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MONTROSE WEATHER THROUGH MONDAY: Partly cloudy and hot. Day highs about 95, night lows about 75, chance of thundershowers Sunday & Monday.

After Hours show marks second anniversary

By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE
The Montrose Voice
Brash and opinionated, Buddy Johnston is hardly the person the main line in the Houston gay rights movement would consider their spokesperson. But in the two hours of each Sunday morning (Saturday night) he is, in fact, the only person speaking the cause of all, to an audience virtually all his own.

Johnston, host and producer of KPFT's "After Hours," is gay radio's king of the dark. He tackles the issues most people won't touch... at a time, he admits, that most won't listen. The program, which airs from 2:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. Sundays, marks its second anniversary Sept. 6.

Johnston, his assistants crew and audience, will be celebrating early, with a special show this week-end featuring a collage of tapes from previous shows, the best and the worst of the past two years.

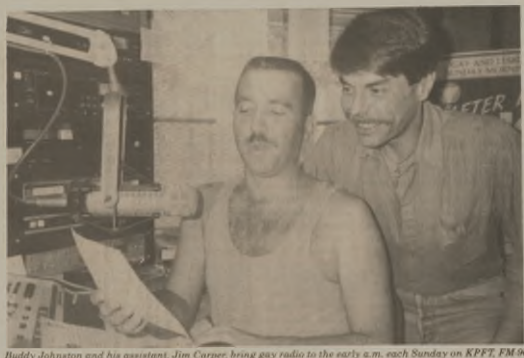
The concept and delivery of the anniversary special are in perfect keeping with the show's history and headliner style. One of the things Johnston takes pride in is with

his show is no one—not even those who put it on—really know what to expect on the air each week. Johnston and his assistant, Jim Carper, said they go on the air with nothing written in advance, although they may have a guest planned or a topic in mind. Only the repeat loudness of favorite shows are predictable.

"I don't know how we're going to get two years into two hours," Johnston said of the special, "but we're going to do it."

And if the host of "After Hours" think it can possibly be done, it probably will be. Johnston delights in the show's controversy, and its aggressive approach to issues that sometimes hinges on the bizarre. Case in point: during a recent program dealing with the use of "706" numbers (also known as diastrophs), Johnston and Carper discussed the psychology of the numbers and those who use them. They also did something else, Johnston and Carper, on the air dialed several advertised 976 lines, and put the conversations on live radio.

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Buddy Johnston and his assistant, Jim Carper, bring gay radio to the early a.m. each Sunday on KPFT, FM 90.

Rep. Frank asks for House ethics investigation

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., who said he hired—and later fired—a male prostitute as a personal assistant, asked the House ethics committee to conduct an investigation of the incident.

In a letter to Rep. Julian Dixon, D-Calif., head of the ethics panel, Frank promised to cooperate fully and asked that the committee "proceed with its deliberations in an expeditious manner."

"Questions have been raised about my employment of a personal assistant during a period between 1985 and 1987," Frank wrote in the letter released to reporters Monday. "I have publicly responded to these questions and I have expressed regret for the mistaken judgment involved."

"In order to ensure that the public record is clear, I hereby request that the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct conduct an investigation into these matters."

There was no immediate indication when the committee might act on Frank's request.

Frank last week confirmed a published report that Stephen Goble, a male prostitute he had sex with and later employed as a personal aide, used the congressman's apartment to run a sex-for-money business. Frank said he fired Goble after learning from his landlord about Goble's activities.

The 49-year-old Frank, one of the most outspoken liberals in Congress, has suggested that threats of exposure by Goble were one factor in his decision to publicly announce his homosexuality in 1987.

Frank was re-elected in 1988, winning 70 percent of the vote in the 4th Congressional District of Massachusetts.

When the story broke last week, Frank said he paid Goble an annual salary of \$20,000, but that no public money was involved. He said he hired Goble to help the younger man get out of prostitution but Goble publicized their relationship as an act of revenge.

Despite the revelations, Frank apparently still enjoys wide support in his district, although there have been some calls for his resignation or punishment at the polls.

On Sunday, Frank marched in a parade in the working-class city of Fall River, located about 40 miles south of Boston. The cheers of a few thousand along the two-mile route muffled a small contingent of hecklers.

A poll of 300 city district constituents by the Boston Herald and a television station, WCVB, showed Saturday that 56 percent of those questioned said Frank has "performed well enough as a congressman to deserve re-election."

Also inside:
—Frank defends relationship with prostitute
—Commentator Leon Daniel examines Frank's future

Report: States spending more on AIDS

By REBECCA KOLBERG
UPI Science Writer
FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE
WASHINGTON—State spending on AIDS jumped by nearly two-thirds to about \$250 million during fiscal 1989, with the average state spending \$3 cents a person to combat the disease, a study showed Wednesday.

A report by George Washington University found that about \$500 million in non-Medicaid funds were spent to prevent and treat AIDS at the state level this fiscal year.

More than half of that money—\$252 million, up \$100 million from 1988—came from state governments. The federal government provided the remainder.

The number of states that did not allocate any general revenues for the battle against acquired im-

mune deficiency syndrome fell from 14 in fiscal 1988 to eight in fiscal 1989. First-time contributors were Indiana, Louisiana, Nebraska, Nevada, South Carolina and Tennessee.

New York, which spent \$53 million, was second to California in state-funded AIDS expenditures. Three other states also topped the \$10-million mark: Florida, Massachusetts and New Jersey. The lowest allocation was \$101,500, in Nebraska.

The median level of state-only funds for AIDS was about \$50,000.

Mona Rowe, co-author of the study, said the wide disparities in state AIDS expenditures "reflect differences in the epidemic and the pool of existing resources in the states."

The District of Columbia

ranked first in per capita AIDS spending at \$9.91, followed by Hawaii at \$4.62. Five other states—California, New York, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut—rank high, spending between \$2 and \$3 per resident on AIDS.

In all, 11 states allocated more than \$1 per person for AIDS; the average amount spent was 33 cents per capita.

As of August, the five states with the greatest number of reported AIDS cases were New York, 23,424; California, 20,478; Florida, 8,248; New Jersey, 7,074; and Texas, 6,969.

An estimated 1 million to 1.5 million Americans are infected with the AIDS virus.

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Some of the largest funding increases in fiscal 1989 came in Pennsylvania, which boosted its AIDS spending 13 times the previous level, and Florida, which raised its already substantial allocation by 40 percent.

Researchers said the eight states that did not budget or appropriate money for AIDS in fiscal 1989 were Idaho, Iowa, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont, West Virginia and Wyoming. That group included at least two states—Iowa and Montana—that had biennial budgets passed the previous year.

Education and testing for the AIDS virus were the two program areas most likely to attract state funds. Forty-one states allocated some funds for AIDS education, while 35 spent some general revenues to support testing and counseling activities. States were least

likely to use their own money for research.

Programs receiving the greatest proportion of state money in comparison to federal funds were patient care and support services. Ten states reported using state-only funds to provide the AIDS drug AZT, which costs about \$6,000 a year, to needy patients.

Rowe said more state funds will likely be funneled into patient care next year because of recent findings that many people infected with the AIDS virus can benefit from AZT and other life-prolonging drugs before they show signs of full-blown AIDS.

The 12-page report, based on a survey conducted by George Washington University's Inter-governmental Health Policy Project, was funded by a grant from the American Foundation for AIDS Research.

Houstonians show support for disability bill



By SHERI COHEN DARBONNE
The Montrose Voice
About 300 people, including local and state elected officials, business leaders, disabled people and their advocates and representatives of local AIDS organizations, packed the Metropolitan Multi-Services Center on Monday, Aug. 28, to show support for the Americans with Disabilities Act. The overwhelming majority of speakers addressing the U.S. Congress-

sional committee conducting the hearings urged its passage without further amendment.

The hearing, conducted by the House Subcommittee on Select Education of the Committee on Education and Labor, gathered testimony on the ADA, which prohibits discrimination against the disabled in private employment, public accommodations and transportation. The anti-discrimination provisions in the bill cover

people with AIDS and HIV, and the ADA has been touted by AIDS activists as the way to ban, finally, discrimination on a federal level.

Local AIDS activists, wary of reports that anti-gay Sen. Jesse Helms (R.N.C.) and others are planning to introduce amendments to the bill that will weaken its HIV protections, urged the committee to support the act without any exclusions. Harry

Livesay, a case worker with AIDS Foundation Houston, told the committee, "It's no secret that there is a movement to exclude AIDS and HIV from the ADA."

Livesay, who said he talked daily to people who have lost employment or housing because of discrimination, continued, "To exclude anyone with a disability from this protection on the basis of what kind of disability they have... is ludicrous."

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President George Bush, who signed a revised Senate version of the bill (S-833) in July, has pledged to lobby against anti-AIDS amendments to the bill. The bill is scheduled to be voted on by the full Senate Thursday, Sept. 7, and will the move to the House, which has already begun discussions.

Many of the disabled people attending the meeting, however, were speaking for the original House version, HR 2773, saying the version marked up by a senate subcommittee and endorsed by Bush lacked "teeth." The marked up version contained concessions

for small businesses struggling to comply with the bill's requirements for full accessibility, including ramps and wheelchair lifts.

But State Rep. Ashley Smith, addressing the concerns of the small businesses, spoke for the substitute bill, which also weakens legal recourse for persons who feel they have been discriminated against.

"The concept of extending federal civil rights protection to disabled citizens is an issue that is overdue. My personal view is that the Senate substitute, endorsed by the President, his administration and the Attorney General provides the best approach... by striking a critical balance between disability rights and business concern."

The Task Force on the Rights and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, appointed by Congressman Major R. Owens, chair of the House Committee on Select Education, issued a statement urging Congress to "be extremely cautious" in the final writing of the act.

"It is vital that any further changes in ADA clarify and/or strengthen its present requirements and the task force stated."

The ADA's stated purpose, according to the task force, is "to provide a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against people with disabilities."

Research project paving way for drug trials here

The Houston Clinical Research Network, an organization established by the Montrose Clinic through a grant from the American Foundation for AIDS Research, is developing a patient registry to conduct community-based clinical trials of experimental AIDS/HIV treatments in Houston. Jackie Kerr, research programs director for the new project, said patients will be registered through their primary care physicians.

