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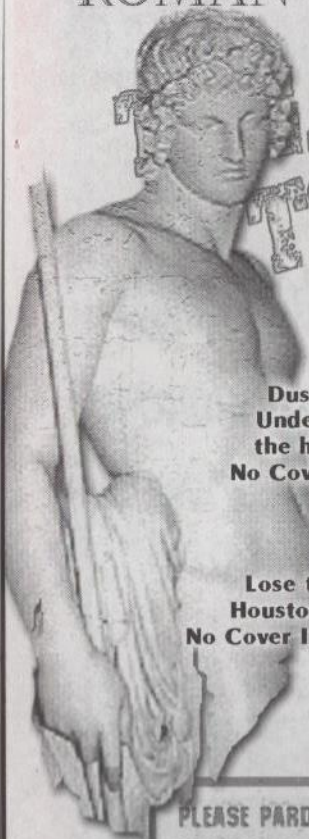
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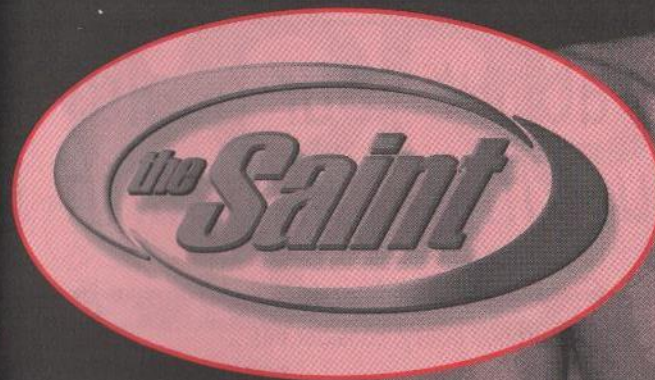
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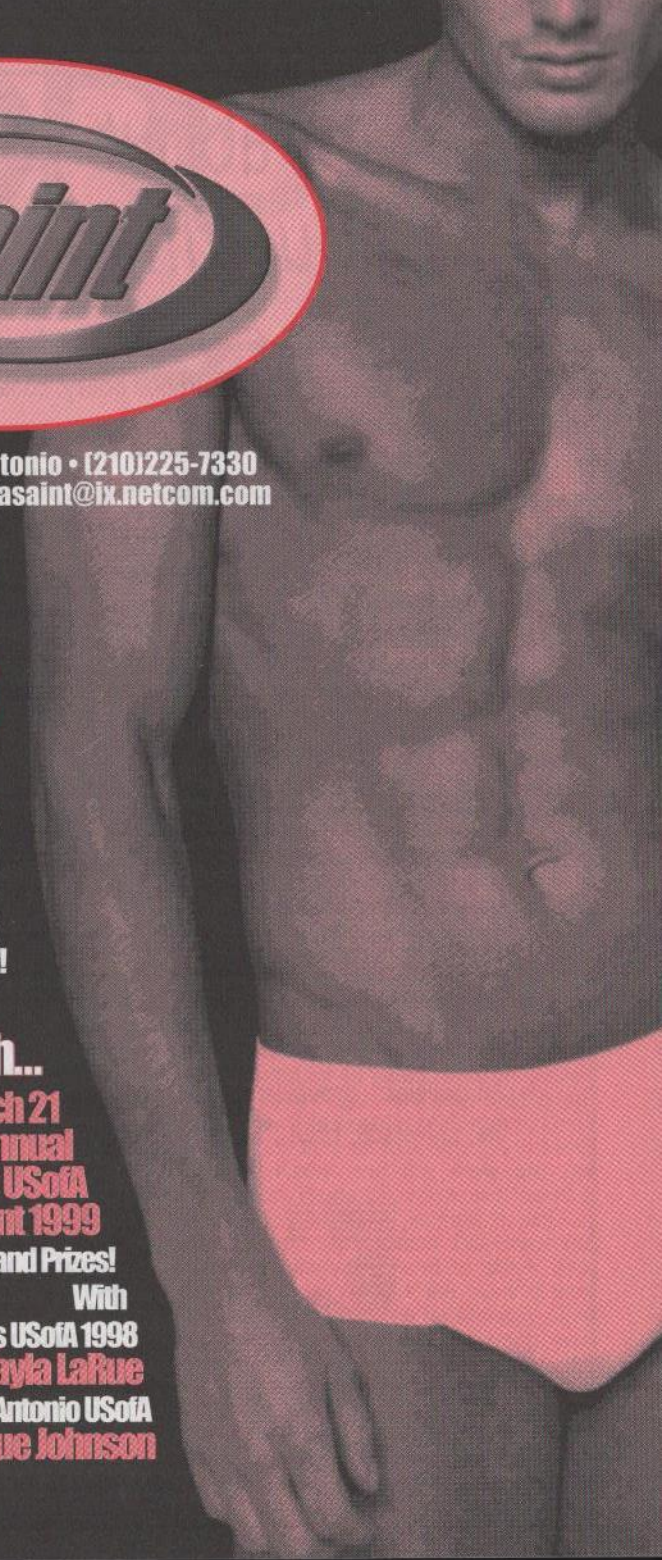
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WHAT'S THE WORD?

Two months into 1999 and we're rockin' steadily towards the new millennium. Clinton managed to hold on to his presidency, the NBA started its season without the great Michael Jordan, no football and Valentine's Day is now behind us. How many of us fell short of our New Year's resolutions this time around? Fitness is usually a reoccurring subject and seems to be the one thing we all want to do at the beginning of the year...then it's before spring...then summer. Well, there's no better time than the present to start getting into shape and feeling great! The Centrum Sports Club in Dallas is currently offering a program that can certainly motivate all of us to become fit. The club provides structured programs tailored to the needs of their female clientele. Quick Fit is one of the club's newest programs exclusively designed for women. The program has two primary goals: helping you develop the body you've always wanted and bolstering your cardiovascular system. Quick Fit is designed to achieve maximum results in a minimum amount of time. Total workouts last thirty minutes every Tuesday and Thursday, are set to cutting edge music and incorporate the perfect combination of both aerobic and anaerobic exercises. The \$39 a month fee (\$59 for non-members) is modest enough to keep the rising numbers of heart disease cases amongst us at bay. Yes, I realize that sometimes it's hard to workout at home with no one there to motivate you and the stairstepper or healthrider become places to hang your clothes. If you want to get in gear, call Susan Vice at (214)522-4100 or if you happen to be in the Oaklawn area, check out what's going on at the Centrum.

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A wide variety of entertainment is going on at our favorite hangouts. Sue Ellen's in Dallas is as busy as ever. Of course, after being around for 10 years, what would you expect? Last month, the club said goodbye to one of its popular performers, Linda McClain. Linda is off to a new job in North Carolina. Kathy and the crew are still kickin' it on Thursday nights with exciting shows. Jugs wants all women to stop by and see their new location. DD Heart and TK are regularly on hand to share their vocal talents with you. If the weather permits, it will soon be time for Monday night Steakouts. This is when you bring your own meat and let the gang at Jugs do the rest. Tonight at Buddies II, they're having their thirteenth annual Ms. Fem and Ms. Butch contests. Mary Beth and Julie Ingram are the reigning titleholders who

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were recently blessed with the birth of their new baby. If you can't make it to the pageant, drop in on Fridays and Sundays when Buddies brings you great local entertainment. Down in Houston, Marlene Beago is a very busy club owner. She runs two clubs, Chances and The New Barn, and a restaurant, Charlie's, sandwiched between the two clubs as a community meeting place for food and fun. Chances is open seven days a week with karaoke on Wednesdays with Sheila Lennon and some rhythm and blues excitement on Fridays with Susan Masar. On Fridays and Saturdays at the Barn, Bridgette Tucker spins your favorite tunes. They have a little something for everyone at Chances, Charlie's and The New Barn.

February is the month for Valentine's Day and reminding that someone special that they are near and dear to us. But why just February? In relationships, we forget to provide our loved ones with a Valentine's greeting every day we are with them. Sometimes, it's the little things that make a big impact on relationships. I met a very special couple in Houston who are the true meaning of life, love and the pursuit of happiness and they are both in their sixties, which means being in love does not have to be a young thing. Charlotte Avery and Arden Eversmeyer are two Houstonians that I had the pleasure of meeting recently and learning about their relationship. Both Charlotte and Arden had been in relationships prior to finding each other. Charlotte was in an eight year relationship when her partner decided to leave her on Valentine's Day 1980. Charlotte remained single for seven years, believing that she would never be with anyone else again. Arden, however, had been involved in a thirty-three year relationship, which ended with the loss of her partner. And like Charlotte, she said to herself, "Never again." Why would anyone want to go through the loss or the pain? To compound matters, Arden, at this time, was not out. She was a teacher in a public school district and didn't even realize that there was something called a women's community. Arden was in her fifties and making a new circle of friends was not easy, especially with gay women in her age group. So, in an effort to make new friends, Arden decided to take a trip to California, which gave her some direction and some ideas about starting a group in Houston for women

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over fifty. When she returned to Houston, she and a close friend got a group of women who were active in the community together and brainstormed for about five months. The third Sunday of October 1987 was the first meeting of LOAF, Lesbians Over the Age of Fifty. There were six individuals at this meeting, Charlotte happened to be one of them and this is where it all began for them. LOAF is eleven years old and has connected with over 400 women. The oldest member is eighty-two years young!

Several years ago, a cable access program focused on the gay elderly. They had found some men, but couldn't find any older lesbians in Dallas. So they contacted LOAF and Charlotte and Arden went to Dallas to be interviewed for the telecast. Charlotte and Avery revealed that there are many, many older lesbians. Some of which are pretty invisible because of the times they were raised in. Even today, with homosexuality's high profile, we have not been able to bridge the generational gap. Charlotte worked at a company for thirty-three years that was predominately male, where it was not safe to be out. Being a part of LOAF helps you to break all those barriers and be able to network with people you have a common interest with and also serves as a support system. They meet on the third Sunday of every month and they have two activities a month. Through LOAF, Charlotte and Arden have found many new friends and of course, each other. Together they house a library for LOAF with over eight hundred fictional and non-fictional lesbian titles. "It is so amazing how many women have never taken the time to read any type of book or have any knowledge of music, literature, arts or any type of lesbian entertainment," says Arden. Together, they hope to provide this type of knowledge and information to the women at LOAF. Charlotte and Avery are a very active couple. Not only do they have LOAF, but they are also a part of PFLAG and a national political organization for people over sixty. After they enlightened me on LOAF and told me how active they were as an older couple, I wanted to know what brought them to each other. Charlotte says that Arden's spirituality is what attracted her. "We also enjoy the same things and have experienced some of the same things in our lives." A basic quality they both believe in is that "you must like one another or you don't have much to

build on. After the physical attraction wears off, there must be something else there to work towards and grow on." The highlight of their lives, they confided, was November 3, 1987, which also happens to be their anniversary. How nice it is to know that the highlight of your life is that special someone. Following a LOAF camping trip, Charlotte called Arden and volunteered to help clean out her van. Afterwards, they went down to Clear Lake, had dinner and watched the sunset. They have been together ever since. With a tear in her eye, Charlotte says that it was something that felt so right. Arden filled a void that had been there all her life. She had grown as a person and was able to appreciate this type of relationship, one that was healthy and that felt so good. As Charlotte looks at Arden and touches her hand, she says, "she's my sugar."

Arden said when they first met they were both retired and owned homes that were paid for. A fact that helped to provide stability. "It is hard to find stability in relationships these days; our youth needs to plan ahead because you never know what the future might bring." For Charlotte and Arden, who didn't have 401K's and IRA's

to fall back on, they had a good head on their shoulders and the good sense to save for the future. They did not know what the future would bring to each of them. However, it brought them to each other. If they can share one lesson with other women it would be to plan for your future. Whether you're single or with someone, as a community, we need to become more financially stable and independent.

As the saying goes, "you're never to old." This couple is truly amazing. They have attended marches on our state capitol and have been to see the AIDS Memorial Quilt. They watch and support the WNBA games and have even been able to get some autographs. They have a warm, beautiful home and above all, they give you a special feeling of lesbian pride that is aware of the different types of women in our society. I hope that when I get older, my perceptions and activities in our community can be as knowledgeable as theirs. I would like to thank Arden and Charlotte for their time and their warmth. They both had a birthday this month; Charlotte turned sixty-nine and Arden sixty-eight. I wish them many more years to come!



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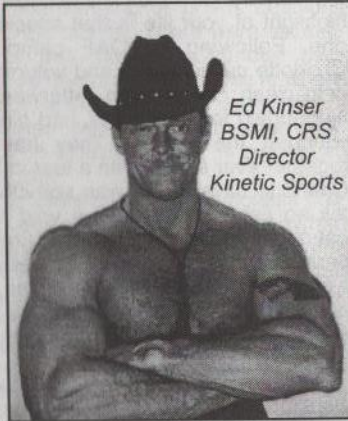
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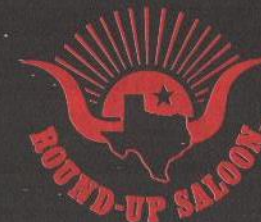
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These men did not necessarily consider themselves "homosexual," even if they knew the term. Rather, they were doing what was necessary in the absence of women, or at least that's what they wanted to believe. While the jocker-punk duo was usually exclusive, many of these men did form loose communities of friends and acquaintances, both for safety and companionship. It is such a group that we come upon in *The Jocker*. The scene is a railyard camp, or "jungle," near a mining town in the American southwest in the mid-1930's. "Biloxi Billy" (Andrew Dawson) has set up with his punk "Nat" (Ryan Thomas Heitzman), a teenage runaway. Their relationship is an abusive one; Billy uses Nat relentlessly, and Nat takes it because he needs the protection. Also encamped are "Bama Boy" (R.J. Soule), a hobo of the old school, and "Shakespeare" (Christopher Patton), a college man down on his luck. On the scene as well is "Dodger" (Paul Nicely), who is traveling alone, but has known Bama Boy along the road. Also traveling alone is "Lucky" (Joe Okonkwo), a black man who sells himself to his fellow travelers.

The play revolves around the complex relationships between the couples and



REVIEWED BY GARY LAIRD

between the individuals as they struggle to survive, and at the same time, have some semblance of a life. Biloxi Billy is a vile piece of trash and Dawson gives him his due. His treatment of Nat is reprehensible. You just know he'll get his in the end (pardon the expression) and you nearly cheer when he finally does. I'm not telling anything out of school. The outcome of the plot holds no real surprises, and some would consider that the play's weakness, but I'm not sure I would agree. Yes, I pretty much knew what was going to happen, but the action engaged me to the end. Not everything in life is unexpected; some things are inevitable.

Bama Boy and Shakespeare are a love match, and we see them struggle a little with that, but in the final analysis, they come to terms with it. You might expect Shakespeare to be more analytical, but it's really Bama Boy who's the philosopher. Dodger and Lucky are the most problematical. Dodger has a wife back home, and Lucky, as a black male hooker, pretty much has the stigma market cornered. Watching them become more and more involved is a nice experience. In fact, though you might not expect it, given the brutal circumstances, but *The Jocker* is a life-affirming work, and it's good to see these men, with one exception, bonding and supporting each other, creating a little piece of civilization where none should exist. The ensemble is more than up to the task. Besides Dawson's thoroughly despicable Billy, there's Ryan Thomas Heitzman's sensitive portrayal of Nat, and Christopher Patton's nicely balanced Shakespeare. R.J. Soule is gritty and determined as Bama Boy and Joe Okonkwo's matter-of-fact Lucky is a pleasure to watch. Paul Nicely brings a gentle touch and a sexy attitude to Dodger. Richard Laub's direction is tight and to the point, essential qualities in a space like The Little Room. *The Jocker* opens up a whole new world in our history, and one that's definitely worth a look.

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At long last, the new **Blondie** album, *No Exit*, hit the shelves this past Tuesday. In a recent issue of *Billboard Magazine*, reviewers touted this one as the band's best album to date. I can certainly support that claim by adding that it's also their most stylistically eclectic piece, as we told you a few weeks ago. Last week, we informed you that there was a rumor going around about a domestic release of the dance mixes for the group's first single from the album "Maria" by **Talvin Singh** and **Soul Solution**. In fact, there is a domestic release slated for March 13 from BMG's dance powerhouse, **Logic Records**. The single, which will be formatted on both vinyl and CD, has already climbed to #1 on the UK charts in the wake of a huge media blitz and a full-blown tour.

You might ask whether **Blondie** can hold it's own in a live setting after all these



years with lead singer **Deborah Harry** now 53. Well, I was privy to a live show last week, seeing them for the first time since High School, and it was simply a stellar experience. It was as if the group had never been gone for the past 16 years. March 13... "Maria"... mark it down!

While we're on the subject of live shows, if you're a VCR kind of girl and you just can't seem to ever get enough of Patti Labelle, then you might want to grab a copy of the *Patti Live! One Night Only* video. This video was shot last summer

during her Broadway run at the St. James Theater and it is the counterpart to her latest CD, which came out last summer. The video captures Patti at her absolute finest, which is when she's in front of her adoring fans. Sister takes you there, turns you out, makes you cry, makes you laugh, brings you back and drops you off as a new person. This is the next best thing to experiencing her live and the good thing is that you can do it over and over again. I've watched my copy so many times that I just might have to get down to the wig shop, if you know what I mean. This is definitely required homo viewing.

You know life on the dance floor just wouldn't be complete without a cheesy little **Madonna** cover floating around. The latest one comes from the good folks over at **ZYX** in the form of "The Power Of Goodbye" by a group called **Danceteria**. Actually, the production is pretty good on

Fresh Beats

by
Jimmy Smith

this track. If you tend to favor the stuff on **Klone** and **Almighty**, then grab the crackers, because this one's for you!

