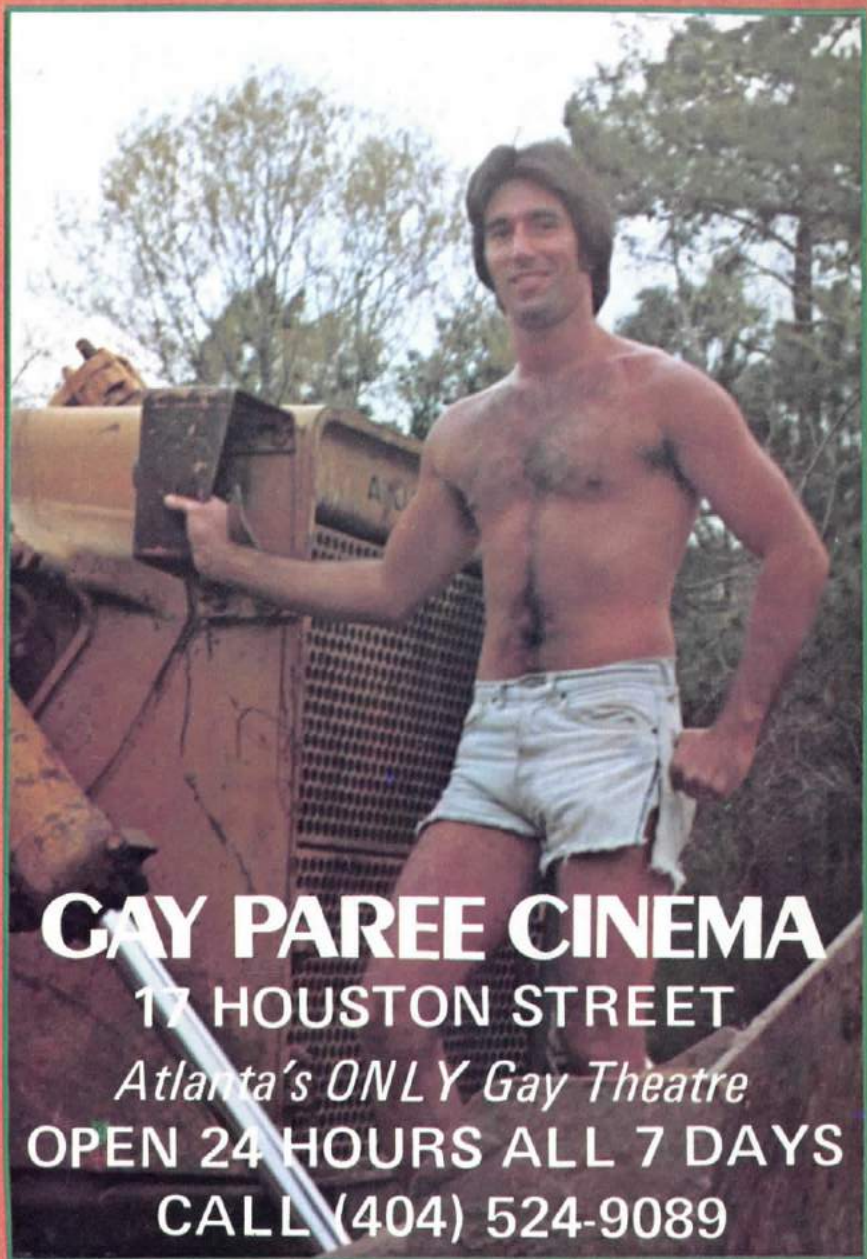


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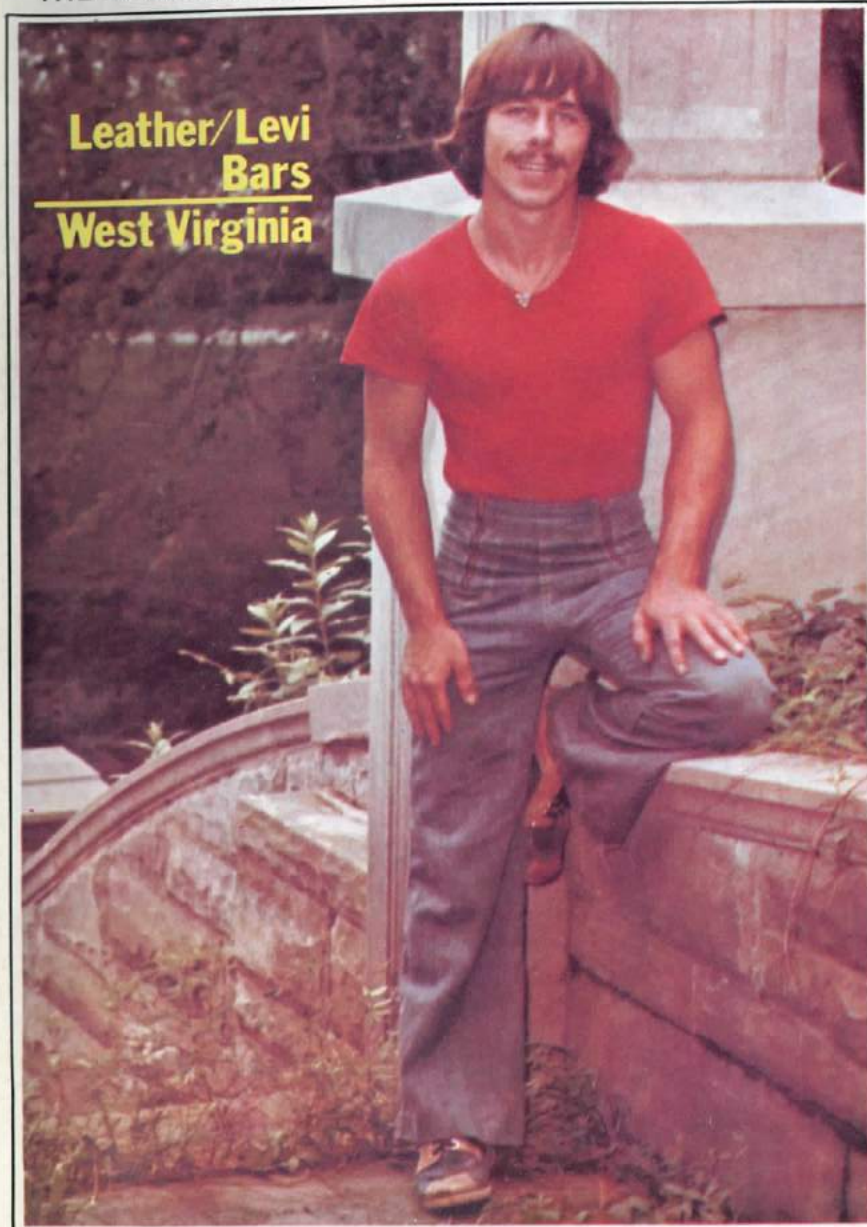
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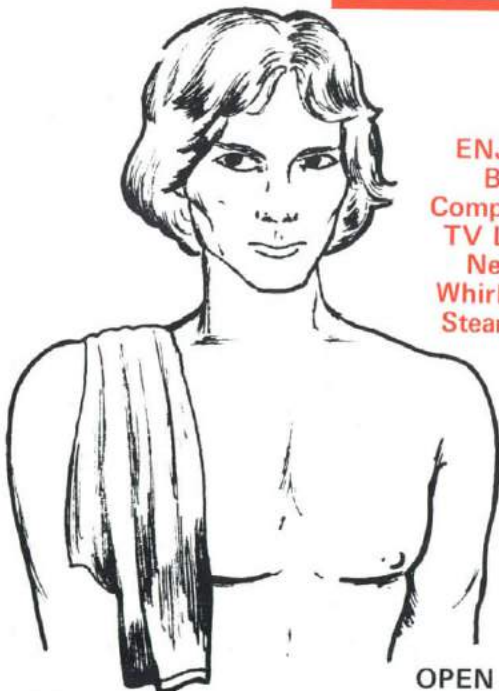
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Editorial

How many of you are familiar with the Briggs Initiative? Introduced in California, it is based on the premise that homosexuals are child molesters and its purpose is to prohibit lesbians and gay men from teaching. Police statistics indicate clearly that 95% of child molestation is heterosexual in nature. And so are equally high percentages of child abuse, rape and domestic violence. But we, as gay people, continue to be targets of sensationalist accusations based on disrespect and ignorance regarding our sexuality. It's nothing new. But in this day and age, it's getting old.

The Briggs Initiative is slated as Proposition Six on the November California ballot. If it passes, it will give rise to witchhunts across the state and reinforce myths and fears about us that are maintained by many Americans. A coalition calling itself "No on Six" is one of the organizations working to defeat the Briggs Initiative. Group member Leonard Matlovich and MCC founder Troy Perry are coming to Atlanta in early October to raise money to help defeat Proposition Six. A \$25-a-plate dinner will be held on October 10th at The Prince George and this will be followed by a benefit show at the Sweet Gum Head featuring entertainers from the city's gay clubs. We urge Atlanta gays to turn out and support this effort.

While we have not received word of them, we are sure similar benefits are being held in other cities around the country and again we urge gays to come out and give their support. In the meantime you may also make a financial contribution by mailing it to "A United Fund To Defeat The Briggs Initiative", One United Nations 94102.



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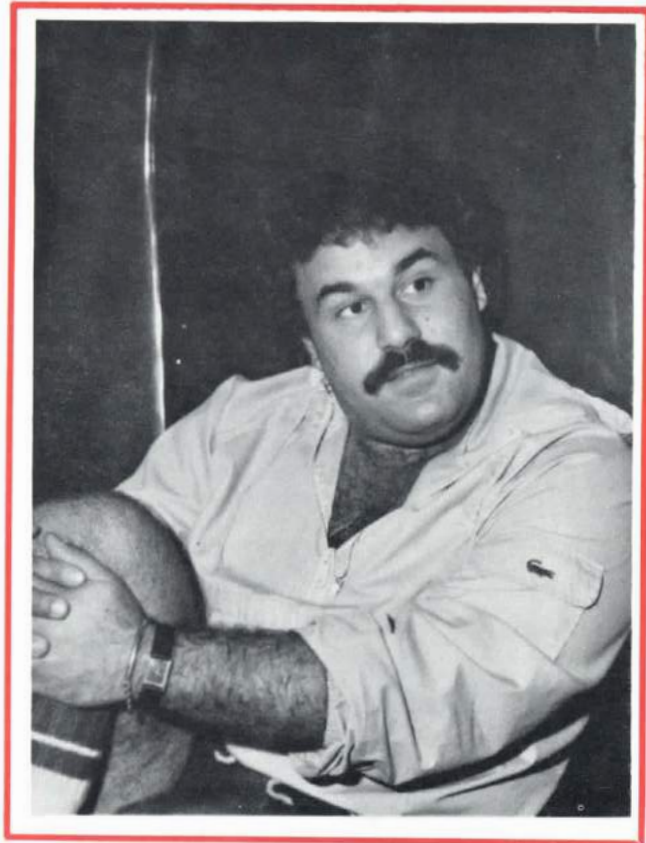
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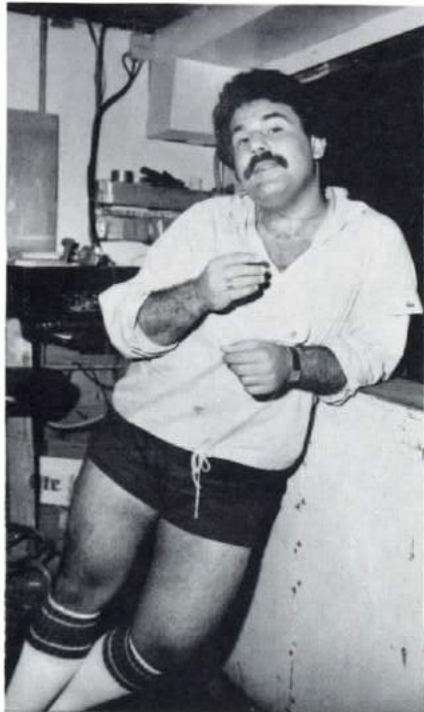
NUMBER ONE DISC JOCKEY IN
THE SOUTHEAST

By Robin Roberts



Angelo Solar began spinning discs at the turntable a few years back as a joke. "I was a pre-med student at the University of South Florida," he relates. "And I started working at Rene's in Tampa two nights a week for free. I never dreamed of it as a career." But the collegiate 18 year old was actually developing a natural and soon-to-prove profitable talent, one

that was rewarded recently the past Spring with Billboard Magazine's award naming Angelo the number one disc jockey in the southeastern region of the United States. In between the abandonment of chemistry courses and the attainment of disco music notoriety has been a ride over the rainbow that few are fortunate enough to experience.



A native of Havana, Cuba, Angelo lived in American foster homes before beginning his three year stint as a University student. "I lost interest in pre-med," he recalls. "I was more interested in having fun at the time. Eventually I started regularly at Rene's for \$10 a night." The budding DJ soon enjoyed wage increases from \$10 to \$15, then to \$20 and finally \$40 a night. He left Rene's to spin for Keith's Cruise Room, where he spent 6 months polishing his technique.

An 8 month duration of work followed at Tampa's El Goya, and then 1976 brought Angelo Solar to the "glitter city" of Atlanta.

Atlanta was a southern metropolis that was making important advances in the growing night world of disco dancing. The city's classiest club, a three level disco called Backstreet, had just closed and soon after reopened under the name Encore. Angelo was now sitting in the DJ booth and describes himself as being "a natural for Atlanta," winning a crowd accep-

tance battle that was taking place between himself and the other DJ who was then employed at the club. He went on to receive healthy public following and structured a reputation for his work. A year later, Encore renamed itself Backstreet and now stands as one of the "chicest" disco bars in the country. "We could make a few small changes here and there," Angelo remarks. "But essentially we are right there with the best discos all over the country." Angelo has been responsible for appearances there by performers Patti Brooks, Grace Jones and Madleen Kane, with plans now formulated for upcoming concerts by the Ritchie Family and Denice McCann.

Angelo's schedule is hardly limited to setting sound systems ablaze during the late night and early morning hours. Pressure is felt by him constantly in his affiliations with record companies and music publications. "I'm on the phone with record companies all the time, trying to be fair to all of them by properly exposing their material." Angelo's "Solar Sound" column in the Atlanta based Night Winds periodical offers critique on all new music. He writes a self-described "gossip column disco-wise" for Cash Box magazine, reports a Top 15 to Record World every six weeks and makes weekly reports to Discoteching B and Billboard Magazine. "A top 15," he explains, "is based on crowd response."

The Academy for the Recording Industry of America has awarded Angelo with four gold records for his early recognition and promotion of hits. The records immediately noted by Angelo included Donna Summer's "I Feel Love," Chic's "Dance, Dance, Dance," Peter Brown's "Dance With Me," and Karen Young's "Hot Shot." The awards and statistics provide one facet of the success story, but what is the accompanying philosophical side? "Part of my success is that I've always tried to outdo myself and not someone else. One becomes frustrated when one tries to copy someone else. Every day I meditate an hour and a half before coming to work so that I'll arrive with an open mind. I never listen to disco music or rehearse during the day. Everything I do is impromptu. The only way I can carry off a

good mix is to work with people. People are my energy, and I like to stay on the same level with them. I'm here to party, too, and I dance and scream in the booth along with people on the dance floor." Angelo explains why he rarely honors requests from people to play certain records: "I feel I have the experience to give people what they want. I feel by looking at them. The keys I look for are their movements. When I realize there is only so much their bodies can do, I help them relax. I usually do this by bringing them down with a hit, because this is usually psychologically relaxing to them. It's all a matter of watching your crowd. A request may not always fit into the scheme of energy." Now that he has conquered the DJ profession, Angelo is edging into the production field. He has already produced and mixed a record entitled "(Gonna Go Dancing) BACK-STREET," which incorporates the work of studio musicians and an Angelo "discovery" by the name of Patti Whatley. "I'm very proud of her," he states. "I've dressed her and

coached her, and I'm now putting together an act for her at Atlanta's Hyatt Regency Hotel." The "BACK-STREET" record is being considered for marketing by Casablanca, TK and Columbia, with the 12" single due before Christmas and an album currently in the works. Other goals include the production of a song exclusively for himself ("the LAST musical goal"), and entry into the film industry ("I've already received one movie offer.").

The colorful excitement of the disco world is not unlike Dorothy's Oz, but Angelo is hardly searching for a way to return to the beginnings that comprised his own "Kansas." I've shed 100 pounds, gotten rid of my lover and have many new directions in mind," he proudly declares. "It shouldn't be long before I'm no longer spinning." Backstreet Atlantans will miss the unequalled disc jockey expertise as Angelo investigates a new corridor in the Emerald City. But there should be no fretting about the need for those ruby slippers. Angelo appears to be his own wizard.

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Last month I was in Houston and visited a few clubs there. The competition is stiff with good



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DaArla (bottom right) with the DJ and management of Atlanta's newest disco, THE ACADEMY. They are (top, left to right, Ron, David and Iggy; and seated next to DaArla, DJ John Cowart



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In New Orleans, DaArla poses outside the Bourbon Pub with their DJs, Nathan Falk and Peter Van Maesberg.

DJs and great clubs. I had a wonderful time and the hospitality was TEXAS SIZED. Thank you Numbers, Old Plantation and Locker for your courtesy.

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7. THINK IT OVER/WARNING Cissy Houston - Pvt Stock
8. FAME - Grace Jones - Island
9. I'M A MAN - Macho - Prelude

10. FANCY DANCIN'/STAR CRUISER - Gregg Diamond TK
11. QUEEN OF THE NIGHT Loleatta Holloway - Sal Soul
12. LET'S START TO DANCE Bohannon - Mercury
13. BOOGIE OOGIE OOGIE Taste of Honey - Capitol
14. MISS YOU - Rolling Stones Atco
15. MR DJ YOU KEEP ME DANCING - Glass Family - JDC
16. DON'T KNOW WHAT I'D DO Sweet Cream - Shady Brook
17. DANCING IN PARADISE El Coco - AVI
18. YOU & I - Rick James - Motown
19. LAW & ORDER - Love Committee - Sal Soul
20. BURNING - Carol Douglas Midsong
21. SATURDAY - Norma Jean Bearsville
22. PLATO RETREAT - Joe Thomas - TK
23. LET THEM DANCE - D. C. LaRue - Casa
24. BOOGIE FUND - Solar Flare RCA
25. I LOVE AMERICA - Patric Juvet Casa
26. THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY Various - Casa
27. DOIN THE BEST THAT I CAN Bettye Lavette - West End
28. GARDEN OF LOVE - Don Ray Polydor
29. YOU GOTTA DANCE/ ARGENTINA - Pacific Blue

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The disco diva is best known for such hits as "I Need a Man," "Do or Die" and "La Vie En Rose." Grace Jones, a very outspoken supporter and friend of the gay community, will be making her Washington, D.C. debut as part of her first American tour. She recently returned from a highly successful European tour where sellout crowds and critics acclaimed her a superstar.

The originator of the disco theatre concept, Grace Jones will perform an outrageous explosion of music, dance, lighting and theatrical effects that will dazzle the Washington disco scene, triggered by her electric intensity sensual movements and bizarre costumes, the audience will be encouraged to dance throughout this unique and exciting evening.

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Proceeds from this all-time media disco party will go the Washington Gay Community Center which will open its doors in early January.

There are more than 40 gay community centers located in 18 states. Major cities like Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Seattle and Denver have such centers.

The GCC/DC will serve as a focal point for Washington's numerous gay organizations. Using this central facility these organizations will, for the first time, be able to pool resources and



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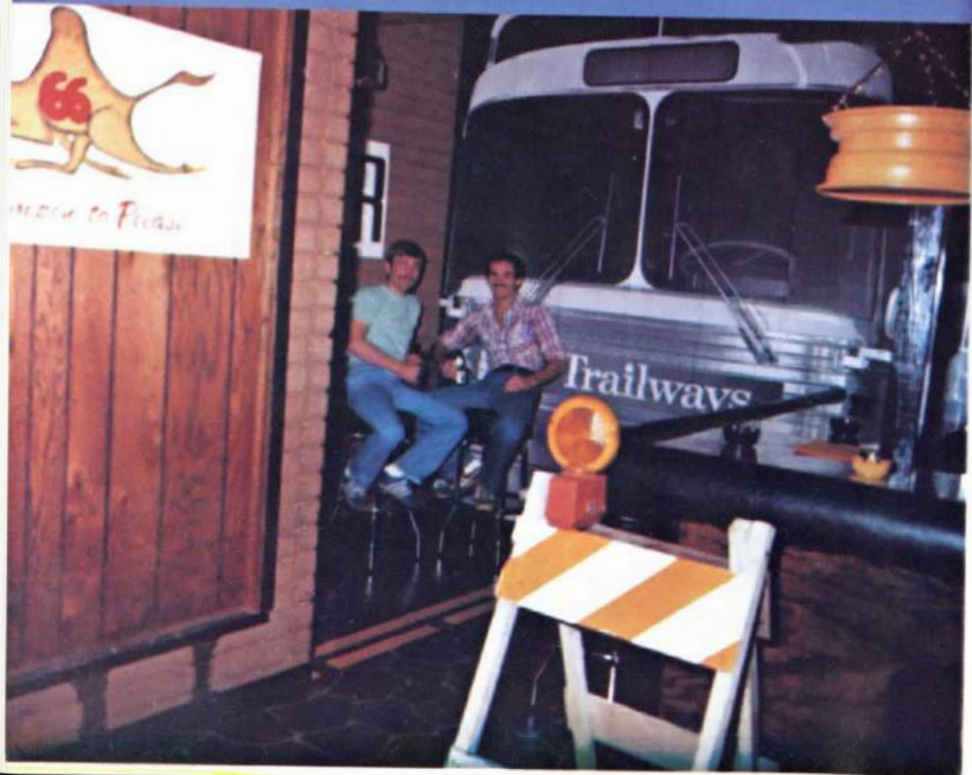




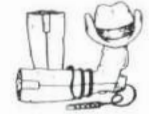
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Left: Bartender Don Bagger (in the red shirt) poses with DJ David Stover at Tex's, Atlanta's first levi/leather disco.

Below: Owner Jerry Pyszka and Barman Rick Starr pose at Bulldog and Co., one of the most originally decorated bars in the South. The theme is trucks and the decor consists of various items from the road. Note the light fixture at right which is actually a wheel rim with a light mounted in it.



cruising the levi/leather bars



As gay entertainment continues to grow and competition becomes keener, we find a greater variety of offerings each year. Gay bars can generally be grouped into three basic categories (although many places can qualify in all three). Discos and Showbars tend to draw their own special crowds while any bar that doesn't qualify as one of these must be considered a Cruise Bar. But now cruise bars are becoming categorized with many using decor, music and other enticements to attract a certain clien-



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Don Bruce adjusts belts in the Leather Rack, a complete levi/leather/western shop upstairs at the Eagle.

tele. The most easily identifiable of these are the so-called Leather Bars, but as one travels across the country he finds that there is a wide variety of Cruise bars that consider themselves in

the Western, Levi, Leather category. Perhaps the one thing they all have in common is that they attempt to draw a masculine crowd and shy away from the drag queen and disco twinkie.

