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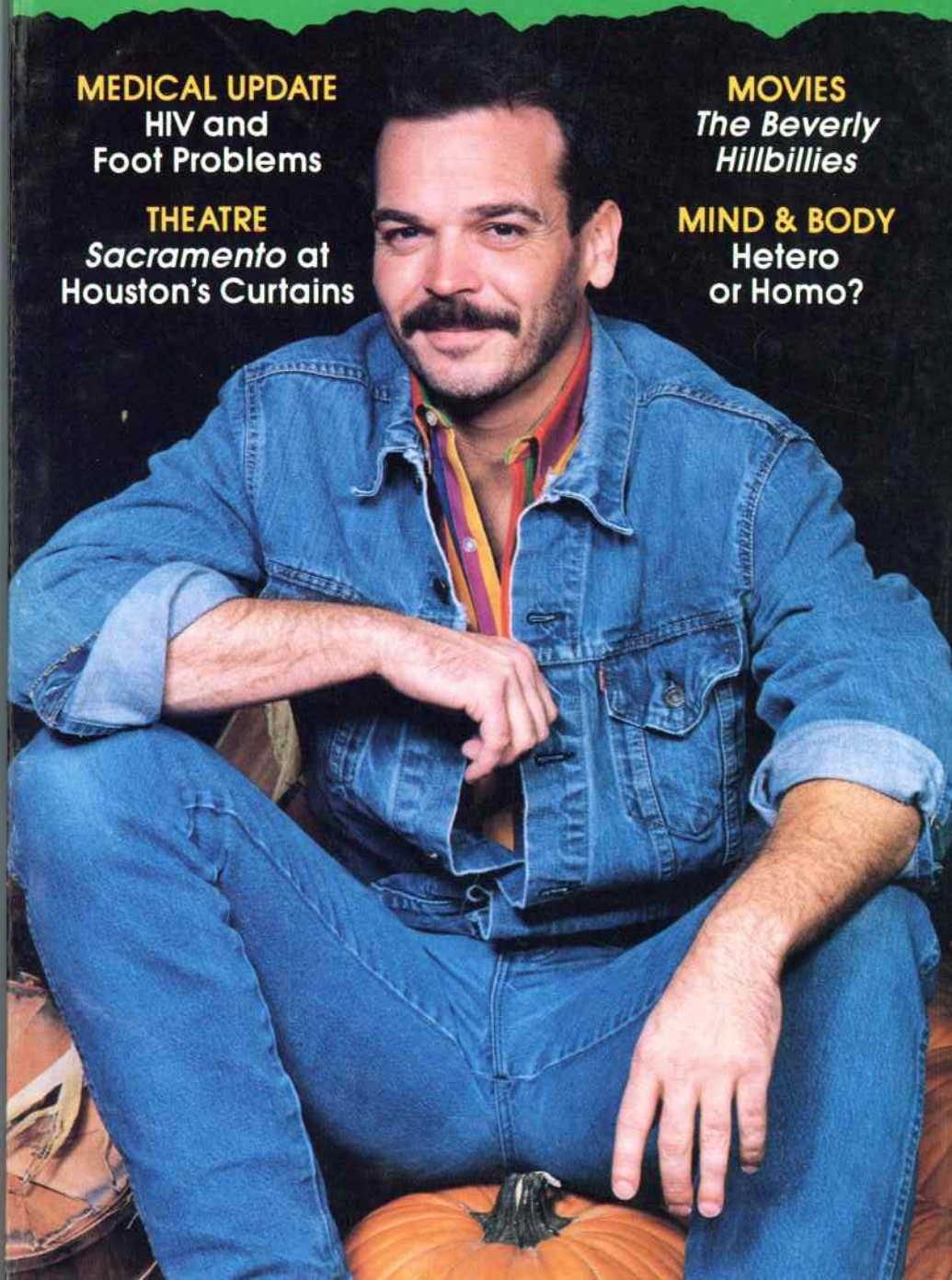
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**MEDICAL UPDATE**  
HIV and  
Foot Problems

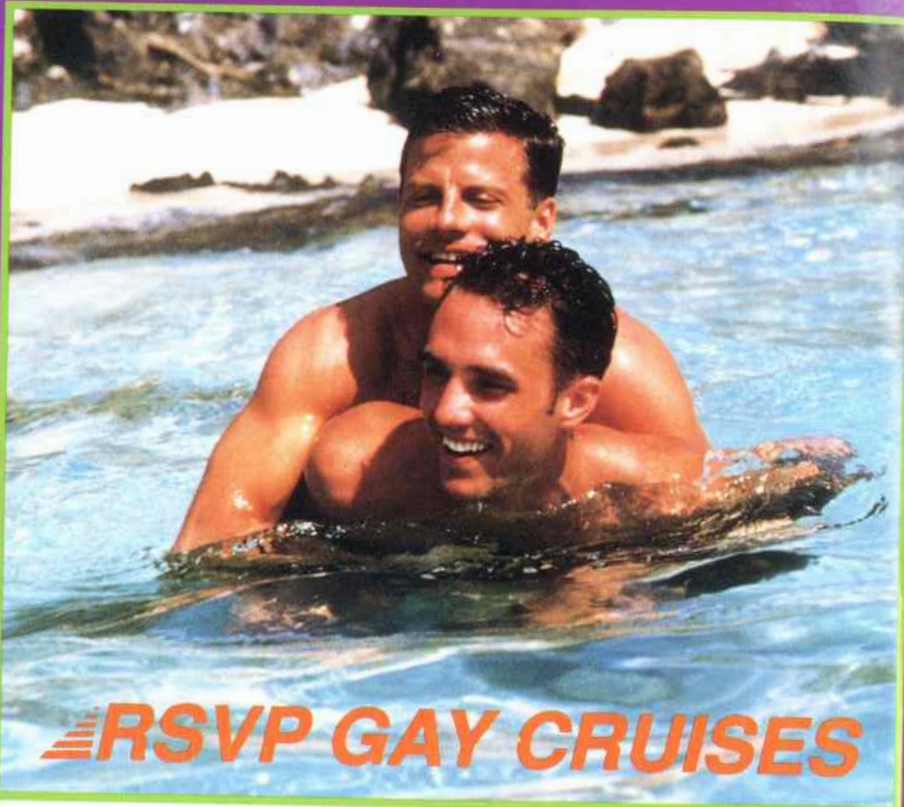
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**MIND & BODY**  
Hetero  
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Midnight Costume Contest**

**SUNDAY  
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Costume Contest 11pm**

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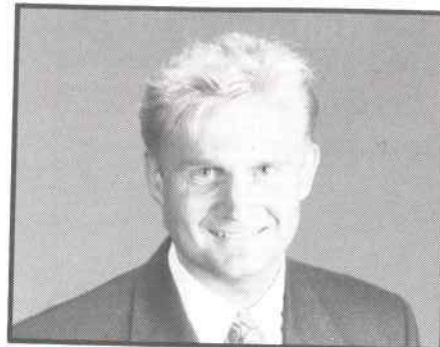
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Punk Bouncing, Interview, October 1993. Photos by Michael Roberts. Cyberpunk by Billy Idol.





BY JON D. TINKLE, DPM



## Lower Extremity Complications of HIV- UNKNOWN AND OVERLOOKED FACTORS

The lower extremity is often overlooked where complications of HIV are concerned. The literature and research have been nearly devoid regarding factors affecting the feet and legs related to the virus and its resulting secondary infections. Manifestations of the lower extremities may include some of the first signs of HIV infection. Unfortunately, many doctors and patients who are not familiar with HIV either misdiagnose or overlook the often subtle or unremarkable lower extremity signs of the virus in the different stages of the disease.

There are four major subgroups that affect the lower extremities. The vascular system, including circulation to the feet and legs, and the nervous system, including neuropathies (numbness or burning in the feet or legs) are serious and often painful complications of HIV. As patients live longer, these complications will be similar to those in patients with diabetes mellitus. The dermatological manifestations of HIV infection are the most common and often the simplest to cure. The musculoskeletal signs are sometimes difficult to diagnose and complicated to treat.

Vascularly, a common problem is the decrease in circulation to the feet and ankles. Pulses may be weak or absent, leading to pain resulting from the fact that the muscles are not receiving enough ox-

ygen. There are oral medications which can increase the amount of blood and oxygen if started early enough. Edema in the feet and ankles may be caused by a number of problems, including swollen lymph nodes or lymph glands blocked by sarcomas. These can be treated by physical therapy or supportive devices.

The neurological complications most often include neuropathies, which are difficult to relieve and are the most frustrating to patients. Neuropathies generally begin with intense burning and sharp pains radiating from the feet and progressing to the ankles. There can also be "foot drop" or a decrease in muscle strength if the nerves are not functioning properly. There are many different reasons for these problems, including brain lesions, spinal cord disease and, most commonly, a degeneration of the nerves to the feet. The proper diagnosis of these pains and dysfunctions is imperative to determine the correct treatments. A combination of oral medications, topical creams, physical therapies and electrical currents are often needed to decrease levels of pain or discomfort.

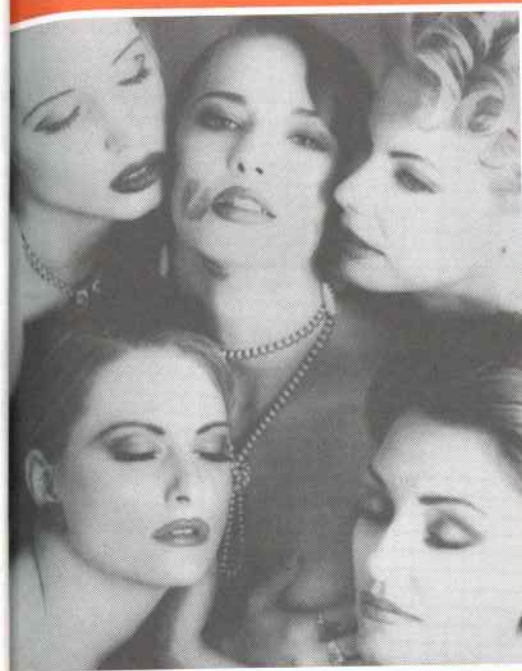
Painful or infected ingrown nails are one of the most common lower extremity complications of HIV. In my practice, I have seen over 100 ingrown nails in patients with HIV, a greater incidence than in the

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general population. The reasons for this greater occurrence are not completely understood. It may be due to either digital swelling secondary to medications used in the treatment of HIV, or to a decrease in the immune system. Infected nail borders can cause serious problems if not treated early. The nails are easily and permanently corrected in the physician's office with minimal pain and excellent results.

Another unsightly and often painful complication associated with HIV are planar warts. Warts on the bottom of the feet are caused by viruses. As the immune system deteriorates, the virus causing the warts can proliferate and become very resistant to treatments. Nonprescription medications are rarely effective and many of the viruses are resistant to prescribed acids. If conservative treatments fail, laser removal of the warts appears to be both the most effective therapy and the one leaving the least scar tissue.

**Early treatment is imperative to avoid more serious complications which may be life-threatening. Most problems are treatable with simple medications or procedures.**

Fungus can also be a problem on both the skin and nails. Because there are so many different types of fungi, a culture is imperative to proper treatment. Many fungi are susceptible to topical creams and ointments, but some must be treated with oral medications. A fungus in the nail is the most difficult to cure, but it will not be damaging or spread past the toes.

Other skin afflictions of the feet include Kaposi's sarcoma, carcinomas, melanomas, psoriasis, etc. Many of these diseases can mimic each other and a biopsy or culture must be taken to identify the problem. Most lesions are not life-threatening, but they can be annoying or disfiguring. Treatments range from topical creams to laser or surgical excision.

Arthritis can be a debilitating disease of the lower extremities. Joint damage can cause painful contractures of the toes,

leading to difficulty in walking. The most common type of arthritis is arthralgia, intermittent joint pain which often appears in the early stages of the disease. One report stated that 71.3% of AIDS patients described some type of arthritis. There are different causes of arthritis secondary to HIV infection. Reiter's syndrome is a commonly found arthritis which may be the first symptom of HIV. The most common complaint is pain just behind the heel. This syndrome is often accompanied by eye and genital infections. Treatments for arthritis include anti-inflammatory drugs and physical therapy. In some cases, surgical intervention is required to correct the deformities.

Other musculoskeletal complications associated with HIV include osteomyelitis, a bone infection which can be life-threatening. The bone can become infected from dermatological conditions which have become infected, such as Kaposi's sarcoma or ingrown toenails. The bone may also become infected when the blood carries an infection from one part of the body to another. Early diagnosis is important and can be accomplished with X-rays, blood tests and biopsies. The earlier a diagnosis is made, the less likely broad surgical procedures will need to be performed in the infected area.

Bone tumors have been discovered in HIV patients recently, although the numbers have been few. These are normally benign (not malignant), and tend to expand the size of the bone. They are easily detected with a simple X-ray. Treatment includes either antibiotics or surgical excision, depending on the diagnosis.

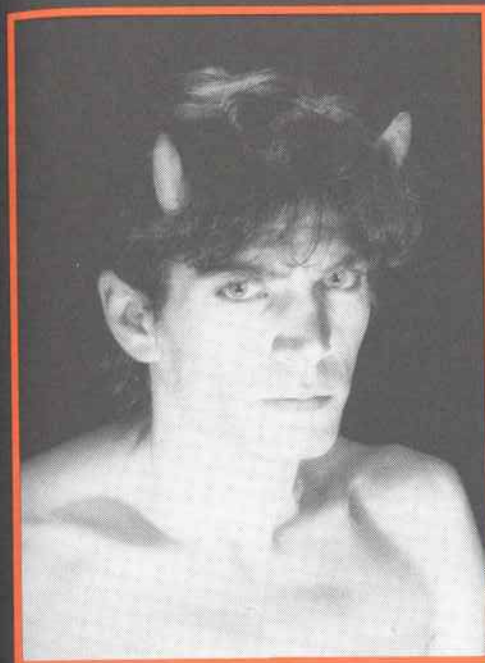
There are countless other diseases of the lower extremities caused by or secondary to the AIDS virus. Routine checks of the areas described in this article are important to possibly early diagnosis of the disease or the stage of the disease. Early treatment is imperative to avoid more serious complications which may be life-threatening. Most problems are treatable with simple medications or procedures. Early recognition and attention are the basics in living with HIV and the many complications which the disease may bring about either directly or indirectly.

*Dr. Jon D. Tinkle is a board-certified foot and ankle specialist in private practice in Houston. He has been a national leader in educating other foot specialists in the complications of HIV.*



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## HETERO OR HOMO?

Many gay men and lesbians present themselves to the world as heterosexuals; they assume a mask or facade of heterosexuality to make their homosexuality invisible. It is especially important for counselors who are heterosexual to understand this defense, because it is a primary and often necessary one used by gay men and lesbians against the assaults of homophobia. While this is mainly a conscious defense, controlled by choice, it helps to know that people may use it so often they're not conscious of doing it.

Three basic factors relate to the creation of this defense: homosexuality is for the most part a hidden, stigmatized condition; society encourages and demands invisibility; and the danger perceived in revealing a homosexual identity is often very real. In response to these factors, gay men and lesbians learn to defend themselves by passing as heterosexual.

In light of the realities of homophobia, passing is a valid, healthy, adaptive defense required to protect such things as one's safety, self-esteem, job or family. What is *not* healthy about passing is that it is forced upon gay men and lesbians by society's homophobia and that having to defend oneself against real attacks makes the stakes of self-disclosure very high. In addition, like any other defense, if passing becomes rigid, inflexible and automatic, then it can be destructive. Some gay people cannot seem to drop the mask and be who they really are even around other gay people. Some gays hide their sexual/affectional identity all their lives, never telling even their closest friends. And some, even when it is clear there would be minimal repercussions, cannot free themselves from their rigid defense to share their iden-

tity with others.