A while back, there was a cute little buzz on a record by **Love Inc.** called "Broken Bones," but even more clever was what those who dare to flip the record over to hear the other side found. This bonus track was entitled "You're A Superstar." Both tracks offer that ever-so-lovely progressive circuit/NRG sound that gets all the folks-bouncing about the the room. There was a bit of a problem finding this Canadian import once the buzz was on, but we're glad to report that there are now German/BMG imports floating around on the walls of your favorite indie retailers at this moment. The remix sounds a bit like "Beachball" by **Nalin & Kane**, if you happen to be familiar with that record.

And now, quite simply the hottest record of the moment has to be "Given Up" by a group who calls themselves **Mirror Ball**. The good thing is that it comes on CD as well. This record gives a high-octane dose of progressive house with a sampled loop from the **Three Degrees** hit, "Givin' Up, Givin' In" (ouch...that was a long time ago). This import comes to us from **Multiply Records** in the UK and will surely have you in a state! It's a real grabber! And that's Dance Music THIS WEEK IN TEXAS.

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Jackie O / Euphoric UK
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4. Don't Stop the Train '99
Phyllis Nelson / Almighty UK
5. No Regrets
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Armand Van Helden / ffr UK
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Dear Editor,

Upon reading an article in a well known Houston gay publication titled *Scene And Heard*, I was distressed to find that a reporter who was in the position of writing a balanced story, failed to do so. She had obviously given the article little, if no, thought at all and if she did, the final product reflected poorly on her abilities as a columnist and tainted the credibility of that publication. It would appear that the writer was not informed enough about the subject, the Lazy J Nightclub. She was quick to wish the new owner of the Lazy J well, as she should have, but made no mention of the club's thirty years of service and the contributions that Mr. Buddy Jackson has made to the Houston community through his ownership of the club. Jackson did extensive remodeling on the bar only three years ago. Her comments on the older cash register were inappropriate in that a collector would be happy to purchase it for more than what she had apparently paid for a much needed course in decent journalism.

No one can deny that continued remodeling was warranted, but the tone of her article was one of snobbery and was mean spirited with no regard for the history of the establishment, the owner of some thirty years, it's faithful customers or its past community efforts. Progress is a good thing in most instances, but God help us if we lose sight of our past and snub those that have provided a place for us to go, meet and socialize with fellow homosexuals and establish a framework for the community we have today. Again, she just didn't have a clue!

**Joe Dyson, Paul McGee & Albert Geoffrey
Houston**

Dear Editor,

I am writing on behalf of Luther and I, we would like to thank all of those people who have supported us through the last year. It was a very difficult one for us with Tom Zito being as ill as he was. There were so many of you that took the time to visit with Tom, or who made our lives just a little bit more bearable. It is almost impossible to thank all of you individually. Tom loved his community and everything that he or I gave to it came back to

us in our time of need. I know that Tom will be greatly missed, but I'm also certain that he would want me to express his gratitude for all that you, the Houston community and his friends, have done for us. Once again, thank you for being there.

In the community spirit,

**Doug Decker & Luther Martin
Houston**

Dear Editor,

With the announced return to local beneficiaries of only 15% from the 1998 Texas AIDS Ride I am hopeful that the supporters, riders and organizations that received funds will be mindful that any undertaking of this size involves a period of fine tuning, as well as a learning curve. Lest we in Dallas forget, the first Black Tie Dinner returned less than \$5000 to the HRC, while the first Razzle Dazzle Dallas made approximately \$1100. Look at them now!

For our good friends in Houston, the above examples can be repeated time and again. I sympathize with groups in Austin and San Antonio who might not have experienced these lessons. However, for Houston and Dallas to quit now is unacceptable. The potential is there.... And the needs are too great for too many for us to turn our backs now!

**Dick Weaver
Dallas**

Dear Editor,

The Colt 45's have finished out 1998 with a bang! On behalf of our clients, we gratefully offer a special salute to The Diana Foundation for the *Diana Country Dinner*, to the Houston Area Bears for their Bear Auction, to the Imperial Court for *Sweatfest*, the PWA Holiday Charities for their annual Christmas event and EPAH for the Military Ball. Also, thanks to everyone who made the return of Fall Harvest such a rousing success!

The selfless help of so many entertainers and contributors who participated in various shows for the Colts are far too many to mention. Literally hundreds have stepped up to raise funds for the Colt 45's. To each of you, one heartfelt word of thanks: "Bravo!" Without

our community, we couldn't help the many people you give us the chance to assist each year.

We are proud to announce our new officers for 1999. The officers elect are an awesome bunch and include two past presidents of the Colts, as well as a past Emperor and Empress of the Imperial Court. They are Dan Lindquist (President), Rusty "Crystal" Mueller (Vice-President, Internal), Norm Seguin (Vice President, Public Service), Jim Vokoun (Secretary) and Jerel McNeil (Treasurer).

Anyone wishing to obtain a copy of the Colt 45's financial statements for 1998 is invited to call us at (713)526-6077. We are very happy to share this with anyone who requests a copy, free of charge. After all, it was your money that made it all possible! We are proud to announce that with our community's help in 1998, the Colt 45's were able to distribute \$85,667.76 in direct charitable assistance to people living with HIV and with no administrative costs attached. On behalf of our clients, thanks again for your unwavering and steadfast support of the Colt 45's for the past twenty-three years!

**Dan Lindquist, Treasurer/President elect
Jim Vokoun, President/Secretary elect.
Houston**

Dear Editor,

When I was crowned Miss Globe 1999 in Houston, I was reminded of something that is very important to me. While I have worked hard to achieve the national recognition that I currently enjoy, my loyal fans and supporters across the great state of Texas are a big part of the reason I have been able to reach my goals.

Within the past couple of years, I have been able to fulfill my dream of becoming part of an elite group of professional entertainers who've held a national title. I couldn't have been as successful without you, my fans. I'd like to take this opportunity to publicly thank you. My career demands quite a lot of me. Likewise, I make a lot of demands from those who are close to me. I'm so very grateful I've been blessed with friends who have opened their homes to me, rearranged their personal schedules to accommodate mine and who have even put me ahead of everything else in their lives, just to help me realize my dreams.

Another group of people I want to thank are the fans who attend my shows. Whether I'm home here in Dallas or elsewhere throughout the state, I thrive on your enthusiasm! It always makes me feel good to have someone come up after a performance to tell me they've enjoyed the show. Although I may not personally know each and every one of

you by name, please know that I hold a special place for all of you in my heart.

When I hold a prestigious title, it is never anything less than an incredible experience for me to have the pleasure of representing all of you. My only desire is to please you through my talents as an entertainer. I've come to realize that it doesn't matter to you whether I hold a title or not, as long as I continue to do what I love to do, which is to entertain.

I'm so grateful to have earned your love and respect. You all have mine. I wish nothing but the best for all of you in the future. Last year while I was travelling across the state as Miss Gay Texas USofA, I ended my performance each night with the following statement, which still holds true today: "May the good Lord take a liking to each and every one of you. May he keep you safe in your journeys and endeavors wherever they may be. If God willing, I'll see you next time." Thank you, Texas. It continues to be a true pleasure.

**Miss Globe 1999 Whitney Paige
Dallas**

Dear Editor,

I want to thank the gay media for printing press releases and producing stories about TV *Montrose*. I appreciate your assistance in informing our community about our existence. It has been a long and difficult year, but despite the odds we lasted much longer than a few months.

According to research done by GLAAD in Washington, *TV Montrose* is "one of America's first commercially produced gay and lesbian oriented programs in prime time every week." The Houston gay and lesbian community has something most cities lack.

Going into our second year, I want to develop a close working relationship with each of you. I want to share story ideas and coordinate print and TV stories to be out there at the same time on the same issues. I want to rally all of you to work with me this year to try to bring our community together, not just report the news. All of us have an important role to play in gaining equality for our community that starts with bringing gays and lesbians together. We can also fight our own internal homophobia by educating our community about each of our sub-cultures in positive ways. How can we ever stop homophobia in mainstream society while it exists in our own? The press has always had the power to affect the course and opinion of society in how it presents its issues.

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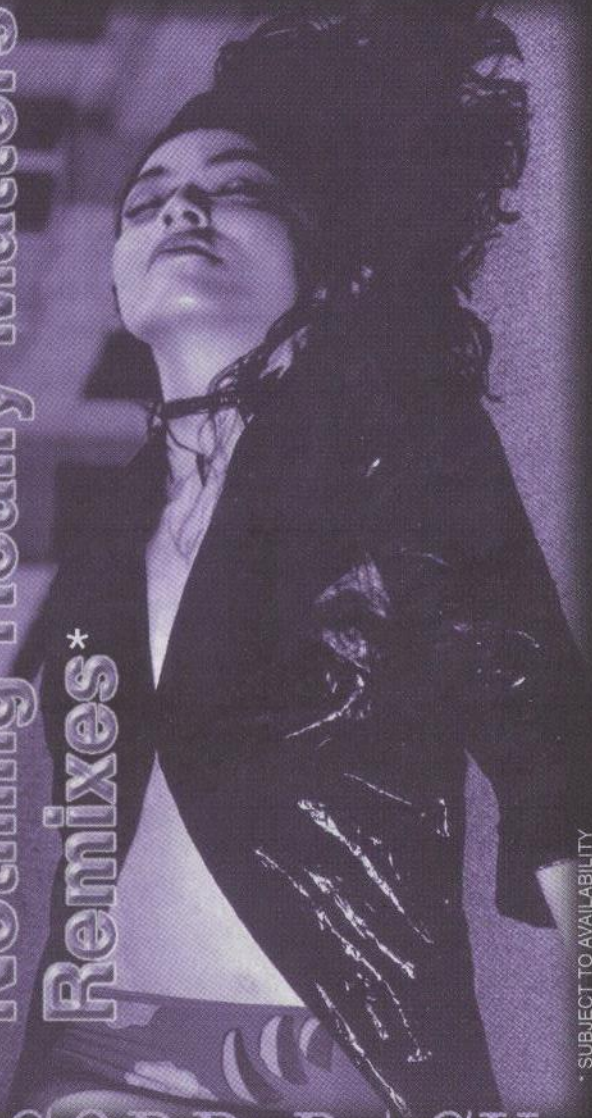
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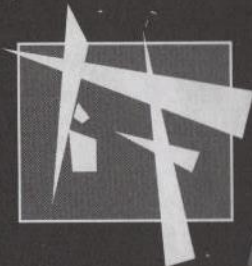
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CHEER DALLAS TO COMPETE AT NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP THIS WEEKEND

In the last six years, Cheer Dallas has grown to become one of the premiere cheerleading squads in the nation. The non-profit group founded by Ken Jorns in May of 1993 strives to promote spirit and unity within the "world community" while raising funds to fight AIDS and other incurable diseases. February 27 and 28 will feature the 1999 Cheer Dallas National All-Star Squad at the National Cheerleaders Association All-Star Competition. The event is open to the public and will be held at the Dallas Convention Center. Since last October, the diverse membership has rehearsed and for the past several weeks, the squad has been practicing seven days a week preparing to present their "new look."

What is this "new look"? Ken Jorns requests that the members of our community and all of Dallas come to the competition this Saturday and Sunday and check it out. Previously, Cheer Dallas has competed at the All-Star Competition placing 2nd and 3rd respectively. Thousands of cheerleaders from all over the U.S. compete. The turnout of Cheer Dallas' supporters and fans in the past has been tremendous and greatly appreciated. The twenty-five member national squad consists of ten women and fifteen men. Thanks to Chuck Clift, Cheer Dallas' nationals coach and squad member, Dallas will get to see a remarkable co-ed squad comprised of many multi-talented individuals.

"This has been a fantastic experience, in the fact that Cheer Dallas has merged all styles of cheerleading, ages and a combination of twenty-five distinct personalities into one squad. They all have one thing in common though—the love of the sport of cheerleading," says Clift. "The members obviously didn't get enough of cheerleading in high school or college and felt they needed one more shot to win the nationals," he added. Throughout the long hard practices, the squad members have become the best of friends. The team has managed to overlook a list of challenges that includes cheering the way they did fif-



teen years ago, body aches, bruises, sore muscles and lots of attitudes. Even though the rules have changed a great deal in competition, all the members have put their hearts into this unique sport and are determined to win the nationals.



Cheer Dallas will compete in the Open Division. This division is comprised of current cheerleaders and gymnasts in college, cheerleading instructors and former cheerleaders who have since graduated. The diversified members have pooled their talents, ideas and choreography to produce a routine that all will admire. The competition is expected to be fierce, but Cheer Dallas has garnered great talents for a "Super Bowl" squad of "old timers" ready to perform one more time.

In addition to the focus on the National All-Star Squad, Cheer Dallas is holding its annual Cheer Dallas Raffle. This year's beneficiaries are Cathedral of Hope AIDS Crisis Fund and IMMUNOcise. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5. Wonderful gifts for your personal use and home have been provided by Budweiser and Neiman Marcus. Purchases can be made through Cathedral of Hope's book store, Sources of Hope, after Sunday worship services at the church, IMMUNOcise, Crossroads and through Cheer Dallas members. The drawing will be held on March 31 and winners will be notified. For more information or tickets, contact Ken Jorns at (972)445-5151.

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Something About "Mary"

As you might imagine, I was a precocious child in many ways. I read "The Other Side Of The Mountain" in third grade and gave a poignant and dramatic oral book report on the novel that made the teacher and three students weep. I have always loved words and learned early in life about the power that they can wield when coupled with a masterful delivery.

In fourth grade, a Social Studies Teacher had me hauled into the principal's office and demanded that I be punished for insulting her. "What did you say to upset Miss Wilson?" the principal sternly inquired.

"What a lovely blouse, Miss Wilson." I answered plainly.

Immediately she jumped up from her chair and started shrieking wildly, "No, no, no, no, NO!... I want you to say it the same WAY you said it to me!!!"

I pretended to be confused and flatly replied, "I have absolutely no idea what you're talking about Miss Wilson."

"Yes you do!!!" she screamed.

Of course I did. I can assure you that while I may have said her blouse was lovely, the subtle sarcastic inflection behind it clearly said, "What a hideous, ragged, frock you borish, pathetic Mastodon."

During my tenure at Horace Mann Elementary School, I visited the principal's office nearly fifty times facing similar charges, all of which were dropped for insufficient evidence. I can tell you that if being catty had been a crime back then, I would have had a juvenile "rap sheet" a yard long.

I enjoyed somewhat of a reputation for being a sharp-tongued and witty youth whose adult sense of humor was considered 'charming' until one morning when I went a little too far....

My father is a reasonable man by most accounts. He is a hard-working Industrial

Engineer with a brilliant mind for mechanical things and numbers; a man's man with a hearty, robust laugh and a firm handshake. So, when I decided, just for kicks, to call him 'Mary' at the breakfast table, you can imagine that it wasn't received with nearly the comedic enthusiasm with which it was intended.

"Did you just call me 'Mary?'" was his initial response.

I nodded my head slowly while I watched him bend a stainless steel butter knife in half with his thumb. My mother very valiantly tried to save my life by changing the subject.

"Honey," as she always addressed my Dad, "did you see Jeffrey's report card?"

With that, she whipped out a small manilla card with all of my courses listed across the top and a string of A's and A+'s below. My father, without ever taking his eyes from mine, snatched the card from mom and a pen from his shirt pocket and added the course name 'respect' to the list of classes. Below that, he scratched a giant F, handed the card back to my mother and excused himself from the table. They say he who laughs last laughs hardest. Well Dad must have had a good cackle about that one for at least a week. I cried and cried about that F. It was the only failing grade I ever received and while it would never soil my permanent record or keep me from getting into a good college, it was an enduring stain on my good name that haunted my soul for years.

Dad will turn 61 this week. I doubt that he remembers the breakfast table episode, but I remember it as clearly as if it had happened this morning. I can only hope that in all the years since, I have managed to make the grade in the respect department where Dad is concerned. He's a good man with a big heart who has a big place in mine. Happy birthday...Mary.



MARCH ON AUSTIN

Thousands to "March For Our Families"

AUSTIN - The March on Austin is scheduled for March 21 and the Lesbian/Gay Lobby of Texas is urging Texans to assemble for the "March For Our Families" rally. Gay Texans are encouraged to bring signs and banners, grandparents, parents, siblings, extended family members and organizations. Participants intend to oppose the attempts of Rep. Warren Chisum (R-Pampa) and Rep. Robert Talton (R-Pasadena) to ban gays and lesbians from exercising their right to adopt or provide foster care.

Requiring an intrusive investigation into the sexuality of any prospective parent House Bill 382 and 415 together would prevent GLBT's from adopting children or providing foster care, even to their own relatives. HB 415 would further mandate that children already under care be removed from their adoptive families.

The American Psychiatric Association, the American Psychological Association, and the National Association of Social Workers agree that sexuality should not be a factor when evaluating prospective adoptive or foster parents. Economist Carol T.F. Bennett, Ph.D., estimates the cost of enforcing the anti-gay legislation to be approximately \$50 million over five years. "Clearly, Representatives Chisum and Talton do not have the interests of Texas children at heart," says LGRL Executive Director Dianne Hardy-Garcia. "These proposals are an example of the cruelest form of discrimination."

The March on Austin is part of an entire weekend of activities designed to bring lesbian and gay Texans together. The weekend begins with a youth rally on Saturday, March 20 at 1:00 p.m. Saturday evening, the Human Rights Campaign will host an elegant "Black Tie Reception" at the historic Green Pastures Restaurant, located at 811 W. Live Oak, that will honor State Representative Dawnna Dukes. The march will begin at Palmer Auditorium at 12:30 p.m. and proceed north on Congress Avenue to the south steps of the capitol building. Immediately following the march, attendees will gather at the south steps of the Capitol to hear political leaders, entertainers and elected officials



speak out against the ban. On Monday, March 22, LGRL will host a statewide "Lobby Day." Citizens will visit with lawmakers to discuss opposition to the adoption and foster care bans, as well as other legislative priorities, including passage of the James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Act, increased funding for treatment of HIV/AIDS, banning employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and the repeal of the unconstitutional law prohibiting sodomy.

