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Good Evening

Montrose weather tonight:
Partly cloudy and cool with a low of
40°.

Saturday: Sunrise 6:50AM.
Continued partly cloudy and cool
with a high of 62°. Sunset 6:19PM.



Lee LaForge, in tribute to Montrose entertainer Marguerite

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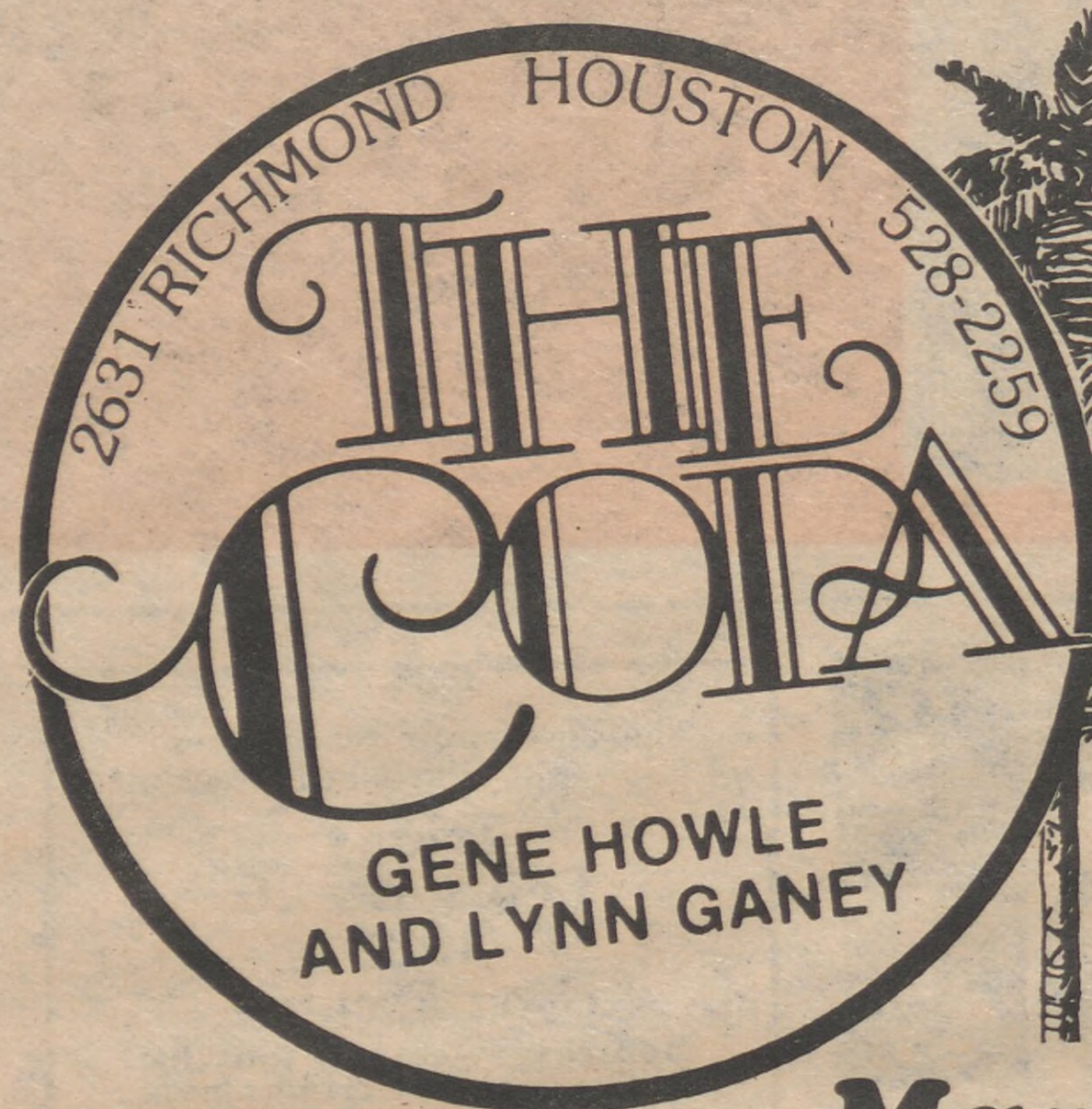
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Sunday, Feb. 28

Aloha Party

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**Sunday
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Remember When Weekend

Friday, March 19

Mary Wilson's Supremes?

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Last two 'Mary's Fairies' win their court appeals

A state appeals court has overturned the convictions of two Mary's Lounge employees charged in a vice squad raid at the club on the eve of Gay Pride Week 1980.

Defense attorney Clyde DeWitt said he received the notice Feb. 20 that the Texas Court of Appeals for the First District agreed with his assertion that the "evidence was insufficient to support the convictions."

Defense attorneys maintained that the Houston Police Dept. conducted the raid June 19, 1980, out of political motivation and because of prejudice against homosexuals.

The popular gay club at 1022 Westheimer had a history of financially supporting gay rights causes and groups.

Club manager Andy Mills had been convicted of permitting an intoxicated person to remain on the premises and employee Larry Faught had been convicted of becoming intoxicated himself.

The two were part of the 61 people arrested at the club that night and hauled to jail in paddy wagons—the majority charged with public intoxication.

Six of the arrested were Mary's employees and, except for Mills and Faught, were charged with serving drinks to intoxicated persons. Of those, three had the cases dismissed on the prosecution's motion of insufficient evidence (the person each was charged with serving a drink to

had been earlier found not guilty of being publicly intoxicated), one went to trial and was acquitted, and the remaining two—Mills and Faught—convicted, but with their appeals now upheld.

Of the 55 customers arrested, "about a dozen" failed to show up for trial, and thus forfeited their bonds, but the majority, all those who pleaded innocent and appeared for trial, had their cases dismissed or were found innocent. "Only three, that I know of, were found guilty," said Houston attorney Jim Kuhn, who represented many of the defendants, and who assisted DeWitt on the two appeals cases.

"Out of 61 arrests, only three convictions. That's not a very good score for the state," Kuhn said.

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Interact picks officers for new year



Newly elected officers for Intract (I/H Inc.) for 1982 are, left to right, Ned Parker (president), Bill Buie (secretary), Carl Owens (vice president) and Carl Hays (treasurer).

PHOTO BY RICHARD BURCKHARDT

Interact/Houston has announced the results of their Feb. 18 vote for members of the organization's corporate board of directors.

Ned Parker, president of Interact (officially known as I/H Incorporated), was elected to a second term by a unanimous vote. Also elected were Carl Owens, Bill Buie, and Carl Hays as vice president, secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Of special interest in this election was the return of Bill Buie to an active leadership role, the group said. Buie is the founder of Interact, formerly known as Integrity/Houston, and started the organization as a social group in 1970.

Since that time, the organization evolved from a social group, to a political group, and into the current educational corporation. Interact is the oldest active gay organization in Houston and was the foundation from which groups such as the Gay Political Caucus and the Lambda Club (now the Unitarian/Universalist Gay Caucus) were formed.

Interact is currently undergoing a "rebirth" in the hopes of making the corporation more responsive to, and representative of, the city's gay and lesbian community, they said. The organization sponsors the weekly Community Coffee-house, monthly educational forums and the Gay Archives of Texas.

Bye, Sam

It's the old girl's last week. Samantha, who's been "reading your stars" in the MONTROSE VOICE since our first issue Oct. 29, 1980, appears with her last column in this week's paper.

Our new astrologer, Tycho, begins next week with weekly readings. He has been appearing once a month here, and your acceptance of him has prompted us to toss old Sam out and bring in Tycho's "Fortunes" every week.

That's life in the newspaper biz: rough and tough. As in TV, If you don't get the ratings, you get bounced out on your bottom.

(However, just as in TV, Samantha will be standing in wings in case a "summer replacement" is needed.)

Harrington on the tube: Lee Harrington, ex-GPC prez who was slated to be one of the gay instructors at the Police Academy, will appear next Monday (if news developments don't change things) on Channel 11 during the 6:30 a.m. "Morning Show" and again for a 10-minute interview at about 12:20 during the noon newscast.

The offices of the MONTROSE VOICE will be at 3317 Montrose, third floor, starting next week.

If you've ever visited us at our old office, you know what a mess we've been. It's all part of growing.

Starting Monday, we'll be in bigger, more modern offices, to better serve you. Office hours and telephone number will remain the same.

(The 3317 Montrose building is across from Kroger—the building that houses Kwik Kopy.)

This is Mardi Gras Madness weekend, as you know. If your social life suffered last week 'cause you stayed in Houston and everyone else went to New Orleans for Mardi Gras, prepare yourself.

This weekend, you can make up for it, as all the world is here (the straights for the rodeo, the gay people for Mardi Gras Madness).

The Montrose Patrol is looking for more volunteers. If you're a self starter and believe one person can make a difference, if you can accept responsibility, if you would like to see our community become a safer place, then volunteer a few hours a week or a few hours a month to the Patrol.

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Williams makes homophobic statements

ATLANTA—The prosecution had attempted to show that accused murderer Wayne B. Williams was homosexual and had attempted to show that this sexuality was a motive for murder, but Williams himself took the stand Feb. 22 and made statements that may have revealed the opposite.

Williams said, according to AP, "I don't have a grudge against them (homosexuals) as long as they keep their hands to themselves and don't come near me."

Such statements are typical of persons who are homophobic—i.e., persons with an irrational fear or hatred of homosexuals.

Williams is accused of killing two black children and police said they have linked him to other killings.

Prosecutors have claimed that homosexuality figured in some of the slayings of a number of black children in Atlanta in recent years.

Williams himself took the stand in the final days of the trial, with the defense resting its case Feb. 24.

Gay live-in ruled not common-law marriage

MEDIA, Penn. (IGNA)—Delaware County Judge Joseph DeFuria ruled recently that a 10-year live-in relationship between two men was not a common-law marriage under Pennsylvania law.

The case had been brought by John DeSanto, 31, of Philadelphia against William Barnsley, 34, of Newton Square. DeSanto had hoped the relationship would be ruled a common-law marriage so that he could sue Barnsley for alimony.

DeSanto told the court in a hearing last November that he performed the duties of a wife during the 10 years he lived with his lover. He said that the two lived in Barnsley's ranchstyle home while Barnsley supported him. The relationship ended about 18 months ago.

In his ruling the judge said, "The marriage alleged to exist between John DeSanto and William Barnsley does not, has not, and cannot exist."

Taste the white country

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (PNS)—Claiming it has been subjected to "ridicule, disgrace, odium and contempt," the Coors Beer Company is suing an Alabama civil rights group for allegedly linking the Adolph Coors family to the Ku Klux Klan, reports the *Denver Post*.

The suit asks \$10,000 damages from the Movement Against Racism and the Klan for its slide show, "Unmasking the Ku Klux Klan," which, according to the suit, suggests the Coors family supports "The commission of criminal attacks against blacks, Jews, Hispanics and other minorities."

One Year Ago

Feb. 26, 1981:

GPC head goes to DC

Houston's Gay Political Caucus president, Lee Harrington, was one in a group of a dozen gay political leaders from around the country who converged on Washington, D.C. to begin a three-day lobby for gay rights causes.

March 1, 1981:

Republic of Texas Savings moved

Republic of Texas Savings Association moved its home offices out of Montrose to new corporate headquarters in southwest Houston.

The savings and loan company had made 1001 Westheimer its home office for about

seven years.

The company has six branches in Houston and one in Port Arthur, they said.

March 3, 1981:

Van Ooteghem's suit was going back to the 5th Circuit Court

The entire Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals is

going to reconsider the suit of gay activist Gary Van Ooteghem against former Harris County Treasurer Hartsell Gray, it was announced. This is according to County Attorney Mike Driscoll.

The Fifth Circuit had already upheld a lower court decision by U.S. District Judge Ross N. Sterling that Van Ooteghem should be paid about \$56,000 in back pay from the county treasurer's budget.



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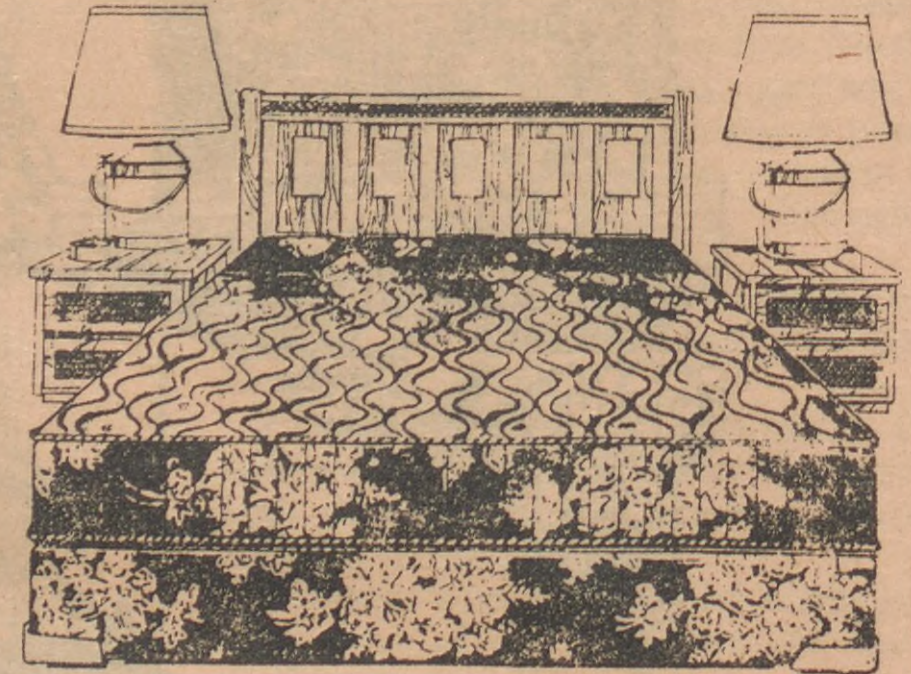
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Wisconsin Legislature gives final approval to gay rights bill

MADISON, Wisc.—The Wisconsin Legislature has become the first in the country to pass a gay civil rights bill. The State Senate in mid-February by a vote of 19 to 13 approved Assembly Bill 70 which last fall passed the State Assembly (House).

"This is a significant victory for all people who value human rights and a blow to those who promote bigotry and prejudice," said state Representative David Clarenbach (D-Madison) in a prepared press release. Clarenbach was author of the bill.

"Passage of AB-70 can be credited to the understanding and concerns of persons throughout the state, especially in the mainstream religious community, who courageously spoke up for the rights of all people," he said.

The bill, expected to be signed into law by the Governor, will add "sexual orientation" to Wisconsin's existing list of discrimination bans and applies to employment in both the public and private sectors, housing and public accommodations.

Clarenbach predicted the action will boost civil rights initiatives in other states which have suffered recently because of the success of right-wing causes.

"I hope the passage of this historic law will send a message to those who propagate misconceptions and fear, that courage and human compassion are still very much alive in this country," Clarenbach said.

After the governor's signature, Wisconsin will join three other states—Michigan, Pennsylvania and California—which have more limited anti-discrimination protections for lesbian and gay men, mandated by executive order of their governors.

INS brands gay people psychopaths

WASHINGTON—In a reversal of previous policy, the regional chief of the Immigration and Naturalization Service for the northern district of Texas has asserted that gay aliens can not legally enter the U.S. as they are afflicted with "psychopathic personality."