True leather bars are still few and far between. Perhaps the best known in the area covered by CRUISE is The Eagle in Washington, DC. While The Eagle is really a complex featuring a fine restaurant, a leather boutique and two separate cruise bars, the atmosphere is definitely leather and one room is reserved for those wearing leather or levi. Across the street The Eagle in Exile is billed as a Leather Disco, but when you add the word disco you always seem to find a younger and less masculine crowd and very little leather.

In Atlanta the infamous Mrs. P's which claims to have been a gay bar for over forty years became the city's first leather bar in 1971. They now simply call it P's and it is the home of The Atlantis Motorcycle Club. It's much like the Eagle in that they have no dancing and the crowd is very masculine but also like the Eagle they have opened a second bar to accommodate those who find the atmosphere a little heavy. P's Annex, right next door, has a live DJ, a small dance floor and welcomes a more diverse crowd.

Western bars have long been popular in Texas and while almost all cruise bars in the Lone Star State have somewhat of a western flavor a few stand out. Houston boasts more than its share. Among those that are definitely western in nature are the Brazos River Bottom, the Venture Inn, the Hi-Lite Ranch, and the Inside-Outside. Brazos River Bottom is what's called a Country-Western Bar and they play country music and cater to a crowd who enjoys it. They also have occasional performances by live country-western bands. The Inside-Outside has three different bars with one of them being called The Country Side which naturally features things that are country-western. It is the meeting place of a local club known as the Country-Western Club which functions much like the motorcycle clubs found elsewhere except they don't have bikes. The Silver Bullet likes to call itself "a Man's Bar" but the decor is definitely western and you'll see lots of levis and boots there.

The Montrose Mining Company has a western saloon atmosphere.

In Houston, Mary's has been the city's leading leather bar for years but The Locker has now become more popular with the leather-motorcycle types there.

In Jacksonville, The Phoenix opened a couple of years ago as a small leather bar. A very masculine atmosphere, rugged decor and appropriate music made it a unique place. They have recently moved to new and larger quarters on the South side of that city.

In San Antonio, The Crew is definitely a western style cruise bar while up in Austin, The New Apartment attracts the western crowd as well as a few leather types.

Dallas has a variety of western type bars. The Single Shot is definitely country-western while both Tex's Ranch and The Sundance Kids are very Cowboy (with a some leather also in evidence at Tex's Ranch). The Boot

Camp draws a mixture of western and leather types.

As you travel eastward you'll find fewer bars that are strictly western in nature and they are usually referred to as being levi/leather bars. But there are differences and we'll try to point out the differences.

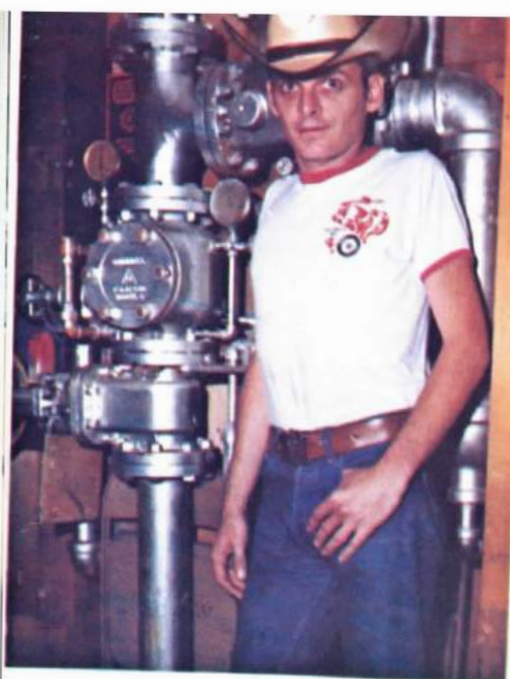
For instance The Brass Rail in Charlotte, North Carolina has a western decor and is popular with the levi crowd but is in no sense a leather bar. Likewise The Capital Corral in Raleigh started out to be a true western bar but found there weren't enough cowboys in that part of North Carolina to make it profitable so they added a disco and now have a combination bar with the cruise bar being western in decor but the crowd being a mixture of all types of gays.

Up in Norfolk Mickey's Tavern bills itself as a western/levi bar while next door The Ritz Tavern considers itself a levi/leather establishment.



The Locker, one of Houston's most notorious bars, hosts a wild beer bust every Sunday afternoon.





Above, Charles Hooper poses in his western attire at P's, Atlanta's oldest levi/leather bar. At Right, Mel LeBlanc of P's Annex camps it up in her leather outfit

but plan to continue with much the same format.

While most levi/leather bars are quick to point out that leather doesn't mean S and M, there's no doubt that some of those who are into this type of sex can be found among the patrons of these places. In Miami, The Mine Shaft has a back room with a sling which suggests fist fucking and an area suitable for water sports. Out front it's an attractive cruise bar with a masculine crowd.

Motorcycles and leather naturally go together and many bars are the home base for the area's motorcycle club. While this doesn't make them strictly a levi/leather bar, it does add to the masculine atmosphere. The Red Devil Saloon in St. Petersburg is one of these while TT's in New Orleans is also. In St. Louis The Gateway MC meets in The Gateway Saloon downstairs at Martin's Bar.

While The Golden Lantern in New Orleans isn't the home of an MC, it is very popular with the men who ride the big bikes and you can usually find

three or four parked out front. The Lantern is definitely masculine in atmosphere, but it draws a very diverse clientele from leather to levi to everyday working-man types who live in the neighborhood. Likewise Jewel's Tavern, two blocks away draws a wide variety of people but the atmosphere is masculine and some might classify it as a western bar if such a thing could exist in The French Quarter.

The type of music played in these masculine bars seems to be a very important ingredient of the club's atmosphere. While some feature county and western music, some play classical and many play disco. The Double R in Miami was one of the first bars in the South to offer a live DJ without having a dance floor. But it has proved to be very popular and the Double R continues to draw a masculine, cruise crowd.

In Atlanta, Tex's was the city's second levi/leather bar but was the first to install a live DJ. The music plus attractive decor and a friendly atmosphere have helped make this bar a successful competitor with P's.



Photo by Richard Kavanaugh

The Gateway Saloon downstairs at Martin's Bar in St. Louis is the home of The Gateway MC and headquarters for the levi/leather set in that city

Atlanta's most recent addition to this category of cruise bars is one of the most unique bars in the country. Bulldog and Company bills itself as a levi/truckers bar and the decor is trucks from start to finish. While their mascot, Winston, is still a pup, he looks more like that bulldog on the front of those Mack trucks everyday. The walls of the bar are lined with logos of truck manufacturers while the large rest room sports Gulf, Shell and

Chevron signs over the three urinals. Two tables in the small restaurant (called The Filling Station) are made from stacks of tires while the top of the bar is decorated with road maps and lights are mounted in wheel rims.

A number of the big bar complexes offer a levi-leather bar as one of their attractions. In Ft. Lauderdale, The Copa has The Pitts Western Bar while Orlando's Parliament House calls theirs The Stable. RJ's in Tampa has The

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Roman Torture Chamber. In Louisville, Kentucky, The Badlands has a western decor in their cruise bar downstairs.

There are several other cruise bars with a masculine atmosphere that don't fall exactly into any of the categories we've talked about so far. In DC, Cy's is a small friendly cruise bar with a western atmosphere. In Baltimore, Gallery One caters to those seeking a levi/leather/western crowd. And they have a separate private bar in the back called The Shipmate's Bar which hosts members of two local motorcycle clubs.

Tampa has the Ki Ki Ki Saloon which is considered the city's leather-levi hangout. Down in Ft. Lauderdale

both The Everglades and Tacky's draw a masculine, western/levi type crowd. In West Palm Beach, Man's Country does the same.

The trend in the gay community today seems to be away from the stereotype, limp wristed, lisping queen, and toward a much more masculine image. Therefore the popularity of those bars which project this image whether they use cowboys, motorcycles or trucks as their theme. While they all offer booze and various games (pinball and pool are the most popular), the main attraction in all of these places is the other guy, the one that just might be your type, be it for a one night stand, a six month love affair or a lifetime.

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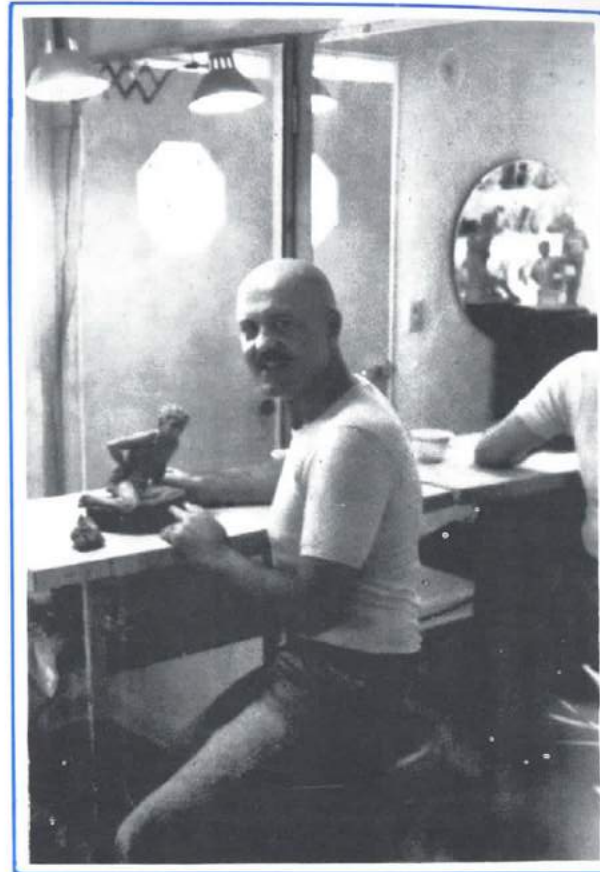
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Wayne Hampton at work at his modeling table where his male nude figures are first formed in clay. Note the mirrors which surround him on all sides and allow the artist to view the work from any angle without moving.

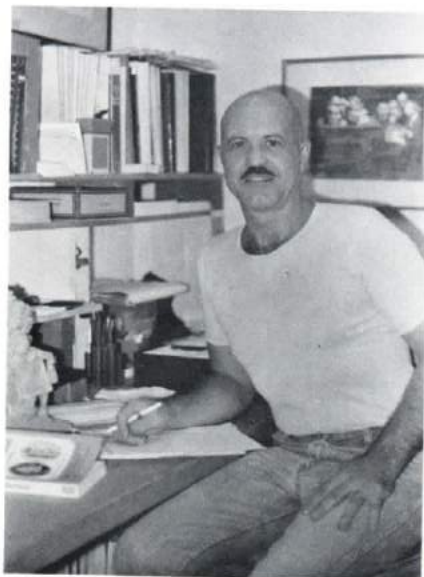
WAYNESART

WAYNE HAMPTON HAS TURNED A HOBBY INTO AN ENJOYABLE
AND PROFITABLE ONE-MAN BUSINESS

Article and Photographs by Richard Kavanaugh

Many of us have a dream of owning our own business, of doing something we really enjoy and making a living at it. While for most of us it remains a dream, artist Wayne Hampton of Ft. Lauderdale is a man who has made this dream come true.

Wayne studied art in school but for years he made a living at more mundane jobs. He was a computer programmer in New York City in the early seventies when he became ill with hepatitis. While he was recovering from this confining illness, he had



Wayne poses at his desk where he handles his paperwork. The books on the shelf above his desk include "The Boy", "Anatomy" and "Drawing the Male Figure". At left is one of Wayne's original statues of the John Tenniel sketches from "Alice in Wonderland".

But starting a business selling one's own art work is a slow proposition and it has taken Wayne five years to build his business into the full time operation it is today. He moved to Florida in 1973 and began doing sculpture on a regular basis. The first items he did were wall plaques and similar items which he sold through local decorators and gift shops. Then Joe Anthony, who owned Michaels of Florida, a chain of gay men's boutiques, suggested Wayne do a couple of statues of male nudes to retail in his shops and this got him started doing the statues which have become so popular and which have made him one of the leading proponents of art for the gay community.

"Friends" was the first statue to receive national acclaim and exposure. Like many of his other works it captures the beauty, sadness and sexuality of male love while the intricate detail and high quality of the piece makes it a desirable decoration for anyone's home or office.

Since that time he has produced six to eight new pieces each year and now offers approximately twenty of these unusual statues.

The process of producing the completed work is quite involved and running a one-man business means Wayne must divide his time each day between the various tasks.

The process of creating a new piece begins with the idea. This can come strictly from the mind of the artist but are often suggested by observations or remarks of customers or friends. Next Wayne makes a quick sketch in clay to give him a three-dimensional concept from which to work. After this he looks for a model who, while he doesn't have to be exactly the person the artists sees in his mind, must bear enough of the desired characteristics to provide a reference from which to work. Usually Wayne shoots a series of eight photographs of the model, all from different angles. The finished statue will not look exactly like the model but the photographs give the sculptor a guide to follow in fashioning his creation.

The amount of time it takes to create a piece (from the idea stage through the completion of the finished clay figure) can vary greatly. With all of the other chores Wayne must tend to in running his business, he only has



"Friends" was Wayne's first male nude sculpture to bring him national recognition as a creator of gay art



Wayne in the living room of his home where he displays most of the statues he offers for sale. He is holding "Solo", one of his newest.

a few hours a day to be creative. However he has managed to complete six to eight new statues each year.

Once the original statue is completed in clay, a mold is made from which to reproduce copies for sale. A very flexible rubber is poured over the clay sculpture and then a plaster outer shell is placed around this to hold the rubber in place. The rubber, being very flexible, picks up of the fine details of the work. After the mold is completed, replicas of the original are made of hydrocal, a gypsum product in the same family as plaster but harder and more dense. The hydrocal sets up in the mold for approximately one hour before it is removed to dry. It takes about a week's drying time before the statue is ready for the finishing work. This consists first of polishing out any imperfections in the casting, then painting it with two base coats and a glaze which brings out the details. Finally a coat of varnish is applied to protect the piece from dirt, fingerprints and the like.

Wayne says the last step, naming the statue, is sometimes the hardest. He tries for a title that relates to the statue

but a little imagination is always a necessary ingredient.

Waynesart is now sold strictly by mail order. Because of the amount of work that goes into each individual piece, Wayne's production is limited and he is not interested in going into mass production. He wants to maintain the quality of his products and feels the only way to do this is to do all the work himself. He now offers approximately twenty pieces for sale and advertises them for sale in most of the major gay publications.

Wayne told me that he was very hesitant at first about trying to sell his work through the mail. He felt that customers would not order three dimensional items which they could only see in two dimensional photographs. It did take time to build up his mail order business but now he feels it is exactly the proper way to market his work.

When one considers the amount of time he devotes to each item he sells, his statues are really a bargain. Young Love, one of the more popular pieces, takes about four hours of his time to produce from the mold and sells for only \$47. But Wayne is a true artist

and he's not in business just for the money. He feels that doing what he does is a very rewarding experience. First he has the satisfaction of making the original piece. Secondly he tells us he takes a lot of pride in the fact that people are willing to pay money for his work. And thirdly he is especially pleased when customers write and compliment him on the quality and detail of the statue they have purchased, sight unseen.

A pleasant, well organized person, Wayne told me that he used to be shy, particularly wishing to avoid selling situations. But as he has become successful he finds he now enjoys meeting the people who stop by his

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home (which is also his studio, office and work room) to make a purchase in person or just admire his work.

While most of his work has a natural finish, his most recent offering has a bronze finish. It is called Sleeping Innocents and sells for \$75. He says he may offer more of his work with the bronze finish if this piece sells well. He is currently working on a new series which consists of seven teenage boys in various positions. They can be sold individually or together and will be a nice addition to his other works which include the Men of America series and such interesting individual pieces as Trio, Nature Boy, Devotion and Skinnydip.



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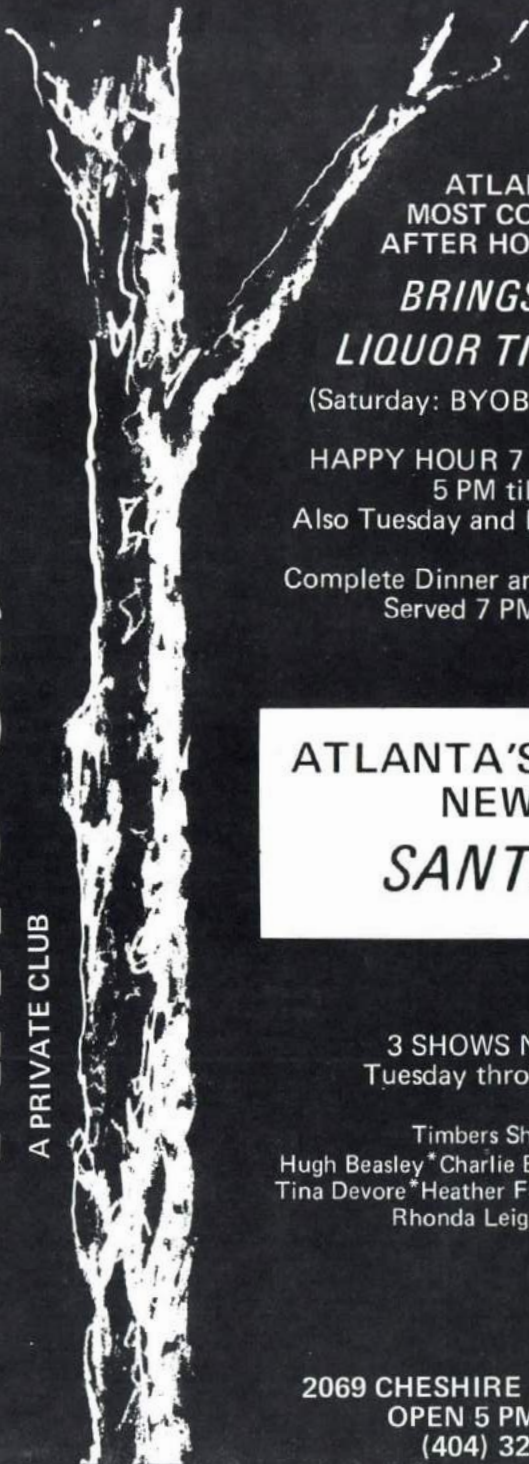
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Mother's pimpmobile has certainly put some miles on her (or is it her face) this summer. And can you believe with the same husband/chauffeur! Even though they claim not to be lovers, we at the home front have certainly noticed how happy she's been lately. And this one has lasted through three long trips, whereas they usually get tired of her after one short trip. This past month took them to Greenville to spend the afternoon at the **Executive Sportsman** and then onward to Charlotte, North Carolina.

Our first stop in Charlotte was for a couple of beers and to lose a game of pinball with the friendly bartender at the **Brass Rail** (guess he didn't know it's rude to beat your Mother). After dinner we caught an early show at O'leens incognito. Then it was on to the **Odyssey One**, a beautiful disco with David spinning all the latest hits. After exchanging brands of poppers, the club has now conformed to the popular "Hi Ball", Mother's favorite (if only she knew you were only supposed to sniff it, not have it on the rocks). By the time they literally flew into the ever active **Scorpio Disco**, everyone else was flying too. David and Marion just seemed to keep the set ups coming. So we were just forced to stay afterhours and keep right on boogeying. The **Club South** was still active by the time we got there the next morning, just before leaving for the Raleigh area.

On the way, we stopped in to chat with Bruce at **Christopher's** in Chapel Hill. We were certainly ready for that nice cold beer Charles gave us at the **Mousetrap**. After that refresher, we wine and dined and rejuvenated our bodies prior to spending the rest of the evening at the **Capital Corral**



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and **Glitter Gulch**. We left the next day in time to schedule dinner at **J. Danhill's Restaurant** in Richmond. It turned out to be liquid dinner since they have recently ceased serving meals. I guess it's a good thing we cruise around every two or three months to each location, 'cause nobody ever tells us anything. Their friendly bartender caught us up on all the local grease however.

From there we tredged on to Washington, DC, where we died for the evening. (*Died my ---, the rest of us know what you did - AE*) The next afternoon we spent running around this festive city and got to Mr. P's in time for a very busy and cruisey cocktail hour. Then stopped in to the **Fraternity House** for several more cocktails with Glen and Ron. The next day we browsed through **Lambda Rising** bookstore, had a scrumptious dinner at the Frat House, and then boogeyed the rest of the night away



Some of Charlotte's beautiful people caught boogeying at the beautiful new *Odyssey I* disco.

between the *Lost and Found* and the *Pier*. The next morning we had a fantastic breakfast at the *Eagle*. Not only was the food excellent, and the service terrific, but the place was packed with gorgeous hunks on their lunch hour. You'll find out more about the *Eagle* in our article on levi leather in this issue. Even though the

Court Jester is no longer open, we'd like to thank Stoney for showing us a good time and a very good dinner. We spent the rest of that evening playing pool and pinball with Lurch at *Cy's*.

The next day while we decided to get our hair cut, we discovered we had

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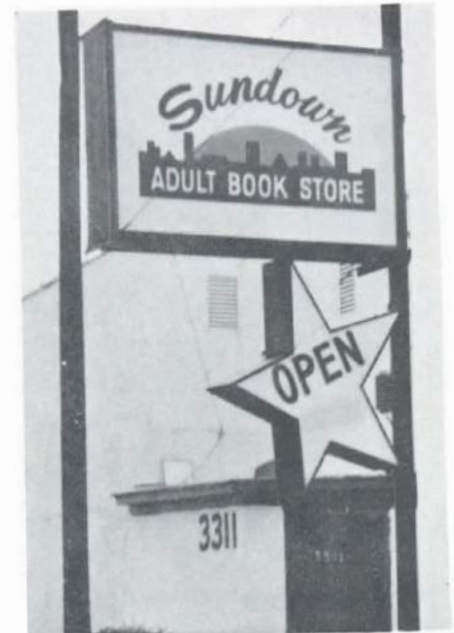
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a slight problem, like we didn't know where to go. Soooo, we picked up the latest copy of *OUT*, and low and behold in the gossip column was a new shop. Thanks to Larry, Jim, and Wayne at *Grafen Stede* for excellent cuts. With a stopover in Greensboro, NC at *Davey's and Company* we headed to home base in the *BIG A*.

After two years with this magazine, *Star Where* was finally granted reprieve for a one week's vacation. Daytona Beach was the first stop on this journey into the unknown world of relaxation. I was warmly welcomed at the *Landmark* by Neil, the owner, and decided to make this my base of operations for the next few days. I was surprised to see the progress they are making in remodeling the hotel section of the *Landmark*. The room was everything to be desired.

