

# HOUSTON PRIDE

HOUSTON LESBIAN AND GAY PRIDE WEEK 1996

MAY 1996

## From the Pride Parade Co-Chairs

**Robin Duncan & Ray Ramirez**

**P**ride Week is almost upon us again, and it should be noted by those who have something to sell that the Pride Parade and associated events are one of the best opportunities to market to the lesbian and gay community. We're asking that you plan now what your organization or business would like to accomplish during June 14 through 23.

To bring this thing off, we're going to need the help of volunteers. We intend to streamline the mandatory meeting for volunteers and registration procedures to be held at 7 p.m. June 11 at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center at 1475 West Gray at Waugh.

Also, our parade staging area will still be around Lanier Junior High School on Westheimer. It is our intention to have more parade committee volunteers assisting with

the parade. Abercrombie's office has assured the committee that the officers to be on duty are sensitive to alternative lifestyles. We as responsible citizens must abide by many rules and regulations in order to have a parade. We have assured the constable's office that our community will do so. If you need to report an incident of non-compliance with rules of the parade or applicable laws, please see a parade staff member.

The theme "Pride Knows No Borders" brings to mind many interpretations. Remember, we reserve the right to remove any individual or organization that is not in compliance with the rules and regulations set forth by the Pride Committee. If your organization does not have a sign already made, general guidelines we recommend are that it be three feet by eight feet with a PVC frame. The Pride Committee must abide by

## 1996 Pride Merchandise Available

This year's logo, "Pride Knows No Borders," is now available on T-shirts and tank-tops. Both T-shirts and tanks are white with the logo printed across the chest. The shirts are 100 percent cotton and are available in small, medium, large and extra-large. The price remains the same as last year, \$10.00. One improvement over last year is smaller arm holes in the tanks, which should be welcome news to the ladies. Starting April 21, T-Shirts and tanks can be found at Inklings, Lobo, Crossroads Market, Basic Brothers and Wear It Again Sam's. Check next month's newsletter for other locations. Also new this year are our adjustable bottle straps. The strap is designed with a rubber ring that fits over the neck of any size bottle. It frees up your hands for other things but keeps your drink handy. The straps, a very popular item at the Westheimer Street Festival, will be available in rainbow colors with

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Pride Committee of Houston, Inc. is a non-profit (c)(3) organization whose purpose is to coordinate and promote events which celebrate the diversity, unity and history of the Lesbian and Gay Community. We do not discriminate on the basis of color, gender, transgender or bi-sexual identification, the physically challenged or differently abled or on the basis of age.

We are here to commemorate, educate and celebrate our pride and to create a path towards a positive future for all humanity not to exclude any segment of who we are as a people.

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Water stations will be available at staging and route areas of the parade. Portable restrooms will be on Harold St. Please remember to bring a trash bag or two and use them. Please be responsible for the litter of your own group and report incidents of littering to parade staff. The parade staff will be identified by Pride Parade Staff/Parade Volunteer T-shirts.

Security for the parade and festival will be provided by Constable Jack Abercia's of-

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If you would like to volunteer for the parade committee, please call the Pride line, 521-6979 and ask that someone from the parade committee return your call. We look forward to seeing you at the parade.

"Each new day is an opportunity to start all over... to cleanse our minds and to make hearts anew and to clarify our vision."

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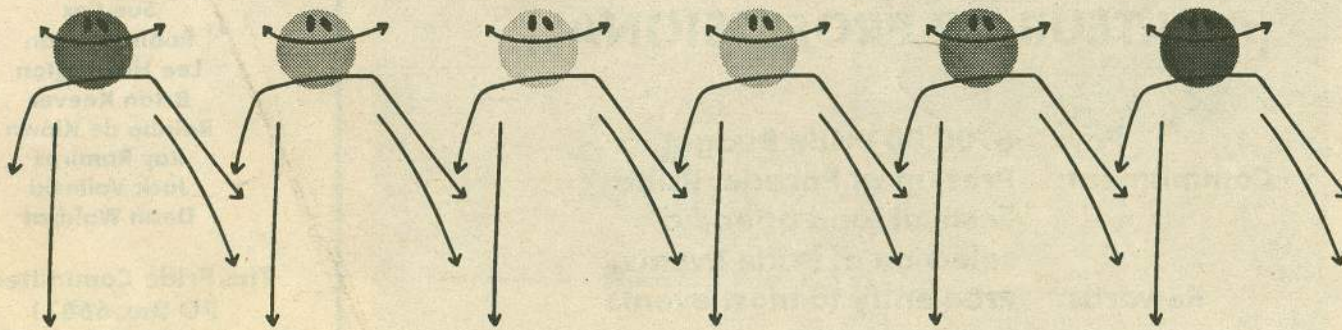
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Pride knows no borders.

## BUNNIES

What started as an informal backyard party about 16 years ago is now what you know as Bunnies on the Bayou, the Easter Sunday fund-raiser that this year raised more than \$20,000 for gay and lesbian related charities.

"It basically started in someone's backyard as an Easter party, and it continued to grow and grow and grow," said Jim Taylor, president of the Bunnies organization. "For many years, it was held on Polk Street at an apartment complex around the pool. That's where we started initially just asking for food donations for Stone Soup food pantry, and then I think it was in 1991 that we moved it down to the Wortham Center Fish Plaza."

Bunnies has been so successful, drawing more than 2,300 this year, that the Wortham Center site is growing cramped. "I'm sure we'll do something similar this year. It may be at the same location. It may not. Basically, we're bursting at the seams. We can barely get any more people in there it's so crowded." However, if a park expansion is completed by Easter 1997, the venue will likely remain the same as there will be more space available.

