

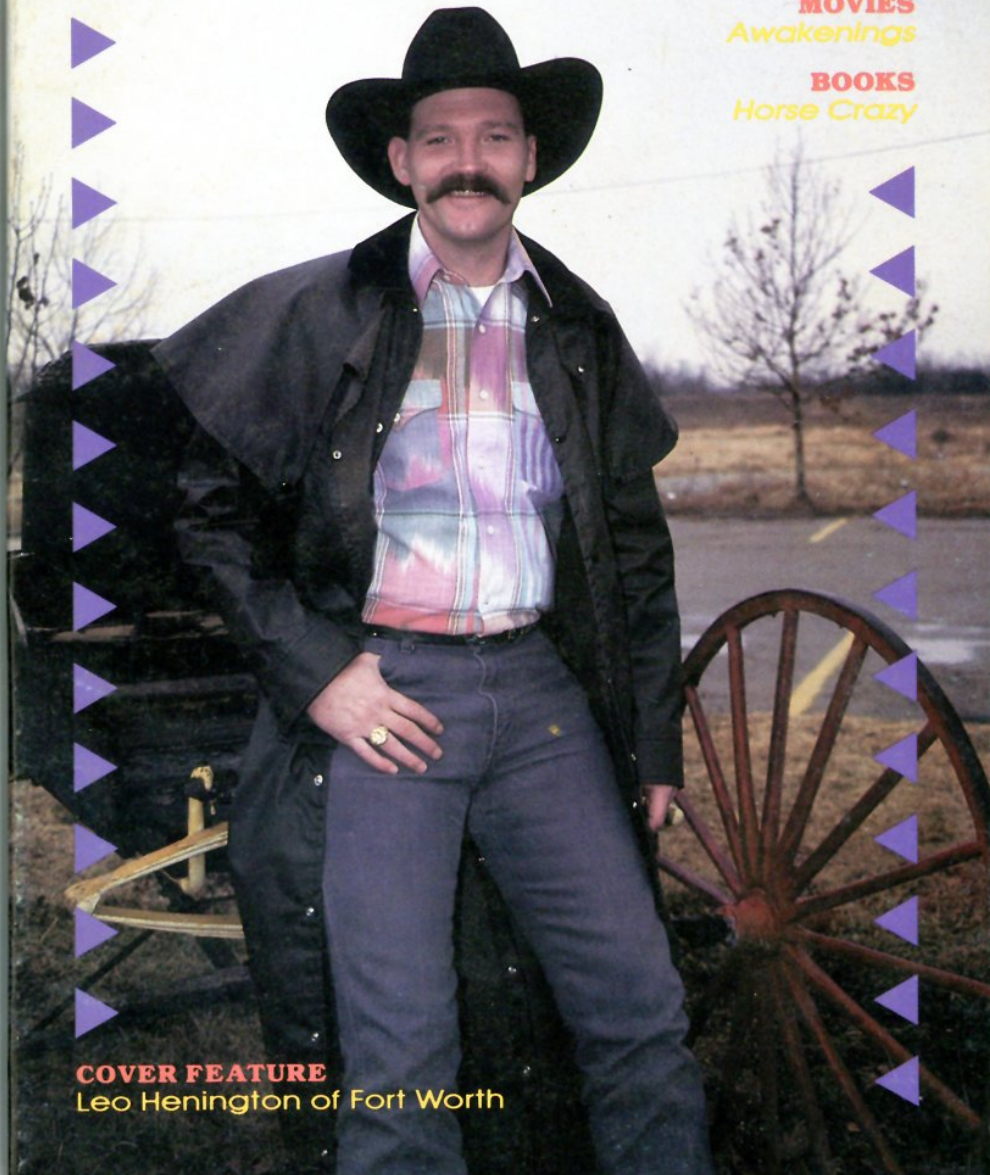
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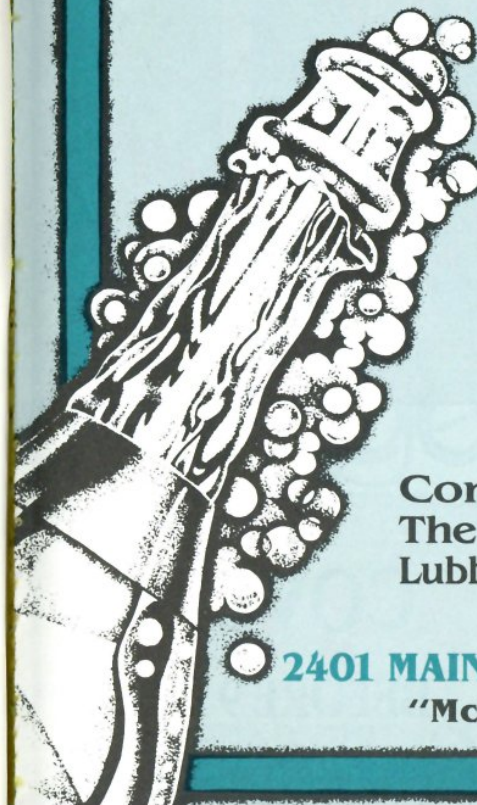
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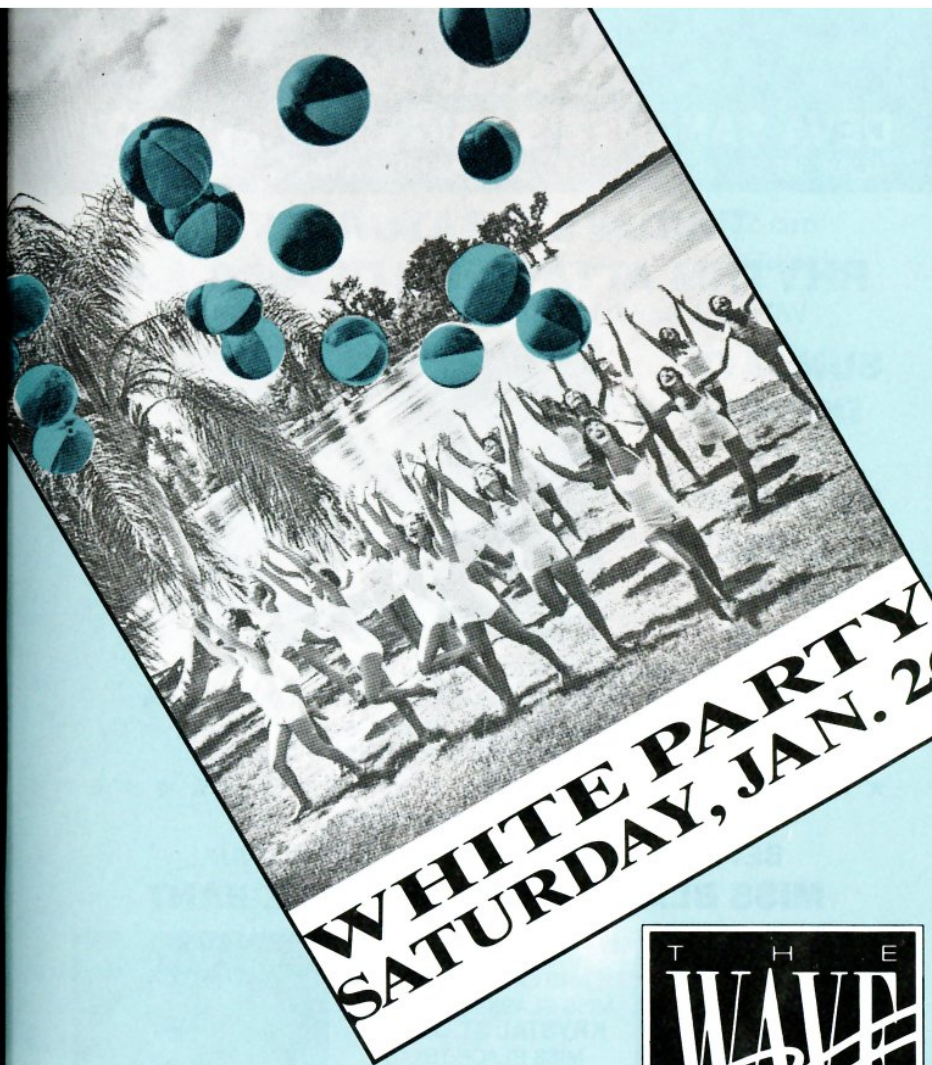
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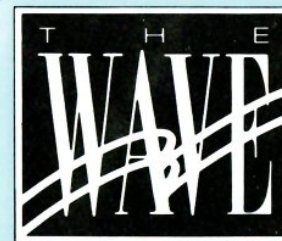
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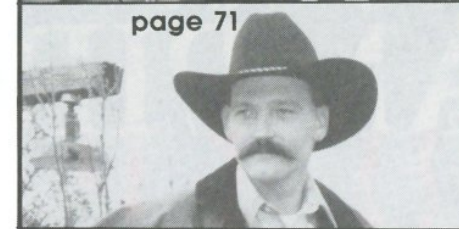
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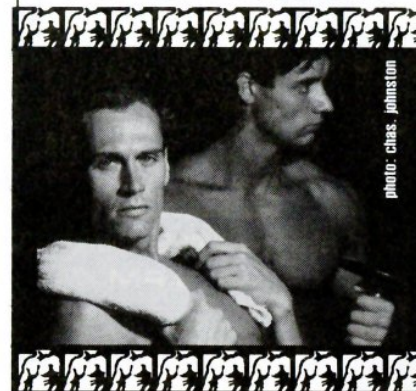
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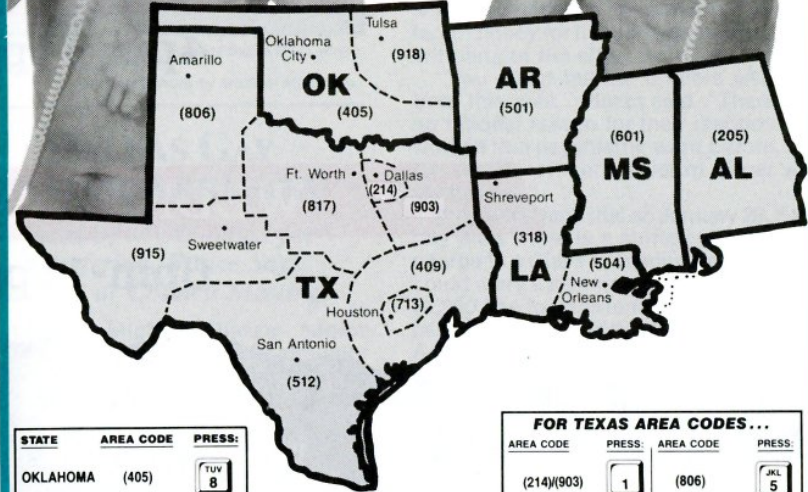
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Rev. Michael Piazza in the parking lot of Dallas MCC, where he was arrested January 6.
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DALLAS GAY PASTOR ARRESTED

Piazza of MCC Jailed for Interfering, Police Say; Testifies at Council Meeting.

DALLAS — Michael Piazza, senior pastor of the Metropolitan Community Church of Dallas, found himself in a strange situation Sunday night, January 6. While trying to determine why police officers had come onto his church's property, he found himself being arrested for interfering.

"We were about to begin our evening service," Piazza told Michael McKinney of TWT NEWS. "I noticed police car lights flashing through the windows of our sanctuary, so I asked our Associate Pastor Carol West what was going on. When she came back, Carol told me that the police had shone a flashlight right in her eyes and angrily told her to go back inside."

When Piazza went outside, the officers told him that it was none of his business and that they were on public property. Piazza said that the police had followed a car onto the church parking lot for an expired license tag. The car contained two



regular members of the MCC who were coming for evening services.

"I was told to go back inside or get arrested," Piazza said. The next thing he knew, he was being handcuffed and put into the squad car.

One of the arresting officers told Piazza that he would understand the situation if this were happening in South Dallas. The peculiar thing is that the other officer, who ticketed the woman for the expired tag, said virtually the same thing to her. The two officers didn't hear each other, Piazza explained, which led him to question whether the police department had a different policy for handling people in different parts of the city.

"You could tell the officers were not from this area," Piazza said. "There was no rational reason for their reaction. I've worked in a psychiatric ward before, and the female officer's level of anger was dangerous."

Piazza will face trial on January 29, if the city feels there is a sufficient case. The charge is a Class B misdemeanor, which could carry a six-month jail term and/or a \$1,000 fine for interfering with police procedures. Piazza said that his attorney, Mike Aranson, had indicated that interference must be more than verbal in nature to be considered interference.

Piazza, Dallas Gay Alliance president Bruce Monroe and Carol West attended the city council meeting on Wednesday, where they reiterated three main issues.

"We stressed that the police need to stop their discrimination in hiring gays and lesbians," Piazza said. "That gay people, not straight people, teach the sensitivity training classes to the police recruits and that the new police chief be responsive to the gay and lesbian community."

The Assistant City Manager, A.C. Gonzalez, asked Piazza what the city could do to improve relations between the gay community and the Dallas Police Department. Piazza stressed the need for the sensitivity training of new officers to be conducted by gays and lesbians. Gonzalez responded that every minority would then want the

same thing, and that this would open a "whole can of worms." Piazza answered that all the other minorities were represented in sensitivity training, whether Hispanic, black or female. "Gays are not represented, but that is not our fault," Piazza said, referring to the discriminatory practice of not hiring openly gay and lesbian applicants.

"The police created this situation [lack of sensitivity training]," Piazza said. "Then they asked us what they could do to fix it. I think our point was well made."

HOUSTON BAKERY CHOSEN FOR CAKE

*Acadian Bakers Create Cake
For Inaugural Brunch
At Governor's Mansion.*

HOUSTON — The Acadian Bakers have served the Houston community for 11 years. They have become famous for their unique architectural cakes designed by Sandi Bubbert and partner Ted Sun, an engineer from Shanghai, China turned baker.

Governor Ann Richards fell in love with the Acadian signature Brownie Chocolate Mousse Cake at a Houston fund-raiser during the primary campaign last year. The cake was decorated with a picture of the state Capitol building proclaiming, "Future Home of Ann Richards." Sandi Bubbert promised the candidate, "When you win the governorship, we will build the state Capitol out of this Brownie Chocolate



Chocolate mousse cake created by Houston's Acadian Bakers for Inaugural Brunch at Governor's Mansion in Austin.

TWT NEWS photo.

Mousse Cake." Richards won the election, and Bubbert and Sun have kept their promise.

The Inaugural Committee selected the Acadian Bakers to be the official bakers for the private brunch at the Governor's mansion. The brunch, held last Monday, January 15, is a traditional event marked by the handing over of the keys to the Governor's mansion. Governor Richards and her family, former Governor Bill Clements and his family, former Lt. Governor Bill Hobby and Lt. Governor Bob Bullock and his family were in attendance.

Acadian Bakers also designed and baked the cake served to President George Bush and other world leaders attending the Economic Summit in Houston last year. A model of the state Capitol building cake is on display at the bakery, located at 604 W. Alabama in Houston.

HOUSTON GIG REACHES OUT TO BLACK GAY MEN

*Over the Hill Group
Holds Counseling & Testing
in Street Outreach.*

HOUSTON — Over the Hill, Inc. is a nonprofit community-based service organization serving the needs of a particular segment of the black community. HIV high-risk groups such as habitual drug users, bisexual males, hemophiliacs and recipients of HIV-infected blood transfusions have an impact on men in the black community as well as other ethnic groups.

The organization's Gay Interaction Group Project [Project GIG] is an HIV counseling and testing program designed to reach black gay men, through street outreach.

Brief educational sessions are held near local businesses, labor pools and homeless shelters which are frequented by the targeted population. Over the Hill's van is usually parked nearby for one-on-one educational sessions, counseling and testing. Test results may be received when the van makes a return visit to the outreach site or at the office at 3402 Dowling Street.

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assistance. Jan Dedman, the project's director, says that "Project GIG is a one-stop store. The program is designed to help change personal life situations so that people can feel good about themselves."

Individuals who are HIV positive are referred to the Thomas Street Clinic for treatment, and Project GIG helps clients to complete the paperwork necessary to prove eligibility for services.

Over the Hill also operates a home for persons who have been infected with HIV. There is a two-week waiting period for a background check prior to admission to the facility. A history of untreated drug use and criminal activity can preclude an applicant from eligibility.

The project is in need of a volunteer who has a background in psychology or sociology to act as the facilitator for a support group for black gay males who are living with HIV/AIDS. Interested parties were asked to call Jan Dedman at (713)520-9554.

H.E.L.P. HELPS AUSTIN CHILDREN

*Community Responds Generously
At Fund-Raiser to Build
Wish List for Babies with AIDS.*

AUSTIN — Rosemary Herrera and Josie McKinny of Austin have organized The H.E.L.P. [Helping Every Little Person] Group, Inc., a Texas nonprofit corporation. The sole purpose of this organization is to raise funds to assist children with AIDS and their families. Monies raised will be donated to other nonprofit agencies and organizations for distribution in the form of direct assistance to such children and their families.

