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## Robin S - The 'Love Diva' of Dance



PHOTO BY BETH HERZHAFT

by Scott Lewis

She is a love diva. Her hits *Show Me Love* and *Luv for Luv* were the most popular songs on the dance floor and garnered radio play for the first two singles from her debut album. Her success

forced her to resign from her government job as secretary to a New York area mayor and to hit the road.

On stage she preaches a message of 50/50 love. If you are putting in more than you are getting out she states, you  
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## Supreme Court Agrees to Decide Same-Sex Harassment Suit

The U.S. Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide whether same-sex harassment in employment violates federal law, focusing on the case of an oil rig roustabout who says he quit because he feared being raped by his male supervisor. The justices' decision in the Louisiana case, expected sometime in 1998, will resolve conflicting rulings among federal appeals courts over the reach of a federal law that bans on-the-job sex discrimination.

Joseph Oncale says he was sexually pursued and harassed before he quit his 1991 job on a Gulf of Mexico oil rig. Lower courts said he could not sue under the federal law known as Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which bans sexual discrimination and harassment in employment. They said same-sex harassment isn't covered by the law. Clinton administration lawyers are urging the justices to let Oncale sue under the federal law.

"On its face, Title VII's gender-neutral prohibition of sex discrimination extends to both opposite-sex and same-sex discrimination, as long as the challenged conduct occurred because of the victim's sex," said

lawyers from the Justice Department and Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

The term "harassment" doesn't appear in the text of Title VII but the Supreme Court ruled in 1986 that harassment amounts to discrimination if it creates a hostile environment in the workplace. In more-recent rulings, the justices have explained that a hostile environment can come about not only through overtly sexual behavior but also by "discriminatory intimidation, ridicule and insult ... sufficiently severe or pervasive to alter the conditions of the victim's employment."

Oncale's lawsuit against Sundowner Offshore Services and three men said he was sexually assaulted, battered, touched and threatened with rape by his direct supervisor, John Lyons, and a second supervisor, Danny Pippen. Another defendant, co-worker Brandon Johnson, was accused of assisting in one of the alleged incidents. All three men named as defendants vehemently deny that any harassment occurred.

Oncale's lawsuit said he twice reported  
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## Danburg Assesses Legislative Session

by Steve Labinski  
Houston Voice Austin Bureau Chief

She is the legislator who represents the Montrose area of Houston, an ardent supporter of equal rights for gays and lesbians in the Texas House and a political icon in her district. Fittingly, State Representative Debra Danburg spoke with the *Houston Voice* this week about the just-completed 75th legislative session and shared her thoughts. In addition to her legislative duties this session, Danburg chaired the Elections Committee, and sat on the powerful State



Debra Danburg

Affairs Committee and Calendars Committee.

**HV:** What do you think about the 75th session overall?

**DD:** Most people are criticizing the session as not getting as much done as the  
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## Stamping Into Summer With Stomp

by Rich Arenschioldt

You've seen them on *Letterman* you've seen them in advertising, heck, they've even been on *General Hospital*. Society for the Performing Arts brings back the British inspired purveyors of trash rhythm to Jones Hall June 17th through June 22nd. Just in case you've been under a rock for that last three years and haven't had any exposure to this group, *Stomp* is a evening of rollicking, reverberating fun.

Ever since *Blue Man Group* appeared off Broadway, the movement/rhythm phenomenon has taken this country by storm (or is that Stomp?). Producers have finally figured out what most of us have known for decades — we are moved by movement and sound. The heck with Shakespeare, give us entertainment!

Created in 1991 by Brits Luke Criswell (no relation to the Houston Chronicle Food Editor, Anne) and Steve Mc Nicholas, *Stomp* is the result of a ten year partnership (creative partnership, that is) between two guys that started performing a series of street musicals. Both movement and musical director have a weird history of interesting performance art. They've produced a video for super-diva Bette Midler and concocted a floating 120 piece percussion band floating on a pontoon for the City of Edinburgh Scotland — the latter understandably sponsored by Heineken Brewery, the imbibing of whose product no doubt maximized the patron's enjoyment..

This penchant for pounding has garnered



PHOTO BY LOIS GREENFIELD

*Stomp* performs from June 17th through June 22nd.

*Stomp* an Oliver Award, a Drama Desk Award and sold out runs in London's West End and on our own Yankee White Way. In 1996 viewers of the normally somnolent Academy Awards will remember the wittily synchronized 'slap and slam' sequence that woke everybody up during the star-studded snooze-filled gala.

Though British from the beginning, the necessity of new casts (as the result of popularity, not, as you might think, from performers dropping dead of exhaustion) has turned this troupe into a multicultural ensemble that runs as fast on tour as it does on stage. With four casts traveling worldwide, *Stomp* is like a gargantuan Godzilla, gobbling up audiences in its path — This brings to mind a question: why are these people so popular? Answer: because they are absolutely clear on their purpose — to entertain us.

Audiences presumably pay hefty ticket prices to pursue entertainment. Arts promoters use everything from dogs in drag to scowl-

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## Composite Sketches of Suspects Released by Authorities

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Jack A. Daulton, inspector in charge of the Task Force, is flanked by two photos released by authorities with new pieces of information and evidence from the Atlanta bombings during a press conference in Atlanta Monday, June 9, 1997. The photo on the left is from a sketch of a white male seen near the dumpster at the Sandy Springs Professional building about 6:30am on the morning of the bombing. The photo at center is a from a sketch of a white male seen in the parking lot of the Sandy Springs Professional Building the evening prior to the explosion. Officials stress that they want to identify the people in the photos, and they may well only be witnesses to the event. (AP Photo/Ric Feld)

Jackie Aguilera, Executive Assistant to the President: Colt 45's

As the Colt 45's prepare to celebrate our 21st anniversary, we are reminded of Simone Signoret's quotation "It is the threads, hundreds of tiny threads, which sew people together through the years," for truly we exist because of the community threads that have generously come together to support our clients. Therefore, we respectfully tip our hats to those past and present who have brought us where we are today. In addition, we would be honored if you would attend our anniversary celebration on Saturday, June 14, around 7:30 p.m. at the BRB and then going on the Venture N for more celebrating and a show by RSICSS around 9:00 p.m.

Finally, while it is difficult to list everyone, we begin with this list and apologize in advance if anyone feels left out. Let us know, and we will be glad to make up for it

later. All in all, thank you: AIDS Foundation Houston, ATF Donation Box Carriers, Berry Hill II, The Briar Patch, Bricks II, Brotherhood of Pain, BRB, Bunnies on the Bayou, Chances, Common Ground, Cousins, Diana Foundation, EJ's, The Garden Party, Gay & Lesbian Yellow Pages, Gentry, Houston Area Bears, Houston Voice, Hrn. Debra Danburg, Krewe of Olympus - Texas, Lazy J, Mary's, MCCR, Miss Camp America Foundation, Miss Cuervolyn, Montrose Clinic, Mr. Bill Havard, Mr. Boots & Leather By Boots, The Names Project Houston, National Leather association: Houston, Neiman Marcus, The New Barn, Omega House, Outpost, Outrage Inc., Rainbow Ranglers, Rich's, Ripcord, RSICSS: Houston, Southern Country Houston, Texas Conference of Clubs, TGRA: Houston, Texas Renegades, Tropicana, TWT, Venture N, and all those generous members of the community we call home.

MONTROSE AREA UPDATE

by Lee Davis

TGRA Success!

Last Sunday at the Brazos River Bottom, the Texas Gay Rodeo Association, Houston Chapter presented the President Awards Show.



Soiree Aubergine accepts from TGRA.

President Michael Gaitz presented contributions to representatives from Bering Community Service Foundation through Soiree Aubergine, Colt 45's, Loving Arms Foundation, Omega House, Pet Patrol, Pride Committee Houston, PWA Coalition and the PWA Holiday Charities (LVL).

Armand Posas & Company took over the stage as "The Wild-Wild West" show netted even more money for the community. Many, many guest entertainers were on hand to bring the house down at the BRB. Great work, TGRA!

Shows & More Shows

You can certainly tell that Gay Pride is among us! This weekend is jammed with many shows for various charities. And let's not forget the contests this weekend, either!

On Saturday, be at the Venture-N for "Twenty-One & Growing" presented by RSICSS. Cohosted by Crystal Rae Lee Love & Sean Carter, this proves to be one of the premier events this weekend. Be there at



Tuna Melt at The Wild West Show.

10pm or you will definitely miss out! Your donations will benefit the Colt 45's.

Sunday! Well, where do we go first? At 7pm, be at Mary's for the Daddy of Montrose Contest. Special guest entertainers are the Texas Cowgurlz. As reported before, if you haven't had the opportunity to see these girls strut their stuff, it's a must!

At 8pm, either go to Venture-N or the Brazos River Bottom. Venture-N presents "Grin 'n Bear It", a Bear Contest hosted by Anita Mann, Empress XIII. At Brazos River Bottom, the Mr. Montrose Contest will kick off at 8pm. Entitled "Broadway", this show

presents a night of dazzling Broadway performers. Emcees Shelby St. John & Day Leigh-Edwards present a cast including Paivi Lee Love, Lana Blake, Kara Dion, Byron Norton, Regina Dane, Shawna St. John, Tuna Melt, Oscar Parades & Crystal Rae Lee Love. This show benefits the PWA Holiday Charities (LVL).

At 9pm, trot over to Gentry for the "Date With A Daddy Auction" followed by "Show Me The Booty" featuring Houston's hottest entertainers. All auction & show proceeds benefit AVES.

Bartender Contest Finals

The Houston Voice & Finlandia hosted the last of preliminary competition last Wednesday at The New Barn & Chances. Though the competition was extremely tough, winners had to be chosen. Vanna won at The New Barn & Wiley at Chances.

This Friday, June 13 at 8:30pm, the finals will be held at Gentry. The finalists & their drink names are BRB, David Crowson & Pink Fabulous; Gentry, Val & Finlandia Freeze; Chances, Wiley & Berry Supreme; New Barn, Vanna & Finlandia Shake; Heaven, Matthew & I Wish I Was A Virgin Smurf and Rich's, Yvonne & Eve of Destruction.

Best of luck to all of the finalists & especially to the judges who have a difficult task ahead of them on Friday. Remember, all proceeds from the contest benefit Soiree Aubergine!

Jocks in Dresses

The Montrose Softball League proudly presents "Jocks in Dresses" benefiting Steven's House. See some of your favorite softball players as you've never seen them

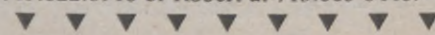


Last year's Jocks in Dresses winner.

before! Rich's is the place to be on Saturday, June 14 beginning promptly at 7pm. Tickets are on sale at Crossroads Market for \$5 in advance or pay \$7 at the door. Door prizes and reduced drink prices are available. This is a must see!

40 + UP

Gay men and women who are forty and older, their friends, and other persons who might be interested in addressing the concerns and exploring the interests of older gays are invited to attend the organizational meeting of G.A.N.G. (Gay Alumni Noon Group). The meeting will take place at the Montrose Library, 4100 Montrose (520.5487), from 1 to 2pm on Saturday, June 14. For further info, please call Jim at 713.622.6918 or Robert at 713.665-6446.



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## Texas Political Seats Suddenly Up For Grabs, Seismic Shift Looms

by Steve Labinski  
Houston Voice Austin Bureau Chief

It was an announcement that sent political consultants and lobbyists scrambling outside looking for an area to make a clear cellular call, even before the speaker had completed his speech. "I announce today that I will not be a candidate for re-election," said Bob Bullock last Friday regarding his position as Lieutenant Governor.

The announcement set-off what was been called a "seismic shift" in the Texas political field as individuals from the Republican and Democratic parties test the waters for winning a higher office. "It's kinda like having the Godfather retire," said James Cooley, a political writer for the *Lone Star Report* newspaper in Austin, who explained that Bullock is the last of a powerful political generation. The 67-year old Democrat was first elected Lt. Governor in 1990.

"I have to wonder what a different session it would have been if Bullock had announced his retirement plans at the beginning of the session," said Cooley. As the presiding officer of the Senate, Bullock was known for tightly controlling its activity, and could make or break the results of legislation.

The top candidates for the Lt. Governor race in 1998 include State Comptroller John Sharp on the Democratic ticket and Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry on the Republican ticket. Republicans, whose factions have been polarizing over more and more political issues, will almost certainly have competitive primaries in 1998. Other Republicans rumored to be considering running for the office include Sen. Jane Nelson (R, Flower Mound) and Sen. Florence Shapiro (R, Plano).

Speculation continues to swirl around the race to challenge George W. Bush for Governor. Despite a questionably productive session, the Governor remains popular. It will be difficult for a Democrat to attack Bush on the failure of his tax reform initiative. According to Cooley, "Anyone who attacks the tax plan - would have to attack a bi-partisan plan. Democrats Paul Sadler and Pete Laney worked on it enough to claim credit for its failure." As an election year issue, "this takes it essentially off the table," said Cooley.

State Land Commissioner Gary Mauro, a Democrat, embarked this week on a statewide book tour, which many believe is a precursor to announcing a run against Bush. "He's telling people that he's 95% decided to run for Governor," said one Democrat party

official. Mauro's close ties to President Clinton and the Democrat National Committee indicate that plenty of money would be available to mount an aggressive campaign against Bush, who already has an interest in running for President in 2000.

For Texas Land Commissioner, if Gary Mauro resigns to run for Governor, Democrats Rep. Hugo Berlanga and Richard Raymond have expressed interest for the office. On the Republican side, Tim Turner, an oil and gas industry executive and Texas GOP SREC member from Houston has been actively campaigning for the office this Spring. Tony Garza, current Secretary of State and ex-county judge for Cameron County could also run.

Democrats are unwilling to lose the State Comptroller office, while the GOP sees it as a good potential pick-up. On Tuesday, Houston resident Paul Hobby announced he will run for the office being vacated by John Sharp. The 37-year old son of former Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby is considered a rising-star in the party, and can spend whatever it takes to win.

Two well-known Republicans have announced they will seek the office as well. Railroad commissioners Barry Williamson and Carole Keeton Rylander could mount an expensive battle to win the Republican primary.

Democrats could find a competitive primary for state Attorney General. On Monday, Dan Morales announced that he will run for third term. Nevertheless, Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Morris Overstreet is expected to announce in July his decision to challenge Morales in the Democratic primary.

Texas Republican Party Chairman Tom Pauken, who cannot run again for party chairman, is reportedly close to announcing a run for Attorney General. Pauken has been a vocal critic of Morales' work over the past four years.

For Agriculture Commissioner, two high-profile Republicans have expressed interest. Rep. Harvey Hilderbran from Kerrville and moderate ex-Rep. Susan Combs from Austin have been raising money this Spring for the 1998 election to the statewide office.

"The progressive wing of the Democrat Party wants to see Jim Hightower run again [for Agriculture Commissioner]. But, he's having too much fun talking on the radio," said one Democrat official who commented that the populist, pro-labor wing of the Democrats have been less visible in Texas for several years, but may stage a comeback.

which hosted a similar benefit for the Montrose Clinic in April. Plans are underway for an upcoming encore.

DIFFA/Houston is the largest source of private dollars for AIDS care in the Greater Houston area. Since 1987, the organization has granted over \$2 million for HIV/AIDS Care, research, treatment and preventive education.

### Panel Discussion to Focus on the Power of 'The Artists Way'

A panel discussion on the power of *The Artists Way* is scheduled to take place June 15 at 4:30 p.m. at the Firehouse Gallery. The panel is part of an exhibit which features works by anyone who is in or has experienced an Artist's Way Circle. The circles are support groups originated by Julia Cameron, author of the pop culture phenom *The Artist's Way*, which has been on best-sellers list for years.

Cameron's ode to self-awareness explores ways and methods to open up and express creativity. So successful was Cameron's books that she just release a companion book to *The Artist's Way*, titled *Vein of Gold*.

The event is being hosted by the Houston Women's Caucus for Art. For more information on the panel and exhibit, call (713)

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**The Pros and Cons of 'The List'**

by Larry Lingle

Magazines are enamored with "top ten" lists - a trend which David Letterman so well satirized as to become a parody of itself. - Recently, *The Advocate* joined the fray with "The Most Livable Places in America" for gays and lesbians. Not surprisingly, Houston - the nation's fourth largest city - is not on the list. Austin makes the second tier of top ten surprises, while Dallas gets an honorable mention.

First, let's consider the resources used by John Gallagher for this article: *Great Gay & Lesbian Places to Live* by Lanie Dills and Lynn West, and *Fodor's Gay Guide to the USA*. The Dills-West book was a dud from the start. Any cursory examination revealed that the Memphis-based authors relied on city-by-city views as written by persons in each city - sort of a chamber of commerce approach to research.

Fodor's is more reliable, but suffers, as do any gay guides, to being dated even by publishing day. Again, Fodor's seemed to rely on others' footwork in each city, in the case of Houston on *Our World*, a gay and lesbian travel magazine. Whereas Dills-West relied too heavily on local boosters, Fodor's adopted the views of an occasional traveler.

The Advocate's basic criteria are more valid: A gay community center, a gay pride parade or celebration, an array of service organizations, a gay bookstore and local gay publication. Also important were local and state laws supporting gay and lesbian rights. On this latter note Texas cities suffered uniformly. While not even mentioned, Houston has yet to overcome the disaster of 1985.

Overall, Houston represents a mixed bag for *The Advocate*. While we have two local gay publications and two more statewide, Houston still lacks a community center. Even on this front there are hopeful signs on the horizon. This will be perhaps the true test as to whether the Houston gay and lesbian community truly has any vitality.

Certainly, Houston has a wide spectrum of organizations and boasts three gay bookstores, as many as New York City. Houston's gay pride celebration is about to march off with the first nighttime parade. However, like many other aspects of Houston gay life, this annual pride celebration is only beginning to recover from both the legal defeats of 1985 and the infamous oil bust.

Only a dozen years ago a national magazine was noting that Houston's gay and lesbian community was one of the most powerful political bodies in the nation. While I was not yet on the scene in Houston - then still struggling with the paradox that is Dallas - I have since learned that much of that supposed political clout was more the result of press agentry than reality.

*The Advocate's* list holds no surprises, starting with San Francisco in the top spot, and following in order New York, Los Angeles, Atlanta, Chicago, Seattle, Miami Beach, Boston, Washington DC, and Portland. The second tier includes Minneapolis, New Orleans, Austin, Tucson, Madison, Columbus, Detroit, Baltimore, Denver and St. Louis.

What is not clear is how such cities as New Orleans, Tucson, Detroit, Baltimore and St. Louis made any list. All right, New Orleans rates as nearly everyone's favorite

party city, as long as you don't run into its notorious police force. Detroit, well, even here *The Advocate* noted that most gays and lesbians, like most of the city, have fled to the suburbs - so this makes for a livable city?

Austin obviously made the list on its reputation as the most liberal spot in Texas, which as Molly Ivins would say, ain't saying a hell of a lot. I can even buy, despite my own personal prejudice, an honorable mention for Dallas based on its thriving community center and the impressive Cedar Springs business district - although stray off that three-block area and risk its high crime rate.

While *The Advocate* does mention the election of an openly lesbian county sheriff in Austin, it obviously considered Dallas' gay city councilman (although hopefully not the one closeted gay on the council who was caught with his hand in the wrong place). Here, Houston's record is one of also rans. While Annise Parker is mounting a viable campaign for council this fall, the Houston gay and lesbian community can only record a declining influence in city politics.

Where goeth Houston? While Austin has gradually built on its reputation as a healthy place to live and Dallas attempts to prove that everything is bigger and better in the metro-plex on the Trinity. Houston continues to live on a now defunct reputation as a party city after the ball is over. It's time for this community to recognize that parties and drugs do not a community make.

It would be better to follow the lead of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce than the divisive and impotent Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus. It is time for that gay and lesbian community center. The responsible segments of our community should put aside personal differences and concentrate on making Houston the most livable, likable, friendliest city in the Sunbelt. Only then will Houston once again be the premier Texas City

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and, hopefully, a desirable destination for gay and lesbian travelers across the country.

A thriving gay and lesbian community is a healthier place to live, a stronger place to do business and, ultimately, a greater political force. We have to create this sense of community, it is not inherent in the genes of our population. Our organizations must serve the community. Our businesses must earn our loyalty. We must choose our causes wisely.

As large corporations are beginning to recognize our financial clout, we must discriminate in our spending. Barnes and Noble, in the current *Advocate*, took two full pages to pitch their gay and lesbian section with discounted hardback. That's great such a large corporation wants our bucks. Also note that two of Houston's gay and lesbian bookstores offer the same titles at a greater discount - they just can't afford to advertise in *The Advocate*.

I have noted before in this column that Houston, in many ways, is at a watershed for the gay and lesbian community. We must stop living in our past and get on with the future based on the reality created by a decade and a half of AIDS, the increased awareness of our issues, and our own reluctant acceptance that gay men and lesbians are in this together and that we come in all shapes, sizes, colors and origins. There are those in society more than willing to divide and destroy us. It is only logical that we unite, not only to save ourselves, but to prosper and grow as a community. That should be the only litmus test for membership in our community.

## Trials and Tribulations of Military Mayhem

by Leslie Ramsay

The ensuing brouhaha blasting across the radio airwaves has reached a fevered pitch over the supposed "double" standard in the most recent military scandal. The *Houston Chronicle* and *USA Today* featured stories about how Air Force General Joseph Ralston's having an affair back in the good old 80's is different from 1st Lieutenant Kelly Flinn's affair.

On Monday, General Ralston "withdrew his name from consideration" for the position of Joint Chiefs of Staff. He issued a statement that said basically that he wanted to end this "public spectacle" and he really didn't want the job anyway. The news media was trying their best to draw parallels between the affair he had with a female civilian while he was separated from his wife to the case of Kelly Flinn.

1st Lieutenant Kelly Flinn was just recently separated from the Air Force for what the media called "having an affair with a male civilian." In actuality, Kelly Flinn was discharged for lying, insubordination, and having an affair with an enlisted person's husband. Her offense was actually wreaking havoc with the morale in the tiny military community in Minot, North Dakota.

The Uniform Code of Military Justice states that adultery can only be prosecuted if the affair "brings discredit to the armed forces" or if it has an adverse impact on "good order and discipline". The offense must also bring harm directly to the service not in "a remote or indirect sense".

I agree with General Ralston that their situations are very different. I do agree that the military does not have a "double standard" when it comes to sexual misconduct when it comes down to males and females. The defense department provided the statistics to prove that they do not show favoritism towards males. The Air Force separated 60 males and 7 females in 1996 for adultery.

All total, the combined figures for separation from the armed services were one of the charges was adultery was a paltry 174. Compare that number to the thousands of careers that were ended by "rumors" of homosexuality since 1992.

The real "double standard" is between heterosexuals and homosexuals.

The military used possible "sexual attraction" as the reason why they needed to institute the infamous "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. The military could not function as a cohesive unit if there were known homosexuals in the unit. The added sexual tension would disrupt the military's everyday duties. The fact that heterosexual men and women go through basic training together in the Army, Navy and Air Force is an example of their hypocrisy. (The Marine Corps is the only branch of the military that does not combine the sexes for basic training. I will exempt them from my righteous indignation this week.)

If you followed the hinky logic of the military then the sexual attraction between heterosexuals is not a disruption of military unit cohesiveness. The sexual attraction, sexual relationships, unwanted pregnancies, children, affairs, etc. do not cause a deteriora-

tion of the morale of the unit. This, of course, is bull hockey.

The ratio of males to females in the military is roughly 85 to 15. If the military is presumably 100% heterosexual then you see there is a problem. Not every Joe Q. Soldier will have his very own Jane Q. Soldier. The jockeying for a main squeeze is very competitive. The military pushes it off as "boys will be boys". The battle for sex is a constant companion of the new coed military.

The expulsion of hundreds of pregnant female soldiers during the Gulf War is an example of the failure of the coed military. The military should not be the heterosexual dating service that it has become.

I have several members of my family that are serving in the military.

My aunt is retiring this year after serving 30+ years. She has witnessed the dramatic changes that the "feminization" of the military has caused. She works in the area of promotions. It is her job to gather relevant information about soldiers that are up for promotion. She does not comment about the particulars, but in the abstract, she conveyed plenty.

"Today's Army" is ready to transport a shipment of grain to a hungry country but they are not ready to protect the US from foreign invaders. The sex scandals have rocked the very core of the military.

My aunt has also witnessed the devastation that "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" has caused. Some of the best and the brightest female soldiers have been expelled from the military for "rumors" of homosexuality. In some cases, if a male soldier is rebuffed by a female soldier then the rumors start flying and an investigation begins. The heterosexual female soldier must be a "dyke" because she wouldn't go out with the male soldier. The message is very clear to the female soldiers, if you want a career in the military then you must "put out".

I have a cousin in the Marine Corps. He does not view the military as my aunt does. He believes that his unit is a lean, mean fighting machine. He does not work in a situation where he comes in contact with many female soldiers. They do not have time to chase women while they are patrolling Bosnia.

What is the job of the military today anyway?

We are currently acting as a police force in countries all around the world. The military is explicitly designed and restricted in their code from being a police force. The military trains soldiers to protect the US against all enemies. They are trained to kill.

We are promoting the armed services as a way to pay for college. We are promoting it as a government jobs program for some of our very poorest and underprivileged citizens. Many new recruits, male and female, join today so that they will receive health insurance for their children or avoid jail.

The serving your country as a duty and honor has gone by the wayside. The military has long road ahead of them to straighten out the internal domestic problems they have uncovered. They should concentrate on fixing the entire coed structure not studying how to change the rules to allow looser morals and adultery in the military. If sexual attraction between soldiers is not compatible with military service than what were they thinking when they went coed?

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crimes from 1991 to 1995. Almost 13 percent of the incidents were based on sexual orientation. "President Clinton has the ability to set a national tone that hate-violence will not be tolerated," said Elizabeth Birch, the campaign's executive director.

The Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, an umbrella group of 180 civil rights organizations, also welcomed Clinton's latest moves. Executive director Wade Henderson hoped a high-profile White House conference would encourage private sector leaders to pitch in on the "pernicious

problem" of hate crimes.

"Whether the exercise proves to be truly and genuinely meaningful remains to be seen, but the spirit with which President Clinton is approaching it is to be commended," Henderson said. In San Diego, Clinton is expected to suggest a presidential advisory board on race relations, which would conduct a series of town hall-style meetings around the country.

