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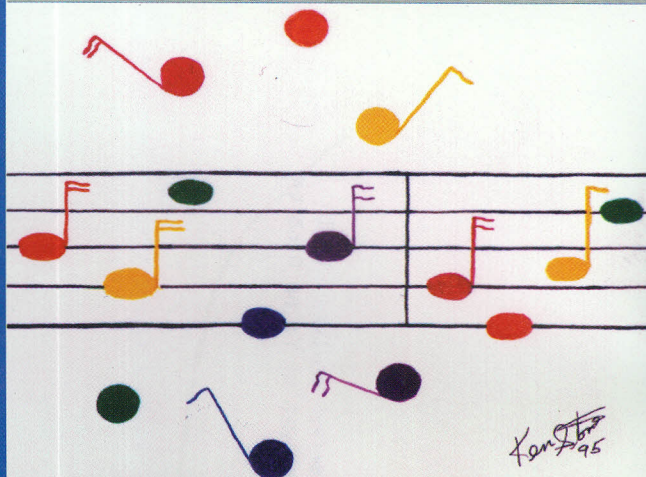
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**WELCOME!** I have been so eager to start this letter like that.

It has been over a year since I started on the road to creating this event. *Spectrum '95* is the best conceived event to highlight every aspect of our community. Business, Art, Entertainment, Politics and much more.

By being a part of this event, you become a part of history. Never before has an event like this happened anywhere in the United States. If all goes according to plan, this event will continue as an annual event here in Houston and expanding to other markets across America.

The Board of Directors looks forward to other citizens whether they be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender or even heterosexual to participate with continuing to keep Town Meeting, Inc. and Spectrum alive for future years.

With the state failing to pass a clear hate crimes bill and businesses refusing to deal with us because of who we are, it is clear that we as a community, even with our very diverse sub cultures and ideas, must unite to get our civil rights and to stop the misunderstanding and hatred towards us.

I hope each one of you is able to leave this event with enjoyment from the entertainment, education from the seminars, businesses and get excited about who you are and why you are important to this community and to society as an individual.

Enjoy *Spectrum '95* to its fullest and be proud that community unity is not dead in Houston or across the US. Being gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender, is not a taboo to be hated and despised, but a way of life that is normal and natural. You as a human being first, deserve full respect and love regardless of your sexual preference.

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B. Alan Bourgeois  
Director/Founder

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# *LeTs Bi Gay™*

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*Spectrum '95 Business Expo*  
11 am to 7 PM - Exhibit Hall

Over 300 Exhibitors of Lesbian, Transgender, Bisexual and Gay businesses display their goods and services to Houston's community. Exhibitors come from all across the Houston area, the State of Texas and from all over the United States. Houston's LeTs Bi Gay economic value has been estimated to be approximately \$2 billion strong. Just imagine what this community could accomplish with that economic strength.

Come and meet the many business that support your civil rights. Learn what they have to offer and why you should support them.

## *Town Meeting II*

1 PM to 5 PM - Pavilion

On June 25, 1978, an estimated 4,000 gays, lesbians and transgenders got together to discuss issues that relate to our community. From that discussion and process grew many organizations and social groups. The Montrose Clinic, The Montrose Counseling Center, Softball League, a form of Q-Patrol and many other programs found their roots in this historic meeting.

Now on June 18, 1995, 17 years later, Town Meeting II, will give this community the chance again to create change in a positive manner. Join us to discuss topics like the LeTs Bi Gay Chamber of Commerce, Transgender law, our own village and many others. Be a part of this four hour open discussion and let your voice be heard.