There are many ways of passing, from the subtle to the obvious. These tactics include taking an opposite-sex friend to family functions, referring to lovers only by the pronoun "they," and never talking about one's personal life. Many gays force themselves into heterosexual dating patterns in their adolescence and early adulthood. A number of them enter heterosexual marriages and then either have extramarital homosexual affairs or do not acknowledge or act on their homosexual orientation and feelings. The most common form of passing is dressing, talking and acting as much as possible like a "straight" person whenever interacting with the straight world. The majority of gay men and lesbians in our society pass as straight most of the time and take off their masks only when they feel safe with lovers, friends or even strangers. For a number of gay people, this seems to be a relatively comfortable way of living; many have developed tough egos in the course of their fight against homophobia.

Having a tough ego, however, does not completely protect a person from the high price of leading a double life. Creating and maintaining a believable mask requires much energy, skill, vigilance and a certain sacrifice of self. To live as two people can engender great stress. For some gays, this stress becomes too great and causes serious problems. This split between inner and outer self, occurring over a long period of time, can gradually create strong feelings of confusion, fragmentation, disjunction and emptiness. It is difficult to retain a clear sense of self and self-worth when one must always hide or deny one's true inner self. Unfortunately, many gay

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The role of counselors in the early recovery of gay and lesbian alcoholics is a very important and sometimes rather delicate one. Oftentimes, counselors may need to serve as buffers between their clients and the homophobia present in the treatment environment. They may need to interpret the "rules of recovery" which are sometimes put forth as the only way to get and stay sober. For example, recovery from alcoholism is posited on the notion that, unless people are completely honest and open about themselves, they will not be able to recover and maintain that recovery. In order to achieve stable sobriety, alcoholics must practice rigorous honesty, must take responsibility for their feelings and behavior, and must not blame others for what is happening in their lives. Over and over, the message is—no masks, no hiding of self. These premises present obvious difficulties for gay and lesbian alcoholics, and it is critically important that counselors understand those difficulties and be prepared to assist their gay and lesbian clients.

The reality for most gay people is that they must continue to pass as straight in the outside world. If a gay person is a teacher, a firefighter, a member of the clergy, a police officer or an employee of a large corporation, he or she runs a high risk of becoming unemployed by coming out as a gay person. If a gay man or lesbian is married and does not wish to break up that relationship, then he or she may choose to continue passing. If a gay man or lesbian's family is likely to disown him or her if they find out, then passing would seem to be an appropriate response to that threat. And if, in spite of A.A.'s policies and traditions, the gay or lesbian alcoholic runs the risk of being rejected by a particular group for coming out, then passing is most certainly the better part of valor.

What counselors can do if they win their gay and lesbian clients' trust is to help them make some important distinctions. Counselors can reassure clients that they can choose to not disclose their sexual orientation and still get sober. They can help clients understand that they, like all alcoholics, must be rigorously honest about their drinking and its effects on them, must start taking responsibility for their behavior and feelings, and must avoid blaming others for their drinking problems. At the same time, however, counselors can assist their clients in beginning to ad-

men and lesbians try to mend the split and sedate the pain with alcohol and other drugs. These may be very helpful in assuaging the pain and filling up the empty places—for awhile. But if alcoholism develops, then the addicted person experiences even more feelings of confusion, fragmentation and emptiness, since these are also responses to the disease process of addiction. When this occurs, the gay man's and lesbian's responses to the disease of alcoholism and to the assaults of homophobia intermingle and intensify each other.

The tendency of alcoholics to pass as social drinkers is well known, as is their tendency to develop masks to hide their drinking, even from themselves. When alcoholics stop drinking and drugging, the terrifying split between their frightened, vulnerable true inner selves and their falsely brave outer selves often haunts their early recovery. When gay and lesbian alcoholics stop drinking or drugging, they face not only the terror of the splits created by their addiction, but also the agonizing reality of the gulf between their mask of heterosexuality and their true inner selves.

In order to get help with their alcoholism and to be able to come to terms with it, alcoholics must stop passing as social drinkers, drop their social drinker mask and start dealing with their new identity as alcoholic. To assume—by some tenuous analogy—that alcoholics who are gay men or lesbians must also *necessarily* stop passing as heterosexuals, drop their heterosexual masks and start dealing with their gay/lesbian identity through self-disclosure, is a mistake. To assume that, unless they do so, these gay and lesbian alcoholics will somehow not recover properly (if at all) is an even greater mistake. For most of them, the process of coming out, of disclosing self, is a long one which should not be forced or rushed.

It is especially important to respect this slowness of pace in the early stages of recovery. To pressure or force gay and lesbian alcoholics to drop their straight masks while they are also required to drop their masks of social drinking is often more than they can manage. That many gay and lesbian alcoholics survive and recover in the face of such demands is a testament to their toughness of spirit. Others never enter treatment or else flee from it and often relapse. Some find help; some do not survive.



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dress homophobia, which can pose a major threat to their recovery.

Part of coming to healthy terms with homophobia is for gays to realize that *society* has the problem, not gay people. It is healthy and necessary to their mental health for gay men and lesbians to place the responsibility where it belongs—not on themselves for being who they are, but on a society which attacks those who do conform to its moralistic views.

The extent of homophobia and the necessity of passing as a defense against it underscore the importance of gay/lesbian A.A. and Al-Anon meetings, accepting sponsors, knowledgeable and empathetic counselors, and treatment centers where it is safe for gay and lesbian patients and staff members to be open. These are extremely important factors because they provide gay and lesbian alcoholics with safe opportunities to be open and honest in a world that frequently refuses to permit it. Clients repeatedly report that when they speak at gay/lesbian A.A. meetings, they experience a wonderful feeling of freedom to tell their real stories, to share their true selves. And their stories often include a generous and accepting non-gay sponsor who gave them hope and held out a nonhomophobic hand; or an understanding counselor who listened, cared and supported them in their struggle to accept their alcoholism and their gayness. This was often especially important because many gays do not have their families' support—either because they are afraid to tell them, or because they have done so and have been rejected. Passing and being selective about revealing sexual orientation are legitimate activities for gay and lesbian alcoholics in recovery.

Although coming to terms with the possibility of being bisexual, gay or lesbian is very difficult and painful, it does give a person a certain advantage. As he or she becomes aware of his or her sexual identity, the battleground changes. Whereas before the fight was an inner one, with homophobic attacks primarily directed at the self, now the person can focus his or her fight on the proper target—the forces of homophobia which originate and reside in society.

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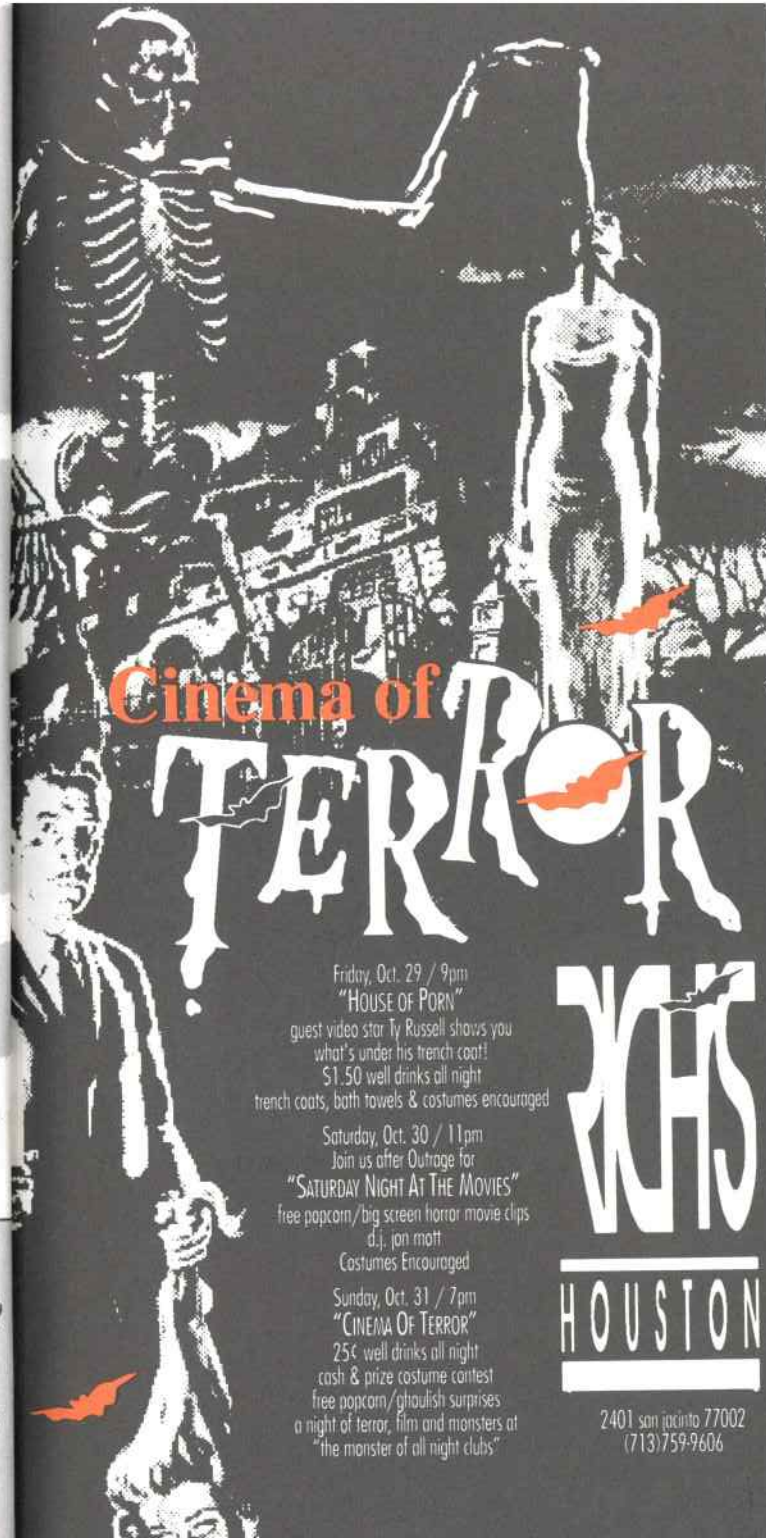
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The plot, such as it is, defies easy summarization. Basically, *Sacramento* is an ensemble melodrama, telling a story of an extended family at a pivotal moment (in Act I), and at points over the next several years (in Act II). The play begins in anticipation of the wedding of Richard (Randy Ladner) and Consuela (Laura Lopez). How-



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to it in times of need. Hal is quite ill from complications of AIDS and is alienated from his family, so Richard offers to take him in. Marla and Philip's neighbor, Mrs. Nesbitt (Delores Sheik), is also concerned with an illness, her husband's. As the wedding day arrives, there are more surprises when first Richard's old friend Jimmy (Fred Shipman) shows up, and then a surprise guest, Mrs. Harrison (Patricia Larson Gow).

With me so far?

Act II begins with the aftermath of Hal's funeral. Richard is concerned enough with the status of his own health (he is evidently



[L-r] Alex Preston, Randy Ladner and Laura Lopez star in Curtains Theater production of Tom White's *Sacramento*.

ever, romance is not in the air, as Richard has both his lover, Kenny (Alex Preston), and his ex-lover, Hal (Mark Siegworth), in tow. It is a marriage of convenience to obtain a green card for Consuela, who is the housekeeper for Marla (Del Ellison) and Philip (Ken Tireman, Sr.), Richard's old friends, who own the Texas ranch on which the action takes place.

Richard and Kenny are co-owners of a gallery in Manhattan. They have brought Marla a Madonna figure, rescued from the rubble of an old church. The Madonna seems to have an increasing effect on those around it, as, one by one, they turn

HIV-positive, but asymptomatic) that he asks Marla, a lawyer, to help him write his will. Underlying this story, Jimmy, now employed on the ranch, has fallen in love with Philip and Marla's daughter, Rachel (Rebecca Harris). Soon enough, more complications follow, with ramifications which threaten to tear the "family" apart.

Whew.

While all this is well-intentioned enough, there is simply too much going on in *Sacramento* for its own good. What is needed is focus, but instead we get a broad slice-of-life. As a result, we never get near enough to the characters to begin to care



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about them. As soon as we begin to grasp one plot turn, another careers off in a new direction. Ten characters are quite a lot to track through the relatively brief playing time, and some could easily be discarded. For instance, Hal, while an appealing character, never really furthers a significant plot line, and his own story too closely parallels that of Richard. Mrs. Nesbitt, too, is given more than ample stage time, especially since she seems to exist only to make portentous speeches pondering the mysteries of life in ways that make for too-obvious metaphors for other situations in the plot.

Missing, too, is more of the humor that could have made the characters considerably warmer, and drawn the audience more easily into the stories. In fact, many of the elements are in place for a flat-out farce, especially surrounding the sham wedding in the first act. With a more specific focus, and played as a comedy with dramatic elements, rather than the other way around, this might have been compelling. As it is, there are some nice moments, but they are spread as widely as the southeastern Texas landscape against which they are played.

The cast tries gamely to compensate for the gaps in the script. Preston, as Kenny, who must grow up in a hurry, and Ellison, as warmhearted Marla, are most successful at fleshing out their parts, along with Shipman, in the most comic of the roles, as Jimmy. Also notable for effort are Ladner (who shone recently as Lee in *True West* at Houston's Actor's Theatre), Harris and Tireman. Lopez was a bit broad in the first act, but was more controlled in the lachrymose second. Gow is far off the mark as Mrs. Harrison, eccentrically twitching and uncomfortable, skewing the final scenes of the play so far that they are robbed of their potential impact. Director Blake Newman wisely keeps things moving along, except for the overlong set changes between scenes. Chase Staggs' tile-and-stucco patio set is the most impressive I've yet seen at Curtains, at times more entertaining than the play itself, and Heather Gilbert's lighting is likewise sophisticated. It's a shame all this earnest effort is spent on such scant material.

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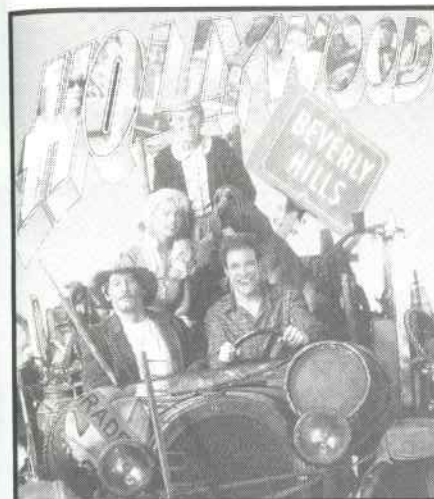
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Cloris Leachman [top], Erika Eleniak [left, middle], Jim Varney [left] and Diedrich Bader [right] are the Clampetts in *The Beverly Hillbillies*.

The mania for turning old television series into feature-length Hollywood releases rolls right along with *The Beverly Hillbillies*, based on the hit television sitcom about a backwoods Southern family who strike oil on their property and move to a huge mansion in Beverly Hills. How you react to this big-screen version depends on whether or not you liked the original series as well as how much tolerance you have for humor of the broadest, most obvious sort.



In the glittery, sophisticated world of Southern California, the Clampetts cling to their backwoods way of life, maintaining a charming innocence and integrity in the presence of people out to take advantage of them. As in the '60s show, much of the fun here derives from how they react to the new world they've suddenly become a part of. And that world has been updated to the '90s, complete with car fax machines.

The story revolves around a scheme by a conniving young woman (played by Lea Thompson) and her banker boyfriend (Rob Schneider) to marry her off to patriarch Jed Clampett and get their hands on his billions.