PFLAG SPEAKER TO FOCUS ON STRAIGHT SPOUSES OF GAYS

Author of The Other Side of the Closet Is Featured Guest Speaker

HOUSTON - The March 7 meeting of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays [PFLAG] will feature Amity Pierce Buxton, Ph.D., author of *The Other Side of the Closet: The Coming Out Process For Straight Spouses and Families*. Estimates indicate that 2 million married people are gay, lesbian or bisexual and about 3.5 million children have gay, lesbian or bisexual parents. "It is often difficult when a loved one "comes out," and this situation is even more complicated if that person is involved in a heterosexual relationship," says national PFLAG Executive Director Kirsten Kingdon.

Buxton's book features seven years of research and interviews with hundreds of spouses, as well as insights derived from her own teaching and counseling work. She focuses on six key issues a straight spouse faces when a partner "comes out" including damaged sexuality, threatened marital relationships, conflicting spouse/parent roles, devalued self-concept, destroyed integrity and shattered belief systems.

Buxton lectures nationally, conducts support groups and counsels spouses and ex-spouses of bisexual, gay and lesbian mates. She chairs the Straight Spouse Network of PFLAG and serves on the board of the Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition International [GLPCI].

PFLAG Houston meets Sunday, March 7 at 2 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral, 1117 Texas, in downtown Houston. For more information, call their helpline at (713)867-9020.

GAY AND LESBIAN SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

Dinner Sets Goal Of \$50,000

HOUSTON - Two organizations will co-sponsor The Spring Fling, a dinner to raise funds for college scholarships for gay and lesbian youth. The event, hosted by PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) and H.A.T.C.H. (Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals), will take place on Friday, March 26 at the Warwick Hotel, 5701 Main Street. The evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a social hour featuring a silent auction and cash bar. The seated dinner to follow will include a presentation from students who are currently benefiting from the PFLAG/H.A.T.C.H. scholarship program. Organizers expect to raise \$50,000 for the 1999 scholarship awards.

PFLAG began a scholarship program in 1994 and has increased the number of recipients every year. In 1998, H.A.T.C.H. joined with PFLAG in this effort, resulting in grants to eight students totaling \$34,000.

"PFLAG and H.A.T.C.H. recognize that specific opportunities for gay and lesbian youth are limited and the need for positive role models is acute," said PFLAG member Pat Rickey. "Both organizations are proud to celebrate the achievements of young people and to support their continuing education."

Tickets for the event are \$75, with higher donations encouraged. Chase Bank of Texas is a corporate sponsor and additional corporate sponsorships are being solicited. To purchase tickets, inquire about corporate sponsorship or for further information, call Gary Van Oteghem at (713)524-4343 or Pat Rickey at (281)440-0353.



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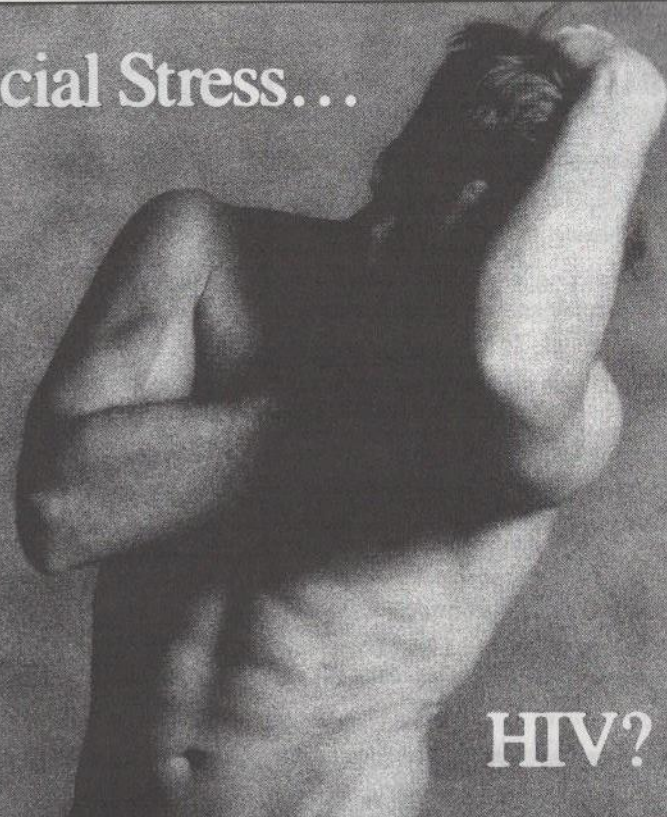
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March On Austin, March For Our Families urges everyone to take a stand for our families on March 20, 21 and 22. Call your State Senators and State Representatives today and tell them you are against House Bills 382 and 415. Saturday, March 20 is the Youth Rally at 1:00 p.m. on the south steps of the capitol. A \$150-per-person Black Tie Reception follows at the historic Green Pastures, located at 811 W. Live Oak. Reserve your tickets by calling (800)494-8497. For more information, call (512)474-0750. Sunday, March 21, March For Our Families gives you the opportunity to march with thousands of people to the State Capitol. The March begins at Palmer Auditorium at 12:30 p.m. Immediately following the March, gather at the south steps of the capitol to hear political leaders and elected officials speak out against the ban. Monday, March 22 is Lobby Day when you can visit your legislators to discuss the adoption and foster care bills. Meet in the capitol building cafeteria at 7:30 a.m. for a brief organizational meeting. Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby representatives will be on hand to assist you in contacting your senators and representatives. Please call the LGRL office at (512)474-5475 to sign up.

The Austin Latino/a Lesbian and Gay Organization (ALLGO) is seeking an HIV health educator for the MSM Program to conduct outreach to men who have sex with men. Bilingual English/Spanish is preferred. For job description, call (512) 472-2001. Deadline for resumes is March 5, 1999. Send resume to: **ALLGO/InformesIDA, P.O. Box 6149, Austin, TX 78762.**

The Log Cabin Republicans of Austin will hold their next general dinner meeting on Thursday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Tres Amigos Restaurant, located at West 38th St. and Lamar St. The business meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. and will be preceded by a half-hour cocktail social. New faces are very welcome! For more information, contact Ronald Bounds at (512)371-3585.

DALLAS

The Sammons Center for the Arts, 3630 Harry Hines at Oak Lawn, will present an evening of live jazz entertainment, **Jazzmatazz**, featuring The Jason Davis Quintet playing straight ahead jazz. The second set jam will feature Dallas jazz diva



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Wilde Tribe is a volunteer group that is dedicated to gay men's health. All classes are held at the Resource Center of Dallas, 2701 Reagan Street at Brown. You can register for classes: Volunteer 101, AIDS 101 and Outreach 101, by calling (214)521-5124, ext. 130. The Wilde Tribe meets the first and 3rd Wednesday, and 4th Monday of each month from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Douglas E. Smith is the coordinator for Wilde Tribe.

Tuesday, March 2, **Diva for Dallas**, a non-profit organization committed to raising funds and awareness for breast cancer and AIDS organizations, holds its bi-monthly meeting from 8 p.m.-10 p.m. at the Centrum Sports Club, 3102 Oak Lawn Ave, Suite 400. The board welcomes volunteers and anyone interested in learning about the group's upcoming July 4 concert, parties and celebrity brunch. For more information, call (214)232-1013.

HOUSTON

Help the Quilt, clean your closets and bureau drawers and donate your items to the **NAMES Project** for their second garage sale. Proceeds will benefit the upkeep of the Houston Quilt Workshop. The sale will take place this Sunday, February 28 at 200 California St. and Waugh Dr. (behind Slick Willie's). This will be a monthly event and donations can now be

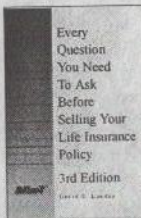
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The **Houston Outdoor Group's** [HOG] March social will be hosted by Don and Ray on March 6 at their timeshare in Galveston. This event is a HOG tradition. Bring your favorite home-cooked or specially store-bought potluck dish. Call (713)522-7809 in advance for directions or suggestions on items to bring.

The **1999 Spring Rummage-A-Rama** will be held Saturday, March 6 from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at 115 Tuam. The AIDS Housing Coalition Houston [AHCH] has put out the call for trash and treasure of every kind to be brought forward and sold for charity. This tri-annual event raises thousands of dollars for AIDS emergency housing support. Those who would like to help homeless AIDS patients can drop-off donation items Monday -Friday from 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. at 117 Tuam Ave. and Helena St. Limited pick-up of items may be available by calling (713)521-1613. All donations will be eligible to receive an IRS tax-deductible receipt.

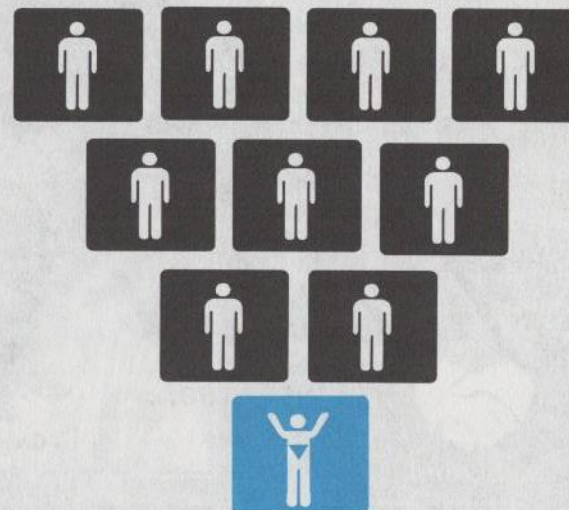
Bears on the Bayou are hosting a casino trip to Grand Casino Coshatta on Sunday, March 7. This trip was rescheduled in December. Tickets are \$10 each and must be purchased no later than March 1. The ticket price includes a continental breakfast, transportation to and from the casino and a complimentary lunch buffet. Buses will leave from the parking lot across from Nighthawks, 2923 Main, at 9:00 a.m. and will return at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are available at Lobo, Blackhawk Leather, Basic Brothers and Leather Forever.

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This Sunday, February 28, The **Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court of the Alamo Empire, Inc.**, will host its monthly **Alamo Empire Show** at Myth Night Club, 1902 McCullough Ave., at 10:00 p.m. There will be no cover, but all donations are welcome! For more information, call (210)738-8171 or email at www.alamoempire.org.



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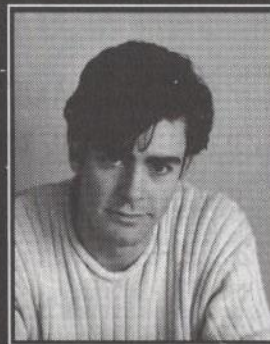
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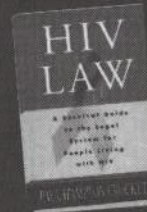
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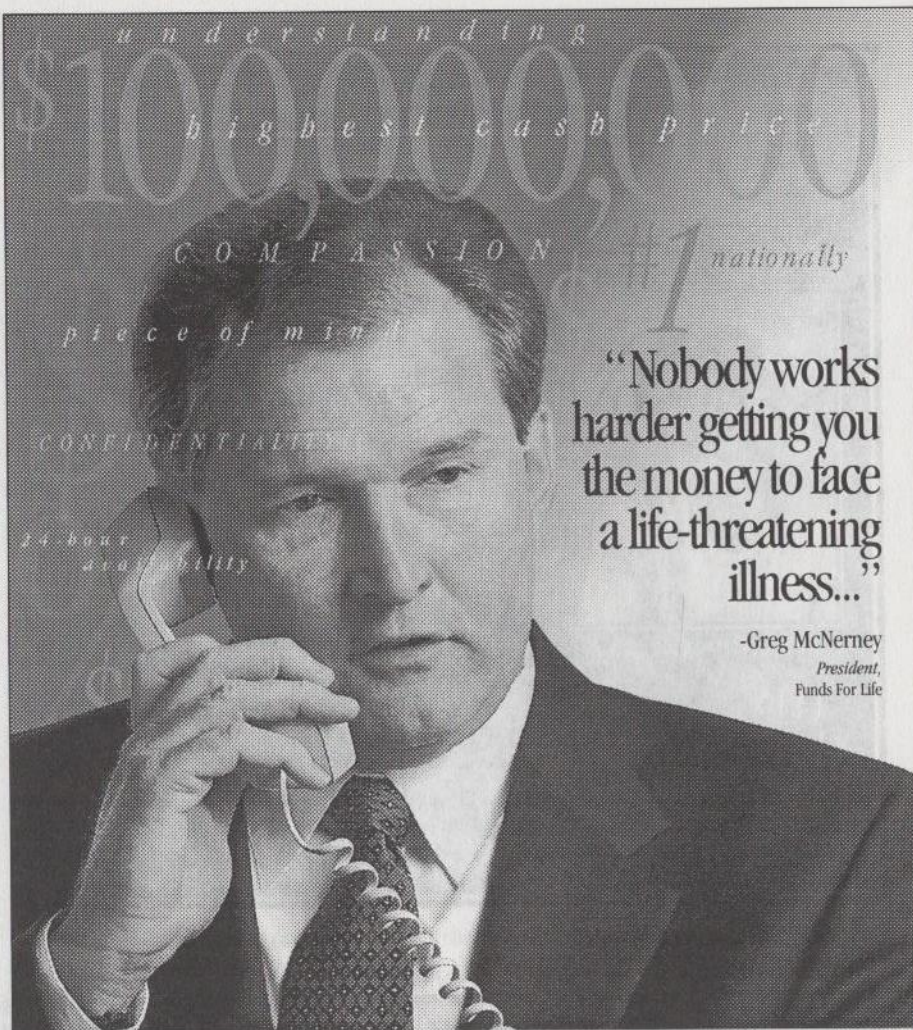
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“Diabetes and Exercise”

Diabetes mellitus, or “honey overflow,” was first diagnosed as long ago as 400 BC. Physicians at that time would taste a patient's urine. If it was sweet, then they were diagnosed as being a diabetic (hey, I couldn't make this stuff up even if I wanted to). Today, on the other hand, diabetes can be diagnosed very simply. Instead of tasting it, you might remember your doctor dipping a treated piece of paper into a cup of your urine after your last physical. If an abundance of sugar is present, then further testing is advised.

Diabetes comes in two forms: type 1 (T1D), or juvenile onset diabetes, a disease that effects people who do not normally make their own insulin and as a result, must inject themselves with it every day by syringe or by an automatic pump. The pump seems to be preferred since it frees the diabetic from carrying syringes and sticking themselves multiple times a day. Only 10% of all diabetics have this condition. The most common type of diabetes is type 2 (T2D), also called adult onset diabetes. It usually comes on at adulthood when someone enters their forties and is prevalent mostly in people who have excessive fat on their bodies. Females are more likely to have this type since they usually carry more fat than men do. However, men are far from immune to this disease. It is estimated by the National Institute of Health that as the millennium approaches, over 100 million people will be affected by type 2 diabetes. Researchers have also found that diabetes is

firmly rooted in a sedentary lifestyle and genetics. If your parents or grandparents had it, then you are more likely to develop this disease than someone who doesn't have it in their family tree.

Diabetes is a chronic, complex metabolic disease. It “happens” because the body is unable to properly maintain and use carbohydrates, proteins and fat. Here's a short explanation. Your body breaks down the foods you eat into various components. It then ships them around your body via your blood. The presence of sugars in your blood, from grains, fruits, vegetables and candy triggers your pancreas to manufacture and release insulin. Insulin transports the sugars in your blood moving them into your cells. It is this critical juncture where diabetics fail to process the sugar in the blood. Since T1D sufferers can't produce their own insulin, they must use an outside source, as described above. People with T2D, or non-insulin dependant diabetics, are insulin resistant. As a result, they have a high blood sugar content and an over secretion of insulin. The high blood sugar can damage your arteries by changing the chemistry in your blood and also contribute to heart disease. Furthermore, excessive insulin can cause fatigue and excessive hunger. Diabetics find it very difficult to lose weight, since the abundance of insulin inhibits their use of fats for fuel. Drugs can help, but they can have many dizzying side effects. Diabetics consistently have problems with infections of the bladder and kidneys, gum disease, fungal infections and

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wound infections. They are also at higher risk for retinopathy (a disease of the eye), neuropathy (damage to the nerves that causes numbing and pain in the extremities), foot ulcers, coronary heart disease and hypertension, to name a few.

Exercise on the other hand, can play a vital role in controlling diabetes if you get it. Recent research also concludes that your chances of becoming a diabetic can be greatly reduced through daily exercise. It is well known that type 1 diabetics should be extremely careful if they are going to exercise since exercise can increase blood glucose levels. For many of those with T2D, exercise is an excellent treatment and prophylactic (preventative).

In the January 19th issue of the Annals of Internal Medicine, researchers at the Cooper Institute for Aerobics Research in Dallas, Texas noted their findings about exercise as a preventative measure for diabetes in men. "We find strong evidence that high cardiorespiratory fitness is associated with reduced risk for T2D in men," they stated. During their six-year study, the investigators tracked the cardiorespiratory fitness of more than 8,000 men over the age of 30. They used fasting blood sugar levels as a marker for diabetes. They reported that the least fit (20%) of their subjects had a 1.9-fold higher risk for impaired fasting glucose (a precursor to diabetes), and a 3.7-fold greater risk for diabetes, compared to the fittest 40% of the men in the study group. Overall, 149 of the men in the study developed T2D over the course of the study. The authors concluded that "exercise as a method of reducing diabetes risk is recommended."