Carl Botolo, manager of Alegro, hosted the first fund-raiser for H.E.L.P. on December 8. Austin's gay community responded generously with hundreds of dollars in money and much-needed items from the children's wish list. According to Botolo, the children are in need of baby food, baby wipes, disposable diapers, receiving blankets, clothing, toys, strollers and first aid items.

Presently there are 18 children known to have AIDS in the Austin area, ranging in ages from three months to 23 months. Herrera told TWT NEWS that being a single



Rosemary Herrera, Carl Botolo and Josie McKinny of Austin's H.E.L.P. Group.
TWT NEWS photo by Chris Zimmerman.

parent with a healthy 12-year-old daughter had increased her awareness of the plight of children with AIDS. "I feel that these children [with AIDS] are being pushed aside, placed behind a closed door; we read and hear about so many other AIDS fund-raisers, but nothing about children with AIDS. I want to show my daughter and others that it is all right to volunteer; that no one should be fearful of these innocent babies who need love and affection," said Herrera.

Those wishing to contribute items for the wish list or to make a monetary donation may contact Rosemary Herrera at (512)442-1501 or Josie McKinny at (512) 443-7367.

THE 'DICEMAN' COMETH

*Houston GLPC Calls for
Community Protest Against
Andrew Dice Clay.*

HOUSTON — The Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus is seeking individuals and community organizations interested in the formation of a city-wide protest action against the appearance of sexist and homophobic comic Andrew Dice Clay. Clay, nationally known for his hate-mongering humor against women, gays, lesbians, Jews and other minority groups, has been scheduled for a January 18 ap-

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Andrew Dice Clay is not welcome here," stated Dennis Spencer, HGLPC president.



Homophobic comic Andrew Dice Clay, who will appear at Houston's Summit January 18.

"I hoped that he would have learned his lesson from Dallas last summer, but evidently he has not." A grassroots boycott effort by human rights groups in August of 1990 resulted in the cancellation of Clay's scheduled performance in that city.

"Our recent election efforts have proven once and for all that gay-baiting and sexism do not work in Texas. We hope all concerned citizens will join us in condemning ignorance and hatred by opposing the appearance of this racist, homophobic bigot," Spencer told Brian Keever of TWT NEWS.

The Houston chapter of Queer Nation has joined HGLPC as an official sponsor of a community protest action against the Clay appearance. HGLPC board members urge all interested persons to contact Harry Livesay of the HGLPC at (713) 923-3008 or David Fowler with Queer Nation at (713) 529-0100 for information concerning the protest action.

JANE OLIVOR RETURNS TO DALLAS

Singer to Give One-Night Valentine's Day Performance At Restart Benefit.

DALLAS — Jane Olivor and Valentine's Day—what a perfect combination! The chanteuse known for ballads of life and

love will give a one-night, one-woman performance on February 14 at the Stemmons Auditorium at the Loew's Anatole Hotel.

"This will be her first major appearance in the Dallas area, since 1982 when she performed at the Fair Park Music Hall," George Cranfill told Michael McKinney of TWT NEWS in an exclusive interview. Cranfill is the Administrative Assistant for




George Cranfill, Adm. Asst. for Restart, in front of new facilities, now under renovation. TWT NEWS photo.

Restart, the nonprofit organization that works with the homeless in Dallas. The proceeds from the event will benefit Restart.

"I've been looking for Jane Olivor a long time," Cranfill said. "Then I read in TWT that she was appearing at Rockefeller's in Houston. I contacted Jane's manager, who lives in Houston, through the club. Her manager said Jane would love to come back to Dallas."

"We are lining up a major sponsor of international caliber," Cranfill said, "to help underwrite the event. That way we can raise more money for Restart."

Cranfill said that Restart began in 1983 as a program for the homeless. "It helps them get back on their feet and provides them with job search and life management skills," he said. The program lasts six weeks and is conducted mainly by volunteers. The group has recently been able



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**LGPC MONTHLY
MEETING**

*Coalition Elects New Officers,
Changes Bylaw Affecting Quorum,
Discusses DPD Hiring Policy.*

DALLAS — The Lesbian/Gay Political Coalition of Dallas held their monthly

meeting on January 8, with special emphasis on the election of new officers. Deborah Wood was reelected as the female co-chair. Paul Rodgers became the new male co-chair, moving up from the vice-chair position. Peter Brooks vacated his male co-chair seat to become the vice-chair, and Dale Hill was reelected as secretary. The only change came when David Bobbitt was elected treasurer, replacing Joe Mosley.

The bylaws were changed to require that no fewer than ten members be present to form a quorum at any given meeting. The old regulation used a percentage of the membership to establish a quorum. Since the membership is now approaching 200, that percentage could not realistically be met at each meeting.

A motion was made and discussed to ask Lori Palmer, the Oak Lawn city councilperson, about her feelings concerning the Dallas Police Department hiring policy, which discriminates against openly gay and lesbian applicants. It was suggested that this issue be raised by the board members with each member of city council.



New officers of LGPC at monthly meeting on January 8.

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T.G.R.A. Austin Thank You

Dear TWT:

On behalf of the Austin chapter of the Texas Gay Rodeo Association, thank you to the management, staff and above all the patrons of Buckles Saloon, Chances, Sadie's Place and Chain Drive for the successful Food Bank Drive this past November and December that benefited AIDS Services of Austin (A.S.A.).

A very special thanks to "Dr. D." and "Skeeter" for their huge birthday bash at Buckles. These two generous folks requested that all their guests bring food gifts for the A.S.A. barrel, and the barrel ranneth over!

Again, thank you Austin for your help. The barrels will be out several times in 1991 to benefit A.S.A.

To all of you the best of 91 and God bless.

Robert Jackson
1991 State Chapter Representative
T.G.R.A. Austin Chapter

More Austin Thanks

Dear TWT:

AIDS has affected people in more than one way during 1990.

Austin is recognized nationwide as the city for AIDS care and awareness in the state of Texas. Throughout the year, an entire community has made a dream become reality for many of our sisters and brothers in need. The food bank at AIDS Services of Austin has been able to provide supplementary food on a weekly basis to nearly 2,100 people during 1990.

The continuous support by the following establishments in all respects has made living life a priority: Boathouse, 'Bout Time, Buckles Saloon, Chain Drive, Charlie's, Crossing, Nexus, Sadie's Place and Vanities.

Thank you, Austin!

Sharon Lilly
Food Bank Coordinator
AIDS Services of Austin

Tribute to Miss Kitty

Emphysema claimed the life of Doug Richardson, long-time owner of the Crew in San Antonio, on December 27. Doug's accomplishments and contributions to the com-

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munity are too numerous to mention here, and all the friends he made too numerous to list. The following letter is a tribute from one of those friends.—Publisher

Dear TWT:

This letter is in tribute to the memory of Doug "Miss Kitty" Richardson of The Crew in San Antonio. Doug was a vibrant member of our community, and his loss will be deeply felt.

As a patron, friend and professional co-worker, I wish to make these brief statements in his honor:

As a patron, I have joined the many who have enjoyed the camaraderie of his open and friendly establishment. Having retired the Miss Kitty-Commuter of the Year Award, I can testify to the good times he hosted at The Crew. Along with the many others, the parties, Fiestas, profusion of food and great drinks were fruitfully enjoyed.

As a friend, I enjoyed the quiet moments, the Sunday excursions to plentiful buffets, the allures of Las Vegas and the sectional rivalry encountered with The Crew's "crew" at the football games.

As a professional whose work has been affected by the onslaught of the HIV virus, I was privy to his deep concerns and his determination for the success of the San Antonio AIDS Foundation. His desire for the founding and growth of the SAAF was his greatest concern. His unyielding support of the efforts of Robert "Papa Bear" Edwards was based on his knowledge that the efforts of the SAAF were responsible for a wide range of benefits and services being provided to persons who suffered from AIDS, ARC and HIV positive diagnoses, well beyond the San Antonio area.

Finally, in closing, I want to say for Miss Kitty, "Viva la Fiesta!"

Because of the sensitive nature of my job, I wish my name to be withheld.

Dallas, TX
and San Antonio, TX



Inclusive Community?

Dear TWT:

In the spring of 1990, I had a very rude and painful awakening. I had assumed that the 15 years that I had spent working for the civil and human rights of my lesbian sisters and gay brothers was an extension and part and parcel of my work for the transgender community (transvestites, female impersonators, transgenderists and transsexuals), for bisexuals and for heterosexual supporters.

I had assumed that we were all in this together. Gays and lesbians have a huge fight that anyone reading this magazine is already aware of. Heterosexual transgenderists carry the same stereotyping and prejudice plus a bit more. Even if all the legal homosexual barriers are removed, the homosexual transgenderists will still have the fight that heterosexual transgenderists currently fight. Bisexuals in a same-sex relationship are in the same boat. Bisexuals in an opposite-sex relationship carry the fear of the closet door opening with them and the prejudice when it does.

As to heterosexual supporters, just ask Ann Richards or Nikki Van Hightower or the Democratic Party at large. They are constantly being smeared with innuendoes and gay bashing.

I remembered the history of the pink triangle. The Nazis imposed the pink triangle on them.

We were certainly all in the same boat back then. I also remember the Stonewall riots, which began the modern movement to freedom.

The first March on Washington was heady stuff. But during the planning meeting held at the University of Houston in the late 70s, I had to make a really tough stand to even get the words dealing with transgenderists into the printed material. It was an uphill fight, but the language was inserted. Then it was neatly tucked away and we all marched under

the overt title and banner of only gay and lesbian rights.

The second March on Washington was the same. Overtly, we all marched only for gay and lesbian rights.

The March on Austin in 1989 was the same way. I even bought the entire back page of the program to demonstrate financial support. But overtly, we marched only for gay and lesbian rights.

At the time of the last Legislature, at least one bill was drafted to allow discrimination on the basis of gender identification (that means transgenderists) in housing. And if you read the federal handicap law that came out a few months ago, you will see that there are many categories of transgenderists specifically named and targeted for discrimination.

I asked the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus to overtly inclusify its name by adding an asterisk to the end of both its name and its initials and to include transgenderists, bisexuals and heterosexual supporters in its bylaws. Not only was the "*" soundly voted down, the bylaws change wasn't even debated.

I was told that night and I have been told since that the goal of the caucus is to gain the rights only of gays and lesbians. I have even been called "heterosexual" with the same sneer and hatred that our enemies muster up to call us queer or faggot or.

Now the March on Austin is being planned for 1991. Will it put an "*" in its name to signify the community's inclusivity? Will the planners overtly explain in each of the march's releases and all of its literature the need for and desire to have an "inclusive community" of gays, lesbians, transgenderists, bisexuals and heterosexual supporters?

Will it be the March on Austin for Lesbian and Gay Rights? Or will it be the March on Austin for the Rights of the Inclusive Community? Or will it be the March on Austin to Resist Sexual and Gender Bigotry? Or will it be some other overt name that includes us all?

If not, count me out!

Phyllis Randolph Frye
Houston, TX

Zwicker for Council?

Dear TWT:

Nineteen ninety-one, again, is election

year for our elected officials here in Houston. I have become quite disturbed by all the racial undertones of those elected to represent us thus far, and I feel there to be a real need for positive, productive and creative growth on our City Council and in Council Chambers. It is my belief that our concerns should be more and better focused on the city and on civic issues at hand, rather than all the energy being wasted on Hispanic, Asian, white and black seat holders, and thus, all the hysteria which has accompanied all of this as well. I believe there to be a real need for a better balance to benefit the city of Houston, and all concerned parties as well.

Consideration, at this time, is being given to the idea of my running for either a district position or an at-large position, on Houston City Council. I would do so as a happily married homosexual male who also has AIDS. These are facts of life that I refuse to deny to anyone, but especially myself. This, too, is a part of the balance which I have spoken of previously. I have been involved for years as a political activist and lobbyist, and I have held many television and news conferences on various issues, including AIDS and homosexual issues. I have worked on various issues at city, county, state and federal levels, and have always received respect, including proclamation of a day in my honor by Mayor Kathryn J. Whitmire, on May 12, 1989. Presently, I am the president of a civic club organization which is not in Montrose, and the 1,200-plus homes in my area of responsibility are for the most part those of Hispanics and not of gays.

I feel it is time, and there is a need for change, and a new unity. I am asking for any and all responses, ideas and support from both the heterosexual and the homosexual communities, and I request the same from the readers of TWT. Thank you, and God bless all in 1991.

Rodney H. Zwicker
Houston, TX

Friendship More Important

Dear TWT:

I have read your letter ["Gays & Lesbians Together," Vol. 16, No. 41], and have wondered the same. It seems that first of all, to acquire a friendship one

must understand intent. Our society must first avoid the old closed-minded approach of sexual attraction versus mind attraction. Therefore acquaintance/friendships would be worth more.

I've been in a situation that a lesbian friendship didn't work out because of intent (I was not interested in sex, she was), therefore I would seem aloof until I felt sure of the other's intent. We must work on our common grounds/goals rather than look for the differences. This is what I've learned. You must be confident about your feelings. Assurance equals power and setting ground rules of behavior for any relationship, and sex has nothing to do with it. Once we leave the mind frame of sex out, we may go on with our daily lives.

L. White, Jr.
Houston, TX

How Are AFH Funds Used?

Dear TWT:

In response to "Make Resolution" in Vol. 16, No. 42.

Many people in our community don't support the AIDS Foundation.

This is because we are unhappy with AFH's handling of our donations.

You mention \$50 to Stone Soup. Unless you buy the food and deliver it in person, or use the red barrel at the Kroger on Montrose, you have no way of knowing if your money reaches Stone Soup. All donations (regardless of notation) go into general funds with no accounting as to where they are to be used.

Name Withheld
Houston, TX

Bark at Barking Dogs?

Dear TWT:

As a rebuttal to a recent prediction entitled "Protests and Boycotts" [Vol. 16, No. 43], I reconfirm my original intention which clearly states that I am not protesting the boycotts or protests, but rather questioning their intention to find if we, the gay community, have an objective or goal to strive for by boycotting or protesting anything.

I ask the following of everyone who reads this letter: If you were Jesse Helms, Larry Lea or any anti-gay force, "how

would you keep the gay community from gaining power or influence in any form, in regards to any subject, physics or politics?

Whose angered "resistance" would you rely on to justify your hatefilled actions as well as catapult your forced opinion to front-page news?

Furthermore, how would the gay community be affected? Would they be ignited with resistant anger or united as a community? Our greatest downfall occurs when we let the opinions of some ignorant, hateful men determine what we stand for as a community. Finally, who has more influence? A man who kicks a barking dog, runs away from the dog, barks back at the dog or stands tall and firm, looking the hateful beast square in the eyes?

Let no homophobic or anti-gay force anywhere have the power to stir any form of resistance in the hearts of gay men and women, forcing them to make a stand to address issues that have nothing to do with who or what they are, only to divide the gay community and make another powerful, famous homophobic.

Homophobics are barking dogs, the choice is ours: to stay united and firm in who and what we are, or divided, defiant and angry, barking at barking dogs.

Jan Milstead
Dallas, TX

Looking for Real Friends

Dear TWT:

It is hard for me to make friends in the gay community. I have tried to be honest with all of my so-called "friends," but the bottom line is always the same: They all seem to try to work their way into my bed. This has troubled me for a long time.

I am seriously worried about the morals, values and ethics of our community. I am sure there are some decent gay people out there, but where? Make no mistake, I am not putting myself on some form of pedestal, but I am better than what I have seen.

One-night stands are offensive and, quite frankly, dangerous. Friends who take advantage of you when you are drunk betray your trust. What type of people do we have in our community? I wish there was something we could do about this behavior. To avoid it, I would have to avoid

the entire gay community.

It is not fair to me either. I am gay and enjoy being gay. I keep myself in shape and groom myself to be a better person, not for just the looks. Just because I am "cute" does not mean I am one gigantic hormone and have no morals. All I want is a healthy life with friends who care about me. Sometimes I wonder if that is asking too much.

If you or any of your readers have any advice, let me know. I can use some good advice.

Name Withheld
Austin, TX

The Last One Who Cared

Dear TWT:

I cried several times while reading parts of a book on the history of the civil rights movement. I cried that one man, President John F. Kennedy, could care so much about human rights, dignity and equality.

That one man could care so much made me proud and sad at the same time.

Proud that he lived and tried. Sad that he's gone, and sad because he was the last President who seemed to care, really care, about all the people.

Peter Black
Houston, TX

Retro-Outing?

