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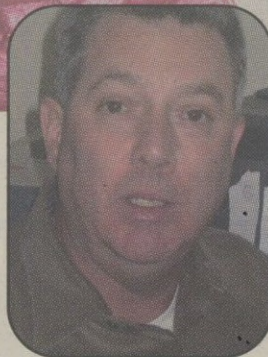
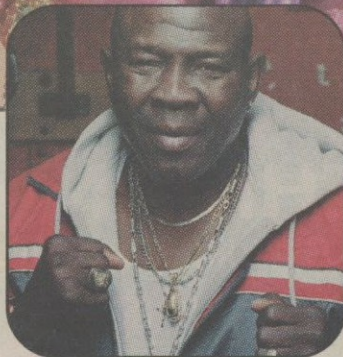
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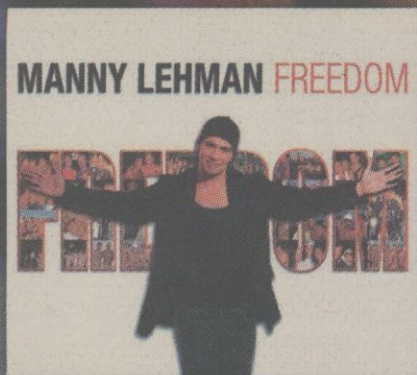
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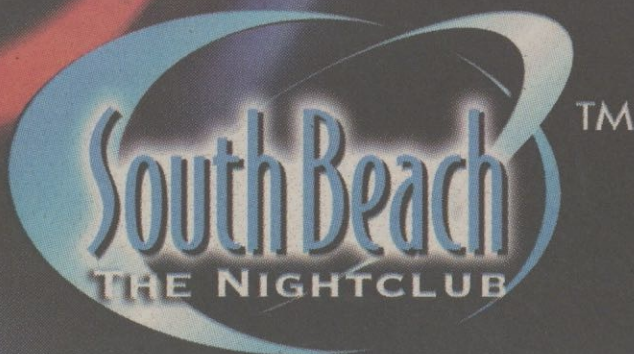
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DALLAS

Dallas mayor, gay city council member debate strong mayor proposal

The Dallas Gay and Lesbian Alliance will host a forum featuring Dallas Mayor Laura Miller and gay City Council member Ed Oakley debating the strong mayor proposal on Saturday.

Miller will speak in favor of the proposal, which would give the office of the mayor the power to hire and fire all city department heads and to serve as the chief executive officer of city government. Oakley will argue that the proposal gives too much power to one person in city government.

The proposal, known as Proposition 1, will appear on the municipal ballot on May 7.

The Dallas City Council, with the exception of the mayor, is opposed to the measure. The council has developed its own proposal to strengthen the powers of the mayor. It would appear on the November ballot.

Oakley has said that he trusts Miller, who enjoys widespread popularity with the GLBT community and is considered a good friend, but that he is uncertain what a future mayor might do with the power. A mayor who is unfriendly to the gay community might attempt to reverse the progress that it has made during the past decade, Oakley says.

Erin Moore, president of the Dallas Gay and Lesbian Alliance, said that the forum offers a unique opportunity for the gay community to hear from two top city leaders about the measure and what effect it might have on its welfare.

Moore said that she is undecided about the proposal and suspects that many other members of the gay community share her position.

Oakley said that a survey of his district in Oak Cliff revealed that 40 percent of his constituents want some sort of change to city government, 40 percent want things to remain the same and 20 percent are undecided.

Moore said that she expects the forum to be "very entertaining" because of Mayor Miller's reputation as a skilled debator and Oakley's passion and dedication to the causes he supports.

Oakley said that the mayor's popularity with the gay community could influence many people to vote in favor of the measure without them really understanding it. The council member said that he hopes people will take advantage of the forum to educate themselves about its potential effects.

The forum will be held at the John Thomas Gay and Lesbian Community Center on Saturday at 12:30 p.m.

HOUSTON

Counseling Center offers event to thank volunteers, recruit more

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month, and Montrose Counseling Center is spearheading an effort to bring the volunteers of various GLBT organizations together in one event to say "thank-you" for their contributions.

The counseling center is planning an informal "Volunteer Happy Hour" scheduled Wednesday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Montrose Diner, 1111 Westheimer Rd. Montrose Diner is donating hors d'oeuvres.

Any organization serving the GLBT community is welcome to invite its volunteers to attend. Certificates of appreciation are being coordinated in advance, so any group that wants to participate should call Sally Huffer at 713-529-0037.

HOUSTON

Political caucus expands name to reflect community's inclusiveness

Moving "to reflect our community and its inclusiveness," the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus has announced its name is now the Houston GLBT Political Caucus. The membership voted unanimously to approve the name change during a meeting on April 6.

"With late apologies to the transgender and bisexual community, the caucus has finally changed its name," said Maria Gonzalez, president. Gonzalez said the Houston GLBT Political Caucus is the political arm of the community and must "include all of us."

During the coming months the political caucus will change its signs, logo and Web site to reflect the new name.

For more information about the Houston GLBT Political Caucus, call 713-521-1000, send e-mail to info@hglpc.org, or log on to Hglpc.org.

'Actions speak louder than words'

Local students hope Day of Silence speaks volumes about GLBT harassment in schools

By Lorinda Robb

Contributing Writer

"Faggot." "Dyke." "That's so gay."

On April 13, thousands of students around the country participated in their own quiet protest against anti-GLBT prejudice — itself often endured in silence — with the National Day of Silence, in which students literally spent the day at school without talking.

The annual event was started by two University of Virginia students in 1996. Since 2001, it has been organized nationally by the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network, a New York-based group that promotes safer schools for GLBT youth in the U. S. and Puerto Rico.

According to GLSEN, 450,000 students in 4,000 schools were expected to take part in the event.

The Day of Silence kicked off the group's Teach Respect campaign, which seeks to educate, inform and inspire

HOUSTON Americans to address the serious problems of anti-GLBT name-calling, bullying and harassment that affects all students, gay and straight alike, according to GLSEN.

But Chris Kerr, program director of the Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals, said that the persecution faced by queer kids is doubled when responsible adults find fault with the children under fire from their classmates.

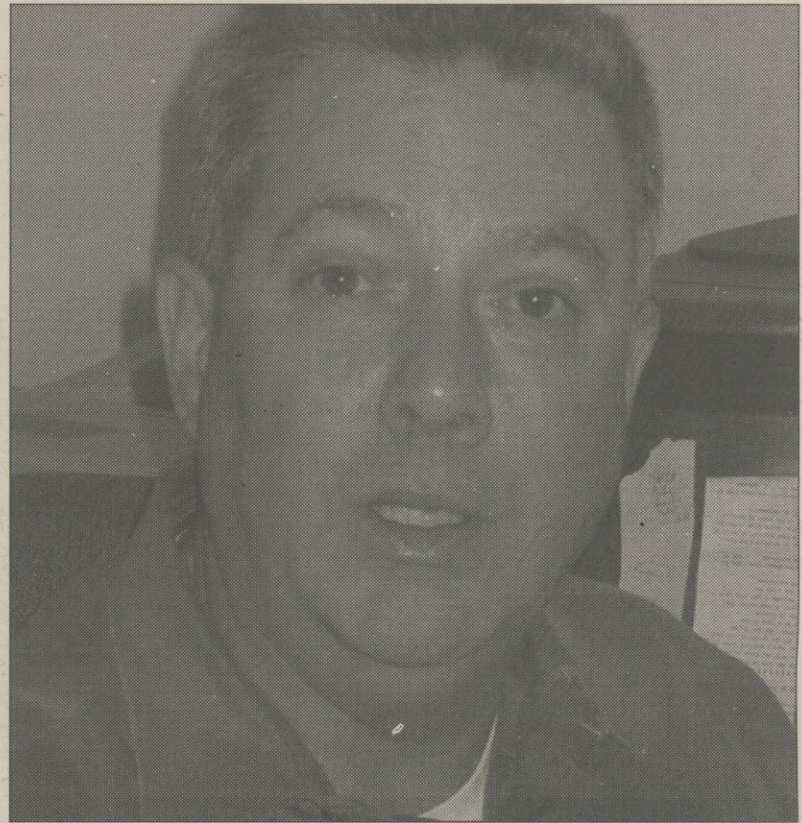


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SPEAKING OUT Chris Kerr of the Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals believes equal enforcement of safe-school policies is crucial to create a more effective learning atmosphere.

"Unfortunately, the normal thing that happens is that when children at school complain about being harassed, they're told that if they'd just change the way they acted or looked, there would be no problem," he said.

Statistics from GLSEN's 2003 National School Climate Survey showed that more than 80 percent of GLBT students surveyed said that school faculty and staff never or only occasionally intervened when they overheard bigoted remarks made to GLBT students. Fears

for their personal safety led 35 percent of GLBT students of color to skip school at least one day a month.

The survey also showed that when GLBT students reported rare or no cases of verbal harassment, their grade point average was 3.3. Those reporting frequent verbal harassment had a grade point average of 2.9.

Eighteen-year-old Michael, a high school senior, said he knows of his GLBT peers' concerns and fears.

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'QUEER AS' MARIA AND DEBBIE

104 KRBE DJ Maria Todd (left) shares a giggle with *Queer As Folk's* Sharon Glass at HRC Houston's 2004 Masquerade Ball, held April 2 at Houston's Hilton Americas. The dinner brought in \$230,000 for the Human Rights Campaign, and set an attendance record of more than 1,000 guests.

Photo by Dalton DeHart

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"There was, of course, the name-calling — 'Michelle,' 'fag,' 'Hey, look, it's the gay guy,'" he said of his days as an out-of-the-closet student at a high school in Round Rock, Texas. Six months after he came out, Michael said, he was hit in the back with a ball.

"There was a whole group of them and only me. I just kept walking," he said.

When his family moved to the Houston area in 2004, Michael opted to stay out of the closet because he was "tired of hiding and putting up a façade."

Michael said that life in the open has

enabled him to concentrate and live the life of a normal student.

"Before, I had my mind on being outed, and I didn't concentrate on schoolwork or projects," he said.

The majority of administrators and teachers at his school are very supportive of the newly formed Gay-Straight Alliance, Michael said. He was recently elected president of the group.

With the fears that affect academic performance and social life at secondary schools, HATCH's Kerr said, the prospect of attending college may not be at all appealing to the frequently harassed GLBT student.

"Career-tracking and the pursuit of higher education gets thrown off-kilter," he said. "The lock-step of four years of high school and four years of college gets thrown off track.

"And developmentally, the simple thrill of dating — passing notes, going to a dance or a movie — gets taken away. GLBT youth have to figure out how to do all those things from scratch," Kerr said.

Kerr said he believes equal enforcement of safe-school policies is crucial to create a more effective learning atmosphere.

"If a teacher or administrator has a personal or religious bias, we don't care," he said.

"They need to maintain a safe atmosphere for all students with no exceptions, no matter what their biases are."

For more about the Teach Respect program, visit Teachrespect.org. For information about the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network, visit Glsen.org. And for details about the Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals, call 713-529-3590 or visit Hatchyouth.org.

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25 years later, the dream recalled

Plans underway for Kindred Spirits' 4th reunion

By Nancy Ford

Staff Writer

It seems like only yesterday that Marion Coleman was imploring women to "stay out of the fire lane," at Kindred Spirits, the groundbreaking women's bar she piloted throughout the '80s in Houston.

OK, make that 25 years' worth of yesterdays.

Earlier this week Coleman announced that the fourth annual reunion celebration of Kindred Spirits, the women's bar she opened in 1980, will be held in mid-May. The venue

HOUSTON will likely not sport the two long hunter-green floor stripes that Coleman doggedly kept clear to ensure patrons' safety. But the enduring spirit of the establishment will likely shine through.

"I'm excited about it. It seems that's the only time I get to see my old friends," Coleman said. "It's good because I get so many wonderful stories: 'Marion, we're still together' or 'Marion, I met my best friend at

Kindred Spirits.'"

Kindred Spirits, first located in a strip shopping center just outside Houston's West University neighborhood, was one of this city's first meeting places where gay women could enjoy each other's company in a non-oppressive, safe atmosphere. The facility expanded in 1985, moving to Richmond Avenue and the West Loop. When it closed permanently in 1989, a major chapter in the history of GLBT Houston closed with it.

After receiving pleas from scores of women asking her to open a third incarnation of Kindred Spirits, Coleman finally launched the annual reunions in 2002. Since then, approximately 1700 women and their friends have attended, raising nearly \$25,000, Coleman said.

The outpouring of support from guests at the reunions is a poignant time for Coleman — not just for the beneficiaries, but also for the memories of Kindred Spirits itself. The "neatest stories," she said, are from people reminding her that they were able to bring their parents and their families to Kindred Spirits, "because it made them feel good about their lives."

"I think that was more important to me than anything," Coleman said.

In addition to the dancing and fellowship, patrons who attended the first three celebrations seemed to especially enjoy the ongoing

photo montage. Produced by Donna Barwig, the photos of the club's former customers — and their bad '80s hairstyles — are projected on a large screen throughout the evening, highlighting some of the memories from the original club.

Beneficiaries of this year's event reflect the diversity that was a hallmark of Kindred Spirits, which she billed as "a place for women... and their friends." Houston Buyer's Club, the Lesbian Health Initiative, and women's programs at Montrose Clinic and the Montrose Counseling Center are designated charities for 2005.

Terry Flores, owner of Bocado's restaurant, will serve as the D.J. that night. In addition to dancing, billiards and video games will help recreate the "nightclub feel" of the former bar. Joe Cummins's staff from Keys West will tend bar for the evening, with assistance from members of A Christmas Songfest, said Coleman, who praised the small group of volunteers that band together to organize the reunion each year.

The reunion party will be held on May 14 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Edwin Hornberger Center, 21561 W. Holcombe Blvd. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door, and are available at the House of Coleman, Acadia Bakery, Dacapo's, Houston Buyer's Club, Keys West, Meteor, Montrose Clinic and Montrose Counseling



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NOT FORGETTING Marion Coleman's Kindred Spirits reunions reunite "women... and their friends" annually at Edwin Hornberger Center.

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About 50 volunteers are needed to assist during the evening event, performing tasks related to set-up, staffing the registration and ticket table, and clean-up. If you'd like to volunteer, contact Hillary Woest or Amber Grant at 713-880-5422 or Hjwoest@hotmail.com.

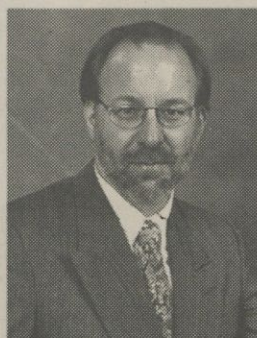
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Austin transgender man arrested, accused of wife's slaying

An Austin female-to-male transgender was arrested and charged with murder in the death of his wife in late March.

Police responding to an emergency call on March 27 to the couple's Clarkson Drive home found Laura McIntosh, 49, dead, according to Austin Police Department spokeswoman Laura Albrecht. McIntosh's husband, Terry Michael Dalton, 46, was arrested the next day and charged with murder.

The police spokeswoman said bond had been set at \$750,000.

Officers believe Dalton strangled McIntosh to death after an argument. But she said investigators had not determined what the couple was quarreling about.

Officers responding to the original 911 call on Easter Sunday reporting a deceased person at the Clarkson Drive residence found Dalton at the house.

McIntosh was a native of El Paso who had lived in Dallas for a period during the 1990s. During her time in Dallas, she worked as an advertising sales representative for *Dallas*

Voice.

She became more deeply involved in the Dallas GLBT community when her son, Ian Jude McIntosh, came out as a gay teen and participated in Dallas' second annual National Coming Out Day event.

Ian McIntosh was estranged from his mother for a while, but the two reconciled. He lives in San Diego.

She recently told a former colleague at *Dallas Voice* that she met Dalton last year. The two wed about four months later. She said she was surprised to find herself attracted to a transgender man, because as a lesbian she previously was attracted only to women.

Her former partner of many years, Giklda Morales, said McIntosh's murder "just shows again the dangers of Internet dating."

"Laura met Michael online," she said. "She met several of the people she dated online, and she had trouble with all of them in terms of them being abusive. This one was definitely abusive."

McIntosh was known in Internet chat-rooms as BrainyFemme.

Her online friends have established a

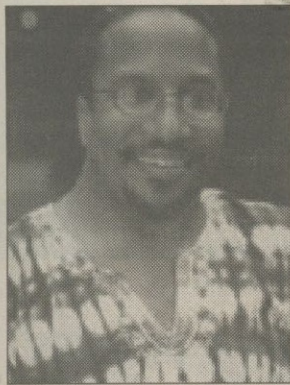


Laura McIntosh

memorial at <https://laura-mcintosh.memory-of.com/about.aspx>.

AUSTIN

deaths



Actor and director Boyd Vance, 47, died of an aneurysm following heart surgery on Saturday.

He was inducted into the Austin Arts Hall of Fame in 2004, after starring in over 40 shows, from *Cabaret*, to *Bubbling Brown Sugar* to *Shear Madness*.

Vance founded Pro Arts Collective, an east side arts group with a mission to create "a comprehensive arts plan for

African-Americans in Central Texas," more than a decade ago. In a speech last year, Vance said the absence of African Americans in local theater, particularly in positions of power, inspired him to work towards "making the system more representative of people who look like me." Friends recall him as a man of great humor, vision, ability and generosity.

Vance graduated from the

University of Texas with a bachelor's degree in English in 1983. He worked for several years with the National Task Force on AIDS Prevention in San Francisco, and helped organize artists for Austin's World AIDS Day events. He is survived by his mother, and two brothers, including his twin, Booker. Services were pending at St. James Episcopal Church, where Vance was a member of the choir.

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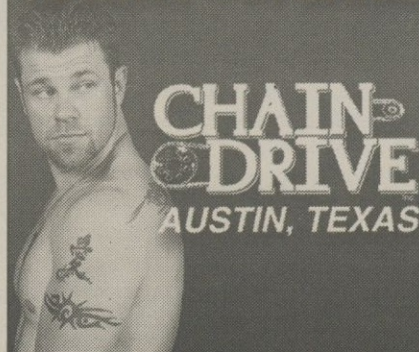


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By Ann Rostow
Senior Staff Writer

Senate panel hears anti-gay testimony

Kansas Senator Sam Brownback chaired a subcommittee hearing Wednesday on the continuing attempt to enshrine a definition on marriage in the United States Constitution. Brownback runs the Senate Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights, where witnesses testified this week on the subject of "Less Faith in Judicial Credit: Are Federal and State Marriage Protection Initiatives Vulnerable to Judicial Activism?"

The title of the session reflects a bias against same-sex couples, but its references to "marriage protection initiatives," and "judicial activism," stand out in particular.

WASHINGTON "Marriage protection initiatives" refer to the 18 state constitutional amendments that preempt future consideration of legal marriage for gay couples. "Judicial activism," characterizes the decisions of the several courts that have ruled against unequal marriage laws.

The title thus translates to the question: "Do the state amendments now being ratified across the country violate the U.S. Constitution, and if so, will federal courts strike them down?" If the answer is "yes," as gay advocates believe, the committee's unwritten follow up would be: "How can the U.S. Congress keep these unconstitutional measures on the books?"

Despite its power to review various statutes, the Senate has not pursued this controversial type of lawmaking, and most legal observers do not believe Congress has the power to put those kinds of limits on the courts. Likewise, as the Schiavo case illustrated, Congress lacks the proactive authority to order the courts to take a particular position, let alone a particular position on an individual case.

Arguably, the only card in the legislators' hands is the Ace of Amendments, the ability to propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that must then be ratified by 38 state legislatures. The card has never been used to trump individual rights in the nation's history, but that track record does not appear to impress the conservative faction of Congress.

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Connecticut House to vote on civil unions



Governor M. Jodi Rell

The Connecticut House of Representatives was on the verge of passing a civil unions bill Wednesday, and was expected to send the historic legislation to the desk of vacillating Governor M. Jodi Rell. Rell, who opposes same-sex marriage but claims to support the "concept" of civil unions, has asked state attorney general **CONNECTICUT** Richard Blumenthal for a legal opinion before making a final decision on whether to sign the bill.

"If the attorney general in any way equivocates, is unclear or indicates that the bill would allow gay marriage, then I will ask the House to pass an amendment specifically prohibiting gay marriage and defining marriage solely as between one man and one woman," Rell said.

According to the Associated Press, Rell also said she would not sign any bill that left the door ajar for same-sex marriage in the future.

The civil union proposal passed the state senate by a veto-proof 27-9 margin last week, and would make Connecticut the second state to secure wide-ranging rights for same-sex couples without a court order. Both Vermont civil unions and Massachusetts marriages were the result of lawsuits filed by same-sex couples. But by contrast, California's domestic partner registry was the product of the legislature, as is the case in Connecticut. That said, lawsuits seeking marriage equality are pending in both those trailblazing states.

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Maryland governor undecided on domestic partner bill

In Maryland, the legislative session ended Monday night, with a key gay rights bill emerging at the last minute. The Medical Decision Making Act of 2005 allows domestic partners, both gay and straight, to register on a statewide basis and assume a range of powers over each other's health care and end of life decisions. It joins two other recently-passed

MARYLAND GLBT bills on the desk of Governor Robert L. Ehrlich Jr. — first a break on property transfer taxes for same-sex couples, and second, a hate crime bill that covers sexual orientation and gender identity.

Ehrlich, a Republican, has 30 days to sign the bills or they will become law automatically. According to the *Baltimore Sun*, Ehrlich has expressed some reservations about the Medical Decision Making

Act, and like Connecticut's Rell, wants to make sure that it will not usher in same-sex marriage through the back door.

Meanwhile, a conservative lawmaker from Anne Arundel County has filed papers to start a petition drive to repeal the act. On Tuesday, Delegate Donald H. Dryer Jr. set in motion the campaign to collect 51,195 names by the end of June. If Dryer is successful, voters could repeal the Act in November, 2006. On the other hand, even if a repeal makes it to the ballot, Maryland activists doubt it would pass.

"I can't imagine that people would object to everyone having autonomy over who makes medical decisions for them," Dan Furmansky, executive director of Equality Maryland, said. "This certainly points to the fact that radical conservative forces will stop at nothing."



Governor Robert L. Ehrlich Jr.

