

HOUSTON NEW WALL 25

HOUSTON LESBIAN & GAY PRIDE WEEK 1994

April 1994

Julie Siska and Ray Ramirez, Co-Chairs

1994 Grand Marshals Selected

At the March 15th general meeting of the Pride Committee, Grand Marshals were selected. Each nominee was given the opportunity to have someone speak on their behalf. The voting was done by secret ballot by all voting members. To be a voting member, one had to attend two consecutive general meetings. When all was said and done, (and there was a lot to be said) the voting resulted in the following winners:

Male Grand Marshal:	Jay Allen
Female Grand Marshal:	Cecily Wynne
Honorary Grand Marshal:	Claire Koepsel
Organization:	Q-Patrol

Congratulations to all our winners and nominees. Simply being nominated for this is an honor in itself.

Parade is WHEN?

Due to a city ordinance, we are unable to hold this year's Lesbian/Gay Pride Parade at 12:00noon. Therefore, the parade time has been changed to 1:00pm. Mark this on your calendars! (You can use permanent ink this time!)



The time for the Rally is not affected by the change in the parade time.

The Rally will still begin at 4:30pm.

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Pride Week Events

As part of the 25th Anniversary of the Stonewall Riots in New York, the Pride Committee of Houston is already gearing up for an outstanding week of celebration and pride. Part of our week long activities during Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week '94 include Pride Week Events which serve to entertain, educate, and bring together our brothers and sisters in the gay and lesbian community.

We anticipate this year's Pride Week Events to be the best ever as we incorporate the 25th Anniversary of Stonewall in with our own Pride Week celebration. I invite you to sponsor a Pride Week Event to be held anytime during the week of June 3 - June 12, 1994. Your event can be anything from social activities, seminars, workshops, concerts, benefits, and can include any theme or topic that would benefit our community. Sponsoring an event not only serves our community but also provides a great opportunity for the sponsor of the event to receive publicity and exposure to the community.

If you are interested in hosting an event during Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week '94, please contact Darren Armstrong or James Robles through the Pride Line at (713) 529-6979.

James Robles
Darren Armstrong
Pride Week Events

HOW TO REACH THE PRIDE COMMITTEE:

PRIDE COMMITTEE OF HOUSTON
PO Box 66071
HOUSTON, TX 77266-6071
PHONE: 529-6979
FAX: 529-1223
E-MAIL PRIDEHOUTX@AOL.COM
OUR NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 19TH
AT THE METROPOLITAN
MULTI-SERVICE CENTER,
1475 WEST GRAY @ 7:00PM

Come as you are -  - Grow With Us!

MCCR

Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection

HOUSTON

1919 Decatur Houston, TX 77007 713-861-9149



SUNDAY WORSHIP...

8:30 AM, **Holy Eucharist Worship**

(45 minutes in length)

10:45 AM, **Traditional Worship**

(Service Signed / Youth Education / Nursery Facilities Provided)

6:00 PM, **PRAISE Evangelical Worship**

("People Raising Alleluias In Spiritual Excitement")

"ABUNDANT LIFE" BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays, 7:00 PM

"EMPOWERMENT" HIV SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesdays, 6:30 PM

CODA

(Co-Dependents Anonymous)

Tuesdays & Fridays, 7:00 PM

Bi-Net

(Bi-Sexual Support Group)

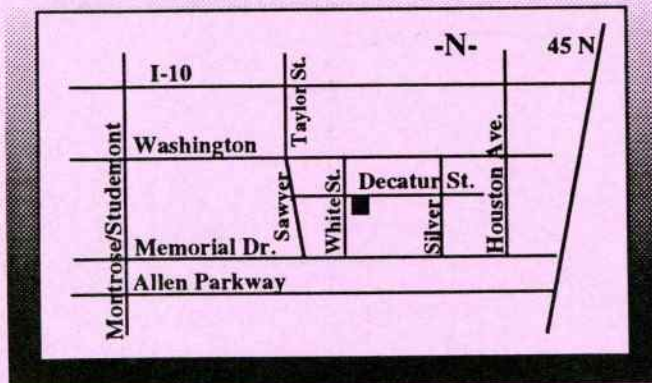
Wednesdays, 7:00 PM

SORA

(Sex Or Relationship Addicts Anonymous)

