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DJ Jimmy Spaulding spun the music and a dozen Ft. Worth community organizations manned booths under "The Big Top" in the parking lot at the South Jennings Crossroads bars last weekend.

Hundreds attended and tons of dollars were raised in the biggest Ft. Worth community affair in some time. More photos, all by Ron Petty, are inside.

DALLAS GAY NEWS FORT WORTH

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Attorney General Drops 21.06 Appeal, But 'Doctors' Pursue Anti-Gay Legislation

By Hollis Hood

Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox dropped the appeal of the 1982 federal court ruling that declared the Texas sodomy statute unconstitutional; however a number of Dallas doctors will pursue the appeal and Dallas legislators want to introduce new anti-gay laws during this session of the Legislature in Austin.

(Dallas gay activist) Don Baker vs. (Dallas County District Attorney) Henry Wade was a federal court challenge to the Texas Penal Code, section 21.06. Federal District Court Judge Jerry Buchmeyer held on August 18, 1982, that 21.06 was unconstitutional in that it violated equal protection guarantees and the right of privacy implicit in the constitution.

Notice of an appeal of that decision was filed by then Attorney General Mark White and Dan Hill, District Attorney for Amarillo, just a votes were being cast and counted to elect Mark White governor.

Jim Mattox, White's successor, re-examined the state's position on the appeal and citing a weak trial record of the defendants, notified parties to the suit on March 11, 1983, that the State of Texas would not pursue an appeal in the case against the Dallas gay activist.

On Feb. 22, 1983, a newly formed group of self-proclaimed medical experts called "Dallas Doctors Against AIDS" filed a

motion to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans, asking to be allowed to file an *amicus* (friend of the court) brief in Baker vs. Wade, citing new medical evidence relative to the spread of AIDS and homosexual activity. The motion was vigorously opposed with affidavits from leading researchers in AIDS, who denied any relation to the spread of AIDS and criminalization of homosexual activity. The motion of "Dallas Doctors" was denied on March 7.

During the weekend of March 12, Dan Hill and "Dallas Doctors," an organization of some 20 members whose president is a dentist, announced they would go forward with the appeal together, the doctors paying the attorney's costs to draft Hill's appeal. White's original appeal would have superseded any they would have made before that time.

Not content with only the appeal, the group has sought new anti-gay statutes through their legislators, Dallas Rep. Bill Ceverha and Sen. John Leedom. The group and legislators maintain that in order to stamp out AIDS, all sexual contact between homosexuals must be eliminated.

The new law, as it is proposed, defines sexual intercourse as the penetration of the female sex organ by the male sex organ, and states that all other forms of sexual contact, including any contact "for the purpose of arousal" to be illegal.

Not only the sexual contact clauses carry penalties, but it makes propositioning someone a misdemeanor the first time and a felony if caught at it a second time.

M. Robert Schwab, president of the Texas Human Rights Foundation, which has sponsored the litigation defending Baker since its inception, said "The homophobes with their bigot bucks will not succeed. The gay community will actively resist attempts to take back this victory from us. It will defend this decision legally and politically."

Lee Harrington, Houston activist and former Houston Gay Political Caucus president, said, "The attorney general has taken a courageous step."

Should the appeal be accepted (the group has the right to appeal), Jim Barber, attorney for Don Baker stated, "The decision rendered by Judge Buchmeyer in Baker vs. Wade is eminently correct and defensible. We are confident of winning this appeal."

The Dallas group expressed surprise that Mattox would drop the appeal. A representative stated that "the homosexual community is entitled to no more civil rights than other persons."

However, Don Baker, past president of the Dallas Gay Alliance and plaintiff, said "injecting the issue of AIDS into a civil rights matter is nonsensical."

Schwab said Wednesday that the proposed bill should certainly be defeated.

