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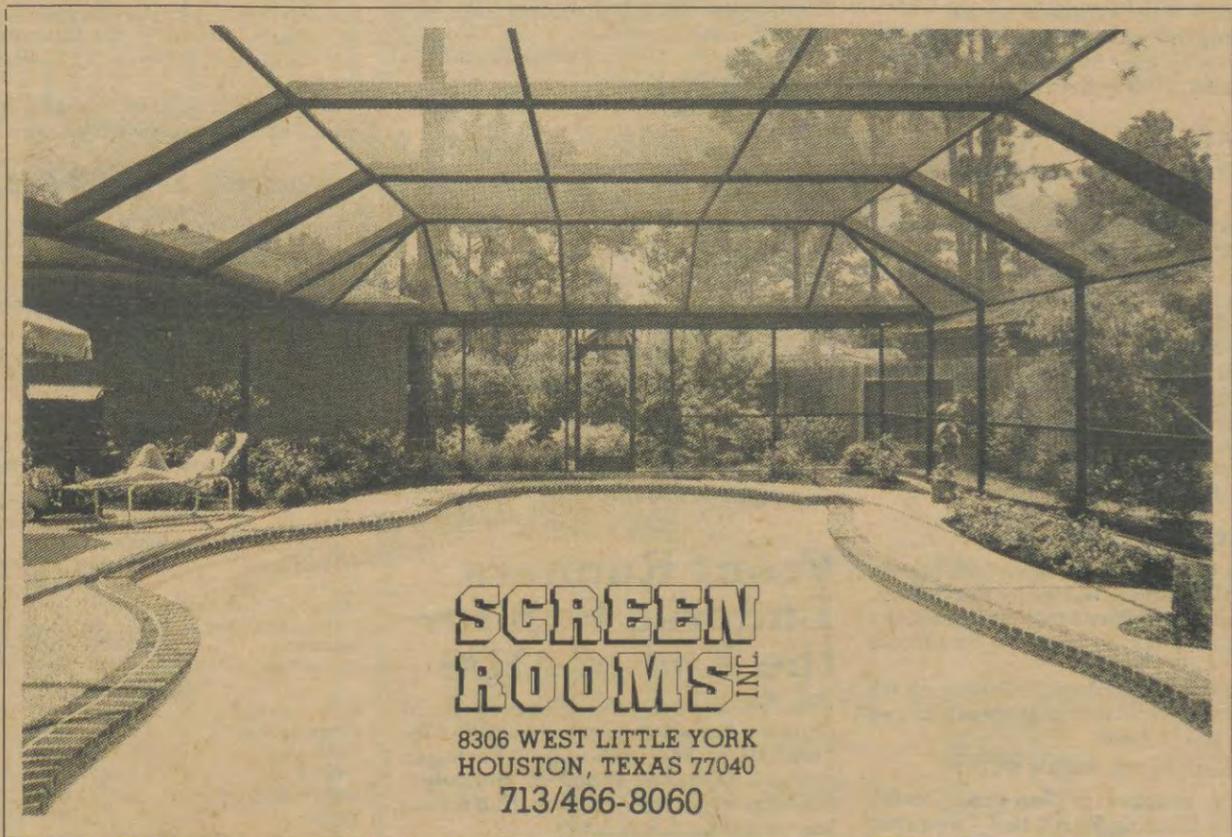
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Mining Co., Galleon Still Looking for First Win

Briar Patch Takes 2 More—Stretches Win Streak to 8

The Briar Patch continued its mastery over the Montrose Softball League with a defeat over defending league champion Dirty Sally's for the second time in as many weeks, and a trouncing of the Mining Company.

Here are the results of last weekend's games.

SATURDAY

Briar Patch 15, Dirty Sally's 10

The Patch broke open a 4-4 tie in the fifth inning with an 11-run outburst to down Sally's 15-10.

Sally's came back in the sixth with six runs of its own before the game was called because of time.

Bill Sansom led BP with three hits, while Jesse Young contributed three hits for Sally's.

Barn 16, Ray's 4 Ray's 15, Barn 9

The Barn notched its second win of the season in an impressive style blasting Ray's 16-4 in the first half of a double-header. Ray's rebounded for a 15-9 win in the second game.

The Barn led all the way in game one, jumping out to a 12-1 lead after five innings. Herb Muenchow paced the Barn with three hits. For Ray's, three players contributed two hits each. They were Jack Carville, Larry Bradley, and Ralph Boerner.

In game two, Ray's came from behind for the win. It trailed 7-5 after two innings, but tied the score with a pair of runs in the third. Ray's put the game away in the fifth with five runs.

Carville was again the big bat, getting four hits and driving in two runs. The Barn was led by Carl Ekman with two hits.

Montrose Voice 10, Galleon 5

The Voice jumped out to a 6-0 lead and fought off the Galleon for a 10-5 win.

The victory runs the Voice's record to 8-1, best in the Bayou City Division.

The Voice picked up 13 hits and took advantage of nine Galleon errors.

Leading hitters included Mark Schmidt, with three singles, for the Voice, and Kenneth McGaughey with two hits for the Galleon.

SUNDAY

Briar Patch 27, Mining Company 7

"The BP" pounded out 26 hits, 13 of which coming in the first inning, to defeat the Mining Company.

The Gulf Coast Division leaders scored 15 runs in the first inning and cruised the remainder of the way.

The Mining Company bright spots came in the third inning when it scored four runs.

Jeff Broome led the Patch with four hits and four RBI. Ernest Cervantes picked up two base hits and scored three times for the Mining Company.

Ray's 4, Galleon 3

Ray's Five and Dime came from behind again, this time to squeeze by the Galleon 4-3. Trailing 2-0, Ray's took the lead in the fourth and again in the sixth for the victory.

Six players contributed one hit each for the victors, while four players added two hits for the Galleon.

Dirty Sally's 16, Rich's 3

Sally's snapped a four-game losing streak by blasting Rich's 16-3. The game, which was delayed by rain in the fifth inning, was decided by the fourth when Sally's took a 10-0 margin.

Sally's pounded out 25 base hits while holding Rich's to just seven.

Four players had three hits for the winners.

Two 'Grudge Matches' Planned this Weekend

MSL continues league play this weekend at Levy Field with five games Saturday starting at 4:00 p.m. and three on Sunday starting 6:30 p.m.

Among the games Saturday, the Mining Company will meet the Galleon at 5:15 p.m. Both teams are winless so far this year—and one of these teams, weather permitting, will end the day no longer having that distinction.

On Sunday, the league's two top teams—Briar Patch and the Montrose Voice—meet for the first time, 9:00 p.m. Each is on top in its respective division, three games ahead of the nearest competitor.

The league will be staging its first "Softball" on Sunday, June 9, at Numbers, 300 Westheimer. Ticket information will be available soon, they announced.

