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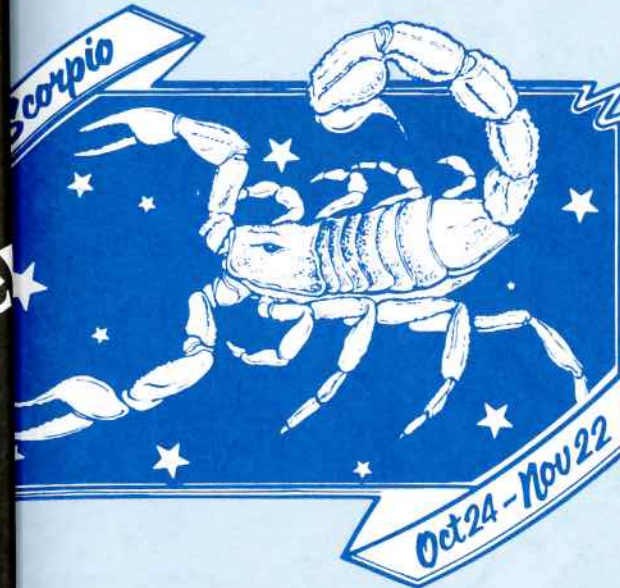
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MURDER IN MONTROSE OFFICIALLY LABELED HATE CRIME

Demonstrations at City Hall, Press Conference Mark Community Response To Second Killing In Four Months.

HOUSTON — The gay and lesbian community has responded to the city's latest hate-crime killing with demonstrations at City Hall and calls for a greater police presence in the Montrose area.

Phillip W. Smith was killed at approximately 1:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 3 in the 600 block of Hyde Park while walking to his car in the Avondale neighborhood of Montrose. He was shot once in the eye and died at a hospital a few hours later.

Charges were filed on Tuesday, November 5 against the four young men involved in the killing. Johnny Bryant Darrington III, 20, was charged with murder and aggravated robbery. Seventeen-year-old Francisco Rosales, 20-year-old Marcus Dwayne Willis and 17-year-old Pedro Paez were charged with aggravated robbery in connection with another incident committed Saturday night.

Darrington told police that he shot Smith because Smith had smiled at him, which Darrington said reminded him of when he was raped by a homosexual as a child.



Speaking at November 11 press conference were [l-r] Queer Nation member Tracy Brown, HGLPC President Toni Knight, Phillip Smith's companion Jimi Guillen, activist Ray Hill and HPD Sgt. Bonnie Semora and Chuck Jackson. TWT NEWS photo.

Police said the four men committed several other crimes the same night, both before and after Smith was killed.



Smith's death is the first to be officially labeled a hate-crime homicide. The Houston Police Department altered its definition of hate crimes earlier this year to include sexual orientation, and is now keeping hate-crime statistics in accordance with federal law. The change resulted from pressure the gay and lesbian community brought to bear on HPD after the murder of banker Paul Broussard on July 4.

Gay leaders met with Police Chief Elizabeth Watson on Thursday to discuss the hate crime problem, and on Friday members of the activist group Queer Nation staged a protest at City Hall and in the downtown area, at one point confronting council member Al Calloway. Paul Broussard's mother Nancy Rodriguez and his sister Michelle were among the demonstrators.

A press conference held this past Monday brought together Smith's companion, Jimi Guillen, community leaders, activists and HPD representatives to address the issue of crime in the Montrose and how to fight it.

Ray Hill opened the press conference by referring to the diversity of the speakers present. He rejected the idea that the community is divided in its approach to the crime problem.

"This press conference visually demonstrates that all people in the community are pulling on the same end of the rope."

Guillen spoke of his desire to help fight the crime problem in the Montrose area.

"I'm tired of watching other people get hit and killed, and I want to do something to stop it." Guillen said he would be putting together fund-raisers to help install extra lighting.

HGLPC President Toni Knight expressed her belief that Smith's murder would help convince people that such crimes are not isolated incidents unworthy of serious attention. She also called on all those who have been victimized to come forward and file reports.

"We need to send a clear message that we are not the scapegoats of society, that this is not 'sport' murder, 'sport' killing."

Sgt. Bonnie Semora, Dayshift Patrol Supervisor, said, "The police department has made a serious effort to work with the residents of the Montrose area and the gay and lesbian community to solve this problem.

"HPD has continuously tried to develop a better relationship with the community. The crimes that occurred this summer have sped up the process."

Semora also noted that a broad approach addressing the education of children would be needed to reduce hate crime in the long run.

"The community at large needs to look at its attitudes toward gay people, and teach its children that beating up anybody is wrong."

Sgt. Chuck Jackson of the Montrose storefront station said he believed a lot of crimes in the Montrose area were going unreported, and he emphasized that people should not worry that their complaints won't be taken seriously.

"Anyone who feels they have not been dealt with in a professional manner should contact a supervisor or the Internal Affairs Division."

Queer Nation member Tracy Brown said he didn't think crimes committed against gays and lesbians were treated as seriously as those committed against other people.

"We are incensed by the fact that if this man had been a straight woman raped in front of K-Mart, a police detail would have been posted until all those doing these things were caught."

Brown added that he would like to see a full-time undercover operation in Montrose. He also said he doesn't consider calls for increased police presence in the area as demands for special treatment. "We are taxpaying citizens, and we deserve protection—equal protection."

In closing, Hill discounted the idea that Montrose residents were asking for priority over other neighborhoods, and he said he appreciated the improved flexibility that is allowing HPD to respond to problems all around Houston.

"We are sensitive to the problems in other areas of the city. We don't mind if the police are gone a few days, as long as they come back."

Hill also said his Montrose Peacemakers squad, which maintain a regular patrol of the Montrose area in an effort to discourage crime, should be in operation sometime in December.

DGA CREDIT UNION MARKS 3RD BIRTHDAY

Embarking on Facility Renovation After Year of Growth.

DALLAS — Halloween was a special time for a lot of people celebrating on the streets, but it also marked the third birthday of the Dallas Gay Alliance Credit Union. To mark the special occasion, DGA officials ceremoniously took sledgehammers to the facility to indicate the beginning of a \$12,000 remodeling program.

The new facilities at the Gay and Lesbian Community Center will expand the current space of one tiny room to include security doors and locks, lighting, flooring and electrical improvements, and even a teller's window.

The DGA credit union is an all-volunteer effort, with assets totaling \$325,000 and over 800 accounts. The credit union's capital ratio is 4.5%, and it has distributed \$9,000 in dividends so far this year.



[L-R] Marking start of DGA renovation are **George McDaniel** of Facilities Committee, DGA Credit Union Chairman **Jeffery Campbell**, Project Coordinator **Karen Estes**, DGA President **Bruce Monroe** and Foundation for Human Understanding President **Dick Weaver**. TWT NEWS photo

The expansion is sponsored by the credit union, the Dallas Gay Alliance and the Capitul Funds Campaign of the Foundation for Human Understanding, which is raising money for the Gay and Lesbian Community Center. Jeffrey Campbell, chairman of the credit union, says the costs of the expansion will be covered by fund-raising efforts.

"We felt this was a 'doable' project this year in terms of cost and time. The credit union has grown a lot this year, and we are desperate for more space," Campbell said.

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"This has been a challenging year for us," he continued. "We have almost quadrupled in size, we launched our own MasterCard and we converted our operations to computer. We also had to convert our insurance coverage to the National Credit Union Administration. Our members' accounts are insured up to \$100,000 by the NCUA's insurance fund."

Campbell said that in the future the credit union's main emphasis would be on its lending program. "We will initiate a special 'Automobile Refinance Program' to help our members save money on their existing auto loans. Programs like this will also recycle money back into our community. That's how communities build wealth, and that's really the whole point in having our own credit union."

"Of course, offering a credit card with the 'G' word on it is a lot of fun, too!" Campbell added.

BARTLETT AVOIDS RUNOFF TO BECOME MAYOR OF DALLAS

*Palmer Coasts to Easy Victory
In District 14 Race.*

DALLAS — The new mayor of Dallas is former U.S. Rep. Steve Bartlett, who was elected outright. With all of the city's 373 precinct's reporting, Bartlett amassed 53.9% of the vote, thereby avoiding a runoff. Kathryn Cain, who had been endorsed by the Lesbian/Gay Political Coalition, received only 26.7% and Forrest Smith trailed in third place with 13.3%.

Bartlett resigned a congressional seat in February after serving eight years in Washington. Cain has been an attorney, and Smith has served as president of the Greater Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

"The new leadership will be strong and fair, and everybody will be invited to come to the table and be part of the government," Bartlett declared after announcing his victory.

Most of the criticism Bartlett has received recently has been the result of his voting against making Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday a national holiday. He countered charges that he was not sympathetic to minorities and the poor by choosing a black Dallas businessman, Calvin Stephens, as his campaign chairman.

Bartlett also formed a 60-member African-American Steering Committee and received the last-minute endorsement of the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance.

During the campaign, Smith and Cain attacked Bartlett for his votes on the issues of abortion and a seven-day waiting period on handgun purchases. Bartlett avoided any direct confrontations by promising to "stop the name-calling and turmoil at City Hall."

In her concession speech, Cain said, "It's up to us all in the months and weeks ahead to continue to be involved in our city. Nobody is going to come from Austin or Washington to take care of us. It's up to us."

Lori Palmer, who has received a great deal of criticism from various business owners in the Oak Lawn area for her part in handling the proposed Oak Lawn Plan, handily won re-election by garnering over 75% of the votes. Her closest challenger, inner-city real estate developer Rick Finlan, received only 11.8%.

Voters also overwhelmingly approved the state's proposed lottery by a margin of 65%-35%. Texas is now the 35th state in the nation to authorize government-sponsored gambling. Gov. Ann Richards, who supported a state lottery throughout her campaign for office, said, "I am very, very pleased. I thought people preferred a lottery over taxation, and they proved it at the ballot box."

Lottery sales will begin next July 1, with the first type using scratch-off tickets that reveal winning combinations of numbers within a matter of seconds. Computerized games like "lotto" will have to wait until January of 1993, since it takes longer to set up the computer system that is needed.

HGLPC MAKES ENDORSEMENTS FOR DEC. 7 RUNOFF VOTE

*Throws Support to Turner for
Mayor, Calloway & Robinson
For Council Positions.*

HOUSTON — In the wake of the Nov. 5 city elections, the Gay & Lesbian Political Caucus has issued a second round of endorsements for the runoff election to be held Dec. 7.

The caucus voted to endorse State Rep.