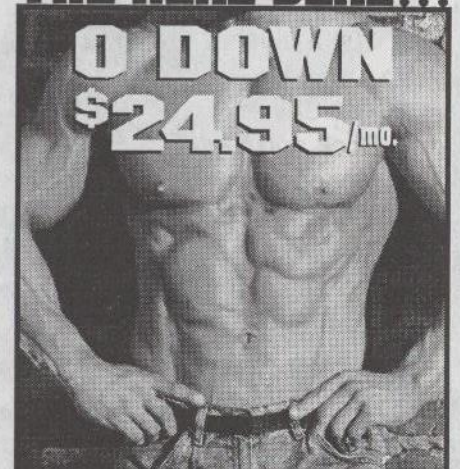
Type 2 diabetics should consistently do mild to moderate exercise over a long period. Walking an hour three to five times a week will reduce insulin sensitivity. The first thirty minutes of exercising utilizes mostly sugars from the blood, which teaches your body what it forgot by being sedentary. The last 30 minutes of the walking will elevate the enzymes in your body that burn fat. This will help you reduce your weight, and increase your insulin sensitivity even more. Exercise also reduces serum cholesterol and reduces hypertension. Here are some important points to remember. First, make sure to check with your doctor before starting any exercise program. Then, when you get the green light, check your blood sugar level before and after you exercise. This will teach you

how your blood sugar is affected by exercise. Make sure to wear cushioned socks and sneakers. Diabetics tend to get sores on their feet easily. Check your feet after you exercise. Make sure to drink enough fluid to prevent dehydration. It's also a good idea to avoid extreme weather conditions. These environmental factors can cause the lungs and heart to be overly stressed.

Remember that exercise is probably the best way for you to prevent the onset of T2D and also the best way to control it if you've got it already. Good physical fitness will have a positive effect on blood sugar levels, the amount of insulin secreted, body weight, blood pressure, cholesterol and general well-being.

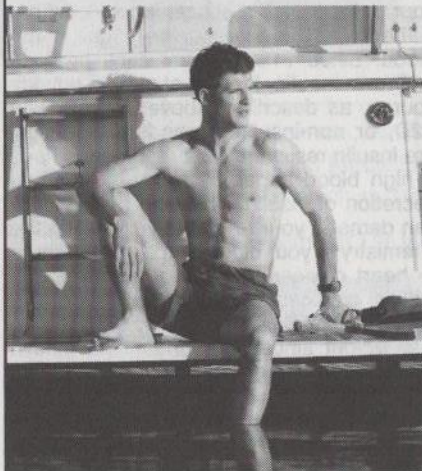
So, here's another reason to begin an exercise program before today rolls into tomorrow. It just may make your life a whole lot better and you might even be saving a life...your own! If you would like more information about diabetes and/or the effect of exercise on the disease, e-mail me. I would be happy to forward you the information you want. Until next week...I'll see you at the gym!

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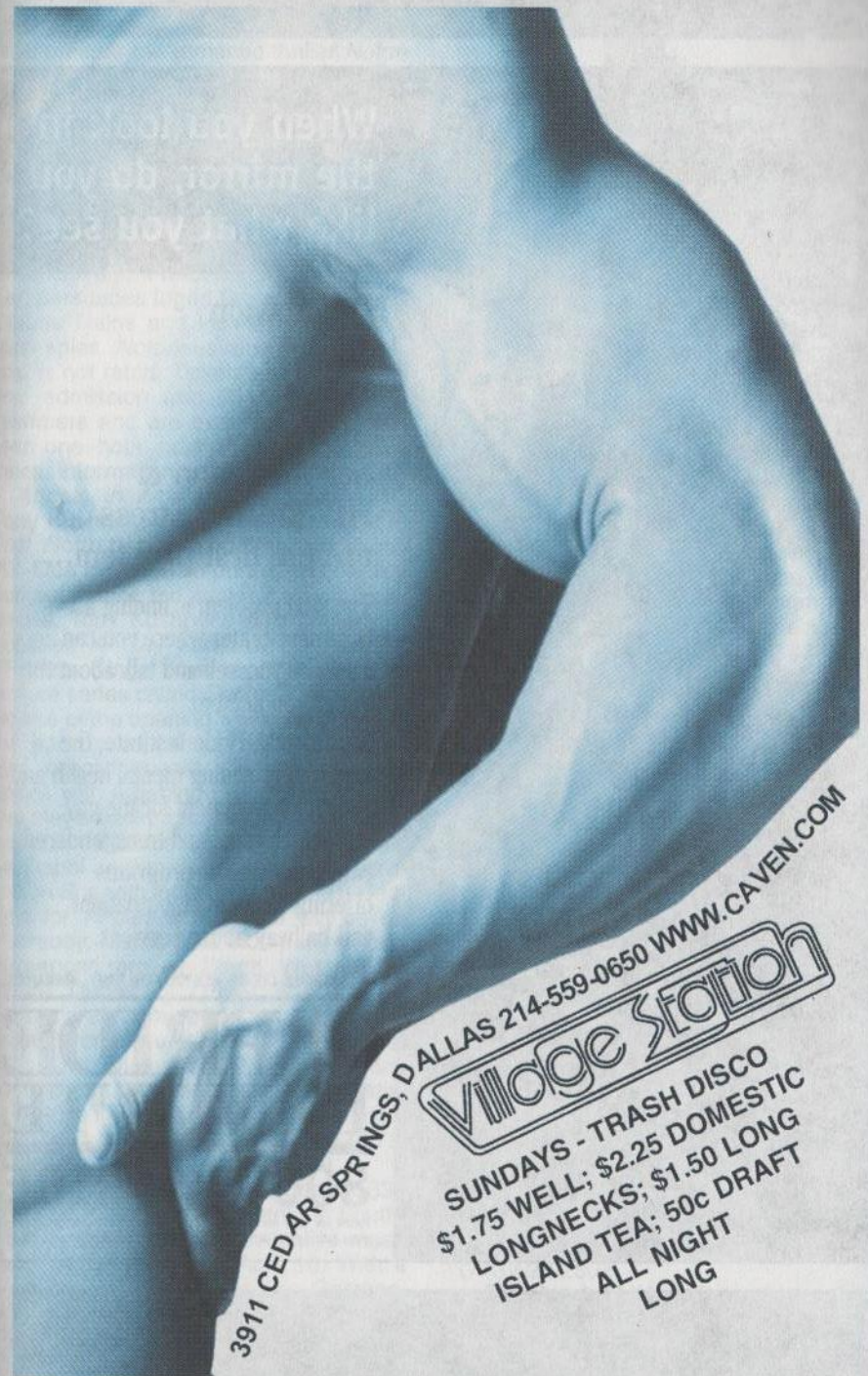
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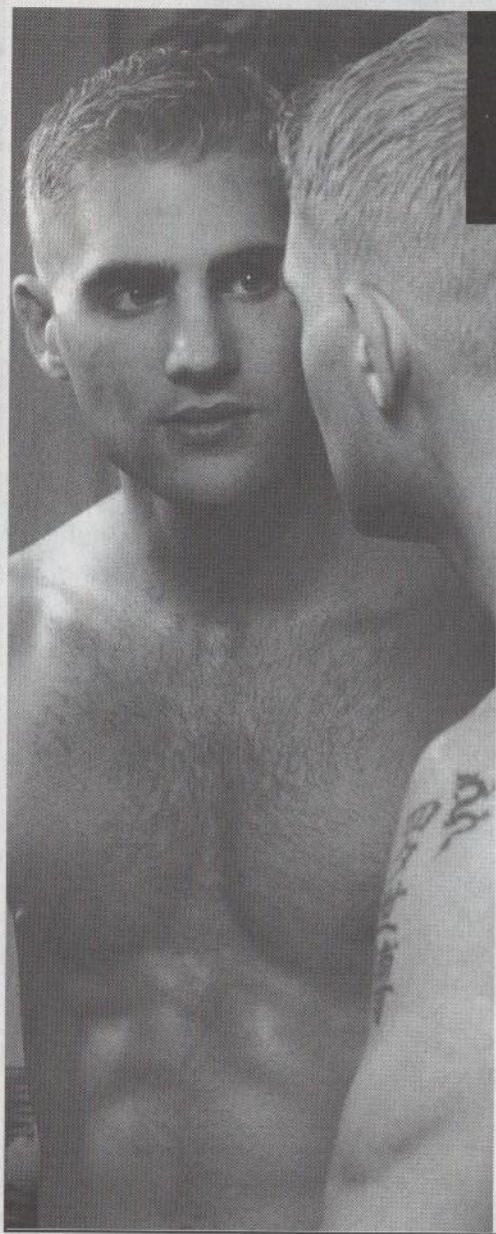
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Angels In America: Perestroika, by Tony Kushner, returns to Stage West in Fort Worth this weekend through March 20. Due to its candid portrayal of mature subject matter, the play is for adult audiences. Tony Kushner's epic comedy is subtitled *A Gay Fantasia on National Themes*. Stage West continues its new lecture series called *Behind The Scenes* as one of the opening weekend activities for each production. Directors, actors and special guests will provide audiences with a behind the scenes look at the play's background and themes. The guest speaker for *Angels In America* will be Rabbi Jordan S. Ofseyer of Congregation Shearith Israel in Dallas. The lecture for *Angels In America* will be on Thursday, March 5, at 6:00 p.m. All performances are at Stage West, 3055 South University Drive. Special discounts are available for groups of ten or more. Performances are Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday at 8:00 p.m., Saturday at 2:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30 p.m. For tickets or information, call (metro/817)STG-WEST, 784-9378. Ticket prices range from \$14-\$18.

Houston's New Heights Theatre, 339 West 19th Street, will present the Southwest premiere of the provocative musical, *The Life*, March 1-April 10. With a book by David Newman, Ira Gasman, and Cy Coleman, music by Cy Coleman and lyrics by Ira Gasman, *The Life*, was nominated for twelve Tony awards in 1997 including Best Musical. The pro-



duction opens on March 3 at 8:00 p.m. and runs through April 10. Special Sunday matinees will take place March 21 and 28 at 5:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for regular admission dates and \$18 for matinee performances. For more information, call NHT at (713)869-8927.

The Houston Ballet's winter mixed repertory program brings together the past and future of classical dance, pairing one of the great nineteenth-century classics, *La Sylphide*, alongside a contemporary work, *Indigo*, by one of the world's hottest young choreographers Stanton Welch. *La Sylphide*, since its premiere at the Paris Opera in 1832, has amazed audiences for 150 years. This version by Danish choreographer August Bournonville will feature Cuban superstar Carlos Acosta. *Indigo*, with music by Antonio Vivaldi, will make its world premiere as an abstract pure-dance piece with eight dancers intent on stretching the boundaries of classical technique. Both works will grace the stage of the Brown Theater, Wortham Theater Center at 7:30 p.m. on March 4, 6, 12, and 13 with matinee performances at 2:00 p.m. on March 7 and 14. Tickets range from \$85-\$11 and may be obtained by calling (713)227-ARTS or (800)828-ARTS.

Ray Hill and the Sex Police, directed by Joey Berner, has been held over and will run through the month of March Wednesday nights at 8:00 p.m. at Biba's One's A Meal, 647 West Gray. Join Houston's outrageous and outspoken "citizen provocateur" for nightclub theater like you've never experienced it before! For more information, call (713)523-2802.

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(L to R) Peter Marr and Chad Brannon star in Theater LaB Houston's production of *Hysteric Studs*.

Live on Houston Public Television, Linda Eder introduces her first PBS special, *Linda Eder In Concert*. Houston favorite Eder, who is already a star in the musical theater world, will perform jazz standards and Broadway hits, accompanied by a 20-piece orchestra. The special airs on Thursday, March 4 at 7:00 p.m. and again at 8:30 p.m. on Houston Public Television as part of the March 1999 pledge drive.

San Antonio audiences will swing back to the 1940's with such hits as "Satin Doll," "Sing, Sing, Sing," "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" and many more as Power House Cafe presents *Swing Cabaret*, a Las Vegas-style big band song and dance celebration opening tonight, Friday February 26, for a limited engagement. Seating for dinner and a show is at 7:00 p.m. Power House Cafe is located in the Alamo Quarry Market, 255 East Basse Rd., Suite 940. For reservations, call (210)930-0034.

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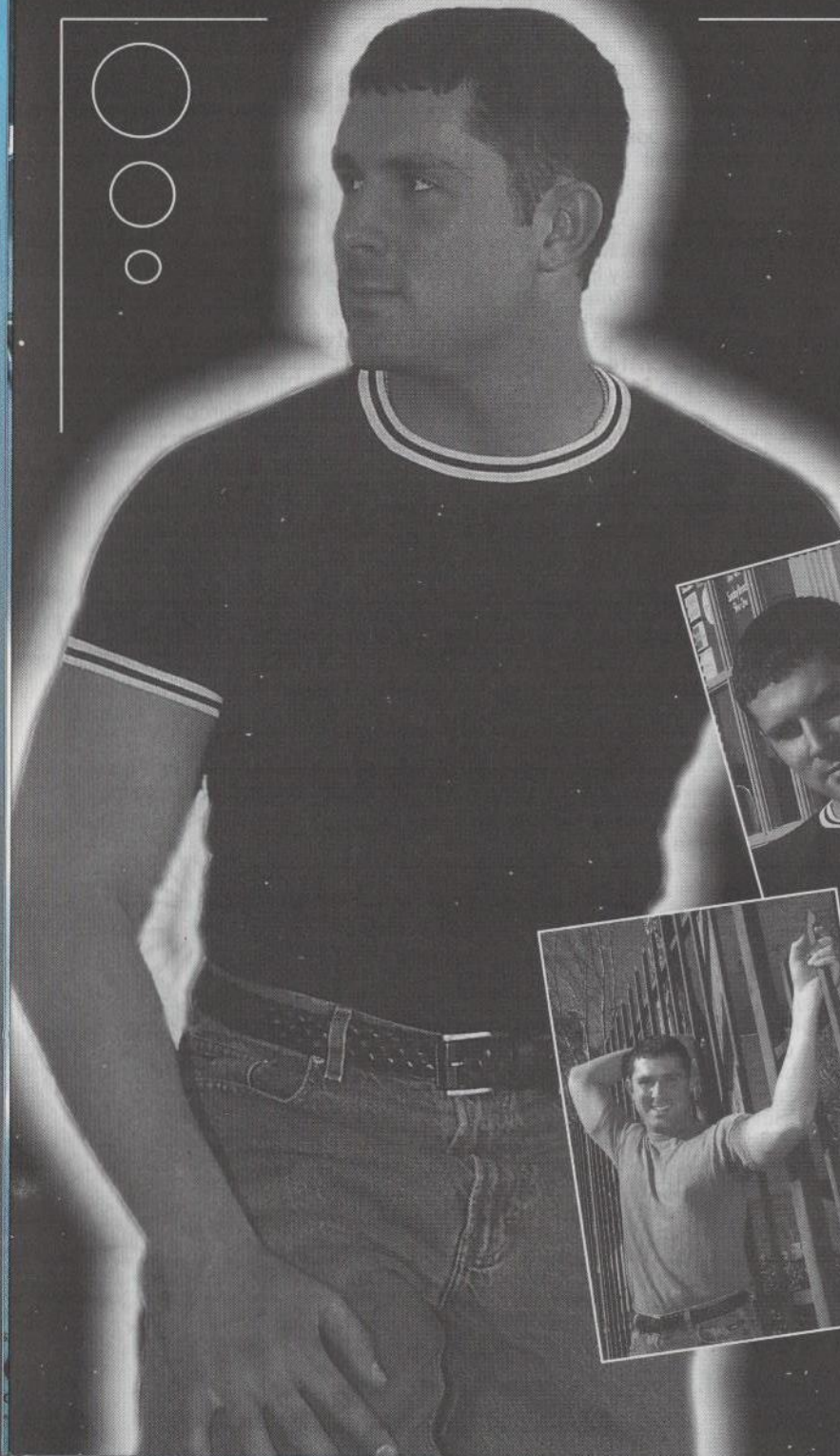
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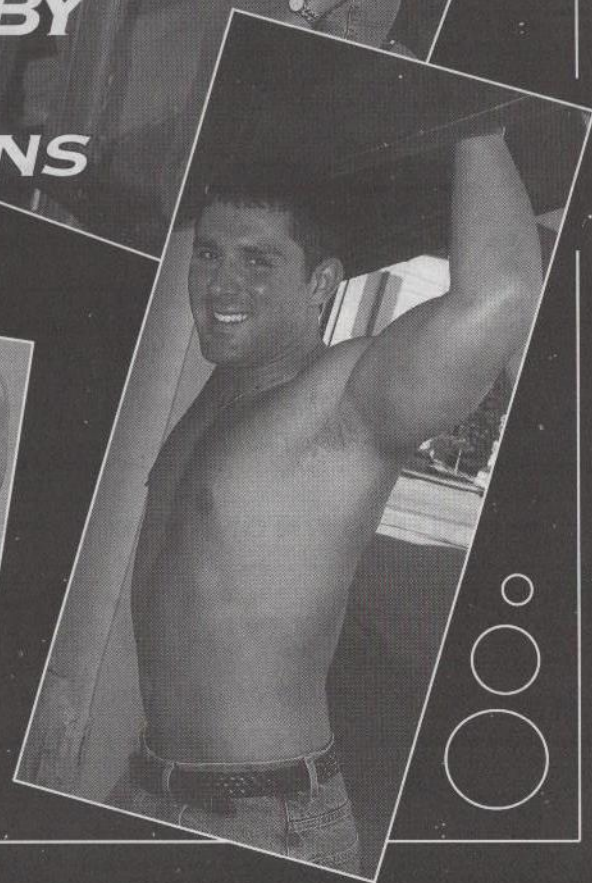
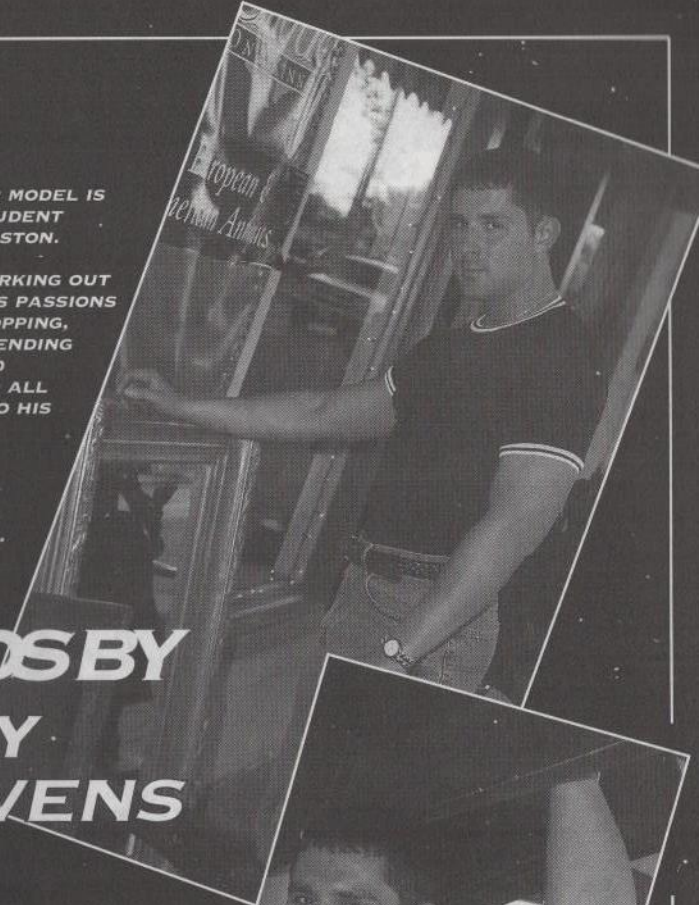
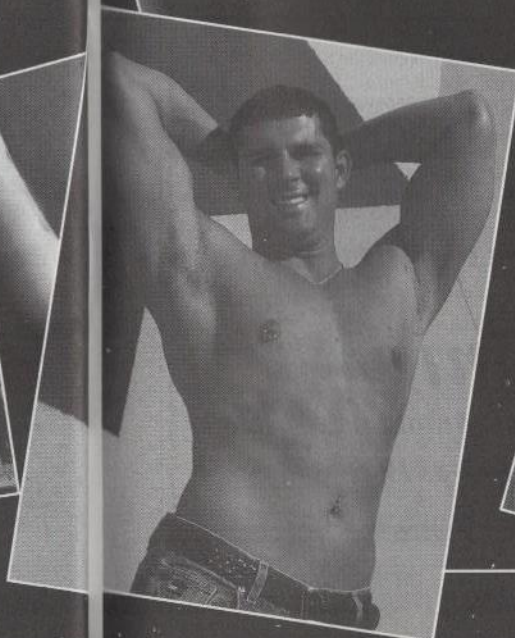
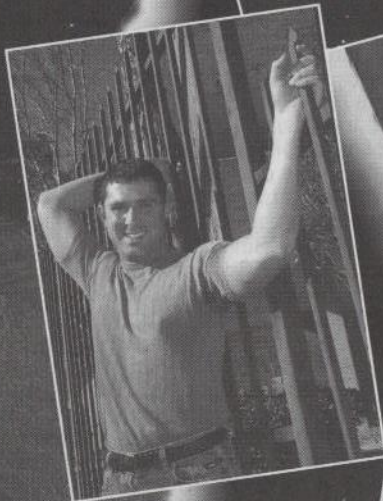
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Let's welcome randy March this week. The old yawn that March comes in like a lion and out like a lamb doesn't jive anymore, cousins. With all these planets in rarin'-to-go Aries, March can only come out loud, proud and queer as we all should. Amen!

