

METRO STAR

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This message on the side of the Village Station, in Dallas apparently is being read by someone. See the story below.

Officer Charged With False Arrest

Policeman Danny M. Cain, whose name has appeared repeatedly in connection with harassment and false arrests of gay citizens, has a forced smile these days.

The reason is that his Valentine's Day gift came early when on Tuesday, February 12, a federal marshal served him with legal papers in a civil lawsuit against him. Served a co-defendant in the case was Police Chief King.

The suit is based on the February 12, 1978 arrest of George Bell by officer Cain at the Old Plantation. According to Dallas physician Ron Stegman, who was with Bell at the time of the arrest, Bell had been in the bar since 9:30 and had, between that

time and 2 AM, at which time drinks were no longer served under Texas law, imbibed only three drinks. The arrest having taken place at 3 AM, Bell had not been drinking for an hour at least.

The suit alleges that Cain's arrest was a false arrest, based not on Bell's degree of intoxication, if any, but on the fact of his presence in an establishment whose clientele was predominately gay.

Dr. Stegman, who followed Bell to the police station after the arrest, told the *Star* that Bell was refused a breathalyzer test and was subsequently forced to spend the night in the drunk tank, although Stegman had raised money for his release.

Stegman further points out that he was threatened with charges against himself for obstructing justice, "which was a joke," he adds, since the police were doing quite a good job of obstructing justice without any help from him.

According to attorney Frank Stenger, who is representing the plaintiff, charges were dropped at that time due to a technicality.

Because of the nature of the case, the City of Dallas cannot pay any of officer Cain's defense expenses as the suit arose out of misconduct. The suit charges Cain with overstepping his duties by falsely arresting Bell and

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300 Show up for DGPC Meeting

A crowd estimated at over 300 persons turned out Monday, February 11, for the regular Dallas Gay Political Caucus meeting, at which National Gay Task Force Co-Director Charles Bryden, was the special guest. Bryden addressed what may have been the largest crowd for a regular DGPC business meeting, praising the group and comparing it favorably to other groups he has encountered in his travels across the nation in his role as one of NGTF's two leading officers.

Dr. Campbell Reed, who has been very active and very busy with the documentation of police harassment, brought two bright notes on the subject.

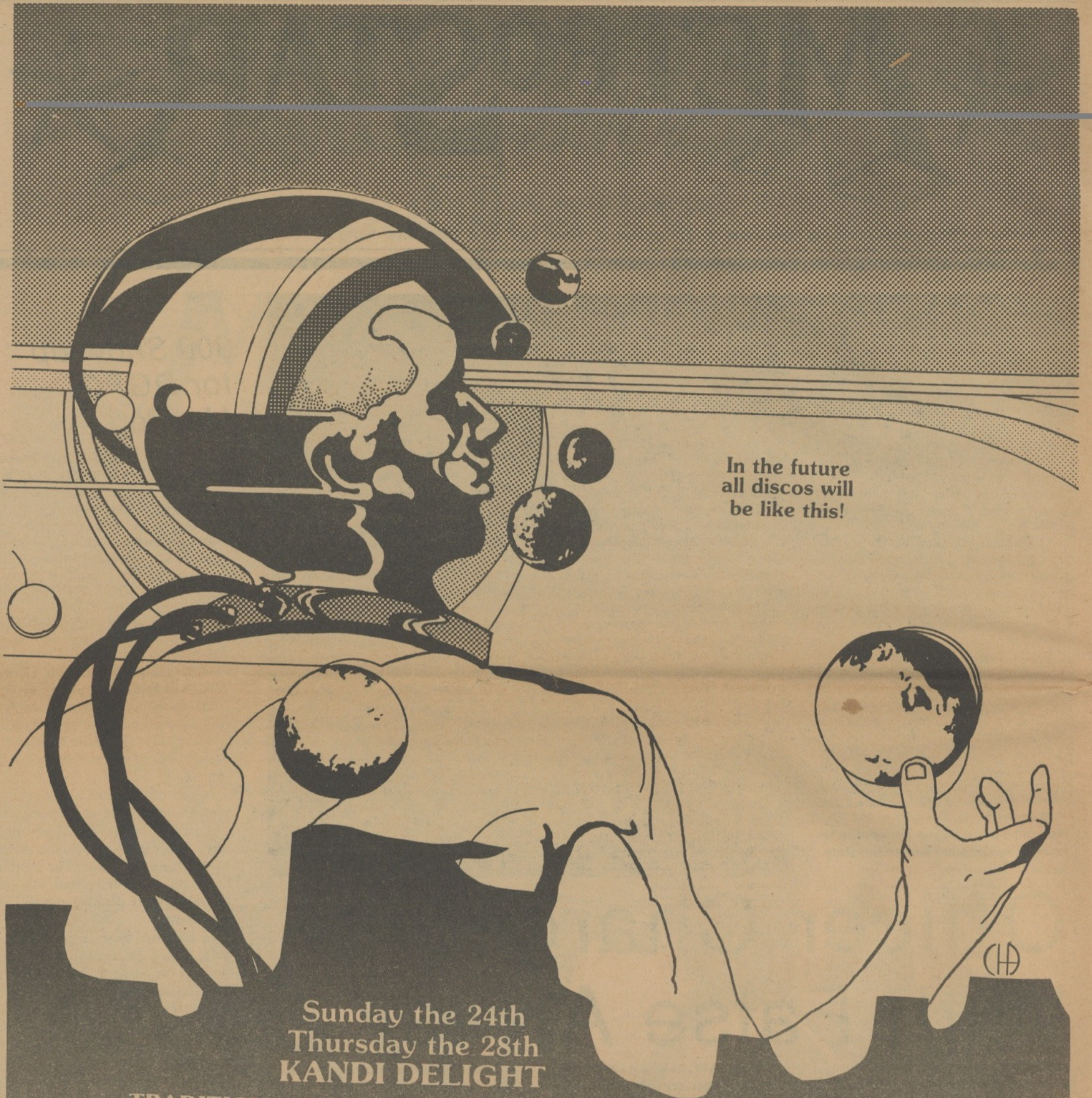
In one case, a man arrested at the same time as several others in the Village Station was found not guilty when four witnesses substantiated his story before the judge. The *Star* has contacted this individual and will provide a more detailed account in a later issue.

In a second case, a gay who had been beaten by an officer and then charged with aggravated assault by his assailant and found guilty of the crime, which is a felony, has been given new hope. A witness has turned up in the case and has advised interested parties that the other witness, previously reported as having moved to California, is now living in Dallas and is available to offer testimony which should make it possible to reopen the case and perhaps even bring charges against the officer with the Police Internal Affairs Department.

A highlight of the meeting was the introduction of "Project 80," a plan worked out by the DGPC to enable members to work together for the most effective utilization of political clout.