Spirits Meets Their Match, Escapes Preference with a Tie

Kindred Spirits remains unbeaten in Houston Women's Softball but a 10-10 tie against Preference Zodiac last weekend spoiled their perfect record.

With the tie putting Spirits' record at 9½-½, they remain league leader and Division A leader (6½-½).

Other scores from last weekend's action are:

Hollywood Bears 6, MCCR Angels 5
Erratics 10, Soft Touch 4
Undercover 10, Sport 8
Hollywood Bears 11, Erratics 0
MCCR Angels 12, Sport 0
Soft Touch 14, Undercover 2
Kindred Spirits 11, Coffee Beans 2
Ducks 3, Hurricanes 2
Kindred Spirits 10, Preference Zodiac 10
Ducks 7, Coffee Beans 2
Preference Zodiac 16, Marion & Lynn's Rebels 13

Sunday May 19 action at Cottage Grove Field finds:

Rebels vs. Coffee Beans 9 a.m.
Zodiac vs. Hurricanes 10 a.m.
Kindred Spirits vs. Ducks 11 a.m.
Hurricanes vs. Coffee Beans 12 noon
Rebels vs. Kindred Spirits 1 p.m.
Zodiac vs. Ducks 2 p.m.
Erratics vs. Undercover 3 p.m.
Angels vs. Soft Touch 4 p.m.
Bears vs. Undercover 5 p.m.
Angels vs. Erratics 6 p.m.
Sport vs. Soft Touch 7 p.m.

There will be no games Memorial Day weekend. The last day of play is June 2.

Front Runners Endorse Run for the End of AIDS

This past week the Houston Front Runners hosted a guest from the New York City Front Runners. Brent Earle is in Houston gathering financial and volunteer support for the American Run for the End of AIDS (A.R.E.A.)

The Run will start in New York City in March 1986 and will loop counterclockwise through the United States and conclude back in New York 18 months later.

If all goes well the run should be passing through Houston in the Spring of 1987.

Front Runners will be offering support. Anyone interested in Helping Earle should contact A.R.E.A. Committee c/o Brent Nicholson Earle, 2350 Broadway, New York, New York 10024.

In other Front Runner developments, several Front Runners participated in the Texas Ex's 5K Fun Run at Memorial Park. The Fun Run was to celebrate Eeyore's Birthday.

SportsVoice Calendar & Standings Regular Weekly Events

SATURDAY: Montrose Softball League season play, Levy Field, Eastside at Richmond, Greenway Plaza, 4pm May 18, 4pm June 8, 5:15pm June 15, 5:15pm June 29, 4pm July 13

SUNDAY: Women's Softball League season play, Cottage Grove Field, I-10 near TC Jester, 9am May 19, June 2, June 9

Frontrunners 10am, Memorial Park Tennis Center
Houston Tennis Club 9am-Noon, MacGregor Park

Montrose Softball League season play, Levy Field, Eastside at Richmond, 6:30 pm May 19, June 2, June 16, June 23, July 14

Women's Bowling League 5pm, Stadium Bowl

W.W.B. Bowling League 6:15pm, Post Oak Lanes

MONDAY: Frontrunners 6:30pm, Golf Center, Hermann Park

MSA Men's Bowling 9pm, Stadium Bowl

TUESDAY: Frontrunners 6:30pm, Memorial Park Tennis Center

MSA "Fun Volleyball League," 7pm

WEDNESDAY: MSA Pool League, 8pm

THURSDAY: Frontrunners 6:30pm, Memorial Park Tennis Center

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

MSA Mixed Bowling League 9pm, Stadium Bowl

Special Events

June 22: Houston Gay Pride Week All-Sports Day with Montrose Softball League All Star Game & Texas Cup Tennis Challenge

July 4-6: Montrose Softball League hosts Lone Star Classic

July 20-21 & 27-28: Montrose Softball League playoffs

Aug. 31-Sept. 2: Houston Tennis Club participates Los Angeles tournament

Oct. 12-13: Annual Texas-OU Tennis Classic, Dallas

Oct.: Texas-OU Football Weekend, Dallas

Nov. 9-11: Houston Tennis Assn. "Hou-Tex V"

Women's Softball League

RESULTS

May 12

Hollywood Bears 6, MCCR Angels 5
Erratics 10, Soft Touch 4
Undercover 10, Sport 8
Hollywood Bears 11, Erratics 0
MCCR Angels 12, Sport 0
Soft Touch 14, Undercover 2
Kindred Spirits 11, Coffee Beans 2
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DIVISION STANDINGS

Following Week 5

	Won	Lost	Pct	GB
A DIVISION				
Kindred Spirits	6½	½	.928	—
Ducks	5	2	.714	1½
Marion & Lynns Rebels	3	3	.500	3
Preference Zodiac	3	4	.428	3½
Hurricanes	2½	3½	.416	3¾
Coffee Beans	0	7	.000	6½
B DIVISION				
Hollywood Bears	5	2	.774	—
MCCR Angels	4½	1½	.750	—
Undercover	4	2	.666	½
Erratics	3½	3½	.500	1½
Soft Touch	1½	4½	.250	3
Sport	½	5½	.083	4

LEAGUE STANDINGS

Following Week 5

	Won	Lost	Pct	GB
Kindred Spirits	9½	½	.950	—
Ducks	7	2	.777	2
Marion & Lynns Rebels	6	3	.666	3
Hurricanes	5½	3½	.611	3½
Hollywood Bears	6	4	.600	3½
MCCR Angels	4½	3½	.562	4
Preference Zodiac	5	4	.555	4

Undercover	4	5	.444	5
Erratics	3½	5½	.388	5½
Soft Touch	1½	6	.187	6½
Coffee Beans	1	8	.111	8
Sport	½	8½	.055	8½

SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 19, Cottage Grove Field (I-10 near T.C. Jester)

Rebels vs. Coffee Beans 9am
Zodiac vs. Hurricanes 10am
Kindred Spirits vs. Ducks 11am
Hurricanes vs. Coffee Beans 12noon
Rebels vs. Kindred Spirits 1pm
Zodiac vs. Ducks 2pm
Erratics vs. Undercover 3pm
Angels vs. Soft Touch 4pm
Bears vs. Undercover 5pm
Angels vs. Erratics 6pm
Sport vs. Soft Touch 7pm

Houston Tennis Club Challenge Ladder

matches through May 5

TOP TEN LADDER

1 Rick Hadnot	6 Rick Fry
2 Randall Dickerson	7 David Hackfield
3 Donny Kelley	8 Rich Corder
4 Jim Kitch	9 Tim Syers
5 Chai Wilaichon	10 Armi Albanza

B LADDER

1 Richard Pregeant	6 Horse Power
2 Robert Arriaga	7 Lou Garza
3 Mike Kussmaul	8 Larry Jarvis
4 David Heiland	9 Ronnie Mauss
5 Eddie Chavez	10 John Murphy