Dabney Coleman, who has made a career of playing smooth con artists, has the role of the Clampetts' banker and next-door neighbor, Mr. Drysdale, who'll stoop to almost anything to keep the Hillbillies from taking their money elsewhere. In a



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role that will no doubt bring many of her fans out to see a movie they might have otherwise ignored, Lily Tomlin has a field day as Mr. Drysdale's secretary, Miss Jane Hathaway, a role played by the late Nancy Culp in the series. Surprisingly, Jim Varney gives what is (both for him and for this movie) an understated performance as Jed.

In what is certainly her most energetic role since she played the perennially self-satisfied Phyllis Lindstrom on *The Mary Tyler Moore Show*, Cloris Leachman is a fireball of energy as Granny. Erika Eleniak is fine as Jed's daughter, the gorgeous, critter-crazy Elly May, but Diedrich Bader just doesn't measure up as the dim Jethro/Jethrine, lacking the stupid-but-beefy

charm that Max Baer Jr. brought to the original character.

Also making appearances are Buddy Ebsen, who played the Clampett patriarch in the sitcom; Zsa Zsa Gabor, and Dolly Parton.

Fortunately, director Penelope Spheeris refused to take this material too seriously, choosing to stick with the unsubtle, cornball approach that characterized the television show. *The Beverly Hillbillies* is a fun way to spend a Saturday afternoon if you're not expecting much and want to take a trip down nostalgia lane. The bottom line? See *The Joy Luck Club*, *Age of Innocence* and *Malice* because you know you should. Then go see *The Beverly Hillbillies*. 

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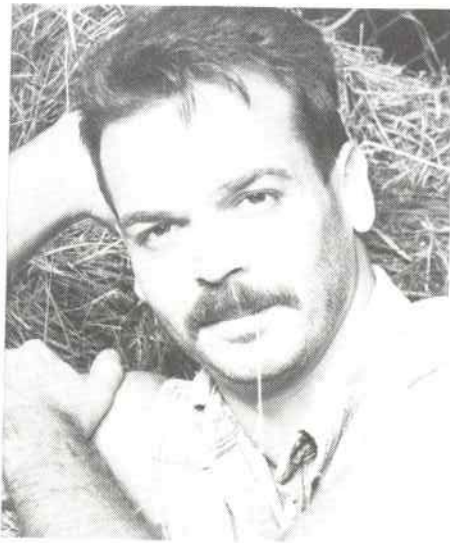
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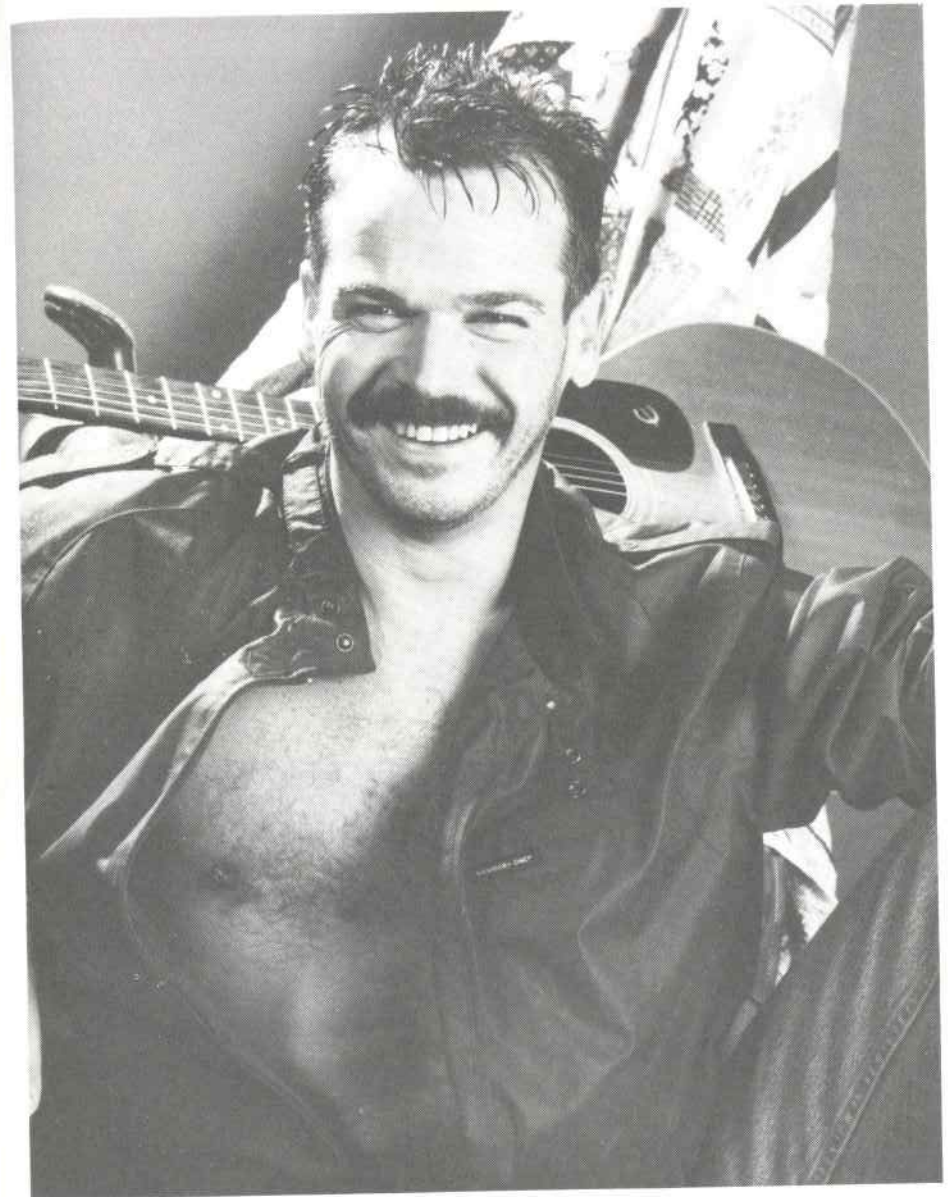
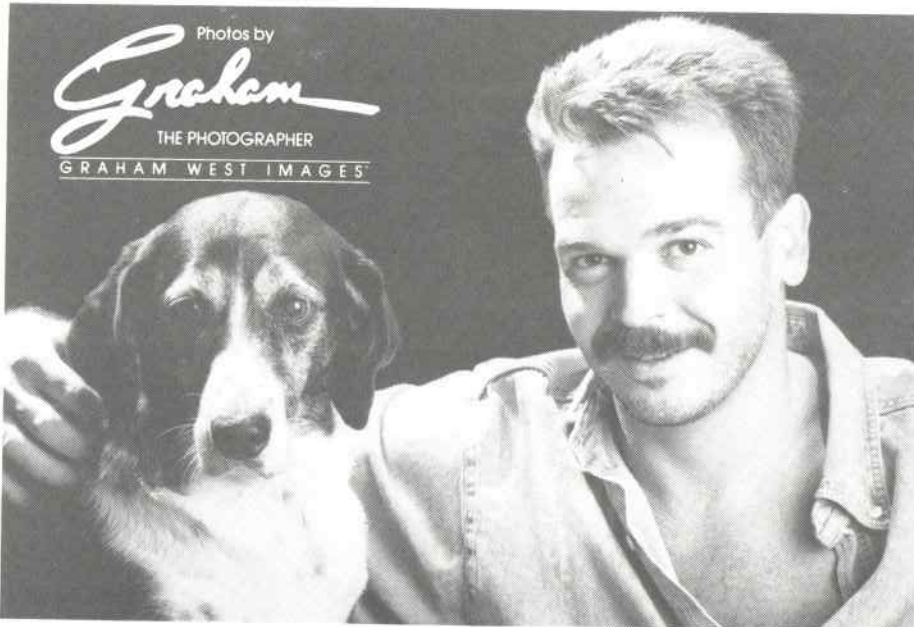




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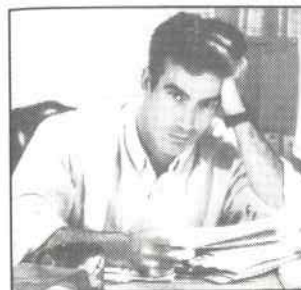
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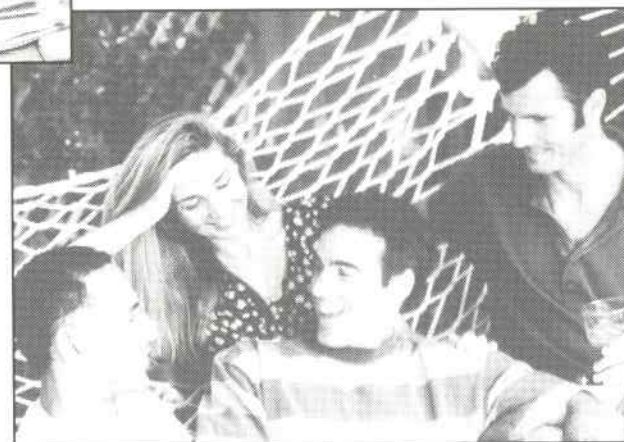
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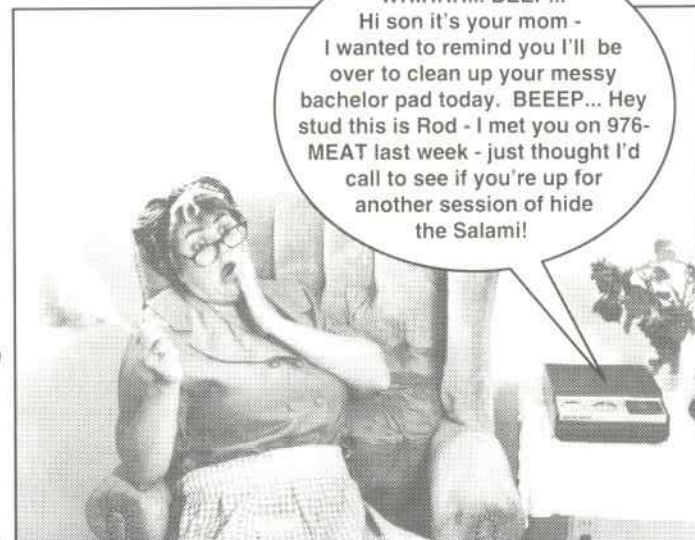
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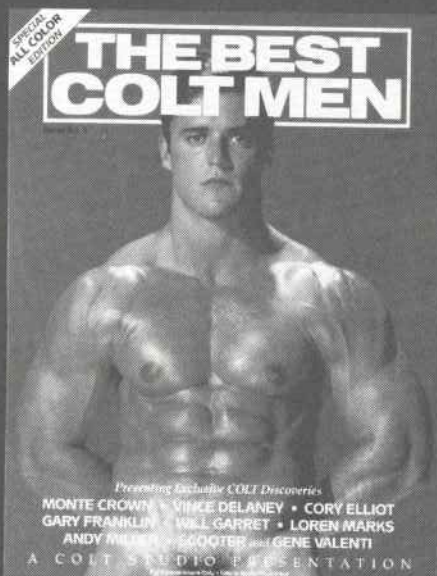
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## AUSTIN

A Gay Men's and Lesbian Collective has formed at KO.OP Radio to begin production of Austin's first non-cable gay program. KO.OP is a cooperative-run station representing the progressive community. The Collective consists of volunteers who will be in charge of everything from writing and broadcasting to engineering and fundraising. Planning meetings for the new radio program are held every Sunday at 5 p.m. at 505 San Jacinto. No experience is necessary—the station will provide the training. For more information, contact Mac McKaskle, Program Coordinator, at (512) 443-1819.

The Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas [LGRL], in coalition with the Texas Family Planning Association, will be hosting a conference on battling the Christian Right and the threat it poses to gay and lesbian people on December 11 in Austin. Those interested in attending should contact the Texas Family Planning Association at (512) 448-3373. Pre-registration is required.

The 'Bout Time Haunted House for adults only, located at 9601 I-35 North (a quarter mile past the Rundberg Lane exit), is a benefit project for Christopher House and the HIV Wellness Center. The House continues through Sunday, October 31; doors open at 7 p.m. and close at 1 a.m. For more information, call (512)832-5339.

Project Transitions, Inc. maintains central Texas' only residential AIDS hospice, providing palliative care for individuals in the final stages of HIV disease. The project is in constant need of volunteers to provide a variety of services including physical and emotional support to residents, fund-raising, housework, cooking, etc. Volunteer help is also needed with the organization's Top Drawer thrift shop at 4902 Burnet Road. To find out about the next volunteer training session, call (512) 454-8646, or write to Project Transitions, Inc., P.O. Box 4826, Austin, TX 78765.

Christopher House, Austin's planned intermediate care facility for people with HIV/AIDS, needs volunteers in all areas in order to successfully open its doors. If you have some spare time and want to devote it to a very worthy effort in the capital city, call Christopher House at (512)479-0257.



## DALLAS

38 and Upwards, the Lesbian Resource Center-sponsored social group, offers a Game Night on the third Saturday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Offered are board games, card games, action games and all kinds of fun. Participants are invited to bring their own games to add to the spirit of the event. Contact the Lesbian Resource Center at (214)821-3999 for more information about Game Night, as well as other LRC events including Friday Night Dinners and Tuesday Night Discussions.

"Lambda Weekly," North Texas' most popular gay and lesbian radio program, will feature Joan Ebbitt, an author whose work focuses on issues of eating disorders and the HIV/AIDS community during its broadcast this Sunday, October 31. "Lambda Weekly," which recently celebrated its tenth year of service, airs Sundays from 2-4 p.m. on KNON-FM, 89.3

The AIDS Resource Center will present a question-and-answer session for persons challenged by HIV/AIDS on Thursday, November 4 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Gay and Lesbian Community Center, 2701 Reagan at Brown. Special guest for the session will be Dr. Mathilde Krim, co-founder and executive director of the American Foundation for AIDS Research [AmFAR]. For more information, contact the AIDS Resource Center at (214)521-5124.

The Dallas Gay and Lesbian Alliance holds its general meeting on the second Monday of each month at the Gay and Lesbian Community Center at 7:30 p.m. (next meeting Monday, November 8). Discussed in the meetings, which are open to the public, are general business topics as well as matters of interest to and affecting Dallas' gay and lesbian community. This month's topic will focus on HIV transmission in the lesbian community and will feature the AIDS Resource Center's Jamie Schield



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The November 3 session of the Relationship Series offered by **Oak Lawn Community Services** will focus on issues of intimacy in gay relationships—how to achieve it and how to maintain it. The workshops are held each Wednesday evening at the OLCS offices, 3434 Fairmount, from 6-7:15 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person. Contact (214)520-8108 for more details.

#### **F O R T W O R T H**

The **AIDS Outreach Center**, the primary service organization in Tarrant County for persons challenged by HIV/AIDS, now offers a toll-free telephone line specifically for informational calls. By calling 1-800-836-0066, callers in North Texas can receive confidential information about HIV testing, AIDS statistics, safer sex, transmission factors, local resources and services, medical and dental referrals, treatment issues and more. The Information Line operates from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on Friday. Tarrant County callers should continue to call (817)336-0066.

#### **H O U S T O N**

**Body Positive/Houston and Maranatha Fellowship Metropolitan Community Church** will host a Halloween picnic this Sunday, October 31 from 3-5 p.m. at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray. The annual gathering will feature games (both ambulatory and sedentary) sponsored by Maranatha Fellowship MCC, with barbecue and all the trimmings provided by Body Positive. Participants are encouraged to bring a dessert (or Halloween candy) and dress as their favorite Halloween character. The picnic is being underwritten by ONCOL Medical Associates. For more information, or to volunteer, call Body Positive/Houston at (713) 524-2374.