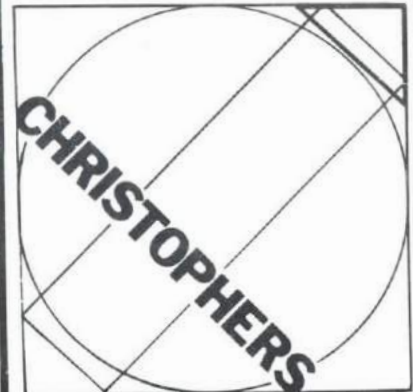
First night down was the last part of *Disco Inferno's* grand opening celebration. The buffet was flawless and so were a few of the young men wandering around the bar. I went from there to *The Beachside* where I rapidly became we. (it's more fun that way) This new club is in the location of the old *Club Hollywood*. You wouldn't believe it from looking at the inside — it's beautiful. (it's nice to see a bar in Daytona without black walls). We then mozied down to the *Zodiac* for their show. Latese *Chevron* is back in town. TC put on a hot show as usual, and as usual a good time was had dancing all night long. Three days later, after lots of sun and fun, I departed for New Orleans.

Now New Orleans is a city in which to spend a vacation. That city and the people who live there *KNOW* how to party. The French Quarter is the place where it all happens. You almost don't have to go the bars to find a man. The streets are cruiser than the baths in most cities. The one block stretch of *Bourbon* between *The Bourbon Pub - Le Bistro* corner



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Fat Sam's Theatrecraft Lounge has been the location of many unique productions. Pictured are their regular cast. L to r: Ricki Lane, Terry, and Sandra Ellis (not pictured is Paulette.



The cast of the Post Office lounge in New Orleans show some of the many dimensions of female impersonation. (l to r: 1st row, A.J., Della Rae, and Ginger Snapp. 2nd row, Keni, Lei Forrest, and Phoenix.

After three days of drinking which I barely remember, numerous men of which I remember a certain few, and a few sunrises that I really hadn't meant to still be up for, it was Sunday and time to come back to earth.

The best way to start getting it back together is to go to Flamingo's for Sunday brunch. The crepes were excellent as were Mr. Tom's concoctions from the bar. I went from there to check out the crowd of motorcycles in front of the Golden Lantern. It's even more fun to check their riders inside. Later on it was on to Jewel's Tavern for their popular Sunday afternoon beer bust. Tiger's was the last spot on the Sunday agenda. The foot traffic going between Bourbon and Rampart makes this a popular cruise bar.

Houston was the next major stop on this trip. Houston is getting so big it almost takes a week to see everyone in the city. The big news here as always is new bars. Numbers, a beautiful new disco opened with a



The regular cast at St. Louis' Faces entertains nightly.



George's Place in Baton Rouge is a good place to find some of the hot college boys that seem to abound in the city.

bang. Baja Sam's is a new restaurant and quiet bar.

All the old stand by's are still there. We stopped in to the Old Plantation for their regular Sunday show. The capacity crowd there gave Hot chocolate quite a send off for her bid to win Miss Gay America. Naomi Sims has already brought on national title to the club by winning Mis Gay USA. The Midnight Sun's Amateur Talent Contest was alot of fun. Look for one of the hot young men that hang around there in this magazine in the next couple of months.



We saw this nice looking young man roll into The Locker (he'll catch the pun there) and couldn't resist taking a hit . . . er, shot.

The bookstore scene is getting wild again. In the last two months two new stores have opened. Since I have never been known to pass up an opportunity to get a quickie in a movie booth, both The Asylum and Jocks got my quick attention. Of course old stand by After Dark got some (or was It got some?) too.



Do you think there is a move being made on the guy sitting on the edge? Things like this happen all the time at the Club Austin in Texas.

In San Antonio, I finally got a look at the new Santa Fe Junction. Elliot's done a fine job decorating this beautiful club and the show I saw on Tuesday night was a hoot. At San Antonio's other disco, Sunset Boulevard, a star studded review was on tap the night I was there. Steve had shipped in Tiffany Arriagas, Michael Andrews,

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School is back in Austin! That means all those fine looking University of Texas men are back on the streets (and in the bars, and in the bookstores) Austin Country was just real festive on Labor Day night. There and at the Private Cellar, students were getting their last night out before classes started the next day. Mr. Peeper's and Stallion were full of the usual willing people (and if I need to tell you willing for what, you need to go back to your closet and come out again on the other side.)

Tune in next month (same bat time, same bat channel) when we bring you up to date grease on South Florida



Houston's hot, new disco is called Numbers. Its full of some hot numbers, and they did a number on the place when they opened up. Pictured here is the dance floor with their unique 'flying saucer' light show.



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Once upon a time, any visit to "Mo-town" would 'rev-up' my motor by several rpm's, as it was a fun city! Then, ten years ago, came the riots, burning and looting -- something went out of the central city... namely, the whites. The rush to the suburbs left most of the bars in isolated gay ghettos... small 'pockets' surrounded by burned out, boarded up, run down slums. Many said Detroit was a dead city, and a lot of people moved away.

But, industrialist-philanthropist Henry Ford II had other plans, and today the multi-million dollar Renaissance Center (RenCen) is bearing fruit. The outward tide has been stemmed, and people are beginning to move back into the city. To say that Detroit's renaissance has arrived, is, I think,

a little naive and premature, but at least things are looking up.

Excluding Studio 54, the new super disco, which is 95% straight, most clubs are the same as they were ten years ago. Then, the Woodward Lounge at 6426 Woodward was the cruisiest bar between New York and Chicago. It is still there (having added an adjacent restaurant dining room) but not as busy as it used to be because of more competition. Affable Andy still offers solace and encouragement to teenie-boppers awaiting their 18th birthday, the legal drinking age in Michigan.

Detroit's most concentrated 'gay ghetto' is centered around cruisy Palmer Park on Woodward or Mc-



Nichols (Six Mile Road). Here are two of the best (but not super) discos, Menjo's at 928 W. McNichols and the Gas Station at 19106 Woodward, and also two popular cruise bars, the Cove at 950 W. McNichols and Stephen's at 17436 Woodward. Both serve Sunday brunch, and the Cove features dinners and coffee after hours. Bookie's is next to Menjo's and a new western club tentatively titled The Bar, is scheduled to open soon. The Uptown Book Stores at 16401 and 16549 Woodward are tops in town.

The Interchange (or I.C.) at Holden and Trumbull is Detroit's only leather bar and it is 'hot,' especially on weekends. Other good neighborhood bars include Cafe Gigi, 16920 Warren ('the place' to go on Mondays), Todd's Sway Lounge, 8139 E. 7 Mile Road, Gold Coast, 2971 E. 7 Mile Road, Escape Disco at Joy and Greenfield, Silver Star and the new Rhinoceros. Most have dancing, go-go boys or pool tables. Foxy ladies prefer the Casbah at 14701 Hubble, and for those not so foxy, there is Amiga's or La Palais. Black is beautiful at the Famous Door and elsewhere.

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Fabulous new RenCen, larger than Rockefeller or Peachtree Centers, is a must, as is Henry Ford's Greenfield Village. You may also want to see Cobo Hall, Fisher Theatre, cruisy River Rouge Park (A.Y.O.R.) and take the bridge or tunnel across the international border to Windsor, Canada. Detroit is America's sixth largest city, and it is pretty obvious why it is called 'Motown' or 'Motor City!' Most U.S. autos are manufactured hereabouts and you definitely will need one to traverse the numerous arterial freeways, or pass through as



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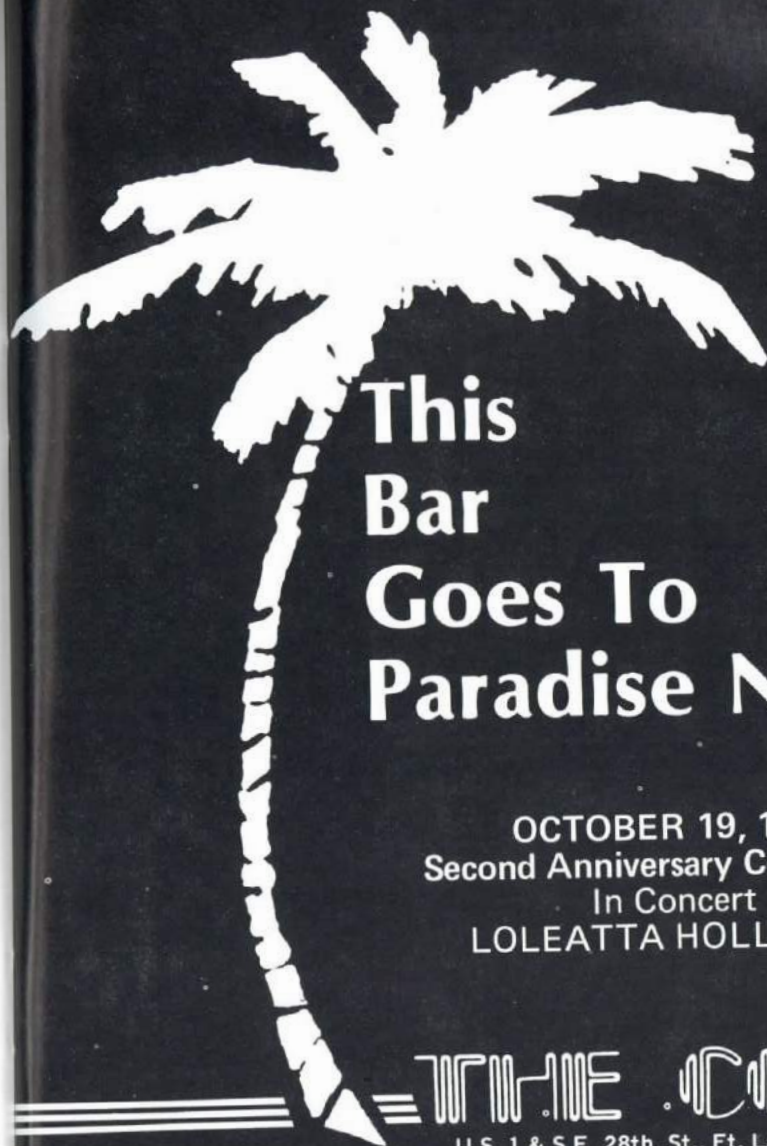
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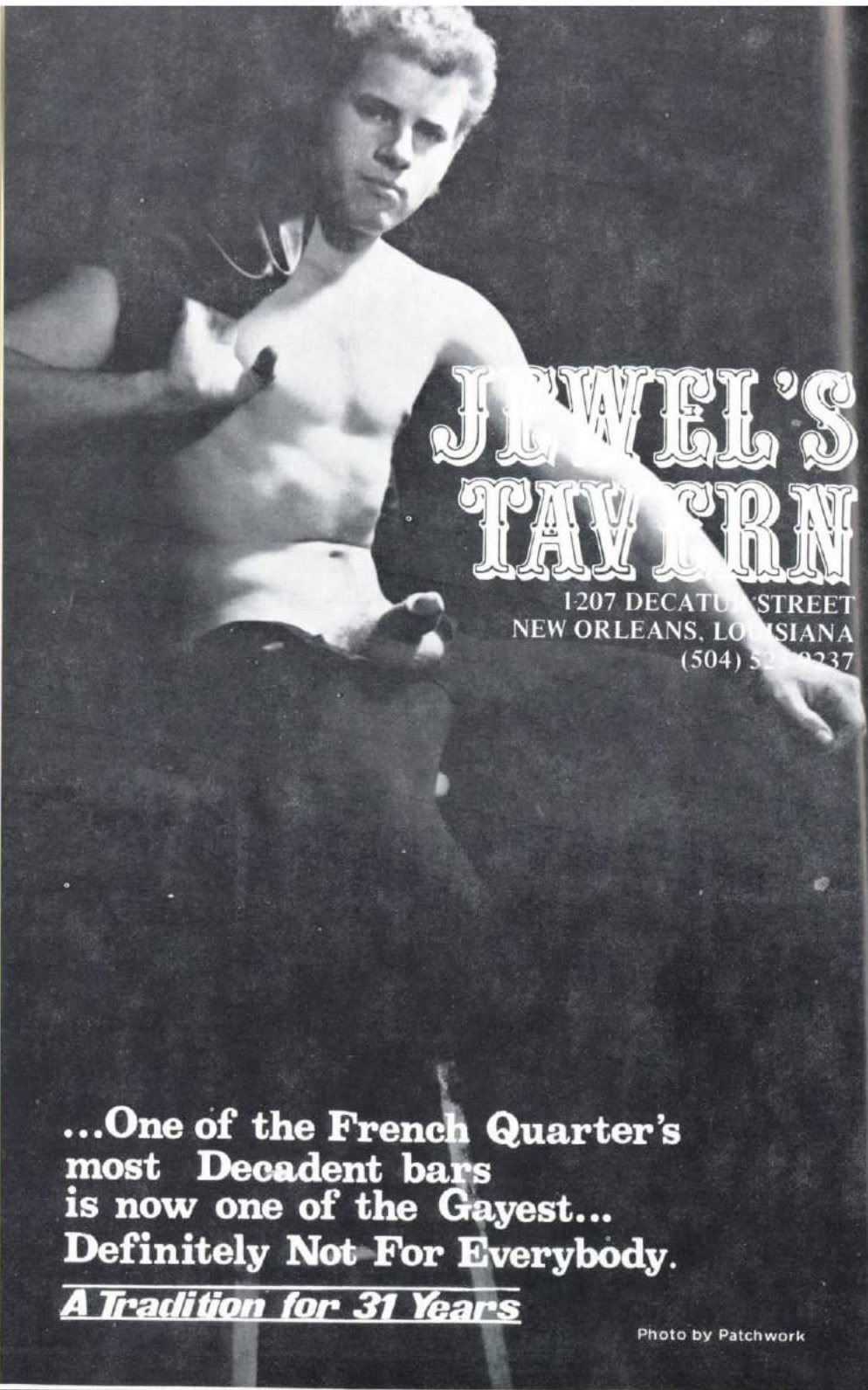
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Losing Weight

There is no doubt that a thin or normal-weight person is more attractive than an overweight person. But how does an overweight person go from fat to thin? There are many diets on the market that claim they can lose that weight for you. Some are dangerous unless you are under the direction of a physician (like the Lynn or Protein-sparing diets). Others are of questionable validity (like grapefruit and ice cream diets). Still others are

valid, effective diets. But no diet should be undertaken without approval of your doctor.

The simplest diet to undertake is the low carbohydrate diet. It involves the reduction of the amount of carbohydrates you take in in a day. The carbohydrate-rich foods are your breads, potatoes, rice, noodles, cakes, cookies, cokes, beer and white sugar. You replace these foods in your diet with lower carbohydrate food items like lean meats (fish and chicken), vegetables, and fresh fruits and juices. Reduce also the amount you eat in



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MALE BAG

Dear CRUISE:

I would like to comment on a letter you got from Jonathan Barber in Birmingham, Alabama, but first I'd like to say that I love your magazine. The models are so good looking, I just wish I knew where you found Ron Barenski and if you're through with him send him to me. I went to Miami the first week in July and thanks to CRUISE I had no trouble in finding ANYTHING! I would like to know if you have any info about San Francisco, Los Angeles, Acapulco, or Hawaii or how I can get some. Again, I love your magazine and thanks.

To Jonathan: Birmingham is not Shitsville. The Lighthouse is the best disco/lounge in Birmingham. The people are friendly and the atmosphere is real relaxed. As for the Gizmo, it's only good after the Lighthouse closes, and Belle's is too damned fancy! It reminds me of Flannigan's. I've never been to Atlanta because my work schedule is so tight I don't have time, but I do plan to go in a few weeks. Who knows. I may change my mind about Birmingham after that, but right now The Lighthouse is THE BEST disco in Birmingham. If you wish to discuss this further, my address is P. O. Box 170, Childersburg, AL, 35044

Thank you CRUISE. I'll be looking

for the next issue and the next and the next . . .

Gene Isabell

Dear Gene,

Thanks for the comments on our magazine. As we said in our answer to Jonathan's letter, we don't think Birmingham is shitsville either, we think they've come a long way and if the gays there get out and support the clubs they have, they'll have bigger and better clubs. That's certainly been the case here in Atlanta. As for information on San Francisco, Los Angeles, Acapulco and Hawaii, we have run articles on all but Acapulco in our "Doing America with Bob Damron" feature. Hawaii was in the March, '78 Issue (Vol 3 No. 3); San Francisco was in January '78 (Vol 3 No. 1) and Los Angeles was in April, '78 (Vol 3 No. 4). While I'm sure there have been changes since we ran these, they are still current enough to give you a good start in these cities. All of these issues are available from our Back Issues Department.

Editor

Dear Friend(s),

Because of your interest in Tamarinde, our guesthouse in St. Maarten (Caribbean), we'd like you to know about our plans.

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who long ago made it clear to us how much they enjoy spending their vacation with our friends, we'll only be accepting reservations from gay visitors. We've discontinued advertising in the "straight" magazines and newspapers in favor of those like The Advocate and After Dark. They're read by the people we enjoy having stay at Tamarinde.

St. Maarten has many attractions for gay visitors. There is a friendly attitude of St. Maarten folk for all visitors. Add to that beautiful weather and our lovely beaches. By the way, there is now a nude beach only about 4 miles from Tamarinde. Many of our guests last year loved it! Being a very small island (half Dutch, half French), it is really quite different from places like Puerto Rico. Our guests have always enjoyed St. Maarten's vacation atmosphere - a slow, somewhat quiet and easy pace. Many have returned again and again to stay with us.

We'd appreciate hearing from any of your gay readers who might like receiving information about Tamarinde. For this information they can write to us at 15 Mine Street, New Brunswick, N.J. 08901 or call (201) 247-0051.

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Dear Sirs or Madames or . . . ?


I was cruising around the new Stutz bookstore last week here in Charlotte. Great place, cute boys, and straight men (my favorites). I happened to spy last month's issue of CRUISE. What a magnificent magazine! Also, what a great centerfold for July or any month! Looks like a trick I had a few months ago. Congratulations on having such a terrific magazine.

I loved your book review of "The Anita Bryant Family Cookbook." She's a good girl with two mouths (my own opinion). I do hope that when my book(s) are published they will get a favorable review from you. One of my books which is written for gays is now half completed. I hope to finish it soon. It's a spy novel full of romantic encounters.

Keep up the good quality of your magazine!

Yours with an alias,
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Bea Kessee, Indianapolis's Disco Grandma, at The Famous Door

Dear Mr. Eltings

Thanks for the compliments on our magazine. The beginning of your spy novel sounds interesting. We will look forward to receiving a copy of the completed product.

Editor

Dear CRUISE:

The reason I'm writing is to ask your opinion about the art of female impersonation. I've been doing it for 2 years and have won a couple of crowns which I was proud to wear. But one thing I don't understand and that is, why are female impersonators so hard on each other? I was in a contest this year and the reigning Miss Gay America was the hostess and she acted so big headed you would have thought she was God's gift from Heaven. Is this the pattern female impersonators should follow? I enjoy female impersonation, but I hope I don't have to conduct myself in this manner to be a success. Please answer and let me know the answer to this problem.

NEED HELP

Dear Need Help:

People who are successful are often very busy and work under pressures that are greater than most of us must deal with. This is the reason that some of the most successful female impersonators at times seem withdrawn or "stuck up". Usually when you get to know them you'll find they are very likeable, easy-going guys, particularly when they are not working. My advice is when you are performing, be a professional and don't allow other people's attitudes to bother you. As a person, just be yourself.

Editor

Dear CRUISE

We have been going to Gay Bars for two years now and we enjoy them more than anywhere we have been before. Even though we are straight, we have met some of the nicest people we have ever known in the past two years at gay bars. We will never go to a straight bar again.

We have been getting CRUISE for a year now and enjoy it very much. We took our vacation in april and visited the following clubs which were recommended by your book: George's in Memphis; The Zodiac in Daytona; The Odds and Ends in Orlando, The Windward in Miami Beach and The Sweet Gum Head in Atlanta. We took pictures of the entertainers at all the bars we visited.

Here in Indianapolis we go to the Famous Door two or three times a week. We have a white haired lady, 68 years old, who is also straight, but who has been involved with this city's homosexual community for five years. She has been a judge in many of the local contests and loves to dance with the female impersonators. Everyone at The Famous Door loves her. After reading about Disco Grandma in Vol 3 No. 8, we wanted you and your readers to know that Indianapolis also has a Disco Grandma. Her name is Bea Kessee and she will be celebrating her birthday at The Famous Door next February.

