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Boys Life 2 Director Peggy Rajski Discusses Origins of Trevor

by Tim Nasson

Peggy Rajski may be the last person you would expect to have directed the Academy Award winning live-action-short-film *Trevor*. Rajski says she is 'not gay, at least not yet' and this film is about a thirteen year old boy who is having trouble dealing with the fact that he is gay.

Trevor is featured as one of four short-films in the popular *Boy's Life* series released by Strand. Since *Boy's Life 2* has been making its way slowly around the country since March, *Trevor* the last of four segments has been receiving the most praise and applause.

What else would one expect from a film that deals with the gay issue in such a touching and comedic way? The title character Trevor, is seen first dancing to the tunes of Diana Ross and, it seems, goes through all of her albums in less than twenty minutes.

"The emotion of the story in *Trevor* touched on a lot of things in me. The time of my life when I was young and felt alone and like nobody understood things that were going on in my head," says Rajski.

The film was not written by Rajski, rather was found by her. "*Trevor* was part of a one man show that James Lecesne had written. It was entitled *Dear Diary*' It had me laughing and crying equally as hard. I came out of it feeling as if it was one of the best pieces I had ever seen. My business partner Randy Stone was with me and we decided that we needed to make a movie based on that ten minute segment."

Rajski did not plan on directing the film,

her forte is producing. Having produced many main stream Hollywood films, including a number with Jodie Foster (*Little Man Tate*, *Home For the Holidays* among them), this seemed to be a stretch for her.

"We expanded the story for the screen. It obviously was gong to be a little different with a real 13 year old boy playing the lead role instead of a 33 year old."

The finished product is certainly something that nobody would seem to be ashamed with. The film, however entertaining it is, also, ironically, should be a film that is used in junior high and high schools throughout the country.

Unfortunately, the educational climate of this country has not yet risen high enough to allow such films as *Trevor* in schools throughout the land.

"I got a letter from a man in LA whose sixteen year old cousin killed himself playing an endless loop of his favorite songs [as Trevor tries to do in the film]. He wrote that he thought if his cousin had seen *Trevor* he may have changed his mind and realized that he was not alone. That letter broke my heart but at the same time was one of the highest compliments. Now if we could just get the film into every school."

Next up for Rajski is another producing and directing again. An independent film, *Carole and Nora Grace* about two women who meet in a mental institution.

Rajski has come a long way, from when she was working on after school specials. If only she could get her latest and best film a slot secured after school - even on PBS.

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MUSIC REVIEWS

VOLUME: Based on a rating scale of 10 (Turn it up!) to 1(Turn it off!)

by Scott Diggins and Tim Nasson

Cinnamon - The Courier (Island) This indie-pop duo based in Stockholm has released a very listenable album, three parts sweet, and one part spice. Vocalist, Frida Diesen has an unmistakable allure. Her crystalline style layered above guitarists Jiri Novak's alternately jazzy and folk-inflected hooks produces a fun, inviting sound. They are bound to carve out their own niche in American and Japanese markets, who seem to take to their style more than the audience back home.

Comparisons can be made to The Cardigans and The Sundays. Volume: 9 1/2

Erasure - Cowboy (Maverick/Warner Bros.) Having weathered the guitar and grunge storm of the 90's, and landing on both feet standing up, Vince Clarke and Andy Bell have found themselves on top of the new electronica movement. Cowboy marks a return to the kind of up-tempo, three-minute dance-pop that has earned Erasure legions of fans world wide. The album contains a cover of Blondie classic "Rapture" and Perry Como's "Magic Moments". With an uncompromising passion for pop on the album, their US tour is progressing in much of the same way. Reports from the western-themed stage show have both the flashy Bell and technically-inclined Clarke in cactus costumes. This marks their eleventh studio album, the latest in a long line of successes which have spawned numerous hits including "Who Needs Love Like That" and "Oh L'Amour". Volume: 8 1/2

Michael Jackson - Blood on the Dance Floor (Epic) The name sounds a little dramatic for a dance remix album, but Michael Jackson doesn't do the best job of avoiding drama. The album is a nice surprise, not

back on the music. Remixes of eight songs from the multi-platinum release, HIStory and a few previously unreleased tracks are on the album, as well as five new original songs. The songs have a big, sweeping sound, and at times are almost theatrical. Volume: 8

Savage Garden (Columbia) Admittedly swerving away from angst-driven alternative rock to a sound that is unashamedly pure-pop, this duo is going for broke. People are either going to love it or hate it. Or in that rare case, people will hate loving it. "I Want You", already a huge single in their native Australia and trying to ignite in the US, is aimed at the Top-40 charts. Some of the only distinguishable lyrics are "cherry cola", which as a commercial, sweet, soft-drink could serve as a metaphor for the entire album. Decidedly modern, it also has a feel of the look-at-me 80's bands. Volume: 6 1/2

Big Blue Hearts (Geffen) Big Blue Hearts singer David Fisher's insinuating croon, restrained, weary, and familiar with heart-break, is the band's centerpiece. The quartet, signed to a major label within a month after its first live gig, has created a stylish blend of melody and guitar twang reminiscent of Roy Orbison or Chris Isaac. They bring a vintage rock-n-roll feel, with three part harmonies and country overtones, to the 90's. Simple love songs about feeling a little blue.

Volume: 8 1/2

Toad the Wet Sprocket - Coil (Columbia) The band, now ten years old, still owes its long standing success to its loyal listeners who have remained steady through music's passing trends. Their style has managed to avoid being pigeonholed; they've crossed rock, alternative, college, and top 40 formats. The constant is their dedication to hard work and good music. Radio single "Come Down" has a brightness and energy you'll find in several other tracks on the album. As for the band's name,

they don't like it either; it comes from an obscure Monty Python Skit

Smoldering Chemistry Radiates in Batman and Robin

by Leslie Ramsay

Warner Brothers entry in the summer movie blockbuster wars will definitely add millions to the studios coffers. Indeed, the popular *Batman and Robin* franchise will sell merchandise. The massive store displays out in retail land will soon be crawling with millions of small children looking for a Robin doll, a Batgirl motorcycle, and a Batman boomerang. The film is geared towards the 7-15 year old crowd and avid Batman fans. The film is rated PG-13.

Two new villains have invaded the land of the Bat. Gotham is once again under siege. This time a wacko environmentalist, Poison

Ivy, played by Uma Thurman (*Pulp Fiction*), and a colder meaner family first research scientist, Mr. Freeze, played by Arnold Schwarzenegger (*Terminator*), have the floor.

Arnold Schwarzenegger gives another moving performance as "a nice guy who must do evil to do good". His tears are real. His passion for his mission is heartfelt. He looks really cute in his polar bear slippers and jailhouse stripes as well as his 40-pound Mr. Freeze suit. He proves he is the villain to match in future bat episodes.

Uma Thurman proves that she is human play dough. She is transformed from geeky environmental science nerd to gorgeous super evil Poison Ivy. Her seductions are believable. Her moves on the Batboys are semi-appealing.

The main "Bat saves the city" story line is pretty familiar to most moviegoers, but there are a few new twists in this plot. Some of the cameo appearances are also worth mentioning.

John Glover (*Love!Valour! Compassion!*) plays a mad scientist, Dr. Jason Woodrue, who in an attempt to profit from Dr. Pamela Isley's venom/plant research intentionally creates Bain, bad guy hulk, and unintentionally, Poison Ivy. Vivica A. Fox (*Set It Off*) plays an ice temptress, Ms. B. Haven, who tries to melt Mr. Freeze in a more intimate way. Elizabeth Sanders (*Batman Forever*) returns as Gossip Gerty to narrate the social occasions Bruce Wayne must attend to keep his philanthropist cover. Michael Gough (*Batman I, II, III, IV*) gives another fine performance as Alfred Pennyworth, loyal man servant to the moody Bat guy, Bruce Wayne.

The new bat suits are featured heavily throughout the film. The close up shots of the redesigned torso, codpiece, and various angles on the classic butt shot had me wondering if they were trying to sell sex to the 7-15 year old crowd not just merchandise.



George Clooney (left) and Chris O'Donnell (right) as Batman and Robin in the latest installment of the 'Batman' movies.

The chemistry between the lead Bat characters, George Clooney, Chris O'Donnell, and Alicia Silverstone, was smoldering. The casting of Clooney as O'Donnell's savior and mentor had me wondering if the homoerotic subtext was getting a little more obvious play by the Warner Brothers film studio.

The performance of George Clooney (*ER*) as millionaire Bruce Wayne was phoned in from the set of his mega-popular television series. His on screen kiss with Elle Macpherson had less passion than the kiss he shares with Alfred, his butler. More subtle subtext?

Chris O'Donnell (*The Chamber*) does the "bad boy gone good" role of Robin with his

usual effectiveness. He wears the rubber suit very well. He pouts and storms off when appropriate.

Alicia Silverstone (*Clueless*) fills out her schoolgirl uniform, racing bike leathers, and Batgirl suit quite well. Her character will come in handy in the next film when the Batboys are tied up and need an extra hand for a quick escape.

The architecture is fabulous. I would give almost anything to live in Gotham City.

If you are a true Bat-fanatic spend the \$7.50 to see this latest installment in the Batman odyssey. If your love for all things Bat runs lukewarm, the video will be out for rent and sale by Christmas.



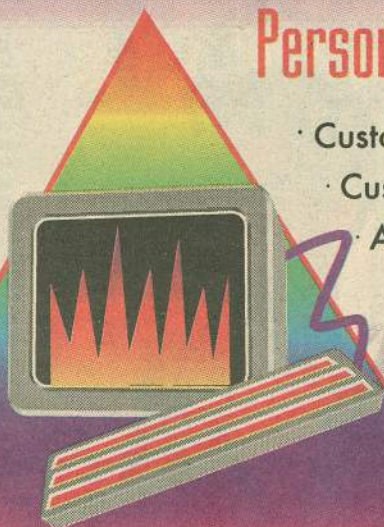
Alicia Silverstone suits up as Batgirl in 'Batman and Robin'.



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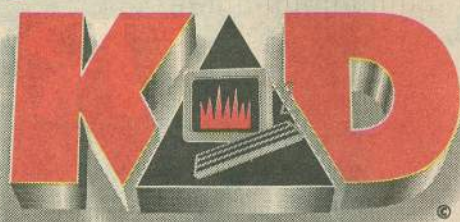
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Uma Thurman as plant-like bad girl Poison Ivy.



Arnold Schwarzenegger as Mr. Freeze.

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thing other than an eighteen year old," O'Donnell said, regarding the role he had as a hot shot lawyer in *The Chamber* trying to save his grandfather from death row. "I grew up always looking younger than I was. At sixteen, I looked twelve. At eighteen, I looked fifteen, and I guess I still look younger than my age, but someone felt that I could carry off a role playing a character whose age was exactly mine."

Wearing a white oxford shirt and a pair of charcoal gray slacks, a new do for his role as Robin, and clutching the sports section of the *L.A. Sunday Times*, he sat down to discuss not only his now envied role as Robin, but also some of his personal thoughts.

As Adam Hall, in *The Chamber*, O'Donnell grappled the role of a young law associate who convinces his firm to allow him to represent known Klansman Sam Cayhall (Hackman, who ironically was the only major cast member associated with the film that didn't do interviews), his own grandfather, who, after a decade on Mississippi's death row is less than a month away from his impending execution.

For those few who haven't read the book, the 'chamber' is not the judge's, but rather of the gas kind.

"I did some research that was pretty scary," says O'Donnell, "It took me to an actual death row in L.A. Let me tell you, it was very eerie and creepy, walking down that row. Everyone is so quiet when you walk in. It's the highlight of their day. They are wondering just who you are. A lawyer assigned to their appeal? A politician? I didn't want to make eye contact with any of them, because the only thing I could think about was *Silence Of The Lambs*, when Jodie Foster is walking towards Anthony Hopkins."

His research wasn't limited to the bastions of hell however. Since he was depicting a lawyer, he needed to get a feel for what it is they did besides billing. "I also did some research in a law office in Chicago. I had never been in a lawyer's office before, except for my lawyer's here in L.A., but that is all the typical Hollywood nonsense that goes on in there," he says with a laugh.

Seeming as charming in person as on screen and also looking not only conserva-

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Roberts Shines in Fresh and Funny Wedding



Unaware of Julianne's (Julia Roberts, right) new-found feelings for Michael, Kimmy (Cameron Diaz) invites her to be the maid of honor at her wedding in *MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING*.

by Leslie Ramsay

Do you miss Doris Day and Rock Hudson films? Musical comedies? Quality films? If you do, then this is your movie ticket for the weekend. *My Best Friends Wedding* from TriStar Pictures starring Julia Roberts is fresh and funny.

