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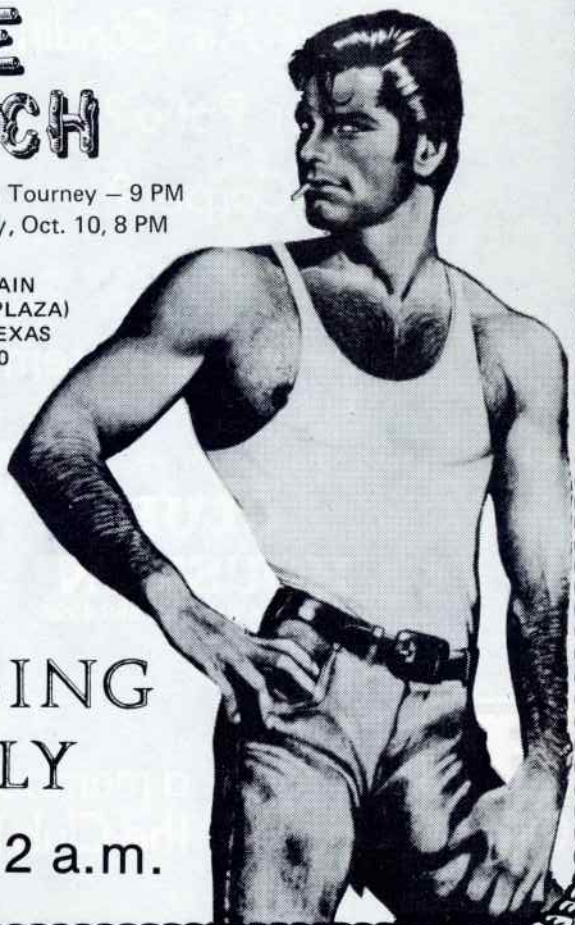
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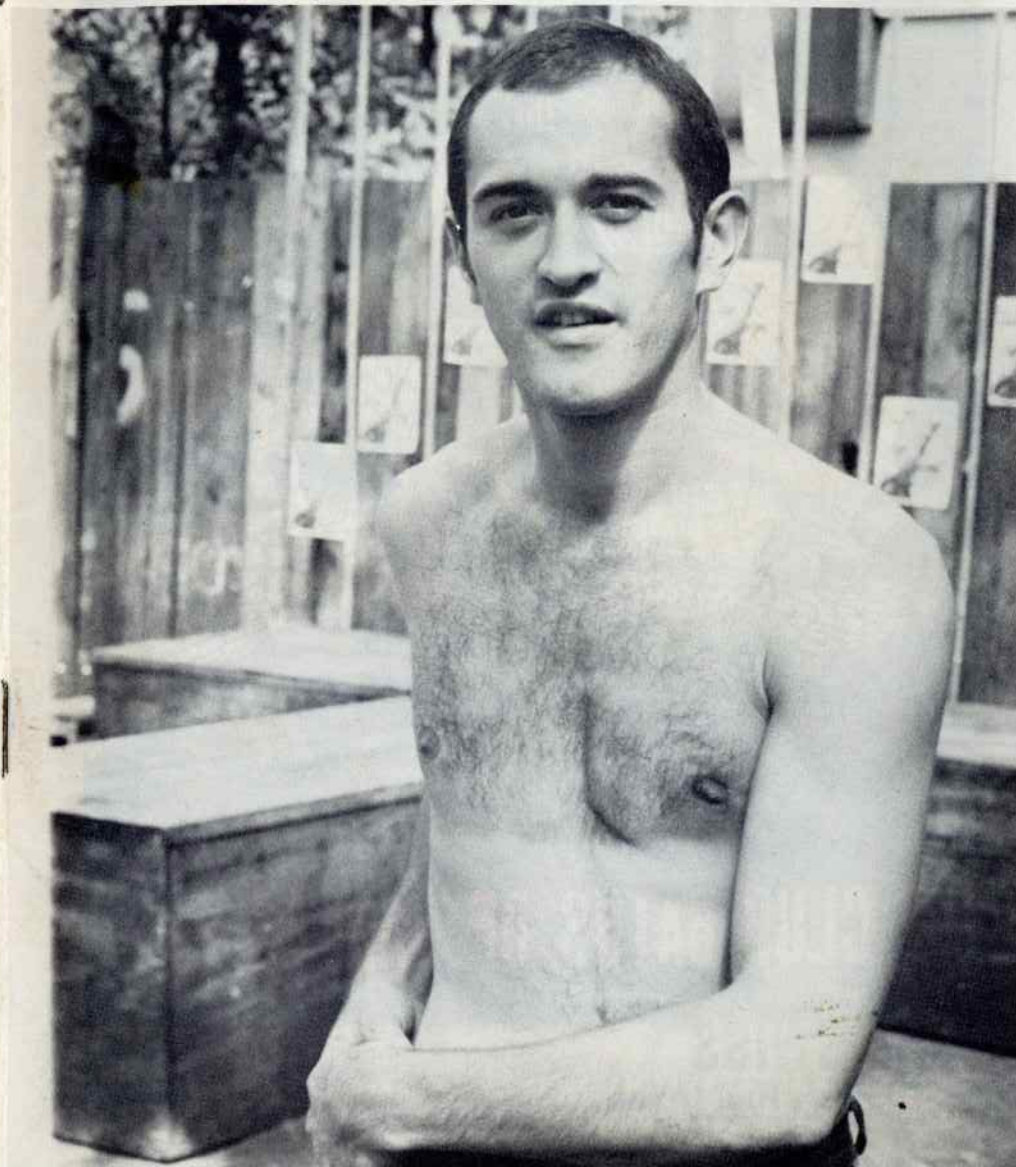
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Bartender at
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NEWS UP FRONT