Sincerely
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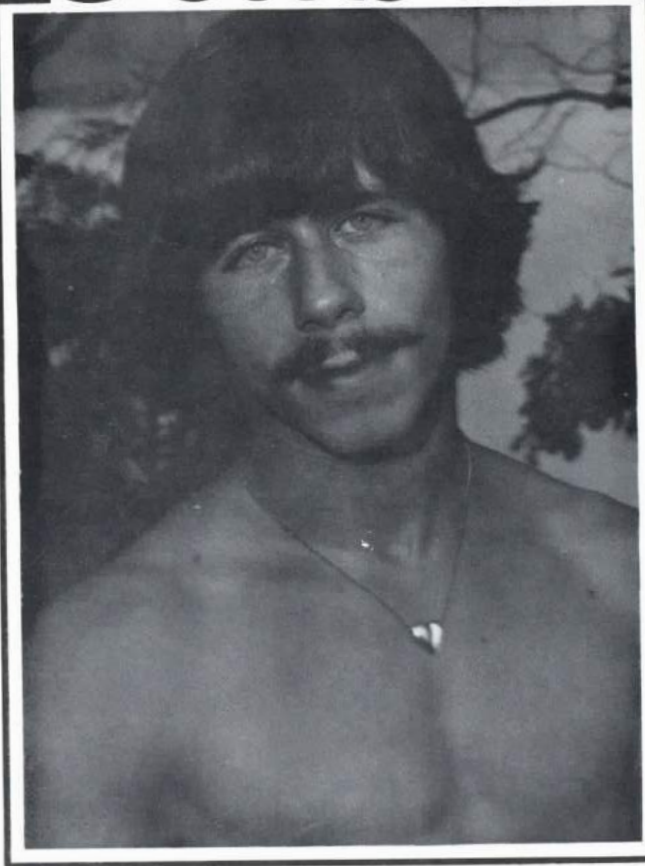
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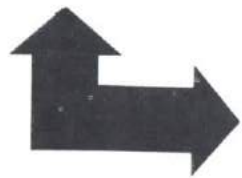
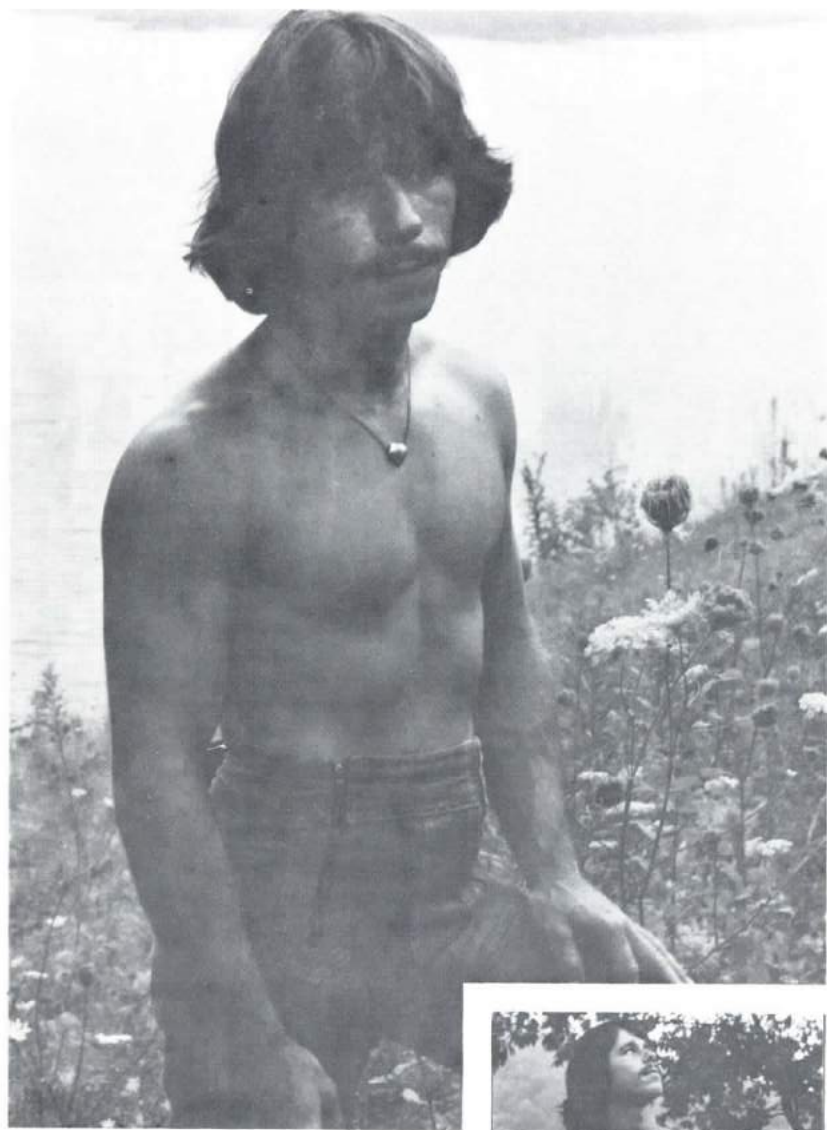


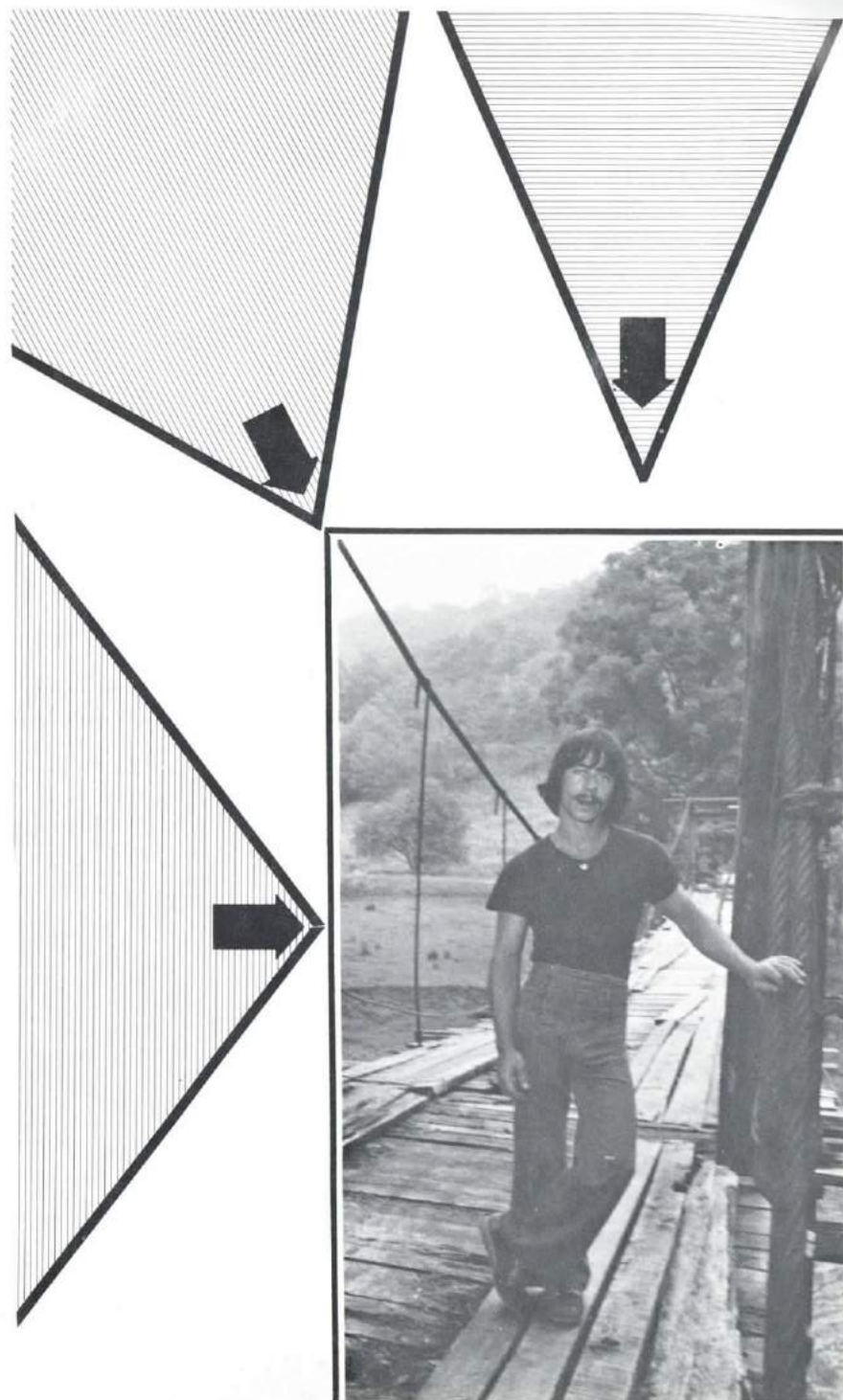
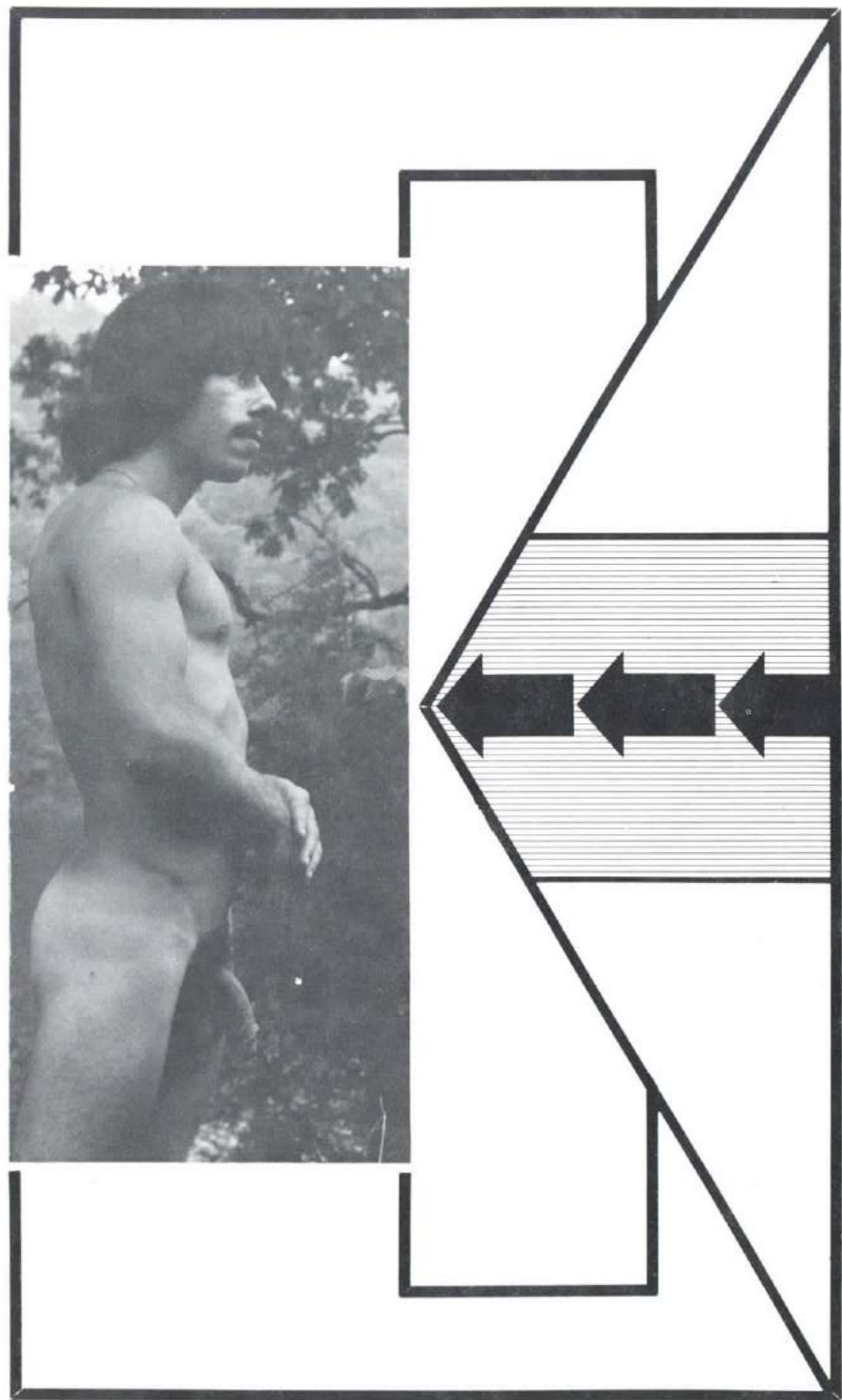
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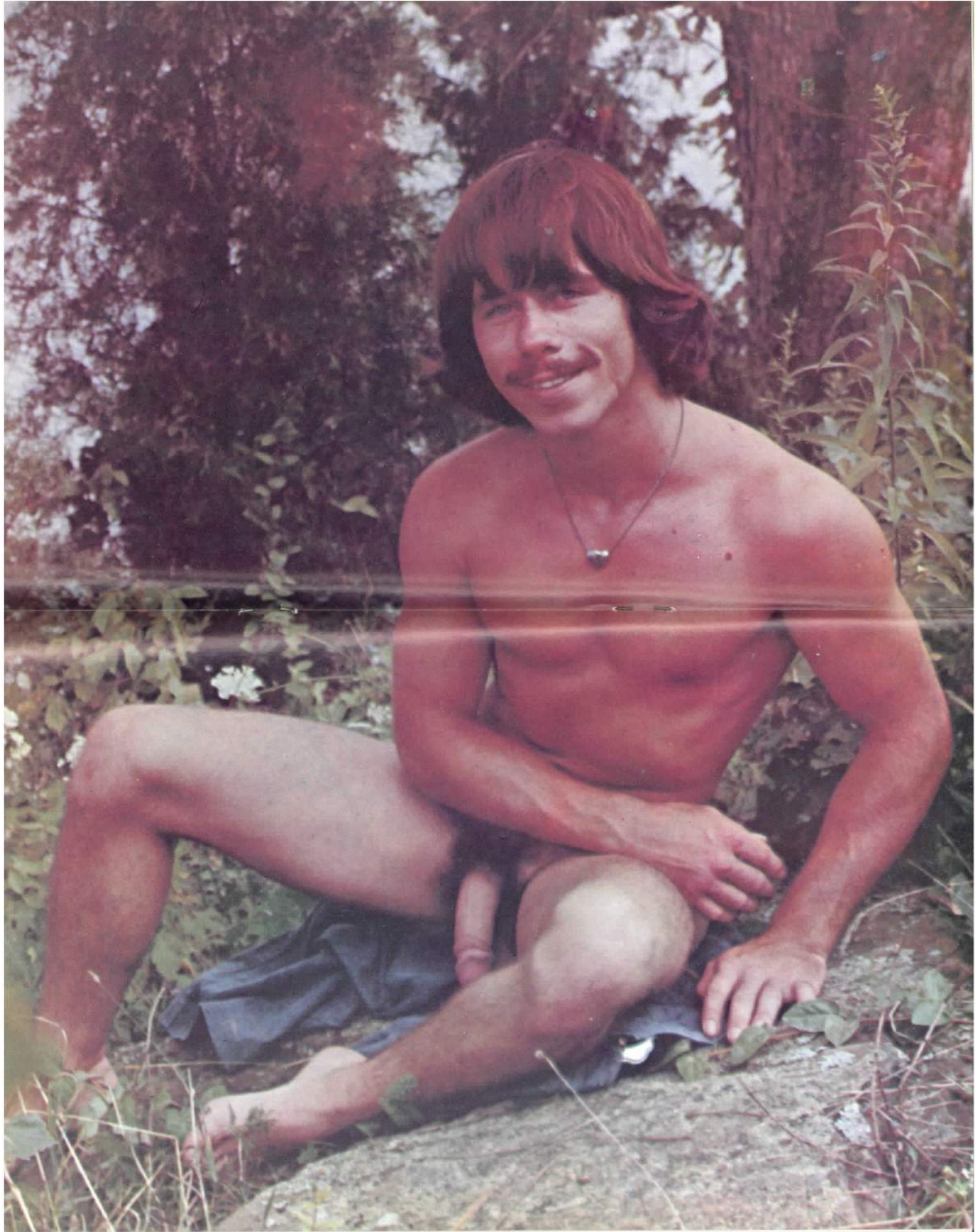


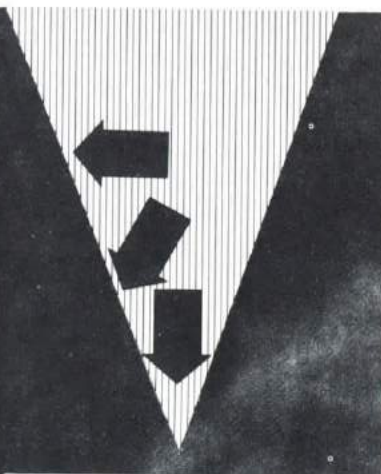
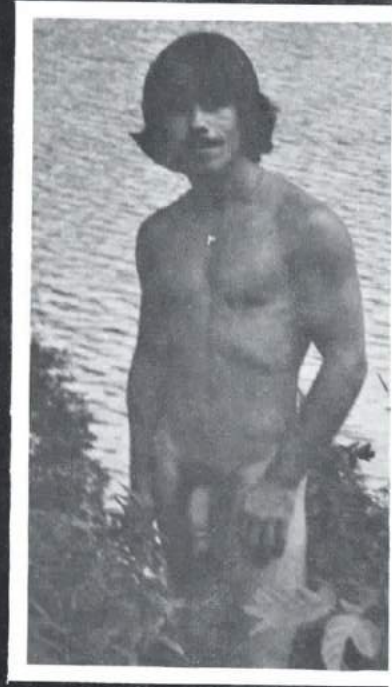
Michael Johnson

MICHAEL JOHNSON is a 21 year-old Sagittarian who is currently active in the gay social scene in Huntington, West Virginia, with his work as a bartender at the popular South Seas nightclub. Michael is also employed as a railroad signal man, and is a native of the city of Huntington. He enjoys swimming and water skiing, and is the proud owner of a St. Bernard and a Labrador Retriever. Michael was photographed by Bob Swinden at Beechfork Lake, an environment that is complementary to this outdoor enthusiast -- an oh so natural man.









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Entering the state from the west, your first stop is the college town of Huntington which rambles along the banks of the Ohio River. The major industry here is oil and coal byproducts and this prosperous little city boasts two gay clubs.

The Driftwood is a show bar and disco with a large game room containing pool and pinball machines. It is located adjacent to the college campus and naturally attracts the young collegiate crowd. At present they have one show a week on Sunday which pulls a

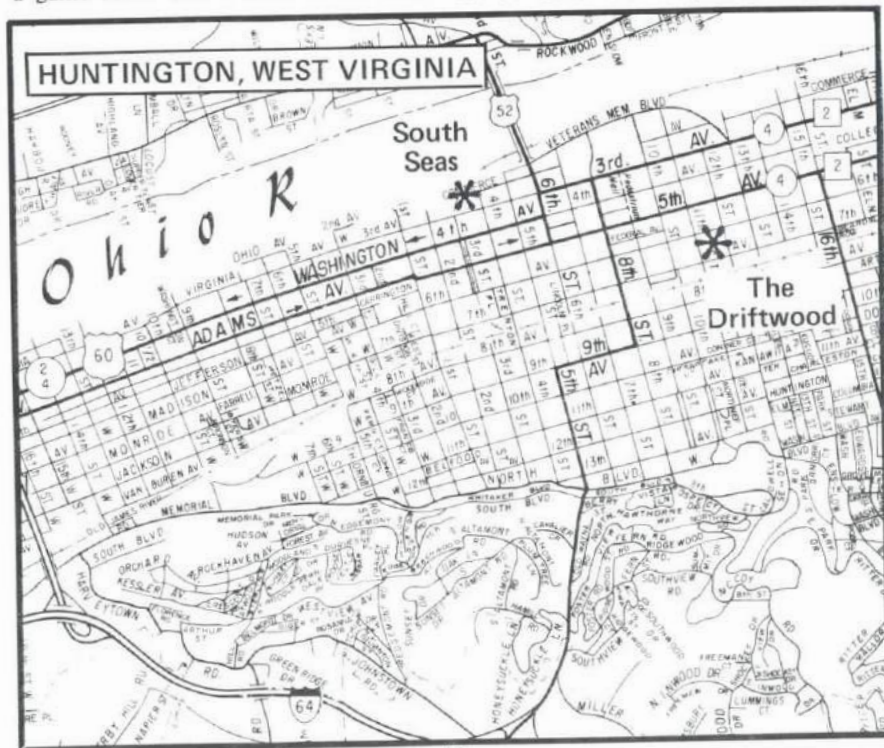


Front Entrance of The Grand Palace in Charleston

standing room only crowd. After the bars close, the cruise area is nearby being between 4th and 7th Avenues and 10th and 15th Streets and around the Greyhound Bus Station.

The other popular club in Huntington is The South Seas. It is smaller and is predominately a cruise bar. They have a game room and a small dance floor

with a disco on an upper landing toward the back of the bar. This bar also attracts the young collegiate crowd in the evening but has more of a businessman's atmosphere during the afternoon and early evening. Be sure to say hello to Michael, our Man of the Month this month, who is one of their attractive bartenders. And if you want to be there for a special occasion,



plan to be at The Driftwood on October 29 when Odessa, the current reigning Miss South Seas, relinquishes her title.

Only an hour's drive away is the capital city of Charleston. The downtown area is divided from the residential section of the city by the Kanawha River. And the Capitol Building (that's it on page 68), a grand structure of which the city is very proud, overlooks the river in a beautiful setting. It is a U-shaped limestone and marble building of Italian Renaissance design which replaced the old capitol which was destroyed by fire in 1921.

Charleston is a very cultural city. On our first visit there we found two gay bars. However the Up Club has closed and only The Grand Palace remains. The Grand Palace features good entertainment with female impersonator shows on Sundays. They bring in many out-of-town performers thereby keeping the crowd pleased with an always changing line-up. This club was recently host to both the Official Miss Gay West Virginia and Miss Gay North Pageants.

The Grand Palace is a large club. In the front you'll find a cruise bar. Behind this you enter an enormous nightclub where you can either cruise the multi-color lighted dance floor with its two story ceiling, or watch a show. On either side of the dance floor, stairways lead to a balcony which overlooks the stage and dance floor. One of the other major festive events this bar hosts is the annual picnic at Lee's farm in the mountains outside of Charleston. It is always scheduled for the first Sunday in August and people flock from miles around for this feast and frolic with nature.

In the northeastern part of the state there are clubs in Wheeling and Parkersburg which we will visit in the near future.

West Virginia, with all its natural splendor and festive friendly atmosphere is a "heaven" retreat for peace and tranquility.

CRUISE would especially like to thank certain people for their help and hospitality. These include



Chuckie (front) and Ambrose (behind) shown here behind the bar at the South Seas, operate this Huntington club with extreme friendliness and wit.

DJ and Lightman at The Driftwood, Danny Robinson and Randa Moulton



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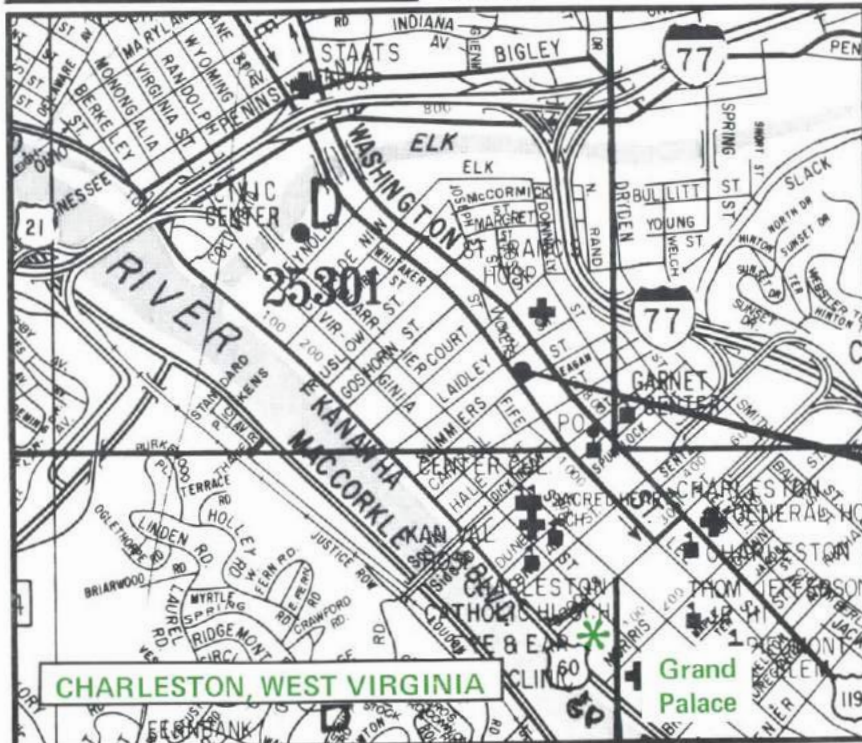
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Ambrose and Chuck of The South Seas; Ray and Larry of the Driftwood; Lee and Mitch of The Grand Palace; and Hershel and Dan who allowed us to share their beautiful home during our stay.



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CRUISE GUIDE

A Traveler's Guide to Restaurants, Lounges, Showbars, Baths, Bookstores and other businesses who welcome the patronage of gays. The area covered by this guide includes all of the Deep South; Washington, DC; Baltimore, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Virginia and Kentucky. While these listings do not include every gay establishment in every city within this area, all of those listed have been visited personally by our staff, have indicated that they do wish to be listed as welcoming gays (although some have straight clientele also), and are recommended. They are listed alphabetically by State, City and Name.