This according to a report Feb. 18 from the Texas Humnan Rights Foundation.

This finding, said THRF, was contained in a document filed prior to a re-hearing in federal district court relative to the application of Richard Longstaff for naturalization as a U.S. citizen. It is the latest twist in what has become a very complicated legal action, they said.

Longstaff, a British citizen and owner of the Union Jack clothing stores in Dallas and Houston, applied for naturalization in 1977. After determining that Longstaff was gay, INS found that he had nonetheless met his statutory requirement of proving he was of good moral character.

However, on March 9, 1979, a federal judge denied the petition. That denial was appealed to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans which remanded the case to the district court to determine if Longstaff had violated section 21.06 of the Texas Penal Code—the homosexual conduct statute, and if so would such a violation serve as a bar to proof of good moral character. The INS report was prepared in conjunction with the remand.

Conceding that in its field investigation of Longstaff's character, nothing negative was uncovered, the INS then focused on Longstaff's "illegal" entry into the U.S., citing the fact that on his visa application, Longstaff had denied that he was afflicted with psychopathic personality.

The INS then asserted that homosex-

uals are by law afflicted with psychopathic personality. Therefore, the INS found that Longstaff is not eligible for naturalization regardless of his good moral character.

M. Robert Schwab, president THRF, which has been supporting this litigation effort, said in the press release, "I am outraged by this position. Simply put it means that no gay alien may enter the country legally."

"Even more alarming," he continued, "is the assertion that being gay is equivalent to being a psychopath. It appears that the INS has intentionally ignored recent medical literature and is totally unaware that since the mid 1970s the position of the American Psychiatric Association has been that gay sexuality is a valid alternative lifestyle."

'Gay cancer' strikes gay writer

SAN FRANCISCO (IGNA)—Kaposi's Sarcoma has struck a well-known personality in San Francisco's gay community, Dan Turner, known as a writer, reviewer, interviewer and song-writer.

He was recently diagnosed as having the disease. Turner is 34 years old.

Turner noticed purplish red spots on the lower parts of his legs and was told by one doctor to ignore them. But another doctor became suspicious of the possible lesions and ordered a biopsy.

Turner is to receive a full medical check-up to determine how wide-spread the cancer is. He said he is hopeful that the disease has been caught early.

Research is only in the beginning stages as to the causes of Kaposi's Sarcoma. Different explanations are given for the breakdown in the immunity of the victims, most of them gay men, but so far the explanations are guesses.

Nice guys finish first

If you want to be a winner in politics, it pays to look like a loser. That's the conclusion of Dartmouth College political scientist Roger Masters, who's been studying pictures of recent presidential candidates.

He says, according to a report in *Discovery* magazine, that the successful ones usually have the same facial characteristics displayed by gorillas or small children just after they've lost a battle. Voters seem to identify with candidates who look humble, with shy grins and eyes often averted from their audience.

That, Masters says, is a perfect description of Ronald Reagan during the 1980 debates, and contrasts sharply with Jimmy Carter's grim, steely-eyed expressions.

The findings may surprise those who think Americans are looking for aggressive, take-charge leaders, but Masters says he's only discovered what good politicians have known all along. After all, he says, "Candidates don't go around threatening to beat people up. They go around kissing babies and shaking hands."

Lunch at the rat-skellar

At 40¢ a pound, Louisiana State University scientists think Nutria could become the perfect source of meat for many Americans, but they're having some trouble getting anybody to try it.

The problem is the Nutria itself, a large rodent that inhabits Southern Louisiana swamplands. LSU biologist Nowell Kinler, who admits to eating Nutria, says they're "tasty, succulent and firm, without the gamey taste of most wildlife."

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More post trial briefs filed in Section 21.06 trial

The defense has filed a late post-trial brief in the constitutionality trial of the Texas "Homosexual Conduct Statute," section 21.06 of the Texas Penal Code—and the plaintiff responded with an answer.

Henry Wade, District Attorney of Dallas County, Feb. 12 filed the brief contending that the case should be dismissed as plaintiff Donald Baker failed to "prove standing" as required in order for a federal court to have jurisdiction in a case. Specifically, Wade asserts that Baker had failed to show "injury in fact."

The case, known as Baker v. Wade, was filed by Baker, a Dallas gay activist, with

the assistance of the Texas Human Rights Foundation (THRF).

THRF replied, saying, "It cannot be denied that plaintiff here is facing a direct harm to himself in the form of a threatened criminal prosecution since it has been stipulated by (Wade) that Sec. 21.06 will be enforced against (Baker) whenever the opportunity arises." Therefore, the injury in fact test has been met.

In his attack upon the statute, Baker relies primarily on the right to privacy and equal protection guarantees under the U.S. Constitution. The right of a person to privately engage in sexual relations with consenting adults clearly falls within the protections afforded under the Constitution, said THRF in a prepared press release.

To allow the state to criminalize only such acts between persons of the same sex on its face violates the equal protection clauses of the Constitution, they said.

Robert Schwab, president of the THRF, speculated that the latest filing of briefs will delay the expected date for a decision in this case, which is now nearly a year since trial concluded.

U.S. air carriers flying on wing and prayer

The airline industry has been having its share of tragedies lately, but just about any airline executive, according to a report in the *Denver Post*, will tell you the worst disaster in the history of U.S. air travel happened Oct. 24, 1978.

That was the day then-President Jimmy Carter signed the Airline Deregulation

Act, removing many restrictions on air travel and setting off a chain of events that left at least five of the country's largest airlines on the brink of bankruptcy.

Lifting the federal regulations spawned a new generation of low-cost air carriers, and encouraged an almost constant price war that has seen airlines cut fares to the bone—and more.

Among the casualties: Pan Am (one of the leading price-cutters) lost nearly \$1 million a day last year. United lost over \$100 million and has been placed on standard and poor's "credit watch list." Western, Eastern and Continental each lost more than \$60 million.

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Lights lit at plaza

You may have noticed that the lights have now been turned on at the Westheimer Colony Plaza at the off ramp of the Southwest Freeway on Bagby.

"Almost two years after the dedication of the award winning park plaza, the turn-of-the-century light fixtures, which are part of the landscaped area, have been turned on. These light fixtures, purchased by the Westheimer Colony Association in 1976 and finally put into place in the plaza on Feb. 22, 1980, have finally been cleared by the City of Houston and Houston Lighting and Power Company," announced John Green, former president of the Association, through a press release.

With the addition of the lights in the Colony Plaza at the 100 block of West-

heimer and the vapor lights now lighting Westheimer from the 1400 to the 100 block, the Westheimer Colony Association said it feels this will aid in the lessening of crime in the area.

The Westheimer Colony Association uses the proceeds of the semi-annual Westheimer Colony Art Festivals held in April and October to defray the expenses of the maintenance and lighting of Plaza area. The Association is also using the festival funds to pay for off-duty Houston Police-men who are working in the 100 to 1000 blocks of Westheimer to keep, what the Association termed, "undesirable elements" off the streets, and to control crime in the area.

The Spring Art Festival is set for April 17 and 18 from 9:00 a.m. until dusk both days. The blocks of 100 to 1100 Westheimer are lined with more than 425 artists from all over the country with more than 750,000 participants expected in the

two days of the event. Artists from all over flock to the festival they have pronounced as the "best and biggest in the Southwest."

Space applications for the 1982 spring show were sent out the first week of January and more applications have been received back than ever before, they said.

The deadline for applications for the booth space is March 15.

Rapid fire politics

WHITEWRIGHT, Texas—Here's an update on the saga of Whitewright, where Mayor Felix Robinson ran into trouble, trying to outfit his two-man police force with rapid fire machine guns, to defend the town against "riots or nuclear attack."

The police chief ridiculed the idea, saying the only serious crime last year was a

burglary—solved within 24 hours—and the only interest the Russians might have in Whitewright is in seizing its famous recipe for spicy sausage.

That was enough to convince the town council to get rid of the mayor.

Coors sues boycott panel

SAN FRANCISCO (IGNA)—Adolph Coors Co. and its local distributors filed a \$145,000 anti-trust suit in U.S. District Court recently against the Northern California Coors Boycott Committee and its coordinator, gay activist Howard Wallace.

The suit argues that, while the boycott is an outgrowth of a labor dispute, the committee doesn't hold the same exemption as labor unions to the provisions of the Sherman Antitrust Act.



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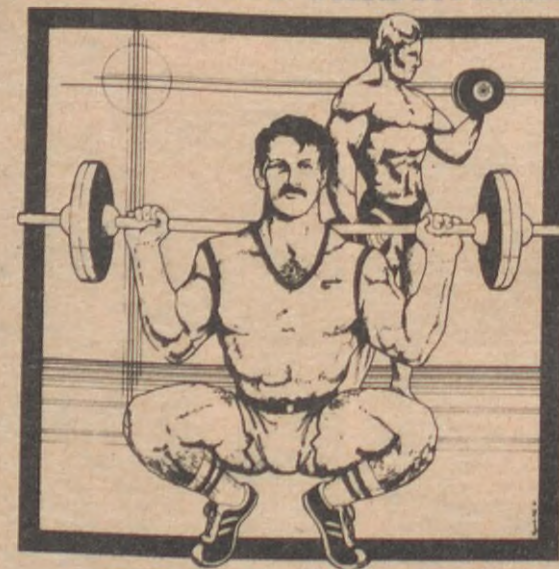
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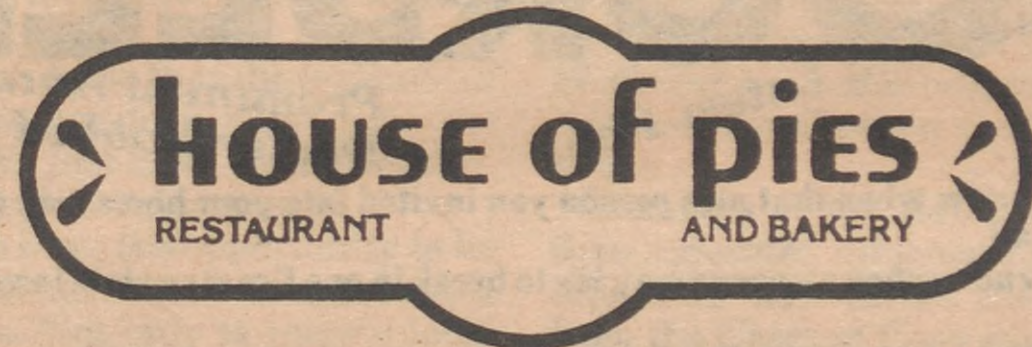
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CHE urges citizens to phone politicians

From Steve Shiflett, president, Citizens for Human Equality, 236-8666

The Board of Directors of Citizens for Human Equality officially endorse the educational concept of a gay sensitivity program at the Houston Police Academy. And, we support the use of credentialed and professional people with backgrounds demonstrating capabilities of developing educational programs.

This is a definite need for the program to be successful in the long run. First and foremost, however, we strongly urge our constituents and Houstonians alike to support the concept of the program by calling respective city council members and the mayor's office at 222-3011.

We must make them aware of how strongly we feel about this very important progress and how strongly we feel about credentialed people being hired to fill the positions.

All Houstonians can benefit from a police officer who better understands citizens they are hired to serve and protect. Hopefully, the result of this potentially good program will be more equitable and therefore more fair law enforcement.

The Police Advisory Committee has documented a pattern of abusive language and practice relative to the police department's interactions with the gay community. Therefore, it is necessary to create programs that reduce confrontation and tension and serve to enhance communication between any group that may find itself in an adversarial relationship with the Houston Police Department."

It is recognized that we have entered an era of budgetary restraint. A program

which, by meeting its objectives, reduces the need for additional costly programs is right for the times. This program through sensitizing the officer on the beat, should significantly reduce those costly and unnecessary confrontations based on misunderstanding of the cultural aspects of the gay community, thereby allowing our limited police resources to be focused toward prevention of violent crime.

Rather than asking for special privileges, gay citizens should seek to achieve equal treatment through educational forums such as this.

It is our opinion that the concept of the program deserves the full support of the mayor, city council, Houston Police Department, as well as Houstonians because any sizeable portion of voting and taxpaying citizens with everyday human

concerns working and participating in improving the quality of life in Houston must be treated with the respect and dignity of any other citizen group in the city.

Unfortunately, that has not been the case with the gay community.

'Thanks for alerting community on alcoholism'

From Jerry Polzin, Houston Regional Council on Alcoholism, 520-8582

Thank you for your article Feb. 5, "Thinking about going on the wagon?" by Brian McNaught. It is articles like this that help educate the public about alcoholism.

Some people are aware that they are alcoholics; however, they choose to continue drinking until something drastic happens; and we have some that are just not aware that alcohol is a problem for them.

It is difficult in some cases for gays to give up drinking since our social activities are usually in a setting serving drinks of some kind. I was a very social person in the gay community drinking for some 17 years attending lots of functions. I was one that did not know that alcohol was my problem.

It is understandable that the estimate of one out of three gay men have problems with alcohol. We just have not had activities without alcohol being served.

Today, we do have the opportunity to be with people that do not drink and have a wonderful time. Not only is there a local group of over 500 gay men and women that are not drinking, we have become statewide and in the process of forming an international group. I hope to attend a

conference in San Francisco July 4th weekend where several thousand will gather and just have a grand time.

If our Council can be of help in the gay community, we are here to serve. Our counselors are very supportive of the gay community and its welfare.

Avondale Association accused of not playing proper pool

From a member of the Avondale Association (name withheld by request)

It was brought to my attention that the Avondale Association dropped from their newsletter mailing list all those members connected with or supporting the bars in the Avondale/Westheimer area.

It seems improper for an organization trying to get a tax exempt status to attempt to get rid of qualified members who do not agree with the majority in the organization.

At the last meeting of the Avondale Association, Sgt. P.M. Hogg of the Houston Police Dept.'s vice squad gave the members a pep talk—thanking them for requesting the vice squad's presence in the Montrose area and bragging about their raids on the Chicken Coop and the book stores.

Members of the Avondale Association then requested information from the vice officer on how to use the arrest records from the Chicken Coop raid to protest the renewal of the Coop's liquor license.

I am amazed that the gay members of the Avondale Association seem so bent on persecuting their brothers and sisters.