Of the money raised by Bunnies this year, the Pride Committee will receive about \$4,500, Taylor said. Last year, Bunnies gave the Pride Committee about \$2,500.

## PRIDE COMMITTEE IN-KIND DONATION WISH LIST

Individuals, groups or organizations wishing to assist Houston Pride Committee may want to consider purchasing or donating those items listed on our wish list. For more information, please call Teri Vega at 529-6979.

- Office Space - (large house or apartment)
- File Cabinets
- Fax Machine
- Copy Machine
- Desks or Tables
- Office Chairs
- Telephones
- Office Supplies

What counts is not the number of hours you put in, but how much you put in the hours.

## TROPHIES TO BE AWARDED

Entries in this year's Pride Parade looks promising. This may be our last Parade on Sunday afternoon, and we plan to make it a spectacular one. You may want to be a part of it. It's exciting and it's fun. We'd like you to join us!!

To help encourage you, your entry may qualify for the following categories:

- λ Grand Marshal Trophy - best interpretation of the theme by an entry other than a non-profit organization
- λ Spirit of Montrose - best interpretation of the theme by an entry other than a non-profit organization
- λ Pride Trophy - best motorized entry other than a float (car, truck, etc.)
- λ Unity Trophy - best non-motorized entry
- λ Texas Trophy - best Professional float
- λ Houston Trophy - best non-professional float
- λ Stonewall Trophy - most original float
- λ Houstonwall 25 - best out of town

## PRIDE COMMITTEE OF HOUSTON INC.

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# W A N T E D

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Bunnies party hosts are invited to join the Bunnies group that puts on the party. The group is never larger than 30 members. This year there were 29 who contributed their time and money to making the party a success. Sponsors and contributors also support the party. For instance, this year's biggest item, beer, was picked up by a sponsor who made an in-kind contribution.

Other organizations who will benefit from this year's Bunnies party are the Assistance Fund, the PWA Coalition, the Montrose Clinic. Also, Stone Soup receives food donations every year. For the first time this year, Street Wise will receive the donations of toiletry items.

"One thing I think is something we're very proud of is 100 percent of everything that is donated at the Easter Sunday event goes to the charities. None of the money that's donated on Easter Sunday pays for the party," Taylor said. The hosts and sponsors paid about \$13,000 to put on this year's party.

The non-profit 501(c)(3) status of Bunnies is pending with the IRS. If you would like to make a donation or would like more information on Bunnies on the Bayou, write to P.O. Box 66832.

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## W A N T E D F U N D R A I S I N G C O - C H A I R S

**Pay:** No Pay  
**Commitment:** Long Hours  
**Duties:** Develop joint efforts with other non-profit organizations. Ensure completion of currently scheduled fundraising events. Develop and produce fun events.  
**Rewards:** Community supporter, Exposure of your talents.  
**Apply:** 713-529-6979

## VIDEO PERSON (AMATEUR OR PROFESSIONAL)

**Pay:** \$700.00 Pride Budget  
**Commitment:** Present at Parade, Pride Festival, and attend a selection of Pride Events.  
**Rewards:** Free entry to most events  
**Apply:** 713-529-6979

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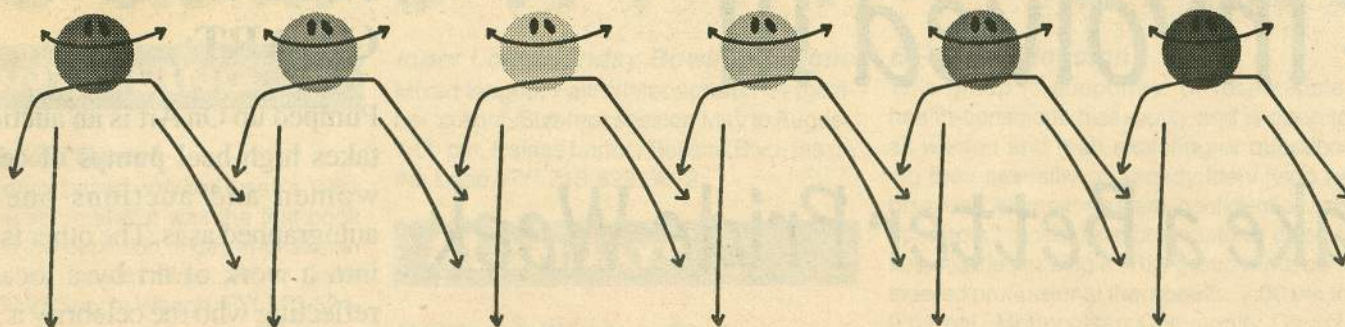
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## Houston Lesbian & Gay Pride Week 1996

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Pacific Street

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Mark your calendar. If you have not purchased your booth location for Pride Fest, now is a good time to call and reserve one (529-6979). Last year we sold out of spaces. We would like to have the same results again this year. If you know of companies or organizations who would like to join us, invite them to call us.

For a donation, visitors will be entertained by Bronski Beat and the headliners is CeCe Penniston.

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# Get Involved !!!

## Join Us to Make a Better Pride Week

### Events

This committee stimulates interest and gathers applications to schedule community activities during Pride Week for publication in the Pride Guide and other media releases. Lots of fun, lots of work, lots of opportunities to meet people and be in the know.

### Fund-raising

A year-round committee that thinks up and produces fun events that raise funds for the Pride Committee's operations budget. The committee also develops joint efforts with other non-profit organizations. If you want to be involved with only one project or event, come join us. Ideas are always welcome.

### Media, outreach, video

This committee reaches out locally, statewide and nationally via print and broadcast media to let everyone know what the Pride Committee is doing. The committee also promotes interest in Gay and Lesbian Pride

mail to the Post Office.