ALABAMA

NOTE: Liquor laws and hours of operation vary from one city to another in Alabama. Check each club for their particular schedule.

BIRMINGHAM

BELLE WATLING'S, 607 N. 21st St. (205) 252-6233. Opens at 2 PM Mon.-Sat. with full service in 3 different settings — disco, piano bar and cruise bar. Restaurant serves lunch from 11 till 2 PM weekdays.

BIRMINGHAM GAY INFORMATION LINE. (205) 251-0682. Serves as a medium to distribute information important to the "Community." Offers information on local night spots, legal, medical and psychological assistance and service and religious groups. Not a dating service or a crisis-line.

FOCUS-PHASE II, 117½ N. 21st St. (205) 254-8621. Disco/Show bar. Opens with a Happy Hour at 4 PM Mon.-Sat. Brief Las Vegas-type Revues on Fri. & Sat. Lighted dance floor. Young crowd, male & other.

LIGHTHOUSE, 1909 1st Ave. S. (205) 326-6611. Open 4 PM till 5 AM Mon.-Fri.; Noon till 2 AM on Sat. and from midnight Sun. till 5 AM. Largest Disco in Birmingham. Beer, wine & mixed drinks. Game room, light show, 50-50 mixed crowd (straight and gay), but popular and friendly. A new place with great potential.

HUNTSVILLE

J & B'S YUMM YUMM TREE, 5009 Governor's Dr., S.W. (205) 837-9944. Open 7 PM till 2 AM Tues.-Sun. Shows Fri., Sat. & Sun. Disco. Beer & mixed drinks. Crowd is youngish, mostly male.

MOBILE

CREW'S PUB, 301 St. Francis, (205) 432-9421 -Cruise bar w/game room. Private. Serves mixed drinks to mostly men. Free buffet and pool tourney on Sun. Tues. is t-shirt night.

FIRESIDE LOUNGE, 54 S. Conception St. (205) 433-9358. Opens every day at 11 AM. Closes at 6 in the morning on Fri. & Sat. A young, dancing crowd.

THE FRENCH QUARTER, 215 Conti St. (205) 438-9139. Open 7 PM till 2 AM Sun.-Thurs., and from 7 PM till 4 AM on Fri. & Sat. Cruisy courtyard in rear. Shows on Fri., Sat., Sun. & on holidays with 3 shows a night. A young, mostly male crowd.

SOCIETY LOUNGE, 51 S. Conception St., (205) 433-9141 - Open 4 PM till midnight Sunday thru Thurs; 4 PM till 4 AM Friday and Saturday. Dancing, young mixed crowd, shows Friday & Saturday.

MONTGOMERY

CERAY'S CORRAL CLUB, 2015 Federal Drive (205) 272-9810 - Open 7 days at 5 (Sun. at 3) with happy hour till 8. Disco Shows Wed., Fri., and Sat. Serving beer, wine liquor, food. Men & women. Private.

FORUM BOOKS, 19 S. Lawrence St. (205) 834-7880. Complete adult bookstore that welcomes Gay trade with open arms. 9 AM till 2 AM on Fri. & Sat. Noon till 10 PM on Sun. 18 large peep-booths with big screens!

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BONNIE'S LOUNGE & SHOW BAR, 600 North 10th. (501) 783-9002. Liquor, beer and wine served to gays of all ages. Some straights during daylight hours.

HY-KAMP LOUNGE, 800 North 10th. (501) 783-9494. Liquor, beer and wine served. Clientele includes men and women of all ages. Closed Sundays.

HOT SPRINGS

NORMA KRISTIE'S, 220 Central Ave. (501) 623-3529. A small, very intimate and very classy bar with a warm and friendly atmosphere. Open 5 PM till 2 AM Mon.-Sat. Full service bar, juke box and small dance floor.

LITTLE ROCK

DISCOVERY, Asher and University - A new bar with a western motif. Opening in September. Come on by and check this new establishment out.

THE FRENCH QUARTER, Main St. across from the Trailways Bus Depot. (501) 871-9966. Open every night from 9:30 till 2, this club has a disco upstairs and a cruise bar downstairs. Liquor, beer and wine served except on Sunday when no alcoholic beverages can be sold.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON

NOTE: You must be 21 to drink liquor, but only 18 to drink beer and wine in D.C. All bars must close at 2 AM on Sunday thru Thursday nights. They can remain open till 3 AM on Friday & Saturday. In order to sell liquor in Washington, D.C., bars must also sell food — and many Gay places have gone to great trouble to offer the finest food of which they are capable. There are two local publications which offer much information on the current scene: **OUT**, a free weekly magazine, and **THE BLADE**, a Gay newspaper.

CLUB EAST II, 20 "O" St., S.E. (202) 488-7317. Local member of the Club Baths Chain. Open 24 hrs. every day. Sauna, sun-deck, snack bar, sunlamp room lockers and rooms. Levi/leather special from 3 PM till 11 PM on Tuesdays.

CLUB MADAME, 506 8th St., S.E. (202) 546-1525. Open from 7 PM every day, this pleasant club caters to women — but the crowd also includes a number of men. A nice, friendly place.

CY'S, 2412 Wisconsin Ave., N.W. (202) 965-2412. Smallish Levi/Western/Leather bar with a friendly atmosphere. Open from 11:30 AM every day. Pool, Pinball, a good juke box. Excellent low cost food. Home of Centaur MC. Thursday is club night.

D.C. EAGLE, 904 9th St., N.W. (202) 347-6025. Popular Levi/Leather complex includes an excellent restaurant serving from opening at 11:30 AM till 11 PM. Cruise bar with pool table and juke box; a L/L room bar; and The Leather Rack, a first-class leather and toy store.

EAGLE IN EXILE, 953 9th St., N.W. (202) 347-7008. A Leather/Levi Disco with live DJ and light show. Open from 10 PM every night and after hours until 4 AM Thurs., and till 6 AM Fri. & Sat. Butch and cruise.

FRATERNITY HOUSE, 2122 "P" St., N.W. (up the alley). (202) 223-4917. Dining and live entertainment upstairs and Disco downstairs from 10 every night. Open at 4 PM Mon.-Fri., 6:30 PM on Sat. and noon on Sun. Close at 2 AM Sun.-Thurs. After hours until 6 AM on Fri. & Sat. Young, cruise, collegiate, disco crowd.

LAMBDA RISING, 2012 "S" St., N.W. (202) 462-6969 Attractive, selective bookstore (not an "adult bookstore") catering to Gays with a very complete selection of Gay books, magazines and gifts.

LE SALON, 804-10 14th St., N.W. (2nd floor). (202) 638-8110. Beautiful adult bookstore and movie house located above Capital Books. First-run, feature-length movies, 44 peep-shows, books, magazines, leather goods, and "toys." Also a Head Shop & conversation area. Open 24 hours. Clientele is Gay male. Cruise.

LOST & FOUND, 55 "L" St., S.E. (202) 488-1200. Beautifully decorated superbar with hot disco and excellent restaurant. Opens at 7 PM every day except Sunday. Dinner from \$4.75 to \$11.75. Open at noon on Sunday with brunch till 4 PM. Young crowd.

MR. P's, 2147 "P" St. (202) 293-1064. Restaurant and cruise bar open from 4 PM weekdays and from noon Saturday and Sunday. Dinner served every evening from 7 PM till 11 PM. New menu and Dinner Special Monday thru Thursday for \$3.95. Happy Hour 4 PM till 8 Mon.-Fri. Young.

OLYMPIC BATHS, 1405 H Street NW, (202) 638-8756 - 24 hour gay health club with Steam Room, Love Tubs, TV Room, and Snack Bar. Cruise crowd. Specials.

PARKSIDE PLAZA HOTEL, 1336 "I" St., N.W. (202) 347-3230. King-size beds, closed-circuit movies on color TVs, disco music piped into rooms free, all private baths. Suites for parties available, and it's central downtown location makes it perfect. Singles/Doubles: from \$23 to \$33. Suites from \$36 to \$65. Weekly & monthly, too.

THE PIER, 1824 Half St., S.W. (202) 488-1205. Popular super-bar featuring a four-color laser show called "Laser Mania." Open 8 PM every evening. Young, boogie group that includes some straights.

THE PLAIN BROWN WRAPPER, 1210 New York Ave., N.W. (202) 638-8131. Adult bookstore with all the expected things (books, magazines, films, peep-shows, etc.), and a large selection of Gay material. Open from 8 PM till 4 AM every day.

ROMAN DELIGHT BATH & HEALTH CLUB, 7001 Blair Rd., N.W. (202) 726-7500. Open from noon till 3 AM Sun.-Thurs., and till 4 AM on Fri. & Sat. Their experienced staff will give you a bath, a massage or will simply allow you to use their equipment. Call for rates and directions.

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FLORIDA

NOTE: In Florida some bars sell beer, some sell beer & wine, and some sell beer, wine & mixed drinks. The only places you can take your own bottle are a very few private clubs called "bottle clubs." Almost all bars are open on Sundays. Closing hours vary greatly and are usually given below. When in Florida, pick up a copy of "This Week With DAVID" or "Florida KNIGHT LIFE," both of which are freebies and offer up-to-this-week information on things Gay in Florida.

CLEARWATER

PRO SHOP, 840 Cleveland, (813) 461-0444. Cruise bar open 11 AM - 2 AM Mon. - Sat. and 4 PM - 2 AM on Sunday. Beer, wine, food (sandwiches, short order). Pool, juke box dancing. Nightly specials. Men and women. Friendly place.

DAYTONA BEACH

THE BEACHSIDE CLUB, 415 Main Street - New completely remodeled club in the old Club Hollywood location. Open 2 PM till 2 AM daily serving beer, wine and mixed drinks. Buffets Wednesday and Sunday.

COBB'S CORNER, 1650 South Ridgewood, (904) 761-9932 - Next door to The Zodiac. Restaurant specializing in seafood. Open from 4 PM till 10 PM all 7 days.

DISCO INFERNO, 28 N. Grandview, (904) 255-1550 - Open 6 PM - 2 AM selling beer, wine and mixed drinks. Happy hour from 6 till 9 Mon-Sat. Tea Dance Sunday, 3-8 with buffet. Four room complex - disco, game room and cruise bar. Young crowd.

THE LANDMARK, 615 Main St. (904) 252-3776. (Beachside) Open 11 AM till 2 AM all 7 days. Happy hours: 11 AM till 7 PM. Pool, games & cruise bar. Mostly young. Disco now open. Shows Fri., Sat., & Sun. with Billie Boots.

THE ZODIAC CLUB, 1654 S. Ridgewood, (904) 767-4624. Large disco open from 6 till 2 AM all 7 days. Two shows nightly. Cocktail Hour: 6 till 9 PM. Young, mostly Gay.

FORT LAUDERDALE

"A" ADULT BOOK STORE, 1915 S. Federal Hwy. (305) 462-9088. Mags, books, films, novelties & a cruisey 'peep' movie room. Open 24 hours. Large selection.

CABANA CAFE, U.S. 1 at S.E. 28th St. (305) 463-1507. Outdoor open-hearth cafe within the Copa. Reminiscent of old Key West. Open 9 PM till 5 AM. Prices from \$2.50.

CENTENNIAL MALE THEATRE, 3551 W. Broward Blvd. (305) 587-9666. Open 10 AM till 2 AM Mon.-Thurs., 10 AM till 8 AM on Fri. & Sat., and 1 PM till midnight on Sun. Big, regular theatre (all Gay). \$5 adm. Snack bar.

CLUBHOUSE II, 2650 E. Oakland Park, (305) 566-6750. Open 24 hours. Big, beautiful & macho baths. 2 lounges, snack bar & even TVs in some rooms (!). Nice & VERY popular.

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EVERGLADES BAR, 1931 S. Federal (305) 522-9821. Beer & wine bar open from 1 PM till 2 AM Sun.-Fri. Close at 3 AM on Sat. Sunday buffet. Hot dog special on Tues. "Western/Leather" crowds. Popular.

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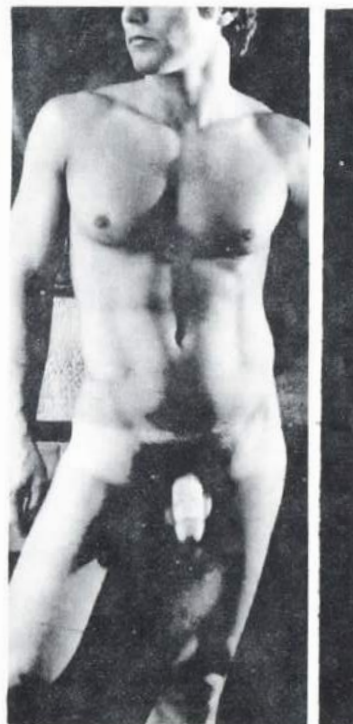
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FORT WALTON BEACH

THE LOBBY, 231 Miracle Mile (Hwy 98 near Fountain Sq.) - A happy, young Gay (and mixed) Disco-type spot convenient to everything in the area. Plenty of parking.

GAINESVILLE

MELODY CLUB, 4130 NW 6th Street, (904) 376-3772 - Open 5 PM till 2 AM Thursday - Tuesday, 3 PM till 2 AM on Wed. Shows Thurs, Friday and Sat. Beer Bust 9 till 12 on Tues. Young collegiate crowd.

THE ZOO, 203 NW 6th Street, (904) 377-9178 - Open Tues-Sat, 6 PM till 2 AM, Sunday 6 till 11 (closed Mon). Disco, Game Room, Shows Fri & Sat. Draft Beer Night on Wednesdays. Also now serving liquor. Collegiate male crowd.

HOLLYWOOD

THE LOCKER ROOM BATHS, 1914 Hollywood Blvd. (305) 920-0322. (Enter from the rear.) Open 24 hours. Many specials for members. Snack bar. Annual mem.: \$5.50.

JACKSONVILLE

BEACH BLVD. NEWS, 3642 Beach Blvd. (904) 398-9282. Adult bookstore with all the usual. Very cruisey.

BROTHERS, 484 May. (904) 358-9393. Open from 8 PM till 2 AM Mon.-Sat. Disco Tues.-Sat. Back room Leather/Levi bar open Thurs.-Sat. Lunches 11:30 AM till 1 PM Mon.-Fri.

THE CLUB JACKSONVILLE, 1939 Hendricks Ave. (904) 398-7451. An extremely nice baths — the local outlet of the Club Baths Chain. Packed on the weekends especially with young, good-lookin' guys. Indoor pool, steam, whirlpool, TV lounge, 2nd level maze and lots of comfy dark places. Open 24 hours every day. Memberships available.

THE JUNCTION, 1261 King Street (King and Park), (904) 388-9500 - Beer and wine bar open 3 PM till 2 AM Monday thru Sat. Happy Hour 5 till 7 PM, drink specials Mon thru Thurs. Neighborhood cruise bar with some levi types.

THE PHOENIX, 1440 San Marco, (904) 398-0101 - Levi men's bar open noon till 2 AM Monday thru Saturday. Liquor, beer and wine served. Disco 7 PM till closing. Daily specials.

ROUNDUP BOOKSHOP, 440 West Adams Street. (904) 355-2941. All male — all action. Bookshop and film gallery.

JACKSONVILLE BEACH

BO'S CROW BAR, 504 North 1st St., (904) 241-2039 - Open noon till 2 AM all 7 days. Beer & wine. Pool, pinball, cruising and dancing. Especially popular on Sundays. Cocktail Hour, 5 till 7 PM. 1/2 blocks from

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KEY WEST

BAVARIA HOTEL, 501 Southard St. (305) 294-9323. (Corner of Duval) Hotel w/sundeck, Downtown IN the action. Private baths, AC. Color TV available.

BIG RUBY'S, 617 Whitehead St. (305) 206-2323. Guesthouse in the heart of Old Town. "European-style" & very reasonable rates. Within walking distance of everything!

CLUB KEY WEST, 621 Truman Ave. (305) 296-6654. A CBC member w/complete motel accommodations. Pool, sundeck, steam showers, lockers. In & out priv. All rooms AC, w/TV & full-size beds. Walking distance to everywhere in Key West. Office open 24 hours.

ICE CREAM & DESSERT GARDEN, 524 Duval St. (305) 294-3222. Open 10 AM till midnight. Serves what the name says PLUS magazines, nitrite products, etc. Mixed.

ISLAND HOUSE, 1129 Fleming St., (305) 294-6284 - 22 vacation rooms and apts. (AC). Daily, weekly or month. New pool. In Old Town.

KEY LODGE MOTEL, 1004 Duval St. (305) 296-9915. Small but unique motel w/attractive rooms & apts. Heated pool w/tropical garden. AC, refri., color TV, phones. In town, close to everything. Mixed, but "It's like staying with a friend."

KEY WEST NEWS AGENCY, 528 Duval St. (305) 294-9719. Adult bookstore open from 10 AM till midnight all 7 days. Good selection of the expected items. Cruisey.

MONSTER, 400 Front St. (305) 294-1616. 4 bars. Opens at noon. Tea dance on Sun. Dinners Mon.-Sat. from 7 PM. Very popular place on the island. Young, hip & fun.

NEWS STAND, 919 Duval St. (305) 294-0389. Adult bookstore open from 11 AM till midnight Mon.-Thurs. Open 11 AM till 2 AM on Fri. & Sat. Good selection. Cruisey.

THE PINES, 521 United St. (305) 296-9494. Small and friendly guesthouse. Call or write in advance for reservations.

LAKELAND

GREEN PARROT, 1028 E. Main St. (813) 682-9101. Large cruise bar open 4 PM - 2 AM Mon. - Sat. 4 PM - 12 midnight on Sun. Beer and wine. Pool; jukebox; disco Mon., Wed., Fri., & Sat. Shows every 2nd Saturday. Men and women.

MADEIRA BEACH

THE OTHER END LOUNGE, 13143 Gulf Boulevard, (813) 393-9013 or 392-9652 - A mixed crowd from 9 PM till 7 PM. Mostly gay men and women from 7 PM till 2 AM closing. Beach and charter boats available. Dancing, stereo, pool table, games, shows and lots of fun in a very friendly place facing the beach.

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THE DOUBLE "R" BAR, 1001 N.E. 2nd Ave. (305) 374-9444. Open 3 PM till 3 AM all 7 days. Leather/Levi w/disco & country music played by a DJ. Beer, wine & mixed drinks. Members only. (New members welcomed.)

DOUBLE "R" CAFE, 1001 N.E. 2nd Ave. (305) 374-2491. Open 6 PM till 1 AM all 7 days. Dinners, breakfasts, snacks & sandwiches. Liquor available. Reservations suggested on weekends. Popular & very good.

MINESHAFT, 112 S. Miami Ave. (305) 374-7090. Open 10:30 AM till 3 AM Mon.-Sat. & noon till 3 AM Sun. Beer, wine, mixed drinks & sandwiches. Pool, pinball, 'back rooms.' Western/Leather types. Cocktail hours 4 till 7 PM daily. HOT.

PIN-UP LOUNGE, 2228 Park Ave. (305) 531-9301. "Neighborhood" type place near the 21st St. (Gay) beach. Beer & mixed drinks. Open 1 PM till 5 AM all 7 days.

PIRATE'S DEN, 16051 Collins Dr. (305) 947-5674. (In the Windward Resort) Baths w/40 large rooms, game rooms, sun deck, olympic pool, etc. Very, very nice and very popular. Open 24 hours, 7 days.

13 BUTTONS, 2998 N. River Dr. (305) 638-1118. Open 7 PM till 5 AM daily. Disco. Liquor bar. Private w/mem, available at the door. "2 for 1" every nite from 7 to 11 PM. Specials almost nightly. Shows Sundays (and some Thursdays). Pool tables & games. Slides.

PANAMA CITY

THE FIESTA ROOM LOUNGE, 110 Harrison Ave. (904) 763-9476. Open from 5 PM till 2 AM Sun. thru Thurs., and from 5 till 4 AM on Fri. & Sat. Liquor, beer and even packaged liquor. Big dance floor. Young, cbillegiate (mixed) crowd. Fun!

PENSACOLA

QUIET VILLAGE, 3107 East Cervantes. (904) 432-3894. Beer, booze & sandwiches served from 5 PM till 2:30 AM Mon.-Thurs., from 1 PM till 2:30 AM on Fri. & Sat., and from 1 PM till 1 AM on Sunday.

RED GARTER, 330 S. Polafax. (904) 433-9229. Open from 8 PM till 2 AM Mon.-Sat., and 8 PM till 12:30 AM on Sun. Fantastic light show & sound system. Disco 7 nights. Also: 3 shows a night Tues.-Sun. Upstairs cruise bar.

ST. PETERSBURG

RED DEVIL SALOON, 1113 Central Ave. (813) 821-1962. Open 2 PM till 2 AM all 7 days. Dancing. Shows (occasionally), game room and, on the last Sunday of the month, The Sun Coast Adventurers Club runs the bar. Verry Interesting Place.

WEDGWOOD INN, 445 18th Ave. South. (813) 823-7600. A complete resort with lounge, disco, cafe, piano bar, full service restaurant and freshly remodeled motel. The lounge is open from 7 PM - 2 AM Mon. - Fri., 6 PM - 2 AM Sat., and 3 PM - 2 AM Sun. Young, sophisticated crowd. Spectacular new light show.

TALLAHASSEE

FOXTROT DISCO & CABARET, 1320 Jackson Bluff Rd. (904) 576-9117. Opens at 1 AM and goes till 6 AM. (It's obviously an after hours club.) Bring your own to drink. Shows at 2:30 AM & at 4 AM. Open Fri. and Sat. nights ONLY. Very popular.

THE 21st CENTURY FOX, 506 S. Woodward. (904) 599-9728. Disco/Show bar open all 7 nights from 8 PM till 2 AM. Shows on Wed., Fri. & Sun. HOT.

TAMPA

THE WINDWARD RESORT MOTEL, 16051 Collins Ave. (305) 947-5674. (Also includes The Pirate's Den Health Club) Big Gay resort w/80 rooms right on the ocean. Bar & restaurant open from 11 AM till 5 AM. Disco from 10 PM till 5 AM. Live entertainment in the bar from 5 PM till 10 PM. VERY popular!

ORLANDO

THE CONNECTION, 1124 S. Orange Ave. (305) 420-9228. Cruise bar and restaurant open 11 AM - 2 AM Mon. - Fri. 2 PM - 2 AM Sat. & Sun. Serving beer, wine, and food. Lunch (\$1.50 - \$2.50) 11 am - 10 pm. Fabulous Fondue dinners (4.95 - \$6.95) from 6 pm. Midnight snacks, game room, dancing, special events nightly (see ad), plus Zodiac party each month. Men and women. Lively place.