The dance routine during the opening credits is worth the price of admission alone. The choreography is by Toni Basil. Burt Bacharach and Hal Davis write the music.

He masterfully weaves music throughout the entire film. Everyone is singing, extras, co-stars, and stars. Accomplishing this without overkill is quite a job - precisely why Hogan is the man to handle it. He uses Chicago as a backdrop in such a way that his true admiration for the city is apparent. He is extremely talented.

The performances by the entire cast were surprisingly excellent. Julia Roberts (*Steel Magnolias, Michael Collins*) proves once again that she is worthy of critical praise. She

looks and tough guy tenderness as Michael, to charm the two main female characters in the movie as well as the audience.

Cameron Diaz (*Mask, Feeling Minnesota*) plays the 20-year-old college coed quite convincingly. She pulls you into feeling that she has met her better in the fight with Julianne for Michael's hand.

Rupert Everett (*The Madness of King George, Ready to Wear*) stars as Julianne's best gay boy friend, George. He truly steals scenes with his striking features and reserved, dry British humor. The character is the focus throughout a good section of the film. He is by far the most reasonable, intelligent and levelheaded character in the entire movie. He also proves that he is the best friend for Julianne.

This movie is many layered with rich characters throughout. Rachel Griffiths and Carrie Preston play the "vengeful sluts" also known as the bridesmaids and cousins. The wedding reception scene with the ice sculpture of David is hysterical.

Julianne is a food critic who is afraid of relationships. Her only long-term commitment to any man has been a nine-year friendship with Michael. Michael is a sports writer who travels 52 weeks a year to places such as College Station, Texas. Michael somehow meets Kimmy, an extremely wealthy college student, and falls head over heels in love. He asks her to marry him as his train is pulling out of the train station. Michael invites Julianne to share in his happiness. With Julianne's arrival the comic complications begin. Julianne must get Michael back before Sunday. George offers his assistance, friendship and advice all along the way.

This film is a must see for all fans of Burt Bacharach music, weddings, Julia Roberts, and "vengeful sluts".



Dermot Mulroney stars as Michael O'Neal, who finally gives up on his nine-year crush on Julianne only to have her change her mind, in TriStar Pictures' romantic comedy *MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING*.

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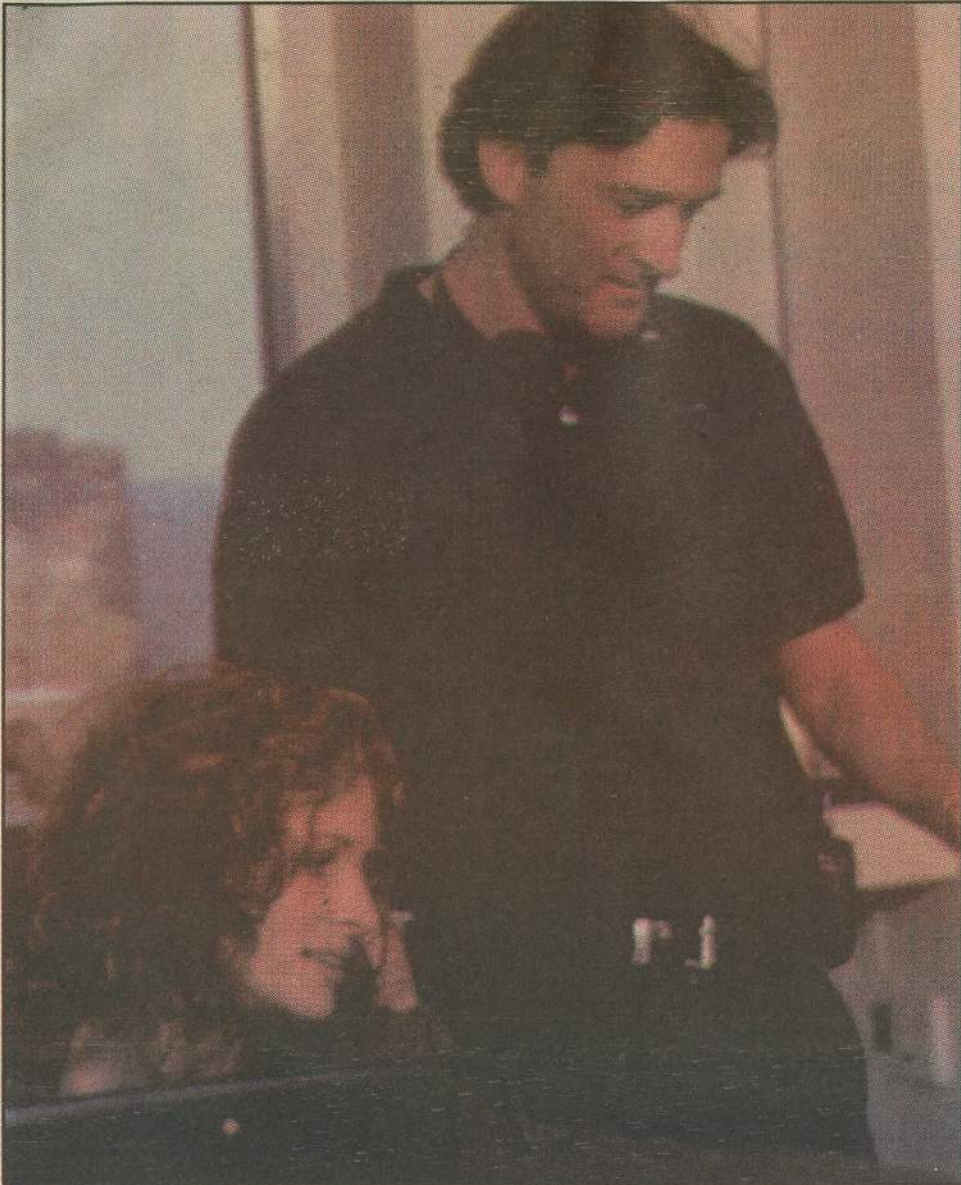
The dance routine during the opening credits is worth the price of admission alone. The choreography is by Toni Basil. Burt Bacharach and Hal Davis write the music. Ani DiFranco performs and produces a very campy version of "Wishin' and Hopin'."

Director P.J. Hogan (*Muriel's Wedding*), is an extraordinarily proficient at this genre.

ration for the city is apparent. He is extremely talented.

The performances by the entire cast were surprisingly excellent. Julia Roberts (*Steel Magnolias*, *Michael Collins*) proves once again that she is worthy of critical praise. She gives the starring role of Julianne an evil side as well as a heart.

Dermot Mulroney (*Longtime Companion*, *Living in Oblivion*) uses his smoldering good



P.J. Hogan directs Julia Roberts on the set of *MY BEST FRIENDS WEDDING*.

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Osteoporosis

by Dr. Stephanie McGhee

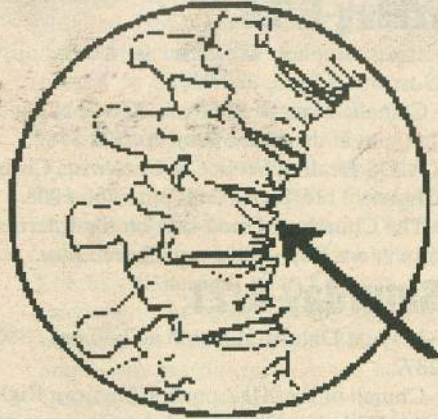
Osteoporosis is a condition that greatly affects the American population. Women are affected by this situation more than men. It is important to understand what causes it and how it can be prevented. Osteoporosis is the 8th leading cause of death in the United States from complications arising from fractures, embolisms (blood clots), and infections. A regimen of weekly exercise and daily multivitamin supplementation could help to prevent this condition. However, if you feel that osteoporosis has begun to develop, it is never too early to slow down its progression.

Osteoporosis is a condition characterized by a decrease in bone mass that results in a structural weakness of bone. This condition does not have to be associated with old age. This disease can begin to develop as early as 26-32 years of age. From birth to age 26-32, a person's bone mass is developed. There are no more major bone producing areas after this maturation. The only places in the body that still produce bone after this age are the mandible, clavicle and sternum. There are some areas within the ribs, but very insignificant amounts of bone are produced there. Hence, there are a few types of osteoporosis. Post-menopausal or those with a hysterectomy, drug induced, disuse, and age-related are the types of osteoporosis.

Individuals who have had a hysterectomy with no supplementation of calcium or hormone therapy, are the females that are at greatest risk for this condition. Studies have revealed that the areas in the bones which absorb calcium are activated by estrogen and progesterone. Therefore, when these hormones are no longer being produced and no hormonal therapy is replacing them, calcium absorption is significantly decreased.

There are certain drugs that cause bone loss as well. Those drugs are heparin, methotrexate, and glucocorticoids. If you are currently taking any of these medications on a routine basis, consult with your physician on mineral replacement therapy.

Disuse osteoporosis occurs from lack of



frequently moved and passive exercises are performed on them routinely.

In age-related osteoporosis, the bone mineralization decreases with age and the lack of supplemented minerals and vitamins in earlier years. The common sites for fractures with osteoporosis is in the upper and lower extremities. However, in age-related osteoporosis, another common fracture is of the spine. It is called a compression fracture. Some symptoms found in compression fractures are sudden pain, restricted movement, pain with coughing or sneezing, tingling or pain shooting into the extremities, and a progressive increase in the curvature of the spine. This curvature is usually of the upper spine and may grossly give the appearance of a hunch-back type look.

Nutrients that help the mineralization bone are magnesium, vitamin K, boron, biotin, and calcium. Magnesium comes in the form of magnesium aspartate, magnesium citrate, and magnesium glycinate. There is a form that is called magnesium gluconate and oxalate, but it should be avoided. Vitamin K and vitamin D can be supplemented in a capsule form, but realize that vitamin D must be activated by exposure to sunlight or UV rays. Calcium comes over the counter as a supplement, but calcium citrate is a better form of calcium for this condition. Boron and biotin help to retain bone structure and can be found in multi-vitamins. Consult your physician for contraindications and the amounts of these minerals and vitamins to be taken. Some

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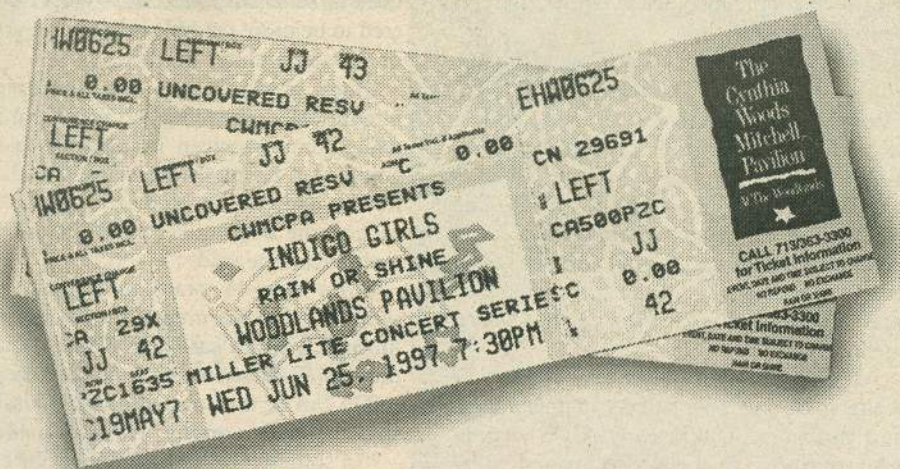
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Disuse osteoporosis occurs from lack of use. Whether it be from paralysis, or prolonged rest from a casted extremity. Bone is formed according to the stresses applied to it and weight bearing activity is necessary to maintain skeletal integrity. Therefore, exercise is a highly recommended preventative therapy towards osteoporosis. This is one reason why patients who are bed-ridden are

over-reliant on calcium supplements, but calcium citrate is a better form of calcium for this condition. Boron and biotin help to retain bone structure and can be found in multi-vitamins. Consult your physician for contraindications and the amounts of these minerals and vitamins to be taken. Some blood test may be required to establish if one or many supplements are needed.

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- Catholic Mass at 10:00 am; Movie Night at 7:00 pm at the Kolbe Project. 522-8182.
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- The Church of Good Life on the Internet; <http://www.syncretist.org/church.htm>.