PISCES (February 20 - March 20) Money is honey, at least in early March, when several planets cash in in Aries. Life isn't too taxing for those clever pink Fish who use the March moxie to compute their fiscal liabilities and assets. Tally it up before the 10th however compadre; After that, Mercury retrogrades and clever calculations no longer make dollars and sense. Early filers become Gay P. Morgans.

ARIES (March 21 - April 20) Gay Rambos pack a planetary punch with five celestial bodies entering your sign at various points this month. You veer from sage to satyr as the Sun leaves mystical Pisces on the 22nd for zesty Aries. (Dress appropriately.) After the 2nd, Saturn suggests that you focus more on money, but thankfully, lucky Jupiter keeps le bon temps rolling at all costs. Save for a rainy day? Forget about it, kiddo!

TAURUS (April 21 - May 21) Mother Teresa has nothing on you this March when planets in bold Aries push you into doing good gay Outreach. Queer Bulls should harness their intuitive, mystical and spiritual powers to make a discernable difference in our community. But set plans in motion before the 10th when retro Mercury takes the wind out of your sails. You only want to be a blowhard around lovers.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21) If your social calendar overflows, blame all of the planets in randy Aries this March. Pink Twins can't help but become social director with jolly Jupiter

holding the activities clipboard. But coordinate all events before the 10th. After that, retro Mercury screws up social and professional obligations. Suggestion: Don't show up at work wearing Sunday's hot pink leather short shorts.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23) Pink Crabs can upend the corporation when planets traverse domineering Aries. March on into March. Jump into any power gap before the 10th, but go underground after that when retro Mercury exposes your plot. Use lucky Jupiter and the benevolent Sun around the 22nd to smooth the ruffled feathers of the cocks running the show. Cook and eat 'em in April...

LEO (July 24 - August 23) Feisty gay Lions yearn to expand their horizons when several planets tango in Aries now. Plan an escapade that involves foreign intrigue and travel before the 10th. After that, retro Mercury scrambles all best laid plans and you are better off slogging it off until April. It may all be moot once Saturn casts a cold eye on your career in early March. Ready to play chutes and ladders, kid?

VIRGO (August 24 - September 23) Your crock pot is cooking on high boil when lusty personal planets plan their meal in Aries. Proud Virgins are surrounded by all sorts of sexual temptations now, lucky things! Eat, drink and be very merry before the 10th. After that, retro Mercury can pour cold water on a hot patoot with miscommunications. Perhaps you

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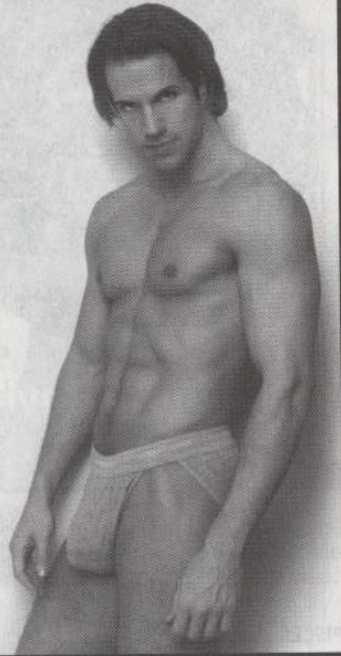
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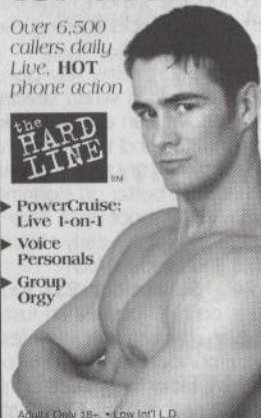


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should let actions speak prouder than words.
LIBRA (September 24 - October 23) How important are partnerships to you? Get a hint this March when many planets hover in randy Aries. Queer Libras can sort out any difficulties early in the month but should speak their mind before Mercury retrogrades on the 10th. After that, hold your tongue or put it to much better use. For those still casting about, lucky Jupiter baits your hook so you can reel in a big fish.

SCORPIO (October 24 - November 22) Finish off any onerous job projects in early March when surly Saturn moves on but expect to step on a few buried landmines in any one-to-one relationship soon after that. Patience is everything and proud Scorps have plenty of it. Happily for most of the month, you find a way to eat your cake and have it too. If you eat too much of it, use March to exercise it off.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23 - December 22) Life is one big dance party this March when five planets lambada into Aries. Proud Archers join in the festivities with gusto. But crown yourself the Queen of Clubs before the 10th, cousin. After that, retro Mercury plays trump and takes the trick. You may then be relegated to dummy. It would be a shame to lose the rubber just as things were getting interesting.

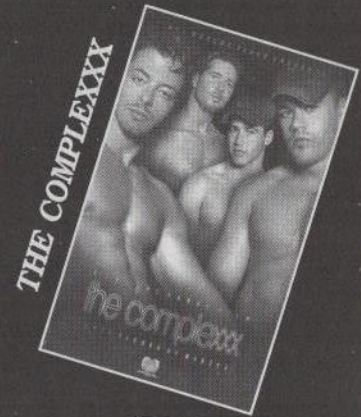
CAPRICORN (December 23 - January 20) Queer Caps turn their attention to family and personal life when many, many planets hover in Aries this March. Make your home a show-place of who you are and make sure that relatives know the address. Pioneering rambo energy cannot be restrained with a straight-jacket so liberate yourself. Explain nothing, especially after the 10th. It ain't a discussion it's a fait accompli.

AQUARIUS (January 21 - February 19) Lively discussion ensures when planets nestle in Aries in March. Aqueerians can speak passionately and make their opinions known especially before the 10th. After that, retro Mercury can cross wires and cause family discord or professional misunderstanding. Thankfully, the Sun and lucky Jupiter conspire around the 22nd to let bygones be bygones.

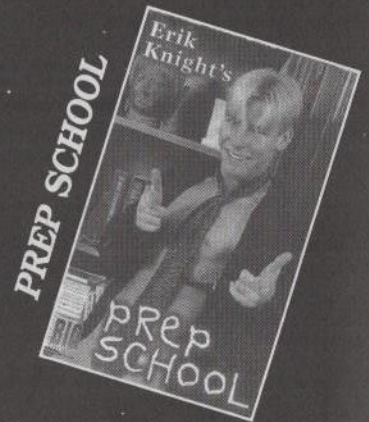
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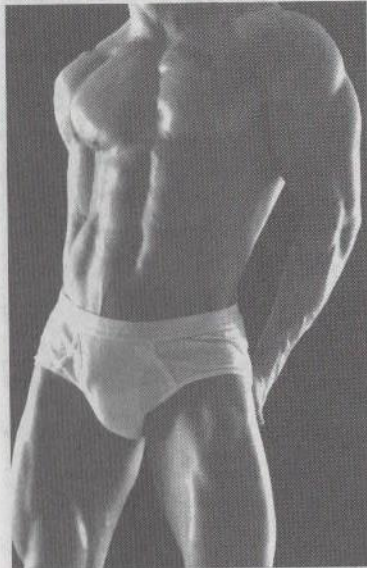
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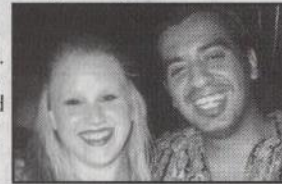
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The Bonham Exchange keeps plugging away each and every Friday with something a little different. Stop in and soak up the rhythms of guest deejays playing all of your favorite house music. Guests pay no cover until 10pm. On Saturday, enjoy more dance music and male dancers from 10pm 'til 2am. You can even stick around and enjoy afterhours.

Our CRUISE CAMERA found Bonham babe Brad [left] enjoying the Wednesday night Hot Chest Contest with MC Junior Hernandez and more gorgeous boys than you can shake a stick at. This is one of those not-to-be-missed events each week at San Antonio's legendary Bonham building, stop in and find out why....

Monday at Myth, adult video star Karl Thomas hosts a male strip contest that will blow you away and tomorrow, Saturday, February 27, equally stunning adult video star Alec Powers will perform for the Myth



crowd. Coming March 6, the club will host it's first flashlight party and on April 10, puppeteer Jerry Halliday will showcase his amazing comedy performance featuring legendary ladies of the stage and screen. Of course, you can always come in just for the fab music by DJ Ray [right] or to enjoy the friendliest staff anywhere in town. New for Sundays, the Sunday Showcase Show with River City divas like Natalie Would, Deja Blue, Talissa Michaels and many more. There's something for everybody at SA's newest hot spot and that's no myth....



The Annex is getting ready for the big Chain Of Command party next Saturday, March 6 at 9:00 p.m. Make plans to attend this event, the Chain Of Command guys definitely know how to throw a party, just ask newest barback Angel [left]. Other clubs like the Firedancers and The Gay and Lesbian Dart League of San Antonio are also planning events this spring, so stay tuned to THIS WEEK IN TEXAS for all the details.



AUSTINTeaCIIOUS - The Edge is hoping as usual these days. Last week, I had the pleasure of a duet with the songbird Murrah on karaoke night. The two of us sang "Love Will Keep Us Together." She carried the melody and I attempted to harmonize. I have never been known as a singer. It would seem that Lil' Debi has made the rounds again. We hear that she has returned for a stint as the house deejay, so tell him you are glad to see him....

'Bout Time has Cash Tuesday! They have three drawings during the evening, two for \$25.00 and one for \$50.00. What a festive idea! The Miss Universal Thang Pageant is

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coming up this spring. This prestigious title is a benefit contest. Call the club for more details. Volleyball teams are already forming so get yours together and sign up now for the spring season. If this year is anything like last, the competition will be very stiff....

The Forum is getting prepared for their third Austin summer. They have been diligently cleaning and fluffing the only gay rooftop patio in the whole city. We can't wait to enjoy the warm weather up there again. Maybe the heat will get to bartender Jeff and he will take his shirt off and give us all a thrill. We were definitely thrilled when this stud [right] took his off....



Charlie's has what you want when you want it. The Monday night wet underwear contest is always a good time if you like comedy and boys in their undies. Talented Scarlett Leigh will be your hostess for the next few weeks. Tuesday night amateur strip with Jame Perry always packs them in. Thursday night boasts the raucous Nacha Type show. You never know what she will

come up with, but it's guaranteed to be fun. Friday and Saturday speak for themselves and Sundays feature the Super Show starring Lauren Taylor. We hear through the grapevine that Anthony [left] has a secret. Maybe this week, he will share the skele-

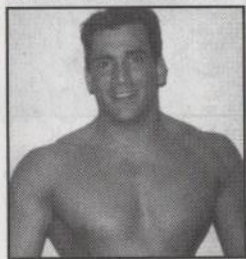


tons in his closet. Goodness knows he hasn't been in it for years....

The 1920's Club has soared to the top of everyone's list of places to see and be seen. Every time we stop by, the place is packed. Sometimes, they have live music and it gives new warmth to an already pleasant atmosphere. Our favorite place to sit is in one of the overstuffed chairs in the loft. For more info about the club, check out their web site at www.1920s.com....

At the Rainbow Cattle Company, you can always find a plethora of cowboys and cowboy lovers polishing buckles on the dance floor. Here's an update on the Baptist Women's Valentine benefit...they raised over \$2,000! Way to go, ladies! This

lovely "gal" [right] was right there on the front row cheering. We don't know her name, but we hope she does shows. We think she is so cute. Taco Tuesday and Big Beef steak night Thursdays are both a bunch of fun. We like any place where you can eat, drink, and cruise at the same time....

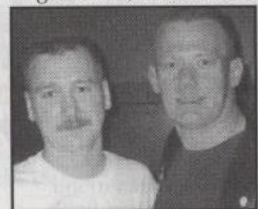


Over at Dick's Deja Disco, we focused in on this handsome stud [left]. He is always a crowd favorite wherever he is dancing. Speaking of favorites, Kendall is your happy

hour "funmeister" on the east end of downtown. He always has an opinion and is always willing to share it....

Make sure to drop in to N8 Clothing and Outlines. Both stores have a full line of club wear to show off those muscles you have been working on. Not to mention, with summer on the way, we will all need a new bathing suit. They have a full line of suits to satisfy all tastes. From trunks to floss, they have the style and color for you.

HOUSTON TEA — Last weekend at Nighthawks, Houston Council of Clubs officers Chris Patterson and Creath Robinson [left, l-r] were on hand as a record 798 people registered for HCC's annual "Let Us Entertain



You" festivities. Needless to say, this event was an amazing success. Next Friday and Saturday, March 5 and 6, Nighthawks will once again host Don Gill Productions' "Night In Black Leather." Highlights for this year's event will include a kick-off party on Friday, the all-star show on Saturday, a silent auction both nights and a list of special guests that includes International Drummer Boy Ryan Goldner, Mr. Gay Black Universe Stevan Hood, J.D. Buchert, Steven Bayes and many more....

Pacific Street's contribution to LUEY weekend was the club's annual Diamonds & Studs Party. That's where we found beefy

bartender Matthew Remington [right] ready and waiting to serve the multitude of hardcore party people. Coming up on March 13 and 14, P.S. is having a Roman Weekend featuring no cover for those in togas or erotic leather. When you just can't get enough, Pacific Street's Sunday night Male Overload is the place where there's no such thing as too much....



New on Tuesdays at Picasso is Swing Night with big band music and swing dance lessons beginning at 9:00 p.m. At last Sunday's Super Show, we found a devoted drag fan getting cozy with show hostess Simply Divine [left, r].



This Sunday, February 28, the club will host the Miss Gay

Southwest USofA Pageant with special guests Miss Gay USofA Lauren Taylor, Kara Dion and Lana Blake. Beginning March 4, Thursdays at Picasso will be "Delicious" with a weekly serving of lush life hosted by M. Pussycat. And on Sunday, March 7, the Miss Camp America Foundation presents its annual Deb-U-Not Ball from 4:00-7:00 p.m....