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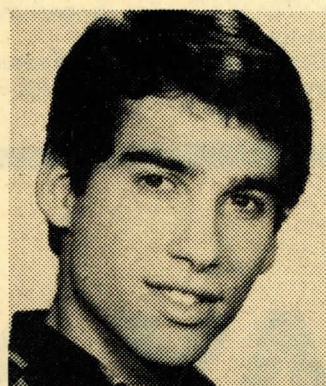
Joe Baker says in 50 years, our legislators will have tried 50 more times to enact a new version of 21.06

More insight on those 'Doctors' shows they're not all doctors

DGPC makes endorsements, but not in mayor's race

Out Magazine mysteriously disappears at Houston, Dallas airports; federal officials investigating

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By Sidney Morris

Houston	March 12, 16	Cullen Aud./Univ. of Houston
Dallas	March 19, 25	Hall of State Aud./Fair Park
Austin	March 28	Capital City Playhouse
San Antonio	March 29	Bonham Exchange Ballroom

My Blue Heaven

By Jane Chambers

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Dallas	March 18, 24	Hall of State Aud./Fair Park
Austin	March 29	Capital City Playhouse
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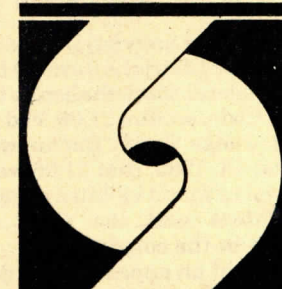
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DGPC Meets, Endorses For April Dallas Elections

By Doug Weatherford

Mike Stewart, president of Dallas Gay Alliance, convened simultaneously with a meeting of the Dallas Gay Political Caucus to endorse candidates in the upcoming April 2 city elections. The DGPC screening panel had been meeting personally with invited candidates during the past couple of weeks. DGA invited the candidates to attend the March meeting and speak to the DGA membership and answer questions from organization members.

Some candidates did show up, or send representatives in their place, and after their presentations to the audience, the membership voted on the recommendations of the screening panel as to endorsements.

Neither of the leading candidates for mayor, A. Strake Taylor or Wes Wise, were in attendance or were represented. Each of them did return the Caucus's questionnaire, and their answers to the questions were read aloud to the audience by Doris Taylor of the Political Action Steering Committee. She said the committee was looking for "responsible candidates who will meet our municipal needs."

However, said Taylor and Committee Chairman Michael Milliken, since both leading mayoral candidates had recently

made negative remarks about the hiring of homosexuals for municipal jobs, specifically in the police and/or fire departments, the committee had decided that no endorsement be made in the mayoral race.

Taylor said the committee decided against endorsing one of the other, lesser known candidates since there was no compelling reason to do so, and perhaps this might dilute the perceived strength of the DGPC's endorsement in other races. The membership concurred, and no endorsement was made.

In most other races, the membership also concurred in the screening panel's recommended endorsements for the remaining ten places on the city council, 21 out of the 50 candidates having sought the DGPC's endorsement. These were as follows:

In the District 9 at-large council seat, Dr. Marvin E. Robinson, who, though arriving late, did speak to the membership at the meeting and said he expected to see results because he had received the endorsement.

In the District 10 at-large seat, Annette Strauss received the endorsement. She sent Dick Solo to represent her at the meeting due to a conflicting commitment. The politically well-connected Strauss was said to represent the potential for being an active voice in support of the gay community, and the recommended endorsement of her passed unanimously.

In District 1, there was co-endorsement of Helen Giddings and James Hart.

In District 2, current city councilman Ricardo Medrano received the endorsement and an enthusiastic reception at the meeting. Medrano mentioned the progress which had been made recently with dialogue between the gay community and city officials, which he has been instrumental in promoting.

In District 3 and 4 there was no endorsement.

In District 5, the endorsement went to Craig Holcomb, who stated in answer to a question from the audience that he had been as public as it was possible to be in seeking the endorsement of the gay community. Holcomb also stated that he favored the best qualified, best trained applicants for city posts, including the police department, and that sexual preference was irrelevant to meeting those standards in hiring.

An alternative recommendation of the screening panel was also ratified by the membership, in that, in case of a runoff where Holcomb was not a participant, the endorsement would go to Rex Aymond. Aymond was at the meeting, and stated that he was probably the most politically conservative candidate who had met with the organization. But, he said, he was there because the gay community represented voters in the city of Dallas, just as any other group of interested citizens. He said it is "none of their damn business" regarding sexual preference questions on application forms such as for the police department.