Saturday-6/21

- Mass at Dignity Houston at 7:30 pm. 880-2872.
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Sunday-6/22

- Maranatha Fellowship Metropolitan Church Services "A Study in the Gospel of Mark" and "The 'I' Factor" (How to be a positive influence on others as a witness for Christ) at 10:00 am Praise and Worship, Ministry of the Word, Drama and Personal Ministry. 11:00 am at Maranatha Fellowship 528-6756.
- MCCR Worship services 9:00 & 11:00 am 861-9149.
- Worship Service 11:00 am at Faith and Hope Fellowship 773-4429.
- Grace Lutheran Church Sunday school for all ages at 9:30 am Worship Service at 10:30 am 528-3269.
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- Unitarian Fellowship of Galveston County, 402 Church St. in Galveston. Sunday Services at 10:30 am weekly. 409-765-8330.
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Monday-6/23

- Low impact aerobics at Community Gospel; 6:15 pm, 880-9235.

Tuesday-6/24

- MCCR: Empowerment for Living support group & pot luck dinner at 6:00 pm, Gloryland Ensemble at 6:00 pm 861-9149.
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Wednesday-6/25

- MCCR Bible Study 7:30 pm 861-9149.
- Worship Service 7:30 pm at Faith and Hope Fellowship 773-4429.
- Choir Practice at Community Gospel 7:30 pm.
- The Church of Good Life on the Internet; <http://www.syncretist.org/church.htm>.

Thursday-6/26

- Bible Study 7:00 pm at Faith and Hope Fellowship 773-4429.
- Midweek Service at Community Gospel 7:30 pm 880-9235.
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RELIGION

Churches Expect Role In Aids Prevention To Grow

by Steve Farr

Philadelphia (AP) - With AIDS spreading fastest among blacks and Hispanics, church leaders say they expect to play a bigger role in preventing the disease. That's because many patients in poor and minority communities don't trust government institutions or health officials, said the Rev. Jesus Rodriguez, a chaplain with the AIDS Pastoral Care Network in Chicago. "That is the major stumbling block when you try prevention," he said.

Churches will have to step in to fill the void, Dr. Elaine Daniels of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services told about 175 ministers and social workers at a local hotel Friday. "The heart of communities of color, especially for blacks and Hispanics, is the church," said Daniels, associate director for science at the Office of HIV/AIDS Policy. "There's a tremendous need for education and for their involvement."

AIDS first took off in the U.S. among gay white men, but now affects mainly blacks and Hispanics. Unlike early AIDS victims, who were often financially secure and politically connected, these new patients - many of them drug addicts - have little power or influence. "I think it's going to be even harder to get (white, middle-class churches) to respond in the future," said the Rev. Anthony Campolo, associate pastor at Mount Carmel Baptist Church in West Philadelphia.

Getting mainstream churches involved with AIDS patients has been enough of a challenge as it is, Campolo said. Congregations that were quick to help those with cancer or other terminal illnesses often shunned people infected with HIV, he said.

"The church has not fulfilled its calling," Campolo said.

The two-day conference, titled "Lazarus Comes Forth," was sponsored by the Ecumenical Information AIDS Resource Center (EIARC) and Congreso de Latinos Unidos, both based in Philadelphia. EIARC, founded at Berean Presbyterian Church in North Philadelphia in 1989, has become a key mediator between low-income AIDS patients and health officials, said executive director Guy Weston. "We are considered to be more credible because we are part of the community," he said.

Many blacks believe the government is intentionally spreading AIDS among them, while some Mexican immigrants fear that going to a hospital and being tested could lead to deportation, Rodriguez said. "They wait all the way until the end" before seeing a physician, he said.

More than 15 years after public health officials began warning of the disease, myths linger, Campolo said. He blamed much of the misinformation - such as the belief that AIDS can be transmitted through kissing or shaking hands - on the "religious media."

"In some places enlightenment has taken place, but there is a significant proportion of the church ... that has called AIDS God's special judgement on homosexuals," he said. "That gives God a bad name."

Campolo and other ministers argue that churches should get more involved in caring for AIDS patients by setting up hospices that offer a more comfortable setting than hospitals. "The church has to take a good look at its role in healing," Campolo said. "There's a whole host of studies now that show when there's good spiritual counseling ... there are physiological reactions that hinder the progress of the disease."

O'DONNELL/from page 22

tive (with the exception of the "lamb chops" as he describes his sideburns, again for the role of 'Robin') but sophisticated, O'Donnell could easily pass for a lawyer, bank executive or politician. All right, maybe just one of their ivy league sons, but one who is determined to climb the ladder quickly.

For a kid who's been around big shots and big egos for nine years, hardly a story has emerged, if any, in the tabloids detailing the sexcapades or drug induced hotel trashing that so many others of his age and older have been subjects of. He has his own theory as to why some people's names get more unwelcome attention than others.

"I am always busy. Right after this interview in fact, I'm going over to the *Batman And Robin* set to do some work. Other celebrity's names make it into the paper, one, because they don't stick to the work at hand and two, because they don't mind their business. If I'm at a premiere of a film, I stay for the whole thing. It seems that other celebrity's social lives have so much going on that they invariably get into trouble. They will leave a premiere once it starts and go out to two or three social events that are not even associated with the film they're in. They don't take things seriously," he says.

As an example of someone he respects and probably is trying to emulate, subconsciously or not, he says, "Look at Harrison Ford. How long has he been in the business? And how many times have you seen his name in *The Enquirer* or any other paper for that matter? He sticks to his work and keeps to his friends and family and doesn't get into any trouble."

Is O'Donnell destined for Ford status? Who knows? To quote Faye Dunaway, a previous co-star of O'Donnell's, "Hollywood has become a blue jeans business. The glamorous life is gone." However, chances are that movie goers will continue to dash out to see O'Donnell's films, because he picks and chooses almost as carefully as Ford has. Look at one of Ford's first films. *Star Wars*. And, the subsequent sequels which guaranteed him both star power and one of the highest salaries in the business.

sweetheart).

Faster than one could say 'Holy Batman', a bed was shipped to his new batcave.

Granted, as Robin, he's now back to playing an eighteen year old again, but an eighteen year-old every gay guy wants to be like and be with.

"*The Chamber*," O'Donnell explained, "was one of four films I've done that are based on books. But don't forget that *Batman* has been around in comic book form forever. So I have been able to read about the characters of some of roles I was to try out for even before I knew they were intended for me."

O'Donnell, like anyone else of his stature, would be foolish to deny enjoying the successes of his career thus far. With stardom/success comes invasion of privacy though and O'Donnell does not deny feeling somewhat cheated out of that part of his life.

"Until *Batman*, I really wasn't recognized everywhere that I went. That film opened up the floodgates of people coming up to me no matter where I am. A bar. Walking down the street. Wherever. It's been pretty consistent - the amount of perks and the invasion of privacy- um, it stinks. You can't go out alone. You lose your anonymity. Everyone stares. I don't know. It really doesn't bother me, but after you're out for a while it can get kind of annoying. I guess you have to deal with it and realize that it comes with the territory."

Not having Val Kilmer around the *Batman & Robin* set is bittersweet for O'Donnell. "It is very different and I certainly miss Val. We had some good times making the last *Batman*. But, Clooney likes sports as much as I do and we play golf or basketball together when we have the chance. However, because he is still doing *ER*, he has to do the movie on weekends. So that means that my days off are Wednesdays and Thursdays. It kind of stinks because my girlfriend only has weekends off." O'Donnell also worked with Alicia Silverstone, Uma Thurman and Arnold Schwarzenegger on the new *Batman* set.

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Come to think of it, O'Donnell certainly has achieved star status. After realizing that the most comfortable night's sleep he has are always on one of the Beverly Hills Four Season's beds, (wonder if I have ever slept on a bed he has slept on there?) he inquired at the concierge desk as to how he could get one sent to his new house in Chicago for him and his new wife (an old high-school

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Who knows? If O'Donnell's career keeps going full throttle, and his age doesn't catch up to him in the looks department any time soon, he may be able to play Batman instead of Robin when Clooney (who may become a one hit wonder?) has had enough or is replaced in the sixth or seventh installment of the popular franchise.

By then the world may be ready for a new Robin and comfortable with the older O'Donnell. Until then though, it is doubtful that many will be disappointed with his current future career choices, and will take delight in watching him whether he's playing an attorney, a writer or anything else. Maybe even the caped crusader someday.



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Government Set To Recommend End To Single-Drug Aids Therapy

(District of Columbia) - The government is about to sound the death knell for single-drug AIDS therapy, issuing guidelines designed to clear up confusion over how to use a complicated mix of new AIDS medicines that include powerful agents called protease inhibitors, draft documents show. Protease inhibitors have revolutionized AIDS care in the past year, but how and when to use the potent medicines has proved a mystery for many doctors and patients.

A draft of the guidelines, obtained by *The Associated Press*, establishes as the standard of AIDS care one protease inhibitor - either Hoffman-La Roche's Invirase, Merck & Co.'s Crixivan, Abbott Laboratories' Norvir or Agouron Pharmaceuticals' Viracept - taken in combination with two older AIDS medicines.

The guidelines come as the Food and Drug Administration warned 150,000 protease users Wednesday of an unexpected side effect to the drugs: diabetes. In letters to thousands of doctors, the FDA urged close monitoring for diabetes and high blood sugar. It told HIV patients to seek help if they suffer such symptoms as increased thirst, unexplained weight loss, increased urination, fatigue and dry, itchy skin.

The FDA recently discovered 83 patients who contracted diabetes or high blood sugar - or had those diseases suddenly worsen - after they began taking protease inhibitors. Six cases were life-threatening, and 21 other patients needed hospitalization.

The FDA stressed that the risk was small and said no one should stop taking the potent drugs unless an acute diabetes attack forces a doctor to make that decision. Diabetes is treatable with diet, oral drugs and-or daily shots of insulin.

Meanwhile, patients with the AIDS virus still are struggling to determine when to

start protease therapy, a treatment that costs \$12,000 a year and has various side effects. The latest draft of the treatment guidelines doesn't yet answer that question. But the paper, which the government may publish as early as next week, takes on other complex issues about AIDS treatment. Among the guidelines:

- Test the HIV in patients' blood every few months, and consider changing therapies if HIV is still detectable after six months.
- When changing therapy, switch to at least two drugs the patient has never used, not just the one-drug switch doctors typically try today.
- Avoid switching from Crixivan to Norvir or vice versa if therapy has failed; cross-resistance is likely.
- No patient should be on single-drug therapy. Substituting the drug nevirapine in the medical cocktail or taking just two drugs instead of three "should be used only if more-potent treatment is not possible."
- Advise patients that stopping drug treatment for even several weeks could render the drugs useless when therapy restarts. The cost makes continual protease therapy difficult for poor patients.

AIDS activists call the guidelines vital, saying they were horrified recently to discover patients still taking the granddaddy AIDS drug AZT alone, which merely causes the HIV virus to resist treatment. Nor do many patients know each drug's quirks - that Crixivan, for instance, must be taken an hour before or after a typical meal or only with such light food as toast. Invirase, on the other hand, should be taken with a high-fat meal.

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- Advise patients that stopping drug treatment for even several weeks could render the drugs useless when therapy restarts. Protease therapy costs about dlr\$ 12,000 a year per patient, and many patients struggle to afford continual treatment. Mississippi just cut over 600 poor HIV-infected patients out of a program that provided the drugs, because the state was not receiving enough federal money to keep up with demand.

Those guidelines will come just as doctors are advising patients about the FDA's diabetes warning.

The problem: It is unclear how, biologically, protease inhibitors would cause diabetes, which develops when the body cannot properly use sugar for energy and glucose builds up in the blood.

It is treatable with diet, oral drugs and/or daily shots of insulin, but can be deadly if people do not know the warning signs and get medical help.

The 83 patients are not proof that protease inhibitors alone actually cause diabetes, the FDA cautioned. Some of the patients were taking, in addition to the AIDS medicines, other drugs that have been associated with the disease.

On average, diabetes symptoms struck about 76 days after patients began taking protease inhibitors, although some patients had the first symptoms a mere four days into treatment.

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U.S. Warns of Diabetes Side Effect of AIDS Drugs

by Lauran Neer Gaard

WASHINGTON (AP) _ The U.S. government warned doctors Wednesday that thousands of patients taking the powerful new AIDS drugs called protease inhibitors should be closely watched for an unexpected side effect: diabetes.

In letters sent to doctors throughout the United States, the Food and Drug Administration stressed that the estimated 150,000 Americans taking protease inhibitors should not stop, because the diabetes risk appears fairly small.

But the FDA, investigating after complaints from pioneering AIDS researcher Dr. Michael Gottlieb and from Japan's drug regulators, discovered 83 patients who contracted diabetes or high blood sugar or had those diseases suddenly worsen _ after they began taking protease inhibitors. Six cases were life-threatening, and 21 other patients needed hospitalization.