GRAND CENTRAL RESORT, 32 N. Orange Ave. (305) 422-5554. Beautiful resort complex. Features Royal Palms Disco, Golden Era Piano Bar, poolside bar, mezzanine dining (French cuisine), art gallery, and hair salon with more to come. 112 plush hotel rooms (\$20 single, \$24 doubles). Open 7 days a week.

ODDS & ENDS CLUB AND END ZONE DISCO, 4910 Edgewater Dr. (305) 293-9733. Open 11 AM till 2 AM every day. Happy Hour 11 AM till 6 PM. Shows Tues., Wed., Fri., Sat. and Sun. Wide screen TV with some 'X' movies. Disco too!

PARLIAMENT HOUSE MOTOR INN, 410 N. Orange Blossom Trail. (305) 425-7571. A big Gay resort complex including a motel, a show lounge, disco, piano bar, Levi/Leather bar and dining rooms. All open 7 days.

THE CAROUSEL DISCO, 1806 W. Platt. (813) 251-9887. Small, intimate lounge and disco open 3 PM till 3 AM every day. Beer and mixed drinks served. Shows Friday and Saturday at 1 AM with Kim Ross and a special guest each week. Wednesday night is 50 cent drink nite.

THE CLUB TAMPA, 215 N. 11th St. (813) 223-5181. Open 24 hours — 7 days. Rooms, lockers, TV room, snacks, game room & more. VD clinic the 2nd Wed. of every month. Local outlet of the Club Baths Chain.

EL GOYA, 1430 E. 7th Ave. (813) 223-5181. Still remodeling since their fire, the Disco is now open and "The Barn," western section, is open, too. Shows Fri., Sat. & Sun. Open 3 PM till 3 AM every day. Young & fun.

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BARS, RESTAURANTS & HOTELS

THE ACADEMY, 2110B Peachtree Road NE, (404) 351-1042 - A new super-disco in the old Mother's location behind Harrison's on Peachtree Road. Open from 9 PM Mon-Sat. Park next door behind the old Brookwood Hotel.

ARMORY LOUNGE, 838 Juniper St., NE, (404) 881-9280 - Cruise bar open 4 PM till 2 AM Mon-Thur and 4 PM till 3 AM Fri. & Sat (closed Sunday). Happy Hour every day but Monday and Thursday Happy Hours are special, lasting late into the evening.

ANIMALS, Rear of 1055 Peachtree St. (Next to After Dark Bookstore), (404) 885-9400 - Exciting new disco (it started out just serving juice but now has liquor) open Monday - Saturday from 4 PM. 75 cent drinks every night, 10 cent beer busts on Monday. Happy Hour till 10 PM.

BACKSTREET, Rear of 845 Peachtree St., (404) 873-1986 - Popular disco and cruise bar open from noon Mon - Sat and from 2 PM on Sundays. Happy Hour till 10 PM every night.

BULLDOG AND COMPANY, 893 Peachtree St. (enter from rear through alley between 7th and 8th Streets), (404) 872-3025 New cruise bar catering to truckers and levi types. Open from 2 PM Monday thru Sat. Very original decor, games, some food.

EL MATADOR LOUNGE, 1544 Piedmont Ave. NE, (404) 892-9015 - Located in Ansley Mall, this two-section cruise bar is open from 11:30 Mon-Fri and from 1 PM on Sat. & Sun. Live entertainment in their backroom. The Bleachers on Fri, Sat. & Sunday. Upwardly mobile types. Lively & Fun.

FRANK POWELL'S, 1139 W. Peachtree St. at 13th, (404) 873-2240 - Popular three level club. Basement Conference Room bar opens at 11 AM Mon-Sat and at 12:30 on Sunday. Main bar features Joe Dorwart at the Piano Bar while upstairs their fine restaurant serves food at affordable prices from 7 each evening. Cruise and fun.

GALLUS LOUNGE & RESTAURANT, 49 6th St. NE (at Cypress), (404) 892-8983 - Lively cruise bar on lower level opens at 5 PM Mon-Sat and 12:30 Sun. Excellent food served in the restaurant on the upper level from 6 PM (5 on Sun). Sunday Brunch from 12:30 till 4 is a festive occasion here.

LE COVE, 586 Worchester Drive, (404) 875-2464 - Off Monroe, near Piedmont, Atlanta's Friendliest Cruise Bar is now a private club staying open from 12:30 PM till dawn daily. Brown bagging Saturday night after 2:55 AM. Memberships available at the door. Games, food, booze, etc. Popular.

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THE LOCKER ROOM DISCO, 2325 Cheshire Bridge Road, (404) 325-0967 - Open 6 PM till 7 AM every day. Shows Tues-Sun. Disco between shows. Unique movie room with peep shows. Very popular. Brown bagging after 2:55 on Saturday nights only. Private club.

MAGIC GARDEN, 1888 Cheshire Bridge Road NE, (404) 875-0110 - Beautiful Disco open from 9 PM Thursdays - Sundays with shows in their Cabaret Room each evening.

THE ONYX SHOW BAR & LOUNGE, 341 West Peachtree St., (404) 523-9105 - Open on Sun. from 4 PM with a free buffet at 8, shows at 8:30 and 10:30. They open at 6 on Saturdays and 2 PM other days. Big auction on Monday nights, shows Wed - Sun. Cruise.

P'S ANNEX, 563 Ponce de Leon, (404) 885-9010 - A masculine atmosphere with a live DJ, dancing, games, food, and booze. Open from 2 PM Mon-Sat and from 12:30 on Sunday. \$1 brunch on Sundays, specials all during the week. Next door to P'S, Atlanta's original levi/leather bar.

P'S WESTERN/LEATHER SALOON, 551 Ponce de Leon Avenue NE, (404) 881-9334 Open from 8 PM Mon-Sat (closed Sundays). Home of Atlantis Motorcycle Club who have club nights there on Fridays. Packed Wednesdays and most other nights after 11 PM.

THE PRINCE GEORGE INN, 114 6th St. NE, (404) 881-9299 - Established restaurant and lounge that caters to businessmen types. Dinner served from 6 PM till 12:30 each evening. Piano bar entertainment, good food. Pleasant relaxed atmosphere.

SHELLY'S PLACE, 1720 Peachtree Road, (404) 875-5378 - Elegant restaurant and snappy, intimate disco. The lounge opens at 4:40 weekdays with cocktail hour till 7. Dinner served from 6 PM each evening. Specials on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays with Brunch and Tea Dance on Sunday afternoons (open 12:30 PM). Good food and friendly atmosphere.

STEPHEN'S SALOON, 1833 Peachtree Road, (404) 351-6495 - Old time saloon atmosphere with jukebox and games but no dancing. Open from 11 weekdays and noon on Saturday & Sunday. Lunch 11 till 3 on weekdays, Brunch on Sat & Sun. Crazy Daze on Sundays is an active time here.

SWEET GUM HEAD, 2284 Cheshire Bridge Road NE, (404) 634-2922 - The Showplace of The South opens at 9 PM Mon-Sat (closed Sundays) with the best in female impersonation shows every night. Disco between shows.

TEX'S, 10268 N. Highland Ave. (corner of Virginia), (404) 892-9183 - Leather/Levi Disco Bar serving liquor, beer and wine. Open 5 PM till 2 AM mon-Thur and 5 PM - 3 AM Friday & Sat. Cocktail Hr. 5-9 PM.

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AFTER DARK BOOKSHOP AND FILM GALLERY, 1067 Peachtree St. NE. (404) 881-0187 - Popular Gay Meeting place with a large selection of gay films, books, magazines, etc. Huge "back room" with small, medium and large movie booths. Open 10 AM till 6 AM every day. Pool & game room also.

MR. B'S ESQUIRE BOOKS & CARDS, 107 Luckie St. - Not an "adult bookstore" but a regular book and card shop with a discreet and very cruisey peep show area downstairs. Spacious viewing rooms with 6 ft screens. Gay & straight films. Open 24 hours.

BOOKS & THINGS, 1080 Peachtree St. NE Clean attractive adult bookstore with an excellent gay section. Across the street from After Dark.

CLUB ATLANTA, 76 4th Street NW, (404) 881-6675 - Local member of the Club Bath Chain open 24 hours every day. Indoor-outdoor pool and atrium, sundeck, steam room, sauna. Special on Lockers, \$3 all the time. Rooms also available.

DOWN UNDER BOOKSTORE, 45 8th St. (8th at Cypress), (404) 874-0900 - Clean attractive and very popular gay bookstore with active peep show area. Open 24 hours a day.

EXECUTIVE BOOKMART, 1940 Piedmont Rd., N.E. (404) 872-9338. A normally "straight" bookstore, but if you like "trade," THIS is the place! (Use discretion, of course.)

GAY PAREE CINEMA, 17 Houston St. (downtown near Peachtree), (404) 524-9089 - Atlanta's only gay theatre is open 24 hours a day. Always showing 2 major gay feature-length films on a huge screen. Also a lounge area called "The Ultra Room", 25 cent peep shows and a snack room.

THE LOCKER ROOM HEALTH CLUB, 2325 Cheshire Bridge Rd., N.E. (404) 325-0967. A private, members-only baths w/complete facilities plus heated indoor pool, etc. Inter-connected to the Locker Room Disco and open 24 hours every day.

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DAARLA'S DISCO MUSIC CITY, 1544 Piedmont Ave. NE (in Ansley Mall), (404) 873-1418 - Popular record store with one of the best selections of Disco music to be found anywhere. Open 10 AM till 9 PM Mon-Fri; 10 till 6 on Sat. and 1 till 6 on Sunday.

PHOENIX ASSOCIATES. (404) 973-4000. Independent insurance agency that can furnish quotes free-of-charge on any type of insurance - including auto, home-owners, business, etc. Call Bob Marcus.

POSTER HUT, 2175 Cheshire Bridge Rd., N.E. (404) 633-7491. An interesting Paraphernalia shop featuring all your favorite "amy!" products (Locker Room, Rush, Ban-Apple Gas, etc.), and supplies for Heads & pleasure seekers. On the Great Gay Way.

THE PLEASURE CHEST LIMITED OF ATLANTA, INCORPORATED, 957 Peachtree St. (404) 876-3604. (Between 8th and 10th) Sex-aids & sexy brief clothing, erotic art works, paraphernalia & stuff to a unisex clientele. Open Noon till 7 Mon. - Sat.

RAY'S ENTERPRISES. (404) 351-6991. Roommate matching service for Gays and straights in Atlanta and surrounding area. Also a purveyor of "Dating Games." Call between 10 AM and 7 PM for more information.

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AUGUSTA

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COLUMBUS

BOTTOMS UP LOUNGE, 1407 First Ave. Open 7 PM till 2 AM Mon.-Sat. Closed Sun. Beer, wine available. (Brown-bag anything else you might want.) Pool, pinball, juke box. Mostly Gay - male & female.

DEEP PURPLE LOUNGE & DISCO, 1305 First Ave. (912) 322-9107. Open 7:30 PM till 2 AM Mon. - Sat. w/nitely specials. Beer wine & brown-bagging. Snacks. Shows every other week. Disco Fri. & Sat. Game room. Guys and girls. Cruisey.

MACON

J. J.'s, 410 Cotton Ave. (912) 742-9661. Lounge open from 5 PM till 2 AM Mon.-Fri., and 5 till midnight Sat. Beer & mixed drinks. Dancing.

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DR. FEELGOOD'S, 9 Drayton St. (912) 234-9696. Open from 7 PM till 3 AM Mon.-Sat. (Closed Sun.). A "full-service" bar. Disco every night. Occasional shows. Young.

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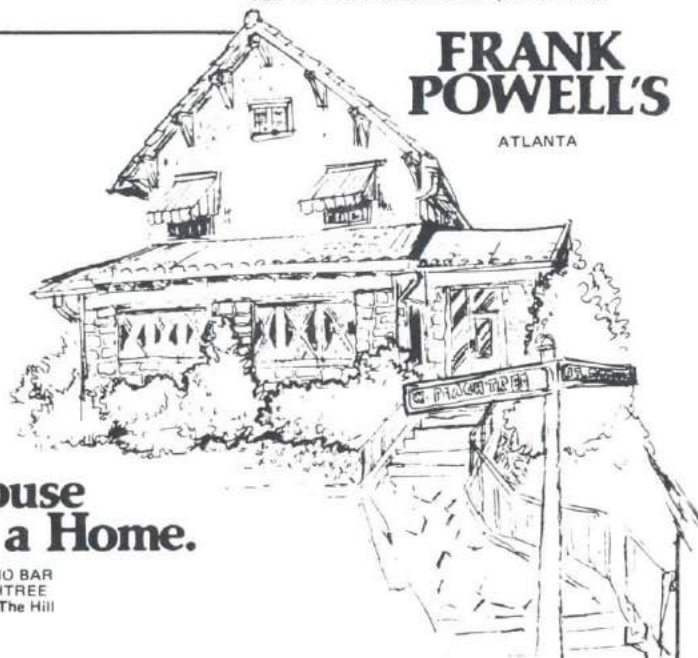
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RED BULL, 512 Missouri Ave. (618) 274-4965. Open Fri., Sat., & Sun. from 8 PM till... Mixed crowd.

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BADLANDS TERRITORY, 116 E. Main St. (502) 582-9246. Large bar with several rooms. Open from 8 PM till 4 AM every day, serving beer, wine & liquor. Juke box dancing & pool room downstairs. Disco on the 2nd floor is open on Thurs., Fri. & Sat. The crowd is young men.

CAMERA'S EYE, Corner 3rd & Market. Bookstore and film gallery open 24 hours every day. Large booths, mags, films, "toys." Mixed clientele, but Gays are welcome.

THE CITY DISCO, 662 River City Mall. (502) 582-9272. Open 1 PM till 4 AM all 7 days. Disco Thurs.-Sun., 10:30 PM till 3:30 AM. Beer, wine & mixed drinks. Features a fascinating slide show correlated with disco music!! A "Must Experience" spot!

THE CLUB ODYSSEY, 340 E. Oak. (502) 637-9802. Open from 5 PM Mon., Tues., & Thurs.; from 3 PM on Wed., from 2 PM on Sat., and from 1 PM on Sun. Shows Fri., Sat., & Sun. A private club closing at 4 AM daily.

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LAFAYETTE

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SOUTHERN COMFORT, 310 Jefferson St. (318) 233-9305. Large disco open from 4 PM every day; till 2 AM on Sat., midnight on Sun. Occasional shows, game room, hot new sound system, remodeling in progress. Young crowd.

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APPLE BARREL RESTAURANT, 1940 Dauphine. (504) 945-9427. Open 9 AM till 7 PM Tues.-Sun., serving breakfast, sandwiches and hot specials to a mixed but largely Gay clientele. Good food at modest prices. Informal atmosphere.

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CAFE LAFITTE IN EXILE AND CORRAL BAR, 901 Bourbon St. (504) 561-9248. Open 24 hours every day. The Corral upstairs is country and western.

CAMP BATHS, 512 Gravier. (504) 566-7842. Open 24 hours. Steam, showers, lockers, rooms, TV room, lounge & snack bar. Between Camp & Magazine - 2 blocks west of the Quarter.

CAMP NEWS, 615 Common St. (504) 524-5647. Open 10 AM till midnight for news, camping, and campy news.

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CLUB NEW ORLEANS, 515 Toulouse St. (504) 581-2402. Member of the Club Baths Chain. Open 24 hours all 7 days. Very complete facilities.

DECATUR NEWS, 941 Decatur St. (504) 581-9674. Open 9:30 AM till midnight. Mags, peep movies, books, novelties, cruising.

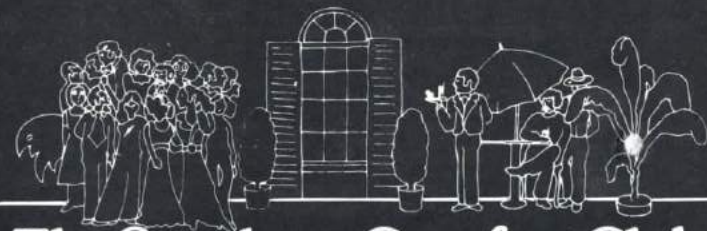
FAT SAM'S THEATRE CRAFT LOUNGE, 940 Conti (at Burgundy). (504) 523-8455. Open noon till ? every day. Shows at 10:30 and 1 on Fri. & Sat., and dinner show on Sun. (dinner from 8 to 10 and show at 10). New upstairs lounge. Breakfast on Fri. & Sat. from 2 AM till 5 AM.

FINALE II, 642 N. Rampart St. (504) 581-9705. Small neighborhood type bar open 24 hours on weekends. Friendly place.

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LE LIDO, 7000 Burgundy (at St. Peter). (504) 523-0804. Open 4 PM till 2 AM Mon.-Thurs.; 12 noon till 4 AM weekends. Shows at 11:30 Fri. & Sat. Nostalgia dancing 1 AM to 4 AM Fri. & Sat. Le Cafe (upstairs) open 6 PM till 10 PM every night!

MAXCY'S COFFEE POT, 714 St. Peter. (504) 523-8215. Popular restaurant open from 8:30 AM till 10:30 PM every day. Good food, moderate prices. Clientele is a mixture of Gays and straights, local & tourists.

POST OFFICE LOUNGE, 940 Rue St. Louis. (504) 523-8581. Neighborhood type bar, open noon till 4 AM every day. Shows Fri. & Sat. at 11 PM and Sun. at 7 PM. Sunday beer bust 5-7 PM.

TIGERS, 740 Burgundy. (504) 561-9380. Open 24 hours, 7 days a week with happy hour from 4 PM to 7 PM. Full-service bar. Midnight Madness each night from 12 AM till 8 AM. Good pick-up bar.

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TRAVIS'S, 834 N. Rampart St. (504) 581-9748. Open from noon every day with jukebox dancing, pinball. Shows featuring "The Comics" on Fri. & Sat. at 11:30 & 1:30; Sun. at 10:30. No cover. Mature crowd for cocktail hour, younger crowd at night.

TT'S WEST, 820 N. Rampart St. (504) 523-0222. Cruise bar popular with leather and levi types. Open from noon till 4 AM every day. Home of Knights d'Orleans MC with club night on Thursdays.

URSULINE GUEST HOUSE, 708 Ursuline. (504) 525-8509. Small guest house near the bars. Reasonable rates.

SHREVEPORT

BOBBIE'S KORNER LOUNGE, 800 Louisiana. (318) 222-9796. Open 2 PM till 2 AM Mon.-Sat. Juke box, no dancing. Good afternoons. Men, all ages.

FLORENTINE ROOM, 728 Austin Place. (318) 221-0360. Open Wed.-Sat., 10 PM till 2 AM. Beer, wine, and liquor. Game room and beautiful disco. Mostly men. Cruise on weekends.

FUN SHOP, 103 Texas Dr. (318) 226-1308. Cross between Baptist and adult bookstore. Also carries paraphernalia.

MARYLAND

NOTE: Under Maryland law, 18- to 20-year-olds can legally drink beer or light wine only in the bars. You must be 21 to drink mixed drinks (hard liquor).

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THE BARRACKS, LTD., 1114 Cathedral St. (301) 837-9595. A 24-hour Health Club for the liberal man. Refreshments served. Three kinds of poppers. Steam, sauna, lockers & rooms. Tues. & Thurs. discount nights. Enter in the rear.

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GALLERY ONE, 1735 Maryland Ave. (301) 539-6965. Open 11 AM till 2 AM all 7 days. Mixed drinks & beer. A Levi/Leather/Western bar. Pinball. Backroom 'opens up' soon.

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MISSOURI

NOTE: The minimum age to drink in St. Louis is 21 and all bars must close at 1:30 every night. Only restaurants can serve liquor on Sundays. However, across the river in East St. Louis, these restrictions do not apply. All bars listed serve liquor, beer & wine. Local publications include **PRIME TIME** and **SPOKES**, both free and available in most gay places.

ST. LOUIS

BOOKSHELF (NO. 1), 1116 Olive. (314) 241-3260. An adult bookstore with good selection of Gay books, mags, films, etc. Open 8:30 AM till 5:30 PM, Mon.-Fri. **THE BOOKSHELF (NO. 2), 10 N. Euclid,** is open 9 AM till 9 PM with much the same selections.

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FADED BLUE, 10 Maryland Plaza. (314) 361-7411. "A clothing store where you can get in our pants."

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JEFFERSON AVE. BOARDING HOUSE, 3265 Jefferson Ave. (314) 771-4100. A unique restaurant — a "do not miss" experience! Sensational food, great service. Lunch, dinner & Sunday Breakfast served. Call for times, menu and reservations.

MARTIN'S BAR, 201 S. 20th St. (314) 421-3242. Open 11 AM till 1:30 AM Mon.-Sat. Happy hour Mon.-Fri., 3 PM till 7. Buffet on Fri. Shows Fri. & Sat. (2 shows). **MARTIN'S V.I.P. DISCO** (same address) is open Fri., Sat. & Mon. No cover. **GATEWAY SALOON** (same address) open Wed., Fri. & Sat., 9:30 PM till 1:30 AM, and is a Levi/Leather saloon. Home of Gateway M.C.

POTPOURRI, 4755 McPherson. (314) 361-9203. Open noon till 1:30 AM, Mon.-Sat. Best drink prices in town. Cocktail hour: noon till 7. Young guys and businessmen-types. Very cruisey. Celebrate with Mr. A.

STADIUM BATHS, 201 S. 20th St. (314) 421-9912. Open noon till 8 AM Mon.-Sat. (Closed Sun.). Lockers, rooms, sauna, TV lounge, dormitories and MORE!

NORTH CAROLINA

NOTE: The only liquor available in bars in North Carolina is what you brown-bag in yourself (if you are over 21). All bars stop selling beer & wine by 2 AM and all alcohol must be out of the bars by 2:30. Some clubs stay open after-hours (check listings). Also: pick up a **WHATEVER**, the free Gay weekly available in many Gay businesses.

NORTH CAROLINA

ASHEVILLE

AFTER DARK DISCO AND UPSTAIRS LOUNGE, 80 Ashland Ave. (704) 253-5409. Disco open every night at 8 PM & The Upstairs opens on Fri. & Sat. at 8 PM. It's downtown, 2 blocks from the Downtown Motel.

TREE TOPS, 85 Patton Ave. (704) 255-9921. Opens at 5 PM, 7 days. Beer only (no brown bagging). \$3 membership fee. Pool table & dancing. Buffet at 3:30 on Sundays.

CHAPEL HILL

CHRISTOPHER'S, 1809 Chapel Hill Blvd. (US 15-501), (919) 942-3536 - Open Wed.-Thurs. from 10pm till 2am. Fri.-Sun. they open at 10 and stay open after hours. Weekday cover includes all the draft and set-ups you can drink. Brownbagging. Good looking crowd, men and women. \$8 a year.

CHARLOTTE

BRASS RAIL, 3513 Wilkinson Blvd. (704) 399-8413. Open 3 PM till 2 AM daily. Beer & brown bagging. Mostly men. Western/Levi.

DURHAM

PLAYER'S BOOK STORE, 2208 Avondale Drive, (919) 471-3593 - Cruisey bookstore with all the usual books and toys.