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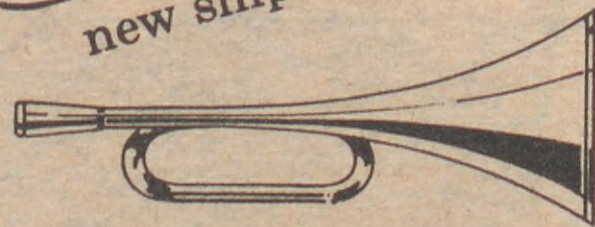
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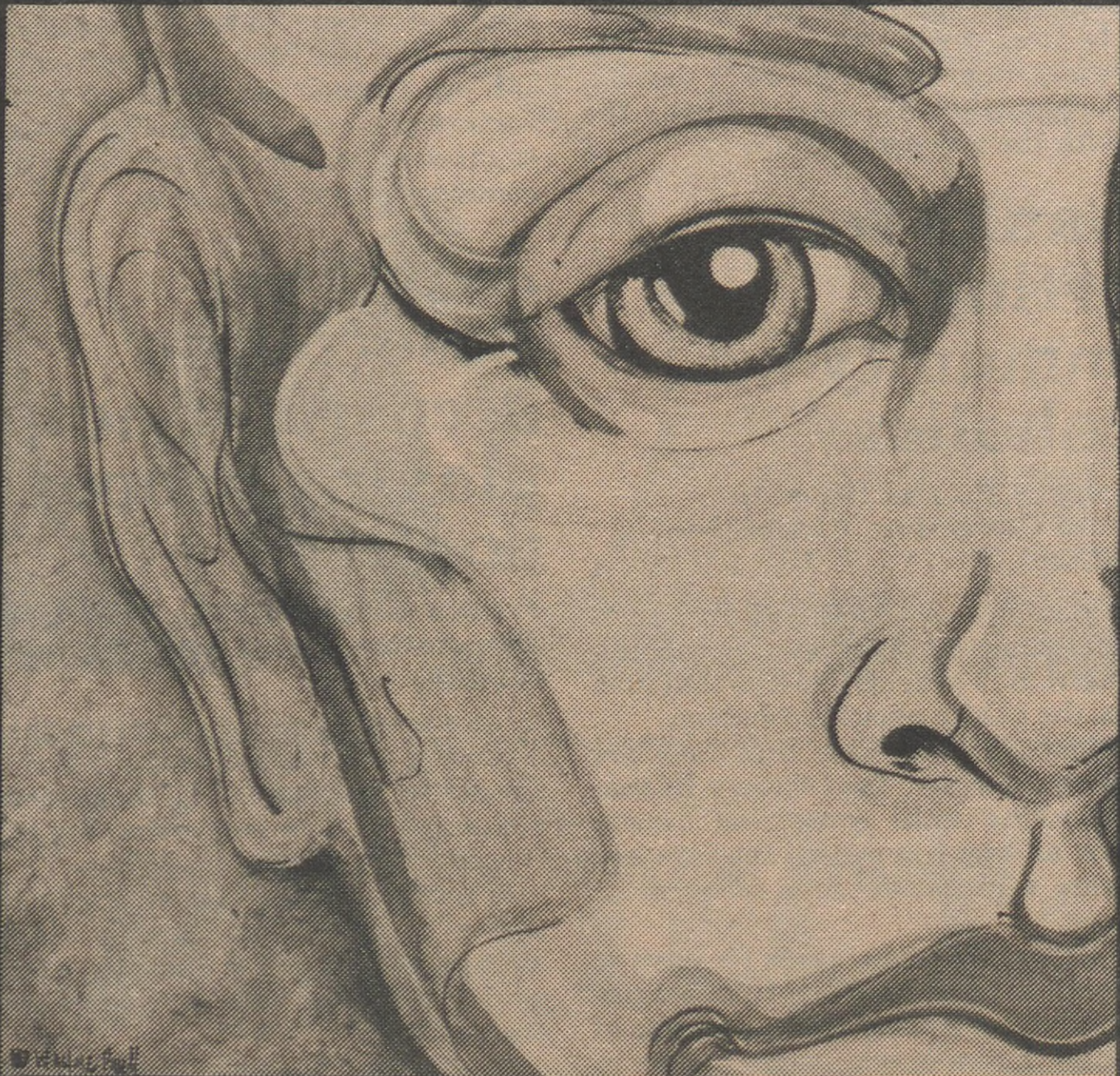


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The GPC mailing list: probably bigger than you thought

By William Marberry

Computer lists, phone books and materials were scattered all over the room. There were four people working at the glass dining table, two more at a card table set up in front of the fireplace.

Several others were working alone at various spots around the room while Don Hrachovy continually moved from person to person answering questions and checking what was being done.

It was a regular Tuesday night work session of the Gay Political Caucus mailing list committee.

At the heart of the GPC is its mailing list, the most extensive and accurate list of its kind in the United States. But to keep it that way is a work-intensive year-round activity.

Two hundred man hours per month is the minimum amount of time devoted to the updating and making corrections required to prepare the 2000 to 5000 pieces of data that must be keypunched preparing for the monthly computer run. During times of political activity, the mailing list committee virtually spends all its time working on the list.

Said Hrachovy: "During the city elections, I spent 13 out of 14 nights working on the mailing list. It has to be that way because the list is for more than just the mailings. Phone numbers also have to be provided for the phone tree to be able to do its work."

Having worked on the mailing list for more than six years, Hrachovy has seen the list grow from 1500 names kept on 3x5 index cards to 15,000 names maintained on computer tapes.

The bulk of the mailing list work involves address changes. On an average, each name moves once each seven months creating over 30,000 address changes each year. Last election's address corrections were mailed bulk rate and the address corrections notices cost more than \$700. Most people do not bother to notify the list when they move creating a difficult task for the carefully screened volunteers.

Hrachovy has compiled many interesting demographic profiles about Montrose that he calls mailing list trivia.

- The "gayest" street in Houston is Richmond, on which over 500 of GPC's list reside. The most populated single address is 1400 Richmond.

- Based on GPC's sampling of data, the average gay person lives seven months at a single address though many people move more often. One person, a GPC member, has had 13 recorded moves since the present computer system began in December 1979.

- Montrose gypsies tend to congregate in a few favorite apartment complexes, among their favorites are (in addition to 1400 Richmond) 1301 Richmond and Marshall Square.

- At one time, there were almost as many Dallasites on the Houston GPC's mailing list as there were on the Dallas GPC's own list.

- The geometric center of Houston's gay population is not at Westheimer and Montrose as generally believed, but near the intersection of Buffalo Speedway and West Alabama—over 2 miles to the west.

- The master GPC list is 258 pages long; a complete set of labels takes 55 minutes to print on an IBM-360 computer; the last mailer filled 38 mail bags. To type the entire set of labels by hand would take a good typist over three solid days.

- The caucus maintains a variety of information in its memory banks. In addition to your address, among the information that "Big Sister" keeps track of is:

Your voter registration number.

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The names of your last two known roommates.

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Your party affiliation (the primary in which you voted).

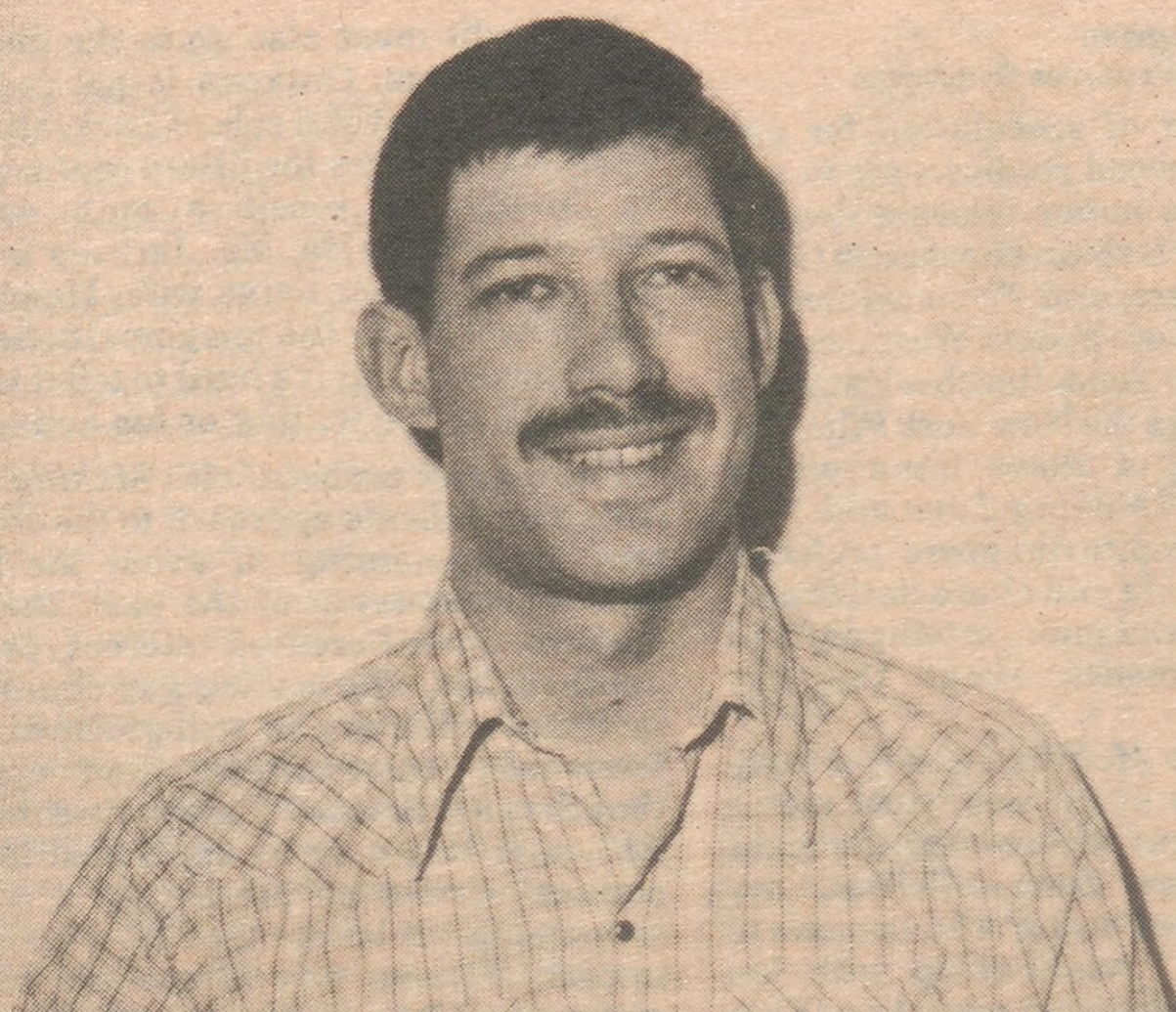
All of the legislative districts in which you reside.

- Precinct 34 has as many people on GPC's mailing list as there are registered voters in that district.

- Montrose is very gay and getting more so all the time. Four years ago, a survey was done where it was found that 34% of GPC's mailing list lived in Montrose. A similar study eight months ago revealed that 37.6% live within Montrose. Though there is a tendency to move into the western and southwestern suburbs, many people return to the inner city after a period of time.

Originally conceived as a way of notifying members and interested voters of the GPC endorsements, the mailing list is now a more valuable tool for recruiting volunteers to work for endorsed candidates. The news media in the last several elections have spread the GPC endorsements beyond the ability of the mailing list.

Since the fall elections, Hrachovy has undertaken a consolidated mailing list program that allows participating organizations to share address corrections while maintaining the confidentiality and exclusiveness of their lists. The major organizations participating include GPC, CHE, Texas Human Rights Foundation



Don Hrachovy



Hrachovy supervising his final mailing list work session as Communications Coordinator.

and "Tea for Two Thousand." It was largely on his stature as a community activist and a past president of GPC that Hrachovy was able to bring these diverse organizations together in sharing mailing list expenses.

Unlike many of GPC's tasks, the mailing list is a thankless and never ending job. It is essential, but tedious. The measure of the mailing list is in the results it produces. For these reasons, the mailing list chairman is the most important GPC position after the presidency.

But the mailing list does not receive the publicity or recognition of the more visible offices. Few outside the hierarchy of GPC

ever realize the importance of the mailing list chair.

At last Wednesday's GPC meeting, Don Hrachovy completed his tenure as head of the mailing list in the same manner he had worked on the mailing list—mostly overshadowed by the more visible officers. His successor will soon be appointed and the unsung and overlooked spark plug of the GPC will continue on.

Meanwhile, many say that GPC and all of Montrose owe Don Hrachovy a debt of gratitude that cannot be repayed. Only the new mailing list coordinator can ever really appreciate the job Hrachovy did.

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Two major gay-themed films in release: 'Making Love' & 'Taxi zum Klo'

By Richard Rogers
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1981 was a year of speculation for gay filmgoers. Hollywood studios were in production on three major releases dealing with gay male or lesbian characters (*Making Love*, *Partners*, and *Personal Best*.)

Meanwhile, a low-budget West German film about a gay schoolteacher caused a small sensation at the New York Film Festival. Now two of these films are in national release (*Making Love* and *Taxi zum Klo*.) And despite filmgoers' preferences in terms of style and characterization, both of these works make intelligent and sensitive statements about the gay lifestyle.

Author Hiller's *Making Love* is a high-gloss melodrama about a married man's discovery of his gay tendencies after eight years of marriage. Zack (Michael Ontkean) is a respected doctor who appears to have a "perfect" relationship with his wife, a talented television executive (Kate Jackson). Despite the couple's closeness, however, Zack finds himself drawn more and more to L.A.'s gay bars and cruise spots. When he meets Bart, a successful novelist (Harry Hamlin), he can no longer ignore his conflicting desires.

Those who feared the worst during the film's production can relax. *Making Love* does not cop out on the issues, and it handles the story with surprising frankness. For this, a great deal of credit must go to screenwriter Barry Sandler, who acted as a "technical consultant" during the filming. Sandler advised the film makers on numerous details, including the poster on the wall of Hamlin's bedroom and the films that he watches on his video player.

The result is a story that seems authentic both in broad issues and details.

Yet credit must also go to the director and the actors. Ontkean is particularly strong in the pivotal role of Zack. His performance captures the jittery confusion of an intelligent, sensitive man caught between two worlds. Ms. Jackson is also fine as his rather naive wife. Hamlin is less believable in the unsympathetic role of the novelist, but it's hard to tell if this is the result of the writing or his acting.

The biggest problem with *Making Love* is its over-delicate approach to the characters. In attempting to avoid the limp-wristed stereotypes of the past, the film makers have created stereotypes of another kind. The leading gay characters in Hiller's film are so well-groomed, professionally conscientious, and upright that they are drained of much personality. Although this may be applauded in gay political circles as presenting a wholesome image, it blunts the film's dramatic impact. Without any interesting foibles and contradictions, the characters tend to lapse into the two-dimensionality of soap opera heroes.

This tendency is aggravated by Hiller's slick direction and a Leonard Rosenman score that emphasizes the film's suds rather than its basic honesty.

These flaws, however, become quibbles when they are viewed in the context of what the film has achieved. It is not only a story that gays can enjoy, but one that presents a positive image of the gay lifestyle to heterosexuals. That, in itself, is no small accomplishment.

■ *Taxi zum Klo* (*Taxi to the Toilet*), on the other hand, makes no attempt to spare the sensibilities of either straight or gay audiences. Frank Ripploh's raunchy, funny film autobiography has stirred considerable controversy since its first screen-



Barry Sadler wrote the screenplay for "Making Love" derived from his own experiences.

ings in this country. Oddly enough, the film has received high praise from many heterosexual reviewers, while being lambasted by some gay leaders for presenting an unsavory picture.