C LADDER

1 Thomas Cortez	6 Rick Massey
2 Oscar Ysassi	7 J.V. Klinger
3 Paul Brown	8 Steve Bryant
4 Mike Holloway	9 Dawid Hendrickson
5 Rick Perkins	10 Joe Dee

DOUBLES LADDER

1 Donny Kelley & Rich Corder
2 Danny Casillas & Robert Arriaga
3 Armi Alabanza & Thomas Cortez
4 Rick Fry & David Hackfield
5 Tim Syers & Ronnie Mauss
6 Horse Power & Rick Massey

Montrose Softball League

SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 18, Levy Field

4pm Barn vs. Montrose Voice
5:15 Galleon vs. Mining Co.
6:30 Ray's Five & Dime vs. Briar Patch
7:45 Mining Co. vs. Galleon
9pm Dirty Sally's vs. Rich's

Sunday, May 19, Levy Field

6:30 Galleon vs. Rich's
7:45 Barn vs. Mining Co.
9pm Briar Patch vs. Montrose Voice

STANDINGS

FOLLOWING MAY 12 GAMES

	Won	Lost	Pct	GB
BAYOU CITY DIVISION				
Briar Patch	8	0	1.000	—
Ray's 5 & Dime	5	3	.625	3
Rich's	3	3	.500	4
Barn	2	4	.333	5
GULF COAST DIVISION				
Montrose Voice	6	1	.857	—
Dirty Sally's	3	4	.429	3
Galleon	0	6	.000	5½
Montrose Mining Co.	0	6	.000	5½

RESULTS

May 11

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May 12

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'Good News Blacks'—In TV America, Nobody's Poor

By Pamela Douglas
Pacific News Service
Special to the Montrose Voice

Relax, America. No one here is poor anymore, especially not anyone black.

You may have heard that the black middle class is shrinking and perhaps you thought that was because the dismantling of equal opportunity incentives led to businesses firing black middle managers, or perhaps you thought that the reduction in student aid has made it too tough for the non-rich to rise through college education.

But the news is that the middle class has not melted into the economic mire. To the contrary, blacks have joined the rich, even the super-rich. They drive Ferraris and Rolls Royces, wear designer fashions, and live in luxury condos or houses, cared for by servants.

At least that's the way it looks in TV America.

This discovery that blacks are doing so well began gradually when the Jeffersons "moved on up" to their condo in the sky. At that time, in the late 1970s, most TV blacks were poor. Sanford and Son were ghetto-dwelling junk dealers. The Evans family in "Good Times" lived in Chicago's public housing with an underemployed father and so forth.

So when George Jefferson had an actual job running a dry cleaning store, TV land seemed almost on the verge of catching up with who really lives here.

But the ascent didn't stop there. The networks latched onto a national attitude that could be summarized by the Wicked Witch's line from "The Wiz." "Don't bring me no bad news today!" A theme which also worked well for the Reagan-Bush campaign in 1984.

"Good news blacks" have become an imperative given to TV writers by the major Hollywood studios. A case in point:

As a professional screenwriter, I was recently invited by the congenial producers of a new TV series to "pitch" potential stories. Their show has a black leading character of such wealth that he dines on Limoges china, sips from Baccarat crystal, drives a Rolls and is served by a butler.

At our first meeting, we agreed on a story which included a romance between the wealthy star and an ordinary woman who initially refuses to believe he is really so rich, then becomes enthralled with his lifestyle only to find that, after he falls for her as more than a dalliance, she herself can't cope with the life of luxury and leaves him to make her own way.

As things work in the world of TV-making, no one has the right to say yes, though everyone has the right to say no. So we went to step two—getting studio approval.

Thus, in a few days came a call from the producers. A little change is needed, they say. The woman can't be struggling to make it. That's a "downer," they explain.



If you believed
Hollywood these
days, says the author,
you'd be convinced all
of America's blacks
are well off

Let's at least make her doing well in her profession.

Okay. I made the change.

But that wasn't good news enough. Thus comes another phone call in a few more days. The studio still feels it's too downbeat. What we need here is "glitz." So, what if she's a model. Not a big-time model, just beautiful and on her way up—and we can still keep the essential "beats" of the plot.

Okay.

But, you guessed it, a few more days and another call from the producers, now embarrassed. Well, the studio still doesn't think it's gonna fly. So we have to make one more change. The model has to be glamorous and successful and attend upscale parties in penthouses where photographers snap her snacking on on caviar in fabulous gowns.

It's the same as what you wanted to do, I am assured, except that the ordinary woman swept off her feet by a rich man whom she finally rejects because she can't cope with his lifestyle is now replaced by an extraordinary model who hangs out with the jet set all the time and who... Oh wait, now the rest doesn't make sense.

That experience would signal no more than another venture into television silliness, except that immensely wealthy blacks have overwhelmed other black characterizations.

Witness Diahann Carroll's role on "Dynasty" and the Cosby show family, with dad as a doctor and mama as an attorney. Even on "Miami Vice" where Tubbs, the black detective, does earn his living and isn't supposed to be really rich. He's always suited in haute couture and in his Ferrari, so he can hobnob with the ultra-rich drug dealers who are frequently his target.

Of course, there are exceptions, especially "Hill Street Blues," where virtually every character, regardless of race is relentlessly scummy. But even with the exceptions, the overall message is clear.

Relax, America. There is no need to address black concerns because all blacks are rich. It's a subtle affirmation of Reagan administration policies that implies, for example, that we don't need free school lunches because no one is really hungry.

In truth, there are black millionaires. And seeing blacks with money is refreshing at times. If that money were gained through attainable work shown on screen, as it sometimes is on "The Jeffersons," it might even be encouraging to kids to aspire upwardly, realistically.

It would all be good news for real if only... if only when TV sets go off the lives of most of us do not contrast with TV's fantasy in quite so grotesque a contradiction.



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Museum: A Veritable Three Ring Circus

By Bill O'Rourke
Montrose Voice Theater Critic

Museum, a comedy by Tina Howe, now playing at Main Street Theater, is dottier than delicious, merrier than marvelous, more frivolous than fragile. It's a vertiginous three ring circus!

It's all under the expert hand of ringmaster, make that read "director," Jay Julian. His long experience with musicals and revues certainly shows plainly here. Many of the characters are a lot larger, a bit funnier than real life. Yet, they don't lose their anchors—caricatures in the best sense of that term.

Of course, that also means you might run into something a little disturbing. After many good, varied gay characters over at Diversity, here Jerry Garrett slips back into Franklin Pangbornisms. My companion said that he could tell Jerry's exaggerated femme-ishness bothered me. Whenever he was on, the pitch of my laugh would fall a full octave.