Dear TWT:

The great American composer Aaron Copland, who died recently at the age of 90, was gay. His lover and companion for more than 30 years was the late photographer Victor Kraft. With pieces like *Appalachian Spring*, *Rodeo*, *Fanfare to the Common Man* and *Lincoln Portrait*, Aaron Copland's name has become synonymous with American music and indeed the American spirit. Copland may have chosen to keep his private life a secret, but it would be naive to think this was not the result of homophobia. In the interest of truth, justice and the American way, wouldn't it be a crime to keep his gay identity out of history books? After all, his gay identity has something—perhaps everything—to do with his creative output.

Gene Elder
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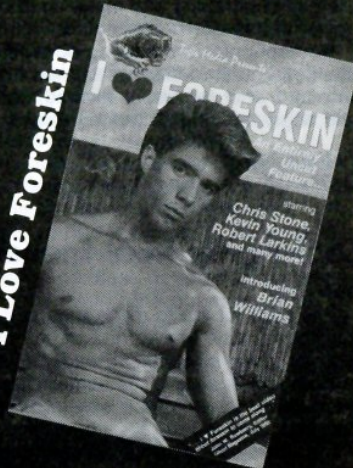
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VOCABULARY MAKE-OVER



As our world changes at a torrid pace, every cultural group is forced to adapt the language and manufacture vocabulary to fill its needs. So it is with gay people. There seems little doubt that most gays take great pride in being up-to-the-minute and stylish. And there is probably no faster way to seem dated (old-fashioned, out of touch, antique, old hat, obsolete, troll-like) than to use words identified with times gone by. In fact, those on the cutting edge continually cook up new words to replace the old ones. So here's a list of what's in and out vocabulary-wise.

OUT: Saying, "What a slut!"

IN: Saying, "From what I've heard, that one has given new meaning to the words 'Public Access.'"

OUT: Pick-up lines.

IN: WATS lines (as in, What's your sign?, What's your name?, What's your net worth?, What's a nice guy like you doing in a place like this?)

OUT: Cruising.

IN: Targeting.

OUT: Good in bed.

IN: User-friendly.

OUT: Saying, "You're a big ass!"

IN: Saying, "I'd like to *share* with you that you're a big ass!"

OUT: A one-night stand and English muffin.

IN: Bed and breakfast.

OUT: Saying, "Let's make love."

IN: Saying, "Let's *do* sex."

OUT: Condom.

IN: Hardware.

OUT: Getting a boner.

IN: Upwardly mobile.

OUT: Saying, "There sure are a lot of hot men at this party."

IN: Saying, "This party has *good demographics*."

OUT: Tan line.

IN: The bottom line.

OUT: Oral sex with a well-endowed partner.

IN: Mega-byte.

OUT: Saying, "I'm taking off this cock ring."

IN: Saying, "I'm out of the loop."

OUT: Gossiping about others.

IN: Acting as a *consultant*.

OUT: Saying, "I'd like to get into his pants."

IN: Saying, "I'd like to *access* his Calvins."

OUT: Dating a drag queen.

IN: Dragging out.

OUT: Going to your new boyfriend's apartment so he can introduce you to his three cats and pet canary.

IN: Meeting the kids.

Remember those changes we mentioned in our end-of-the-year issue? One of them is the arrival of our new MOVIE and THEATRE critic. **Xavier Tamez** joins the entertainment staff of TWT with his review of the movie *Awakenings*. BACKSTAGE has enjoyed Tamez's reviews for some time and when the opportunity arose to invite him to join our staff, we didn't hesitate. We think you will discover that his coverage of the movie scene for TWT will enhance our previous efforts.

Simplicity and clarity make the sense of the language plain and the music of the language soar. Main Street Theater's current production of *King Lear* is presented in an ancient abstract setting. British actor **James Gale** is delighting both cast and audiences with his interpretation of this classic role. *King Lear's* director is the theatre's founder and Artistic Director, **Rebecca Greene Udden**. Ms. Udden has cast Actor's Equity guest artist **Timothy Arrington** to portray the Earl of Gloucester. "I have known Tim Arrington's work for as long as I have been directing," Udden explains, "but this is the first opportunity we have had to work together. His style is quick and intelligent, and provides a strong drive for the Edmund/Gloucester part of the story. In fact, I feel that the entire cast is exceptional. No one will walk away disappointed from this play." Go, see for yourself, Main Street Theater has a hit play on stage. Call (713)524-6706 and reserve your seat today.



Jane Olivor.

"Some Enchanted Evening" you will have the opportunity to witness a live concert performance of a rare songbird. **Jane Olivor** arrives at Loews Anatole for one

BACKSTAGE By MARC ALEXANDER

night only, February 14. The concert is a benefit for Restart, the project that works with the homeless in Dallas. Tickets go on sale at all Rainbow TicketMaster outlets on February 1. The concert is Valentine's Day, February 14 and if you want to make a romantic impression on your valentine, the Jane Olivor concert in Dallas is the place to be. Mark your calendar, beat the rush and call your florist now, then prepare yourself for a night to remember. Do you need more information about the Restart project? Then dial (214)948-9431 and someone there will respond to your questions.



Phantom co-stars Richard White and Glory Crampton.

New York City Opera star **Richard White** will don the glittering masks of the title role in Theatre Under the Stars' world premiere of *Phantom of the Opera* arriving this month at Houston's Music Hall. Joining White in the principal cast of *POTO* will be **Glory Crampton** as Christine Daae, the object of the Phantom's sinister affection. Directed and staged by **Charles Abbott**, this \$1.5 million production is breaking TUTS ticket sale records in an extraordinary fashion. First-day single sales were \$71,686, an all-time record, almost tripling

the previous record for first-day sales. The new musical stage thriller by playwright **Arthur Kopit** and composer/lyricist **Maury Yeston**, creators of the 1982 Tony-winning musical *Nine*, previews January 25-30 and opens January 31 to run through February 10. Tickets are available at all Ticketron locations including Foley's and Fiesta. To charge by phone, call (713)629-3700. A word of caution: This is not a promotional gimmick; if you plan to see *Phantom* you should order your tickets immediately. An extended run is doubtful.

Austin's Capitol City Playhouse celebrates its ninth anniversary with a free birthday bash on Monday, January 21 from 6-11 p.m. **Jimmy Gunn**, award-winning sound designer and member of the Austin Circle of Theatres board of directors, will emcee the proceedings. The ninth-year celebration will also focus on the future by announcing the tenth season of Capitol City Playhouse theatre. Come on out and party with us; yes, BACKSTAGE will be in Austin to



Robert Wagner and Stefanie Powers in *Love Letters*.

attend the party. We love door prizes (there are 50 of them) and we have an absolute passion for home-cooked pasta. Besides, it is an opportunity to meet the staffers, volunteers, designers, technicians and the Austin theatre community that we write about each week.


The Classic Theatre Company of Dallas is presenting *Sophocles' Antigone* this evening at the theatre location, 2301 Canton Street. **Janet Farrow**, the play's director will be using vocal orchestration and choral technique in order to explore the purity of the Greek form. **Robert Ierardi** has been cast as Creon with **Carol Dearman** playing the role of Antigone. Call

(214) 747-6407 for ticket and schedule information.

Theatre Three's outstanding production of playwright **August Wilson's** most haunted drama, *Joe Turner's Come and Gone*, is a play about people lost between their past and future. Wilson is the author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning plays *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom* and *Fences*. This production features **Terrence Charles Rodgers** and **Summer Shelby** with direction by Margie Reese. Call (214)871-3300 to reserve your seats or for more information.

Stefanie Powers and **Robert Wagner** will star in A.R. Gurney's hit play *Love Letters* January 22-27 at the Majestic Theatre in Dallas. *Love Letters* traces the lifelong relationship between a man and a woman solely through their correspondence. The actor and actress are seated at a table on stage and read from the letters, which begin when they are second-graders. Tickets are on sale at all Rainbow TicketMaster outlets in the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

Tired of the usual? Check out the piano action at the Briar Patch in Houston. We stopped by the other night to say hello to Wayne and were treated to a wonderful evening of song. Not the norm—an opera singer just happened to stop by for a cocktail and was talked into doing a number. Opera singers do know other tunes. You should have been there to enjoy the moment. Beautiful song, exceptional voice. The Briar Patch has music every night, so stop by the club at 2294 Greenbriar at Holcombe and trust us, you'll enjoy.

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Casting two major Hollywood stars in one film always raises skepticism in my mind. Frequently big names are used in combination to overcome the absence of any other redeeming feature in a movie. Witness the disastrous Brando/Nicholson collaboration *The Missouri Breaks* or the insipid Beatty/Hoffman teaming in *Ishtar*.



Reviewed by Xavier Tamez

AWAKENINGS



Robert De Niro and Robin Williams.

So when I learned that Robert De Niro and Robin Williams would be appearing together in *Awakenings*, I had my doubts.

My concerns were compounded by the fact that Penny Marshall was directing the work; while Marshall does show promise (*Big*), I felt she couldn't be of the same caliber as Arthur Penn (who had directed marvelous films like *Bonnie and Clyde*, *Little Big Man* and *Night Moves* before bombing with *The Missouri Breaks*) or even Beatty (who had succeeded with *Heaven Can Wait* and *Reds* prior to flopping with *Ishtar*).

My suspicions couldn't have been more wrong. *Awakenings* is an incredible movie that stirs emotional nerves.

The movie, which is based on a true story, is about Dr. Malcolm Sayer (Williams), who arrives at Bainbridge Hospital in the Bronx to be interviewed for a research position in the hospital's neurology

lab. At least, that's what he thinks.


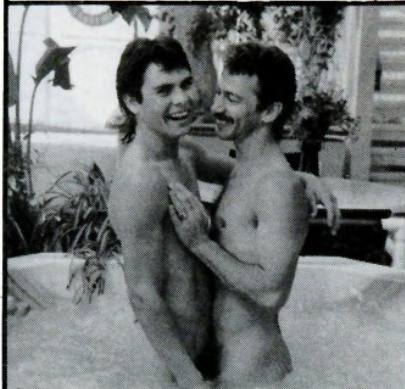
It turns out that the hospital is looking for someone to work with chronically ill patients. Sayer meekly protests that his experience is confined to research and he lacks the expertise to deal with "live" patients.

The interviewing staff, led by Dr. Kaufman (John Heard), brushes aside his objections, stating that his medical school work with patients will more than suffice. Besides, who can say just how "live" these patients really are.

Sayer thus finds himself assigned to caring for neurological patients, all of whom exist, to varying degrees, in catatonic states.

When Sayer notices small reactions by his charges to outside stimuli, he becomes captivated by the possibility that these people are still mentally cognizant, that they're alive inside, and he becomes

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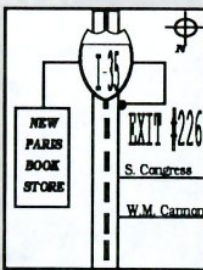



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increasingly tied to them. In particular, he develops an attachment to Leonard Lowe (De Niro).

Leonard's condition is severe. Unable to move or speak and observing everything with a blank stare, he draws special attention. Sayer meets Leonard's mother, Mrs. Lowe (Ruth Nelson), and learns more about his patient's illness. He discovers that during childhood, Leonard began to have trouble controlling the muscles in his lower arms and hands. Later he fell victim to the sleeping sickness epidemic that struck much of the world in the 1920s and his mother brought him to Bainbridge. Through further investigation of old medical files, Sayer discovers that all of his patients have that common denominator in their case histories: they are all post-encephalitic, survivors of that sleeping sickness epidemic.

He persuades the chief staff members of the hospital to permit him to use an experimental new drug, L-dopa, that is being used to treat people with Parkinson's disease.

The drug is used first on Leonard, and the results are miraculous. Sayer and his staff, including his nurse, Eleanor Costello (Julie Kavner), are overjoyed. The treatment is applied to the other patients and the ensuing emotional upheaval is a truly wondrous sight.

Personalities long dormant are reawakened in a human spectacle of rebirth, and on the screen the moment is inspiring.

Awakenings is a film of tremendous impact with all the right ingredients. Williams and De Niro are both superb. Williams solidly affirms his ability in strong dramatic roles. Unlike his role in *Dead Poet's Society*, which, although a drama, made wide use of his comedic talents, his work in *Awakenings* has no comic qualities. It is a straight dramatic role, and Williams delivers a tour de force performance.

De Niro proves, yet again, that his talent as an actor is limitless. As a man who emerges from a cocoon after a lifetime, he beautifully captures the wonderment, the appreciation and, ultimately, the frustration of someone stretching his mind and body after decades of sleep.

Penny Marshall has triumphed in her first dramatic directorial outing. She has evoked two of the best performances of the year from two of the best actors in Hollywood.

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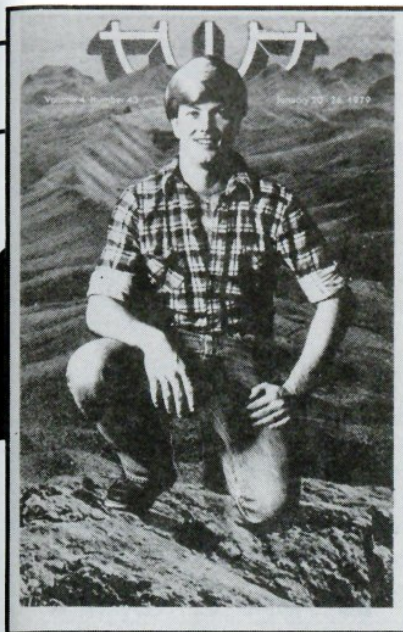
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As the cold of winter set in, vast numbers of Texasuals chose the warmth and chaser lights of Lone Star dance halls to occupy their lonely nights. Between trips to the bar, toe tappers danced to number one hits such as Cheryl Lynn's "Got to Be Real" at the Boulevard in San Antonio, Alicia Bridge's "I Love the Night-life" at the OP in Amarillo and Chic's "Le Freak" at the D-111 in Dallas.

And just think, friends, these are the tunes you'll be hearing ten years from now on the golden oldies stations!

On a less musical note, TWT UPFRONT reported on a record number of bills pending in the Texas Legislature which would further restrict Lone Star gays. From articles prohibiting liquor licenses to bars that allowed obscene activities such as same-sex dancing to an anti-gay teacher bill such as California's Briggs Initiative, Texasuals were in for a year of intense pressure from their elected officials.

So, dahling, what else is new?

SAY, WASN'T THAT... **Gotham** at Numbers in Houston; **Joe P. Cain** heavy hauling at Cain's Heavy Hauling in Galveston; **Doug Mowery** at Baja Sam's in Houston; **Tragedy Ann, Angela Aaron** and **Miss Riki** at Austin Country in, where else, Austin; **Trudy Tyler** emceeding the Miss Chubby of

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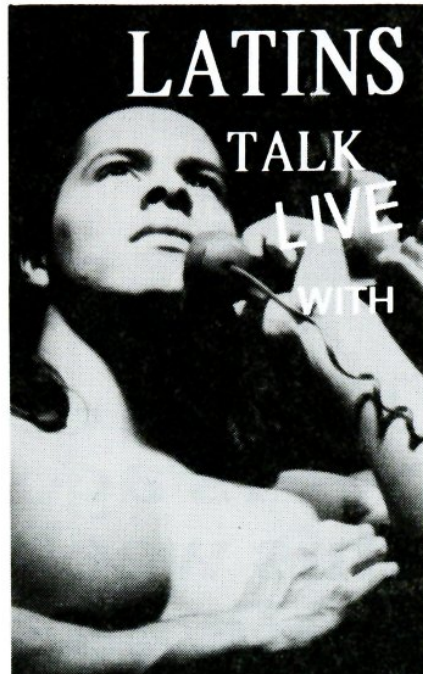
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Big city beat of Gotham.

Texas (200 lb. minimum) at the Split Image in Fort Worth; **Sandra Senness** hypnotizing the crowds at the D-111 in Dallas; **Jay Allen** managing After Dark in Houston; **Tony Horton** winning top honors at the first-ever **Mr. Gay Wichita Falls** contest at the **Rising Sun**, with **Shawn Hull** as first runner-up; **Reverend Charles W. Larsen** tending the flock at MCCR in Houston; **Randy Grissom** and **Jerry Resnack** in the

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And, finally, in **TINSELTOWN TO TEXAS** news, TWTSpodent **Michael Grant**, he of the cinemascope set, provided us with 1979's Grammy Goodies as he listed the nominees in the top categories. The Best Pop Female Vocal category was dominated by dragdom's favorite LP sources, as Olivia Newton-John for "Hopelessly Devoted to You," Donna Summer for "MacArthur Park" and Barbra Streisand for "You Don't Bring Me Flowers" all garnered nominations. The men's category was blessed with Gerry Rafferty, Gino Vanelli and Dan Hill. Who?!

I'm still having a hard time with "Le Freak"!

And so it was, this week in Texas, 1979.