The registration of HIV positive persons who are interested in participating in research studies is the first phase of a program that will test the community based clinical trial concept here.

Clinical trials are research studies on new, experimental or unproven drugs which may or may not be effective in the treatment of a specific disease or condition. They are conducted to determine the safety of the drug for widespread use in the patient population and its effectiveness in the treatment of the condition being

studied. Community based research initiatives, or CRI's, conduct tests on a wide base of subjects outside the usual university testing setting. Data collected from both university research and CRI's are submitted to the federal Food and Drug Administration for evaluation which could lead to approval of the drug.

CRI's, credited with collecting much of the data which led to the Food and Drug Administration's approval of aerosol pentamidine in June, are strongly supported by AmFAR. The foundation provided the \$80,000 grant base to establish a community based clinical trial program in Houston.

Though a clinical trial may involve a comparison of an experimental treatment to either a currently approved drug (such as AZT) or a placebo, Kerr said the Houston project is looking more closely at the comparison type trials.

The local program is designed specifically to fill the needs of patients in Houston, Harris County

and the surrounding area. Kerr said. Local physicians participating in the program will serve as "co-investigators" in the studies. This means that patients who want to participate in a study will be enrolled by their regular "primary care" doctor. That doctor will also monitor the patient's progress and evaluate the effectiveness of the treatment. The patient registry will be developed through private physicians, community clinics and the Harris County Hospital District.

Like the Montrose Clinic, HCRN will identify patients in number rather than by name for confidentiality reasons. Patients will be given an identification card with their patient ID number. In an emergency, the card will alert health care providers that the patient may be participating in clinical research studies. The card will also provide an emergency contact number so, in an emergency, HCRN personnel can identify the primary care provider and determine which protocol, if any, the patient may be participating

in. Though HCRN and the patient's primary care physician will have access to identify by name, the information will not be accessible by any other agency, Kerr said.

To represent the needs and concerns of the patient population, the research group is forming a "Community Advisory Forum." This board will be made up of representatives of various organizations which provide services, counseling or other support to PWAs on a regular basis. Groups which have been invited to participate in an advisory capacity far include the People With AIDS Coalition, Coit 45's Truff Fund, ACT UP/Houston, DIFFA, AIDS Foundation Houston, the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard, Bering Services Foundation, Houston Gay/Lesbian Political Caucus, Gay and Lesbian Democratic of America and Body Positive.

A committee of referring physicians will also be asked to contribute their perspective, and make recommendations on the type of studies that are needed, Kerr said.



The Frantic Institute lets out.



DIAL A PSYCHIC PHENOMENON

Anthony Hall enters race for Congress

City Councilman Anthony Hall formally announced his candidacy Thursday for the 18th Congressional District seat, vacant by the death of Rep. Mickey Leland.

Hall, an attorney and member of City Council since 1980, lost a 1978 runoff for the congressional seat to Leland, who died Aug. 7 in a plane crash while on a famine relief mission to Ethiopia.

"All of this political commotion in Houston is from the tragic death of our friend, Mickey Leland," Hall said. "In many, many ways, Mickey is irreplaceable...he

helped keep hope alive here at home and around the world. Mickey made a difference, a big difference. He did his share and he did it over more."

"Now he's gone and we must choose another. In 1978, when Mickey Leland first won his congressional seat, the candidate who did not win was me."

Hall, who lost that race to Leland, will now try to again to win the seat. State Sen. Craig Washington and state Rep. ALEDwards, both Houston democrats, earlier announced they would try to suc-

ceed the popular Leland in Congress.

Leland's wife, Alison, said earlier this week she would not seek election to the House, but issued a strong endorsement of City Councilman Rodney Ellis. Ellis, a longtime friend of the Leland and a former aide to the late congressman, has yet to announce whether he will enter the race.

Hall's decision to enter the race means he must give up his large council seat when his term ends this year. Former Immigration and Naturalization Service Com-

missioner Leonel Castillo is expected to campaign for the at-large position.

Castillo served as controller for the city from 1973-1977, when he lost an attempt at reelection. He served as INS commissioner from 1980-1981, and since has been involved primarily in education.

Hall is one of two blacks in city-wide positions on the 14-member council. He was elected in 1973 to the District D position on council and in 1983 to the at-large position. He served in the Texas House from 1973-1978.

Murder convictions in gay bashing reduced

By ROBERT STRAND FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—The California Court of Appeal Aug. 25 reduced the second-degree homicide convictions of three young Valjeo, Calif., men for the fatal "gay bashing" of a San Francisco man in 1984.

The trio currently is serving sentences of 15 years to life. By a 2-1 vote, the court modified their convictions to involuntary manslaughter and directed the trial judge to resentence them.

The decision meant the defendants would become eligible for parole. They are Timothy White,

26, and David Rogers and Donald Clinton, both 23.

They were among six acquaintances who, having met in Vallejo, decided to go to San Francisco for the purpose, according to one witness, of gay bashing. They met at 9:30 p.m. in the Park Street district, a favorite area of gay men, two men walking along the street were accosted by four of the trio, who drove one of them shouting homophobic epithets.

John O'Connell, 42, suffered two blows and fell to the pavement. The medical evidence was that it was the fall, not the blows,

that produced the cerebral trauma that caused death. It also developed that O'Connell was intoxicated at the time.

The court majority said that for a second-degree murder conviction the defendants must know there was "a high probability" that their conduct would result in death.

As a matter of law, the court said the striking of a person with one's hands is not an act involving a high probability of death."

The court said the attack seemed clearly motivated by "mindless homophobia" but "the

convictions of second-degree murder cannot stand."

The incident inspired great community outrage in 1984. The court said news reports exaggerated the facts but that this factor did not create a charge of venue, as the defendants argued.

In a dissent, Justice John W. Haimbald noted the defendants left the scene laughing and said aggravating circumstances in the case should elevate the crime to second-degree murder.

The majority opinion was signed by Justices John T. Rannelli and William A. Newsom Jr.

Rivers runs on about marriage

Don't look for Joan Rivers to get married again. "I don't have to," says Rivers, whose husband, Edgar Rosenberg, killed himself two years ago.

"I'm very happy in my business. I support myself."

Rivers, in an interview to be aired on "A Current Affair," says she doesn't even like dating.

"I'm dating and I find it horrendous," she says without mentioning her escorts by name. "I hate it. I hate every minute. I hate eating breath mints all night."

Rivers says romantic talk is the worst part—"obnoxious and it gives me the shudders and the willies."

Rivers also says she's very nervous about starting her syndicated talk show next week in the wake of her flop on the Fox network.

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Women's Network salutes 'Lesbian Foremothers'

By ANGELA PASSARETTI, MSW/GSW, women's program coordinator

The Montrose Counseling Center Women's Network is proud to honor our local lesbian foremothers during September. On Sept. 13, L.O.A.F., or Lesbians Over Age Fifty, will share their herstories with us as pioneer lesbians in Houston and elsewhere. Judging by my brief Women's Network is proud to honor our local lesbian foremothers during September. On Sept. 13, L.O.A.F., or Lesbians Over Age Fifty, will share their herstories with us as pioneer lesbians in Houston and elsewhere. Judging by my brief

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givers.

These topics, as well as many others, were generated by the participants in the Aug. 9 workshop session. The workshop consisted of women who had attended Women's Network in her infancy, some who have attended recently and some who were new to Houston and hadn't yet participated. Women from L.O.A.F., Women's Network and Women's Group were present, which enabled us to discuss the role of the network in relation to other groups. We exchanged ideas about topics and format, and openly shared feelings about how Network meetings can become more enriching.

Participants strongly expressed the desire for simple time at each meeting for networking and social interaction. Also expressed was the opinion that small group discussions held in

earlier years were extremely valuable. The discussions provided a time for women to explore their connection with at least a few members of the group before leaving for the evening.

Throughout the meeting, various ideas came forth, such as performing rituals, creating a Lesbian Services Directory, group participation in athletic events, fundraisers to support lesbian mothers and their children, addressing issues of elderly lesbians and lesbians of color, and the creation of an original banner or mural which would hang in the network space during every meeting. As these ideas illustrate, the energy in the group was high and the spirit of creativity and connectedness was effervescent. The meeting ended with a lively discussion of

back rubs and hugs, which we delightfully partook of as we said our goodbyes.

In closing, I would like to thank all those warm and gifted women who so generously shared their energy on Aug. 9. And to all women who are reading this, please become a part of Women's Network, every second and fourth Wednesday at 900 Lovett, on the second floor in the "Round Room." With a shared vision and a collective effort, we will surpass our fondest dreams, and have a great time doing it!

—Doonesbury not funny

By SCOTT MARLOW
Garry Trudeau's (editorial cartoon strip) "Doonesbury" which ran in the Houston Post Thursday, Aug. 17, concerning a man giving a fellow AIDS patient a birthday present of an unproven AIDS drug

which causes blindness in mice was in very poor taste. It was most offensive to those suffering from AIDS and to those who are not. If Trudeau was trying to make a point, he certainly could have used some guidance.

Life is short, and there may be AIDS patients willing to test drugs to help find a cure, but to infer, "What the hell, it's only someone with AIDS" is being simple minded and uncaring. I wonder if Trudeau would have written the same strip if he was one of the unfortunate ones suffering from AIDS.

As for the Post, they are as much at fault as Trudeau for printing such a strip (I can't call it a "comic" strip because there was nothing funny about it at all). It is one strip that the editor (of the Houston Post) should have used his "tits" and done away with altogether. I think the Post and Trudeau owe an apology.

Letters to the Editor

Conference to include 48 workshops

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force has announced that 48 workshops are planned for the second annual Creating Change Conference, to be held in Washington, D.C. on Nov. 10-12. The workshops will be organized into six tracks to address

campus organizing, organizational issues, legislative issues, civil building, issue organizing, movement building and political questions for the lesbian and gay rights movement. A special one day pre-conference fundraising seminar for lesbians and gay organizations is planned for Nov. 9.