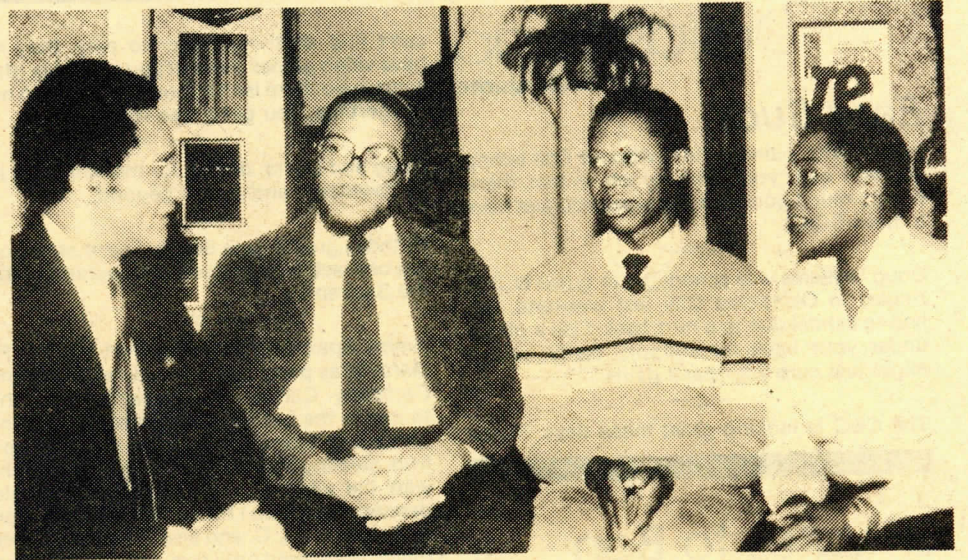
In District 6, Elise Faye Heggins was endorsed over some opposition.

There was no endorsement in District 7.

In District 8, Fred Blair, a current councilman, was endorsed, also with some opposition.

Also included in the Alliance meeting was a presentation by representatives of the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Board, which included a slide show detailing the current plans for mass transit in Dallas which were under study. A question and answer period followed.

DART representatives said there were currently no plans for cross-town transit, which is believed would be too disruptive of regular traffic. They said access to the north-south transit system would be convenient to Oak Lawn either via nearby



(left to right) Host Tony Brown, Sidney Thomas, James Credle and Rev. Renee McCoy

Black Gays—Silent Community Speaks Out on Public Television

Gay Press Association Wire Service

What does it mean to be black and gay? How do black homosexuals handle this double stigma? Do they run from their own roots in pursuit of sexual rights? How does a black homosexual adjust in a racist society?

These questions and others like them will be directed to a panel of black homosexuals on an upcoming edition of *Tony Brown's Journal*, "Black Gays."

Tony Brown's Journal is the nation's longest-running black affairs television series. Televised nationally on public television (PBS).

For the most part, black homosexuals find that disapproval of their sexual preference is as prevalent, if not more so, in the black community as it is in society in general. Panelist Sidney Thompson, a member of the National Coalition of Black Gays, says: "Blacks prefer not to acknowledge homosexuality because the black community perceives race as being a more important issue and sexuality detracts from the condition facing blacks in America."

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"The difficulty in being black and gay is that the diversity is stereotypically viewed as the 'diesel dyke' and the 'drag queen' and homosexuality is confused with transvestism."

One member of the gay community adds: "The limited portrayal of gays presented by the non-gay media paints gay people as white, male, middle-class. This is not true."

Recently, Black and White Men Together, a group organized to combat racism in the gay community, featured noted essayist and novelist James Baldwin in a special forum. In another instance, well-known black baseball star Glenn Burke, the man who originated the "high-five" hand gesture used by many professional athletes, publicly acknowledged his homosexuality.

The program on Black Gays was produced following a suggestion by Gay Press Association officer Morgan Pinney, according to Sheryl Parker, producer of *Tony Brown's Journal*.

T.C. Chorale Presenting 'Stagestruck'

The Turtle Creek Chorale, Dallas' popular 80 voice men's ensemble, will offer its second concert this season on Friday and Saturday, March 18-19 at 8:15 in SMU's Caruth Auditorium.

Stagestruck! will feature several outstanding songs from stage and screen musicals, with special arrangements by Kris Anthony and local arranger/performer Bill Keck. Individual tickets are \$7 each and can be reserved by calling TCC at 368-5500, or by contacting the Ticketron office at 265-0789.

Dr. Richard L. Fleming, musical conductor of TCC, will conduct the Chorale in selections from *The Pirates of Penzance*, *Oklahoma*, *42nd Street*, *A Chorus Line*, *Evita*, *Cats Company*, *Sweeney Todd*, *Singing in the Rain*, *Stormy Weather* and others.