### Merchandising

This committee selects merchandise to sell, solicits bids, places orders and coordinates sales parties. The group consists of people who like to meet new people.

### Newsletter

Once a month throughout the year, the Pride Committee publishes a newsletter (this one, in fact). Members of this committee find out what is happening with the other committees and report on the progress and development of Pride Week and other community activities. The committee solicits articles and produces the newsletter. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in writing articles or gaining valuable experience with print media.

### Pride Guide

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### Parade

This committee is in charge of hundreds of people marching down Westheimer. The committee seeks sponsorships, obtains insurance, organizes with the police and health department, arranges cleanup, obtains city permits, sends applications to participants, organizes parade volunteers, finds judges, assembles reviewing stands, handles street decorations, trophies, Pride Committee transportation and orders banners. This committee needs many people with strong organizational and communication skills to make it work.

### Pride Fest

This group isn't happy unless there's a huge party waiting to reward our marchers and attendees at the parade's end. They find entertainment, solicit vendors, decorate the grounds, coordinating efforts with the Parade Committee.

### Volunteers

## PUMPED UP ON ART:

Pumped up On Art is an auction that takes high-heel pumps of celebrity women and auctions one shoe, autographed as is. The other is turned into a work of art by a local artist reflecting who the celebrity is. Shoes already have arrived from Gloria Estefan, Dionne Warwick, Sally Jesse Raphael, CeCe Penniston and Ruth Buzzie, as well as others. Promises of shoes to come are in from The Pointer Sisters, Morgan Fairchild, Charro and Elton John.

This event, in conjunction with Pride Fest '96, will raise money for Milam House, The Gay & Lesbian Switchboard and The Texas Lesbian Conference. Pride Fest '96 is a free, outdoor concert immediately following the Lesbian & Gay Pride Parade. Pride Fest '95, a first-attempt at this format, saw 8,000 attendees by official police count following the parade to a concert featuring Houston's own Pinque Chicago House Divae Dajae and Lesbian Dance Band Fem 2 Fem. Pride Fest '96 will expand on the success of last year's event by adding even more and bigger talent. The line-up for the 1996 event includes the stage debut of up and coming Houston singer Maison and

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### Mailouts

Every month, we publish this newsletter and once a year we mail 5,000 Pride Guides. This committee learns the U.S. Postal Service routines, organizes mailout materials, provides motivational food and music for volunteers at the mailouts and delivers bags of completed Pride

other community activities. The committee solicits articles and produces the newsletter. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in writing articles or gaining valuable experience with print media.

### Pride Guide

Once a year, the Pride Committee publishes the Pride Guide. The publication is distributed in time to promote Pride Week. It contains a resource guide that is a listing of local organizations and services. This committee solicits advertising to offset its costs, gathers and develops content, designs, produces and distributes the guides. If you've ever wanted to gain large-scale print media experience, then this is the committee for you.

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### Volunteers

Throughout the year, this group coordinates volunteers for mailouts, merchandising events, fund-raising events and, most particularly, during Pride Week. Participating in this committee means greeting new volunteers, getting to know them and helping them discover where their talents and skills can best be used.

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## PRIDE COMMITTEE THANKS

### BUNNIES ON THE BAYOU

On behalf of the Pride Committee of Houston, Inc., I want to express a sincere Thank You to Bunnies on the Bayou for their generous grant of \$4,565.

Thanks to your generosity Pride Committee of Houston will in turn raise funds to assist other local organization, as well as meet our projected budget for 1996. In light of your support we will continue to provide the community a just cause for celebration!

With Sincere Gratitude,  
Teri Vega  
Pride Week Co-Chair '96

# Join Us to Make a Better Pride Week

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### CONTINUING

#### **The Celluloid Closet**

A documentary based on Vito Russo's 1981 book of the same title, it was the first book to chronicle the depiction of gay and lesbian characters in popular films, River Oaks Plaza, 2009 W Gray at Waugh, FYI 713-524-2175

#### **The Birdcage**

Remake of La Cage Aux Folies starring Robin Williams, Various area theaters, FYI 713-444-FILM

#### **Antonia's Line**

Story of a woman looking back on her life and times, includes lesbian subplot, Landmark Greenway, Houston TX, FYI 713-626-0402

#### **Brain Candy**

New Movie from the Kids in the Hall, Cineplex Odeon River Oaks, 1450 West Gray, FYI 713-626-0402

#### **The Ten Percent Revue**

The quintessential gay musical revue, \$10, runs until June 16, 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm, FYI 713-522-2204

### SUNDAYS

#### **Houston Chain Gang Bicycle Club**

Different rides every week and different levels, Easy Riders (Montrose area rides), Chainsmokers (faster/longer rides) and Rough Riders (off-road), free, FYI 713-863-1860

#### **Rainbow Riders**

Rainbow Riders: A Bicycling Club for Womyn. Bicycle rides every Sunday morning. Easy, long off road rides. All womyn are welcome regardless of ability and experience, FYI Cookie Davenport at 869-1686 eMail: quusie@aol.com

#### **Inner Loop Sunday Bowling League**

Mixed league, Fall/Winter session September to April, Summer session May to August, 7:00 pm, Palace Lanes, Bellaire Blvd, Inside the Loop, FYI 713-522-9612

### MONDAYS

#### **Heartsong Women's Chorus**

Rehearsal's are at 7 PM, 3rd Floor First Unitarian Church, corner of Fannin and Southmore, FYI 713-947-1488

#### **Avez**

Free HIV testing in English and Spanish, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, 4125 SW Freeway, Suite 1717 (Twelve Oaks Tower)

#### **AFH Creative Writing Class**

Taught by freelance writer Greg Rodriguez for anyone affected by AIDS, Sponsored by the AIDS Foundation Houston, 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm, FYI 713-623-6796 713-868-0008