Workshops include Organizing Against Violence, Gay Men and Lesbians in the Military, Mediascope 101, De-Gay and Re-Gaying of AIDS, Sex

Phobia from the Halls of Congress to the Local School Board, Getting the Most out of Meetings, Unlearning Heterosexism for Activists and Combating Homophobia on Campus.

"The Creating Change Conference is the annual convention for lesbian and gay activists working for political and social change at the local, state and national level," said Doreen Wald, NGLTF executive director. This year's conference will feature a wide array of workshops that address the depth and breadth of our movement.

The 1989 conference will include keynote speeches by Perry Watkins, Vito Russo and Suzanne Pharr. It will also

feature an exhibit area, a video/film/slide presentation area and "informal exchanges" for groups to swap brochures and other materials.

Most conference activities will take place at the Holiday Inn in Bethesda, Md. near downtown Washington, D.C. The event will be accessible for hearing impaired and disabled activists.

With Creating Change, there will be a pre-Veteran's Day demonstration in front of the White House to protest the military's anti-gay policies. Perry Watkins will be the featured speaker.

National Gay Community Notes

After Hours on KPFT celebrates 2 years on air

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"We'd tell them, 'I'm here on live radio and I'd like to ask you... and they'd say 'What? This is a private line, you can't do this!'" Johnston said.

Past shows have also included an interview with a gay Houston Police Department officer and tapes of milestone events in gay and lesbian American history, culled from the Pacific Foundation's archives in Los Angeles. The historic tapes, most often requested for re-broadcast, included both the 1970 and 1987 Marches on Washington.

But who does listen to gay and lesbian radio at that hour? Johnston said most of the mail received for the show is from young people, teenagers or young adults grappling with coming out for the first time. Other "fans" include Texas Department of Corrections inmates, older gay men and lesbians, out-of-towners visiting Houston for the first time, and people in small towns with no gay social environment. To these people, many of whom are total strangers to the Montrose bar scene, community organizations and other activities most Houston gays take for granted, Johnston is a leader and role model. He is the man with the voice, who dares to come into their lonely, closed corners with the

power of radio and, as one letter writer put it, makes them feel "normal for two hours a week."

Though Johnston claims the leadership position was unplanned and is sometimes "scary," he is not afraid of venturing into other areas of outreach, on his own or with "show in tow." A rally on the anniversary of activist Harvey Milk's death was sponsored by "After Hours" last fall. Though the event on Nov. 27, 1988, was not well attended, a speech by a 17-year-old listener who had just come out brought tears to the eyes of the seasoned activists there, Johnston said.

The most difficult show he has had to do have dealt with death, and saying good-bye to friends and supporters, Johnston said. Because the show's theme is "celebrating life in the heart of AIDS," Johnston said he at first tried to avoid the issue of AIDS and its devastation. That, he found, was impossible.

"I once had a call on the air from someone who said, 'I'm dying in Twelve Oaks Hospital and my family has turned their backs on me...I just wanted to let them know that I still love them.'" How do you follow something like that? Johnston said.

Ironically, the program's audience does not include the group



Buddy Johnston and Jim Carper entertain 2-4:00 a.m. each Sunday morning with After Hours

that Johnston first envisioned as needing such an outlet.

"When I first thought of the show, I told KPFT programming that coming home from the bar alone was the loneliest feeling in the world. That's what I remembered... I wanted to do a show that people could listen to after leaving the bars. I found out later that most of the people in the bars just care..."

The show is now geared to an audience that is interested in both radio and current affairs. Although it is a gay program, Johnston said they often deal with other current issues in relation to the gay community.

"After Hours," along with "Wide 'N' Stein" and "Breakthrough," make up KPFT's Houston Gay and Lesbian Radio trilogy. Each show has its own focused

audience, and each its own message.

Johnston said anyone with something to say who wants to be on the show is welcome, talented or not. The only requirements, he said, are that guests be committed to the movement and open enough to have their ideas challenged.

"We're trying to reach out to as many groups as we can," Johnston stated.

Volleyballers looking for a logo

Sponsors of the Lone Star Volleyball Classic II are looking for a new logo for the tournament. A grand prize of \$100 will be awarded for the best logo design. All entries must be submitted by Sept. 22. For details and entry rules, call Tom at 862-5189.

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THRIF benefit will honor Craig Washington

Friends of State Sen. Craig Washington will host an appreciation reception at Treoward's Restaurant, 310 Travis on Old Market Square, from 8:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 7. The event will benefit the Texas Human Rights Foundation.

Although a \$10 donation for THRIF is requested, no one will be denied admission, according to the sponsors. At Sen. Washington's request, canned food donations to fight world hunger in memory of Mickey LeBeau will also be accepted.

The host committee for the reception includes a diverse group of Houstonians, with several community political and business leaders on the list. An art exhibit, live music, food and a "positive protest" by ACT UP will be part of the activities.

Sen. Washington will be honored for "his lifelong commitment to human rights, reproductive rights and first amendment issues," said Eugene Harrington, a professor of law and vice president of THRIF.

—**Veteran support group**
A support group for veterans who are HIV positive, diagnosed with AIDS or AIDS meets weekly at the Houston VA Medical Center. The group is also open to family members and "significant others."

Doctors, lawyers and other professionals are sometimes invited to speak to the group. The group setting provides an opportunity for members to discuss the problems and issues associated with AIDS. Question

and answer periods follow the discussions.

Meetings are held from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Conference Room 150 at the VA Medical Center, 8002 Holcombe. For more information, contact Charita Cole at 796-7450.

—Women voters

The League of Women Voters of Houston is sponsoring a panel discussion Thursday, Sept. 7 from 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on the impact of the bills passed in the 71st legislative session. The group will discuss the legislation as it affects Harris County and Houston.

Panelists will be State Representatives John Culbreth, Dist. 183 and A.L. (Tony) Palumbo, Dist. 128; Paul Culbert, Dist. 136; City Atty. Clarence West; and Jim Lewis, administrative assistant to judge Jon Lindsay.

The program will be held at Palmer Memorial Episcopal Church, 6621 Main, in the Park Hill.

—Volunteer drivers

The Bering Care Center and PWA Coalition, Houston, are recruiting volunteers to drive American Red Cross vehicles in a PWA transportation program. Initially, transportation will be provided from "pick up" sites in Montrose to the Center on Thomas Street, the county's AIDS outpatient clinic. Eventually, transportation will be provided to other agencies which serve people with AIDS. Bering Care Center representatives said:

The service will be coordinated by



Attorney Sarah Weddington was a special guest at the Choice Coalition rally Saturday

the American Red Cross, Bering Care Center and the PWA Coalition are assisting by recruiting volunteer drivers.

Requirements include a valid Texas driver's license (operator's), participation in defensive driving classes arranged by the Red Cross, and participation in Red Cross CPR classes. Liability insurance for the drivers is provided by the American Red Cross. Persons interested in volunteering may call the Care Center at 520-7070, or the coalition at 522-5428.

—Names Project

The Houston Names Project will hold

an auction at 7:00 p.m. on Sept. 12 in the parking lot of the Santa Fe Trading Company. The public is invited. Donations for the auction will be accepted through Sept. 11.

The Project's last fundraiser, a garage sale last Saturday, Aug. 6, at Heaven, raised \$955.

The "sign in" quilt panel that will be included in the national quilt display will be available for signing in names at 8:00 p.m. on Sept. 1 at Choice, at 8:00 p.m. on Sept. 2 at Hutch, at 8:00 p.m. on Sept. 3 at Marj's, at 8:00 p.m. on Sept. 4 at Jo's Outpost and at 8:00 p.m. on Sept. 5 at Scanlon's.

—Training Center

The AIDS Regional Education and Training Center for Texas and Oklahoma has completed its first year of operation and has received \$697,169 in continued funding for a second year, an increase of 24 percent over last year's funding. The project is one of 18 centers funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Public Health Service.

Educational activities, programs and workshops throughout five sub-regions covering Texas and Oklahoma have provided education, an opportunity for more than 20,000 health professionals. Activities include physicians, nurses, dentists, social workers, health administrators, physician assistants and psychologists. Each sub-region develops and conducts programs tailored to the geographic and health care needs of their area.

Health professionals in Texas and Oklahoma wishing to attend a

workshop or needing assistance with conducting a workshop can contact the nearest office in Texas and Oklahoma. In Houston, the sub-regional office is located at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston School of Public Health, phone 794-4075.

In Texas and Oklahoma, it is estimated there are over 25,000 health professionals. Approximately 80 percent of those practicing health professionals completed their training before the first AIDS patient was diagnosed in their state.

—Choice rally

About 3500 people rallied in Sam Houston Park Saturday morning, Aug. 26 in support of abortion rights. The rally was sponsored by the Choice Coalition, an alliance of pro-choice organizations and activists, and was endorsed by a long list of human rights groups and advocates. The Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus was a co-sponsor of the demonstration, and members of several other Montrose groups participated.

Sarah Weddington, the plaintiff's attorney in the landmark "Roe vs. Wade" case, was the featured guest speaker. The rally and the Choice Coalition itself were organized in response to the United States Supreme Court's action in the case "Webster vs. Reproductive Health Services" which reversed the "Roe" decision.

Weddington was the subject of the recent television movie, "Roe vs. Wade." Persons attending the rally received an "action packet" containing the names, phone numbers and voting records of state legislators and lobbying hints.

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Evangelist ordered to psychiatric hospital

By JUNE PRESTON
from the MONTROSE VOICE
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (UPI)—Embattled evangelist Jim Bakker was committed to a psychiatric hospital Thursday after his lawyer and psychiatrist said he had suffered a nervous breakdown and was hallucinating.

Bakker was led away from the U.S. District Court in handcuffs. "Mr. Bakker, at the present time, is manufacturing evidence of severe psychiatric, emotional regression," his psychiatrist, Dr. Basil Jackson of Milwaukee said. "When I left him 10 minutes ago he was lying in his attorney's office in the fetal position with his head under the couch."

Jackson said Bakker suffered a total nervous breakdown Wednesday after a witness testifying against him collapsed on the witness stand. Bakker rushed to the side of witness Steve Nelson, fell to his knees, took his hand and prayed for him. "Yesterday, he was actively hallucinating," Jackson said. "Mr. Bakker reported that he left the courthouse suddenly the people outside took on the form of frightening animals which he felt were best in destroying him."