Ripploh filmed *Taxi zum Klo* in the streets and apartments of West Berlin for

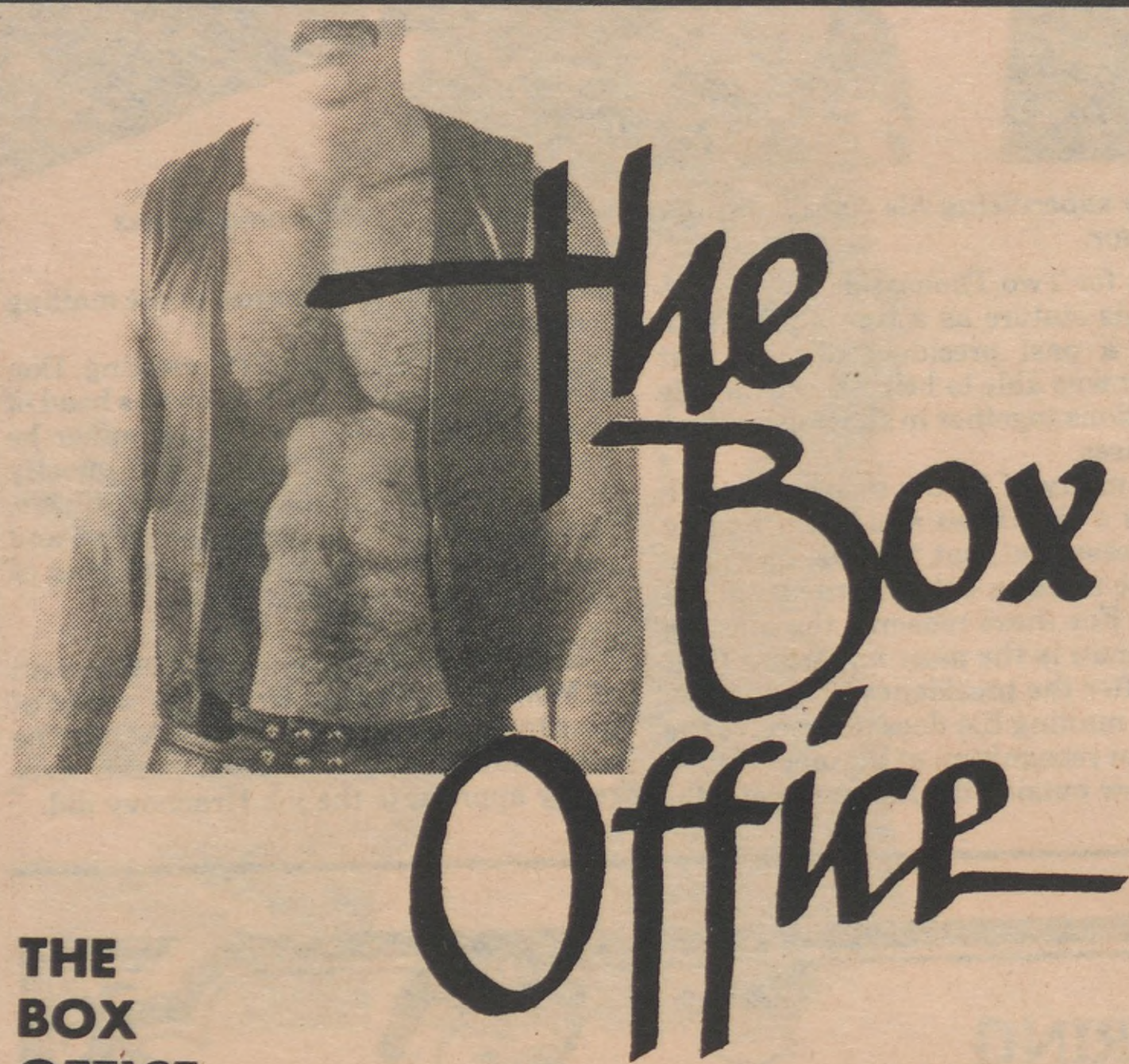
the minuscule sum of \$50,000. The writer/director assembled a cast of nonprofessional actors (including himself and his lover, Bernd Broaderup), rented a 16mm camera, and proceeded to make what may be the most honest film to date about gay relationships. The result, however, is not a work for those who like their love stories idealized. *Taxi zum Klo* is a graphic depiction of the wild side of gay sex.

The film maker details both his career as a schoolteacher and his after-hours escapades in the toilets and baths of West Berlin. He then tells of his first meeting with the sweet-natured Bernd, their tumultuous relationship, and his inability to curb his sexual appetite. The characters are depicted with unflinching truthfulness.

Frank is obviously a dedicated teacher and a generous friend; he is also self-centered, reckless, and somewhat self-destructive. Bernd is a kind, simple-natured homebody; yet he is jealous, petty, and rather dull.

Besides being highly entertaining, *Taxi zum Klo* is significant in showing gay life as it often is, rather than the way we might like it to be. Everyone wants a perfect relationship, a good job, and lots of friends. But how many of us are willing to curb our selfishness, promiscuity, and plain laziness to get them? Beneath the flippant surface of *Taxi* is the story of a man who is working to reconcile these conflicts.

Those filmgoers whose idea of a great gay film is a remake of *Dr. Zhivago* with an all-male cast will probably be put off by the graphic sex and bawdy humor of *Taxi zum Klo*. But those who are willing to laugh at their own attitudes towards love and sex will probably find a lot to admire in this highly personal film.



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Reviewed by Ed Martinez

No institution on the face of the earth has survived intact in an unbroken line of succession for 2000 years, save one: the Catholic Church.

That fact alone is enough to inspire awe in the minds of most educated, rational people. The fact that it is at the same time numbered in the hundreds of millions and ranks as one of the most powerful and wealthiest organizations on earth serves to reinforce its immense image of power.

To an American Catholic raised in the middle of the 20th Century in the often cloying embrace of the Holy Mother Church, nothing could be farther from imagining than defiance of that intimidating megalith, the Church.

Yet that is exactly what Brian McNaught did, openly, publicly and repeatedly. Mr. McNaught publicized his homosexuality in Detroit in 1974, for which his services at the archdiocesan Catholic newspaper where he worked were terminated.

McNaught went on a 24 day fast in open revolt against the injustice of this action. As a result of all this publicity, bishops in Detroit agreed to attempt to educate the clergy on the issue of homosexuality, but nevertheless McNaught was fired from his job with the newspaper.

Few men in history have dared to openly confront the frightening power of the Catholic Church, and even fewer have gained more than misery, ostracism and even death for their pains. For whatever reason, McNaught wound up leaving what had been his home all his life up to

that point and now lives and works in Boston.

McNaught has received numerous awards for his writing, including the Catholic Press Association Journalism Award for Best Magazine Article of the year for his "The Sad Dilemma of the Gay Catholic."

This book is a compendium of some of McNaught's columns, and includes the award-winning article originally published in *U.S. Catholic*. The book is a refreshing and gratifying chronicle of one man's perilous, often lonely, but always courageous journey through the minefield of current theological attitudes towards homosexuality by official Catholicism.

There is short shrift for gay Catholics from Rome. Their attitude, in a nutshell, is: remain celibate or go to hell. For most gay Catholics, this is simply unacceptable. It is blatant nonsense of the most insidious and depraved sort, and invites contempt and disobedience, rather practically demands disobedience from any informed, intelligent and educated Catholic homosexual living in the 20th Century.

Yet such is the mind-bending and soul-scorching power of Catholicism that hardly anyone dares to rise up and stand up to the Church and say, "Enough!" The Church is simply too right, too unbelievably, inexplicably correct, too... infallible to be disputed.

The fact that the malarkey that the present Church spouts about homosexuality is patently absurd pales against the indisputable fact that it is the Church that is saying it. And that ends the matter right there. Reason, common sense, vibes, whatever, all fly out the window when confronted with the magisterium of the

Church of Rome.

While this attitude may be practically impossible for non-Catholics to fathom, every Catholic past the age of 35 understands exactly how terrifying the teachings of the Church can be.

McNaught speaks to every gay Catholic and also to the hierarchy of the Church, with compassion, charity, patience and yes, with holiness. As he says at one point in the book, when he was a boy he wanted to grow up to be a saint. And who knows, maybe he's already made it.

The book speaks to questions that trouble the mind and soul of almost every mature homosexual, from matters concerning lovers, one night stands, growing old, loneliness, depression, sex, you name it. The thing that distinguishes McNaught's book from the Niagara of mindless self-help books on the same subjects is his piety, his deep wellsprings of contemplation that feed the substance that invests his every sentence and phrase.

This book is not only for Catholics, nor even only for homosexuals. It should be read by everyone who cares about his fellow man. In short, it is a milestone for those wishing to follow Christ's constantly repeated command: love one another.



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The night the stars came to play for Marguerite

By Billie Duncan

The stars came out in Montrose last Wednesday night when E/J's, 1312 Richmond, hosted a benefit for Marguerite. Following a scant three days after the Midnite Sun's benefit for popular bartender Peaches, the show was intended to raise money for Marguerite's hospital bills.

It did more than that.

Marguerite is alive today because she loves life and people so very much. Her medical problems are so numerous that even a partial listing sounds like a run-down of the current ailments in an entire hospital.

She has had dozens of operations, she sports a pacemaker for her heart, she spends time on a dialysis machine, she plays beautiful music with no feeling in the right half of her body.

And through it all, she gives love and hope to all around her.

Marguerite Cartier was born in Nice, France. Her mother was from Barcelona, Spain and her father was a French Gypsy. She grew up all over the world because her father was in the diplomatic service. He was an emissary representing France.

Jamaica, Haiti, South America were all places of residence for Marguerite. But her musical influence was the blues she heard in London while she was attending a girl's school in Chelsea, England.

Musical influences were many in London: Ray Charles, Edith Piaf, Maurice Chevalier, Tina Marie and her friend, jazz great Josephine Baker.

Not contented with just listening, Marguerite joined the ranks of singers. Her career was taking off and the big breaks were happening when the first tragedy struck.

Thomas Square in London is where the big television shows are taped. Marguerite was there to tape her first big TV appearance when she collapsed from a stroke.

Not daunted, after recovering she came to the U.S. where she fully expected to carry on her rising stardom. She suffered an even greater stroke.

She felt that her career was ruined. As she lay in the hospital, paralyzed and blind, a young man came to visit her. According to Marguerite, he told her, "You

know, there'll never be another life. If you can just hold on until tomorrow...."

"But tomorrow didn't come in 24 hours," explained Marguerite. "It took five years. Between the doctor and the good Lord and deciding I wouldn't be defeated, I got better."

In three months, she went from 210 pounds to 97 pounds. Then for five years she fought to stay alive and to keep going. She recovered her sight and though she did not regain full feeling in her hands, she worked to be able to use them so that she could play the piano again.

Marguerite lived the blues.

But she never lost sight of the joy of being alive. And she never let pain defeat her.

Somehow, she wound up in Montrose and started playing for gay audiences. Last fall, she accepted a gig at a club in the southwest part of town. Within a couple of weeks, she was back, telling people, "I'm so glad to get back to Montrose. These are my people here. This is my audience."

Unfortunately, Montrose clubs kept closing under her. Both the Pavilion and the Montrose Pub closed without warning, leaving Marguerite high and dry. Luckily, the Keyboard had opened and had talked Marguerite into playing happy hours.

But even silver linings have clouds. On Christmas Eve, someone broke into her car as she played at the Keyboard and stole all the presents she had bought for her family.

This was a particularly painful experience for Marguerite because she loves to give to people so very much. In fact, all the tips that go in her tip jar at her gigs are sent to an orphanage in Haiti.

Just as she was recovering from the financial and emotional blows of the clubs closing and the theft of her presents, her health took another in a series of downward turns.

As Marguerite checked in and out of the hospital, friends filled in for her at the Keyboard. And the Keyboard refused to take Marguerite's name off the calendar listings, saying that the spot was hers and she would play whenever she was able.

Obviously, Marguerite needed some help. She was not working. Her hospital



Marguerite and Lee LaForge

bills were mounting up. And she was getting discouraged. The money was not the big problem. She needed someone to tell her how important she was to the people who listened to her and loved her.

She needed to be told to please stay alive.

So the owners and managers of the Keyboard and E/J's decided to give a benefit for her that would also be a tribute to one of the finest entertainers that they had known.

A list of people who performed on Wednesday at E/J's sounds like the who's who of Montrose Entertainment. But the top star was Marguerite herself, very thin and using a cane, but smiling and full of joy.

Roxie Starr of the Chicken Coop, in full regalia, emceed the show to perfection. David Douglas opened with a couple of ballads done in his rich and wonderful voice.

John Day and Company almost walked off with the show and had to do an encore after they finished their two planned tunes.

Gene Howle and Richard Askin of the Copa showed up and not only contributed generously as far as money, but more importantly, contributed their considerable talents. With Richard playing, Gene sang the "A" side of his single, "Could I Have This Dance."

David Harris from *Bottoms Up '82* stayed over an extra day after the rest of the cast had left to return to Las Vegas in order to perform at the tribute to Marguerite. He brought the house down with his Ebenezer Ceasar Geezer character which he made famous on the old Steve Allen Show and on the Johnny Carson Show.

Bill Yon of the Keyboard did the "Man of LaMancha" with Rick Fischer as his squire. Rick then sang "Don't Cry Out Loud." Jack Dickenson sang "Granada" and "Maria" from *West Side Story*.

Marc Dodson did "I Was a Fool" and "You Made Me Love You." Mary Hooper did a couple of her favorites including her ever-popular tribute to Montrose, "Where the Boys Are."

Bill Hudson of the Keyboard not only accompanied Mary Hooper, but played for David Douglas, Bill Yon, Rick Fischer and Jack Dickinson.

Mickey Rankin, Marguerite's co-worker from the Montrose Pub, played for Roxie Starr, Michael O'Quinn (who sang "Ain't Misbehavin'") and Marc Dodson. He also provided backup for David Harris' comedy.

Tony Locastro thrilled the audience with a ballad.

"Thrilled" is probably an understatement for what Tony Williams did to the audience. He played accordion, looking like a little boy at the PTA talent show, with a grin as big as Montana on his well-scrubbed face. He then accompanied



Marguerite and Lanny Steele

David Wood, Keyboard manager, as he did a medley of his greatest hits, "Bartender Blues."

Adding more variety to the show were impressionists Brucella DeVall and Jackie O'Shanter, who provided a show-stopper with his number, "Mammy." Brucella showed his usual class and beauty in doing "This Is My Life."

And yours truly, Billie Duncan, played guitar and sang "Follow Me." Then with Lee LaForge helping out on piano, yours truly sang "Delta Dawn" with a great deal of help from a very spirited audience.

Lee LaForge was superb on his own as he did "Quiet, Please There's a Lady on the Stage."

And the lady on the stage ultimately was our own Lady of the Blues, Marguerite. She came to the stage once to sing a highly entertaining version of "Bye, Bye, Blackbird" with host Roxie Starr, who sang on his own later despite the flu.

Then for her closing performance, she sang with jazz pianist Lanny Steele. She brought tears to the eyes of many in the audience when she sang "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." She changed the last words of the song into a message of hope and strength.

The money raised to help Marguerite totaled \$1276 at last count, but the most valuable contribution to our Lady of the Blues was the love and caring of the people of Montrose, headed in this case by Ed Moninger, Jeff Barton, Elliot Briggs, Bill Yon and all the staff of both the Keyboard and E/J's, as well as the concern of people from many other clubs including Chicken Coop, Copa and Kindred Spirits.



Lee LaForge at Marguerite's tribute at E/J's

Montrose actors working around at theaters

Montrose actors are featured in two productions currently being done in Houston.

James Harvey of Montrose plays Sinclair Lewis in Theatre Suburbia's production of *Strangers* by Sherman Yellen. Risa Taub plays American journalist Dorothy Thompson who was married to Lewis from 1928 to 1942.