A Sample of the Resolutions to be presented to Town Meeting II:

*Resolution for a Gay/Lesbian Chamber of Commerce*

*Resolution for a Village supported by our community*

*Resolution on P-Flag support of our families and friends and on inclusion of transgenders within all such Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual endeavors*

*Resolution Relating to Transgendered Youth*

*Resolution on Support of Education about Transgender Issues*

*Resolution on Increased Training and Sensitivity for Social Service Agencies*

*Resolution on Health Issues for the Transgendered Community*

*Resolution on Religious Rights for the Transgendered Community*

*Resolution on Transgender Union of Purpose to Repeal Texas Penal Code 21.06*

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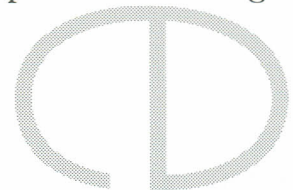
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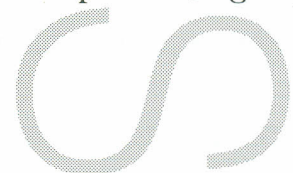
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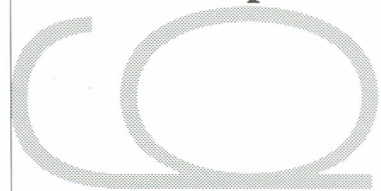
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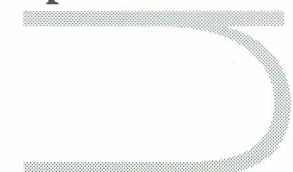
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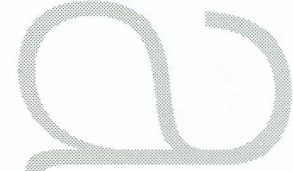
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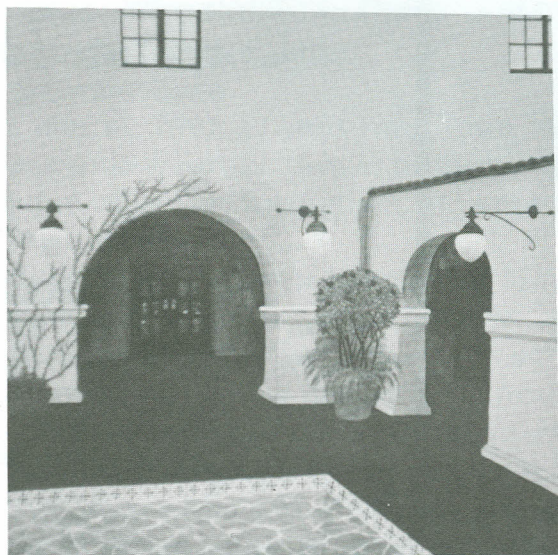
# *Art Expo*

11 am to 7 PM - Exhibit Hall

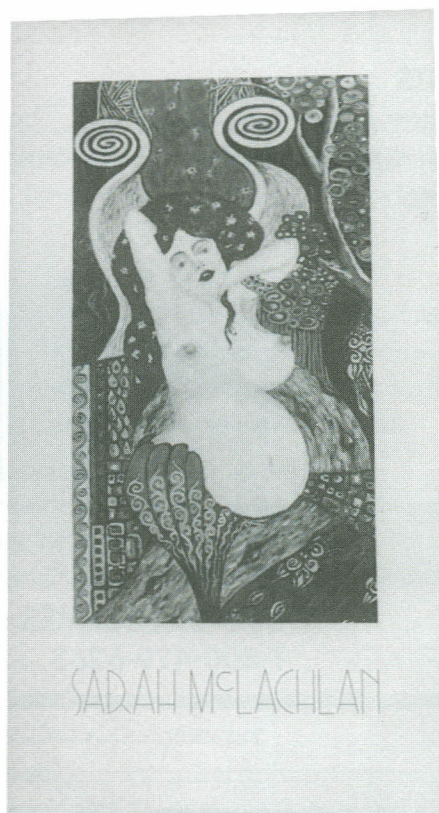
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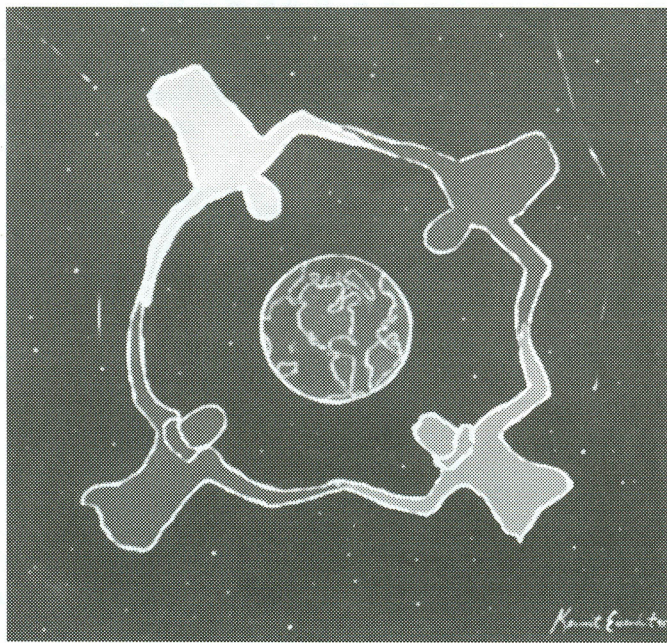
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# Speakers Program