"Project 80" was presented in an

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New Men's Club Opens in Dallas

By Roy Hall and
Jan Gray

In the news on Valentine's Day was the grand opening of the new **3116 Men's Club**. If -- excuse me, *when* you get by, be sure to read the statement you have to sign to get your membership. It's something else! And membership at the **3116** is by referral only.

They're aiming at a very select membership. In fact, their emphasis on real hunks (the sign on the front door says, "Gain weight -- lose your membership") made us wonder how we were ever going to get through those doors.

It's a whole new ball game for Dallas. **Danny**, our little muscleman from a few issues back, was on hand to sign people in and distribute the picture ID's. Read it and weep. The upstairs of the old **Metro Baths**, formerly the **BQ**, is now closed off.

The ground floor has been redone. No more whirlpool. No more steam. No more sauna. Just wall-to-wall males!

At the only baths in town, the **Club Dallas**, what was the snack bar months and months ago is now a pinball area with three machines.

Now, here's the questions we've been wondering about the **Club Baths**. When we went to Houston years ago, the house, with its limited entrance and guaranteed 12-hour time limit, was hot, hot, hot. But in Dallas, with early arrivals knowing they must pay again after four hours for their rooms if it gets busy, why aren't the guys going to the bunkhouse? It could be a lot of fun.

Incidentally, the **Club Dallas** has also gone on the referral system and nobody can get in without being recommended by somebody already a member. If you recommend somebody, be sure you

know them.

This step is for your protection, even though a court injunction presently restrains the police from coming in uninvited. It should also be emphasized that narcotics, (including grass) are not permitted at the **Club Dallas**. If you want to jeopardize your own freedom, that's fine; but don't jeopardize the freedom of others at the same time.

Women, attention: The **Little Peacock** is your new domain. The men have been banished with a change of management, so drop by and see what you think.

Congratulations to Janie & Carmen -- the new managers of **The Little Peacock**. We are anxiously awaiting their grand opening of what is possibly the newest women's bar in Dallas.

Encore II has really been jumping these days with various new forms of entertainment. Their latest attempt at live music is a very attractive idea. And are you ready for this -- they even plan a ventriloquist show of **David & Dazzle** on March 9.

Jugs is keeping just as busy these days with all of your favorite friends. **Velvet Hammer** will be performing on the 23rd. The infamous pool tournament continues on Monday the 25th. And be sure to make the **Leap Year Party Bash** on the 29th.

Women's Bootcamp is just as cruisy as ever. They will be sponsoring their own pool tournament on Saturday, the 23rd -- so everybody better get some practice -- the competition could be a real challenge.

If you haven't got yours yet, don't forget to pick up your whistle (and one for a friend) from the **DGPC** or the **Village Station**. In New York, use of whistles has enabled gays under attack to summon others to help them. So if you

hear someone blowing their whistle, it means to pick up your muscles and come to their aid.

It's time certain elements of our society learned that we aren't the sissies they have been thinking and that we can't be beaten up right and left because we won't stick together.

Buy a whistle -- save a hospital bill!

DAIR, which specializes in fundraisers for worthy causes within our community, is working on a schedule of fundraisers for 1980. Included are contests for **Mr. Dallas**, **Mr. Metroplex**, **Miss Metroplex**, two one-act plays (which really sound interesting), **Six Flags**, and the list keeps going. The **Star** will keep our readers up to date on future fundraisers.

Dr. Don Clark, who wrote *Loving Someone Gay*, is being brought to Dallas by **Community Resource Center (Gayline)** and the **Gay Academic Union** for a seminar February 29 and March 1 at **Dallas' First Unitarian Church**.

While the seminar is primarily for educators, school counsellors, and so on, (the topic is *Meeting the needs of Gay and Lesbian Students*) there will be an open meeting where members of the community can attend. For details, call Gayline at 214-748-6790. Hours for **Gayline** are 7:30 PM until midnight.

An Arlington resident, **Jerry Motto**, has been appointed to act as worship coordinator at the **Metropolitan Community Church** in New Orleans, where he was born. Jerry was also a worship coordinator at **MCC-Dallas** before **Rev. Eastman** became pastor.

(For those of you who don't know what the heck a worship coordinator is, it's somebody who does the same things that a pastor does *but* without the title,

without the glory?, without the salary, and without the time, since worship coordinators usually hold down a full time job as well. Jerry commutes to New Orleans from Arlington on weekends.)

It's happened -- we've become hooked . . . on the delicious cheesecake at **Cedar's Palace**. Although for some reason it's always frozen when we show up, we order it anyway and love every bite. Our gourmet tongue says it's one of the two best in town that we've tasted (the other one is at the **Old San Francisco Steakhouse**) but **Cedar's Palace** is less expensive, has more variety and is within walking distance of both home and **MEN**.

At the **Raintree Landing's** show bar, **Kandi Delight** and **Big David** are two of the special guests they've lined up. Be sure to watch their ad for future guests.

They had the wacky **Bertha Butts** from Chicago this past week, and (alas) we had to be out of town and miss her.

(We suggested it might be worth their time to sneak a peek at **Tasha Kohl**, one of the finest up-and-coming talents we've seen in a good while. Cross your fingers, drag lovers, and maybe they'll take the hint.)

One important thing: ads 171-b, 7-a and 9-a, have had good response, but somehow our computer lost their addresses. Pardon these gentlemen if they have not replied to your letters yet. If the guys who ran the ads will get in touch with us, we'll be more than happy to give them their mail.

We should also point out that if I am not in the office when you call, then pick up your little instrument (telephone) and call 214-233-4362 and tell the nice lady to page Roy Hall.

Harassment Hotline Keeps You Informed

In an effort to keep our readers alerted to general items of information updating the situation with police harassment of our community, the **Harassment Hotline** will be published whenever new information is available, as well as longer stories covering cases of note where more detailed information is available.

One case which we plan to detail in the future is the one in which the community gained its first significant victory when Judge Mead determined that the testimony of four admitted gays was to be believed in preference to that of two Dallas police officers and found the defendant not guilty.

Another case is that of Officer Miller, who approached two men

parked in front of a convenience store in the 3200 block of North Fitzhugh, near the bars there and ordered them to leave. When one, whose name is Doug, asked why he was pistol whipped by the officer, who then went into the store.

Doug followed him into the store and the officer again assaulted him. Treatment was given three hours later at Parkland Hospital prior to booking him for felonious aggravated assault on a police officer.

The officer, who escaped uninjured, was not charged, although he had instigated the incident.

The Internal Affairs Division of the police department refused to take evidence on the 13th day afterward, falsely alleging that the time limit for

complaints was 28 days.

The original beating by Officer Miller took place around 4 PM on Wednesday, June 20. In November, despite the evidence of photos showing Doug's physical condition following the unprovoked attack by Miller, a judge found him guilty and sentenced him. At the time, a young woman who was on duty at the store in which the last part of the beating took place, had moved to California and was not around to testify on Doug's behalf.