A smaller 15-voice ensemble will be featured in choreographed medleys from Walt Disney films, *Mary Poppins* and the currently popular *Le Jazz Hot from Victor, Victoria*. Assistant conductor Bill Byas will be accompanist/conductor for the small ensemble, while Mike Green continues in his role as accompanist for the chorale. Various chorale members will be highlighted as soloists.

Preceding each performance will be an exhibit of woodcut prints by Dallas artist Jonathon in the lobby of Caruth from 1:00 p.m. through concert time. Jonathon's works have received several national awards and will return to Dallas for this exhibit from an extended exhibit tour in Florida and the Southwest.

A percentage of all works sold during the March 18-19 exhibits at Caruth will benefit the chorale's on-going musical programs.

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Oak Lawn Bowling Team Standings

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2 Up Your Alley	25	11	2 Oh Daddy's	24	12	2 La Menage a Re	26½	9½	
3 Branding Iron	25	11	3 Bronco Boys	23	13	3 Fast Lanes	26	10	
4 Loose Pins	25	11	4 Pin Me Downs	22	14	4 Pole Washers	25½	8½	
5 Natalie Deadwoods	24	12	5 Easy Pieces	22	14	5 Midnite Ballers	23½	12½	
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B: Stan Mathers	215		B: Stan Mathers	616					
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Dallas Soap

By Heda Quote

Easy Suds

I can't write a single story without first telling you how easy you make my job. In fact, there was so much good dirt last week you just have to have SOAP.

Doug Williams was scheduled to guest D.J. at Angles in Oklahoma City last weekend, but had to cancel due to a hurt back. Use a pillow under your back for support, Buffy, and it might just cure your back pains.

The CBC is looking great these days. If you

SF Votes to Ban Funny Ballot Names

International Gay News Agency

The San Francisco Board of Supervisors has tentatively approved a measure that would ban the use of "funny" names for candidates for local office. The measure, if approved in a second vote, would require that office-seekers have sober-sounding and normal names.

The requirement of a legal name on the ballot would mean that candidates like the infamous Sister Boom Boom and Jello Biafra would not be able to file except under their given names.

City attorneys, however, did say that a name can be acquired outside of birth, marriage, or court decree by everyday, common usage. "If everybody calls them a funny name, then that's their name, I guess," said Registrar of Voters Jay Patterson.

The law is sought by Quentin Kopp, whose own name has come under consideration, because he thinks that citizens are tired of "fun and games" and goofy candidate names "that mock the electoral process that most people take seriously."

"It's just another example of what makes people laugh when they talk about San Francisco," he said.

But letters to the editor in the *San Francisco Chronicle* indicate that many people feel the counter-culture effect of eccentric candidates is exactly what San Francisco wants and needs.

Gay Supervisor Harry Britt argued that some voters like oddball candidates "because they feel deceived by the individuals on this board and elsewhere in city government who use real names. It's a way of saying you're not for any of the above. Jello Biafra and Sister Boom Boom are a way of saying no to the entire list," he added.

You've Still Got a Long Way to Go, Baby

Pacific News Service

If you could be a member of the opposite sex for a day, what would you do?

That was the questions Steve Doloff asked his literature classes at New York's Taylor Business Institute, after seeing Dustin Hoffman play a woman in the movie *Tootsie*.

Doloff says his female students loved the writing assignment, viewing the role-reversal as a real "liberation." Many wrote that they would cruise for dates, go out alone at night and chew the fat in locker rooms.

The males, on the other hand, were far less enthusiastic. Many said they'd be afraid to be female, and few said they would let a date lay a hand on them.

Doloff says the assignment proves "we're not quite as liberated as we thought we were."

can't find anything better to play, they now have video games there. If you score big (that's why we go there isn't it?) on Ms. Pac Man or on BurgerTime, you get a free room.

Doug and David, thanks for the late night tour of downtown and points beyond.

Birthday greetings to Stacey Lee, that hot looking barback who worked the opening night at the Snakepit.

Jimmy Spaulding played at Fort Worth's Post Mardi Gras party last Saturday at The Lumber Company. Car loads of Dallasites were there to join in the fun. There were some great costumes and it took at least three men to keep me from stealing the red pumps off the quiet chick with the alluring pose on the motorcycle. I danced more than I have in a long time, thanks to Jimmy at T.L.C. and also Derek at the Other Place. We stayed until they rolled up the dance floor. Some stayed all night, right Craig?

Turtle Creek Chorale presents "Stagestruck" tonight and tomorrow at SMU's Caruth Auditorium. The program of show tunes from Broadway to Hollywood is virtually a sellout so call up a chorale member if you haven't bought your tickets yet.