Ultimately, Clinton wants to produce a report recommending specific actions that government officials, as well as individuals and corporations, can take to achieve greater racial understanding.

## Feds Believe Atlanta Bombings Linked, Make Public Plea for Assistance

Georgia - New composite sketches and a hazy photograph helped bring in scores of calls in less than a day about three bombings at an abortion clinic, a gay club and last summer's Olympic games, officials said Tuesday.

Almost a year after a bomb killed one person and injured more than 100 at Centennial Olympic Park on July 27, investigators said Monday they're increasingly certain the attack was related to the two later bombings. Investigators released detailed composite sketches of two men believed to have been seen outside the abortion clinic, along with a new photo showing a hazy figure sitting on the Olympic Park bench where that bomb was placed.

By Tuesday morning, that renewed plea for public assistance had brought in at least 150 calls from people offering tips, said Jack Daulton, the FBI agent leading the bombing investigation. Investigators on Monday also released copies of a letter received by news organizations earlier this year from an "Army of God," which claimed responsibility for the Jan. 16 clinic blast and the Feb. 21 nightclub bombing.

Although the contents of the letter had been released previously, investigators said they hoped someone would recognize the childlike block handwriting denouncing "sodomites" and people who commit - as the writer spelled it - "ungodly perversion."

A similar approach led last year to the arrest of Unabomber suspect Theodore Kaczynski following the publication of a manifesto from someone claiming credit for the string of mail bombs over 18 years. The handwriting was recognized by Kaczynski's brother, who notified authorities.

Believing the three Atlanta bombings may be linked, investigators combined their three separate investigations and extended the \$500,000 Olympic bombing reward to cover the two other blasts.

Though the letter sent to news organizations days after the last blast makes no mention of the Olympic attack, the omission hasn't dissuaded investigators.

"He may have tried to avoid that responsibility for whatever reason," Daulton said at a news conference.

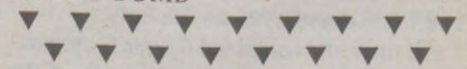
Handwritten in capital letters with numerous misspellings, the letter said the Army of God is responsible for both bombings. It says the clinic bombs were set to avenge "the murder of 3.5 million children every year," while the nightclub bombing targeted "sodomites."

Investigators hope the author's handwriting and key phrases - such as "Death to the New World Order" and "the ungodly communist regime in New York," apparently a reference to the United Nations - might produce a tip. Despite what investigators believe, there are differences between the Olympic bombing and the two that followed.

Black powder was used in the Olympic bomb, while the others used dynamite. Unlike the Olympic bombing, the others contained a second bomb authorities believe was intended for law enforcement officers sent to the scene.

"There is a significant difference," said Jack Killorin, agent in charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms in Atlanta. "However, there's also the fact that in one city in the short span of eight months, we've had three anti-personnel bombs."

During two previous pleas for help, investigators released photographs of people in the park the night of the Olympic bombing, showed a replica of the military-style backpack that held that bomb, and played the tape of an emergency call warning of the Olympic bombing. Agents asked people with information to call 1-888-ATF-BOMB



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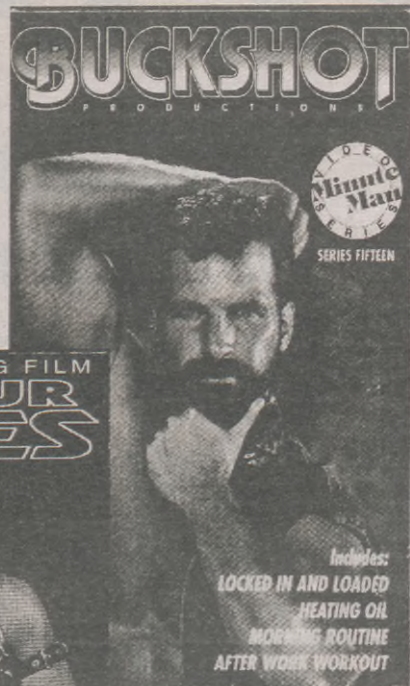
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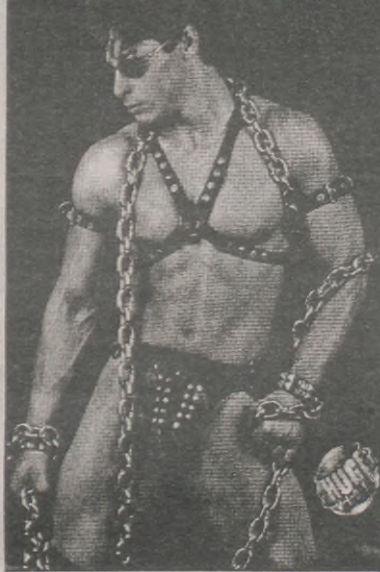
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## Measure to Ban Anti-Gay Workplace Discrimination Re-Introduced in Senate

District of Columbia - Having failed in the U.S. Senate by just one vote last year, proponents of legislation to ban workplace discrimination against homosexuals offered the bill again Tuesday. A bipartisan group of lawmakers, most of them from New England, said sexual orientation deserves the same protection from discrimination as race, religion, gender, national origin, age and disability.

The bill "is based on a fundamental principle most of us share: Americans should be judged at work because of their performance at work," said Rep. Christopher Shays, a lead sponsor. Buoying proponents' hopes this Congress is the fact that Sen. Max Cleland, a disabled veteran, has signed the legislation. Cleland succeeded Sam Nunn, who voted against the measure last fall.

In addition, sponsors made several changes to the legislation to address concerns made by opponents. For example, the bill would prevent the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission from collecting data on the sexual orientation of workers and from requiring quotas or preferential treatment for homosexuals, and specifically would exclude religious organizations from its provisions.

The bill reached the Senate floor last September at the same time that lawmakers were passing legislation outlawing the federal recognition of same-sex marriages. The one-vote margin by which it failed surprised both supporters and opponents of the anti-discrimination bill.

This time around, Sen. Jim Jeffords, the chief Republican sponsor in the Senate, has yet to schedule a date for considering the bill in the Labor Committee, which he chairs. And there are no assurances that the House, which did not take up the legislation in the last session, will do so this year.

## Prosecutors Seek To Try HIV-Positive Juvenile as Adult

Washington - An HIV-infected Belfair teen-ager accused of committing sex acts on children should be tried as an adult, Kitsap County prosecutors say. The 17-year-old suspect was arraigned Monday in juvenile court on charges of first-degree child rape and child molestation. Prosecutors requested a court hearing to determine whether he should be tried as an adult.

The teen is accused of obtaining oral sex from a 6-year-old boy and molesting a 9-year-old girl between May 1994 and September 1995, when he knew he was infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

The two younger children have been tested and show no signs of HIV infection, but will require continued testing, their mother said.

The suspect was infected with HIV through a blood transfusion and is dying of full-blown AIDS, Bremerton Police Detective Tim Lopez said. He is living at home, being supervised by his mother and a probation officer assigned to him from an unrelated misdemeanor case, Lopez said.

Juvenile Court Judge Leonard Costello on Monday declined prosecutors' request to keep him in detention. If convicted as a juvenile, the suspect faces a maximum of 40 months in detention. As an adult, he could face a much stiffer sentence because the HIV would be considered an aggravating factor, deputy prosecutor Bonnie Hazelbaker said.

## Boston Police Alert Gays That Murder Spree Suspect May Be In Area

Massachusetts - Police alerted gays and security personnel for Gay Pride events last week that a homosexual who is suspected of

killing four men may be in the Boston area.

The FBI has ordered a nationwide manhunt for Andrew Cunanan, 27, of San Diego, who is suspected in the deaths of two gay men in Minnesota, a Chicago real estate developer and a New Jersey cemetery caretaker. Cunanan has been charged in one of the Minnesota killings.

Boston Police Sgt. Norman Hill informed that there have been three unconfirmed sightings of Cunanan in the Boston area. Hill, who is the Police Department's liaison to the gay community, said he briefed Gay Pride security personnel about Cunanan.

"I think it's safe to err on the side of caution rather than do nothing," Hill said. "People should enjoy themselves throughout the week, but still be aware of their surroundings." Police distributed hundreds of wanted posters with his picture after getting unconfirmed reports that Cunanan and the car he was believed to be driving were seen in the Boston area.

The distribution was concentrated at gay businesses and places frequented by gays. Last weekend, State Police issued similar alerts, especially to residents of Yarmouth and Provincetown and visitors to those Cape Cod towns. Provincetown has been a favorite of gays for years. The FBI has received hundreds of reports about Cunanan from around the country, but could not confirm that he has been seen in the Boston area or in New England, according to *The Boston Globe*.

## Government to Consider AIDS Drugs as Morning-After Treatment

In the sanctity of the doctor's office, there's a new strategy to fight AIDS even before any proof that a patient is sick. Doctors are prescribing AIDS drugs as a morning-after approach for people who fear they have caught HIV during risky sex. The government knows it's going on and is trying to decide whether to endorse the practice.

"There may be some situations where it might be appropriate," said Dr. Robert Janssen, director of HIV-AIDS prevention at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "We need to define what are the circumstances."

The idea is to give the drugs for a month to stop the virus from gaining that first foothold - if it has invaded the body. But there's not one study to prove it works and some doctors feel it's too early to even address it. Next month, the CDC is inviting doctors, state health officials and AIDS awareness advocates to Atlanta to talk about the idea, and possibly make a recommendation, Janssen said.

"A major concern we have is that people who use it as a morning-after pill will have unsafe sex and not follow what's been recommended," said Janssen. He added that the treatment should not be used on people who continually have careless sex and expose themselves to the virus. The drugs are highly toxic and can cause side effects, including vomiting and diarrhea.

The talks are fueled by new CDC recommendations for health care workers exposed to HIV on the job. Last year, the CDC advised that workers who stuck themselves with needles or were splashed with blood immediately take a powerful combination of AIDS drugs. AZT and 3TC were suggested for lower risk exposures, such as blood splashes. Those two, plus a protease inhibitor called indinavir, should be taken by workers who are accidentally stuck with HIV-tainted needles.

The CDC based that advice on a study that showed health workers in the United States, the United Kingdom and France who took AZT after they were stuck cut their risk of contracting HIV by 79 percent. If there is a recommendation after the July meeting, the same drugs would be used: AZT and 3TC daily for four weeks. A protease inhibitor would be added for people whose partners had advanced AIDS.

The government keeps hearing stories of doctors prescribing AIDS drugs before they're certain of a diagnosis to prevent HIV from attacking the cells and reproducing. "It's all anecdotal, but it concerns us,"

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Janssen said. "It's easy to understand how people could hear about the health care guidelines and extrapolate."

Dr. Mitchell Katz of the San Francisco Department of Public Health and Dr. Julie Gerberding of the University of California at San Francisco wrote in the April issue of the *New England Journal of Medicine* that coupled with proper counseling and public health campaigns, a morning-after treatment for risky sex might work.

"We believe this will save some lives, but if it sends the wrong message to the community and people practice less safe sex, we could undo the good," Ms. Gerberding said. The AIDS virus is transmitted primarily through sexual intercourse and intravenous drug use.

Among male AIDS patients, the CDC said homosexual sex accounts for 50 percent of the cases; heterosexual sex, 6 percent; and drug use, 23 percent. Among women, 34 percent were infected by drug use; 40 percent through sex.

"It could be another piece of our prevention tool," said Tom Coates, director of the AIDS Research Institute at the University of California at San Francisco. "If it gives them another opportunity for protection, I think we have an ethical obligation to investigate it." Others are concerned about giving people the wrong idea about safe sex.

"This is going to be a very tricky situation to recommend this as a morning-after solution," said Dr. David Rimland, an infectious disease expert at the Emory University School of Medicine. "It's a very frustrating situation in that we are setting guidelines for how things need to be done without having much evidence to go from."

"Disseminating an impression that there is a morning-after pill or that there will be one at this stage is dangerous," said Dr. Jerome Groopman of Beth Israel Deaconess

Medical Center in Boston. "The prospects of a vaccine are pretty remote. The best vaccine we have now is prevention."

There is another concern: the cost. Hospitals pay for the AIDS drugs when their workers get exposed. But private insurers may not cover the \$300 to \$600 needed for a month long treatment

**Mary Fisher Blasts Medical Profession**

Michigan - Heiress Mary Fisher, who galvanized the past two Republican National Conventions by describing her fight against AIDS, is accusing the medical profession of apathy toward the epidemic. The daughter of Michigan multimillionaire Max Fisher and longtime GOP activist contracted the virus from her late ex-husband.

Ms. Fisher has spent much of the past five years campaigning for AIDS awareness and the aggressive pursuit of a cure. But in remarks delivered on her behalf Thursday to graduates of the Wayne State University School of Medicine in Detroit, Ms. Fisher said her dealings with the medical profession have left her "frustrated to the point of rage."

"Mary Fisher, the girl next door, the blond Republican, the woman who produces encouraging photographs and delivers inspiring speeches - Mary Fisher is struggling to care about whether she lives or dies," she wrote in a letter read aloud to the graduates by Deborah Dingell, president of the General Motors Foundation.

Ms. Fisher, 49, attacked doctors "whose primary purpose in life is to secure enough money to perfect ... long putts and slippery chip shots." Too many physicians have refused to treat AIDS patients out of fear their practices will be harmed, and too many have failed to keep abreast of new developments in AIDS research, she wrote.

"I've visited far too many physicians in recent years who passed their finals but failed to keep learning," wrote Ms. Fisher, who lives in Nyack, N.Y. "As a result, I know more about my health than they did. ... What such physicians cured was not my disease, but my confidence in doctors."

Her spokesman, James Heynen, said Ms. Fisher is not dying. "She's OK. ... She just hurts," Heynen told *The Detroit News* in a report published last Friday. "She's sad, she's sick, she's angry."

**Angry Worker Opens Fire Because He Thought Co-Workers Were Taunting Him About Being Gay**

California - An inspector at a Santa Fe Springs plastics factory opened fire on fellow employees, killing two, because he apparently believed they thought he was gay and were ridiculing him, police said Friday.

"He was heard yelling 'I am not gay!' in a very angry manner, so that appears to be the motive for the shooting," said Chuck Drylie, spokesman for the Whittier Police Department, which investigated Thursday's attack. "Some time later he went to his vehicle and returned and produced a handgun," Drylie said.

Two employees of Omni Plastics, located in an industrial area 10 miles southeast of Los Angeles, were killed. Three other employees and a visiting supplier were wounded. Gunman Daniel S. Marsden of Long Beach drove into Los Angeles and shot himself to death with a 9mm Baretta semi-automatic after fleeing the scene. Marsden had been arrested once previously.

Drylie said Marsden was arrested in 1986 for assault and battery and disturbing the peace. Assault and battery charges were dismissed but Marsden pleaded guilty to dis-

turbing the peace, and was given 36 months probation and ordered to pay a fine. Drylie had no other details of that arrest, and the records are now only available to personnel at the state Department of Justice.

Alfred Garcia, 28, said Thursday that Marsden had approached co-workers in recent weeks and announced to them that he was gay. According to plant workers and police, Marsden argued with at least two employees Thursday morning, but it remained unclear who was involved and what specifically was said.

"It was something we would take as routine," said Joe Plourde, Omni vice president and general manager. "He apparently interpreted it as if everybody were talking behind his back," Plourde said. Drylie said witnesses had overheard Marsden "making complaints" before the rampage about co-workers ridiculing him.

Police would not say whether any of those shot were involved in the accusations, and Drylie could not confirm if Marsden was actually being taunted on the day of the shooting or in past weeks. There were 75 people working at the plant when the shooting started. Police and witnesses said Marsden seemed to fire at anyone in his path.

**Officials Say There's No Recourse For Fired Gay Workers**

Iowa - State and federal officials say there are no laws to protect six workers at a state-supported Davenport care facility who were fired because they are homosexuals. The workers were fired from their jobs at the St. Katherine's Living Center, a privately-owned residential facility for the mentally ill.

Administrator Roger Crow said he fired  
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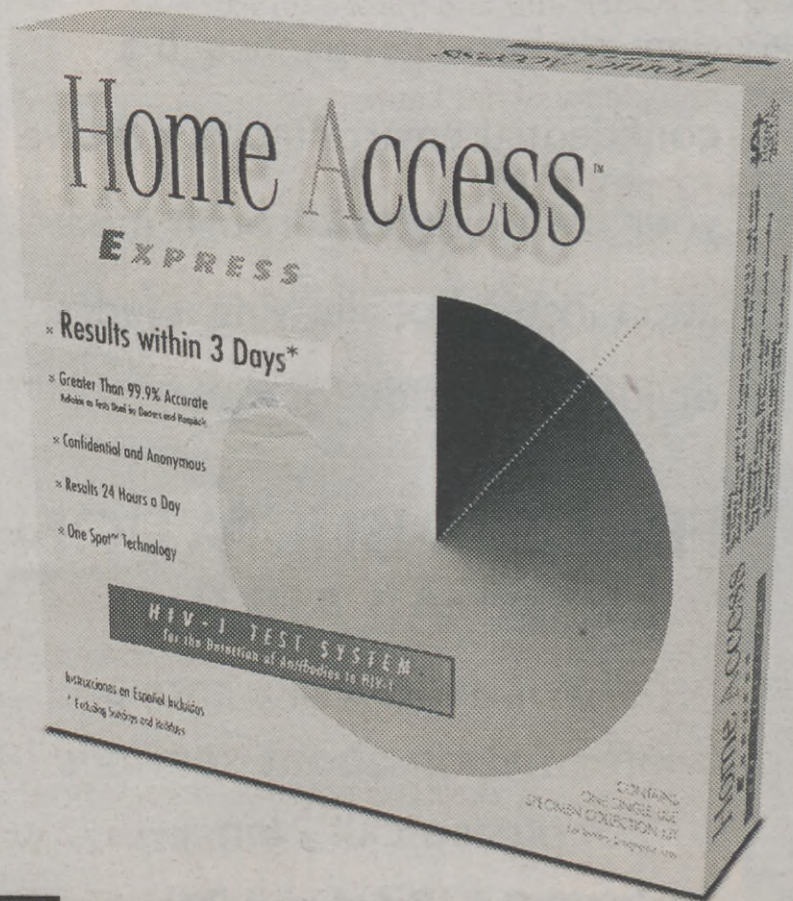
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the workers because they were homosexual and did not have the proper "moral character." In an interview with the *Quad City Times* newspaper, he said, "When I first came here, there was probably at least three - excuse my French - faggots working here and I had at least three dykes working here.

"And when I first came here it was, like, these people are gone. This isn't the kind of atmosphere I want to project when a client or family member comes to my nurses station and sees a 45-year-old faggot that has got better skin than you and I and is a man but presents itself more like a woman," he said. Crow also said he fired the workers because he didn't want the care center to be vulnerable to complaints of residents being abused by employees.

"When you hear situations of, 'Oh, what's-his-name might have done it with one of the patients,' well, you don't even want to hear that. You know? Boom, they're gone," he said. Crow also told the newspaper about his own feelings toward homosexuals. "I don't care for them. I don't want to have anything to do with them. They're not part of the Bible. They're not part of society, as far as I'm concerned," he said.

Carl McPherson, the Iowa Ombudsman for Elder Affairs, filed a complaint with the state Civil Rights Commission and the Iowa office of Nursing Home Examiners because the workers were fired for their sexual orientation, not their performance in their jobs. The home receives \$600,000 a year in state money.

But McPherson said nothing will come of it.

"State law provides no protection for gay and lesbian people," he said. "Iowa legislators obviously believe this sort of thing doesn't happen. Well, it has happened in Davenport and, as far as I'm concerned, there is nothing the state can do to remedy it," McPherson said.

Federal law also does not apply, according to Al Overbaugh of the U.S. attorney's office in Des Moines. "Sexual orientation is not a protected right under federal law," he said. Don Grove, director of the Iowa Civil Rights Commission, said his office is powerless to intervene. The Iowa Civil Rights act prohibits discrimination on matters of age, sex, national origin and other matters, but not sexual orientation, he said. "It is, in effect, legal under the Iowa Civil Rights Act to do this."

Legislation that would prevent discrimination based on sexual orientation has failed in several attempts, the last being in 1992. State Rep. Dan Boddicker, R-Tipton, said the bill would fail again. "I believe that when you're an employee, you have the right and obligation to have people working for you who will do the job and project a good image of your business. The kind of legislation they're talking about wouldn't even get out of committee," he said.

Rep. Johnie Hammond, D-Ames, a long-time supporter of such legislation, agreed the bill would have no chance. "Opponents say it (discrimination against homosexuals) doesn't happen. This case makes it clear that it does. But I can't imagine this will have any chance of passage until we get a new Legislature and governor," she said.

**New Hampshire Becomes 11th State With Gay Civil Rights Bill**

New Hampshire - In a move that will protect the rights of homosexuals, New Hampshire has banned discrimination because of sexual orientation in job hiring, housing decisions and public accommodations. New Hampshire becomes the 11th state to offer civil rights protection to gays and lesbians. The bill, signed into law on Friday by Gov. Jeanne Shaheen, takes effect Jan. 1.

A similar measure failed three years ago after strong opposition from the Catholic Church. The new measure includes a church-approved caveat that says the state does not approve of any sexual lifestyle

"other than the traditional marriage-based family."

Under the bill, sexual orientation will be added to anti-discrimination protections based on age, sex, race, color, ethnic background, physical or mental disability, marital status, religious or political beliefs. Maine approved similar civil rights protections last month. Rhode Island, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Hawaii, California, New Jersey, Vermont and Minnesota also bar discrimination against gays.

**Imus Remark Irks Ice Cream Maker Ben & Jerry's**

Vermont - Radio host Don Imus got yet another chilly reception for his remarks, this time from ice cream maker Ben & Jerry's. Imus told millions of listeners last week, "Don't be a fairy, buy some Ben & Jerry's." That sort of talk raised eyebrows at the counterculture ice cream company, which takes pride in having an accepting attitude toward gays and lesbians.

So when the phones started ringing at the corporate headquarters, Ben & Jerry's CEO Perry Odak hopped a plane to New York to meet with Imus and the general manager of his flagship radio station, WFAN-AM.

"We're letting people know that's not reflective of what we're all about," said Ben & Jerry's spokesman Rob Michalak.

They ironed out their difference, and Imus will continue to promote the product. Ben & Jerry's, however, knew who they were getting from the start. Imus was frozen out of Washington when he joked about President Clinton's alleged sexual adventures at a dinner featuring the president and first lady.

**Skepticism Surrounds Doll Promoted as Voice of Gay Rights Movement**

Florida - Billy is blonde with sky blue eyes. His ripped abs and muscular body are eye-catching. He's got smooth skin, great lips, a killer smile and, well, he's anatomically correct, to say the least. Move over Ken, there's a new man on the block. But he's not going after Barbie. At 13 inches tall and made of plastic, he's the first out and proud gay doll.

"He's pretty hot," said Jim Hornick, owner of The Pride Factory in Fort Lauderdale. "It's what everybody dreams of having. It's everyone's little dream guy."

From Key West to New York to San Francisco, Billy is becoming a best seller. He's catching on in Europe and Japan, where he is just beginning to be marketed by New York-based Totem International. Since being introduced last March, Billy has been a fast seller. At \$49.95 each, more than 25,000 have been sold since they hit store shelves.

"I just thought the whole thing was funny, that they made a gay doll with a [penis]," said Mason Arrigo, a make up artist who lives in heavily gay-populated South Beach and bought the doll. Billy had a "coming out" party at a hip gay club on South Beach last month. Hundreds turned out to see buff strippers who started out dressed like Billy.

The monthly party heads next to Fire Island, N.Y. and Provincetown, Mass. For Billy's creators, there's more to the venture than the money, hype and fun. They say they have a message. "We realized this was quite a positive way to get sort of gay visibility and talk about things like human rights," said Jim McKitterick. "Like people in Des Moines who don't ever read about gay issues ... They can see this gay doll and talk about it."

Next month, Totem plans to launch a web site where Billy will for the first time have a voice and speak on a wide range of political issues. "People always laugh and think it's a bit funny, but Billy can be a political tool," McKitterick said. "He can say a lot of things that people can't."

Gay rights advocates are skeptical. See NAT'L page 15

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"What? And Barbie is a spokeswoman for feminism?" Kim Mills, a spokeswoman for the Washington-based Human Rights Campaign said sarcastically. "There's certainly a measure of absurdity to the idea that a doll can be a spokesperson for anything," she said. "We wish Billy luck. If he can get the message across that way, more power to his plastic self."

There are four Billy varieties on store shelves now, with plans for two limited edition Billys and a doll clothing line. San Francisco Billy, clad in black cut-off shorts, a white T-shirt and a plaid hooded vest is a popular one. There's also Cowboy Billy, dressed in a red and white shirt unbuttoned to his waist with a matching handkerchief around his neck, blue jeans and a cowboy hat.

Master Billy, the first to sell out on South Beach, wears a black leather vest, a leather harness, no shirt, tight black leather pants and a biker's hat. Sailor Billy wears a white sailor's hat, a blue striped shirt with an anchor on it and white bell bottoms with six buttons on the front. Leather Billy and Wall Street Billy are on the way.

The doll was born in 1994 at an AIDS benefit in London. Then a limited edition of just 1,200 dolls, Billy sold for \$275 each. Two years later, the company decided it wanted to mass produce Billy and headed to New York to launch the project. And there are plans for more. Two more members of the "alternative family of dolls" will hit stores in August. All McKitterick will say about the dolls is that one will be male and the other will be female.

**Famed Lawyer Foresees Day When Gay Marriages Will Be Legal In Montana**

Montana - A lawyer challenging Hawaii's ban on same-sex marriages says such marriages eventually will be legal in Montana. "Just as we ended race discrimination in marriage 30 years ago, I'm hopeful this year we'll see the beginning of the end of sexual discrimination in marriage," Evan Wolfson, a lawyer for the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, told reporters after he arrived here for events sponsored by Pridel, a gay-rights organization.

It has been four years since the Hawaii Supreme Court ruled that denial of marriage licenses to same-sex couples is unconstitutional discrimination, said Wolfson. "The court said if you want to discriminate, you have to show a reason, and sent the case back to the lower court." In December, the lower court ruled the government was unable support its position against same-sex marriages. The state appealed that ruling to the Hawaii Supreme Court, which has not issued a decision.