However, through the new telephone hotline (522-5991) which is being cooperatively sponsored to combat such problems, a witness was found who not only had seen the incident and whose story coincided with

Doug's, but who also was acquainted with the convenience store clerk, who reportedly has returned from California and whose testimony may make it possible to get a new verdict and possibly to file charges against the policeman involved.

Although it is the understanding of the **Star** that Doug has exhausted his financial means, including borrowing money to pay the expense of his unsuccessful trial, there is a good chance the monies will be raised on his behalf if it proves possible to reopen the case.

Star readers are encouraged to report cases of harassment to the new 24-hour hotline at 522-5991 and to the **Star** as well to utilize all possible methods of finding witnesses.

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Court Overturns Sodomy Conviction

SYRACUSE, NY--(IGNA)--The reversal of a Syracuse man's conviction in the New York state appeals court may mean the end to state laws that prohibit consensual sodomy.

Ronald Onofre, 35, had been convicted of sodomy when his 17-year-old partner accused him of using force. The partner then recanted his story and admitted that the sexual acts were committed voluntarily.

But Judge Ormand N. Gale refused to throw out the sodomy charge when the other charges were dropped, even

though the sex took place in Onofre's home.

The county will appeal the decision to the state's highest court, the Court of Appeals.

If the court upholds the decision or refuses to hear the county's appeal, the consensual sodomy statute would be repealed.

Bonnie Strunk, attorney for Onofre, said, "As far as I know, this is the first time a court actually has said sexual conduct between homosexuals is protected by the Constitution."

'Lavender Money' Spends good as the Green Stuff!

By Daniel Curzon

NY, NY--(IGNA)--How do you get large businesses to advertise in gay publications? Usually they don't want to.

That is the problem of Joseph Di Sabato, the man behind the Rivendell Marketing Company (666 Sixth Ave., New York, New York, 10010, 212-242-6863).

But Di Sabato is convinced that eventually non-gay businesses from cigarette manufacturers to film distributors to record companies will tap a market that they have always ignored out of prejudice and ignorance.

Currently Rivendell Marketing is soliciting advertising for some 75 gay publications with a combined stated press run of 1.5 million copies (and a pass-along rate of up to four times that number). Di Sabato feels that a company may choose to ignore any individual publication but it cannot ignore the total represented in the

market.

To aid advertising money to find its way into gay publications, Di Sabato recommends the following: (to change history a well as watch it occur)

- Publications should consider covering local and national business news as it relates to the gay community.

- Publications should run stories about gay businesses.

- Publications should run stories about companies that seek gay business.

- Publications should run stories about businesses that refuse to advertise in the gay media.

Such information will let readers know what is going on in the business world and whether their money is being spent with people who support the gay community or who decline to go after gay business.

It remains to be seen how successful this lavender money trend will be.

We're OK, You're Not

TULSA, OK--(IGNA)--A family is parents or a parent and children, not homosexual couples nor unmarried cohabitating heterosexual pairs.

Or at least that was the prevailing wind at the Oklahoma Conference on the Family, held in December in Stillwater.

Participants included home extension and church groups, social workers, psychologists, educators, grandmothers, nuns, and pro-family devotees who brought their infants to the sessions.

A number of professionals, how-

ever, expressed concern that the pro-family stance does not meet the needs of Oklahoma families that do not fit the traditional mold.

Other highlights of this conservative conference were:

"There's no word sweeter than 'mother' and the nurturing of children is the most important career."

"The place for sex education is in the home."

"Divorces are too easy to get."

Men, take heart from one item: "Men should be considered in child custody cases."

Are You a Love Junkie?

KPFT -- Love can be a real high.

Researchers at the New York State Psychiatric Institute report they are studying a chemical released in the body when people are in love that is similar to amphetamine--or speed.

Doctors Donald Klein and Michael Liebowitz say the chemical is released by the brain when a person is in love. The researchers add that when a person falls out of love, a spurned or disillusioned brain halts production of the natural speed.

Klein and Liebowitz say they studied a group of 'love junkies' with a life pattern of forming disastrous love relationships and found that many of them went on chocolate-eating binges at the end of their relationships.

The researchers say that chocolate is loaded with the same chemical produced by the love struck brain -- and the binging may be an attempt at 'self medication' for the love-lorne.

Disco Lasers Big in 1980

KPFT--Discos of the eighties will be elaborate sound and light shows, featuring laser beams as the star attractions.

Billboard magazine reports that lasers are expected to gain importance in discos this decade, especially in producing holograms--which give the illusion of three dimensional shapes floating in space.

One lighting effects manufacturer is designing beam-in-air effects that look like large sculptures. Another

company, Litelab, is expanding into what they call three and four-color 'full presentations,' and also featuring 'microlite,' a new eight-by-twelve foot 'entertainment piece,' featuring moving messages and free-form geometric patterns.

You'll also be able to dance on a liquid plexiglas floor that 'squishes' colorful patterns under a dancer's body pressure.

In case you're interested, the cost of micro-lite is a mere \$16,000.

Gay Couple Can't Dance

EAST LANDING, MI--(IGNA)--

Two gay men have been denied entrance to a fraternity-sponsored marathon dance to take place in mid-February. Delta Tau Delta told Dan Jones and Ben Lowery that they may not dance in the event as a male-male couple.

The two gay men told the fraternity that, as students, they do not have much money but wish to participate in the dance, which is being held to raise funds to fight Multiple Sclerosis.

"I have watched a friend deteriorate to the point where he can no longer feed himself; his wife and family must attend to him constantly," said Lowery. "I feel a personal obligation to help find a cure and make those who suffer more comfortable."

The couple has been trying since last November to get the fraternity to change its rule.

The American Civil Liberties Union and the East Lansing Human Rights Commission have both told the fraternity to accept the gay couple.

Dan Jones addressed the board of

trustees of Michigan State University on January 25 to show how Delta Tau Delta was not following the intent of Michigan State's Anti-Discrimination Policy, Article II. A2.

The fraternity feels that two men dancing together would offend the public.

Jones's reply was: "Have you appointed yourselves judge of social standards? Did someone ask you to 'protect' society from gayness? Fact is, gays are a healthy 10 percent of the population and you are doing just what society has done to us for centuries--keep us out of sight and in the closet."

Don Lloyd of the Miller Brewing Company and David Bird of the M.S. Society have also asked the fraternity to allow Jones and Lowery to enter the contest.

Jones expressed the gay attitude in the following way: "It seems absurd that in this day and age I am not allowed to help you raise money for a worthwhile cause simply because I choose a dance partner of the same sex."

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Man is Mr. Anita Bryant

By Richard Cartiere

DAVIS, CA--(IGNA)--A small, liberal college town 15 miles southwest of Sacramento, has its own version of Anita Bryant.