(Lesbian Support Group)

Wednesdays, 7:00 PM



Rev. John Gill, Pastor

Rev. Carolyn Mobley, Assistant Pastor

To Our Leaders

As a young and upcoming leader in this community, I often find myself asking questions. By nature, I am a curious person. Sometimes, this gets the best of me, but at other times, I look at it as an opportunity. An opportunity to work with and get to know some of the current and past leaders of the community. To find out where they came from, and who taught them to lead. Who showed them the ropes, so to speak. As someone who wants to get involved and participate, as much as my time allows, I go to different organizational meetings and sit in as a newcomer. I generally say little if anything at all. I'm the one in the back corner just sitting there... watching.

When I first came to the Pride Committee, I went to the first meeting and said nothing. I sat next to Ray Ramirez, one of our committee co-chairs, and watched the natural course of business. I was later invited to stay for the board meeting, which I did, saying nothing. Having become an active part of this committee, I have noticed several things about our community in general.

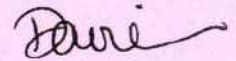
Based upon my limited experience in activism, I have noticed that our respected leaders are, generally speaking, older people. But, my question is this: when these older leaders are no longer active, who will take their place? The answer is a resounding one: the young people will lead.

Now is the time for our older leaders to begin teaching us how to lead. Not just now, but all the time. It should be an ongoing process. In the future, it won't be as easy as reading the by-laws of an organization and being able to decipher what the original intentions of an organization were. Many of our organizations are based on traditions and customs that often won't be found in the by-laws or constitution.

As a "leader wanna be" I speak for all of the up and coming leaders of this community. Don't forget about us. Don't assume that we will automatically know what to do or how to do it. Teach us. Take us under your wings and show us. Introduce us to people. Point us in the right direction and give us the instructions that we need to lead. Give us the chance to make mistakes, but be there to catch us if we fall. Be open to new ideas. And don't be so quick to criticize new ideas. Have an open mind and be willing. Be willing to try different methods to achieve the same goal. But most importantly, be patient with us. You were once in our shoes.

We all have one common denominator: We are all a part of the lesbian and gay community. And we all have

an underlying goal: to continue with the work that has been laid before us until the day comes when all of our efforts will have paid off.



David White is the co-chair of the Newsletter Committee of the Lesbian/Gay Pride Week 1994. Opinions in this article do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Pride Committee of Houston.

Stonewall 25 Houston

On June 26, 1994 representatives from 162 countries will march on the United Nations Building in New York City. All facets of our global family will come together in a unified action. This international movement will show the diversity of our community, and our unity of purpose will capture world wide attention. Our avowed task: to eradicate homophobia from our villages, cities, provinces, nations... and our planet!



Houston is taking its place with the rest of the country, and the world, to see that our voices are heard. The Stonewall '94 Houston Chapter will promote outreach, media and public relations, merchandising, travel logistics, and most importantly fundraising. What can you do? Be there -- the world needs to know that YOU are here. Volunteer -- there are many projects that need your expertise. Donate -- we will assist the national committee in raising over \$2 million plus the money needed to help promote Houston and our region.

For donations, make checks payable to:
Stonewall '94 - Houston Chapter
1572 West Grey #327
Houston TX 77019

For information contact:

Graig Williams (Chairperson)	272-0656
Jim Ewing (Fundraising Co-Chair)	528-6835

Pride Committee's Mail Man - James Robles

James Robles is the newest member of the Pride Week Team. He is our new Pride Week Events Co-Chair. James is the general manager of Maleman Fanzine, Houston's only free bi-weekly gay, lesbian, bisexual, transexual, transgender, and pansexual ALLFUN publication. Maleman Fanzine is committed to providing an "escapism" type of "laugh-at-ourselves" humorous viewpoints on the lighter side of life as an alternative to the over hanging shadow of AIDS that has devastated our communities.

Providing the community with a "1960's style underground" formatted fun magazine, affectionately known as a Fanzine, whose members write and contribute articles and short stories of a broad and varied interest. The only gay and lesbian magazine that espouses a "No politics, No AIDS, No obituaries, No 900 numbers, and NO BOREDOM" editorial policy! Maleman Fanzines' purpose is simple: To put the "unity" back in "community" through laughter, fun, and with community involvement.