The play looks into the relationship and thoughts of Lewis and Thompson who were both intelligent and controversial figures.

Also in the cast are Minay Miller, Glenn Cody and Montrosian Michael Sirois.

Chocolate Bayou Theater's production of Agatha Christie's *A Murder Is Announced* also makes use of Montrose talent. The VOICE's own Billie Duncan plays Dora Bunner, an addle-apt spinster who lives in the Victorian boarding-house where the murder takes place.

Katherine Leslie Hallowell plays the owner of the house, while Morgan Redmond appears as Inspector Craddock who unravels the mystery with the aid and interference of Miss Marple, played by Gladys Getschmann.

A Murder Is Announced will play through April 3 at Chocolate Bayou Theater, 1823 Lamar. *Strangers* will run



Risa Taub and James Harvey in "Strangers" at Theatre Suburbia.

every Friday and Saturday through March 20 at Theatre Suburbia, 1410 West 43rd.



Gladys Getschmann and Morgan Redmond in "A Murder is Announced" at Chocolate Bayou Theater.

Ayckbourn's 'Way Upstream' premieres at Alley Theater

Alan Ayckbourn, the gifted and prolific British playwright/director, opened his 26th and most recent play, *Way Upstream* at Houston's Alley Theatre on February 24 on the Large Stage.

The play features members of his own company of actors from the Stephen Joseph Theatre in the Round of Scarborough, England, who are currently in residence at Alley Theatre.

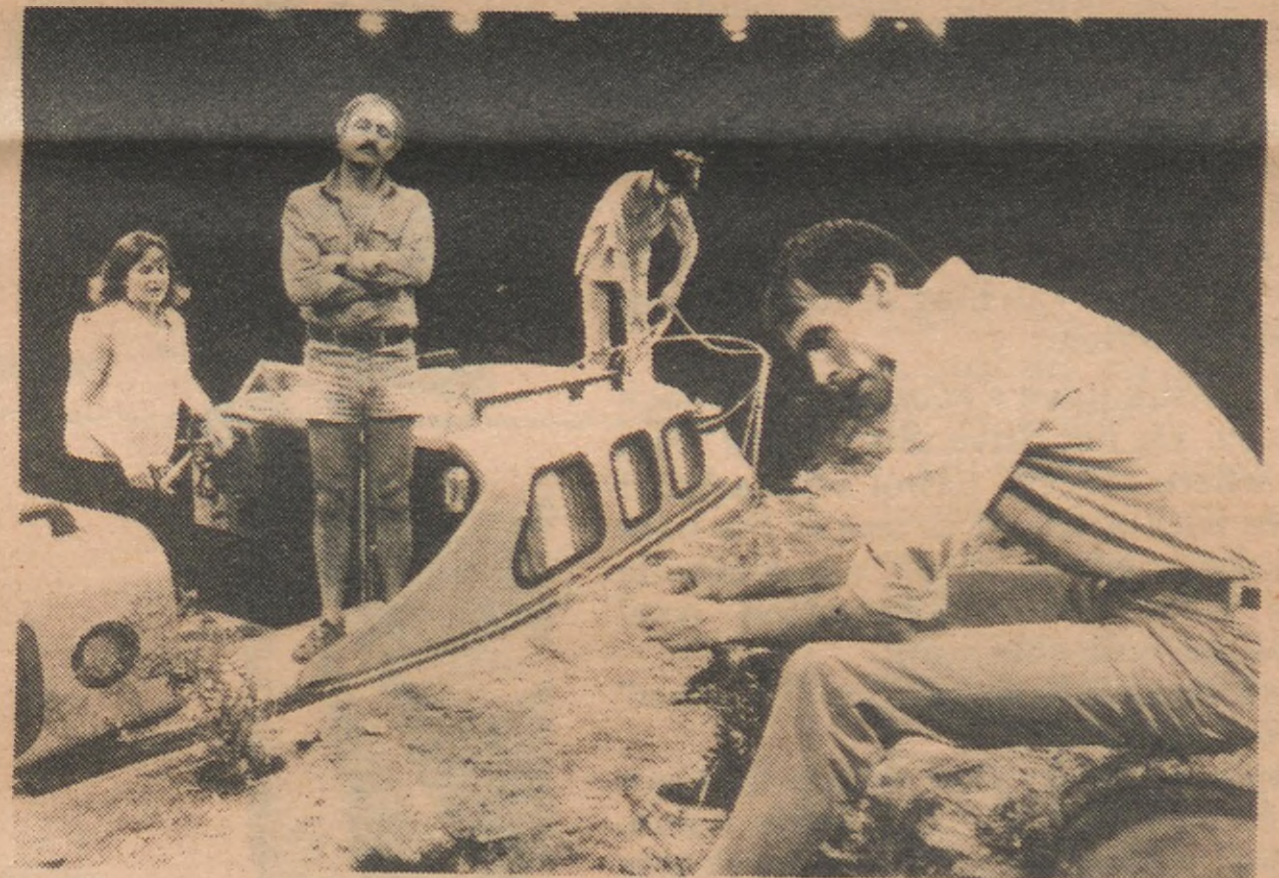
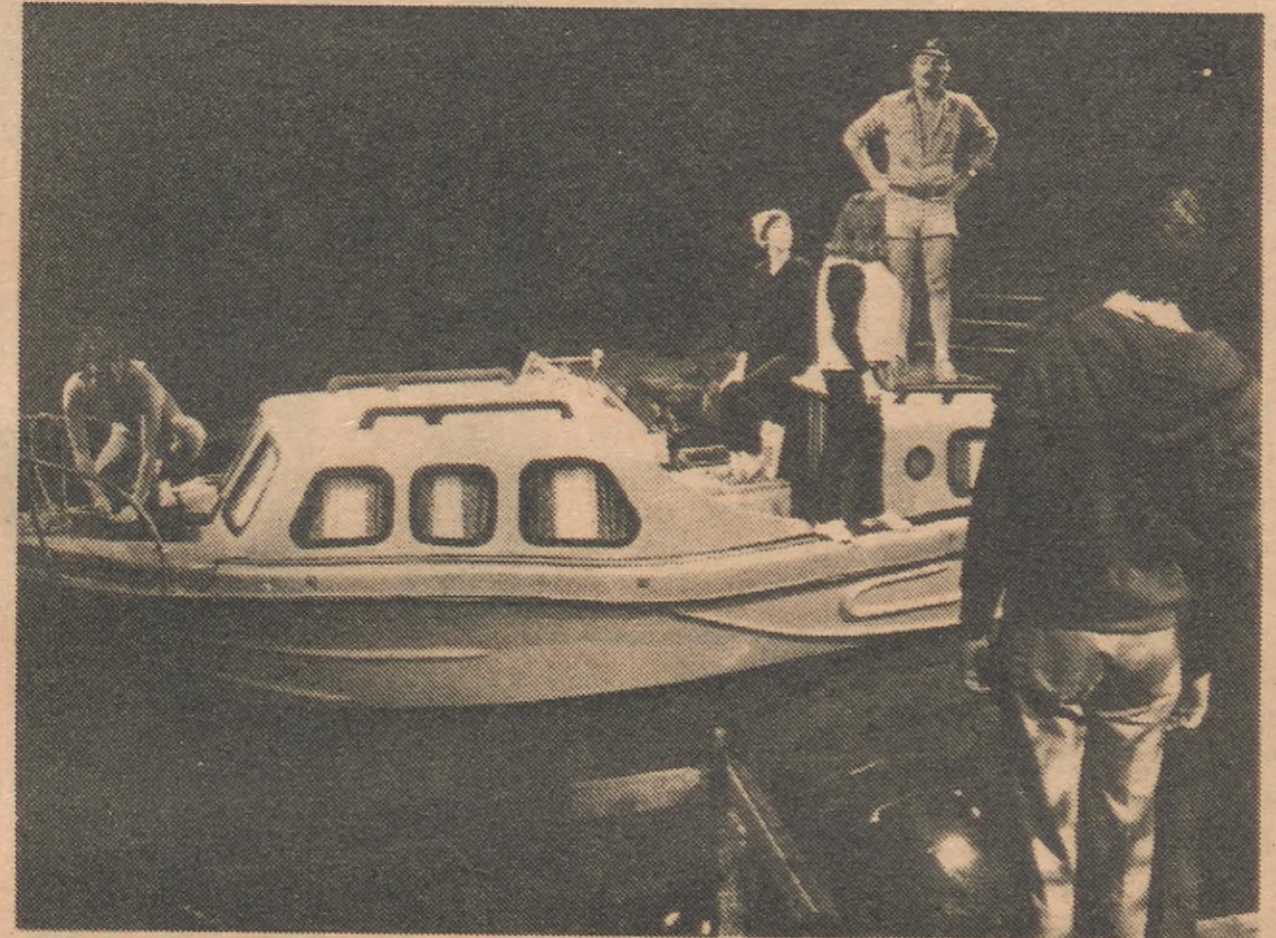
Way Upstream, a story of mutiny and piracy aboard a cabin cruiser on a sleepy English river, concerns Keith, played by Robin Bowerman, who plans a holiday

aboard a rented boat for his wife June, portrayed by Carole Boyd, his business partner Allistair, played by Robin Herford and Allistair's wife Emma, portrayed by Lavinia Bertram.

As they embark on a cataclysmic seventy mile journey along the River Orb, June discovers the rigors of boating are not to her liking. Then she meets Vince, played by Graeme Eton, and his lady friend Fleur, portrayed by Gillian Bevan.

The stage setting by Edward Lipscomb features a 24-foot cabin cruiser specially built for the Alley in Santa Clara, California by Speed Sailing Specialists. It floats in a two and a half foot deep tank which holds 20,000 gallons of water confined by a rigid polyurethane shoreline.

Way Upstream will play through March 14, then will alternate with another Ayckbourn play *Absent Friends* until the first week in April.



Members of the Stephen Joseph Theater in the Round company in "Way Upstairs" at the Alley theater.

Quick notes

Circle game: The Mustang Band will celebrate four years this Wednesday by getting all the old members (about a dozen) together to play at E/J's.

Since they regularly play at the Brazos River Bottom, why are they celebrating at E/J's, you may ask.

Well, owner Ed Moninger of E/J's used to own Countryside at 1322 Westheimer where the band started out. At that location now is the Bannister Restaurant.

So, if you are a Mustang fan, Wednesday, you and I might eat dinner at the Bannister, go to E/J's for the music and fun and send a note to Ab and Smitty telling them you'll see them at the BRB on Friday.

Now, did I miss anyone?

Originality & personality: Lois Yvonne will leave Rascals after a final weekend, but she should be back if the management listens to the audience.

Last Friday she was called back for encore after encore. Her original beauty and warm charm, not to mention her outstanding voice, have gained her many

new fans.

A talented cast: Some performers never stop even when the gig is over. A prime example is Maryanne Mahoney of Marta Hari.

Last Friday, post-performance, Ms. Mahoney and company were out in front of the Lamppost playing—are you ready?—leap-frog.

Maryanne leaped before she looked, landed incorrectly and broke her leg in three places. She was back on stage Saturday, however, putting on a great show with her leg propped up on a chair in a temporary cast.

People have been saying that Maryanne Mahoney deserves a break, but....

David Harris plays cupid: The Fabulous Billie Duncan and husband Wade Williams are seriously considering celebrating their fifth anniversary by having a rather belated wedding.

Bottoms Up star, David Harris made the mistake of inviting them to visit him in Las Vegas this summer, perhaps thinking they would not have the time. However, it would be the perfect time for the couple to take a seventh honeymoon.

Nightclub Entertainment This Week In Montrose

(Friday, Feb. 26, through Thursday, March 4)

PIANO

Lois Yvonne 9pm Friday and Saturday and Nat & Janet 9pm Wednesday and Thursday at Rascals, 2702 Kirby, 524-6272.

Bill Hudson 8:30pm Friday and Saturday; Tom Williams 5pm Friday and 8:30pm Sunday and Tuesday-Thursday; Virgil Dixon 8:30pm Monday at Keyboard, 3012 Milam, 528-6988.

Marguerite 5pm Monday-Thursday at Keyboard, 3012 Milam, 528-6988.

Sheila Ceaser evenings except Sunday and Monday at Baja's, 402 Lovett, 527-9866.

COUNTRY & COUNTRY/ROCK

Ab & the Rebel Outlaws Friday and Saturday evenings at the Exile, 1011 Bell, 659-0453, and 9:30pm Thursday at Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, 659-0453.

Flying Blind Band nightly except Monday and Tuesday at Miss Charlotte's, 911 W. Drew, 528-8840.

Terry Ann Melton & the Texas Home Grown Band 5pm Sunday and 9pm Wednesday at Gay Boy International, 1419 Richmond, 528-8903.

Mustang Band 9:30pm Friday and Saturday and 8:30pm Sunday at Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, 528-9192; and 9:30pm Wednesday at E/J's, 1213 Richmond, 527-9071.

GUITAR

"L" 9pm Friday and Irish Folk 9pm Wednesday at the Parlour, 2402 Mandell, 529-8069.

Karen Wiltz 5pm Friday; Lyra/Kat Graham & Linda Aum Rhyme 5pm Monday-Tuesday and Thursday; and Rawslyn Ruffin 5pm Wednesday at Kindred Spirits, 5245 Buffalo Speedway, 665-9756.

JAZZ

Robert Ceballos Group 9pm Sunday and with Sally Mayes 9pm Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday at Las Brisas, 614 W. Gray, 528-9959.

Kirk Whiland evenings except Sunday at Cody's, 3400 Montrose, 522-9747.

Philip Settle Band 9:30pm Friday-Saturday and Tuesday-Thursday; and Mickey Mosley Band 9:30pm Sunday-Monday at Birdwatchers, 907 Westheimer, 527-0595.

IMPRESSIONISTS

Tiffany Jones, Donna Day, Naomi Sims & Hot Chocolate Sunday evening and Coco Thursday evening at the Copa, 2631 Richmond, 528-2259.

Little Bobby Sunday evening at Exile, 1011 Bell, 659-0453.

"Playgirl Follies" with Laura Lee Love, Lana Kane, Eydie Mae and guest 10:30pm Saturday at Pink Elephant, 1218 Leeland, 659-0040.

MISCELLANEOUS

Talent shows Wednesday evening at Midnight Sun, 534 Westheimer, 526-7519, and Thursday evening at Twins, 535 Westheimer, 520-0244.

The threat of being arrested in Houston

Gay activist gives pointers on dealing with police

From Ray Hill

Just in case 1982 is the year you become one of the arrest statistics, here are a few helpful hints to protect your life, beauty, physical well being and pocket book.

To avoid arrest:

Carry valid Texas identification on your person at all times. If you do not drive or do not qualify for a driver's license get a Department of Public Safety ID. There is no law requiring you to document your identity, and an injunction preventing HPD from arresting people who they cannot or choose not to document their identities. Nevertheless HPD officers routinely arrest those they stop and are unable to positively identify. They can usually think of an alternative charge enroute to the jail.

Make sure you have no warrants outstanding. When you get a traffic ticket either pay it, or fight it, but do not allow it to become a warrant. If you get stopped for anything the officers on the street or those at the jail will check Houston, Harris County, and other nearby cities and towns for traffic warrants. You will be held until all of these warrants are paid. Even outstanding parking tickets have been used to hold people in jail.