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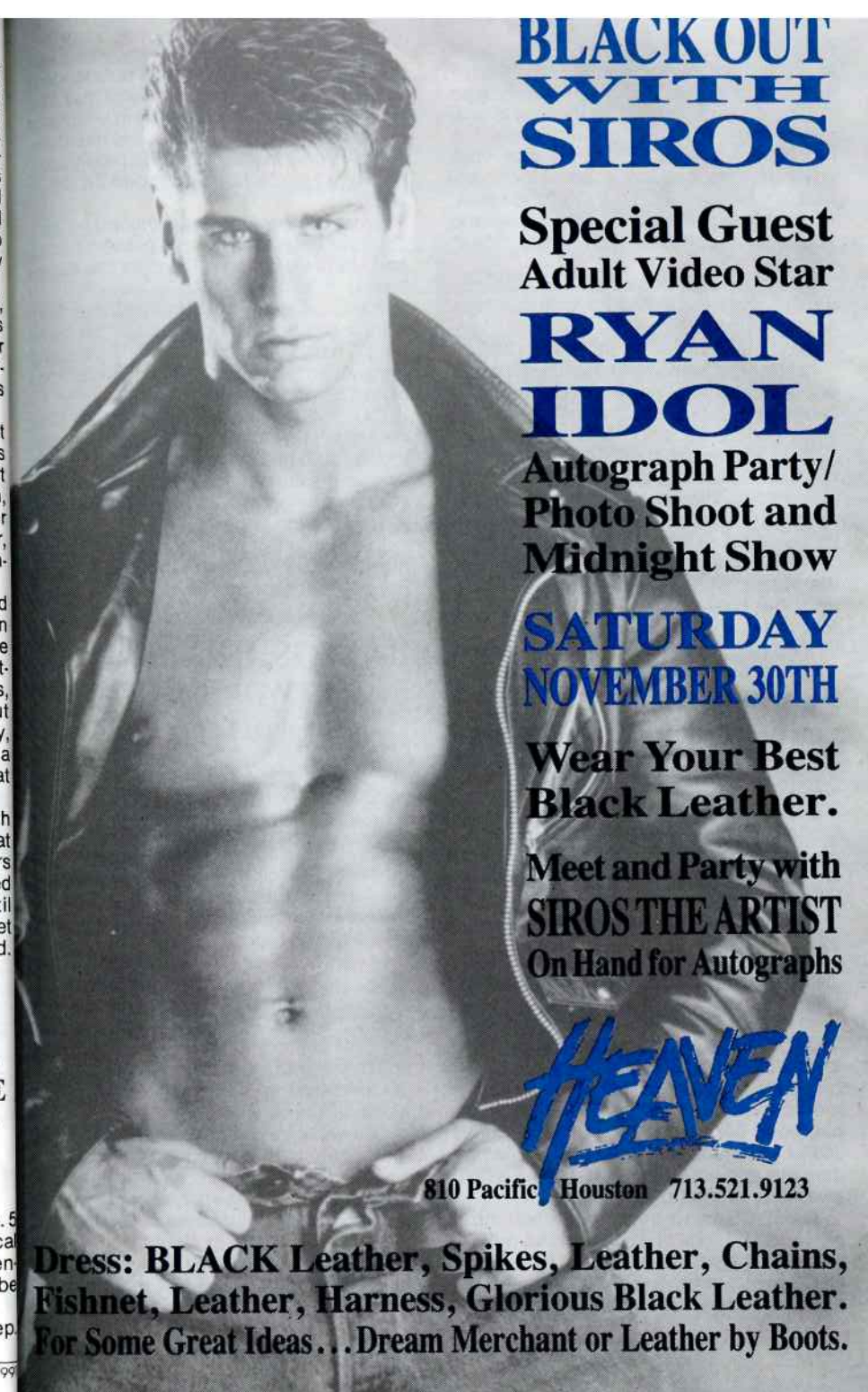
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Sylvester Turner for Mayor. Turner came in second behind Bob Lanier and ahead of incumbent Mayor Kathy Whitmire, who got the group's support for the first round.

Although Whitmire did not make the runoff, taking only 20% of the vote citywide, the caucus endorsement apparently helped her in the Montrose area, where she won 41% of the vote. Lanier and Turner each got about 29% of the vote in the Montrose.

Al Calloway received the caucus' endorsement for his District D runoff race against Elizabeth Spates. HGLPC had endorsed May Walker in the first round.

In the race for council member at-large position 5, the caucus threw its support to Judson W. Robinson, III, after having supported Glenda Joe for the Nov. 5 vote.

The difference the HGLPC endorsement can make in a candidate's fortunes, at least at the level of the individual precinct, was demonstrated in the results for the council at-large position 5.

In that race, Joe got only about 8.5% of the vote citywide. But in the Montrose area, her share of the vote was three to four times that in certain precincts.

Also getting HGLPC's reendorsement was incumbent City Council member Beverley Clark, who drew eight challengers in her race for reelection to at-large position 1. Clark came in first with about 42% of the vote, and will face Gracie Saenz in the runoff.

DALLAS' OLCS CELEBRATES TEN YEARS OF SERVICE

*Howie Daire, Dru Howlett Awards
To Honor Outstanding Contributors
To Community, OLCS.*

DALLAS — Oak Lawn Community Services [OLCS] celebrates its tenth year of service to the gay and lesbian community tomorrow, November 16. The gala event begins at 7:30 p.m. at the OLCS offices, 3434 Fairmount, and will include dining, dancing and entertainment as well as an awards presentation.

The OLCS gala is designed to recognize all the volunteers, staff people and others who over the years have helped to support OLCS in its continuing efforts to meet the needs of the gay and lesbian community.

Among the honors to be handed out will be the Howie Daire Award for outstanding service to the community and the Dru Howlett Award for outstanding volunteer of the year for OLCS. Past board members and award winners will also be recognized. The late Howie Daire founded OLCS in 1981.

Entertainment will be provided by Sandra Kaye before the awards presentations, and Mardi Coleman will deejay the dance tunes.

Recent mayoral candidate Kathryn Cain will be the featured speaker for the evening. There will be no charge for the evening, although organizers said donations would be accepted at the door.

OLCS was started as a counseling center serving the gay and lesbian community, and has since added AIDS education and counseling, a buddy program, transportation, adult day care and a hotline to its list of services.

For more information on the Tenth Anniversary Gala, or to volunteer, call Evilu Pridgeon at (214)520-8108.

AIDS INTERFAITH NETWORK BEGINS FOURTH YEAR

*Moves to Larger Offices &
Expands Board of Directors.*

DALLAS — The AIDS Interfaith Network of North Texas [AIN] is now entering its fourth year of service to people with HIV disease and those affected by it, and has moved into larger offices and expanded its board of directors.

In its three years of existence, AIN has provided support to more than 600 clients and approximately 2,000 people associated with them. AIN now has outreach and service projects in the suburban and rural areas of Denton and Collin counties, supported through staff in the Denton and Plano offices.

The work includes volunteer development, help with household chores, emotional and spiritual support and resource development. There are now more than 75 lay and clergy volunteers in these areas meeting the needs of clients.

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COMMENT

Avondale Business Owners Move Against Hate Crimes

Dear TWT:

Approximately a dozen concerned business owners in the Avondale neighborhood of Montrose met last Friday, November 8 to discuss ways to prevent crime in our neighborhood. The meeting was in direct response to the killing of Mr. Phillip W. Smith, who was murdered on the morning of Sunday, November 3 as he was walking to his car three blocks from Heaven nightclub. He was shot and killed by a depraved gunman simply because the gunman assumed that Mr. Smith was gay.

The meeting, which lasted over an hour, focused on ways this group of responsible business owners could attempt to ensure the highest degree of safety to visitors, area residents and employees in the Avondale neighborhood during the upcoming holiday season.

All present, through unanimous vote, decided that through the neighborhood Avondale Association, off-duty Harris County Precinct One deputies from Constable Jack Abercia's office would be hired to patrol the neighborhood.

United Cab Company had pledged to give the neighborhood group a vehicle to use in patrolling the neighborhood. It was mutually agreed that an added police presence, with the Deputy Constables being "an extra set of eyes," would be a beneficial deterrent to crime. A clear message is being sent that hate crimes, robberies, verbal assaults, burglaries and auto theft will not be tolerated in the Montrose gay club district.

As a footnote, the Avondale bar and business owners, on behalf of the Marion Pantzer Memorial Reward Fund, will award \$1,000 to the Houston Police Officers' 100 Club for their swift apprehension of the 10 individuals who beat and murdered Paul Broussard and assaulted two of his friends on the morning of July 4, 1991

and, more recently, for the arrest of the four men involved in last Sunday's murder of Phillip Smith. Both men were the victims of hate crimes against members of Houston's gay and lesbian community.

Hate crimes against any group of minorities will not be tolerated, and those responsible will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of both state and federal law.

Charles Armstrong
Houston, TX

Learn About Safe Sex

Dear TWT:

Magic Johnson has gone public about his HIV infection and now all of America has finally awoken to the reality of AIDS. It is a very courageous move for so public a figure, but hopefully it will increase awareness that everyone is at risk if they have unprotected sex. His announcement also underscores the importance of early intervention.

A person infected with HIV stands their best chance of fighting this disease by finding out as soon as possible that they're HIV-positive and starting to take control of their health. Eating right, sleeping right, exercising, managing stress—doing all those things that are good for your body. Also, they should find out everything they can about their disease.

I hope this [Johnson's announcement] has a positive impact on the 30-50% of gay men who are HIV-infected so that they can get tested, get informed and play safely.

I'm sure that most people in the community are aware that only a small percentage practice safer sex consistently. Although safer sex is for everybody—whatever your HIV status—most of our community knows little about their safer sexual options (much less how to use a condom correctly).

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To find out more information about safer sex or wellness classes, please call me at (713)623-6796. These workshops and parties are also available in most other cities, so those in other parts of Texas should contact their local AIDS service agencies for more information.

Bart Loeser
AFH Education Coordinator
Houston, TX

Fear, Hatred Due to Ignorance

Dear TWT:

To go through life afraid of what you know not of is to cheat yourself of the knowledge that, in the long run, could help you to better understand life and maybe even yourself.

Homophobia is a widespread fear and hatred of gays which has taken its toll on society and its members. Homophobics think they are destined to extinguish all gays and their heterosexual supporters for the safety of mankind. These people are among us incognito or openly, and their set goal, which stems from pure ignorance, is to sadistically corrupt homosexuals and their lifestyle. They have shunned us, verbally and physically abused us, and have gone to such drastic measures as murder to satisfy their pathetic, inhumane humor. Our lives are at stake.

The fear and hatred these people possess is largely due to the fact that they know nothing of homosexuality. They don't know the positive and healthy aspects of homosexuality, only the sick, perverse and incriminating misinformation given to them by others who share the same ignorance. It is a pity that society sits back and allows children to feel bitterness and hatred toward anything. Mankind alone will destroy itself.

Gay America can no longer be subjected to such cruel acts of violence. We don't live in a world in which Hitler rules. We

must stand *united* to fight this ever-growing problem. My only hope is that one day mankind will realize that prejudice is a crime in itself. No one can judge another person by his or her lifestyle or feelings of love.

Richard S. Contreras
Houston, TX

Being Gay Not A Choice

Dear TWT:

There is a big issue that has been brought to all of our attentions in the gay community; an opinion that has long been forced upon us for quite some time. Many people believe that we are the way we are simply by choice. To me and many others, that simply is just not true.

For example, we all have a favorite color; it's a simple fact that we all seem to prefer one over the other. Say that your favorite color is blue. Now if it is, you are drawn to it, you like it, it is what you prefer more than others. Now you can say that your favorite color is red, and someone else can tell you that, but you know that it isn't.

No one can tell you differently, or change that, because deep down inside, you know what you are drawn to. If you do change, it is totally up to you, no one else.

Being gay is what we are. It is what we were brought into this world to be. Don't let anyone tell you differently.

Be yourself, not someone else. As we all should know, God loves us, and respects us, red, yellow, black, brown, white and, yes...even gay.

Brad Hicks
Los Angeles, CA

Halloween Extravaganza A Success for SAAF

Dear TWT:

On Sunday, November 3 the Third Annual Halloween Extravaganza was held at The Country Club as a benefit for the San Antonio AIDS Foundation. A total of \$265 was raised for SAAF that evening.

As emcee of this benefit show, I would like to thank the many different groups of people who helped make this benefit a success.

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Two very special people who helped with this project that night were Raymond Elliott and Alan Rochkus, who were our official money counters.

A special thanks to Cricket and John Carlos, who coordinated a "Split the Pot" raffle.

Of course, another special group of people to thank are the owners and staff of The Country Club, who allowed us to hold the Third Annual Halloween Extravaganza in their bar.

Most of all, we would like to thank the many people who attended the benefit show and with their contributions made the evening a success.

Ericka Raye
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Resigning from GHAA

The following letter was sent to Lori Hinton, vice-president of the Greater Houston AIDS Alliance.—Editor.

Dear Mrs. Hinton:

Please be advised that I am resigning from the psychosocial advisory planning committee of the Ryan White planning council. Based on my brief experience with the planning council, it is apparent that it cannot effectively guide the distribution of federal monies to help persons with HIV disease or prevent new cases. The effort is disorganized, has few resources and the Greater Houston AIDS Alliance [GHAA] has allowed too little time to complete this complicated task.

I am sure you are already aware of this. Other members of the committee will doubtless complain that without the mandated participation of persons with AIDS, they will be unable to complete their work. In fact, the mismanagement of this effort by the GHAA has already made the effective completion of the project impossible. My participation (and that of other persons with AIDS) will only help to preserve the appearance that something useful has been accomplished.

I will have nothing more to with this sham.