I'm not sure we're ready for an Uncle Gary and Ditto. By the way, Uncle G., isn't it time for another slumber party?

A benefit for AIDS will be held March 18 & 19 at Sassi's including shows, contests and Dr. Wheeler as guest speaker. Sassi's will serve brunch from 10am to noon on Sunday.

Texas Motorcycle Club sponsored club night at Sundance last Thursday and gave us a touch of Mexico. Pinatas and a taco stand were part of the scene, but Maria's announcements stole the show. The hot sauce even grew hair on Hondo.

Mike, first you picked up some new leather, then you picked up Phil and looked at me as if you kept him tied down all weekend.

T.M.C. had a guest D.J. from Oklahoma last weekend spinning the wax. John Graham wanted to do some spinning of his own on the D.J.'s mustache.

No, I don't know anything about a new leather baths under construction and no, I don't know if any arrangement has been made for them to have a leather shop. How was that for not spreading rumors?

J.R.'s now has big screen T.V., so you can really catch the video.

The wind blew right up my designer sheets and gave me a cheap thrill at the Wrangler's Toga Party Wednesday. And, David, larger boys need longer pillow cases, or is it longer boys need larger pillow cases?

Don, it's about these extensive interviews to get a simple newspaper job. Goodness knows, I didn't get hired that way.

The Unicorn of Dallas has a daily happy hour from 1-7 p.m. including snacks. They've also got video games and a juke box.

Reed's back at the Saint after globe trotting to interviews for graduate school and falling in love with San Diego.

Ask Stacy V. how Enchanted Lady Home Parties can lead to carpet burns.

Texas M.C. is now taking applications for new members and associate members. And Howie, from the counseling center, where's my first appointment to stretch out on your couch? (Isn't that they way it's done?)

Leo and T.R. kept me cornered and corked last Sunday. Take my advice and buy stock in Schnapps.

Tex's Ranch will be holding a benefit for the Dallas Gay Pride Week on March 23.

I'm a little behind expressing thanks to the Wranglers for the warm birthday greeting last Sunday at the Sundance ... not being accustomed to such attention, I've been rosey cheeked ever since.

Members of SHAH (Society Hates Aging Hippies) and the KKK (Krew Kut Klones) are joining forces to part syndicated writer Steve Warren from his flowing locks.

Steve's articles frequently appear here in DALLAS GAY NEWS and also in *Out*.

He's offered his hair to Metropolitan Community Church of San Francisco to raise money to send that church's delegation to the denomination's biennial general conference in Toronto next July.

The selling price will be \$10 for the first inch of hair, \$20 for the second, \$30 for the third, and so on. Warren figures he has enough to cover the travel expenses of the four-person delegation, but he's not sure he wants to be that successful.

The "Hair Auction" will be held March 26 in conjunction with a talent show and social evening at the church. Miscellaneous donations received by that date will be pooled into "proxy bids" to buy as much hair as they can. They should be earmarked for the Delegates' Fund and sent to "Hair Auction" c/o MCC San Francisco, 150 Eureka St., San Francisco, CA 94114.

Ft. Worth Soap

Quotes from Cowtown

It was me, Heda Quote holding court in Fort Worth last Saturday. I met some really friendly, good-looking men too. I must admit I had a great time and will be back to visit soon. It also gives me a chance to lather up some suds in Cowtown.

As I mentioned in Dallas Soap, the Post Mardi Gras Party was well worth the trip down the pike. The event brought in a lot of support for gay organizations in Tarrant County.

Orville, your shorts added the perfect touch to The Lumber Company's decor. Your undies, combined with the sleezy patio act, reminded me of Mary's.

I want to thank Wilbur at The Lumber Company for his Cowtown courtesy.

Even with all the special events at the South Jennings Crossroads I found a lively crowd at The Other Place. Derek was in rare form and kept me on the dance floor the entire time I was there. I did get a chance to say hi to some Fort Worth favorites of mine—Joey, Benny and Tom.

Mickey's is having a benefit for AIDS this Sunday from 12 to 6. Let's show some more of that great community spirit and help out.