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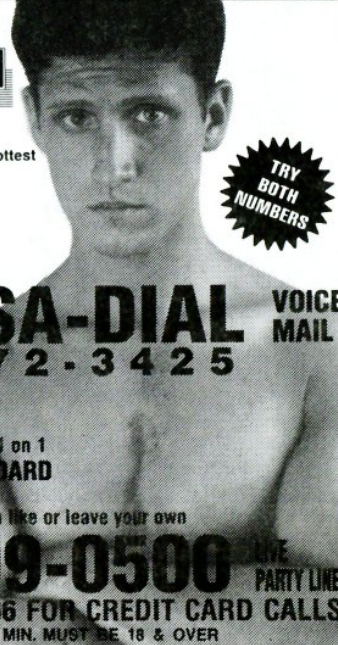
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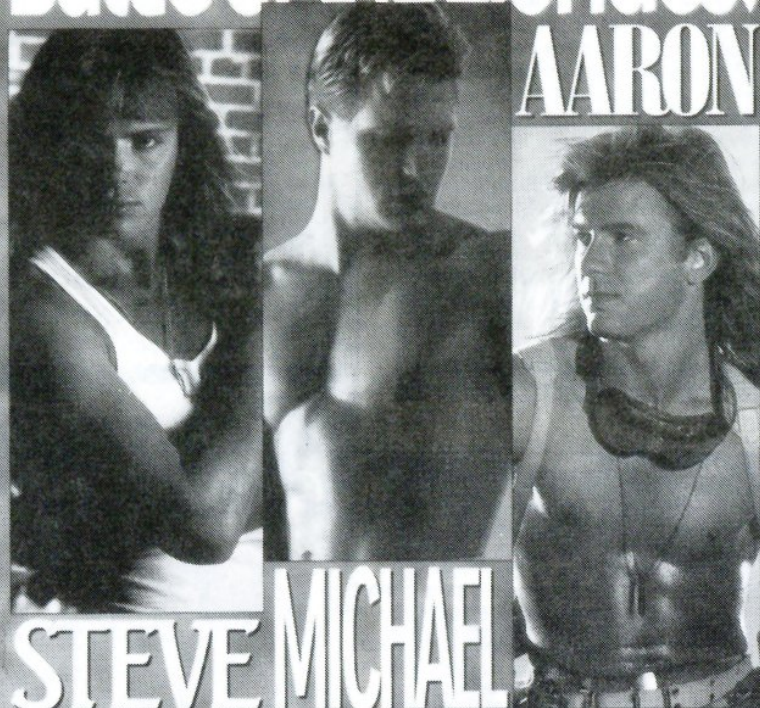
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BOOKS

HORSE CRAZY

Reviewed by Bob Dineen

Horse Crazy, by Gary Indiana; fiction, 218 pp.; Penguin Books, 375 Hudson Street, New York, NY 10014; softcover, \$8.95

I don't know about you, but I just love a good self-help book. Anytime that I can read some author's opinions extolling the virtues of a new hairstyle as a method to

inner peace, I feel that I have come a long way in perfecting this lifetime, thereby making the transition to the next plane easier. The problem that I have is that so many self-help books need their own special brand of dictionary to explain some of the words that we are accused of being.

As a result, I find that I am able to comprehend more, and, therefore, assimilate more, if I choose books of a more narrative nature. For example, when I was in the ear-

ly days of my search for higher consciousness, one of my favorite books, because of its narrative style, was Shirley MacLaine's *Out on a Limb*. Here was a book that provided answers to a multitude of questions about my search, but did it on a personal, familiar level—almost like the fairy tales (I promise, no pun was intended!) that my mother used to tell me. It made my search easier.

Well, imagine my delight when I picked up Gary Indiana's new book, *Horse Crazy*. Here, my friends, was the book that I have been waiting for for years. It tells all about relationships and, in the same narrative form, how not to have one! In journal-like and Jungian therapy session-like form, Mr. Indiana presents a relationship so real, so

vivid and, regrettably, so close to home, that one cannot read this book and not know which direction he or she must take in the course of his or her search for the perfect mate.

The hero/victim of this story is a delightful man who, like myself, happens to be a writer. Like many of us, he lives constantly in the shadow of death, residing in the greatly diminished gay population of the Village in New York. Every day, he hears news of yet another loss and wonders, as do we all, whether he slept with that person or whether someone he slept with slept with that person or...well, you get the drift.

Despite this fear, he craves the attention of someone who will "take control of my


body and soul, rule my life, fill my consciousness to the exclusion of everyone else." That someone is one Gregory Burgess, a waiter-cum-artist, a "beautiful younger man and notorious flirt." Their love is one built on mutual distrust and thoughts of destruction, much as is that of that famous couple the Roses.

Our hero/victim surrenders himself completely. And Gregory takes complete control of his every waking, and sleeping, moment. Using the bait of future sex as a lure, he traps the very being of his literary "love," causing sleepless nights, misspent funds and diminished self-esteem. But, our hero ponders, isn't this what love is all about? Oh, I know, Gregory sleeps with other men, he never calls and disappears

for days on end. He won't be seen in public with me, and when we are together he makes such incredible scenes, embarrassing me shamelessly or, worse yet, launching into such bouts of depression that I am scarcely able to breathe. But isn't it better to be with someone you love, even if you have these problems, than to be alone?

The revelation of the absurdity of this relationship and its incredible similarity to so many I have experienced in my life, absolutely floored me—and did more good for me than probably any book by Bradshaw, Ratner and the like. Not that their works are not essential to the development of the planet. I just still prefer a good fairy tale, don't you?

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SULLIVAN REMOVES IMMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS—

by Thomas Kane, Vice-President Elect
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Forgive me if I'm not impressed that ten years into the AIDS emergency, the government has done one right thing. Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan has at long last authorized the removal of regulations that bar HIV-infected people from entering the United States. The world has been protesting this silly policy for years. Public health officials high and low have decried its stupidity. It still took the Bush Administration two years to issue the ruling, and then only after Congress told it to do so.

Even if I'm unmoved, we should still be pleased. At least this one time, well-conceived health policy has been placed above the politics of AIDS. And more important than even the political symbolism, the removal of these regulations is undoubtedly a shot in the arm for the worldwide effort against AIDS.

The U.S. ruling reduces the likelihood that other countries will enact similar restrictions. Americans could easily have borne the greatest burden from this policy. The U.S. has more HIV-infected people than any other country, so the effect of widely-adopted immigration restrictions would be to keep Americans out of other countries. If you're HIV positive, even if you're asymptomatic, a Caribbean vacation would be out of the question. More importantly, you could also forget about the possibility of medical treatment at leading research centers outside of the United States, like the Pasteur Institute in France. New AIDS drugs and treatments are coming out of Europe and Asia very rapidly, and smuggling these drugs into the U.S. is growth industry. New therapies are be-



WHAT TOOK THEM SO LONG?

ing approved for test in the U.S., though at a snail's pace, so treatment outside the U.S. may be a last hope for many.

The energy of the fight against AIDS is being kept up by those already infected. The restriction on the entry of foreign nationals, if enforced, would have crippled efforts to create a coordinated worldwide response to the disease. Potentially, the international HIV community could have been denied the opportunity to meet with U.S. researchers.

Thankfully, the restrictions were temporarily waived for the International AIDS Conference in San Francisco last June, but only after dozens of organizations around the world boycotted the conference in protest. No one knows how much information wasn't published, or what new insight could have resulted from the interaction between these researchers. Maybe an effective treatment. Maybe a cure.

You think none of this ever dawned on the politicians? They knew full well that foreign nationals with HIV posed no public health danger (and even if they did, the danger would be negligible compared to the emergency of millions of Americans already infected). But the politics of AIDS has always seemed more important to the politicians in charge than the deaths of our family members and friends. And make no mistake about it, barring HIV carriers from entering the United States was the first step toward mandatory HIV testing and reporting in this country. If the government thinks it's a bad idea to let foreigners with HIV into the U.S., then why not get rid of American citizens with HIV, too? The rumblings on America's irrational right wing contend that the way to deal with AIDS is to test everybody and quarantine those who test positive. Even as this rul-

ing was made, the right-wingers warned that the real battle was coming over the testing of doctors, nurses and other health care workers. We can be pleased that a tiny victory has been won, but the bigots won't be giving up. Neither should we.

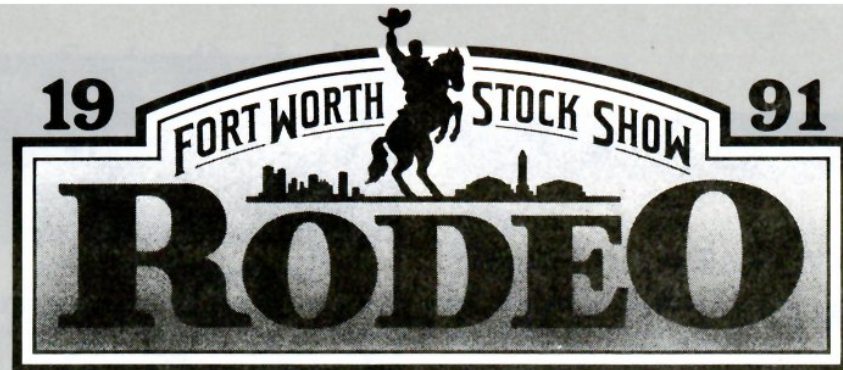
Now that the government has cleared away a stupid policy, perhaps they can get serious about fighting HIV and not the people who happen to be infected by it. After billions of dollars has been spent propping up the medical bureaucracy, we still have only one approved drug of dubious value. Big deal. The FDA and their cronies can be forced into clearing away the senseless obstacles that are preventing therapies from being found and approved. The government could stop the infighting and turf battles that are raging in its various research programs. We could get more serious about AIDS education, anonymous HIV testing and counseling. We could tell people that medical treatment and monitoring are crucial for anyone who is HIV positive and that no one has to die of pneumocystis anymore. We could overhaul the public health system to make it available to everyone, not just those with insurance.

The U.S. government may have given a slight boost to the fight against AIDS by removing the regulation that bars HIV-positive foreigners from entering this country, but the battle for an effective AIDS policy will still continue to rage.

Thomas Kane is Vice President-elect of the Dallas Gay Alliance, which operates the AIDS Resource Center, Nelson-Tebedo Community Clinic for AIDS Research and the Gay and Lesbian Community Center.



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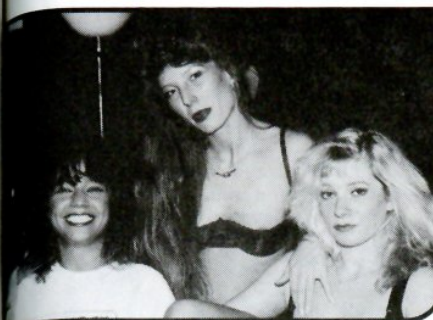
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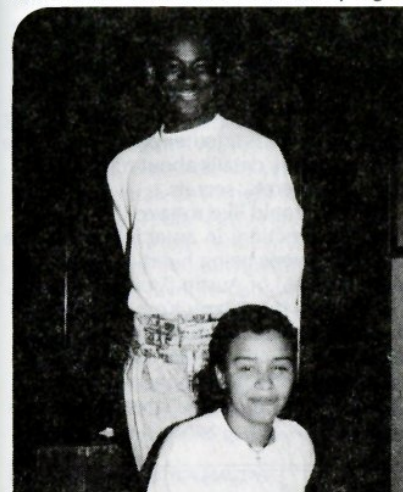


AUSTINteaCIOUS — Here's the latest gossip going on **THIS WEEK IN AUSTIN** from Chris' Capital City **HOT TEA**. Our first stop is at Vanities where you will now be served by cocktail waitresses while watching the Nasty Girls [l-r], Misty, Cathy and Marla. They are three of the female erotic dancers who perform on Vanities' new stage every Tuesday and Friday. Flashback to Flashdance...

Margaret Wright hosts Steak Night at 505 every Monday from 7 till 9, along with some of the best steaks you have ever eaten. Mmm, Mmm, good...

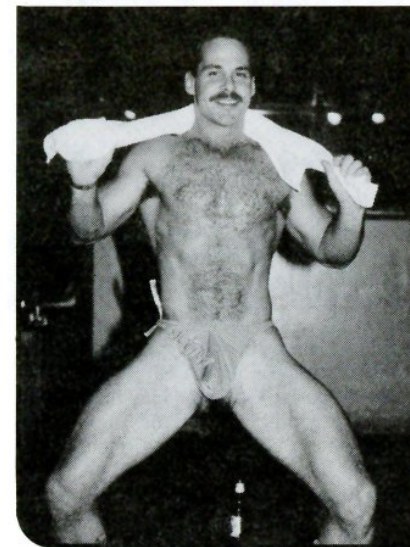
Shades of Grey Leather, located at Chain Drive, will be the place to meet Ed Lemanski this weekend. Ed is a Dallas leather craftsman who will be doing custom fitting for leather goods and also piercing, at Chain Drive on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Drop by and show him how Austin can party...

Charlie's "Music from Years Gone By" weekend was a huge success, with crowds all weekend long. Charles Williams and Lisa Hutchison [below] were the overall winners of the dance contest held on Sunday night.



HOT TEA

Charlie's is also gearing up for its annual White Sale on January 19. Wear your favorite white outfit and enjoy special prices on all white liquor. You can also catch gorgeous Allen [below], one of the Muscles in Action dancers performing at Charlie's on Mondays,



Thursdays and during Friday's Happy Hour. Nicole emcees on Thursday nights...

Buckles is holding a silent auction for a beautiful brass statue of two horses. Silent bids will be taken up until Thursday, February 14 (Valentine's Day) with all proceeds donated to a charitable cause. A special gift from Ventures of the Heart, Inc. ...

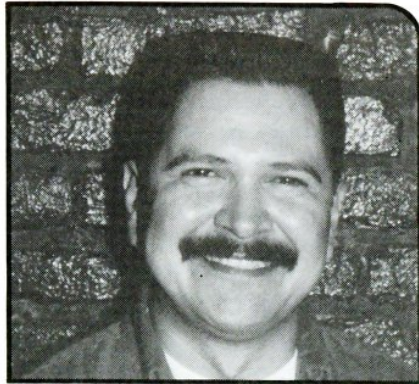
Yes, Sadie's Place is giving away \$500 in cash. Janet has found the Pot of Gold and has decided to give it away to the crowds at her club starting on Saturday, February 2. Call the bar for more information. Brandi and Family perform at Sadie's this Sunday, January 20. Remember, gentlemen are always welcome...

Watch out Austin, Nexus is on its way! Most of the construction is completed and it could be any time now when they open

their doors to the girls of Austin. Stay tuned for more information....

Ever get hungry when the bars close and wonder where to go and eat? Check out Katz's at 618 West 6th Street. Katz's is a New York-style deli and bar and serves everything from blintzes to hamburgers. Remember, Katz's never closes....

We would like you to meet gorgeous Richard Tijerina [below], new manager at the Crossing. Richard and David Ing are the



new management team there and are planning some really spectacular surprises for their customers. Check out Richard and David out during Friday's happy hour with a homemade food buffet and the Muscles in Action dancers till 9 p.m. The Crossing, your Red River bar....

Looking for an alternative to dance music? Alegro's plays C&W and Mexican music on Saturday nights. You'll also find 12-Pack Pati with the U.S. Male dancers on Friday nights, beginning at 11 p.m. Stay tuned for more special shows coming from Alegro's....

Mark your calendars for the return of Jerry Halliday and his puppets to Austin. Jerry will be performing at Oilcan Harry's on February 1 and 2. The Can is still planning their grand opening, so be prepared. Looks like it promises to be a big blowout....

Waterloo is not letting the beginning of a new year roll by without having a benefit. They will be hosting a Skating Party at Playland Skating Center, 8822 McCann, behind Town North Nissan on Wednesday, January 23 from 7 to 9 p.m. You can skate if you want to or you can stay in the socializing area and watch everyone else bust their rumps....

Boathouse is the place to party on Saturday and Sunday. Marci's Men perform every Saturday from 10 till midnight and Sunday starting at 10:30 with emcee Nicole. If you enjoy house music, check out Probe Night on Thursdays at Boathouse. Scott Curtis and Michael Hernandez [below] are in charge of the atmosphere and some of the best house



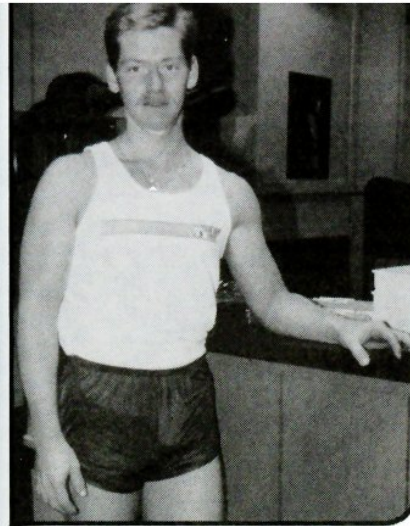
music in Texas. Doorman Tim Gluege helps make the atmosphere spectacular, too. Remember—no cover on Saturday nights till 2 a.m!...