Bryan Busbice
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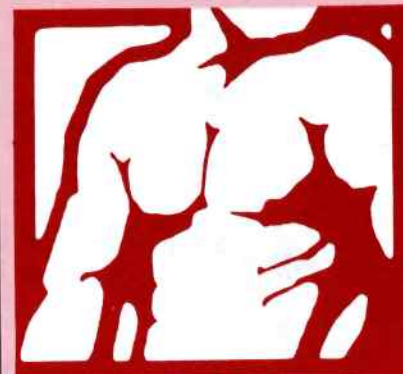
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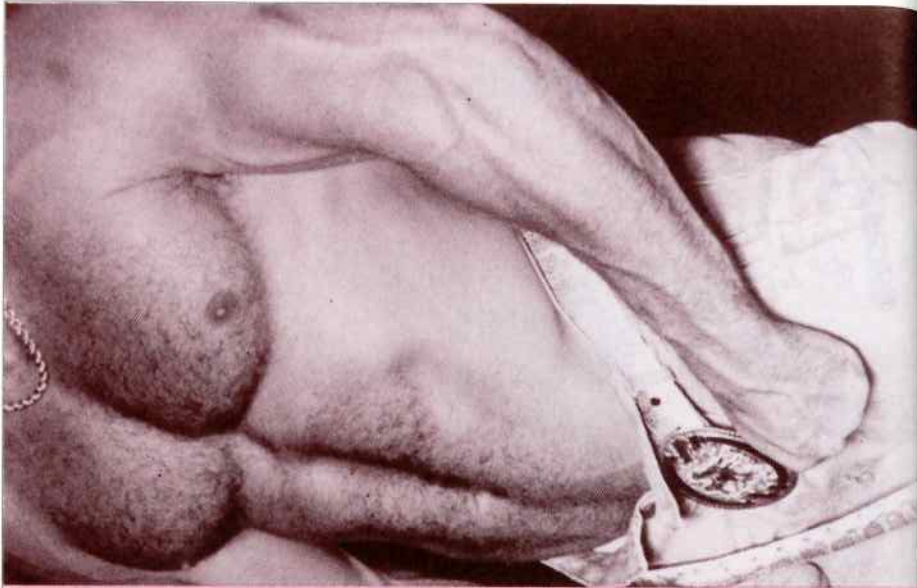
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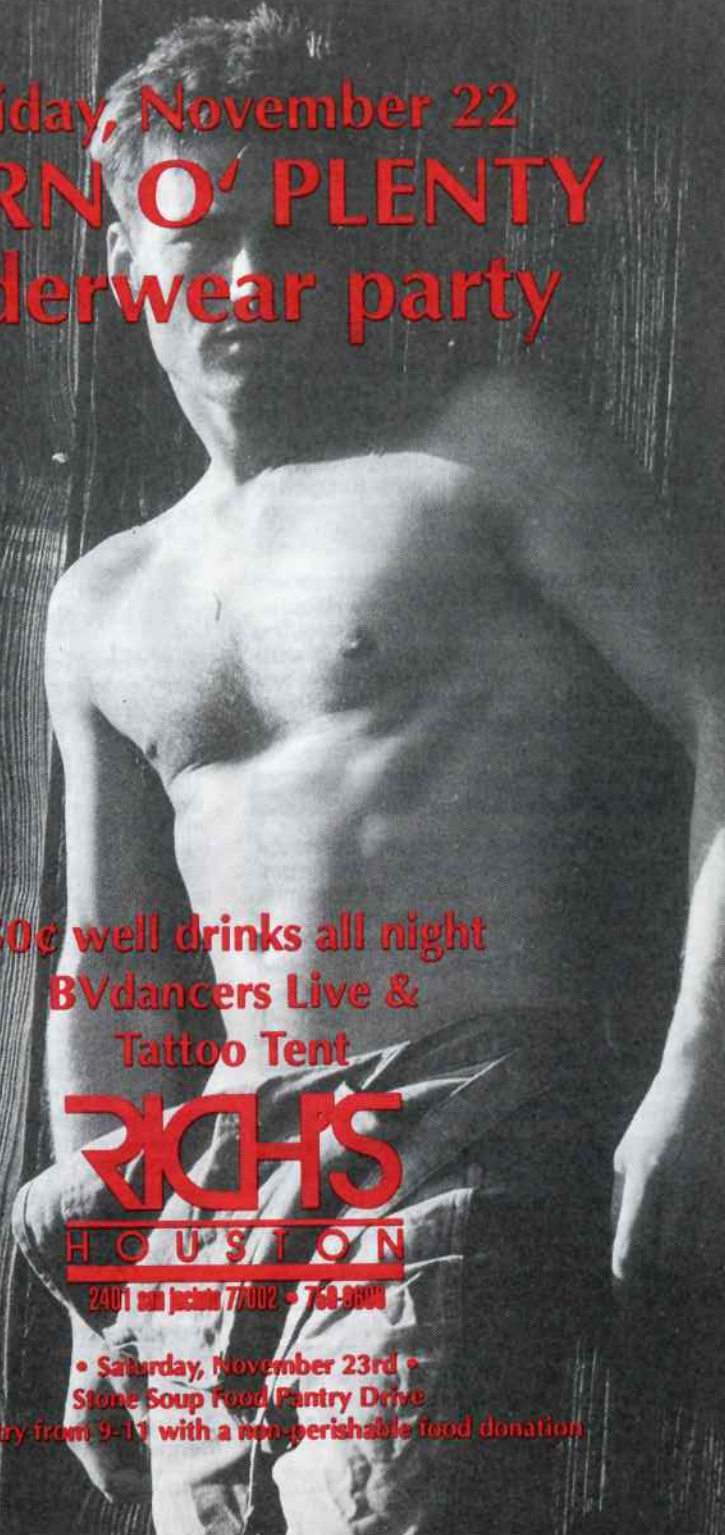
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AIDS Services of Austin is hosting a "fun"-raising Octopus Club Party this Sunday, November 17 at Capital Bowl, 5700 Grover, from 1-6 p.m. There will be bowling, food, psychic readings, a cash bar and door prizes. All of the money raised will go to the Paul Kirby Fund to provide emergency financial assistance to PWAs. Suggested donation to the event is \$20, but donations of any size are gratefully accepted.

The Travis County Health Department will be doing HIV testing this Sunday, November 17 from 6-9 p.m. at Chain Drive. The testing is free, confidential and anonymous, and includes pre- and post-test counseling. If you don't know your status, please get tested! (The same offer stands at The Crossing, November 24.)

BEAUMONT

The Lambda Women's Support and Social Group is not affiliated with any 12-step program. It is an alternative group for women to meet and network, discuss women's issues and encourage personal growth. Fridays 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free. Call (409) 724-1192.

Triangle AIDS Network is hosting a support group for people with AIDS and people whose life is affected by AIDS. Call Elizabeth at (409)832-8338.

DALLAS

The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation/Dallas [GLAAD] is holding a general membership meeting next Wednesday, November 20 at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, Inwood and Mockingbird. Up for discussion will be recent meetings with KERA-TV programmers and station management at KZPS 92.5 FM, as well as Russ Limbaugh's anti-lesbian/gay hate radio on 1190 AM KUII. Meeting is open to the public.

AIDS Services of Dallas, a project of the PWA Coalition of Dallas, holds its annual volunteer training this Sunday, November 17 from 5-7 p.m. in the auditorium of Scottish Rite Hospital, 2222 Welborn. The training program is open to the public and will address various volunteer programs for people living with AIDS. For more information, contact Volunteers Coordinator Jim Hodge at (214)941-0523.

Men of All Colors Together are gathering at Throckmorton Mining Company tonight, November 15 at 11 p.m. They wish you would join them. Wear your MACT T-shirt if you have one.

Next week (November 23), the **Texas Lesbian Conference** will sponsor their **November Extravaganza** at the Unitarian Church, Normandy at Preston. The event begins at noon and will be followed by a dance. There will be craftspeople selling their works, as well as live music and food. Admission will be charged at the door and will benefit the Texas Lesbian Conference, which is being held in Dallas next spring. For information about attending or displaying your crafts, call Karyn at (214) 942-5921.

The Oak Lawn Band and **MCC's** music department will play in **Michael Lee's "That's What Friends Are For"** review Saturday, November 23 to benefit the building fund for Metropolitan Community Church. Tickets are \$10 general, \$20 reserved, and they usually sell out fast. Call (214)526-6221 for yours.

FORT WORTH

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG) meets Thursday night, November 21 at 7 p.m. at 901 Lake Street. (817) 338-4551.

HOUSTON

The tradition continues as the **Bering Care Center** hosts its annual Thanksgiving Day

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As the guests of Bering Care Center watch the **Foley's Thanksgiving Day Parade**, they will be waving back at the volunteers of the **Houston NAMES Project** as they assist in carrying one of the larger-than-life balloons in the procession. The parade is broadcast in over 65 television markets across the nation. If you would like to be part of the NAMES Project's team, call (713)52-NAMES.

Creative Life Outreach, an alternative weekly spiritual celebration of life and love, meets Mondays at 8 p.m. at the Montrose Palace, 1505 Nevada at Commonwealth. With music, meditation and encouragement, this philosophy can "teach you to change your life by changing your thinking"! Call (713)526-LOVE.

Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection is holding its Third Annual Talent Show tomorrow, Saturday, November 16. "If They Could See Me Now" will be presented at the Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, with food festivities beginning at 6:30 and the show at 7:30. Admission is \$5 per person, which covers both food and entertainment. Proceeds benefit the church's Capital Gifts Campaign. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Women's Group will be discussing "Breaking Silence, Making Waves and Loving Ourselves: The Politics of Coming Out and Coming Home", Sunday, November 17 at 10 a.m. at the Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin, Upstairs in the Sojourner Truth Room. Free, but donations appreciated. Call Iris at (713)529-8571 or Janet at 370-3657.

LUBBOCK

The AIDS Resource Center is receiving support and assistance from Dallas' **Nel-**

son-Tebedo Clinic in its goal to get clinical trials for PWAs. Meanwhile, the clients from Lubbock are enrolling in the **Observational Data Base**, which collects information about the needs of the local population. The eligibility requirements are that each participant be older than 13, HIV-positive and willing to take part in a confidential study. Call Debbie Trott at (214) 528-2336 to be part of the ODB.

PORT ISABEL

Valley Voice: Gay and Lesbian Alliance is a newly organized social, support and educational group in the Rio Grande Valley, open to all ages. To find out more about Valley Voice, or to obtain a brochure, call Valley Voice Director John Kwiatkowski at (512)761-7302.

SAN ANTONIO

The **San Antonio AIDS Foundation** [SAAF] is seeking applicants to fill a VISTA Volunteer position for Grant Writer. Responsibilities will include planning, organizing and carrying out grant writing activities to encourage active financial support for SAAF. The primary qualification is previous grant writing experience. For information or to apply, call Eunice Van Hoosen at (512)225-4725.

Walk for Life is the first walk-a-thon to raise money for SAAF and the Bexar County HIV/AIDS Consortium, and takes place on Sunday, November 24. Registration will be at Market Square at 1 p.m. and the walk begins an hour later. Registration is \$7 and walkers are encouraged to have pledges for at least \$1 per mile walked. Money will be collected prior to the walk and every participant will receive a Walk for Life T-shirt. Call Evan Pope at the San Antonio AIDS Foundation at (512)225-4715 for a pledge card.

WACO

Tomorrow, November 16 is the date you will want a date for the **Harvest Ball** at the **Metropolitan Community Church of Waco**. MCC Waco has moved into its own church building (1601 Clay) where they have Sunday services at 11 a.m. and Wednesday prayer and praise at 7 p.m. They invite you to worship and dance with them. (817) 752-5331.

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GLAAD Tidings

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Scholastic Update is distributed in high school classes. The cover story in the September issue was "The Changing American Family." It featured profiles of a number of families, presented from the adolescent's point of view. Some of these households were nontraditional, such as single parent families. But of special interest to us was Jake's family.

Jake is a 14-year-old boy who speaks of life with his parents, father Will Dixon-Gray and Will's lover Gregor Benko. Jake talks movingly of his home situation, and seems at ease and well-adjusted with his two loving parents. The article shows how normal and healthy this family is.