Massachusetts lawmakers still hashing out marriage policies

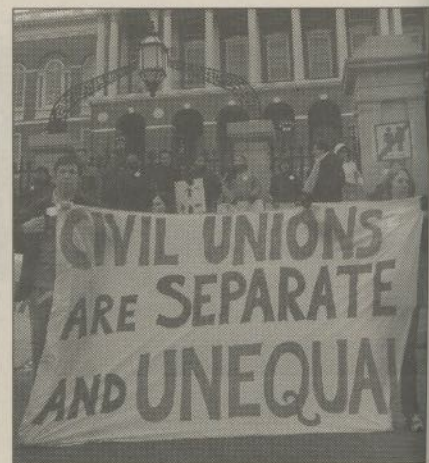
Massachusetts lawmakers held hearings on a number of items of interest to the GLBT community on Tuesday night, including a measure that would strike the 1913 law now being used to block same-sex marriages for nonresidents of Massachusetts. A number of gay-friendly lawmakers are trying to remove the obstacle to nonresident couples, both because the bill is discriminatory, and because it grew out of a racist effort to ban interracial marriages in

MASSACHUSETTS the Bay State. At the same time, a lawsuit challenging the statute will be heard this fall by the Supreme Judicial Court.

Opponents of marriage rights in the state are also promoting a constitutional ban on same-sex marriage, which would require two votes by two consecutive leg-

islative sessions. In another strike of frustration, they have offered a bill to impeach the four high court justices who ruled in favor of same-sex couples in November, 2003. Another bill takes aim at "judicial activism," by proposing to limit judicial terms of office to six years.

Meanwhile, a showdown can be expected later this year, when a joint session of the state legislature will take another look at the amendment that passed the previous legislative session by a nose, and must pass again in the same form in order to advance to the voters. The amendment would return Massachusetts to the days when same-sex marriage was illegal, but it would also institutionalize civil unions with all the rights and responsibilities of marriage. The fate of today's married couples would be unclear and the leadership



Protesters in this 2004 file photo greet the Constitutional Convention that passed a measure denying gay marriage.

of the house and senate do not appear enthusiastic about this so-called compromise. If the measure fails to pass, marriage

opponents must start from scratch with a new strategy.

New York City to recognize same-sex marriages

Finally, the city of New York has stated officially that it will respect and recognize legal same-sex marriages conducted elsewhere. The policy was articulated by Anthony M. Crowell, special counsel to Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, in an April 6 letter to the Empire State Pride Agenda. It means that New Yorkers who marry in Canada, "are as legally married as a couple who got a license at City Hall," said Empire State Pride's executive director, Alan Van Capelle.

The policy applies to any legally-married couple, but until the stumbling blocks in Massachusetts are cleared out of the way, the New York hospitality effectively concerns Canadian weddings. Still, it is no small development, and it makes a trip to Toronto take on new meaning for the thousands of gay and lesbian couples living in the Big Apple, where it is now the policy: "to recognize equally all marriages, whether between same or opposite-sex couples, and civil unions lawfully entered into in jurisdictions other than New York



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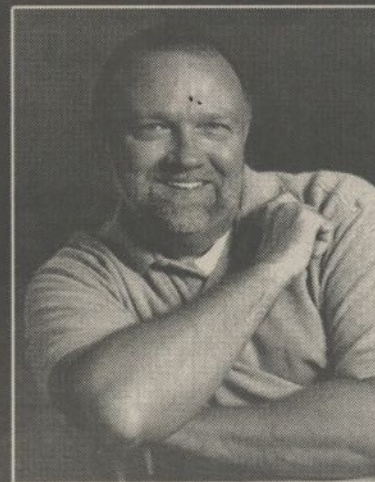


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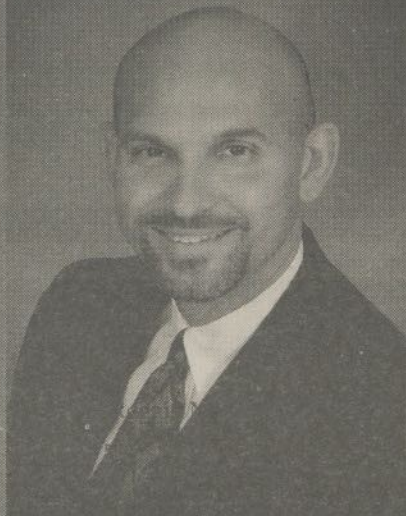


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Fixed vs. Adjustable: What's Right for You?

By Benjamin Sullivan-Coate

The most common types of mortgages are the fixed rate mortgage and the adjustable rate mortgage. Here are the differences between them.

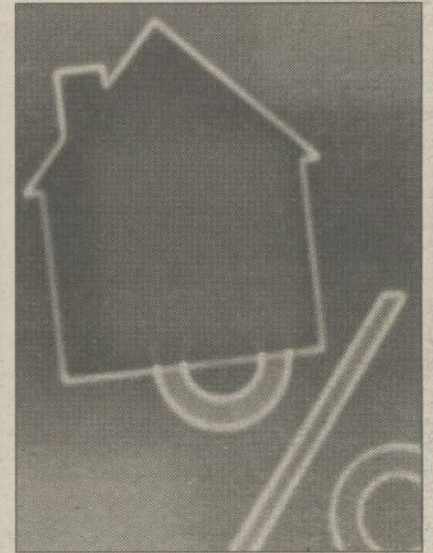
The 30-year fixed rate mortgage is the most popular of all. Payments are spread over a 30-year term and they are lower because of this fact. If the term were shorter, you'd pay less in interest, but the payments would be higher. The rate is locked in and never changes throughout the entire life of the loan. (Note: In today's volatile market, rates are fluctuating constantly. Don't assume that a rate in the local paper will stay the same. They change from day to day; but, as stated, once you are locked in, your rate remains the same.) Even though on a thirty-year loan you're paying thousands of dollars more in interest, (the numbers are staggering), it is 100 percent tax deductible.

The fifteen-year fixed rate mortgage is well suited for those who can afford a higher monthly payment. They benefit from a lower interest rate (typically), because they have higher payments each month. The rule of thumb is the lower the term, the lower the rate. But, you must keep in mind that although you are saving thousands in interest over the life of the loan, you must be able to afford the higher monthly payment, which could be several hundred dollars a month more than the 30-year fixed mortgage payment, depending on the loan amount.

An option for those who have a 30-year mortgage is to amortize it quicker yourself. What does this mean? If you apply more than the amount due each month, that extra money goes directly towards the principal of the loan and in turn, the loan is shortened. In effect, you can make a thirty-year mortgage a twenty or a fifteen yourself depending upon how much money you apply towards the principal, above and beyond your regular monthly payment. This is often the best way to go because you are not strapping yourself with the higher fifteen-year fixed payment, but you have the option of shortening the life of your loan without being obligated to do so.

Adjustable rate mortgages, known as ARM's, are different from fixed in that the interest rates moves either up or down depending on market conditions. After the fixed period, they adjust on the anniversary of the mortgage each year.

People are often tempted to go with an adjustable rate mortgage because initially, the interested rate is usually signif-



icantly lower than the fixed rate. Keep in mind, however, that if you plan to stay in your home for longer than five or six years, your interest rate will probably be substantially higher than the fixed rate.

If mortgage rates are high, you can start with an adjustable to lower your monthly payment and refinance later. (Check on the pre-pay penalty involved.)

Some adjustable rate mortgages change the rate every year, while others begin fixed for typically three or five years and then the rate adjusts on a yearly basis. Many people worry about how high their rate will go. A lifetime cap sets a limit on how much the interest rate can rise over the life of the loan. A periodic rate cap places a limit on how much your payments can increase at once, and a Payment Cap puts a limit on the total payment of your mortgage, i.e., it can never be higher than X amount.

Adjustable rate mortgages don't always go up, although that's the risk you take when you decide on that option. If the market fluctuates and the rates drop, your interest rate will drop as well. The rule of them is that they follow the trend of the market.

If you plan on buying a property, keep in mind how long you tend to stay there. If this is more of a permanent move, a fixed may be the best way for you to go. If you only plan on staying in the property for a few years, the adjustable rate is a great way to enjoy lower monthly payments before you sell.

Before making any decisions, consult with a home financing expert to find out the type of loan that best suits you and your financial goals.

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Think 'Day of Silence,' Senator Feinstein

California senator's "too much, too soon" comment about gay marriage too much for trend-setting S.F. activists

Jackson allegedly murders cabbie

OK. Where should we start? "Village idiot?" "Taxi Killer?" "Toilet tree," or "art night?" None of these are really gay news items, with the possible exception of Taxi Killer, who was indeed a gay man. To be more accurate, Taxi Killer was a 38-year-old Chicago area AIDS activist named Michael L. Jackson, who was also the founder and former president of the Hearts Foundation, an AIDS money group. According to the Associated Press, last February Mr. Jackson found himself short the \$8 cab fare listed on the meter of Haroon Paryani's taxi. A fight ensued and somehow the unfortunate driver was knocked to the pavement, at which point our hero ran him over three times with



Ann Rostow

Way too far out there for me. She and Kitty MacKinnon took aim at pornography, which they insisted was an attack on women. Remember the "Take Back The Night" parades in New York City in the 1980s? (Oh, you are such children!) Well, I already had "The Night" in my hip pocket in those days. I didn't need to take it back from anyone, and plus, I liked pornography, and finally I was not crazy about Kitty MacKinnon because she stole my girlfriend when I was a senior in college, right out from under my nose! I swear! She was also my advisor. Thanks, Professor.

I used to lie in bed and watch *Family Feud* until around 10 a.m. or so, when my girlfriend Val would come over or call and meet me at IHOP for some pancakes and coffee. Well, at some point, I started to notice



Andrea Dworkin

his own cab. Jackson was released on \$750,000 bail and awaits a trial date.

Do you think a news item should be classified as "gay news" simply because it features a gay person? Neither do I. However, that's not to say we can't cover random stories just for our own edification. As grist for our mill, refined over time until they become a hazy mist of insight into the human condition that we can breathe into our very lungs. (Cue: hacking cough.)

Take back the mid-morning

I just read that Andrea Dworkin died. You know. Famous lesbian feminist radical author.

that Val had other things to do, or else she'd meet me and have a salad or something. At IHOP! Finally, after she lost 20 pounds and missed a whole week of our long-standing routine, she informed me that our devoted partnership of several months had come to an end. Val and I, just to end the story, both took MacKinnon's class in "feminism and humanism" or something like that, and we met Andrea Dworkin when she was a guest speaker.

Shhhhhh! Activists at work!

I know. That's not GLBT news either. So sue me! Earlier this week was the annual

"Day of Silence" where activist gay youth and their staunch straight allies keep quiet for a day in order to draw attention to school bullying. The idea began in 1996, and for several years I enjoyed ridiculing the event, in part based on the self important little note cards that the silent students were encouraged to hand out.

The cards say something like: "Please understand my reasons for not speaking today. I am participating in the Day of Silence, a national youth movement protesting the silence faced by lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and their allies. My deliberate silence echoes that silence, which is caused by harassment, prejudice, and discrimination. I believe that ending the silence is the first step toward fighting these injustices. Think about the voices you are not hearing today. What are you going to do to end the silence?"

God strike me down but to this day I can't stand that holier than thou tone. That said, the Day of Silence has turned into a huge and effective demonstration over the years, and it is now practiced in hundreds of schools. (Two thousand, I read here in an AP dispatch.) This year, the anti-gay Alliance Defense Fund is attempting to counter the protest with a "Day of Truth," on Thursday. The bad seeds who decide to participate in the Satanic scheme will have special annoying cards of their own, which say: "I am speaking the Truth to break the silence. I believe in equal rights for all, and not special rights for a few. I believe in loving my neighbor, but part of that love is not condoning detrimental personal and social behavior. I believe that by boldly proclaiming the truth, lives will be saved."

Perhaps we should develop an adult version of the Day of Silence that the rest of us can conduct in solidarity with our youthful friends. My card will read: "Hello! I am a radical lesbian feminist activist. If you buy me a drink, I promise to Keep Silent and not to discuss the patriarchal history of marriage through the ages and the gender discrimination that underlies the present day prohibitions on same-sex unions. I'd like a margarita on the rocks with no salt. Thanks!"

Take my senator — please!

Here's an "only in San Francisco" story out of Lawrence, Kansas. No, just kidding. It's out of San Francisco, silly! For some reason, I am now laughing hysterically — out loud and alone in my office — over that first sentence even though I realize that it is simply *not that funny*. Anyway, the San Francisco pride parade organizers held a vote on who should receive this year's "Pink Brick" award for the most venal anti-gay commentator or organization of the year.

Somehow, Senator Dianne Feinstein beat out the Traditional Values Coalition and its despicable leader, Lou Sheldon. Why? Because of the thoughtless comment she



Dianne Feinstein

tossed out the day after the election, when she said the same-sex marriage debate was "too much, too soon" for the American public.

Listen, it pissed me off, too. But I cannot relate. Both of my senators have a "zero" rating from HRC. My congressman, in turn, one Lamar Smith, spent the last weekend in Washington at the Judeo-Christian Council for Constitutional Restoration, where he observed that the American judicial system was undergoing a "crisis." The 200 people at that conference, I read in the *Washington Post*, don't simply want to remove the judges who refused to plug Terri Schiavo back into her glucose drip, they want all branches of the government to adhere to a biblical worldview based on a literal reading of the nonsensical and contradictory mixed bag that falls into the definition of "scripture." They are nuts, and my very own congressman is right in the thick of things, cracked shell and all.

To think I used to live in Tom Lantos's district! My, how the mighty have fallen.

Boise will be Boise

Oh, let's tie up at least one of those loose ends from the first paragraph. A Boise strip club owner noticed that the local ordinance that banned nudity made an exception for "serious artistic expression," so he organized "art night" at his club, and handed out sketchpads and pencils. According to a Reuters dispatch, spoilsport police raided the Erotic City Gentleman's Club, decided that the patrons were not "serious" about their art, and cited three dancers.

Coming up in our next issue: the toilet brush that looks like a tree! Can you wait?

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The 'People's Pope' — but which people?

Gays unmoved by pope's death, having suffered during pontiff's 27-year reign

IN SOUTHERN TEXAS when I was a kid in the 1970s, Roman Catholics were the liberals. That went for both their lifestyle and their politics. They were the ones who could dance and drink, while we Southern Baptists were taught that those activities were sinful or would lead to sins (I forget which). Sure, Catholics weren't supposed to use contraceptives, even within marriage, but that edict was largely disregarded.

Where I grew up, Catholics were mostly Mexican-American; Mexican-Americans voted for Democrats; and Democrats were liberals. Their church opposed the death penalty and just about every use of military force. They emphasized helping the poor. For us Southern Baptists, poverty only showed that capitalism was working properly by punishing the indolent.

If I had thought much about gay issues back then, Catholics would have seemed liberal on this, too. In its treatment of the topic "Homosexuality," the *New Catholic Encyclopedia*, published in 1967, was downright enlightened for its time. Catholicism recognized homosexuality as an orientation, a "proclivity" that "develops gradually over many years as a result of complex influences not under the control of the potential homosexual." Southern Baptists, to this day, see in homosexuality not an unchosen "orientation" but instead as a wicked and vile choice by lust-filled sinners.

The *New Catholic Encyclopedia*, reflecting church teaching, debunked several then-popular myths about homosexuals. "There is no evidence that [the homosexual's] sexual drive, in itself, is more intense than that of heterosexuals," it declared. The homosexual "is rarely an alcoholic or a threat to immature children." It criticized "harsh and vengeful religious writings" against gays and urged a pastoral counseling approach characterized by "compassionate leniency."

I DON'T WANT TO PAINT too bright a picture. Catholicism continued to regard homosexual acts as "a grave transgression of the divine will" and "a sterile love of self, disguised in apparent

love for another." The only solution for the homosexual was life-long chastity.

Still, all of this was much more tolerant than anything my religion taught. Southern Baptists may have invented the slogan "Love the sinner, hate the sin," but most often they seem to despise both. (Actually, we had a youth minister who molested boys in his charge; his slogan must have been, "Hate the sinner, love the sin.")

By comparison to my church, Catholicism seemed rational, literate and civilized. It was receptive to new learning about homosexuality. On the eve of John Paul II's papacy, in 1978, there was reason for hope.

AT THE END OF HIS REIGN, that hope is all but gone. The reactionary wing of the Roman Catholic Church has grown stronger. A new

Catholic traditionalist movement in the United States, for example, focuses much of its energy on blaming gays for the Catholic priest scandal and on fighting equality for gay people. Politically, Catholic traditionalists are aligning themselves with my old Southern

sexual "inclination" came close to "an intrinsic moral evil."

In 1986, with the pontiff's approval, a tenured professor at Catholic University in Washington was barred from teaching theology because of his belief that homosexual acts within a loving relationship could "in a certain sense be objectively morally acceptable." That same year the archbishop of Seattle was stripped of his authority on gay issues after he allowed Dignity, a gay Catholic group, to hold Mass in his cathedral. The Vatican tried to have a World Pride festival banned from Rome in 2000, the year of the church's Grand Jubilee.

While the pope was rightly praised for reaching out to other religious faiths, his ecumenism had its limits. Last year he warned that the selection of the openly gay V. Gene Robinson as a bishop of the Episcopal Church would create "new and serious difficulties ... on the path to unity."

ON AIDS, THE POPE sometimes had kind words, saying "God loves you all, without distinction," to AIDS patients during a trip to San Francisco in 1987. But he steadfastly opposed practical efforts to stop the spread of the disease, including education about risk reduction and all use of condoms.

On extending marriage to gay and lesbian couples, Pope John Paul II was especially harsh. In 1994, he called it "a serious threat to the future of the family and society itself." Catholic politicians who disagreed were "gravely immoral." In a book released in February, he denounced gay marriage as "perhaps part of a new ideology of evil, perhaps more insidious and hidden, which attempts to pit human rights against the family and against man."

The pope is the most powerful individual religious leader in the world. Because he influenced the beliefs and practices of hundreds of millions of people, he did more harm to the rights and equality of gay people than any other person.

To me, all of the hagiographic tributes to John Paul II — claiming that he helped free Eastern Europe from Soviet domination, that he had "rock star" charisma — fell flat. I was deeply alienated from the mourning throngs I saw on television.

The only thing that could make me miss him is the fear that his successor might be even worse.

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Letters

Thanks a million for coverage

Thanks a million for your coverage of the Houston GLBT Political Caucus action ["Leaflet project considered a success" by Nancy Ford, April 8, 2005]. The article was wonderful. We greatly appreciate it and your support of the Houston Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Political Caucus.

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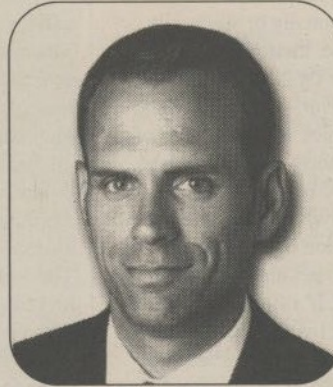
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OUTRIGHT
Dale Carpenter

On extending marriage to gay and lesbian couples, Pope John Paul II was especially harsh. In 1994, he called it "a serious threat to the future of the family and society itself."

Baptists and with other conservative Christians to form a Religio-Republican complex.

By word and deed, the pope aided this regression. Under his guidance, the Catholic Church backed away somewhat from its previous view that homosexual orientation was morally blameless. The Vatican's Congregation on the Doctrine of the Faith claimed that even the homo-

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Beyond belief

Gay Christian pop stars Jason & deMarco weather their first controversy

By Joey Guerra

The pop duo Jason & deMarco doesn't like labels — musical, personally or spiritually. True, their music — most notably on 2004's buoyant *Spirit Pop* — blends soaring harmonies with messages of faith, love and acceptance. The duo insists, however, that its music is for everyone — gay, straight and otherwise — and they do not promote any one religion over another.

"Our music isn't to get any type of agenda or statement out there. It's simply to empower people to live fulfilled lives, to accept themselves and to respect others," says Jason Warner from the couple's Los Angeles home. "It's not about debating issues. It's just believing what you believe and living your life to the fullest —, respecting each other and letting your life speak for itself."

DeMarco DeCiccio agrees wholeheartedly. "I just think people, when they hear us and listen to us, they just get us. I think our life speaks magnitudes," he says. "We don't need to wave a flag of any sort or have a political platform."

The impossibly cute 29-year-old cover boys have been in a monogamous relationship for almost four years and have been singing together professionally for two and a half years. During that time, the pair's matter-of-fact, peaceful approach to music and life has proven successful, and they have met with little in the way of hostility or intolerance — until recently.

An Action for AIDS concert scheduled for April 3 in Singapore, presented by the Christian group SafeHaven, was canceled on the heels of one person's complaint to the Ministry of Health after viewing Jason & deMarco's Web site.

Ironically, the concert was an effort to raise funds for AIDS programs and increase HIV awareness among Singapore's gay population, who accounted for one-third of the new cases on the island last year. (Technically, homosexual acts are illegal in Singapore, although the laws are rarely put into action. Oral sex, even between a man and a woman, is punishable by up to two years in jail.)

"It's really a shock, I think, for everyone involved. It's kind of an oxymoron. It's not really making sense," Jason says. "I think they probably are fearful that if we do come over there with a positive message, it could actually reveal a positive side to the lifestyle. I think right now in Singapore they're trying so hard to make this lifestyle look negative and make it look like it's the cause of

HIV/AIDS."

Jason goes on to label the event a wake-up call for the world. "This isn't just about Singapore. This is about the world right now, at least with us. The awareness has to be out there that discrimination is still alive and well. Homophobia is still alive and well."

Before becoming unlikely activists, Jason & deMarco pursued successful solo careers. Jason was raised in a Pentecostal family and toured with the contemporary Christian band The Sound. But when he came out, he was kicked out of the band, so he decided to try to make it on his own.

DeMarco was raised in Toronto by Italian-Canadian parents and was graduated from York University. He released an Italian pop album, *Melodie*, in 1998 and an eponymous English-language project in 2000 in between touring productions of *West Side Story*, *Grease* and *Carousel*.

The pair met at a restaurant in Los Angeles via a mutual friend, but it was hardly love at first sight for either of them.



IN PERSON

Jason & deMarco

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"I felt like I was ignored the whole time. I kind of checked out, and I said to myself, 'That is the rudest person I have ever met. I hate him. I must have him,'" DeMarco says with a laugh. "That was the beginning of my coming out."