The FDA called the cases disturbing enough that it is relabeling all four protease inhibitors now sold in the United States to warn about the potential side effect.

And the agency urged patients Wednesday to immediately report to a doctor such symptoms as increased thirst, unexplained weight loss, increased urination, fatigue and dry, itchy skin.

As many as 1 in 1,000 to 1 in 100 patients who take protease inhibitors may be at risk, said FDA medical officer Dr. Jeff Murray. Many of those may be treated for diabetes successfully without stopping their AIDS therapy, he said.

But half of the 83 patients discovered so far had to quit taking protease inhibitors, which have revolutionized AIDS care in the last year.

"I don't take this as a cause for alarm," said Dr. Sandra Palleja of Hoffman-La Roche, maker of the nation's first protease inhibitor, Invirase. "It just says we need to be vigilant when we monitor patients."

The surprise warning comes just as the government is completing its first guidelines on how doctors and patients should use the complicated protease inhibitors.

According to a draft obtained by The Associated Press, the standard of AIDS care should be one protease inhibitor _ either Roche's Invirase, Merck and Co.'s market-leader Crixivan, Abbott Laboratories' Norvir or Agouron Pharmaceuticals' Viracept _ taken in combination with two older AIDS medicines.

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Among the guidelines, which the government expects to publish next week:

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by Lee Davis

Lesbian Health Care

Two original research articles published in the first issue of the *Journal of the Gay & Lesbian Medical Association* underscore the need for physicians, nurses, and all health care workers to question their assumptions about lesbian sexual practices and to discuss transmission of sexually transmitted diseases, HIV, and gynecological infections with their lesbian patients.

"HIV Risk Among Lesbians and Bisexual women," the largest qualitative study of HIV risk-taking among lesbians and bisexual women to date, found that many lesbian and bisexual women continue to believe they are not at risk for HIV. The peer interviews with 563 women who attended women's bars, dance clubs, and lesbian/bisexual community events in San Francisco showed that most women engaging in unprotected sex with other women did not believe their actions put them at risk of HIV transmission. Twenty percent of the women surveyed said they have had oral, vaginal, or anal sex with men without using condoms.

The survey also found that women often believe it is riskier to have sex with women who identify as bisexual than with women who identify as lesbian. Yet, as the survey underscored, women who identify as lesbian also have sex with men, and, when they do, they are less likely than women who identify as bisexual to use condoms.

The second study, "Gynecological Infections and Sexual Practices of Massachusetts Lesbian & Bisexual Women," emphasizes the need for regular STD screening for lesbians. The survey of 421 lesbian and bisexual women in eastern Massachusetts found that while STD's and gynecological infections, such as chlamydia, trichomonas, genital herpes, and gonorrhea, seem to be more common among lesbians who have had sex with men in the past—more than 80 percent of the lesbian survey respondents—these infections could have also been caused by or resulted in female-to-female transmission.n.

Terminally-ill Patients

The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center will present a conference on one of today's most hotly-debated topics—how to care for terminally-ill patients at the end of life.

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Heat Dangers

For elderly people, summer's high temperatures can take the "good" out of the "good ol' summertime."


Heat illness can be devastating for older people, particularly in areas with high humidity, said Dr. Janice Zimmerman of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. Heat exhaustion, caused by heat overexposure, can lead to heat stroke. Early signs include weakness, fatigue, dizziness or dehydration.

Antihistamines, antidepressants, laxatives and heart medicines can contribute to dehydration. To minimize chances of heat illness, Zimmerman recommends:

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- Drinking water frequently, even when not thirsty.
- Using air conditioning, or opening windows and using electric fans.
- Taking frequent breaks from outdoor activities.

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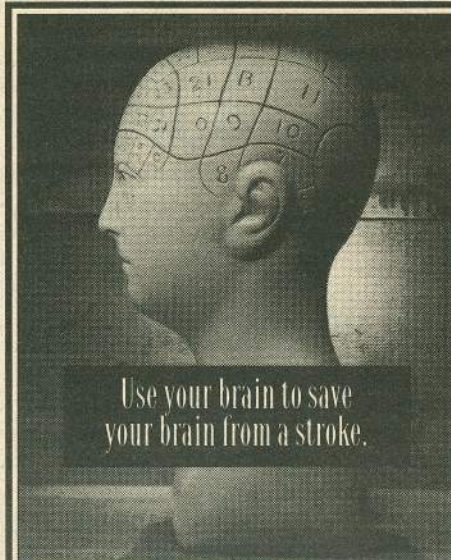


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SPORTS CAPSULE

by Lee Davis

GHPBL Meeting

The Greater Houston Pocket Billiards League announces an organizational meeting at Gentry, Sunday, June 22 at 2pm. The first night of play will commence on Wednesday, June 25 at a location to be announced on Sunday. Any player interested is encouraged to attend Sunday's meeting.

8-Ball

The top five teams for the Houston Metropolitan Billiards League as of Week 9 are Excavators, JR's Cue Crew, Crazy 8's, Jackson 5, and Knight Heat. The top five players are Richard Chew (Excavators), John Bowen (Chupacabra), Keith Fussell (JR's Cue Crew), Bob Cypert (Jackson 5) and Larry Lentz (Excavators).

Congratulations to the following people for being nominated at the 2nd monthly meeting: Perry VanOrden for President; Ramon Harlow, Vice President; Corey Collins for Secretary; Ron Sioux, Treasurer and Charles McMahon, Sergeant @ Arms.

A friendly reminder that Tuesday, June 24 is the last date for player changes!

Go Fish!

Rainbow Fishing Club's June 22nd fishing trip has 48 people going, 25 women and 23 men. There are 11 more spots reserved on this 65 person boat. The Texsun II leaves Pier 19 at 7:30am, so be there between 6:30 & 7am. Reservations are voided at 7:15am. The club will bring a supply of Dramamine

for those who want a couple of motion sickness pills at 7am. Cost for this trip is \$60 payable at the boat. No food, drink or coolers are allowed on the boat. They have food and drink at reasonable costs.

There are plans for a "Bartender's Outing" on Wednesday, June 25 with such characters as Reno from J.R.'s, David from Mary's, John from E.J.'s, Leon from 611 and Chester from 611. Be sure to call for the latest on this not to be missed excursion! The fee is only \$50 when you arrive at the boat! All are invited to attend. David Williamson, Trip Leader again for the weekday outing and a bartender at Mary's, urges all those who work weekends to join his Wednesday trip. You can talk to David at Mary's, Naturally, Monday, Thursday & Saturday 2pm to 8pm or Friday & Sunday 8pm to 2am. He can also accept your reservations. Mail checks to the Rainbow Fishing Club, P.O. Box 66450, Houston, TX 77266 or call 713.523.6381 for reservations and more information.

Your Serve!

The Houston Tennis Club is constantly seeking new members, both male and female, of all playing levels. Meet at Memorial Park Tennis Center on Wednesdays from 7-9:30pm, Fridays from 7:30-9pm, and two sessions on Sunday mornings, from 9-10:30am and 10am to 12 Noon.

Softball Action

The Montrose Softball League wrapped up the season for the "B" Division with Bistro Cuisine taking 1st and earning the right to

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represent Houton in the Gay Softball World Series in San Diego this August. In splitting their doubleheader, their final 8-2 record puts them alone in 1st. Congratulations to the Bistro Heat. Pacific Street fought back from an 0-3 start to finish their season tied with JR's for second place with 6-4 records. Rich's and Basic Brothers tied for 3rd place with 5-5 records. Forced to play with a reduced roster most of the year, the BRB ended their play winless at 0-10.

In "C" Division action on Sunday, Chances closed out their season in 1st place with a 7-3 record by defeating Mela's 7-2 and then losing to Positively Bering 8-5. In other "C" action, Positively Bering lost to EJ's 10-9, giving EJ's 2nd place. In an inter-division game, Mela's lost to Basic Brothers 5-4.

"A" Division make-up games will be played this Saturday evening at T.C. Jester Park beginning at 7pm. The park is located on East T.C. Jester Blvd. about a mile north of Loop 610 North.

The "A" Division playoff games will occur on Sunday, June 22 at Memorial Park. Games are slated for fields #2 and #3 with the championship games moving over to fields #4 and #5 later in the evening. The winner of the "A" Division playoffs will be one of Houston's representatives to the Gay World Series.

Also taking place on Sunday will be the MSL Post-Season Tournament involving teams from the "B" and "C" Divisions. This is a fun tournament that will officially wrap-up the 1997 Spring Season. Trophies and awards will be presented to the 1st and 2nd place winners of each division. MSL encourages all to come out and enjoy the festivities. Concessions will be available. Games will commence Sunday morning and continue through the early evening.

Passion Fruits?

The Montrose Monday Night Men's

League reports Love Is Hard On the Knees is in 1st, We Go There Again! in 2nd and Passion Fruits in 3rd. Doug Campbell bowled High Scratch Game of 267 and High Handicapped Game while Tom O'Dell bowled High Scratch Series of 666 and High Handicapped Series. For more info call 522.9612. Bowling is at Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd. at 9pm Monday.

Inner Loop Alternatives reports Let's Not and Say We Did in 1st with 2nd Four on the Floor in 2nd and Don't Eat Him Again in 3rd. For the men Brian Elley bowled High Scratch Game of 268 and Bob Robert Series of 707. Ben Graves had High Handicapped Series and Bill Roberson Game. For the women Terry Shannon bowled High Scratch Game of 219 and Margaret Dennison Series of 571 and High Handicap Game and Series. Call Tom at 522.9612 for further info. Bowling is at Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd. at 7pm on Sundays.

The **Wednesday Night Mixers** report in 1st, Big Balls & A Sissy, in 2nd, White Trash Ready for Pickup and in 3rd, J.R.'s. High Scratch Game of 257 was bowled by Rich Mayer who also bowled High Handicapped Game and Series for the men. For the women Terry Shannon bowled High Scratch Game of 187 and Series of 527. Cindy Engler bowled High Handicapped Game and Carol Clark Series. Bowling for the summer is at Palace Lanes at 6:30pm on Wednesday. For more info call 522.9612.

The **Monday Night Women's League** reports M Power in 1st, Four Girls with Balls in 2nd, Sappho Strikers in 3rd and Bowled and the Beautiful in 4th. Bowling is at 6:30pm at AMF Southway. For more info call Pat at 281.437.6218.

The new **I Luv Luci Thursday Trios** reports Three's Company in 1st, Having Fun in 2nd, Sabrina, Kelly & Jill in 3rd and Rainbow Trout in 4th. Bowling is at Dynamic Lanes at 6:30pm on Thursday. Call 522.9612 for info.

Look Out Birdie!

Get fit at **The Cossaboom Family YMCA** at 7903 South Loop East, near Gulfgate Mall. The Adult Open Badminton League is offered every Monday & Wednesday evenings from 9pm until midnight. Bring your racquet and join the fun. The fee is only \$7 per visit or free to YMCA members. For info, stop by their front service desk or call them at 713.643.4396.

Let's Skate!

The **Lambda Roller Skating Club** host their Weekly Skate Night on Wednesday, June 25 at Starlite Skating Rink, 8075 Cook Road (corner of Cook and Beechnut). Skate time is 8-10pm with a nominal admission fee of \$5 plus \$1.50 if you need skates. You may bring your own skates or blades. Everyone and all ages are welcome! For more info call 933.5818 or visit their website at <http://www.neosoft.com/~lrsc>.

Bike Ride!

The **Houston Chain Gang Cycling Club** invites all to join them on their West Oaks ride on Saturday, June 21 beginning at 8am. Meet in the parking lot on the southeast side of Mervyn's at West Oaks Mall. To RSVP, call John at 768.8793. This is classified as an Chain Smoker Rider Ride, extending 38 miles.

Corner Pocket

The **Independent Billiard League of Houston** reports Week 16 standings. The top five teams are Bad Boys, Highrollers, Full Throttle, Dynamite Sticks and Sudden Impact. The top five players are Richard Chew (Full Throttle), Ronnie Rhodes (Dynamite Sticks), Joel Reyes (Bad Boys), Corey Collins (Highrollers) and Mondo Morales (Bad Boys).

The Houston Billiard Open will be held June 21 at Bricks II. Registration on the day of the tournament is \$10. Early Registration

is \$8. The HBO is open to anyone that wishes to play. The rules will be official IBL 8-ball rules. Proceeds will go to Swehia House (Community Endowment Foundation. Please contact Mark Sherron or Gilbert Vargas at 524.9251.