DEPOSITORY II

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PRIVATE CELLAR BIRTHDAY PARTY

This past Monday night, Butch, manager of Austin's **Private Cellar**, was treated to a surprise birthday party and practically all the hill country

showed up to wish everyone's mother a happy gay holiday. Incidentally the Private Cellar is really getting popular and "boogieland" is about completed!

HALLOWEEN CONTEST

Halloween is the high holiday of the gay season and the VENTURE IN of Houston has already made plans to help you celebrate. Here is the prize list: Miss Venture In wins \$100, Best costume or gown \$75, Best couple \$25, Best comedy (male or female) \$25, and the Lady Brooks special award for Miss Congeniality. There'll be door prizes and special drawings

WESTHEIMER ART FESTIVAL

That annual Autumn festival of wall to wall, block to block art, sculpture, painting, beer, booze, booths, food, and topless tourists is here again the weekend of October 16 and 17. TWIT's Cruise Camera will be there and so will all Gay Southwest. It should be another one of those very cruisy festivals in liberal Houston!



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**SPARKLE PLENTY OPENS
OCT. 14TH**

The long awaited opening of Houston's newest disco bar, SPARKLE PLENTY, is here! This Thursday night, October 14th, Terry Hulse will open the doors at 7 pm. Beginning the next day regular hours will be 4 pm to 2 am. So grab your favorite person and head for SP, right next door to the Alabama Theatre on Shepherd. Congratulations Terry on a great new Houston Bar. There'll be NO cover on opening night and you'll be treated to special drink prices!

ENTERTAINER OF YEAR

Who is your favorite Texas entertainer? It could be a drag star, a singer, a comedienne, etc. *You*, the TWIT reader, will have the opportunity to vote for your favorite Texas entertainer this month. The contest will *not* have a battery of judges, *YOU* are the judge. These are the Public Awards. TWIT, in conjunction with the Old Plantation in Houston, is holding this annual event by public demand! This is the award show that counts the most! In the next issue of TWIT you will find a ballot for you to mail in (or you can pick up a ballot at leading Texas bars if you don't wish to mail it). Voting deadline is Halloween, October 31. The ten entertainers receiving the most votes will be announced in the November 7 issue and invited to appear on the stage of the OP Houston the night of Sunday, November 14, to perform! At the end of the performance, the 2nd runner up, the 1st runner up, and THE ENTERTAINER OF THE YEAR will be announced. Winners will receive big money and prizes and the finalist will be pictured on the cover of TWIT, the magazine that gets it said for gay Texans.

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JANN RUSSELL AT AUSTIN COUNTRY

The Thursday night shows at AUSTIN COUNTRY are now being hosted by Jann Russell who is joined by her living dolls and the very popular Grease Sisters (Alvina and Kitty Litter). Additionally, the Miss Gay Austin Contest is shaping up for the five finalists to appear on the Thursday before Halloween and then the finals to be held Halloween night with the new Miss Austin winning \$250 first prize. That Halloween event will also include the "Rocky Horror Show" with Bunch playing the part of Eddie.

BRIARPATCH WINNERS

Paul Taylor of the **Briarpatch** in Houston informs TWIT that Nancy Davis was the winner of the tickets for two to a prime rib dinner and show at the Million \$ City Dump. Runners up: Cheeta and Jack won the \$15 bar tab and Vincent C won the \$10 bar tab. Drink, play, cruise, and win at the BP this month!