1 PM to 5 PM - 2nd Floor Meeting Room #1



**MJ McKean-Reich**  
Founder & Publisher,  
*Victory! Magazine*

## *Starting Your Own Business*

1 PM

**MJ McKean-Reich**

Founder & Publisher, *Victory! Magazine*

There has never been a better time for starting a small business in the gay & lesbian consumer market. MJ McKean-Reich, the publisher of *Victory! Magazine* will speak on the development of consumer markets historically among various American ethnic and racial groups. Seminar participants will leave with an understanding of which businesses and enterprises are most likely to succeed in today's gay business market. Participants will also be coached on effective ways to market to the gay community.

## *HIV in the Workplace -*

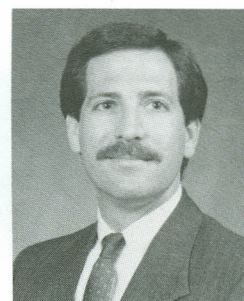
*Balancing the Rights of Employers and Employees*

2 PM

**Mitchell Katine**

Partner, Williams, Birnberg & Andersen, LLP

This program will discuss the delicate balance between an employer's right to hire and retain who they want and the prohibition from discriminating against an employee who is HIV positive. This program will explore the do's and don'ts from the employer and employee perspectives when dealing with an HIV employment Situation.



**Mitchell Katine**  
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## **CHOOSING CHILDREN:**

*Adoption and Co-Parenting Issues for Lesbians and Gay Men.*

3 PM

**Connie Moore**

Partner, *Moore & Hunt, Attorneys*

Many lesbians and gay men want children in their lives. Ms. Moore will explore the options available through adoption and donor insemination. She will give you details about the legal process of adoption, including the rights of lesbian and gay couples adopting together. She will also discuss the insemination process and the legal status of known and unknown donors, the rights and responsibilities of unmarried co-parents, and how gay couples can obtain joint parenting rights through the court system.

# Speakers Program

1 pm to 5 pm - 2nd Floor Meeting Room #1

## *Breast Cancer and Self Exams*

4 PM

*F. Allene King, MD*

*Private Practice*

Did you know that breast cancer is the leading cause of death in women?! In a recent survey conducted by the Lesbian Health Initiative and the Montrose Counseling Center, it was determined that a significant percentage of Gay/Bi/Lesbian Women do not perform and or do not know how to perform self exams in order to screen for breast cancer. Join Dr. King for an informative talk on the early warning signs of breast cancer. Determine your risk level and the how's and why's of self examinations.