Maleman may be reached at 7710-T Cherry Park Drive, Suite 202, Houston, TX 77095. Phone 859-5852, FAX 859-5959.



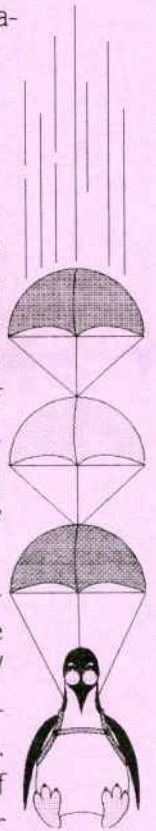
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WITH
Us!

Lambda Roller Skate Club
Skate Nights Are Now Held On
The First, Third and
Fifth Tuesdays
of the Month
From 7:30 to 10:30pm
Hobby Skate World
6804 Easthaven
(Just Outside the Loop
on I-45 and Monroe)
As Always Admission Is \$5
Which Includes Skates
Call Keith At 933-5818
For Information

Queer Droppings

The TriAngels Skydiving Team of Houston, the world's first gay/lesbian skydiving organization will be diving from the wild blue yonder into the Rally as part of the festivities on June 12, 1994. According to founder, John Grisak, the nonprofit organization began only six months ago, but already has over 30 members. They have since gained national recognition with feature articles in "Out," "Genre," "The Advocate" and others. They are presently filming a documentary on their activities which will be released worldwide at gay film festivals. The Houston Stonewall Rally jump will be part of the film, so lets all turn out and be included in the revelry! We will be seeing much more of them in the future at Pride Week celebrations, Gay Rodeos, Gay Games IV, Stonewall and elsewhere. Look for their parade entry and booth at the Rally as well!

The ultimate goal of the TriAngels, besides having a blast, is to serve as positive role models and break stereotypes of the Gay/Lesbian community. New interested members are always welcome, as well as sponsors. They jump 3-4 times per week, taking off from the Houston Gulf Airport south of Clear Lake. For more information contact John Grisak at 488-0202. Thanks to the TriAngels for being part of this year's celebrations. Anyone for a jump?



Pump That Thing!

Pumped Up On Art is looking for gay and lesbian artists for an exhibition during Gay Pride Week. The show will feature pumps individually designed, decorated, or used as part of a sculpture (the shoes are provided) by willing artists in addition to autographed heels from Texas celebrities. These shoes will be auctioned and funds contributed to Bering Foundation (an AIDS Care Center and Dental Center for PWA's) and the Dizinger Foundation (Center that assists those living with AIDS) and the Pride Committee of Houston (sponsors of Lesbian/Gay Pride Week 1994). Please contact The Art Gallery on Audubon, where the "pumps" will be on display before the auction. Contact Judith Harper at 942-9245 or Lissa Douglas at 523-9398 for more information.

JULIA A. SISKA

Certified Public Accountant



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ABS Hits the Airways

By now you have probably seen the first segment of Pride TV on Access Channel 17. If not, there are several air-dates in April including April Fool's Day at 5:30pm, April 2nd at 4:30pm, April 3rd at 7:30am, April 4th at 6:30pm, April 5th at 7:30pm, and April 6th at 9:30pm. Keep an eye out for Segment 2 starring Julia Siska, Pride Week Co-Chair.

Alternative Broadcasting System (ABS) is assisting The Pride Committee of Houston in bringing Pride TV into your living room. ABS is the only openly gay and lesbian television production group in Houston. You may know them as the ones that bring the Pride Parade to the Access Channel. ABS believes in getting gay and lesbian events and issues on the air to educate and inform and is preparing a new show dealing with life in Montrose. In addition to Mike Stubblefield and Howard McHale, Jeannine Caracciolo handles cameras and editing for the group.

Television is a new medium for the Pride Week volunteers and is not meant to be a difficult and mysterious endeavor for the professionals. This is made available

for you. If you have an interest in writing, directing or doing anything creative for television, this is your chance. ABS will be helping anyone who needs direction. Hopefully by the third or fourth show Pride Week volunteers and friends will be handling the entire production. We provide the equipment, you just bring the ideas.