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COUNTRYSIDE GRAND OPENING

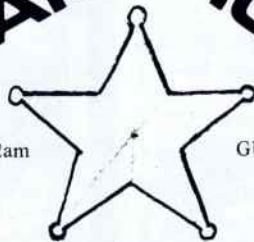
Over \$500 in door prizes given away and special drink prices. That's the way it will be this Sunday, October 10, at the Grand Opening of Houston's COUNTRYSIDE, 1322 Westheimer, right next door to the INSIDE/OUTSIDE. It all begins at noon so come on time and stay all day and night and win Win WIN at the Countryside Stamped.

SECOND SUN FIRE

One of Houston's most popular Westheimer spots, **Dirty Sally's Second Sun**, was firebombed over the past weekend. Manager Louis Garcia suspects arson. The fire broke out some time around 5 am Monday, October 4, damaging the rear of the bar. We always knew the Second Sun was a hot place to go, but Monday morning's fire is a hard act to follow. Owner Glenn Andre says the bar will be refurbished and re-opened by the weekend of October 16 with a bigger dance floor and more stereo. Meanwhile, it's Wet and Wild!

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TIFFANY A SMASH HIT

The Texas Tornado, Tiffany Jones, lived up to her windy name by stopping the show at the OP Dallas this past Sunday. If you missed it, TJ will do another Dallas number Sunday, October 10. And, for Houstonians, The Tornado, The Blonde Bombshell, has three show dates at the OP Bayou City: Oct. 6, 13, and 17!

BAR SPECIALS

With the Longhorns and Sooners coming to Big D Saturday, October 9, the city's bars are going all out with new specials to entice the football fans to drink at their wells. **Chuck's** will have a special extended happy hour from 1-7 pm Saturday with 50c beer and 70c well drinks. And the **Service Station** will host an all-day UT-OU party on Saturday and football specials from noon 'til 7 on Sunday with 65c Bloody Marys and free hors d'oeuvres. In addition to these specials the **Service Station** has revised its daily

happy hours to 5-7 and 9-11, Monday thru Thursday with 55c beer and 75c well.

The fall lineup at **Swamptrash** includes 75c well, 50c beer all day Monday; free pizza from 9-11 pm on Tuesday; 7 pm pool tournament on Saturdays; and a hot dog buffet on Sunday

The **Boot Camp** adds Hairdressers' Special Happy Hours, 1-7 pm on Mondays.

The **Ram Rod** has set aside a special day for your favorite booze. Sunday is Bourbon Day — a double bourbon for 1.00 from 5-6 pm; Monday is Scotch Night — a double scotch for \$1.00 from 10 pm-midnight; Tuesday is Rum Night — double rums \$1.00 from 10-midnight; Wednesday is Cowboy Night — 50c beer and 50c well if you're wearing a cowboy hat. Thursday is Numbers Night — doubles \$1.45 if you're wearing a numbered football shirt, and the hunkier the number. . . . Friday and Saturday, those wearing cowboy hats will get special treatment — and special drink prices.

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TROPHY

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Cherryhurst Park, in the heart of the Montrose, will be the site of a GPC picnic on Sunday, October 10, 2-5 pm. Local candidates are invited to address the audience. The GPC will auction off tasty box lunches.

In the September 29th GPC elections, Gary von Oltegham was re-elected President; Don Hrackavy, Vice President; Brenda Rogers, Secretary; and Keith McGee, Treasurer. Pokey Anderson, Scott Tillinghart, and Keith McGee were elected to the GPC Board.

On Wednesday, October 13, members of the National Board of Directors of the National Gay Task Force will address the Houston Chapter of the Gay Political Caucus.

APOLOGY

Our apologies to Gary of Dallas' **Service Station**, and to the incorrectly identified star in the September 25th Cruise Camera. Our TWIT photographers were having such a good time at the **Service Station's** "Once Upon A Star" Labor Day Spectacular that they got a little confused about some of the girls' names.

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LIBRA (September 24-October 23): Mars and Venus are now in your 2nd house of money. Your sex & love will be colored by monetary transactions. You'll be buying presents & love tokens. But you may find the pursuit of sex costing too much thru the 20th.

SCORPIO (October 24-November 22): Mars and Venus are now in your 1st house of personality. Sex & love will now be hot & heavy priorities thru the 20th. Listen, don't spend so much time on sex that you let other things slide.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23-December 22): Mars & Venus are now in your 12th house of secrets. Your sex & love will probably be kept under wraps. And, until October 20th keep your sexual activity that way, a secret. Tell no one!

CAPRICORN (December 23-January 20): Mars & Venus are now in your 11th house of friendships. So your sex & love life will either involve making it with a friend or you'll be going out with your friends who are inviting you out.