Jason was initially wary about dating someone who was just confronting his sexuality, but destiny stepped in.

"I'll never forget dropping him off at his apartment. He handed me his Italian CD. I couldn't understand a word of it, but I had this overwhelming sense. I remember think-

ing, 'Oh, shit,'" Jason says. "It was this amazing connection that I suddenly felt to this man."

Since then, the duo have released three albums: *The Spirit of Christmas* (2002), *Songs for the Spirit* (2003) and last year's *Spirit Pop*, all of which were funded as independent projects via private sponsors and donors. A new disc is in the works and is slated for a late-summer release.

The men are not strangers to the Lone Star State. Jason & deMarco showcased their blend of music and ministry April 10 at White Rock Church in Dallas and are scheduled to appear at Bering United Methodist Church in Houston on April 17.

They have recently opened RJN Productions in Houston, which includes a recording studio and graphic design. The RJN Music label currently represents the men, as a couple and as solo artists, it has also signed kitschy pop starlet Kitten K. Sera, inspirational Houston artist Christian Andréason and Alan Lett, who also manages the studio and acts as executive producer for all projects. The couple hopes to establish it as a musical home for new artists — particularly, though not exclusively, gay — who want to express themselves freely and creatively.

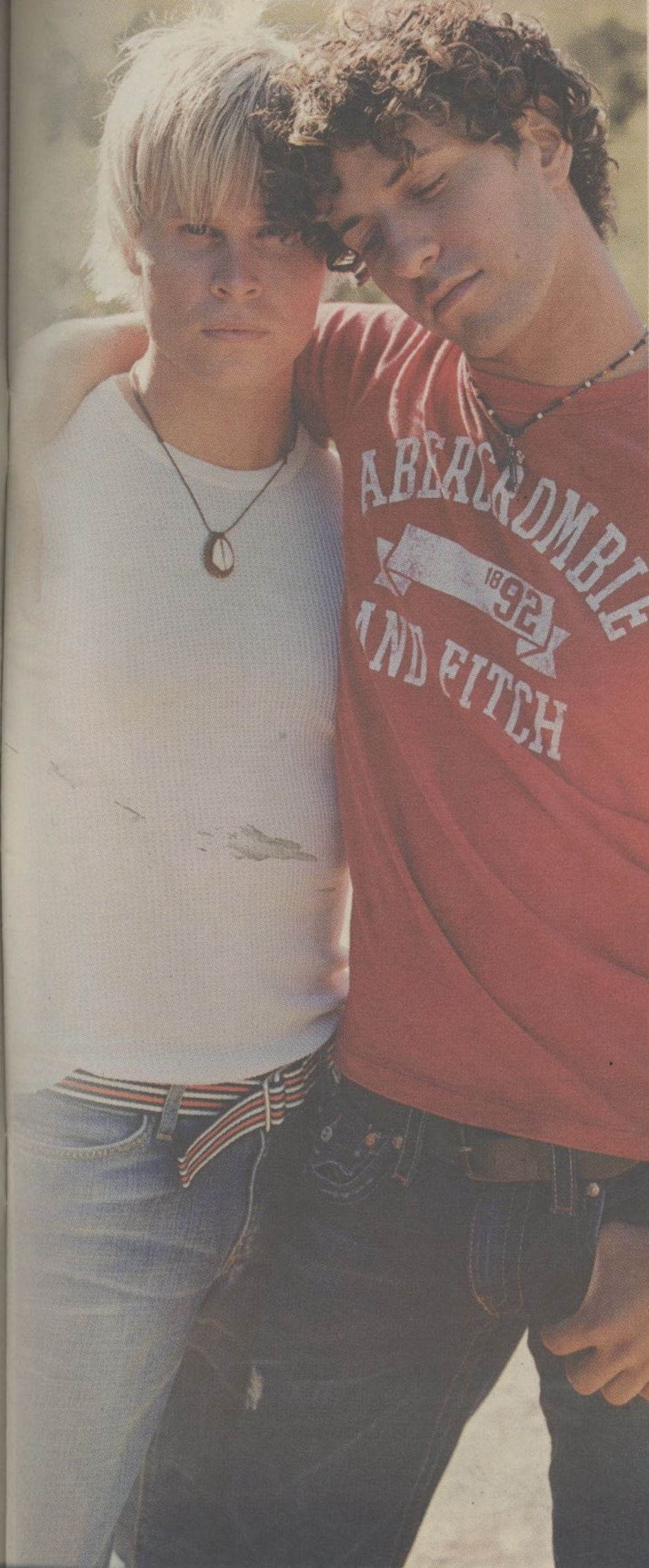
Jason lived in Houston for more than a year and it remains an important place for him. "The band that I was traveling with when I was kicked out of the Christian-music industry was based out of Houston. [That] was what I refer to as my spiritual awakening. That really had a lot to do with when I met Christian. He played a large role in my life, spiritually," he says.

Today, the most appealing thing about Jason & deMarco — aside from the gorgeous blue eyes, great hair and amazing voices — is their commitment to each other and their beliefs. It comes through in their music, in their words and in the way they choose to lead their undeniably charmed lives.

"Every day we see how lucky we are that we can do this, and we are very blessed. We have, I think, a really good attitude towards each other and what we're doing," DeMarco says. "And the fact is, we can't do it without each other. As long as Jason and I are fine, it seems like everything else seems to fall into place."

Like clockwork, Jason echoes his partner's sentiments.

"I'm so happy that at the end of the day, we always know we have each other," he says. "No matter what happens, we always have each other at the end. It's so comforting to know that."



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TV

By Steven Lindsey

Thinking outside the boxer

Ring of Fire explores the tragic past that haunts one of the world's great, and possibly gay, fighters

Being an entertainment critic means most TV shows and films are only a phone call away. But that also comes with assignments that force me out of my comfort zone. And while it allows me to see some great works that I would've otherwise stayed away from due to my own scattershot close-mindedness, that doesn't stop me from approaching some tasks with trepidation.

Case in point: *Ring of Fire: The Emile Griffith Story*, a documentary about boxing. I wouldn't slam documentaries — I love 'em, especially the anti-Bush, down-with-McDonald's variety — but boxing? Not my cup of tea. In fact, as I watched it I was often bored, like being in church during a particularly dull sermon.

ON AIR

Ring of Fire: The Emile Griffith Story

Directed and Produced by Dan Klores and Ron Berger
With Emile Griffith, Gil Clancy, Lucy Paret and
Benny Paret Jr.

Not Rated. Run time: 90 minutes

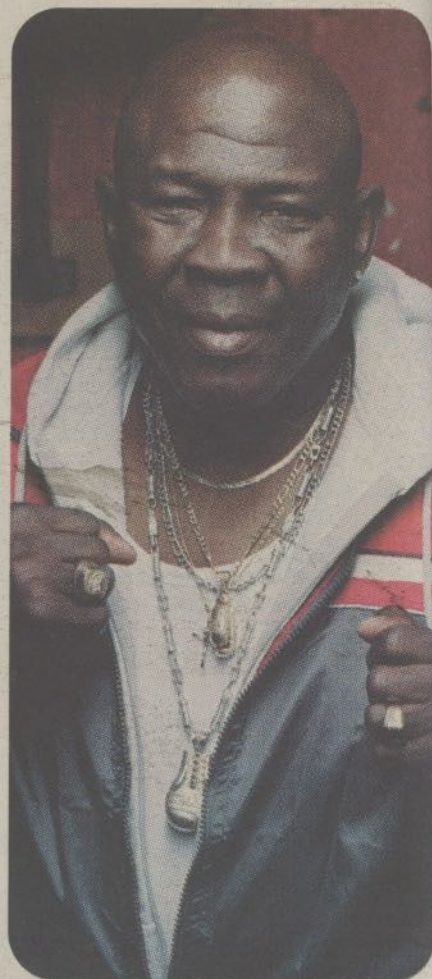
Premieres on USA Network without commercial
interruption on April 20 at 8 p.m. with rebroadcasts
April 21, 23, 27 and 29.

But when all is said and done, reflecting back on the film touched me in an unexpected way, and the last two minutes brought me to tears. So consider this my tortuous confession. It is possible to learn from that which I despise so intensely: sports.

My lack of athletic skill is almost entirely to blame for my apathy toward, even disdain for, organized physical activities. So it should come as no surprise that I had never heard of Emile Griffith. I did not know he is rumored to be gay, or that he single-handedly got boxing banned from television for 10 years after a 1962 knockout that put his opponent in a coma.

His victim, Benny "The Kid" Paret, was also his chief rival, guilty of taunting Griffith and calling him "maricón" (Spanish for "fagot") in front of his colleagues. This further complicated Griffith's post-fight emotional stability and search for closure.

With its amazingly detailed archival footage of both Griffith's fights and a vibrant 1960s New York City, I found the time capsule aspect of the film fascinating. In addition to the historical clips, there are modern-day



interviews with Griffith, the widow and son of Paret and many of the coaches and commentators from the era who vividly recall the rise and fall of a man whom many considered the world's greatest boxer.

Griffith's lifestyle was so taboo that nobody in the '60s dared discuss it, even though it was widely held in the boxing community that he was gay. The documentary doesn't dwell on the subject, but instead focuses on Griffith's strong moral character. Sure, those of us who are curious would like to know the real story, but no easy answers are found here.

Ring of Fire is ultimately a story of redemption, forgiveness and the cruel reality of the sport's physical side effects. Hot on the heels of *Million Dollar Baby*'s success, those hungry for more boxing lore should be riveted to their flat screens. And for those as skeptical as me, there is still plenty to enlighten.

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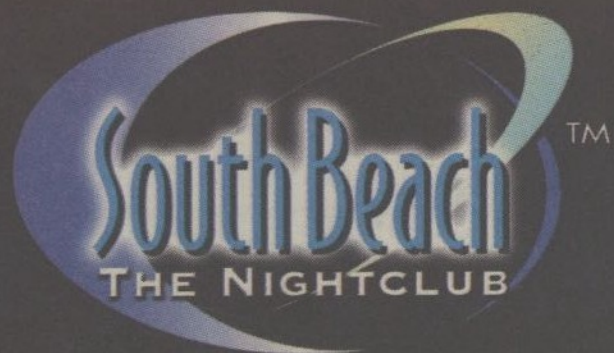
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Theater

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Panty raid



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Alley does justice to Steve Martin's hilarious adaptation of *The Underpants*

The last thing Houston needs is another wardrobe malfunction. But leave it to the Alley Theatre to use a potential scandal as a springboard for *The Underpants*, a zany comedy that explores the after-effects of another public display of unmentionables. And thankfully, starburst nipple shields are nowhere in sight.

The play — written decades ago by German dramatist Carl Sternheim and adapted into an all-out farce by actor/comedian/native Texan/wild and crazy guy Steve Martin — moves along at a zippy pace that elicits countless laugh-out-loud moments. Director Scott Schwartz (*Golda's Balcony*, *Batboy: The Musical*) makes every moment crackle with energy, skillfully using his able cast.

Theo and Louise Maske (John Tyson and Alyssa Rae) are a middle-class German couple whose world is turned upside down when, during the king's parade, Louise's panties drop to her ankles. She swears it's an accident, but Theo chastises his wife's "sluttishness" and fears complete ruin.

Theo is a crude and obnoxious government clerk who thrives on insignificance, but Louise seems inspired by the accident. She longs to be noticed — by her husband, by strangers, by anyone willing to pay attention — and the scandal has much of the town

whispering her name.

Upstairs neighbor Gertrude Deuter (Elizabeth Heflin), who lives vicariously through Louise, is equally delighted by the aftermath of the mishap.

Almost immediately, a pair of prospective boarders offer to rent the Maskes' spare room in hopes of getting closer to Louise and her lingerie: Versati (Todd Waite), a willowy poet prone to outbreaks of flowery prose, and Cohen (Jeffrey Bean), a meek barber who suffers from fits of hypochondria.

The greedy Theo offers to let both men share the room. Louise is taken aback by her tenants' lustful attention, but she soon becomes intrigued, particularly by the romantic Versati. Cohen, however, refuses to be ignored. Gertrude, ever the dutiful (nosey) neighbor, guides Louise through a new world of secret lovers and marital deceit.

The success of *The Underpants* hinges on the ability of its actors to handle the fast-paced dialogue and action. Rae, in her Alley debut, holds the play together as prim-and-proper Louise and has the makings of a headlining starlet. She makes the character's journey through frustration, embarrassment, hope and ultimate freedom a joy to watch.

Tyson is appropriately incorrigible as a sexist oaf whose ignorant rants elicit guffaws. The always impeccable Heflin is hilarious as Gertrude, and she seems to relish every aspect of her role, from the delightfully tacky

wardrobe to her wisecracking wit.

Waite and Bean also paint sharp portraits of their respective suitors, whose intentions aren't entirely selfless. And James Belcher wows in a brief, riotous role as a last-minute tenant.

The collaborative efforts of scenic designer Anna Louizos and lighting designer Pat Collins result in an exciting backdrop that seems straight out of a cartoon. It's perfect, given the absurd elements Martin has incorporated into the text. Wild and crazy, indeed.

ON STAGE

The Underpants

Written by Carl Sternheim; adapted by Steve Martin
 Directed by Scott Schwartz
 With Jeffrey Bean, James Belcher, Elizabeth Heflin, Alyssa Rae, John Tyson, Todd Waite
Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave., Houston. Through April 24. Sun., Tue.-Thu. at 7:30 p.m., Fri.-Sat. at 8 p.m., Sat.-Sun. matinees at 2:30 p.m. \$19-\$54. 713-228-8421.

Red, White & Tuna

Written by Ed Howard, Jaston Williams and Joe Sears
 Directed by Ed Howard
 With Joe Sears and Jaston Williams
Casa Manana Theatre, 3101 W. Lancaster St., Fort Worth. Through April 17. Tue.-Sat., at 8 p.m., Sun. at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. \$22-\$47. 817-332-2272.
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Patriot actors

Red, White & Tuna sets off fireworks of laughter

Red, White & Tuna may not have the special effects of the next *Star Wars* or the complex emotional drama of, say, *Miss Congeniality 2*, but when it comes to sequels surpassing the original, this final chapter in the Tuna Trilogy is in a class by itself.

The quick-change, cross-dressing, frenzied pantomime of Jaston Williams and Joe Sears is back as their popular characters wade knee-deep in preparation for the Tuna High School Reunion. It ain't pretty, but it sure is funny. Don't drink too much before taking your seat — laughter leaks have been known to occur.

It's certainly not essential to have seen the first two installments to enjoy this show, but there are many inside jokes to reward die-hard fans but still elicit hearty guffaws from the newly anointed.

Best of all, repeat viewings of any of the three plays are just as enjoyable as the first time, because much like the red-hot, ageless Williams and Sears, the jokes never get old — just updated to keep current with the political and pop-cultural landscape.

Highlights of *Red, White & Tuna* include a bitter battle of the bitches among Pearl Burras (Sears), Didi Snavelly and Vera Carp (both Williams) as they stake their claims on the reunion pageant crown. Star-crossed lovers Bertha Bumiller and Arles Struvie finally give us closure on their prolonged will-they-or-won't-they courtship, while Vera and her Smut Snatchers take on "Jesus Loves Me" and other Bible hymns in the latest of her überChristian censorship efforts.

And if the aliens who kidnapped Didi's husband don't destroy the town, Aunt Pearl's famous potato salad just might. After a stint in the sun, it has become the embodiment of pure evil and only the Tasee Kreme's horny waitresses, Inita Goodwin and Helen Bedd, have the power to stop it.

With so many familiar characters, some new faces and dozens of outrageous one-liners, the only real problem with *Red, White & Tuna* is that it's the last in the series. Surely there are more adventures yet to be exploited for Texas's most politically incorrect lunatics.

If nothing else, bring the old adventures to life in a new medium. Just imagine the possibilities of Williams and Sears portraying their alter egos in a feature film where their multiple personalities could finally interact more than two at a time. As Didi would say, it'd be God-(dramatic pause)-damned fabulous!

— Steven Lindsey



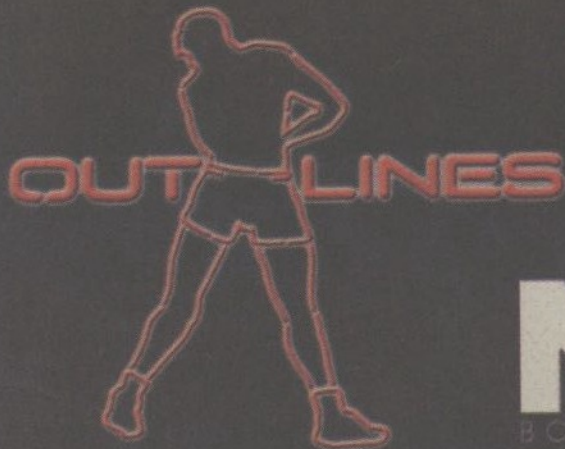
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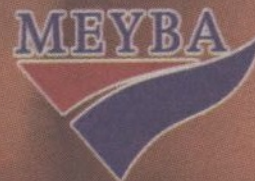
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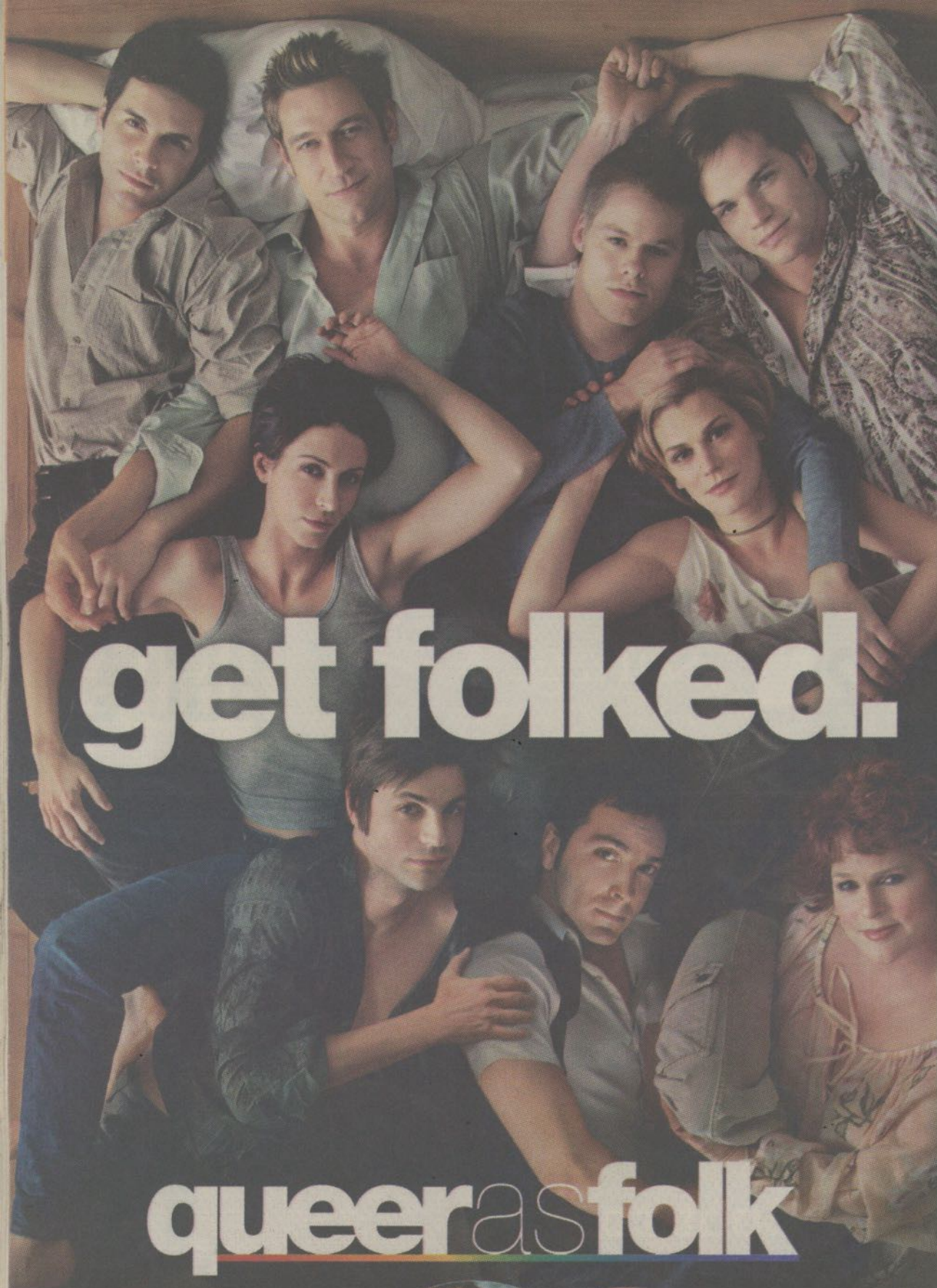
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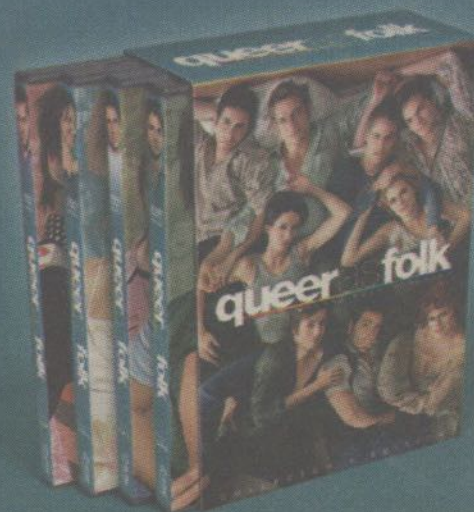
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Live

By Arnold Wayne Jones

Liza, with a Big D

Minnelli brings Cabaret act to Dallas

Liza Minnelli has led the life of a Hollywood movie. Her friends and family members read like a Who's Who of American arts: Mother Judy Garland, dad Vincente Minnelli, husbands that include Peter Allen and Jack Haley Jr., mentors in director Bob Fosse and the musical-writing team of John Kander and Fred Ebb.

But like all good movies, there are hard times to overcome, and she's had her share.

This week, though, it's all about the work. Dallas is one of the few cities on the North American tour of her new one-woman show, which she's taking to Europe later this year.

She took a few minutes away from rehearsal to answer some questions about the show, her favorite songs and why she has so many gay fans.

TXN News magazine: Tell us about your new show.