On November 19, the **Montrose Counseling Center** celebrates its 15th anniversary with "Thank God It's Friday," a gala evening at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, 2222 West Loop South at San Felipe. Dinner begins at 7:30 p.m., followed by a silent auction, dancing and a raffle for weekend

getaway in Los Angeles. Dress is festive cocktail attire (black-tie optional). RSVP to Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond Avenue, Houston, TX 77006-5511.


The **Houston Gay & Lesbian Political Caucus** holds its next general monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 3. For time and location, call (713)521-1000.

**Bering Community Service Foundation, The Assistance Fund and Houston Clinical Research Network** will host a New Year's Eve party atop the posh Wyndham Warwick Hotel as a way of showing thanks for all the support provided the three groups by Houston's gay and lesbian community. Live entertainment—including Dallas' Less Miserable and Austin deejay J. Edward—highlights the festivities. Tickets are \$65 each, which includes open bar, hors d'oeuvres and a breakfast buffet. Black-tie optional. Guest rooms and suites available. For more details, call (713)529-6071.

The **Bisexual Network of Houston (Bi-NET)** meets Wednesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. at MCCR, 1919 Decatur. This nonprofessional group is supportive of responsible, health-conscious bisexuality, and open to all women and men exploring their sexuality or already identifying as bisexual. For more information, call the church secretary at (713)861-9149.

A new workshop for women currently (or formerly) married to gay or bisexual men will be held at the **Montrose Counseling Center**, 701 Richmond, on Saturday, November 6 from 9:30 a.m.-12 noon. This limited-enrollment workshop will provide a supportive environment in which to explore and understand the unique issues women face in such relationships. Cost is \$20. For more information, or to register, call the Counseling Center at (713)529-0037.

#### **S A N A N T O N I O**

The first "Ride for Life," benefiting the **San Antonio AIDS Foundation**, will be held this evening (Friday, October 29) and tomorrow (Saturday). The fun begins with a campout tonight and continues with a rideout and hayrides tomorrow, which includes breakfast, a beverage break and a barbecue dinner, plus the chance to win door prizes. Donation is \$10 per rider. For more information, call Mario at (210)626-3212. 

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## Common Ground Making Difference

Dear TWT Readers:

On October 9, 1993, an organization named Common Ground sponsored a softball tournament to raise money for people with AIDS, donating the proceeds to the Montrose Clinic Building Fund, the Colt 45's and Pet Patrol. Through this softball tournament and accompanying raffle, Common Ground members were able to raise just under \$6,000.

This was the second annual tournament and the concept of Common Ground member Kelly Sumners. Over a year and a half ago, her vision was to get people together to raise money for PWAs and to somehow allow those people more involvement than merely attending a fund-raiser. She followed through on that idea and, while Common Ground members backed her efforts, we found we were joined by more and more people who were hungry to do what they could. Through this softball tournament, she saw her goal become a reality—providing the opportunity for many people to take part.

With so many people, of course, she ended up facing several obstacles: well-meaning obstacles as to the "best" way to do things, egos to pacify and personalities to overcome, but it all paled in comparison to the importance of what we (strangers and friends) came together to do—help others. Through dedication and perseverance, Kelly guided Common Ground in sponsoring a successful tournament again this year. The ingredients were simple; all it took was a good idea and a good leader.

With little to no fund-raising experience under our collective belt, members of Common Ground have now raised close to \$10,000 for direct assistance to PWAs. We have learned a great deal along the way; mostly, I would say we have learned just how capable we are and how willing others

are. The beauty is that, while it has been hard work, it has also been fun.

I am writing because I believe each and every one of us, as members of the gay community but also simply as members of the human race, are affected and challenged by the many ills and needs surrounding us. We have a responsibility to do more than be aware. It is a responsibility that must be met by those who are able. Many people are doing a great deal, but not enough of us. The lesson here is that by joining forces, each one of us truly does have the power to make a difference. The message is that we all must do just that. Ultimately, the reward proves to be far greater than the effort.

Alison E. Groth  
Secretary / Common Ground  
Houston, TX

## Medley of Thanks

Dear TWT:

On August 28 and 29, the Knights of Magic bewitched and bewildered the audience at the Ripcord for the Colt 45's. We wish to thank this group of talented men for their generosity. Likewise, the Colt 45's would like to recognize the Brotherhood of Pain for their gift of \$100 at Saturday evening's performance. All of you have helped improve the lives of our clients because you have shared with us from your hearts.

Secondly, the Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court of the Single Star's October 1-3 Celebrity Auction dazzled attendees at Gentry. Through true elegance and style, the Court proved without a shadow of a doubt that they could do anything Dolly Levi could do and accomplish it with expertise and grace. For the outstandingly royal sum of \$3,500, the Colt 45's humbly thank each and every Court member and each celebrity contributor.

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Lastly, the Colt 45's would like to extend a most sincere thank-you to the community. Without your continued support, we would be a ship without a sail or wind to travel by. You are our means of providing respect and dignity to our brothers and sisters suffering from the AIDS crisis. Truly, our highest praise extends to you all.

Cal Moran  
Vice President-External/Colt 45's, Inc.  
Houston, TX

## Rich in Friends

Dear TWT:

The song "That's What Friends Are For" now has special meaning for me after recently competing for Miss Gay USA at Large.

Five bars and countless entertainers gave me a fabulous send-off. Thanks to the Venture-N, E/J's, Cousins, Evolution and the BRB.

Also, a special group of people all helped in their own ways: Lauren Brach, Laura Lee Love, Don Maines, Michael Titus, Bill Elkin and Edwin, David

Hackfield, Randy La Four, Monty and, of course, Tim Thomas.

Space doesn't permit a complete list of everyone who made my trip possible, but I'll never forget any of you.

While at the pageant, Rhapsody, Babe Myers and Craig Henderson were always there for me.

When I was named a double preliminary winner (interview and talent), then a top 12 finalist, I felt that each one of them had taken part in that accomplishment.

Even though I didn't win the crown, I still came home a winner because I now know that, over my last 20 years in this business, I have "won" so many friends.

Thanks again to all of my friends for showing me how rich I am to have them.

Jill Jordan  
Miss West Coast USA at Large '93  
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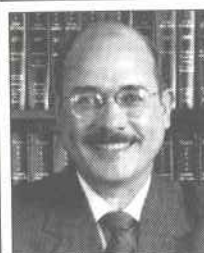
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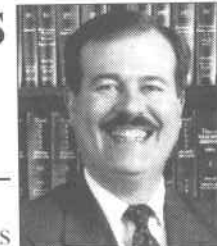
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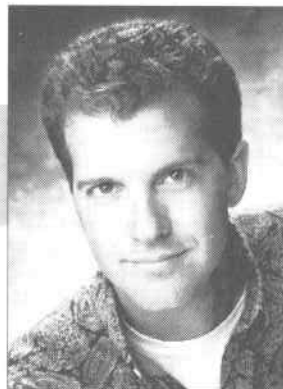
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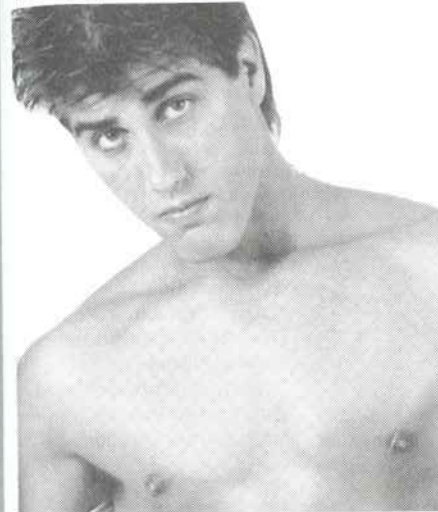
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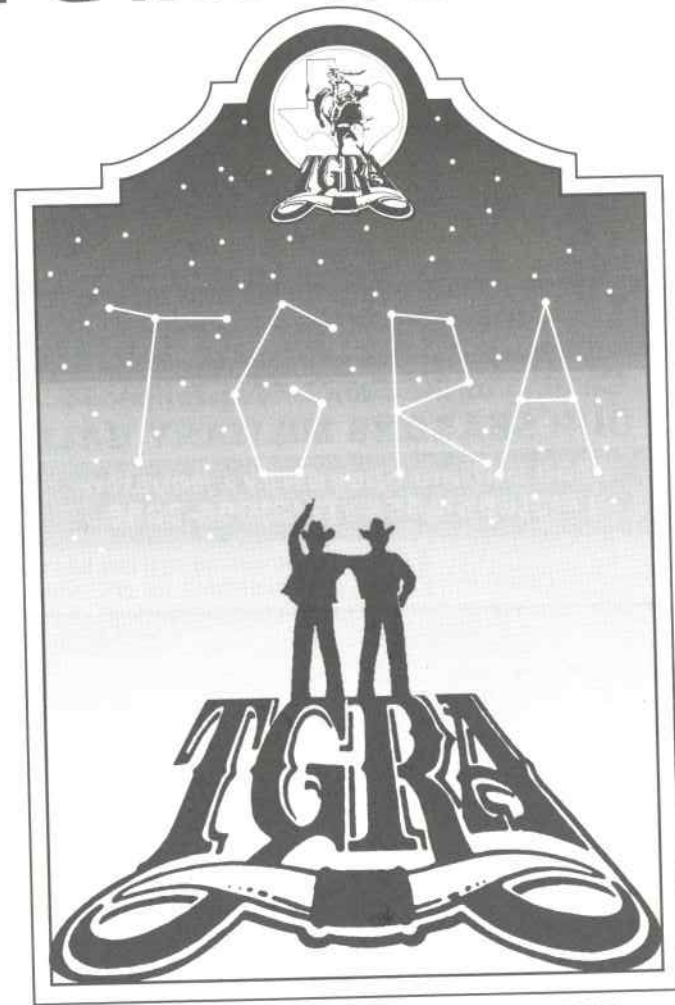
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The Sun has changed signs from Libra to Scorpio, ushering in a 30-day period of interest to all signs. Passionate Scorpion energy can help us strategize more effectively and delve beneath the surface of a situation for the true story. The downside is that we must also be careful not to get caught up in the intrigue or the revenge. Read ahead to see how the Sun in Scorpio affects your sign.

**SCORPIO:** (October 24 - November 22) The spotlight of world acclaim shines upon you. Now that the magnificent Sun has moved into your own sign, you feel more in control and more confident of your public appearance. This is the perfect time to meet as many new people as possible. First impressions are strong and you'll forge new and fateful liaisons now. This is a good time to interview for a new job. Use the strength of the Sun to your advantage.

**SAGITTARIUS:** (November 23 - December 21) Intuition is on target and you will experience sparks of inspiration that lead you to new avenues of personal awareness. The Sun in Scorpio highlights service to others. This is the time to seek out those who need your help—volunteer at hospices, hospitals or even at a hotline. You can bring new hope and new perspectives to those who need it most. Give of yourself and you shall be rewarded.

**CAPRICORN:** (December 22 - January 20) The Sun in Scorpio affects the area of your horoscope having to do with friends and large social groups. Personal magnetism is high and you effortlessly attract people who think like you do. Gather these kindred souls together and form a working political group. You're able to direct considerable energy into making group goals a success as well as helping the community at large.

**AQUARIUS:** (January 21 - February 18) Prestige and pathways to success become your primary goals now that the Sun has moved

from Libra to Scorpio. You know what you want in your career and this solar Scorpion energy enables you to devise the necessary strategy to achieve it. Actions taken now will have great impact on your future success, so plan your maneuvers carefully and know the right time to pounce.

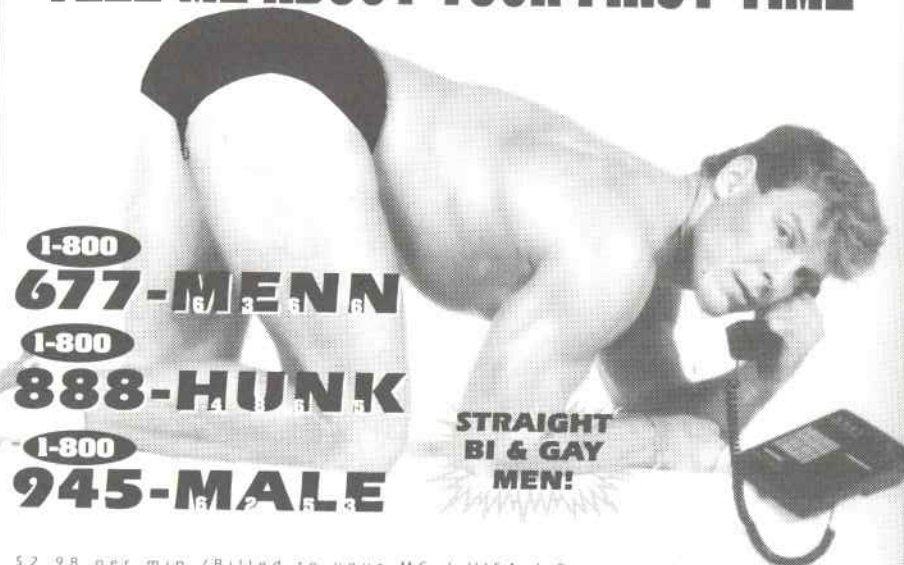
**PISCES:** (February 19 - March 20) As the Sun moves from Libra to Scorpio, you may be tempted to take off to parts unknown. The urge to travel becomes almost overwhelming as you strive to learn all you can about exotic and esoteric locals. If money or time is tight and you can't travel now, take a course or seek out unusual elements in your immediate neighborhood. You never know what (or who) is right around the corner.

**ARIES:** (March 21 - April 20) Sun in Scorpio injects new vitality into your sex life (and not a moment too soon!). You're able to express your true desires through the flesh, and it seems like your entire reason for living is passion and connection. Don't squander this energy. Temper your enthusiasms until you're able to achieve a true rapport and understanding. You may just meet your soulmate.

**TAURUS:** (April 21 - May 21) Partnerships take on a new, exciting dimension now that the Sun has moved from Libra to Scorpio. You are able to enjoy a close companionship without feeling hemmed in or trapped. In fact, you strive to become even more involved in certain relationships. There's much to be gained from forming attach-



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**GEMINI:** (May 22 - June 21) The Sun in Scorpio highlights work and health issues. You focus more attention on getting the job done well and completely. Moreover, you're able to take a project beyond its initial purpose and can create new opportunities out of established tasks. This is an excellent time to revamp your health regime—implement a new exercise and diet plan. You'll experience the benefits immediately.

**CANCER:** (June 22 - July 22) Life seems to be one big party now that the Sun has moved from Libra to Scorpio. Opportunities for fun can lead you to new insights into what makes you tick. Allow yourself to enjoy different forms of entertainment, whether it's the theatre, a dinner with friends or even some limited gambling. The Scorpion energy enables you to carefully strategize the odds in games of chance.

**LEO:** (July 23 - August 23) Home is where the heart is now that the Sun has moved from Libra to Scorpio. You're able to derive much more pleasure and satisfaction from activities around the house. This is also an opportune time to reach out to family members who may have become disenfranchised. Being flexible and opening up the lines of communication now will literally transform your life and bring you happiness and contentment.