If the Supreme Court decides in favor of gay marriage, Hawaii will be the first state to allow gays to marry legally in civil ceremonies, Wolfson said. Church officials would not be forced to marry same-sex couples. "Other states will follow," Wolfson said. "Montana will eventually." At least seven couples are expected to participate in Sunday's ceremony recognizing their unions. The ceremony has no legal standing and violates no state laws.

**Choice Of Straight Man To Lead Gay Pride Parade Stirs Debate**

California - For years, photographer Ted Sahl has chronicled the city's gay population. He is even a member of the Santa Clara County Gay Hall of Fame, although he is not gay. But there is a fierce debate over Sahl's choice as the leader of Sunday's gay pride parade. Supporters say it indicates how far the fight for equality by gays has come, but critics disagree.

In an editorial, *OutNOW!* publisher and editor Chris Thomas said gays and lesbians

welcome support from non-gays. But he said heterosexuals do not pursue a goal of promoting gay pride. "The many experiences of gay people in America cannot be truly understood by a straight person, no matter how noble their intentions," he wrote.

One newspaper likened Sahl's position to that of a man leading the National Organization for Women or a white person heading the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. However, other gays and lesbians said Sahl's selection as the first straight president of the Gay Pride Celebration Committee is a sign that their fight for equality has evolved.

"There's a lot of stigma in this society attached to straight people working in the gay and lesbian community," said Liz Tracey of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation in New York City. "They're often perceived as being gay themselves."

The 70-year-old Sahl said his interest in gay issues stems from his life as an underdog, one in which he has continually fought for liberal causes. He has protested at nuclear power plants. He has photographed the struggle of migrant farm workers and the suffering of the homeless. He has painted pictures of Vietnam War protesters slain at Kent State University in 1970.

Sahl is no newcomer to the gay community. He serves as a historian of the local gay movement, keeping thousands of photographs and articles in the bungalow he shares with his girlfriend of 27 years.

He plans to publish a book titled *Overcoming All Odds - A Photo Documentary of San Jose's Gay/Lesbian Community*. He still recalls the fear of gays and lesbians who saw him with his camera years ago.

Decades later, his supporters say he has devoted long hours to a thankless job, and came to the rescue again in volunteering to lead the parade after apathy and legal threats scared others off. "Even though there are straight people who'd rather not see us here, he gives us the gift and that is the gift of tolerance," said Ralph Serpe, former director of the Billy DeFrank Lesbian and Gay Community Center.

**Lack of Senate Support May Sever Oregon Gay Rights Bill**

Oregon - A controversial gay-rights bill appears headed for the legislative landfill after Senate President Brady Adams said he would not let the bill go to committee because it lacked support in the Senate.

Earlier this week Adams, a Grants Pass Republican, set a deadline of 5 p.m. Friday for sponsors to prove they had gathered 16 votes, the number needed to pass measures in the Senate. As the deadline came and went Friday, supporters had rounded up just 14 signatures. "We will not deal with this issue the rest of the session," Adams said. "I consider the matter to be closed."

The measure, which would ban job discrimination against gays and lesbians, was introduced by Sen. Kate Brown, D-Portland, after a similar measure passed the House but became lodged in a Senate committee. At one time Rep. Chuck Carpenter, R-Portland, who sponsored the House version, had secured 15 Senate votes, but Sen. Tom Hartung, R-Beaverton, withdrew his support when Brown's alternate bill was introduced.

"He's not being intellectually honest on this, and I think that's largely because of (Republican) politics," Carpenter said. "They're afraid of this bill. They've worked awfully hard on this, so we must be awfully close."

Another member, Sen. John Lim, R-Gresham, said he would vote for the bill but refused to sign a document promising to support it. "They put up barriers," Brown said of the bill's opponents in the Senate. "Some people aren't going to put their names on the list, and they know that." Adams had allowed Brown to sponsor SB1217 with the intent of appointing a spe-

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cial committee to review it. But Brown had to show the votes first.

Adams said the requirement is consistent with a policy he has had in place all session mandating that social issues had to have preliminary backing in order to avoid messy, time-consuming floor debates. Adams said the deadline was put in place so he can adjourn the Senate as soon as possible.

Carpenter, who is gay, angered Adams by joining forces with Democrats and another moderate Republican to force the anti-discrimination bill through the House. The measure passed easily, aided by Carpenter's promise to add a provision requiring the loser of a lawsuit to pay legal costs and to rework language to exempt religious groups from the bill.

Carpenter was dismayed to learn that Adams' "show me the votes" policy applied to bills in their original form, preventing any amendments to the measure. Brown's bill addressed both the "loser pays" and religion concerns, but the Senate still wouldn't go along with it.

Carpenter said he isn't giving up, maintaining that the bill would pass if it went before the full Senate. "We'll continue to work with the Senate President to negotiate in good faith," he said. "All we're asking for is fairness."

**Pryor Rearranges Vacation Over Homosexuals At Disney World**

Alabama - Alabama Attorney General Bill Pryor had one glitch after another with his family vacation at Disney World. First came a family wedding that required a rescheduling of the vacation. Then came "Gay Day."

Pryor moved up his family vacation this week when he learned the trip would coincide with the annual homosexual gathering at the Florida resort. An aide said Pryor was concerned about his two young daughters.

"It's not like you're in the same restaurant with homosexuals - they pretty much take over the park," said Claire Austin, a fundraiser for Pryor's 1998 election campaign. Pryor's family left for Orlando three days early so the six-day trip would end before gays and lesbians arrived for the unsanctioned assembly this weekend.

The leader of a homosexual group called Pryor's rescheduling unnecessary. "I just question what he's protecting his children from," said David W. White of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Alabama.

**Romer Vetoes Same-Sex Marriage Bill Again**

Colorado - Gov. Roy Romer again vetoed a bill aimed at outlawing gay marriages, calling it "fundamentally negative and divisive." Romer vetoed a similar ban last year, saying it had an element of "gay bashing." Backers tried to draw up a bill he could sign, but last week, he rejected their effort on technical and general grounds.

"First, experts in family law advise me that the final language in this bill could threaten the thousands of common-law marriages that currently exist in Colorado," Romer said. "This was unintended, but if they are correct in this interpretation, the consequences could be very real in terms of the loss of such things as health benefits, pensions, paternity rights and child support enforcement."

The governor also said a ban was unnecessary. "The only real effect of this bill is to target gay and lesbian people and to exclude and stigmatize this group in our society." At least 18 legislatures across the country have taken action to outlaw same-sex marriages since a 1993 Hawaii Supreme Court ruling raised the possibility of legalization there.

**New Judge In Lesbian Custody Dispute Bars Public From Courtroom**

Alabama - A judge picked to hear a les-

bian mother's highly publicized custody case, which was removed from the docket of a Christian jurist, closed the trial to the public last week. Circuit Judge William Rhea issued the order after gay rights supporters, a Christian activist and reporters showed up for the divorce trial of James and Suzanne Borden and the fight over their two children.

Lawyers for both Bordens asked to close the proceedings to the public, and Rhea agreed after no one protested. "The main purpose in divorce court is the interest of the children," said Rhea, adding he had never before closed a divorce trial to the public. Rhea was assigned the case after the Supreme Court upheld a lower court ruling that Circuit Judge Roy Moore, to whom the dispute was assigned initially, should not preside.

Mrs. Borden asked Moore to step aside, citing his stated opposition to homosexuality and his publicized fight with the American Civil Liberties Union over his display of a plaque of the Ten Commandments in court. Mrs. Borden's attorney, Janice Hart, has worked for the ACLU.

Moore last year granted temporary custody of the Bordens' two children to Borden and ordered his estranged wife to pay \$126 a week in support, citing evidence she was involved in a lesbian affair. Borden also got their house. Rhea has allotted two days for the divorce trial.

**Gay Community: Bowers' Admission of Adultery Proves Double Standard**

Georgia - Former Attorney General Mike Bowers' admission that he carried on an adulterous affair proves he only cared about defending sex laws when the cases involved gays, outraged gay rights supporters said.

"Straight people are permitted to break laws and there are no consequences," said Robin Shahar, the lesbian who sued the state after Bowers withdrew a job offer from her because she planned to marry another woman.

"We always knew he was imposing different conduct standards on Robin Shahar than he was imposing on his heterosexual attorneys," said Ruth Harlow of New York, the attorney for Ms. Shahar. "It's an astounding admission."

Bowers, 55, who resigned last month to run for governor, admitted last week that he carried on an adulterous affair with a subordinate for more than a decade while in office. Adultery is a misdemeanor in Georgia.

Bowers often raised the ire of civil libertarians by pursuing anti-gay sex cases, including Ms. Shahar's case and his successful defense of the state's anti-sodomy law before the U.S. Supreme Court in 1986 in the case of Michael Hardwick, who was arrested for having sex with another man. Hardwick, who was arrested by Atlanta police in 1982, sued Georgia officials in 1983 even though prosecutors decided not to seek an indictment against him.

Also during his 16-year tenure, Bowers ruled that public college newspapers could not refuse to publish anti-homosexual advertisements, and that the city of Atlanta could not include domestic partners in benefit plans.

"This (admission of adultery) really reinforces the double standard and the hypocrisy that exists," said Cindy Abel of the Georgia Equality Project, a political organization that promotes equality for homosexuals.

Bowers sparked the controversy with Ms. Shahar in 1991 when he withdrew a job offer from her, and she sued. Bowers contended Ms. Shahar's marriage with a woman would violate the anti-sodomy laws, though he had no evidence that she had committed sodomy. His decision was upheld last week by a federal appeals court in Atlanta.

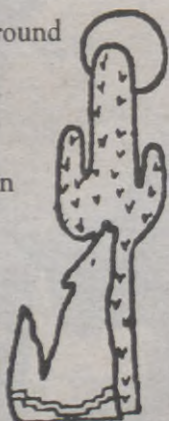
Bowers conceded it was hypocritical for him to withdraw the job offer to Ms. Shahar, but said he felt he had no legal alternative. Ms. Harlow said she has not decided whether to push the case to the U.S. Supreme Court, nor has she decided if she would use Bowers' admission in the appeal.

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## Mecklenburg Commissioners Approve Sex Counseling Resolution

North Carolina - Mecklenburg County agencies or counselors that offer children information about sex must get parents' consent or lose funding under a proposal approved by county commissioners. Commissioners voted 5-4 last week to approve the resolution, which requires counselors or agencies to notify parents and encourage them to attend sessions where sexuality is a topic.

Counselors also would have to inform teens and parents about state laws that prohibit prostitution, sodomy and homosexual acts. The changes are part of an amendment to a controversial April resolution that cut the county's \$2.5 million annual funding to the Arts & Science Council. The resolution began as an initiative to cut off public funding of artwork that includes homosexual themes.

Opponents said the requirement jeopardizes agencies that counsel adolescents and offer potentially lifesaving information about sexually transmitted diseases and teen-age pregnancy.

## University of Wisconsin Case Heads to Appeals Court

Illinois - A U.S. District Court decision that the University of Wisconsin-Madison cannot require students to financially support campus political groups to which they object headed to the U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals last week.

Judge John Shabaz's decision last November favored three Christian students who sued the university for using mandatory student fees to fund groups they found objectionable, such as the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Campus Center. Shabaz said using fees to subsidize groups whose main objective is to advance political or ideological goals violates students' constitutional rights despite the "viewpoint neutral" way in which fees are distributed to student groups.

"This is a challenge to something that is very central to universities," said Susan Ullman, a Wisconsin assistant attorney general who argued the state's case before the appeals court. "It threatens the wide range of speech and activities that are available at universities. Having the speech by all these different groups is a very important part of what the university is all about."

Scott Southworth, the lead plaintiff, said that he and co-plaintiffs Amy Schoepke and Keith Bannach sued the university because they are Christians with conservative views who oppose being forced to support liberal causes. "As the system is set up, if you don't fund these groups, you can't graduate and you can't receive your grades," Southworth said. "It's morally wrong and it's unconstitutional."

UW Students pay roughly \$330 in fees each year. Less than 10 percent is used to support student groups and services, according to the university. Any one organization receives from 10 to 30 cents per student. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1995 that the University of Virginia could not deny a religious group money if other groups on campus receive it, but it has not ruled directly on whether the fees violate First Amendment rights.

## Klan Implicated In Distribution Of Anti-Gay Fliers

Montana - Fliers urging people to use surgical masks if they go outdoors in Bozeman during a gay-pride rally bear the return address of a post office box rented by a Ku Klux Klan activist residing here.

John Abarr gained attention in 1994, after his Klan ties became known following his leadership of the Eastern Montana College Young Republicans in Billings, and his volunteer work in the re-election campaign of Sen. Conrad Burns, R-Mont. Both Burns and the Montana Republican Party disavowed the efforts of Abarr, who acknowledged being a Klan recruiter and organizer.

Abarr did not return a telephone call last week placed by *The Associated Press*, and the *Great Falls Tribune* reported that its earlier telephone messages were not returned. The newspaper also reported there was no response to its note, left on Abarr's apartment door, asking him to discuss whether he had a role in distributing the fliers.

Gay-rights activists called the flier a "hate-filled recruiting tactic" that is not based on medical facts. Recipients of the fliers were urged to stay inside to avoid exposure to the AIDS virus, but state health officials say it is transmitted through an exchange of blood or semen, not through the air.

## Oprah Winfrey Denies Rumors She is Gay

Chicago Oprah Winfrey says she's not a lesbian. She just played a shrink counseling one on TV. "I am not in the closet. I am not coming out of the closet. I am not gay," Winfrey said in a statement,



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answering rumors spurred by her role and a gossip column.

And during a speech Wednesday to TV promotion and marketing executives in Chicago, she said: "Let me just tell you again, I'm not coming out. I'm not gay. I have nowhere to go, nowhere to come out to. It does not mean I'm getting married, I'm just not coming out."

Winfrey, who is single and is the star of the highest-rated daytime talk show in TV history, has a longtime boyfriend, businessman Stedman Graham. She said the rumors have been circulating since she appeared on the episode of *Ellen* in which the main character announced she was a lesbian. The show's star, Ellen DeGeneres, made the same revelation shortly before the show aired.

Winfrey, 43, played a therapist on the ABC sitcom, saying she did so to support DeGeneres "in her desire to free herself - and I thought it was a really good script." Also fanning the rumors was an April 28 report by gossip columnist Liz Smith that "one of the biggest and longest-running TV stars is contemplating coming out of the closet." The columnist added, "This celeb is an icon and role model to millions."

"I am sorry Oprah got what she considered grief because of this," Smith told the *New York Post*. Smith also pointed out that she never indicated the star's gender - "only that it was a biggie."

## Town Workers Balk At Putting Up Gay Pride Banners

North Carolina - Town workers who balked at putting up banners for a gay pride march won't be disciplined. Instead, the next time there's a crisis of understanding, everyone will be given a chance to speak their mind, according to Town Manager Bob Morgan.

Public works employees who refused to help put up banners for this weekend's march had been told they could be reprimanded or fired. The workers said religious reasons kept them from putting in overtime for the project.

Mayor Mike Nelson, the state's first openly homosexual mayor, said the workers'

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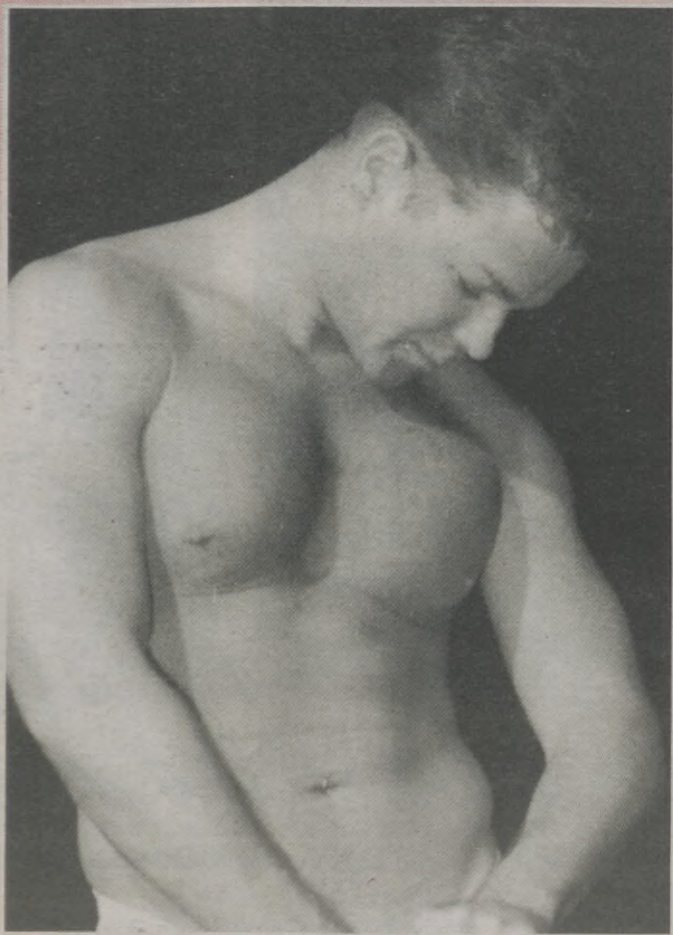
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actions disappointed him. "As Americans it's our obligation to respect people's points of view even when it's different from our own," he said. "I understand where our public works employees are coming from. But at the same time I'm disappointed in them."

The town's public works director and a couple of workers who agreed to the duty will put up the banners before the march, Morgan said. Rick Reed, a crew leader in the public works department and associate pastor of the Church of Rock Spring in Pittsboro, said he and his co-workers were forced to choose between working and their moral beliefs.

"If it came down to them telling us to work and we refused, we were told we'd be written up with a recommendation to discharge," Reed said. "I don't come to my job and preach to them. Are we going to have to put up rebel flags or Nazi flags? Because I'm not for that either. Where does it stop? It's nothing personal, but we would have to refuse again and again."

The North Carolina Pride 1997 celebration is being held in Chapel Hill this weekend and will include a march through Carrboro on Sunday. The organizers were given permission to put rainbow banners on utility poles along the march. The homosexuals' flags are the first of any political group to be sanctioned by Carrboro.

**My Two Dads - Two Men Happily Seek Custody Of Little Boy**

Michigan - Two men who were told they were the father of the same boy have won joint custody while they fight to prevent the child's mother from taking him to Virginia. It's admittedly confusing - the 2-year-old boy is called Jordan DeVante by Brandon Ventimeglia. Darryl Fletcher, meanwhile, knows the boy as Darryl Alan Scott.

Blood test results should reveal which one of the 26-year-old men is the boy's biological father. For now, the boy stays with Fletcher during the week and spends weekends with Ventimeglia. "Actually I'm happy, and our boy is happy," Fletcher said. "I mean mine and Brandon's."

Both men had dated India Scott, 25, who informed them in 1993 that she was pregnant. Fletcher was living with Scott when the boy was born in 1994. Ventimeglia said Scott, who had told him she was living with a friend, told him about the birth a few days after delivering the boy. Ventimeglia said he saw Scott and the boy on most weekends, when Fletcher was working. Fletcher said he thought she spent weekends visiting friends or family.

Eventually, Scott moved out and Fletcher sought custody of the boy by filing suit in Macomb County Circuit Court. Ventimeglia filed for custody three days later. Both men said they sought custody because Scott had begun talking about moving to Virginia with the toddler.

Both suits named the same mother and the same birth date for the child. That drew the attention of a court clerk who notified Ventimeglia's attorney. "I looked like I just got hit by a truck," Ventimeglia said. "It was a shock," Fletcher said. Last month, Judge George Steeh III granted temporary custody to both men and their suits have been joined.

The boy calls both men "Daddy" and all three spend time together; they plan to do so even after the biological father has been determined. The men say the boy's middle name will be changed to that of the non-biological dad.

**Actress Kathy Najimy Named Grand Marshal Of Gay And Lesbian Pride**

California - Actress Kathy Najimy, who played a dance-prone nun in the movie *Sister Act*, will be the celebrity grand marshal of the 27th annual Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade. Najimy, who is also a voice in the animated television series *King of the Hill*, said last week that she was look-

ing forward to the June 22 parade.

"I had hoped for the title 'Queen of the Universe,' but grand marshal is just as well, grand," she joked. Najimy is active among AIDS awareness and women's rights groups. She recently finished work on the feature film *Hope Floats* with Sandra Bullock and is currently shooting *Zach and Reba* with Debbie Reynolds.

"Others march in the name of battle, revolution and religion. We march in the name of love," said Najimy, who lives with her husband and baby daughter in Los Angeles and New York. The parade began in 1970 to commemorate the Stonewall Riots in New York City. Past celebrity grand marshals include Judith Light, Dick Sargent and Elizabeth Montgomery, Patty Duke and RuPaul.

**Briefs...**

**M**aine Governor Angus King's meeting with a leading anti-gay-rights group to persuade it to abandon a referendum drive was cordial and respectful, but unsuccessful. The Christian Civic League of Maine last month announced it was considering a "people's veto" campaign to block a bill prohibiting discrimination against homosexuals in credit, public accommodations, housing and employment, which was passed by the legislature and signed by the governor. King has expressed concerns a referendum on gay rights could be divisive and bitter...

**A**ccording to a Poll published in *USA Today*, 62% of the public believes research is on its way to defeating the AIDS epidemic within the next five years; 52% believe a vaccine will be available to prevent the disease and 41% believe there will be a cure. While many of those polled were optimistic, many gay and lesbian organizations are concerned their optimism will reduce much needed funding until a vaccine or cure is available...

**N**ext Friday, January 20 will be a 'Day of Compassion,' an annual media event devoted to AIDS awareness. The event is designed to portray compassion for individuals who are affected by HIV and AIDS. Stories, segments and plots on most daytime serials and talks shows will devote their subject to AIDS. Check local listings for times...

**A**CT UP Washington is launching a boycott against Tanageray Gin. At issue is a Justice Department review over the low returns from an AIDS ride benefit. According to the group, the majority of the revenue from the Tanageray AIDS Rides winds up in the pocket of its promoter. The group is calling for a community boycott. At press time, the Justice Department's review has not yielded any results...

**T**urner Network Television's (TNT) online magazine *Rough Cut* ([www.roughcut.com](http://www.roughcut.com)) recognizes Gay Pride Week on the World Wide Web this June with its first-ever list of '50 Fabulous Films,' compiled by contributing gay journalists and movie critics. The issue will be remain accessible to site visitors through July...

**A**Benton County, Arkansas, sheriff says visitors to recreation areas on the shores of Beaver Lake risk encounters with men who engage in homosexual activities in public restrooms. Sheriff Andy Lee says Army Corps of Engineers rangers are neglecting their responsibility to assure public safety in recreation areas on the shores of Beaver Lake. Lee plans to take the matter up with the organizations Washington, D.C. bureau...

**A**fter an emotional two-hour debate that meandered from the Bible to necrophilia to "unnatural cattle," the California Assembly has refused to ban discrimination against gay and lesbian students and teachers. The bill received a 36-40 vote, five votes short of the majority needed. Kuehl asked for a second vote this week. The bill, similar to one defeated last year, would have added sexual orientation to current state laws that ban discrimination in public schools and colleges...

**L**eaders of some of the largest businesses in Hawaii want Gov. Ben Cayetano to veto a bill to provide benefits to same-sex couples. Businesses are worried about possible costs and want the governor to kill the

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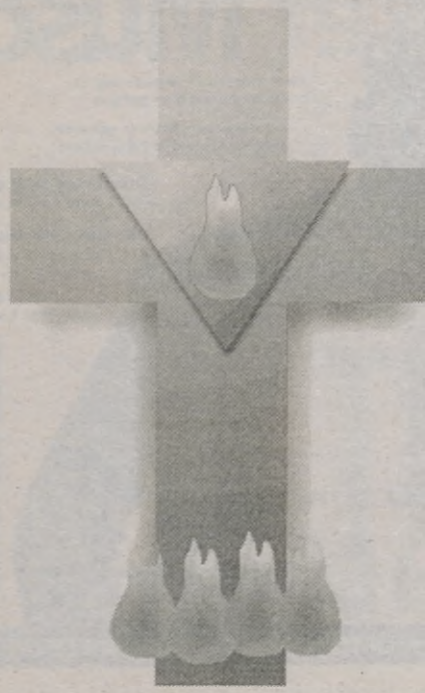
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measure, part of a compromise hammered out by lawmakers trying to find common ground on the divisive issue. The Legislature passed House Bill 118 in April at the same time it approved a constitutional amendment that, if approved by voters in 1998, would bar same-sex couples from marrying. The governor has said he favors extending some rights of married couples to gay and lesbian couples, but he has yet to sign the bill. He has until June 23 to sign or veto it....

**I**f Alabama starts fining ministers for performing same-sex marriages, the founder of a largely homosexual denomination, Rev. Troy Perry, plans to flaunt the law by conducting a mass gay marriage at the state Capitol. Legislation to ban same-sex marriages and fine ministers \$1,000 for performing the ceremonies died when the Legislature wrapped up its regular session May 19, but the sponsor, Sen. Roger Bedford, D-Russellville, said he will be back with it in any special session called this summer by Gov. Fob James....

**T**he University of Colorado's Board of Regents has voted against giving same-sex partners of CU employees the right to health insurance coverage through the university. Only one regent, Susan Kirk, voted in favor Wednesday of extending the benefits. Chairman Bob Sievers predicted the university will be sued over the vote. However, "if it comes back in a court ruling (and the university loses), we will institute it," he said....

**L**ed by a squad of leather-clad women on motorcycles, drag queens, gay clergy and lesbian couples with toddlers made their way through the streets of Boston Saturday in the city's 27th annual gay pride parade. Organizers said more than 200,000 people from around New England took part, but police put the number closer to 100,000. This year's theme of what is officially called the Gay, Lesbian, Transgender and Allies March was "stand out, stand up and stand together."....

**M**ontana's Gay Pride! parade last weekend came and went without any of the violence many feared. But that was with one police squad car leading the parade, two more bringing up the rear and several officers patrolling on bicycles. Some watched from rooftops while others mingled with the crowd in plain clothes. Police searched a vehicle along the parade route after officers spotted two men acting suspiciously. The search turned up martial arts weapons and other paraphernalia. The men were released after questioning....

**E**IGHTEEN Republican legislators have criticized the University of Washington for deciding to allow same-sex student couples to qualify for health coverage and family housing. They said UW regents and President Richard McCormick are showing "blatant pro-homosexual political advocacy" and extending special rights to gays and lesbians. The legislators urged the board to reconsider its decision....