Liza Minnelli: What I did was, I revisited a lot of things I haven't done forever, plus things people like to hear — "New York, New York," "Cabaret." I got together with John Kander and Billy Stritch and worked it out over three weeks. It's a well-paced show with no dancing *per se*, but a lot of movements. I'm always moving.

Q. What is your process for selecting songs?

A. It's about picking what's good for a well-paced show. Fred Ebb taught me to think that way. He taught me everything I needed to know about communicating with the audience, thinking of myself as a

member of the audience. Fred died recently, which was just horrible.

Q. What was your relationship with Kander and Ebb like?

A. I feel like they invented me. They gave me a persona with *Liza with a Z* and great songs always to sing. [In the show] I singing "I Am My Own Best Friend," which they wrote for *Chicago* but did not appear in the film.

Q. Do you have a favorite song of yours?

A. No. It changes, it depends. Sometimes you revisit a song or you sing a new song and you're delighted.

Q. Which of your mother's songs are your favorites?

A. I never sing my mom's songs. If I went to see anyone I wouldn't want to see second best. There's enough I'm the best at. But I've been around long enough to reap the rewards of her philosophy — keep going, have hope, never slow down.

Q. What's next up for you?

A. I'm writing a film now being produced by Craig Zadan and Neil Meron, who did *Chicago*. It's a musical about a woman who owns a club and that's all I'm going to say.

Q. What accounts for your popularity with gay audiences?

A. Obviously, they have good taste.

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Another gay *Idol* story, and Stefanie Powers does some good in Houston

I love a good celebrity funeral, and a papal funeral really does qualify. And I love that *The Sun* in London ran a story about **Pope John Paul II's** "girlfriend." And there she was, 83-year-old **Halina Kwiatkowska**, who dated the pope back when they were in acting school and he was a little boy named Karol (so you knew he'd grow up to be an actor or a pope).

She reminisced about the twosome going to their high school reunion together. Can you just imagine trying to impress your former classmates as you go around the room to see what each person has been doing, and then someone gets up and says, "I'm the pope." Top that, you bitches.

Sadly, virtually no one's talking about

Prince Rainier, whose death has been all but overshadowed by JPII's. At first, I thought I read that Rainier was going to be laid out in the Monte Carlo Casino. Actually, the casino has been closed. That makes more sense — I don't think the Prince should be lying on the craps table while crowds try to get snake eyes.

But why didn't someone plan a snappy little funeral in Monte Carlo while all these dignitaries are already in Rome — call it a bereavement junket. While I never met Rainier, **Prince Albert** and I have a "history" — which I'm sure doesn't surprise anyone who knows me. I'll have to give him a jingle at the palace (after a respectable mourning period, of course).

I consider **Stefanie Powers** Hollywood royalty. Maybe I'm delusional — certainly everyone I've talked to thinks I am. Some people do believe that her liaison with **William Holden** makes her royalty-in-law. But I love Stef and couldn't wait to see her head up the national touring company of *The King and I* (I figured she'd be playing I and not the King).

As readers know, the production is quite

lovely in that old-fashioned way, although the cast varies greatly. Hollywood royalty or not, Powers looks like a star on stage. She has style, she has presence and she has a voice that is rich and tuneful in the middle although somewhat manufactured and faux operatic on top. All in all, she gives a captivating performance that reminds you what a class act she is.

By the way, in addition to Stefanie's devotion to the animals of Africa, she cares about other causes. When this tour was in Houston, the cast put together a cabaret show for their night off and raised several thousand dollars for Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS. Atta girl, Stefi!

The usual array of nobodies and old stars came out for Powers's opening night at Hollywood's lush Pantages Theatre. OK, so **Teri Hatcher** was there with daughter **Emerson**. But throw me a **Terry Moore**, **Katharine Helmond**, **Elliot Gould**, **Judy Tenuta** or **Ann Jeffries** (all of whom were there), and I'm in heaven.

Also spotted was Billy's very first Mrs. Anna, **Pat Morison**. Such an elegant and talented lady (who just celebrated her 90th

birthday). And I was positively kvelling when I spied the motherlode sitting nearby — **Marion Ross**, **JoAnn Worley** and **Jane Withers**. It was like the trifecta! I didn't move in too quickly — you don't wanna spook 'em. But it was delightful to see them, alongside **Lois Nettleton**, **Carole Cook** and the ageless **Ruta Lee**.

When the gals headed off to the after party (something I inexplicably didn't get invited to), I found myself standing next to a refreshed-looking **Lorenzo Lamas** (who is really a tall drink of Lamas) and his whore du jour. My hunch is they had their own party in the limo (I believe his date was wearing a dress she'd normally save for her pole dancing shift on the weekends). I just love Hollywood.

I may love Hollywood, but I am not the biggest fan of reality television. That said, I faithfully watch *American Idol*. With an **Anwar** and an **Abdul**, I sometimes feel like I'm watching *Taliban Idol*. But did you know that little Anwar is looking for same-sex love on BlackPlanetLove.com? In case his profile is gone by the time you read this, we'll post it on Filth2Go.com. Of course, he wouldn't be



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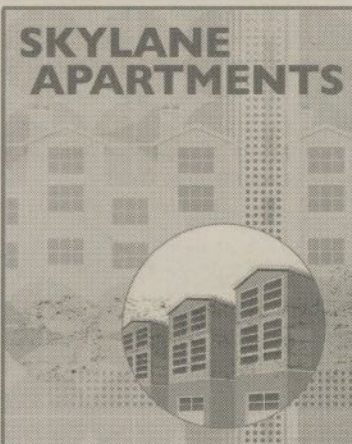
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our first gay Idol — you know it and I know it. What hurt me was finding out that Anthony is straight. But I can always enjoy those salacious stories about that former contestant and his close friendship with that hairdresser. ...

Now that *The Starlet* has ended (Faye Dunaway came dangerously close to trying to vote Vivica off), I need something to fill my nights. I guess I could watch *Mr. Romance*. Strike that — I could never EVER watch *Mr. Romance*.

When someone e-mailed me a photo of contestant/fitness model Anthony Catanzaro, he looked so familiar. Then it hit me — *Playgirl*. A quick check of our files revealed that Anthony was the centerfold in January 2001. Yes, we'll run his spread (including some "aroused" shots) on Filth2Go.com.

Doing some research on Anthony, I particularly enjoyed reading about his first photo shoot. Apparently, he was 18 years old, living in Bayshore, N.Y. A guy approached him at a hardware store where he was working, gave Anthony his card and asked if he'd like to do some "erotic modeling." Am I the only one

who thinks this has "gay pick-up" written all over it? He says that he met with the guy and did some "test shots." I bet he did.

Mike in Florida has a very direct "Ask Billy" question: "I'm sure you've gotten a ton of e-mails, but do you have the cut footage showing Colin Farrell's penis in *A Home at the End of the World*. If anyone would have it, I figured you would."

Thanks for your confidence in me, Mike. This is a very popular question, and I aim to please. So, to prove that your faith in me is not misplaced, yes, I do indeed have the footage, and I'll post it. In fact, I'll also post some sneaky candids of Colin looking mighty chunky on the beach last week. It's always amazing to me that these celebs can go from fat to fit so quickly. If I were more cynical, I'd think some illicit drug were involved.

Could it be that a certain sexy cinema stud left wifey at home while he cavorted with the boys at Palm Springs' notorious White Party? Rumor has it that the shirtless actor (who still looks like a gay teenager) rolled into the Saturday night event wearing sunglasses and his wedding ring (and was quickly locking

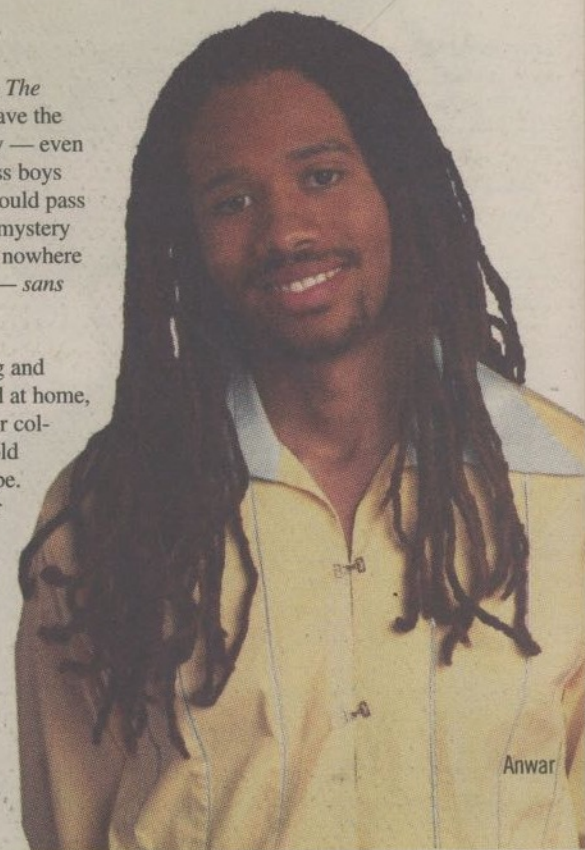
lips with a number of hotties).

In order to quell a squall rivaling *The Perfect Storm*, I should note that I have the best of intentions reporting this story — even though about half of the buff shirtless boys wearing sunglasses at these events could pass for our chaotic cutie. Adding to the mystery are photos that have surfaced of our nowhere man buying beer the very next day — sans wedding ring.

When cute club kids are crashing and burning even though they have a kid at home, it's definitely time to end yet another column. A few hot naked guys, some old Tinseltown glamour, and a dead Pope. This is a column with something for everyone.

Keep those questions coming. Drop a note to Billy@filth2go.com and I promise to get back to you before Anwar finds some good online lovin'.

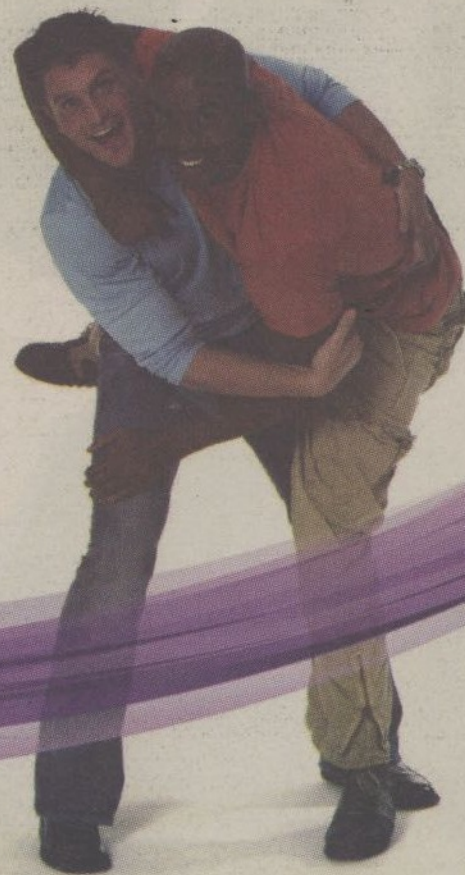
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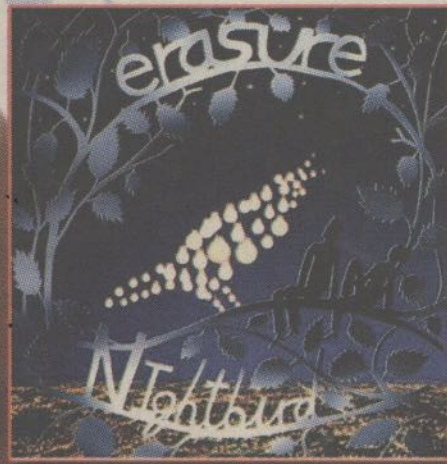


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Dear Howard,

Have you ever had your aura done, sir? If so, I'd love to know what color it is.

Prism Jimmy

Sir? Did Her Majesty knight me and I wasn't told?

A burning issue in your mind is what color my aura is? Well, aren't you in luck, Jim, because believe it or not, a reputed expert came up to me at a party just last week and whispered to me, breathlessly, that my aura is bright yellow, so there you have it. The truth is out: The color of my aura and a matching Post-It note make for a perfect square.

Dear Howard,

I have an absolute passion for obelisks. My entire penthouse is tastefully decorated in these Egyptian antiquities. I have an obelisk four-poster bed in Tahitian mahogany. The beveled glass tea table in my living room has onyx obelisk legs. The candlesticks on my dining credenza are rock crystal obelisks, engraved in the exact hieroglyphs found on Cleopatra's Needle. I've always wondered why these mystical symbols of ancient power hold such sway in my life. Could you shed any light?

Karnak

Happily. Simply grasp the base of the crystallized bull malarkey obelisk shoved up your anus, and yank hard. Use both hands. The penetrating light that results shall be all-revealing.

Dear Howard,

Kudos to you! As an outspoken member of the gay community, I just want to be the first to say that it's about time we got our own long overdue advice columnist. You refreshingly tell it like it is, and best of all, you don't coddle fools. I especially loved it when you said, "All gay men cheat, they just do." Never has there been a truer statement! What is your sun sign, do you mind telling me? Do you know your rising and moon? Or your Chinese?

Zodiac Zack

Flattery gets you everything with me, Zack — Aquarius sun, Capricorn rising, Aries moon, triple tiger. Now, you know all my darkest, deepest secrets. You keep mine, Zack, and I'll keep yours.

Dear Howard,

My partner and I are about to celebrate our eighth anniversary. I know the Chinese consider eight to be the luckiest number of all. Neither my boyfriend nor I are Chinese, but we're in desperate need of luck on several fronts. We're throwing a big party, and Alex wants to invite not only our immediate family and close mutual friends but also a mutual former trick as well — some fleeting sidebar

interest of ours three years ago, who has since lost his own partner and is on the market again. Alex fancies himself a regular Dolly Levi, but my thinking is that we should leave all former sex trysts out of our anniversary festivities. Even if the guy does need a date. Even if he is Chinese. And even if he might bring luck. What do you think?

Lucky Eight

OK, I'll try to dissect this into its unequal, perplexing parts. First, inviting a former boy toy to your eighth anniversary party just because he's Chinese is ludicrous — it's like carrying a rabbit's foot to an animal-testing lab. Where's the luck? Second, this anniversary celebration is yours and Alex's. Alone. It's not the backroom pagoda "Year of the Cock" New Year's orgy. Third, China is hosting the summer Olympics in three years, and we all should do everything we can to keep diplomatic relations cordial in the meantime. So there.

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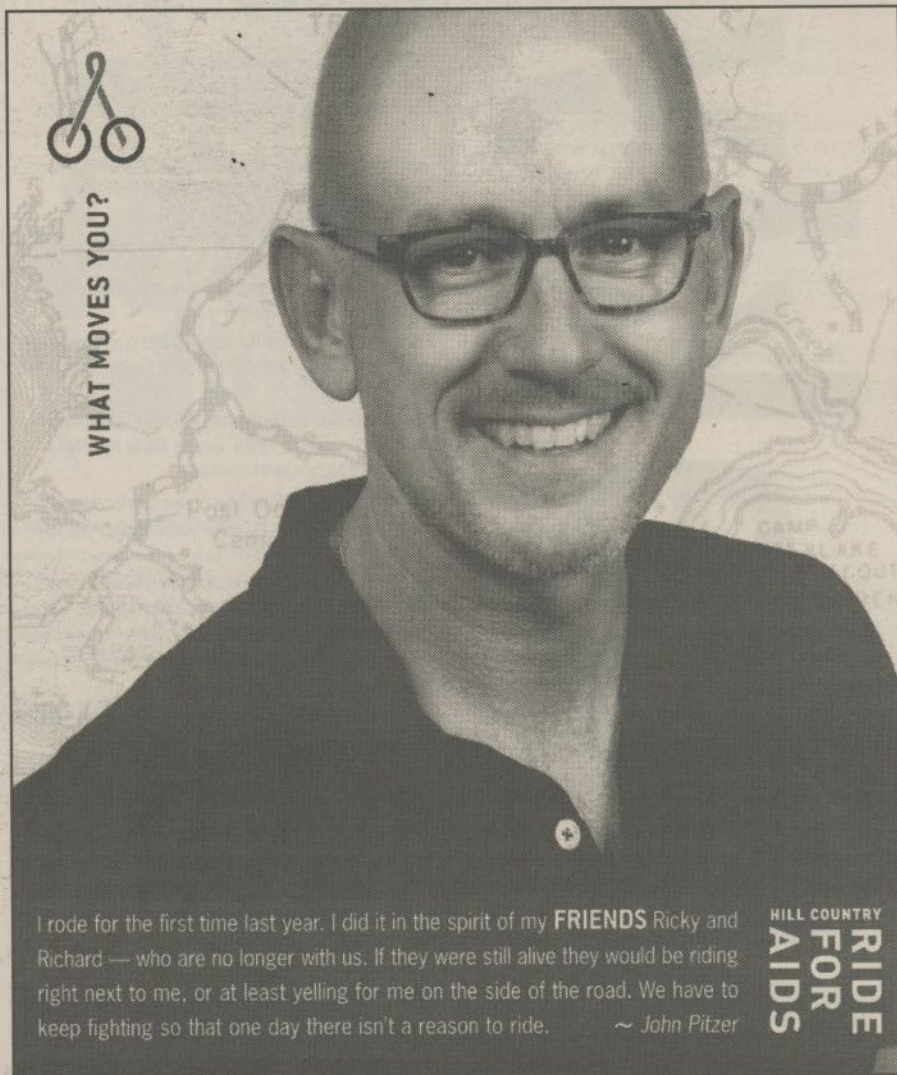
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WHAT MOVES YOU?



I rode for the first time last year. I did it in the spirit of my FRIENDS Ricky and Richard — who are no longer with us. If they were still alive they would be riding right next to me, or at least yelling for me on the side of the road. We have to keep fighting so that one day there isn't a reason to ride.
~ John Pitzer

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WEEKLY REVIEW

Friday, April 15

AUSTIN

91.7FM KO-OP Radio presents *Outspoken*. 6-7 p.m. Koop.org.

Rumors, by Neil Simon. Austin Playhouse, 3601 S. Congress, Bldg. C. Through May 1. Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m. Sunday, 5 p.m. \$22-\$25. 512-476-0084. Austinplayhouse.com.

MacBeth, by William Shakespeare Dougherty Arts Center, 1110 Barton Springs. Through April 17. Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m. Sunday, 6 p.m. \$6-\$12. 512-431-6290.

Marriage is Forever (El matrimonio es para siempre) by Edit Villarreal. Presented by Different Stages and Teatro Vivo at The Vortex, 2307 Manor Rd. Through April 30. Thursdays-Saturdays, 8 p.m. Sundays, 3 p.m. \$14-\$16. 512-478-5282.

Nickel and Dime, based on photography of Barbara Ehrenreich. Presented by State Theater, 719 Congress Ave. Through April 17. 512-472-5470. Statetheatercompany.com.

TGIB socials. Bisexual Network of Austin 7 p.m. 512-370-9573. Main.org/binetaustin.

The Vagina Monologues, by Eve Ensler. Zachary Scott Theatre Center. Through May 8. Thursdays-Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturday at 9 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. 1510 Toomey Rd. 512-476-0541. Zachscott.com.

DALLAS/FT. WORTH

Buried Child by Sam Shepard. Presented by Kitchen Dog Theatre at McKinney Avenue Contemporary, 3120 McKinney Ave. Through April 30. Wednesdays through Saturdays, 8 p.m. Sundays, 2 p.m. 214-953-1212. Kitchendogtheater.org.

Collin County Gay and Lesbian Alliance mixer. 5:30 p.m. Ojeda's, west of US75 on the corner of Park and Chisholm Place in Plano. Quigleymark2004@sbcglobal.net.

Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra's Miguel Harth-Bedoya conducts Daugherty's UFO for Solo Percussion and Orchestra and Dvorak's Symphony No. 9 in E Minor, Opus 95, From the New World, through April 17. Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m. Sunday, 2 p.m. \$13-\$72. Bass Performance Hall, 4th and Calhoun in Ft. Worth. 817-665-6000. Fwsymphony.org.

Free syphilis and oral HIV testing, 5-9 p.m. Nelson-Tebedo Health Resource Center, 4012 Cedar Springs Rd. 214-540-4414.

Lambda Weekly Radio, gay and lesbian radio of North Texas, Dallas and Ft. Worth, airs on KNON 89.3FM. 1 p.m. Geocities.com/lambdaweekly.

Mickey's presents Name That Frame movie trivia with Wayne Smith. 10:30 p.m. 3851 Cedar Springs Rd. 214-219-MICK. Mickeysdallas.com.

My Fair Lady, by Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe. Dallas Theater Center Arts District Theatre, 2401 Flora St. Through May 1. Tuesday through Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m. Sunday 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. 214-522-6499. Dallastheatercenter.org.

Modern Art Museum of Ft. Worth presents Dan Flavin: A Retrospective, through June 5. 3200 Darnell St. 817-738-9215. Themodern.org.

Parallel Lives (The Kathy & Mo Show), created by Kathy Najimi and Mo Gaffney. Contemporary Theatre of Dallas, 5601 Sears St. Through April 30. Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday-Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. 214-828-0094. Contemporarytheatreofdallas.com.

Red, White and Tuna, by Joe Sears and Jaston Williams. Presented by Casa Manana Theatre, through April 17. 3500 W. Lancaster in Ft. Worth. 817-332-2272.

Shabbat service, Congregation Beth El Binah. 8:15 p.m. Gay and Lesbian Community Center, 2701 Reagan St. 214-521-5342, ext. 1784.

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Big Money Pretty Boy Amateur Strip Contest, presented by E/J's, 2517 Ralph St. 10 p.m. 713-527-9071. Ejsbar.com.

Falsettos, by William Finn and James Lapine, O'Kane Theatre, University of Houston Downtown. Through April 18. Friday-Saturday, 8 p.m. Sunday, 3 p.m. Monday, 7:30 p.m. \$6-\$8. 713-432-7710. GTSAHouston@aol.com.

GLBT Chamber of Commerce and the Executive Professional Association of Houston Texas Hold 'Em poker tournament. 7:30 p.m. \$10. Key Star Event Complex, 3209 Montrose Blvd. RSVP: 713-523-7576. Ctow@ghglcc.org.

Morning Star, by Sylvia Regan. Presented by Main St. Theatre, 4617 Montrose. Through April 17. 713-524-6706. Mainstreettheater.com.