Jim Stevens, a self-proclaimed libertarian and a lawyer in Sacramento, has spearheaded the effort to rescind the city council's ban on discrimination against homosexuals. Stevens, a member of the Davis city council, has succeeded in having the

ban removed and has also obtained a promise from the council not to consider it again for two years.

Council members supporting gay rights balked at giving continued support because of Stevens' threat to make it an election issue.

In a radio interview, Stevens expressed his opinion that "we each have the choice of who to associate with. Just like someone wouldn't be forced to hire a person who smells, no

one should be forced to hire a homosexual against his wishes."

Local gay activists have since prepared an initiative that would force the city council to consider the issue immediately, not two years from now. The passage of the initiative would be a blow to Stevens' opposition to the ordinance and a clear go-ahead to the city council.

Mayor Tom Tomasi endorsed to initiative by becoming the first of

3500 signatures required to place it on this June's ballot.

Nearby Sacramento is also supposed to bring a gay rights ordinance before the city council.

Stevens has said he will do anything he and his fellow "libertarians and Bible people" can do to prevent either ordinance from ever going into effect.

Atlanta's Disco Leopard Has Sensative Ears

KPFT--The Humane Society in Atlanta, Georgia, claims that working in a disco may be hazardous to your health--if you are a black leopard.

When a new five-million-dollar disco, The Limelite, opened recently in Atlanta, part of their 'decor' included a live black leopard in a cage near the club's dance floor.

The Humane Society took the club's owners to court in an effort to

prevent abuse of the leopard because they felt the intense noise and flashing lights might be harmful to the caged animal's health.

In the hearing earlier this month, the court ruled the club may display the leopard, but only if it is exposed to the bright lights and loud music for no longer than five minutes at a time.

It kind of makes you wonder what happens to the people.

'White Night' Riot Suits Filed

SAN FRANCISCO (IGNA) -- The first group of damage suits stemming from the disturbances that followed the May 21 verdict in the Dan White murder case have been filed in San Francisco Superior Court.

The suits, which range from assault, battery, intentional infliction of emotional distress to, negligence, have been filed against the city and county of San Francisco, the police department, former police chief Charles Gain, Mayor Dianne Feinstein, former District Attorney Joseph Freitas, and a number of unnamed police officers.

More than 20 plaintiffs are seeking \$1 million each in damages from each

defendant. In addition, the plaintiffs are expected to seek medical expenses, general damages, and damages from alleged loss of civil rights.

Among the cases are suits emanating from what has come to be known as the Elephant Walk incident.

In that incident, which occurred after midnight on the morning of May 22, police stormed into the Elephant Walk, a gay bar, and destroyed property and beat several patrons.

Attorney Ann Menasche said that no criminal charges resulting from the White Night riots are pending against any of the plaintiffs in these damage suits.

'Gay Blades' was a Success Last Week at Galleria

HOUSTON -- Family, a Houston based fundraising organization working within the gay community hosted a 'Gay Blades' ice skating party at the Galleria, an enclosed shopping area, on February 14, Valentine's Day.

From 11 PM to 1 AM around 350

Prizes were donated by Byman Furniture, Mary's Bar, the Venture Inn, the Club Houston and Union Jack.

According to Phil Slusser, a Family board member, the Galleria management was pleased with the event. Around \$1,100 was raised at the party.

March On Austin is Planning Conference

The March on Austin Planning Committee has set a date for a state-wide conference.

All gay and lesbian organizations in Texas and surrounding states are asked to participate in the event.

The conference will be held in Dallas on March 15 and 16. The purpose is to elect a permanent committee to set a date for the Austin March.

More information will be made available to local organizations in the near future. If your organization would like a visit by a March on Austin Planning Committee member you are encouraged to write:

David Carrol
Director of Outreach Services
C/O Richard R. Schafer
2900 Reagan Street # 109
Dallas, Texas, 75219

The Fastest Growing Church In The World

By Brother
Keith E. L'Hommedieu, D.D.

It's safe to say that of all the organized religious sects on the current scene, one church in particular stands above all in its unique approach to religion. The Universal Life Church is the only organized church in the world with no traditional religious doctrine.

Reverend Hensley is the leader of the worldwide Universal Life Church with a membership now exceeding 8 million ordained ministers of all religious beliefs. Reverend Hensley started the church in his garage by ordaining ministers for \$1.00 by mail. During the 1960's he traveled all across the country appearing at college rallies held in his honor where he would perform mass ordinations of thousands of people at a time. These new ministers were then exempt from being inducted into the armed forces during the undeclared Vietnam war.

In 1966 Reverend Hensley was fighting the establishment on another front. The I.R.S. tried to claim the UCL wasn't a legal church and proceeded to impound the ten thousand dollars in the church bank account. The feisty Hensley filed suit against the I.R.S. in federal district court for return of the funds and to permanently establish the UCL as a legal tax exempt entity. On March 1, 1974 Judge James F. Battin ruled against the I.R.S. in his decision which stated, "Neither this court or any branch of this government will consider the merits or fallacies of a religion. Nor will the court praise or condemn a religion. Were the court to do so, it would impinge upon the guarantees of the First Amendment."

Reverend Hensley has stated that he believes a church is people and not just a fancy building. He also believes in total freedom and equality for all people. The UCL will ordain anyone without regard to religious beliefs, race, nationality, sex or age.

The ULC's success formula is both effective and unquestionably legal. After a person has become an ordained minister, he or she can join with two other people and form their own Universal Life Church. These three people then make up the board of directors consisting of a Pastor, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The UCL will then grant the group the use of its legal church charter complete with both federal and state tax exempt numbers. The newly formed church may then open a bank account in the church's name. Any member of the church can legally donate up to 50% of his or her outside income to the church and take a corresponding tax deduction. The church in turn can pay the complete housing cost of its minister including rent or mortgage payment, insurance, taxes, furnishings and repairs. The church can also provide the minister with full use of an automobile as well as pay for travel and educational expenses. None of these expenses are reported as income to the I.R.S. Recently a whole town in Hardenburg, New York became Universal Life ministers and turned their homes into religious retreats and monasteries thereby relieving themselves of property taxes, at least until the state tries to figure out what to do.

(To become a U.L.C. minister send a \$10.00 tax deductible contribution to: UNIVERSAL LIFE CHURCH; P.O. Box 42809; Houston, Texas; 77042. Or CALL 785-0244.)

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Hope Stands Against Police Harassment

By Roy Hall
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The special meeting several weeks ago on police harassment told us that the community is very much interested in putting an end to entrapment and violation of the rights of gay citizens.

The reaction of Councilperson Medrano underlined this statement of concern.

Now there's 'Hope.' In order for Operation Hope to work, you and people like you must demonstrate to the police, who would so very much like to hassle us, that we are willing to stand against their illegal activities and to point them out as the criminals and perjurers who have gone too long unpunished. Through the legal intim-

idation of wearing buttons which will tell officers that we are united to testify to the truth, we can let them know that they are not longer able to ruthlessly and wrongfully arrest and abuse members of the gay community when no crime has been committed.