Elections were held at the Lazy J last Sunday. Congratulations to Gilbert Vargas, President; Carin Camp, Vice President; Doug Sutherland, Secretary; Jim Eames, Treasurer; Miguel Venegas, Sergeant at Arms and Ruben Rodriguez, Public Relations.

More Club Info

A Gay sky diving club called **Houston Triangle Divers** hosts outings for those brave of heart throughout the year. For info call 530.7822.

A Bicycling Club for Womyn, **Rainbow Riders** meet every Sunday morning for easy, long off-road rides. All womyn are welcome regardless of ability and experience. For info call Cookie Davenport at 869.1686 or email her at guusje@aol.com.

If you like running, then go with the **FrontRunners** who meet at 9am at the Memorial Park Tennis Center on Sundays. If Sundays are not good for you, meet them at 6:30pm on Tuesday or Thursday nights. For info call 713.522.8021.

Think dancing isn't a sport? Try to argue with these two organizations! The **Southern Country Dance Group** provides dance lessons at the Ranch, 8-10pm on Tuesdays. The Ranch is located at 9200 Buffalo Speedway.

The **Rainbow Ranglers** promote Texas Style couple dancing, including the beginning level. Classes are free and open to the public from 8:30-10pm on Thursdays at the Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos. For more info call 713.880.0670.

The **Houston Force**, a local basketball team, is forming a league in Houston. If interested in joining, please call Mike or Lyle at 880.4765.

Passion Fruits?

The Montrose Monday Night Men's

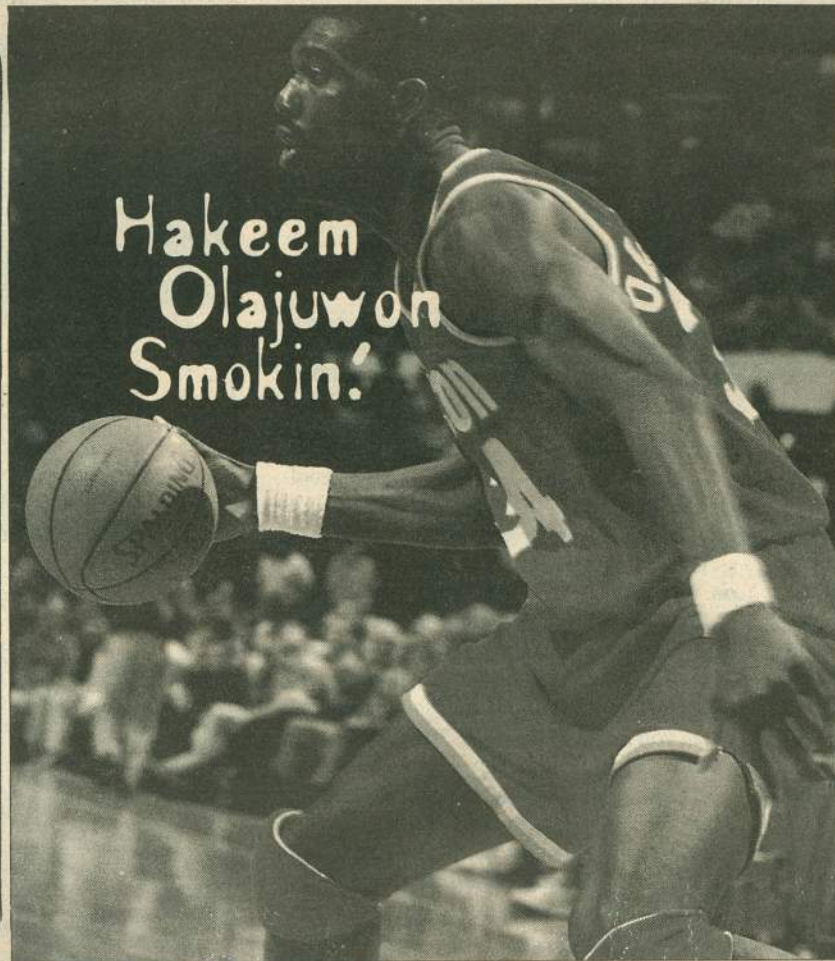
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I. Service Component I - HIV Prevention.

(An estimated \$1,400,000)

Category A - HIV Counseling and Testing Services

Category B - Secondary Prevention Education

Category C - HIV Secondary Prevention Education

Category D - HIV Health Communication/ Public Information

Category E - Evaluation

Category F - Community Planning

II. Service Component II - City of

Human Services

Bureau of HIV/STD Prevention
8000 N. Stadium, 5th Floor
Houston, TX 77054

Prospective proposers may obtain an RFP package in person at the above address between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5p.m., Monday through Friday.

A pre-proposal conference is scheduled for 9a.m., Wednesday, June 25, 1997. The pre-proposal conference will be held in the first floor auditorium at the Houston Department of Health and Human Services, 8000 N. Stadium Drive, Houston, Texas 77054. Those considering the submission of a proposal are encouraged to attend this conference.

All instructions in the RFP packet must be followed and the required information must be submitted with the proposal.

The deadline for receipt of proposals is Friday, July 18, 1997, at 2pm. No proposals will be accepted after the deadline. Proposals must be received at the following location:

City Secretary's Office
City Hall Annex, Public Level
900 Bagby

Houston, Texas 77002
Attention: Nick J. Guillen

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Trish Listi, MA, TRT Lesbian. Gay issues. Clear Lake Area. (281)333-9092.

Deborah L. McLeod, M.A., L.P.C. Individual, Group, Family and Relationship Psychotherapy. (713)621-8855.

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**II. Service Component II - City of
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(An estimated \$155,000)
**III. Service Component III - City of
 Houston Adolescent Targeted**
(An estimated \$130,000)

The category of services associated with the three service components will be provided for the following major priority populations as determined by the Houston HIV Prevention Community Planning Group.

- A. Men Who Have Sex With Men (MSM)
- B. Intravenous Drug Users
- C. Heterosexual Sex

Request for Proposal (RFP) packets containing the required application materials, instructions and budget forms will be available beginning Wednesday, June 18, 1997, from the following location:

Houston Department of Health and

634-8002.
 GAY MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE FORTY OR OLDER AND THEIR FRIENDS AND OTHER PERSONS WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN ADDRESSING THE CONCERNS AND EXPLORING THE INTERESTS OF OLDER GAYS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF G.A.N.G. [GAY ALUMNI NOON GROUP] AT THE MONTROSE LIBRARY, 4100 MONTROSE [(713) 520-5487], FROM 1:00PM TO 2:00PM ON SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 1997. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL JIM AT (713)622-6918 OR ROBERT AT (713)665-6446.

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PRIDE WEEK CALENDAR

If you would like an event listed in this section, please feel free to call Lee at 529-8490 or fax at 529-9531 by Monday Noon.

Friday, June 20

- AIDS Mastery Workshop. 861-6453.
- Borders Book Store Gay /Lesbian Book Club meets at the Espresso Bar at 9634 Westheimer. 786-6066.
- HIV+ Art classes at the Art League. 523-8817.
- HATCH meets. 942-7002.
- Aftercare Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.
- "Out of the Closet: Cinema" group meets 822-8511.
- Frost Eye Clinic: Free eye exams for HIV+ people. 520-2000.
- Lesbian Avengers meet at Tootpee's, 1830 W. Alabama @ 7pm.
- Q-Patrol Meets to walk the streets at 10:30pm. 528-SAFE.
- Free Spay & Neutering (SNAP) 522-2337 at Harris County Animal Control.
- Gulf Coast Transgender Community meets. 780-4282.
- Lesbian Love Letters at DiverseWorks. 228-0914.
- Kolbe Project's Night at the Movies 7pm. 522-8182.
- Kolbe Projects' Park Plaza Hospital Visitation. 522-8182.

Saturday, June 21

- After Hours on KPFT 12am to 3am. 90.1 FM. 526-5738.
- Gulf Coast Transgender Support Group meets. 780-4282.
- Q-Patrol meets to walk the streets at 10:30pm. 528-SAFE.
- Visual Art Alliance meets at 10am. 583-8408.
- AssistHers meets. 552-9445.
- Houston Area Bears at the Baths 1-5pm.
- Exploring the SM Lifestyle at Ripcord 10pm.

Sunday, June 22

- The Women's Group meets at 10:45 am. 529-

861-9149.

• HATCH meets. 942-7002.

Monday, June 23

- Gay Fathers/Fathers First support group. 8pm. 861-6181.
- Calendar/Computer workshop for Pride Week. 7pm. 529-1223.
- Outpatient Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.
- Men Survivors of Sexual Abuse Group at Montrose Counseling Center. 6:15pm. 529-0037.
- Frost Eye Clinic: Free eye exams for HIV+ people. 520-2000.
- AIDS Caregiver's Support Group meets at 6pm. 732-4300.
- AVES sponsored free HIV testing from 10am to 5pm at 4125 SW Freeway, Ste 1717.
- HeartSong meets. 541-3495.
- Miss Camp America meets. 520-STAR.
- Houston Area Women's Center's Volunteer training. 535-6363.
- Texas Medical Center Lambda Group meets. 523-5539.
- Free HIV testing by the Montrose Clinic; Brazos River Bottom 4 to 8pm; QT's 8pm-12am.
- Kolbe Project's Park Plaza Visitation; 522-8182.

Tuesday, June 24

- Sex, Lies & Video Tapes workshop by AIDS Foundation Houston 7-9pm 623-6796.
- Helping Cross Dressers Anonymous meets at 239 Westheimer. 8pm. 495-8009.
- Basic Computer Skills Class at the Kolbe Project. 522-8182.
- Gay Men HIV+ Psychotherapy at Montrose Counseling Center. 4:30pm. 529-0037.
- Youth-Rap at 6:30pm. 822-8511.
- Aftercare Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.
- AIDS Alliance of the Bay Area meets at 7pm. 488-4492.
- Empowerment for Living meets for pot luck.

861-9149.

- PROTECT: an HIV negative support group meets at 7pm. 520-7870.
- Free HIV testing by Montrose Clinic; Club Body Center 8pm to Midnite.
- Women Survivors of Childhood Abuse at Montrose Counseling Center. 6:30pm. 529-0037.
- Survivors of Loss support group meets at 8:30pm. 778-2677.
- Live Jazz at Borders Book Shop. 782-6066.
- Free Spay & Neuter Assistance (SNAP) at West End Multi Service Center.
- Kolbe Projects' Park Plaza Visitation; 522-8182.
- Houston Gay & Lesbian Parents Summer Lecture Series at 2515 Waugh Drive. 284-4939.