Rice University's GLBTQA Resource Center presents GATHER at The Pub drag show and performance night. 8 p.m.-12 midnight. Willy's Pub in Rice Memorial Center.

Steve Martin's The Underpants. Presented by Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. Through April 24. \$19-\$55. 713-228-8421. Alleytheatre.org.

Turning Light in Silver, Exhibition at Museum of Fine Arts through May 30. Audrey Jones Beck Building, 5601 Main St. Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Sunday, 12:15-7 p.m. \$3.50-\$7. 713-639-7300. Mfah.org.

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'80s Night. Heat, 1500 N. Main Ave. 210-227-2600. Heatsa.com.

Corn Ball 2, in conjunction with Fiesta San Antonio, with DJs ShellShock and Brett Henrichsen. 8 p.m. \$10-\$15. Sunset Station. 210-222-9481. Cornyation.org.

San Antonio AIDS Foundation WEBB Web Party. 200 W. Jones Ave. \$50-\$60. The San Antonio Museum of Art. 210-225-4715.

The Saint presents Venus USofA pageant. 10:30 p.m. 1430 N. Main. 210-225-7330. Thesaint-satx.com.

Saturday, April 16

AUSTIN

Texas State University's Lambda of hosts its 9th semi-annual Bobcat Ball: Masquerade - Come As You Aren't. 8 p.m. \$6-\$8. Benefits Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas. Gordo's Bar and Grill, 120 E. San Antonio St. in San Marcos. 361-779-8415. Lambda_txstate@yahoo.com.

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2005 Command Performance of International Ballet, 8 p.m. \$15+. Music Hall at Fair Park. 214-528-5576. Titas.org.

Dallas FrontRunners fun run with runners and walkers at all levels welcome. 9 a.m. Meet on the patio of the recreation house at Sunset Bay at White Rock Lake Park. Potluck dinner at a private residence, 6 p.m.

Dallas Gay and Lesbian Alliance presents a public forum on the Blackwood Strong Mayor Proposal with Councilman Ed Oakley and Mayor Laura Miller. 12:30-2:30 p.m. Resource Center of Dallas, 2701 Reagan St. Blue Room. 214-528-4233. Info@dgla.com.

Dallas Museum of Art exhibits Splendors of China's Forbidden City, through May 29. 1717 N. Harwood St. 214-922-1200.

Kitchen Dog Theater general auditions for New Works Festival 2005 and the 2005-06 season. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. McKinney Avenue Contemporary (The MAC), 3120 McKinney Ave. To schedule an appointment, contact Tina Parker, 214-953-1055. Tina@kitchendogtheater.org.

HOUSTON

13th annual Transgender Unity Banquet. 6:30 p.m. with keynote speaker is Annise Parker, City of Houston Comptroller. Westchase Hilton Omni Ballroom, 9999 Westheimer. \$40-\$50. Sara_rook@hotmail.com.

Big Money Pretty Boy Amateur Strip Contest, presented by E/J's, 2517 Ralph St. 10 p.m. 713-527-9071. Ejsbar.com.

Grassy hill sledding and kite flying with Houston Gay and Lesbian Parents and their children. 2-5 p.m. Spotts Park, Heights Blvd. and Memorial Dr. 713-666-8260.

Montrose Mining Company presents DJ Robert Espinoza. 805 Pacific. 713-529-7488.

Open meeting of the steering committee of the Houston GLBT Behavioral Health Coalition, to assess community mental health and substance abuse needs of the GLBT in coming years. 9-11 a.m. Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond Ave, Classroom 15. 713-520-0027.

Open mic with comedian Nancy Ford. 9 p.m.-12 midnight. Club 1415, 1415 California. 713-961-2867.

Reception for Art from Jim Fredericks and Mollie Moore. 4-7 pm. Crossover Gifts, 415 Westheimer Rd.

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GaySanAntonio.net radio show with news, events, commentary and music. 2 p.m. Gay-sa.net/gsair.htm.

GLBTIQ social and support group for deaf and hard of hearing people. 2 p.m. Diversity Center, 531 San Pedro Ave. 2nd floor. 210-223-6106. Diversitycentersa.org.

Spectrum yOUTH Group, a social group for young people ages 13 to 18 meets at the Diversity Center, 7 p.m. 531 San Pedro Ave. 2nd floor. 210-223-6106. Diversitycentersa.org.

The Saint presents a live performance of The Rocky Horror Picture Show. 1430 N. Main. 210-225-7330. Thesaint-satx.com.

Sunday, April 17

AUSTIN

Austin Frontrunners. 7:45 a.m. 512-473-8334. Frontrunners.org.

Rain presents The T-Dance with Hedda Layne and fajita buffet. 4 p.m. 217B W. 4th St. 512-494-1150. Rainon4th.com.

Smashing Spring Picnic is hosted by Q, a new community based group for young GLBTQ men ages 18-29. 2 p.m. Pease Park. 512-585-3252. Mp_austin@sbcglobal.net.

The OZ Parties' 5th annual picnic. 1-5 p.m. 7101 Old



To submit an event listing All listings of upcoming GLBT meetings and events and of arts openings should be sent to the managing editor, in the Houston office. They must be received no later than noon on Monday to be included in Friday's newsmagazine. We prefer to receive them earlier. They may be e-mailed to Nancy@txtnewsmag.com, or faxed to 713-529-0327, or mailed to TXT Newsmagazine, 4617 Montrose Blvd., Suite C229, Houston TX 77006.

Bee Caves Rd. \$5-\$10, 512-406-6408. Theozparties@hotmail.com.

YOGAy presents YOGAy Sundays, 1 p.m. \$12. Austin Yoga School, 1122-C S. Lamar. 512-220-6353. YOGAyTexas@yahoo.com.

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Dallas FrontRunners fun run with runners and walkers at all levels welcome. 3 p.m. Meet on the patio of the recreation house at Sunset Bay at White Rock Lake Park.

Dignity Dallas liturgy. 6 p.m. Bethany Presbyterian Church, 4523 Cedar Springs Rd. 214-521-5342, ext. 1732.

Jubilee Fellowship worship. 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. La Quinta Inn, 1001 W. Airport Freeway, Euless. 214-520-3223. JubileeTX.org.

Lambda Weekly Radio, gay and lesbian radio of North Texas, Dallas and Ft. Worth, airs on KNON 89.3FM. 1 p.m. Geocities.com/lambdaweekly.

Lutherans Concerned (GLBT affirming Lutherans). 7 p.m. King of Glory Lutheran Church, 6411 LBJ Freeway. 214-855-4998.

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Bering Memorial United Methodist Church presents Jason and deMarco. 7 p.m. \$10. 1440 Harold. 713-647-9368.

HATCH GLBT youth group. 6-9 p.m. 713-529-3590. Hatchyouth.org.

Lone Star Volleyball Association open play, 4-9 p.m. Willowbrook Sports Complex, 12539 Perry Rd. 832-723-6866. Lsva.org.

Montrose Softball League. Slo-Pitch City Softball Park, 1826 Gault Rd. Montrosesoftballleague.com.

Museum of Fine Arts Houston exhibits Raphael Sanzio's La Fornarina (c. 1520), through April 17. 5601 Main St. 713-639-7550. Mfah.org.

Women's Group. 10:45 a.m. Unitarian Universalist Church's Sojourner Truth Room, 3rd floor, 5200 Fannin. 713-529-8571. Houstonwomensgroup.com.

SAN ANTONIO

Bermuda Triangle screens The L Word. 9-10 p.m. 119 El Mio. 210-342-2276.

The Saint presents Super Sunday Show, starring Pauletta Leigh. 1430 N. Main. 210-225-7330. Thesaint-sab.com.

Monday, April 18

AUSTIN

Keyska's Divas features Keyska Diva, Satine and Nadine. 12 midnight. Xtreme Stage at Sidekicks, 110 E. Riverside. 512-804-2707. Sidekicksaustin.com.

DALLAS/FT. WORTH

Leadership Lambda Toastmasters. 6:30 p.m. Oak Lawn Public Library, 4100 Cedar Springs. 214-219-1908.

Meet area city council candidates at North Texas GLBT Chamber of Commerce's dinner with keynote speaker, Coy Tow, Houston GLBT Chamber of Commerce executive director. 6 p.m. Westin City Center, 650 N. Pearl St. \$30-\$35. RSVP: 214-540-4488. NorthtexasGLBTchamber.org.

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Fuddrucker's Greenway contributes 10 percent of the night's revenue to University of Houston's Gay Straight Alliance. 3929 Southwest Freeway. 713-621-8222.

Joe Watts' The Group theatre workshop. 7:30 p.m. \$5. Grace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 2515 Waugh Dr. 713-522-2204.

KPFT-FM 90.1 airs Queer Voices with Jack Valinski and various GLBT co-hosts. 8-10 p.m.

Michael's presents You Can be a Star. 8 p.m. 1419 Richmond. 713-523-2828. Missmichaels05@sbccglob-al.net.

Montrose Counseling Center presents Women and HIV, a support group for women who are HIV positive. 6-7:30 p.m. Mondays, through June 6. 701 Richmond Ave. Montrosescounselingcenter.org. 713-529-0037, ext. 315.

SAN ANTONIO

Texas Tradition Cloggers classes. 5:30 p.m. Turner Club, 120 9th St. 210-535-6155. Texastraditioncloggers.com.

Shady Lady hosts Talent Night, with a \$75 prize. Heat, 1500 N. Main Ave. 210-227-2600. Heatsa.com.

Tuesday, April 19

AUSTIN

Austin Gamblers Bowling League. 8:20 p.m. Dart Bowl, 5700 Grover. 512-647-7073. Austingamblers@yahoo.com.

Austin Gay Lesbian Chamber of Commerce general meeting. 6:30 p.m. Sidekicks, 110 E. Riverside Dr. 512-474-4422. Aglcc.com.

Red, White and Tuna, by Joe Sears and Jaston Williams. Presented by Paramount Theatre, 713 Congress Ave. \$23-\$43.25. 512-469-7469.

DALLAS/FT. WORTH

Casa Manana presents Red, White & Tuna, through April 17. 3500 W. Lancaster, Ft. Worth. 817-332-2272. Casamanana.org.

Dallas FrontRunners run on the Katy Trail. 6:30 p.m. Meet at Knox Street entrance.

Journey Out youth group for ages 16-22. 7 p.m. Cathedral of Hope Congregational Life Center, 5910 Cedar Spring.

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Montrose Social Group (MSG), a peer-led community. 7:30 p.m. Bering Church, room 224. Msghouston.org.

RSICSS presents Drag Queen Bingo. 9 p.m. Meteor, 2306 Genesee. 713-710-0268.

SAN ANTONIO

The Saint presents Amateur Talent Night. 1430 N. Main. 210-225-7330. Thesaint-sab.com.

Majestic Theatre presents The Graduate. Through April 17. \$15-\$57. 224 E. Houston St. 210-224-9600. Majesticempire.com.

Wednesday, April 20

AUSTIN

EveryWoman's Self Defense presents a free personal safety workshop for teen girls. 7:30-8:30 p.m. Sun Dragon Martial Arts, 203 E. Riverside Dr. 512-416-9735. Everywomans-selfdefense.org.

Safe Space. 7 p.m. University of Texas, Jester West Fireplace Lounge. Demeureguy@yahoo.com.

DALLAS/FT. WORTH

2005 Vogel Alcove Arts Performance Event presents Liza Minnelli. \$35-\$150. Benefits Vogel Alcove Childcare Center for the Homeless. Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center. 214-528-5576.

McKinney Avenue Contemporary (The MAC) presents Billy Hassell in the New Works Space. Through April 22. Opening reception, 5-7 p.m. 214-953-1212. The-mac.org.

Rainbow Roller Skating. 8 p.m. \$5. Forum Roller World, 1900 S. Great Southwest Parkway, Grand Prairie. 214-478-2649.

Teen Project. 909 W. Magnolia St. Ft. Worth. 817-332-7722.

Throckmorton Mining Company presents Mundo Latino with drink specials. 3014 Throckmorton. 3014 Throckmorton. Caven.com.

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Big Money Pretty Boy Amateur Strip Contest, presented by E/J's, 2517 Ralph St. 10 p.m. 713-527-9071. Ejsbar.com.

Meteor Women's Happy Hour, followed by Queer Eye for the Straight Girl, 7 p.m. 2306 Genesee. 713-521-0123.

OutSkate Roller Skate Club's gay skate night. 8 p.m. \$5. Zenith Roller Rink, 8075 Cook Rd. 281-933-5818. Dobie367@aol.com.

Win tickets to the Paulina Rubio concert. 11 p.m., 12 midnight and 1 a.m. South Beach's Café Con Leche, noche Latina with a Miami Beach twist. 810 Pacific. 713-529-SOBE. Southbeachthenightclub.com.

Theater LaB Houston presents Dealer's Choice through April 23. \$20. 1706 Alamo. 713-868-7516.

SAN ANTONIO

2015 Place presents karaoke. 9 p.m. 2015 San Pedro. 210-733-3365. 2015place.com.

Diversity Center's Midweek Movie Mixer presents Brandon Teena. 6-9 p.m. Free. 533 San Pedro Ave. 210-223-6106. Diversitycentersa.org.



In The Lime Light, "A San Antonio GLBT Foreign Film Festival" committee. 7-8 p.m. 531 San Pedro Ave. 210-223-6106. Diversitycentersa.org.

King Mary's Bridge Club presents party bridge and free lessons. 6:45 p.m. \$4. Diversity Center, 531 San Pedro Ave. 210-223-6106. Kingmary.org.

Thursday, April 21

AUSTIN

Austin Singers present Flight of the Soul: Anthems of Peace and Freedom. 8 p.m. \$10-\$15. Benefit Wonders and Worries. St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 10205 Ranch Rd. 620N. 512-314-5532. Austinsingers.org.

Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas volunteer night. 6-9 p.m. Lgrl.org. 512-474-5475.

Rude Mechanicals' Throws Like A Girl series presents Dress Suits to Hire, featuring Peggy Shaw and Lois. Through April 23. 8 p.m. The Off Center, 2211-A Hidalgo St. \$12-\$15. 512-476-RUDE. Rudemechs.com.

DALLAS/FT. WORTH

Dallas FrontRunners run on the Katy Trail. 6:30 p.m. Meet at Knox Street entrance.

Fuse for young men, ages 18-24. 7:30 p.m. Gay and Lesbian Community Center, 2701 Reagan St. 214-540-4410.

Risk Theater Initiative and Shakespeare Festival of Dallas present Tom Stoppard's Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead through April 30. 8 p.m. Samueli Grand Amphitheatre. 972-943-8915. Shakespearedallas.org.

S4 presents DJ's Inzo and Phinatik. \$5 for 21+. 3911 Cedar Springs Rd. 214-559-0650. Caven.com.

Watertower Theatre presents Enchanted April. Through May 1. 15650 Addison Rd. Addison. 972-450-6220. Watertowertheatre.org.

HOUSTON

Amazonia presents DJ Papi. 45N & Aldine Bender. 281-260-9885.

BiNet Houston. 7 p.m. Hobbit Cafe, 2243 Richmond. 713-467-4380. Flash.net/~bihouse.

Hobby Center presents Margaret Cho: The Assassin Tour. 8 p.m. Sarofim Hall, 800 Bagby. \$29.50-\$43.50. 713-629-3700.

Infernal Bridegroom Productions presents Medea. Through April 30. 8 p.m. \$5.99-\$15. The Axiom, 2524 McKinney. 713.522.8443.

Main St. Theatre presents Morning Star, through April 17. 713-524-6706. 467 Montrose. Mainstreettheater.com.

Pedro Calderón de la Barca's Life is a Dream, through May 8. April 21-23, 30 and May 1-2, 8 at 8 p.m. April 30 and May 7, 3 p.m. \$5-\$10. Theatre Collide. Winter Street Studios, 2101 Winter St. 713-528-5108. Info@theatre-collide.com.

Rice Gallery opening celebration for Jacob Hashimoto's Superabundant Atmosphere, with remarks by the artist. Exhibiting through April 17. 5:30-7:30 p.m. Rice University, Main St. Entrance 1. 713-348-6069. Ricegallery.org.

Stages Repertory Theatre presents Billy Bishop Goes to War. Through May 1. Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 8 p.m. Sundays, 3 p.m. \$10-\$20. 3201 Allen Parkway. 713-527-0123. Stages theatre.com.

South Beach presents Café con Leche. 810 Pacific. 713-529-SOBE. Southbeachthenightclub.com.

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M2: A Peer Support Group for Young Men. 6 p.m. Diversity Center, 531 San Pedro Ave. 2nd floor.

San Antonio Gender Association. 6-8 p.m. Diversity Center, 531 San Pedro Ave. 210-223-6106. Pammartin.pam@gmail.com. 2nd Floor. Diversitycentersa.org.

The Annex serves a complete spaghetti dinner, benefiting Diversity Center. \$3. 330 San Pedro. 210-223-6957. theannex-sab.com

Women's Support Group discusses relationship issues, facilitated by Sally Chilson, MA, LPCI. 6:30-8 p.m. Diversity Center, 531 San Pedro Ave. 2nd Floor. 210-223-6106. Diversitycentersa.org.

GLIB Talk By Kurt Erichsen

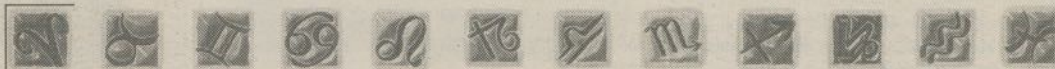


Sure, I have homework, Mom. I'm doing my Abstinence homework right now.



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Aries

Sun in Aries is trine to Pluto in Sagittarius, boosting energy and focus — or obsession. (Be careful to avoid the latter.) Mars conjunct Neptune in Aquarius blurs our energies and tempts us to get ahead of ourselves. Meditation will help you focus.

ARIES — March 20-April 19

Energetic, impulsive, headstrong, assertive — that's what you are any time, but now more so. You're up for interesting adventures or furious arguments. Try to avoid the latter, as they're usually pointless and could damage friendships.

TAURUS — April 20-May 20

Everybody has a secret — what's yours? Don't tell. Just thinking about your deepest, darkest secret will make you irresistibly sexy. Don't try this at work! A scandal is brewing, and you or a boss will likely be involved.

GEMINI — May 21-June 20

Your social and political skills are very sharp now, if only you can keep your mouth shut. Go to a poetry slam or call someone for phone sex to get the blabber out of your system — but when it counts, keep those lips tight!

CANCER — June 21-July 22

Your hard work speaks for itself, but don't be too modest. Take due pride and accept due credit. Though you may earn yourself a special night out, be careful of overindulgence. Getting too high, especially now, leads to danger.

LEO — July 23-August 22

There are fireworks waiting to happen, but someone close to you could get seriously burned. Just what is your understanding of fidelity? Make sure that you and your partner — and any playmates — are on the same page.

VIRGO — August 23-September 22

Your sexual impulsiveness, contrary to your reputation, is our little secret — until now, at least. Have your fun, but remember to be careful. You're particularly susceptible to infections, inflammations and sprains.

LIBRA — September 23-October 22

You may be expecting a little too much of others and coming off a bit strong. Take more initiative and be careful not to nag! "Loosen up and enjoy" is good advice — up to a point. Too loose isn't fun, it's just sloppy.

SCORPIO — October 23-November 21

This is an optimal time to clean up your financial matters — anything from balancing your checkbook on up. Even cleaning house and having a tag sale can prove lucrative, if you know what your castoffs are really worth.

SAGITTARIUS — November 22-December 20

Your playful side is getting so emphatic that your invitations for fun may sound coercive. Be gentle and ready to backpedal a little. Communications in general are likely to be muddled, so be extra careful to be clear.

CAPRICORN — December 21-January 19

Hide out at home and do whatever needs doing. Clean up archives and get rid of junk. If your house is already in perfect order, make yourself helpful to others in your community. Avoid financial dealings (even unnecessary shopping).

AQUARIUS — January 20-February 18

You are especially persuasive right now. The only problem is that you're lacking your usual certainty and focus. Meditate on the ideals you want to promote to others, thinking carefully about them before you speak up.

PISCES — February 19-March 19

Stay focused on what you're worth to yourself and what you consider most important. If you can keep your own priorities clear, you'll make great strides toward your goals. Exercise and mediation will help keep you sharp.