CLUB SOUTH, 1708 South Blvd. (704) 333-3859. Open 24 hours, 7 days. Master Charge & Visa cards accepted. Steam, sauna, indoor pool, game room, snack bar, lounge & a non-liquor disco. Honors all major bath cards. \$1 lockers Sun.-Thurs. after midnight & all day Tues. Student specials, too.

DIGNITY/CHARLOTTE - Meets Tuesday nights every week at 8 PM at the Park Road Baptist Church.

DISCO SOUND RECORD SHOP, 3001 Freedom Dr. (Freedom Village). (704) 333-3859. Complete line of 12-in. disco discs and other records & tapes. Open Mon.-Sat., 10 AM till 6 PM.

ESCORTS CHARLOTTE. (704) 372-9635. Open 24 hours. Entertaining young men who will show you the sights. Master Charge and Visa cards accepted. Lonely? Just call.

FRENCH ART CINEMA, 3511 Wilkinson Blvd. (704) 394-0423. Open 10 AM till 2 AM Mon.-Thurs.; 10 AM till 4 AM Fri. & Sat.; 2 PM till Midnight Sun. Big-screen theatre and peep booths. Books, mags, etc. (\$3.00).

ODYSSEY 1, Corner of Morehead and Tryon. (704) 332-3631. Hot disco bar open 9 PM till 2:30 AM, Tues.-Sun., with beer & brown bagging. Open after-hours on Fri. & Sat. Light show, 3 bars w/safari bar, and view of skyline from bar. Wed. & Sun., free draft from 10 PM. Young, cruisey.

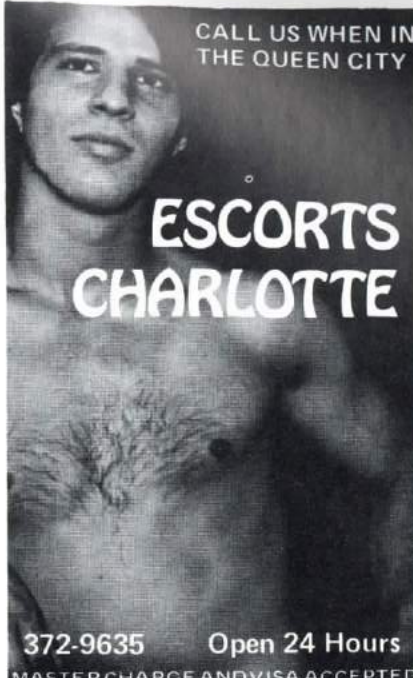
OLEEN'S, 1831 South Blvd. (704) 373-9604. Opens at 8 PM Tues.-Sun.; close at 4 AM on Sat. night. Shows on Wed.-Sun., with a complimentary breakfast served to its young crowd.

SCORPIO DISCO, 2301 Freedom Dr., (704) 373-9124 - Open at 8:30 PM Wed - Monday (closed Tuesdays). Free beer 10 till 11 PM on Sun. & Wed. Disco with young crowd.

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RALEIGH

BACHELOR'S LIBRARY, 3411 S. Wilmington St. (919) 772-9879. Bookstore & peep show arcade open 10 AM till midnight.

CAPITAL CORRAL & GLITTER GULCH, 315 W. Hargett St. (919) 755-9599. Popular western bar and a hot disco section. Two dance floors. Open 7 nights at 8 PM. Fri. & Sat. open after-hours. Game room. Beer & brown bagging. Hot young crowd. Packed on weekends.

MOUSETRAP, 1622 Glenwood Ave. (919) 755-9123. Popular cruise bar with disco in the "back room." Open 9 PM till 2 AM all 7 nights. Beer & brown bagging. Half-price night on Tues. All male, all ages. 'The Place' on Tuesdays.

RALEIGH BOOKS, 111 Fayetteville St. (919) 834-3064. Open 9 AM till 10 PM Mon.-Sat., and from 2 PM till 9 PM on Sun. 32 peep movies with 2-ft. screens. Magazines, etc.

WILMINGTON

DAVID'S LOUNGE, 114 Market St. (919) 763-8068. Open 8 PM all 7 days, with free beer (!) Wednesdays from 10 till 11! Game room and brown bagging room.

SOUTH CAROLINA

NOTE: In South Carolina liquor can be served only in restaurants or in private clubs. You cannot enter a private club unless you are a member or go as a guest of a member. If you are not going out with someone who is already a member of the club you wish to visit, it is best to call ahead to make arrangements.

CHARLESTON

KING STREET GARDEN & GUN CLUB, 240 King St. (803) 577-0880. Beer, wine, liquor, sandwiches, and disco offered. A private club with a mixed clientele.

TUCKER'S TAVERN, 336 King St. (803) 722-9515. Open from 11 AM till 2 AM, Mon.-Fri., and from 11 AM till midnight on Sat. (Closed Sun.). Beer & wine only. Established 1860. "Marcus welcomes his friends to Charleston." Friendly & crowded.

COLUMBIA

END ZONE CLUB, 2706-A N. Main St. (803) 252-5477. Open 9 PM till 2 AM Sat.-Thurs. Open 9 PM till 4 AM Fri. Half-price cocktail hour on Sun., Mon., Tues. & Thurs. from 9 PM till 10. Disco every night from 10 PM. Game room.

FORTRESS CLUB, 5729 Shakespeare Rd. (803) 754-9848. (Just off Two-Notch Rd. in N.E. Columbia) Open from 7 PM till 2 AM nightly. A private club.

OUR PLACE, 1232 Assembly St. (803) 765-1623. Opens at 4 PM Mon.-Sat., and closes at 3 AM Mon.-Thurs., 5 AM on Fri., and at midnight on Sat. (Closed Sun.). Beer & wine only. Play-for-pay types.

SUNDOWN ADULT BOOKSTORE, 3311 Two-Notch Rd. An adult bookstore featuring all the things we've grown to expect and love: hot mags & cruise movie booths.

FLORENCE

CHARLIE'S PLACE, 206 N. Coit St. (803) 669-9684. Open 9 PM until ? Tuesday thru Friday; 9 PM till 12 AM Saturday with alcohol, and after hours brown bagging. Closed Sunday and Monday. Private club (guests welcome). Disco on Friday and Saturday. Pool and pinball. Mostly young male crowd. Private (guest memberships available).

GREENVILLE

CLUB GEMINI, 443 E. Stone Ave. Liquor served, as well as beer & wine. Open 8 PM till 2 AM all 7 days. Newly remodeled, with a hot new light show in the disco. Large game room and 2 full-service bars. A private club with mostly guys, but girls welcome.

EXECUTIVE SPORTSMAN, 1243 S. Pleasantburg Dr. (803) 277-7090 - Open 11am till 2am Mon.-Sat. Occasional shows. Hot disco with liquor, beer, wine and food. Now a beautiful patio. Young crowd.

TENNESSEE

NOTE: While it is quite legal to serve mixed drinks in most Tennessee cities, the taxes on them are so stiff that very few Gay clubs even bother to offer them. Those bars that do offer liquor must charge considerably more for it than neighboring states. Be prepared to do a lot of beer drinking here.

CHATTANOOGA (choo choo)

CLASSIC CINEMA, 3818 Brainerd Rd. (615) 629-1514. Open 11 AM till midnight Mon.-Thurs.; from 11 AM till 2 AM on Fri. & Sat.; and from noon till midnight on Sun. Big screen (usually straight) movies, a full bookstore and cruise peep-booth area.



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CROSS KEYS LOUNGE, 1409 Market St. (615) 756-9993. Open 8 PM till 3 AM Mon.-Sat. (Closed Sun.). Liquor, beer & wine. Always hoppin' with DISCO and Go-Go Boys on the weekends!

GO-GO CLUB, 1077 Duncan Ave. (615) 622-9297. Open Wed.-Sun., 8 PM till 3 AM. Full-service DISCO bar. Large stage for shows & intimate dance floor for week-day dancing. T. J.-the-DJ presides. Disco types.

JOHNSON CITY

THE CONNECTION, on W. Walnut St. (615) 928-9925. Open 9 PM till 1 AM on Mon.-Thurs., and from 9 PM till 4 AM on Sat. (Closed Sun.). Beer & soft drinks. Shows Fri. & Sat.: 10:30 & 1. DISCO. Very friendly.

KNOXVILLE

THE CAROUSEL CLUB, 1501 White Ave. (615) 637-7774. Open till 3 AM all 7 days. Full-service bar. Super-Disco with superb light show. A mostly young & Gay crowd.

EUROPA CLUB, 216 W. Main Ave. (under Gateway Bookshop). (615) 522-0032. Open 4 PM till 3 AM, 7 days. Full-service bar. Disco dancing & Go-Go Boys(!). HOT.

MEMPHIS

NOTE: At this time NO Memphis Gay bar offers "mixed drinks" (read: liquor). All make beer and "set-ups" available and you can, if you like, bring your own bottle of hard stuff.

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FRONT PAGE, 267 S. Cleveland, and DAVID'S, 265 S. Cleveland. (901) 726-9813 - Adjoining bars with The Front Page opening at 8 PM every day with hot disco and David's opening at 4 PM daily with more of a country-western atmosphere. Every Tuesday is Beer Bust Night, \$2.50 for all the draft or set-ups you can drink from 8 PM till closing.

GEORGE'S KRISCO DISCO, 600 Marshall. (901) 526-1038 - A large tri-level disco and showbar with a super sound system. Open every day from noon. They now offer food plus a leather gift shop (also selling rubber goods) and a new movie room. Young dancing crowd.

KELSEY'S, 1474 Madison. (901) 274-9835. Open 12 AM till 6 AM. Cruise bar with table games and juke box dancing. Food, beer and set-ups. Draws men and women, all types. Popular after hours.

THE PSYCH-OUT, 76 N. Cleveland Ave. (901) 725-9842. Open 4 PM till 2 AM Sun.-Thurs., 4 PM till 3 AM on Fri. & Sat. Dancing & pinball. Women, some men.

NASHVILLE

THE CABARET, 1711 Hayes St. (615) 320-7082. Open from 8 PM Tues.-Sun. Beer, wine & mixed drinks. Shows at 10 & 1:30 on Fri. & Sat. Disco & game room. Young.

CAROUSEL BOOKSTORE, 5606 Charlotte Ave. (615) 352-0270. Sells CRUISE and the 'brother' magazine, SCORE, and everything else you'd expect in a good adult bookstore.

THE JUNGLE RESTAURANT & LOUNGE, 715 Commerce St. (615) 251-9963. Open 10 AM till 3 AM Mon.-Sat. Small but very popular full-service bar. Food, too. Phillip House at the piano from 9:30 PM every night. Gay guys, all ages & types. Interesting.

WAREHOUSE 28, 2529 Franklin Rd. (615) 297-0992. Hot disco with masculine decor. Open Mon.-Sat., 9 PM till 3 AM; Sun., 4 PM till 3 AM, with beer bust & happy hour prices 4-8. Young, masculine crowd.

TEXAS

NOTE: Liquor laws in Texas, unlike some other Southern states, are reasonably understandable. All bars must close at 2 AM — no exceptions. All bars serve "full-service" — beer, wine & liquor. When in South Texas, pick up a copy of SOUTH TEXAS COMMUNITY NEWS, and in other parts of the state, pick up THIS WEEK IN TEXAS (TWIT) or THE STAR, all local publications with up-to-date information on local scenes.

AUSTIN

ALL AMERICAN NEWS, 2532 Guadalupe. (512) 478-0222. Open 10 AM till 2 AM Mon.-Thurs.; 10 AM till 4 AM Fri. & Sat., and noon till 2 AM on Sun. Usual bookstore staff, but it's cruisy with UT students. Mixed crowd.

AUSTIN COUNTRY, 707 Red River. (512) 472-0418. Open 8 PM till 2 AM Mon.-Thurs.; 7 PM till 2 AM on Sun., and from 8 PM till 4 AM on Fri. & Sat. (no alcohol after 2 AM). Shows on Thurs. (w/major drag stars!). Young, cruisy crowds. Unique pot-luck Sun. BBQs.

CLUB AUSTIN, 308 W. 16th St. (512) 476-7986. Open 24 hours. Whirlpool, steam, workout equipment, TV lounge, etc. Too many specials to list here. Call 'em! Many students.

MR. PEEPERS, 213 E. 6th St. (512) 478-0243. Open 24 hours, all 7 days. A two-level adult bookstore with the largest arcade area in all of Texas. Regular stuff, but boy! is it cruisy. Mixed (straight & Gay), but we know what the straights are looking for. . . .

THE NEW APARTMENT, 2828 Rio Grande. (512) 478-0224. Open noon till 2 AM all 7 days. Cocktail hours: 4 till 8 Mon.-Sat. and noon till 8 on Sun. Beer bust on Mon. A cruise bar w/dancing, juke box, pinball, pool & TV lounge. Masculine. Some leather and western. Many specials.

PRIVATE CELLAR, 709 East 6th Street, (512) 477-0387. Open Tuesday through Sunday from 6 PM till 11 PM. Friday and Saturday After Hours Breakfast till 4 AM. A cruise bar with pinball, pool, juke box dancing and a patio. Masculine and popular with students. Sunday Special: free hot dogs and beer 7 PM till ? Many other specials on other days.

DALLAS

BELL PEPPER, 3411 McKinney. (214) 521-9035. Open 5 PM till 5 AM Mon.-Fri. & from 10 AM till 5 AM on Sat. & Sun. Drinks along with breakfasts, sandwiches & dinners. Pianist & singer on the weekends. All Gay, mostly men; moderate prices.

BOOT CAMP, 2580 N. Fitzhugh. (214) 823-0138. Open 8 AM till 2 AM. Happy hours: 8 till noon and 4 PM till 7 PM. Free keg beer on Sundays. This is a MAN'S bar. Try to avoid wearing your disco glitter drag in here. Nice. Masculine crowd. New all girls' bar next door.

CLUB DALLAS, 2616 Swiss. (214) 821-1990. Member of Club Baths Chain. Open 24 hours, 7 days. Very complete facilities. Private. One of the better baths. So join!

CREW'S INN, 3220 N. Fitzhugh. (214) 526-9320. Open 1 PM till 2 AM w/happy hour from 4 PM every day. Very popular — the place to be in the early evening.

DIMENSIONS III, 2617 N. Pearl. (214) 741-0300. Open 8 PM till 2 AM, 7 days. Disco w/fantastic light show! Shows on Wed. & Sun. at 10 PM. Also, a quiet lounge, Emporium clothing shop, a boutique and a game room. Young, typical disco crowds. Dancers.

FRATERNITY HOUSE, 3215 N. Fitzhugh. (214) 526-9025. Open 11 AM till 2 AM, 7 days, w/happy hour from 4 to 7. Popular at happy hour. Small dance floor. Pool and pinball. Young businessmen.

LOBO BOOK SHOP, 2917 Cedar Springs. (214) 522-1132. Open 10 AM till 8 PM Mon.-Fri.; 10 AM till 6 PM on Sat.; and 1 PM till 5 PM on Sun. Mostly used & rare books, but with a large selection of Gay literature, including wide selection of new magazines & paperbacks. Not your typical "adult" bookstore.

OLD PLANTATION, 1807 N. Harwood. (214) 651-1988. ("Brother" bar to the OP in Houston) Exciting Disco featuring 'Sensurround' sound. Shows in the separate show room on Sun. Also, a quiet lounge w/pinball & pool. A hot, classy Disco & more.

RAM ROD, 3224 Fitzhugh. (214) 526-9110. Open 12 noon — 2 AM 7 days. 2 happy hours from 12 AM till 2 PM and 4 PM till 8 PM. Pool and jukebox. Intimate

ROBERT'S PHOTOS, 4619 Lake Ave., No. 228. (214) 521-6284. Available to cover local Gay events. Offers unique pre-mounted decorative prints, plus those very "special" photos you always wanted for your very private scrapbook. Quality work at reasonable rates. CRUISE representative.

SINGLE SHOT, 3218 Fitzhugh. (214) 526-9283. Open 10 AM — 2 AM Monday — Saturday; Sunday 12 till 2. Drink specials 7 days from 10 AM till 2 PM. Happy hour 7 PM till 11 PM.

TEX'S RANCH, 4117 Maple Ave. (214) 526-9302. Open from 2 PM till 2 AM daily. Dancing, pool & pinball. Outdoor patio. Beer busts every Sun., 5 PM till ? Happy hour 2 PM till 8 PM every day. Liquor, too.

THROCKMORTON MINING CO., 3014 Throckmorton. (214) 526-9227. Open at 12 noon till 2 AM Mon.-Sun. Pool, pinball, jukebox, & dancing. 45 cent special drinks on Sun. from noon till 8 PM. Happy hour: 4 PM till 7 daily. Masculine.

WILD CROWD INN, 2515 N. Fitzhugh. (214) 824-9158. Open 2 PM till 2 AM all 7 days. Happy hour 4 PM till 8 all 7 days. A big, happy, cruise Dancing crowd.

FORT WORTH

AUB'S STEAK HOUSE, 1308 St. Louis. (817) 927-9220. Open Tues.-Sun., 6 PM till 4 AM (Closed Mondays). A full-service bar. Dancing. Guys & women of all types.

OTHER PLACE, 1036 N. Henderson. (817) 335-1901. Open 2 PM till 2 AM all 7 days. Disco, pinball, pool, live DJ. Two separate bars. Occasional shows. Beer busts on Tues. Hot new light show. Young, mostly men w/some western types. Friendly.

PATCHES, 716 S. Jennings. (817) 332-0707. Full bar, dancing, gameroom, patio. Bar open from 2 PM till 2 AM every day. Full service restaurant open from 8 PM till 3:30 AM Wed-Mon (closed Tues). Beer Bust on Sundays, Happy Hour 4-7 on Mon-Fri.

THE 651 CLUB, 651 S. Jennings. (817) 332-0745. Open 2 till 2 all 7 days. Happy hour: 2 PM till 8. Full-service bar. Snacks. Jukebox dancing, pool, pinball, TV room. Cruisey & popular. A distinct Country/Western "feel."

THE TENDER TRAP, 1815 E. Lancaster. (817) 335-0031. Open 10 AM till 2 AM Mon.-Sat.; noon till 2 AM on Sun. This is a BYOB bar with beer, wine and set-ups available. Snacks & imported beer available. Jukebox dancing, TV room, pool, pinball. Gay men and some women.

GALVESTON

KON TIKI, 220 23rd St. & Tremont. (713) 763-9031. Combination of downstairs disco and upstairs baths. Bar open 3 PM till 2 AM, disco nightly at 10 PM. Happy hour 8-10 PM. Baths open 7 PM till 9 AM Wed.-Mon. Packed on the weekends.

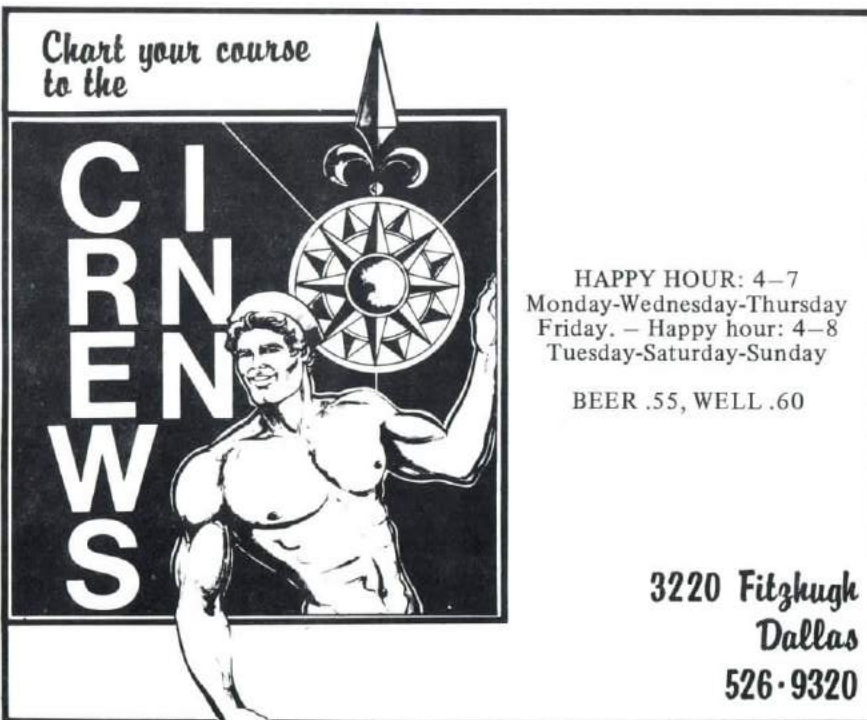
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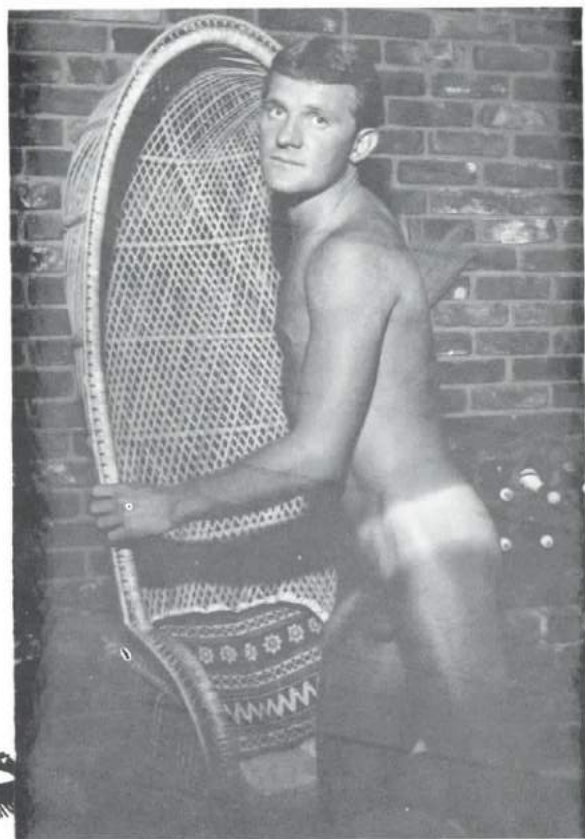
DANNY is a 25 year-old Capricorn who is currently employed as a doorman at Badlands Territory. A native of Louisville, Kentucky, he is a gentleman of many talents. Three years of experience in ballet hint towards a career in professional dance, while photographic modeling also stands as a potential. DANNY also is trained in karate, and enjoys water skiing and horseback riding as hobbies. Capricornian congeniality and natural good looks combine to create a top combination, and certainly a noteworthy "DISCOVERY" for the month of October.