This wonderful article will provide support to other teenagers growing up with gay parents. It will also provide positive role models for the thousands of lesbian and gay students who read it and learn that their orientation does not mean that they can't look forward to building their own happy families.

It's sure to be criticized, however, by

homophobes, who attack any fair portrayal of gay lives, especially when it's directed at young people. No doubt they will contact *Scholastic Update* to voice their assertions that such stories "promote" homosexuality. In fact, if sexual orientation could be "taught," we would all be straight.

Make sure *Scholastic Update* hears from you, too. Tell them how much an article like this might have meant to you. Better yet, if you have children, tell the magazine how much it will mean to them. In either case, applaud the magazine's decision to run this story, and encourage them to continue challenging homophobia.

Scholastic Update reaches young people at a critical stage—advocate that they use that power to teach acceptance rather than hate. Write to: Lee Kravitz, Editorial Director, *Scholastic Update*, 351 Garver Road, P.O. Box 2700, Monroe, OH 45050.

More good news comes to us from TV land. One of television's top-rated shows has had two good appearances by gay people in just three weeks!

Roseanne has been the number one show for much of the new season. It has also been the number one show in challenging homophobia. Last year, the program introduced the characters of Leon Carp (Martin Mull) and his lover Jerry

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(Michael DesBarres). This year, the two have been proudly out. They have been positively presented, and although funny, are not the butt of the joke.

First, Roseanne's boss Leon came out during a poker game to Roseanne's husband. On another episode, Leon and Jerry had a quarrel about a visit from Jerry's mother, a situation which Roseanne could not resist butting in on.

One of television's top-rated shows has had two good appearances by gay people in just three weeks.

Not only is the inclusion of these ongoing characters exciting, but the character development showing the individuality of each, as well as exploring how the couple relate to each other, are things even rarer on television. And the fact that all this is happening on a show with consistently high ratings is extraordinary.

To give support to the producers of *Roseanne*, write to: Marcy Carsey and Tom Werner, Executive Producers, *Roseanne*, Carsey-Werner Co., 4024 Radford Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 91604.

The inclusion on *Roseanne* is beautiful. Now if we can just get some top-rated lesbians onto the airwaves!

The all-too-familiar flip-side to this story is what the right-wingers are doing. Not only did they try to get us off the air altogether with their "Turn Off TV Day," but the American Family Association is up to its old tricks of attempting to intimidate advertisers on shows that "promote homosexuality." The recent winners in this category include PepsiCo, Philip Morris, General Motors and Chrysler. If you need the mailing addresses of these companies to show your support of inclusive programming, call your local GLAAD office, or GLAAD/New York at (212)966-1700.

"GLAAD Tidings" is written by members of the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, Inc., a nationwide organization which monitors media coverage of lesbians and gay men. In Texas, report on such coverage to GLAAD/Dallas at (214)526-4523 or GLAAD/Houston at (713)523-6109.

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CAPITAL REPORT

By Laurie Eiserloh
Legislative Director of
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Another in A Continuing Series of Reports
From Austin on Legislative Issues
Affecting Gays and Lesbians in Texas

So far, the 72nd legislative session and special sessions have been fairly beneficial for the lesbian/gay community. Most of the legislation that would have harmed our community has been blocked, and several good bills, including a hate-crimes bill, have passed. The next special session will probably not occur until the spring; however, it is important to look ahead and organize around important issues.

The next special session will focus upon health care issues. Rumor has it that some officials are considering a statewide system that would be similar to the Canadian health care system. Under the Canadian system, the government provides health insurance to all individuals. The strong points of the Canadian system are: 1) it leads to a more efficient distribution of services; 2) everyone has health insurance, and 3) less money is spent on administrative services.

Another point in favor of this system is that people who have preexisting health conditions may change employers without fear of losing their health insurance. This is very important for persons living with HIV or AIDS who often find themselves trapped in a job that they no longer like, but can't afford to quit because they'd lose health insurance benefits.

The main problem with the Canadian system is that it requires higher taxation, and in Texas anything that requires higher taxes is not likely to pass the Legislature. However, we may see some unusual coalitions forming around this issue that will help support the passage of a statewide

health insurance plan.

For instance, employers are finding that a higher percentage of their budget is being allocated for employee health insurance. Ideally, statewide health insurance would tax employers at a lower rate than they are currently spending on employee health insurance.

Also, individuals not covered by an employer's health insurance would stand to benefit from a statewide health insurance system because they could avoid the expense of individual policies. Currently, the average individual health insurance policy costs about \$170 a month. Again, proponents of a statewide system could garner support if taxation for health insurance were assessed at a lower rate than the cost of the average health insurance policy.

Another problem with the Canadian system is that doctors make less money, and therefore, powerful health care lobbies are less likely to lend their support to proposals for statewide health insurance. However, one of the benefits under the Canadian system is that medical malpractice rates are lower, so again there is an offset.

Although we may hear a great deal of discussion concerning statewide health insurance, I do not believe that a Canadian-style system will be implemented in the next special session. However, we may see elements of such a system adopted. Even if we do not see a statewide health insurance system adopted in the next session, we may see a plan similar to this in future sessions.

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What
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Should Dentists Take?

by Jazz Paz

Should Dentists Or Their
Patients Be Required
To Reveal Their
HIV Status?

The cacophony created by Kimberly Bergalis, Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) and Rep. William Dannemeyer (R-Calif.) about AIDS and healthcare workers has inspired new fears in people who never looked forward to their medical and dental appointments anyway.

Emotional pleas and angry demands for the HIV testing of health care providers and patients have fueled debates in Congress, among doctors and patients and within the at-risk community. What are the facts? Who should be tested? And what about that dentist in Florida, anyway?

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS interviewed a dentist who has experience in public health issues and practices in a large Texas city.

The dentist we interviewed believes that existing standards of care, as prescribed by the American Dental Association, make the question of whether a patient should be treated by an infected doctor or whether a doctor should treat an infected patient a non-issue.

The American Dental Association has been active in the science of infection control since the early 1970s, ordering com-

prehensive infection control procedures and instituting "Universal precautions" to protect against the transfer of hepatitis B, which is still considered the most dangerous risk in the dental arena.

Universal precautions require the assumption that every patient and every caregiver is infected; there is no deviation in standards if one is known to be infected, or suspected to be infected, with HIV or hepatitis B. Universal precautions mandate the use of latex gloves by the caregiver when he or she is doing any type of invasive (blood-producing or potentially blood-producing) procedure, and also require the use of masks, protective eyewear (goggles) and clothing ("scrubs," lab coats) if the possibility of blood splattering exists.

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Universal precautions also call for the sterilization of all instruments to be used on patients. Sterilization in this case means "the absolute and complete absence of life," i.e., of disease-causing organisms that might be transmitted to the patient. Most instruments will be sterilized by heat. Those that cannot be heat-sterilized are disinfected with hospital-grade chemicals that are known to be effective against hepatitis B, which is much more virulent than AIDS and also likelier to be present since many people are unknowing carriers. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration [OSHA] requires that all dentists make hepatitis B vaccines available to their staffs at no charge.

The dentist we interviewed treats patients with communicable diseases and said he feels comfortable with the protection universal precautions afford him and his clients. He said he appreciates the right to privacy his patients require and points out that this right is protected by law; however, he encourages all patients to reveal their complete medical history to their dentist or doctor so the medical professional can better interpret their symptoms and evaluate their condition.

Like almost all HIV-aware individuals, he does not support AIDS testing of health-care givers. He noted that, "During the ten years we've known about AIDS, only three people seem to have gotten it from one dentist." The federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta recommended in July that doctors and dentists who do surgery or pull teeth take the AIDS test and stop these procedures if they are infected. The dentist agrees, but he points out that a negative AIDS test only proves that the person was not infected six months ago (referring to the "window" of time between exposure to the virus and the detectability of the antibodies.)

The fact is that universal precautions, if properly followed, are the best defense against the HIV virus (and other blood-borne organisms) for the care giver as well as the patient, and that if you think you may be infected, it is in your best interest to be tested, and if you know your status, to tell your doctor and dentist.

As for that dentist in Florida, it has been consistently documented that not only did he fail to follow infection control procedures, but he may have even used the same instruments on himself as he did on his patients.



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Taking Responsibility

by
Phil Johnson

Men Robbed, Forced to Strip, Then Shot" reads the headline of today's paper. My heart sank. "Is it my people, again?" Reading further, the article confirmed my fears.

On Saturday morning, October 26, two men, after leaving a gay bar on Maple, stopped at McDonald's, then went to Reverchon Park to enjoy their snack. Shortly after they arrived, at about 3:10 a.m., three men appeared out of the bushes, demanded money, began beating them, forced them to take their clothes off, then coldly shot them.

One of the victims, shot in the abdomen, died at the scene. The other, shot in the face and leg, was hospitalized in fair condition.

As yet, no one has been arrested for the execution-style murder. Nor is it likely anyone ever will be. But even if the attackers are found and brought to trial, they might very well stand before Judge Jack Hampton. ("I put prostitutes and gays at about the same level, and I'd be hard-pressed to give somebody life for killing a prostitute.") Just two years ago, two young men were similarly murdered in the same park. The homophobic killer received little more than a judicial slap on the wrist from Hampton. The gay men are still dead.

In the hate-filled, crime-ridden society of today, everyone is vulnerable, gay or straight. But gays are easy targets. Therefore, we must take responsibility, as best we can, for our own destiny. The least, the very least we can do is stay out of the parks at night.

Oh, I can hear it now: "But that's blaming the victim, not the criminals. And besides, if there's anything I don't need, it's an ol' auntie telling me what to do. I got plenty of that from my mom."

You listen to this ol' auntie: Sweetie, when I was your age I cruised many a park, rest stop, movie theater, locker room, YMCA, department store john, swimming hole... you name it. I was never robbed, rolled, entrapped, arrested or beaten. Nor did I get a sexually transmitted disease. (It's a mercy I didn't.) So I'm in no position to give "holier than thou" advice. But honey, that was 40 years ago. Things were different then. You young people just can't do what my generation did.

Oh, it's not fair, I know. You have every right to eat your hamburgers in the park anytime you wish. And everyone, gay or straight, has a right to cruise. But what "right" can you enjoy when you're dead? And this ol' auntie cares.

The survivor of Saturday night's crime, a man who has been HIV-positive for at least six years, wishes he had died instead of his friend. "It would've been better to let me die, because I don't see a cure for AIDS in the near future. Plus, I loved him."

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If you missed **HeartSong's** *The Magic Music Makes* concert November 2 in the Music Hall in Houston, you missed it! Those who didn't were uplifted, empowered and fell in love.

Studio 304 is continuing its *Man and Archetype* art show through December 6. Gallery hours are Saturdays noon-6 p.m. and by appointment. Houston Studios Building, 707 Walnut, Suite 304, Houston. Call the artist at (713)229-0770.

What do a homosexual pediatrician, a feminist art historian and a charismatic creep have in common? See **Wendy Wasserstein's** *The Heidi Chronicles* at Theatre Three, 2800 Routh in Dallas, through December 1. (214)871-3300.

It's easy to have *Peace*, now that the **Turtle Creek Chorale** has recorded it for the holidays. CDs are \$16, cassettes are \$11 at selected outlets in Dallas, or order it from P.O. box 190806, Dallas, TX 75219.

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David Jones as Brick and Frank Christian as Big Daddy in *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*.

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Boy George will be at The Village Station in Dallas Saturday, November 30. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door.

Don't let Big Daddy and Maggie get out of town without seeing them in *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* at Capital City Playhouse. Tickets are \$8 and \$10, with discounts for students, seniors and groups. (512) 472-2966.

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Patti le Plae Safe will be an auctioneer at the **Second Annual Celebrity Auction**, presented by the AIDS Resource Center on November 23 at Union Station's Grand Hall in Dallas. Tickets are \$50 each, \$90 for each couple. Cash bar and silent auction at 7 p.m., buffet dinner at 8 p.m., live auction at 8:45 p.m. (214)621-6871.