**M**ore than 2,000 bicyclists crossed the finish line Saturday of the 525-mile AIDS ride, sharing hugs and shedding tears after a week of "love, sweat and gears"

together. Thousands of people greeted the riders as they pedaled into Century City. One man guided a riderless bicycle across the finish line, saying it symbolized those who have died of AIDS. The more than 2,500 bicyclists who collected pledges of at least \$2,500 each were expected to raise at least \$9.4 million during the fourth annual California AIDS Ride....

**U**tah's gay and lesbian community staged its third - and largest - Gay Pride Parade on Sunday. It included some 50 entries and involved close to 1,000 people. More than 100 of them carried a flag made from the colors of the rainbow and stretching the length of a football field. Nearly 1,000 spectators lined State Street to watch the parade as it made its way from the State Capitol to the City-County Building. It was a big change from 15 years ago when about 50 gays and lesbians held their first pride march. This year's parade grand marshal was Candice Gingrich, sister of U.S. Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich....

**S**ome 4,000 people turned out for a week-long send march and rally to celebrate homosexuality, authorities said. Homosexuals marked the end of the N.C. Pride '97 gathering with a march and rally Sunday. Carrboro Mayor Mike Nelson, the state's only openly homosexual elected mayor and host of the event, urged participants to return to their communities and push for greater tolerance and understanding....

**I**n California, bills to overhaul bilingual education programs and to set up drug needle exchange programs to fight AIDS were sent to the Assembly last week as the Senate completed initial action on most of its 1997 legislation. The needle exchange bill, by Sen. Diane Watson, D-Los Angeles, was sent to the Assembly by a 21-17 vote. It would authorize pilot programs in at least four cities - Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Jose and Long Beach - under which drug users could receive clean hypodermic needles in exchange for used ones. The measure is intended to reduce the sharing of contaminated needles, one way that the AIDS virus is transmitted. Proponents argue the bill will save lives. Opponents argue that it promotes drug usage. A similar bill was vetoed by Governor Pete Wilson, a Republican, in 1992....

**F**inally, Christmas in October came early for a Kansas City, Kan., woman dying of AIDS. Normally, members of a holiday-themed charitable organization come together for two weekends in October to renovate houses in inner-city neighborhoods for physically and financially disadvantaged people. But the task at hand over the weekend couldn't wait until October. Darlene Jones, 37, is dying of AIDS and isn't expected to live until then. Her 7-year-old daughter is also infected with the virus, though her 6-year-old son is healthy. On Saturday, workers at Ms. Jones' house, located in the city's mid-section, did extensive plumbing and electrical repair work, laid a new kitchen floor, installed a new door on the back of the house and put wooden guardrails on the porch. Their work isn't done. Next weekend, one of the organization's volunteers, who belongs to a gardening club, will plant flowers, trim trees and bushes and clean up the yard with other club members.

## GLOBAL NEWS

### Redgrave Finds Unknown Tennessee Williams Play

London (AP) - Vanessa Redgrave has discovered an unknown early play by Tennessee Williams, *Not About Nightingales*, and it will be given its world premiere at the Royal National Theatre in February. "I'm astonished that it's never been done or read or performed," Trevor Nunn, the National Theatre's artistic director, told a news conference on Monday.

Written in 1939, the play is a harrowing tale of violence and homosexuality in a U.S. prison. It had been hidden among documents owned by the playwright's estate. "It's completely unknown - among the first two or three things he wrote. It has literally

never seen the light of day," said Nunn, a well-known director of classics and musicals - *Cats* and *Les Miserables* among them - who is a newcomer to Williams' work.

Miss Redgrave came across a reference to the play in Lyle Leverich's 1995 biography of Williams. She will not be in the National production because, said Nunn, the only suitable part for a middle-aged actress is too small for someone of Redgrave's stature.

Nunn said the play, set in a tough men's prison modeled on Alcatraz, has a passion reminiscent of Williams' later classics, *The Glass Menagerie*, *A Streetcar Named Desire* and *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*. But Nunn said he believed the play's homosexual content, although not a major part of the narrative, may have put off publishers and theater

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managers during an era when the subject was taboo.

In recent months there has been a spate of productions in England of lesser-known Williams plays, including the two-character *Out Cry* and his picaresque *Camino Real*. Neither one was favorably received. Productions of Williams' work have increased since the death in 1994 of Maria St. Just, executor of the writer's estate. She had kept a tight rein over productions of his plays.

The premiere at the National's studio-size Cottesloe auditorium is a co-production with the Moving Theater Company, the troupe founded by Vanessa and her brother Corin Redgrave. From London it will travel to the Alley Theater in Houston, Texas, where the Redgraves last season presented in repertory Vanessa in *Antony and Cleopatra* and Corin in *Julius Caesar*.

Corin Redgrave is currently appearing at the National in a revival of Peter Weiss' Tony Award-winning play, *Marat/Sade*. Vanessa Redgrave will be seen shortly in a film of Virginia Woolf's *Mrs. Dalloway*.

**Lesbian Kiss On Colombian Soap Opera Stirs Controversy**

Bogota, Colombia (AP) - The lesbian leftist guerrilla approaches her beautiful female captive, grabs her and forces a steamy kiss. The prisoner succumbs reluctantly. A sponsor of the late-night soap opera had a different reaction: It dropped its advertising immediately.

You might say it's Colombia's unique answer to the U.S. sitcom *Ellen*, which made headlines when Ellen DeGeneres, the show's star, revealed that both she and her character are gay. In the Colombian soap, *Perfume de Agonia* (Perfume of Agony), Elvira, a lesbian rebel, falls in love with her hostage, Helena. Unfortunately, Helena has already been smitten with Dario, a tall, handsome rebel leader.

The kissing scene is far from the sympathetic and true-to-life view of homosexuality DeGeneres took pains to portray on her show. Martin Ornelas, executive director of Llego, a Washington, D.C.-based Latin gay and lesbian organization, said he considered the Colombian soap scene offensive.

"I would say the scene is more about sensationalism and mockery. Showing a lesbian guerrilla who is angry against the world" and forces herself on her captive is "the most extreme stereotype possible," he said.

Homosexuality is not as novel on Latin American television as on the U.S. small screen - but its risqué content doesn't stem from any greater societal tolerance, said Andrew Paxman, the Latin American correspondent for *Variety* magazine. "It's a curiosity," said Paxman. "In Latin America, it's really done for the all important ratings points."

In Argentina, three soap operas currently have lesbian protagonists. Some Buenos Aires fashion shops refused to provide one of the shows with on-air clothing because they objected to the content. In Brazil, an immensely popular soap called *Explode Coracao*, Portuguese for "Exploding Heart," last year featured an interracial, homosexual love affair. In real life, actor Andre Goncalves, who played the white partner, was beaten up by a street gang after the show went off the air.

In Mexico, the recent soap opera *Nada Personal* (Nothing Personal) portrayed an implicit, ongoing lesbian relationship though the show's focus was political violence. After the kissing scene aired in Colombia last month, Inextra, a Procter & Gamble Co. subsidiary, pulled advertising.

Terry Loftus, a spokesman for Procter & Gamble, said from its Cincinnati headquarters that making advertising decisions based on content issues is nothing new. "We have a responsibility to our consumers," he said. "We won't sponsor shows that depict sex or violence that is gratuitous."

Other sponsors have also told the production company they will withdraw if it doesn't tone down the plot. The clamor has had

its desired effect. "We have been censured so we have to go back a little bit, said Kepa Amuchastegui, the show's writer and director, at his office above the set. "I will go a little bit slower ... and not make them kiss anymore."

In the United States, Chrysler and other companies pulled advertising over the April 30 "coming out" episode of DeGeneres' show. Ornelas said the pulling of sponsorship from the Colombian soap only added insult to the injury done to Latin homosexuals by the show's stereotypical portrayal of lesbians. He also said Procter & Gamble Co. should be boycotted for pulling advertising for what he called homophobic reasons.

The actress who plays the slightly off-balance lesbian rebel, Marcela Gallego, said she was shocked by criticism of the love scene. Gallego said she found it far more controversial that a kidnap victim had fallen in love with the male rebel who ordered her abduction. "In a country that is so violent like ours," said Gallego, "it is amazing that the controversy all started with a kiss."

**HIV and AIDS Cases Rise in Ukraine**

Kiev, Ukraine (AP) - The number of HIV infections registered in Ukraine has continued to rise this year after increasing nearly

eightfold in 1996, a health official said Monday. In the first four months of 1997, 4,913 people tested positive for the HIV virus, said Serhiy Tovstenko, a spokesman for the National Committee for Combating Drug Addiction and AIDS. Some 12,000 people tested positive in 1996.

The newly registered infections bring the total number of people registered as HIV-positive in Ukraine to more than 18,500, he said. Of those, about 275 have contracted full-blown AIDS, up from 230 earlier this year.

Many people in Ukraine are afraid to be tested, and Tovstenko said the real incidence of HIV and AIDS is probably about 10 times higher than official figures indicate. Nearly a quarter of the new cases were registered in the Donetsk region in eastern Ukraine, and most resulted from drug use, the committee reported at a meeting in the capital, Kiev.

**Diana's Gowns Flown Across Atlantic for Auction Benefitting AIDS Charities**

London (AP) - 79 gowns being auctioned for Diana, Princess of Wales, were flown across the Atlantic Ocean last Monday to

the Big Apple. The gowns are being sold on Diana's instructions by Christie's auctioneers in New York on June 25 to raise funds for British and U.S. cancer research and AIDS charities.

British entrepreneur Richard Branson agreed to fly the dresses free of charge on his Virgin Atlantic airline. A cabin crew helped pack the dresses into containers "at a secret location," a Virgin airlines spokesman said. Most of the dresses, made for Diana when she was married to Prince Charles, are by British designers including Catherine Walker, Bruce Oldfield and Zandra Rhodes. They were made between 1981 and 1996.

**Cambodian Premier Says AIDS More Dangerous Than Land Mines**

Phnom Penh, Cambodia (AP) - Opening Cambodia's first home for dying AIDS patients, Co-Premier Hun Sen warned Monday that the disease has become more dangerous to the country than the millions of land mines still buried in its soil.

"If a mine is stepped upon, it kills or wounds only one person," Hun Sen said. "As for AIDS, once it affects a person, it will

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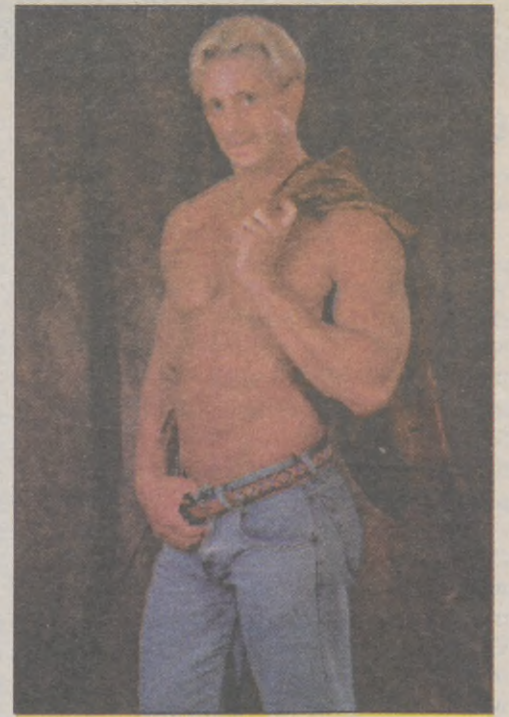
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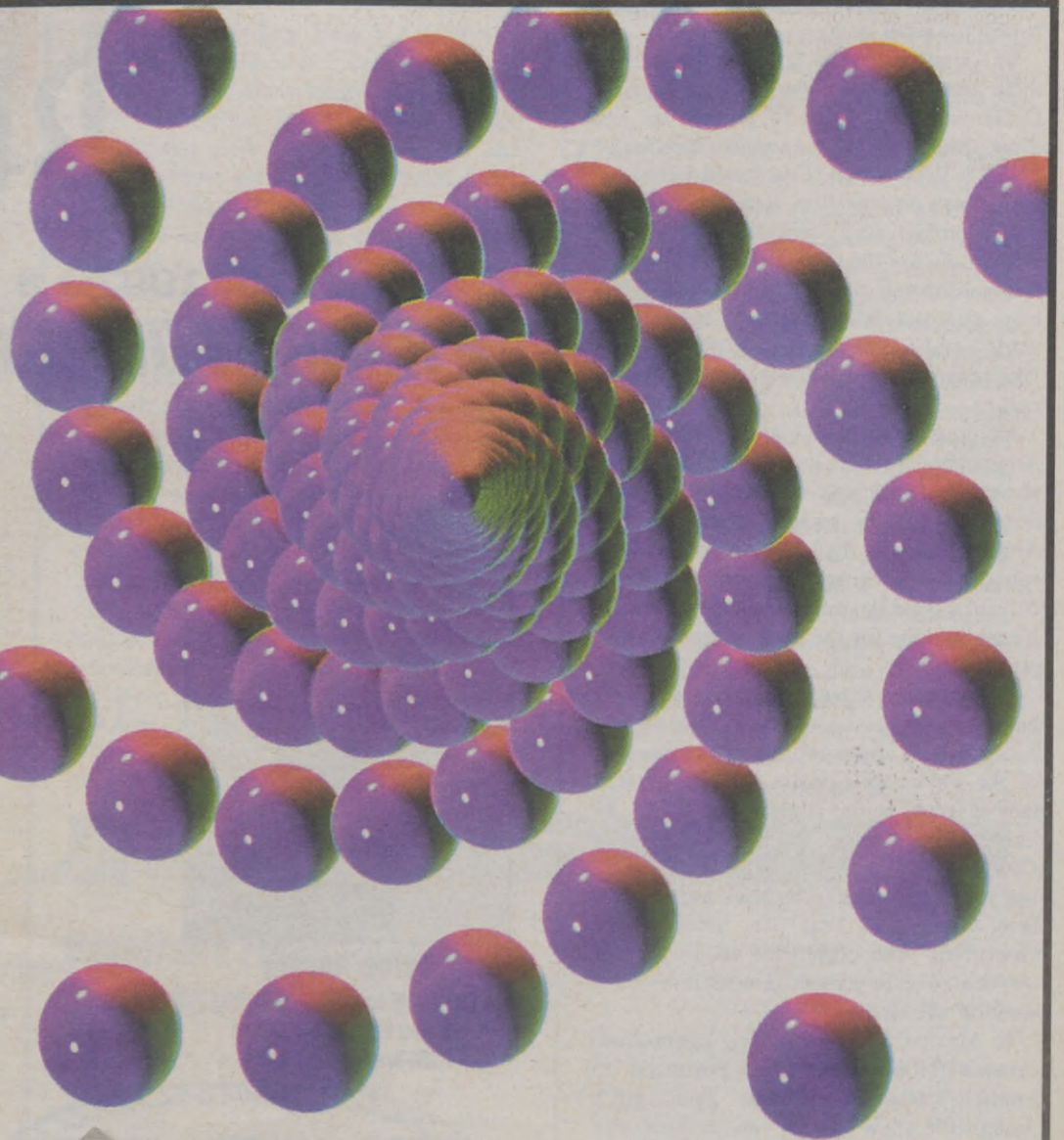


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## Houston Ballet Presents the Joyous Love Story Don Quixote

The Houston Ballet will cap its 1996-97 season with a revival of Ben Stevenson's joyous, colorful production of *Don Quixote*, set to music by Alois Louis Minkus in an arrangement by John Lanchbery. The company will give seven performances of *Don Quixote* at The Wortham Center in downtown Houston.

When Houston Ballet unveiled its lavish new production of *Don Quixote* in February 1995, critics greeted it with rapturous reviews, and audiences responded with standing ovations. Calling the production "triumph," Ann Holmes of *The Houston Chronicle* wrote, "Houston Ballet has unfurled its brilliant new production of *Don Quixote* - and it is easily the banner event of the company's 25th anniversary season. "Is there any ballet with as much show dancing as Ben Stevenson's new version of *Don Quixote*," asked Carl Cunningham, formerly of the now defunct *Houston Post*.

In the ballet, the irresistible love story of Kitri, the feisty village beauty, and Basilio, the dashing young barber, is played out against the subplot of *Don Quixote*, the eccentric, wandering knight who sets out on a quest to find his ideal woman. Ben Stevenson's bravura choreography, Judanna Lynn's sumptuous costumes, and Thomas Boyd's painterly settings combine to create an unforgettable theatrical experience.

The performances of *Don Quixote* in Houston in June will give Texas audiences the opportunity to witness one of the works that Houston Ballet will showcase at The Kennedy Center when the company returns to Washington D.C. October 14 through 19. *Don Quixote* was originally created to highlight the talents of the company's two young virtuosos, 23 year-old Cuban *wunderkind* Carlos Acosta and native Houstonian Lauren Anderson, who have been hailed by *The New York Times* as "the spellbinding young stars of Houston Ballet." At the opening night performance, the bravura dancing of Acosta and Anderson stopped the show not once, but twice: with standing ovations following the celebrated third act *pas de deux* and at the end of the performance.

These performances of *Don Quixote* are notable in another respect: They will showcase the stellar talents of the company's



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Hispanic artists in a ballet inspired by one of the great masterpieces of Spanish literature. In addition to Mr. Acosta, soloist Jose Herrera, a native of Cali, Colombia, will also dance Basilio, a role that has historically showcased the talents of gifted male dancers. And principal dancer Dorio Perez, the company's senior character artist, will reprise his role as Sancho Panza, the chubby, bumbling, ineffectual sidekick of the eccentric knight.

The performances of *Don Quixote* will mark the final appearances of principal dancer Rachel Beard with the company. During her nineteen years with Houston Ballet, Ms. Beard has emerged as one of the most gifted, versatile and reliable of Houston Ballet's leading dancers.

In 1995 at the premiere of his work, Mr. Stevenson dedicated his production of *Don Quixote* to the memory of the brilliant Russian dancer Rudolph Nureyev. Basilio was one of Mr. Nureyev's signature roles. For more information, call 227-ARTS.

## Main Street Theater Presents Wonderfully Realistic Falsettoland

by Rich Arenschioldt

Main Street has finally met Montrose in a charming rendition of Willam Finn's *Falsettoland*, the third part of his amusing *Marvin Trilogy*. As one of Houston's more traditional theater companies, Main Street Theater (MST) is known primarily for its more classic repertoire — probably because

of its nearly West U location and white bread West U clientele, more than anything else. Moving to their additional location in fashionably gay Chelsea Market, they have decided to go out on the theatrical limb and present works that express a broader range of topics and lifestyles, namely, OURS. While MST has had limited success with some gay offerings, recognition has been



PHOTO BY LEO BOUCHER

Main Street Theater's production of the musical *FALSETTOLAND* features, l. to r., Matthew Johns, Roberts Ian Kislin, Karen Ross, Joel Sandel, Jonathan McVay, Robin Smith, and Julia Jay.

slow to occur. *Falsettoland* serves as notice to our community that MST is committed to theatrical diversity and that they present it with style.

While decidedly gay in its content, *Falsettoland*, is really a play about family (albeit a slightly unusual one). Set in 1981, the work is centered around a basically Jewish family in 'pre barmitzvah, post divorce stress syndrome.'

This small but high effective cast includes Ex-husband Marvin (Joe Sandel), his lover, (Jonathan McVay) wife, (Karen Ross), new husband (Robert Kislin), two lesbians (Julia Kay and Robin Smith) and, in the middle of the maelstrom, (Matthew Johns) as the ten year old son. Much of the activity on stage is dedicated, entirely in song, to the complex interplay between characters. Relationships work and crumble on a series of levels. Parents, spouses, lovers, and sibling focus this work on the intricacies of involvements, no matter what their ilk.

The actors on stage do a great job of communicating to the audience. The music is solidly presented, and there is plenty of it. Diction is superb, something often lacking in actors who get paid a whole lot more than these seven, non equity folks. Each cast member has a distinctive vocal style, and yet none interferes when the group joins together. Musical standouts are the quartet *Unlikely Lovers* and *Holding to The Ground*.

All voices are easily offered and easy to listened to.

Direction by Rob Babbit is good and uses the small space to its best advantage without the actors stumbling all over each other. The racquetball scene is especially effective. (Jonathan McVay looks especially appealing in his skimpy white tennis shorts). Both guys hit the deck during the game repeatedly and convincingly (they manage to sing as well).

There are a couple of aspects to the play that are ironic — in the pre-AIDS era of 1981 there is reference made to "something bad is happening." This message, presented to us with the benefit of hindsight, evokes the mysteriousness of HIV in its earliest incarnation. It is the lesbians in the show that bring us the message, those not directly effected, but in some ways most concerned for their friends. Though referenced in the show, AIDS is **not** the *raison d'etre* for this play. The message of *Falsettoland* is infinitely more upbeat than that.

If you are looking for an enjoyable alternative to humidity and heat, *Falsettoland* provides a terrific break from the "Oh crap, it's too hot to do anything" frame of mind we have from Memorial Day to Christmas.

*Falsettoland* runs through July 19th. For tickets and information call 713-524-6706.



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**Gentry - Val**

**"Finlandia Freeze"** - Finlandia Classic, SS, fresh pineapple blended (bottom layer) pineapple slice - Finlandia Cranberry, S&S, and pineapple blended top layer.

**Chances - Wiley**

**"Berry Supreme"** - Finlandia Cranberry, 151, Cranberry Juice, Ice Cream, and Strawberries.

**New Barn - Vanna**

**"Finlandia Shake"** - Finlandia Cranberry, Finlandia Classic, Cranberry Juice, T. Sec, Midori, Milk, and Grenadine.

**Heaven - Matthew**

**"I wish I was a Virgin Smurf"** - Ingredients known only to Matthew.

**Rich's - Yvonne**

**"Eve of Destruction"** - Finlandia Classic, Bombay, Cuervo, Malibu, Blue Curacao, 7-up, and Grenadine.

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spread to the wife, children. It's more dangerous than land mines." Cambodia is one of the most heavily mined nations on earth, the legacy of nearly 30 years of war.

The World Health Organization said recently, however, that AIDS is spreading faster in Cambodia than in any other Southeast Asian nation, including Thailand. Because of its decades of conflict, Cambodia does not have the medical infrastructure to cope with the pandemic.

The Ministry of Health said 120,000 Cambodians are infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, and the nation has 1,000 full-blown AIDS cases. The death toll last year from the disease was 97. At the inauguration of the 14-bed "Home of Peace," Minister of Health Chhea Thaing said the number of AIDS patients will rise to 9,000 by the year 2000, with the number of those testing HIV positive expected to reach 200,000.

"The figure is going up, not down," said Hor Bun Leng, director of the ministry's National AIDS Center. "The situation is very grave, we are overwhelmed."

So far, the only patient at the facility is 39-year-old Iem Vanna, who said she has suffered from AIDS for two years. She said she got the disease from her husband, who died last July. Three of his friends also have died, she said. The first recorded AIDS death in Cambodia was in 1993.

### Thailand's 'Condom King' Urges End To Laws Banning Abortion

United Nations AP) - A Thai senator credited with awakening Asians to the threat of AIDS urged governments Tuesday to revise their anti-abortion laws, saying the laws mean death for thousands of women each year.

"I respectfully urge all governments to review their restrictive laws which unintentionally

sentence to death 70,000 women a year by denying them access to safe termination of their pregnancies," Sen. Mechai Viravaidya said at a ceremony where he received the U.N. population award. "Our laws deny safe termination of pregnancy to the women who need it most desperately," he added. "We must stop this hypocrisy."

Mechai became known as the "Condom King" of Thailand for heavily promoting the use of contraceptives to blunt the country's population growth. He also became a leading anti-AIDS crusader in a country where prostitution and illicit drug use has produced some of the highest rates of HIV infection in Southeast Asia.

During his speech, Mechai said the international campaign to curb population growth had lost steam in recent years, in part because of the assault by critics who oppose artificial birth control on religious and moral grounds. But, Mechai said, economic development in Africa and in other underdeveloped countries still is threatened as rates of population growth outstrip the growth of national economies.

"We must continue to be worried about the impact of too high levels of fertility and population growth on the families, the communities, and the nations of the world," he said. Mechai said he intended to devote a lot of energy to helping women around the world gain better access to "safe, legal medical termination" of unwanted pregnancies.

Last Thursday, the U.S. House of Representatives approved a tough anti-abortion amendment that would cut about \$400 million in U.S. aid to nongovernment organizations trying to slow world population growth.

The amendment would cut all U.S. funding to any organization that has anything to do with abortions. It applies to groups that perform abortions, even where they are legal, or that lobby for or against abortion anywhere in the world. It also would cut off \$25 million in funds to the United Nations Population Fund if the fund does any work in China, which has laws allowing only one child per couple.

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the situation to his employer's highest-ranking representative on the job site, but no action was taken. A federal trial judge threw out the lawsuit, and the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the dismissal last year. "Same-sex harassment claims are not viable under Title VII," the appeals court ruled.

But three other federal appeals courts

have ruled that same-sex harassment can be the basis for a Title VII lawsuit in at least some instances. Oncale's appeal urged the justices to give him the right to sue over "the violent and vulgar sexual harassment" he endured. But lawyers for Sundowner and the three other defendants argued that Congress never has provided such a right. They said "same-gender harassment is inherently different from harassment because of sex."

## Court Watch

### State Appeals Court Upholds Case Involving Harassment by Gay Lover

South Carolina - A gay man should keep a \$30,204 award for losing his job after he was outed by his jilted lover, according to the states' Appeals Court. A lower court awarded a man identified as John Doe the money after his lover, identified as S.B.M., did not object during a damages hearing.

S.B.M. appealed after he found out the amount of the award. But the Appeals Court said S.B.M. lost most of his appeal privileges by not objecting during the earlier hearing. S.B.M. also cannot appeal the judge's decision not to allow cross-examination on why Doe lost his job because S.B.M. missed an earlier hearing, the Appeals Court said.

The men had lived together for three weeks in Greenville in the spring of 1994. After they broke up, S.B.M. told Doe's employers at Pennsylvania Lumbermens Mutual Insurance Co. about their relationship. The court said S.B.M. also vandalized Doe's company car and called Doe's mother and told her intimate details of their relationship. Doe then was asked to resign; he was unemployed for two months.

S.B.M. also followed Doe after he moved to Charlotte, N.C., the court said, adding that S.B.M. walked from door to door calling Doe names and telling people about their relationship.