The people Bakker faced outside the courthouse were reporters, photographers and television film crews from around the world. Bakker did not appear in court Thursday for a competency hearing and Judge Robert Potter ordered marshals to go get him. They brought him to the courthouse, his hands shackled by handcuffs, and placed him in a holding cell. "That is our procedure," a marshal

said. "We will treat him no different than anyone else. He must be handcuffed and he must be held in a cell."

For Bakker, who has never been arrested on a traffic charge, it was the first time he had ever worn handcuffs and the first time he had ever been in a cell.

Three hours later, marshals took Bakker from the cell to a car for the

three-hour drive to Butler, where he will undergo a psychiatric evaluation. They pushed him into the vehicle head first. Bakker was clearly bewildered.

"Why are they doing this to me?" he asked as he was pushed into the car.

Bakker has relied on the advice of his 52-year-old lawyer, George Davis, since his indictment in December on 24 counts of federal fraud and

conspiracy stemming from the way he raised money at PTL.

He previously was represented by famed trial lawyer Melvin Belli, also 82, but Davis gained Bakker's confidence and convinced him to dump Belli.

Bakker's trusting nature—some call him glibble—gave Davis great influence over him. Jackson was brought in to counsel Bakker as a psychiatrist.



A classy little troublemaker.



Barney Frank fights for political life

Commentary by LEON DANIEL
UPI Senior Editor

FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE
WASHINGTON—Rep. Barney Frank, the Massachusetts Democrat fighting for political survival, contends he is the only one who suffered from the risk he took in trying to help a male prostitute after having sex with him.

Frank could turn out to be very wrong about that.

If the scandal ultimately costs him his political life, the nation will have lost a liberal lawmaker who fought effectively for minorities and the poor.

Frank beat his enemies to the punch by asking the House ethics committee to investigate the whole messy business.

That was a good tactic, but it probably required less personal courage than Frank displayed in his homosexuality.

It also was sound for Frank, a 43-year-old Harvard-trained law-

yer, to acknowledge quickly that he was guilty of some stupid behavior and appalling judgment.

He admitted forthrightly that after a sexual liaison with Stephen Goble he put the convicted sex and drug offender on his personal payroll and moved him into his Capitol Hill home to do house-hold chores.

"Anybody who knows me knows I don't 'do windows,' snuffed Goble, who claims that when Frank was away he used the house to run a sex service.

As it turns out, Goble wants to write a book about it all so there may be more to this sordid saga.

But there's already enough on the record to indicate Frank violated a House rule requiring committee to act "at all times in a manner which shall reflect creditably on the House."

All lawmakers have at least bent that rule and some have with impunity smashed it to smithereens.

Justice and fairness probably will be best served if the ethics panel simply tries to determine if Frank's private conduct has interfered with his official duties or adversely affected public policy.

Frank's political survival ultimately may depend on his constituents. Last weekend at Fall River he walked, subdued and unsmiling, for two miles in a parade in full view of about 100,000 of them.

"Hey, Barney," some shouted.

"We're with you all the way!"

An angry voice warned news photographers crowding Frank to "leave the guy alone."

There were only a few taunts and muffled boos.

The Washington Times, the conservative newspaper which broke the scandal story, opined editorially that Frank "harbored a rather frosty indifference to the elementary moral standards to which public leaders ought to adhere."

But that newspaper's readers don't vote in Massachusetts

Fourth Congressional District, where Frank is highly regarded as a savvy lawmaker whose voting record is one of the most liberal in Congress.

Frank proved he is not a liberal of the free-jerk school when he actively supported immigration reform legislation that most liberals shunned. He opposes dairy subsidies which help hold House Democrats together.

Free lawmakers here found fault with his earlier funding cuts in public housing for the poor.

Self-styled "pro-life" opponents of both abortion and child-feeding programs suffered Frank's biting wit when he commented, "Sure it's a 'pro-life' issue. They believe that life begins at conception and ends at birth."

Frank has put his political life in the hands of the ethics panel. So whether he survives is up to his peers, who also are flawed.

Frank defends his relationship with prostitute

NEWTON, Mass. (UPI)—Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., confirmed that a male prostitute he hired as a personal aide used his apartment to run a sex-for-money business, but insisted Aug. 25 he was unaware of the activity and fired the man when he learned about it.

Frank, 49, said he was "conned" by the male prostitute. He said he met the man, identified as Steve Goble, through an escort service about three years ago and paid to have sex with him.

Frank said he later hired Goble as a personal aide, using only personal funds, because he wanted to help rehabilitate him. Frank said he paid him about \$20,000 a year. "I made a misjudgment," said Frank. "I thought I was going to be a liberal who got involved directly with an individual who needed help, that I had an individual who was going to get help and he took me."

Frank, confirming the main parts of a story printed a week ago in The Washington Times, said after hiring Goble, he later learned that the man was using his apartment to run a prostitution ring. At that point, Frank said, he fired him.

The newspaper reported that the male prostitute, who used the pseudonym Greg Davis, provided homosexual and bisexual prostitution services from Frank's apartment from late 1985 through mid-1987. Frank said Davis's real name was Goble.

"I will confess to having shown poor judgment as a social worker in that regard and to having been conned by this guy," Frank told reporters. "It never involved any-

thing but my personal money."

The Washington Post reported Saturday that Goble was convicted of three felonies, including oral sodomy and possession of cocaine, in Circuit Court in Alexandria, Va., in 1982.

The Washington Times quoted the man as saying he arranged for Frank to have discounted and free sex with other male prostitutes in exchange for use of the lawmaker's apartment. Frank flatly denied that charge.

"His suggestion that he was procuring sex partners for me is a lie," Frank said. Frank, who publicly revealed his own homosexuality in 1987, said he met Goble about three years ago through an escort service, paid for sexual

services with him and then ended the sexual relationship when he hired Goble as a personal aide.

He said Goble was a housekeeper and chauffeur and was not paid and was not paid \$20,000 a year. At the time, Frank said, he tried to persuade Goble to abandon his work as a prostitute.

"He led me to believe that he agreed with me," Frank said.

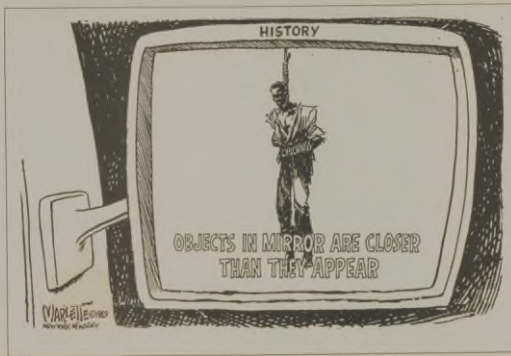
When his landlady informed him strangers were using his Washington apartment, Frank said he confronted Goble, discovered the man was using the site for prostitution services and fired him.

"It began on a personal basis. It

became a friendship and he worked for me," Frank said of Goble. "When my landlady figured out what was happening—as soon as she told me that the second time—and I was morally certain myself... I threw him out."

"He was angry. He threatened me with a variety of retributions. And apparently, he finally decided the way to do that would be to go to The Washington Times," Frank said.

"In terms of personal judgment, my thinking that I could become a positive role model for this guy and get him to improve his life—I have never been so wrong about a person," Frank said, calling his actions "the biggest mistake that I have ever made."



Spouse abuse law to be tested in trial of lesbian

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WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (UPI)—A woman accused in the death of her lesbian lover faces trial Monday in what is believed to be the nation's first test of spousal abuse statutes by a lesbian.

Lawyers for Annette Green, 30, plan to argue that she shot to death her lover, Ivonne Julio, 32, last year because Julio physically and mentally abused her during their 11-year relationship.

The so-called "battered spouse syndrome" ordinarily is used by women who are abused by male lovers they claim they are powerless to leave.

"This is a new issue," New York

University Professor Holly Maguigan, an expert on domestic violence, told *The Miami Herald*. "But it is not surprising... The dynamics in a same-sex relationship are often similar to those in a heterosexual relationship."

Maguigan, an expert on domestic violence, said this is the first case of its kind in the nation.

Julio died of a gunshot wound to the head suffered Oct. 30, 1988 in a trailer park after a Halloween party and a fight between the lovers. Witnesses say they saw Green kick Julio during the party, courts records show.

Assistant State Attorney Bob

Johanson said he does not believe Green, and plans to seek the death penalty if she is convicted.

He has asked the court to prohibit testimony on the battered spouse syndrome when lesbians are involved, because of the lack of adequate research. A ruling had not been made on his request.

In two cases, male homosexuals accused of murdering their lovers have used the battered spouse syndrome for their defense. One was acquitted, the other was convicted.

Green told police Julio struck her without warning and had beaten her at least 100 times since

they became lovers. Friends said the couple argued frequently and those verbal spats often led to violent physical behavior, the Herald said.

Defense attorneys also claim Julio was a cocaine addict. They said Green also had to shelter Julio's twin 14-year-old daughters from a previous marriage. They say Green and the twins were very close and the children's welfare was what kept Green from packing up and leaving the family's trailer.

The Green case went to trial earlier this year, but a mistrial was declared because the judge in-

volved had handled a case involving the twins when she was an attorney.

Gay rights supporters say this case will help show how domestic violence in homosexual households is virtually the same as in heterosexual homes.

"For the gay community, domestic violence is something we have turned our heads from," said Paula Etzlerick, legal director of the Lambda Legal Defense and Educational Fund, a gay rights group. "It took a long time for women to talk about it all, and I think the same thing has happened in the gay community."

'Houtopia' is a hit and miss proposition

Houston Live by NEIL BADDERS

The Montrose Voice
"Houtopia: a Hitchhiker's Guide to Houston" at the Comedy Workshop had its opening night Aug. 24, which was no mean feat, considering they had a full house of 200 and only 21 parking spots.

Closure of their parking lot due to the Brothers' homophobia and the refusal of the new owner, the Brown Foundation, to let the Comedy Workshop continue using it, plus a lot of the small, hot entry ways while the cast rehearsed up to the last possible second, didn't leave me much in the mood for comedy.