The three rings are groupings of art by three modernists. Sometimes, as with any good circus, there's goings-on in all three at once. The focus may go back and forth like the trained seal's volleyball, but Julian never leaves us in any doubt as to where we should be looking for the moment.

There are even clownish characters who run straight through all the action, headed for some other gallery.

This is a large cast, and several of them—most successfully Cathryn Pisarski and Sharon Beck—play more than one character. Peg Glazer and Ruth Daily, with their infectious laughs, nearly completely steal the show as the two housewives who find all this pretentious kitsch irresistibly funny.

This is the funniest comedy any of our intimate theatres have produced this season!

□ *Agnes of God*

The Channing Players are presenting *Agnes of God* at the First Unitarian Church on Fannin. The play is the poor woman's version of *Equus*. The production is about the tragic waste of two brilliant performances.

A young person, in this case a woman, through a series of negative life experiences, creates a bizarre link between religion and sex. The combination leads her to possibly commit an act of barbarous atrocity.

Enter the court-appointed psychiatrist. The therapist, also a woman in this version, has her own reasons to become obsessed with the outcome of the counseling.

The young woman, a novice in an order of cloistered nuns, may be guilty of having strangled her own newborn infant with its own umbilical cord. It doesn't take very long at all to prove that she is, by any normal standards, insane. She is constantly tormented by the specter of her own mother. Carrick Wallis is excellent, staying with her all the way from painful timidity to the horrors she experiences under hypnosis.

She is accompanied to the psychiatrist's office by her Mother Superior. Mother Miriam Ruth is jovial, tender, perceptive, and stern when she needs to be. But, she is also fighting desperately. She has guilty secrets she must hide. She also has let her faith become entwined around Agnes and for the sake of her soul must believe in the girl's innocence. Nancy Groblewski brings this richly complex woman to full life.

Unfortunately, Dr. Martha Livingstone never completely leaves the stage. John Pielmezer has not written another Dr. Dysart. Although he provides her, with a dark, secret past, she is ultimately a comparative lightweight. Her monologues are pure pop-psych.



"Homeless for the Holidays" at Diverse Works, May 17 and 18.

As the psychiatrist, Martha Raymond made a very convincing Mary Kay saleswoman. At times she connected, but I sometimes wondered if she were in the same play. This might not have been all her fault.

You see, the set, by someone who remained blessedly anonymous, was not believably a psychiatrist's office. It looked like a minimalist's haunted vision of a cloistered nun's cell. However, there were only two very short scenes in the convent.



David Born in "Museum" at Main Street



"The Barber of Seville" at Miller Outdoor Theatre, May 22, 24, 25, 29, 31 and June 1

And those were told as flashbacks. All of the play actually happens in the psychiatrist's office.

So the real culprit might be James Halliday, the director.

Someone certainly has either cheated Ms. Wallis and Ms. Groblewski of the audience they deserve, or cheated the audience out of the richly theatrical experience this could have been. Or both.

□ **Notes**

The Alley continues to score big in the Big Apple. The Drama League of New York has chosen the Alley, Connecticut's Hartford, D.C.'s Arena and Washington's Seattle Rep as the companies to work with their Directing Apprentices Program. . . . Want to take classes? Houston Community College is offering various workshops in acting and one in primitive dance. Call them today! . . . Showtix's February sales were a record-breaking 1,721 tickets. The box office in downtown Tranquility Park, which features day-of-performance twofers, had generated \$58,000 for the arts community as of the end of that month.

Not many of you will probably recognize Terry Helbing's name. But as the founder of JH Press and the co-founder of the Gay Theatre Alliance, he has done more for the preservation and dissemination of gay-related scripts than almost anyone else in the nation. Happy Birthday, Terry! (May 21)

□ **Openings**

The Barber of Seville (May 22, Miller Outdoor)—Rossini's hilarious opera (from the play by Beaumarchais, the French father of American independence) in English, for free. My pick for opening of the week!

Homeless for the Holidays (May 17 and 18, Diverse Works)—modern dance choreographed by Cynthia Powers.

A Romanian Rhapsody (May 17, Music Hall)—Sergiu Comissiona conducts the Houston Symphony Pops, guest starring world-famous pan flutist Zamfir. ONO (One Night Only)!

And a Nightingale Sang . . . (May 23, Alley)—An eccentric family in WWII. The human heart endures and triumphs.

Cimarron Wind Quintet (May 23, Houston Community College)—A free concert to celebrate the Texas Art Award they received for distinguished contributions to the arts. ONO!

My Sister in This House (May 23, Stages)—Chilling psychological thriller of two sisters' crime of passion.

PBS Drama Features Local Talent

By Scott Cutsinger
Montrose Voice Film Critic

On Sunday, May 19, 10:00 p.m., Channel 8 will present *Madame Scandal*, the one-act play about George Sand, a notorious 19th Century literary figure. Sand often dressed like a man and smoked cigars in public, supposedly because she enjoyed the benefits that being a man provided her.

The play was written by Houstonian Shelly Fitze for her friend, Nanette Wilson, a Houston actress who portrays Sand. *Madame Scandal* was first performed at the University of St. Thomas, and also featured at Stages' Texas Playwright Series in Houston. KUHT is pleased that it has the capacity to produce outstanding local television dramas such as this, says KUHT stations manager James Bauer.

The play begins with Sand sitting in her Paris flat waiting for a lover, meanwhile reminiscing about her marriage, divorce and love affairs with men like Chopin and Delacroix. The tone of the play is often gloomy, but filled with much humor and wit as she exclaims to herself "My God! What we survive to write about!"

An unusual drama about a little known woman, this product should prove to be a dramatic treat featuring some very special local talent.

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The World Beckons to Aries; but Cancer Told to Slow Down

By Mark Orion

For Friday, May 17, 1985, through Thursday, May 23, 1985:

ARIES—The world of possibilities beckons. Life becomes kaleidoscopic and could be dizzying unless you have a firm idea of who you are. This question does keep popping up, doesn't it? Maybe there's more than one answer. You'll need to be a juggler of the mind.

TAURUS—You're playing with fire again, but in February, what could be more fun? Still, slightly dangerous. . . . You're attracted to someone who's an emotional power house, and you love it. Don't talk a bigger game than you can play, though, and expect the same.

GEMINI—Your life is changing—of course, it always is, but now is one of those times when change is beautifully constant and spontaneous. Your level of desire and desirability is at a high peak, and there's the real possibility that hard times are no longer. Not bad.

CANCER—"Slow down, you move too fast. You've got to make the morning last." A sense of urgency permeates everything you do. That's a good thing for taking care of business, but it's bad when it makes you miss life's beautiful details. Watch out!

LEO—Your fantasies may be oh, so appealing, but don't get lost in them. Your partner has a special need for you right here on earth, not up in the clouds. Stay in touch. Ask questions. Give answers. Be there. Reach out.