When stopped, obey and be courteous to the arresting officer(s). Arguing with or getting "smart" with a police officer only increases the chances you will get carried downtown.

If you witness a friend getting arrested, stand back from the action and start planning how you will help him or her get out of jail. If the officer(s) appear ready to assault your friend make sure your presence is noticed but stay out of the way and say nothing unless you are prepared to get arrested too. One does not interfere with an officer unless one physically prevents a valid arrest, but HPD officers routinely arrest people for watching or commenting on their behavior.

If you drink have a sober friend to look after you. Do not drive. Stay away from areas where officers patrol regularly. If you are with a friend in one of the bars encourage them to drink non-alcoholic drinks before their intoxication level reaches the noticable state.

Check every intersection for "No Turn" signs before turning.

Carry nothing on your person that can result in a charge. A joint, a knife, a gun, even prescription drugs (out of the clearly marked container in which they were purchased, bearing your name).

Your car may also be searched. Whether or not the search is legal or illegal is an issue in court. Constitutional debates at curbside are not productive preceeding arrest.

Check the expiration date on your license tag and inspection sticker, as well as tail, stop, license and turn lights often.

What happens when you are arrested?

From the point of arrest you will be taken to the central jail or to one of the substations and placed into a holding tank. Your name will be called in the order you and others arrived (there are some exceptions, but there is nothing you can do about it, so wait patiently).

When your name is called, all of your possessions will be taken and placed in an envelope. You will be photographed and sent to the 5th floor (if at 61 Reisner). You should have an opportunity to make a phone call.

If you are placed in a tank without making your call, remind the officer on duty that you have not been allowed access to the phone as often and as courteously as possible. Call the person on the outside who can best arrange your release. If you call and get no answer, that may be the last chance you get until the next morning. If you call someone who doesn't know



Ray Hill, shown above as he appeared in the 1980 Gay Pride Parade, is recognized as the "Father of Gay Rights" in Houston. In 1981 he was chosen Grand Marshall of the Gay Pride Parade. He is an active member of the Gay Political Caucus, and heads his own organization called Houston Human Rights League. He is frequently in the forefront in issues dealing with the Houston Police Department.

PHOTO BY EARL GREGORY

what to do you may not have time to tell them. It is a good idea to prearrange mutual support with someone.

If you have been arrested for a Class C misdemeanor (public intoxication, interfering with a police officer, assault on a police officer, impeding traffic, possession of a small amount of marijuana), you will be taken to Municipal Court the next morning.

If your charge is more serious (public lewdness, driving while intoxicated, possession of other drugs), you will be transferred to county jail where the process will begin all over again.

This article will limit its scope to Class C Misdemeanor cases and recommend you contact an attorney on more serious charges.

After spending the rest of the night in the drunk tank, those who have not posted cash bond will be taken to Municipal Court No. 8 in the basement of Municipal Court Building next to the downtown police station. Cash bond is \$205 per charge on those who wish to post bond.

The judge in Court No. 8 will explain your rights. If you have a job and an address that matches your driver's license you may be entitled to release on your own recognizance, but you may plead guilty (fines are about half the amount of the bond). You will be given \$15 credit for the time you spent in jail, pay the remainder and get out.

If you plead not guilty or post cash bond you will be given a trial date. You can defend yourself or hire an attorney, but in any case show up for your trial. HPD officers frequently do not show up for trials. If there is no one to testify against you ask the judge to dismiss your case (the prosecutor will ask for a postponement). If the officer shows up ask him questions and defend yourself as best you can or follow the advice of your attorney.

Something everyone should know:

When bond is posted or personal recognizance is granted by the judge it takes one to three days to get out of jail depending on the work load.

Intoxicated persons (or those so charged whether they are or not) may be held from four to six hours after their arrest to "sober up."

The bonding office accepts cash in exact amounts only. They do not make change or accept checks.

If you qualify for release on your own recognizance, but choose to plead guilty in Court No. 8, you may ask for an extension of time to pay your fine.

When arrested by the vice squad in a raid or sweep operation, those arrested are frequently taken to the vice offices before they are taken to jail. Assaults on prisoners are more frequent there and strange photograph sessions have been reported and detailed personal and employment listings taken.

If you experience any of these exceptional activities please notify me as soon thereafter as possible. However, do not resist. Do as you are told. The main thing is to survive.

When arrested no matter your plans or the outcome, sit down at the earliest opportunity and write the whole story: date, time, place, officer(s) names and/or badge numbers, what you were doing, witnesses and all the details you can remember. Make several copies and send one to GPC or HHRL and Councilmember George Greanias's office. Statistics backed up by such stories are our best protection against future harrassment.

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•**BADLANDS TERRITORY**—304 Avondale—526-5180: country.

See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**BAJA'S**—402 Lovett—527-9866: with restaurant, live entertainment. See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**BARN**—710 Pacific—528-9427: country. See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**BRAZOS RIVER BOTTOM**—2400 Brazos—528-9192: country.

•**BRIAR PATCH**—2294 W. Holcombe—665-9678

•**CHICKEN COOP**—535 Westheimer—526-2240

•**COPA**—2631 Richmond—528-2259: disco with shows. See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**COVE**—2912 S. Shepherd—524-0170

•**DIFFERENT DRUM**—1732 Westheimer—528-8528: leather.

•**DIRTY SALLY'S**—220 Avondale—529-7525

•**E/J's**—1213 Richmond—527-9071

See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**EXILE**—1011 Bell—659-0453: country.

•**GALLEON**—2303 Richmond—522-7616

•**GAY BOY INTERNATIONAL**—1419 Richmond—528-8903

•**GRANT STREET STATION**—911 Fairview—528-8342

•**HOLE HOUSE**—109 Tuam—528-9066

•**JUST MARION & LYNN'S**—817 Fairview—528-9110: lesbian

See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**KEYBOARD**—3012 Milam—528-6988: with piano entertainment. See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**KINDRED SPIRITS**—5245 Buffalo Speedway—665-9756: predominantly lesbian.

•**LAMPOST**—2417 Times Blvd.—528-8921: lesbian. See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**LAZY J**—312 Tuam—528-9343

•**LOADING DOCK**—1735 Westheimer—520-1818: leather disco.

•**MARY'S**—1022 Westheimer—528-8851. See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**MIDNITE SUN**—534 Westheimer—526-7519: disco, shows.

•**MISS CHARLOTTE'S**—911 W. Drew—528-8840: country. See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**MONTROSE MINING CO.**—805 Pacific—529-7488

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•**PARADE**—1416 Richmond—520-1646: disco. See our ad elsewhere this issue.

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•**RASCALS**—2702 Kirby—524-6272: with restaurant, live entertainment. See our ad elsewhere this issue.

•**ROCKY'S**—3416 W. Dallas—528-8922: lesbian

•**TRUCK STOP**—304 Avondale—526-2160

•**TWINS**—535 Westheimer—520-0244: lesbian disco

•**VENTURE-N**—2923 Main—522-0000

ORGANIZATIONS

A CAPELLA Chorus: part of (Montrose) Church of Christ.

ACLU—1236 W. Gray—524-5925

AMERICAN LEATHERMEN (social club)—meets at Different Drum, 1732 Westheimer—528-8528: club night Wed.

ASTRO Rainbow Alliance—524-4793 (voice & TTY)

BERING Memorial Methodist Church—1440 Hawthorne—526-1017: United Methodist worship service 10:50am Sun.

BETWEEN TWO Worlds—529-1913: meets every other Thurs.

BLACK & WHITE MEN Together (BWMT)—529-5006, 747-9812: rap session Feb. 26.

(Montrose) CHURCH OF CHRIST—520-K Westheimer—777-9286: worship services 12:30pm Sun.

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

CITIZENS FOR HUMAN EQUALITY (CHE)—609 Fannin #1301—236-8666: board meeting second Tuesdays.

COLT 45'S (social club)—meets at Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos—528-9192

COMMUNITY COFFEEHOUSE—project of Interact

CONG. BETH CHAIM—meets at MCCR, 1919 Decatur—529-4876, 524-5180: service & social 8pm second & fourth Fridays.

CONROE AREA Gay Women—756-0354

COURT OF THE SINGLE STAR—meets at Pink Elephant, 1218 Leeland—659-0040

CRISIS HOTLINE—228-1505

DATA PROFESSIONALS—meets at La Quinta Motor Inn, 4015 Southwest Fwy.—522-7809, 523-6922: meeting second Tuesdays.

DIANA FOUNDATION—2700 Mason—524-5791

DIGNITY—meets at Catholic Student Center, 1703 Bolsover—528-7644: meeting 8pm Thurs.

EPISCOPAL INTEGRITY—meets at Autry House, 6265 Main—526-0555: meeting 7:30pm second Tuesdays.

FAMILY & FRIENDS of Gays—meets at MCCR, 1919 Decatur—664-5339: meets second Sundays.

FIRST UNITARIAN Church—5210 Fannin—526-1571: worship service 11:15am Sun.

FM1960/Greenspoint Area Far-Away Friends—821-9681: meeting Feb. 28 6:30pm.

FM1960/Greenspoint FAR AWAY FRIENDS will meet Sunday, Feb. 28, 6:30pm. 821-9681.

GAY & ALIVE Sharing Experience (GASE)—528-1311, 528-0891

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GAY HISPANIC CAUCUS—529-4484

GAY ITALIAN Group—526-9844

GAY NURSES & PHYSICIANS of Houston—c/o GPC, 4600 Main #217—777-2287: City of Houston venereal disease testing 9pm-1am Feb. 27 at the Exile, 1011 Bell

GAY PEOPLE in Medicine—522-7360

GAY POLITICAL CAUCUS (GPC)—4600 Main #217—521-1000: general business meeting 7:30pm first Wednesday; educational forum 7:30pm third Wednesday.

GAY PRIDE WEEK 82: meeting 2:30pm March 7, Kindred Spirits, 5245 Buffalo Speedway.

GAY SWITCHBOARD—529-3211

HEPATITIS HOTLINE—Jim or David at 777-2287: a project of GPC's Medical Committee.

HOME COALITION—1409 Oakdale—521-0196

HOMOPHILE INTERFAITH Alliance—729 Manor—523-6969

Houston Area GAY & LESBIAN SCIENTISTS—526-7386

HOUSTON COMMUNITY CLOWNS—862-8314

HOUSTON HUMAN RIGHTS LEAGUE—523-6969

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

HOUSTON TAVERN GUILD: members include Badlands/Truck Stop, Barn, Dirty Sally's, Exile, Mary's, Midnite Sun.

•INTERACT/Houston (I/H Inc.)—3405 Mulberry—529-7014, 694-1732: Community Coffeehouse 7:30pm-midnight Fri.; general business meeting 7:30pm first Thursdays; educational forum 7:30pm third Thursdays.

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You looked back! I know you did!

Max

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Whose ox is gored?

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Gore Vidal, author, critic, raconteur, wit, and (perhaps) candidate for the U.S. Senate seat now occupied by California's S.I. Hayakawa, held forth for forty minutes before the Golden Gate Business Association's annual dinner in San Francisco recently.

Vidal, at his wicked, witty best, gored many an ox himself.

For instance: "When Nancy Reagan was told the deserving poor would get all of that cheese, she said, 'Good. Let them eat quiche.'"

"You can't beat compassion like that."

On politics: "Our single-party system is currently divided into two factions. One is called Republican and the other is called Democrat. This division is supposed to give us a choice... on the order of painkiller X is better than painkiller Y. Each is aspirin...."

"Those who do vote provide a sort of Greek chorus to a drama over which they have no control."

The best a professional politician can do, Vidal continued, "is remind us that life is worse in the Soviet Union. This is quite true, but so what?..."

"He will tell us, in the immortal words of Spiro Agnew, that the United States, 'for all of its faults, is still the greatest nation in the country.'"