And in the beginning there was... **LIGHT**. The **Austin Circle of Theatres** will be holding a **Lighting Design Workshop** Thursday, November 21 from 5-7 p.m. Students, teachers and theatre artists will learn the essentials of lighting design. Students and teachers can attend without charge. Others, \$20. Call (512)499-8388.

The second annual **Llano Banano Festival** is looking for "entertainers of all persuasions" to perform tomorrow (November 16) at the Dabbs Hotel. Needed are musicians, comedians, jugglers, mimes, actors, belly dancers and snake charmers. Come as you are and get a free meal for your work. (512)443-1578.

Les Ballets des Africains brings 35 performers to the Carver on Thursday, November 21 at 8 p.m. for one superb show. With demonstrations of spectacle, acrobatics, comedy and drama, they present traditional dance, music and story-telling. Reserved seats are \$15 and \$18 and available at the Carver Box Office and Rainbow Ticketmaster outlets in San Antonio. Call (512)225-6516. (Note: Volunteers are important to the Carver. Please call the above number for information on how you can join the tradition of community involvement that traces its roots back to 1905 and the Colored Community House!)



Ugly Stepsister (Norman Salvato) and Godmother (Chara) plot Cinderella's demise in After Ever After.

Fifteen years have passed. The Prince is dead. Horse-drawn pumpkins and fat dancing mice are things of the misty past. *Cinderella* is the queen now, and there's a score to settle. *After Ever After* is a ribald comedy playing at the Houston Skyline Theater, 1617 Fannin (Ninth floor of the Houston House) through December 1, Saturdays at 10:30 p.m. Sundays at 4 p.m. \$8. (713)759-0701.

A... My Name Is Alice is not for women only! (But women love it the most because it is slick and lively entertainment dramatizing women as friends, rivals, sisters, even basketball players!) **Circle Theatre** is presenting this play with a cast of women from Texas Christian University Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 8:15 p.m. through November 23 in Fort Worth. Call (817)921-3040.

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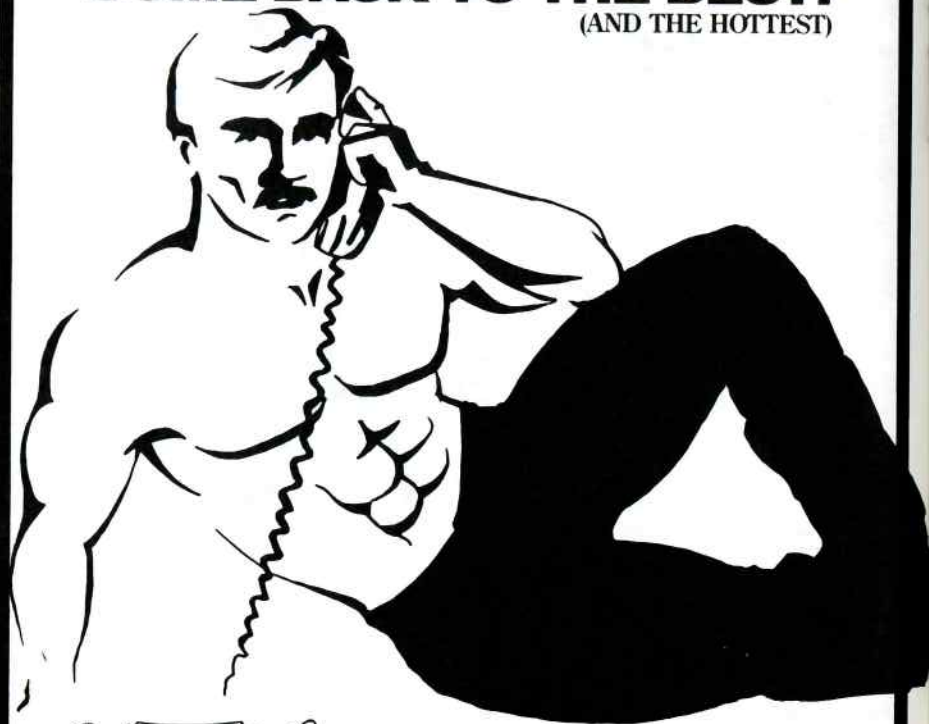
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years ago this week in Texas



Public Award finalist Tiffany Jones.

Michael Andrews, Ernestine, Jennifer George, Alvina Grease, Tiffany Jones, Jackie Jorg, Jessica Landa, Sadjji and Naomi Sims. Ernestine, as you may remember, was the winner.

While drag was the primary focus of the magazine to those many years ago, it was not the sole feature, for **John Gardner**, the man responsible for reporting on **LIFE WITH VERA**, had yet another shocking tale of the bizarre—this time at the wedding of Vera's verydearfriend **Phoebe**. Resplendent in literally miles of white chiffon, the blushing bride was last seen wielding an ax as her entire wedding party burst out the front door.

Phoebe's marriage may have been ending, but another was just beginning in **Max Baumgardner's** unique piece of **FICTION**, "Derek's Desire," the story of a young man's new life in Houston and the man who was slowly taking the place of his ex-lover.

In our "How Many More Ways Can Society Oppress Us?" department, Dallas' gay citizenry took action against continued police harassment of area homosexuals by forming the Dallas Alliance for Individual Rights and **DAIRing** the community to take a stand against the continued stripping of our most basic rights.

It was just a couple years ago that a controversy erupted over the preponderance of drag in the content of the magazine as perceived by a Lone Star gay known simply as "Regular Guy." Mr. Guy felt that Texas' gay community was not adequately represented by a group of "no-talent...uneducated" drag queens.

And while the staff of the magazine always did their levelheaded best to ensure balanced reporting, Mr. Guy would have been outraged to discover that, in 1976, 10 out of 56 pages, a full 18% of the issue—as well as nine out of 17 photos (53%)—were devoted to news from the world of illusion, pantomime and the dance.

'Nuff said!

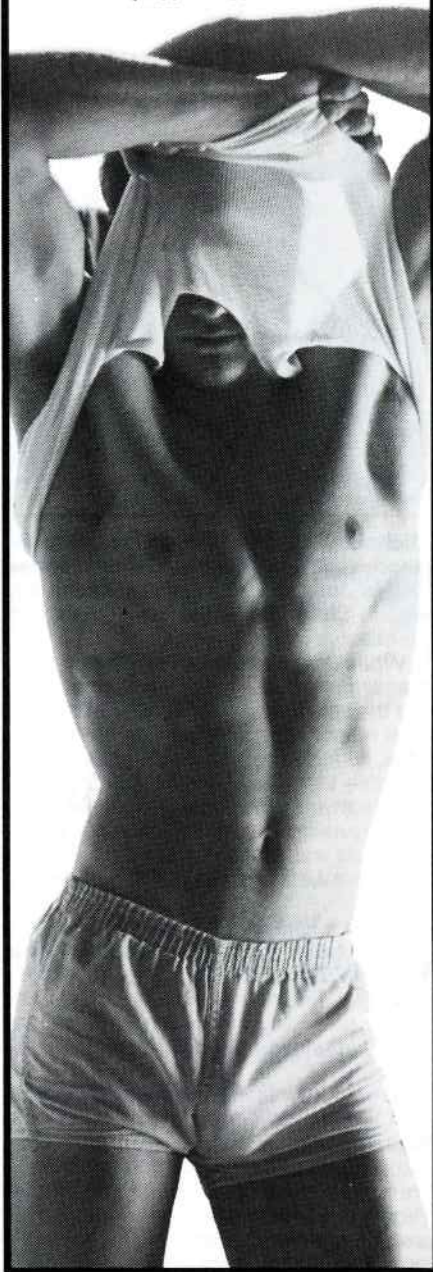
Well, not completely...just for the record, the particulars of this issue's overwhelming highlight of drag concerned Miss Gay America **Michael Andrews'** crowning of the new Miss Gay Austin, **Annette**, as **Rickie** relinquished her crown, and the very first Top Ten ever for Texas' own Public Awards, the forerunner to **twt's** Entertainer of the Year. The names of the lucky finalists—**Alan Allison**,

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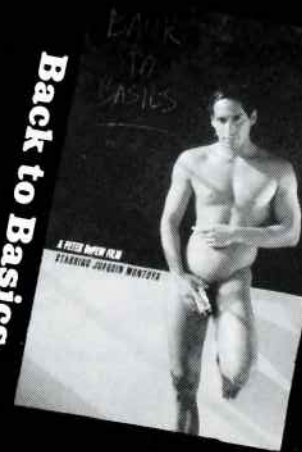
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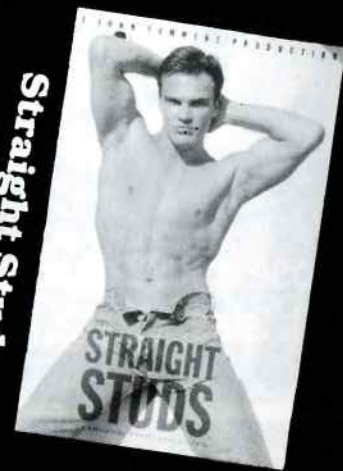
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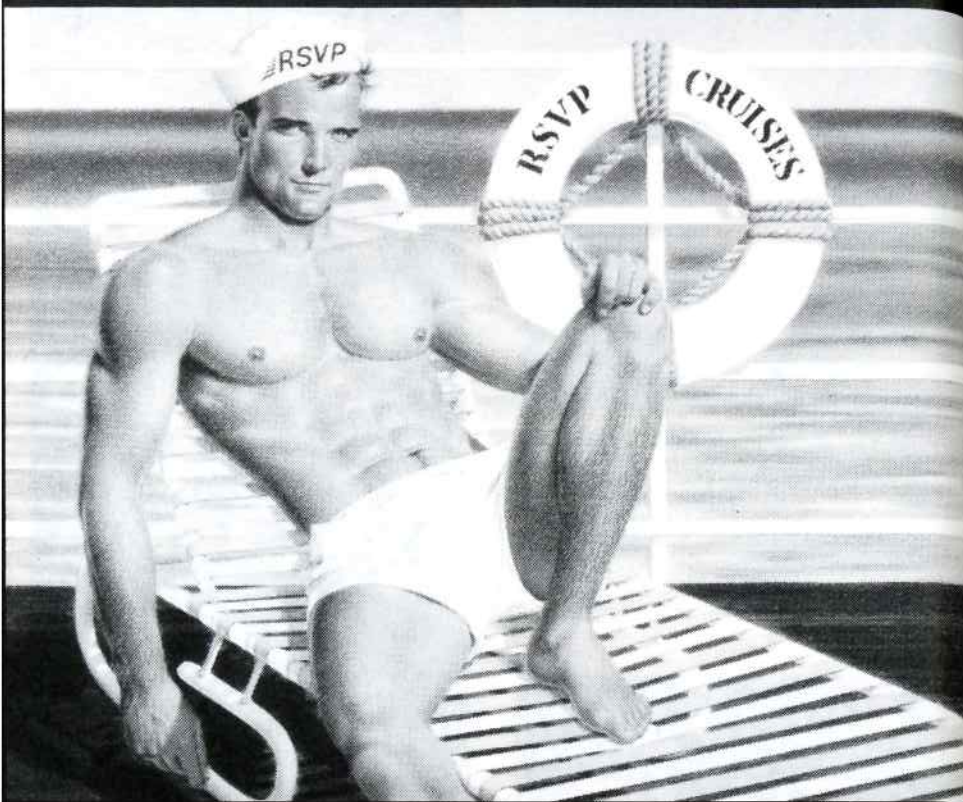
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METEOR SHOWER — The second of three major meteor showers this month occurs in the sky overhead this weekend when the Earth passes through the tail of a comet which roamed through our solar system back in 1866. This event is called the Leonid Meteor Shower because stars appear to shoot from the constellation of Leo.

The Leonids can produce upwards of 20 shooting stars per hour. To see them you'll have to either stay up late or get up early on November 16, because the best time for viewing is 4 a.m. Meteor-gazers say to look to the southern sky.

AUTUMN VENUS — Venus, the planet which rules romance, has just moved into Libra, the sign of partners. This is a very upbeat romantic period, especially for those who are looking for a love mate. Venus will remain in Libra for a full four weeks of dating. Venus stays until December 6.

Read this week's **STARSCOPE** message to see how Venus alters the course of romance in your own horoscope.