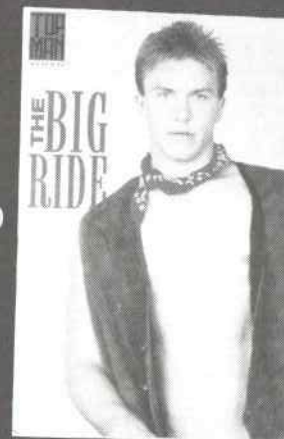
**VIRGO:** (August 24 - September 23) You are able to galvanize your thoughts now that the Sun has moved from Libra to Scorpio. You know what you must communicate to the world, and now must wait for the most opportune time to do it. Opinions and positions you adhere to now will not only have far-reaching effects on your future, but can also inflame the intellectual passions of others. Consider publishing your thoughts.

**LIBRA:** (September 24 - October 23) Money and financial obligations continue to hold center stage for you. The Sun in Scorpio accentuates your desire to achieve financial stability so you can more fully enjoy the comfort and prestige that's due you. Don't allow the pursuit of money to overtake all other interests. There can be a tendency now to become obsessed with the lure of filthy lucre. For Libras, balance is everything.

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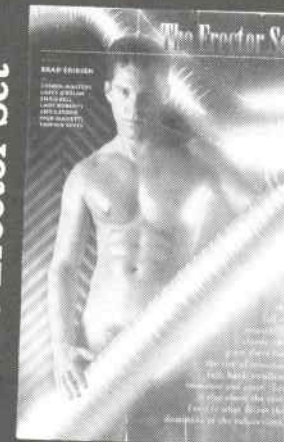
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**CARING & INTERESTING:** 5'10, hazel blue eyes, blond moustache, 155lbs, interested in rel./cuddling or just talking, hope to hear from you soon. #5872

### DALLAS

**C'MON BEARS!** 5'11, football player build, hairy chest, work out, seeks avg to stocky built cowboy for movies, football games, & that special someone to share my life with. #2410

**20 YR OLD,** 5'9, 140lbs, swimmer's build, dark blond hair, seeks gay males in their 20's, leave a message. #6564

**AVAILABLE FOR DATING:** X-Miami, blond/blue, 155lbs, 29, #6719

**31, 5'9,** blond/blue, love to waterski. #6752

**MARRIED** Bi-male, seeking other bi- or married men in the dallas area for discreet times assured. #7536

**CAN BE SHY:** 24, 5'8, 150lbs, Bi-WM, brw hair, enjoy soloflex. #7552

**ANY RACE ANY TIME:** GBM, 23, like movies, cuddling up, looking for any man, any race, call if interested in getting together. #1373

**LOOKING FOR HERCULES:** 5'5, hispanic, into phone fantasy, and has a wild vivid imagination. #7617

**INTERESTED IN WEIGHTLIFTING & SEEKING INSTRUCTOR:** 6'1, 195lbs, looking for good times, like athletic builds, very anxious to get into weightlifting. (let's sweat) #3767

**FREE....** to hispanic male: 31, WM, 5'9, brw hair/eyes, like to workout, espec. like hispanic males, give me a buzz (even if you're not hispanic) #3974

**V. ATTRAC. 20 YR OLD,** green eyes, brw hair, tanned, toned, outgoing, looking for emot. stable, guy 18-30, any race, for quiet evenings, if this sounds like you, give me a call! #7305

**WANNA MEET CHA:** GBM, tp, 150lbs, seeking white or hispanic males 18-35 for good times, call for details. #5865

### Houston

**OPEN TO RELATIONSHIP:** 23 y/o, 5'10, 150lbs, blk hair, dark brw eyes, open to any rel. like movies, ice skating, seeking someone 18-27 (no 1's nights pls) #2006

**UNLEASH MY IMAGINATION:** 28 y/o, gbm, interested in a help with first leather experience (need fundamentals) #7081

**100% ITALIAN:** 5'8, v. cute, 165lbs, seeks big guy around 6'2, 200lbs+ (hairy chest is cherry on the cake). #7559

**PASSIVE WM,** seekin black active male who can teach me how to have a good time. #6119

**SOULMATE:** It only takes a moment to change your life's plans to start anew, he looks in my eyes & suddenly...seeking LTR & poss. marriage. WM, 24, brw hair/eyes, interests include story writing & board games. #4262

**GOLDEN TRIANGLE AREA:** 42, WM, bearded, looking for encounters, maybe more. #6969

**GBM,** 28, 5'8, 135lbs, hazel eyes, interests include, reading, drawing, painting, roller skating, travelling, fishing, camping, beaches. #7108

**BODYBUILDERS WANTED:** 34, WM, good lkg, well built, brw hair, blue eyes, looking for v. muscl smooth, fun times, don't miss out. #7562

**I LIKE OLDER MEN:** young & gorgeous, 5'4, 145lbs, brw hair/eyes enjoy basketball, football, looking for someone to caress & love me. #7608

**DIRECT FROM ROME, ITALY:** any really big guys out there? over 200lbs, then, you're in for a really great time and a gorgeous surprise! I like lots of things & I'm sure we'll find something in common. #7183

### Austin

**WHOLISTIC:** 6'3, 180lbs, attrac, affectionate, enjoy theatre & outdoors, prefer n/s & d/d, leave description. #6398

**NO SERIOUS TYPES:** 25, hispanic, 5'6, 140lbs, interested in meeting guys 18-30, prefer fun-going, & like good times, small talk anyone? #4029

**TIRED OF BAR SCENE.** GM 23, 5'6", 140#, enjoy working out, jogging, travel, doing fun things. Looking for someone quiet for non-club activities. #4018

**VARIETY OF INTEREST:** 5'8, 145lbs, black hair, blue eyes, slim build, seeking guys 25-35 who like to jog, work out, going to scary movies, clubbing, progressive/ alternative music. Let's connect and see what develops. #2851

### San Antonio

**MATERIAL BOY:** 26, 5'10, 170lbs, wm, looking for sugar daddy. #2846

**LIKE FLEA MARKETS?** 31 y/o, 5'8, 140lbs, enjoys garage sales, bars, dancing, seeking

**WM UNDER 30?** 24 grad student, seeking guys for dinners, show, whatever, I'm very open to your suggestions. #6995

**HISPANIC:** 31, 5'8, 150lbs, seeks ghm 28-38 for comfortable evenings, occasionally dancing. #6739

**40 YR OLD,** enjoy movies, working out, running, if simlr interests call. #6450

**MUSIC & ARTS LOVER:** 27, prof., 5'7, green eyes, into outdoors, music, art, if interested please call. #5153

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## GAY SKATING

Houston — The Lambda Roller Skating Club hosts a Birthday Party Skirt Skate Night this Monday, November 1 from 7:30-10:30 p.m. at Hobby Skate World, 6804 Easthaven (two blocks east of I-45 and Monroe). Admission is \$5 and includes skates and a raffle ticket. The birthday skate is for Steve Johnson and Rob Heuschmann, and everyone is encouraged to wear their skirts.

For more information, call Ray at (713) 862-4875 or Keith at 933-5818.



## OLBA STANDINGS

Dallas — The Oak Lawn Bowling Association reported the following standings to TWT SPORTS as of October 18:

Blue Division: 1—Kitty and Her Balls, 2—The Round-Up Saloon, 3—Just Us and 4—Gay Cabowlers.

Black Division: 1—The Blue Angels, 2—Pirates of Men's Pants, 3—The Zoo Crew and 4—My Left Nut.

For more information, call Ken Stewart at (214)521-1592.

## TEAM AUSTIN

Austin — This weekend, Team Austin hosts a party and costume contest at Club 404. Entertainer Cher will preside over the proceedings, and rumor has it there are more than a few surprises in store. A Last Call Costume contest will give late-night revelers an opportunity to strut their stuff, and there will be a raffle drawing. Also Team Austin T-shirts will be available as will registration packets for Gay Games IV.

For more information, call (512)447-6408 or 450-0230.

## GAMES REGISTRATION

New York City — The long-awaited sports registration booklet for Gay Games IV & Cultural Festival, to be held June 18-25, 1994, is finally available. The booklet contains all the information and answers to questions that prospective participants in Gay Games IV might have.

Since many of the 31 sports to be included in the Games have limited participation capacity, Texans are encouraged to register as soon as possible to avoid being left out.



BY BOBBY MILLER

Deadline for registration is December 31, 1993.

Gay Games IV is an international Olympic-style and cultural festival open to all. The theme and spirit is "Unity," and Games organizers are committed to including everyone. Athletes and artists of all skill levels can participate, because winning at the Gay Games means doing one's personal best. The purpose of Gay Games IV is to enhance the dignity, pride and self-respect of lesbians and gay men everywhere.

For more information about registration, contact the Team closest to you: Team Austin at (512)451-8758, Team Dallas at (214) 521-5342, ext. 800, Team Houston at (713) 621-5300 and Team San Antonio at (210) 224-9175.

## BICYCLE CLUB

Houston — The Chain Gang Bicycle Club will participate in the Moonlite Ramble this Sunday, October 31 at 2 a.m. This two-hour casual recreational ride starts at the George R. Brown Convention Center. Chain Gang will meet at the corner of Dallas and San Jacinto. Registration is \$15 and includes a T-shirt. Last year, over 4,000 riders took part.

Later on Sunday, the Easy Rider Division will observe Halloween with a ride through the cemeteries. They'll meet at 1860 White Oak Dr. at 3 p.m. Chain Gang rides are free and open to all.

For more information, call John at (713) 863-1860.

## FALL CALL

Houston — The Montrose Softball League will hold its first annual Fall Call at the Brazos River Bottom on Sunday, November 14, from 6-8 p.m. The Fall Call is open to anyone interested in MSL. There will be dancing, pool, steak night, door prizes and much more.

For more information, call (713)867-3913.



## DALLAS ALLIANCE PRESSES POLICE ON HATE CRIME ISSUE

*Sometimes Tense Meeting Leaves  
DGLA Representatives Hoping for  
Better Relationship with DPD.*

DALLAS — Recent events in the Dallas area have prompted leaders of the Dallas Gay and Lesbian Alliance [DGLA] to demand that the Dallas Police Department work more closely with the gay and lesbian community in the reporting and investigation of crimes against homosexuals. Two incidents, involving crimes against gay men, prompted the Alliance's action.

As previously reported, James "Kevin" Davenport was shot and critically wounded by a young Hispanic male in Oak Lawn in the early morning hours following Dallas' Texas Freedom Parade celebrations. The shooting, which is still under investigation, has not been classified as a hate crime yet because conflicting reports have indicated that Davenport may have known his assailant.

Then, just two weeks ago, Michael Allen Williams, a young gay male, was abducted at gunpoint during an apparent carjacking and threatened with rape by at least three black men. Were it not for the actions of an Irving Police Department patrolman—who discovered Williams in the trunk of his car after issuing a citation to his abductors for running a traffic light—officials assume Williams would have been shot, and possibly killed, by his assailants.

It is these two incidents, in addition to reported past failures by DPD to address the issue of hate crimes in Dallas, that forced DGLA leaders to call a meeting with city officials last Thursday afternoon at the Gay and Lesbian Community Center. The meeting was called to address the failure of the Dallas Police Department to officially classify the shooting of Davenport as a hate crime, and to seek a working relationship with DPD whereby a solution to these inadequacies could be found.

DGLA President Deb Elder began last Thursday's meeting by declaring that it would not be productive to dwell on past incidents, stating, "We should keep our focus proactive and develop a working relationship." But that appeared to be the

last thing on DPD Assistant Chief Marvin Bullard's mind when he declared, "I want to know why you are pressing so hard to have this Davenport shooting classified as a hate crime. I may get in trouble for saying this, but I always speak the truth... I am not here to help you do a PR job and push up statistics in your favor."

Elder reminded Bullard that there had been many failures in the past by DPD to report hate crimes, and that all the gay and lesbian community wanted was fair treatment. "We want you to treat us as though we were people of color when it comes to this."

Bullard responded by saying that gays and lesbians are less frequently the victims of hate crimes than any other group, despite figures released by the U.S. Justice Department indicating that homosexuals are, in fact, the most frequent victims of hate crimes. As proof, DPD Records Division Capt. Jack Bragg produced hate crimes statistics for Texas in 1992 showing an incidence of anti-gay or lesbian hate crimes out of a total of 480 incidents. DPD records for January through July of this year show one incident of anti-gay (male) violence.

After repeated protestations by Bullard about how such statistics made Dallas "look bad," Elder interrupted him, declaring, "I am sick of this. You came here with a different idea of what we wanted. I don't give a rat's ass about the image of Dallas or statistics, I care about gays and lesbians...."

Despite the tension between DGLA representatives and city officials during last week's meeting, some positive points were brought out by City Council member Chris Luna, who offered suggestions on how the gay and lesbian community and the City of Dallas could work together to prevent hate crimes, including educating DPD officers on hate crime reporting; instructing officers on how the Uniform Crime Reporting Guidelines relate to gay men and lesbians; formalizing communication between the DPD and the DGLA; and educating the gay and lesbian community on what a hate crime is and why it is vital that such crimes be reported.

The meeting between Dallas Police and the Alliance closed on a high note, with Chief Bullard suggesting that the DGLA produce a training video for use in teaching DPD officers how to recognize anti-gay crimes, and even offering the services of

the DPD Production Unit in making the film. Afterwards, both Elder and Bullard shook hands, expressing the hope that the meeting would result in a more productive working relationship between the DPD and the DGLA.

## AUSTIN AIDS FUND-RAISER EXCEEDS LAST YEAR'S SUCCESS

*6th Annual 'From All Walks of Life'  
Brings in Nearly \$300,000 for ASA,  
Other Area Service Providers.*

AUSTIN — Taking advantage of the beautiful, mild weather, thousands of capital city residents turned out last Sunday afternoon to raise money for AIDS services, education and research through the sixth annual "From All Walks of Life" fund-raiser. At least 5,000 took part in the event, which is organized and sponsored by AIDS Services of Austin.

The day of the Walk, participants brought donations they had collected to the assembly point in Waterloo Park. During opening ceremonies, the crowd was addressed by Austin Mayor Bruce Todd, Channel 24 personalities Deborah Duncan and Troy Kimmel, and ASA Executive Director Janna Zumbrun. After warmup exercises, the Walk itself began at 3 p.m., with people taking part singly and as members of teams.



"From All Walks of Life" coordinator Kathy Taylor [c] with Wally Cantu [l] and Oscar Lopez [r] at last Sunday's AIDS fund-raiser.

TWT NEWS photo.

Organizers said \$287,000 had been raised the day of the Walk; an additional \$3,000 brought that total to \$290,000 by Tuesday, with still more coming in.



AIDS Services of Austin, the city's largest provider of HIV-related education and services, will receive 75% of the proceeds from the Walk, while the remaining 25% will be shared with 16 other Austin-area organizations that also offer AIDS-related services.

## 'TAKE 5' RAISES FUNDS FOR GAY HOUSTON POLITICAL HOPEFULS

*Nearly 200 Show Support at  
Joint Event Held Last Sunday  
In Montrose Area.*

HOUSTON — With an unprecedented number of openly gay candidates running in this year's municipal elections, gay and lesbian Houstonians have a rare opportunity to influence the course the city will take over the next few years. But one of the hard, unyielding realities of politics is that money is needed to raise a candidate's name identification and get his or her message out to the voters. Last Sunday, voters in the city's Montrose area had a chance to show their moral and financial support for the five gay men running for City Council.

Held at the Lovett Inn bed and breakfast in the Montrose area, "Take 5" was designed to be a joint fund-raiser for Gene Harrington, Gary Van Ooteghem, Ray Hill, Rob Bridges and Brian Bradley. Jim Owens, who with Annise Parker spearheaded planning for "Take 5," said the nearly 200 who attended had been "very generous." The funds raised Sunday were in addition to over \$1,000 brought in over the last two weekends.