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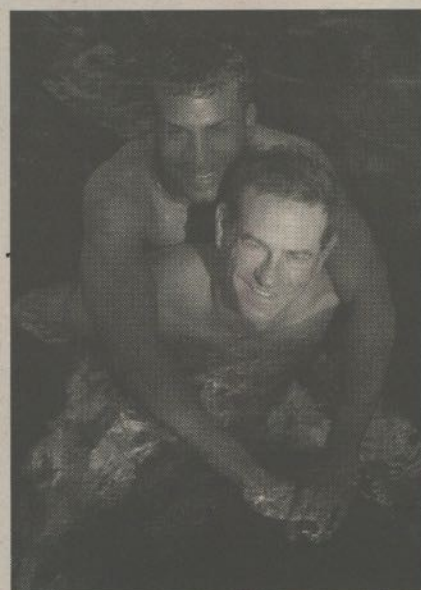
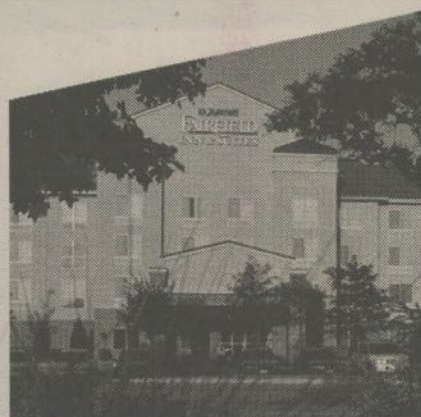
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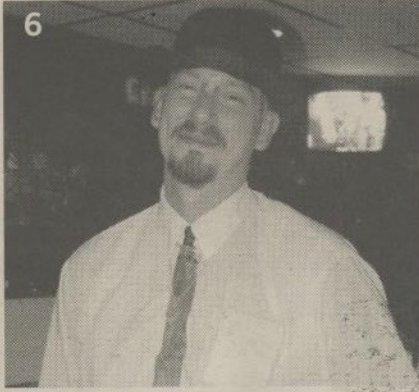
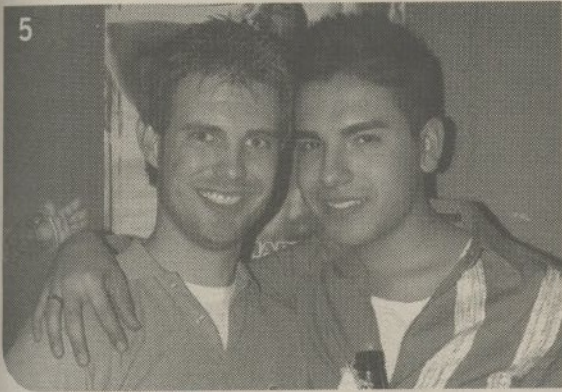
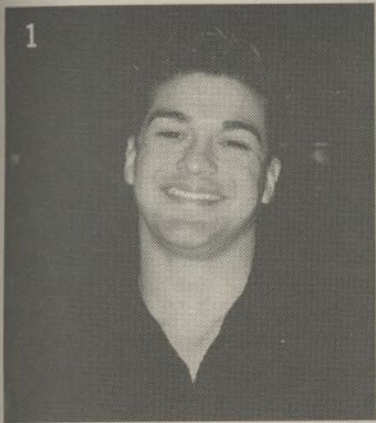
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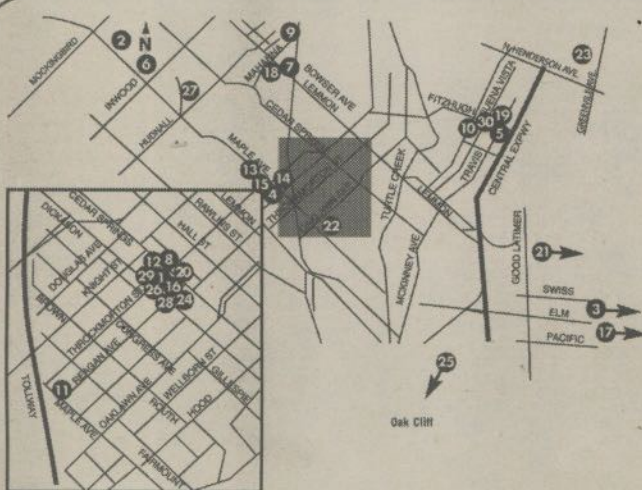
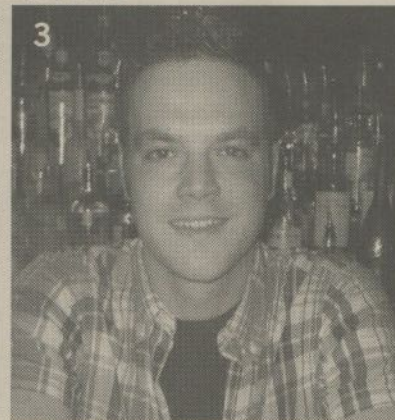
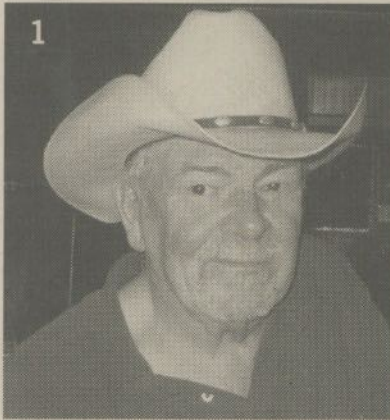
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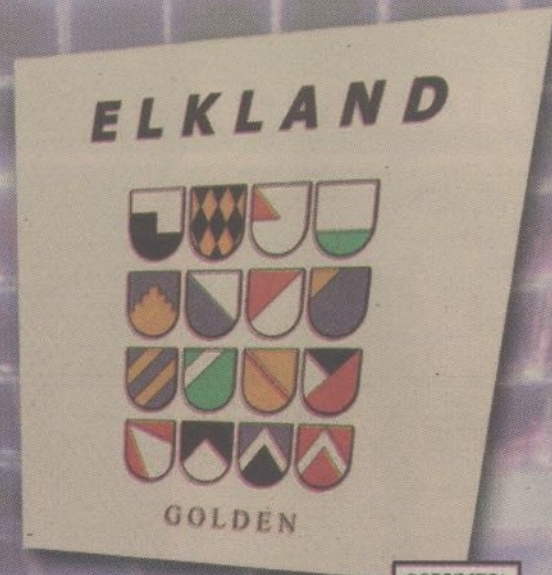


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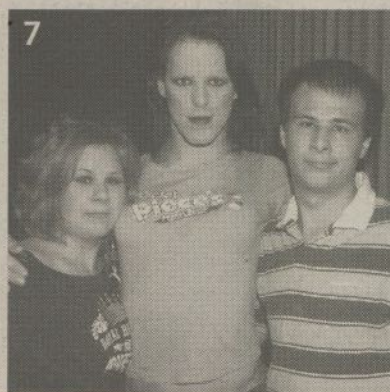
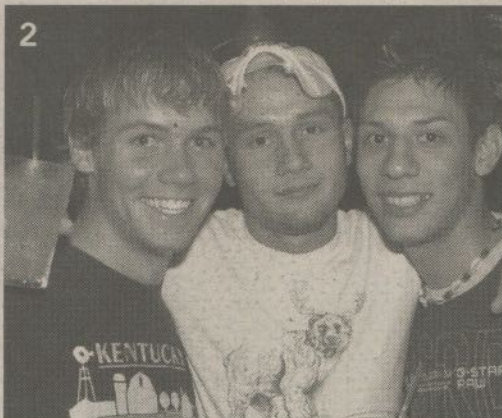
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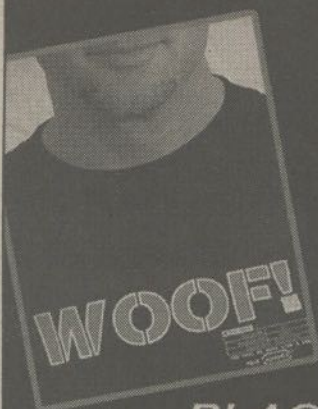


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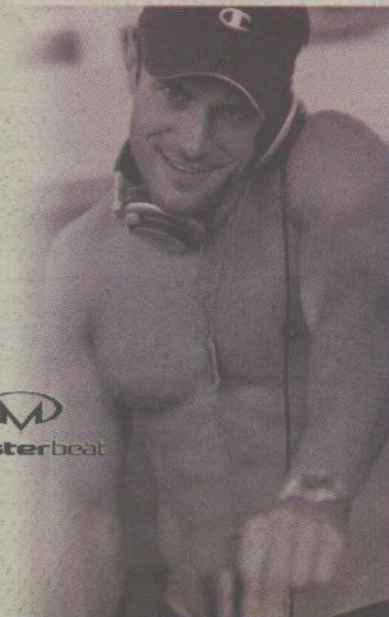
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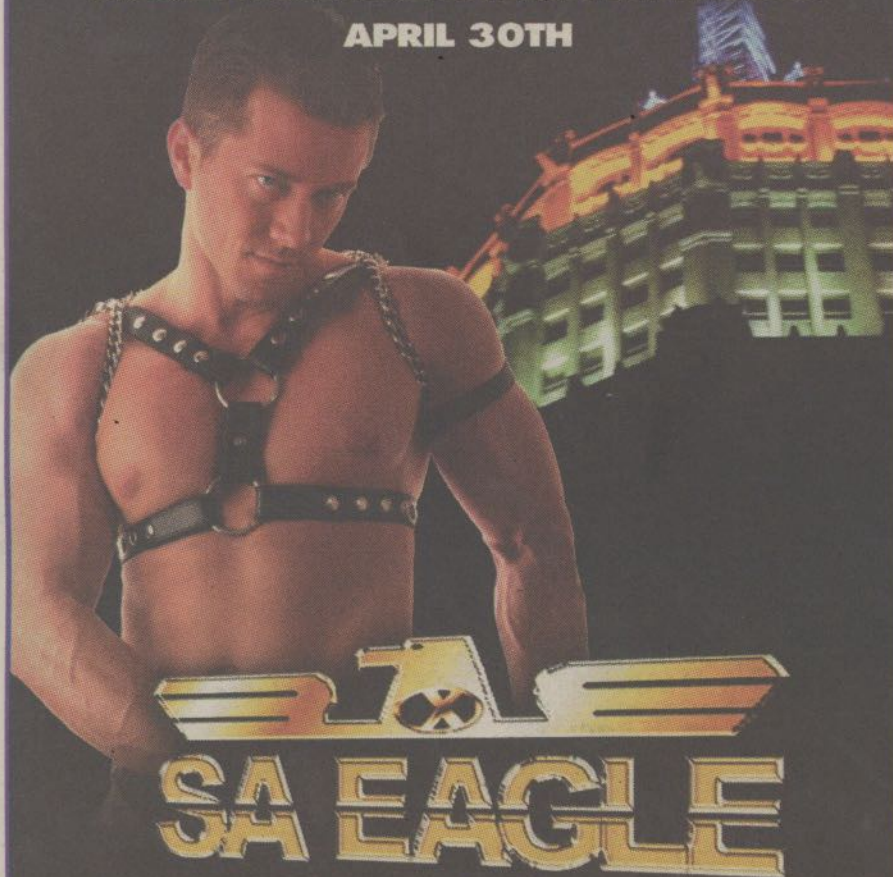
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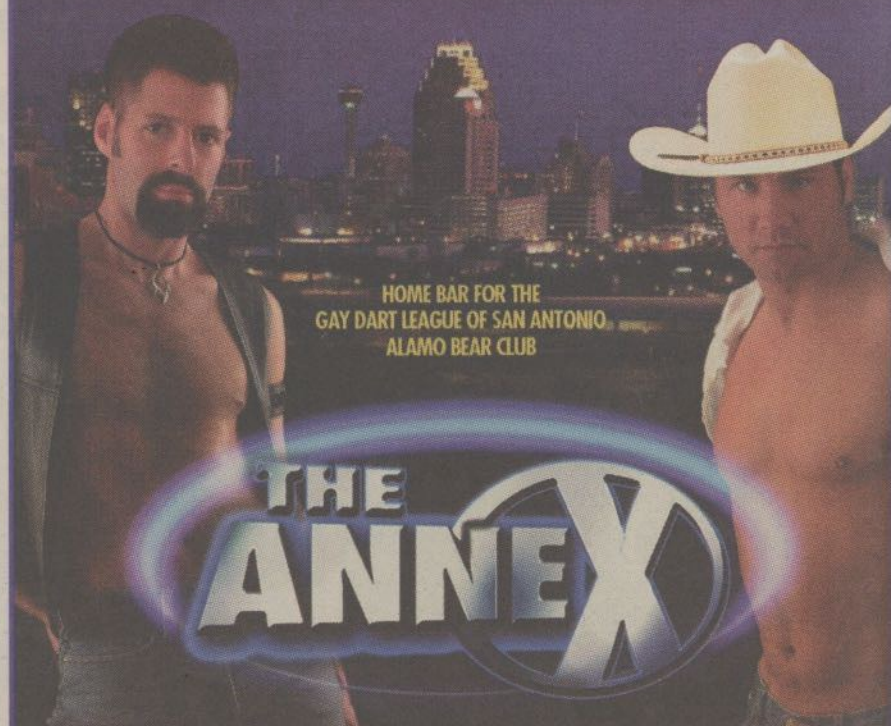
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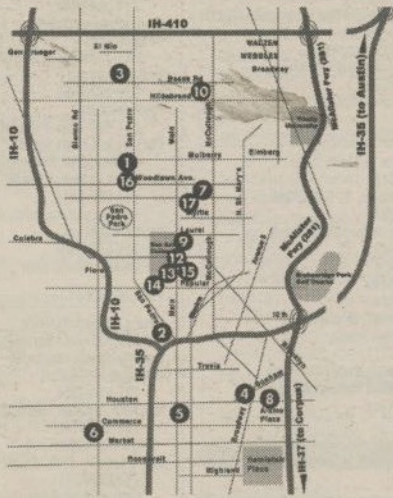
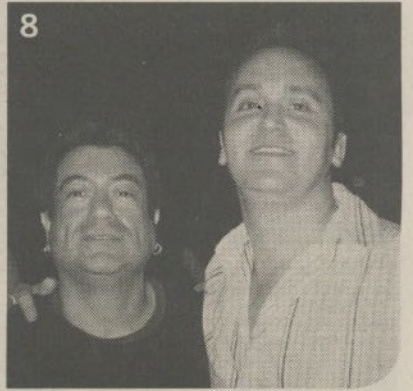
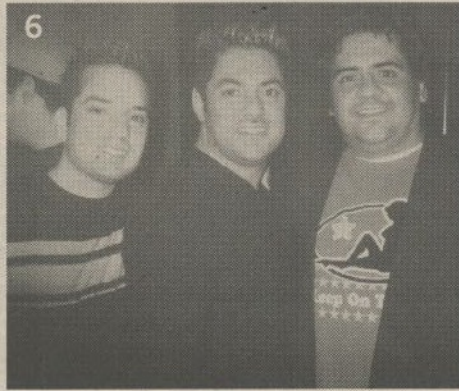
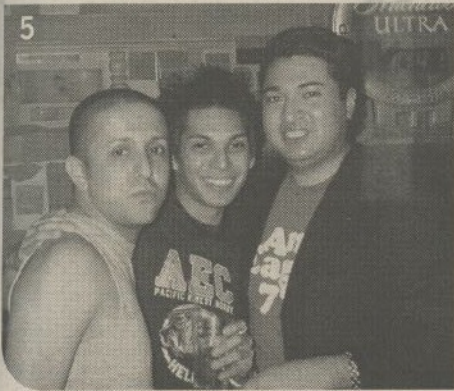
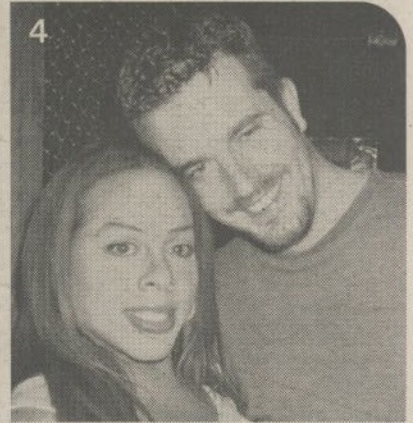
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Q Cinema GLBT Film Festival
817-462-3368 Qcinema.org

HOUSTON

Gay Men's Chorus of Houston
713-521-7464 Gmch.org
Houston Gay and Lesbian Film Festival
713-225-2205 Hglff.org
Houston Pride Band
713-862-9491
Houstonprideband.org

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Alamo City Men's Chorale
210-495-SING
Acmc-texas.org

gblt advocacy

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Austin Lesbian & Gay Political Caucus
512-474-0750
Human Rights Campaign
Hrc-austin-comms@austin.rr.com
Log Cabin Republicans Austin
512-467-9797
AustinJogcabin.org
National Gay & Lesbian Task Force
512-332-6483
Nglft.org
Soulforce Austin
Soulforceaustin.org
Stonewall Democrats of Austin
512-383-1754
Stonewallaustin.org
Texas Freedom Network
512-322-0545
Texas Human Rights Foundation
512-479-8473
Transgender Advocates of Central Texas
512-448-6354 Tacbx.org

DALLAS

Dallas & Fort Worth Federal Club
214-428-3332
Dfwfc.org
Dallas Stonewall Democrats
214-676-7751
Stonewalldemocrats.org/dallas
Dalla-Fort Worth Steering Committee of the Human Rights Campaign
972-733-5075
info.dallasfw@hrc.org
Lambda Legal
214-219-8585
dcoleman@lambdalegal.org
Log Cabin Republicans Dallas
214-346-2115
Dallas.logcabin.org
Stonewall Democrats of Dallas
214-328-4906
Stonewalldemocrats.org/dallas

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GLSEN Tarrant County
817-294-5101 Gisentarrant.org
PFLAG Fort Worth
817-428-2329
Pflagfortworth.org
Tarrant County Stonewall Democrats
817-913-8743
Tarrant@stonewalldemocrats.org

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American Veterans for Equal Rights-Houston
Aver.us
Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus
713-521-1000
Hglpc.org
Human Rights Campaign
Info.houston@hrc.org
Log Cabin Republicans Houston
Shari2600@yahoo.com
National Gay & Lesbian Task Force-Houston
713-426-3128
Old Lesbians Organizing for Change
Oloc.org

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Stonewall Democrats of Houston
713-854-8773
Stonewallhouston.org
Texas Human Rights Foundation
713-522-0636
Thrf.org
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American Veterans for Equal Rights - San Antonio
210-454-1638
Aversanantonio.org
Human Rights Campaign
Hrc-sa@sabx.rr.com
Log Cabin Republicans San Antonio
Lcrsa@yahoo.com
Stonewall Democrats of San Antonio
210-494-7442
Sdsabx.org

health

AUSTIN

AIDS Services of Austin
512-406-6167
Asaustin.org
ALGO Inform SIDA
512-472-2001
Allgoinc@adl.com
David Powell Clinic
512-479-6121
Ci.austin.tx.us
Project Transitions
512-454-8646
Projecttransitions.org
Texas AIDS Network
512-447-8887
Texasaids.net
Wright House Wellness Center
512-467-0088
Thewrighthouse.org

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AIDS Arms
214-521-5191
Aidsarms.org
AIDS Interfaith Network -
214-943-4444
Aidsinterfaithnetwork.org
AIDS Resource Center
214-559-AIDS
Rcdallas.org
AIDS Services of Dallas-
214-941-0523
Aidsdallas.org
Nelson-Tebedo Health Resource Center
214-528-2336
Rcdallas.org/nthrc.html
Pride Institute-DFW
817-404-2205
Prideinstitute.com

HOUSTON

AIDS Housing Coalition
713-864-1795
AIDS Foundation Houston
713-523-6796
Aidshelp.org
AssistHers
713-521-4628
Assisthers.org
AVES
713-626-2837 Aves-health.org
Bering Omega Community Services
713-852-2551
Beringomega.org
Center for AIDS
713-527-8219
Centerforaids.org
Lesbian Health Initiative
713-603-0023
Lhihouston.org
Montrose Clinic
713-830-3000
Montroseclicnic.org
Montrose Counseling Center
713-529-0037
Montrosecounselingcenter.org
People With AIDS Coalition
713-522-5428
Pwach.org
The Assistance Fund
713-529-4788
TheAssistanceFund.org

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AIDS Foundation San Antonio
210-225-4715 Txsaaaf.org

service

AUSTIN

Austin Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce
512-472-8299
Agicc.com
Center for Women's Business
512-472-8522

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Gay & Lesbian Students Association
512-458-3992
Lesbian Bisexual Gay Student Association
512-475-6664
Lesbian/Gay Pride Commission of Austin
512-479-9431
United Court of Austin
512-336-8388
Impcourt.org/icis/chapters/austin.html

DALLAS

Cathedral Business Network
214-351-1901
Cathedralofhope.com/cbn
Collin County Gay & Lesbian Alliance
214-521-5342
Ccglc.org
Dallas Gay and Lesbian Alliance
214-528-4233 Dglc.com
Dallas Gay and Lesbian Bar Association
214-540-4460
Dglba.org
Dallas Transgender Alliance
Geocities.com/dtgalliance
Lambda Pride Toastmasters
972-365-0773
Lambdapride.com
Leadership Lambda Toastmasters
214-219-1908
National Coming Out Project
214-521-5342
Comeout.org
SMU Spectrum
People.smu.edu/spectrum
United Court of the Lone Star Empire
Impcourt.org/icis/chapters/dallas.html
University of North Texas Ally Program
Unt.edu/ally
University of North Texas Lavender Circle
Orgs.unt.edu/lavendercircle

HOUSTON

An Uncommon Legacy Foundation
713-520-1142
Houston Black Tie Dinner
Houstonblacktiedinner.org
Bunnies on the Bayou
Bunnies.org
Colt 45's, Inc.
713-526-6077
Colt45s.org
HATCH
713-529-3590
Hatchyouth.org
Diana Foundation
713-639-2000
Gulf Coast Archive and Museum of GLBT History
713-227-5973 Gcam.org
Greater Houston GLBT Chamber of Commerce
713-523-7576
Ghglcc.org
Houston GLBT Community Center
713-524-3818
HoustonGLBTcommunitycenter.org
Houston Women's Group
713-529-8571
Houstonwomensgroup.com
Imperial Court of Houston
713-226-2220
Spacecityempire.org
Pride Committee of Houston
713-529-6979
Pridehouston.org
PWA Holiday Charities
713-526-4641
Royal Sovereign Imperial Court of Single Star
Impcourt.org/icis/chapters/houston.html
Stonewall Lawyers Association of Houston
713-227-1717
Slagh.org

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Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court of the Alamo Empire
210-641-2986
Impcourt.org/icis/chapters/sanantonio.html

social

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Austin Family Pride
512-682-6988
Austinfamilypride.home.att.net
Austin Gay Lesbian Leather Social
AustinGayLeatherSocial.org
Austin Latino Lesbian/Gay Organization
512-472-2001
Bisexual Network of Austin
512-370-9573
Main.org/binetaustin
Central Texas Boys of Leather
Ctbo.org
Heart of Texas Bears
heartoftexasbear.org
Heart of Texas Hoedowners
Hoedowners.org
Long Yang Club
Longyangclub.org/newsite/directory.htm
National Leather Association
512-703-8927
Prime Timers Austin
512-282-2861 Ptaustex@yahoo.com

social

AUSTIN

Rainbow Rollerskaters
512-296-0381 Main.org/rainbowskate
Screen Queens
Movies.groups.yahoo.com/group/screenqueens/
Texas Hill Country Faeries, Elves & Satyrs,
Groups.yahoo.com/group/thcfes/

DALLAS

DFW BiNet
www.dfwbi.net
Dallas Transgender Alliance
Geocities.com/dtgalliance
Dragonflies of Dallas
Dragonfliesofdallas.org
High Tech Happy Hour
Majordomo@list.ti.com
Prime Timers of Dallas Fort Worth
Primetimers-dfw.org
North Texas Radical Faeries,
Groups.yahoo.com/group/NTRadfae
SMU Spectrum
People.smu.edu/spectrum
Stonewall Professional & Business Association
214-521-5342 ext. 1721
United Court of the Lone Star Empire
Impcourt.org/icis/chapters/dallas.html
Women's Business Network
972-949-4355
Womensbusinessnetwork.org