Yes, the **CRUISE CAMERA** caught up with Madame P.M.S. reading cards at 'Bout Time last Wednesday as she does every Wednesday night from 8 p.m. till ?. Saturday, January 19, is the date for the Buns Party. Drop by and see what's going on because this is another party 'Bout Time didn't give any details about to **HOT TEA**....

Secrets, secrets, secrets....

HOT TEA would like to take this time to make a correction. In an article about five new employees being hired at AIDS Services [ASA] of Austin [Vol. 16, No. 43], it was stated that Marty Kosarik had been hired as the Health Educator for the gay community. By no means did this mean that Sandy Bartlett no longer works for ASA. He's still doing the fantastic job he's always done. Sorry, Sandy.



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

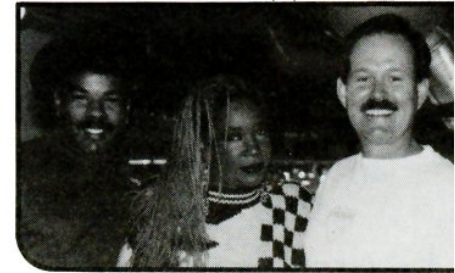
Club Body Center has full gym facilities to work off those holiday pounds, to keep in shape, or if you're just starting a workout program. Instructor Mike Watson (above) will be happy to assist you with your personal fitness program. Stop in and see Mike at CBC Monday through Friday from noon till 8 p.m. Stick with your New Year's resolution to get in shape for '91....

Round Up Saloon and Dancehall, along with TGRA, presents JukeBox Jamboree beginning at 6 p.m. on Sunday, January 27. They've planned hula hoop, costume and jitter bug contests and lots more to tempt you. As they return to the fifties, wish Bob Pritchard a happy birthday even though he's not "quite" 50 yet. Make your plans to get in on the fun at Round Up Saloon....

Club W night celebrates its first anniversary at the Wave this Wednesday, January 23, when the 18-years and over crowd celebrate their right to party. The third annual White Party returns to the Wave on Saturday, January 26. If you haven't gotten your invitation yet, stop in and see your favorite bartender for more details. Jerry Halliday and his Glamour Girls return to the Wave on Tuesday night, January 29....

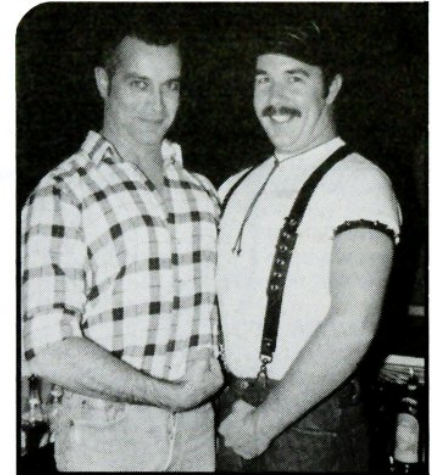
Union Jack Hair Salon is located upstairs from the clothing store and has everything you need to look your best.

Their friendly salon staff includes [l-r] Orlando McCollum, Terrie Robertson and David Burns, who can help you with cuts



and perms. They accept walk-ins without appointments, too! If you need to get a look that fits the 90s—they've got everything you need....

Throckmorton Mining Company bartenders Joe Root [l] and T-Bear [r] serve up the suds at Studs 'N' Suds every Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday. These men have the kind of service that'll

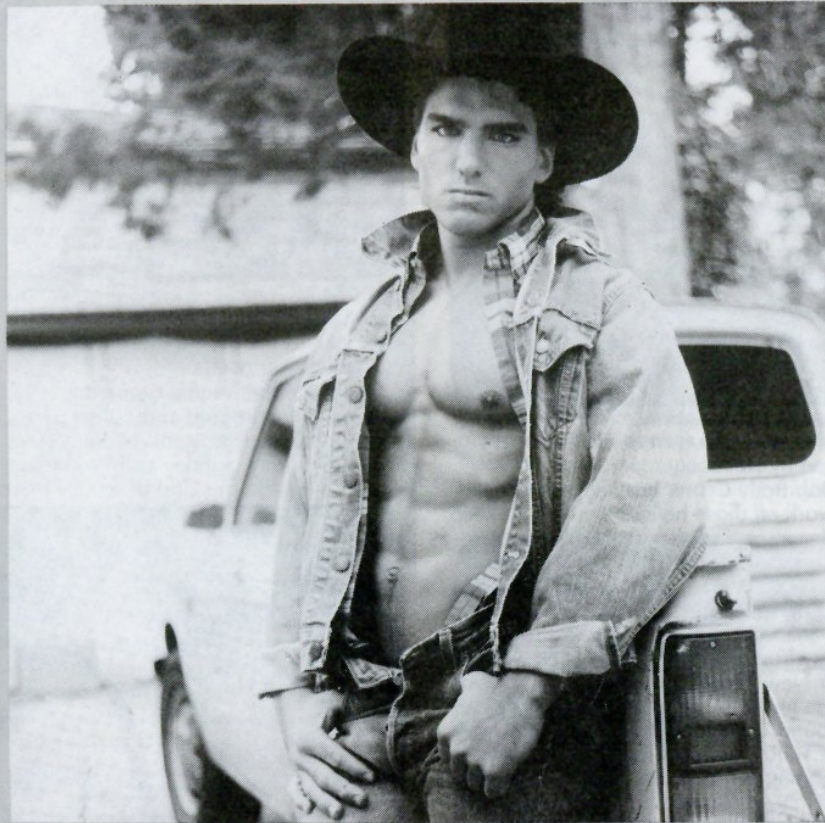


make all of their customers smile. When you've got men on your mind, make it the Mine....

Ladies have some fun of their own on Sundays at Sue Ellen's. Sunday shows feature Miss Gay Texas Nakoma Shaye, singing everything from Patti LaBelle to Tammy Wynette. Make your way to Sue Ellen's anytime, where Kathy Jack and the friendly staff will soon have you in a party mood....

At the other end of the block, JR's Bar & Grill has the grill open daily till 4 p.m.

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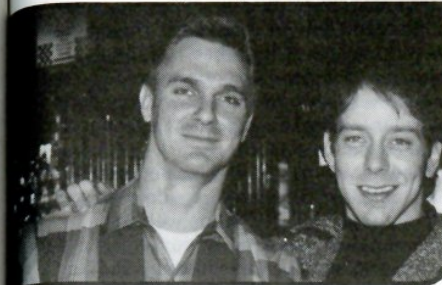
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You can find two of Dallas' favorite bartenders, [l-r] Steve Barnett and Patrick Kelley, behind the bar serving up food and fun along with your favorite



beverage. Sundays at JR's feature CEI's Evening at the Crossroads. Amazing Grace emcees the show, which spotlights top national comic performers teasing, tantalizing and tickling your libido with their linguistic laugh lines....

Across the street, B-lo Xero has gotten twice as nice with two Trash Disco nights a week now. Check it out Sundays and Wednesdays with "Village Station on the



Road"—where everybody can get down and dance-dance-dance [see above], sweating to the boom beat at Dallas' mega-music-mansion. When it's hotter than it has to be, it's B-lo Xero at 4001 Cedar Springs....

Jim Caruso and the Wiseguys return to John L's for two nights only—tonight and tomorrow night. Then it's off to the Big Apple for a super prestigious booking at New York's legendary Russian Tea Room....

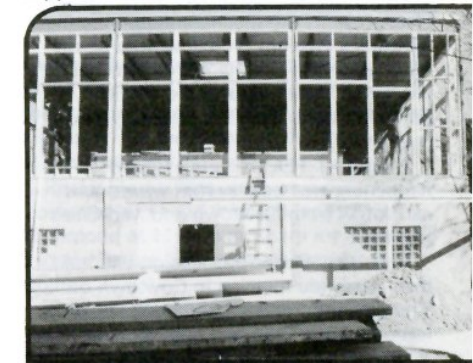
Zipper should have some kind of warning sign when you walk through the doors like "Men at Work" or "Caution:

Heavy Equipment Operators," especially now that they have added lots of hot and humpy male dancers strutting their stuff seven nights a week....

In the next block, Crews Inn also has male dancers every Wednesdays, Sunday and Thursday and they move their muscles under Crews Inn's legendary lasers. If you need to catch your breath between the dancers' performances, check out the heated patio this winter. With all of the men packing the patio you might think that it's steam-heated, or it might just be the friction....



Tom Cord [above] at Shades of Grey on Cedar Springs has a sale on gray vests at 50% off and a large selection of C&B toys at 20% off, now till the end of January. Drummer T-shirts are also on sale while supplies last....



If you've been wondering what's been happening at Village Station, it's not Paul Lewis' recycling system gone haywire, it's [see above] Village Station under

reconstruction. More than a face lift, this project will give you the largest dance floor in Dallas, and all of the state-of-the-art light and sound the roof can hold. You liked it before, but you won't believe your eyes or ears when it reopens this spring....

Miss Gay Texas Nakoma Shaye was on hand to crown the new Miss Gay Tri-Cities Racine Scott [see below, kneeling] at Raps last week, presented by Estrada Productions.



Coming up next Friday, January 25, Betty Neal presents the second annual Miss Black Metroplex Pageant. You'll want to be on hand as Krystal Saint James crowns her successor. Both pageants are official preliminaries to the 1992 Miss Gay Texas Pageant....

TARRANT TEA — Here's what's happening **THIS WEEK IN FORT WORTH** and **ARLINGTON** from Cowtown and Mid-Cities **HOT TEA**....

Texas Gay Rodeo Association will hold their statewide meeting in Cowtown on Saturday and Sunday, January 26-27 at the legendary 651 Club on South Jennings....

DJ's Bar & Restaurant owner Josie Gallegos celebrated another birthday last week. Darlene made sure that this was one of the best ever of DJ's annual festivities. Feliz cumpleaños Josie....

Partners is planning a lingerie party in February along with their old fashioned Valentine's Day Sweetheart Dance. Check with manager Barbara for more details....

Watch for the new dance lessons coming to the 1601 Club on Park Place. Their grand opening celebration is scheduled for February 14. How many queens can you get in one dressing room? Check with general manager Michael Pilla or new bartender Mike Payne for details....

The Office/Breakroom is located just off the Traffic Circle on the west side of town. Popular Jerry Halliday, along with his Glamour Girls, has a return performance set for the end of January. See Danny and Yogi for dates and times, plus they will appear at the 651 Arlington later this month. Check with James at the club for date and time of the shows. Don't miss Jerry and his high-camp high-jinks....

The 95th Annual Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show and the 1991 Fort Worth Stock Show Rodeo begin today for



17 days. Hundreds of thousands of visitors will be coming to see all-star rodeo talent in 28 sensational performances. The 42 acres of covered show space is open from 8 a.m. to midnight daily....

Britches of Arlington hosts Miss Mid-Cities Newcomer Pageant this Thursday, January 17, which just happens to be Britches owner Michael Wallace's birthday, too. This event should be double the fun. Make your plans to attend....

HOUSTON HOTteALINE — Here's what's going on **THIS WEEK IN HOUSTON** from **Houston HOT TEA**: Now that we're well into 1991, it's time to keep your New Year's resolutions. A good way to start would be a visit to CBC, where manager Darrell will be glad to sign you up for their special \$38 monthly workout pass. Fitness Exchange also can custom design a fitness regimen for you, and now's the time to save on your plan—they offer a six-month membership for only \$99—"Keep your New Year's resolutions today." Then, to rejuvenate yourself after your invigorating workout, visit A Moveable Feast for a delicious, nourishing and healthy meal—not to mention their huge selection of nutritional supplements. When you go, be sure to say hi to Mike Wilson and tell him **HOT TEA** sent you....

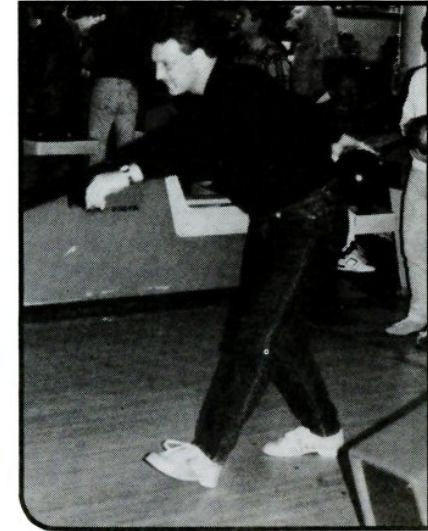
Songstress Jane Olivor will perform live—in person at Miss Kitty's on Friday, February 15. And did you know that famous album dedication was actually for Jane's real-life, as in biological, sister. The woman can sing, so dash over to the nearest Ticketron to pick up your tickets, this is one awesome talent. Better hurry, there's a limited number of tickets available....



Speaking of available, that's Miss Kitty's manager, Kip Granberg, shown in the **CRUISE CAMERA** above blowing out the candles on his birthday cake. Pictured with him are [l-r] LaWanda Jackson and Robert Kennedy, Miss Kitty's Promotion Director. Happy birthday, big boy....

Be at Gentry's this Sunday at 3 p.m. for their Classic Chassis Car Show and social. If you are old enough to remember those years when Detroit built real cars, then you'll love taking a trip down memory lane. If you are young, discover what chrome and fins are all about. Word is that the Pride Parade Committee will be checking for parade vehicles....

Missouri Street Station has inked Noel Eskew to sing for you next weekend, January 25 and 26, but you don't have to wait another week to be entertained at this great nitespot. Stop by tonight and say hello to Donna and Charlene, plus, they'll be there tomorrow night, too....



That's TGRA's Jimmy Walker in the **CRUISE CAMERA** photo above "attempting" to bowl at the monthly Candlelight Bowling Nite at the Stadium Lanes. The bowling teams were all happy that the league wasn't counting scores that night....

Rocky Horror fans, grab your props and costumes and head over to Gentry's on Richmond at 11:45 p.m. sharp for the Rocky Horror Picture Show encore tomorrow night....

Tonight's the night for potential Diana encores. If you can sing and dance and you like to entertain on stage, then race over to Glen Hunsucker's Dance Center at 5700 S. Rice Blvd. and audition for the 38th Annual Diana Awards Show. After all, being on stage is the best seat in the house....

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Thursday, January 24
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Friday, January 25
OUT-OF-TOWNER SHOW · 8 PM
Holiday Inn Medical Center, Houston Ballroom II (6701 S. Main)
Entertainers from 14 States · \$5 Cover · Cash Bar

Saturday, January 26
CORONATION VII · PROMPTLY AT 7 PM
Holiday Inn Medical Center, Houston Ballrooms I, II & III
\$20 Admission · Cash Bar



Sunday, January 27
VICTORY SHOWS
Meet the New Monarchs!
Miss Kitty's · 7-9 pm · No Cover
Cousin's · 10-? · No Cover

All Proceeds from Coronation VII benefit the Colt 45's General Fund.



Semi-regular Dyan Michaels, pictured above, will help emcee dee-drag show at Heaven this Thursday night and has promised to snoop out the tea on Heaven's big surprise for Valentine's Night. Of course, promise to send the **CRUISE CAMERA** to dee-show to photograph dee-special guests sans the eyes of you know who. I thought you knew....



The **CRUISE CAMERA** snapped M.J. Crafts and Cindy Ewing [l-r] bartending at Ms. B's, next door to the Ranch on Buffalo Speedway. Stop by and partake of the beverages these fine bartenders serve....


"More friends, more fun, more space to play in," says deejay Barry Browder at JR's on Pacific Street. Stop by and see what's happening with "more" at JR's....

The Briar Patch is having a party and you're invited. Okay, so they invited the

whole city. Tomorrow night the costumed flappers and gangsters will converge on the BP for the Speakeasy Party. Come on—join the fun, we're going to look for the bathtub gin. It's a 20s party, isn't it?...



That's Lady Victoria Lust in the **CRUISE CAMERA** photo above at a recent fund-raiser at the BRB. Miss Lust is a candidate for Empress VII of the Imperial Court of the Single Star. Court members from all over the United States will converge on Houston for Coronation VII: An Oil Baron's Ball, on Saturday, January 26 at the Holiday Inn Medical Center on South Main. Be on hand as Emperor David Alwell and Empress Coco Sugarbaker step down and crown their successors in a gala evening of entertainment and pageantry. For information, contact **TWT** in Houston, or drop by Rein-Car-Nation auto repair on Taft.

And finally, we'll see you at the Mardi Gras Fantasy 1991 next Sunday, January 27, from 3-7 p.m. at the Magnolia Ballroom, 715 Franklin. It's a production of the Four Seasons Club. Do you think they'll let us in with the Xerox copy of the invitation Pete Martinez gave us?... 

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BODY BUILDING

Dallas — It's raining men. Or at least it will be next September when Team Dallas Physique Team presents an International Body Building Contest, reports Phil Johnson to TWT SPORTS.