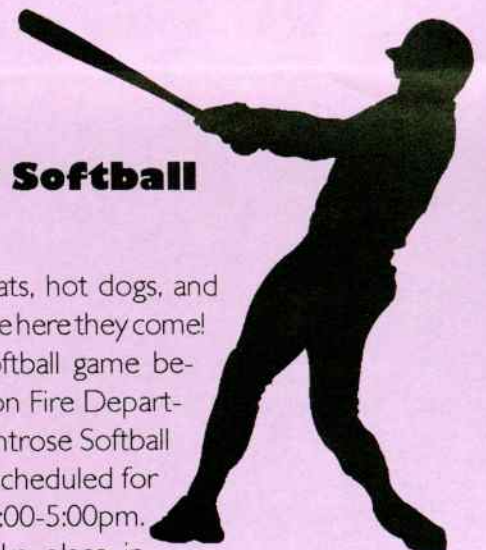
Jeannine began at ABS with a graphics design degree and an interest in what video and television can do. Within a year, she went from having little experience to having learned to operate professional cameras, write scripts, and edit shows. This is a great opportunity to try it all for free and have your work on TV.

Out of Your Pumps and Into the Streets!

The Westheimer Street Fest is scheduled for April 16th and 17th. Pride Committee of Houston will be stationed in front of historic Mary's (Naturally!) on Westheimer. Pride Committee T-Shirts, HouStonewall 25 T's, and miscellaneous other merchandise will all be for sale. Make sure you drop by and check out this year's committee members!

Pride Week merchandise is also available at Basic Brothers and Pacific Street. You may buy your T-Shirts at these locations before the Street Fest. HouStonewall 25 T-shirts are \$12.

HOUSTONEWALL 25



Let's Play Softball

Grab your hats, hot dogs, and pom-poms because here they come! The traditional softball game between the Houston Fire Department and the Montrose Softball League has been scheduled for June 4th from 12:00-5:00pm. The game will take place in Memorial Park on Diamond #1. There is a possibility that two games might be played. Admission to the game is \$2.

LESBIAN AND GAY VOICES

HOUSTON'S RADIO PROGRAM
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MUSIC AND COMMUNITY NEWS
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289-2700 FOR MORE INFORMATION

Q Patrol

Needs Volunteers and Donations.
If you feel you can offer your time or
would like to make a donation, please call
871-8519 for more information.

Parade, Rally and Events Applications

Applications for this year's Parade, Rally and Events were mailed on March 21st. If you are interested in having a parade entry, a rally booth or a Pride Week event, and do not receive your applications in the mail, then please call the Pride Line at 529-6979 or FAX a request at 529-1223.

The deadline for these applications is May 24th without a penalty. After May 24th, there is a \$40 late fee. Mail in your applications early to guarantee your parade position.

Organizations which participate in the parade MUST attend a MANDATORY meeting on May 31st regarding parade rules, regulations, and line up positions. Mark these dates on your calendars!

T-OFF

HouStonewall 25 T-shirts are now available at the following locations:

Pacific Street
Basic Brothers



T-Shirts are \$12. Buy now and get the size and color you want! All proceeds from the T-Shirts go toward covering the costs of the 1994 Lesbian/Gay Pride Parade.

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What's Going On . . .

April 3rd * DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

April 3rd * Easter Sunday Worship * 10:45am * MCCR * For Details See Page 2

April 5th * Lambda Roller Skating * 7:30-10:30pm * Hobby Skate World * 6804 Easthaven (off I-45 and Monroe) * \$5 (includes skates) * 933-5818

April 6th * Gay/Lesbian Political Caucus * 7:00pm * Stouffer Hotel

April 6th * Men's Network * 7:00-9:00pm * Montrose Counseling Center * 701 Richmond * 529-0037

April 8th * Astro Rainbow Alliance of Deaf * 7:30 * 1-800-735-2988 for information

April 9th * "Geriatric Park" - 41st Annual Diana Foundation Award Show * 8:00pm * Majestic Metro * Tickets \$50 (benefitting AIDS related charities)

April 9th * Candlelight Bowling * 7:00pm * Fairlanes Southway * Info - Ken 461-2516

April 10th * Body Positive Spring Picnic * 3:00-5:00pm * Metropolitan Multi-Service Center * 1475 West Gray * 524-2374

April 10th * P-FLAG * 2:00pm * St. Francis Episcopal Church * 345 Piney Point Road * 867-9020