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## Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

by Dr. Stephanie McGhee

Everybody seems to know somebody with Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (CTS). It is a very popular wrist condition that is occurring today at a much higher rate due to computer keyboard use. The more technological our society becomes, the more our bodies have to adapt. The consequences of CTS are serious and awareness of the problem, as well as its causes, are crucial in the prevention of this syndrome. With correct ergonomics and attention to the work routine, you can prevent CTS. In a case of early detection and treatment of CTS, the outcome is more successful.

Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (CTS) is a very painful, debilitating condition. The pain is caused by pressure on the median nerve. The bones of your wrist make up a tunnel where tendons and the median nerve travels into the hand. The top portion of the tunnel is made up of a strong ligament called the transverse carpal ligament. Pressure on the nerve commonly arises from swelling of the tendons. As you move your hand and fingers, the flexor tendons rub against the sides of the tunnel. The rubbing is what causes the tendons to swell. The resulting pressure on the median nerve can be tingling, numbness, and eventually debilitating pain.

Workers in many fields can be affected by CTS. It is commonly found among draftsmen, meatcutters, secretaries, musicians, assembly-line workers, computer users, automotive repair workers, and many others.

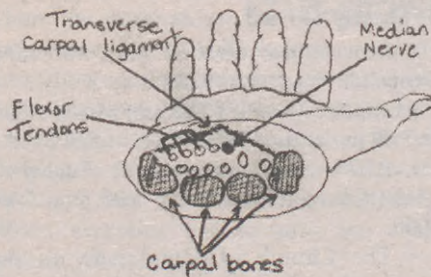
This syndrome can be treated with steroids, anti-inflammatories, or physical therapy. Surgery may be required in some cases to loosen the transverse carpal ligament. Full recovery of hand and wrist function may not always occur.

The causes of CTS are usually a combination of many factors.

**Genetic predisposition** - Genetically some people are made with a narrow tunnel at their wrist, as well as, less lubricant for the flexor tendons inside their sheaths.

**Health and lifestyle** - Conditions such as diabetes, gout, and rheumatoid arthritis increase a person's risk factor for CTS. Hormonal changes in women such as pregnancy, menopause, and the use of birth control pills are all contributing factors, as well. CTS is found more frequent in alcoholics and people with high amount of job stress.

**Repetitive motion** - The continuous repetitive motion of the wrist is what causes the swelling of the flexor tendons of the wrist. If you allow your hand to recover from the tendonous swelling, the rub-



bing may not lead to irritation and swelling. The necessary recovery time varies from person to person.

**Trauma** - A blow to the wrist or forearm can cause the same tendons to swell leading to CTS.

**To prevent CTS**, a computer user keyboard user can make sure that his/her work station is correct in ergonomics (proper positioning of the body).

**Seat height** - The height of your seat and backrest should be adjustable. The chair should be on wheels so that it is moveable with attached armrests. The chair should be adjusted so that your feet rest flat on the floor and your knees and hips are bent at 90 degrees.

**Table height** - On the average, a height of 27-29 inches above the floor is recommended. Some taller people may prefer a slightly higher table. The keyboard should sit on the table or keyboard drawer so that elbows are kept at a 90 degree angle.

**Wrist angle** - With correct position of the keyboard, your wrist should rest comfortably on the table. If the keyboard is too thick, a wrist pad should be placed in front of the keyboard to prevent over flexion of the wrist.

The most painful cases of CTS are those that have gone undetected or untreated over a long period of time. When CTS is caught in earlier stages, much of the pain and disability can be avoided. Early symptoms include tingling in the fingers, usually a few hours after work activities has ceased, shaking of the hands and rubbing of the wrist.

At the very sign of CTS, you should be examined by a doctor. Simple tests can be performed to rule out CTS or diagnosis other disorders which may be causing the problem.

*If there are any health care issues you would like addressed, please forward them to Synchronized Montrose Chiropractic c/o Dr. McGhee at 811 Westheimer, Suite 101, Houston, Texas 77006. Or you may send e-mail to [drm-ghee@neosoft.com](mailto:drm-ghee@neosoft.com).*



## IN APPRECIATION

## Tony Marlois



Born April 16, 1957 in Coffeyville, KS. Died June 11, 1997 in Houston after a short illness. Tony is survived by Art Fleming, Life Partner of 6 years, his mother Marlois Rush, his sisters Susie, Sherry and Candy, brothers Mark and Johnnie, 9 nieces and nephews and a host of friends and cast of thousands. Visitation will be at Geo. H.

Lewis & Sons, Friday, June 13, 1997 at 7:00pm and 9:00pm. Memorial Service will also be held at Geo. H. Lewis & Son, 1010 Bering Drive. Visitation will be at the residence of Art Fleming at 1930 Norfolk, Houston, 77098 immediately following the Memorial service.



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Since then, we at Pacific Street have contacted numerous local glass recyclers and even attempted our own hauling system to the glass recycling plant. However, there is no economic incentive for used glass and very little interest in it. I believe we cannot continue to dump our long-loved longnecks into the landfill. From Pacific Street alone this represents over 12 semi-trucks buried in the landfill each year. This environmental assassination cannot be continued.

We at Pacific Street would like to offer leadership on this issue. For the month of June, to show our pride, we will offer your domestic beers in a choice of longnecks or recyclable aluminum cans. All proceeds from the aluminum recycling program will be divided between the Colt 45's Trouble Fund and The Avondale Beautification Effort. We ask for your comments and support in our effort.

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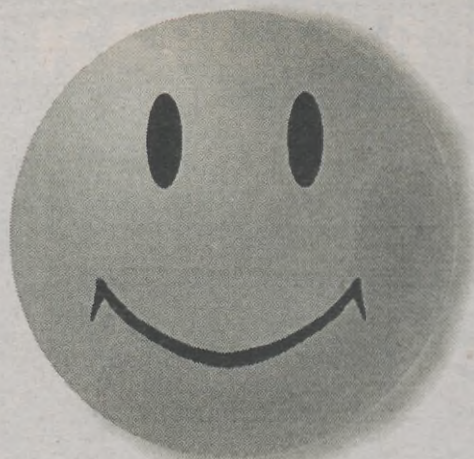


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### Friday-6/13

- Low impact aerobics at Community Gospel; 6:15 pm, 880-9235.
- Catholic Mass at 10:00 am; Movie Night at 7:00 pm at the Kolbe Project. 522-8182.
- AIDS Healing Service & Eucharist; Christ Church, 1117 Texas; 7:00 pm. 266-6008.
- The Church of Good Life on the Internet; <http://www.syncretist.org/church.htm>.

### Saturday-6/14

- Mass at Dignity Houston at 7:30 pm. 880-2872.
- Church of the XII Apostles Anglican Right Old Catholic Church; Holy Communion 7:30 pm at Suzanne Anderson Realty, 239 Westheimer.
- The Church of Good Life on the Internet; <http://www.syncretist.org/church.htm>.

### Sunday-6/15

- Maranatha Fellowship Metropolitan Church Services "A Study in the Gospel of Mark" and "The 'I' Factor" (How to be a positive influence on others as a witness for Christ) at 10:00 am Praise and Worship, Ministry of the Word, Drama and Personal Ministry. 11:00 am at Maranatha Fellowship 528-6756.
- MCCR Worship services 9:00 & 11:00 am. 861-9149.
- Worship Service 11:00 am at Faith and Hope Fellowship 773-4429.
- Grace Lutheran Church Sunday school for all ages at 9:30 am Worship Service at 10:30 am. 528-3269.
- First Unitarian Universalist Church Sunday Services at 9:30 am and 11:30 am. 526-5200.
- Services at 5:30 pm Dignity Church 880-2872.
- Community Gospel Worship service at 11:00 am & 7:00 pm. 4305 Lillian, 880-9235.
- Houston Mission Church Worship service at 10:30 am 529-8225.
- Covenant Baptist Church Worship service 1:30 pm and education hour at 3:00 pm. 668-8830.
- Bering Memorial United Methodist

- Church Worship service 10:50 am. Seekers class 9:15 am 526-1017.
- Catholic Mass at 7:30 pm Kolbe Project 522-8182.
- MCCR Handbell Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 pm 861-9149.
- Unitarian Fellowship of Galveston County, 402 Church St. in Galveston. Sunday Services at 10:30 am weekly. 409-765-8330.
- The Church of Good Life on the Internet; <http://www.syncretist.org/church.htm>.

### Monday-6/16

- Low impact aerobics at Community Gospel; 6:15 pm, 880-9235.

### Tuesday-6/17

- MCCR: Empowerment for Living support group & pot luck dinner at 6:00 pm, Gloryland Ensemble at 6:00 pm 861-9149.
- PROTECT meets at Bering Church. 520-7870.
- Maranatha Fellowship MCC has groups that meet in each others home for a time of fellowship, sharing God's word, and prayer. Call for the location in your area 528-6756.
- The Church of Good Life on the Internet; <http://www.syncretist.org/church.htm>.

### Wednesday-6/18

- MCCR Bible Study 7:30 pm 861-9149.
- Worship Service 7:30 pm at Faith and Hope Fellowship 773-4429.
- Choir Practice at Community Gospel 7:30 pm.
- The Church of Good Life on the Internet; <http://www.syncretist.org/church.htm>.

### Thursday-6/19

- Bible Study 7:00 pm at Faith and Hope Fellowship 773-4429.
- Midweek Service at Community Gospel 7:30 pm 880-9235.
- The Church of Good Life on the Internet; <http://www.syncretist.org/church.htm>.

If you want an event listed in this section, please call Lee at 529-8490 by noon Mondays.

## COVER STORY

faced balding maestros to convince us to occupy seats. At least ten percent of the purchase price of any ticket is spent convincing us to buy the ticket. A marketing rep from one of this city's more rinky-dink presenters was overheard saying, "We might as well take the entire marketing budget and use it to buy tickets ourselves, at least we'd have people in the hall." This clearly illustrates what something that producers have forgotten and audiences have known for years — why attend performances if you can't stay awake??

Clearly presenters can't take all the blame for the coma-inspired-audience factor. I once sat adjacent to a man who slept through the entire first act of Verdi's aurally monolithic *Aida*. He woke up when the lights came on and said, "Did I miss anything important?" to which I responded, "Not much, one of the elephants laid a grand piano sized turd on *Aida* and she was carried stinky and screaming off the stage." To this day I don't think he knew if I was serious or not. People complain

that events aren't exciting but often they wouldn't respond even if they were. Presenters could hang naked babies from the rafters of Jones Hall — people would just dismiss it as 'avant' and hope for something more traditional next season (that they would probably sleep through).

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### StompinOUT— A Short Chat with Percussionist Maria Breyer

During a recent phone interview with a very out (but decidedly low key) performer, Maria Breyer, I gleaned some interesting facts about the company and its creative process. Asked how she landed the role Maria replies, "I had been working in New York City as a chef and a percussionist, trying to make it. I received a call from a casting director for *STOMP*, auditioned and happily got the job." The open casting call for the show had 1500 folks show up. With her Brazilian background Ms. Breyer seemed a natural. "I grew up in Brazil and was very influenced by the rhythm of that culture, Carnival was a big part of our lives and it no doubt affected me in my desire to become a percussionist."

After landing the part she was confronted with a grueling rehearsal schedule.

"We rehearsed for six weeks, six days a week,

eight or nine hours a day. As a drummer I was used to being in the background — *Stomp* was quite different and the movement was kind of a new thing to me. Far different than the dance I was used to doing in clubs and with friends."

The rigors of touring have an interesting effect on the company. "We are on tour indefinitely — the audience response has been incredible. The challenge of this show, bring it to audiences every night, making it fresh is sometimes tough. This would be a very tough thing for someone in a relationship to do, the show is my life right now (pauses) actually the show is my wife right now too!"

Regarding sexuality she responds simply, "In my culture, sex is not an issue, people are not afraid of their own bodies, everything is accepted much more easily. As a gay woman she responds, in an understated manner, "Tell your readers that it's just no big deal."

A cool attitude from a cool girl in a cool show.

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home.

**HV:** What struck you as the most interesting development in the House of Representatives this session?

**DD:** The one everyone's talking about is the Memorial Day Massacre. [Rep. Arlene Wohlgenuth] is touting it as a partisan move. I don't know if that's correct. Most of us feel that injects gridlock. There is a tremendous amount of pressure to kow-tow to the Republican Right. I do believe that like-minded people who believe in non-discrimination are a majority in the House.

The death of the tax bill was interesting. The thorough overview made it difficult to build a consensus. Consequently, it went in like a lion and came out like a mouse. Overall, it was very healthy to look at the tax structure. It's something we should do more often than every century.

I passed the slamming bill - When someone switches your telephone service against the customer's wishes. Currently it involves long-distance, but we expect it to appear with local telephone service and electric service as those industries are deregulated. Our law repays the incumbent service, and

allows for fines.

**HV:** Did you lose any bills in the Memorial Day Massacre?

**DD:** No. One of the benefits of being on Calendars is that we can have influence. By that time of the session, virtually everything I had was already on the Governor's desk. About the Memorial Day massacre, Wohlgenuth is not accurate on the timeline of events. At that point, the abortion bill had only been delayed. Her move was a first strike. She is not saying that. Also, Glen Maxey and I were aware of the point of order, but did not want to destroy our reputations with other members on the floor by using it.

**HV:** The Parental Notification bill generated lots of controversy this session. What are your feelings on the future of this bill?

**DD:** I'm very concerned. Next session, all of the health-related agencies will be up for sunset review. Consequently, AIDS-related amendments and abortion-related amendments will be germane. It will be difficult to get things killed with a point of order.

The rumor is that the Republican-Right will introduce 35 anti-choice bills next session. Their goal is to word them various ways so that they move to different committees where they will get less scrutiny.

**HV:** Do you expect any changes or reforms in the House rules next session?

**DD:** Changes in House rules? Not of the kind that will circumvent anything. Germaneness rules are constitutional.

**HV:** This session you carried a bill to protect gays and lesbians from workplace discrimination. How do you feel the committee hearing on it went?

**DD:** It went fine. We are aware we don't have the votes to pass bills like these, but I introduce these bills every session so that we can go to different committees for hearings. Interestingly, each time I always have legislators who verbalize they are against discrimination in general. Somehow, when it comes time to vote, they vote the wrong way.

We learn about objections to the bills in committee. Our bills now include specific language to overcome these objections. Now we craft the bills so that they protect equal rights, not special rights. They exempt religious organizations.

At that hearing, I had witnesses travel from around the state to testify. The expectation was that all bills - pro and anti gay were not going out of committee. But it was beneficial for the hearing.

The public perception is that gays tend to be upper class and not need legal protection. In reality, there are blue collar

gay people and white collar gay people. There are unemployed gay people. You have every right to bring your personal life into the workplace as everyone else does. Some places do not allow any employees from placing photographs on their desks. As long as the rules applies to everybody equally, I don't have a problem with that. When everyone has pictures out their desks it should apply.

**HV:** You sponsored a bill to elect state party chairman and party officers in the primary election, rather than at a party convention. What kind of feedback did you receive from other legislators and individuals in the parties?

**DD:** It was mixed. The governor was highly supportive. 90% of the input was supportive. The public feels that the party offices have become an insiders club. The parties were formed to have real communication with real people and the elected officials that were elected to represent those parties. To a great degree the officials are out of touch with the grassroots electorate.

Back when I started in politics, the way you became a national delegate, you worked hard to elect people on the state rep races and other local races. They worked hard and delivered the grassroots. Those of us who were the most involved were elected to all those policy committees. We knew what the constituency was thinking, and they were represented. It is now too insular. Many party officers have never walked a block or participated in a phone bank. Their attitude is that it's somehow beneath them. When I do not have a difficult race, I still block walk for other candidates in my district.

**HV:** Will Pete Laney be the Speaker of the House next session?

**DD:** Absolutely.

**HV:** What are your feelings on Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock's announcement he will not run in 1998?

**DD:** That's one of the most interesting developments. He has quite a strong personality. For better or for worse he never sat on the sidelines on any issue. Pete Laney and Bob Bullock are extremely different presiding officers. Speaker Laney expects his chairmen to do the work on their subject areas. He really believes in letting the system work. He chooses people who he trusts will work fairly with the other members. He doesn't twist arms to get votes.

**HV:** What will be major issues in the next session?

**DD:** The most critical issue for me will be the electric restructuring. This session we were very close to the perfect practical solution on the issue. Mark Stiles called together a coalition of people to meet and find a common ground bill that got us to deregulation that was also fair to the environment, the consumers, and the investor-owned utilities. The bill that the governor put forward was much too expensive. It didn't have any environmental benefits in it. The benefits for the consumer included a 10% cut, which they already getting in today's regulated situation.

Electric utility deregulation has to be a group effort. At one point last Fall, one PUC commissioner made an off-hand comment about the stranded cost issue. (Utilities count their assets like buildings, plants, and transmission facilities as standard costs). The next day the stock market for Texas utilities took a severe loss. You are talking about a multi-billion dollar industry. Many people have invested their pensions and life savings in them. We need to have them economically healthy.

That's why I refer to it as electric restructuring, not electric deregulation. It's such a complicated issue and just a small handful of us have taken an interest in the issue. Meanwhile the entire House will have to vote on it, and each legislator will be heavily lobbied as well. It's critical to industry, consumers, and to jobs, that we get it right.

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## New Study to Focus on Lesbians' Risk For Developing Osteoporosis

Maine (AP) - This month a first-of-its-kind bone loss study will examine whether lesbians are at greater risk of developing osteoporosis than their biological, heterosexual sisters. Researchers are recruiting at least 50 lesbian women in Maine between the ages of 30 and 50, and their heterosexual sisters. Another 50 women will be recruited for a control group.

The women participating in the study will receive three questionnaires in the mail covering physical activity, health and reproductive factors, and dietary calcium intake. Only one face-to-face visit will be required, and a \$20 stipend will be given to cover travel expenses to Bangor or Portland. Anyone participating in the study who is found to be at great risk for osteoporosis will get follow-up tests and examinations from one of the two physicians.

Just as women were once given short shift in medical research, scientists are now beginning to "pay attention to the fact that things might be different for gays and lesbians than they are for the heterosexual community," said Sandra Butler, assistant professor of social work at the University of Maine.

There are no inherent biological differences between lesbians and other women, says Jill Carter, a nurse practitioner who

recently completed a survey examining Cumberland County health-care workers' attitudes toward lesbians.

"It's more of a lifestyle issue," Carter said. "For example, some physicians and researchers believe lesbians may be at greater risk for breast, ovarian and endometrial cancer, not because they're lesbian, but because they're more likely to have not ever been pregnant."

Women who don't give birth and breast-feed don't experience the burst of estrogen that comes with pregnancy. That surge of hormones, in addition to warding off cancer, may be able to protect against the bone loss that leads to osteoporosis.

Some studies have shown that lesbian women "tend to have higher risks in terms of smoking and physical inactivity than do heterosexual women," said Dr. Clifford Rosen, director of the osteoporosis research center in Bangor. Those factors have been associated with osteoporosis.

Of course, there are also many heterosexual women who smoke and drink and choose not to have children. This study will help determine if there really is a difference in risk for straight and gay women, and if so, lay the groundwork for prevention programs.

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## Nevada Doctor Plans to Test New Drug on AIDS Patients

Las Vegas (AP) - After 13 years, Dr. Alfred Sapse has finally been given the green light by the Food and Drug Administration to begin testing a new drug on HIV-positive patients. The drug, Anticort, is the trade name of an anti-cortisol drug manufactured by Sapse's Las Vegas company, Steroidogenesis Inhibitors Inc.

Double-blind testing on 40 people, in which neither doctors nor patients know who is getting Anticort or a placebo, should begin in four to six weeks in San Francisco. Results are expected to be released in 16 months. Cortisol, which naturally produced by the adrenal glands, is found to be elevated in HIV-positive and AIDS patients. It's Sapse's belief that if the body's cortisol can be reduced to normal levels, HIV-positive people will not develop AIDS.

Sapse wrote a medical paper in 1984, "Stress, Cortisol, Interferon and Stress Diseases: Cortisol As the Cause of Stress Diseases," in which he proposed that many diseases brought about by an elevation in cortisol. Besides AIDS, such diseases as Alzheimer's, depression, stress, multiple sclerosis and Lou Gehrig's all have elevated cortisol.

"I said that what we were taught in medical school was wrong," Sapse said. "Cortisol is not the result of these diseases. It's the cause. Cortisol directs all the functions of the body. But when it's elevated, it becomes a killer."

Sapse developed Anticort in 1987. It's been unofficially tested by physicians on approximately 200 people with varying diseases in France, Canada and Brazil. "The results were spectacular," Sapse, 72, said in his soft Romanian accent. "People with advanced stages of AIDS got better. The

virus was there, but they were not sick."

Sapse said the study group will consist of previously untreated HIV-positive patients who have counts of 300-600 CD4 cells and viral counts more than 10,000. People previously treated with AIDS drugs will not be eligible. In order for the FDA to approve Anticort as a treatment for AIDS patients, Sapse said he will have to prove that it is not harmful and that it actually gets results. He's very confident the results will be positive. "There are no major side-effects," Sapse said. "Out of 100 people (unofficially tested), only two got dizzy because it lowers blood pressure."

Unlike current AIDS drugs that can run as high as \$1,500 a month, Sapse said Anticort will be more affordable at around \$80 a month. Sapse organized the first "Conference on Cortisol and anti-cortisols in Chateau de Fillerval" near Paris in June 1996. There, for the first time, he learned that doctors from around the world believed as he did and was experimenting with anti-cortisol therapies.

A second conference is scheduled to take place Nov. 9-12 at The Mirage. Sapse said his study will cost \$2.5 million. It is being funded by private offerings. He also plans to take Steroidogenesis Inhibitors Inc. public in January.

"More than 90 percent of the diseases in the world are associated with elevated conditions of cortisol," Sapse said. "Anticort is not just a drug. It's opening a new era of medicine like penicillin did." Local HIV-positive people, who previously haven't been treated with AIDS drugs, can volunteer for Sapse's Anticort testing. For information, call Ballard Communications at 702-836-3000.

by Lee Davis

## No-Fat a No-No!

Believe it or not, some fat in your diet is good for you. A dietitian at Baylor College of Medicine's DeBakey Heart Center in Houston says although fat has several important functions in the body, it's still important to make wise fat choices.

"Certain dietary fats are essential to good nutrition," said Lynne W. Scott, Director of the Diet Modification Clinic at Baylor. "But the key is moderation."

Besides its health benefits, fat helps satisfy your appetite. "People like the taste of fat," she said. "It also slows down the rate at which food leaves the stomach and produces a feeling of fullness after a meal." Knowing what kind of fat to choose is important.

Scott offers these tips on choosing low-fat, yet nutritious foods:

- \* Read the food label & check for calorie and fat content. A low-fat food has three grams of fat or less per serving.

- \* Choose lean types of meat like chicken breast without skin, fish, and the leanest cuts of beef and pork.

- \* Prepare foods with little or no added fat. Cook with fresh herbs, spices, garlic, and onions.

## New Viewing Wand

A high-tech viewing wand is allowing surgeons at The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center to remove brain tumors that were previously considered inoperable. M.D. Anderson surgeons have performed over 112 viewing wand procedures to date. For information about cancer treatment, call 1.800.392.1611, option 3.

## Combination Drug Therapy

Researchers at the National Institutes of Health have discovered that a combination of protease inhibitors and other anti-HIV drugs used to treat people with AIDS can prevent or delay the progression of

cytomegalovirus (CMV) retinitis, a potentially blinding eye complication of AIDS. A letter detailing these findings was published in the May 21, 1997 issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)*.

"This discovery is significant because it suggests that, under certain circumstances, people with CMV retinitis can stop taking standard anti-CMV medications and the disease would not progress," said Dr. Carl Kupfer, Director of the National Eye Institute, one of the Federal government's National Institutes of Health (NIH). "The standard anti-CMV medications can be toxic and some require daily intravenous administration. This new drug therapy may lead to a significant improvement in the quality of life for people with AIDS who have CMV retinitis."

People with AIDS and their doctors who are interested in participating in a CMV retinitis study can contact Cheryl Perry, R.N. at 301.435.4559 or by e-mail at cperry@box-c.nih.gov.

## New Procedure

A less invasive surgical procedure may be the right prescription for men with enlarged prostates.

With transurethral needle ablation, or TUNA, a surgeon treats an enlarged prostate by using low-frequency radio waves to heat and coagulate multiple targeted sections of the gland, said Dr. Kevin Slawin, a urologist at Baylor College of Medicine.

"This control gives us the ability to avoid heating the urethra and to spare the bladder and the rectum," he said. "By avoiding these areas, TUNA maintains its effectiveness while decreasing the pain of the procedure as well as complications experienced down the road."

TUNA takes only about a half-hour and can be done in most patients under local anesthesia. Conventional surgery for enlarged-prostate reduction is more complicated and more costly, requiring a general anesthetic and hospitalization.

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## SPORTS CAPSULE

by Lee Davis

## HMBL Results

The top five teams as of Week 8 are Excavators, Jackson 5, JR's Cue Crew, Crazy 8's and Knight Heat. The top five players are John Bowen (Chupacabra), Richard Chew (Excavators), Keith Fussell (JR's Cue Crew), Bob Cypert (Jackson 5) and Larry Lentz (Excavators).

Congratulations are in order for both Bob Cypert & Phillip Marek. It seems these two gentlemen had a Break & Run during Week 7. Good shooting, guys!

## Lob It!

The Houston Tennis Club is constantly seeking new members, both male and female, of all playing levels. Meet at Memorial Park Tennis Center on Wednesdays from 7-9:30pm, Fridays from 7:30-9pm, and two sessions on Sunday mornings, from 9-10:30am and 10am to 12 Noon.

## Go Fish!

Rainbow Fishing Club's June 22nd fishing trip has 48 people going, 25 women and 23 men. There are 11 more spots reserved on this 65 person boat. The Texsun II leaves Pier 19 at 7:30am, so be there between 6:30 & 7am. Reservations are voided at 7:15am. The club will bring a supply of Dramamine for those who want a couple of motion sickness pills at 7am. Cost for this trip is \$60 with a \$30 deposit due now. No food, drink or coolers are allowed on the boat. They have food and drink at reasonable costs.