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# Speakers Program

1 PM to 5 PM - 2nd Floor Meeting Room #2

## *Lesbian Health Initiative Survey Results*

1 PM

### Panel Discussion

Pat Gandy, Virginia Miller, Becky Proler, Barbara Becker, MPH and Dr. Jacqueline Doval will have a panel discussion on the results of the Gay/Bi/Lesbian women's survey conducted by the Montrose Counseling Center and the Lesbian Health Initiative of Houston. Learn what the women in our community think, feel and preserve health issues and other concerns about their health and their community. Learn about the intriguing results of the survey. What is next? What are your health concerns? How can we improve the quality of health for the women in our community.

## *Book Reading & Signing*

2 PM

Robbi Sommers

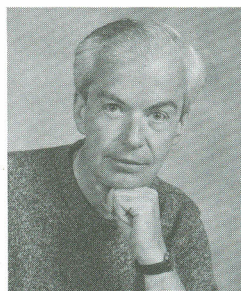
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## *Viatical Settlement or Accelerated Benefits?*

3 PM

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# Speakers Program

1 pm to 5 pm - 2nd Floor Meeting Room #2

## *Financial Planning*

4 PM

Julie LaRue, LUTCF

Financial Advisor, The Acacia Group

In these times of uncertainty, having a piggy bank is just not enough. Ms. LaRue will explain how to let your money work harder for you and how a financial strategy or roadmap can help you. She specializes in helping gay men and women identify their financial goals and implementing strategies to accomplish those goals, whether as individuals, couples or business owners. Ms. LaRue is a Registered Representative and Investment Advisory Associate with The Advisors Group, Inc., the registered broker-dealer and investment advisor of The Acacia Group.



**Julie LaRue,**  
LUTCF  
Financial Advisor,  
*The Acacia Group*



**Connie Moore**  
Partner, *Moore & Hunt,*  
*Attorneys*

## *Document our Relationships*

5 PM

Connie Moore

Partner, Moore & Hunt, Attorneys

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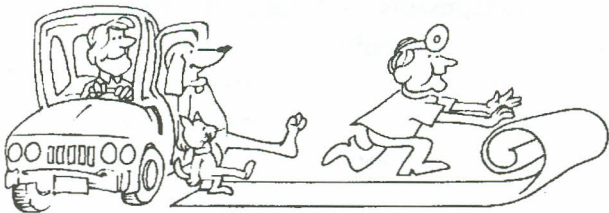
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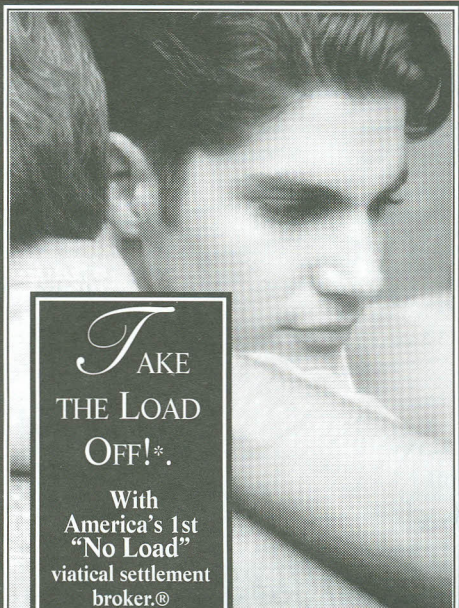
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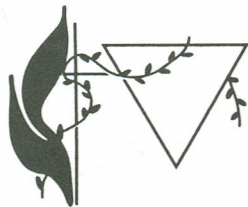
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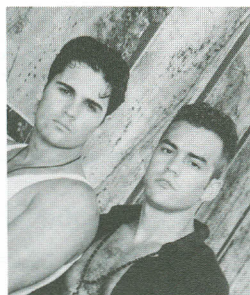
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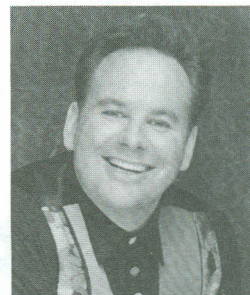
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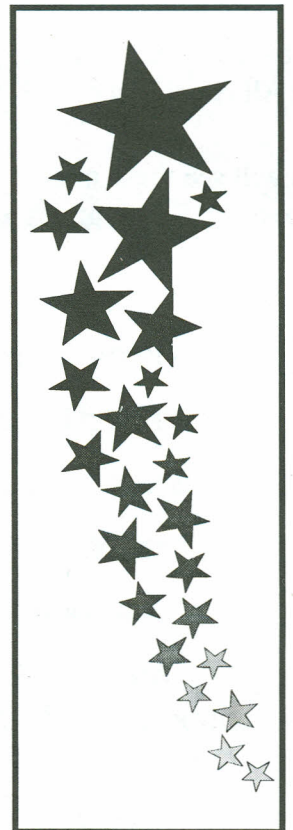
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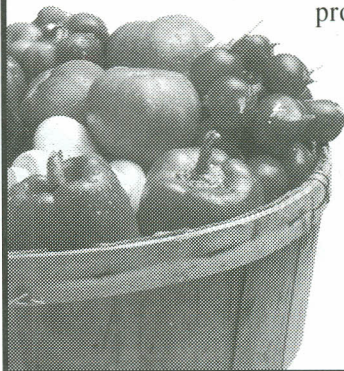