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19) Mars & Venus are now in your 10th house of career. Your sex & love interests will likely connect with someone you meet thru your job. Mixing business with pleasure may become a reality before October 20.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): Mars & Venus are now in your 9th house of long journeys. So your sex & love pursuits may involve a long trip away where you'll meet someone new. Take your trip before October 20.

AIRES (March 21-April 20): Mars & Venus are in your 8th house of other peoples' money. Your sex & love life will probably center around someone you're financially tied to. Until the 20th you can hustle money in the name of love.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21): Mars & Venus are in your 7th house of marriage and partnerships. Your attitude about sex, love & marriage are now less clouded. And your clear thinking carries over into a career partnership.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21): Mars & Venus are in your 6th house of health. Sex & love may cause you to be mentally or physically ill. Careful of accidents (Mars-blood & cuts). Get your rest. Don't chase sex 'til Sunrise.

LEO (July 24-August 23): Mars & Venus are in your 4th house of the home. Sex & love now mean the security of having the one you love living with you in a happy home life. This is your current preoccupation.

CANCER (June 22-July 23): Mars & Venus are in your 5th house of love affairs. Sex & love are therefore highly favored. But keep it a love affair. The time for marriage is early 1977 as the planets will move.

VIRGO (August 24-September 23): Mars & Venus are in your 3rd house of relatives. No you're not going to fall incestuously in love with your brother. But, the family may get in the way of your chasing after sex thru Oct. 20th.

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Burt paced up and down the hospital corridor outside Vera's room, nervously awaiting the results of the examination. Why was it taking so long? As an older person, Vera's body didn't have that many points of interest left. And God knows the examination wasn't being hampered by any abundance of muscle tissue.

At long last, however, the door opened and the attending physician emerged. A short, stubby little man with fat fingers who apparently had endured a lot of wear and tear. Burt didn't know if he had always looked worn out, or had just aged a lot in the hour spent with Vera.

"How is he, doctor?" Burt asked anxiously.

"You're the young man who

brought him in here, aren't you?", the doctor muttered.

"Yes, sir." Burt quickly replied. "He's going to be okay isn't he?"

"I think so. I didn't find any puncture wounds. So I don't think the rattlesnake bit him. But he really banged himself up trying to run away. Should be recovered in a week or so, though."

"That's good." Burt sighed. "I was afraid you might not be able to get him back to normal."

"Don't give me credit for that! Let's just say he'll be as normal as he was before the accident. There are limits to medical science, you know."

"Yes, sir." Burt responded politely, afraid to ask for any elaboration of the doctor's statement. "Can I go in and

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"Yes, sir."

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The doctor turned and began walking unsteadily down the hall, asking all the nurses if any of them had any Valium. And muttering about how he had never been through an experience like that before. Even in Korea.

Burt peeked through the small opening in the door, to get a preview look at Vera before walking into the room. He didn't want any shock to show on his face in case the old trouper really did look in bad shape. Preparing himself for the worst, as it were.

But evidently his injuries were, indeed, minor. Vera was propped up on the bed in a short smock, reading a copy of "True Confessions" aloud to the man in the next bed, spicing it up with tales of his own life, which he assured the man were fifty times as exciting as the trash they print in magazines these days.

A small bandage adorned his head, along with a Band-Aid on his nose and a wrapping around his ankle. Thinking it perhaps proper to knock before entering, Burt rapped lightly on the door.

But before he could push the door open completely, a low moaning sound began, amid the crumpling sounds of a magazine being hastily hidden. Vera was suddenly playing the scene for all it was worth, just barely managing to pass a faint and tortured "Come in" from between his lips.

Burt entered.

"How do you feel?" Burt asked,

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Vera

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"Buuuuuuurrrr. Is that you?" the
Pain spoke softly. Apparently adding
either blindness or a coma to his list of
ailments.

"Yes, it's me."

"What time is it, Burt?" Vera
groaned slowly.

"I just spoke with the doctor. He
told me I could take you home now."
Burt explained.

"That quack!" Vera shot back, sit-
ting up suddenly. "What the fuck does
he know? He had the gall to run his
fingers all over my body -- and then
she didn't even have the guts to admit
that she was enjoying it. And I was
wearing Chanel!"

"Don't scream," Burt begged, "this
is a hospital."

The reminder of location suddenly
lapsed Vera back into the throes of
pretended torment. Which suddenly
went bittersweet.