The event will occur on Friday, September 20 the day preceding Dallas' Gay Pride Parade. Invitations are being sent to major competitors across the nation and especially to those who participated as physique contestants in Gay Games III last summer.

Sponsorships are available for this event. Sponsors will receive prime seating as well as dinner with the athlete of their choice—first come first served, of course—the body builder, not the entree.

Want to get in on the fun? Volunteers are needed in all capacities: planning, organizing, publicity, fundraising, mailing and telephone. Call Roger at (214)528-3520 for details.

FINE ARTS RUN

Houston — Over 3,000 runners are expected to participate in the 1991 Fine Arts 5K Run on February 2, 1991 at 8 a.m. The event is underwritten by Park Plaza Hospital, Ernst & Young, and Oshman's. All proceeds from the race benefit the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.

The begins and ends at the Museum of Fine Arts. The scenic 3.1 mile course winds through the Museum District past the Menil Collection, The Rothko Chapel, and the Contemporary Arts Museum. There will be a "Post-Race Party" in the Cullen Sculpture Garden with refreshments and live entertainment.

The registration is \$15 and entries must be postmarked by January 18. After the 18th, a late registration fee of \$18 will be charged. For more information, call (713)639-7585.

FRONT RUNNERS

Houston — The Houston-Tenneco Marathon will be run on Sunday, January 20, 1991. Houston Front Runners will participate in force and host out-of-town Front Runners from Los Angeles and Dallas.

Several events are planned in conjunction with the weekend. A pre-race pasta dinner for Saturday night and a hot tub party after the race on Sunday are some of them.

For more information on this or future Front Runners events, call (713)522-0899 or 522-8842.

**SPORTS
By BOBBY MILLER**

GOOD SPORTS

Houston — Good Sports, a club for gay football and basketball fans and their buddies, has set its next get-together for Sunday, January 27. The group will watch the Super Bowl on television.

"It's a super way to spend time with Good Sports and to meet others fans in the community, so tell all your friends and gym pals to get on their favorite team's colors and come join us" said organizer Lee Harrington. Call (713)523-9000 for more details.

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| Division A: | Division B: |
| 1. 2 Bob's & Bayer Buck (43-17) | 1. Mike Kitty's (39-21) |
| 2. Mother's Men (37-23) | 2. Everywhich Way (37-23) |
| 3. Sticky Wickets (34 1/2-25 1/2) | 3. Spare Me (36-24) |
| 4. Welcome t/Diz. Ltd(24 1/2-25 1/2) | THIRD TO LAST P.M.S(19 1/2-40 1/2) |

High Game/Series: Don Housen

**HOUSTON THURSDAY MIXED
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| 1. Belle Bottoms (39-17) | 3. Presumed Innocence (36-20) |
| 2. Oral Fixations (36-19) | 4. Slipper w/Wer (35-21) |

Male Game/Series: Gurdy Harvey

Female Game/Series: Gerri Swanson

**FT. WORTH LONGHORN BOWLING
Joan Hunter (817)624-2151**

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| 1. Fluffy Guys (53-27) | 2. Pirates of Men's Pants (49-31) |
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- Male Game: Martin Knutson
Male Series: Tony Mitchell
Female Game/Series: Nancy Peoples

**DALLAS THURS. LAMBDA
Paul (214)828-0203/Stephen 350-9319**

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| 1. Diamonds in Buff (32 1/2-15 1/2) | 3. Zoo Crew (31-17) |
| 2. Beef Eaters (32-16) | |

Male Game: Wayne Royal
Male Series: Alan Vaughn
Female Game: Suzie Hall
Female Series: Teresa Gill

**FT. WORTH LONE STAR BOWLING
Steve (817)498-4624**

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| 1. Pain Killers (20-4) | 3. Thirteen (14-8) |
| 2. Tri R (18-6) | |

Male Game: Larry Hammonds
Male Series: Rod Rasmussen
Female Game/Series: Tina Beck

**SAN ANTONIO JANSPEOPLE
Ron (512)646-7332**

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| 1. AB's Ropers (21-7) | 3. TX Longhorn Ball Busters(19-9) |
| 2. The Spare Timers (20-8) | |

**OAK LAWN BOWLING ASSN.
Bam-Bam (Metro 817)267-8533**

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| Pink Division: | Turquoise Division: |
| 1. Live Screw (35-17) | 1. Hard Rub. Rollers (34 1/2-17 1/2) |
| 2. Up 'N Comin' (34-18) | 2. Hubba Hubba, Jr. (34-18) |
| 3. Holy Bowlers (33-19) | 3. Striker Force (32-20) |
- Male Game/Series: Jeff Kungis
Male Game: Steve Rogers
Female Game: Mercy Garcia
Female Series: Lee O'Conner

AUSTIN GAMBLERS

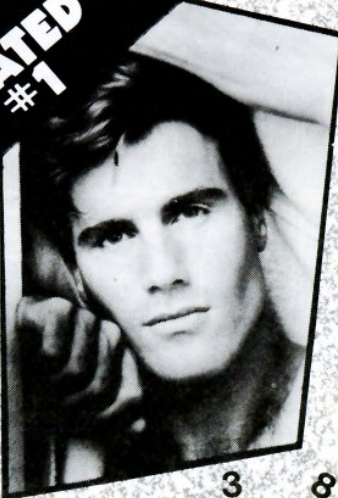
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Lucky (512)451-5607/Phil 834-1677**

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| 1. Rubber Mades | 3. Mixed Nuts |
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Male Game/Series: Sam Nelson
Female Game: Cynthia Brown
Female Series: Dyan Graham



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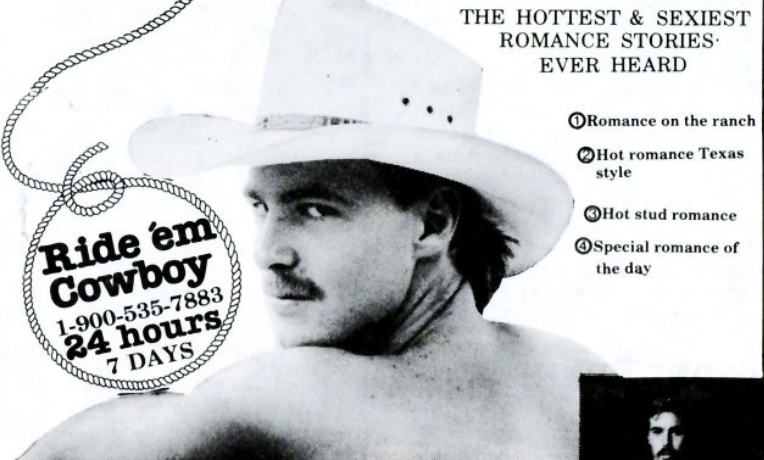
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STARSCOPE
By MILTON VON STERN



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SKY SHOW — Time is running out to see this winter's sky show featuring Mars, because the red planet is growing dimmer nightly as it speeds away from Earth. Look for Mars, around 9 p.m., directly overhead next to the Pleiades, known as the Seven Sisters. Seeing Mars next to the Pleiades star cluster is a spectacular sight that stargazers won't want to miss. A rare occurrence!

GALILEO SPACECRAFT — We haven't seen the dark side of the Moon since our Apollo astronauts orbited the Moon two decades ago. But this winter we got to see the other side of the Moon once again thanks to the Galileo spacecraft, which glanced at the far side of the Earth's satellite on its way to Jupiter, after getting a boomerang boost from Earth. Galileo swooped to 597 miles above the southeast Atlantic Ocean. Using Earth's gravity as a slingshot, Galileo's orbit around the Sun will be expanded so it can the spacecraft can speed to a rendezvous with Jupiter in 1995. Galileo used Venus as a slingshot last February and will need to fly past Earth again in December 1992 to reach Jupiter.

Galileo snapped hundreds of pictures, one showing a giant meteorite impact crater on the other side of the Moon. Because the Moon rotates on its axis only once a month—exactly the same time it takes for the Moon to orbit the Earth—the Moon always shows its same face to Earthlings.

MARS ENTERS GEMINI — Fiery Mars is about to change signs. Next Monday, January 21, Mars will leave Taurus and enter Gemini where it will stay for a long visit, a couple of months, until April 2. What does the visit of Mars mean in your own STARSCOPE? Read this week's Mars forecast to get a handle on your health, money and romance this winter.

AQUARIUS: (Jan 20 - Feb 18) Mars will turn your world of romance upside down starting this weekend when it moves into your fifth house of love affairs. Mars can spur you into lots of sudden affairs of the

heart. Many are also nourished out of lust. But regardless of your motives, you are certain to meet a lot of new and interesting people, some of whom will turn out to be lifelong friends. Mars reminds

you that, although you may not always have your lovers, you'll always have your friends. Friendships last longer. Mars will trigger others to be attracted to you. They sense a smell of magnetism. Your personality is strong, charming and alluring. Mars, simply stated, increases your sex drive to a boiling point. But remember, Mars can produce jealousy among mates, causing wonderful moments to turn into frenzied frustration. As I said, this Mars cycle lasts until April 2.

PISCES: (Feb 18 - Mar 20) There could easily be some unsettling circumstances starting this weekend on the homefront since Mars enters your fourth house, which rules the domestic scene. Mars could bring about an argument with a roommate or lover. Mars could cause you to have an accident at home. Conflicts and quarrels make you restless and nervous, resulting in your own carelessness. Since you are usually very methodical and prone to work out all details, such Mars-triggered carelessness angers you deeply. **STARSCOPE** suggests you keep things on an even keel and quiet so you don't rock the domestic boat. Perhaps it is you and not your roommate that is the one causing all the confusion. Look to yourself for an answer. This domestic upheaval subsides, but not until April 2. That's when Mars moves out of your fourth house.

ARIES: (Mar 21 - Apr 19) Your world of communication is set to liven up as the energies of Mars enter your third house this weekend. There will be more telephone calls, letters written to you and by you, more contracts to sign and more conversations with others as Mars digs deeper into your third house. All of this wild communicative activity doesn't subside until after April 2. That's when Mars moves on. Meanwhile, Mars can send you on lots of short trips. Maybe across town. Maybe to a nearby city. Be careful. Mars can cause accidents. Your aggressiveness on the highway, at home or at the office can power you into trouble.

TAURUS: (Apr 20 - May 20) The entry of Mars into your second house of money this weekend should be noted by all as the transit indicates some dynamic activity in your bank account. Mars, on the

positive side, could spur you onward into a wonderful business venture, increase your tips from the public and rejuvenate your creative juices so that you are able to bring in more cash. On the other hand, the negative pulses of Mars can bring about unexpected robbery or loss. Guard against theft. Make doubly sure all doors are locked. Take no chances with your money. Don't gamble as you'll likely lose all. Money is likely to be at the top of your frustration list until Mars moves out of this financial house—but not until April 2.

GEMINI: (May 21 - Jun 21) Here comes Mars into your own zodiac sign, operating from your first house of personality. You, more than any other member of the zodiac, will be most affected by this red and fiery planet. Here's what to expect from now until April 2 when this Mars cycle of unrest leaves. You'll be forgetful and klutzy, drop things, make stupid errors, say black when you mean white, transpose numbers, cut yourself, drive everyone around you crazy with your constant talking, have more energy than you can personally expend, feel physical, feel super-sexual, be extremely independent and, most of all, be very hyper from before dawn till way past dusk. Try to use all this Mars-generated energy in a productive way such as physical exercise. Try to curb your overly aggressive and self-centered attitude during this period so as not to offend others.

CANCER: (Jun 22 - Jul 22) January finds the energies of the Sun still radiating from your own zodiac sign as you progress through your birthday cycle. Meanwhile, this weekend finds Mars shifting into your twelfth house of inner self. This location of Mars indicates you will be somewhat nervous on the inside and wary of what the future might hold. Something is making you uneasy. You now have a keener interest in probing your subconscious mind. Be aware that you could easily become involved in some sort of secretive intrigue or behind-the-scenes sexual involvement. This Mars cycle lasts until April 2.

LEO: (Jul 23 - Aug 22) This weekend finds Mars moving into your eleventh house of friendships and social sector. This placement of Mars indicates you are in for a

period when your own dynamic action can help you attain a personal goal. Your wishes can come true, thanks in large part to a friends endeavors to help you. But be aware that there could be some conflict developing between you and a friend over some silly matter. Unspoken words keep tensions on edge. Someone may try to push you into a risky venture. It could be dangerous since fiery Mars is the spark plug behind this scam. All this won't subside until April 2, when Mars moves forward to the next sign.

VIRGO: (Aug 23 - Sep 22) Mars will move from your eleventh house into your tenth house of career this weekend, giving you a needed shot in the arm to do something about your perplexing employment situation. If unemployed, use this Mars cycle to hunt for a new job as Mars gives you the energy and drive to attain a new career goal. If employed, beware of bumps along the way that could knock you out of your secure slot. Be on time, be alert, be methodical and be attentive as your peers are watching you very closely and are prone, under the influence of Mars, to try and cause you to experience an employment mishap. If you hold the course steady, you'll make professional advancement. This cycle lasts until April 2.

LIBRA: (Sep 23 - Oct 23) Mars is ready to send you on a trip as it enters your ninth house of travel this weekend. A mid-winter getaway to a faraway place is in the works. But be aware that delays and detours will be commonplace as Mars is putting stones in your pathway. There could be danger of an accident. This Mars cycle remains operative until April 2. Since the ninth house also rules education, know that Mars can cause you to have arguments with teachers and school chums. You could become involved in a heated argument over some philosophical matter. Try to weigh your words carefully and be careful of what you say to whom.

SCORPIO: (Oct 24 - Nov 21) There is bound to be some activity in the business sector of your life since Mars enters your eighth house this weekend. Partnership matters at work come under stress. There could be a heated discussion about how money has been handled. There will be

questions. If you do not tread lightly and keep your bases covered, this conflict could erupt into some physical confrontation. Money matters come under close scrutiny. Therefore, be very careful filling out your income tax forms since Mars may trip you up with the IRS. Don't go out on a limb over any matter as you will surely lose. There might even be an investigation prompted by authorities higher up. **STARSCOPE** suggests you wait to fill out your tax forms until the last moment, after April 2 when Mars lifts its spell.

CAPRICORN: (Dec 22 - Jan 19) The shift of Mars into your seventh house of marriage this weekend is a matter that should not be taken lightly. Mars can bring about divorce, breakups and a general falling apart of trust between two individuals. Mars can spur lovers into heated arguments over minor matters. Disagreements of this type cause both parties to lose. Of course, Mars can also bring about the plots needed to start a new romantic union. Since Mars rules sex and inner drive, you now likely have the determination to head towards a steamy new romance. But remember, it won't be easy sharing your life with another as long as Mars remains in your seventh house. And that's until April 2. After then, things settle down.

SAGITTARIUS: (Nov 22 - Dec 21) Your health could suffer somewhat beginning this weekend as Mars moves into your sixth house of health. Mars can bring about an illness which is probably related to stress on the job. Conflicts with co-workers are not uncommon while Mars is traveling through this sector of your horoscope. You will probably need to see a doctor or dentist during this period to cure some sort of medical problem. It could be the result of an accident. This unfavorable period for your health may linger until April 2 when Mars moves out of this house. Meanwhile, Mars could also help you by giving you the drive and ambition to succeed at work. And when things are going better at work, you usually feel better about yourself and your home life, which is very important to your security.

COMING NEXT WEEK: The January 30 Eclipse of the first Full Moon of the New Year. 