The Outpost wants to remind everyone that they now have male strip contests every Tuesday and Thursday and the "Kind of a Drag" talent contest every Wednesday. Over at the Outpost's new sister club, The



Lazy J, candidate for Miss TGRA Tiffany Edwards [above, c] presented a star-studded benefit show last Saturday. The Lazy J also has a male strip contest every

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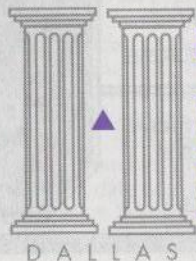
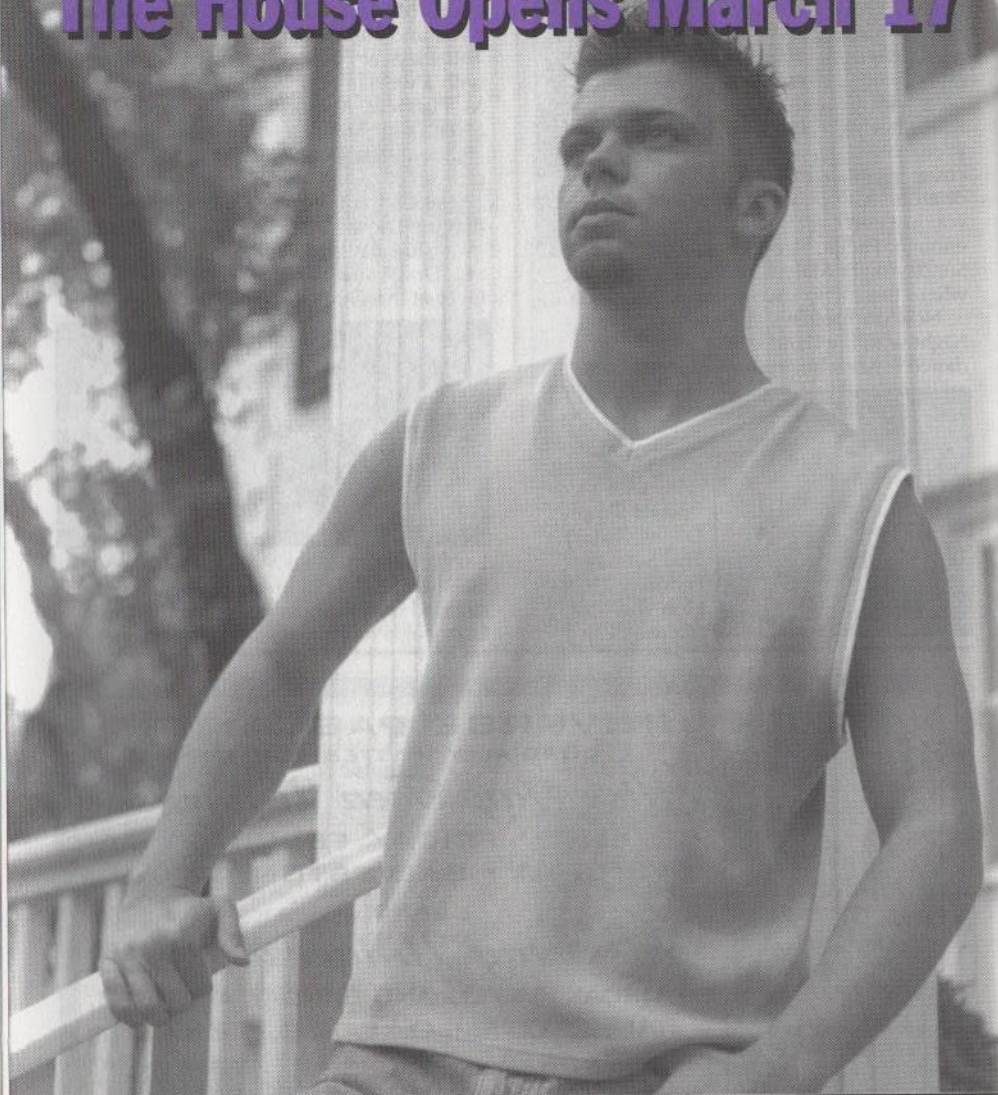


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Houston's most popular happy hour is the personal favorite of fun-loving folks like Janet [right, l] as they relax and unwind with Texas Pride and All-American drink special served by friendly bar staffers like Anthony [r]. To complete the package, they have great music, incredible videos and stunning male dancers to satisfy all of your senses. And just because the weekend is winding down is no reason why you should. Sundays at JR's keep things in high gear with that infamous well vodka juice drink special, SRO karaoke with Marsha Carlton from 6:00-11:00 p.m. and a super strip show with Kofi and Lindsay Love at 11:00 p.m.....



Weekends at the Montrose Mining Company are wilder and crazier than ever. Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the men of the Mine serve up a wide variety of well drink and longneck specials all night long. And when they throw in some big and buff male dancers, you are sure to coming back for more....

Every weekend, Toyz deejay Alex T. [right] rocks the house with a sensational mix of dance favorites. If you love to twirl, Toyz has a great big dance floor to do it on. Next Sunday, March 7, Crash Productions presents the Miss Texas Continental Plus Pageant starring reigning titleholders Kaviar, Dena Cass, Santana T. Summers and emcee Lady Shamu. If you attend, you won't be disappointed because talent comes in all sizes....



There's always something exciting going on at the Midtowne Spa. Tomorrow night is their monthly Flashlight Party. If you're lucky, you'll find someone who can light up your life. On Friday, March 12, the Spa will welcome porn star Paul Morgan. This performer made more adult videos last year than anyone else. Come see for yourself why Mr. Morgan is so popular....

Last Saturday, Rich's welcomed world



famous photographer Tom Bianchi [left] as he conducted the Houston edition of his nationwide model search. From a field of almost thirty contestants, he couldn't pick just one, so he settled for seven or eight. If you want to see more contest highlights,

be sure to watch an upcoming episode of TV Montrose or check the photographer's website at tombianchi.com.

TEA BY THE SEA — Tonight, Friday, February 26, Universe Pageantry presents its first Miss Teen Universe Pageant for entertainers 16-19 at Galveston's LaRouge Show Lounge, upstairs at Evolution. Special guests include Miss Southern States Universe Roxanne Collins, Miss Atlantic Universe Kelly Lauren, Miss Atlantic Universe at Large Regina Dane, the outrageous Kitty Divino and many more.



Fun-loving youngsters Timmy, Jamie and Mark [above, l-r] are sure to be there to witness this spectacular showcase of up and coming talents....

Galveston's newest nightspot is Pec's Bar on Postoffice. The club opens at 2:00 p.m. with happy hour until 9:00 p.m. every day, so stop by and check out all of their daily drink specials. They also have free buffets and male dancers every night.

DALLAS TEA - White Party X is only one month away. Jeffrey Sanker presents the tenth annual White Party in Palm Springs, California Easter weekend, April 2-5. Get your three day pass for \$140 or a limited quantity V.I.P. Gold weekend pass for \$250 by calling (888)777-8886. For discount air travel, call Travel Management Group at (888)993-0440. Order tickets on the web at www.jeffreysanker.com. Call now while you still have time to make your plans. The Greatest Party on Earth: White Party X... See their ad for detailed information about this four-day festival of fun....

Speaking of parties, Positive+Personals invites you to join them for their annual St.

Patrick's Day Celebration at The Brick, 4117 Maple Avenue, on Tuesday, March 16 from 8:00 p.m. until 12 midnight. All HIV positive individuals and couples are welcome to attend. Special guest will be Ricardo Garcia from Project Esperanza Holistic Services. Last Saturday, San Antonio dancer Roc [right] made a special guest appearance at the club....



March Madness in the Round Up's Parlor brings you Patti's Pajama Party this Tuesday, March 2 at 10:00 p.m. You'd better check with The Parlor's sensational bar-



tender Steve Preece [left] for more details about the fun planned for Tuesdays and every day starting at 3:00 p.m. He keeps crowd jolly during happy hour and the party continues right on through the night. Coming Thursday, March 11 on the main stage is the Miss Highland Park America pageant. The doors open at 8:00 p.m. and the winner goes to Miss Gay Texas. Check it out....

JR.'s Bar and Grill offers a refreshing lunch every day beginning at 11:00 a.m. and noon on Sundays. When you step inside and need to shed your layers of jackets, coats, muffs and furs, you'll be

glad to see coat check attendant Sean Hudley [right] ready to assist you. Step upstairs to the balcony and feel the warm sun and cool breeze. Step downstairs and catch the latest music videos on their video wall. Whatever the season, whatever the reason, plan to meet your friends at everyone's corner bar....



Throckmorton Mining Company customers Steve Long and Donnie Alvord [left, l-r] were definitely tickled at last weekend's Leather and

Feather Boxer party event. Make sure you check with manager Frank Thompson for updates on their special events schedule. You can always surf over to their website at www.caven.com. Check out the cute photo of Bret and Joe while you're there....

Sue Ellen's brings out the Disco Ball tonight, Friday, February 26. Everyone will be draped in their finest 1970's disco fashions for this return to the sounds of the heyday of dance music. This is how it all began and you can experience the energy and rhythms of the night that was all the rage in the good old '70's....

Village Station held the second of twelve birthday parties for the members of the VSBC. Actually, everyone is a member with the last Thursday of each month a time for celebration as everyone with a birthday in that month parties at one huge bash. You'll see all the boys and girls with March birthdays celebrating together on Thursday, March 25....

Midtowne Spa holds their monthly Flashlight Party this Sunday, February 28 starting at 9:00 p.m. When the lights go out everyone turns on their flashlights for some special sights and sounds. Coming up on Sunday, March 14, meet adult video star Paul Morgan at the Spa in an exclusive Dallas appearance. There's been a few changes at Midtowne this month and here are just a few that you will want to keep in mind. Their ongoing charity contribution to the Food Pantry still translates into a discount. Bring in 3 non-perishable food items and you can receive a half price single room or locker. This special discount is

available all day Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and on Thursday until 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays continue to be a free locker day for all young men ages 18-22. For more information online, check out their website at www.midtowne-spa.com.

Caring Friends Center is now serving over 500 clients at their 5029 Lemmon Avenue facility. Make your plans to stop in at the Center for a quick tour from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. every Wednesday through Sunday. They've got volunteer opportunities galore no matter what you may have to offer. Lunches are served Wednesdays and Saturdays. The Chef will be happy to prepare a lunch for sponsors who donate funds for the lunches. The lunches are drawing about 50 people each day and restaurants are urged to offer their services for at least one day. You can volunteer your time at the Emporium, Dining Room, Educational Library, Assistance Fund and they've got a very special opportunity for their scheduled Supply Drive at Kroger March 12, 13 and 14. They've been able to use the service of more than 45 volunteers working in shifts either Friday, Saturday or Sunday from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. To sign up, call (214)219-7300....

Zandunga Bar has something for you to enjoy every night except Tuesday. They are open every Wednesday through Monday with shows, drink specials, charity benefits, pageants and more. Stop in and see all of the party people that flock to this Maple Avenue hot spot. Super Sunday Shows feature Ivanna, Lindsey, Lucia and Sweet Savage starting at 11:30 p.m. Here's a



CRUISE CAMERA photo with Sweet Savage [above, center] along with some of the folks who flocked to see a recent show. See you there....

Zipper's customer Johnny Perrino [right] is all smiles. You will be too when you catch the final weekend of the Canadian male dancers who'll be heading back north after their month-long



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appearance. Crews Inn's Friday night Trash Disco is a great way to meet a few hundred hunky men on the dancefloor. There's always a packed house for their legendary Tuesday night party....



Bamboleo's Miss Sweetheart winner Vanessa Spanic is shown [above, second from l] with Eleesha Jackson, Alaska, Vanessa Duval and Dayra [l-r] in the winners circle. Make your plans to attend M.A. Productions presentation of Miss Gay Twin-Cities 1999 pageant in March. The all-star production by their monarchy will be a special evening of illusion. Check with owner Alfredo Zarate for details and applications for their Miss Bamboleo's at-Large pageant....

TARRANT TEA — Recently, "We Are Doing Something For Charity" held its Miss WADSFC Pageant at the 651 Fort Worth.



The 1999 winner is Ashley Rhone [above, second from r]; Jacquelyn Daniels received the Most Money Raised Award. This event also featured the distribution of monies raised in 1998. Tarrant County AIDS Interfaith Network, The Health Education Learning Project, Samaritan House and the Tarrant County Lesbian/Gay Alliance each received \$1,500. Fort Worth's legendary 651 Club concludes their 30th anniversary celebration this weekend and you still have time to get in on the festivities. This Sunday, February 28 you can hit the casino with all proceeds benefiting We Are Doing Something For Charity. Get ready for some new dance lessons beginning this Monday, March 1 with beginner 3-step lessons at 8:00 p.m. and beginner Swing lessons at 9:00 p.m. Your instructor for these fun and informative dance styles is popular stepper extraordinaire Wendall. Check it out this weekend....

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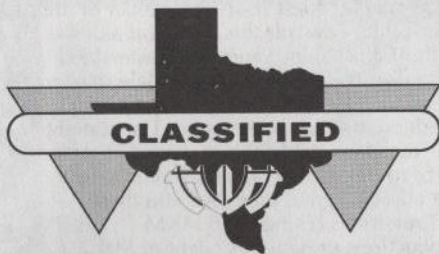
show special guest Texas Entertainer of the Year Laken Edwards this weekend along with Aretha Wells, Lauren LeMasters and Miss Gay Texas Charity Case. Male dancers are at the Station tonight and again on Wednesdays. Aretha hosts her Flaent night on Thursdays at 11:00 p.m. with \$75 cash prize to the winner. Saturday after hours are always a great time. See you there....

Crossroads Lounge and M&M Productions presents "A Night of Mardi Gras" tomorrow, Saturday, February 27 starting at 9:00 p.m. with a New Orleans-style buffet and a 10:00 p.m. Mardi Gras Show with numerous guest appearances. The Mardi Gras costume contest is set for 11:30 p.m. with prizes to the top three. All of this fun will benefit Samaritan House. Make your plans to come in costume and maybe you'll win a prize....