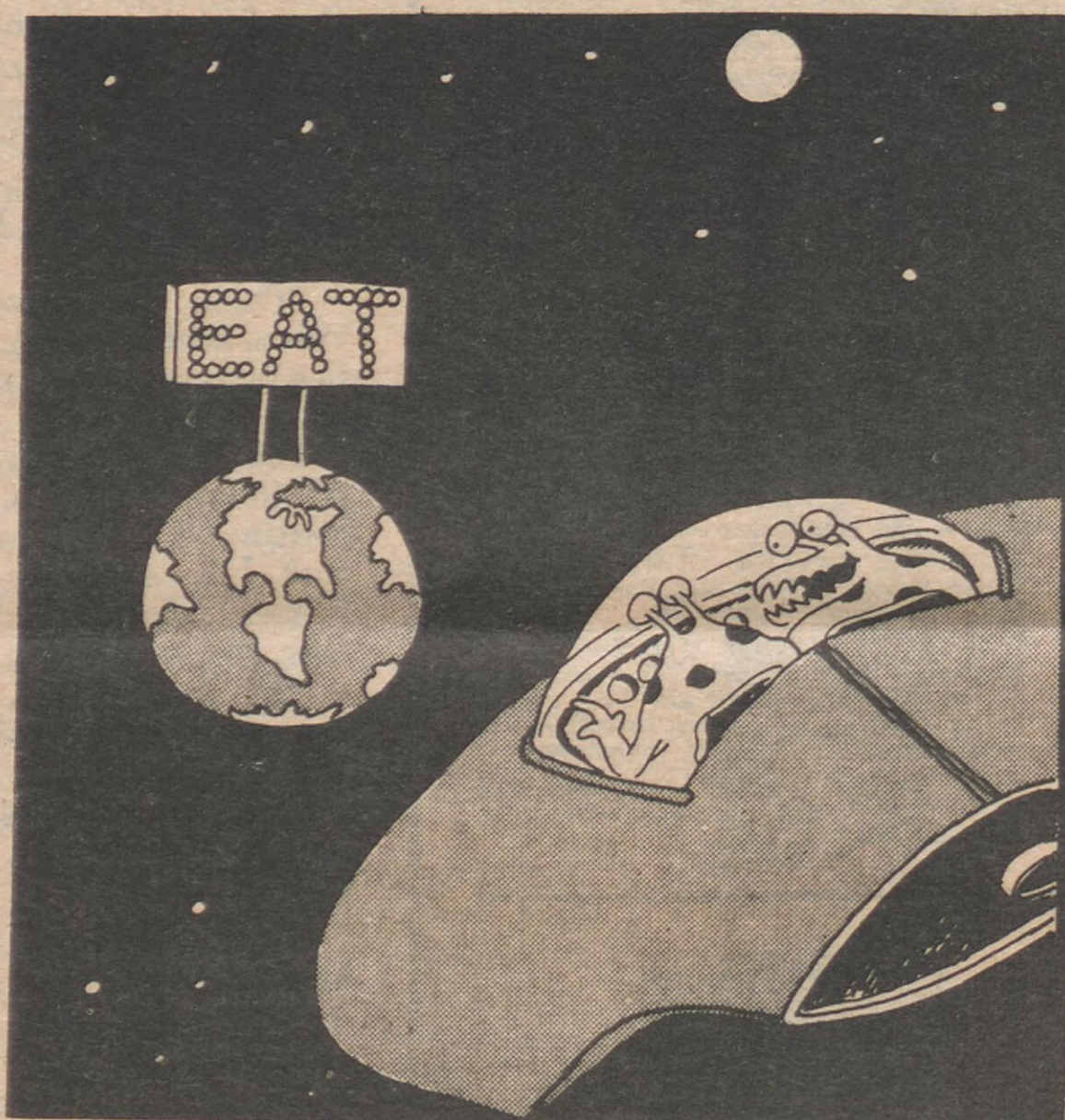
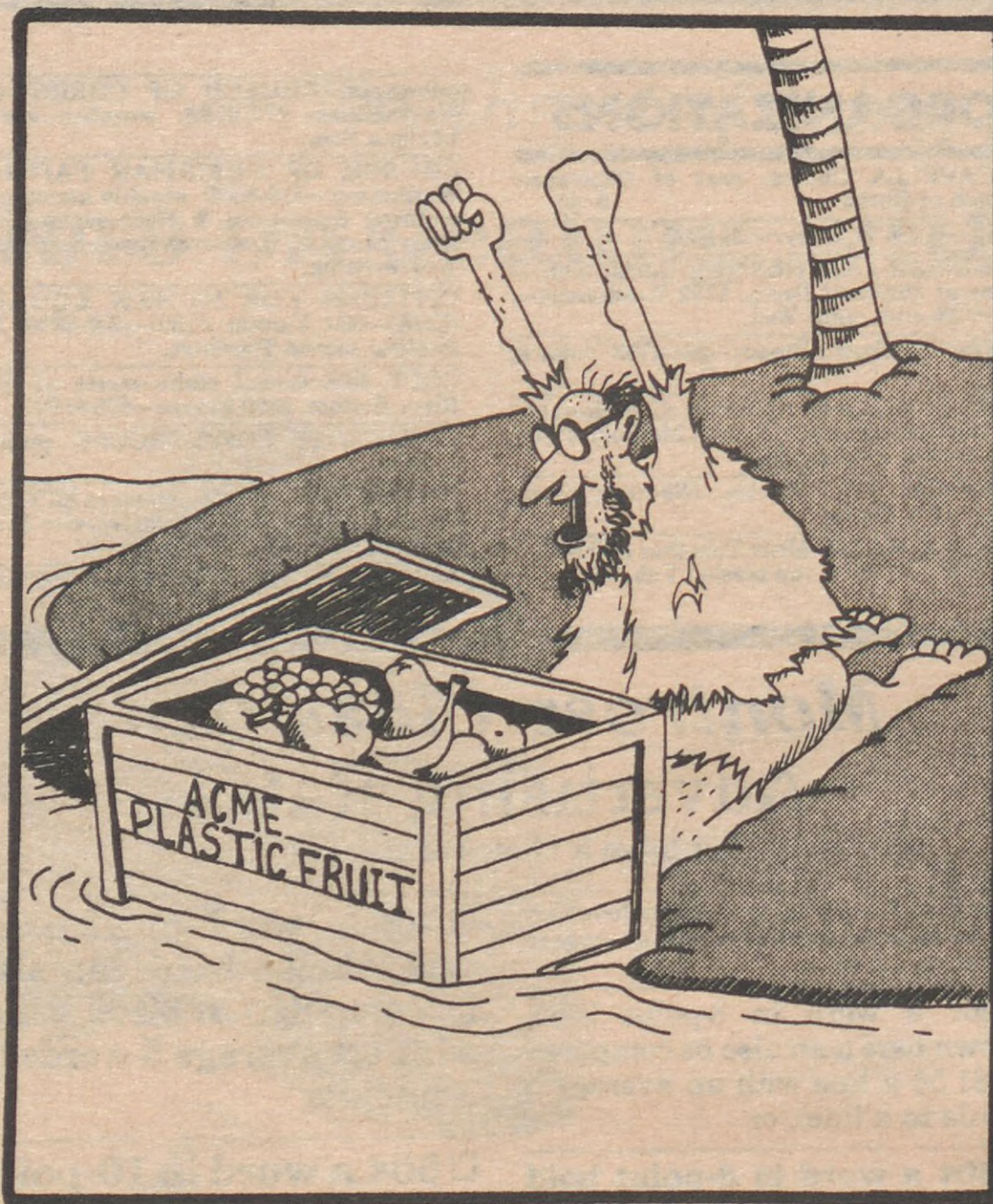
On war: "There is a rude justice in human affairs. As the Civil War was a judgment on the United States for what we did to Mexico, so the unraveling of the American policy in the last 30 years has been the result of our unremitting hostility, open or covert, to practically every nation on earth...."

"War has been the business of the United States for almost half a century... because it is through war or its threat that those who control the economic life of the country can make maximum profits, and the door of the Treasury is always open to them...."

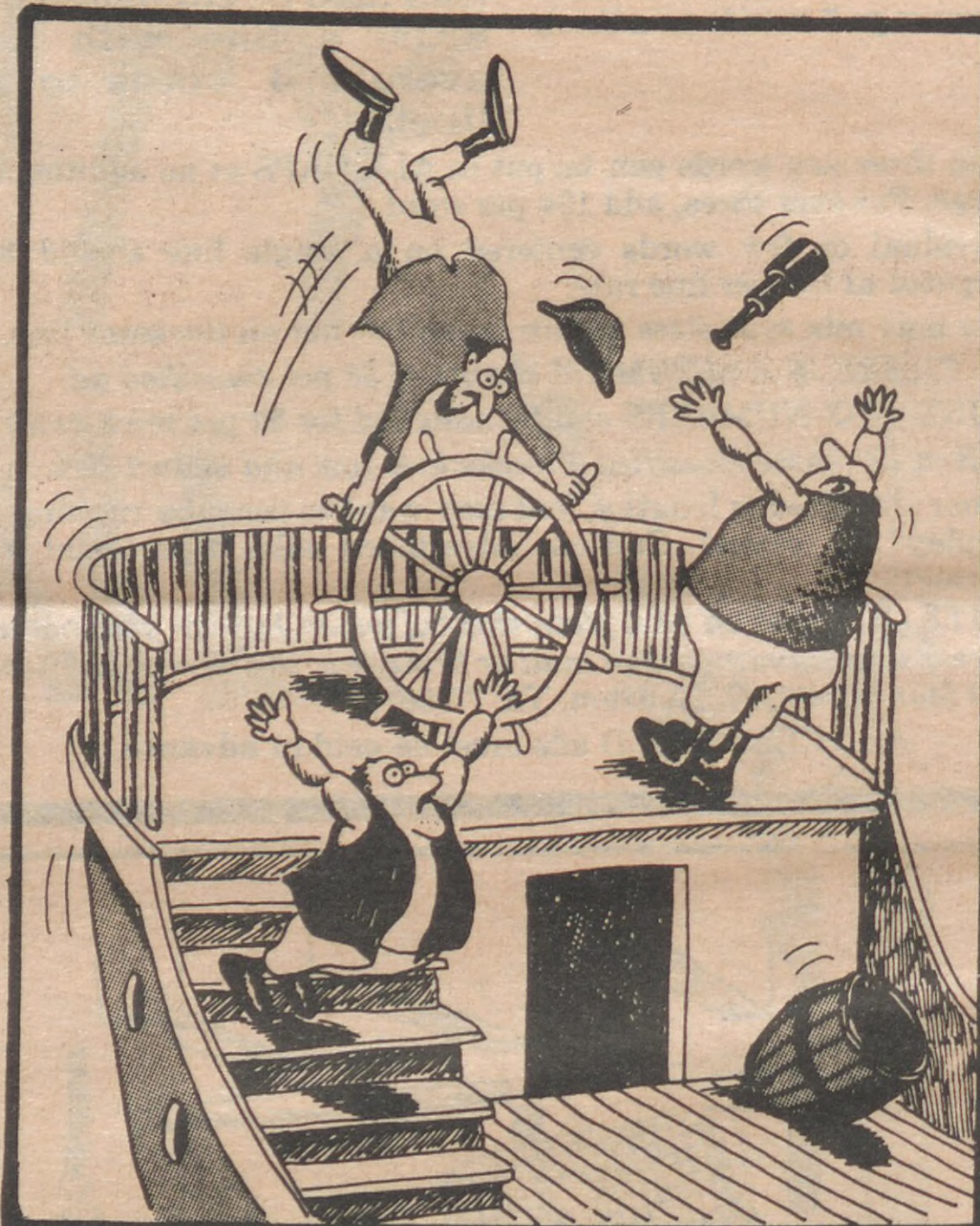
"If we understood our own past... we would not allow ourselves to be so misgoverned and exploited by our own rulers. But the schools belong to them, not to mention the media. And so we are obligated to live in a constant, anxious present, threatened on every side by enemies that are very often totally imaginary...."

"Now, Ronald Reagan, in the bright springtime of his senescence, is arranging if not the next year, something pretty hot, perhaps in Nicaragua or El Salvador."

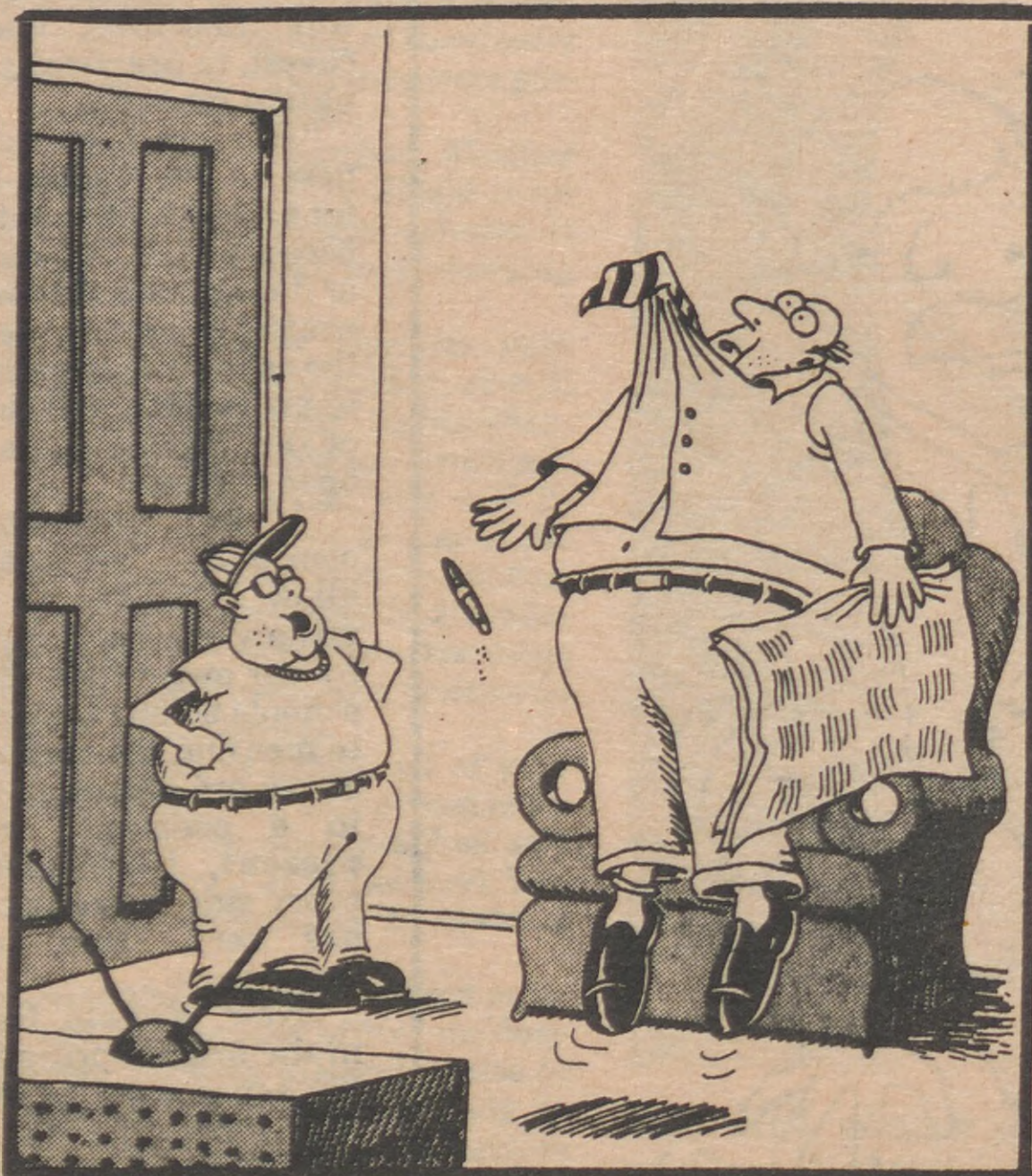
More in Gore Vidal next week.



"Say . . . I could go for something."



Columbus discovers America



"Big Bob says he's getting tired of you saying he doesn't really exist."



LAMBDA ALANON—meets at 1st Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin—521-9772: meeting Fri. evening.

LESBIANS & GAY PEOPLE in Medicine—665-4760: meeting 7:30pm first Saturdays.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED—meets at Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh—521-0863, 453-1143: meeting second & fourth Tues. evenings.

METROPOLITAN Community Church of the Resurrection (MCCR)—1919 Decatur—861-9149: pot-luck dinner 7:30pm Sat.; worship services 10:45am & 7:15pm Sun. & 7:15pm Wed.; membership inquirers class 7:30pm Mon.; Alanon meeting 8pm Mon.; Alcoholics Anonymous meeting 8pm Mon. & Thurs.

MONTROSE SYMPHONIC band—meets at Bering Church, 1440 Hawthorne—527-9669: meeting 7:30pm Tues.

MONTROSE CIVIC Club (Nartown)—meets at Bering Church, 1440 Hawthorne—522-1000: meeting 7:30pm fourth Tuesdays.

MONTROSE CLINIC—104 Westheimer—528-5531: open 6-10pm Fri., 1-5pm Sun., 6-10pm Tues. & Thurs.

MONTROSE COUNSELING Center—900 Lovett #102—529-0037

MONTROSE PATROL—520 Westheimer—528-2273

MONTROSE SINGERS—meets at MCCR, 1919 Decatur—528-0550

MONTROSE SPORTS ASSOCIATION—961-0816

Montrose Sports BOWLING—plays at Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain—961-5409: winter bowling league games 9pm Mon.

Montrose Sports FLAG FOOTBALL—529-4149

Montrose Sports WOMEN'S SOFTBALL—728-9371

Montrose Sports TENNIS—529-7467

Montrose Sports VOLLEYBALL—880-2930: games 7:30pm Tues., Gregory-Lincoln school, 1101 Taft.

MUSTANGS (social club)—meets at the Barn, 710 Pacific—528-9427: club night Mon.

RICE Univ. Gay/Lesbian Support Group—524-0724

TEXAS BAY AREA Gays—332-3737: meeting Thurs. evening.

TEXAS GAY TASK FORCE—529-7014, 522-1659: state conference Sept. 4-6.

TEXAS HUMAN RIGHTS Foundation—1519 Maryland—526-9139

TEXAS RIDERS—c/o Mary's, 1022 Westheimer—528-8851

UNITARIAN/UNIVERSALIST Gay Caucus—c/o 1st Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin—520-9767, 528-5842: meeting third Sun. afternoons.

WESLEYAN FELLOWSHIP—864-8899

WESTHEIMER COLONY ARTS Association—908 Westheimer—521-0133: spring festival Apr. 17-18.

PERSONALS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Apartment—Professional, 33, new to Houston, would like to share 2 bedroom NW Mall/610 area apartment with 25-35. Your cost \$200/mo. 956-7022.