"I can do whatever I want, I'm an
injured person. Look at me. A pitiful,
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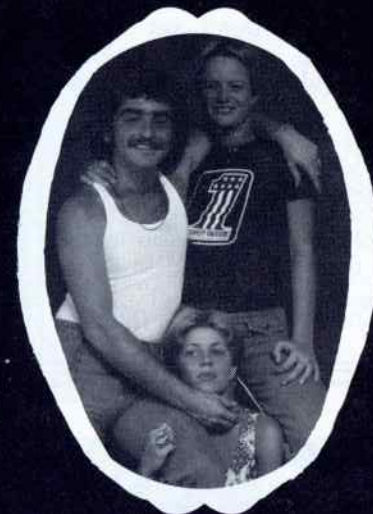
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"Just get dressed. Let's get you home."

"Well, I am going to sue," Vera rambled. "Of all the nerve. A rattlesnake in a movie theatre! How could that happen? Don't they check ID's anymore? Or do they just let any riraf in off the streets. Really!"

"Just get dressed." Burt reminded.

"Okay, okay! Don't get huffy, Mary. And wait in the hall. I'm not traipsing around here in front of a sister."

Burt left the room to await the Dressing of the Torso. While from inside the room the sounds of jewelry jangling could be heard. Along with Vera's explanation to the man in the next bed that if he wanted to know how the "True Confession" story came out, he'd have to read it for himself.

"But keep in touch, honey," Vera was telling the stranger, "and if you live through the operation come by and see me sometime. And if you don't - - here's my card."

And waltzing down the hall, passing out his cards to all who were physically able to accept them and propping them up by the beds of those who couldn't, the exit was made!

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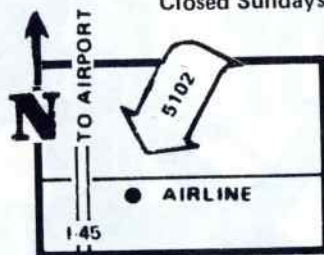


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ABC and CBS are to be commended for their treatment of homosexuality in last week's line up of shows (*Family, Alice, The Nancy Walker Show*) which brought us everything from the wide-eyed naivete' of a gorgeous seventeen year old to the casual air of a successful ex-football player to the campy demeanor of a flop actor. And in each case, gay characters were handled with honesty and taste. (Not so with one of the scripts.)

Let us begin with *Family* — an updated Ozzie and Harriet by-product of *Rich Man/Poor Man* sprinkled with a few nice moments that author Gerry Day had trouble exploiting because of all the stock characters wandering around: characters such as Affection-

ate Mom, Understanding Dad, Troubled Older Sister, With-It Teenage Son, and Precociously Loveable Tomboy. And into this splattering of mediocrity he flung . . . are you ready? *Homosexuality!* It seems that With-It Son Willie's best friend Zeke is arrested in a gay bar while vacationing home from college. Needless to say, the news does not sit well with straight-thinking Willie, who promptly alienates himself from his buddy, thereby causing all sorts of hurt feelings and suppressed emotions which later surface in the predictable dialogue. Affectionate Mom and Understanding Dad remain affectionate and understanding through most all of it (at one point they even shelter waif Zeke when his own father tosses him out).

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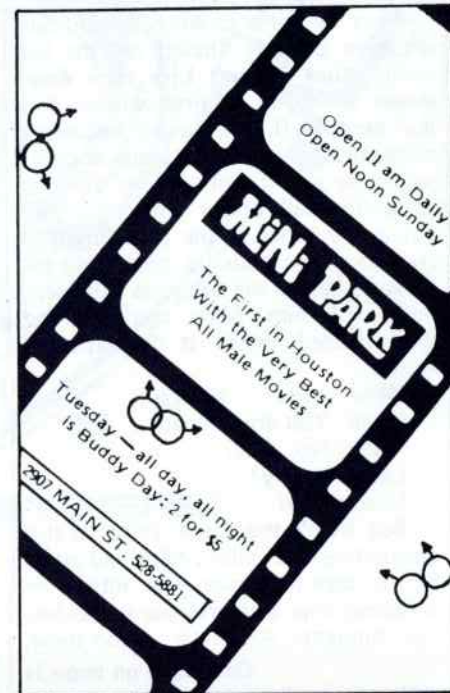
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delighted to see a show of this caliber and likewise resent any criticism of the production. After all, doesn't it automatically rate three gold stars since gay Zeke was portrayed as handsome, athletic, and all-round American? *No, it doesn't.* The first episode of **Family** contained little more than a series of syrupy confrontations strung together with all the good intentions of better gay/straight media relations. But the show did not enlighten us. Nor did it entertain us. We saw the potential for a very warm and life-like portrait in its conception; and perhaps for the straight world, that's all they can swallow at the moment: *potential*. But we kept hoping for something more than a modish *Leave It To Beaver* contrivance that jumped on the gay bandwagon of entertainment, and were disappointed not to receive it.