The Wednesday, June 25 trip has 12 people signed up, all guys, with 8 more reservations available. Cost is \$50 with a \$20 deposit due now. The best 20 spots on the back of the boat have been reserved and will add more if necessary. David Williamson, Trip Leader again for the weekday outing and a bartender at Mary's, urges all those

who work weekends to join his Wednesday trip. You can talk to David at Mary's, Naturally, Monday, Thursday & Saturday 2pm to 8pm or Friday & Sunday 8pm to 2am. He can also accept your reservations and /or deposits. Mail checks to the Rainbow Fishing Club, P.O. Box 66450, Houston, TX 77266 or call 713.523.6381 for reservations and more information.

## Spice Boys?

The Montrose Monday Night Men's League reports Love Is Hard On the Knees is in 1st, Spice Boys in 2nd and Bottom's Up in 3rd. Richard Nickerson bowled High Scratch Game of 262 and High Handicapped Game and Rodney Seiler bowled High Handicapped Series of 704. Tom Strauss bowled High Handicapped Series. For more info call 522.9612. Bowling is at Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd. at 9pm Monday.

Inner Loop Alternatives reports Nameless In Seattle in 1st with Let's Not and Say We Did in 2nd and Support Youth In Asia in 3rd. For the men David Furlong bowled High Scratch Game of 244 and Mace Adams Series of 675. Rodney Johnson had High Handicapped Game and Don Clark Series. For the women Terry Shannon bowled High Scratch Game of 216 and Series of 646. Sharon Goodwin had High Handicap Game. Call Tom at 522.9612 for further info. Bowling is at Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd. at 7pm on Sundays.

The Wednesday Night Mixers report in 1st, Big Balls & A Sissy, in 2nd, White Trash Ready for Pickup and in 3rd, Rump Rangers. High Scratch Game of 212 was bowled by Jeff Charlesworth and Series of 553 by Don Burken for the men. David Souders bowled High Handicapped Game and Series. For the women Marla Aizenshtat bowled High Scratch Game of 190 and High Scratch Series of 512. Helen Davidson bowled High Handicapped Game. See SPORTS page 32



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## SPORTS/ from page 31

Bowling for the summer is at Palace Lanes at 6:30pm on Wednesday. For more info call 522.9612.

The **Monday Night Women's League** reports M Power in 1st, Four Girls with Balls in 2nd, Four on the Floor in 3rd. Bowling is at 6:30pm at AMF Southway. For more info call Pat at 281.437.6218.

The new **I Luv Luci Thursday Trios** reports Rainbow Trout in 1st, JR's 3 in 2nd, Having Fun in 3rd and Gutter Girls in 4th. Bowling is at Dynamic Lanes at 6:30pm on Thursday. Call 522.9612 for info.

## Watch the Birdie!

Get fit at **The Cossaboom Family YMCA** at 7903 South Loop East, near Gulfgate Mall. The Adult Open Badminton League is offered every Monday & Wednesday evenings from 9pm until midnight. Bring your racquet and join the fun. The fee is only \$7 per visit or free to YMCA members. For info, stop by their front service desk or call them at 713.643.4396.

## Everyone Skate!

The **Lambda Roller Skating Club** host their Weekly Skate Night on Wednesday, June 18 at Starlite Skating Rink, 8075 Cook Road (corner of Cook and Beechnut). Skate time is 8-10pm with a nominal admission fee of \$5 plus \$1.50 if you need skates. You may bring your own skates or blades. Everyone and all ages are welcome! For more info call 933.5818 or visit their website at <http://www.neosoft.com/~lrsc>.

## No Gutters Here!

The **Montrose Monday Night Men's League** reports Jockeys in Position in 1st, Ben Dovers in 2nd and Utility Boys in 3rd. Chris Bennett bowled High Scratch Game of 279 and Series of 652. Terry Wolber bowled High Handicapped Game and Series. For more info call 522-9612. Bowling is at Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd. at 9pm Monday.

The **Inner Loop Alternatives** reports Sticky Wickets in 1st with Four on the Floor in 2nd and Don't Eat Him Again in 3rd. For the men, David Furlong bowled High Scratch Game of 247 and Brian Elley Series of 620. Charlie Rivenbark had High Handicapped Game and Series. For the women Michelle Flora bowled High Scratch Game of 206 and Handicap Game and Series. Terry Shannon bowled High Scratch Series of 560. Call Tom at 522-9612 for further info. Bowling is at Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd. at 7pm on Sundays.

The **Wednesday Night Mixers** reports White Trash Ready for Pickup in 1st, JR's in 2nd and Big Balls & A Sissy in 3rd. High Scratch Game of 247 and Series of 636 was bowled by Don the Daisy Burken for the men. For the women Terry Shannon bowled High Scratch Game of 223 and Series of 608. Bowling for the summer is at Palace Lanes at 6:30 on Wednesday. For more info call 522-9612. Two individual bowlers are still needed to fill out two teams.

The **Monday Night Women's League** reports Four On The Floor in 1st, MPowers in 2nd, Four Girls with Balls in 3rd and Gutter Ball Rollers in 4th. Bowling is at 6:30pm at AMF Southway. For more info call Pat at 281.437.6218.

## Let's Ride!

The **Houston Chain Gang Cycling Club** invites all to join them on their West Oaks ride on Saturday, June 21 beginning at 8am. Meet in the parking lot on the southeast side of Mervyn's at West Oaks Mall. To RSVP, call John at 768.8793. This is classified as an Chain Smoker Rider Ride, extending 38 miles.

## Side Pocket

The Independent Billiard League of Houston reports Week 15 standings. The top five teams are Bad Boys, Highrollers, Full Throttle, Sudden Impact and Dynamite Sticks. The top five players are Richard Chew (Full Throttle), Ronnie Rhodes (Dynamite Sticks), Joel Reyes (Bad Boys), Mondo Morales (Bad Boys) and Rick Hall (Stick It).

The Houston Billiard Open will be held June 21 at Bricks II. Registration on the day of the tournament is \$10. Early Registration is \$8. The HBO is open to anyone that wishes to play. The rules will be official IBL 8-ball rules. Proceeds will go to Swedia House (Community Endowment Foundation). Please contact Mark Sherron or Gilbert Vargas at 524.9251.

Elections to be held at the next monthly meeting at 2pm on June 14 at the Lazy J.

## More Club Info

A Gay sky diving club called **Houston Triangle Divers** hosts outings for those brave of heart throughout the year. For info call 530.7822.

A Bicycling Club for Womyn, **Rainbow Riders** meet every Sunday morning for easy, long off-road rides. All womyn are welcome regardless of ability and experience. For info call Cookie Davenport at 869.1686 or email her at [guusje@aol.com](mailto:guusje@aol.com).

If you like running, then go with the **FrontRunners** who meet at 9am at the Memorial Park Tennis Center on Sundays. If Sundays are not good for you, meet them at 6:30pm on Tuesday or Thursday nights. For info call 713.522.8021.

Think dancing isn't a sport? Try to argue with these two organizations! The **Southern Country Dance Group** provides dance lessons at the Ranch, 8-10pm on Tuesdays. The Ranch is located at 9200 Buffalo Speedway.

The **Rainbow Ranglers** promote Texas Style couple dancing, including the beginning level. Classes are free and open to the public from 8:30-10pm on Thursdays at the Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos. For more info call 713.880.0670.

The **Houston Force**, a local basketball team, is forming a league in Houston. If interested in joining, please call Mike or Lyle at 880.4765.



by Ella Tyler

## Audrey Hepburn's Neck

by Alan Brown  
Washington Square Press, 290 pages,  
\$12.00

This is the life story of Toshiyuki, a comic book artist in Tokyo. He has yearned for American women ever since he was nine, when he and his mother saw old Audrey Hepburn movies in the small fishing village where they lived. His perpetually sad mother left his father and the village when he was a teenager. His only real friend is an older gay American man. Toshi's curiosity about his parents' odd silence about the family's history is an important part of the story. A map described in the book captures the essence of his life. "He holds the map sideways, then upside down, aligning the map to reality as he follows the penciled trail of landmarks. . . A police box, a bicycle store. Turn left at Kentucky Fried Chicken, right at the phone booth opposite the rice paper stand." Brown lived in Japan for seven years and appears to capture modern Japanese life. Toshi's office mates rent a dog for a while and then decide to get a virtual pet. Brown's writing has the style and precision of haiku.

## White Widow

by Jim Lehrer  
Random House, 21.95

This book is set in Coastal Texas in the '50's and captures the time and place as well as Audrey Hepburn's Neck captures contemporary Japan. The story is about a bus driver who drives from Houston to Corpus and becomes mentally infatuated with a beautiful woman who rides his bus. As his infatuation grows, he becomes less careful and eventually tragedy results. Only weeks after he received a gold badge for being a good bus driver, he is fired. The book is both funny and sad. If you are curious about this area, this book is worth reading. Lehrer worked for a bus company in his youth and was a newspaper reporter and editor in Dallas before he went to Washington and PBS. He wrote "Chili Queen", playing at Stages through June 13.

## A Sweet and Stirring Memoir of the Andrew Sisters

by Jone Devlin

They were the most famous Girl Group of World War II, and are still imitated today. They were the original recorders of the Bette Midler hit Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy. They are synonymous with the forties, the big bands, and the USO. They are the Andrews Sisters.

In her autobiography *Over Here, Over There* Maxene Andrews (who died in 1995 shortly after appearing in a WWII 50th anniversary victory celebration) recounts the tale of three girls from Minnesota who became the sweethearts of a world at war.

There is little pre or post WWII biographical information included in the book. Maxene tells us the Andrews Sisters started singing at a young age, and after nearly retiring in the late thirties due to the depression and a lack of paying jobs, scored a big hit with Bi Mir Bist Du Shoen (often translated by American audiences as My Mere Bits of Shame). From then on the only struggles they had was getting from one place to another, as they were so in demand they were often booked for two and three shows a day in different cities during a time when there were few good roads and gas was being rationed!

In fact, Maxene recounts that they were so busy touring that the way they found out about Pearl Harbor being bombed was that no one showed up to their December 7th, 1941 show. They couldn't figure out why, since they had played to nothing but sold out audiences for the last two years, and then someone turned on a radio. It is in this passage that we learn what the old movies never tell us. Of the fear, the horror, and the terror of people who suddenly felt invaded.

Maxene also tells us some other things that the historians won't. Like how, when America first entered the war, we were bitterly defeated again and again. It wasn't until two years after

## Liberty Square

by Katherine V. Forrest  
soon to be released as a Berkley paperback  
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Kate Delafield, a Los Angeles homicide detective, is conned by her lover into attending a reunion of the Army unit she served with in Vietnam. They have barely checked into their Washington hotel before a bullet is put through the hotel room door. The women are safe, but later, another attendee is found, shot to death. Kate's skills as a police detective are of little use in helping her find the killer, but after an evening of reminiscing, she realizes why the man she was engaged to disappeared in Vietnam and why violence has stalked the reunion. The stories told by the women are powerful and were based on a book of interviews with women who served in Vietnam. I cried, which I rarely do when reading.

## Pink Balloons &amp; Other Dangerous Things.

by Nancy Tesler  
Dell, 217 Pages, 5.50

Carrie Carlin, a visualization therapist, can not resist the temptation of driving past her old home, now occupied by her soon to be ex-husband and his girlfriend. She compounds the error by getting out and watching from behind the hedge. What she sees and hears makes her ill. The new woman is sitting by the pool, painting her perfect nails, tanning her perfect, synthetic(?) boobs, and talking on the phone to Carrie's husband about their pricy wedding plans. A former neighbor sees Carrie leave and then she is stopped for erratic driving. However, Carrie's problems soon transcend embarrassment. The woman's body is found in the pool soon thereafter and it does not look like an accidental death. Carrie is the most likeable amateur detectives to come along in a while. She has named her oversize dog Horton, after the Dr. Seuss book, and her trio of siamese cats are named for the three tenors. She even lectures herself about the inappropriateness of her interest in the homicide detective who is investigating the crime, thereby saving us the trouble. A very satisfying book.

Pearl Harbor that the tide began to turn in our favor. She talks about some of the USO stars who were injured and killed in the line of duty, like Leslie Howard and Tamara (emphazing that the majority of the performers who played for the troops were not famous or well known).

She also tells us of how the American Government, which was more than happy to publicize and use the USO, paid no money to help with the medical expenses of those performers injured while seeking to entertain the troops.

But this book is not negative. It is actually sweet, and heart stirring. Stories of segregation in the military, and the heart breaking, hideous conditions that both the USO performers and the soldiers had to endure are

recounted in a stoic way, and even after 50 years you can see just how deeply the patriotic attitude of our country during WWII ran. As far as the Andrews Sisters and everyone else were concerned, these men were fighting to keep us free, so what did it matter if a few rats ran across your face in the night while you were trying to entertain them? Or that there were more bugs than food in your food?

As for the segregation, if you were brave enough to refuse to perform until the African American regiments were admitted to the audience (which the Andrews Sisters, along with many others, were) the CO's would eventually give in. In fact, the only complaint Maxene Andrews makes in the entire book is about the sexism many of the women performers suffered at the hands of the military officers (she is careful to distinguish between Officers and NCOs), who would do everything from humiliate them in public for not wearing their USO issued uniforms buttoned up all the way to refuse to fly them to their next destination unless they gave a private performance for the local officers club.

But again, these statements are few and far between. *Over Here, Over There* is a happy, nostalgic memoir of WWII from the perspective of one of three young girls who lived through it, and managed to make their own mark on history because of it.



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**Did anyone video record the Tony Awards?** If so, please give me a call. J.C. at the Houston Voice. (713)529-8490.

### WORK FROM HOME

Int'l. Co. seeks P/T, F/T homeworkers. No exp. necessary. Will train. Up to \$700 per week possible. Call (800) 299-2842.

**Lose Weight Now!** Spring into shape. Lose 20, 30, 40lbs in time for Summer. Ph.#: 850-PILL.

### CORRECTION!

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Need up to a \$2500 Visa Card? No security deposit. Bad Credit OK. 1-800-576-2292 Ext. 62

**Auditions--Texas Mime Theatre,** an Artist-In-Residence Company with Houston Community College, will hold appointment-only, non-Equity auditions for movement-oriented actors. This is a part-time paid position for male or female with acting, dance or mime experience. For more information, call 713-520-6463.

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## Counseling/ Psychotherapy

### Single Men Wanting Better Relationships?

Relationships disappointing, short-lived, troublesome? Want to improve choice of partners? Gotten hurt too much to want to try again? Afraid of making the same mistakes? Wonderful help is available for these problems. Houston psychotherapy group forming to address these and other problems for single gay men. First four sessions will give members background in the most reliable relationship theories. Other sessions will be devoted to helping group members apply information to their own lives. Interviews are being scheduled for membership in group. Meetings will be on Wednesday evening. Cost will be less than individual psychotherapy. **Call Tony Carroll, LMSW - ACP, (713)522-3045.**

**Trish Listi, MA** TRT Lesbian. Gay issues. Clear Lake Area. (281)233-9092.

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## For Rent

Westbury Square Townhomes, 11550 Chimney Rock @ West Bellfort. 2/1.5 bath townhome, approximately 1,280 s/f, private patio, w/d connections, \$750.00 includes most bills. Free Cable TV, Door to Door Trash Collection, Covered Parking, Access Gates. Pets on case basis with additional deposit. One Year Lease \$750 Security Deposit. REALTOR 713-729-7077.

Westbury Square Townhomes, 11550 Chimney Rock, 2/2.5 townhome, approximately 1,440 s/f, w/d included, private patio, covered parking, access gates, & more! \$825.00 includes most bills. REALTOR 713-729-7077.

Westbury Square Townhomes, 11540 Chimney Rock @ West Bellfort, 1/1 condominium, approximately 810 s/f, large bedroom with 2 walk-in closets, big kitchen, lots of storage. Some Units have W/D's. Quiet Property. Covered Parking, Access Gates, Free Cable TV. \$475-525.00 Most Bills Paid. One Year Lease. Deposit=rent. Pets on Case Basis w/additional deposit. REALTOR 713-729-7077.

Montrose/Richmond 700 S.F. garage apartment. 1 bedroom. Hardwoods, Central A/H, Pool, Shared W/D, Parking \$575 + Electric, no pets. 713-526-1481.

Montrose 1/1. Choose your own carpet color. \$525 including utilities. Small Deposit. Call 713-526-0549.

Montrose - New Orleans Style Living - 2 story townhome. 2/2.5 undercover parking, Small secure complex, Central A/H. All appliances, W/D connections. \$850/month with equal deposit. 713-526-2450.

Montrose 1/1 condo. Hardwoods, W/D, covered parking, gated entry, pets O.K. \$495/month + \$300 deposit. 713-522-4360.

Cozy 1 bedroom Apartment in the Heights. \$425 bills paid. Available after June 1. Call 713-863-1349 on the weekend.

**Montrose - 1/1** fresh paint, clean carpet, dishwasher, refrigerator w/ ice maker, quiet street, quiet window HVAC. \$425/mo. + equal deposit. Ray Allison Realtors. 713-524-SOLD.

**Montrose/River Oaks 3/2** House. Hardwoods down master w/Berber carpet up, Washer/Dryer shared in garage. Owner pays water + yard. \$1150/month + equal deposit. Ray Allison Realtors 713-524-SOLD.

**Apartment Locating** All areas. List by fax, phone, and mail. **Copenhaver Properties.** (713)880-1866.

Clear Lake townhome. 2 - 2 1/2 - 2 Freshly painted & carpeted with W/D. \$775/month. 713-743-8629.

**For Lease At Westbury Gardens** 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom bungalow \$600.00 \* 2 bedroom, 1 bath flat; totally refurbished including new appliances \$550.00. \* 1 bedroom flat \$400.00 Call 729-9316 for appointment. (agent)

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**Sunset Heights** Two Bedroom House, 1050 S/F, Completely Renovated, Modern Kitchen w/dishwasher. Central Air. Washer & Dryer. Patio Doors From Living Room & Kitchen to a Large Multi-Level Deck With a Koi Pond in the Center. Yard Beautifully Planted and Landscaped. \$800/month + utilities. Call Neil 713-521-1794.

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River Oaks Plaza Area - Large spacious 1/1 in four plex, completely remodeled, lots of windows, central air/heat, view of downtown. \$550 plus, not pets, no smokers. 713-524-9238.

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**Washing Machine For Sale**

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  - 23 associating socially
  - 26 the letter U phonetically
  - 27 sounds like 'why double you'
  - 28 object of a prolonged endeavor
  - 29 extensions abbr.
  - 31 township & title page abbr.
  - 32 department abbr.
  - 33 20th century American novelist Lewis, initials ("Intellectually I know that America is no better than any other country; emotionally I know she is better than every country.")
  - 34 20th century French philosopher Schweitzer, initials ("The awareness that we are all human beings together has become lost in war and through politics.")
  - 35 TOMMY in a mirror
  - 37 19th century American poetess Dickinson, initials ("Finite to fail, but infinite to venture.")
  - 38 Atlanta's annual August gay river expo
  - 42 ball
  - 43 the abominable snowman
  - 44 Ga. GOP congressman Gingrich, initials
  - 45 interjection used to express sympathy; root beer brand
  - 46 keeps up his health
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- ing, late gay graffiti artist
- 52 fool
- 53 beginnings
- 54 concerning

- DOWN**
- 1 Buddhist temple in Cambodia or Thailand
  - 2 suffix to make some nouns plural
  - 3 make stronger
  - 4 one who makes garments
  - 5 tree that bears acorns
  - 6 adverb suffix, 'in a specified way'
  - 7 last born
  - 8 quality of being impervious to light
  - 9 Ms. Parton, "Queen of Country Music" always playing in gay clubs
  - 10 throw into disorder
  - 11 elephants
  - 16 pseudonym of MTV's Simon Rex in his porn days
  - 17 Reagan senior or junior
  - 18 country way of saying poor
  - 19 sounds like 'you you'
  - 20 late singer Bailey, initials
  - 21 a thousandth of an inch
  - 22 German/Austrian expressway
  - 24 indebted to
  - 25 .... Clinton
  - 30 kd lang's newest album
  - 34 anxiety

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

If you would like an event listed in this section, please feel free to call Lee at 529-8490 or fax at 529-9531 by Monday Noon.

## Friday, June 13

- AIDS Mastery Workshop. 861-6453.
- Borders Book Store Gay /Lesbian Book Club meets at the Espresso Bar at 9634 Westheimer. 786-6066.
- HIV+ Art classes at the Art League. 523-8817.
- HATCH meets. 942-7002.
- Aftercare Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.
- "Out of the Closet: Cinema" group meets 822-8511.
- Frost Eye Clinic: Free eye exams for HIV+ people. 520-2000.
- Lesbian Avengers meet at Tootpee's, 1830 W. Alabama @ 7pm.
- Q-Patrol Meets to walk the streets at 10:30pm. 528-SAFE.
- Free Spay & Neutering (SNAP) 522-2337 at Acres Home Multi Service Center.
- Free HIV testing by the Montrose Clinic; The New Barn 4-8pm.
- Gulf Coast Transgender Community meets. 780-4282.
- Lesbian Love Letters at DiverseWorks. 228-0914.
- Kolbe Project's Night at the Movies 7pm. 522-8182.
- Kolbe Projects' Park Plaza Hospital Visitation. 522-8182.

## Saturday, June 14

- After Hours on KPFT 12am to 3am. 90.1 FM. 526-5738.
- Gulf Coast Transgender Support Group meets. 780-4282.
- Q-Patrol meets to walk the streets at 10:30pm. 528-SAFE.
- Visual Art Alliance meets at 10am. 583-8408.
- Free HIV testing by the Montrose Clinic; Rich's 10pm to 2am.
- AssistHers meets. 552-9445.
- Houston Area Bears Monthly Social; Venture-N;

9pm.

## Sunday, June 15

- The Women's Group meets at 10:45 am. 529-8571.
- HATCH meets. 942-7002.
- AALGA meets. 864-2242.
- Galveston PFLAG meets 2pm. 409-744-3200.
- Houston Area Bears General Meeting; Brazos River Bottom; 4pm.

## Monday, June 16

- Gay Fathers/Fathers First support group. 8pm. 861-6181.
- Calendar/Computer workshop for Pride Week. 7pm. 529-1223.
- Outpatient Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.
- Men Survivors of Sexual Abuse Group at Montrose Counseling Center. 6:15pm. 529-0037.
- Frost Eye Clinic: Free eye exams for HIV+ people. 520-2000.
- AIDS Caregiver's Support Group meets at 6pm. 732-4300.
- AVES sponsored free HIV testing from 10am to 5pm at 4125 SW Freeway, Ste 1717.
- HeartSong meets. 541-3495.
- Miss Camp America meets. 520-STAR.
- Houston Area Women's Center's Volunteer training. 535-6363.
- Texas Medical Center Lambda Group meets. 523-5539.
- Free HIV testing by the Montrose Clinic; Brazos River Bottom 4 to 8pm; QT's 8-12pm.
- Kolbe Project's Park Plaza Hospital Visitation; 522-8182.

## Tuesday, June 17

- Sex, Lies & Video Tapes workshop by AIDS Foundation Houston 7-9pm 623-6796.
- Helping Cross Dressers Anonymous meets at 239 Westheimer. 8pm. 495-8009.
- Basic Computer Skills Class at the Kolbe Project. 522-8182.
- Gay Men HIV+ Psychotherapy at Montrose Counseling Center. 4:30pm. 529-0037.
- Youth-Rap at 6:30pm. 822-8511.
- Aftercare Group Treatment at Montrose

Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.

- AIDS Alliance of the Bay Area meets at 7pm. 488-4492.
- Empowerment for Living meets for pot luck. 861-9149.
- PROTECT: an HIV negative support group meets at 7pm. 520-7870.
- Free HIV testing by Montrose Clinic; Club Body Center 8pm to Midnite.
- Women Survivors of Childhood Abuse at Montrose Counseling Center. 6:30pm. 529-0037.
- Survivors of Loss support group meets at 8:30pm. 778-2677.
- Live Jazz at Borders Book Shop. 782-6066.
- Free Spay & Neuter Assistance (SNAP) at Harris County Animal Control.
- Kolbe Projects' Park Plaza Visitation; 522-8182.

## Wednesday, June 18

- Free HIV testing by the Montrose Clinic; Mary's 4-9pm; Bricks II 9pm to 1am.
- Frost Eye Clinic: Free eye exams to HIV+ people. 520-2000/
- Houston Pride Band practices at Dignity Houston. 524-0218.
- GLOBAL meets at 4pm. 473-7539.
- Women's Action Coalition meets at Tootpees at 7pm. 867-9581.
- Women's Network at Montrose Counseling Center. 7pm. 529-0037.
- Ongoing Mixed Living in Process Group for men and women. 622-7250.
- Aftercare Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037/
- HIV Survivor Support Group meets at 7pm. 782-4050.
- Women's Clinic at the Montrose Clinic. 5 to 8pm. Call 520-2000.
- BiNet of Houston meets at 7pm. 861-9149.
- AVES offers free HIV testing from 10am to 5pm at 4125 SW Freeway, Suite 1717.
- Cancer Dialogue Support Group meets at noon at Park Plaza Hospital. 1/800-611-CARE.
- Free Spay & Neuter Assistance (SNAP) at Randall's, 2224 FM 1960W.
- Kolbe Project's Hospital Visitation; 522-8182.
- Women for Sobriety Meeting; 7-8pm; 701

Richmond; 281-855-8616.

- Gay, Lesbian & Straight Teachers Network meet at 7:30pm. 529-4571.
- Houston Area Bears Dine Out; Baba Yega; 7pm.

## Thursday, June 19

- Art Labs at The Art League at 1pm. 225-9411.
- Gay Men's Chorus of Houston open rehearsal at 7pm. 521-7464.
- Twentysomething meets at 7:30pm. 315-6786.
- KPFT Lesbian & Gay Voices airs from 8 to 10pm. 866-6505.
- Ongoing gay men's Living in Process Groups. 622-7250.
- Open Mike Night at Cafe Artiste. 1601 W. Main 8pm. 528-3704.
- HIV+ Men Psychotherapy at Montrose Counseling Center. 1:15pm. 529-0037.
- Relapse Prevention at Montrose Counseling Center. 2pm. 529-0037.
- Outpatient Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.
- Aftercare Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.
- Women's Therapy Group at Montrose Counseling Center. 5:30pm. 529-0037.
- Meditation and Chanting Group meets at 7pm. 942-0923.
- HIV Affected at CASA. 7pm. 796-2272.
- HIV Survivor Support Group meets at 2929 Unity Drive. 7pm. 782-4050.
- Women's Social Group meets at 7:30pm. 822-8511.
- Center for the Healing of Racism. 7:30pm. 738-RACE.
- Gay Men's Chorus of Houston meets at 7pm. 521-SING.
- The Center for AIDS forum meets. 527-8219.
- Free Spay/Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP) at Ripley House.
- Houston Pride Band practices at Dignity Houston. 524-0218.
- Free HIV Testing by Montrose Clinic; VentureN 4-8pm.
- NOW meets 6:30-9pm. 665-8NOW.
- Investment Workshop; 2800 Post Oak Blvd., Ste 5800; 5:30pm. 622-1111.