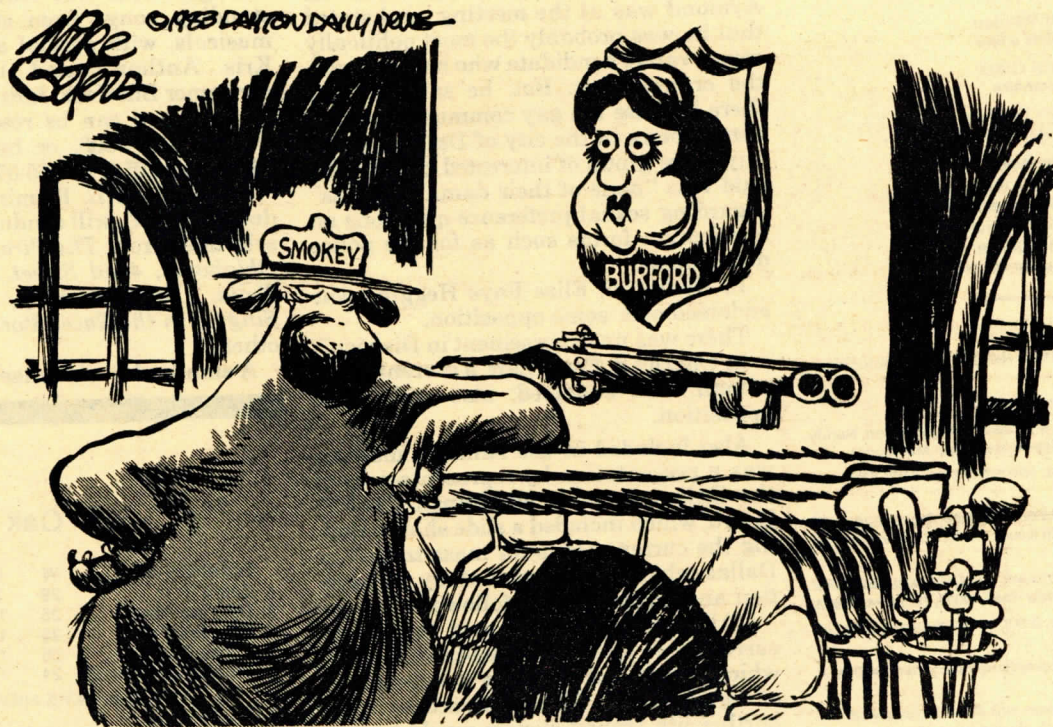
It was good to see Mama and Derek out to enjoy some after-hours fun at T.L.C. Saturday where they had after-hours until 5 a.m.

Sam and J.C., help! You must change that green light bulb on the patio. I don't have that setting on my lighted vanity mirror.

Mike and Bill have their superb house up for sale. Now one of you need to buy it so we can enjoy another grand X-mas party in the same location next year. Mike, does this mean you're moving east?

The Other Place has a happy hour that begins at 2pm and lasts until 9pm, Monday thru Friday. Now that allows enough time for even me to slide under the table.

Now, I won't promise this, but there's a real good chance I'll be back this weekend to check up on ya'll. I'll be paying a little bit better attention because I hope to get to stir up some more suds next week. Mainly I'll be making a second attempt to get the red pumps off Bertha Camille at T.L.C.



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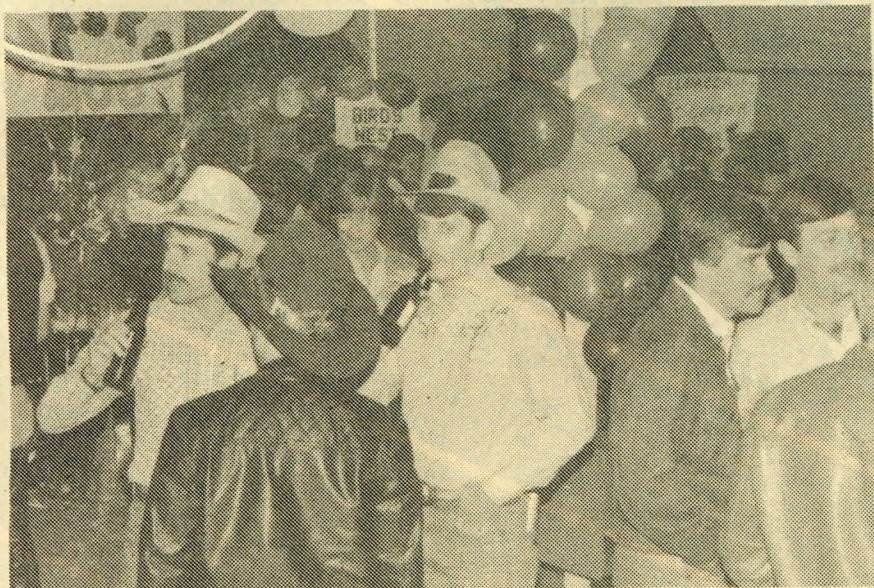
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More Ft. Worth Photos