Next we come to **Alice**, a half hour situation comedy (based on the hit movie **Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore**) which, in its first episode, has the heroine (Linda Lavin) becoming romantically involved with another jock-type gay (Denny Miller; this one an ex-football player who takes her out a few times at the prodding of a co-worker. He ends up confessing his lifestyle before she becomes "too serious" with him. Alice, confused and disenchanted, grasps at the expected straws:

Miller: Alice . . . I'm gay.
Lavin: You don't mean . . . jolly?
Miller: No. Gay.
Lavin: Happy?
Miller: Gay!

But here's the catch. Prior to this disquieting confession, Alice had asked him to take her eleven year old son on a fishing trip, but afterwards has second thoughts. And later in the show,

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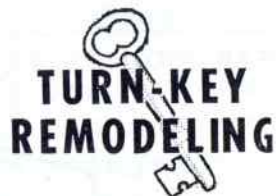
REVIEWS

when she refuses to let her son accompany the man (by that time the boy has grown quite attached), all hell breaks loose. He storms into the diner where Alice works and demands an explanation that she simply cannot muster. And so the show resolves *its* first episode by helping to destroy the myth which couples child molestation with homosexuals. (This one gets the gold stars). Through it all — there were some pretty funny characters tossed in -- we even got a few good yuks.

Though not nearly as many as heaped upon us by **The Nancy Walker Show** (Norman Lear), one of whose *regulars* is a gay live-in secretary that's portrayed with camp by Ken Olfson. But then all the characters in Walker's show are gems. The plot is well handled, the dialogue astonishingly clever; and as for Mrs. Walker . . . she alone could make *any* show.

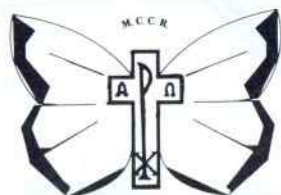
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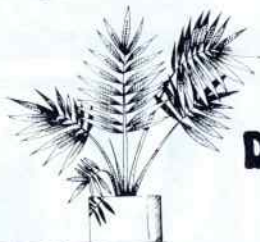
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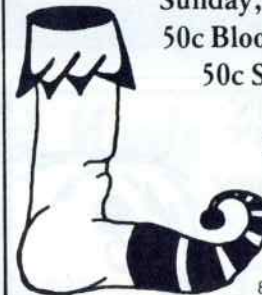
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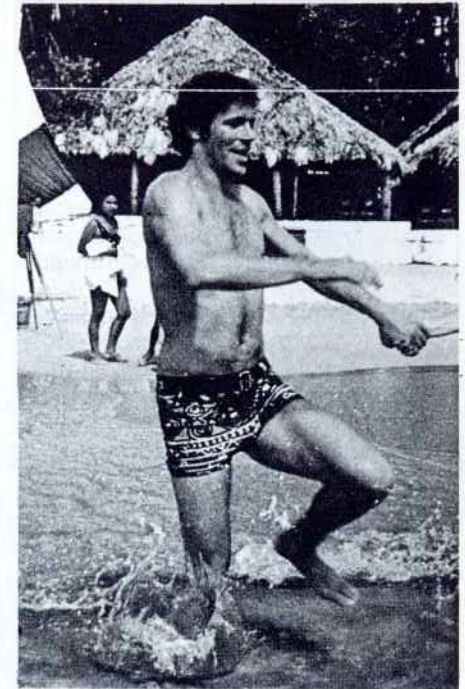
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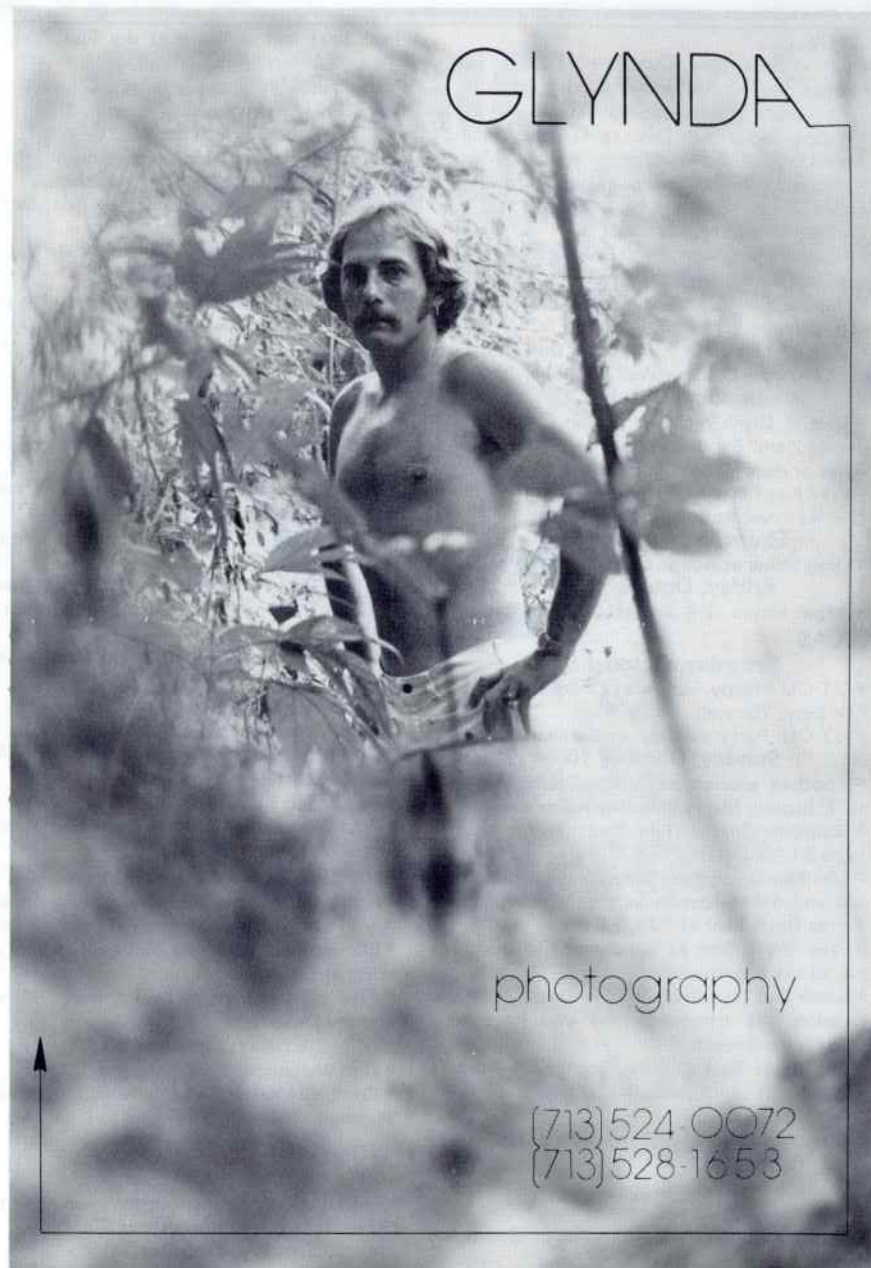
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Wednesday, October 13