Just to make sure my mood hadn't clouded my judgment, I canvassed 20 people I knew in the room afterwards. The vote was 19-1 that four or five of the sketches in the new revue worked (this out of approximately 10). I agree.

"Houtopia" was strange, there is no other way to put it. The comedy didn't come from clever writing. The laughs, when they came, were out of shock, "gross out" or just totally bizarre characters. To be fair, there were many of these kinds of laughs.

The revue was very loosely held about the premise that Houston's popular sites were to be seen by visitors, but to be viewed by the populace with an exaggerated eye.

One sketch that worked for me was the opening, where two couples, on visiting, attended an Astros game. The men talk baseball, while the women watched a couple with a unique reward system: "She hugs him on the strikes and kisses him on the balls."

Sketches on Magic Island, Astroworld, Club A Capella (where a cheesy club singer performed "Sissy Side-walks to July") and Movie Patrol, where two students of Wilfred Beauty Academy are caught sneaking into a sexual movie without paying, had promising setups but didn't deliver.

A sketch about a Clubland killer began very humorously, but wound up with no ending, a sketch, a segment about a radio talk show host with no callers, became a reworking of *Scrooge*, with ghosts from the past and future. If it becomes more focused and the actor it features gives it better delivery, it should work.

Very funny were sketches on



The cast of "Houtopia: a Hitchhiker's Guide to Houston," now playing at the Comedy Workshop

Houston in 2009, where the Astro-dome has been torn down, its use as a mini storage warehouse, nose, and micro-cow chips and dog prostheses are a sign of the times, a spoof of a bad play. "Cat on a Glass Street" is reviewed by two critics who spout out their internal thoughts. A sketch (complete with video) of yuppies who on the weekends

boogie around on a rubber ball as "Garaminals" is also cleverly done.

The cast as a whole needed a little more rehearsing, as I believe a few other sketches will work if not undercut by line lapses and rough timing. Without a program or any pictures in the lobby, I can't give names, but two performers, both males with long hair, were consistently funny. The other two men and three women had their moments, and I'm sure as they settle into the material they'll attain some of this consistency.

Despite its uneven quality, I would suggest seeing "Houtopia: Comedy, what makes us laugh or not, is a very personal choice. Make your own decision.

City Councilman Rodney Ellis placed Ellis in her would-be front runner slot, and boosted Ellie's chances. Leland, citing "personal priorities," announced Tuesday she would not seek her husband's seat. She added she felt her husband would have wanted to be succeeded by Ellis, a family friend.

Washington and Leland's statements were "expected."

Another announced candidate, State Rep. Al Edwards, is also popular in some liberal circles and has been openly courting support in Montrose from community leaders thought to be in Washington's camp.

The special election on Nov. 7 is expected to have far-reaching effects on the local political picture. For one thing, the two Houston City Council members who are expected to run, Ellis and Anthony Hall, will have to resign their council seats to run in the special race. (This fact had previously raised speculation that Allison Leland would run for the seat to "hold" it as a "caretaker" for the remainder of the term, as Ellis could run in the regular election and not have to give up his seat.)

But the fact that Washington will either have to conduct a long distance campaign or resign his own seat in the Texas Senate has raised an interest in the local political implications of that race.

Washington enters race for Dist. 18 seat

In a surprise move Aug. 25, State Sen. Craig Washington announced that he will run for the U.S. Congressional Dist. 18 seat left vacant by the death of Rep. Mickey Leland. The entry was welcomed by several Montrose human rights leaders who had expressed disappointment at Washington's earlier statements that he would not run.

In explaining his reversal, Washington said there was no one else considering the race "that I would be able to sleep at night knowing is in that position."

"After long soul searching and conversations with various people whose judgment I trust, and who helped overcome my resistance... I have reconsidered my previous decision. I am pursuing a seat in Congress," Washington said.

"All of the potential candidates whose names I have heard mentioned are my friends and acquaintances. The voters will ultimately decide who can best represent them in Washington, and try to replace the likes of Mickey Leland and (Rep.) Barbara Jordan. That is how it should be... All people in the 18th Congressional District are in shock. All have suffered a great loss," he continued.

Washington is being honored Thursday, Sept. 7 by the Texas Human Rights Foundation for his



State Sen. Craig Washington reversed earlier statement, and he will run for Leland's seat

track record in support of human rights issues, particularly in the last session of the Texas Legislature. He was a stated favorite of local gay political leaders in the

race, even before he decided to enter it.

But Washington acknowledged Wednesday, Aug. 30 that Allison Leland's endorsement of Houston

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Montrose Voice Bar Zaar

A Listing of the Special and Regular Events at Houston Clubs, Restaurants and Other Places of Entertainment which advertise in and distribute the Montrose Voice

We do our best to make this list as accurate as possible but there may be some errors. Call the bar or restaurant to confirm an event.

Most Always

-Arriba Cantina: 99¢ Margaritas 4-7pm
-Club Body Center: \$5 for 30 minute tanning session, \$30 for 8 visits
-Santa Fe Trading Co.: 99¢ frozen Margaritas, 4-8 pm, Santa Fe Gold Margaritas, largest selection of imported beers and tequila
-Scandal's: D.J. Dennis McGinnis plays your favorite oldies from the 50's, 60's, 70's
-Scandal's: Open 11am, Mon-Sat, 12 Noon, Sunday
-J.R.'s: Monday thru Friday, hors d'oeuvres 5:30 until 7:30
-Siboney Club: Open Tuesday-Sunday, 8pm-2am, good presentation required
-Thai Villa Restaurant: Dinner: Daily specials, M-Th 5:30-10pm, F & S 5:30-10:30pm
-Thai Villa Restaurant: Lunch: Thai Buffet, \$5.95, M-F 11am-2pm
-Thai Villa Restaurant: Thurs-Sat Nights: Live piano
-Venture-N: Get It? Got It? Good!!
-Venture-N: Dancing on The Farside, seven days a week
-Momma's Money: \$1 Well & Domestic Beer, Monday-Saturday, 7am-11am
-Momma's Money: 75¢ Well Drinks, Monday-Thursday, 9pm-Midnight
-Momma's Money: Happy Hour, Monday-Saturday, 7am-8pm
-Missouri St. Station: Open 11 am-2am
-Bacchus: Happy Hour 4-8pm
-Missouri St. Station: Happy Hour prices til 9 pm
-Dusters: C & W Dancing Daily
-Dusters: Open 6pm-2am
-E/J's: 7am-8pm Happy Hour, 7am-6pm \$1 Vodka drinks, Beer bust 4-10pm Monday-Saturday
-E/J's: 7 Days a week, \$1 Well drinks 1am-2am
-Past Time: Happy hour 12-8pm.
-Pot Pie Restaurant: Free home delivery for pizzas
-Ri'Marks: Happy Hour 4-8pm
-French Quarter Theater: see ad this issue
-Club Romeo: Happy hour 5-9pm
-Venture-N: Happy hour Noon-8pm
-Venture-N: Beer bust 4-10pm
-J.R.'s: 3-in-1 Happy Hour opening-10pm
-Charlie's Restaurant: Dinner and midnite specials
-Rock 'N' Horse: Open Tues-Sat (4pm-2am), Sun (4pm-2am), Closed Mondays
-Briar Patch: Happy hour till 8pm
-The Barn: Happy hour 11am-9pm
-Siboney Club: Dance to the hottest rhythms of Salsa, Merengue, Reggae, Calypso and Disco music on our two Marble dance floors, free buffet
-The Barn: What A Nellie Deli, 11am-3pm, serving lunch Mon-Fri
-Dusters: Beer Bust Sun & Thurs, 6-10pm
-Mother's: Play volleyball on the patio, Happy hour prices 7 days a week, 7am-8pm, Keoki Kona sings & plays the organ, 6pm-8pm Mon-Fri, 2nd floor bar, Never a Door Charge
-Brazos River Bottom: Happy Hour Mon-Sat, 7am-9pm, Sun Noon-

9pm
-Charlie's Restaurant: Open 24 hours
-Galleon: Happy Hour 'til 8pm Daily
-Santa Fe Trading Co.: Open 4pm, 3 in 1 happy hour cocktails, \$1.75 longnecks or happy hour price single well til 10pm
-Spanish Flower Restaurant: Open 24 hrs. (ex. Tues.)
-The Attic: Open 4pm-2am Monday-Friday, 7pm-2am Saturday and Sunday, Happy Hour 4-8pm Mon-Fri, \$1 well drinks
-Chutes: Beer bust, 3pm-11pm, 75¢ Vodka drinks, noon-6pm
-Chutes: \$1 frozen margaritas noon-6pm, happy hour 12-10pm
-Mary's: After Hours Thursday-Sunday
-Mary's: Happy hours M-F: 7am-noon, 6-8pm, 11:30pm-1am, M-S Super Happy hour 9am-11am, \$1 well & beer, always 75¢ draft
-Chutes: Frozen Margaritas, \$1.25, 6pm-2am, Happy hour, noon-10pm

Friday

-Arriba Cantina: 75¢ tequila shots all day
-The Barn: Cowboys in Action, 8-2
-Missouri St. Station: Patio specials
-Bacchus: The Gay Dating Game 8pm
-Club Romeo: TGIF Party 5-9pm
-Scandal's: Dance to the music of D.J. Dennis McGinnis
-Lazy J: Show Night 10pm
-The Attic: Michael Bailey/Noel Eskew, 8:30pm-12:30am, Topless Waiters
-Cousins: Drawing, 6.45, win triple your shoe size, Cousins & Company, 10:30pm
-Mother's: No door charge, dance music by Phil Ware
-Heaven: 50¢ well, cover
-J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers non-stop 6pm until 2am
-Chutes: Cruise Night, happy hour noon-10pm, Male Strip Night with MC Casandra Land, cash prizes, Hot dogs by Texas Riders
-Montrose Mining Co.: Special Forces (male dancers) 8pm-2am
-Brazos River Bottom: Happy Hour, 7am til 9pm, Brazos River Band, 9:30pm
-Ri'Marks: Live entertainment