The *Metro Star* urges each and every reader to obtain and wear proudly their Hope button and to encourage others to do the same. But this alone is not enough; you must then be ready to make yourself available to stand beside others of our community in the event that you are a witness to their innocence when they

are arrested

This can be an effective key to victory. What person in their right mind, police officers particularly, will attack or arrest a person in the presence of witnesses who have made their willingness to oppose such action publicly known? The answer should be clear.

It would be like trying to attack a little old lady out walking her two killer Dobermans. Any police officer stupid enough to dare such a warning deserves the perjury charges which can and will be brought against him or her.

It's time for a stop to all this non-

sense. *You* are the key. Without you and others very like you, this plan will be wasted. If you shake your head and decide to put it off until later, you can expect that others will do the same; and your common indecisiveness will free the police and give them your personal permission to go on arresting and harassing and abusing us.

If you want to gamble with your own freedom, that's your business. *Don't gamble with mine.*

Jail isn't fun and games. Harassment must be stopped.

Let's stop harassment here and now. Now, there's Hope.

Gacy is our Brother He Deserves Our Love

Dear Editor:

The trial of John Gacy, Jr. for the murder of 33 young people is now underway. And while we all abhor his acts, he is our gay brother, and deperately needs our love and support now.

He is also a brother human being, but to expect any concern from the

family of man, at this time, is an unrealistic dream. I am sure that many Christian communities in the country are using this as an excuse to increase their oppression of gays. As gay people we are a (sic) position to better understand that it was society's oppression that forced Gacy's sexual

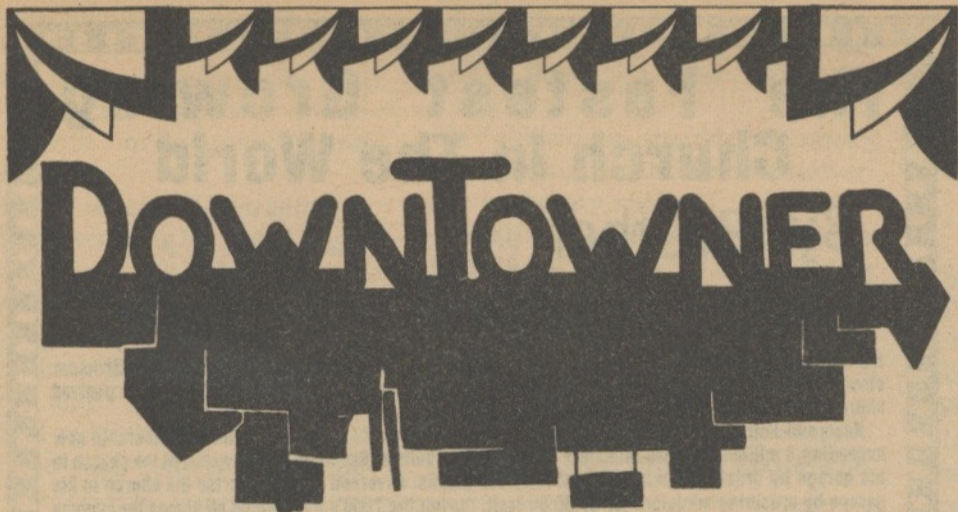
expression to take the direction it did, rather than allowing him to feel happy with himself and free to express his affection in a more acceptable manner.

And I think we, the gay establishment, have a very real obligation to share this knowledge with society at

large, so we can avoid any future Gacys.

We all have got open (sic) our hearts with love for John Gacy Jr. Maybe some of the gay religius organizatins might even offer a special prayer service for our brother.

Love to You All
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DIRECTORY

The Metro Star presents this list as a service to visitors to the Metroplex. Here are places where you'll be welcomed to spend some time being entertained.

DALLAS...

DALLAS BATHS

- Club Dallas . . . 2616 Swiss . . . 823-1990
- Metro Baths . . . 3116 Live Oak 823-0432
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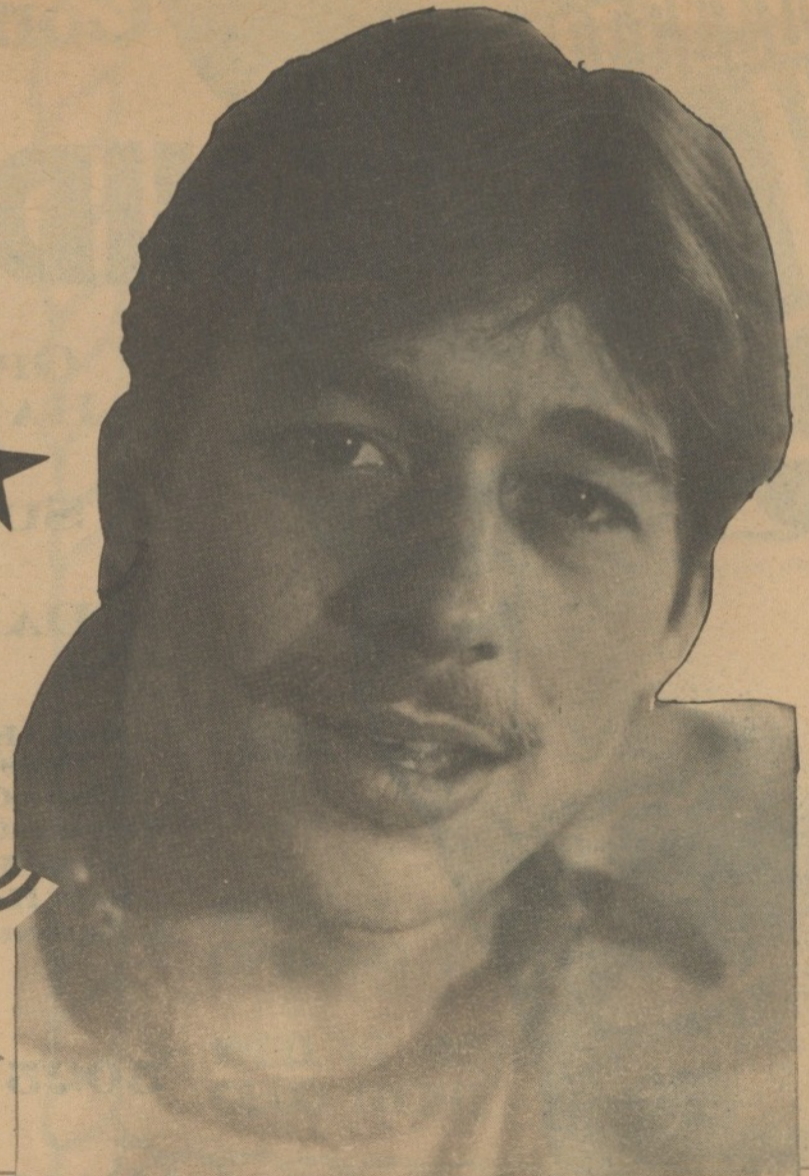
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THIS WEEK'S STAR



Newest Gewgaw is Electronic Gizmo

By Roy Hall
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Gadget lovers of the world, unite! A few days ago I picked up a little gadget that caught my eye amid a calculator display. We all know, I'm sure, that calculators have plummeted from the \$70 price tag they once carried (when I first purchased one, which broke down the day after the warranty expired) to as low as \$10 or less (which never break down, if properly treated.).