VIRGO—One of these weeks you will get exactly what you want, but not without some difficulty. The main problem is your argumentiveness. You feel like you have to pick everything apart before you understand it. Let be what is, and make things easier for yourself.

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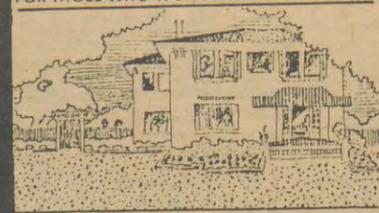
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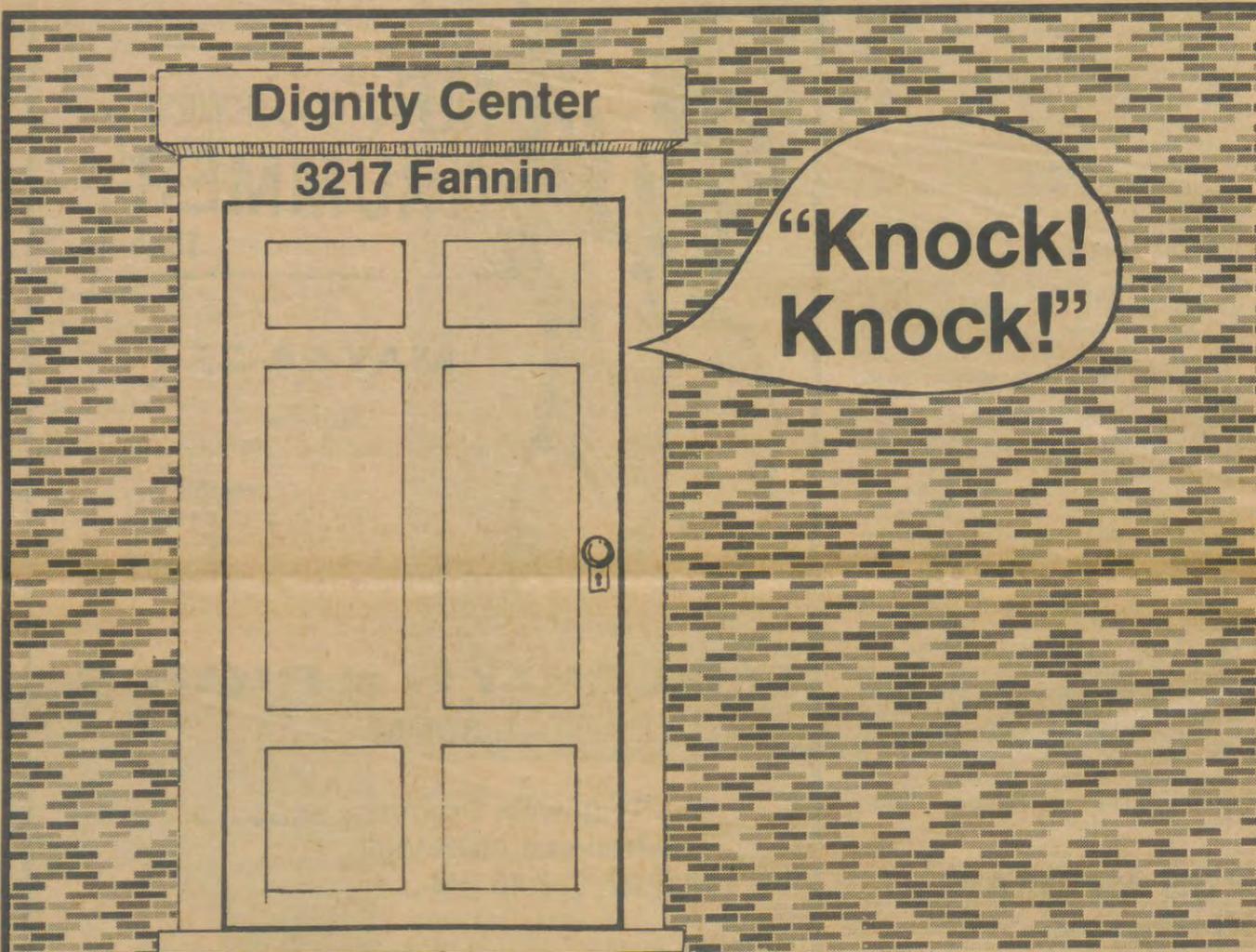
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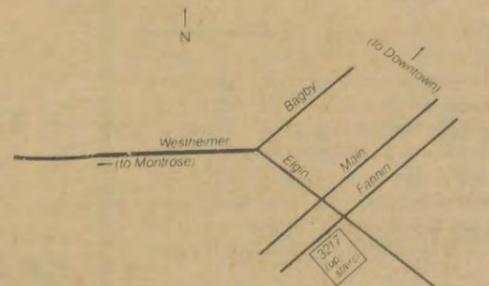
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7 Day Montrose Events Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					MAY 17	MAY 18
MAY 19	MAY 20	MAY 21	MAY 22	MAY 23		

For additional information or phone numbers for events listed below, look for the sponsoring organization under "Organizations" in the Montrose Classified.

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

SELECTED EVENTS THROUGH 7 DAYS

FRIDAY: "Breakthrough" lesbian-feminist program, KPFT, FM-90, 8:15-10:30am

THRU SUNDAY: National Assn. Business Councils' 5th anniversary meeting May 16-19, Minneapolis

FRIDAY-SUNDAY: Gay & Lesbian Press Assn. annual convention, May 17-19, Gay & Lesbian Service Center, New York City

FRIDAY: Montrose Country Cloggers meet 7pm, MCCR, 1919 Decatur

FRIDAY: Baytown Lambda meets 7:30pm May 17

SATURDAY: Armed Forces Day, May 18

SATURDAY: KS/AIDS Foundation meets 3400 Montrose, no. 501, 11am

SATURDAY: Montrose Softball League games, 4pm, Levy Field, Eastside at Richmond

SUNDAY: Montrose Tennis Club plays 9am-noon, MacGregor Park

SUNDAY: MSA Women's Softball League games, 9am, Cottage Grove Field, I-10 near TC Jester

SUNDAY: Frontrunners run 10am from Memorial Park Tennis Center

SUNDAY: Choices meets 1pm May 19, Masterson YWCA, 3615 Willia

SUNDAY: Parents FLAG meets 2pm, May 19, Presbyterian Center, 41 Oakdale

SUNDAY: Women's bowling league plays, 3pm, Stadium Bowl

SUNDAY: Gay Hispanic Caucus meets May 19

SUNDAY: W.W.B. Bowling League, 6:15, Post Oak Lanes

SUNDAY: Montrose Softball League games, 6:30pm, Levy Field, Eastside at Richmond

SUNDAY: Overeaters Anonymous meet 8pm Montrose Counseling Center, 900 Lovett

MONDAY: Frontrunners run 6:30pm, from Golf Center, Hermann Park

MONDAY: MSA Bowling, 9pm at Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain

TUESDAY: Lesbian/Gay Resource Service, Univ. of Houston, meets 2:30pm May 21, Spindletop Room, Univ. Center, Univ. Park

TUESDAY: Frontrunners run 7pm from Memorial Park Tennis Center

TUESDAY: MSA "Fun Volleyball League" plays, 7pm

TUESDAY: Montrose Symphonic Band meets Dignity Center, 3217 Fannin, 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY: MSA Pool League competition

WEDNESDAY: Overeaters Anonymous meet 8pm Bering Church, 1440 Harold

WEDNESDAY: MSA Pool League summer season begins, various locations

THURSDAY: Frontrunners run 7pm from Memorial Park Tennis Center

THURSDAY: "Wilde 'n Stein" gay radio show 7:30-9pm on KPFT Radio, FM-90

THURSDAY: Mixed Bowling League, 9pm, Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain

SELECTED EVENTS IN FUTURE WEEKS

IN 1 WEEK: Houston Gay Pride Week Committee meets 2:30pm May 26, Kindred Spirits, 4902 Richmond Ave.

IN 1 WEEK: Gay Asians & Friends meet 3pm May 26

IN 1 WEEK: Memorial Day, May 27

IN 1 WEEK: Integrity meets 7:30pm May 27, Autry House, 6265 Main

IN 1 WEEK: Lutherans Concerned meets May 28, Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh

IN 1 WEEK: Houston Area Gay & Lesbian Engineers & Scientists meet 7pm May 28

IN 1 WEEK: Montrose Civic Club (Near town) meets 7pm May 28, 1413 Westheimer

IN 1 WEEK: Greater Montrose Business Guild meets 7pm May 29, Brennan's Restaurant, 3300 Smith

IN 2 WEEKS: Gay Hispanic Caucus bake & garage sale Jun 1

IN 2 WEEKS: Houston Gay Health Advocates meet 7:30pm June 1

IN 2 WEEKS: Gay Political Caucus meets 3217 Fannin, 7:30pm June 5

IN 3 WEEKS: Poets Workshop, 8pm

June 7, A Place in the Sun, 704 Fairview

IN 3 WEEKS: Gay Hispanic Caucus meets 2:30pm Jun 9, Kindred Spirits

IN 3 WEEKS: Houston North Professionals meets 7:30pm, June 8

IN 3 WEEKS: Montrose Art Alliance meets June 10

IN 3 WEEKS: Citizens for Human Equality meets 7:30pm June 11, 3217 Fannin, 2nd floor

IN 3 WEEKS: Houston Data Professionals meets 7:30pm June 11

IN 3 WEEKS: Neartown Business Alliance meets 7pm June 12, Liberty Bank, 1001 Westheimer

IN 3 WEEKS: Avondale Association meets 7:30pm June 13, Christian Women's Center, 310 Pacific

IN 4 WEEKS: Flag Day, June 14

IN 4 WEEKS: Father's Day, June 16

IN 4-6 WEEKS: Houston Gay Pride Week June 20-30

IN 5 WEEKS: Montrose Softball League All Star Games June 22

IN 6 WEEKS: "Alive with Pride in '85" National Gay Pride Day, 16th anniversary Stonewall Riots, June 28

IN 6 WEEKS: 7th National Lesbian & Gay Health Conference & 4th national AIDS Forum, "Mainstreaming Lesbian and Gay Health Care," June 28-July 1, Washington, D.C.

IN 6 WEEKS: Gay Hispanic Caucus "Baile '85" Jun 28

IN 6 WEEKS: Houston Gay Pride Week Parade June 30

IN 6 WEEKS: Annual International Gay Association conference, July 4-7, opens in Toronto

IN 6 WEEKS: International gay/lesbian history conference, "Sex & the State: Their Laws, Our Lives," July 3-6, University of Toronto, Toronto

IN 6 WEEKS: Independence Day, July 4

IN 6 WEEKS: Lone Star Softball Classic, Houston, July 4-6

IN 7 WEEKS: Houston's Women's Softball League World Series Qualifying Tournament, July 6-7

IN 9 WEEKS: Montrose Softball League playoffs, July 20-21 & 27-28

IN 14 WEEKS: Series 9, Men's Softball Gay World Series, Milwaukee, Aug. 27-Sept. 1

IN 14 WEEKS: 1st Annual Gay Women's Softball World Series Aug. 29-Sept. 1, Milwaukee

IN 15 WEEKS: 150th birthday of City of Houston, Aug. 30

IN 15 WEEKS: Labor Day, Sept. 2

IN 17 WEEKS: GPC's 10th Anniversary Dinner Sept. 14

IN 18 WEEKS: Yom Kipper, Sept. 25

IN 21 WEEKS: Texas-OU Football Weekend, Dallas

IN 21 WEEKS: Annual Lesbian & Gay Pride Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., Columbus Day Weekend