# GALAXY GAYZER

## A Houston Voice Exclusive Your Horoscope for the week of June 15 - June 21

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK:** You may be accused of being both elusive and shallow. And you are elusive in order to protect the privacy you consider so very precious. You are not shallow, but have the ability to detach your emotions from your intellect, and tend to just skim the surface of many things.

**ARIES:** (March 21-April 20) Your strength and courage will be required during this week to meet a personal challenge... this seems to be an inner struggle of self worth. You may become privy to information concerning a financial matter, don't take any advice lightly.

**TAURUS:** (April 21 - May 21) You have alot going for you this week, so try to use that positive energy wisely. Keep your goals ever in mind, and be willing to wait for just the right time. Your self-confidence is renewed and those around you will no doubt benefit. Find approval and love from within.

**GEMINI:** (May 22 - June 21) It may be time to make a change in a relationship that is eating up your time and energy - it just may not be worth the effort. If you are overloaded at work, let a supervisor know that you need help. Feelings will be expressed which are sincere, so take them to heart.

**CANCER:** (June 22 - July 23) Stand up for yourself and don't let anyone, friend or family, get away with what is rightfully yours. If you are in the market for Mr. or Mrs. Right, they may be right in front of your eyes, so keep your eyes open. Don't be manipulated by guilt into doing something undesirable.

**LEO:** (July 24- August 23) Hard work and more hard work will give you an enormous sense of satisfaction this week. Time seems to fly because you are so wrapped up in a current project. This will lay a foundation on which success will surely be built. You will attract positive notice.

**VIRGO:** (August 24 - September 23) A fresh start this week may be just what you need. Your financial situation seems to be improving steadily, though maybe not as quickly as you would like. This new beginning just may be marred by your inclination

to go for glitter instead of substance and quality.

**LIBRA:** (September 24 - October 23) Don't put all your eggs into one basket this week, especially regarding relationships. Relying too heavily on others will only hurt and disappoint you. Motivation will take hold of you and with a little blood flowing, your enthusiasm will affect all those around you.

**SCORPIO:** (October 24 - November 22) The blues may be trying to follow you throughout the week. There is truly an abundance of love and affection surrounding you from just about everywhere, so there is no reason to stay withdrawn. Do not jump to conclusions about a co-worker, things aren't always what they seem.

**SAGITTARIUS:** (November 23 - December 21) It may be time to make that commitment to a primary relationship which is long overdue. If you are having second thoughts, it is no doubt time to talk about whether or not it's worth investing more time and energy into something which may not be beneficial to either of you.

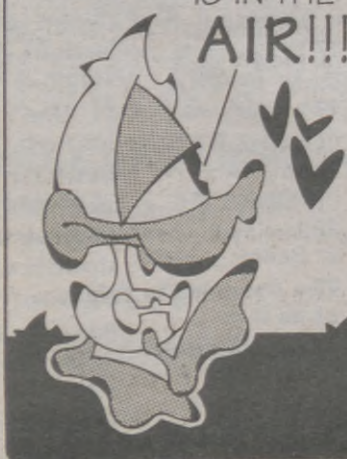
**CAPRICORN:** (December 22 - January 20) You seem to be easily influenced during the week, which is very uncharacteristic for you. Could it be some sweet face has you in it's spell? Try to keep your temper in check when someone in the workplace tries to push your buttons. Not everyone meets your high moral code.

**AQUARIUS:** (January 21 - February 19) Communications will be very important during the week. Your significant other may be feeling left out and needs the reassurance that they crave, children may need guidance concerning educational matters, and friends need support regarding a life decision.

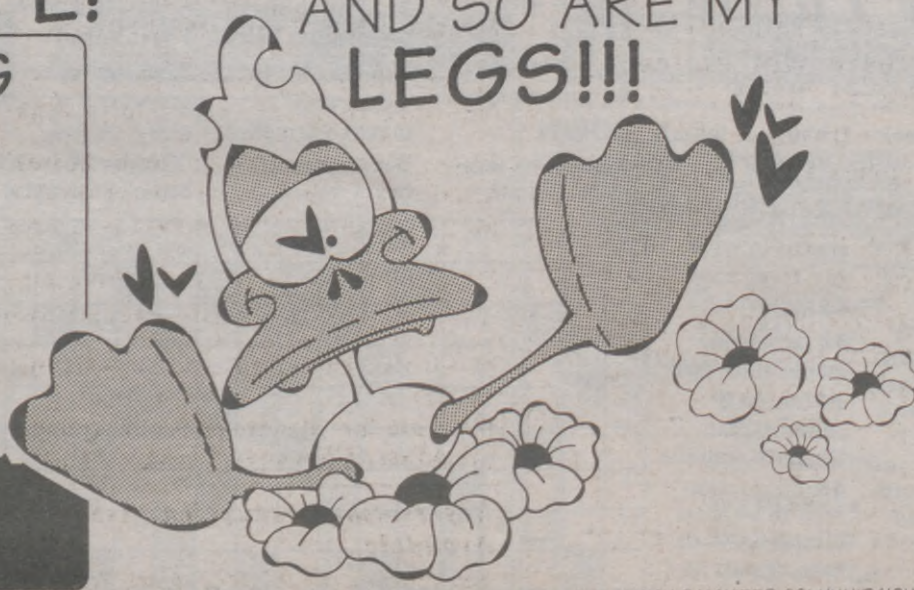
**PISCES:** (February 20 - March 20) Protect your feelings during the week by keeping them to yourself. If you do something nice for someone else, don't expect to be thanked, there are things which need to be done for their own sake. Take people for what they are, not what you want them to be.

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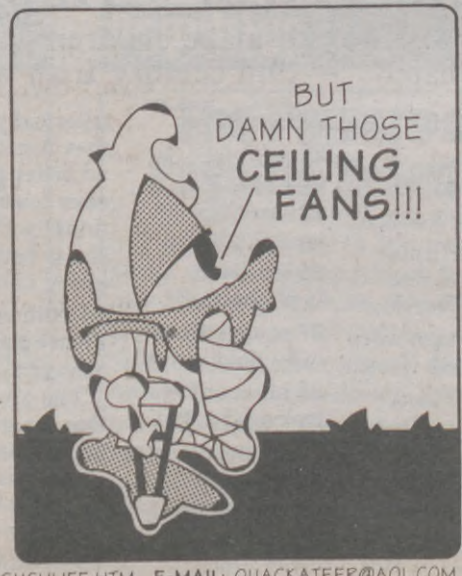


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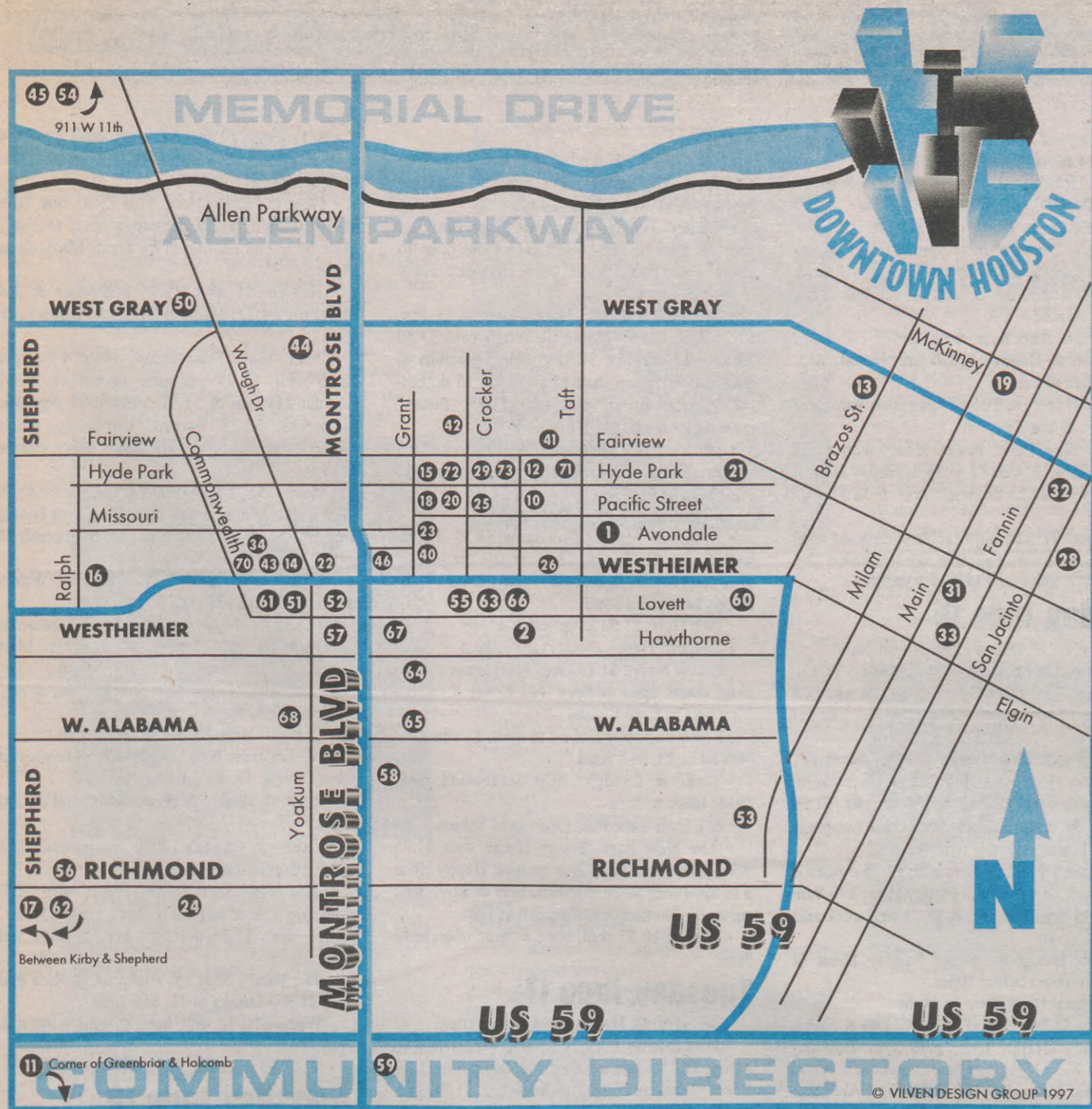


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ACCOMMODATIONS		
1	Montrose Inn	408 Avondale 713/520-0206
2	The Lovett Inn	501 Lovett Blvd 713/522-5224
BARS & CLUBS		
10	611 Hyde Park	611 Hyde Park 713/526-7070
11	The Briar Patch	2294 Holcombe 713/665-9678
12	Bricks II	617 Fairview 713/528-8102
13	Brazos River Bottom	2400 Brazos 713/528-9192
14	Chances	1100 Westheimer 713/523-7217
15	Cousins	817 Fairview 713/528-9204
16	EJs	2517 Ralph 713/527-9071
17	Gentry	2303 Richmond 713/520-1861
18	Heaven	812 Pacific 713/521-9123
19	Incognito	2524 McKinney 713/237-9431
20	JR's	808 Pacific 713/521-2519
21	Lazy J	312 Tuom 713/528-9343
22	Mary's	1022 Westheimer 713/527-9669
23	Montrose Mining Co.	805 Pacific 713/529-7488
24	Outpost	1419 Richmond 713/520-8446
25	Pacific Street	710 Pacific 713/523-0213
26	QT's	534 Westheimer 713/529-8813
28	Rich's	2401 San Jacinto 713/759-9606
29	Ripcord	715 Fairview 713/521-2792
31	Venture N	2923 Main 713/522-0000
32	The Club Houston	2205 Fannin 713/659-4998
33	Midtowne Spa	3100 Fannin 713/522-2379
34	The New Barn	1100 Westheimer 713/521-9533
RESTAURANTS		
40	Baba Yega	2607 Grant 713/522-0042
41	Barnaby's Cafe	604 Fairview 713/522-0106
42	Boudreaux	2313 Crocker 713/526-0790
43	Charlie's Coffee Shop	1100 Westheimer 713/522-3332
44	Christy Donuts	1103 W Gray 713/524-4005
45	Java Java Cafe	911 W 11th 713/862-2683
46	Ming's Cafe	2703 Montrose 713/529-7888
BUSINESSES & SERVICES		
50	Cineplex-Odeon	1450 W Gray 713/524-8781
51	Crossroads Market	1111 Westheimer 713/942-0147
52	Eckerd Drugs	1007 Westheimer 713/524-9229
53	Fitness Exchange	4040 Milam 713/524-9932
54	Heights Above Florist	911 W 11th 713/862-2683
55	Houston Voice	811 Westheimer 713/529-8490
56	Inklings Bookstore	1846 Richmond 713/521-3369
57	Kroger Grocery	3300 Montrose 713/526-7865
58	Loba Books & Video	3939 S Montrose 713/522-5156
59	Main St. Theatre	4617 Montrose 713/524-6706
60	Montrose Clinic	215 Westheimer 713/520-2000
61	Four Star Hair Productions	1201 Westheimer 713/524-7785
62	CreADive Unlimited	2219 Richmond 713/526-5190
63	Preferred Graphics	811 Westheimer 713/528-7654
64	Vilven Design Group	807 Hawthorne 713/526-3212
65	House of Coleman	901 W Alabama 713/523-2521
66	Synchronized Chiropractic	811 Westheimer 713/521-7741
67	Walgreens	3317 Montrose 713/520-8000
68	KAD Computer, Inc.	1437 W. Alabama 713/522-7813
CLOTHING SHOPS		
70	Basic Brothers	1232 Westheimer 713/522-1626
71	Jewel's Boutique	2404 Taft 713/523-3557
72	Leather By Boots	807 Fairview 713/526-2668
73	Leather Forever	711 Fairview 713/526-6940

ANNOUNCING

# First Call

The Montrose Inn's 2nd Annual

# San Francisco Folsom Street Fair

Vacation

Sept 25-29, 1997

Single Occupancy

From

## \$482.52

Per Person based on Double Occupancy

From

## \$416.40

PRICES QUOTED INCLUDE

- Non-Stop Round Trip Air Fair
- Airport/City Transportations
- Taxes
- Welcoming Cocktail Party
- "MUNI" pass for unlimited subway, street-car, cable car & bus rides Fri.-Sat.-Sun.
- Discount coupon package to assorted S.F. clubs, restaurants & shops
- Hotel room at The Atherton (Polk Street area) or Travel Lodge or Pension (both 1700 Market Street)

Leaving Montrose 10am Thursday, Sept. 25  
 Returning to Montrose 6pm Monday, Sept. 29  
 Only 30 air tickets available. Reserve yours with \$100 deposit (cash or check) to Montrose Inn. Fully refundable until Aug. 1. Balance of \$191 for air/transfers/MUNI pass due Aug. 15.  
**Call Henry, (713) 520-0206, to reserve your seat.**

## On Your Next Visit to Houston...

*What you get at the motel on the highway & what you get at the Montrose Inn*

- Motel: Heterosexuals with kids fighting next door.  
 Montrose Inn: Gay men next door. Only gay men. Nothing but gay men.
  - Motel: Several miles to the gay bars.  
 Montrose Inn: 5 tiny blocks to the gay bars.
  - Motel: Drive to the gay bars & pay \$5 to park. Or take a \$15 cab.  
 Montrose Inn: Walk to the gay bars. Or take a \$3 cab.
  - Motel: Drive back from the gay bars and risk the cops making you walk the straight line. Or take a \$15 cab.  
 Montrose Inn: Walk back from the gay bars. Or take a \$3 cab.
  - Motel: Pay \$39 to \$95 a night for a room.  
 Montrose Inn: Pay \$41 to \$79 a night for a room.
  - Motel: Eat in their restaurant. Food for the masses. Pay plenty. \$1 soft drink machine.  
 Montrose Inn: Complimentary late night sandwiches & full breakfast the next day. Free soft drinks, juices, coffee 24 hours.
  - Motel: Cruise the parking lot and get threatened.  
 Montrose Inn: Cruise the hallways. Please!
  - Motel: The receptionist sneers at you.  
 Montrose Inn: The receptionist winks at you.
  - Motel: Washing machine? Ironing board? Hair dryer? Refrigerator? Stove? Microwave? VCR & gay movies? Are you kidding?  
 Montrose Inn: All of the above. Free to use.
  - Motel: Full size bed, everything else is plastic.  
 Montrose Inn: Queen size bed, hardwood floors, hardly any plastic.
  - Motel: Maid knocking 8 a.m., you moan but she's coming in anyway. Checkout 11 a.m.  
 Montrose Inn: Handsome man next door knocking 11 a.m. to join him for breakfast. Checkout 1 p.m.
- Reservations requested. 1-800-357-1228. The house at 408 Avondale.**  
 The Montrose Inn is NOT a motel. We're NOT a hotel. We're a Bed & Breakfast. (And we're Basic & Butch. We're the B&B that's B&B.) We're completely different!

**Friday, June 13**

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: Drink specials 7am until 9pm; Free Buffet at 4pm; Party & Dance with your D.J. Cody from 7am-9pm; Free Pool Open to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Steve plays for Happy Hour: Wayne Gray, Tony & Guest Stars play the rest of the night! Blackjack tables with Dave open at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.
- Club Incognito: Boyz night out.
- Cousin's: Drag show at 11pm.
- E/J's: Happy Hours 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Well 4 to 7pm; \$1.50 vodka 7am to 6pm; Mug Club 7am to 10pm; Male Strip Contest at 11pm.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm; Boy Toys dance at 6pm: \$2 Kamikazes open to close.
- Heaven: \$1 well & \$1.75 Miller. Doors open at 9pm.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles. \$3.75 Skyy & Stoli: hard body male dancers.
- Lazy J: 8-ball tournament.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Vodka drinks 7am to 2pm.
- Midtowne Spa: Shower Dance Show 10pm w/ Emcee China Doll, Miss Tropical Depression Rainbo D'Klown; Kyle Smith & C.J. Brooks.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$3.75 premium vodkas; Happy hour until 10pm: male dancers 8pm to 2:30am; After hours until 4am.
- 19th Hole: 75¢ Kamikazis all day & nite.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Foreplay! No Cover till 9pm. \$1.25 well; \$1.75 beer; \$3 call; \$3.50 premium; \$1.25 Schnapps; Doors open at 7pm. No Cover for Club Members in Club Colors!
- Rich's: Klub Kamp...a comedy drag review 9pm doors open, 11:30pm show—Retro Modern Hits by D.J. Chris Sill, \$1, \$2, \$3 drinks.
- Ripcord: Happy Hour 1 to 8pm; After Hours until 4am.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: Pizza Buffet at 5:30 pm; dancers at 9pm.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm; NLA: Houston guest bartenders on the top 9pm till ???

**Saturday, June 14**

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: Drink specials 7am until 9pm; Party & Dance with your D.J. Cody from 9pm-2am; Free Pool Open to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Wayne Gray tickles the ivories tonight along with guests; Bunny deals Blackjack at 9:30pm; 2pm cocktails w/ Clint.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.
- Club Incognito: Ladies' Night.
- Cousin's: Drag show at 11pm.
- E/J's: \$1.50 well 4 to 7pm; Mug Club 7am to 10pm; \$1.50 vodka 7am to 6pm.
- 800 Pacific block party: \$1 well & \$1.75 domestic longnecks! 9 to 9:30pm at Santa Fe Bar & Patio, 9:30 to 10pm at the Montrose Mining Company, 10 to 10:30pm at J.R.'s Bar & Grill, & 11 to 11:30pm at Heaven.
- Gentry: Boy Toys at 9pm; \$3.50 Absolut cocktails open to close; 7th Anniversary 8-11pm.
- Heaven: \$1 well 9 to 11pm; \$1.25 Schnapps; Doors open at 9pm.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles; \$2.75 premium frozen drinks & premium draft beer, \$3.25 super premium draft beer.
- Lazy J: Drag show at 10:30pm.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 7pm.
- Midtowne Spa: 10pm Show w/ Emcees Henry Hall & David Richardson w/ Fancy Pace Lawrence, Warren of Hearts Afire & China Doll.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$3.75 Bacardi

- Limonade; male dancers 9pm to 2:30am; happy hour until 10pm; After hours until 4am.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 Gold Ritas all day & nite.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Doors open at 9pm.
- Rich's: Doors open at 9pm, 21 and up, no cover 9-10pm, See Gorgeous Men from All Over Texas Dancing to the Grooves of the Billboard; D.J. J.D. Arnold.
- Ripcord: After hours until 4am.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: Dancers @ 9pm; free munchies all the time.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm; NLA: Houston guest bartenders on the Top 9pm till ???; Show at 10pm by RSICSS.

**Sunday, June 15**

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: Drink specials 7am to 7pm; Free Pool Table Open to 7pm; Steak night 6 to 10pm; Show @ 8pm; Mr. Montrose Contest 8pm.
- BriarPatch: 2pm Michael hosts w/ beverages.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 12 Noon to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Sign Language Classes 3-4pm.
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well noon to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.
- Club Incognito: Super Sunday Show at 11pm. No cover before 10pm.
- Cousin's: Drag Show at 11pm.
- E/J's: \$1 Bud & Bud Light All Day & Night.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm: Boy Toy Dancers 7 to 11pm; Pool tournament at 5:30pm; Male Strip Contest at 11pm; \$2 Kool Aid shots open to close; Date w/ a Daddy Auction & Show 9pm.
- Heaven: 75¢ well drinks 8 to 10pm; \$2.25 frozen Ritas; \$3.50 Absolut & Bicardi Limonade; 75¢ draft beer; Super Show at 11pm.
- J.R.'s: 99¢ well vodka juice drinks noon until 11pm, \$2.75 Shiner Bock: SRO Karaoke at 6pm: Male Swim wear strip contest at 11pm.
- Mary's: 50¢ draft beer; \$1.75 Well drinks & longnecks 10am to 2pm; Breakfast Tacos; Daddy of Montrose Contest & 7pm; Special Guest Performers The Texas Cowgirlz. WolfPack Brunch 10am till ???
- Montrose Mining Company: \$2 domestic longnecks: \$2.25 well drinks; Beer Bust \$2 (optional) with 25¢ refills; male dancers 9pm to 2am.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 well 8-11pm; \$4 Pitcher domestic beer all day & nite.
- OutPost: Happy Hour Noon to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Male Overload! Doors open at 7pm; No shirt, no cover! \$1.25 well, \$1.75 beer. \$3 call, \$3.50 premium, \$1.25 schnapps. No Cover for Club Members in Club Colors.
- Rich's: 18 & up welcome; \$1 well, \$2 beer, \$3 call, Deja Vu "Phat Grooves & Cheap Drinks", doors open at 9pm, 90's Retro House Disco with D.J. Chris Sill.
- Ripcord: \$1.50 well & domestic beer all day/all night.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 12pm to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: Brunch at noon.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well noon to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm; Cookout on the "Far Side" & The Houston Area Bears bartend 5pm; 8pm Grin 'n Bear It Show.

**Monday, June 16**

- BerryHill II: Free pool.
- Brazos River Bottom: \$1.75 well & domestic beer all day, all nite. Drink Specials & Free Pool Table 7am to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Auntie Richard's Antics at 8pm; Open pool tables at 8pm; Clint tickles the ivories at 9:30pm; Black Jack w/ Mud Bug.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.
- Club Houston: Half price lockers noon to

- midnight.
- E/J's: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Well 4 to 7pm; \$1.50 vodka 7am to 6pm; Mug Club 7am to 10pm; Male Strip 11pm.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm; Boy Toy Dancers 9pm to 1am; \$3 Cuervo Gold open to close; Free Pool Table; Hair Hopper's Hazy Hangover Day til 8pm.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles; Martinis & Muscles! \$3.75 top shelf Martinis, \$2.25 domestic longnecks, frozen Margaritas \$1.75; "Pump" male dance contest at 11pm.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Well vodka drinks 7am to 2pm; \$1 longnecks at 8 to 11pm.
- Midtowne Spa: Half-Price night.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$3.50 double well drinks, \$1.75 well, \$2 domestic longnecks; Pool tournament at 8:30pm; male dancers 9pm; Happy hour until 10pm.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 longnecks 8-11pm.
- Outpost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: \$1.25 Gold Margaritas all nite long, doors open at 9pm. No Cover for Club Members in Club Colors.
- Ripcord: Happy Hour 1 to 8pm; \$2 domestic beer all night; free pizza.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: Open Pool Tables.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12pm to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; Shuffleboard Tourney at 7pm.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm.

**Tuesday, June 17**

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: \$1 well drinks 7am to 11pm; \$1 domestic longnecks all day & nite. Live Band "Jambeaux" 8pm to Midnight. \$1 Burgers on the patio 6 to 10pm. Free Pool Table Open to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Mama Marcie holds down the piano at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Club Houston: Half-price lockers, rooms, & video rooms noon until midnight.
- E/J's: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 well 4 to 7pm; \$1.50 Vodka 7am to 10pm; Mug Club 7am to 10pm; Amateur/Talent Night at 11pm.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm: Boy Toys dance at 9pm; \$3.50 Finlandia; Free Pool Table.
- J.R.'s: 2 for Tuesdays! \$2 domestic longnecks, well drinks, frozen Ritas & wine; Jockey short contest at 11pm; grab for cash at midnight.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Well vodka drinks 7am to 2pm; \$2 Cuervo.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$1.75 domestic longnecks; \$2.50 well drinks; \$3 any other drink in the house! Happy hour until 10pm; male dancers 9pm to 2am.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 well 8-11pm.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Executive Night. No cover with your personalized business card. \$1.25 well, \$1.75 beer, \$3 call, \$3.50 premium, \$1.25 schnapps. Doors open at 9pm. No cover for Club Members in Club Colors.
- Ripcord: Happy Hour 1 to 8pm.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon to 7pm.