Now they've added everything but the kitchen sink. We're waiting for one that washes dishes and cleans house, but it apparently isn't available at finer stores in the Metroplex.

They do have the one that plays chess (and wins) and another that tells you foreign phrases, which are shown in an LED display. The latest one, for someone who wants to throw away money like confetti, has a basic sound-producing gizmo and memory attachments for different languages and actually talks to you and pronounces phrases and sentences.

(When they come up with really handy phrases, like, "Are you versatile?. Your place or mine?" And, "Do you have a lover and is he jealous if you do have one?" - I'll consider buying one for my next international cruise

If you're impoverished like me, you have to settle for cheaper doolahoppies, but they're still lots of fun before the new wears off.

My latest gewgaw is called the Casio AQ-200 (I should get a free one for this plug but I didn't).

It retails for under \$40. Now, we all know what your basic electronic calculator is, right? This one adds, subtracts, multiplies, divides, does memory, percentages and square roots, of course.

What makes it into a fun doowhackie is the additional goodies: Want to know what the date is? Push the button Want the time? There's a button for that. Want to find out what day of the week it is? You can tell that from the same readout.

Want to know which day of the week you were born on? The calculator, with my pushing just six buttons, told me it was a Wednesday. Want to get your cake out of the oven in five minutes? Four buttons, and a toney beeper will alert you when the five minutes is up.

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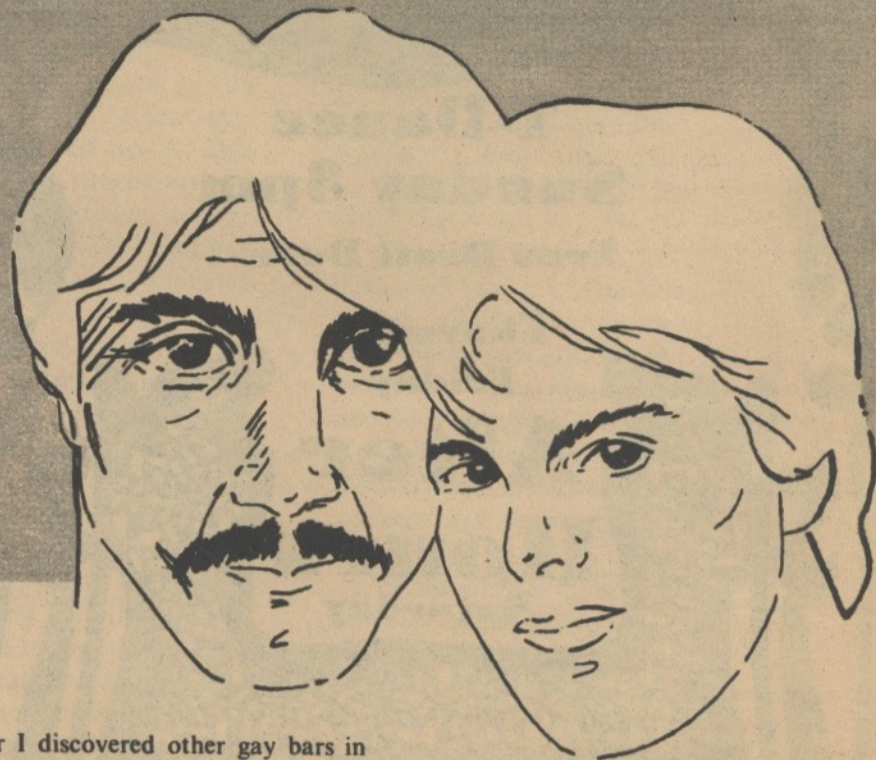
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Hollywood has its Highs and Lows with a Young Lover



Ted Brink
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Part Three of a series

In December of 1965 David, who had just turned 19, and I left for Hollywood. I had gone through a rough divorce because I wanted him and a new, free life.

At 39 I felt like a kid with his first delicious lollypop. David and I were heading for a fresh start in the city I had always wanted to visit -- and even maybe work in.

David had been to Los Angeles and Hollywood before. I knew he'd had some trouble there but it wasn't until we were half-way across the United States that he told me the full story.

What I didn't know was that David was on probation in California for a not too serious crime. He had skipped out of the state to return to his home in Michigan. But I was carefree and deeply in love.

I dismissed the problem lightly. In our keen anticipation of Hollywood, we drove straight through to Los Angeles, with only one overnight stop to make love.

In my personal experience, I find that in May to September love affairs, marriages or adopted son arrangements, the past of the young man often comes back to cause problems. It may be emotional in effect or financial -- maybe a combination of these plus other factors. It's always had an effect - good or bad. I've had it both ways.

Being of another generation it didn't occur to me then that two males in love could have difficulties caused by the very open life style of the young man in the partnership. That free-wheeling, open attitude and behavior was probably one of David's greatest attractions.

Before leaving Michigan, David and I had taken on a business partner, Rick, who was almost my age.

Rick, had Hollywood contacts and

had arranged for us to meet a reputable producer regarding the comic strip series we had under contract for television and motion picture production.

Rick promised us financial support while we were selling the project. He secured our first Hollywood apartment. We didn't have much money, about \$300 as I recall.

Rick got the phone in for us, but that was the end of his monetary interest until David and I had secured a great deal of interest in the producer's part in doing a TV series.

One of Rick's main goals was to get into David's pants. We worked around that by providing him with other, willing young guys, always a plentiful commodity in Hollywood when you have a great money-making possibility like we did.

Rick's other goal was to cut us out of the major percentage to be made if we sold the series.

All credit to the producers who really did want to produce the TV series; they treated us as three equal partners. When they paid for the option we each came out with a few thousand dollars. Just in time.

David and I celebrated for several days -- Without Rick. After all, we were on our way to becoming 'rich and famous.' When the option was picked up we would have more than \$30,000 and two-thirds of everything to follow.

We had secured Associate Producer credits for the proposed series and David felt he might still be in the running to play the lead.

Deep down I wasn't so sure. We were on the studio lot every day now, learning the hard facts about TV and movie production, and I saw how important names were in making bucks.

We found a gay bar on Santa Monica Blvd., one of the original ones in Hollywood, we were told. Because David looked 21, he was never checked of ID. We spent many happy evenings there, playing pool, talking to the other gays.

Later I discovered other gay bars in LA that weren't as pleasant: they were the kind where the guys stand around the walls, seeming to say, "Don't talk to me, don't touch me. I'm too pretty."