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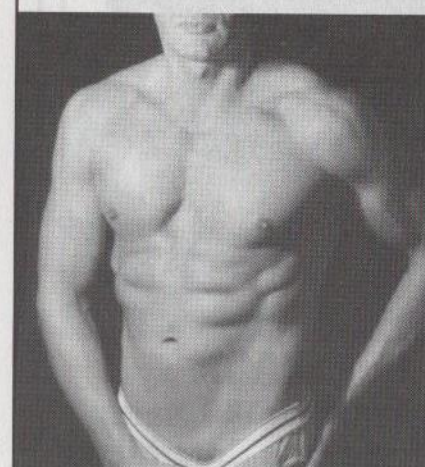
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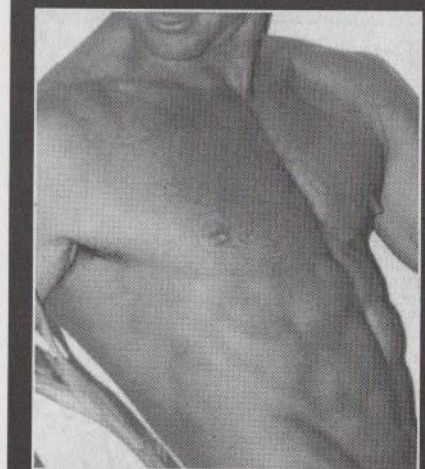
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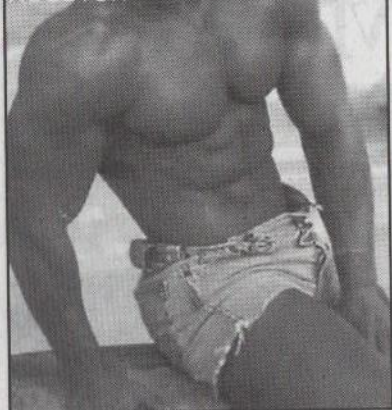
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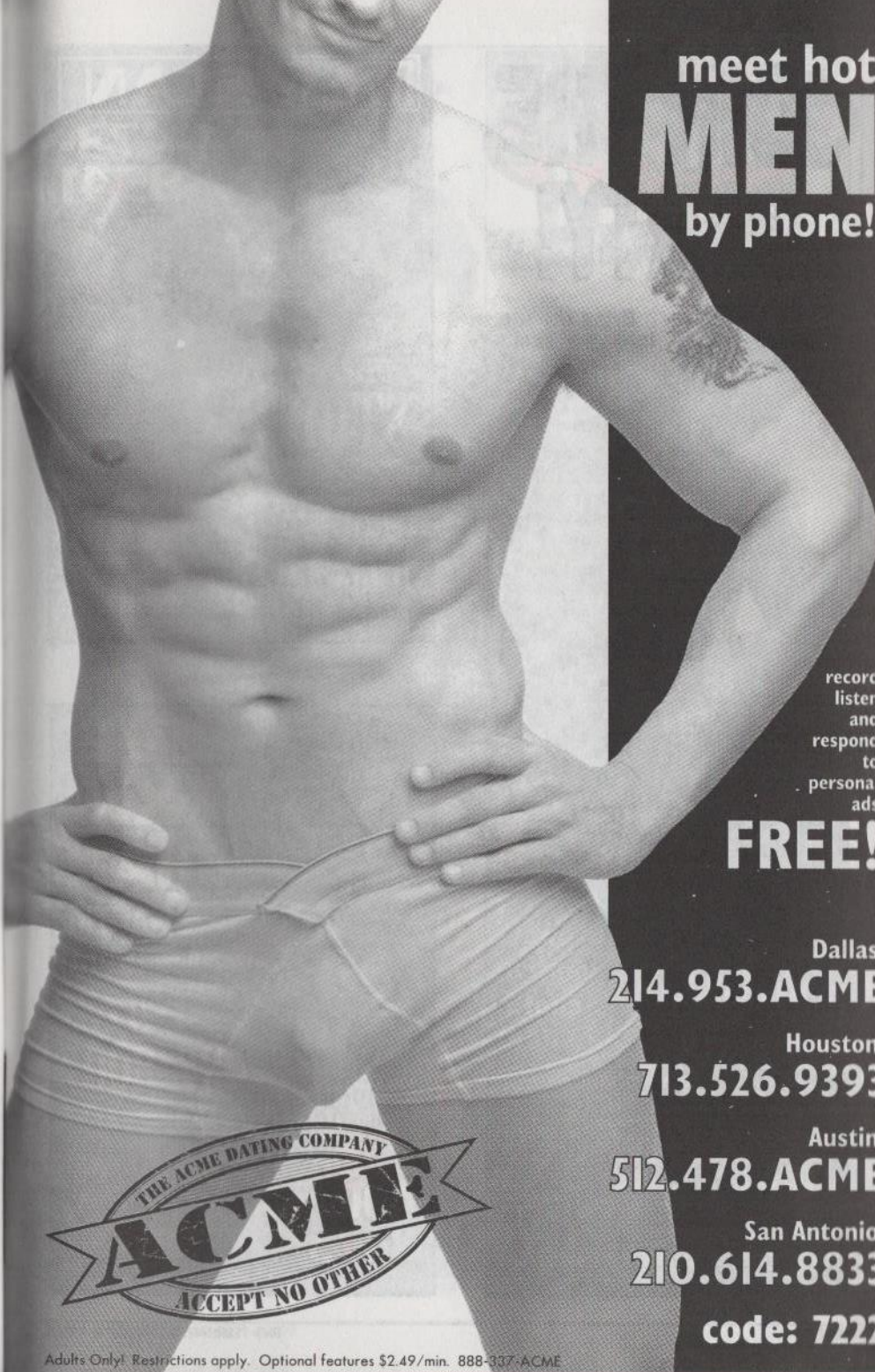
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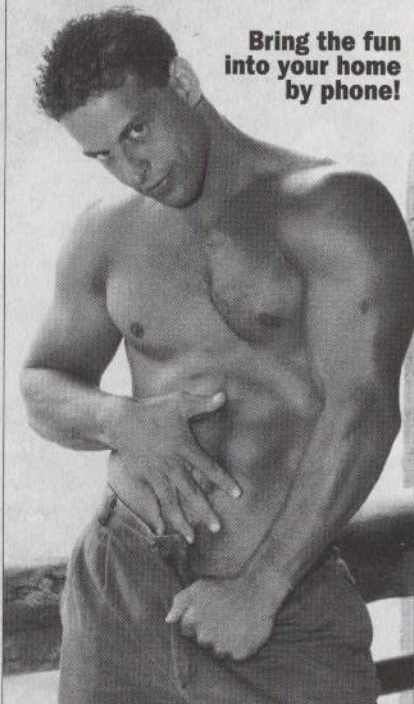
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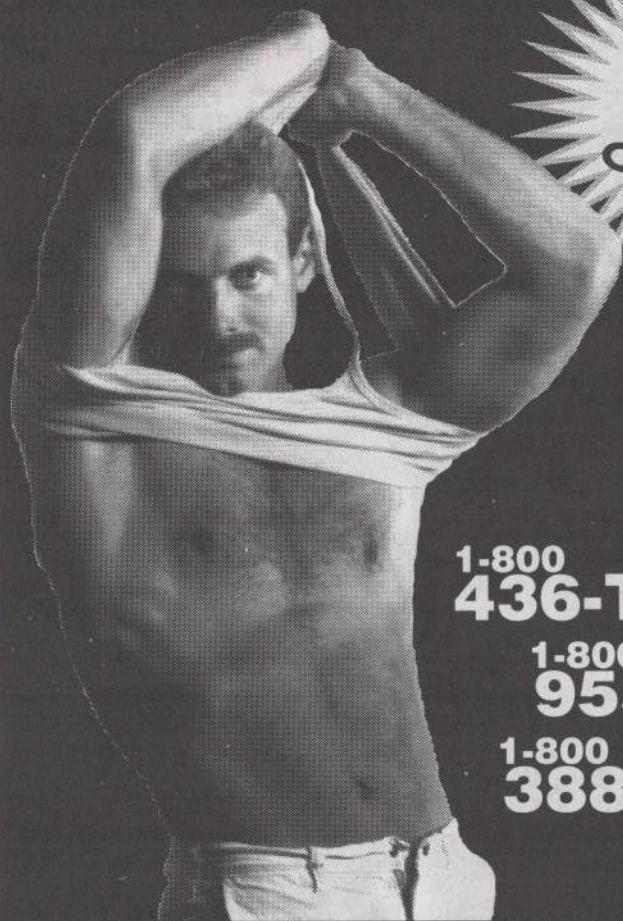
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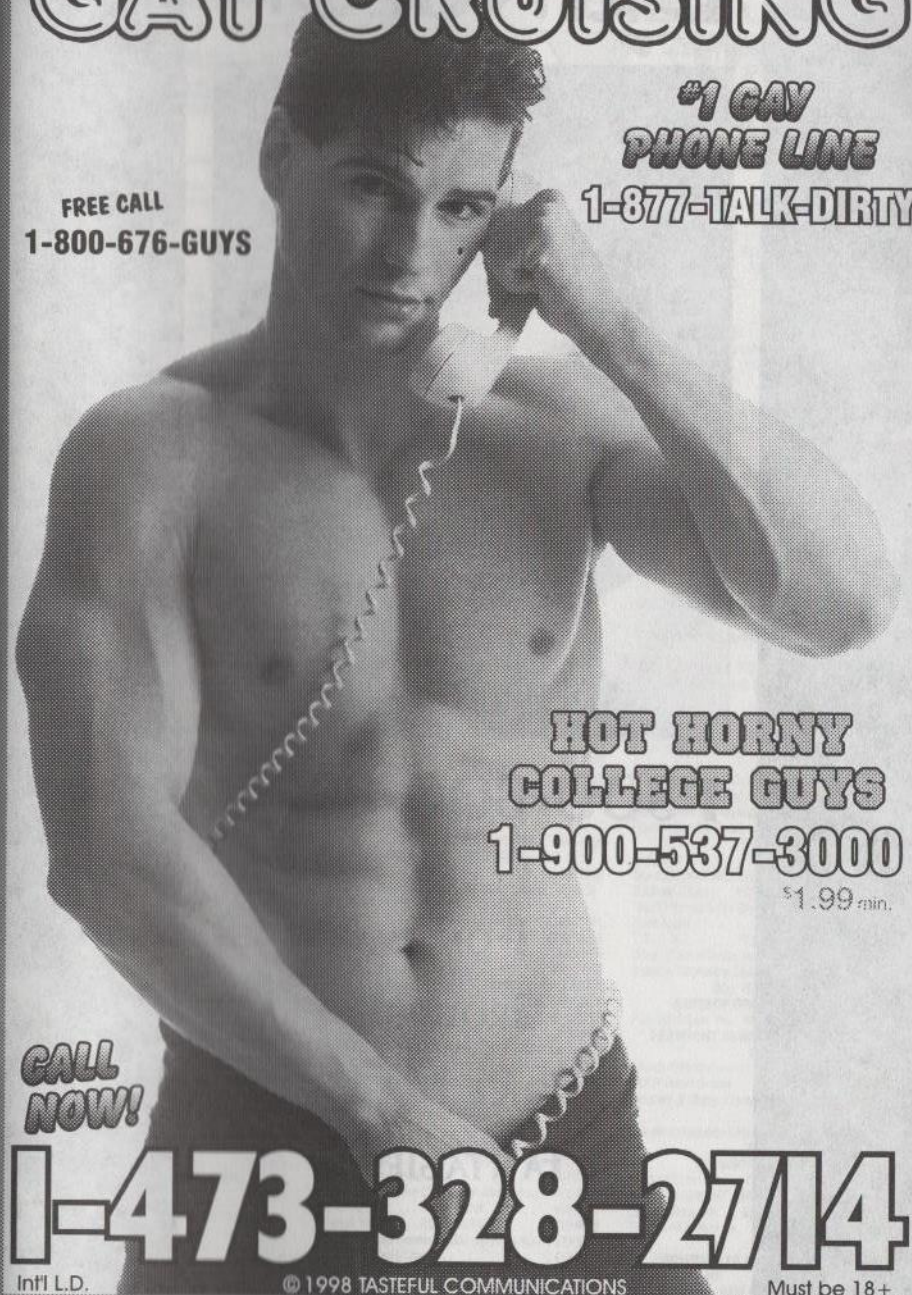
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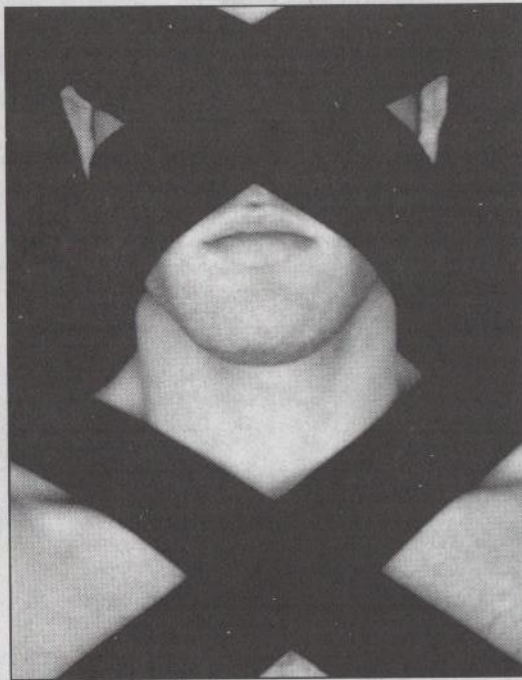
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 MCC in Oak Cliff 3839 W. Kiest Blvd. 941-5769
 St. Mary, the Holy Theotokos Orthodox Catholic Church
 521-5342, ext. 465
 St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church
 8525 Inwood Rd. 352-0410

Seventh-Day Adventist Kinship P.O. 802815/75380
 416-1358
 Universal Creator's Community Church 690-0893
 White Rock Comm. Church 3353 Garland Rd. 320-0043
 White Rock Friends HIV Support 320-0106
DALLAS CLUBS (AC: 214/972)
 Bamboo's 5027 Lemmon Ave. 520-1124
 Brick 4117 Maple Ave. 522-9611
 Buddies II 4025 Maple Ave. 528-0887
 Crews Inn 3215 N. Fitzhugh 526-9510
 Dallas Eagle 2515 Inwood Rd. #107 337-4375
 Fraternity House 2525 Wycliff, Coming Soon
 Hidden Door 5025 Bowser 528-0620
 Hideaway 4144 Buena Vista 559-2966
 J.R.'s 3923 Cedar Springs 941-2600
 Jugs 4117 Maple Ave. 520-MOBY
 Moby Dick 4011 Cedar Springs 522-9611
 Round-Up Saloon 3912 Cedar Springs 522-2026
 2nd Bar 2615 Oak Lawn 559-0550
 Sue Ellen's 3903 Cedar Springs 559-0550
 TMC 3014 Throckmorton 559-0680
 The Zone 3810 Congress 826-9886
 Trestle 412 S. Haskell 826-9886
 Village Station 3911 Cedar Springs 559-0550
 Zandunga Bar 4100 Maple Ave. 521-2311
 Zippers 3333 N. Fitzhugh 526-9519

DALLAS COUNSELING (AC: 214/972)
 Bedrick, Dianna M. Ph.D., L.P.C. 223 S. Montclair Ave.
 75208 948-5557
 Oak Lawn Community Services 4300 MacArthur
 520-8108

DALLAS DOCTORS (AC: 214/972)
 Bellos, Nicholas C., M.D. 3801 Gaston Ave., Suite 300
 (24 hours) 828-4702
 Nelson-Tebedo Community Clinic 4012 Cedar Springs
 P.O. 190869/75219-0869 528-2336
 Swanson, Jan, D.O. 1244 S. Ridge Ct. #103, Hurst
 (817)268-4100

DALLAS FITNESS CENTERS (AC: 214/972)
 The Club 2616 Swiss 821-1990
 Midtown Spa 2509 Pacific 821-8989
DALLAS ORG./HELPLINES (AC: 214/972)
 Addicare Alcohol & Drug Crisis Line 824-6503
 African-American HIV/AIDS Support Group 941-7696
 African-American Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Coalition
 AIDS ARMS 4300 MacArthur #160, LBS 521-5191
 AIDS Clinic/Parkland Hospital 590-5532
 AIDS Funding Association 522-3722
 AIDS Hotline 559-2437/1-800-924-AIDS
 AIDS Info Line (24 hrs.) 1-800-299-2437
 AIDS Interfaith Network (Oak Cliff) 941-7696
 AIDS Mastery 521-5342, ext. 325
 AIDS Prevention Project (free and anon.) 905-2190
 AIDS Programs/OLCS 2017 Cedar Springs
 AIDS Resource Center/FHU 2701 Reagan St.
 P.O. 190869/75219-0869 521-5124
 AIDS Services of Dallas/PWACD P.O. 4338
 941-0523

AIDS Update (ARC newsletter) 521-5342, ext. 220
 Alcoholics Anonymous/Lambda Group 522-6259
 Alliance of Design Professionals P.O. 568-9118
 ARC Client Services 526-2055
 521-5444
 ARC fax line 522-4040
 Asian Gay Males: Dragon Files P.O. 190869/75219
 521-5342, ext. 852
 Assoc. for Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Educators 824-5924
 Big D Longhorns Square Dance Club P.O. 190869/75219
 521-5342, ext. 752
 Bryan's House 559-3946
 Buddy Project 520-8108
 Caring Friends 5029 Lemmon Ave. 219-7300
 Call Out/teen info-line 520-7433
 Cheer Dallas 1317 McAdams/75224 922-9229
 Classic Chassis Car Club P.O. 7703/75209
 Client Services fax line 521-3859
 660-0100
 Club Francais Gal de Dallas 528-9600
 Co-dependents Anonymous/Lambda 520-8108
 Cousins/Metro Dallas P.O. 803156/75380
 521-5342, ext. 464
 Crossdressers (TVs) Helpline 264-7013
 D/FW Big Man's Club 264-2449
 D/FW M.A.N. (Metro Area Nudists) P.O. 612813/75281
 933-4334

D/FW Young Naturists Club P.O. 802815/75380
 Daire Center (adult day care for PWAs) 522-4365
 Dal. Co. Deaf AIDS Task Force P.O. 835546
 Richardson/75083
 Dat. Area Male Naturists 516-5442/516-5443(TDD)
 (ext. 440) 521-5342
 Dal. Baers P.O. 191222/75219 [ext. 880] 521-5342
 Dallas Gay & Lesbian Alliance P.O. 190712
 Dallas Gay & Lesbian Ice Hockey Club 528-4233
 Dallas Gay & Lesbian Ice Hockey Club 640-2094
 Dallas Gay Deutschklub 324-8085
 DINA (volleyball) P.O. 190869/75219-0869
 521-5342, ext. 804
 D.I.C.O.T. (Dai. Invit. Columbus Day Trm. Bowling Org.)
 240-8351
 Dallas Legal Hospice 370 W. 7th 941-2600
 Dallas Silver Sabres 3230 Adairton Dr/75211
 467-3474
 Dal. Tavern Guild 3300 Reagan St/75219 521-0638
 Deaf Action Center 521-0407
 DIFFA 748-8580
 Different Strokes Golf Assoc. 4130 Proton Dr. #13-D
 Addition/75244
 Eastfield Lambda Student Alliance 324-7185
 Federal Club P.O. 191153/75219 699-5889
 Federal GLOBE of Texas, Inc. P.O. 50961/75250
 264-2800
 Fire dancers (leather/fur club) P.O. 190869/75219-0869
 Food Pantry 521-3390
 Friends Associating & Relating 328-6749
 Gay and Lesbian Community Center 2701 Reagan St.
 528-9254

Gay & Lesbian Parents Coalition International/D/FW
 P.O. 670609/75397 521-5342, ext. 808
 Gay & Lesbian Switchboard 528-0022
 Gay/Lesbian Info Line (OLCS)
 P.O. 191069 520-8781
 Gay/Lesbian Young Adults 2701 Reagan St.
 521-5342, ext. 260
 Gay Married Men's Support Group 558-1696
 Gaymsters Bridge Club P.O. 190856/75219-0856
 525-1955
 GLAAD/Ally P.O. 190869/75219-0869
 521-5142, ext. 260
 HIV Anon. Testing & Counseling 920-7916
 HIV Testing (AIDS Resource Center) 528-2336
 HIV Testing & Counseling 819-1960
 Hands to Hearts (social/singles) 699-5783
 Housing Opportunities for PWAs (HOPWA) 819-1828
 Immunocise (aerobic) 522-6050
 Kryo Proj. Inc. (KYRO News) P.O. 214223
 526-KYRO (5976)
 P.O. 35343/75235
 Lambda Amateur Radio Club 522-1458
 Lambda Bowling (men and women) (Metro) 817/267-9055
 Lambda Car Club P.O. 710271/75371 521-7309
 Lambda Codpendents Anonymous 520-8108
 Lambda Meeting/Sex & Love Addicts Anon. 241-5442
 Lambda Overstayers Anonymous 498-3301
 Lambda Weekly (radio program) P.O. 35031/75235
 823-8930
 Lambda AA 2727 Oak Lawn 522-6259
 Leadership Lambda Inc./Toastrasters P.O. 190228/75219
 712-6430
 A League of Our Own (bowling) 363-9418
 Leather Knights P.O. 190111/75219 521-5342, ext. 871
 Lesbian Book Club 331-5513
 Lesbian/Gay Political Coalition of Dallas P.O. 227273/75222
 504-6724
 Lesbian Moms and Gay Dads 526-5088
 Lesbian Resource Center 821-3999
 Lesbian Visionaries P.O. 190712 521-5342, ext. 844
 Life Walk 443-WALK
 Men of All Colors Together P.O. 190611/75219
 521-4785
 Log Cabin/Metroplex Republicans P.O. 191033
 520-6655
 NAMES Project P.O. 190869/75219 520-SEVUS
 699-9306
 Narcotics Anonymous (24 hrs.) 521-5342
 Nelson-Tebedo Community Clinic 4012 Cedar Springs
 529-2336
 Nat. Leather Assoc. P.O. 75097/75209
 521-5342, ext. 820
 North Texas Assoc. of Physicians for Human Rights
 12222 Coit Rd. 233-3100
 Northern Lights Alternatives 871-1611
 Oak Lawn Band Sponsors Center for the Arts