#### **Calendar/Computer Workshop**

weekly sessions to keep up to date the community's best mailing list along with this calendar, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, call for details, FYI 713-529-1223 FAX 713-529-1223

#### **Gay Fathers / Fathers First**

Weekly support meeting for fathers and their partners, 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh, FYI 713-861-6181

### TUESDAYS

#### **FrontRunners**

Running group, 6:30 pm, Memorial Park at the Tennis Center, FYI 713-522-8021

#### **PROTECT, People Respecting Ourselves Through Establishing Community & Trust**

provides a safe place for HIV negative people to share their experiences, at the

#### **Bi-NET of Houston**

This group is supportive of responsible, health-conscious bisexuality and is open to all women and men exploring or questioning their sexuality or already identifying as bisexual. All meetings are confidential and open to all races, religions, cultural diversities, married or single. This group is not considered professional therapeutic, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection, 1919 Decatur Street, FYI 713-861-9149

#### **Houston Pride Band**

Get your instruments out of the closet, a new band has formed to provide musical entertainment for the Houston community, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Dignity, 1307 Yale, in the Heights, FYI 713-524-0218

#### **Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection**

Mid-week uplift service lasting 25 minutes. They welcome all people into their fellowship and extend their ministries to everyone to worship, witness and service together, 7:00 pm, 1919 Decatur St. (White at Washington; between Studemont/Montrose and Houston Ave.), FYI 713-861-9149

#### **HIV Survivor Support Group**

For anyone whose life is touched by HIV, meetings include a relaxing meditation, information about community resources and occasional speakers, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Unity Church of Christianity, 2929 Unity Drive at Hillcroft, FYI 713-782-4050

#### **Rainbow Ranglers**

Country Western bar promotes Texas Style couple dancing, Advanced Level, classes are free and open to the public, 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, FYI 713-880-0670

#### **Women's Action Coalition**

An alliance of women committed to direct action on issues affecting the right of all women, 7:00 PM to 10:00 Pm, Toupees PO

#### **Lesbian and Gay Voices**

A radio show featuring community activists who produce a magazine format featuring many segments including interviews with both community leaders, national leaders and just the ordinary gay and lesbian activist. Also included will be a segment each week of music, reviews of gay and lesbian cultural events, news from This Way Out and a few comments along the way, 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-866-6505 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: LGVoices@aol.com

#### **Cafe Artiste**

Open mike and songwriters night every Thursday, all instruments welcome, 8:00 pm, Cafe Artiste, 1601 W Main at Mandell, FYI 713-528-3704

#### **Rainbow Ranglers**

Country Western bar promotes Texas Style couple dancing, Beginner Level, classes are free and open to the public, 8:30 pm to 10:00 pm, Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, FYI 713-880-0670

#### **Houston Thursday Nite Mixer**

Mixed league, Fall/Winter session September to April, Summer session May to August, 9:00 pm, Palace Lanes, Bellaire Blvd, Inside the Loop, FYI 713-522-9612

### FRIDAYS

#### **HIV Art Class**

free for all HIV+ individuals, this class offers mixed media art projects for the artist and non-artist alike, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, at the Art League of Houston, 1953 Montrose, classroom 2, FYI 713-225-9411

#### **Art Classes**

Express yourself!, Sponsored by the AIDS Foundation Houston, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, The Art League, FYI 713-526-1118

#### **Houston Area Teenagers Coalition**

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#### **FrontRunners**

Running group, 9:00 am, Memorial Park at the Tennis Center, FYI 713-522-8021

#### **Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection**

MCC Churches are Christian Churches with an outreach into the lesbian and gay communities. They welcome all people into their fellowship, witness and service together, 9:00 am (Holy Eucharist) 45 minutes in length; 11:00 am (Traditional), 9:00 am, 1919 Decatur St. (White at Washington; between Studemont/Montrose and Houston Ave.), FYI 713-861-9149 <http://www.neosoft.com/~mccr/mccr.html>

#### **Maranatha Fellowship Metropolitan Church**

To praise the Lord in Music, the Word and Prayer, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, 3400 Montrose, Suite 600, FYI 713-528-6756

#### **Community Gospel Church**

Worship services, a high spirited gathering for a charismatic, Pentecostal worship service, 11:00 am, 501 East 18th at Columbia, FYI 713-880-9235

#### **Houston Mission Church**

Come worship the Lord in a supportive atmosphere, 11:00 am, 1505 Nevada, FYI 713-529-8225

#### **Kingdom Community Church**

Sunday worship; Sunday school 10:00 AM, 11:00 am, 4404 Blossom, FYI 713-351-4217 o 10pm, 5:00 pm, FYI 713-629-1432

#### **Houston Area Teenagers Coalition of Homosexuals (HATCH)**

A peer support group for teens and young adult greater Houston area with committee meetings, socials and movies with gay theme, 6:30 pm, FYI 713-942-7002

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#### **PROTECT, People Respecting Ourselves Through Establishing Community & Trust**

provides a safe place for HIV negative people to share their experiences, strengths and hopes in an effort to remain HIV negative and to help ourselves understand and change behaviors that could lead to infection, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Bering Church, 1440 Harold, FYI 713-520-7870

#### **Survivors of Loss**

A weekly group for gay men or women who have lost a loved one to AIDS, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Sharpstown General Hospital, FYI 713-778-2677

#### **Helping Cross Dressers**

For all persons who are in any way affected by crossdressing, either on their personal part or on the part of someone in whom they have an interest, 8:00 pm, 1509 Fairview, FYI 713-495-8009

#### **Southern Country**

Country Western Dance Lessons at the Ranch, 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, The Ranch, 9200 Buffalo Speedway