The five Council hopefuls, who have taken part in a tiring round of appearances at candidate forums and other events over the last few weeks, have all expressed the





Attending last Sunday's "Take 5" fund-raiser at the Lovett Inn were [clockwise, from left] Houston City Council candidate **Gene Harrington** (Dist. D), organizer **Annie Parker**, candidate **Gary Van Ooteghem** (Pos. 1), organizer **Jim Owens**, candidate **Brian Bradley** (Pos. 4), candidate **Ray Hill** (Pos. 2), HGLPC President **Terri Richardson** and (not shown) candidate **Rob Bridges** (Pos. 3). **TWT NEWS photo.**

hope that enthusiastic support from gay voters will help them in their races against better-financed opponents.

Besides representing a variety of backgrounds and differing political emphases, the five Council candidates face very different challenges in their respective races. Harrington is the lone challenger to incumbent Al Calloway for District D (which now includes the heavily gay and lesbian Montrose area), and so must win his race outright.

Van Ooteghem, Hill, Bridges and Bradley, all running for at-large seats, hope a strong turnout and bloc vote among gay men and lesbians will lift them into a second round of voting. Hill (Pos. 2) and Bridges (Pos. 3) are in very crowded races, while Hill and Bradley (Pos. 4) face the additional challenge of running against incumbent Council members, Eleanor Tinsley and Sheila Jackson Lee respectively, who have received gay political endorsements in the past and still enjoy a measure of support among gay and lesbian voters. There is no incumbent in the race for at-large Pos. 3.

In addition the five gay City Council hopefuls, two gay, Brian Bowen and James Parts-Galvan, are running for Mayor.

A Take 5 election night party will be held in the main ballroom of the Wyndham Warwick beginning at 7 p.m.

## DALLAS ACTIVISTS TO CONFRONT RIGHT WINGERS AT 'SUMMIT' TOMORROW

*Oppose Conservative Push  
For Abstinence-Based Curriculum  
In Texas Schools.*

DALLAS — Members of ACT-UP/Dallas and other groups hope to strike a blow for rational safer sex education when they gather tomorrow at a local Baptist church where a right-wing "summit" is being held to call for an abstinence-based curriculum in Texas schools.

The direct-action group, along with members of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, the MCC Cathedral of Hope, the Dallas Gay and Lesbian Alliance, Congregation Beth El Binah and others will converge on the Carrollton First Baptist Church, site of the "Texas Education Summit" sponsored by the ultraconservative ultraconservative Texas Eagle Forum. Featured speakers at the "Summit" will be longtime right-wing activist Phyllis Schlafly and Texas Congressman Dick Armey.

According to ACT-UP's Clint Packer, the abstinence-based curriculum the conservatives are proposing be used in all Texas schools is "unrealistic."

"In Hempstead, a suburb of Houston, an abstinence-based curriculum did not prevent four cheerleaders from becoming pregnant," he noted. "Recent scandals involving Catholic priests also show how vows of abstinence do not guarantee the actual behavior. Yet the Texas Eagle Forum and other sponsors of the Summit are mandating that the same impossible promises be made by every student in Texas."

"According to the Centers for Disease Control," continued Packer, "nearly 86% of all cases of sexually transmitted diseases including HIV occur among persons ages 15-29. The number of AIDS cases in 13-21-year-olds is doubling every 14 months. Youth of color are disproportionately affected. Yet the Summit and its sponsors attempt to mandate that a nonrealistic, abstinence-based AIDS curriculum be taught in every Texas school. In Dallas County, we've seen how condom education has slowed the tide of newly-diagnosed AIDS cases in the gay community. Schlafly and Armey lead political campaigns against

equal rights for gay men and lesbians, and discredit these communities' effective AIDS preventive education."

"We cannot sit by and let these extremist factions, who want to stop effective AIDS prevention and who condemn gay men and lesbians, jeopardize the lives of young Americans."

Schlafly, who has a gay son, and Armey, a leading opponent of President Bill Clinton's proposal to lift the ban on gay men and lesbians serving in the military, have both been vocal opponents of any legal protection for homosexuals and of any measure which would legitimize gays and lesbians in the eyes of society.

"Schlafly and Armey's dictating Texas school curriculum," Packer said, "is like the Ku Klux Klan grand dragons coming to a PTA meeting. Their politics reek of the same hatred and fear that kill the consciousness of America by encouraging prejudice, ignorance and intolerance."

ACT-UP is demanding that Texas students be adequately educated about how to survive sex through condom education and nonjudgmental explanations of high-risk behaviors. The group is also demanding that students who are gay and lesbian be assured that they are worthy of living, without HIV, without shame, without discrimination and without suicidal tendencies based on sexual orientation.

## RESTAURANTS JOIN BATTLE AGAINST AIDS IN HOUSTON

*Establishments Will Donate 10%  
Of Sales from Designated Tables  
To Body Positive & AmFAR.*

HOUSTON — A large group of restaurants in the Houston area have banded together to launch an ongoing program designed to raise money and increase awareness in the local fight against AIDS. The new effort, the Red Ribbon Restaurant Project, is similar to one started by an Austin restaurant in 1992. Funds raised will go to Body Positive/Houston and the American Foundation for AIDS Research.

The new project was officially introduced at a press conference held Tuesday at the posh Tony's Restaurant near Houston's upscale Galleria shopping district. On hand were representatives of many of

the participating restaurants as well as of Body Positive. AmFAR representative Cliff Ochser and Houston City Council member Sheila Jackson Lee delivered messages of support and appreciation.

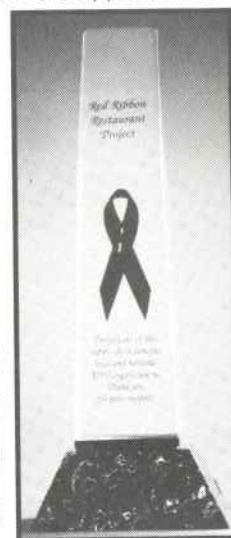
To date, more than 50 area restaurants specializing in a wide variety of cuisines have committed to taking part in the Red Ribbon Restaurant Project, which is inspired by a similar fund-raising effort, the ASA Benefit Table, started by Katz's Deli and Bar in Austin a year and a half ago. Customer response to that project has been very positive, and it has received coverage in the *Austin American-Statesman* and Texas restaurant industry publications.

In the Houston Red Ribbon Restaurant Project, each participating establishment will place a specially designed obelisk, embedded with the familiar red ribbon symbolizing the fight against AIDS, on one of its tables. A printed message near the base of the obelisk will inform diners that 10% of that table's proceeds will benefit a local and a national AIDS charity.

Next Wednesday, November 3, Pico's will host a benefit kickoff party for the Restaurant Project from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. There will be a cash bar with margaritas at happy-hour prices, and entertainment will be provided by local Houston Latino band Mango Punch. Admission is \$7 per person, and all proceeds will benefit the Project by helping to cover initial start-up costs. Pico's is located at 4527 Lomitas.

Body Positive/Houston provides a range of services to asymptomatic HIV-positive individuals including peer counseling, social activities, a Buddy support program and free educational seminars.

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and western bar complete with a spacious  
patio and soon-to-be-completed game  
rooms. Best wishes and continued success  
to owner Randy Cunniff and to the staff and  
management of Wild West from Alamo City  
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Club with the Wild and Wicked Sunday  
Show followed by a midnight costume  
contest with cash and prizes. Come  
celebrate the "wildest" Halloween on the  
wild corner of San Pedro and W. Laurel  
with the Wild West and Wild Club....

Captain's Crew will have a cash costume  
contest both Saturday and Sunday nights at  
the stroke of twelve along with male strippers  
on side stages between 10 p.m.-1 a.m....

The Noo Zoo Co. has a "Ghoulsh Goblin  
Costume Ball" with a contest Saturday night  
followed by the "Night of the Dancing  
Dead" on Sunday as well as a costume  
contest. Thursday, the Miss Noo Zoo Co.  
Pageant is set with emcee Pauletta Leigh  
featuring past and present titleholders in



review. The **CRUISE CAMERA** went to the  
Thursday Zoo Follies and captured the  
queen of soul Lena Levell [above], special  
guest for the evening....

The El Jardin will have a costume contest  
Saturday and Sunday night with schnapps  
on special as the official witches' brew....

Bamboleo's Latin Fever has a Halloween  
bash weekend of fun planned, beginning  
with pumpkin-carving and costume  
contests tonight with cash prizes. Another



costume contest is set for Saturday, while  
the grand weekend show finale will be held  
on Sunday with Lauren Raquel, Little Gina  
and special spooky guest Pauletta Leigh. The  
grand costume contest will follow with a  
special prize for the most Hispanic outfit. All  
of this and more at the original Bamboleo's  
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Halloween at the Paper Moon includes a  
midnight costume contest with cash prizes  
for category winners. Enjoy after hours  
dancing until 4 a.m. Monday, Chanel White  
hosts the zany musical chairs, which gives  
audience members the chance to participate.  
Thursday, the tenth annual Texas Gay  
Rodeo Association Royalty contest will be  
held at the Moon when Mr., Miss and Ms.  
TGRA will be selected. In honor of the  
event, Silver Dollar deejay Frank Bengé will  
give away one country CD every hour  
between November 4 and 7. The Paper  
Moon and Silver Dollar Saloon have been  
selected as the official host bars for TGRA



rodeo activities. The **CRUISE CAMERA** captured  
recent Super Sunday Show guest at the  
Paper Moon, Florida's Tiffany Arieagus  
[above]....





The Bonham Exchange has a black-and-orange ball Saturday night in preparation for Halloween, when all bar employees will cross-dress. Alamo City **HOT TEA** wishes a happy birthday to Bonham door person Angie Scalzi [above], who celebrates Sunday....

The 2015 Place begins a steak night on Tuesday, November 9 at 7 p.m. Stop by and enjoy the Wednesday night jockey short contest which starts at 10:30 p.m.

**AUSTINteaCIOUS** — Here's what's going on **THIS WEEK IN AUSTIN** from Capital City **HOT TEA**....

Halloween has arrived and there's no better place to celebrate than Austin. We've been told Halloween compares to New Year's in the nightclub business, and this can only mean a great time for all who want to play. Get out the wigs and makeup and join in on the weirdness....

The new owners of Club 404 are putting their money where their mouths are by making promised improvements. When we last stopped by, we noticed a new entrance, a new bar station on the second floor and new neon lighting over the dance floor. For the holiday, check out the dungeon. Also, watch for the Vampire Dancers....

Last week we showed you a picture of happy-go-lucky bartender Paula Scoggins at Auntie Mame's. Unfortunately, we called her Pam. Sorry, but we must point out, Paula's initials are PMS. Go by and ask to see her play her gong....

At the Crossing, Saturdays are now themed "Saturday Night Fever." The place goes wild with classic disco from the '70s and '80s. Jeanette's Sunday brunches include eggs Benedict, eggs florentine or

eggs the way you like them. Their word to describe the meal is "fag-u-lous"! This Saturday and Sunday night, go by the club and have your picture taken for their slide show in the back bar. A studio will be set up by the dance floor for everybody to pose and show off their costumes. The Crossing will have a skirt-chaser's ball on November 6. Check out next week's ad for information....

We've been told Oilcan Harry's has been running like a Timex watch since owners Fred and Roy went on vacation. Management told us this, so maybe the owners will be taking more vacations! Manager Freeman Hart assures us the place is booming and things couldn't be better. His employees are so dedicated; one of them flew his own plane from Missouri to make his happy hour shift. Way to go, Brad. For Halloween, the weekend theme will be "Queen of the Damned." Sparks your curiosity, doesn't it?...



Fifth Street Station is where Latoya Peters [above] recently performed. We always enjoy Miss Peters' performances. The Station now welcomes 18 and over and has after hours every night of the week. So for those of you who are off during the week, here's a chance to party until you drop. This Sunday, Miss Gay USA Sweet Savage will be a part of the Super Sunday Show. See you there....

Don't forget 'Bout Time's second annual Haunted House. The fun starts at 8 p.m. and lasts until 1 a.m. If you get there before 10 p.m., you get a price break. All proceeds go to HIV Wellness and Project Transitions. On Saturday, the club is putting on "Holloweenie," a show guaranteed to scare you. Showtime is 10:30 p.m....



Moe, Curly and Larry? No—Bryce Holtrey, Mark Ferrier and Garold Bates [above] from the Chain Drive. Make sure and put these guys on your Halloween stop. They're scary enough all year round, so you can just imagine what they're like on Halloween. Congratulations to Bobby Claiborn for taking first place in the dart tournament and Ed Casler for second. Don't forget—every Wednesday you can win cash in the club's new tournaments. This Sunday, manager Ricky and bartender Paul will be serving food on the patio as well as the beer bust. All proceeds go to Christopher House....

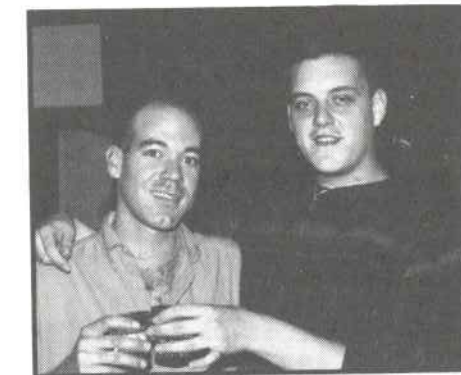


Over at Charlie's, we found handsome musician Mac Bynum [above] on Tuesday. Mac entertains every week during steak night. For Halloween, the club will be celebrating all weekend with contests both Saturday and Sunday. Lordy, lordy, the Charlie's crew is having a skirt night! Yes, skirts are in on November 13! Knobs for knees would be another way to describe it. Who has the guts? We can't wait to get pictures at this one....

San Fran Cisco's is where you can dance in the street this weekend. The club will block off the road between First and Second Streets so partiers can boot scoot under the autumn Texas sky. Give the club a call for details. Don't forget—on Sundays and Wednesdays, you can get in on the pool tournaments. The more you play, the more you win.

**DALLAS TEA** — Here's what's happening **THIS WEEK IN DALLAS** from Big D **HOT TEA**....

Halloween, perhaps the gayest of all holidays, is sure to bring out the beauty and the beast in everyone, and you can be sure that all the clubs in Dallas will be pulling out all the stops to make sure it's the spookiest event yet. There's simply not enough room in this column to detail all of the wonderful events planned, so take a peek at the club ads throughout the magazine, and have a safe and happy weekend....



At the Cove, we have a feeling the powers-that-be will have to install a drive-thru window to handle all the increased business that the arrival of their gorgeous new bartender has generated. As previously item'd, his name is Tom Hansen, and he's pictured above [!] with longtime staffer Harold "Big Girl" Berlin. We can't help but wonder, based on all the mumblings from our sources, whether Tom's nickname is "Big Boy!" Look for a very special holiday witch serving up the witch's brew this weekend. From what we understand, no costuming will be required....

Meanwhile, at the Crossroads, preparations are in full swing for tomorrow night's huge Halloween Street Parade—an event which attracts crowds from as far away as Los Angeles and Mesquite (yes, Mesquite!). Many of the ghoulie ghosts and delicious





drags celebrating will be found at Throckmorton Mining Company, the official home of Dallas hose-worshiper Frank "Simpson" and the only place that you can find the divine Heda Quote [above] safely ensconced as mistress of ceremonies and chief bear-catcher. Speaking of bears, there's a new organization in our town devoted to those of the hirsute set. It's called, appropriately enough, Dallas Bears, and its membership includes the bearman himself, David "Miss Ellie" Ellis who, we understand, was caught in an extreme lip-lock with a certain Houstonian named Seth at the recent IGRA fete in Fort Worth. Be sure and ask Ellie about the Dallas Bears, and about Seth....