SCORPIO: (Oct 24 - Nov 21) Now that Venus has moved into your twelfth house, you're apt to develop a kinder and more generous outlook towards those less fortunate. Inner spiritual sources of beauty and enrichment are powered by Venus. You may wish to retreat into a place of seclusion. Your creative self-expression becomes artistic.

SAGITTARIUS: (Nov 22 - Dec 21) The entrance of Venus into your eleventh house causes you to establish new friendships and social relationships. Your participation in cooperative ventures with friends, groups and organizations offers increased opportunity for social and romantic involvements. You may renew an interest in an old friend and lust for this person.


CAPRICORN: (Dec 22 - Jan 19) Now that Venus has moved into your tenth house, you can expect things to go more smoothly at work. In fact, you may get a raise or an advance by being promoted. It is also a splendid time to go job hunting. Prominent women may assist you. It's a good time to seek favors from employers.

AQUARIUS: (Jan 20 - Feb 18) The entrance of Venus into your ninth house makes you want to travel, to take a well-deserved vacation. You may also begin to adopt a more philosophical attitude towards partnerships, both business and personal. There will also be a renewed interest in education. College courses and self-taught endeavors spell success.

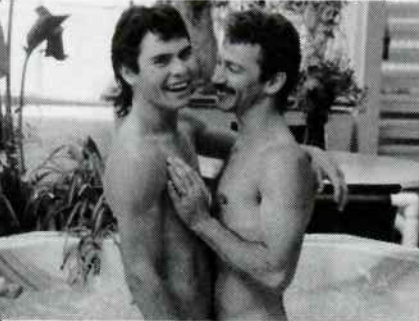
PISCES: (Feb 18 - Mar 20) Venus has now entered your eighth house where it will remain for several weeks this autumn. Venus will incline you to delve into sensuality. A series of quick encounters with strangers looms ahead. You may even find yourself attracted to a relationship involving the world of the occult or related forms of art and music.

ARIES: (Mar 21 - Apr 19) The entrance of Venus into your seventh house will make you very marriage-minded. You are likely to assume an important role in an existing relationship. If single, now is an opportune time to delve headfirst into a serious affair of the heart. Love affairs can now turn into

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TAURUS: (Apr 20 - May 20) Now that Venus has entered your sixth house, you can expect your health to improve as Venus blesses your physical well-being with positive and wholesome vibrations. Health, diet and programs of exercise are of great interest to you. Your relationships with co-workers should also show marked improvement.

GEMINI: (May 21 - Jun 21) Your romantic mood welcomes Venus as this positive planet travels through your fifth house, which rules love affairs. You are suddenly more popular. People think you look better than ever before. Others are attracted into your web. But for someone to win your heart, they will have to meet you on your mental plane as your equal.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 22) Venus is now home in your fourth house of the home. This entry through the front door of your home is welcomed because it will help you iron out any cracks in your domestic situation. Venus can also help you find a new address. There is a strong urge to redecorate. After all, Cancer is the sign that likes to stay home.

LEO: (July 23 - Aug 22) The current Venus transit through your third house is indicative of a period of active social communication. Establishing friendly social relationships now becomes important. You are inspired to telephone friends and write greetings and letters. Short pleasure trips and social excursions will be commonplace while Venus skirts through your third house of communications.

VIRGO: (Aug 23 - Sep 22) An opportunity to gain financially is boosted by the current visit of Venus through your second house of money. Luxury items, music and art will loom as hopeful purchases. Fine clothing, jewelry and musical purchases appear to be important. You may exhibit a tendency to be extravagant in your expenditures. Avoid buying unnecessary items.

LIBRA: (Sep 23 - Oct 23) The entrance of Venus into your own zodiac sign is a powerful boost to not only your popularity but also your own feelings of self-worth. Your personal mannerisms will develop a refinement and charm that will be more pleasing to others. You'll be more interested in your physical appearance, clothing, jewelry and hairstyles.

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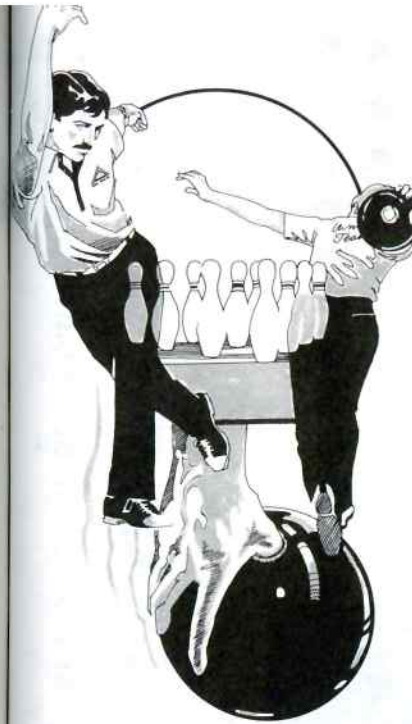
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Blue Division: 1—Bad Boys, 2—Snow Bunnies, 3—Tops to Bottoms and 4—The Accomodaters.

There is still room in the league for individual bowlers. If interested, call Ken Stewart at (214)528-1287.

LAMBDA ROLLERSKATING

Houston — The Montrose Activity Center and the Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection have reserved Gay & Lesbian Skate Nites through December 1992.

Skates will be held the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 7:30-10:30 p.m. at the Carousel Skating Rink, 9190 Old Katy Road, between Campbell and Blalock. Cost is \$5, which includes skates. Beer and wine are available.

The next Skate Nite is November 19. If you need a ride, call (713)779-3947.

SPORTS
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ARCADIA BODYBUILDING

San Francisco — The Arcadia Bodybuilding Society [ABS] was founded in 1986 by George Birimisa. ABS produced Physique '91, the International Lesbian and Gay Bodybuilding Championships in San Francisco.

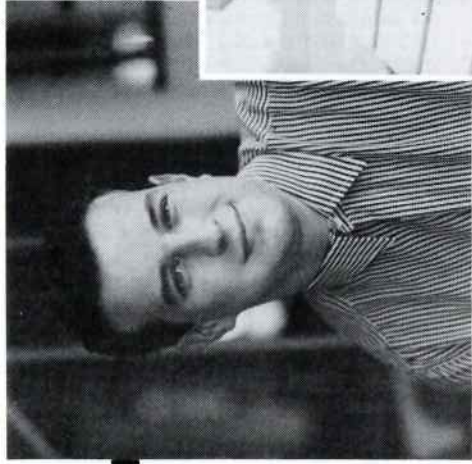
Birimisa has been the president of ABS since its inception but has now stepped down. Rodney Felix, a 31-year-old bodybuilder and fitness trainer, is the new president. Felix was Mr. January in the San Francisco Eagle's 1991 calendar, and he also won a gold medal in the lightweight divisions of Physique '91. He has worked for the AIDS Emergency Fund and the Stop AIDS Project. Felix is also a volunteer fitness trainer for the ABS Buddy Program, which matches a trainer with a person who has AIDS or ARC.

The new ABS president has announced that Physique '92 has been sanctioned by the Amateur Athletic Union. The June 20, 1992 competition will be held under AAU regulations and the standards are extremely high. All judges must be sanctioned by the AAU. However, Rodney says, "This does not mean that our unique format will be changed. We will still have our trademark 'same-sex pairs' and other events."

In line with the club's policy of promoting natural bodybuilding, Physique '92 requires that all competitors be tested for anabolic steroids. Also, the ABS board of directors is instituting year-round seminars and workshops starting in February.

ABS is a nonprofit corporation. All profits will help to send athletes to Gay Games IV in New York City. All bodybuilders anywhere in the world are eligible to compete in Physique '92.

For more information, write to ABS, 1230 Market Street, Suite 221, San Francisco, CA 94102 or call (415)431-6254.



On Our Cover

PHILLIP COOK OF HOUSTON

This week's cover boy is Phillip Cook, a 23-year-old student at the University of Houston.

A chemistry major, Phillip aspires to become instrumental in the environmental movement. Even with his busy scholastic schedule, he still finds time to read, travel and be an active member of the University's cheerleading squad.

Warm, friendly and exciting are three words that describe Phillip Cook. His passion for the finer things in life includes nice clothes, fancy cars and spending time with family and friends.



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Chain Drive hosts their Torn Jeans Party this Saturday. Assistant Manager Ricky Jones [above] will be on hand to make sure your pants are full of holes. The slogan for the night is "Bare as you dare, but still be legal" so take out your oldest pair of jeans and see how creative you can get with a pair of scissors. Dennis Watts from Cowtown Leatherman of Fort Worth will be on hand for your piercing desires also. Join them for a night of flesh and fun....

Alexander/Foxx Productions will be hosting Austin's Entertainer of the Year Pageant, the first preliminary to Texas Entertainer of the Year 1992, on November 30 at the Sanitarium. The contest is open to all Texas residents. Be on hand when Nina Monroe crowns the new winner. Call Hector at (512)441-5156 for more information on the pageant and how to enter....

The Crossing's having another one of their Zodiac parties tomorrow night from 8-10 p.m. with fun, food and festivities going on

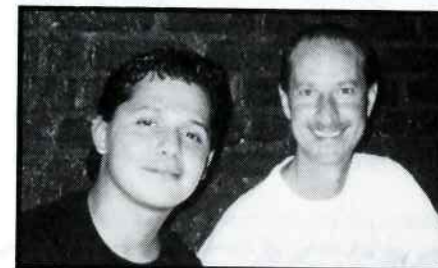


all night long to celebrate all Scorpius birthdays. Bartender Chris Hull [above] will be one of the many bartenders there to serve you like only the Crossing knows how. Be sure to make it early so you can get some of the delicious buffet prepared by Robbie Williams, their resident chef....

HOT TEA

Oilcan Harry's welcomes The International Male Dancers this Sunday, November 17 to their bar to entertain you. Some of the best looking and most energetic dancers you have ever seen will be gracing the stage at The Can starting at 11 p.m. While you're there, be sure to check out their new drink specials five nights a week....

There's a new bar in town and it's opening up today. Marilyn's, a bar with a decor that any Marilyn Monroe fan will appreciate, opens its doors to the public



with owners Ronnie Valdez and Terry Upchurch [above] welcoming all who are out to have a great time. Drop by and welcome them to the community and check out the bar....

Charlie's is saying farewell to longtime bartender Reggie Saunders and hello to Carl Jernigan [left]. Reggie will be having a special farewell bash this afternoon so he can retire and open up his own tanning salon instead

of having to rent a tanning bed from someone who charges too much. Drop by and say good-bye to him and to meet new happy hour bartenders Carl and Travis Phoenix from San Antonio....

'Bout Time hosts a show on November 23 saluting famous Broadway shows of the past as performers Diana Dior, Mona Lee, Bibi Gunn and Christi Lynn pay tribute to some of your favorites. You can also catch Pam's

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The CRUISE CAMERA caught San Fran Cisco's employees Jeff Cowan, Margie Carrisalez and manager Dan Bernhardt [above] preparing for Steak Night. Every Wednesday, cook extraordinaire Margie fires up the grill for the cookout. Be sure to B.Y.O.M. [bring your own meat] and the bar will supply the rest of the fixin's for a finger lickin', lip smackin' good time. They also have happy hour buffets every Friday afternoon from 5-10 p.m. Remember: your mom always said that the best way to a man's heart is through his stomach. This will give you a chance to prove that theory correct and have a good time, too.

TEXAS TELETYPE — Maggie's of Amarillo presents superstar recording artist Viola Wills in concert tomorrow night, November 16. Be there....

Choices hosts the official Miss East Texas pageant next Friday, November 22 with special guest Miss Gay Texas Amazing Grace.

TARRANT TEA — Here's what's happening **THIS WEEK IN FORT WORTH** from Cowtown **HOT TEA**....

Partners offers "new" depression prices to help ease the strain on the pockets. Stop in this weekend and dance to the music of their live dee jays. Don't forget you can reserve your tables for birthday parties in advance. See Earl at the club for details....

Casa Manana Theatre will present Natalie Cole in concert, November 27, *Ziegfeld* on January 7-12, Mel Torme and Maureen McGovern on February 9, *The Odd Couple* with Tim Conway and Tom Poston February 25 through March 1 and, coming in April, *The Music of Andrew Lloyd Weber* starring Michael Crawford....