IN 21 WEEKS: Columbus Day, Oct. 14

IN 23 WEEKS: Houston Triathlon IV, Oct. 26

IN 23 WEEKS: Halloween, Oct. 31

IN 24 WEEKS: Election Day, Nov. 5

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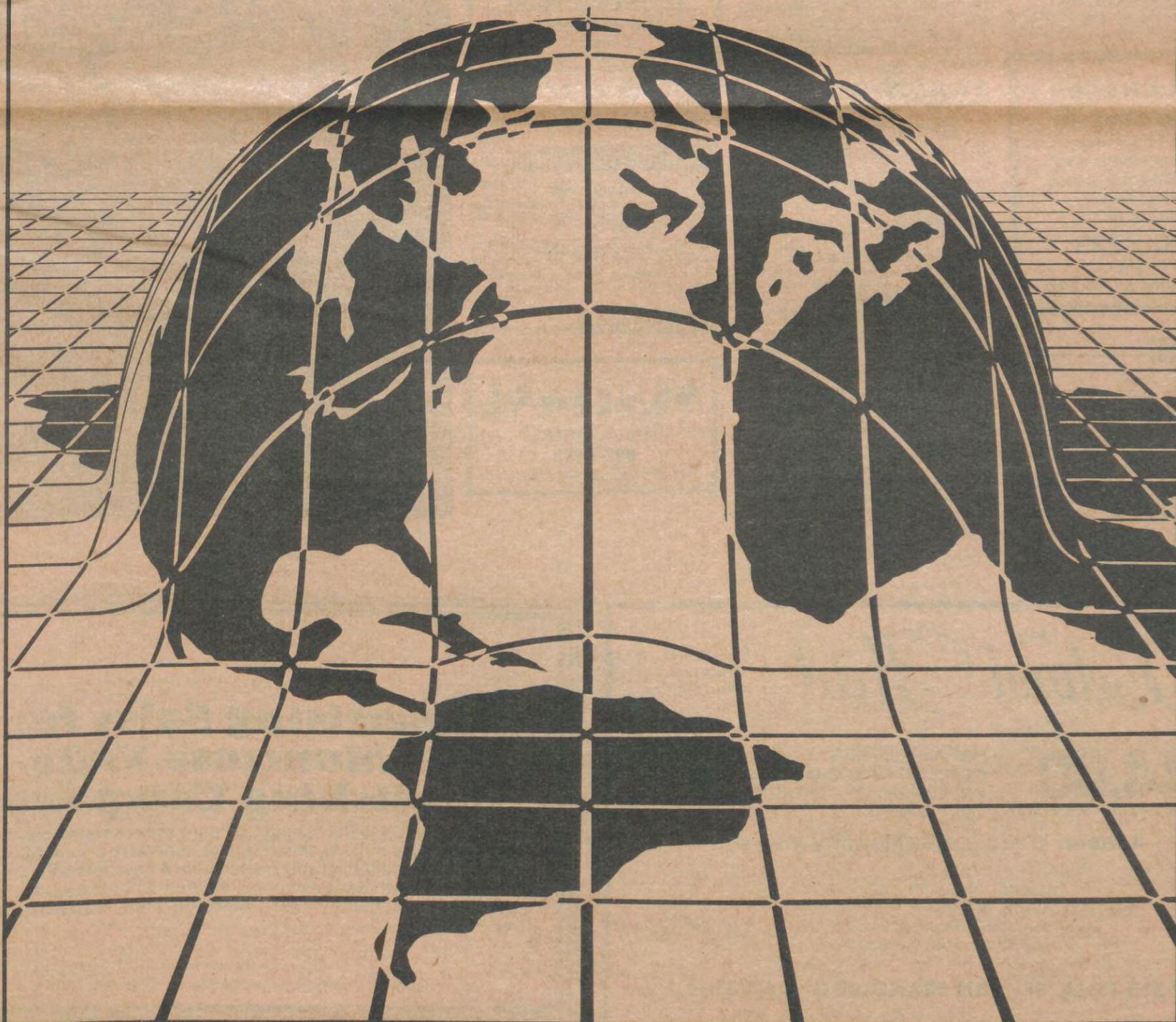
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Gay & Lesbian Press Assn—POB A, Old Chelsea Sta, New York, NY 10011—(212) 989-6622

Gay Rights Nat Lobby—POB 1892, Washington, DC 20013—(202) 546-1801

Human Rights Campaign Fund—POB 1396, Washington, DC 20013—(202) 546-2025

Lambda Legal Defense—132 W 43rd, New York, NY 10039—(212) 944-9488

Lesbian/Gay Rights Advocates—POB 822, Austin 78767

Media Fund for Human Rights—POB A, Old Chelsea Sta, New York, NY 10011—(212) 989-6622

Nat Assn of Business Councils—Box 15145, San Francisco, CA 94115—(415) 885-6363

Nat Assn of Gay & Lesbian Demo Clubs—1742 Mass Av SE, Washington, DC 20003—(202) 547-3104

Nat Gay Health Educ Foundation—POB 784, New York, NY 10036—(212) 563-6313 or Dr Greenberg (713) 523-5204

Nat Gay Rights Advocates—540 Castro, San Francisco, CA 94114—(415) 863-3624

Nat Gay Task Force (NGTF)—80 5th Av, New York, NY 10011—(212) 741-5800

NGTF's Crisisline—(800) 221-7044 (outside New York State)

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US Transvestite-Transsexual Contact Svc—1017-B E Pike, Seattle, 98122—(206) 624-8266

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ACLU—1236 W Gray—524-5925

AIDS Hotline—529-3211 (Gay Switchboard)

American Gay Atheists—POB 66711, 77266—527-9255

Astro Rainbow Alliance—520-9451 (voice), 520-0552 (TTY)

Astro Rainbow Society for the Deaf—924-5074 (TTY or voice), 645-0074 (TTY)

Avondale Assn—POB 66054, 77266; meets 7:30pm 2nd Thurs, Women's Christian Ctr, 310 Pacific

Azulao Womyn's Magazine—6130 SW Fwy #335—266-5237

Bayou B'l'u Singers—Robert Moon, dir, 209 Stratford—868-3084

Bering Memorial United Methodist Church—1440 Harold—526-1017; svc 10:50am Sun

Choices Unlimited—POB 70996, 77270—529-3211 (Gay Switchboard); meets 1pm 3rd Sun, Masterson YWCA, 3615 Willia; "Social Mixer" 7:30pm alternate Fridays; Sunday brunch 12:30pm 3rd Sun

Christian Church of the Good Shepherd—1707 Montrose; svc 1pm Sun, Bible study 7:30pm Thurs

Church of Christian Faith—217 Fairview—529-8005; svcs 10:45am Sun & 7:15pm Wed; Bible study 7:30pm Wed; choir practice Wed after Bible study

Citizens for Human Equality (CHE)—POB 3045, 77253—680-3346, 937-3516; meet 2nd Tues, 3217 Fannin, second floor

Citizens for United Hou (CUH)—3317 Montrose #B32—659-6148

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Community Political Action Committee (C-PAC)—POB 2005, 77252—236-8666

Community Gospel Ctr—3207 Montrose—523-6018, 668-0259, 692-9002; svcs 11am Sun, 7:30pm Thurs

Congregation Aytz Chayim—1840 Westheimer—688-8997, 728-5181; svc & social 8pm 2nd & 4th Fri

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Dharma Study Group—406 Avondale—524-9554

Diana Foundation—2700 Mason—524-5791

Dignity/Hou—3217 Fannin—528-0111, 523-7644; mass 7:30pm Sat

ESOPS Private Professional Social Club—961-9876

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Gay & Alive Sharing Experience (GASE)—528-1311, 528-0891

Gay & Lesbian Archives of Tx: affiliate of I/H Inc

Gay & Lesbian Mormons—1713 Westheimer #6040, 77098—568-1413

Gay Asians & Friends—2615 Waugh Dr #289—523-6769, 649-6225; meets 3pm 2nd & last Sun

Gay Fathers—3217 Fannin—528-0111

Gay Hispanic Caucus—868-5252; meets May 19, bake & garage sale Jun 1; meets 2:30pm Jun 9, Kindred Spirits; "Baile '85" Jun 28

Gay Nurses Alliance—880-9486

Gay Political Caucus (GPC)—POB 66664, 77266—521-1000; meets 3217 Fannin 1st & 3rd Wed; 10th anniversary dinner hosted by Presidents Club Sept 14

(Hou) Gay Pride Week Committee—POB 66821, 77266—Stan Ford 523-7644 or Cathy Lenahan 868-6256; meets 2:30pm May 26, Jun 30, Kindred Spirits, 4902 Richmond Av; Hou Gay Pride Week Jun 13-23; GPW "All Sports Day" Jun 22; national Gay Pride Day, "Alive with Pride in '85," Jun 28