We would like to remind you that, just next door at JR's, there is a wide panoramic view available through the simply stunning bay windows included in the club's architecture. Since the whole purpose of the Street Parade is not only to see but to be seen, what better place to do that than at JR's. Be sure and get there early—those window seats are always taken fast!...



It's always wonderful to see old friends, so imagine our delight when one of our oldest friends, Carmen del Rio [above], made a special appearance at the Round Up Saloon

recently. The event was entitled "Just for Fun," and that's exactly what the evening was—fun! Ms. Del R. was a veritable whirling dervish throughout her performance, proving once and for all why she has been such a popular fixture in clubs on all three coasts and throughout the heartland. One look at the enthralled faces of the assembled Wrangler-busters in the audience proves she's still just as popular here in Texas....

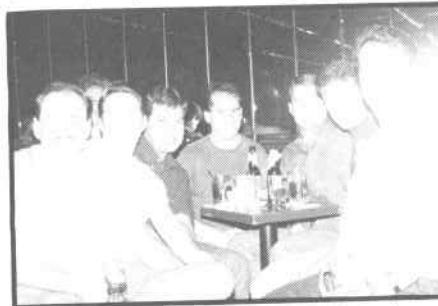
On Fitzhugh, infamous Mike Teal of Zippers fame has not only been able to find his truck on a regular basis lately, but he has also been able to find temptation in the form of flattering comments from dozens of ardent admirers who are impressed by his winning personality, as well as other less obvious attributes. We certainly hope all this admiration doesn't affect all the frequent flier bonus miles he has accrued thanks to the many flights of fancy he has taken with a certain Metroplex-based fly boy of note....



At Damewood'z, the neon has been repaired from the recent hailstorm that plagued Dallas, and just in time for this weekend's full array of holiday festivities. The soft glow of those city lights has proven to be a magnet to the club in the past, and we can assure you that there is no end to that attraction in sight. Just ask the glamour girls assembled for a **CRUISE CAMERA** photo above. While we would like to think that these beautiful women were attracted by our flash, we must report that, in actuality, they were in attendance at the trendsetting libation lounge for the expressed purpose of visiting with the bar-belle herself, Peggy Smith. Ms. Smith, we understand, has been looking at the thermometer lately, and is definitely in the mood for some snuggling with the onset of cooler temperatures. Could these lensed lovelies be members of the talent pool currently under consideration?...

At Crews Inn, we are happy to report that oh-so-handsome Gene Maywald has finally found true love with none other than the

equally-as-handsome Larry West, the man who at one time was described as Mr. M's new "roommate." Things have progressed so far that a new fabienda has been obtained for a January move-in, complete with pink flamingos dominating the front yard. Also decorating the house will be Gene's new black Cougar of the four-wheel genre that perfectly compliments Miss Mona's and Viv's stable of vehicles. Also a **TEA**worthy item is the stupendous success of Spankey Studer's recent Halloween bash benefiting AIDS Services of Dallas. Thanks to Spankey and all who attended, life will be a little bit easier for the residents of Dallas' only AIDS housing facility. Congratulations to Gene, Larry and Spankey from **HOT TEA**....



Back on the Springs, we foolishly believed that the star-studded entertainment in the Rose Room was the only reason so many members of the dance hall set crowded the facility for show nights. Based on the **CRUISE CAMERA** image above, however, we can only assume that the gorgeous audience members have something to do with it as well. For the record, this hunky septet is comprised of Lowell Lawrence, Tim Ingram, John Ames, Mark Quigley, Allen Laird, David Moss and Steve Wall [l-r]. We must admit that we were hard-pressed to keep our eyes on the stage with these men in view....

Next door at Sue Ellen's, we finally had the opportunity to meet the studly man who's the object of mixologist Christopher Craig's affections, and we can assure you that he is as hunky as Christopher is handsome! Christopher, in case you've forgotten, is the cutie who makes a Saturday afternoon visit to the ladies' lounge such a pleasant experience. Please remember that any tastefully-tressed and crazily-coiffed Halloween revelers that you meet tomorrow night could be victims (oops, customers) of Kathy Jack's unique hairstyling efforts. She

is, after all, solely responsible for all of the hairdos in Caven Enterprises' Halloween Oak Lawn....



There's a new club in town, and it's called 2525 (which is appropriate, since it's located at 2525 Wycliff). We visited the club for its pre-Grand Opening Grand Opening, and spotted club owner Howard Okon and manager Lee Michaels welcoming the crowds as they posed 'neath the fabulous new mural painted by the one and only John Falcon—as if John weren't enough of a gorgeous piece of artwork to look at! Howard and Lee also welcome a new show diva to their cast, as Latina McIntyre takes over both the Sunday Super Show and the Monday Catch a Rising Star talent show. We understand that, in addition to her fabulous pantomiming abilities, she also has a wonderful attitude and excellent hygiene habits....

More vivid than Bram Stoker could ever have imagined, the Brick Bar transforms itself this Halloween weekend into the ghoulish castle of Dracula. On All Hallow's Eve, many things happen that defy explanation. One of these events takes place this Sunday at the Brick. The amazing Knights of Magic will be performing their acts of erotic legerdemain beginning at 10 p.m. It's sure to excite and titillate the ghoul in all of us. For further investigation of things that go bump in the night, be at the club's Flashlight Party next Friday, November 5. Don't get left in the dark....

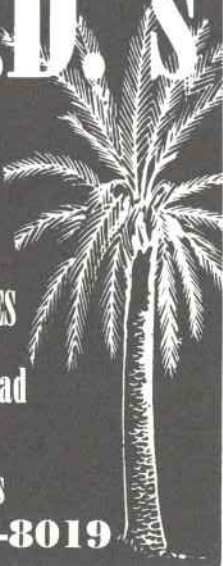
For a simply delicious evening of fun and live entertainment, please consider John L's next weekend. Not only does the club provide a lavish feast during happy hour on Friday for those of the famished set, but it will also provide the first coupling of the



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famed Bubba McNeeley and Pam "Bear" McCarthy since before Bubba became Bubba-licious next weekend. These two faboo people have wowed audiences from P-town to Boystown, so it's an event you won't want to miss. Bear, of course, has dibs on the first course....



For years, those in the know have always turned to country clubs for special events and afternoons and evenings of pleasantries. That trend continues with the opening of the Country Club on Maple Avenue, the brand new club for those who are "a little bit country." The club has already attracted a huge following of loyal fans, including the four lovelies pictured above. That's Kim Newton, Toni Hunter, Jody Thannisch and Kimberly Reed from the singing group "Two Girls, Two Guitars, Too Much," and they're proof positive that a great time can be had at the Country Club.



**TEXAS TELETYPE** — Here's what's happening around the state....

For those of you who don't believe there's any reason to go to College Station—other than to attend Texas A&M or stop there while passing through on Amtrak—please note that we at **HOT TEA** have come up with two very good reasons. Reason number 1: Club 202, the fab libation lounge that's all the rage in that college town. Reason number 2: gorgeous TJ Patrick [above], one of the stunning examples of gorgeous youth that make the B/CS metroplex such a hub of activity. For the record, we've heard rumor that Mr. Patrick has made quite a name for

himself displaying his rather ample talents during the club's Sunday strip contests. We're booking a tour through the area immediately....



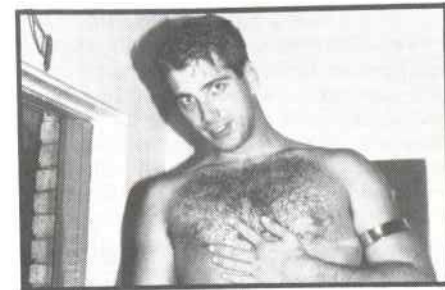
Congratulations go out to Miss Lillie, owner of Miss Lillie's Nitespot in Odessa. We understand she recently celebrated a birthday, and fans from across the Permian Basin were on hand to help her mark the occasion. In the **CRUISE CAMERA** photo above, you'll find Miss Lillie diligently working behind the bar, despite the wonderful party being held in her honor. Congratulations to a fine lady from **HOT TEA**....



Up Denison way, we are pleased to report that the Good Time Lounge's recent show benefiting the AIDS Resource Center of Texoma was a huge success. At the event, Kirk Kincaid and JoAnn Hanson both received commendations for their work with the Center, and the audience was delighted with the onstage antics of the delightful Miss B [above, l] and the behind-the-bar antics of the one and only Mark Lenard. More kudos for the great work, guys, from **HOT TEA**....

Tomorrow night in Beaumont, it's Halloqueen Gala VII, a spectacular benefit for the Triangle AIDS Network. In addition to raffle drawings, costume contests and a Muscles in Action dancer, there's a fabulous show starring Andrea Mikels, Mara Moran, Felicia Phillips, Deitra Allen and Marie Alexis. The festivities begin at 9 p.m. at the YWCA Sallye J. Keith Annex, 660 Calder at Main. Don't miss it!

**HOUSTON HOTTea** — Here's what's going on **THIS WEEK IN HOUSTON** from Bayou City **HOT TEA**....



Halloween weekend is now upon us and a Full Moon celebration is on the rise at Gentry. Tomorrow at midnight, there's a parade-of-costumes contest with \$250 in cash prizes. On Sunday at 9 p.m., the Imperial Court presents the Count and Countess Full Moon Cotillion and Scarecrow Revue followed by another exciting costume contest at 11 p.m. If that's not enough enticement to be at Gentry, Lone Star Male Revue and Boy Toy Dancers like sexy Drew Manning [above] will be on hand Saturday from 10 p.m.-2 a.m. and Sunday from 5-9 p.m. to tempt and treat you....

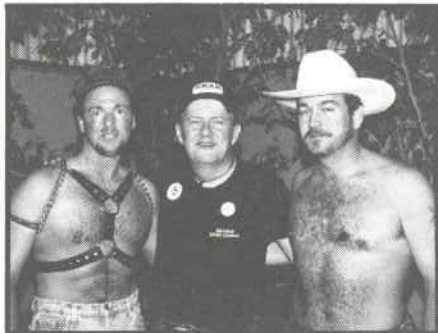
*Blade Runner* and *Demolition Man* are nothing compared to Heaven this weekend. The club on the cutting edge presents "Cyberpunk," an out-of-this-world Halloween adventure. Tonight, receive free admission with a nonperishable food item for the Stone Soup Pantry when the club's holiday extravaganza kicks off with one of the biggest dance parties around. Put on your best futuristic fashion for their costume contests tomorrow and Sunday at 11:30 p.m. The Cyberpunk mix is complete with a special Saturday night concert starring Fem 2 Fem. These five lovely ladies are the nation's hottest club act and Heaven is



bringing them to you. Speaking of lovely ladies, Tommie Ross [above, l], Lauren Brach [second from r] and Lindsay Love [r] gathered at last Thursday's Male Strip Contest to wish Kofi [second from l] the best of luck at the upcoming Miss Gay America Pageant. Lots of talent is always brewing at Heaven....



It's back! Take another trip into the Twilight Zone this weekend at JR's. The festivities are highlighted by two gala Halloween costume contests on Saturday and Sunday at 11 p.m. On Sunday, bubbly Marsha Carlton hosts Halloween karaoke from 7-11 p.m. Join the guys at JR's and travel to a fantastic party place beyond imagination. Rod Serling would be proud....



Hot and hunky men are always on hand at the Montrose Mining Company and especially at the club's Bear of the Month contest. October's winner Trey Manord [above, r] and first runner-up Revis Bell [l] cozied up to clever contest emcee Brian Keever [c] for this special snapshot. We're sure these guys will be back for this weekend's Hell Party at the Mine. Tomorrow and Sunday, they're serving up Texas' largest beer bust from 4-10 p.m. as well as sensational costume contests at 11:30 p.m. For all the little devils that don't want to go home at 2 a.m., the Mine has hot after hours every Friday and Saturday....

You've stitched and sweated over the ultimate costume creations, and now it's time to show them off. Parade yourself over to the 800 Pacific Halloween Block Party and Houston's biggest money giveaway. Over \$10,000 in cash, prizes and trophies will be awarded on Saturday and Sunday, October 30 and 31. Outdoor judging begins at 10:15 p.m. Just follow the searchlights....

At the BRB, they're having a traditional Halloween party tomorrow night with "A Haunting on Brazos." The celebration is complete with a midnight costume contest and lots of tricks and treats. On Sunday at 7 p.m., there's a true treat. Candidate for Empress X Damita Jo presents Monster Bash, a benefit for the TGRA Houston chapter. Stop by and check out all the thrills and chills....



Missouri Street Station's Spaghetti Dinner benefit for the Bering Community Service Foundation gave new meaning to dinner and a show. And what a show it was! Talented entertainers Marsha Carlton [above, l] and Jimmie "Roxie Starr" Emerson [c] posed for our camera with media consultant Tad Gribbins [r]. A good time was definitely had by all. Tonight and tomorrow, Third Coast entertains at Houston's premier cabaret....

You've heard about it, you've wanted to see it, here's your chance to experience it. On Sunday, October 31, Houston's most outrageous eatery, the Tempest Grill at the Saks Pavillion, presents Party With A Purpose benefiting Body Positive. This event blasts off at 8 p.m. with a complimentary buffet, drink specials and lots of fun prizes. Call now and reserve your very own party booth....

In need of a good laugh? Be at Cousin's tonight when Crystal Rae Lee Love surrenders the coveted crown of Comedy Entertainer of the Year. Things are always a little different at Cousin's. The club's Halloween contest and show at 10:30 p.m. on Sunday feature cash prizes for best talent, most beautiful and most original. Don't forget to join the friendly folks at Cousin's for Male Strip every Thursday and Cousin's and Company every Friday and Saturday....



The Wolfpack Party at Pacific Street was definitely a night to howl. Members of the Pack surrounded gracious Grey Party host Jimmy Arispe [above, c] at this super celebration. The club kicks off Halloween

weekend with tonight's decadent Dungeon Party. Tomorrow night's Fantasy Party will make your wildest dreams come true while Sunday's Witches, Bitches and Warlocks Halloween Party showcases the most incredible special effects in town. So that you can make the most awe-inspiring entrance possible, clothes check is available all weekend long....

The Lazy J celebrates Halloween with a special show starring Peaches, B.J. Williams and Evonne Supreme along with special guests Tranae Chardon and Erica Lane. Coming next Saturday, November 6 at 10 p.m. is the annual Miss Lazy J Pageant. Co-hosts for the evening will be last year's winner Charlie Linez and the reigning Miss Sugar Plum Trixie LaRue....



He's waiting for you. Popular Boy Bar bartender Larry Graham [above] is waiting to give you service with a smile. Lost Boy Dancers and deejay Tony Powell serve up hot sights and sounds upstairs while the Deva Room downstairs presents exciting female impersonators. Fabulous entertainment, cheap drinks, and no cover all night—Boy Bar is everything you could ask for on a Thursday night....

Tomorrow night, Plaza 9200's Monster Mash presents not one, not two, but three Halloween theme parties. Dress as your favorite character from *The Addams Family* at the Ranch, *Rocky Horror* at XTC or *The Munsters* at Ms. B's. Party at just one or party at them all, Plaza 9200 is a true triple treat....

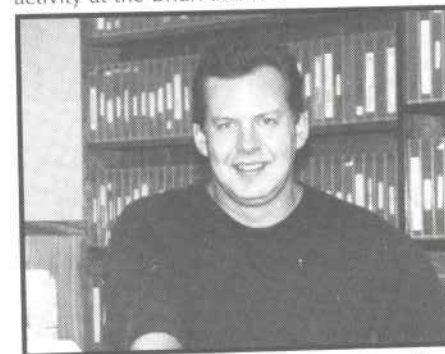
Celebrate Halloween with Mama Jo and her happy family of friendly bartenders at the Outpost. They're having a big costume contest tomorrow at midnight with cash prizes. Don't forget about the club's free buffet every Friday and happy hour until 8 p.m. seven days a week....