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Meadowbrook Rainbow Neighbors
Meadowbrooknews@webtv.net
Rainbow GLBT Nurses
817-346-8314
Rainbownurses@sbcglobal.net
Tarrant County Gay Pride Week Association
Tcgpwa.org
Trinity River Bears
Trinityriverbears.com

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BiNet Houston
713-467-4380 Flash.net/~bihouse
Gays & Lesbians Organized by Orullo
713-710-0268 Globohouston.org
Houston Big Men's Club
713-337-5833
www.houstonbigmensclub.com
Houston Prime Timers
713-867-3903
Primetimerswww.org/houston
Rainbow Ranglers
Rainbowranglers.org
WIPsociety
281-564-0615 WIPsociety.net

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Diversity Center
210-223-6106 Diversitycentersa.org
King Mary's Bridge Club
210-223-6106, Kingmary.org
San Antonio Prime Timers
830-980-8744
Saprimetimer049@aol.com
Texas Tradition Cloggers
210-535-6155
Texastraditioncloggers.com

spiritual

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Affirmation (Methodist)
512-451-2329
First Unitarian Universalist Church
512-452-6168
Integrity Austin Episcopal
Geocities.com/austinepiscopal
Kingdom Seekers in Christ Jesus
512-322-0049, Whosoever.net
Lutherans Concerned
512-832-4159
MCC Austin at Freedom Oaks
512-291-8601
Mccaustin.com
Metropolitan Community Church of Austin
512-291-8601
Mishpachath Am Echad
512-451-7018
Tejas Web
Tejasweb.org
Trinity United Methodist Church
512-459-5835 Tumc.org
Unity Church of Austin
512-447-7772
University Baptist Church
512-478-8559 ABCAustin.org

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Cathedral of Hope
214-351-1901
Cathedralofhope.com
Celebration Community Church
817-335-3222
Celebration-community-church.com
Christian Gays in Fellowship
817-446-1555
City Church
214-559-4021
Citychurchdallas.org
Community Unitarian Universalist Church
972-424-8989
Uuplano.org
Congregation Beth El Binah
214-521-5342 Bethelbinah.org

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Crossroads Community Church
972-669-5777
Dignity/Dallas (Catholic)
214-521-5342
Disciples of Christ
214-946-2184
Faith Community Church
972-530-3900
First Unitarian Church of Dallas
214-528-3990, Dallasuu.org
Jubilee Christian Fellowship
214-528-3655
JubileeTX.org
MCC of Greater Dallas
888-212-4763
MCCGreaterDallas.org
Sanctuary of Love
214-520-2260
White Rock Community Church
214-320-0043
Whiterockchurch.org

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Agape Metropolitan Community Church
817-535-5002
Agapemcc.com

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Bering Memorial United Methodist Church
713-526-1017
Beringomega.org
Community Gospel Church
713-880-9235
Communitygospel.org
Congregation Beth Israel
713-771-6221
Congregation Mishpachath Alizim
866-841-9139
Mishpachath@onebox.com
Covenant Church
713-688-8830
Covenanthouston.org
Dignity/Houston
713-880-2872
Dignityhouston.org
First Unitarian Universalist Church of Houston
713-526-5200, Firstuu.org
Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
713-528-3269
Office@gracelutheran-houston.org
Maranatha Fellowship Metropolitan
Community Church
713-528-6756
New Covenant Christian Church
713-984-5806
Northwoods Unitarian Universalist
Church of The Woodlands
281-298-2780
Northwoodsuu.org
Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church
713-861-9149
Resurrectionmcc.org
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
713-528-6665
Ststephenshouston.org

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Abundant Grace in Christ Jesus
210-445-5156
Dignity/San Antonio, St. Ann's Church
210-340-2230
First Unitarian Universalist Church
210-344-4695
LGBT Interweave
210-344-4695
MCC San Antonio
210-472-3597, Mccsa.org
River City Living Church
210-822-1121
Rclc@rivercitylivingchurch.org
Travis Park United Methodist Church
Travispark.org

sports

AUSTIN

Adventuring Outdoors
512-236-7176
Main.org/adventuring
Austin FrontRunners
512-473-8334, Fronrunners.org
Austin Gamblers Bowling League
512-647-7073
Austingamblers@yahoo.com
Austin Gay Softball
512-477-7116 Tx@hotmail.com
Austin Lonestars Rugby Club
512-796-0716 Lonestarsrugby.org
Austin Night Flyers Rugby Football Club
Austinnightflyers.org
Austin Tennis Club
Austintennisclub.com
Austin Valkyries Women's Rugby Club
Austinvalkyries.com
Fast Track
512-453-8878
Geocities.com/tastrackrunners
Houston Fly Boys
www.houstonflyboys.com
Team Austin
512-447-6408
Texas Gay Rodeo Association
Tgra.org

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DFW Rainbow Skate
972-641-0661 214-478-2649

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Friday Night Out Bowling League
972-702-0058
Oak Lawn Soccer Club of Dallas
214-366-2565
Oaklawnsoccerclub.org
Team Dallas Aquatics
TeamDallasAquatics.com
Texas Gay Rodeo Association - Dallas
214-346-2107 Tgra.org
Texas Twisters
972-993-2021 Texastwisters.org

HOUSTON

FrontRunners
713-522-0899
Home.swbell.net/iarathon/houfr.htm
Houston Area Women's Rugby Club
832-741-7125
Houstonrugby.org
Houston Invitational Tournament
Texasinvite.com
Houston Roughnecks Rugby Club
Roughnecksrugby.org
Houston Women's Softball League
713-502-5799
Lone Star Volleyball Association
713-717-5782 Lsva.org
Montrose Soccer Club
Montrosesoccer.org
Montrose Softball League
713-867-3913
Montrosesoftballleague.com
OutSkate Roller Skate Club
281-933-5818
Dobie367@aol.com
Texas Gay Rodeo Association
713-523-7663 Tgra.org

support

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PFLAG-Austin
512-302-PFLAG
Pflag-austin.org
Out Youth
512-419-1233 Out@outyouth.org
Waterloo Counseling Center
512-444-9922 Waterloo.counseling.org

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Gay & Lesbian Switchboard
214-528-0022
Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Support Network
972-669-5777 Glsendallas.org
Lambda AA
214-267-0222 or 214-887-6699
Lambda Group of AI-An
214-363-0461
Dallasal-anon.org
PFLAG Dallas
214-233-0977 Pflagdallas.org
Positively Young
972-283-0468
Pride Institute
817-404-2205 Prideinstitute.com
Purple Light Trans Support
Goldleopard.com/purple
Resource Center of Dallas
214-528-0144
Resourcecenterdallas.org
Youth First Texas
214-879-0400
Youthfirsttexas.com

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Bering Support Network
713-526-1017 Beringumc.org
Community Awareness for
Transgender Support
281-624-7056
Donald R. Watkins Memorial Foundation
713-528-1748
Donaldrwatkins.org
Gay & Lesbian Switchboard Houston
713-529-3211
Gayswitchboardhouston.org
Hollyfield Foundation
713-523-6900
Hollyfield.org
Kolbe Project
713-861-1800
Kolbeproject.org
Lambda Houston Alcoholics Anonymous
713-521-1243
Lambdahouston.org
Montrose Counseling Center
713-529-0037
Montrosesupportcenter.org
PFLAG Houston
713-467-3524
Pflaghouston.org

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Club Poz San Antonio
210-341-0133
ClubPozSAT@aol.com
Diversity Center Spectrum
210-223-6106 Info@glccsa.org
Diversity Center Transgender Support Group
210-223-6106
Christielee@glccsa.org
PFLAG San Antonio
210-655-2383
Pflagsanantonio@webtv.net

commerce

accommodations

AUSTIN
 A Summit House Bed & Breakfast — 1204 Summit St., 512-445-5604.
 Pine Canyon Bed & Breakfast Spa — 358 Pine Canyon Dr., 512-302-0185.

DALLAS
 Hotel Za Za — 2332 Leonard St., 214-468-8399, hotelzazadallas.com.
 The Melrose — 3015 Oak Lawn Ave., 214-521-5151, melrosehoteldallas.com.

HOUSTON
 Gar-Don Suites — 2702 Crocker St. 800-484-1036 (code 2669).
 Holiday Inn Select — 2712 S.W. Frwy., 713-523-8448.
 Kilworth Manor — 109 Stratford, 713-523-8448, kilworthmanor.com.
 The Lovett Inn — 501 Lovett Blvd., 713-522-5224, 1-800-779-5224.
 Montrose Inn — 408 Avondale, 520-0206, 800-357-1228.

SAN ANTONIO
 Arbor House B+B — 109 Arciniega, 210-472-2005.
 Christmas House Bed & Breakfast — 2307 McCullough, 1-800-268-4187.
 The Painted Lady Inn — 620 Broadway, 210-220-1092, thepaintedlady.com.

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 English & Associates — 1201 Main St., 214-528-4300.
 Frankel Douglas — 214-353-8033 dougfrankel.com.
 Stewart Charles — 3500 Oak Lawn, 214-521-3804.

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 Peggy S. Bittick — 281-485-3500.
 Calvin "CJ" Braun — 8100 Washington Ave., 713-880-3366.
 Nechman, Simoneaux and Frye, PLLC — 713-227-1717, nsflaw.com.
 Simon & Associates — 401 Studewood, 713-524-6000.
 Walker & Patterson, PC — 4815 Dacoma, 713-958-5577.
 Weisblatt & Associates — 2 Riverwat, 713-552-0686, weisblattlaw.com.

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 Barry L. Eron — 10010 San Pedro Ave., 210-366-9676.
 Carol Bertsch — 1919 San Pedro Ave., 210-735-9911.
 Michael W. White — 3737 Broadway, 210-821-5283.
 Neil A. Calfas — 540 S. St. Mary's Street, 210-212-6969.
 Pearsall Legal Services, PLLC — 11103 San Pedro, 210-340-8290.

automotive

AUSTIN
 Austin Subaru — 200 West Huntland, 512-454-9489.
 Charles Maund Volkswagen — 8400 Research, 1-800-440-1999, maund.com.
 David McDavid Acura — 13553 Research Blvd., 512-335-5555.
 First Texas Honda — 1301 W. Koenig Lane, 512-381-1333, firsttexas-honda.com.
 Gillman Subaru — 6809 South I-35, 512-444-6044.
 Suzuki-Isuzu of Austin — (Jules Gollins) 4738 S. IH 35, 512-583-4000.

DALLAS
 Advantage Auto Lease — (Marty Malliton) 400 Chisholm Pl., Ste. 100, 972-423-0723.

automotive

DALLAS
 Classic BMW — 300 N. Central Expy., 866-289-9999, classicbmw.com.
 Freeman Mazda — (George Johnson) 1800 E. Airport, Irving, 972-438-2121.
 John Eagle Honda — 5311 Lemmon Ave. 214-904-3247, EagleHonda.com.
 Saturn of Mesquite — (Miki Holtz) 15900 I-635 at Dates, 1-800-723-0714.

HOUSTON
 Gillman Subaru Southwest — 10575 W. Sam Houston Pkwy., 713-776-6310.
 Jeff Haas Mazda — (John Griffin) 11222 Old Katy Rd., 713-932-6004.
 John Eagle Acura — (Pete Ramirez) 281-589-0600, johneagleacura.com.
 Land Rover Houston — 7019 Old Katy Rd., 713-293-6100.
 Mike Calvert Toyota — 2333 Loop 610 713-558-8100, mikecalverttoyota.com.
 Planet Ford — 20403 Interstate 45 North, 1-888-251-9135.
 Sterling McCall Toyota — (Alexis) 9400 Southwest Frwy., 832-816-5718.

SAN ANTONIO
 Benson Honda/Mazda — 9100 San Pedro, 210-34-1356, tombenson.com.
 North Park Subaru — 210-308-0200.
 Tom Benson Chevrolet/Isuzu — 9400 San Pedro, 210-341-3311, tombenson.com.

entertainment, adult

AUSTIN
 Adult Video Megaplexxx — 7111 S. I-35, 512-442-5719.
 Midtowne Spa Austin — 5815 Airport, 512-302-9696, midtowne-spa.com.
DALLAS
 Alternatives of New Fine Arts — 1720 W. Mockingbird, 214-630-7071.
 Club Dallas — 2616 Swiss, 214-821-1990, the-club.com.
 Midtowne Spa Dallas — 2509 Pacific, 214-821-8989, midtowne.com.
 Mockingbird Adult Video — 708 W. Mockingbird, 214-631-3003.

HOUSTON
 Adult Video Megaplexxx — 5819 Richmond, 713-780-1827.
 Adult Video Megaplexxx — 10006 Gulf Frwy., 713-944-8111.
 Adult Video Megaplexxx — 8100 I-45 North, 281-820-8999.
 Club Houston — 2200 Fannin St., 713-659-4998, the-club.com.
 Eros 1207 — 1207 Spencer Hwy., 713-944-6010.
 Executive Adult Video Store — 14002 N.W. Frwy., 713-462-5152.
 Midcity Video — 2043 Southwest Frwy., 713-522-3530.
 Midtowne Spa Houston — 3100 Fannin, 713-522-2370, midtowne.com.
 Q Video — 1415 California, 713-522-4485.

SAN ANTONIO
 Alternative Clubs, Inc. ACI — 827 East Elmira, 210-223-2177.
 Club San Antonio, 13900 Jones — Maltsberger, 210-545-2101.
 Executive Club II — 402 Austin St., 210-299-1400.

entertainment, gen.

AUSTIN
 Queerwaves Radio — Saturdays 4:30-6pm 91.7 FM KOOP, koop.org.
 Zachary Scott Theatre Center — 512-476-0541, zachscott.com.
DALLAS
 Angelika Film Center — Mockingbird Lane 214-841-4700.
 Magnolia Theater — 3699 McKinney Ave. at West Village, 214-520-0025.
HOUSTON
 Alley Theatre — 615 Texas Ave., 713-228-8421, alleytheatre.org.
 Angelika Film Center & Café — 510 Texas Ave., 713-333-FILM.

entertainment, gen.

HOUSTON
 Greenway Theater — 5 Greenway Plaza, 713-629-5129, landmarktheatres.com
 After Hours — 713-526KPFT, www.kpft.org
 Saturday midnight - Sunday 4am
 Houston Grand Opera — 713-228-OPERA, 1-800-626-7372.
 Houston Symphony — 615 Louisiana St., 713-224-7575, houstonsymphony.org.
 River Oaks Theatre — 2009 West Gray, 713-528-4608, landmarktheatres.com.
 Theatre Under The Stars — 713-558-8887, tuts.com.

health care

AUSTIN
 38th Street Pharmacy — 711 West 38th Street, C-3, 512-458-3784.
 Dr. Jeanne Gallaway, MD — 512-695-2342 4104 Medical Pkwy. #113.
 Jay M. Erwin-Grotsky, LMSW-ACP — 512-451-7222.
 Michael Escobedo, M.D. — 512-347-9794, lazsmooth.com.
 Michael F. Lessner, DDS — 2907 Duval Street near UT Campus, 512-472-5633.
 Silva Psychiatric Care — 3101 Bee Cave Rd., #310, 512-327-3810, silvapsych.com.
 Waterloo Counseling Center — 3000 South I-35, 512-444-9922.
 Woods Chiropractic — 6104 South 1st Street, Suite 105, 512-442-9595.

DALLAS
 Advanced Facial Plastic Surgery — 3317 McKinney, 972-774-1777.
 Advanced Skin Fitness — 3601 Routh St., SOTA Bldg., 214-521-5277.
 Alan Maedgen, D.D.S. — 3838 Oak Lawn #177, 214-559-7266.
 Carole Ann Boyd, D.D.S. — 4514 Cole, Ste. 905, 214-521-6261, drboyd.net.
 David Brand, M.D. — 801 N. Zang Blvd., 214-941-4000.
 Dr. Mark Hayes — 3100 MacArthur, 972-258-6400, www.tylock.com.
 Pride Institute — 817-404-2205
 Pride-institute.com.
 Southwest Infectious Disease Associates — 3801 Gaston, Ste. 300, 214-828-4702.
 StatScript — 3818 Cedar Springs, 214-522-4006.
 Stonewall Behavioral Health, Inc. — 3626 N. Hall, 723, 214-521-1278, 1-888-828-TALK.
 Eugene Tseng, D.D.S. — 3003 Carlisle, Ste. 106, 214-855-0789.
 Uptown Psychotherapy — 4144 N. Central Expy, Ste. 520, 214-824-2009.
 Uptown Vision — 2504 Cedar Springs at Fairmount, 214-953-EYES.

HOUSTON
 Chimney Rock Chiropractic - (Art Keller, DC) 3033 Chimney Rock, 713-781-3344.
 Greenbriar Health — Patrick McNamara, MD, 4101 Greenbriar, 713-524-4837.
 Holmes Chiropractic — (Randall Holmes, DC) 1235 N. Loop W., 713-862-2440.
 Houston Department of Health & Human Services - 8000 N Stadium 713-794-9092.
 Montrose Clinic — 215 Westheimer, 713-830-3000.
 Montrose Counseling Center - 701 Richmond, 713-529-0037.
 Skin Renaissance Laser Center — 106 Westheimer, 713-942-SKIN.
 Bruce W. Smith, D.D.S. — 1006 Missouri Street, 713-529-4364.
 Southwest Houston Women's Center - (Myrtle Oates, MD) — 4747 Bellaire, 713-779-6626.
 STAT Home Health Care — 711 Hyde Park Dr. 713-520-9997, www.stathomecare.com
 Statscript Pharmacy — 3407 Montrose, 713-552-7373
 Tony Carroll Psychotherapy — 1006 Missouri St., 713-529-4364.

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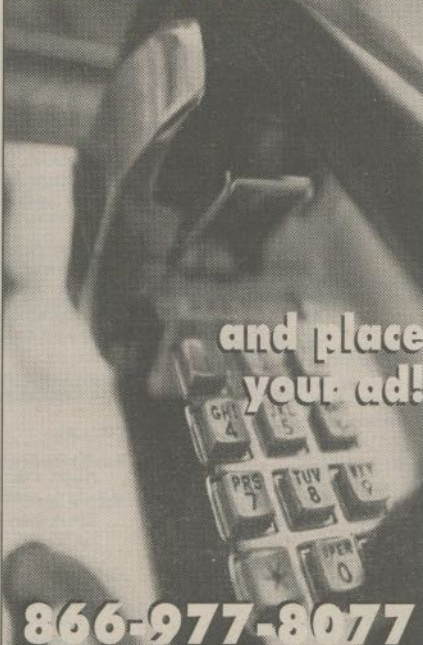