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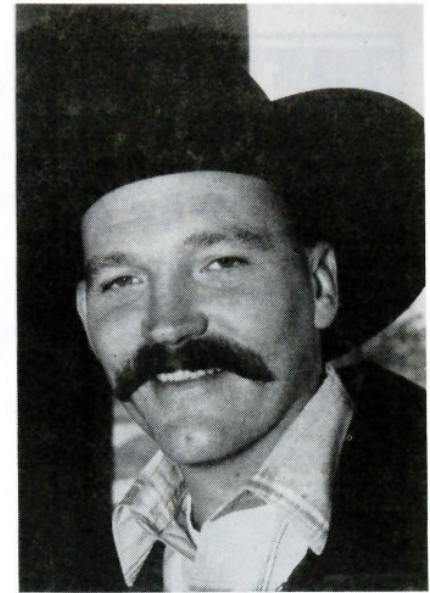
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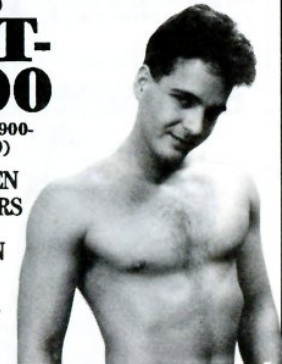
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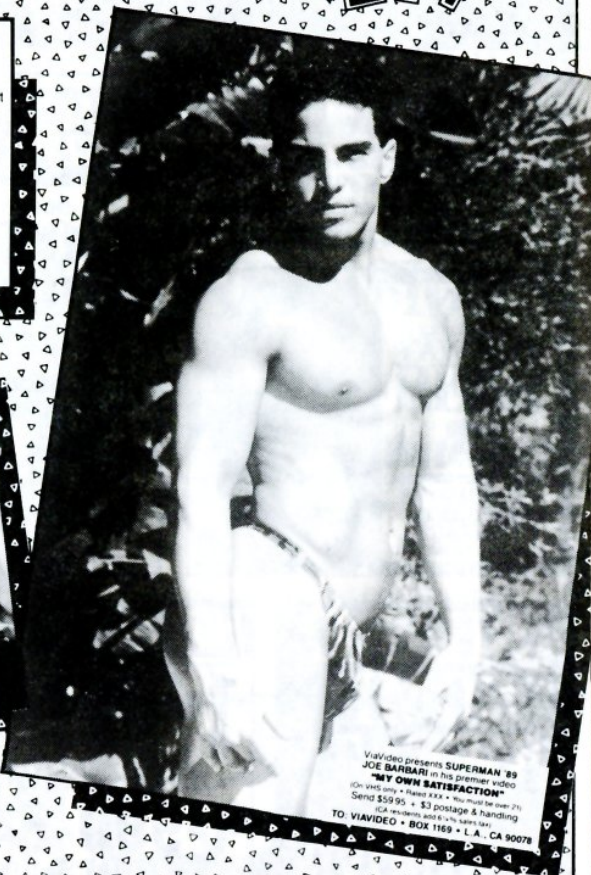
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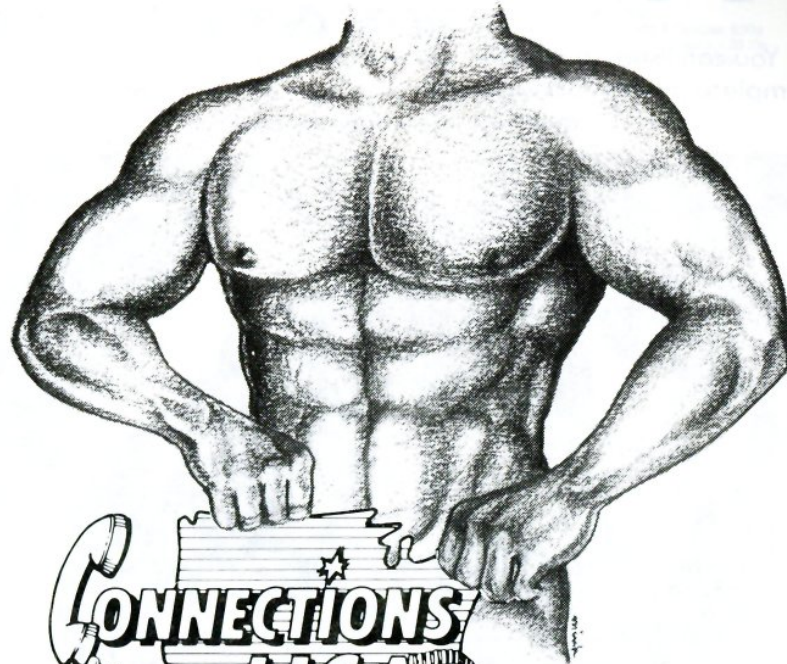
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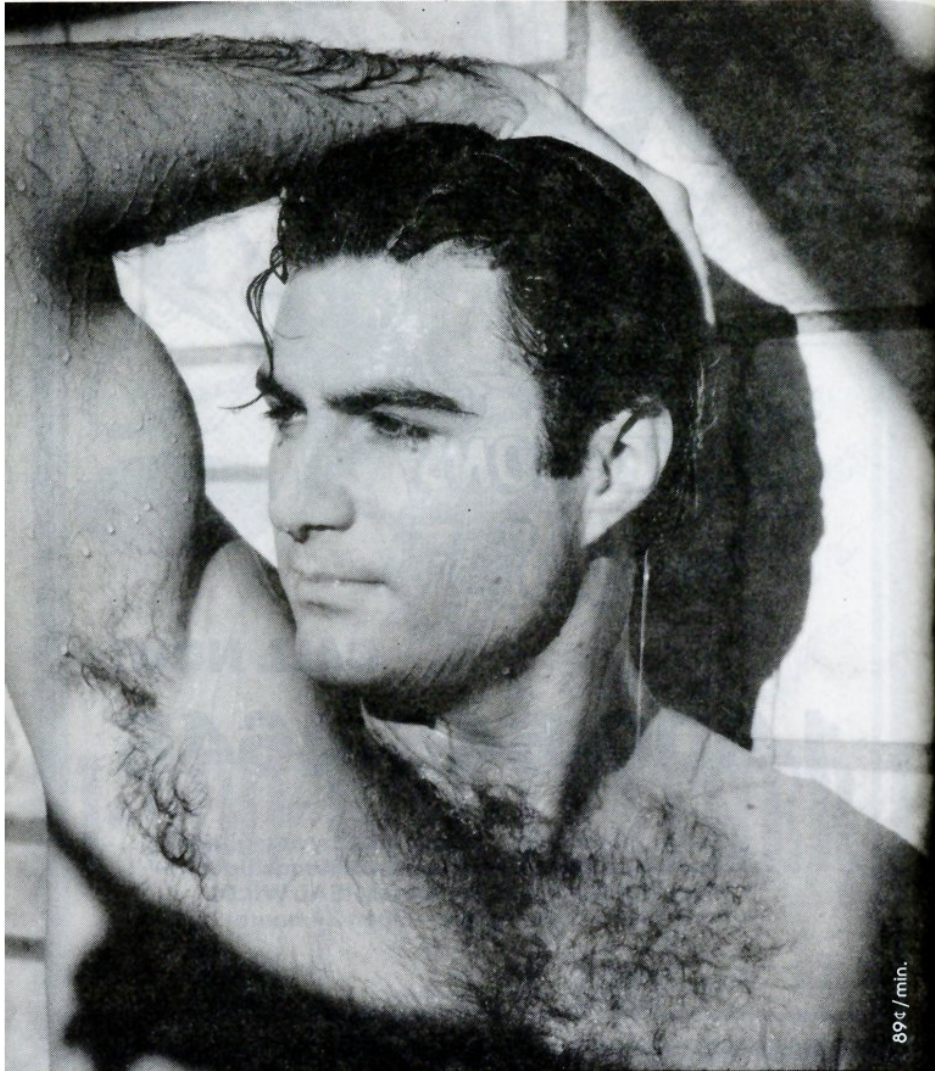
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- FRIDAY JANUARY 18
 - (AU) ASA: Family Support Group, 5:30-7p, thru 1/27/91
 - (DA) Narc. Anon.: Mtg., 8p
 - (FW) Agape MCC: Prayer Serv., 7:30p
 - (HO) Bering: Coffee House Social, 7p
- SATURDAY JANUARY 19
 - (DA) AIDS Interfaith Net.: Care Team Training Seminar, 9a-4p
 - (DA) Colony Grace Cntr.: Family Fellowship, 7:30p
 - (DA) Dallas Gay Youth: Mtg., 1p
 - (DA) Lambda OA: Mtg., 5:30p
 - (DA) OLCS: AIDS Bereavement Group, Mtg., 11a
 - (HO) CCF: Serv., 6:30p
 - (HO) Dignity: Mass, 7:30p
 - (HO) KPFT-90.1: After Hours, midnight
 - (HO) MCCR: Empowerment for Living
 - (HO) Women In Sobriety: Mtg., 10a
- SUNDAY JANUARY 20
 - (AR) Mid-Cities MCC: Serv., 10:30a & 7:15p
 - (AU) Charlie's: HIV Testing, 6-9p
 - (AU) Couples: Mtg.
 - (AU) MCC: Services 9a, 11a & 7:30p
 - (AU) Prime Timers: Social
 - (DA) Church of Metaphysics: Serv., 11a
 - (DA) Ch. of New Covenant: Serv. 11a, Marriott/Rich. Tx.
 - (DA) DAGLES: Mtg.
 - (DA) Grace Fellowship: Serv., 11a
 - (DA) Havurah G/L Jews of Metroplex: Mtg., 7p
 - (DA) Holy Trinity Com. Church: Serv., 11a
 - (DA) KNON-FM: Lambda Weekly, 89.3, 2-4p
 - (DA) Lambda AA: Mtg., 11a
 - (DA) MCCD: Serv., 9a & 11a, 7:15p
 - (DA) Narc. Anon.: Mtg., 7p
 - (DA) O.L. Christian Cntr: Serv., 10:45a
 - (FW) Agape MCC: Serv., 10:30a & 7p
 - (FW) Holy Ground Com. Ch.: Service, 10:30a
 - (GA) MCCG: Serv., 11a
 - (HO) Am. Gay Atheist: Brunch, 11:30a
 - (HO) AMIGA de Houston: Mtg., 7p
 - (HO) Bering Mem. Church: Serv., 10:50a
 - (HO) Ch. of Rel. Science: Serv., 11a & 6:30p
 - (HO) Com. Gospel Church: Serv., 11:15a
 - (HO) First Unitarian Church: Mtg., 10a
 - (HO) FUC: Women's Group Mtg., 10a
 - (HO) Grace Luthern Church: Serv., 10:30a
 - (HO) Holy Trinity Catholic Ch.: Mass, 11a
 - (HO) Kingdom Comm. Church: Serv., 11a
 - (HO) MCCR: Serv., 10:45p & 7:15p
 - (HO) Mission Church: Serv., 10:30a
 - (HO) New Freedom Christ. Church: Serv. 11a
 - (HO) Parent's FLAG: Mtg., 2:30p
 - (Midland/Odessa) Holy Trin. Comm. Chrch: Serv., 11a
 - (Pearland) Dawn of Faith MCC: Serv. 10:15a
 - (SA) MCCSA: Serv., 9:30a & 11:30a
 - (SA) Rel. Science Center: Serv., 11a
 - (SA) River City Church: Serv., 11a
 - (WA) MCC Waco: Serv., 11a
- MONDAY JANUARY 21
 - (AU) ASA: Support Group Mtg., 7p
 - (AU) Integrity: 7:30p
 - (DA) Affirmation (Methodists): Mtg., 7p
 - (DA) Narcotics Anon.: Mtg., 6p
 - (FW) COC: HIV + Healing Group, 5:30p
 - (FW) Dignity: Mtg., 7p
 - (HO) Gay Fathers & Fathers 1st: Mtg., 8p, 900 Lovett #203 Rm. 3
 - (HO) Integrity: Mtg., 7:30p
 - (HO) Lone Star Band: Rehearsals, 7:30p
 - (HO) PWA Coalition: Mtg., 7p
 - (Nacogdoches) E. Texas Aid Proj: Mtg. 7p
 - (SA) Cntr. of Pos. Living: Self-Healing Class
- TUESDAY JANUARY 22
 - (AU) Ebony Connection: Mtg., 7p
 - (AU) Waterloo Co. Cntr: Pos. Living Group, 8p
 - (DA) F.A.R.: Mtg., 7:30p

- (DA) Lambda OA: Mtg.
- (DA) LGPC: Mtg., 7:30p
- (DA) OLCS: Co-dependent AIDS/ARC Group, 8p
- (DA) WANT: Mtg., 7:30p
- (HO) Bering Church: Montrose Singers, rehearsals, 7:30p
- (HO) Gay Fathers & Fathers 1st: Mtg., 8p
- (HO) HAGLES: Mtg., 7:30p
- (HO) Lutherans Concerned
- (HO) MCCR: Empowerment for Living, 8p
- WEDNESDAY JANUARY 23
 - (AR) Mid-Cities MCC: Serv., 7:30p
 - (AU) Waterloo Co. Cntr: Pos. Living & Exercise, 6:30p
 - (DA) ARC: "The Truth, Pass It On" workshop, 6:30-10p
 - (DA) ARC: Positive Living Workshop, Mtg., 6:30p
 - (DA) MCCD: Serv., 6:45p
 - (DA) Oak Lawn Co. Cntr: ARC Support, 6p
 - (DA) OLCS: Co-dependent Group, Mtg., 6p
 - (DA) OLCS: Gay Men's Support Group, 8p
 - (DA) Women Together:
 - (FW) COC: Positive Women, 5:30p
 - (FW) TCOM: HIV Support Group, 7p
 - (HO) Bering Church: Gay Men's Network, Mtg., 7:30p
 - (HO) GLPC: Mtg., 7:30p
 - (HO) MCCR: Serv., 7:15p
 - (HO) New Freedom Christ Church: Serv., 7:30p
 - (HO) Unity Ch.: HIV/AIDS Support Group, 7p
 - (HO) Women's Network: Mtg., 7p
 - (SA) MCCSA: Serv., 7:30p
- THURSDAY JANUARY 24
 - (DA) G/L Young Adults: Mtg., 7:30p
 - (DA) Narc. Anon.: Mtg., 8p
 - (DA) Metroplex Prime Timers: Prime Timer's Nite, 9:30p
 - (FW) COC: Men's Hour, 8:30p
 - (HO) ACT UP: Mtg., 7p
 - (HO) Bering Ch.: Montrose Group Narcotics Anon., 8p
 - (HO) Comm. Gospel Church: Serv., 7:30p
 - (HO) Course in Miracles: Mtg., 7:30p
 - (HO) G/L Parents Support Group: Mtg.
 - (HO) Northwoods AIDS Coalition: Group Mtg., 8p
 - (HO) Transsexual Support Group: Mtg., 8p



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Robert "Bob" Stanley Sullivan (above)
 4/5/43 - 12/21/90

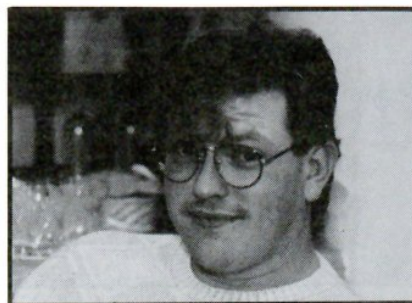
Bob passed away peacefully at Park Plaza Hospital after a three-year battle with AIDS, which he fought courageously until the very end. He is survived by his mother, Evelyn Duxbury of Port Charlotte, Florida; his sister, Janet Bassett of Boston, Massachusetts; and his lifemate of six years, Kenneth L. Foster of Houston, Texas. He requested that his friends make a contribution in his memory to the AIDS Resource Center, or an AIDS help organization of their choice.

...Because the friendship that you gave,
 Has taught me to be brave,
 No matter where I go
 I'll never find a better place.

And though you're miles and miles away,
 I see you every day.
 I don't have to try,
 I just close my eyes.

We'll always be together,
 However far it seems.
 We'll always be together,
 Together in electric dreams.

Love,
 Kenneth

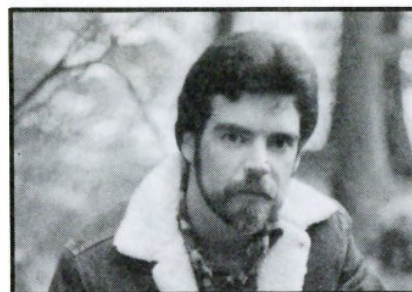


May 11, 1963 December 6, 1990
 Gary Wade Huffman (Ashley Nicole) (above) passed away in Odessa, Texas after a brief struggle with AIDS. Originally from Lovington, New Mexico, he also lived in Dallas for five years and lived in Odessa the last ten months of his life.

Gary's zest for and adoration of life and unconditional love for his family and friends will live forever in the hearts of everyone he has left behind. I love you so very much, Gary. They say to love someone is to let go—how can I, you were my muse, my life, my reason for living. Now you are gone and with you, you took a part of me.

If I was the wind beneath your wings, you were the inspiration that kept me so forever flowing.

You will be greatly missed. Until we meet again Gary—your longtime companion, Miguel.



Jimmy Payne (above)
 February 19, 1953 to December 21, 1990
 Friday, December 21, Jimmy followed the light to a brighter and more joyful place.

We will treasure the time you spent with us. You brought us love, music and laughter. We will never forget your love of life and love for those around you.

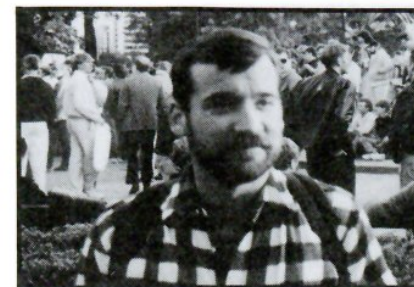
Surviving Jimmy are his many friends, his partner Bill Payne, his mother Loryce Payne and his sisters Kay Duffey and Jenny Gieseke.

Memorial services were held at Metropolitan Community Church of Dallas, 5353 Maple Ave. on Saturday, January 12.

In loving memory of Johnny D. Wilson, who died December 27, 1990 at age 37.