April 12th * AIDS Equity League * 12:00 * Charlie's Restaurant * 871-0092

April 13th * Women's Network * 7:00-9:00pm * Montrose Counseling Center * 701 Richmond * 529-0037

April 13th * Team Houston * 7:00pm * 811 Westheimer

April 13th * GLHU * Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray * 7:00pm

April 15th * Newsletter DEADLINE

April 16th * "Homosexuality and the Bible" * 10:00am * MCCR * For Details See Page 2

April 19th * Lambda Roller Skating * 7:30-10:30pm * Hobby Skate World * 6804 Easthaven (off I-45 and Monroe) * \$5 (includes skates) * 933-5818

April 19th * Pride Week 1994 General Meeting * 7:00pm

April 20th * Houston International Festival

April 24th * "Hairspray" - A Musical * 7:00pm * Brazos River Bottom * Benefitting The Garden Party * Roni Hulin * 864-9400

April 24-25th * Spiritual Renewal with Rev. Jeri Ann Harvey * MCCR * For Details See Page 2

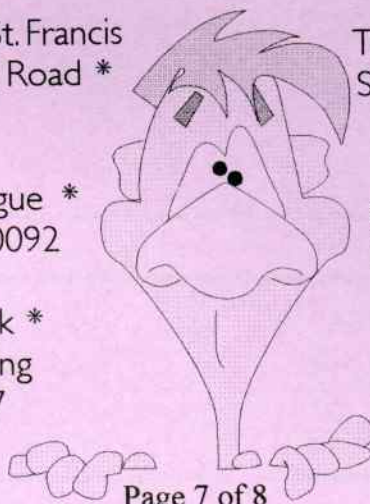
April 25th * AGORA * 7:00pm * Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray

As Always:

ACT-UP Gulf Coast meets every Thursday at 9:30pm, 3400 Montrose, Suite 520, 523-9199

BiNET meets every Wednesday at 7:00pm, MCCR Church, 1919 Decatur, 861-9149

Stonewall 25 Houston Chapter, every Tuesday at 7:00pm, 3400 Montrose, Suite 520 (ACT-UP Office), 528-6835





Donation Form

There is a cost to bring you this newsletter. If you can make a donation for the newsletter or for Pride Week in general, it would be greatly appreciated. Contributions are tax deductible, and acknowledgement will be made in the newsletter (optional) and written acknowledgement will be made upon request.

Name _____ Donation _____

Address _____

YES! Acknowledge me in the newsletter.



Change of Address

Would you like to add your name to our mailing list? Have you moved?

Name _____ Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone Day _____ Phone Night _____ FAX _____



Do you need applications for PARADE, RALLY or EVENTS?
Fill out this application and mail or fax it (see information below).

Name _____ Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone Day _____ Phone Night _____ FAX _____

Application requested:

- PARADE
- RALLY
- EVENTS

SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:
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HOUSTON, TX 77266-6071

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PRIDE WEEK EVENT Application

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DATE SUBMITTED		\$10 ENTRY FEE MUST BE INCLUDED*	
SUBMITTED BY		CONTACT PERSON	
TELEPHONE DAY		TELEPHONE EVENING	
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION			
FIRST DATE REQUESTED		TIME	
SECOND DATE REQUESTED		TIME	
ADDRESS			
CITY		ST	ZIP
TITLE OF EVENT			
DESCRIPTION (use back if needed)			
NUMBER OF PEOPLE EXPECTED		DEADLINE: April 15, 1993	
SUGGESTED ATTIRE			
LOCATION		COST / DONATION	
ALLOCATION OF COLLECTED FUNDS			
PLEASE DO NOT WRITE IN SHADED AREA		INITIALS	
DATE RECEIVED		DATE CONFIRMED	
COMMENTS			
PLEASE RETURN TO: Event Committee Lesbian/Gay Pride 1994 Box 66071 Houston, TX 77266-6071		HOUSTON LESBIAN GAY PRIDE WEEK JUNE 3-12, 1994 PRIDE WEEK INFORMATION: 713-529-6979 FAX 529-1223 * Along with the \$10 entry fee, the Executive Team requests four tickets of your event to help defray our attendance cost. If you need assistance with finding a meeting place, please tell us so in this application. Deadline: April 15, 1993	