Wednesday, June 25

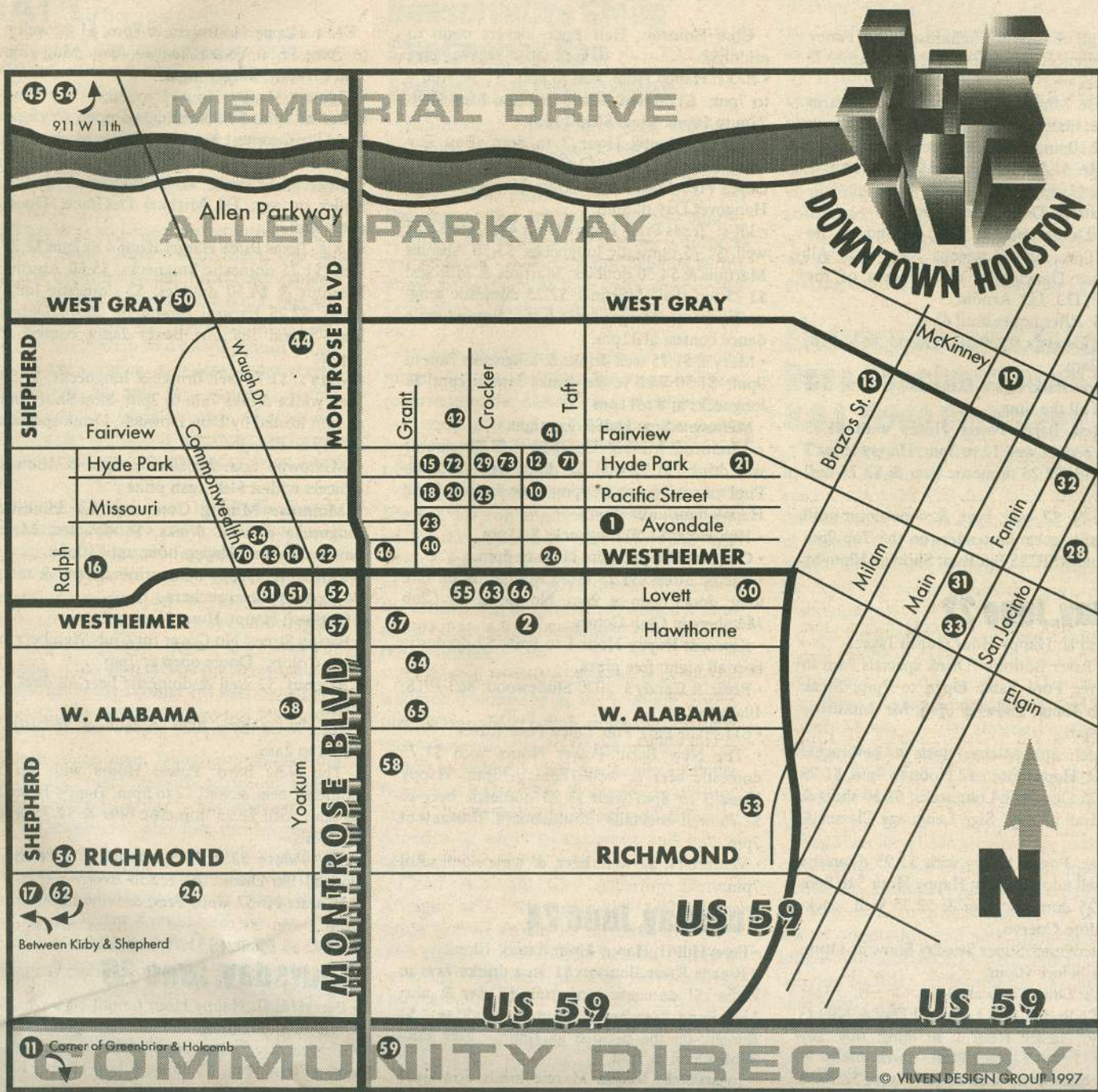
- Free HIV testing by the Montrose Clinic; Mary's 4-9pm; Bricks II 8pm-12am.
- Frost Eye Clinic: Free eye exams to HIV+ people. 520-2000/
- Houston Pride Band practices at Dignity Houston. 524-0218.
- GLOBAL meets at 4pm. 473-7539.
- Women's Action Coalition meets at Tootpees at 7pm. 867-9581.
- Women's Network at Montrose Counseling Center. 7pm. 529-0037.
- Ongoing Mixed Living in Process Group for men and women. 622-7250.
- Aftercare Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037/
- HIV Survivor Support Group meets at 7pm. 782-4050.
- Women's Clinic at the Montrose Clinic. 5 to 8pm. Call 520-2000.
- BiNet of Houston meets at 7pm. 861-9149.
- AVES offers free HIV testing from 10am to 5pm at 4125 SW Freeway, Suite 1717.
- Cancer Dialogue Support Group meets at noon at Park Plaza Hospital. 1/800-611-CARE.
- Free Spay & Neuter Assistance (SNAP) at S.H.A.P.E. Community Center.

- Kolbe Project's Hospital Visitation; 522-8182.
- Women for Sobriety Meeting; 7-8pm; 701 Richmond; 281-855-8616.

Thursday, June 26

- Art Labs at The Art League at 1pm. 225-9411.
- Gay Men's Chorus of Houston open rehearsal at 7pm. 521-7464.
- Twentysomething meets at 7:30pm. 315-6786.
- KPFT Lesbian & Gay Voices airs from 8 to 10pm. 866-6505.
- Ongoing gay men's Living in Process Groups. 622-7250.
- Open Mike Night at Cafe Artiste. 1601 W. Main. 8pm. 528-3704.
- HIV+ Men Psychotherapy at Montrose Counseling Center. 1:15pm. 529-0037.
- Relapse Prevention at Montrose Counseling Center. 2pm. 529-0037.
- Outpatient Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.
- Aftercare Group Treatment at Montrose Counseling Center. 6pm. 529-0037.
- Women's Therapy Group at Montrose Counseling Center, 5:30pm. 529-0037.
- Meditation and Chanting Group meets at 7pm. 942-0923.
- HIV Affected at CASA. 7pm. 796-2272.
- HIV Survivor Support Group meets at 2929 Unity Drive. 7pm. 782-4050.
- Women's Social Group meets at 7:30pm. 822-8511.
- Center for the Healing of Racism. 7:30pm. 738-RACE.
- Gay Men's Chorus of Houston meets at 7pm. 521-SING.
- The Center for AIDS forum meets. 527-8219.
- Free Spay/Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP) at Citizens for Animal Protection.
- Houston Pride Band practices at Dignity Houston. 524-0218.
- Free HIV Testing by Montrose Clinic; VentureN 4-8pm.





ACCOMMODATIONS

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| 1 | Montrose Inn | 408 Avondale | 713/520-0206 |
| 2 | The Lovett Inn | 501 Lovett Blvd | 713/522-5224 |

BARS & CLUBS

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|----|---------------------|------------------|--------------|
| 10 | 611 Hyde Park | 611 Hyde Park | 713/526-7070 |
| 11 | The Briar Patch | 2294 Holcombe | 713/665-9678 |
| 12 | Bricks II | 617 Fairview | 713/528-8102 |
| 13 | Brazos River Bottom | 2400 Brazos | 713/528-9192 |
| 14 | Chances | 1100 Westheimer | 713/523-7217 |
| 15 | Cousins | 817 Fairview | 713/528-9204 |
| 16 | EJs | 2517 Ralph | 713/527-9071 |
| 17 | Gentry | 2303 Richmond | 713/520-1861 |
| 18 | Heaven | 812 Pacific | 713/521-9123 |
| 19 | Incognito | 2524 McKinney | 713/237-9431 |
| 20 | JR's | 808 Pacific | 713/521-2519 |
| 21 | Lazy J | 312 Tuam | 713/528-9343 |
| 22 | Mary's | 1022 Westheimer | 713/527-9669 |
| 23 | Montrose Mining Co. | 805 Pacific | 713/529-7488 |
| 24 | Outpost | 1419 Richmond | 713/520-8446 |
| 25 | Pacific Street | 710 Pacific | 713/523-0213 |
| 26 | QT's | 534 Westheimer | 713/529-8813 |
| 28 | Rich's | 2401 San Jacinto | 713/759-9606 |
| 29 | Ripcord | 715 Fairview | 713/521-2792 |
| 31 | Venture N | 2923 Main | 713/522-0000 |
| 32 | The Club Houston | 2205 Fannin | 713/659-4998 |
| 33 | Midtowne Spa | 3100 Fannin | 713/522-2379 |
| 34 | The New Barn | 1100 Westheimer | 713/521-9533 |

RESTAURANTS

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| 40 | Baba Yega | 2607 Grant | 713/522-0042 |
| 41 | Barnaby's Cafe | 604 Fairview | 713/522-0106 |
| 42 | Boudreaux | 2313 Crocker | 713/526-0790 |
| 43 | Charlie's Coffee Shop | 1100 Westheimer | 713/522-3332 |
| 44 | Christy Donuts | 1103 W Gray | 713/524-4005 |
| 45 | Java Java Cafe | 911 W 11th | 713/862-2683 |
| 46 | Ming's Cafe | 2703 Montrose | 713/529-7888 |

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| 50 | Cineplex-Odeon | 1450 W Gray | 713/524-8781 |
| 51 | Crossroads Market | 1111 Westheimer | 713/942-0147 |
| 52 | Eckerd Drugs | 1007 Westheimer | 713/524-9229 |
| 53 | Fitness Exchange | 4040 Milam | 713/524-9932 |
| 54 | Heights Above Florist | 911 W 11th | 713/862-2683 |
| 55 | Houston Voice | 811 Westheimer | 713/529-8490 |
| 56 | Inklings Bookstore | 1846 Richmond | 713/521-3369 |
| 57 | Kroger Grocery | 3300 Montrose | 713/526-7865 |
| 58 | Lobo Books & Video | 3939-S Montrose | 713/522-5156 |
| 59 | Main St. Theatre | 4617 Montrose | 713/524-6706 |
| 60 | Montrose Clinic | 215 Westheimer | 713/520-2000 |
| 61 | Four Star Hair Productions | 1201 Westheimer | 713/524-7785 |
| 62 | CreADitive Unlimited | 2219 Richmond | 713/526-5190 |
| 63 | Preferred Graphics | 811 Westheimer | 713/528-7654 |
| 64 | Vilven Design Group | 807 Hawthorne | 713/526-3212 |
| 65 | House of Coleman | 901 W Alabama | 713/523-2521 |
| 66 | Synchronized Chiropractic | 811 Westheimer | 713/521-7741 |
| 67 | Walgreens | 3317 Montrose | 713/520-8000 |
| 68 | KAD Computer, Inc. | 1437 W. Alabama | 713/522-7813 |

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|----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 70 | Basic Brothers | 1232 Westheimer | 713/522-1626 |
| 71 | Jewel's Boutique | 2404 Taft | 713/523-3557 |
| 72 | Leather By Boots | 807 Fairview | 713/526-2668 |
| 73 | Leather Forever | 711 Fairview | 713/526-6940 |

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Friday, June 20

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: Drink specials 7am until 9pm; Free Buffet at 4pm; Party & Dance with your D.J. Cody from 7am-9pm; Free Pool Open to 7pm; Boots & Boxers Night!
- BriarPatch: Steve plays for Happy Hour: Wayne Gray, Tony & Guest Stars play the rest of the night! Blackjack tables with Dave open at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.
- Club Incognito: Boyz night out.
- Cousin's: Drag show at 11pm.
- E/J's: Happy Hours 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Well 4 to 7pm; \$1.50 vodka 7am to 6pm; Mug Club 7am to 10pm: Male Strip Contest at 11pm.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm; Boy Toys dance at 6pm: \$2 Kamikazes open to close.
- Heaven: \$1 well & \$1.75 Miller. Doors open at 9pm.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles. \$3.75 Skyy & Stoli: hard body male dancers.
- Lazy J: 8-ball tournament.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Vodka drinks 7am to 2pm.
- Midtowne Spa: Shower Dance Show 10pm w/ Emcee China Doll; Miss Tropical Depression Rainbo D'Klown; Kyle Smith & C.J. Brooks.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$3.75 premium vodkas; Happy hour until 10pm: male dancers 8pm to 2:30am; After hours until 4am.
- 19th Hole: 75¢ Kamikazis all day & nite.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Foreplay! No Cover till 9pm. \$1.25 well; \$1.75 beer; \$3 call; \$3.50 premium; \$1.25 Schnapps; Doors open at 7pm. No Cover for Club Members in Club Colors!
- Rich's: Klub Kamp..a comedy drag review 9pm doors open, 11:30pm show—Retro Modern Hits by D.J. Chris Sill, \$1, \$2, \$3 drinks..
- Ripcord: Happy Hour 1 to 8pm; After Hours until 4am.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918;

- Henry Hall & David Richardson w/ Fancy Pace Lawrence, Warren of Hearts Afire & China Doll.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$3.75 Bacardi Limonade; male dancers 9pm to 2:30am; happy hour until 10pm; After hours until 4am.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 Gold Ritas all day & nite.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Doors open at 9pm.
- Rich's: Doors open at 9pm, 21 and up, no cover 9-10pm, See Gorgeous Men from All Over Texas Dancing to the Grooves of the Billboard.; D.J. J.D. Arnold.
- Ripcord: After hours until 4am.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: Dancers @ 9pm; free munchies all the time.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm; Misfits guest bartenders on the Top 9pm till ???; 8pm RSICSS Bar Run; Show at 10pm by RSICSS.

Sunday, June 22

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: Drink specials 7am to 7pm; Free Pool Table Open to 7pm; Steak night 6 to 10pm; Show @ 8pm; Mr. Montrose Contest 8pm.
- BriarPatch: 2pm Michael hosts w/ beverages.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 12 Noon to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Sign Language Classes 3-4pm.
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well noon to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.
- Club Incognito: Super Sunday Show at 11pm. No cover before 10pm.
- Cousin's: Drag Show at 11pm.
- E/J's: \$1 Bud & Bud Light All Day & Night.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm: Boy Toy Dancers 7 to 11pm; Pool tournament at 5:30pm; Male Strip Contest at 11pm; \$2 Kool Aid shots open to close; Pride Parade Grand Marshall's Reception from 6-8pm.
- Heaven: 75¢ well drinks 8 to 10pm; \$2.25 frozen Ritas; \$3.50 Absolut & Bicardi Limonade; 75¢ draft beer; Super Show at 11pm.