Saturday

-Rock 'N' Horse: Live band 9pm-1am
-Montrose Mining Co.: 3 in 1 happy hour 4-10pm, 25¢ draft beer in a mug 10pm-2am
-Arriba Cantina: 75¢ tequila shots, Brunch menu 11am-4pm, \$1.25 Mimosas, Poinsettias, Bloody Marys & Champagne all day
-Cousins: Cousins & Company, 10:30pm
-Missouri St. Station: Patio specials
-Mother's: All Vodka drinks & shots of schnapps 75¢, 7am-8pm
-Dusters: 75¢ Schnapps all night
-E/J's: \$1 Well drinks 4-7pm
-J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers 10:30pm
-Scandal's: Dance to the music of D.J. Dennis McGinnis
-Lazy J: Show Night 10pm
-The Barn: Cowboys in Action, 8pm-2am
-The Attic: Michael Bailey/Noel Eskew, 8:30pm-12:30am, Topless Waiters
-Bacchus: Houston's Original Party

Night, \$2 Margaritas
-Club Romeo: \$1.75 Coronas, \$1 schnapps
-Heaven: 50¢ well 9-11 pm, cover, DJ-Scooter Bearden
-Mary's: Beer bust on the patio with Cindy 1-6pm, Leather Night
-Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour til 9pm, Brazos River Band, 9:30
-Chutes: Cruise Night & liquor bust 8-Midnight, \$6, \$500 Dash for Cash, 10pm-2am
-Ri'Marks: Live entertainment

Sunday

-Bacchus: Pool Tournament, 2pm
-Galleon: \$1.50 Cuervo Gold Margaritas all day/night
-Rubio's: Free draft 7-10pm, "Rubios Presenta" 10:30
-E/J's: Noon-10pm Beer bust, Dinners served on the patio at 5pm, \$1 Well drinks 6-9pm
-The Barn: Cowboys in Action, starting at 7pm
-Siboney Club: International Show Travesty
-Momma's Money: Happy Hour, Noon-4pm, \$1 Well with 50¢ Schnapps 4-7pm
-Arriba Cantina: Brunch menu 11am-4pm, \$1.25 Mimosas, Poinsettias, Bloody Marys and Champagne all day
-The Attic: Whip Cream Wrestling, 10pm, Topless Waiters
-J.R.'s: 75¢ Cape Cods, Bloodies, Margaritas & Schnapps Noon-10pm
-Thai Villa Restaurant: Buffet \$5.95, 11am-2:30pm
-Galleon: Steak Night 6pm, Naomi Sims and Dyan Michaels Show 10pm
-Rock 'N' Horse: Bloody Marys \$1, Live band 6pm-10pm, free hot dogs
-Club Romeo: Hangover Blues, beer \$1.25, Bloody Marys \$2, Barbeque and drink specials, open 3pm
-Heaven: Free well 7-9, free draft all night, \$1.25 Corona all night, cover
-Scandal's: Pool tournament, 1pm, registration noon
-Venture-N: Booze/Beer Bust 4-10pm
-Montrose Mining Co.: Beer Bust & 50¢ hot dogs 4pm-midnight, 50¢ draft beer in a mug midnight-2am
-Mary's: Beer bust 1-6pm, Steak night 5pm, \$3.50 for 10 oz. ribeye and all the fixin's
-Chutes: Beer bust noon-11pm, liquor bust 4-8pm, free food, Lube wrestling 5pm
-Missouri St. Station: Open noon-2am, Summer Sunday Social, \$1 well and juice drinks, 75¢ schnapps, 3-7pm
-Mother's: All Vodka drinks & shots of schnapps 75¢, noon-8pm, Male dancers 10pm-1am, Bar-B-Que on the patio 5pm-9pm
-Ri'Marks: Open mike night 6pm til 7
-Brazos River Bottom: Steak Night, 4.50, 6pm, Happy hour, noon til 6pm, Brazos River Band, 7pm

Monday

-Galleon: Best Crowd in Town
-E/J's: \$1 Margaritas & Kamikazees, Dart Tournament 7pm
-Mother's: Beer Bust 25¢/mug or \$1.50 60 oz. pitcher Miller Lite Draft, 6pm-1am
-Rubio's: CLOSED, Available for private functions, reserve one week in advance
-Montrose Mining Co.: 3 in 1 happy hour all day/night, 5¢ draft

-The Attic: Whip Cream Wrestling 10pm, Topless Waiters
-Ripcord: \$1 Margaritas 9pm-2am
-Club Body Center: Lockers \$3.25 noon-midnite
-J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers non-stop 6pm until 2am
-Galleon: Male strip contest 10pm
-Mary's: Bowler's Special Night
-Chutes: Free pool, beer bust, 3pm-11pm, Liquor bust 8pm-midnight, happy hour noon-10pm
-Brazos River Bottom: \$1 longnecks, 7am-2am

Tuesday

-Mother's: All well drinks \$1.75 7am-1am, Dance music from the 70s and early 80s
-The Ranch: Beer bust & dance lessons
-Ripcord: \$1.25 canned beer 8pm-2am
-Rock 'N' Horse: Pitcher of beer \$2, Steak night 7pm
-Chutes: Liquor bust 8pm-midnight, Drawing for portable TV, 10pm
-The Attic: Talent Night in the Cabaret, Topless Waiters
-Club Body Center: 1/2 price rooms & lockers, 7pm-3am
-Missouri St. Station: Beer Blow Out 7pm-midnite, \$1 domestic longnecks
-Club Romeo: \$1.25 beer
-Venture-N: Free Pool 4-8pm
-The Barn: Steak night, 7pm, \$4.00, happy hour 9pm
-Brazos River Bottom: Dance lessons with Brent & Jonathan, 9:30
-Montrose Mining Co.: \$1 beer bust 4pm-closing, Men at Work (male dancers) 10pm-2am
-Galleon: Happy hour til 8pm, Star Search 10pm, cash prize and guest appearance Sunday
-Bacchus: Pot Luck Night

Wednesday

-Chutes: Steak Night, 7pm-10pm, \$4.50
-Ripcord: \$1.50 well all day
-Rock 'N' Horse: Schnapps \$1
-Mother's: Longneck domestic beers \$1, 8pm-Midnight, Tequila Gold Slammers \$1.50 10pm-2am
-Montrose Mining Co.: Nickel draft beer in a mug 10pm-2am, music of 60's, 70's, 80's
-Club Romeo: Vodka specials
-Missouri St. Station: Professional and Executive Ladies Nite, 5pm til 7
-Ri'Marks: Corporate Ladies Night Out w/ hors d'oeuvres, 4-8pm
-J.R.'s: Pacific Coast Dancers non-stop 6pm until 2am
-Heaven: 10¢ well 9pm-2am, cover, biggest Wed. crowd in Houston
-Rubio's: Talent night (\$75 first place), drink specials, dancing till 2am
-Bacchus: Corporate Ladies Happy Hour, free hors d'oeuvres til 8pm
-The Attic: Michael Bailey/Noel Eskew 8:30pm-12:30am, Topless Waiters
-The Barn: Naomi and her "love slaves", 10:30 pm, \$200 cash prize

Thursday

-The Attic: Michael Bailey/Noel Eskew 8:30pm-12:30am, Topless Waiters
-Rock 'N' Horse: All can beer \$1
-Mother's: Male dancers & Shows 10pm & Midnight, no door charge, burgers on the patio 6pm-10pm
-The Barn: Posse Male Dancers, 9pm-2am
-The Ranch: Beer bust & dance lessons
-Ripcord: \$1.50 Margaritas 9pm-2am
-Club Romeo: \$1.50 well drinks
-Club Body Center: Half price day

noon-midnite
-Heaven: Male Dance Revue with Hunter and the Headliners and Fantasy in Motion at 11pm
-Bacchus: Steak Night, 7pm (you bring the meat, we supply the rest)
-J.R.'s: 3 in 1 happy hour, \$1.25 frozen drinks all day all night
-Venture-N: Free Pool 4-8pm
-Mary's: Club Night
-Galleon: \$1 buffet, 8pm
-Brazos River Bottom: Happy hour til 9pm, Brazos River Band 9pm, no cover, \$1 domestic longnecks all day/night
-Chutes: \$1 Margaritas in a glass all day/night, \$1 Michelob Dry
-Montrose Mining Co.: Happy Hour 4-7pm (\$1.10 well, beer), 3 in 1 Happy Hour 4-10pm, Longnecks (domestic beer, soft drinks \$1.10) 10pm-2am, \$2 beer bust 4-10pm

Names and phones

Here's the BAR-ZAAR list: places you might consider for drinking, dining and sensual pleasures.
-Arriba Cantina, 1100 Westheimer, 524-4800
-The Attic, 905 Prairie @ Travis, 229-8022
-Bacchus, 523 Lovett, 523-3396
-The Barn, 710 Pacific, 523-0213
-Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, 528-9192
-Briar Patch, 2294 Holcombe, 665-9678
-Club Body Center, 2205 Fannin, 659-4998
-Chapultepec Mexican Restaurant, 813 Richmond, 522-2365
-Charlie's Restaurant, 1102 Westheimer, 520-5221
-Chutes, 1732 Westheimer, 523-2213
-Cousins, 817 Fairview, 528-9204
-Dusters, 2715-B Waughcrest, 522-9485
-E/J's, 2517 Ralph, 527-9071
-Club Flamingo, 907 Westheimer, 527-8830
-French Quarter Theater, 3201 Louisiana, 527-0782
-Galleon, 2303 Richmond, 522-7616
-Heaven, Pacific at Grant, 521-9123
-J.R.'s, 808 Pacific, 521-2519
-Keystroke, a club on the move, 785-9258
-La Cucaracha y Cantina, 3921 N. Main, 864-5069
-Lazy J, 312 Tuam, 528-9343
-Mary's, 1022 Westheimer, 527-9669
-Midtown Spa, 3100 Fannin, 522-2379
-Montrose Mining Co., 805 Pacific, 529-7488
-Momma's Money, 534 Westheimer, 522-0045
-Missouri St. Station, 1117 Missouri, 524-1333
-Mother's, 402 Lovett, 520-7935
-Jo's Outpost, 2818 Richmond, 528-8318
-Past Time, 617 Fairview, 529-4669
-Pot Pie Restaurant, 1525 Westheimer, 528-4350
-O.T.s, 608 Westheimer, 529-8813
-The Ranch, 9150 S. Main, 666-3464
-Ri'Marks, 2715 Waughcrest, 522-9485
-Ripcord, 715 Fairview, 521-2792
-Rock 'N' Horse, 1220 Taft, 520-9910
-Club Romeo, 903 Richmond, 528-9110
-Rubio's, 202 Tuam, 522-1207
-Santa Fe Trading Co., 804 Pacific, 528-6969
-Scandal's, 1419 Richmond, 528-8903
-Siboney Club, 6121 Hillcroft, 771-9611
-Spanish Flower Restaurant, 4701 N. Main, 869-1706
-Thai Villa Restaurant, 2907 W. Alabama, 524-4777
-Venture-N, 2923 S. Main, 522-0000

Massachusetts Congressman Barney Frank hired a hustler four years ago. Of course, "hustler" never appeared in any of the news stories as that terminology is "gay," giving was the straight usage of "male prostitute."