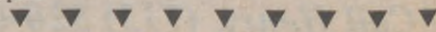
**Wednesday, June 18**

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm; Free Pool Tables. FACES plays at 9pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: Drink specials 7am until 9pm; \$1.75 domestic longnecks all day & nite. Free Pool Table 7am to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Charlotta's martini night specials; Beverly Siscoe makes em sing standards at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour All Day & Nite; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo; Sheila Lennon's Karaoke night at 9pm.

- E/J's: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.40 well 4 to 7pm; \$1.50 Vodka 7am to 6pm. Mug club 7am to 10pm; Burger night.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm: Boy Toys dance at 7pm; \$1.25 Schnapps open to close; Male Strip contest hosted by Dyan Michaels at 11pm.
- Heaven: \$1 well, \$1.75 Budweiser & 75¢ Miller on tap; DJ Michael DeGrace: Doors open 9pm.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles; \$2 domestic longnecks, \$2.75 Bacardi Limonade, \$2.75 Desert Long Island Tea: Joe Boxer dance contest at 11pm.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks; \$1.50 Well vodka drinks 7am to 2pm; Slop Shot Pool at 1pm hosted by Don Dowden: Drink specials all day & all night.
- Midtowne Spa: Half-Price night & shower dancers with a \$100 cash prize.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$2 domestic longnecks & well drinks, \$4 doubles; Male dancers at 9pm; Happy hour until 10pm.
- 19th Hole: Happy hour prices all day & nite; \$4 domestic beer pitchers.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: No Cover for Club Members in Club Colors. Doors open at 7pm.
- Ripcord: \$2 well & domestic beer all day/all night.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- The Palace 5351 W. Alabama @ Rice 8pm with \$1 Bar Drinks til 11. 850-7699.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm.
- XTC: \$3 Pitchers, \$1.75 well drinks.

**Thursday, June 19**

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm; Male Dancers at 10:30pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: \$1.75 domestic longnecks 7am-11pm; \$1.75 well 7am-11pm. Free dance lessons with Scott at 8:30pm. Free Pool Table Open to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Edith Head...Liza...Liz...you name it at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.
- Club Houston: Half-price lockers, rooms, & video rooms noon to midnight.
- Cousin's: Talent contest at 11pm.
- E/J's: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 well 4pm to 7pm; \$1.50 vodka 7am to 6pm. Mug club 7am to 10pm; Tacos on the patio; Thursday Night Follies @ 11pm.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm: Boy Toys dance at 9pm; \$3 Skyy martinis open to close.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles; \$3.75 top shelf liquor, \$2.25 Imported, Saint Arnold & Micro brewed beer: Star Search Gold Karaoke at 9pm.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 well vodka drinks 7am to 2pm; 75¢ Schnapps. Open Dart Tournament Registration at 6pm, play at 7pm.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$2.25 domestic longnecks, well, & wine; Male dancers at 9pm; Happy hour until 10pm.
- Ms. B's: Nancy Ford 8:30 to 10pm, open mike & karaoke 10:30pm to 1am.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 draft 8-11pm and 10¢ wings.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Sexx Thursdays; \$1.25 well, \$1.75 beer, \$3 call, \$3.50 premium, \$1.25 Schnapps. No cover with current gym card. No cover for Club Members in Club Colors.
- Ripcord: Happy Hour 1 to 8pm; StarTrek on the big screen at 8 & 9pm; Classic Rock night.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: \$1 Burger Night 6-9pm.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm.



**Important Stuff**

What is the phobia of the number 13? Triskadekaphobia! Happy Friday the 13th to you all! Pride Week is June 19 to 29! Pick up your "Pride Guide" to plan your week!

Congrats to Ms. Gay Prides Nikki and Barbara Walker! It was a tough contest, and the scores were exactly the same! Good luck to you both!

Who will it be? Who will we call the "Daddy of Montrose" this year! Find out at Mary's this Sunday! If you want to take your "Daddy" to brunch, the Wolf Pack will be servin' it up starting at 10:00 am. Stay all day for the 7:00 pm contest.



Mike in his usual position.

The BriarPatch's softball team hosts their first annual "Buffet Friday" at 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Jocks in aprons! Also at the BriarPatch, the Garden Party brings out all their beauties this Sunday for a "Tip Toe thru the Tulips" show at 8:00 pm. A special appearance by "Arnaldo," in his only Houston bar appearance where he is 100% drag and 0% lip sink!

The Ripcord and the Brotherhood of Pain are holding a "Daddy/Master" auction this Friday, June 13 at 10:00 pm. If you are looking for a daddy, this is the place!

Friday, June 27, the "Rangler Roundup III" will be at the New Barn. This dancing show starts at 9:00 pm. Also, don't forget about Monday's Shuffleboard Tournament at 7:00 pm. I hear it is one of the hottest tournaments in town!

Ace photo guy Steven David is looking for models for an upcoming special project! You can reach him for more info at 713/787-0625.

It is no jive, Kofi is thirty-five! Join Kofi and her guests at Heaven on Sunday, June 15. Heaven offers 75¢ well drinks until 10:00 pm and the show starts at 11:00 pm.



Call Scotty! Mary needs to be restored again.

You all know that Cousin's has a Drag Show every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night! Showtimes are at 11:00 pm.

The Red Party, an afternoon tea dance with retro and trash is at Pacific Street this Sunday! Come in and dance 'till your red from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm. This is a benefit for the Bering Dental Clinic, the Frost Eye Clinic, the PWA Coalition, the Assistance Fund, and the Colt 45's Troublefund.

Pumped Up on Art in Friday, June 20 at the Majestic Metro! This gala event benefiting the Pride Committee of Houston featured used autographed pumps from celebrities such as Julie Andrews, Greg Louganis (must be really BIG pumps), Susan Sarandon, Cher, Liz Taylor and many more! For more info, call Nick Brines at 713/529-6979.

Be sure to read the "Letter to the Community" in Pacific Street's ad in this issue! Way to go Jay and the men of PS!

Midtowne Spa is having a "Beach Blanket Bingo" this weekend! Call them at 713/522-2379 for more info.

Do you have some talent? Wanna find out? Stop in E/J's for Talent night every Saturday night! Enter, you just might win!



At the Ms. Gay Pride Contest at Chances.

The Venture-N has tons of stuff going on this weekend! Be sure to check out their ad in this issue!

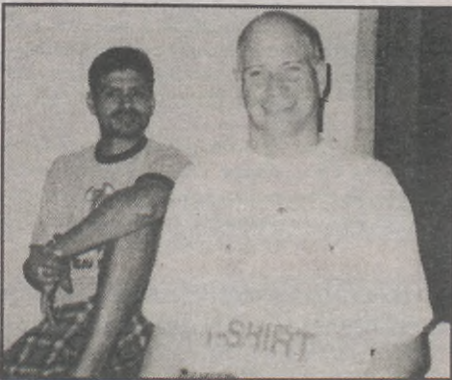
June Madness continues at the BRB! This Sunday, the Mr. Montrose Contest takes the stage at 8:00 pm. The entertainment roster is a very elite list! Stop in and enjoy the show!

Did you know that the Montrose Mining Company has \$1 well drinks and \$3.75 premium Vodka drinks each and every Friday! And it goes all night long!

The Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court of the Single Star is hosting their FIRST weekend long run June 20 to 22. For more info and registration, call Sean Carter at 713/871-1619.

**Milestones**

The fabulous Gaye Yancy of Mary's, naturally has a birthday this week!



Hi Boys!

The Colt 45's celebrate another anniversary this week!

Happy 10th anniversary to the Empress Barry P. and Mary Todd!

Damon of Bricks II is having a birthday this week!

Happy birthday to Richard of E/J's!

**Stupid Things People Do!**

We all, as humans, often do really stupid things. I had the pleasure of being in Court #1 this week, traffic court. (Yes, I got out of it!) But, to my amazement, two people had scratched their not just their first names, but their last names too into the bench in front of me! How stupid can one be! I know that you can't read newspapers in court anymore and it is pretty boring just waiting for your name to be called, but leaving a "calling card" for the law enforcement people in their "humble domain" is just plain stupid! Speaking of stupid, I fill that bill also. If had taken the time to read the court arraignment document, I could have just sent them copies of my registration receipt and \$10 through the mail and be done with



Lovebirds!

it. So, if you have gotten a ticket for no TDL, registration, or inspection, have it taken care of in 10 days, mail them copies and \$10.

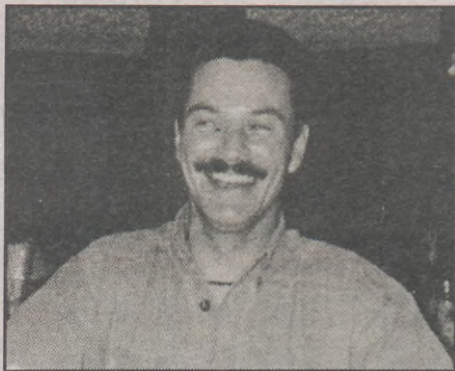
**Special Thanks!**

A very special "Thank-you" to the Guys at Kad Computers! The Lazer Wizard took our home computer to them this past week for a super up grade. They were able to beat every price in town as well as that "Moo-Moo Land" Gateway 2000. If I were a computer junkie I could tell you about it, but all I know is that LW's games (Doom II, etc.) are

now in 3D (64 3D 2 meg Video card) and it takes mere seconds to do anything. They even put in a spell check and Windows 95 just for me! If you need any type of work done to your computer, call them at 713/522-7813 or stop in their shop at 1437 W. Alabama.

**Rodent Droppings**

Rascal and Harvey got their "Advantage" flea treatment as well as baths this week! They love not having the pesky little fleas and the treatment only takes a minute! I told you about the Nike shoe in Rascal's cage! Well, it has become his favorite play toy! He has been climbing in it daily and trying to pull the "tongue" off! Her struggle is futile, but she keeps trying! Harvey's newest play toy is an old mouse pad! He grabs it and rolls himself up into a cylinder and rolls across the office! It is too cute! I am working out of our house more and more these days, so I get to spend much more time with my kids. I feel like that women in the commercial that says "I e-mail over Oatmeal." Well I telephone in my nightie and e-mail over coffee! I go to the Gay and Lesbian Yellow Page office 2 to 3 times a week



Come see me at The New Barn!

and to the Voice office twice a week! So, I am reached best by paging 713/761-9321, or you can leave messages at either office!

I spoke with JT (Former Miss Montrose) this past week! He is doing well in Utah and is spending volunteer time educating Jr. High and High school age kids about HIV! I'm really proud of him! And, by the way, he got "some" last week!

**On with the droppings:**

Steve D. (hangs at PS): "You look delicious, baby!"

Chris (new barback at the BRB): Have you been to the I-10 bookstore lately? What was that man's name with the "Texas" shirt?

Crystal Rae Lee Love (RSCSS): I hear you were "right friendly" after the bartender's contest. You must have liked all those Findlandia cocktails!

Sean (New Barn): Why do they now call you "butt boy?"

Miss Alabama (BRB): Why do you leave your "tits" upstairs?

Matt (PS): Is it true that the only time you get laid is when you go out of town?

Wiley (Montrose Clinic/Chances): And I quote: "The bigger the smarta\*\* you are, the better you fit into the Chances family!"



One wig or two!

Keisha (PS): I hear you are an ace pitcher for the PS softball team!

Gary (Ripcord): I hear you need "just one more inch" to beat Cora Jean!

Max and Tony (hangs at the BRB): Were you holding hands because "love is in the air" or was it to stop you two from slapping Vera?

Mike (Bricks II): A quote from your husband! "She flips every day!"

Marlene (Chances/New Barn): I loved your "little from-the-heart" speech you made at the Ms. Gay Pride contest.

Ken Claude (Mr. Gulf Coast Drummer/Basic Brothers): Who is Nelda?

JoAnne (BRB): To answer I question I heard: Yes, she is little, but she carries a big stick!

Pumpkin (PS): How really did you break your foot?

John (Ripcord): Is it true that you were flashed by Lisa (Chances) and totally lost it!

Laura (Gay and Lesbian Yellow Pages): So, Ms.



Come see me at the Venture-N.

Gay Pride Nikki really got you in need of a cold shower!

MudBug (BriarPatch): I hear you deal misery to your sisters Bunny O'Hare and Black Jack Jane at the BriarPatch's BlackJack table!

Jeff (Bricks II): "I thought I thaw a puddy cat!"

Papa Del (Gentry): Stahlman's wants you to know that they appreciate your business, but next time, don't bring the "Three Queens of Orient" with you!

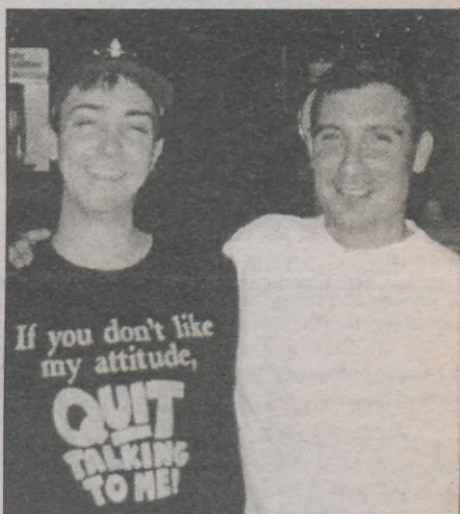
Craig (hangs at BricksII): Why do they call you the "Gobbler?"

Wayne (BriarPatch): I hear Auntie Richard and Charlotta are the reason you were ill. Those two would drive anybody to the hospital. I'm glad you are home, but I hear they are taking up a collection to send you back!

Daisy Mae (Mon. night bowling): I hear the Nashville Cajun's aren't even safe anymore! Do tell!

Steve (hangs at the BRB): Who was that person twisting your ring finger last week?

Oscar (Basic Brothers): Why is a "weight loss center" call you at work? You look great!



We serve up cold ones at the 611.

Michael W. (Heaven): Why did you call Scott Lewis at 3:48 am?

LuLu (E/J's): Did you really do what I heard about? You go girl!

Fleisha Flesheater: You did not realize that you talked to me on the phone on Tuesday night! Caught you by surprise did I?

Rob Miller (Heaven): Are you really a "Mama's Boy?"

Steve (Venture-N): You should really have more coffee before you go to food shopping!

Micheal (Club Houston): Why do they call you the "Salad Shooter?"

JC (Houston Voice): Have you been saving up to buy Cher's Pump at Pumped up on Art?

Richard (Outsmart): Thanks for inviting me to see "Falsettoland." I really enjoyed it! (It is playing at the theater in Chelsea Market! Go, and see it! It is heartwarming!)

Randall Jobe (JR's): Is it true that you dumped that cute Houstonian you met a Gay Day at Disney. I hear that you only wanted out-of-town trade!

Thumper Knightly: So, it is about this "Docta" thing! When do I get to meet him?

Dr. Fred: How do you like getting Thumped?

Paula (hangs at the Venture-N): So, you have Fred once a month and you use Fredsticks!

Paul P. (Houston area Bears): I hear you are the newest member of the Texas Cowghuriz!

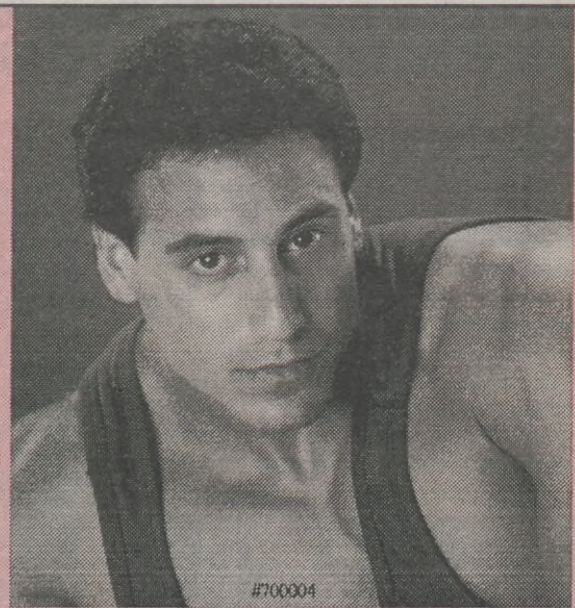
Damion (Club Houston): No ciggies! Keep it up!

I would like to thank the guys at the Venture-N for the garbage bag and duck tape treatment to my little Nancy Drew convertible. You all went above and beyond the call of duty for me! Thanks.

LW and I are going to San Antonio this weekend to celebrate LW's birthday!

Have a great week!  
Cuenvolyn

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## Women SEEKING Women

Seeking a White female between 35-45 to have a relationship with. I'd like to have an involvement with someone right away. I don't have a car. Very interested in having a lover. Call Ext. 5498

SFH 5'2", bisexual. Looking for a bi woman, White or Hispanic. Give me a call if you are interested. Call Ext. 5476

SWF Are you ready to cross the line? I'm 29, but I look 18-20. I'm the boyish-surfer-type. I'm very adonogous-looking and considered very cute. I'm in shape, 5'6" and 130 lbs., with dark skin, dark eyes and dark hair. I'm successful and attentive. In search of bi or straight females who are cute, petite & feminine. Must want to take the plunge and experiment with the lifestyle. Call Ext. 5440

SF Poet, actress. I like candlelit dinners, horseback riding & walks on the beach. If you are interested, leave a message. Call Ext. 5439

SF 5'2", 190 lbs., well-proportioned. I enjoy cooking, shooting pool, swimming & watching movies. I have a nice car & I live in a nice apartment. Looking for a relationship. I'm very loving, kind & passionate, with a lot of love to give. Call Ext. 5415

SF Gray-brown hair, blue eyes, stocky. Looking for someone who enjoys taking long rides, the beach & watching the sunset. Call Ext. 5413

SF I want to make love tonight. I want to meet a WF. Call Ext. 5412

SWF 37, 5'8", medium-built. I like cooking, movies, dancing & animals. Seeking someone for companionship & a possible relationship. I'm not too butch. Call Ext. 5398

SF Blue eyes, blonde hair. I enjoy shooting pool & cooking. Looking for a serious relationship. Call Ext. 5397

SWF 24, 175 lbs., butch. I'm intelligent. I enjoy horseback riding, poetry, playing softball & karate. I'm an all-around nice person & I get along with everyone. Seeking a feminine woman who wants to be friends or go further. Call Ext. 5385

SWF Looking to make new friends or possibly even a relationship. I'm a soft butch, 5'3" & height/weight proportionate. I'm a smoker & a non-drinker. I'm a professional who loves kids, animals & the outdoors. If you would like a new friend who is honest, call & leave a message. Call Ext. 5394

SFH 4'10", green eyes, professional, late 20's. In search of someone to get to know. I'm all woman & enjoy being treated like a true lady. I enjoy the simple things in life. Call Ext. 5389

## Men SEEKING Men

SHM 5'7", 32. If you are looking for a serious relationship, lets talk. Give me a call. Call Ext. 5497

GWM 47, 6'1", 220 lbs., brown hair, green eyes, professional. I love to dance & being affectionated. I love holding, cuddling & kissing. Looking for shorter men with similar characteristics, primarily for friendship and whatever else may or may not develop. Sincerity is a must. Call Ext. 5350

SM 42, 5'5", 180 lbs. Seeking a White or Hispanic traveling companion for a trip to Niagara Falls. Should be easygoing & humorous. I would like to meet someone who enjoys sightseeing. Call Ext. 5495

SWM 42, brown hair, brown eyes, 5'6". I'm a little overweight, but everyone says I'm cute & cuddly. I'm looking for someone as a lifetime partner and I have been having a hard time meeting people. Looking for someone younger, good-looking & in shape. Call Ext. 5496

SM Smooth, tan bottom boy seeks tall, aggressive top man. Call me. Call Ext. 5123

SHM Very sexy, Latin, 20's, 150 lbs., HIV+. Looking for a top man who is mature & a little on the chunky side. Looking for a serious relationship. Let's go out sometime. Call Ext. 5459

SM 40, 5'7", 220 lbs. I'm a very outgoing person seeking a young man who is 18-40. I'm very versatile & a cross dresser. Call Ext. 5485

SM 42, 5'11", 185 lbs., salt 'n pepper hair, green eyes. Seeking someone older. I like guys around my height, on the heavy side. Looking for masculine men. No femmes please. Call Ext. 5487

SWM 46, tall, slim, blonde hair, blue eyes. I'm a closet, panty boy sissy interested in seeing men with their hair in rollers, perm sets or all stages of getting their hair done. I would really like to have a feminine male hair dresser as a very close friend. Call Ext. 5468

SWM I'm waiting for you. I'm a masculine professional in my 40's. I'm muscular, 5'8" & 160 lbs., with brown hair & blue eyes. Seeking a Latin man to date & hopefully it will develop into a long-term relationship. Friends call me honest, sensitive, faithful and a good catch. Call Ext. 5454

SWM 35, 5'9", height/weight proportionate, large endowment. Looking for an oral expert. Call and tell me why you are the expert. Let's see if we can make each other happy. Call Ext. 5488

SWM 61. I'm a loving & caring person. I like home life, movies & good food. I would like to meet a White masculine male, 40-60, for friendship. Seeking guys who are loving & caring, with similar interests. Call Ext. 5492

SHM 35, 5'11", dark hair, dark eyes, 195 lbs. I work out regularly and I'm considered attractive. Looking to meet someone. Give me a call. Call Ext. 5491

SWM Mid-40's. Looking for an affectionate guy in his 30's. If this is you, give me a call. Call Ext. 5482

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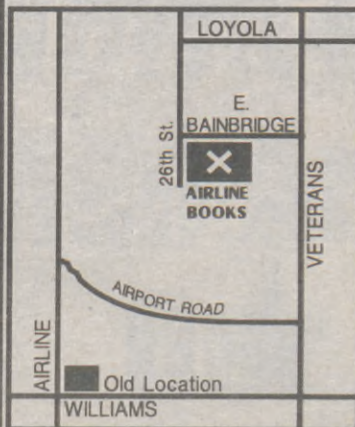
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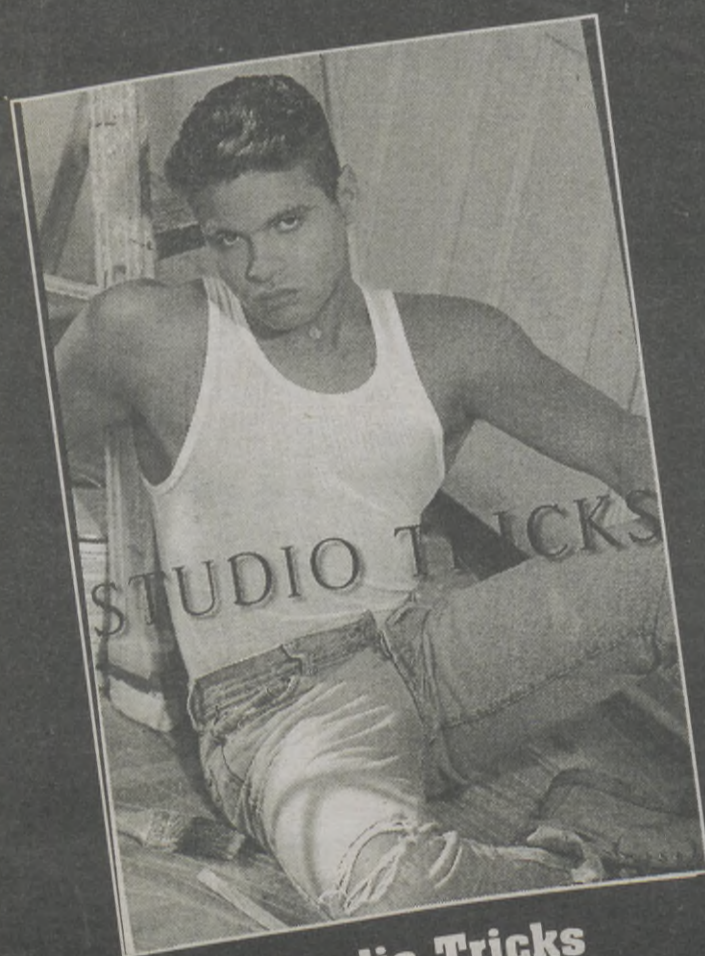
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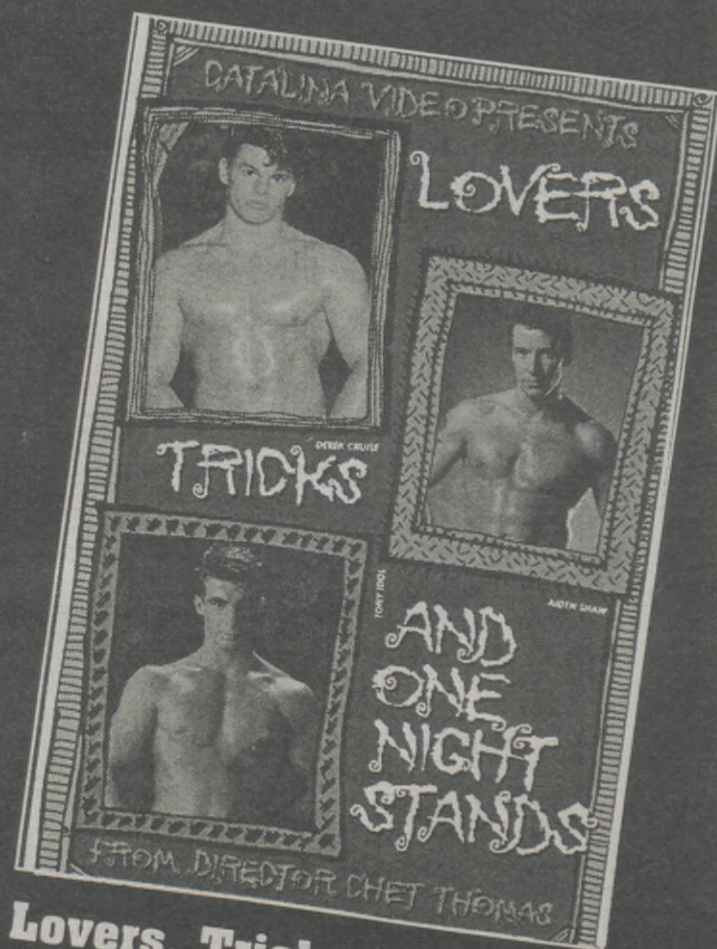
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