3630 Harry Hines Blvd. 972-497-1458
 Oak Lawn Bowling Association (972)286-8842
 Oak Lawn Community Services P.O. 191069/75219
 4300 MacArthur #200 526-8108
 Oak Lawn Ski Club 521-5342, ext. 469
 Oak Lawn Soccer Club P.O. 190995/75219-0995
 941-3566
 Oak Lawn Tennis Assoc. P.O. 224605/75224-0606
 (972)390-8787
 OASIS Recovery Program/OLCS 4300 MacArthur
 972-327-2323
 O.U.T. (Over & Under Thirty) c/o Gay & Les. Comm. Ctr.
 P.O. 190869/75219-0869
 Parents, Families & Friends of Les. & Gays 348-1079
 Parents Support Group (PWA) 262-8479/248-2172
 Pegasus Softball Assoc. P.O. 291075
 972-327-2323
 Pentamidine Mist Treatments 528-2336/521-5124
 People Like Us (PLUS-) 521-5444
 Phil Johnson AIDS Research Library 521-6244
 Phil Johnson Gay & Lesbian Library 528-9254
 PWA Coalition of Dallas P.O. 4338 941-0523
 Police Harassment Reporting 528-4233
 Positive-Personals 521-5342, ext. 250
 Presbyterians for Lesbian/Gay Concerns 823-2317
 Prime Times P.O. 191017/75219 (972)504-8866
 Queer Nation/Dallas P.O. 6400/175200
 504-8726
 Rainbow Flyers Pilots Assoc. P.O. 190990/75219
 521-5342, ext. 849
 Rainbow Garden Club P.O. 226911/75222-6811
 (972)640-7386
 Rainbowfliers (Tues. at 6:30) 528-5813
 Rainbow Skydiving Club 357-9880
 Resource Center of Dallas 528-0144
 Respect All Youth (youth) 521-5342, ext. 288
 Rice Gay & Lesbian Alumni Assoc./DFW Chapter
 834 S. Montclair Ave./75208 9066
 (Michael) 942-9537
 Sin Fronteras (radio program) P.O. 190922/75219
 826-8869
 Stonewall (Narc. Anon.) 5415 Maple, Suite 120/75235
 Stonewall Democrats 521-8975
 Stonewall Dive Club P.O. 227001/75222
 Stonewall Professional and Business Association
 P.O. 191343/75219 526-6216
 Suicide & Crisis Center 828-1000
 Texas Gay Rodeo Association P.O. 191108/75219-8168
 526-1115
 Team Dallas P.O. 190869/75219-0869
 521-5342, ext. 800
 Team Dallas Aquatics 333-1485
 Texas Fathers for Equal Rights P.O. 50052
 One Main Pl. Stat. 741-4800
 The Texas Motorcycle Club P.O. 91188/75209
 528-5692
 T.R.U.S.T. (adolescent children of gays and lesbians)
 528-9191
 Turtle Creek Choral 526-3214
 United Circle of the Lone Star Empire 712-1810
 Women's Health Project 4012 Cedar Springs
 521-5131
 Women's Spiritually Group 5008 Homer St.
 826-9213

DENISON CLUB (AC: 903) 463-9044
DENTON CLUB (AC: 817) 566-9910
 1215 E. University
DENTON ORGANIZATIONS (AC: 817)
 AIDS Services of Denton 381-1501
 Courage/UT Student Group 565-0101
 Harvest Metropolitan Community Church
 1-36 at Exit 460 387-1432
 Parents, Families & Friends of Les. & Gays 321-2391
EL PASO CLUBS (AC: 915) 533-6055
 Old Plantation 301 S. Ochoa 533-6055
 San Antonio Mining Company 800 E. San Antonio
 533-9516
EL PASO ORGANIZATIONS (AC: 915)
 AIDS Info. Eng.-543-3574 Span.-543-3575
 GLBT Community Center 910 N. Mesa 562-4297
 HIV & STD Testing 222 S. Campbell 543-3560
 Lambda Line (helpline/switchboard/24 hrs.) 562-GAYS
 LAMBDA Services P.O. 31321/79931-0321
 MCC El Paso 9828 Montana 991-4155
 Hate Crimes Assistance Hotline (800)616-HATE
 Anti-Violence Project 562-4297

1505 Mesalero
 772-3366
ERATH COUNTY ORGANIZATION (AC: 817)
 AIDS Resources of Rural Texas P.O. 1720/Weatherford 76086 596-3022
FORT WORTH CHURCHES & RELIG. ORGAN.
 (AC: 817)
 Agape MCC 4615 S.E. Loop 820 535-5002
 Celebration Community Church 908 Pennsylvania Ave. 336-3222
 Fellowship of Love 711 Gambrell St. 521-5683
 Honesty (Baptists) 924-4159
 Special Ministry Ministries 1520 Hemphill
FORT WORTH CLUBS (AC: 817)
 Corral Club 621 Hemphill 335-0196
 Crossroads 515 S. Jennings 332-0071
 D.J.'s 1308 St. Louis 927-7321
 Magnolia Station 600 W. Magnolia 332-0415
 The 651 Club 651 S. Jennings 332-0745
FORT WORTH DOCTORS (AC: 817)
 Swanson, Jan, D.O. 1244 S. Ridge Ct. #103, Hurst
 268-4100
FORT WORTH ORG./HELPLINES (AC: 817)
 AIDS Awareness Clinic 2825 E. Rosedale
 AIDS Helpline 534-CARE
 AIDS Information Line 336-0066
 (outside Tarrant Co.) 1-800-836-0066
 AIDS Interfaith Network 1425 Pennsylvania Ave. 870-4800
 AIDS Outreach Center 1125 W. Peter Smith
 335-1994
 Alliance News (TCLGA) 877-5544
 Assoc. of Gay/Les. B. Educators 329-3415
 Bridge the Gap, Inc. (HIV/AIDS testing, educ.)
 2825 E. Rosedale/76105 531-0223
 Co-Dependents Anonymous 517-5847
 Couples wigay or bisexual partner 338-4551
 Cowtown Leathermen 698-7925
 Crisis/Suicide Intervention (24-hr. help) 927-5544
 Diversity 698-7925
 Ft Worth Formal 877-5544
 Ft Worth Gay Pride Week Assoc. P.O. 3459/76113
 GALA/Gay and Lesbian Assoc. of TCJC
 TCJC Student Act. Bldg. 828 Harwood
 Hurst/76054 678-6644
 Gay/Lesbian Youth 338-4551
 Health Dept. STD Info 871-7357
 Health Education Learning Project 332-7722
 HIV Anonymous Group 292-9494
 Imperial Court of Fort Worth/Arlington 654-9114
 Institute for Teen AIDS Prevention P.O. 136116/76136
 323-0230
 Lambda AA 1700 8th Ave./76110 921-2871
 Lambda Alanon 373-7681
 Leadership Luncheon Forum 877-5544
 Lone Star Bowling League 336-0706
 Lone Star Charity Rodeo Assoc. 336-7927
 Longhorn Bowling Assoc. (Tony) 333-8295
 NAMES Project 33-NAMES
 Over the Hill, Inc. (HIV/AIDS testing center)
 2001 S. Frwy/76104 922-9955
 Parents, Families & Friends of Les. & Gays 498-5607
 Ribbons of Hope 763-8168
 Samaritan House 2200 Ephraim 626-9398
 [fax] 626-8289
 Second Saturday (gay male socials) 795-1376
 Second Tuesday (lesbian socials) 795-1376
 Sex Addicts Anonymous 461-8801
 Sexuality Education Center 336-4551
 Spiritual AIDS Ministry 536-5002
 Survivors of Incest 335-4330
 Tarrant County Lesbian/Gay Alliance 1219 6th Ave./76104
 877-5544/fax 877-1626
 Tarrant County Tavern Guild 877-4419
 T.C.M.E.R.F. Drug Treatment Ctr. 900 Southland Ave.
 TCU Triangle Student Gr. 921-7160/336-6545/
 336-1978 HIV clinic 534-2273
 Teen Support Hotline 332-8382
 Texas AIDS Network (Thomas B.) 335-1994
 Texas Gay Veterans 877-5544
 TVTS Support Group (214)264-7103
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 Texas Gay Veterans 877-5544
 TVTS Support Group (214)264-7103
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HALVESTON CLUBS (AC: 409)
 Kon-Tiki 315 23rd (Tremont) 763-6264
 Bricks Etc. 2214 Mechanic 763-4212
 Cousins 817 Fairview 528-9204
 E/U's 2517 Ralph 527-9071
 Guava Lamp 2159 Portsmouth 524-3359

GALVESTON ORGANIZATIONS (AC: 409)
 AIDS Coalition of Coastal Texas, Inc. 1419 Tremont
 763-AIDS
 Galveston Tennis Network (Lenny) 765-5071
 Gulf Coast Center (HIV care management) 765-5071
 1721 Tremont (23rd) 782-5905
 Lambda AA 684-2140/(713)489-1573
 Parents, Families & Friends of Les. & Gays
 (PFLAG) 744-3200
 Silk Stocking Ball David Bump, P.O. 5295/77564 737-5484
HOOD COUNTY ORGANIZATION (AC: 817)
 AIDS Resources of Rural Texas P.O. 1720/Weatherford 76086 596-3022
HOUSTON ACCOMMODATIONS (AC: 713/281)
 The Lovett Inn 501 Lovett 522-5224
 The Montrose Inn 408 Avondale (800)779-5224
 800/367-1228
HOUSTON ADULT BOOKSTORES (AC: 713/281)
 Adult Video Megaplex 8100 Al. Frwy
 Big City News & Video 10105 Gulf Frwy
 Gas Light News 3519 Ballaire
 I-45 North 9824 North Frwy
HOUSTON ADULT THEATER (AC: 713/281)
 French Quarter 3201 Louisiana 527-0782
HOUSTON ATTORNEYS (AC: 713/281)
 Archer, Danna K. 524-1273
 Green, Bill (24 hrs.) 266-1104
 Ritchie & Glass (24 hrs.) 921-8026
 Walker, Jim 552-1117
HOUSTON BUSINESSES/SERVICES (AC: 713/281)
 Basic Brothers 1232 Westheimer 528-6226
 Black Hawk Leather 2923 Main 520-8294
 Crossroads Market 1111 Westheimer 942-0147
 Euro Boutique 1200 Spencer Hwy 944-6010
 Jiggins Formal Wear Galleria Mall III 626-3318
 Jack Roach Ford 6445 S.W. Frwy. (281)586-5000
 Kinetic Sports Clinic 349-9570
 Leather by Boots 807 Fairview 528-6666
 Linked Vitality Benefits 3500 Oak Lawn #600
 523-9478
 Lobo Bookshop 3939 Montrose, Suite S 522-5156
 Muscles In Action (C.J. Hamington) 965-9917
 Record Rack 5109 S. Shepherd 524-3602
 Rice Pharmacy 41

Inergy 5750 Chimney Rock 666-7310
 JRS 808 Pacific 521-2519
 Larry J 312 Tuam St 528-9343
 Mary's 1022 Westheimer 527-9689
 Mailbox 4215 Washington Ave 684-2977
 Montrose Mining Co. 2923 Main 529-7488
 Nighthawks 803 Pacific 522-0000
 Outpost 1419 Richmond 520-8446
 Pacific Street 710 Pacific 523-0213
 Picasso 2151 Richmond 520-8636
 Ricci's 2401 San Jacinto 759-9096
 Rainbow Room 527 Barron Springs 872-0215
 Ripcord 715 Fairview 521-2792
 Santa Fe Bar & Patio 804 Pacific 521-2519
 611 Club 611 Hyde Park 526-7070
 Toyz 5222 Glenmont 668-4892

HOUSTON COUNSELING (AC: 713/281)
 Carroll, Tony, LMSW-ACP 522-3045
 Edd, Nicholas, Dr., Psy.D. 647-8822
 Montrose Counseling Ctr. 701 Richmond 529-0037
 Ostrin, Olivia, M.Ed., L.P.C. 647-8822

HOUSTON DOCTORS/DENTISTS (AC: 713/281)
 Fletcher, Richard/chiropractor 862-3897
 Smith, Bruce W., D.D.S. 529-4364

HOUSTON FITNESS CENTERS (AC: 713/281)
 The Club Spa 2205 Farris 659-4998
 Midtowne Spa 3100 Farnin 522-2379

HOUSTON HEALTH CLUBS (AC: 713/281)
 Fitness Exchange 4040 Milam #100 524-9932
 Houston Gym 235 Birdsall 880-9191

HOUSTON ORGANIZATIONS/HELPLINES (AC: 713/281)
 African-American Lesbian/Gay Alliance P.O. 1306/817/219
 AIDS Alliance of the Bay Area 17511 El Camino Real #107 488-4492
 AIDS Foundation Houston 3202 Westlayan 523-6736
 AIDS/HIV Info. Line (referrals) 922-2221
 AIDS Hotline (9a-9p) 524-4105
 AIDS Interfaith Council of Houston 682-5895
 AIDS Legal Hotline 529-7702
 AIDS Mastery 524-4105
 American Civil Liberties Union 942-8146
 Asians & Friends P.O. 667100/77266-7100
 The Assistance Fund 1116 Jackson Blvd. 77006/1210 529-4788
 Astro Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf, Inc. P.O. 66136/77266-6136
 AVES, Inc. 4126 S.W. Fwy, Suite 1717 826-2837
 AWARE (SW Bell gay employees group) 235-7929
 Bayou City Boys Club P.O. 131284/77219
 Being Care Center 1440 Harold 520-7070
 Being Community Service Foundation P.O. 54051/77254 529-6071
 Baring Dental Clinic 1440 Harold 524-7333
 Bi/Vel Houston 467-4380
 Body Positive 3400 Montrose Ste 610 524-2374
 Brotherhood of Pain P.O. 66524/77266-6524 942-8402
 Bunnies on the Bayou, Inc. P.O. 66832/77266 618-7042
 B & W Men Together (281) 558-0829
 Men of All Colors Together 521-8219
 Center for AIDS 1407 Hawthorne 758-8793
 Chain Gang Bicycling Club P.O. 920888/77292 863-7024
 Classic Chassis Car Club P.O. 66804/77266 529-6071
 Colt 45's, Inc./AIDS Trouble Fund P.O. 66804/77266 529-6071
 Criss Hotline 228-1505
 Diana Foundation P.O. 66523/77266 639-2000
 DiFFA/Houston 5120 Woodway, Suite 279 P.O. 131605/77219-1605 552-9445 fax 552-1671
 Discrimination-Free Zone Project P.O. 66864/77266 521-1000
 Dinzinger Foundation 3701 Montrose/77006 522-8660
 Drug Abuse Hotline 1-800-662-HELP
 Executive and Professional Association of Houston P.O. 130227/77219-0227
 Fundación Latinoamericana Contra el SIDA, Inc. P.O. 773305/77215-3305 782-4380
 G.A.N.G. (Gay Alumni Noon Group, over 40s) 622-6919
 Garden and Yard Society 661-6378/520-1066
 Garden Party P.O. 66672/77266-6693 932-9959
 Gay Fathers/Fathers First of Houston (John) P.O. 981053 861-6181
 Gay & Lesbian Health Professionals 523-7040
 Gay & Lesbian Switchboard P.O. 66469/77266-6469

529-3211
 Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network 529-4519
 Gay/Lesbians of Rice 527-8101
 Gay Men's Chorus P.O. 541004/77254-1004
 Gay Men's Network 529-3211
 Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Alliance at U of H P.O. 314/77204-3650 743-5180
 Good Sports (college sports fans) 523-9000
 Greater Houston Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce 1109 Hyde Park/77006 523-5756
 Greater Houston Pocket Billiards League (P.J.) 863-8482
 Grey Party P.O. 130773/77219
 Gulf Coast Transgender Community P.O. 66643/77266
 Hate Crimes Hotline P.O. 66468/77266-6469 719-9020
 Health Dept. AIDS Hotline P.O. 980243/77098-0243
 Heartson (women's chorus) P.O. 66545/77266-6545
 Herpes H.E.L.P. Hotline 917-4190
 HIV Counseling 701 Richmond 529-0037
 Houston Area Bears P.O. 66443/77226 867-9123
 Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals 942-7002
 Houston Black Tie Dinner 523-9611
 Houston Gay & Lesbian Parents 284-4939
 Houston Gay & Lesbian Political Caucus P.O. 66664/77266 521-1000
 Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Walk '97 P.O. 66071/77266-6071 529-6979
 Houston Lesbian and Gay Community Center 803 Hawthorne P.O. 2304/77252 524-3818
 Houston Metropolitan Billiards League 299-9969
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 Houston Pride Band 1412 Richmond #389 524-0218
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 Houston Tennis Club 864-8468
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 Integrity (Episcopalians and Friends) 4131 S. Braeswood 867-9336
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 Just for Us (teens with gay/lesb. parents) P.O. 920794/77292
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 KPFT Radio 419 Lovett (office) 521-1243
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 Lesbians in Business 529-0077
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 Lone Star Volleyball Association 878-4629
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 Omega House, Inc. 602 Branard 708-2508
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 Pat Patriot 522-1854
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 AIDS Resource Ctr. 800 Livingston 222-2437
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 Bexar Men (gay nudist) P.O. 123427/78212-0342
 Bisexual Network P.O. 29023/78229-0023 690-7791

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 City Health Dept. HIV Project 722-2437

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 South Plains AIDS Resource Center 4819 Ave. Q P.O. 6949/79493 765-0444

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 East Texas AIDS Project 569-8240
 Planned Parent. (HIV counseling) 1404 Frank 634-8446

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 PBD's Lounge Ware Rd. at Daffodil 682-8019

MALLEN ORGANIZATIONS (AC: 956)
 Casa de la Merced (HIV support/services) 886-6047
 Comfort House (AIDS hospice) 667-7367
 Coronas Unidos (HIV care/services) 668-1155
 Gay & Lesbian Bowling League 971-8894
 Nombres de la Frontera (AIDS Quilt) 565-5437
 Proyecto Salud (HIV education) 630-4309

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 Friends of Jesus (Quakers) 325-0325

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