The incident is clearly unfortunate for Frank, one of the most outstanding members of Congress and a liberal, and an open member of the gay community. Falling back on the humor for which he is noted, Frank agreed that the incident will be used in the next campaign, noting that "if I was planning strategy, this is not one of the events I would propose."

Not surprisingly, the Republicans wasted little time (if only they could react so swiftly to S&L crises and HUD payoffs) in circulating a copy of the hustler's gay newspaper ad. Edward Rollins, co-chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, immediately called for an Ethics Committee investigation. And Rollins understands sleaze from his promotion of the now infamous attack on Speaker Tom Foley which implied more than liberal commonality with the same Barney Frank.

Showing his usual good political judgment Frank has asked for such an ethics investigation. Whatever that outcome, ultimately the final verdict will come from the voters in Frank's district. We can only hope he will be judged on merit and the ever present honesty so characteristic of this needed role model to our community.

The downside is, unfortunately, the character of the hustler, Steven Gobie. Gobie is no one's role model—convicted of drug charges, shoplifting and sex charges, Gobie is now openly soliciting offers for his "story" which will undoubtedly "improve" in the telling.

Our community is not immune from such individuals. Often some of our worst enemies are within the community, feeding their own self-hate on the gay body politic, always to the delight of our non-gay enemies. As in the case of Gobie, these destructive members of

our community have no history of being productive to the community.

On a more positive note, we strongly urge anyone interested in gay rights to attend the reception for state Sen. Craig Washington Thursday, September 7, at Treebeard's Restaurant (315 Travis in Old Market Square). The Texas Human Rights Foundation, one of our community's "productive" organizations, is hosting this appreciation reception. And Washington, a leading supporter of gay and lesbian rights in the state legislature, is now seeking the vacant U.S. House seat so ably held by Mickey Leland, a true champion of individuals' rights including those of our community.

Any THRF function is crucial in raising much needed funds to fight our legal battles, but this event provides an opportunity to demonstrate our community's commitment to support those public officials who, at some political risk, work for our rights.

So if you have ever asked yourself what you can do for the cause here is a prime opportunity. And even if you can't afford to contribute to THRF you will be most welcome.



The LOBO VIDEO CLUB offers the largest selection of gay and lesbian adult titles anywhere in the United States. LOBO also offers a large selection of gay-themed theatrical releases, many not available anywhere else. Recent additions include "Impostors," "The Decameron," "The Canterbury Tales," "David," "Before Stonewall," "A Virus Knows No Morals," and "Anita, Dances of Vice." Just one more reason to check us out.

Lobo is buying gay material from After Dark to Drummer, videos, paperbacks and hardbacks by or about gay and lesbian. Wanted, collections large or small.

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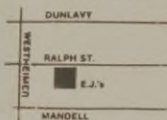
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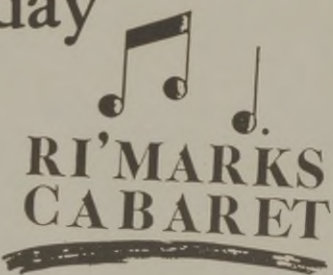
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Artists pulling work from Corcoran

By SANDY SARDELLA

FOR THE MONTROSE VOICE
WASHINGTON (UPI)—Artists contributing to two exhibits scheduled to appear at the Corcoran Gallery of Art this season have withdrawn their work because the museum canceled a highly acclaimed exhibit by photographer Robert Mapplethorpe, a gallery spokeswoman said Wednesday.

The two exhibits were designed to survey trends in contemporary art.

A third, much larger exhibit involving Soviet and American artists, also is endangered, officials said Wednesday.

The Mapplethorpe display, which had been scheduled to open July 1, was canceled abruptly by the Corcoran in June amid fears of retribution by Congress as the National Endowment for the Arts agreed to begin looking at the process of federal funding of controversial art shows.

The exhibit was then moved to the Washington Project for the Arts. It was highly acclaimed and more than 48,000 people lined up to see the Mapplethorpe photographs. Mapplethorpe, a New York City photographer, recently died of AIDS.

A bill introduced by Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., which would prohibit federal funding of "obscene or indecent" art, passed the Senate but has not yet been approved in the House.

The unprecedented decision by the Corcoran to halt the showing of Mapplethorpe's work—which included flowers, portraits and some graphic images with homosexual themes—had been shown elsewhere without objection. The cancellation and the attendant debate sparked an uproar over censorship of the arts.

Artists have demonstrated outside the gallery, demanding separation of "art and state."

The first affected exhibit, "Gallery One: Annette Lemieux," was scheduled to run from Oct. 28 to Dec. 31, but has been "indefinitely postponed," said Corcoran spokeswoman Debbie Shriver.

The second, a work of six sculptors scheduled for showing next Feb. 3 to April 8, was canceled outright, Shriver said.

Corcoran Director Christina Orr-Cahall could not be reached for comment Wednesday. She told The Washington Post earlier that she feared such action by artists when the work by Mapplethorpe—one of the premier photographers of his generation—was canceled.

"We're in the middle of the storm," Orr-Cahall told The Washington Post earlier. "We are working hard to combat the Helms Amendment. We're trying to deal with the imperiled situation that we see now, and which we saw in April and May. It is no longer business as usual anywhere in the art world and certainly not at the Corcoran."

The 10 American artists involved in the third show, "10 plus 10: Contemporary Soviet and American Painters," scheduled for showing next April 21 through June 24, may still vote to veto the appearance, said E.A. Carmean, an organizer for the exhibit.

But the show, organized by the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Texas, also involves Soviet artists and is expected to be shown in the Soviet Union after the Corcoran display.

Carmean said canceling the Corcoran exhibit might be seen, ironically, as censorship of their Soviet counterparts.

"The decision depends on upcoming discussions with the artists who are weighing the concerns of their own reactions to the Corcoran as well as concerns for their Soviet colleagues, who, in many cases, have not had their own work displayed in the United States," Carmean said Wednesday.

Organizers of the Soviet-American exhibit are coming up with alternative means to express concern over the Helms amendment.

"One thing we have proposed to the Corcoran, and they have agreed to it, is a symposium on our system of freedom in this country, which would involve American and Soviet artists, which would take place in Washington ... when Congress is in session," Carmean said.



Then, just when Jason thought no waiter had been assigned to his table...



A foreshadowing of the gruelling, yet meaningless, journey before them, Sir Jeffrey wondered?

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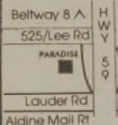
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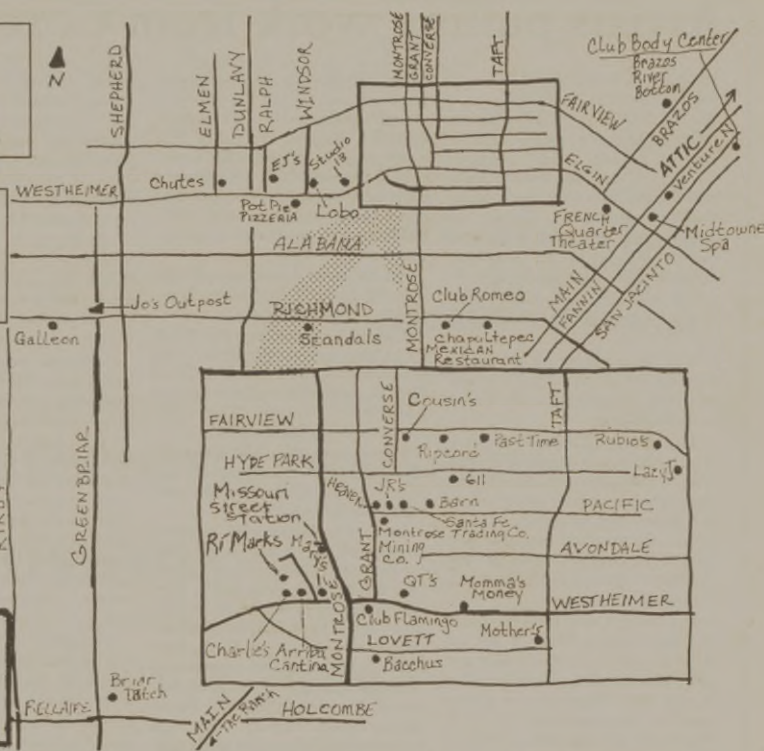


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Gertrude
Chapter Three

The old woman writhed and moaned on the cold, hard tile flooring at *Arriba Cantina*. The manager at Arriba Cantina rushed from his office a trail of waiters and one obese Spanish cook behind him.

"Are you all right," he asked, when he had reached her. Gertrude rasped something about hating all of his *specials* and began nipping at his ankles.

"Quick. Call 911," the manager instructed his bartender, urgently.

"Why? Is she...is she...is she bad off," asked the bartender.

"No. She's fine. I think she just has heartburn. It's my ankles. They're bleeding."

The manager returned his attention to Gertrude, who was attempting to rip the legs off of several wooden chairs.

"What do you mean you hate my specials? Which ones?"

"All of them."