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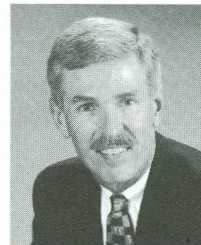
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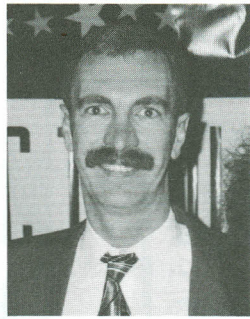
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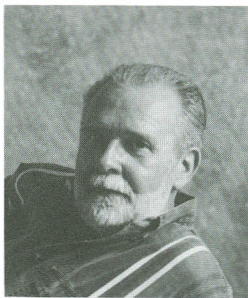


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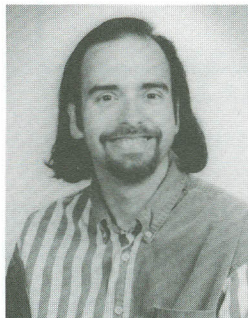
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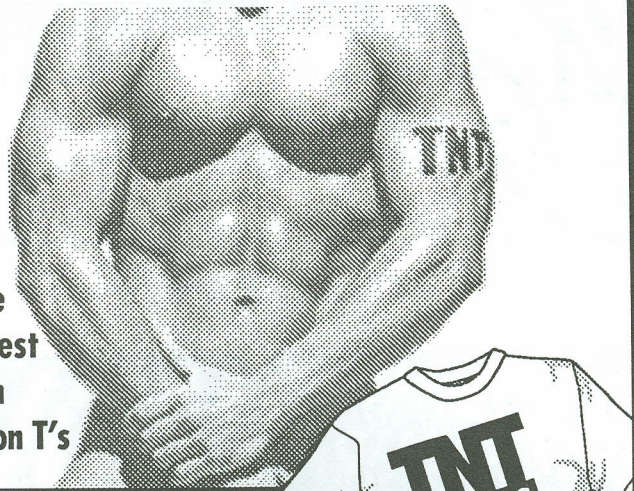
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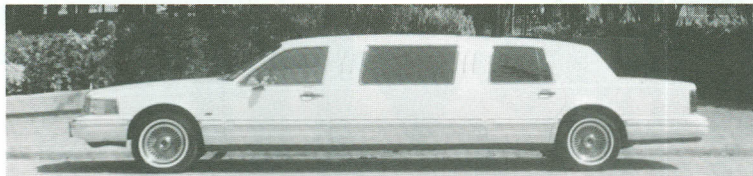
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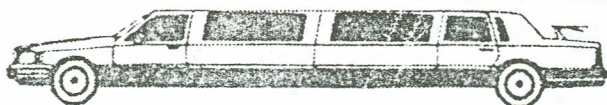