- Club Houston: Half price lockers noon to midnight.
- E/J's: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Well 4 to 7pm; \$1.50 vodka 7am to 6pm; Mug Club 7am to 10pm: Male Strip 11pm.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm; Boy Toy Dancers 9pm to 1am; \$3 Cuervo Gold open to close; Free Pool Table; Hair Hopper's Hazy Hangover Day til 8pm.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles; Martinis & Muscles! \$3.75 top shelf Martinis, \$2.25 domestic longnecks, frozen Margaritas \$1.75; "Pump" male dance contest at 11pm.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Well vodka drinks 7am to 2pm; \$1 longnecks at 8 to 11pm .
- Midtowne Spa: Half-Price night.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$3.50 double well drinks, \$1.75 well, \$2 domestic longnecks; Pool tournament at 8:30pm; male dancers 9pm; Happy hour until 10pm.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 longnecks 8-11pm.
- Outpost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: \$1.25 Gold Margaritas all nite long; doors open at 9pm. No Cover for Club Members in Club Colors.
- Ripcord: Happy Hour 1 to 8pm; \$2 domestic beer all night; free pizza.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: Open Pool Tables.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12pm to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; Shuffleboard Tourney at 7pm.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm.

Tuesday, June 24

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: \$1 well drinks 7am to 11pm; \$1 domestic longnecks all day & nite. Live Band "Jambeaux" 8pm to Midnite. \$1 Burgers on the patio 6 to 10pm. Free Pool Table Open to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Mama Marcie holds down the piano at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Club Houston: Half-price lockers, rooms, &

- E/J's: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.40 well 4 to 7pm; \$1.50 Vodka 7am to 6pm. Mug club 7am to 10pm; Burger night.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm: Boy Toys dance at 7pm; \$1.25 Schnapps open to close; Male Strip contest hosted by Dyan Michaels at 11pm.
- Heaven: \$1 well, \$1.75 Budweiser & 75¢ Miller on tap; DJ Michael DeGrace: Doors open 9pm.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles; \$2 domestic longnecks, \$2.75 Bacardi Limonade, \$2.75 Desert Long Island Tea: Joe Boxer dance contest at 11pm.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks; \$1.50 Well vodka drinks 7am to 2pm; Slop Shot Pool at 1pm hosted by Don Dowden: Drink specials all day & all night.
- Midtowne Spa: Half-Price night & shower dancers with a \$100 cash prize.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$2 domestic longnecks & well drinks, \$4 doubles; Male dancers at 9pm; Happy hour until 10pm.
- 19th Hole: Happy hour prices all day & nite; \$4 domestic beer pitchers.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: No Cover for Club Members in Club Colors. Doors open at 7pm.
- Ripcord: \$2 well & domestic beer all day/all night.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- The Palace 5351 W. Alabama @ Rice 8pm with \$1 Bar Drinks til 11. 850-7699.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm.
- YTC: \$3 Pitchers, \$1.75 well drinks.

Thursday, June 26

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm; Male Dancers at 10:30pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: \$1.75 domestic longnecks 7am-11pm; \$1.75 well 7am-11pm. Free dance lessons with Scott at 8:30pm. Free Pool Table Open to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Edith Head...Liza...Liz...you name it at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots &

- Rich's: Klub Kamp..a comedy drag review 9pm doors open, 11:30pm show—Retro Modern Hits by D.J. Chris Sill, \$1, \$2, \$3 drinks..
- Ripcord: Happy Hour 1 to 8pm; After Hours until 4am.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: Pizza Buffet at 5:30 pm; dancers at 9pm.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm; Lancers MC guest bartenders on the top 9pm till ???

Saturday, June 21

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: Drink specials 7am until 9pm; Party & Dance with your D.J. Cody from 9pm-2am; Free Pool Open to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Wayne Gray tickles the ivories tonight along with guests; Bunny deals Blackjack at 9:30pm; 2pm cocktails w/ Clint.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.
- Club Incognito: Ladies' Night.
- Cousin's: Drag show at 11pm.
- E/J's: \$1.50 well 4 to 7pm; Mug Club 7am to 10pm; \$1.50 vodka 7am to 6pm.
- 800 Pacific block party: \$1 well & \$1.75 domestic longnecks! 9 to 9:30pm at Santa Fe Bar & Patio, 9:30 to 10pm at the Montrose Mining Company, 10 to 10:30pm at J.R.'s Bar & Grill, & 11 to 11:30pm at Heaven.
- Gentry: Boy Toys at 9pm; \$3.50 Absolut cocktails open to close; 7th Anniversary 8-11pm.
- Heaven: \$1 well 9 to 11pm; \$1.25 Schnapps; Doors open at 9pm.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles; \$2.75 premium frozen drinks & premium draft beer, \$3.25 super premium draft beer.
- Lazy J: Drag show at 10:30pm with Miss Erica Lane.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 7pm.
- Midtowne Spa: 10pm Show w/ Emcees

- Dancers 7 to 11pm; Pool tournament at 5:30pm; Male Strip Contest at 11pm; \$2 Kool Aid shots open to close; Pride Parade Grand Marshall's Reception from 6-8pm.
- Heaven: 75¢ well drinks 8 to 10pm; \$2.25 frozen Ritas; \$3.50 Absolut & Bicardi Limonade; 75¢ draft beer; Super Show at 11pm.
- J.R.'s: 99¢ well vodka juice drinks noon until 11pm, \$2.75 Shiner Bock: SRO Karaoke at 6pm; Male Swim wear strip contest at 11pm.
- Mary's: 50¢ draft beer; \$1.75 Well drinks & longnecks 10am to 2pm; Breakfast Tacos.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$2 domestic longnecks: \$2.25 well drinks; Beer Bust \$2 (optional) with 25¢ refills; male dancers 9pm to 2am.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 well 8-11pm; \$4 Pitcher domestic beer all day & nite.
- OutPost: Happy Hour Noon to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Male Overload! Doors open at 7pm; No shirt, no cover! \$1.25 well, \$1.75 beer. \$3 call, \$3.50 premium, \$1.25 schnapps. No Cover for Club Members in Club Colors.
- Rich's: 18 & up welcome; \$1 well, \$2 beer, \$3 call, Deja Vu "Phat Grooves & Cheap Drinks", doors open at 9pm, 90's Retro House Disco with D.J. Chris Sill.
- Ripcord: \$1.50 well & domestic beer all day/all night.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 12pm to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: Brunch at noon.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well noon to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm; Snacks on the "Far Side" & The Houston Area Bears bartend 5pm; 8pm Show by The Texas Cowgurlz.

Monday, June 23

- BerryHill II: Free pool.
- Brazos River Bottom: \$1.75 well & domestic beer all day, all nite. Drink Specials & Free Pool Table 7am to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Auntie Richard's Antics at 8pm; Open pool tables at 8pm; Clint tickles the ivories at 9:30pm; Black Jack w/ Mud Bug.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.

- Table Open to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Mama Marcie holds down the piano at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Club Houston: Half-price lockers, rooms, & video rooms noon until midnight.
- E/J's: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 well 4 to 7pm; \$1.50 Vodka 7am to 6pm; Mug Club 7am to 10pm; Amateur/Talent Night at 11pm.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm; Boy Toys dance at 9pm; \$3.50 Finlandia; Free Pool Table.
- J.R.'s: 2 for Tuesdays! \$2 domestic longnecks, well drinks, frozen Ritas & wine; Jockey short contest at 11pm; grab for cash at midnight.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 Well vodka drinks 7am to 2pm; \$2 Cuervo.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$1.75 domestic longnecks; \$2.50 well drinks; \$3 any other drink in the house! Happy hour until 10pm; male dancers 9pm to 2am.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 well 8-11pm.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Executive Night. No cover with your personalized business card. \$1.25 well, \$1.75 beer, \$3 call, \$3.50 premium, \$1.25 schnapps. Doors open at 9pm. No cover for Club Members in Club Colors.
- Ripcord: Happy Hour 1 to 8pm.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon to 7pm.

Wednesday, June 25

- BerryHill II: Happy Hour 6 until 10pm; Free Pool Tables. FACES plays at 9pm.
- Brazos River Bottom: Drink specials 7am until 9pm; \$1.75 domestic longnecks all day & nite. Free Pool Table 7am to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Charlotta's martini night specials; Beverly Siscoe makes em sing standards at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour All Day & Nite; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo; Sheila Lennon's Karaoke night at 9pm.

- Brazos River Bottom: \$1.75 domestic longnecks 7am-11pm; \$1.75 well 7am-11pm. Free dance lessons with Scott at 8:30pm. Free Pool Table Open to 7pm.
- BriarPatch: Edith Head...Liza...Liz...you name it at 9:30pm.
- Bricks II: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.75 well; \$1.75 Domestic Longnecks; \$1.50 shots & \$1 mug draft all day. Doors open at 7am!
- Chances: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 10am to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails; \$2 Jose Cuervo.
- Club Houston: Half-price lockers, rooms, & video rooms noon to midnight.
- Cousin's: Talent contest at 11pm.
- E/J's: Happy Hour 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 well 4pm to 7pm; \$1.50 vodka 7am to 6pm. Mug club 7am to 10pm; Tacos on the patio; Thursday Night Follies @ 11pm.
- Gentry: Happy Hour 2 to 8pm; Boy Toys dance at 9pm; \$3 Skyy martinis open to close.
- J.R.'s: Texas Pride Happy Hour 4 to 7pm \$2.25 well, \$1.75 domestic longnecks, \$3.50 Absolut Martinis & \$4.50 doubles; \$3.75 top shelf liquor, \$2.25 Imported, Saint Arnold & Micro brewed beer: Star Search Gold Karaoke at 9pm.
- Mary's: \$1.75 well drinks & longnecks 7am to 9pm; \$1.50 well vodka drinks 7am to 2pm; 75¢ Schnapps. Open Dart Tournament Registration at 6pm, play at 7pm.
- Montrose Mining Company: \$2.25 domestic longnecks, well, & wine; Male dancers at 9pm; Happy hour until 10pm.
- Ms. B's: Nancy Ford 8:30 to 10pm, open mike & karaoke 10:30pm to 1am.
- 19th Hole: \$1.50 draft 8-11pm and 10¢ wings.
- OutPost: Happy Hour 11am to 8pm.
- Pacific Street: Sexx Thursdays; \$1.25 well, \$1.75 beer, \$3 call, \$3.50 premium, \$1.25 Schnapps. No cover with current gym card. No cover for Club Members in Club Colors.
- Ripcord: Happy Hour 1 to 8pm; StarTrek on the big screen at 8 & 9pm; Classic Rock night.
- Rosie & Candy's: 2020 Studewood; 863-1918; 10am to 2am.
- 611 Hyde Park Pub: \$1 Burger Night 6-9pm.
- The New Barn: Power Hours with \$1.75 domestic beer & well 12 to 3pm; Happy Hour 3 to 8pm with \$2.25 domestic beer & \$2.75 well cocktails.
- Venture-N: \$2 well, beer, & wine noon until 7pm.

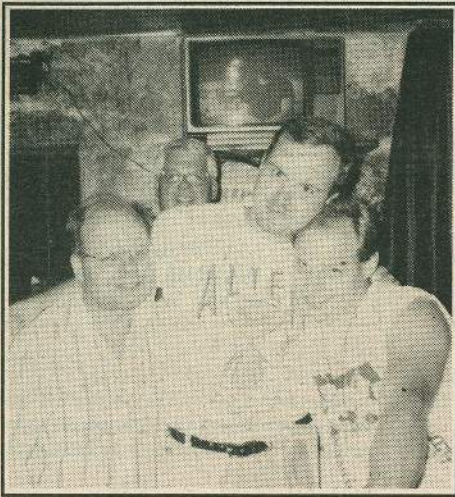


Important Stuff

Pride week is almost here! For all info, pick up a Pride Guide.

The Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court of the Single Star is hosting "Summer Sweat Fest," this weekend benefiting the PR Ball and Soiree Aubergine. This is the FIRST time the court has held a "run." Registration starts at Chances, Friday, June 20 @8:00 pm. For more info, call 713/871-1619.

Max of the Brazos River Bottom is the



Partying at Sparks in San Antonio.

new "Daddy of Montrose!" Congrats!

Papa Del and the staff of Gentry celebrated their seventh anniversary this past Saturday! I hear it was quite a blowout! Congrats to Papa Del for providing our community with a great bar!

Something new starts at JR's Video Bar this and every Friday. "Video Post Office" opens at 10:00 pm. You and your friends can send video messages to anyone. Romantic, rude, campy, or funny. "Say what you mean and they will send it, with NO postage due!" Plus they have \$2.75 premium frozen drinks all day and all night!