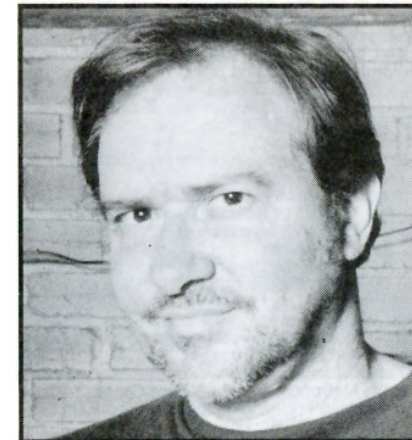
Johnny called Corpus Christi home. He attended the University of Texas at Austin and later worked in Saudi Arabia where he met his companion Ron Adams, who died February 6, 1989. Together they traveled worldwide and settled in Austin and later Houston.

Johnny's many friends will miss his good humor, laidback lifestyle and happy zest for life.



Douglas Martin Dewey (above)
 (7/9/57 - 1/10/91)

We love you Lil' Bear and we'll miss you very much. Goodbye and good luck from your daddy Lane, and your many friends and family.

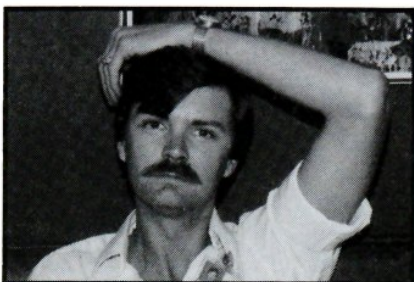


Steven Linn (above)
 October 5, 1940 - December 20, 1990
 Steven Linn, a Dallas playwright, theater critic, actor, director, acting teacher and staunch vocal advocate of equal rights, individual thought and free speech, died in Abilene, Texas, December 20, 1990.

Dallas will remember him for his performances in numerous plays. He also directed a number of plays including *Dead Serious* and *if Possible a Little Intense*, written by him and produced at the Bath House Cultural Center and Calm Eddy's. He was a critic/reviewer for the *Dallas Observer*, *Dallas Gay Alliance Newsletter* and *Oak Lawn Today*, and had, in 1983-84, a weekly theater review show called "Kisses and Hisses" on KNON-FM radio. Most memorable, and perhaps most representative of his values and wit were his solo performances of the Rev. Dewey Grace Badcock, a gentle, funny and pithy satire of a censoring fundamentalist viewpoint. Rev. Dewey also appeared in Mr. Linn's comedy review, "Spawn of Hell," performed in 1987 at the Dallas Gay Alliance Awards Banquet.

Those who knew Steve will remember him for his compassion, humor, intelligence, adventuresome spirit, passion and fierce independence.

Our friend, companion and co-adventurer has gone home. He himself would not have wished his passing to be the occasion for grief, but for recollections filled with respect, love and laughter.



Many speculate about what is waiting for us on the other side, I'd kinda like to believe it went something like this:

"Soaring above the treetops on the wings of the wind, a lifetime of memories pass before me like clouds in the sky. Forever free of my earthly confines, I have served my time and am ready to go. Leaving behind so many friends and a lover—painful indeed, but pain that is bearable. Looking ahead at adventures exciting and brand new, knowing one day I will once again meet those of many others who have arrived before me. This place isn't so bad after all... I wonder if they have computers and cable TV?"

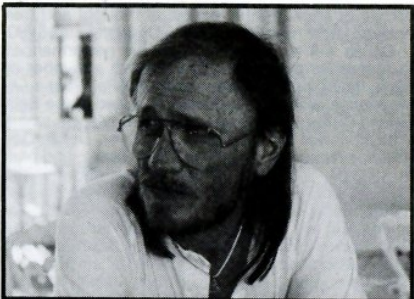
Godspeed and good luck my love, until we meet again.

Ernest B. Canon, Jr. (above), 39, died Thursday, January 10, 1991 in Houston. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest B. Canon, Sr. of Houston; two sisters, Tammy Hickman and Nancy Payne, both of Houston; two nieces, one nephew, long-term companion Butch Thomas and many, many friends.

He was a native Houstonian and worked for the City of Houston for 14 years, retiring as Assistant Public Informations Officer.

Memorial services were held Thursday, January 17 at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W. Gray and also Friday, January 18 at West 14th Baptist Church, 1111 W. 14th.

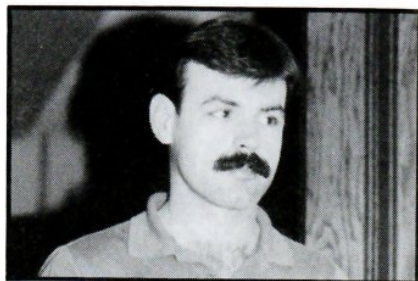
In lieu of flowers, it is requested that donations be made "in memory of Bart Canon," to Foundation for Interfaith Research and Ministry, P.O. Box 20528, Houston, TX 77225.



Larry W. Spry (above)
11/6/53 - 1/9/91

Larry Spry of Dallas passed away after a long battle with AIDS. During the last six months, he was an inspiration to all who knew him.

Larry is survived by his daughter, Jennifer Spry, and his lover and companion, Lee Heck. He will be missed.



Tilton V. (Tim) Fletcher (above)
4/25/56 - 1/18/90

To a distant land
He has gone
And though you left
Almost one year
My heart still aches
My eyes still tear
My lover my hero
My friend my everything
I know one day
We will meet again.

Terry Maas

Tilton passed peacefully at the Dallas VA Hospital. His longtime companion Terry Maas and his loving parents Sam and Janie Fletcher were at his side. Also survived by his grandparents Jim and Juanita Marler, three brothers and two sisters, all of Cleburne, Texas. He was laid to rest at Grange Hall Cemetery at Rio Vista, Texas. We love and miss him very much.



Phillip A. Moss (above)
(July 4, 1957 - January 3, 1991)

My life companion and friend, Phillip Moss, "joined with his Creator" on January 3, after a courageous two-year battle with AIDS.

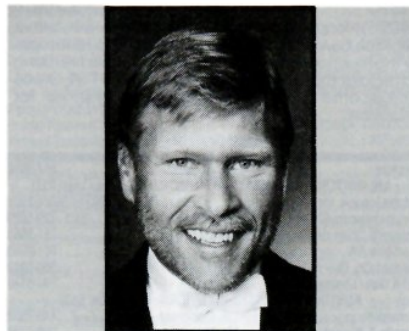
He was a very loving and spiritual man, always willing to help a friend in need. He enjoyed country/western, roller skating and amassing an extensive CD collection.

He is sustained in life by his companion Javier Gutierrez, his parents Carolyn and Phillip, sisters Karen and Dawn, an aunt, Linda Moss, and his grandmother Geneva Montgomery.

I would like to extend a sincere and heartfelt thank-you to the following friends and neighbors: Jamie, Lynn, Barbara, George, Shirley, Brian, Mike Melichar, all my co-workers at Kroger's 243 and all the other friends who were there at our time of need.

And so, my dear Phillip, until we meet again—God is watching us—from a distance. . . .

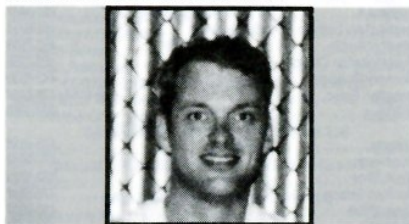
With love,
Javier



Paul Heye (above)

Paul Heye died in San Francisco on January 2 at age 40.

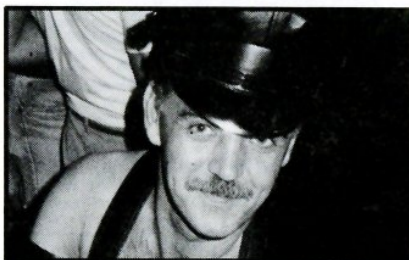
Paul grew up in Austin, Texas, and terrorized the bars there in the late 1960s and early 1970s. He then moved to San Antonio and after that promptly moved to San Francisco in 1981.



Guy Winford House III (above)
2/27/55 - 1/8/91

Guy, you left us early Tuesday, January 8. It hurts to say goodbye. We will always treasure our memories of you. Please take with you our love.

Your friends



Stephen T. Mountz (above)

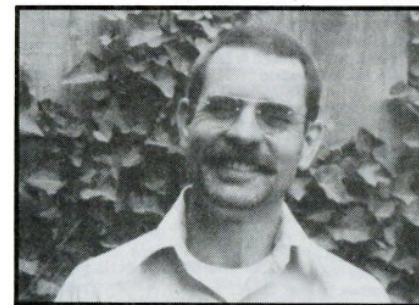
August 11, 1945 - January 10, 1991

Steve Mountz departed this life January 10 after a long battle with AIDS. He moved from his hometown of Tyrone, Pennsylvania and made many friends here in Houston. Steve was devoted to his position as Secretary of the Houston Metropolitan Billiard League and was a previous member of GHPBL. He will be remembered as an avid pool player who always displayed humor, wit and enthusiasm. There will be a Memorial Service held for Steve at the Venture-N on Sunday, January 27 at 5 and all of Steve's friends are invited to attend. Steve, we will definitely miss you.

From all of us to you, RACK 'EM!



David Lara (above)
1/19/57 - 1/4/91
En Memoria de Nuestro Amigo,
David Lara de San Antonio, Texas.
Mike, Brad & Larry



Lanny D. Polockavics (Lamsky) (above)
February 25, 1939 - December 22, 1990
After a long illness, Lanny D. Polockavics of Dallas transitioned to the other side. He passed away one month after being released from Parkland Hospital where he stayed for three weeks with pneumocystis carinii pneumonia. He came back home on November 25, 1990 where he lived with his lover of 14 years, Larry M. Permentier, until his final day on this earth, December 22, 1990.

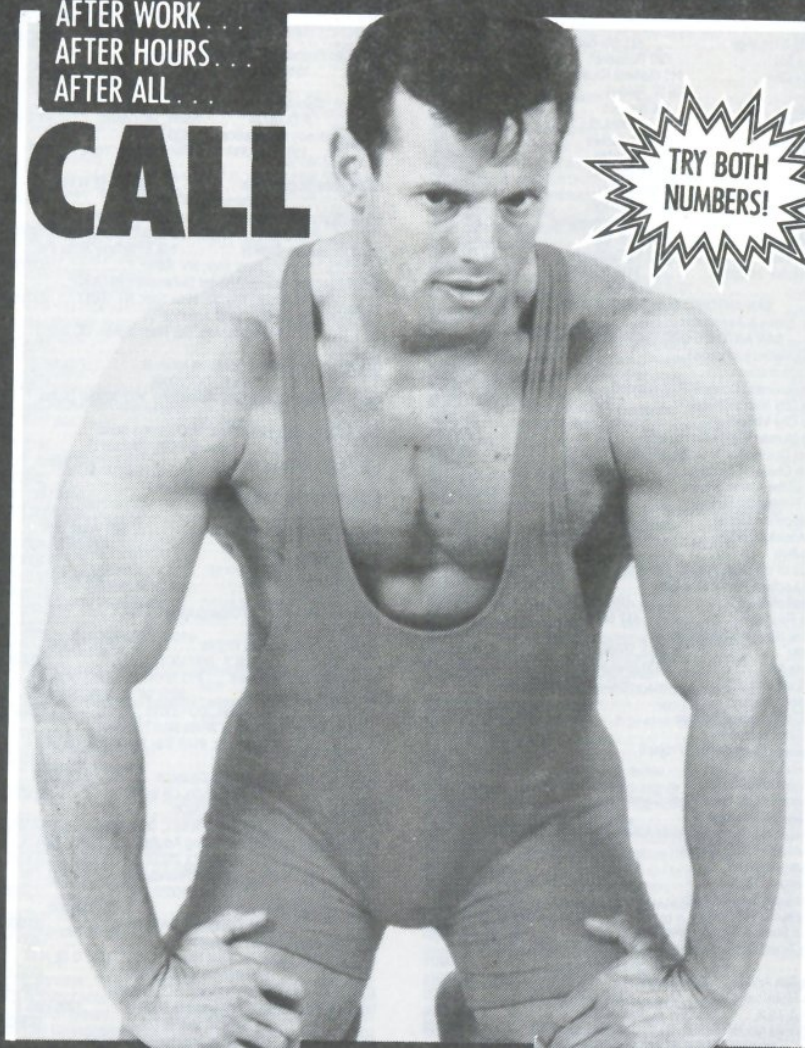
"My sweet little Lamsky, I love you so,
More my Lamsky than you'll ever know.
I think you and I had a wonderful life,
We had good times and hard times alike.
I know your suffering is over now though,
You're in the place I want to be.
Save a place for me with you.
I promise I'll walk Bubba with you.
Since there is no pain and suffering where you are,
You can't feel the bitter cold or feel the snow.
But when I get there we'll just have to use our imagination."

You are my angel. I love you so. Derek says, "It's nice to have friends in high places." Carolyn says, "I love you so." Rose and Lytle say, "Come to Florida and fish in the pond for Lanny." You are greatly loved and greatly missed. Hope to see you soon. You are the essence of my being.

By Larry M. Permentier

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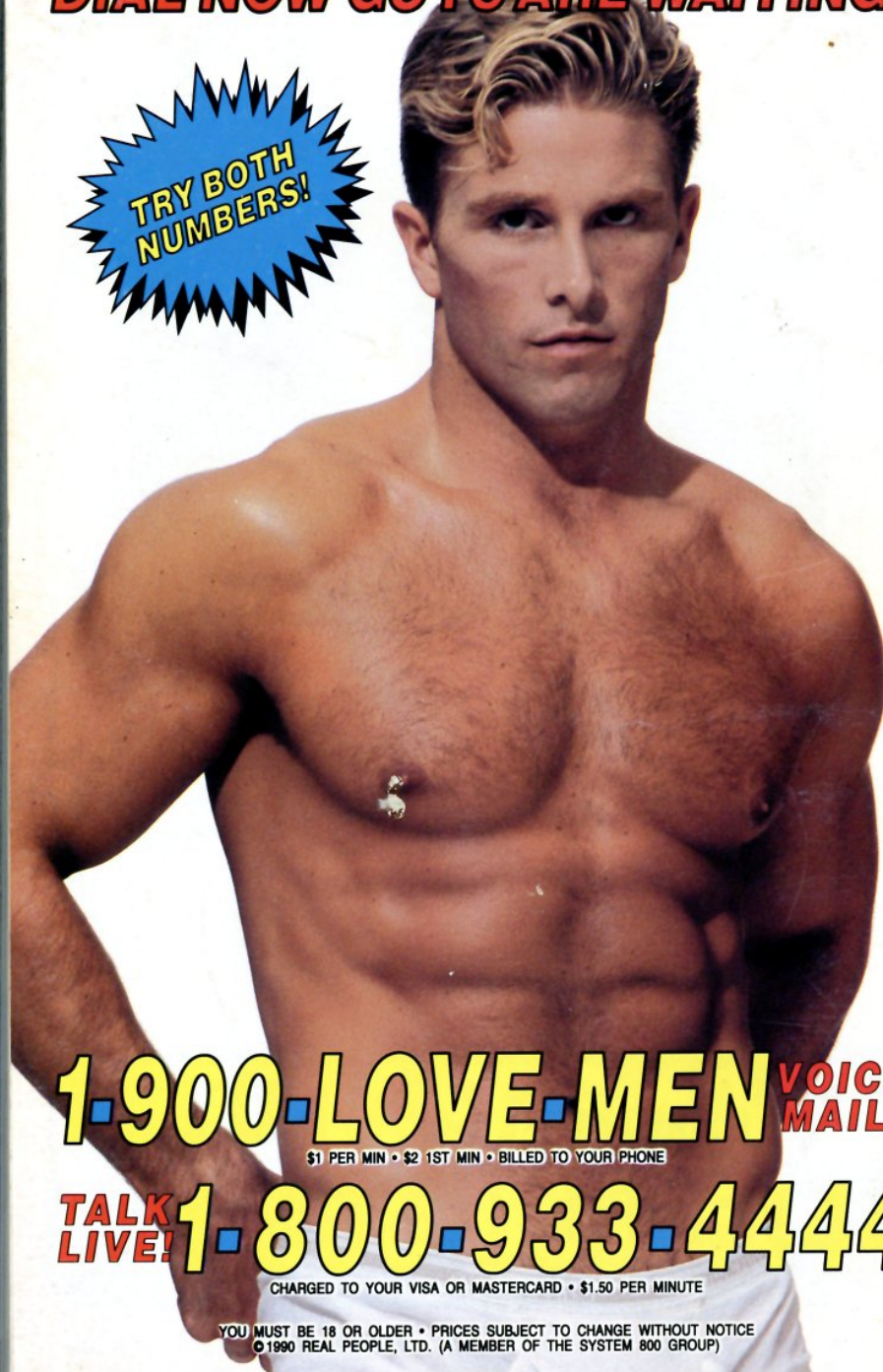


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