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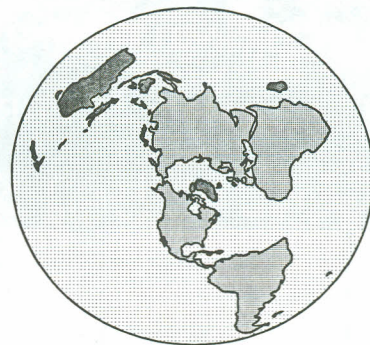
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## SPECTRUM '95 MAKES HISTORY IN HOUSTON

*Organizers Say Planning Already  
Begun on Next Year's Event.*

HOUSTON — Months of hard work and planning came to fruition last Sunday with the presentation of "Spectrum '95," a day-long series of events meant to highlight diverse aspects of the local gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities. The event, apparently the first of its kind in the U.S., was held in the Astroarena complex.



Spectrum '95 founder and director **B. Alan Bourgeois** [r] presented a certificate of appreciation to **D.J. Jecker** of Watermark Printing, one of the event sponsors.

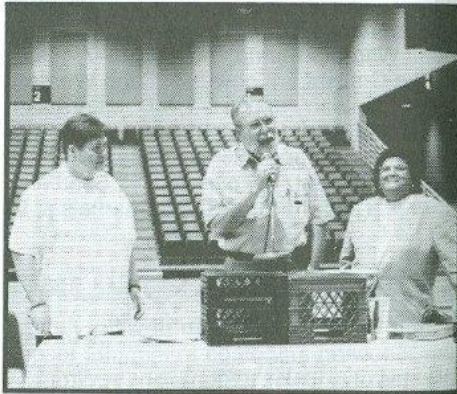
"The Business Expo surpassed my expectations," said Spectrum '95 founder and director B. Alan Bourgeois, referring to exhibits by local and national businesses, organizations and media. "They [exhibitors] were very pleased, ecstatic." Spectrum president Ray Hill agreed, saying that in chatting with exhibitors he had not encountered a single person hesitant about returning next year.

Bourgeois said initial estimates were that over 2,000 had attended last Sunday's series of events, which included a six-hour "Concert of the Stars," an Art Expo, a Speakers Program covering a variety of topics, sidestage entertainment and "Town Meeting II." He admitted being disappointed that attendance at the six-hour concert was lower than expected, but said that was understandable in view of its length and the fact that it lasted till late Sunday night.



*Painted Faces* were among performers in "Concert of the Stars" last Sunday evening.

Attendance at Town Meeting II was very light, leading participants to question whether that event should proceed and consider proposals that would potentially affect the entire community. After moderator Linda Morales called for discussion, it was decided that resolutions would be heard and voted upon by those in attendance.



Activist **Ray Hill** [c] addressed participants in Town Meeting II, which was conducted by **Deborah Bell** [l] and moderator **Linda Morales** [r].

Hill proposed three resolutions calling on community and business leaders to begin moving toward organizing gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender economic strength; to consider the creation of a "chamber of commerce" serving the community; and to make plans for the development of an "urban village" that would encompass the Montrose area and potentially other neighborhoods. After some discussion, those resolutions passed.

Fourteen resolutions calling for greater inclusiveness of transgendered people and

sensitivity to their issues on the part of community organizations, businesses, law enforcement and the media were made by Dee McKellar, who serves as secretary of Spectrum '95. All 14 passed unanimously.

Bourgeois said he has already received expressions of support and even financial commitments for a Spectrum '96, tentatively set to be held next year on June 1 and 2 at the Astroarena. The group holds a board meeting next week, after which regular general monthly meetings will be held to encourage public input and assistance in planning next year's event.

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