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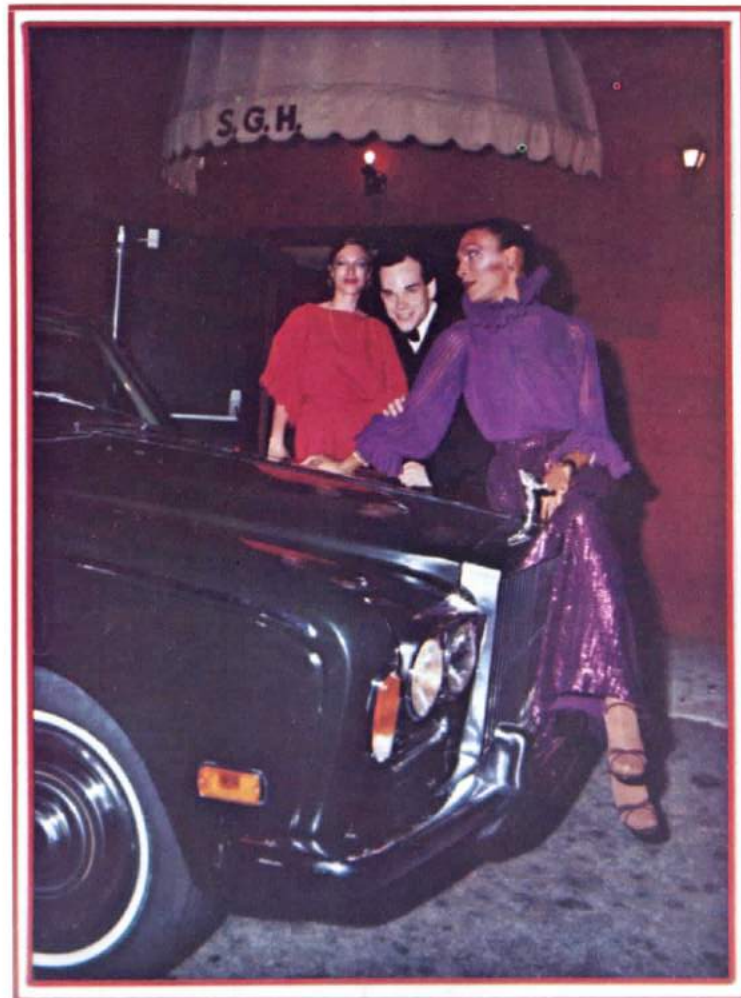


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CRUISE Then...and NOW

BY RICHARD KAVANAUGH

It's been three years now since Bob Swinden and I got the idea of starting a gay entertainment magazine which would also be an up-to-date travel guide. In that time CRUISE, as we decided to call our first publication, has come a long way and so has Cavco, Inc., the

It all started in September of 1975. I was employed by MISSING Magazine and Bob and I were traveling to Chicago to interview Christopher Janus about the missing Peking Man Fossils and then on to Detroit to cover the story of Jimmy Hoffa's disappearance. We arrived in Chicago in the early part of the day and since our appointment with Mr. Janus was not until the next day, we looked around for a little action. Having been there some years earlier, I knew that the gay clubs were centered on the near north side, but we couldn't remember the name or address of a single one and didn't have anything such as a Damron Guide or any other publication with us. After talking it over, we decided the best bet was to look for an adult bookstore and try to buy some type of guide. It took us nearly an hour of driving around before we found one; and then after a thorough examination of what they had to offer, the only thing we could find to help us was a small guide put out by David Magazine which appeared old, but had no date on it. We purchased that for \$3 and started out to check-out the places listed in it.

The first three places we tried were closed. The next one turned out to be so dirty and sleazy, we walked right back out. Finally, on the fifth try we found a place that was open and that was decent. From there we were able to get directions to other places and eventually found a small local publication that gave us a limited amount of information about other gay bars and restaurants.

On the way home we talked about what a hassle it had been and how handy it would be if we could have had a simple, up-to-date publication that would give us information about where gay places were, their hours, and what type of place each was. Then we got to discussing the fact that Atlanta could use something like this also since the gay bar business in our home town had begun to mushroom in the previous year.

We felt that to be effective and up-to-date, the publication would have to come out weekly, but after we got home and surveyed the local gay



Editor Richard Kavanaugh interviews Bill Norton, one of the owners of P's, one of Atlanta's Levi/Leather bars for an article in the Cruise Weekly

establishments we came to the conclusion that Atlanta could not support a weekly like we wanted to do. So we decided to try it on a monthly basis. I'm not sure who first suggested the name CRUISE, but everyone we talked with liked it, and so our first gay publication became a monthly which was primarily a guide to the gay bars and baths in Atlanta. We added one short article and a photo feature called The Man of the Month which included a full color cover and centerfold. The cover did not show a frontal nude but the centerfold did. Apparently we had something right because in the 35 issues of CRUISE published to date we have retained all of these ingredients that were in the first issue. We have expanded some of them greatly. The guide now includes almost one-third of the United States covering all of the South plus DC and Baltimore, West Virginia, Indianapolis and St. Louis. The Man of the Month is still on the cover and in the centerfold, but we usually run several additional pages picturing an outstanding model and this is supplemented by a CRUISE Discovery and many times a special photo feature of one kind or another. Many regular features have been added to make CRUISE more than just a guide with some good looking men in it. Besides travel articles, we have featured interviews with many entertainers who are of special interest

to gay readers as well as reports of various contests. And in our Cruising Around feature we try to tell what is happening at the bars we have visited recently.

Ever since CRUISE ventured out of Atlanta, traveling has been a regular thing for our staff. Two or three of us are on the road every month. We try to visit everyone who is listed with us at least every other month. We've found that is the best way to find out what's going on and to keep good repute with the bar owners who advertise with us and the customers who read our book.

In August of 1976 we started our second publication. We had realized from the start that Atlanta needed a weekly publication to keep the gay population up-to-date on what was happening around town. Once we expanded CRUISE to include areas other than Atlanta, we found that we could afford to put out a small giveaway weekly in Atlanta. It took a while to catch on, but the CRUISE WEEKLY has now become a regular thing that we get complaints if we don't have them out early every Friday evening. For a long time we didn't publish a weekly on the week the CRUISE monthly came out, but we finally reached the conclusion that while there was some overlapping, we were really reaching two different markets. CRUISE was being purchased by the traveler and the more affluent gay who had time and interest to read the articles and enjoy the photo features. While some of the weeklies are picked



Cavco President Bob Swinden rides side-saddle

up by the younger, bar-hopping crowd who may not have \$1.50 to spare for a monthly but who are looking for the happy hour prices, or best shows, or hottest discos in which to spend their limited entertainment dollars.

We found there are many different markets for gay publications. While many of our advertisers did not want us to use photos that were too sexual in nature, our readers did, and we were constantly asked about running per-

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sonal ads in CRUISE. Our answer was our third publication: SCORE (the first issue was called THE CRUISE GAY SWINGER). It started as a quarterly gay correspondence magazine with some hard-on and cum shots, a fantasia column where readers could tell us about their sexual fantasies or experiences, and at least one erotic short story. SCORE has been very successful and is now a bi-monthly.

CRUISE started out as a very small project with a very small staff. During its first four months, it was part of International Publications, the company that published MISSING. Then about the time our third issue came out, I left IPI and Bob and I formed Cavco, Inc. which purchased the rights to CRUISE. Bob continued to operate his photography studio and work part-time for CRUISE and in addition to his efforts, I had only myself and a part time paste-up man. Pat Coleman was working part time for Swinden Enterprises, Inc., and agreed to join us as a part timer in June of '76 and went full time in January of '77. Like Bob and myself, Pat has had to do it all at

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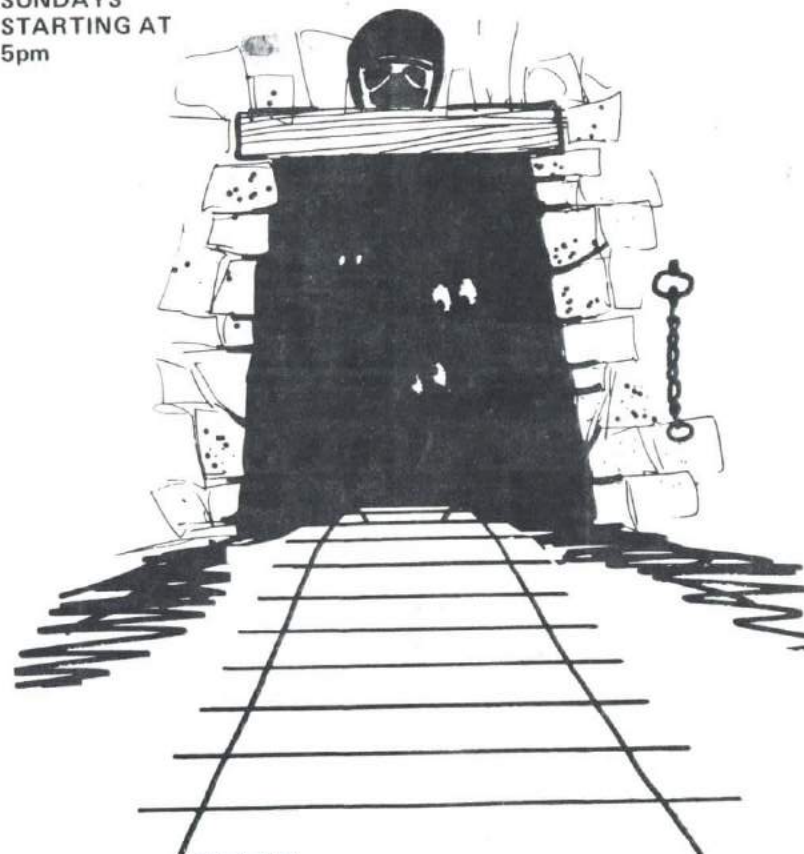
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one time or another, from taking pictures, to writing articles to selling advertising. He's now Associate Editor of CRUISE and handles much of the advertising sales and production for the monthly publication.

Along the way we acquired the talents of Mike Jameson who has also worn many hats, but seems to have found his niche as Editor of SCORE. He is responsible for assembling the material, editing and pasting-up the bi-monthly gay correspondence book as well as handling other special assignments.

Robin Roberts was hired as a staff artist and paste-up man but has proved very effective as a writer and



Jim McKeever often is a tackler of our financial situation.

cultural critic for both the weekly and the monthly. Recently Robin edited the first issue of APPEAR, our newest publication. It was his brain-child from the first. He engaged fashion photographer Valerie Lutjens to photograph five of the South's leading female impersonators wearing the latest in summer and fall fashions, then put the photos together into one of the slickest gay publications we have seen. The reception so far has been very good and if APPEAR proves to be as successful financially as it's sister publications we will continue it on a regular basis. (By the way, Robin and Valerie are pictured with model Lisa King on page 107. They had just arrived at The Sweet Gum Head in a Rolls Royce Limo from London Limos for the APPEAR Premiere

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Many other people have played a big part in the growth of CRUISE. Dwight Wallace and Bill Thomas have both worked in the office handling distribution, subscriptions and mail order. Until he left us recently, Joey Phillips did a big job as Office Manager working with distribution and billing. Jim McKeever currently handles the money, looking after collections and payables, while Steve Matson handles mail-order sales and distribution.

When we acquired our own printing press last March, we had to have people to run it so we hired handsome Chuck Nottingham and Carl Phillips. When we started doing our own camera work and stripping, we were able to add Joe Guyton who is also

helping with sales. Besides the full-timers we have a lot of part-timers who contribute a great deal to the magazine in one way or another. Steve George reviews movies while Dr. John Sudol writes our health column. Ray Cole in New Orleans, Chris Reynolds in Washington, Rick Burroughs in Houston and many more contribute photographs and other material for every issue.

And as we get ready to enter our fourth year we are continuing to grow. Effective October 1, we will be occupying new and larger quarters at 572 Armour Circle here in Atlanta. We will have over 5,000 square feet for offices and printing plant. In addition to our 3 regularly scheduled publications and APPEAR, we have just put out THE CRUISE BOOK OF MAPS, a one time publication which features maps of all the cities we

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cover. It is an offspring from our Annual Travel Issue which we do once a year in February. We found that by August, the February issue is a little out-of-date so we put out the BOOK OF MAPS to be a more current guide for those who want maps to help them while traveling.

And we've got some other things up our sleeve. Mike Jameson is already hard at work pasting up the first issue of COMMAND PERFORMANCE, a special photo magazine featuring well endowed, nude, male models. The subject of the first issue will be Bad-Bad Jo Jo DeOca and some of his friends. It should be hot and will be available sometime in October.



Joe Guyton is an asset in the areas of stripping and public relations.

CRUISE was founded on the idea of promoting gay entertainment. I've



Billy Thomas helps often in understanding the office.

told advertisers many times that our business is promoting their business. We feel we've done a lot to help female impersonators from Florida or North Carolina, become known in Louisiana or Texas and vice versa. And we've made it easier for the gay traveler to find his kind of bar on the first try when he's visiting a strange city. While many clubs open and some close, we are constantly amazed at the growth of the gay entertainment business. And we feel that the gay entertainment business supports our publications which help us bring gays closer together, and helps us all come a little further out of the closet. We think the next big step is for more retailers to seek gay business by advertising with us and with the other gay publications, both local and national. If they will do this and if our readers will support these advertisers it will mean another big step ahead for the gay community. And CRUISE, its sister publications and its staff are all proud to be part of today's gay community.

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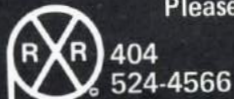
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The newly crowned Miss Gay U.S.A. Naomi Sims wears out the floorboards to Liza Minnelli's "City Lights."

August 27th and 28th Houston crowds were fortunate to be entertained by one of the most professional pageants of the year as the first annual Miss Gay U.S.A. Pageant was staged at Numbers Disco. Winner Naomi Sims brought down the house with a production number of "City Lights" that utilized 4 dancers and a striking black and white set. Formerly of Lafayette, Louisiana, Naomi now resides in Houston and is a crowd favorite at the Old Plantation disco. First Runner Up was former Miss Gay America Michael Andrews, who danced to "Let It Ride" and "It Ain't Easy" with 2 top notch backup dancers. Second Runner Up Eartha Kitt, another Houston entertainer, offered her vocal abilities on the song "Go Away Little Boy." Third Runner Up was Houston's Lady Nova Bernard who tore up the stage with a rousing gospel number. Fourth Runner Up was Cheree (also of Houston), who performed the disco version of "If My Friends Could See Me Now." The entire evening was terrific and all participants in Miss Gay U.S.A. should be commended on con-

tributing to a class show. 34 contestants representing 9 states competed in areas of talent, evening wear, and personal interview with the judges. The contention was stiff and resulted in finely polished acts and presentations by all the contestants. Well done!!!

ROXANNE RUSSELL WINS MISS GEORGIA PRELIMINARY

Atlanta again proved its reputation as the center of professionalism in the world of female impersonation with its recent preliminary pageant staged for the selection of a Miss Georgia representative to be sent to the Miss Gay America Pageant. Held at the famous Sweet Gum Head on Monday night, September 4th, the contest featured ten of the *creme de la creme* talents in southeastern drag entertainment, with Roxanne Russell emerging the winner after an extremely close contention. Roxanne's talent presentation was her reknown imitation of Marilyn Monroe. A former Miss Flori-



Gay Georgia. It was one of the city's finest nights and we congratulate all the entrants on top presentations.

**CRYSTAL LAMBEGA
NAMED MISS CAPITAL CITY**

The second annual Miss Capital City Pageant was staged at Timbers Lounge on Cheshire Bridge Road Monday evening, August 28th, with local entertainer Crystal Lambega again demonstrating her creative talents as the winner of the contest as well as the recipient of the Talent Award. Crystal's unusual act where she operates a puppet

da and the currently reigning Miss Gay Universe, Roxanne also took the Sportswear trophy for attire reflecting the "Laura Mars" persona.

The big trophy winner of the evening was beautiful Taisha Wallis, who collected awards for Talent, Evening Wear, Miss Congeniality, and First Runner Up. Taisha's talent presentation was a knockout production number entitled "Tropical Nights," which featured a large group of dancers involved in some of the slickest choreography seen in this town in quite a while. Her performance in all areas of the contest was outstanding. Second Runner Up in the pageant was Vikki Lawrence, who set the stage afire with her tap dance expertise to the song "Wall Street." Taisha is a former Miss Gay Atlanta, and Vikki a former Miss



in pantomime to Melba Moore was a sensation with the audience. She is a former Miss Gay Tri-State and the currently reigning official Miss Gay Tennessee.

First Runner Up Yetteva Antoinette performed a medley of Patti Labelle's "You Are My Friend" and "Baby



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Photo by Chris Reynolds

Second Runner Up was the Hideaway's Ric Durand. Sophie Tucker and the company were responsible for a terrific evening of entertainment. The packed house enjoyed one of the finest contests yet seen in the area and we congratulate all participants in the event.



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Left to right: Rick Durand, Jimmy Edmondson, Ralph Bassler.

MR. GAY D.C. CONTEST WON BY JIMMY EDMUNDSON

Jimmy Edmondson's friendly smile radiated winning vibes to the judges' table on Monday, September 11th, at the Way Off Broadway Theatre at 55 K Street in Washington, D.C. Jimmy was represented by the Fraternity House, and was well received as the winner appointed to represent D.C. in the national Mr. Gay America Contest. First Runner Up was Ralph Bassler, sponsored by the Boathouse; receiving



Photo by Robert

L-R: First Runner Up and Miss Congeniality Rachel Wells, Winner Lady Shawn, and Second Runner Up Allen Allison.

MISS GAY SOUTH IS LADY SHAWN!

Texas' popular Lady Shawn, an Atlanta import who has won a healthy following in the state since her move there over a year ago, was crowned Miss Gay South in the annual competition held this year at Dallas' Dimension III on August 20th and 21st. Representing R & M Productions, Shawn's emotional talent number was

a highlight of the talent segment of the contest. First Runner Up was Rachel Wells, sponsored by Atlanta's Sweet Gum Head. Rachel was a knockout in a tight-fitting creation of solid black and also took home the trophy for Miss Congeniality. Second Runner Up Allen Allison offered the crowd a fabulous production number. Others placing in the seven finalists were Leslie Michaels, Gina L'Tate, Donna Day, and Pauletta Leigh. Guest performers included Hot Chocolate, Jimmie Dee, Buddy Simpson, Claire Sheridan, and Lady Baronessa. The evening was very competitive and a well produced show. Helping with the crowning of the new Miss Gay South were Tuna Starr, Lady Baronessa, Hot Chocolate, and Jimmie Dee. Lady Shawn is a former Miss Gay Atlanta.



Left to right: Michael Gaines, Richard Moore, and Ross Abernathy.

RICHARD MOORE WINS MR. GAY MOBILE

Richard Moore has been named Mr. Gay Mobile in the annual contest held at the French quarter Disco in Mobile, Alabama, on September 18th. Michael was an ebullient victor along with First Runner Up Michael Gaines, who was sponsored by CeRay's in Montgomery, Alabama, and Second Runner Up Ross Abernathy from Tallahassee.



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LE LIDO HOSTS MISS GAY NEW ORLEANS

The Miss Gay New Orleans Pageant was held September 1st and 2nd at Le Lido in New Orleans. Sponsored by the Krewe of Apollo, the evening's climactic point was reached with the crowning of the new Miss Gay New Orleans, Stormy. Next in line was Deli Delmonte, and second runner-up was Ebony Starr.

The evening's emcees were popular Atlanta entertainer R.C. Cola and Miss Gay Mobile Simone Siree'. A hot opening production number prefaced the competition: staged by waiters and bartenders of the Fireside Lounge and the French Quarter, the number was a representation of the members of the disco group the Village People as they are pictured on the cover of their album "Macho Man". Entries from Atlanta, Birmingham, Montgomery, New Orleans, and Tallahassee comprised the stiff contention for the title and we thank everyone involved for a great show.

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RACQUEL FONTAINE WINS MISS GAY ARKANSAS!

It was a glamorous evening for Hot Springs, Arkansas, on Thursday, September 9th, when the full house at the Vapors Dinner Theatre witnessed the appointment of the new Miss Gay Arkansas, Racquel Fontaine. From west Memphis, Racquel raised more than a few eyebrows with her black sequin body suit, and her Patti Labelle rendition was a crowd hit. First Runner Up was Miss Gay Fort Smith Roxanne White, with Second Runner Up honors going to Little Rock's Michael Smothers. Emcees Tuna Starr and Frieda Layze presided over the night's events, with a champagne reception held after the contest at Norma Kristie's Lounge.

MISTY SUMMERS IS MISS OKLAHOMA!

Oklahoma City's Ends Up Club was packed on the night of August 20th to anxiously await the crowning of the new Miss Gay Oklahoma for 1978. Talented Misty Summers overwhelmed the judges with her talent presentation of "City Lights" and received cheers from the audience upon her selection as the new winner. Congratulations, Misty: your job is most important in that you represent Anita Bryant's home state.



RICK WEBBER WINS MR. WEDGEWOOD CONTEST

The Mr. Wedgewood Contest was held at the Wedgewood Inn in St. Petersburg on Sunday evening, September 17th. Rick Webber, a familiar face to contest-goers throughout Florida, was named the winner at the end of an exciting evening of talent and handsome men that was enjoyed by a large crowd. Congratulations, Rick!

COMING UP:

THE MR. CENTRAL FLORIDA CONTEST will take place Saturday, Octob-

er 7th, at 9:30 PM at the Melody Club in Gainesville, Florida.

Atlanta's Sweet Gum Head will be the site of this year's *MR. CLUB ATLANTA CONTEST* on Monday, October 9.

MR. TEENAGE ATLANTA will be selected at Atlanta's Onyx Lounge on Wednesday, October 11th.

GRACE JONES will "do or die" at the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington, D.C., on October 22nd.

THE MR. NEWCOMER CONTEST will take place Wednesday, October 25th, at the Onyx Lounge in Atlanta.

The Hippopotamus Club will name a *MR., MS., and MISS HIPPOPOTAMUS* on Tuesday, October 31st; cash prizes total \$1500.

MR. WEST PALM BEACH COUNTY will be selected at Man's Country on October 11th in West Palm Beach.



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Rachel Wells

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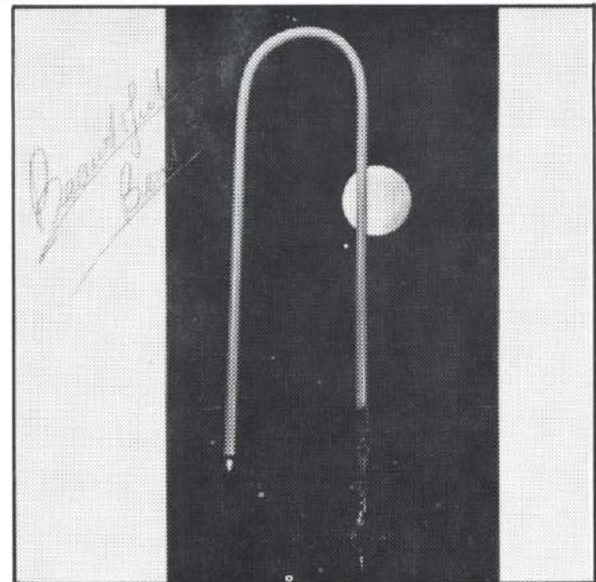
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