Happy Birthday wishes to D.J. Terry Abshire of Across the Street. Congratulations to Fort Worth resident Tasha Kohl on winning the first National Entertainer of the Year pageant in Louisville, Kentucky last week. Two good reasons for celebration this weekend.

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



Bamboleo's owner Raye Martin greeted the throng of partiers to the club's official grand opening last week. The celebration included a fabulous complimentary buffet [above] and champagne fountain. The shows are a real treat, too. Thursday and Sunday shows feature top talent from



around the state presented by show director Vanessa Duvall [left]. Carmen Del Rio will appear November 24 and Lady Shawn

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Round Up hosted the eighth annual TGRA Rodeo Show last week and this year's winners are featured along with full rodeo coverage on pages 72 and 73. The friendly folks at the Round Up keep the place spruced up at all times, even after welcoming tens of thousands of visitors through their doors for the rodeo. Stop in after 1 p.m. daily at the daytime video bar, where there's always something going on. You can always boot skoot on the dance floor after 8 p.m., with free lessons on Tuesdays at 10:30 and Sundays at 8:30....



Sue Ellen's Thursday show features the talents of [above, l-r] Chad, Brandi Alexander, B.J. and Sweet Savage. Sue Ellen's offers reduced drink prices daily before 10 p.m....



Jugs hosted Linda Lucky [l] and Dana Stovall's [r] 14th anniversary party last week. The happy couple were surrounded by friends helping them commemorate the day. Jugs has everything you need to celebrate your special day, too. Just contact manager Candy Cave to set it up....

The AIDS Resource Center presents the second annual Celebrity Auction for AIDS at the Grand Hall at Union Station on Saturday, November 23, from 7-11 p.m. Celebrity donors include Joan Rivers, Liz Taylor, Tom Selleck, the cast of Murphy

Brown, the cast of *thirtysomething*, Annie Lennox, Harry Hamlin, Johnny Mathis, fashion designer Steven Urich, Presidents Bush and Reagan, Cher, Elvira, Randy Travis, Merle Haggard and many more. Tickets are \$50 per person for the dinner, entertainment and both silent and live auctions. For reservation and information, call (214)621-6871....

JR's newest doorman Tom Dillon [right] greets customers to the Crossroads nightly. Stop in and see the friendly staff as they kick off their twelfth year....

Buddies memorial benefit for Murph (a.k.a. Sicely Berlin) netted over \$500 thanks to the generosity of the performers, patrons and friends who gave so much of their time and money....



TMC's 14th anniversary celebration is set for December 5. Make your plans to attend this man-size celebration. Check with resident "blond bear" bartender J.D. Arnold [above] for all the details on the festivities. The homoerotic art of Coyote Run completes its showing this weekend....

The Living Tribute dedication in Lee Park recognizing the AIDS community of Dallas County will happen on World AIDS Day, Sunday, December 1. Watch **HOT TEA** for more details....

The annual "Give Quiche A Chance" musical revue, this year benefiting the Friends of the Quilt, will be presented at Village Station tomorrow night, Saturday, November 16. The fourth annual Miss-ed America pageant, the world's foremost trash bag drag contest, is scheduled for next Thursday, November 21. Village Station



promotional director Keith Kuykendall announced the concert coup of the season with the signing of international recording artist Boy George, who'll perform in a full length concert with a live band on Saturday, November 30. Advance tickets go on sale tonight at the Village Station door....

Ms. Raps Monica Hampton and Ms. Butch Raps Mr. Jones will crown their successors tonight. Attend this pageant and see who will be the new winners for 1992. Raps has the music you can bust a move to. The



secret ingredient to their success is music mix master Clinton Blades also known as D.J. 008 [left]. Get into the groove this weekend at Raps....

The Wave goes South of the Border from 5-9 today with Mexican munchies and drink specials. Next Friday, the Wave invites you out to shake your thing during their Addams Family Reunion. Saturdays feature Bad Boys Behind Bars with their Strip-o-rama at 11 p.m. and after hours gone wild in the warehouse bar....

The Rose Room in the Village Station features the finest talented performers on stage seven nights a week. Stop in tonight



for a real treat. Coco got a little help from her friend [above] performing a duet. This calibre of talent is a crowd pleaser for sure. Treat yourself and your friends to the shows in the Rose Room this week....

Ripcord's Mr. Prime Choice '91 contest for men over 40 has been postponed until December. Check with new owner Steve Lockerd for details and schedule changes for upcoming events at the Ripcord.

HOUSTON HOTTea — Here's what's going on **THIS WEEK IN THE SPACE CITY** from Houston **HOT TEA**....

The Boilin' Sisters, one of whom is



pictured above, were just one of the acts that helped raise over \$7,000 for the Colt 45's at Four Seasons Club's recent Military Ball held at the BRB. In addition to all the

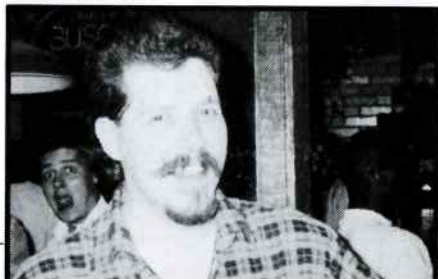


"lovely" entertainers, the club was packed with hundreds of men decked out in military regalia (like assistant manager Tom Bessiere, left). Congratulations and thanks to all those who helped to make the evening a success, especially the

Diana Foundation, which presented a check for \$1,000, as well as all the participants and generous patrons....

To see the best in male flesh, stop by Gentry for their Male Strip Contest on Mondays and their Wet Jockeys Contest on Wednesdays. Sunday, November 24, Rona Bare-It, candidate for RSICSS Empress VIII, presents "Wuzzies, Izzies and a Wanna-Be," a benefit show for the Colt 45's general charity fund....

Tomorrow night, Montrose Mining Company hosts their Torn Levis Party and next Thursday, November 21, it's Full Moon Madness. What's new in the Mine? Bear Club for Men brings out the hottest hairy men in Houston every Wednesday night. While you're there, say hello to popular bartender Clay Harper [below], who's waiting to serve you on the Mine's beautiful, heated patio....



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Lovely Kelly Lauren emceed a Union Jack Fashion Show featuring the Men of Santa Fe [above] at JR's last Sunday. The club's male strip contest finals on Tuesday, November 26 will present red-hot weekly winners vying for an ounce of solid gold in the grand finale competition....

Next door, Heaven presents a benefit show in honor of hate-crime victim Phillip Smith on Thursday, November 21. Some of Texas' top entertainers will be on hand and you should be, too: Monies raised will go to benefit Smith's family as well as provide seed money for the newly-formed Avondale Association Neighborhood Patrol. Speaking of shows, the biggest show of the year, the Fabulous Four's Annual Christmas Reunion Show, is scheduled for Thursday, December



19. Hot Chocolate will jet in from Las Vegas to join Naomi Sims, Donna Day and the newly crowned National Entertainer of the Year, Tasha Kohl. Heaven is known as the home of the hottest men in Texas, and one glimpse at this photo proves it. Gorgeous Men in Briefs dancers like Matt [left] perform every Sunday night.

New Age pop artist Siros brings his Black Out Party to the club on Saturday, November 30. Special guest for the evening is adult video star Ryan Idol, who will sign autographs and perform a midnight show....

Mr. Gay All-American, country and western vocalist John Gordon, makes his first Houston appearance at BRB this Sunday, November 17, when the Colt 45's present Fall Harvest '91, "A Cowboy's Dream." Lady Victoria Lust will be on hand to emcee the benefit show, which kicks off at 6:30 p.m.

Fitness Exchange's remodeling is nearing completion. The management invites you to come inspect their expanded and upgraded facilities, and now is the perfect time to do so, because they're offering membership specials....



CBC manager Damien Sondergaard [above] encourages you to help out with their Thanksgiving Food Drive for Stone Soup. Bring a bagful of nonperishable items and get a half-priced locker Monday through Friday, noon-midnight, now through November 27....

Been wondering who the hot man in Pacific Street's ads is? You can find out over Thanksgiving weekend when he'll be dancing "behind bars" at Houston's newest club. Don't forget, Mondays are Clubber Nights at Pacific Street....



Dana Davis and Jeri Emerick of rock band The Network [above] performed last weekend at Plaza 9200's newest addition, XTC. Next door at Ms. B's, comedienne Nancy Ford presents her unique brand of musical comedy on Sunday, November 24....

Last week we told you who and where, but couldn't tell you when. Now, the date has been set: Music legend Boy George makes his exclusive Houston appearance at Rich's on Sunday, November 24. Tickets, available at the club or through Ticketmaster, are going fast. Tonight, the club's Friday Features brings you a Homecoming Dance. Don't miss the punch, cookies and the contest for King and Queen of the Hop....



Finally, over \$1,400 was raised at NLA's recent Master/Mistress of Leather Auction at Venture-N [above]. The money will go to benefit the Gay & Lesbian Switchboard as well as the Colt 45's. At the end of the exciting and erotic evening, the crowd overwhelmingly echoed the judges' decision. Ken Sledge, sponsored by Montrose Mining Company, was named Master of Leather, and Viva Knight, sponsored by Bacchus II, captured the Mistress title.

NATIONAL ENTERTAINER OF THE YEAR — Texan Tasha Kohl of Fort Worth traveled to Louisville, Kentucky and came home the winner of the biggest competition ever held for female impersonators, the 1991 National Entertainer of the Year contest held at the Connection Complex and Convention Center, the nation's largest gay entertainment complex. A former Miss Gay America titleholder, Tasha [pictured below with pageant co-owner George Stinson] swept every single category on the final night to beat out 27 top competitors from across the country.



Emcees for the pageant were Texas' own Naomi Sims [below, l] and pageant co-owner Eddie Dee [r], the toast of Louisville. Three



reigning national titleholders were on hand providing special entertainment during the four-night pageant. Pictured below [l-r] are Miss Gay America 1992 Tiffany Bonet, Miss Continental 1992 Amber Richards and Miss Gay Florida 1992 Bobbie Lake. National Entertainer of the Year differs from other



pageants in that its primary focus is on talent: Contestants were judged in interview,



evening wear, talent and presentation, which could, at the contestant's discretion, also be a talent category. Miss Kohl was the judges' choice in all four categories, with her "Dream Sequence" talent production number [below] receiving a standing

ovation from the audience, which numbered over 1,000.



First runner-up was Charity Case [below, l] of Kansas City, Missouri. Second runner-up honors went to Leslie Rage of Baldwin, N.Y.



Miss Congeniality, as voted by her fellow contestants, was Texan Donna Day [above], who also placed as a top-ten finalist.

In addition to winning the title and crown, Tasha received the largest prize in pageant history: \$5,000 in cash and a 1992 Geo automobile [below].



SAN ANTONIO TEA — Here's what's going on **THIS WEEK IN SAN ANTONIO** from Alamo City **HOT TEA**...



Circle J was the site of the recent first annual Queen of Autumn pageant. Seen in the **CRUISE CAMERA** photo above are [l-r] second runner-up Ginger Roberts, third runner-up Donna Daniels, Miss Latin San Antonio Tamara Foxx, first runner-up Tracie Fontaine, Miss Gay San Antonio Metroplex Cinnamon Sweet and winner Destiny Harper. This Sunday, the "fun bunch" will have a birthday party at the Circle J and everyone is invited....

2015 now has hot male strippers every Thursday at 11 p.m. with a special guest emcee each week. Belated birthday wishes to popular 2015 bartender Raphael Gomez who recently celebrated another one....

Meet Sharen Rupp [right], the new executive director of the San Antonio AIDS Foundation. Ms. Rupp has great plans and hopes to work with all the other agencies to get SAAF back on its feet....



Tomorrow night, One-O-Six Off Broadway



hosts a benefit show for the Blue Light Candle Project. Showtime is 9:30 p.m. and the emcee will be delightful Alexis [left]. There is no cover charge, however, it is requested that donations be in the form of toiletries or small personal items that can be given as Christmas presents. One-O-Six welcomes their newest bartender Scott Gambuti

aboard....