## WEDNESDAYS

#### **Avez**

Free HIV testing in English and Spanish, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, 4125 SW Freeway, Suite 1717 (Twelve Oaks Tower)

#### **Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Alliance at the University of Houston (GLOBAL)**

University of Houston Student Group, 4:00 pm, University Center, University of Houston, FYI 713-743-7539

#### **Inner Loop Bowling League**

Mixed league, Fall/Winter session September to April, Summer session May to August, Dues \$11, 7:00 pm, Palace Lanes, Bellaire Blvd, Inside the Loop, FYI 713-522-9612

occasional speakers, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Unity Church of Christianity, 2929 Unity Drive at Hillcroft, FYI 713-782-4050

#### **Rainbow Ranglers**

Country Western bar promotes Texas Style couple dancing, Advanced Level, classes are free and open to the public, 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, FYI 713-880-0670

#### **Women's Action Coalition**

An alliance of women committed to direct action on issues affecting the right of all women, 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM, Toupees PO Box 131148, Houston, TX 77219, FYI 713-867-9581

#### **Lambda Rollerskating Club**

gay rollerskating group, 8:30 pm to 10:30 pm, 8075 Cook Road at Beechnut, FYI 713-933-5818 eMail: gayskate@aol.com <http://members.aol.com/visionfoto/index.htm>

## THURSDAYS

#### **Living in Process Group**

Ongoing gay men's group, FYI 713-622-7250 FAX 713-622-2180

#### **HIV Art Labs**

free for all HIV+ individuals, these labs offer mixed media art projects for the artist and non-artist alike, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, at the Art League of Houston, 1953 Montrose, classroom 2, FYI 713-225-9411

#### **FrontRunners**

Running group, 6:30 pm, Memorial Park at the Tennis Center, FYI 713-522-8021

#### **Gay Men's Chorus of Houston**

come sing with a rapidly growing community minded men's chorus, open rehearsals, 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh, FYI 713-521-7464

#### **Community Gospel Church**

Worship services, a high spirited gathering for a charismatic, Pentecostal worship service, 7:30 pm, 501 East 18th at Columbia, FYI 713-880-9235

#### **Twenty Something**

a group of young adults ages 20 to 29 addressing issues concerning bisexual, lesbian and gays. A positive atmosphere to share, learn, encourage each other and create a safe environment that is conducive to personal growth, 7:30 pm, FYI 713-315-6786

#### **HIV Art Class**

free for all HIV+ individuals, this class offers mixed media art projects for the artist and non-artist alike, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, at the Art League of Houston, 1953 Montrose, classroom 2, FYI 713-225-9411

#### **Art Classes**

Express yourself!, Sponsored by the AIDS Foundation Houston, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, The Art League, FYI 713-526-1118

#### **Houston Area Teenagers Coalition of Homosexuals (HATCH)**

A peer support group for teens and young adults between ages 16 and 21 in greater Houston area with guest speaker, 7:10 pm, Call for location, FYI 713-942-7002

## SATURDAYS

#### **Houston Chain Gang Bicycle Club**

different rides every week and different levels, Easy Riders (Montrose area rides), Chainsmokers (faster/longer rides) and Rough Riders (off-road), free, FYI 713-863-1860

#### **Houston Tennis Club (HTC)**

Houston Tennis Club is a lesbian and gay tennis club with members of all levels of play - beginner to advanced, 9:00am to noon, Memorial Park Tennis Center, FYI 713-868-5039

#### **Dignity/Houston**

An organization for gay and lesbian Catholics and their friends meets for liturgy and a social hour, 7:30 pm, 1307 Yale, Suite H, just north of 13th Street, FYI 713-880-2872

#### **After Hours**

A late night radio show featuring a different host and crew present interviews, music and mayhem, 12:00 am to 3:00 am, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-526-5738

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Wednesday, May 1

#### **Catholic Parents Network**

Voices of Hope Seminar, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, 13114 Holston Hills, Houston, TX 77069, FYI 713-867-9020 <http://www.pflagtx.org>

#### **Men's Network**

Financial Planning, learning the first steps in making informed financial decisions that made sense in light of your overall needs and objectives, the discussion will be chaired by Daniel Poland, donation of \$3.00 to \$5.00 requested, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond

#### **Town Hall Meeting**

Houston Lesbian and Gay Community Center will host meeting, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, 715 Franklin Avenue, Houston, TX 77002, FYI 713-942-0740

#### **Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus**

General meeting, 7:30 pm, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-521-1000

### Thursday, May 2

#### **Lesbian and Gay Voices**

Change of life will be discussed, Also included will be an update from David Elliot or the Texas Triangle in Austin, reviews of gay and lesbian cultural events, news from This Way Out, 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-866-6505 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: LGVoices@aol.com

### Friday, May 3

#### **Gay/Lesbian Switchboard Houston Training**

A weekend training to become a phone answering person at the Switchboard. This is a very intensive series of training sessions

#### **Splash Day at Galveston Island**

Come out and be a part of fun in the sun on Galveston Island. Celebrate the rites of Spring with games, contests, cruising, and sun-fun. Festivities include: Body-part sand sculpting, Tattoo beauty contest, Pinata whack, and more. Beer, soda & hot dogs provided, at the East Beach Dunes. Follow the signs, 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm, FYI 713-524-2175 eMail: MelodyTex@aol.com

#### **Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbian & Gays**

support group for parents, friends and families of gays and lesbians, and for gays and lesbians. Our mission includes community education and advocacy, 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm, St Francis Episcopal Church, 345 N Pitney Point Road, FYI 713-867-9020