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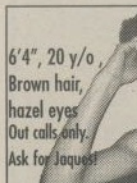
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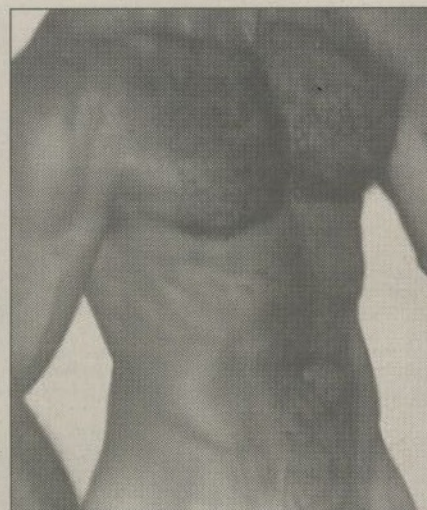
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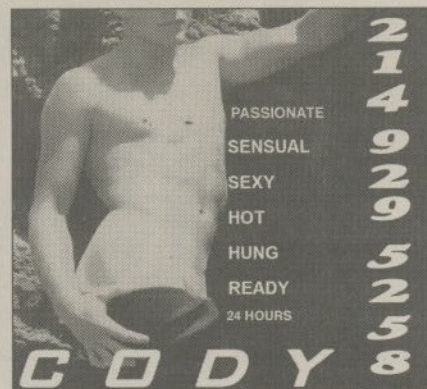
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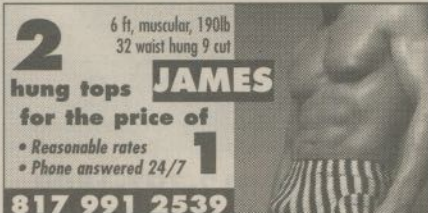
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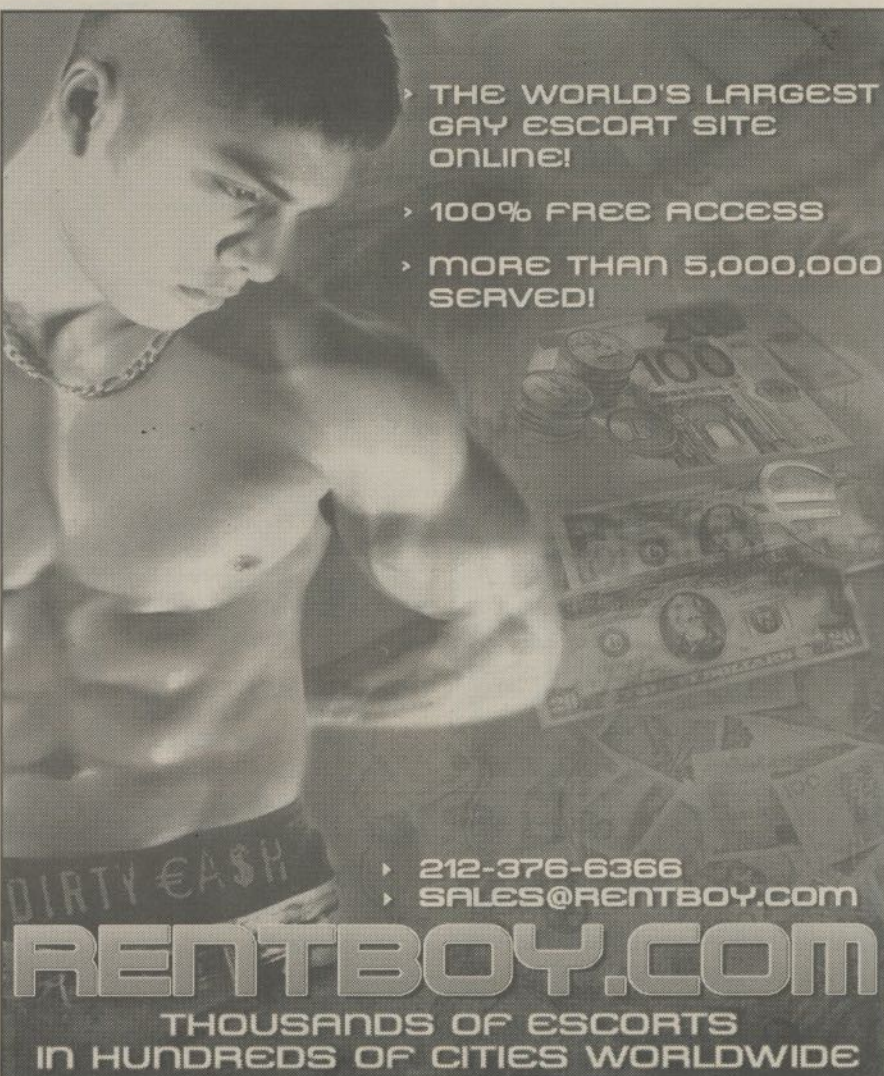
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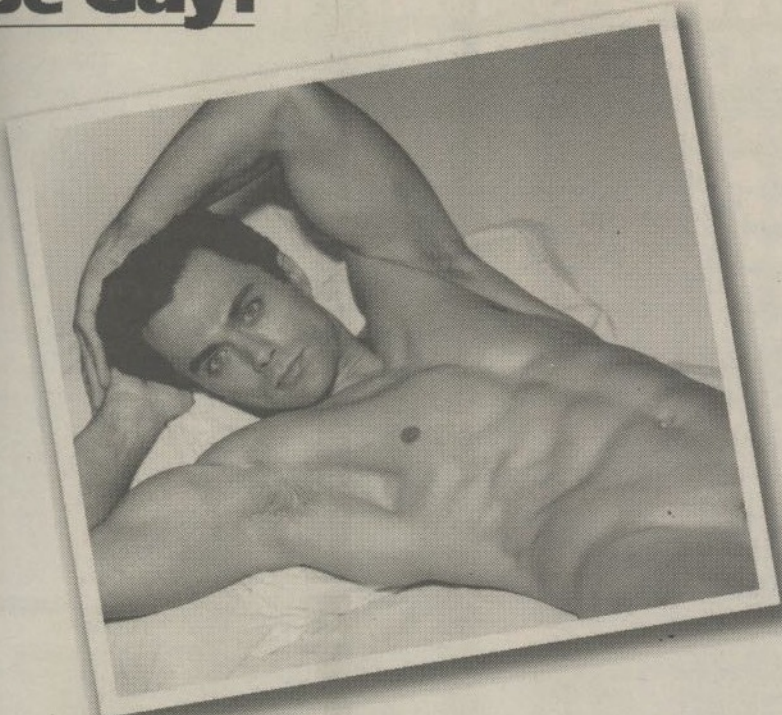
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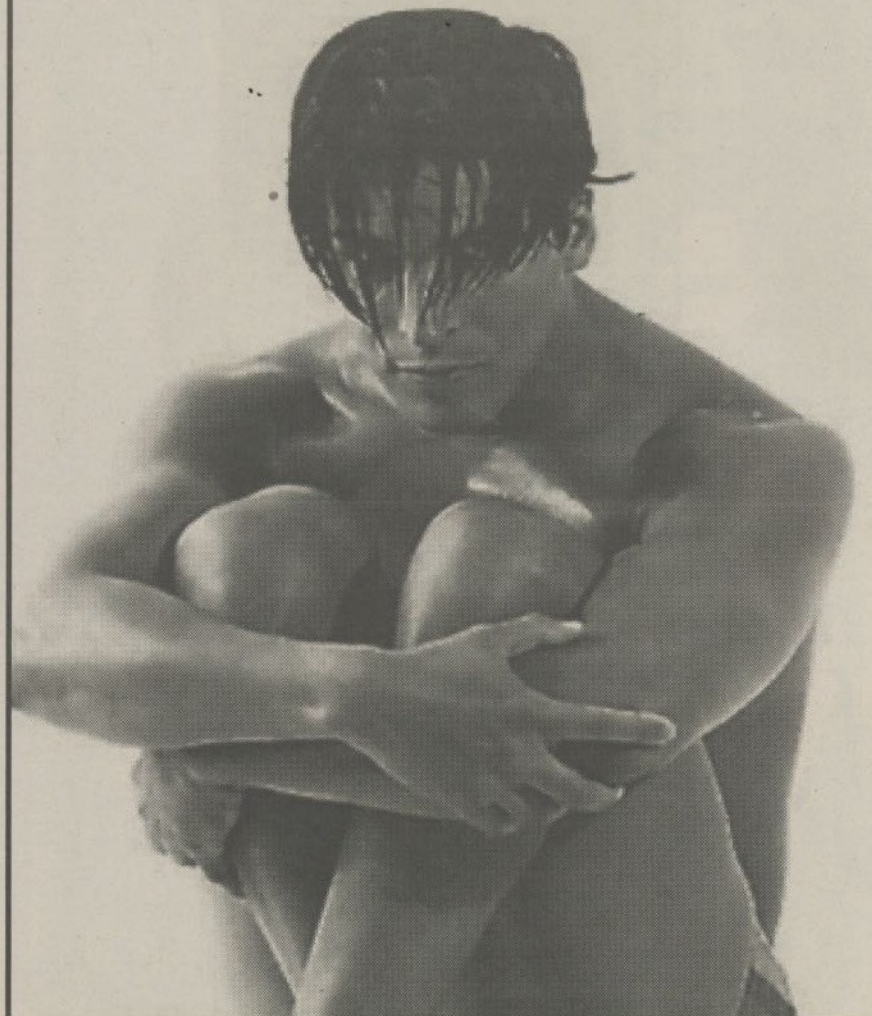
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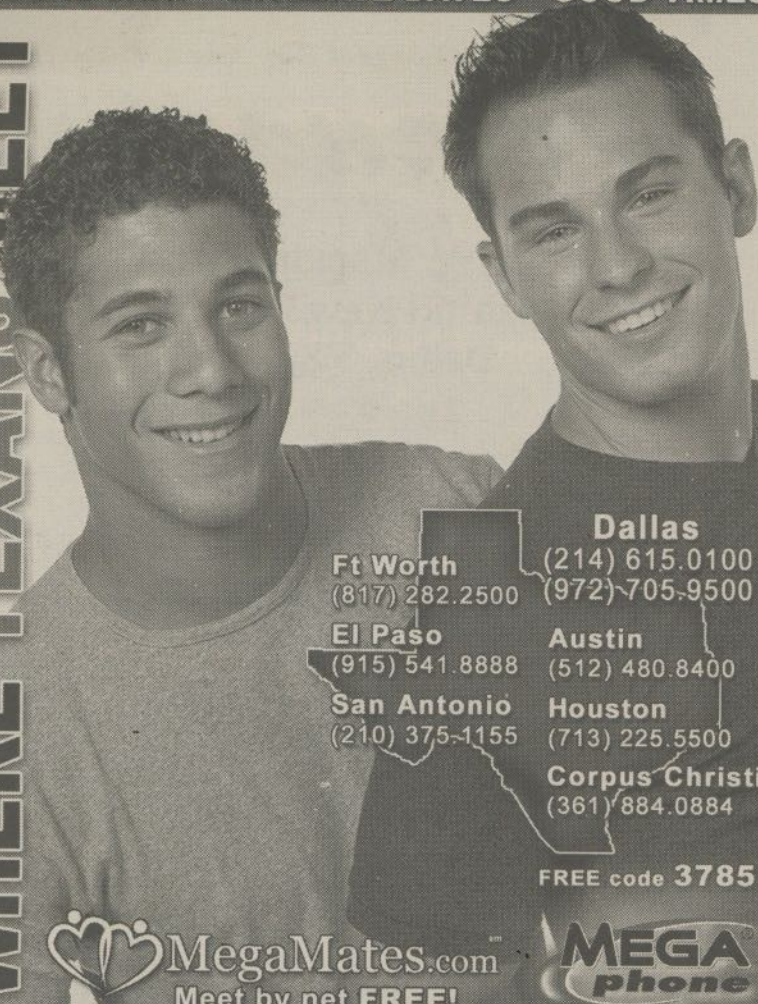
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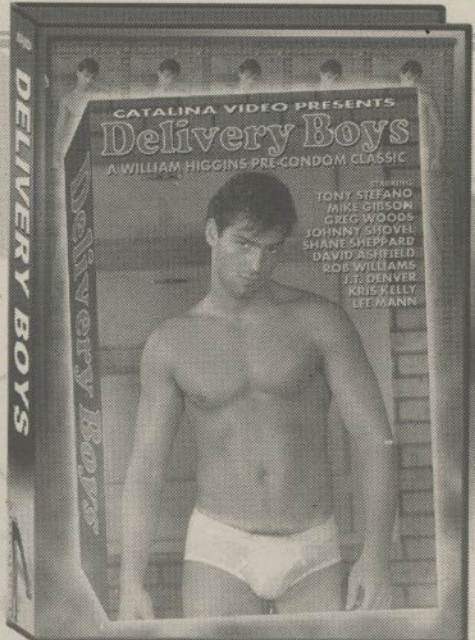
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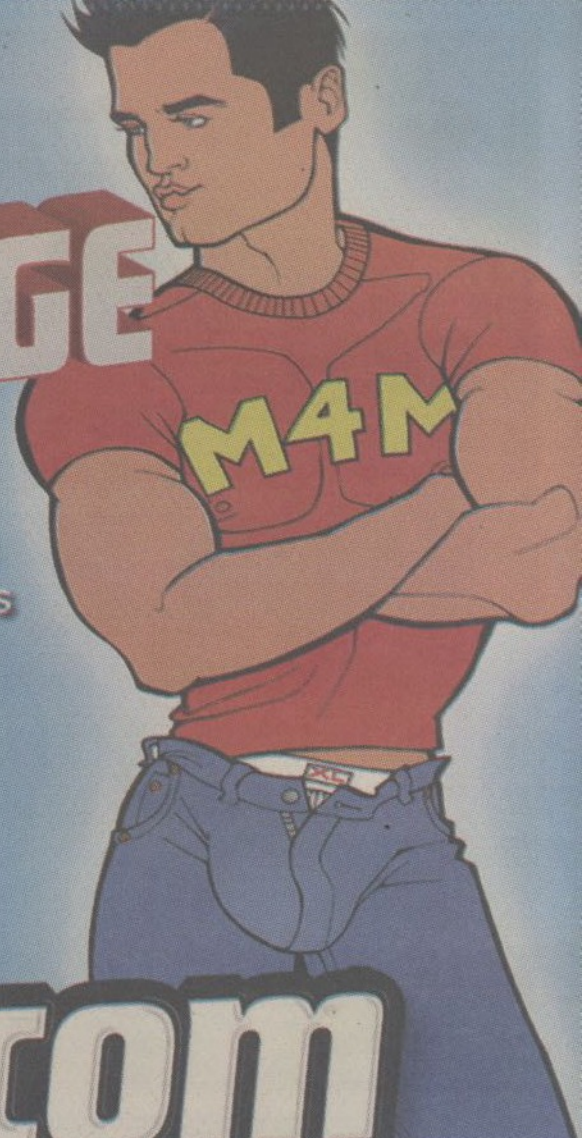
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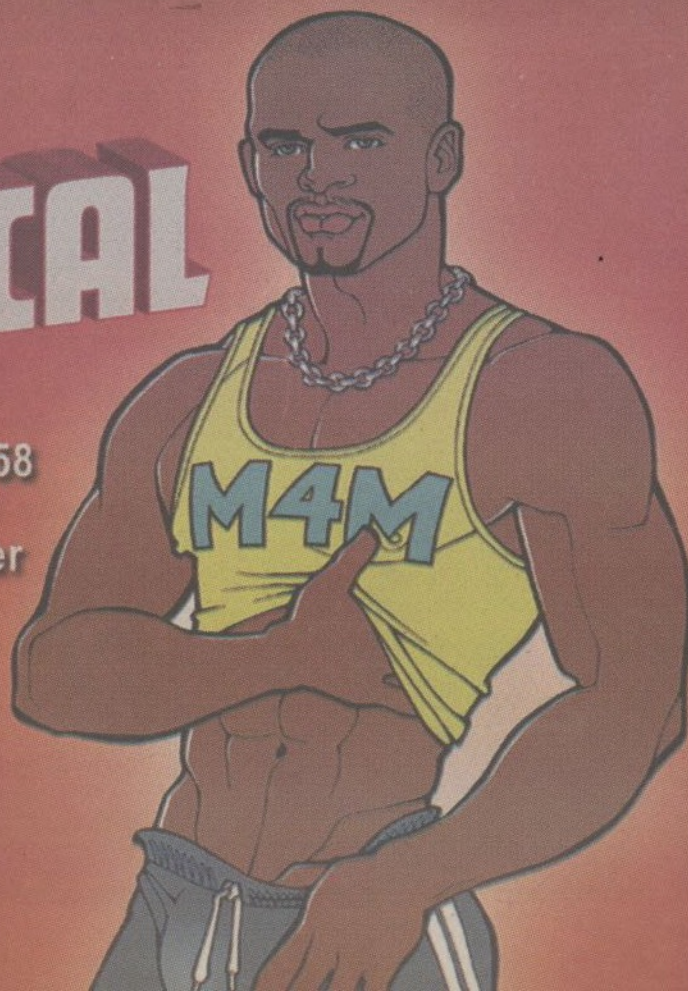


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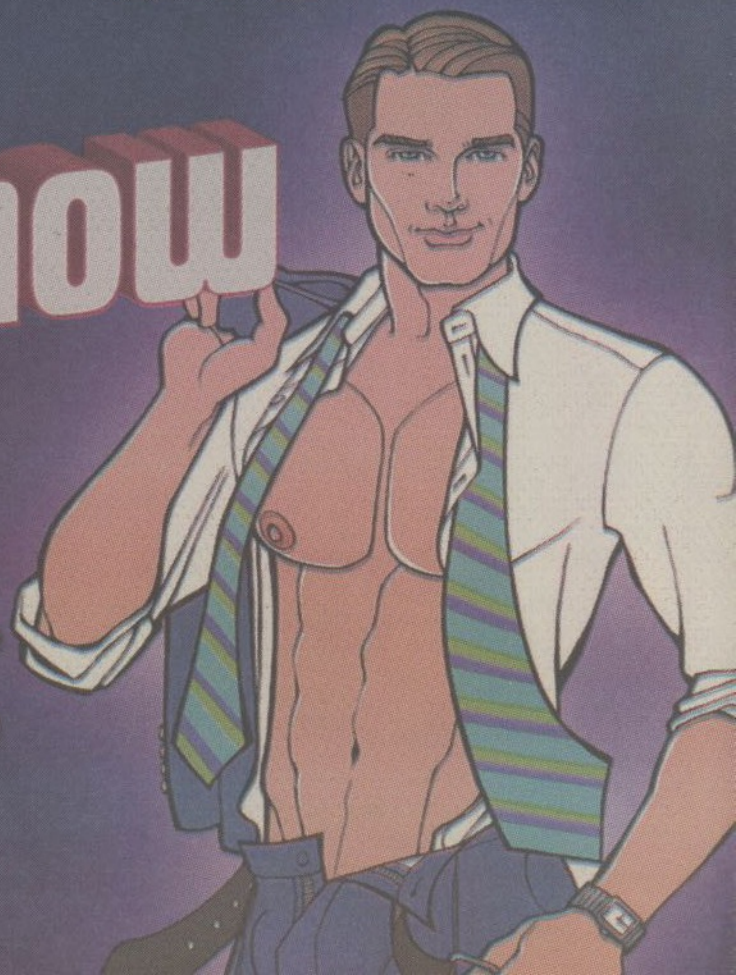
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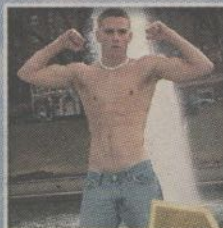


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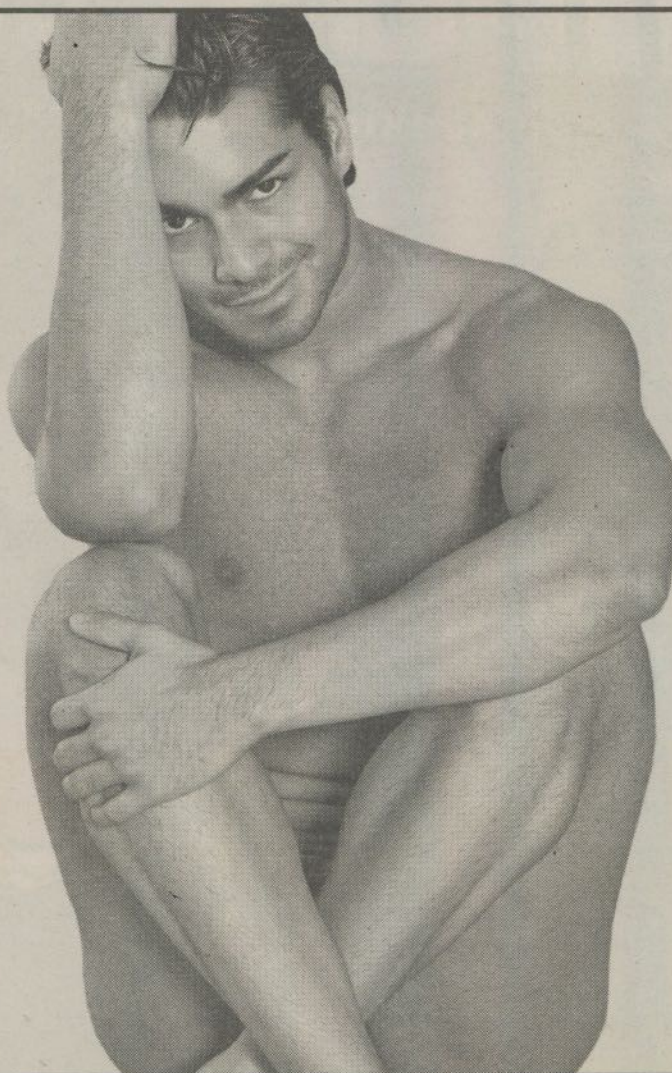
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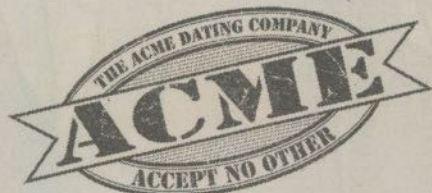
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Saturday, April 16 Fourth Annual Centaur Fiesta Music Party!



Tonight we are featuring the music of Ultra Nate's new CD, Free. Again, our friends at Centaur Music are introducing us to this CD, and sponsoring the party. Like what you hear? Maybe you will win a copy tonight. No cover for 21+ til 10, 1.75 any drink til 11, 1.00 well drinks all night long, GO-GO boys.

Sunday, April 17 R&B Girls Night Out and Mariah Carey CD Promo



Enjoy the smooth mixes of DJ Dee after you see the latest antics of Shane, Bette, and the other L Word chicks. We are also featuring the highly anticipated new CD by Grammy Winning Mariah Carey "The Emancipation of Mimi", featuring "It's Like That" & "We Belong Together". Brush up on your Mariah trivia, & you might win one!

In Stores April 12

Monday, April 18 River Parade Party and 2nd Annual Erotic Bake-off



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Tuesday, April 19 Natasha Grant's Twisted Desires Show and Contest

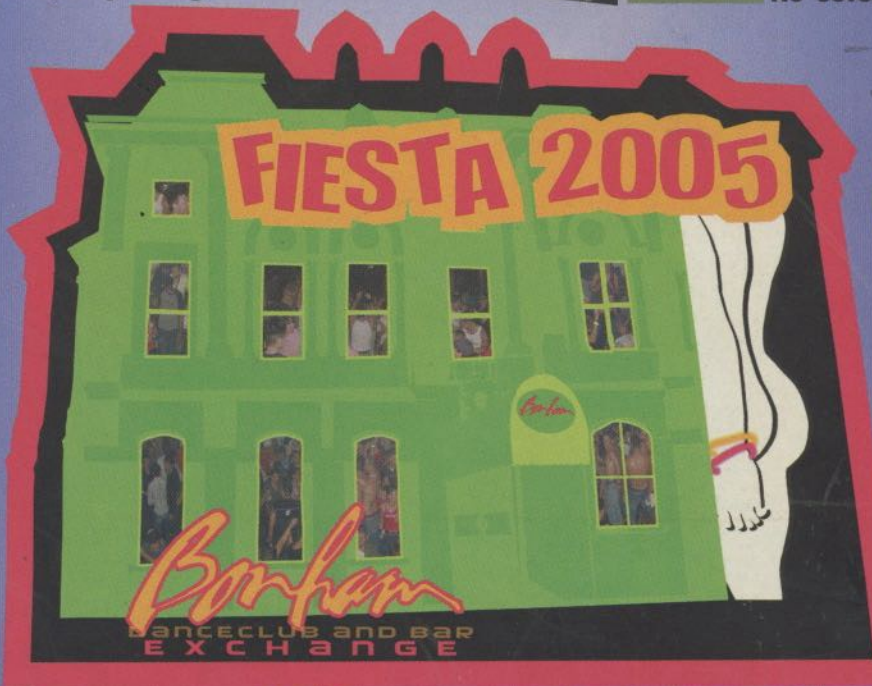
Whether you are a competitor or a spectator, you will enjoy Natsha Grant's show on a special night. We offer no cover for 21+ all night, and 1.50 well drinks and domestic longnecks all night. The 1st and 2nd place winners will walk with cash, so bring it on! After the show, dance to DJ Aurora Moon's (aka Dan) mixes.



Wednesday, April 20 Elkland CD Promo & Texas Hold'em



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Thursday, April 21 Cornyation Wrap Party & New Music Night

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Friday, April 22 Astonishingly Incredible Legendary Day Dance

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Friday, April 22 Absolut Fiesta Friday. Rise, the Party night

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Saturday, April 23 Peak, the Party, and Miss Gay Fiesta, & Miss Fiesta Flambeau

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Sunday, April 24 Fabulous Fiesta Finale. R&B /yle

Come watch "the L Word" with us, followed by R&B night. DJ Dee will give you the latest and greatest while you enjoy 1.50 bar drinks and domestic longnecks. Hungry? Complimentary snacks will hit the spot. 21 and over pay no cover until 10. Take it easy, you have partied hard all week, and deserve a nice, calm evening. Viva Fiesta!

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