Here's a couple of party shots from last weekend's "Tent Party" at the South Jennings Crossroads.
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Dallas Attorney Lobbying for Anti-Gay Legislation

By Don Ritz

Bill Blackburn, a Dallas attorney associated with Dallas Doctors Against AIDS, is presently lobbying for anti-gay legislation in Austin with the support of Dallas Representative Bill Ceverha and Senator John Leedom to amend the state penal code by bill 2138.

Not only 2138, but section 21.01 of the penal code would be amended such that it would define "deviate sexual intercourse," "sexual contact" and "sexual intercourse."

The definitions detrmine that "deviate sexual intercourse" would include any oral-genital, anal-genital, oral-anal and "the penetration by one person of the genitals or the anus of another person with any portion of the body ... except that any penetration of the female sex organ by the male sex organ shall not be included; and, except for medical purposes," and "the penetration by one person of the genitals or the anus of another person with an object, except for medical purposes."

Sexual contact was defined such that "touching by one person of any part of the body of another person with the intent or purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of any person."

Sexual intercourse would simply mean "the penetration of the female sex organ by the male sex organ."

Section 21.06, which defines the engagement in homosexual conduct, and Section 21.06A, which defines the offering, agreeing or soliciting of homosexual conduct would also be amended.

The proposed legislation would make "deviate sexual intercourse" a felony. Sexual contact, which, in the proposed legislation could be interpreted as the simple touching of one person by another (the same or the opposite sex), and the agreement to or asking of another person to engage in "deviate sexual intercourse" or in "sexual contact" would be classified as misdemeanors on first offense and felonies on second offense.

Blackburn said that the proposed legislation would allow the public ample opportunity to hear all the issues. Blackburn also stated that it would provide the general populace the chance to discuss the extent to which the public will "allow the presence of homosexuality."

Blackburn stated that he did not want gay teachers in the school system nor gay police. Stating that teachers and police represent role models in our society, "homosexual teachers and police would not represent proper role models for our children."

He claimed that the majority of the public thinks the same as he does.

Watching the Media

By Steven Linn

The best news this week for Texas gays (state Attorney General Jim Mattox's decision not to appeal U.S. District Judge Jerry Buchmeyer's ruling that the state's 1974 sodomy statute is unconstitutional) received scant newspaper notice, and no TV coverage that I saw.

On the other hand, the *Dallas Times Herald* devoted (Saturday, March 12) a lengthy front page story to local political candidates and their attitude toward endorsement by the Dallas Gay Alliance and its PAC, the Dallas Gay Political Caucus.

Susan Milstein's story, headlined "Gay Group's Activism Puts Candidates on Spot," carried quotes from both mayoral and several city council candidates. Wes Wise's "You'd lose some votes and you'd gain others" pretty well expressed the consensus. But opinions ranged from Ed Gray's "... I plan on winning without (the Caucus's endorsement)" and Clair Woertendyke's "I don't believe in their lifestyle" to Ricardo Medrano's reiteration of his well-known support of gay activist groups. For the record, Clair Woertendyke is a male, and Gray's name was Gay before he changed it.

Perhaps the most often repeated quote in the entire campaign has been mayoral candidates A. Starke Taylor's "As mayor I would push the chief of police as hard as I could ... to see that gays are not hired by the police department." Taylor was answered, in effect, by a March 6 *Times Herald* story by Linda Wheeler of the *Washington Post*.

"Shattering the Mold—Homosexual, Transexual Officers Are Partners in Crime Fight" told of the Washington, D.C., police team of Bonnie Davenport and Bobby Almstead. "Miss Davenport, a 13-year-veteran, is the department's first and only transexual officer. Her rookie partner, Almstead, is the department's first acknowledged male homosexual...." The two officers, the article continued, "have fought through cold stares and harassment to win praise from their supervisors and even grudging acceptance from their peers for their work as a team specializing in family disputes."