#### **1920's Gala**

1920's Gala Party, Cocktails and Hor d'oeuvres at the Lovett Inn, 1920's attire encouraged but not required, \$20 (\$25 at door), 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Lovett Inn, 501 Lovett Blvd, FYI 713-524-2374

### Monday, May 6

#### **Greater Houston Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce**

Greater Houston Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce, general business meeting for all members, call for location, FYI 713-523-7576

### Tuesday, May 7

#### **Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week**

executive meeting, open to public, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-529-6979, eMail: [info@pridehouston.org](mailto:info@pridehouston.org) <http://www.pridehouston.org/~pridehou>

### Thursday, May 9

#### **Capitol Steps**

Houston's Area Women's Center's annual spring gala "Funny Politics", \$125, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm, 1010 Waugh Drive, Houston, TX 77019-3902, FYI 713-528-6798 FAX 713-535-6363

#### **Kolbe Project**

Kolbe is an ecumenical outreach to gays lesbians and other sexual minorities modeled after the ministry of St. Francis of Assisi, 7:00 pm, FYI 713-522-8182

#### **Lesbian and Gay Voices**

Coping with job loss, Also included will be an update from David Elliot or the Texas Triangle in Austin, reviews of gay and lesbian cultural events, news from This Way Out, 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-866-6505 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: LGVoices@aol.com

### Friday, May 10

#### **Astro Rainbow Alliance for the Deaf**

General meeting, 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm, Montrose Clinic, 215 Westheimer, FYI 713-869-2287

### Saturday, May 11

#### **Gulf Coast Transgender Community**

is a non-sexual support group for all transgendered individuals and their partners. Monthly socials are held, FYI 713-780-4282

#### **Aids Housing Coalition Houston**

A 90 day gay positive emergency house for PWAs in transition, 10:00 am to 12 pm, 117 Tuam Ave @ Helena, FYI 713-521-1613

### Sunday, May 12

#### **Texas Medical Center Lambda Group**

welcomes all lesbian, gay, bisexual and gay-friendly faculty, staff and students of the Texas Medical Center, 5:00 pm, RAS W-204, School of Public Health building, FYI 713-523-5539

#### **Cancer Support Group**

6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, Montrose Counseling Center, FYI 713-681-1309

### Tuesday, May 14

#### **Houston Gay and Lesbian Parents**

A monthly support group for the parents and also a monthly family activity, \$25 per year, MCCR, 1919 Decatur, FYI 713-980-7995

#### **AIDS Equity League**

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#### **Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week 1997**

Planning for the first night parade in America, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, call for directions, FYI 713-529-6979 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: [info@pridehouston.org](mailto:info@pridehouston.org) <http://www.pridehouston.org/~pridehou>

### Wednesday, May 15

#### **Men's Network**

donation of \$3.00 to \$5.00 requested, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond, FYI 713-529-0037

#### **OutVote**

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## Friday, May 3

### **Gay/Lesbian Switchboard Houston Training**

A weekend training to become a phone answering person at the Switchboard. This is a very intensive series of training sessions spread over two weekends to become involved with one of this country's best help lines for the Gay and Lesbian Community, runs until May 5, FYI 713-529-3211

### **Houston Professional Men's Assoc Events**

Monthly speaker meeting, featuring Jack Valinski to talk about Lesbian and Gay Pride and Lesbian and Gay Voices. RSVP to Steve Allen by May 1, \$16, 6:30 pm, Moose Cafe, W Gray at Waugh Drive, FYI 713-520-9083

## Saturday, May 4

### **An Evening with Rupaul**

Lunch and concert w/Rupaul, VIP \$100, Concert \$15, Town Meetings Inc, PO Box 66128, Houston, TX 66128, FYI 713-526-6128

### **Gay and Lesbian Financial Planning**

Topics include investments, financial planning, wills, insurance, income taxes, estate planning and more, \$15, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray, FYI 713-869-1144

### **Heartsong Women's Chorus**

Tenth Anniversary Concert performance, 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, 3rd Floor First Unitarian Church, corner of Fannin and Southmore, FYI 713-947-1488

## Sunday, May 5

### **The Women's Group**

A feminist group for all women; each woman defines feminism by her experience, topic FEMALE ICONS OF HAIR, DRESS and WEIGHT, 10:45 am, First Unitarian Church, 5200 Fannin, FYI Iris at 713-529-8571

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## Wednesday, May 8

### **Women's Network**

Long-Term lesbian Relationships. A panel of couples will share their experiences and what they feel has kept them together for many years, \$3 to \$5 donation requested, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond, FYI 713-529-0037

### **Healing and Happiness Through Wellness**

Bart Loeser of the AFH Wellness Program will explore the concepts of wellness, offering options for improving and maintaining good health and happiness, Sponsored by AIDS Foundation Houston, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-623-6796

### **Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus**

board meeting, 7:00 pm, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-521-1000

### **Gay & Lesbian Hispanics Unidos (GLHU)**

A social, cultural and educational organization created to motivate, educate and instill pride in all gay and lesbian Hispanics, their friends and supporters, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-813-3769

### **The Mind/Body Connection: Alternative Approaches**

A panel of health care specialists will discuss complementary health alternatives beyond traditional medicine, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

### **Gay Legal Issues Update**

A seminar on Gay Legal Issues before the Supreme Court, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, TBA

## Saturday, May 11

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## Sunday, May 12

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### **Houston Area Bears**

a social group for men who are "bears" and for those who like/admire bears, 4:00 pm, varies, FYI 713-867-9123

### **Panel Dedication Ceremony for the AIDS Memorial Quilt**

Final dedication before the panels are submitted to San Francisco for inclusion in the Washington, D.C. AIDS Memorial Quilt Display over Columbus Day Weekend. Guest speakers are Cleve Jones, founder of the Names Project and Flo Selber, founder of MAP (Mothers of AIDS Patients). Entertainment will be provided by Jerry Atwood and Terry Pierce, Main Street Market at Chelsea, FYI 526-2637