Gay Switchboard—POB 66591, 77266—529-3211; information, counseling, referrals, TTY, AIDS Hotline

Greater Montrose Business Guild—c/o Mike Nelson, 630-0309; meets 7pm, 4th Wed at Brenans Rest, 3300 Smith

Hazelwitch Productions—2615 Waugh Dr #266, 77006; lesbian concerts, free mailing list

Homophile Interfaith Alliance—729 Manor—523-6969

Hou Area Gay & Lesbian Engineers & Scientists—524-7498, 7-10pm; meets 7pm 4th Tues

Hou Bar Owners Assn (HOBO)—c/o Venture-N, 2923 Main—522-0000

Hou Community Clowns—862-8314

Hou Council of Clubs—526-8054

Hou Data Professionals—523-6922, 664-6459; meets 7:30pm 2nd Tues

Hou Gay Health Advocates—790-9448; Meets 7:30pm 1st Sat

Hou Gay Students Assn—747-3098

Hou Inter-Faith Alliance: contact through Integrity/Hou

Hou Motorcycle Club—c/o Mary's, 1022 Westheimer—528-8851

Hou North Professionals—POB 3840, Humble 77347—Bill at 821-7126; meet 7:30pm 2nd Sat

Hou Outdoor Group—Ken 522-0699

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I/H Inc—POB 16041, 77222—694-1732, 529-7014; affiliated groups are Interact, B'zzarrio's A Place in the Sun, Montrose Art Alliance, Gay & Lesbian Archives of Tx, Gay Switchboard, Montrose Symphonic Band; board meet 7:30pm 1st Thurs (varied locations); educational forum 7:30pm 3rd Thurs

Ingersoll Speakers' Bureau—POB 391, Bellaire 77401—669-4064

Integrity/Hou (Episcopalian)—POB 66008, 77266—528-2580; meets 7:30pm 2nd & 4th Mon, Autry House, 6265 Main

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KPFT Radio, FM-90—419 Lovett Blvd—526-4000; "Breakthrough" lesbian-feminist pgm Fri 6:15-10:30am; "Wilde n Stein" gay pgm Thurs 7:30-9:00pm

KS/AIDS Foundation—3317 Montrose Box 1155, 77006—524-3427; meets Sat 11am-12:15pm

KS/AIDS Foundation telephone fundraising—Donna Knipp 526-9617

Jerry Kauffman Cancer Fund—778-4106

Lambda Ctr Gay Alcoholics & Alanon—1214 Jo Annie—521-9772

Lesbian/Gay Resource Svc—University of Hou, 4800 Calhoun, box 309, 77004—749-1253; meets 2:30pm alternate Tues, Spindletop Room, 2nd floor, University Ctr

Let Us Entertain You Weekend—project of Hou Council of Clubs—526-8054

The Little Church—212 Fargo—522-7695; svcs 2:30pm Sun

Lone Star Nudist Group—POB 740572, 77274

Lutherans Concerned—meets at Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh—521-0863, 453-1143; meet 2nd & 4th Tues evenings

McAdory House—c/o KS/AIDS Foundation, 3317 Montrose Bos 1155—524-2437

Men Against Deception Courtesy Club—POB 541871, 77254—529-3211 (Gay Switchboard); meets bi-weekly

Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection (MCCR)—1919 Decatur—861-9149; pot-luck dinner 7:30pm 1st Sat monthly; svcs 10:45am & 7:15pm Sun & 7:15pm Wed; membership inquirers class 7:30pm Mon; education classes Tues & Wed eves

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Montrose Art Alliance—694-1732, 868-9314, 869-5332; affiliate I/H Inc; meets 2nd Mon

Montrose Church of Christ—1700 Montrose—777-9286; svc 11am Sun

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National Gay Health Education Foundation—523-5204

National Organization for Women (NOW) Lesbian Rights Task Force—POB 440422, 77244

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Neartown Business Alliance—529-7010; meets 7pm 2nd Wed, Liberty Bank, 1001 Westheimer

New Freedom Christian Church—829 Yale—863-8377; svcs 10am Sun

Overeaters Anonymous—c/o Montrose Counseling Ctr, 900 Lovett—Peggy at 526-4015; meets 8pm Sun, Montrose Counseling Ctr, & 8pm Wed, Bering Church, 1440 Harold

Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (Parents FLAG)—464-6663; meets 2pm 3rd Sun, Presbyterian Ctr, 41 Oakdale

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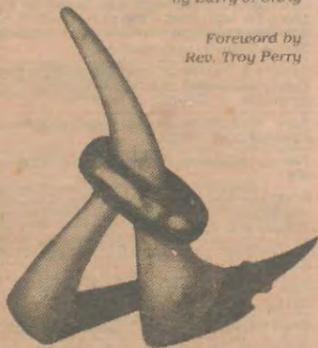
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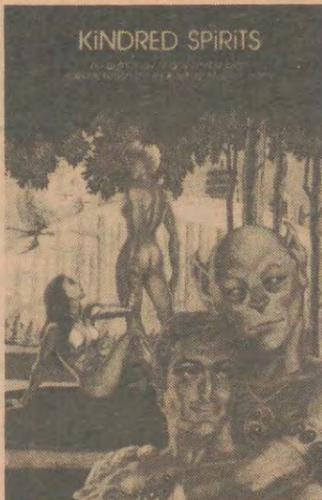
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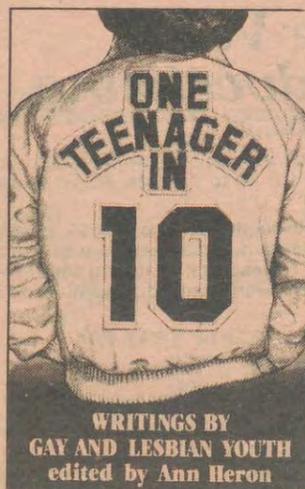
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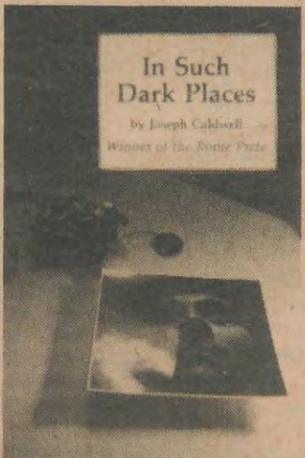
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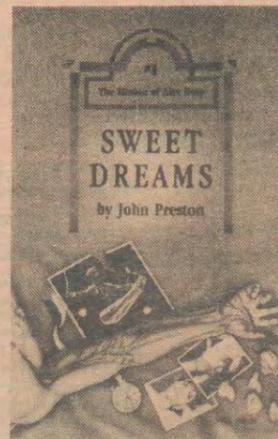
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