"All of them? What about *Monday Madness*, with \$.99 margaritas, well drinks and draft beer? That's a great special."

"Hate it."

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"Despise fajitas."

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"Beer, blah. Can't stand it."

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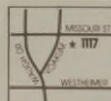
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By **AMANDA B. RECONDWITH**
 The Montrose Voice

The grass was incredibly high. We were driving on paved road, but the monkey grass and the tall tropical plants brushed the side of the car, as we sped through the empty area where no human had passed on foot for years. Lush foliage crowded upon us, making us feel claustrophobic and frightened, and we were so relieved to know that we would not have to traverse this difficult path at night, when God knows what would be lurking in the bush.

Were we near the Amazon? Were we traveling a narrow Andean road in the heart of Pygmy land? No, Dear Fans. It was much more barren and wild than that! We were ...

On Smith Street south of downtown Houston between the Pierce elevated and Tuam!

This is a truth, Dear Fans. Amanda recently passed through this area on her leisurely way out of downtown one day this week, and we were absolutely amazed at the jungle growth towering against the street. Of course, it's all barren wasteland, but it's so unfortunate. After all, Dear Kathy Whitmire is trying to improve Houston's image to visitors, so she is spending billions on freeways and airports. Once those visitors are vomited froth from air conditioned buses onto the downtown pavement, however, it's every man for himself!

Homeless people lay under the Elevated. Handicapped people in rags beg for money on the corners. Vacant lots butt up against the sparkling towers, with grass taller than the African savannah. We're half afraid a wandering elephant will tromp on our delicate kid-encased tootsies! Think of what someone from Minneapolis or Chicago must wonder as they pass through these areas!

We have long wondered what is to become of this vast wasteland south of Downtown, Dear Fans. It's so tragic that all that land is sitting so economically vacant, when years ago, stately homes filled those streets. There is one old house left, with the most beautiful cut glass doors—sparkling jewels on the breast of a withered old hag. Surrounding the ruins are acres and acres of parking lots, one story 80's style hideousness, and tall grass. Sunflowers grow to almost dizzying height in this area, Dear Fans. It boggles the mind how such wondrously valuable property can be so grossly ignored.

Yet, we speed by on our way to and from work in the massive towers. People see only a green blur from their black tinted windows. They leave the blind and the homeless spinning on the street corners as they whiz by in their high powered sleek automobiles. And they head out to the suburbs, where they can mow their own lawns and build their own walls to



keep the neighbors out. Or better yet, they hire someone else to do it.

When our dear parents visited last, our father said he loved Houston, but had never seen so much wasted land. And we wonder why we absolutely HAVE to have a car to get around. Did you know that the entire population of the earth can be crowded into a square mile of it stood shoulder to shoulder? Surely Houston would be a more economical place of people would make use of the land already vacant closer to the city!

Meanwhile, Amanda waits breathlessly for the Two Pesos to crowd into the minute corner lot on Montrose and Westheimer. And we wonder if some-

day Harold Farb will buy the grotesque Liberty Bank shell across the street and build an 80 story office tower. And when is the famed and much talked about Westheimer Revival going to start? The prostitutes are growing tired of not having any walls to lean against, and Amanda is tired of tearing her tulle billow skirts on protruding nails and boards from rat infested burnt out ruins.

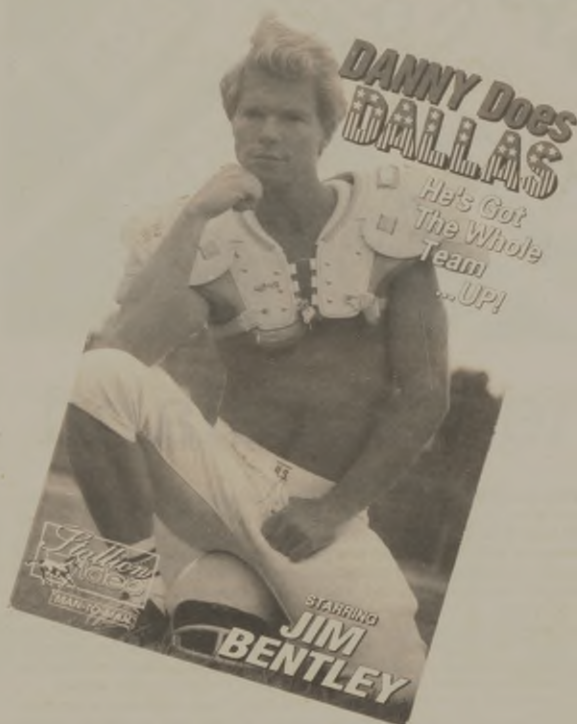
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Well here it is Labor Day weekend and all the local watering holes have planned specials for your enjoyment. Be sure to check out the different ads to plan your holiday weekend.

The Colt 45s meeting for September has been moved to the third Monday (Sept. 18) instead of the second week for this month only, so change your plans accordingly per Walter Carter, President.

The Editor's Quick Action Award goes to the six back-up HPD patrol units and one ambulance that rushed to the aid of two officers who scuffled with a hustler on Avondale Wednesday. The paramedics washed the cops down with peroxide and alcohol to remove any tainted blood or spit. Said Sheri, the harried, "Where were they when I got mugged?"

Happy 17th Anniversary to Big Jim and David (owners of Venture

N/Farside) this Saturday. stop by and congratulate them on putting up with each other this long and enjoy the fun and music.

Vera (BRB), someone wants to know where the missing cups are? Also, Enjoy this next week's morning special—Love Buzz!

Jim (Attic), what's this about losing underwear in a respectable bar—naturally of course? I hope they were yours—J.M.

Rusty found out Curtis was going on vacation, so he's taking his also. He wasn't invited to Acapulco, so he's going camping in the woods with the girls.

Hostess Bobbi Jo has informed us of a Silly Hat Party this Saturday at Chutes from Noon to 3:00 p.m. Prizes will be awarded.

The September TGRA meeting will

be held the second Sunday (Sept. 10) at Scandals at 2:00 p.m. and yes, you can still get thru all the construction in front of the bar, so make your plans to attend.

Tom B. (BRB), why did Jeff W. take your pool cue away and give it to someone else during your first game Monday? Did you forget how to play?

Happy Belated Birthdays go out to Devon (Chutes), Debe Powell (TGRA), Kevin T. (Jo's Outpost), Larry (Lobo), and Shane Crowell (Cafe Adobe). Birthday wishes this week go out to Reenie Sharpe and Tom Davis (Sundance Dance Co.), Walter Strickler (TGRA) and Bob Ainsworth (Cincinnati Chaps). Don't forget the Virgo Party at Mary's tonight.

We understand that the temporary B—Goddess will reign at the BRB this next week while Buzz is on

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The new Sunday Tea Dances at the Farside have really been a success. The fun starts at 5:00 p.m. at Houston's newest dance bar.

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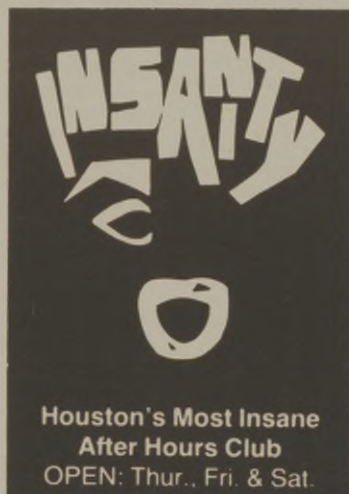


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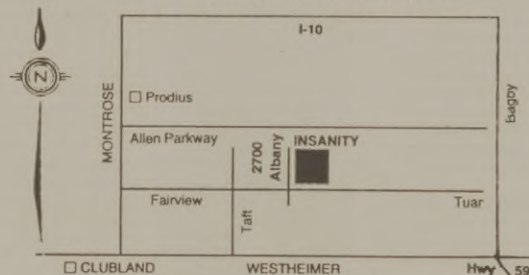


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ARIES

Choose your words well and your words will serve you well. This could be a very important time in your professional life. Wheels are in motion that could create a tremendous breakthrough on your career. Use your vivid imagination.

TAURUS

Building something beautiful is what you have in mind. While your talents and abilities shine in the process, this is not a solitary undertaking. The cooperation between you and at least one other person is paramount to success.

GEMINI

You're stymied by routine. In other words, you're in a rut. And you're feeling a bit put upon by someone who doesn't seem to be concerned about your problem. It's time for a pow-pow. Don't make empty threats or unreasonable promises.

CANCER

Your need for financial security could be taking unneeded precedence over other aspects of your life. Yes, it does look like you're achieving some of your goals in regard to material matters, but don't disregard everything and everyone else.

LEO

You're all in a whirl, a social whirl. Use your creative and organizational abilities to bring people together in a lively, lovely way. In other words, have a party. Concern for others comfort and enjoyment is bound to make it a good one.

VIRGO

Recognize your position as a role model for a younger person in your life and act accordingly. There's nothing at all difficult about doing it. All you have to do is pay attention, spend some enjoyable time together, and be you.

LIBRA

Balancing the need of family with the needs of friends will require some extra attention. The needs of someone from your past and someone from your present are both important, and yet quite different.

SCORPIO

August has been quite a month for you. Your power is growing and you're seeing the realization of a dream. As you move into September the responsibility of your influence on others is what you're most concerned with.

SAGITTARIUS

Don't pass up a great opportunity to learn something new. There's a teacher/student relationship in your life that can offer much more than you might normally expect. Respect diverse viewpoints and opinions.

CAPRICORN

Some long distance information received now could be both a pleasure and distraction. You're so involved with what you're involved with that the news, no matter how good, could be somewhat overwhelming. Take it in stride. Accept the change.

AQUARIUS

A bit of travel at the end of summer could be just what the doctor ordered. It is amazing what a change of scenery can do. While an around-the-world cruise would be nice, a long weekend with one you love can do the job quite nicely.

PISCES

This turning point that you're standing at could involve some serious consideration in regard to providing for the future. While the details would be too much for some, you find them to be a real pleasure. Enjoy the process.



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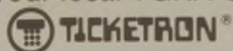


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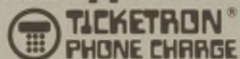
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
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