## Monday, May 13

### **Houston Area Women's Center**

Volunteer training to provide a variety of free services for women in crisis, 3101 Richmond, Suite 150, FYI 713-528-6798

### **Miss Camp America**

Monthly meeting, the Miss America Pageant, the non-profit corporation consists of a maximum of ninety members from all walks of life, the pageant happens on the same night as the Miss America and is a non-profit who raises funds for AIDS related charities, Montrose Library or Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, FYI 713-520-STAR

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Planning for the first night parade in America, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, call for directions, FYI 713-529-6979 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: info@pridehouston.org http://www.pridehouston.org/~pridehou

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### **OutVote**

A non-profit organization dedicated to registering, educating, and motivating out community to vote, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray, FYI 713-520-VOTE

## Thursday, May 16

### **NOW**

Now fights for Lesbian Rights and all women's rights, 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Conference Room of Suzanne Anderson Properties, 239 Westheimer, FYI 713-665-8NOW  
**Lesbian and Gay Voices**  
Outrages and possible other local bands, Also included will be an update from David Elliot or the Texas Triangle in Austin, reviews of gay and lesbian cultural events, news from This Way Out, 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-866-6505 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: LGVoices@aol.com

## Friday, May 17

### **LiB (Lesbians in Business)**

\$3.00 for members and \$5.00 to non-members, \$10.00 for membership, 6:00 pm for networking and 6:30 pm meeting, Innova Building, 1st floor, 20 Greenway Plaza, FYI 713-529-0077

## Saturday, May 18

### **Boxing Back**

Auction for over 100 boxes, bureaus and hope chests designed decorated or embellished by notable individuals, FYI 713-552-9445

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### **Houston Professional Men's Association**

MID-MONTH SOCIAL, Pot-luck supper and seminar 'safe Sex Workshop with Bart Loser of "AIDS Foundation of Houston", \$15 for Dinner \$4 for dues, 6:30 pm to 10:00 pm, call for directions, FYI 713-643-6454 eMail: terrier@neosoft.com

### **Sunday, May 19**

#### **From All Walks of Life**

Join thousands of others to raise funds for HIV/AIDS education, health care, volunteer and social service programs for the AIDS Foundation, 7:00 am, Sam Houston Park, Downtown Houston, FYI 713-629-WALK

#### **The Women's Group**

Ann Rushing and Colleagues: Women defining sexuality. Does waiting to have sex make a better relationship, 10:45 am, First Unitarian Church, 5200 Fannin, FYI Iris at 713-529-8571

#### **LOAF, Lesbians Over Age Fifty**

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Houston Mission Church, 1505 Nevada at Commonwealth, FYI 713-661-1482

#### **African American Lesbian Gay Alliance**

African American Lesbian Gay Alliance Support Group general membership and interest meeting, 5:30 pm, Bering Memorial United Methodist Church, 1440 Harold, FYI 713-864-2242

### **Tuesday, May 21**

#### **Empowerment for Living**

Interfaith HIV positive group meets for pot-luck meal and love, MCCR 1919 Decatur, 713-861-9149

#### **Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week**

### **Women's Network**

Spirituality and Sexuality, Reverend Carolyn Mobley, Associate Pastor of the Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection (MCCR) will provide an overview of Biblical passages which have often been used against lesbian and gay people, and challenge the interpretation of them. She will help us look at what hinders and enhances spiritual development, \$3 to \$5 donation requested, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond, FYI 713-529-0037

### **Thursday, May 23**

#### **Houston Outdoor Group (HOG)**

monthly business meeting and mailout party for the HOG newsletter. HOG is a social group for Gay men and Lesbians who enjoy the outdoors, Free, 7:30 pm, FYI 713-(KAMPOUT)

#### **Lesbian and Gay Voices**

Weekly topics include David Elliot of the Texas Triangle in Austin, reviews of gay and lesbian cultural events, news from This Way Out, 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-866-6505 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: LGVoices@aol.com

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### **Tuesday, May 28**

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#### **HIV/AIDS Treatment Mixer**

Informal treatment discussion and open form for asking questions, sharing information and comparing notes, Sponsored by The Center for AIDS: Hope and Remembrance Project, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, 2700 Albany, Suite 205, FYI 713-527-8219

#### **Love, Lust & Intimacy**

An entertaining and confidential discussion for developing/improving communication and intimacy in relationships through discussion and games, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

#### **Town Meetings, Inc**

Open to the lesbian, gay and bisexual community at large in order for them to provide input on what they would like to see happen as part of Spectrum 96, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, FYI 713-526-2853

### **Thursday, May 30**

#### **Dollars & Sense: Money and Other Matters**

A panel of planning specialists will review vital legal and financial matters concerning PWAs/HIV including record-keeping, resource management, discrimination and important documents, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan

### **Tuesday, June 11**

#### **Pride Parade Deadline**

last day to submit application for a pride parade, \$140, \$100 community organization, PO Box 66071, Houston, TX 77266-6071, FYI 713-529-6979 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: info@pridehouston.org http://www.pridehouston.org/~pridehou

### **Friday, June 14**

#### **Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week**

Beginning of 10 day of celebration, runs until June 23, FYI 713-529-6979 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: info@pridehouston.org http://www.pridehouston.org/~pridehou

### **Sunday, June 23**

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### **July 3**

#### **International Conference on Transgender Law and Employment Policy**

Conference on Transgender Inclusiveness in the workplace and everywhere, \$15, runs until July 7, ICTLEP, PO Drawer 35477, Houston TX 77235, FYI 713-777-0909