We invited people over after closing for six-pack parts and often our little house was jam-packed with the beautiful men of Hollywood. With the lights out, the music of the day turned up happily, no complaining neighbors, the parties were the early high point of my West Coast life.

But here again, the age difference between David and I put up a barrier. Nowadays I would do things quite differently, but then I wouldn't let David go to the bathroom without my standing by.

He never had a chance to participate in the sexual excitement happening at our parties. I didn't realize until near the end of our relationship how much my watchdogging, my lighting his every cigarettes was disturbing him.

He seemed happy and fulfilled.

Our love-making, with David laying face-up and with me able to enjoy two kinds of sex at once, was an every-other evening enjoyment. We joined a little theatre appearing in two plays together.

It was then the hell began.

David met a girl he liked. More that I realized. I didn't even know what bisexual meant at that point. And the balloon burst on the TV series. The option was dropped.

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It's Better in the Bahamas

By Bob Damron
STAR COLUMNIST

"It's better in the Bahamas" is the slogan of American's closest independent neighbor -- the islands . . . just 60 miles off the coast of Florida.

Over 700 semi-tropical islands, whose turquoise waters flow along miles of sun-drenched beaches, form the new nation, which until '73 was governed by Great Britain. Bahamians still retain many traditions of their British heritage, including native policemen in resplendent Colonial uniforms and the un-nerving left hand drive.

Of approximately 250,000 inhabitants, over half reside on New Providence, where the capital, Nassau is located. Cruise ships dock regularly and there are daily flights from New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Washington and Florida. Foreign carriers serve Canada, England, Germany and Internatinal Air Bahama offers the lowest trans-Atlantic jet fares between Nassau and Europe, via Luxembourg.

Altogether, the Bahamas will host nearly 2,000,000 visitors this year.

Unfortunately there are not as many gay tourists a one might expect, which is probably why Nassau has only one gay bar! P.J.'s **Bare Foot Bar** is on Charlotte Street, just off the main thoroughfare, Bay Street. It is a small place on the second floor, reached by a narrow, firehouse-like spiral staircase.

It is best late. On slow nights they close about 2 AM. But if the place is busy they may stay open until 4 AM or so.

The Bristo, located quite a ways out of Nassau in the Golden Gates Shopping Center, is supposed to be fun too, and if the bars are slow, try the **Playboy Casino** at Cable Beach. It can be real rewarding if you're aggressive enough.

Actually, the potential to score is almost anywhere, from the touristy **Dirty Dick's Bar** to **Calypso Beach** opposite the **New Olympia Hotel** . . . but on a strictly hit or miss basis.

I stayed at the old **Sheraton-British Colonial Hotel**, which has a large pool, good beach, shops and lovely rooms overlooking the picturesque harbor. But there are no TV's. It is expensive, but centrally located.

Excellent gourmet dining is available at the exclusive **Buena Vista, Cafe Martini, daVinci** or **Graycliff** restaurants. For sightseeng, visit the shops along colorful **Bay Street, Fort Charlotte, Blackbeard's Tower, Sea Gardens, and Rowson Square.**

The best show and gambling casino is at the **Britannia Beach Hotel** on **Paradise Island.**

Freeport, on Grand Bahama, is the second largest city with a population of about 30,000. There are not gay bars, but the **Wreck Bar** at the **Castaways**, and the **Winston Churchill Pub** can be fun!

You might also try the **Inter Xanadu Beach Hotel.**

Skip Andros, Bimini, Great Abaco, Exuma and the other islands . . . unless you're fond of deep sea fishing . . . and happen to have a rich lover who owns a 40-foot yacht.

When visiting the Bahamas you do not need an American passport, but *must* have proof of U.S. citizenship.

A birth certificate or voter's registration slip will do nicely. You also must show proof of return on air or steamship

fare.

Grass and other drugs are very much illegal . . . and even though chances of having your baggage searched upon entering, are rare and only a cursory look by U.S. Immigration authorities when returning . . . be discreet.

Also, don't gamble away your last few dollars or you won't get back. There's a \$4 departure charge.

'Sun Your Buns' T-shirts are seen everywhere in the Bahamas . . . and this is a great place for it. The winter weather is ideal for sunbathing, swimming, sailing, water skiing, golf and tennis. Bahamian and U.S. currency have the same value, and both are willingly accepted everywhere.

In addition the Bahamian's print a bonafide \$3 bill. Is this indicative of anything interesting? To be on the safe side, take a friend along. Otherwise, you'll just have to decide for yourself . . . whether or not it's true . . . that 'It's better in the Bahamas.'

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Gourmet Fruit Soup Good at Brunch

By Bert Hollister
STAR PUBLISHER

Gourmet fruit soup, served at the San Francisco Hilton is really something different. It's most impressive for a brunch.

Even in winter, this chilled delight starts the morning off in a way that will make you smile all day. I call it 'Good mornings' morning soup.'

It will get you on the move for sure.

- Two Tablespoons Butter

- One green onion, tops and bottoms chopped
- One Tablespoon carrot, grated.
- One tablespoon celery chopped.
- One Tablespoon fresh parsley, finely chopped.
- One tablespoon flour.
- Two cups chicken broth.
- Four cups ripe peaches, peeled and thinly sliced.
- One-eighth teaspoon, oregano.
- Quarter teaspoon cinammon.

- Two cups light cream.
- Two Teaspoons dark rum.
- Half cup heavy cream, whipped.
- Two tablespoons toasted almond slivers.

In a sauce pan saute the onion, carrot, celery and parsley in butter until soft.

Sprinkle with the flour and cook, stirring for one minute. Add the broth, peaches, oregano, cinnamon, and salt and pepper to taste.

Simmer on low heat for about 30 minutes.

Pour into a blender and spin for a few second. Chill.

Before serving stir in the light cream and the rum. Ladle soup into chilled bowls and top with the whipped cream and almonds.

Serves six.

HELPFUL HINT: To thicken soups, puree cooked vegetables in blender and put in soup.

health

Is Breathing Other's Smoke Dangerous?

By L.A. Chotkowski, MD
STAR COLUMNIST

From the University of California College of Medicine, in Irvine, comes a report that breathing someone else's smoke, so-called passive smoking, yes, can be dangerous to your health.

Dr. Wilbert S. Arnow, performed a precise experiment with ten human subjects, all of whom were known to have the disease called angina pectoris. This is a common affliction due to hardening of the arteries of the heart, also called coronary heart disease.

Basic symptoms are chest pain brought on by excitement or exercise and whenever the heart rate increases or does not receive sufficient oxygen.

These ten volunteers, together with three smokers, were placed in a 10 by 11 by 9 foot room and tested during three different days.

On day one, there was no smoking and baseline stress testing ergometer electrocardiographs and blood carbon monoxide determinations were made.