Pacific Street's ad last week told of a fundraiser for the Colt 45's Trouble Fund and the Avondale Beautification Effort! Well, so far, you beer drinkers are ordering up cans instead of bottles. This is a great way to help



Party pals!

"Pride Weekend." This year the "powers that be" couldn't quite agree so SA had two "Pride Picnics." We went to the Saturday event held a park. I have seen more people on a Saturday night at Heaven than I saw at this picnic. Speaking with bar owner Mike Patton (Sparks) and Dan Caster (local activist) they both felt attendance was low because of the two events. SA is used to just one event for a "Pride" event. We arrived as they were performing a "wedding" type ceremony for many pairs of gay men and les-



Val helps celebrate Gentry's Anniversary.

without shirts?" This was overheard at the front door of Pacific Street on a "No shirt, no cover, no kidding" night! A man said this.

Why do they have Braille on the drive-up ATM machines?

Rodent Droppings

The kids were sure frisky when we got home from San Antonio. All weekend cooped up in their cages makes them very playful. Before we left, Harvey got his own



The new Daddy of Montrose - Max of the BRB

Nike shoe to play with. He loves it and tackles it daily! Rascal has taken to sleeping with a large empty plastic jug. I can sneak into her cage, and pick up the jug with her in it! Ferret under plastic?

Disclaimer! Lies, gossip, and a little trash! There is no truth (maybe a little) in the following stuff I scraped up from the bottom of Rascal and Harvey's cages!

Big Gary (Ripcord): Did you get that extra inch you promised Cora Jean?

Tom (BricksII): Girl, your mother's milk is gone! Try smelling scents!

Craig: I have a message! "Next time you



At Mela's Tejano Country

Mr. Everything: A box of Breeze, a dish towel and a blonde wig! Memories and blackmail!

Keisha (PS): And I quote "If I ever want a shot, I'll lick it off your titty!"

MudBug (BriarPatch): If you don't watch it, sisters Bunny O'Hare and BlackJack Dane are gonna get back at you!

Bill Havard (Retired as he should be): No, Cheetos has not gone into the tobacco business. Light up another one! Would that be puffed or crunchy?

Ken Claude (Mr. Gulf Coast Drummer): Now I know you are definitely a friend of Dorothy. You were seen skipping down the street singing "We're OFF to see the wizard, the wonderful wizard of OZ."

Damion (Club Houston): Have you smoked a nasty cigarette yet? I hope not!

Michael W. (Heaven): You have been a naughty, naughty boy! I have the photos to prove it!



all day and all night!

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Mark your calendars! June 22, @ Gentry,



Handsome Men!

the Imperial Court hosts the 1997 Pride Parade Grand Marshal's Reception. This is an event not to be missed. There will be a complimentary buffet from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm, followed by a 9:00 pm show, "Don't Rain on my Parade." This show benefits the Pride Committee of Houston. See you there!

The 3rd annual official Gay Pride Party, "Unchained" is at Rich's on June 27, @ 9:00 pm. Then you can "Dance 'till Dawn" after the Parade. For more info, call 713/759-9606.

San Antonio's Pride Picnic

As you read last week, LW and I went to San Antonio last weekend to celebrate his birthday day! We partied at our favorite bar Sparks (where LW used to work.) A quick trip to the Bohnom Exchange Friday night was disappointing. That is such a unique bar, but at 1:00 am, there were scarcely 100 people there. Saturday and Sunday was SA's



Val helps celebrate Gentry's Anniversary.

bians. It was a lovely sight. (One lesbian couple was staying in the Honeymoon Suite of the same B&B we were staying in.) Right next to our picnic, there were "regular" families having a Saturday afternoon outing, swimming, Piñatas, BBQ and such. I did not see much cross over traffic, but maybe in the future this can happen. If you need a place to stay in SA, I highly recommend the Painted Lady B&B @620 Broadway. We had the Liberace room. I think Liberace picked out the lighting fixtures himself. They place clean, quite, and offered every amenity we needed. Thanks to Jon and Marquita for their hospitality.

Milestones



The new Mr. Montrose, Johnny.

A very happy birthday to Dr. Crad Duren, the Houston Voices' publisher. Trucker, was that your rig I saw at the Flying J Truck Stop just outside San Antonio?

Happy birthdays to the Good Fairy, Norman the artist, and Brian of TNT T-shirts!

Stupid Things

"Why would a bar want to be full of men



At Cousin's

see your owner in 90 degree heat walking down the street, he is NOT out for a stroll!"

Mother (hangs at BricksII): Just what are the ingredients for a Caesar's Salad? Vodka, Buttery Nipples, and absolutely no peckermint or spermmint with a splash of tonic!

Steven (BRB): Welcome to the BRB family! Now you can really swish!

Lee Davis (Houston Voice): I have a message for you. "Go ahead and have it says the Queen. After all, take pity on this "ole" fart."

Vera (BRB): It is a sequel. When you are moist and sticky, try Ban Roll-On.



Come see me at Lobo!



At The Lazy J.

Jerry (Mary's): Have you gotten used to your new eyes yet?

Racy (Chances): Are we still in love?

Thumper Knight-Leigh: Are you still "doin' the docta?"

Lane (Venture-N): You sure do look cute without a shirt!

Tom (hangs at PS): Was the trip and thunder in Florida worth the trip? What is this about John and a shower? Tell me more!

Jan (hangs at the BRB): SO who was the babe from last Thursday? Let me know what color to wear to the wedding!

Rusty (hangs anywhere he can): Be careful where you spit out your chewing gum when you are having sex. Don P. stepped in it!

Bambam (PS): Honey, your luck will get better!

Richard (E/J's): You must be behaving these days, I haven't heard much dirt on you lately!

Don Dowden: Was that your handwriting I spied on a bar napkin left in my in-basket! I bet you thought I would not recognize it!

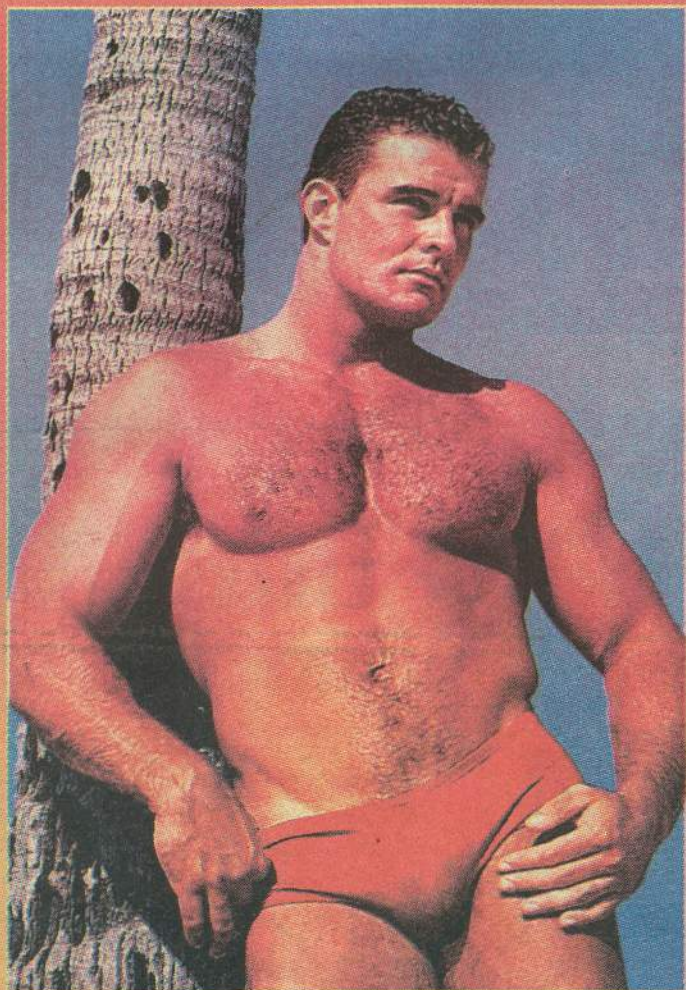
Cody (BRB): Have you been fantasizing about Superman again? And why did you and David (BRB) have a "Slippery when Wet" signs on our backsides? Advertising or bragging?

Hazel (Rich's): Did you really get some this month? I heard he was a "god."

Rodent Rooter: It has been soooo long since you faxed me! I miss you! I hope I did not make you angry! I'll call you, but I don't know who you are!

Have a great week, and get ready for "Glowing with Pride!"

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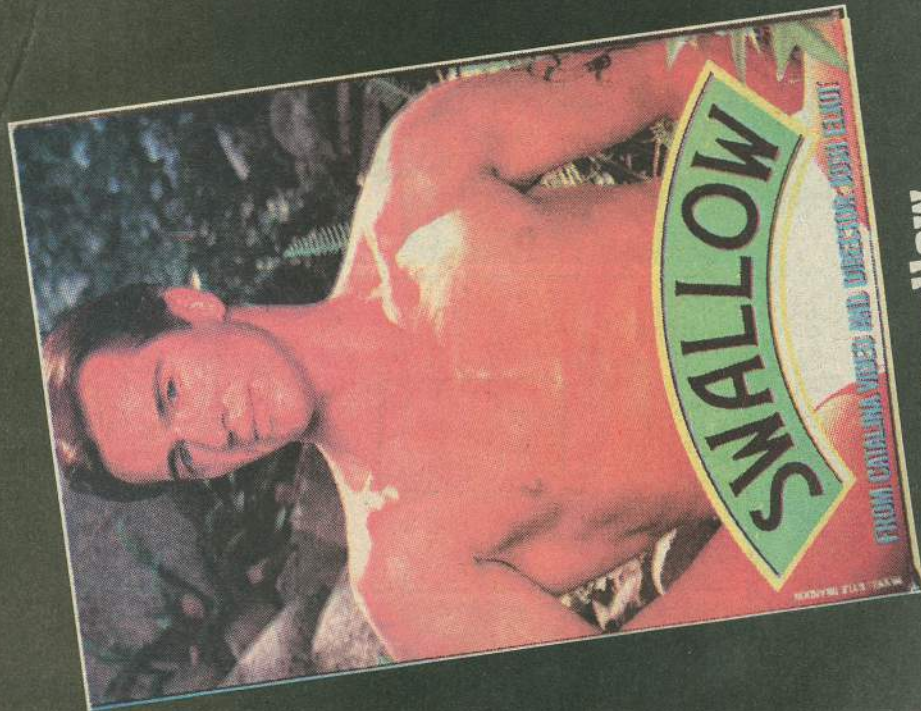
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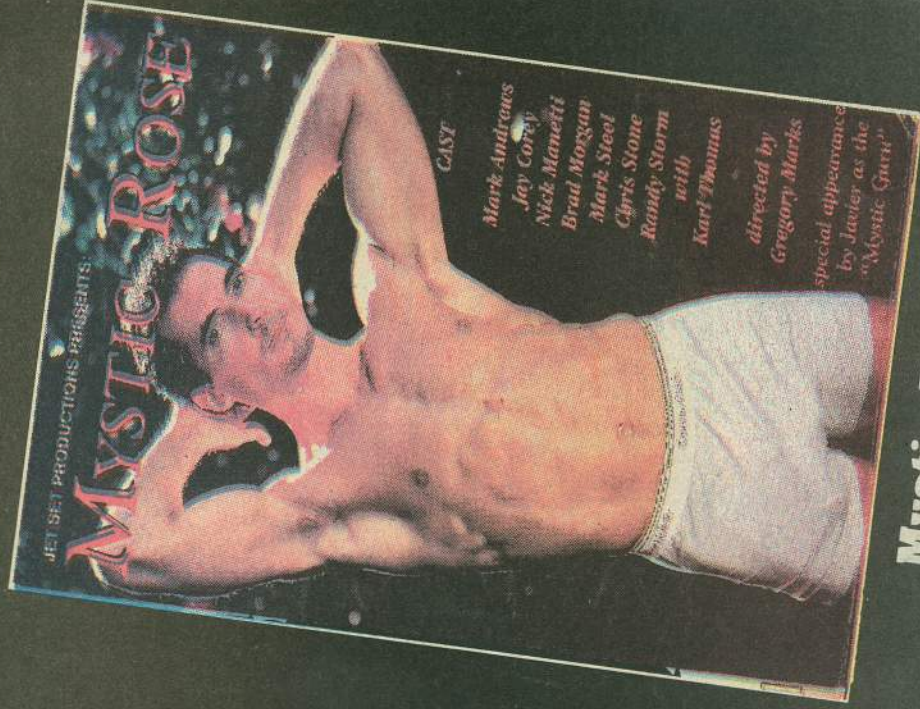
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