### **September 12**

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### **Dating & Mating: Erotic Choices in Safer Sex**

Entertaining and confidential workshop explores the nature of safer sex and sensual options through lively discussion and games, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

## Wednesday, May 22

### **Eating Right For The Health Of It**

workshop will explore good nutritional habits emphasizing special dietary needs for people with HIV/AIDS, with Nutritionist Richard Elbein, sponsored by Aids Foundation of Houston, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-623-6796

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## Monday, May 27

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6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, Montrose Counseling Center, FYI 713-681-1309

### **Log Cabin Republicans**

Gay Republicans, 7:00 pm, Sierra Grill, 4704 Montrose, FYI 713-529-9100

### **Gay and Lesbian Readers Group**

Flesh and the Word, an anthology edited by John Preston, 7:00 pm, Barnes & Noble, 3003 W Holcombe, FYI 713-349-0050 FAX 713-349-8152

### **Agora**

To assist gay and lesbian organizations in educating and public relations efforts and to offer a fairer representation of our community. Often, news and feature articles are written without any involvement from a gay man or woman's perspective. Members of Agora want to help provide that perspective, 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm, TBA, FYI 713-623-6796

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### **Safer Sex for Lesbians**

This entertaining program discusses the facts and risks of women to women sex, exploring options for a safer, yet erotic sexuality. This program is presented by Nancy Ford and offered in conjunction with her comedy act, sponsored by Aids Foundation of Houston, 9:30 pm, Plaza 9200, 9200 Buffalo Speedway, FYI 713-666-3464

## Friday, May 31

### **Pride Parade Deadline**

last day to submit application for a pride parade without penalty, \$100, \$60 community organization, PO Box 66071, Houston, TX 77266-6071, FYI 713-529-6979 FAX 713-529-1223 eMail: info@pridehouston.org http://www.pridehouston.org/~pridehou

### **Pride Festival Deadline**

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## September 12

### **Smash Hits**

Elton's John's Tennis Extravaganza, featuring Martina Navratilova, Billie Jean King and others, All proceeds to benefit AIDS research, 11:00 am to 10:00 pm, The Summit

## October 11

### **AIDS Memorial Quilt Display in Washington, DC**

This largest-ever display of the Quilt will be held on the National Mall in Washington, DC. Officials from The NAMES Project expect up to 45,000 individual memorial panels to be on display, which will entirely cover the National Mall from the Washington Monument to the Capital Building and be visited by three-quarters of a million people, The NAMES Project, runs until October 13, Washington, DC, FYI 415-882-5500 FAX 415-882-6200

## TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CALENDAR

This Calendar is a joint project of the Pride Committee of Houston and Lesbian and Gay Voices. Calendar listings must be received fifteen days before the end of the month for publication and seven days for Lesbian and Voices. Photos encouraged! Please specify if the event is not open to everyone. Use our format as a guide for listings, including time, date, place, contact person and most important, a phone number. Note that listings are printed only as space allows. We plan to publish this newsletter by the beginning of each month. This calendar is also supplied to the Gay/Lesbian Switchboard of Houston, the Gay/Lesbian radio shows of KPFT-FM and the community publications on an ongoing basis. Our success depends on items being supplied to us. We are looking for a volunteer to help organize this section. Items should be mailed to Calendar, Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week, PO Box 66071, Houston, TX 77266-6071, eMail to calendar@pridehouston.org or FAX to 713-529-1223. Please do not phone in Calendar items.

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Many of life's failures are men and women who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up" Anonymous

## TV/V IDEO

### **Four Weddings and a Funeral**

Two people who meet only at friends weddings soon fall for each other, May 13, 2:10 am, May 31, 1:35 am, Showtime

### **Boys on The Side**

A drama of three women traveling across the country overcoming personal tragedies to discover friendship, 5/19, 7:00 pm, HBO

### **To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything! Julie Newmar**

A Comedy about three drag queens that hit the road and go cross-country in an old Cadillac, only to break down in a tiny Nebraska town where they become queens for a day (1:48) 1995 various times and dates, Warner Home Theater

### **The Killing of Sister George**

A soap-opera actress (Beryl Reid) fears her character's imminent demise (2:20) Rated R, May 3, 3:30 am, Encore

### **Threesome**

A strange love triangle develops between three college roommates Rated R (1:33), May 1, 11:15 pm; May 6, 11:25 pm; May 13, midnight, Showtime 2

### **Philadelphia**

A lawyer with AIDS sues his former firm over his dismissal PG-13 (2:02), May 7, 4:45 pm; May 12, 1:30 pm; May 25, 4:50 pm, Showtime

### **Fried Green Tomatoes**

A depressed and overweight woman, unappreciated by her husband and wary of self-help groups, finds renewed hope in the reminiscences of an elderly woman, May 9, 7:00 pm; May 12, 3:00 pm, USA

### **Longtime Companion**

Nine gay New Yorkers and one woman friend deal with relationships and the tragedy of AIDS over a nine-year period, May 9, 7:00 pm; May 10, 1:00 am; May 24, 7:00 pm; May 25, 1:30 am, Bravo

### **Mrs Doubtfire**

A divorced father disguises himself as an English housekeeper in order to spend time with his children (3:00), May 12, 6:00 pm, KRIV

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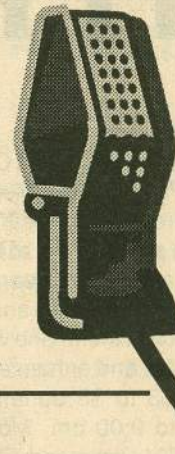
A Kansas girl travels to the magical and mythical land of Oz and makes three very special friends (2:00), May 10, 7:00 pm, KHOU

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