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Thursday, October 14

- Drag Show at Austin Country, 10 pm.

Friday, October 15

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Saturday, October 9

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- Bourbon Day at Ram Rod; double bourbons \$1.00, 5-6 pm.
- Old Plantation Drag Show with Jann Russell and the Pantomanics plus Alain Allison
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- Steak-Out at Chuck's, 6-8 pm. Chuck's supplies the trimmings. All you have to bring is your meat.
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Thursday, October 14

- 10c Draft Beer at the Encore at 10 pm.

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- The Entre Nuit presents the Cindy Birdsong Revue with guest star Sahdji, 9:30.

Monday, October 11

- Pool Tournament at Service Station, 7:30
- 75c well, 50c beer at Swamptrash.
- Scotch Night at Ram Rod; double scotch \$1.00, 10-12 pm.
- Beer bust at Terry's Mail Boxx, 9-12 pm.

Tuesday, October 12

- Buddy Night at Club Dallas — two for the price of one, 6 pm til 2 am.
- Rum Night at Ram Rod; double rum drinks, \$1.00, 10-12 pm.
- Free pizza at Swamptrash, 9-11 pm.
- Pool Tournament at Jug's, 7:30 pm
- \$1.00 day at Bachelor's Quarters.

Wednesday, October 13

- Free Draft and 50c can beer at Sundance Kid, 10 pm til midnight.
- 2 for 1 drinks, 5 pm til closing at Terry's Mail Boxx.
- Bring your own meat Steak Out at Crews Inn II — 7:30, baked potato and salad furnished.

- ½ price drinks all night at the Service Station.

- Discount card day at Club Dallas. Buy a discount card and get a free locker.

- Cowboy Night at Ram Rod, 50c beer, 50c well if wearing western hat.

- DJ contest at T.J.'s, 9 pm.

- Pool Tournament at the Boot Camp with prizes, 7:30 pm.

- VD Clinic at Club Dallas, 8-11 pm.

- Numbers night at Ram Rod; \$1.45 double if you are wearing a numbered football shirt

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- Free movie night at Swamptrash: "Devil and the Deep".