Rich's big monster movie weekend premieres tonight with "House of Porn" starring adult video star Ty Russell and the secret under his trench coat. After the Outrage Party, "Saturday Night at the Movies" with free popcorn and horror clips makes the cinematic experience complete. On Sunday, "Cinema of Terror" brings out the beast in everyone with a costume contest and lots of surprises. This Halloween weekend and



every weekend, the atmospheric engineering team of deejay Jon Mott [above, l], technical director Gary Archer [r] and sight technician Sean Hanna [r] keep the joint jumping at the monster of night clubs....

The ghosts and goblins have been hard at work preparing for the BriarPatch's Halloween extravaganza. The gang has a truly spirited weekend complete with live entertainment and costume contests planned just for you. Stop by and check out all the spooky activity at the BriarPatch....



Looking for some real goodies? The talk of the town is at Richmond News and Video. Anytime you rent two videos, you can get a third movie free. In addition to their delightful arcade and super selection of magazines and paraphernalia, Scott Richman [above] is there to help you with all your trick-and-treat needs.



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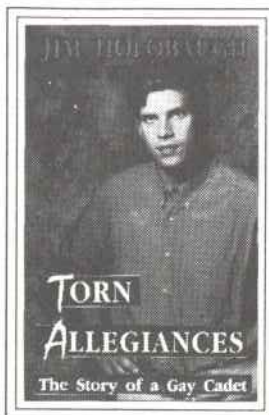
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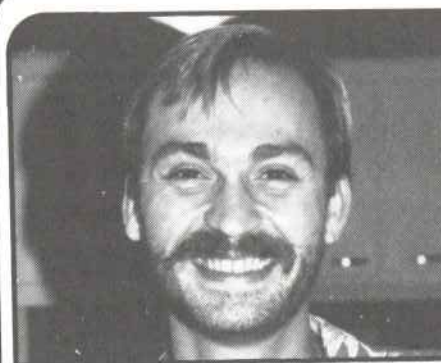
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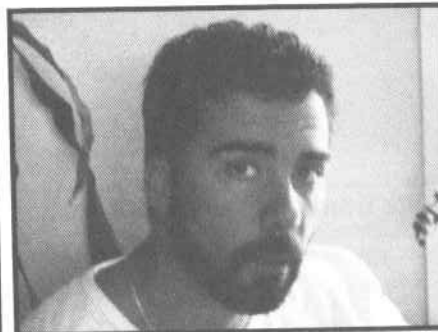
Charles (Chuck) Joseph Ciulla Jr. (above)  
Charles Joseph Ciulla Jr., age 37, passed away October 13, 1993 at Ben Taub Hospital in Houston, Texas from complications arising from AIDS.

Chuck was born at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee on October 7, 1956. He was preceded in death by a sister, Charlotte Ciulla. Chuck is survived by both parents, five other brothers and sisters, many friends too numerous to name, and his lifemate of 17 years, Wayne Wooding.

Memorial services will be held in the chapel at the University of St. Thomas on October 31 at 2 in the afternoon. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to an AIDS organization of your choice in Chuck's name.

Rest in peace, Baby, until I join you.

LOVE YOU FOREVER,  
Your honey, Wayne Wooding



Louis Marshall (above)  
1953 - 1993

Surrounded by family and friends, Louis' struggle with AIDS ended October 10, 1993 at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky with his family, who had cared for and supported him from the onset of his illness.

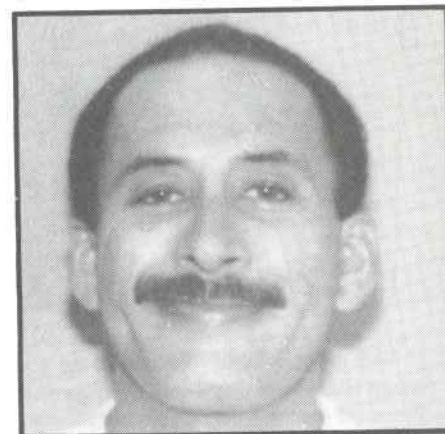
Lou, I will always remember you as the person that taught me how to grow, to love and, most of all, how to care for others as well as myself. Baby, I'm going to miss you more than anything in this world. Even though you're not here with me anymore, all I have to do is close my eyes and there you are, my Beautiful Angel. May your soul rest in peace forever, my love.

I love you "Chewy"  
Always  
Chico



Douglas Ray McConnel (Doug) (above)  
August 2, 1959 - October 15, 1993

He lived in the Dallas/Fort Worth area for several years and has many friends there. He had a long fight with AIDS and passed away peacefully at home with his lover, Beauford Stowell, in Columbia, Missouri. Survivors include parents Mike and Margie Hamilton of Salisbury, Missouri; siblings Jim McConnel, Scott McConnel, Penny Peglow and grandmother Wilma Via. He will be buried next to his little brother Joey in Columbus, Kansas, where he was born. He was loved by all who knew him.



"You are the wind beneath my wings"  
In Loving Memory of  
Mario A. Lugo (above)

Mario, 39, journeyed into his next life on October 19, 1993 after a courageous battle against AIDS. Mario was born in San Benito, Texas but resided in Houston with his companion of 12 years, Tim Murphy. Mario's love for life, sharp wit and sensitivity will be cherished by Tim, Mario's numerous friends and his co-workers at Southwestern Bell.

In addition to his longtime companion, Tim, Mario is survived by his mother Aida, sisters Linda and Laura, brothers Ricky and Juan Manuel, plus numerous nieces and nephews.

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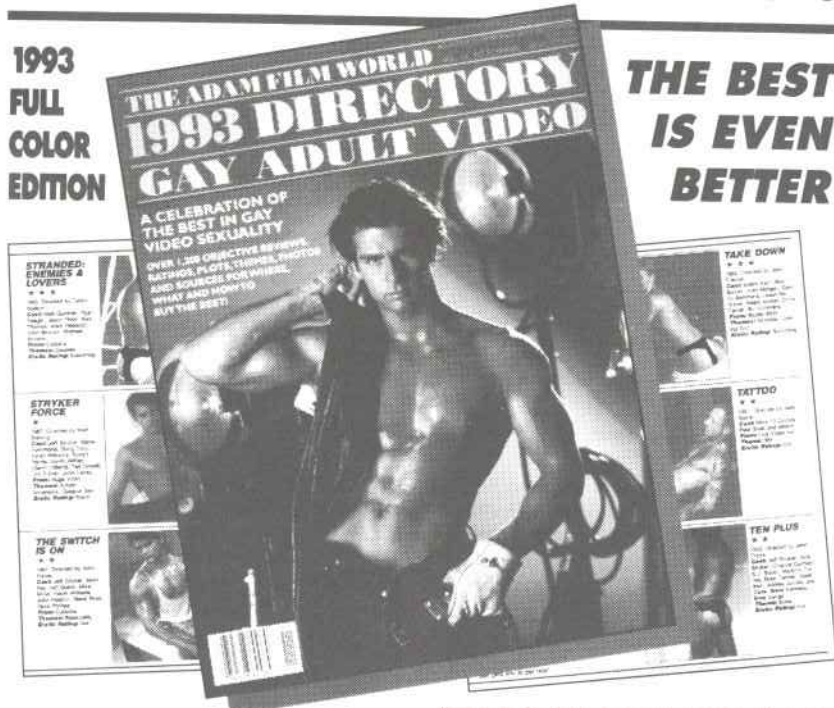
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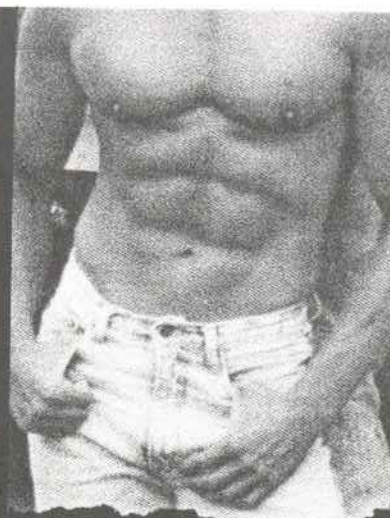
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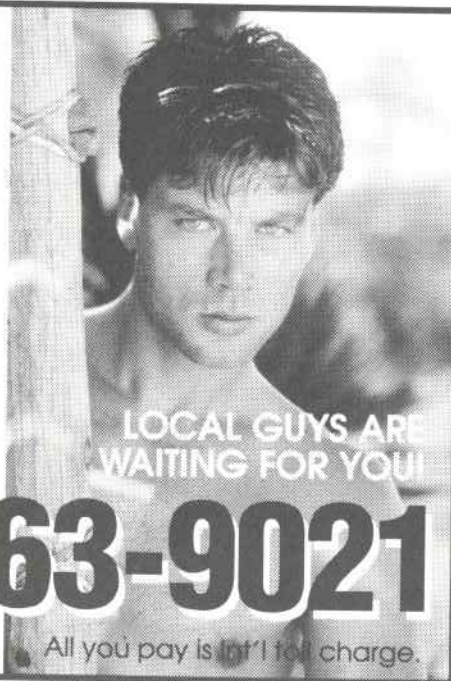
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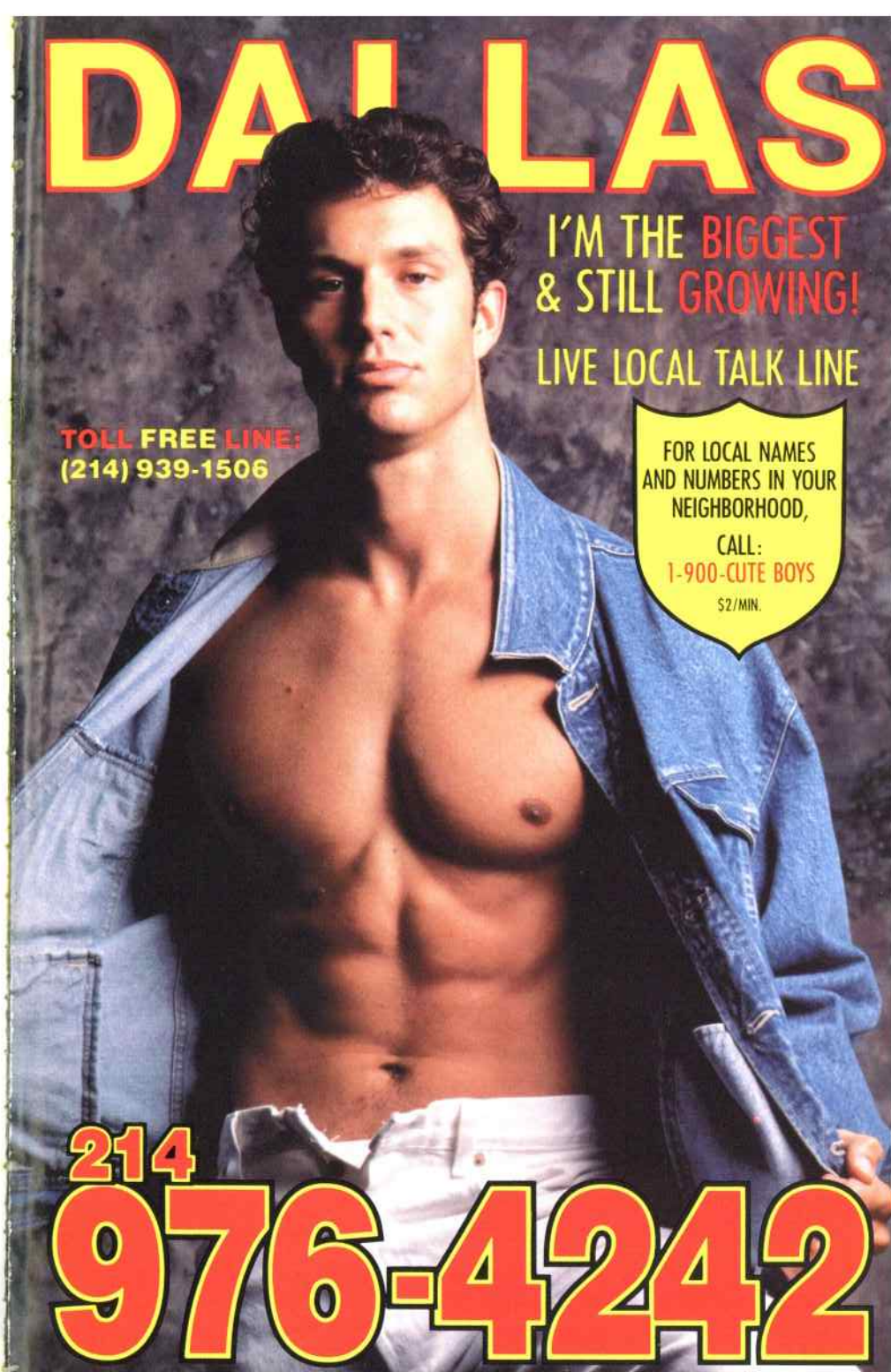
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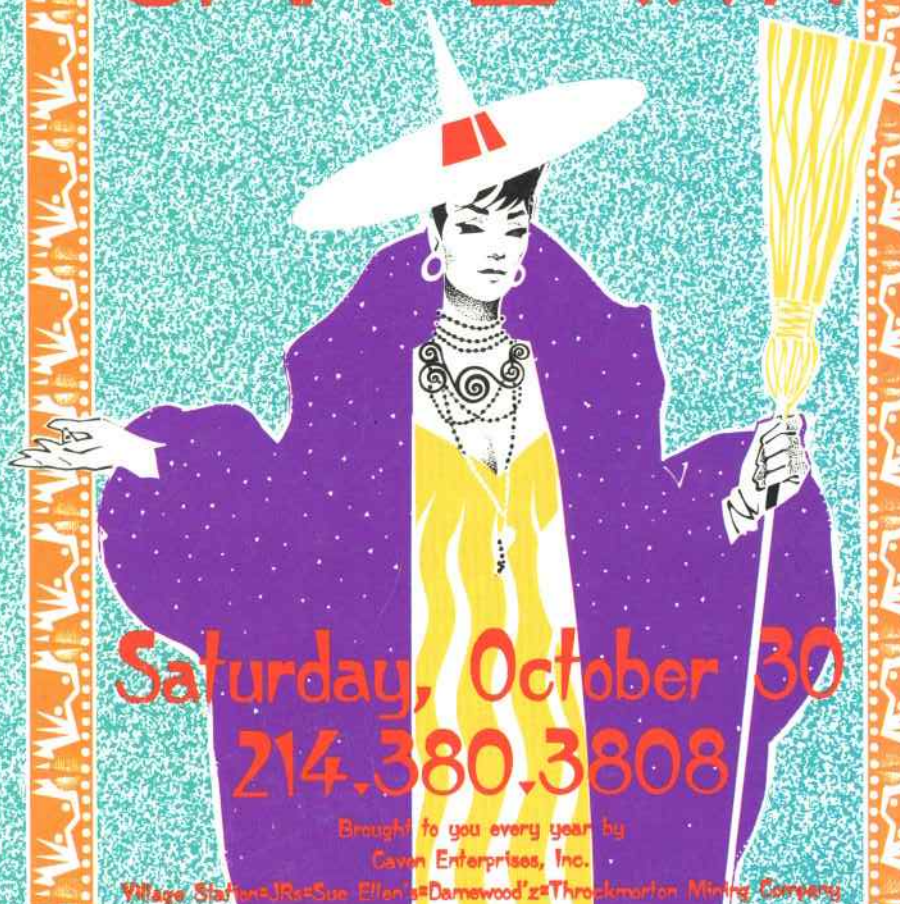
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