On day two the three smokers smoked five cigarettes over a two hour period, 15

cigarettes in all, and the room ventilated 11.4 exchanges per hour.

On day three, day two was repeated without ventilation.

The results were clear and persuasive. The ability of these ten patients to exercise, before anginal pain developed and forced termination of exercise, was decreased by 22 percent in the ventilate room and 38 percent in the non-ventilated room.

Further, the number of heart irregularities, that is premature beats, felt to be

associated with sudden death, occurred only during the smoke filled room testing period. Moreover, blood tests for carbon monoxide increased in the non-ventilated smoking room.

No comparative concentrations were determined between the mainstream(exhaled) smoke and the side stream (from the burning cigarette between puffs smoke.

The commentary on this is that clearly, passive second hand smoking is dangerous to your health.

Review:

Sellers makes Transition From Pink Panther to Gardener

By Roy Hall
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

After reading Jerzy Kosinski's subtle little book by the same name, *Being There*, we were dubious of the ability of Hollywood to transport the same mood and genteel humor tinged with biting satire to the silver screen.

The idea of Peter "Inspector Clousseau" Sellers making the transition from the Pink Panther to the illiterate gardener, Chance, made us cringe inside. And we were in mortal terror of the directing and screenplay.

Well, the movie is better than we hoped, partially due to the fact that Sellers can act and partially because the filmmakers chose the right man to write the screenplay - none other than Kosinski himself.

Some of the symbolism and meaning won't be clear to every viewer, but most viewers will find the film enjoyable. The feeling might be compared to having the palm of your hand licked by a cat.

Now, here's Chance, illiterate and educated only by his televisions, fascinated by his own image on a giant screen TV he sees while strolling down the street ("I've never been outside") to the point that he steps between two parked cars, is bruised by one, and picked up and whisked home by Shirley MacLaine, who (along with everyone else in the movie) takes him to be in the same wealthy whirl as themselves, reading into his words what they expect or want to hear.

Shirley is the younger wife

of Melvyn Douglas, who is dying of some exotic disease and whose performance should get a "best supporting actor" nomination if not an actual Oscar.

Jack Warden, whom we saw in *"And Justice For All"*, plays the president, whom Chance charms with his gardening advice which is taken as an allegory, and who spends sleepless nights because, along with a dozen other countries, America's secret service has discovered that Chance is the man who wasn't there - there are no records to be found, and the only people who could betray him are either dead or don't want to get involved.

One of the persons who could have betrayed him, Louise, the maid, sits watching him on TV and tells her friends that he has nothing



Peter Sellers and Shirley MacLaine in 'Being There'

but mush between the ears, which is perfectly true, but this is the extent of her betrayal.

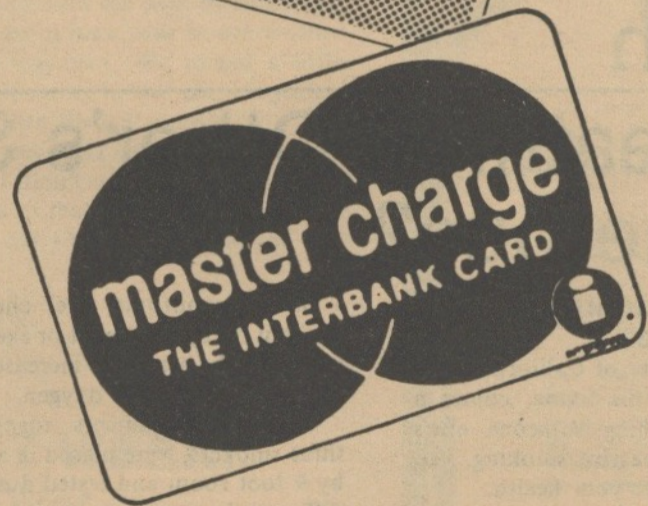
Even his sex life meets with no disapproval.

In one cute scene, a flamer approaches and propositions Chance, who informs

him, "I like to watch." Charmed, the man turns and calls a friend over, presumably to give Chance something to watch. The movie audience doesn't get to watch, we should note. And

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DGPC Meeting Draws Over 300 People

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attention-getting slide show presentation which dramatized the plan. The project includes enhancement of services presently available from various committees which exist within the Caucus and the introduction of new services.

As part of "Project 80," the DGPC has announced plans to open offices at 3409 Oak Lawn in the building next to the Esquire Theatre.

There was a good round of laughter when it was announced that the Esquire Theatre was planning to begin showing the movie *Cruising* on Friday, February 15. A motion to

avoid giving the movie publicity and to buy no refreshments (which are the primary source of profits to the theatre) if attending the movie passed unanimously.

It was pointed out that letters to the theatre and to the press, as well as pickets and other forms of protest, only serve to further publicize the movie, which is reported as presenting gay society in an unrealistic and unflattering light.

Plaques were also presented to past President Dr. Louise Young and other officers in recognition of their service to the Dallas Gay Political Caucus.

Officer Taken to Task for Harassment

From Page One

Persons wishing to volunteer their time, those willing to help with the costs of the case or persons who have been harassed or arrested falsely because they were in a gay est

ablishment are encouraged to contact Concerned Americans by writing them at 12222 Coit Road, Dallas, 75251 or calling 233-3100.

Both Stegman and Stenger consider it a possibility that additional plaintiffs and defendants may be added to the suit as a result of such information.

depriving him of his constitutional rights to liberty and due process of law.

Cain, along with other officers whose names have been prominent in accounts of harassment of the gay community, has reportedly been making peace overtures to members of the community, in the hope of avoiding further actions against him.

Bell is being assisted in the suit by Concerned Americans for Preservation of Human Rights, of which Dr. Stegman is the chief executive officer.

From Page Fourteen

Shirley MacLaine, pointing out that all of her husband's friends are too old and agreeing with a friend who finds Chance sexy, finds nothing unusual in engaging in a wild masturbation scene which may be one of the funniest parts of the movie, while Chance watches -- the television exercise lady, however, not the aroused Shirley.

The thumbing of the nose at wealth is certainly one of the bright spots of the movie.

MacLaine and Douglas live on an estate which makes Rhode Island look like a hot dog stand by comparison. When Chance first drives up, at least ten servants are out front to welcome the car sedately. When he ventures out the front door alone, a uniformed servant from the motor pool asks, "Would you like a car,

sir?" Chance ponders, perhaps wondering if it has a television, and replies, "Yes, I would like a car." The man responds by turning to an untercom and ordering a long, expensive black limo with these words: "Send up number seven."

If you are tired of the same old fare, you'll find *Being There* a delightful change of pace. But don't wait too long. Not everyone has the same good taste that the *Star* and our readers have, and we predict that all the positive things the movie has going for it won't stop it from vanishing into limbo in the near future, to be revived in ten or twenty years as a classic. Sic transit gloria mundi.

PS If you understand that mysterious last scene, would you please write and explain it to me?

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