BO FLUM! Y'all look too depressed . . . Shirley it's not a Total Eclipse! Congratulations on our 365th. Forever thrifly yours, MADGE deSTRUNO (I love you).

GARAGE SALE. 4911 Graustark, near museums. 2 rolled-back armless chairs, \$500 both; stereo receiver, turntable & 2 speakers, \$375; wine racks from \$25; wool rugs, quality clothing, lots of bric-a-brac. Fri., Sat., Sun., Feb. 26-28. 522-2455.

RUBDOWN IN YOUR home. \$20. White (Anglo) males only. Call Van, 493-4850 before 11pm.

GWM, MIDDLE AGED, healthy, clean, 5'8", 155 lbs., slender, very affectionate, can please every way, honest, reliable, college education, new in Houston, seeking same for weekend and travel companionship. Will exchange complete information and phone numbers. Write Box 66973, Houston, TX 77006. All inquiries will be answered.

WOMEN'S MUSIC SERIES: Gayle Marie—March 16, Margie Adam—April 16, Woody Simmons—May 18. Ticket booklets available at Heidi's, Wilde & Stein, the Bookstore. \$15 for all 3 concerts.

STOLEN: '71 CHEVY. Brookwood station wagon, dark blue, damage to left rear fender. Colorado license DV-925. reward. (303) 279-0150.

BODY MASSAGE. Your place or mine. Afternoon or evenings, Bruce, 521-2009

TURN YOUR UNWANTED items into CASH. Weekend table rentals available at Westheimer Flea Market, 1731 Westheimer.

FOR AN ATMOSPHERE of social variety and harmony, join BWMT, where the emphasis is on friendship! For information, call 523-2997 or 747-9812.

A VOLUNTEER BABYSITTER is needed to sit with 2 small children for members of the Montrose Patrol, who are on duty. Hours vary greatly and mostly on week-end evenings. Please help. Call 528-CARE and volunteer your services.

GWM, 49, 5'11", 155, endowed, Fr/Gr, A/P. Your place or mine. Prefer age 30-45. White only, not overweight, any endowed. Dept A1016, Box 66973, Houston 77006. Fast reply.

HUNG OVER? If you want to drink, that's your business. If you want to stop, that's ours. Two new Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) groups are now meeting. Mondays, 8pm, Brothers & Sisters, with open speaker. Thursdays, 8pm, Growth Group, with open discussion. Also, Alanon group (for friends, lovers, relatives of the alcoholic) meets Mondays at 8pm. Where? MCCR, 1919 Decatur. Come on by.

THE BODYWORKS, therapeutic and relaxing massage. William Carpenter, nationally certified Massage Technician. 522-0947 weekdays, 665-3884 eves. Gift certificates available.

PRIVATE GAY CLUBS

•**BOX OFFICE**—1625 Richmond—522-1625: male.
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•**CLUB HOUSTON**—2205 Fannin—659-4998: male.

•**MIDTOWNE SPA**—3100 Fannin—522-2379: male.
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•**2306 CLUB**—2306 Genesee—528-6235: male.
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RESTAURANTS

•**BAJA'S**—402 Lovett—527-9866
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•**BANNISTER**—1322 Westheimer—526-0355
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•**BRASSERIE**—515 W. Alabama—528-8744

•**CHAPULTAPEC**—813 Richmond—522-2365

•**DECATUR CAFE**—708 W. Alabama—528-8837
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•**GREEK ISLAND**—302 Tuam—522-7040
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•**HOUSE OF PIES**—3112 Kirby—528-3816
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•**JADE DRAGON**—224 Westheimer—526-2683

•**MARCELLO'S Ice Cream**—1521 Westheimer—522-6994
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•**RASCALS**—2702 Kirby—524-6272
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•**RAUL'S BRASS RUBBING**—914 W. Alabama—529-0627
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•**SPUD-U-LIKE**—416 Westheimer—520-0554

•**STAR PIZZA**—2111 Norfolk—523-0800
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•**STEAK 'N' EGG**—4231 Montrose—528-8135

•**TIM'S Coffee Shop**—1525 Westheimer—529-2289

SERVICES

ARCHITECTURAL IMPROVEMENT DESIGNS and Drawings. Done by 4-year graduate in architecture. Reasonable prices. 528-7420.

FANTASTIC MESSAGES! Let my fingers do the walking. 524-5566.

•**FITNESS EXCHANGE** fitness center—3307 Richmond—524-9932

GAYLIFE

The GAY DATING service. Confidential, personal. Add the Gaylife to your life. **Gaylife, PO Box 36994, Houston, TX 77036** Free membership.

DON GILL—Unique, advanced hairstyling and skin care for both men and women. 528-2260. Haircraft Two, 2011 S. Shepherd.

•**HAIRCRAFT ONE** hair care—2110 Lexington—526-5472

•**HAIRCRAFT TWO** hair care—2011 S. Shepherd—528-2260

•**HOUSTON GUEST HOUSE** lodging—106 Avondale—520-9767
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•**ICENHAUER Beauty School**—327 Westheimer—520-7972

•**KWIK-KALL** Mail Boxes—3317 Montrose—522-1896

•**LIONEL Hair Design**—3220 Yoakum—526-4494

•**MONTROSE Hair Design**—4317 Montrose—522-2822
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•**MONTROSE VOICE** newspaper—3520 Montrose—529-8490

•**PRIVATE POSTAL SYSTEMS** mail boxes—1713 Westheimer—529-3020

•**SALONDANIEL** hair care—1626 Cherryhurst—520-9327

•**TRAVEL TECH** travel agency—5719 Kirby—522-8227
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•**UNITED Cab**—1103 Anita—654-4040
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SHOPS & STORES

•**ADONIS Adult News**—1407 Richmond—528-8405

•**ALL THAT GLITTERS** gifts—4325 Montrose—522-6976

•**RICHARD ALLEN Florist**—1848 Westheimer—526-7795
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•**ASYLUM Adult Bookstore**—1201 Richmond

•**BALL PARK Adult Bookstore**—1830 W. Alabama

•**THE BED HOUSE**—2115 Norfolk—523-8278
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•**BOOM TOWN BLOOMS** flowers—3210 S. Shepherd—526-8110

•**BYMAN'S Environmental Designs & Fine Furnishings**—608 Westheimer—529-8002
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•**CLONE DANCEWEAR**—4704 Montrose—522-1673

•**COMPANY B** military surplus—5366 Westheimer—965-9753
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•**DINER'S Adult News**—240 Westheimer—528-8950

•**DOUBRAVA JONES**, the Manhole clothing—1983 W. Gray—522-1089

•**DOWNBEAT Records**—2117 Richmond—523-8348

•**DRAMATIKA** gifts—3224 Yoakum—528-5457

•**FACETS** gifts—1412 Westheimer—523-1412

•**FLOWER EMPORIUM**—2446 Times Blvd.—524-8818

•**FRENCH QUARTER** Adult Theater—3201 Louisiana—527-0782

•**FRIDAY'S Florist**—1338 Westheimer—524-6518

•**INFINITE RECORDS**—528 Westheimer—521-0187

•**KIRBY Newstand**—3115 Kirby—520-0246

MUST SEE! Beautiful new furniture at bargain prices. Contemporary dinettes from \$199, complete king size bedrooms from \$695, 6-piece living rooms from \$495. Layaways available. 694-1098.

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•**OPTIONS** flowers—1503 Yale at 15th—868-3830

•**Q-1 LEATHER**—408 Westheimer—527-9044

•**RECORD RACK** music—3109 S. Shepherd—524-3602

•**SHER FANTASY** gifts—1401 Westheimer—528-3325
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•**SPORTS LOCKER** clothing—311 Westheimer—520-6555

•**STUDZ Adult News**—1132 W. Alabama

•**TEXAS CARAVAN & Armadillo Flowers**—2115 Dunlavy—520-7019

•**TOTALITY STORE**—1121 W. Gray—526-8780

•**TRES CHIC** eyewear—520 Westheimer—526-0878

•**TREYMAN** gifts—407 Westheimer—523-0228

•**UNION JACK** clothing—1212 Westheimer—622-3100

•**WESTHEIMER FLEA MARKET**—1733 Westheimer

•**WILDE & STEIN** book store—520 Westheimer—529-7014: gay.

Seven Day Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					FEB 26	FEB 27
FEB 28	MAR 1	MAR 2	MAR 3	MAR 4		

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

Selected Events through 7 Days

■**FRIDAY:** Interact/Houston's Community Coffeehouse 7:30pm-midnight, 3405 Mulberry

■**FRIDAY:** Lambda Alanon meeting at First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin

■**FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY:** Post-Mardi Gras weekend in Houston

■**SATURDAY:** City of Houston venereal disease testing 9pm-1am at the Exile, 1011 Bell

■**MONDAY:** Montrose Sports Bowling winter league games 9pm at Stadium Bowl, 8200 Braesmain

■**TUESDAY:** Montrose Sports Volleyball League games 7:30 p.m., Gregory-Lincoln school, 1101 Taft

■**WEDNESDAY:** Gay Political Caucus general business meeting 7:30pm 4600 Main

■**THURSDAY:** Interact general business meeting 7:30pm 3405 Mulberry

■**THURSDAY:** Wilde 'n Stein gay radio show 10pm-midnight on KPFT Radio, FM-90

Selected Events Later

■**IN 1 WEEK:** Gay Pride Week 82 organizational meeting 2:30pm March 7, Kindred Spirits, 5245 Buffalo Speedway

■**IN 2 WEEKS:** St. Patrick's Day, March 17

■**IN 3 WEEKS:** Southeastern Gay Conference in Tampa, Fla., March 19-21

■**IN 3 WEEKS:** Spring begins, March 20

■**IN 4 WEEKS:** April Fool's Day, April 1

■**IN 5 WEEKS:** Scheduled municipal elections, April 3

■**IN 6 WEEKS:** Easter, April 11

■**IN 7 WEEKS:** Westheimer Colony Arts Festival, April 17-18

■**IN 8 WEEKS:** Fiesta climax in San Antonio, April 24

■**IN 8 WEEKS:** Daylight savings times in effect, April 25

■**IN 10 WEEKS:** Mother's Day, May 9

■**IN 13 WEEKS:** Gay Press Association convention in Denver, May 28-31

Next Week, in the Montrose Voice:

Our 'Montrose Art' column returns, with a look at the art of our own staff artist, Wayne Buell.

The Montrose Voice—You've made us Number One, with more readers, more circulation, more distribution points—because we give more, better written, news, columns & features.

Samantha Reads Your Stars

For February 26-March 4, 1982:

ARIES: The Moon leaves Aries at 4:33pm Saturday. Romantic vibes abound. They're more apt to be frivolous flirtation than heavy heart-throbs, so take 'em in a light vein. Then, someone's problem calls for logic instead of a shoulder and days end with glee.

TAURUS: The Moon enters your sign at 4:33pm Saturday, leaves at 7:51pm Monday. Your visibility will be high this week, so be sure you look your best and perform with pizzazz. Think of ways to make your habitat more comfortable. Watch for a business-pleasure combo, expect company and listen to a pal.

GEMINI: The Moon enters Gemini at 7:51pm Monday, becomes "first quarter" at 4:16pm Tuesday, and leaves Gemini at 10:49pm Wednesday. Party plans may be changed a bit by circumstances beyond your control. Be very open with partner; keep both of you out of the dark. Days close with a kiss.

CANCER: The Moon enters Cancer at 10:49pm Wednesday. Certain mutual attraction can prove quite exciting. Do be careful that one of you isn't looking through rose-colored glasses. (Reality is very pleasant in its own right.) Snappy week comes to sparkling fini.

LEO: You may hear gossip about those near you this week. Don't jump to conclusions. Listen with a large grain of salt if you listen at all. Later, your advice is asked and a worthy cause may not be so worthy.

VIRGO: Continue plans for personal development. Possibilities are endless, and the sky's the limit! If a personal situation seems restrictive, you really can work around it.

LIBRA: Saturn and Pluto continue in Libra all week, both in retrograde. Your social calendar is full; but never fear, there's plenty of room for romance, too. Then, be diplomatic, steer conversations away from sensitive areas and don't let secrets slip. Days whistle merrily by.

SCORPIO: Jupiter continues in Scorpio all goes, moving in retrograde. One who is uncooperative merely poses a small detour, not a dead end. Take it in stride. Friendships can blossom into something else. Later, you'll need your objectivity to cope with varied emotions.

SAGITTARIUS: Uranus and Neptune continue in Sagittarius for the remainder of 1982. You have oodles of imagination. You can create a dream picture of anything you want. Now, let your fertile imagination help you find ways to turn your dream into reality. (Probably a little work is needed, too.)

CAPRICORN: Venus leaves Capricorn at 5:26am Tuesday. Look before you leap. Don't accept hearsay evidence; test it yourself. Financial propositions may be tempting; check with your budget first. Later days bring news from a friend, maybe long-distance.

AQUARIUS: Mercury continues in Aquarius all week. Venus enters at 5:26am Tuesday. Spend time and money wisely this week. Concentrate on your own enterprises; don't invest in others. Later, emotions run high and it may be hard to keep perspective.

PISCES: The Sun continues passing through your sign all week. You've laid your groundwork, maybe even built your prototype. Now, you have to see if it will fly and try to enlist the aid of others. Your presentation plays a key role. Not this week, but next, you'll obtain real confidence.

Last Word by Henry McClurg

Do you remember Sunday School?

I remember Sunday School well. I was raised a Southern Baptist and went to church every Sunday at Ridgecrest Baptist Church in Jackson, Mississippi.

I remember one particular Sunday School teacher I greatly admired. His name was Buddy Cooper. He was a TV repairman and had some great Sunday School lessons.

My quotes are not exact after all these years, but in essence, he told our class, "The world is full of people who claim to be religious but who really are living lives that are totally against the real message in the Bible."

What? I thought, with my 12-year-old mind. Is that possible? There are *bad* people in the world?

"There are even those who go to church every Sunday, even here at Ridgecrest, but who won't be going to Heaven," he said.

Now I just couldn't believe that. All these fine-dressed people, all these smiling, polite Christians.

"Yes," he continued, "there are even *preachers* that won't be going to Heaven because they're not preaching the true love of the Bible but are using the Bible as a way of using people."

Good God! *Preachers* that won't be going to Heaven! This was too much.

Now, back in 1982 though, as I'm exposed to certain "religious" people and television evangelists who rely on fear and hate to generate contributions, I understand what old Buddy Cooper was saying.

'Go Texan' & Rodeo Day

at Miss Charlotte's
911 W. Drew

Sunday, Feb. 28

3pm-2am

Live DJ—Plus Live Bands
Cardiac Cowboys, Flying Blind & more

\$1 cover \$1 well till 8pm Free Beer 4-?
Free BBQ Buffet by Bonnie

Every Tuesday
Free C&W
Dance Lessons,
8pm

Midnight
Happy Hour
12-2am
\$1 well drinks



Flying
Blind
Band
Wed.-Sat.
9:30-1:30
Sunday
8:30-12:30

Friday, Feb. 26
'Let Us Entertain You'
Midnight Buffet

Sunday, March 7—6pm
Montrose's 1st All Masculine
Wild West Show
to benefit the Flying Blind baby
reserved seating

Coming March 11—American Leathermen Go Western