Friday, October 15

- Disc Jockey taking requests at T.J.'s.
- Cowboy Hat Night at Ram Rod; 50c beer, 75c well if wearing a cowboy hat.

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Saturday, October 9

- Special shows throughout the evening with 25c draft beer, midnite til 1 at 500 Club.

Sunday, October 10

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Wednesday, October 13

- 500 Follies present "Midweek Madness" at 9:30 pm at 500 Club.
- Free beer, 8-10 pm followed by professional drag show at Bailey St. Warehouse.
- Draw beer special 9 pm-midnight at Flame Lounge.

Thursday, October 14

- Disco & record giveaway, 8pm-2am at Bailey St. Warehouse.
- Wine coolers 40c, 9 pm-midnight at Flame Lounge.

Friday, October 15

- 25c draft beer, 6:30 til 9:30 at Aub's.
- Country & Western Night at the 500 Club. Special drink prices if you wear western hat.

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Saturday, October 9

- Special show with Harold, the hypnotist at Robert's LaFitte. Also: E. D. Lloyd, Tanya Turner, Robert & guest stars.

Sunday, October 10

- Special drink prices during afternoon happy hour at Mary's Too.

HOUSTON

Saturday, October 9

- "P.S., Your Cat Is Dead", by Montrose Activities Center at 701 Franklin, 8:30 pm.
- Babbs and Baldy performing at the Venture Inn, 9 til 2. No cover.
- Western band at Loft, 9-1 am.
- "Saturday's Child" rap session from noon til 2 pm at the MCCR.
- Beer bust at Levi's, 3-6 pm. \$1.00.
- Laverne & Company at the Exile, 9-1 pm.
- Randy Walls' Survivor Party at Sally's, 9 to midnight. Cocktail hour prices.

Sunday, October 10

- Weekly show with Ernestine, Jennifer George, Carmelita, Donna Day at O.P.
- "P.S., Your Cat Is Dead", by Montrose Activities Center at 701 Franklin, 8:30 pm.
- Beer bust, The Loft, 4-7 pm, \$1.00. 75c if wearing western hat.
- Jambalaya at The Barn, Noon.
- All lockers, \$2.00 each, 8am-4 pm, at Club Houston.
- Drag show at the Lamp Post 6 pm. Shawnee emcee with Honey Bare the stripper.
- Beer bust at the Locker, 7 pm-2 am, \$1.00
- Bloody Marys & Screwdrivers, 75c single, \$1.25 doubles at Inside Outside.
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Monday, October 11

- Happy hours at Sally's 7am-Noon and 5-8 pm, M-W-F, all day Tuesday and Thursday. Cocktail Hour 10 am-7 pm. 85c bar drinks at the Briar Patch daily.
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Tuesday, October 2

- Beer bust at Our Place, 11am-7 pm. 25c
- All day Happy Hour at Dirty Sally's 2nd Sun, Tues. and Thurs., 11 am- 7 pm. Bar \$1.00, beer 50c.
- Free movie night at the Locker, 9:30 pm.
- \$2.00 night at Mr. Frizby's.
- Pool Tourney 8 pm, Inside Outside.
- Depository Skate Nite at Carousel Roller Rink, Katy Frwy., 9-11 pm.

Wednesday, October 13

- Steak Night, 8 pm at Levi's.
- Pool Tourney at Hi-Lite Ranch, 9 pm.
- "Wilde 'n Stein" KPFT radio FM after evening news, approximately 9-10 pm.
- Gay Political Caucus meeting at 7:30 pm at MCCR. Public invited.
- Hat and color night at the Locker - ½ price drinks.
- Tiffany Jones stars with Ernestine, Jennifer George, Carmelita, Donna Day at the Old Plantation.
- Buddy Night at Club Houston — two for the price of one (lockers), 4 pm-midnight.

Thursday, October 14

- "Hot Stuff", a complete meal at the Westheimer Flea Market, 7-9 pm. \$2.50 per person.

Friday, October 15

- Laverne and Company at the Exile, 9pm-1
- Babbs and Baldy performing at the Venture Inn, 9 til 2. No cover.
- Drawing for prizes at Briar Patch.
- Western band at Loft, 9-1 am.

LUBBOCK

Friday, October 15

- Drag Show at David's Warehouse, 9:30 pm

SAN ANTONIO

Saturday, October 9

- Drag Show with Pauletta, Tammy, Stephanie, plus 2 guest stars at Mary Ellens.

Sunday, October 10

- Outdoor barbecue at Mary Ellens

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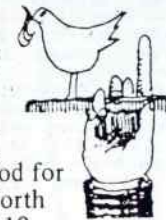
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