Paper Moon's Super Sunday Show welcomes Newcomer of the Year Emeritus Natasha Tokyo along with Miss January Erica Hutton. Show time is 11 p.m. Vanessa Gordon, Miss Gay San Antonio USA '89, appears in the Super PMT Show this Thursday at 11:30 p.m. with there's no cover charge. Dallas' reputation for beautiful female impersonators is proven with the **CRUISE CAMERA** photo of former Miss Gay Dallas Latina McIntyre [right], who stopped the show with her recent appearance at the Paper Moon....



Ab's Westnaire presents the North and South Ball next Friday night. A buffet will be served at 8 p.m. with a special show at 11 p.m. Costumes are encouraged and all proceeds benefit the San Antonio AIDS Foundation. Ab's welcomes back bartender Kevin Gillespie and newest employee Neal to the Westnaire staff....

Alamo City **HOT TEA** would like to wish Anthony Castanon, popular Crew bartender, a happy birthday this Thursday, November 21....



Lovely Kathy Gaudet [left] is the new door person out at Nexus. This Sunday, Nexus stages "Miss Ricki & Friends" at 7:30 p.m. featuring all your local favorite

entertainers. Hope to see you there....

The Metropolitan Community Church [MCC] will have a gospel choir concert at 7:30 p.m., November 16 at the MCC/SA on Woodlawn Avenue. A buffet will be provided from 6-7 p.m with a \$3 donation....

Memories has signed Sassy St. James as their new Thursday night emcee for their Fabulous Flesh Revue at 9:30 p.m. Check it out....

Krissie's Kids Pet Show is this Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. at the Nite Owl. Pet contestant categories include butchest, fluffiest, most unique, funniest and look-a-likes. Bring canned goods or a toy as your entry fee and get in on the fun. Pet entrants may range from dogs to elephants....

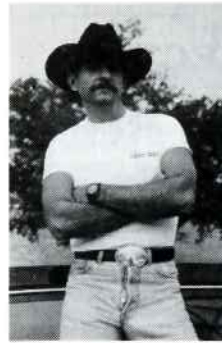
Coming Saturday, November 23 Wild Club presents the Siros Black Out Party, a leather extravaganza in black. Drag out your leather or basic black and be sure to check this one out. Wild Club has added a new member to their staff, Raphael Valesco. Tandi Andrews emcees every Thursday during "Local Girl Makes Good" talent night starting next week.

TEXAS GAY RODEO — Dallas was the host city for the Eighth Annual Texas Gay Rodeo held November 7, 8, 9 and 10 at State Fair Coliseum. Rodeo enthusiasts from across the United States participated and thousands of rodeo fans were on hand to cheer for their favorites. Contestants for the Mr., Miss and Ms. TGRA titles performed at the host club, the Round Up, on Thursday night, kicking off a weekend full of exciting events. The winners were later announced: The Miss TGRA 1992 title was won by Chili Pepper of Dallas. Nevada of Houston took Ms. TGRA 1992 honors and Terry Neal of San Antonio was named Mr. TGRA 1992. **THIS WEEK IN TEXAS** congratulates the Texas Gay Rodeo Association, which raises and donates many thousands of dollars annually to various worthy causes. For full photo coverage of the rodeo by TWT's Michael McKinney, turn the page.

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OBITUARIES



James Taylor, Jr. (above)

James Taylor, Jr. 33 died November 6, 1991 at 7:45 p.m. at Park Plaza Hospital after a three-year battle with AIDS. He grew up in Alvin, Texas. Graduated 1976. Worked as a draftsman. He loved traveling and being with his friends. Funeral services were Nov. 8, 1:30 p.m., interment at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery. Contributions may be made to any AIDS foundation.

Special friends Carlos Hernandez and Danny King invite everyone to 606 Marshall #27, tomorrow, Saturday, November 16 for a party in James' honor. "Don't cry for me," aka Ms. Biscuit.



William "Arthur" Crawford (above)
July 6, 1943 - October 28, 1991

Arthur was an integral part of the Buddy Programs at both the People With AIDS Coalition and the AIDS Foundation. For five years, he provided love and support to all who were in need. Arthur was a buddy team leader, and an employee of Neiman-Marcus. He is survived by his mother, Katie (Honey) Crawford of Little Rock, Arkansas; his brother, Frank Crawford of Chicago Illinois; a niece, a nephew and many friends. The Crawford family has asked that donations be made to the PWA Coalition of Houston and Pet Patrol.

Secure yourself to Heaven. Hold on tight, the night as come. Fasten up your earthly burdens. You have just begun."

With love, from your buddy team, the PWA Coalition and friends.



Jace Anthony May (above)
Born Sunrise August 22, 1958 in California
Died Sunset October 24, 1991 in Dallas

The past 20 years Jace resided in Dallas, and he was employed at the Cove for the past 1½ years. He is survived by one sister and his lifemate Charles Duckworth. Donations in his name should be made to American Cancer Society.



Ricardo "Rick" Dagama (above)
June 9, '47

Richard Dagama passed from this life on Sunday, November 10, 1991 at St. Luke's Hospital, with members of his family present.

Rick fought a long and valiant battle during his lengthy hospital stay. He had the best team of doctors possible and everyone was highly supportive. His sisters, mother and close friends were with him continuously.

Rick came to Houston from Portugal, with a sister, in 1966. He was in hotel management for some time, and worked into the travel agency field. He traveled extensively and thoroughly enjoyed these times.

He was active for nine years in the Lambda A.A. Center. His quick wit and charm helped many people in this recovery program.

He is survived by both parents, a sister and a brother in Houston, a brother in Florida and a sister from Lisbon, Portugal, as well as hundreds of friends in Houston and around the world.

Rosary and mass were held at St. Michael's Catholic Church, with burial in Forest Park on Westheimer Road.

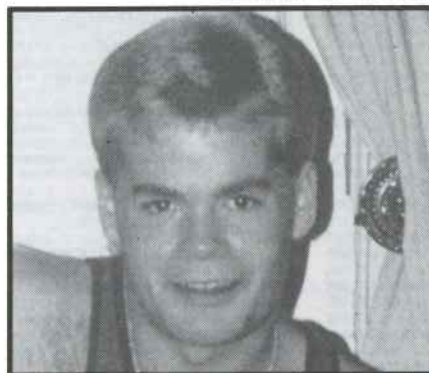
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Your friends and family



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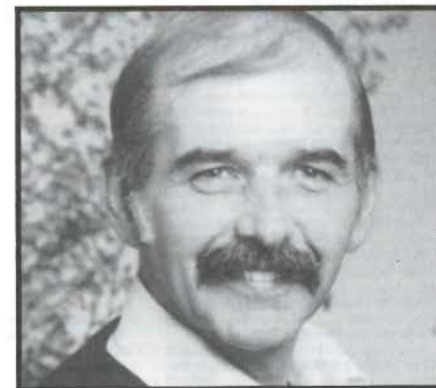
Phil is survived by father Monty Small, mother Mary Small, a brother Jack Small and grandparents. Phil, one day we will be back side by side as best friends. There's no one that can beat the friendship we had together. I will always love you.

Your best friend,
Fred

Charles (Chuck) M. Patrick
12/22/35 - 11/10/91

"Thy will be done."

The grief will make the angels weep. Love forever,
J.V.



David L. Tomlinson (above)

David L. Tomlinson, 51, died Sunday, October 6, 1991, after a long illness. He was born November 4, 1939, in Port Huron. He is survived by two sons, Franklin and Norman, both of Port Huron; a daughter-in-law, Colleen of Port Huron; a grandson and granddaughter, both of Port Huron; his parents, George and Gladys Tomlinson of Marysville; two sisters, Nancy Grabbit of Port Huron and Donna Ostrowski of Sterling Heights; and one nephew, four nieces, several aunts, uncles and cousins.

"To whom will ye liken me, and make me equal, and compare me, that we may be like?"

Isaiah, Chap. 46 Ver. 5

There is no equal to you—I'll love you always.
Howard



Michael Brady Massingill (above)

Early on the morning of October 29, 1991 angels took Michael Brady Massingill to be with Jesus, where his suffering would finally end. Michael, you were one of those souls who rarely thought about yourself, but only sought to comfort others. Now in the arms of God, your spirit will find peace.

"It seems the time has come
To go our separate ways,
And I will miss you
On my sad and lonely days;
But nothing can last forever—
So they say."

We will always remember you as you were, and your love will live forever in our hearts.

Danny, Wayne, Ray,
Kyle, Tim and Jason

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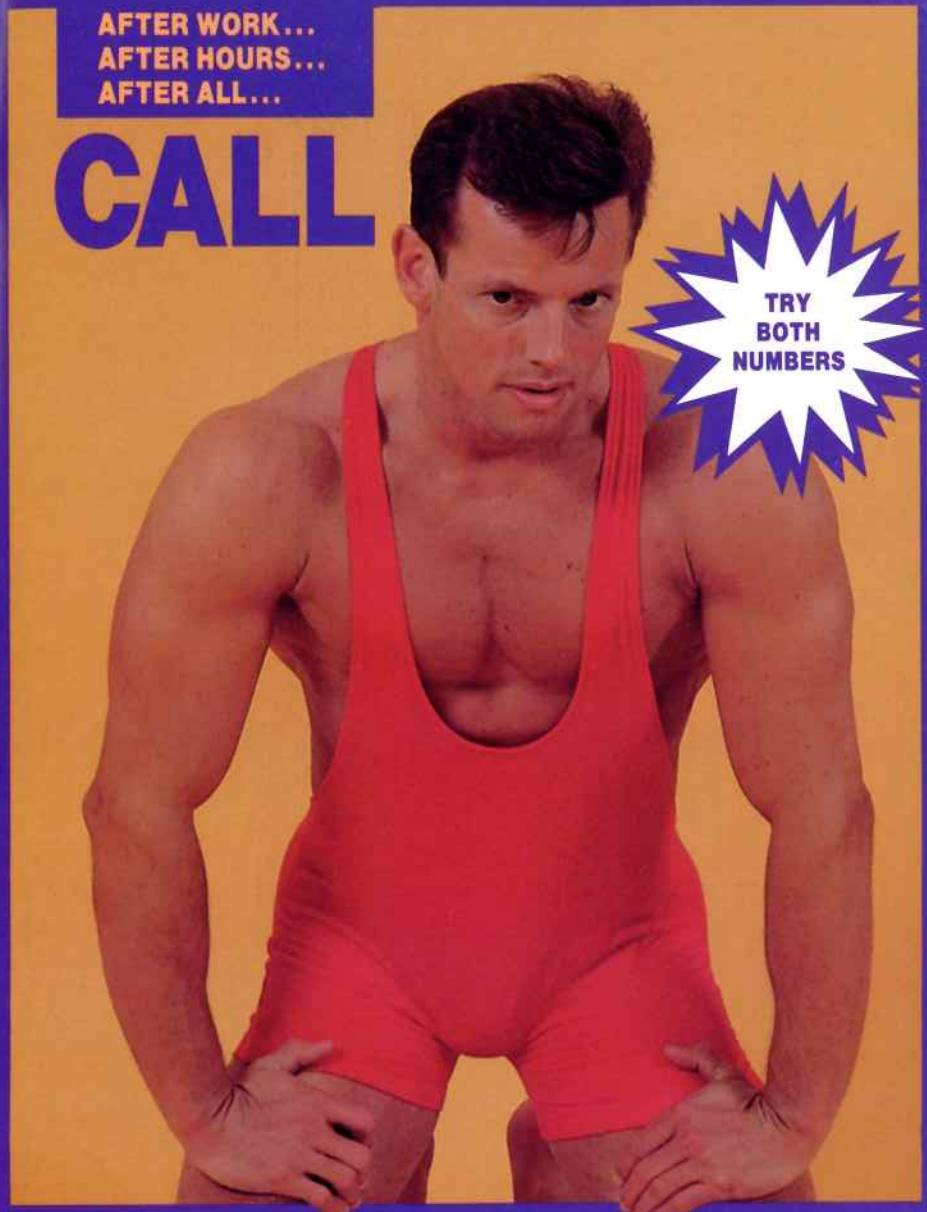
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