Among the anecdotes about the team related by Wheeler was one in which a man recognized Ms. Davenport from her previous gender. His only comment was, "You're good looking, girl." And Almstead, who was profiled by the D.C. gay newspaper, the *Blade*, proved his credibility in a dispute between two men. "We made an arrest," Almstead was quoted. "The guy looks at me and said 'Weren't you the guy in *Blade*?' He said, 'Well, you can't arrest me. I'm gay.' I told him to tell it to the judge."

Times Herald columnist Molly Ivins herself urbanely answered Taylor's anti-gay stance (and was reported here as doing so) a couple of weeks ago. Last Sunday (March 13) she handled another topic with equal aplomb.

"Fundamentalists Speak Out on God's Opinions" dealt with "the wowers" who "have been breaking new ground of late, temporarily abandoning such concerns as abortion, school prayer and creationism to favor us instead with their opinions on the nuclear freeze proposal and Social Security reform."

The entire column bears quoting at length; here are two random examples:

"The current wave of authoritarian Christianity has been around long enough now to have a few books written about it, and among those recently out are Perry Deane Young's *God's Bullies* and a more theological consideration, *The Religious Right and the Christian Faith* by Gabriel Fackre."

"Both authors define fundamentalism as the insistence that opinions on everything from abortion to homosexuality to the Panama Canal are specifically grounded in Scripture. 'The Bible says it, I believe it, and that settles it.' But does the

Bible say it? ... *Qui dije*. Some folks look at the world's evils and see hordes of homosexuals, druggers and bikers, while others see injustice, racism, pollution and the arms race."

Ivins concludes, "If the Lord's intentions were as clear as the fundamentalists believe them to be, a great deal of bloodshed could easily have been avoided. I don't presume to speak for the Lord, but I rather suspect He gave us brains so we could use them, and that so far our performance must be a terrible disappointment to Him. Or Her."

Controversy Over Tennessee Williams' Burial

International Gay News Agency

Despite playwright Tennessee Williams' often repeated request to be buried at sea, his younger brother, Dakin Williams, had the body flown from New York to St. Louis, for burial beside his mother.

Dakin acknowledged that Tennessee had said many times that he wished to be cremated, but in his *Memoirs* of 1975 the writer said he wanted his body "sewn up on a clean white sack and ropped overboard 12 hours north of Havana so that my bones will rest not far from those of Hart Crane."

Hart Crane leaped to his death from a ship between Cuba and Key West, Florida, where Williams lived for many years.

Dakin, a lawyer in Collinsville, Ill., said that his brother's will contained no provision for burial at sea.

Columnist Liz Smith wrote that Tennessee specifically added a codicil to his will on June 21, 1972. She quoted it, in part, as: "I, Thomas Lanier (Tennessee) Williams, being of sound mind upon this subject, and having declared this wish repeatedly to my close friends—do hereby state my desire to be buried at sea. More specifically, I wish to be buried at sea at as close a possible point as the American poet Hart Crane died by choice in the sea...."

Smith also cites a sober appearance by the playwright on the Dick Cavett show during which he expressed the same desire.

Smith insinuated strongly that Dakin was violating the author's wishes by refusing to honor the open-sea burial.

The Tennessee Williams estate turns out to be worth approximately \$10 million, none of which was left to Dakin Williams. The playwright and his brother were estranged when Dakin had his brother committed to Barnes Hospital in St. Louis for alcohol and drug treatment.

Dakin will get a \$25,000 bequest after the death of their sister, Rose, who is 73.

Dakin Williams' biography of his brother is to be published this month.

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Central Expressway stations, or via the corridor which essentially runs parallel to Harry Hines.

Mike Stewart announced that the Alliance had received a \$1000 donation from the Round-Up Saloon. Alan Ross said that approximately \$1500 had been raised through DGA benefit nights at the local production of "Bent" at the Greenville Avenue Theater. The Alliance-sponsored billboard in downtown Dallas was delayed and is expected to be in place March 21.

Al Calkin announced that Dallas area State Representative Bill Ceverrha had introduced a piece of legislation, numbered HB 2138, which would have the effect of reinstating penalties for sexual conduct even beyond those for the recently overturned 21.06 law, which current Attorney General Jim Mattox will not appeal.

According to Calkin, the bill would make certain sexual activities felonies, as opposed to misdemeanors under 21.06. Calkin said, "The bill goes so far as to define deviate sexual intercourse to

include such things—I'll be specific from the bill—'penetration of the genitals or the anus with objects or any part of the body, such as, but not limited to, fingers, hands, feet,' and then the bill goes on to exclude penetration of the female sex organ by a male sex organ."

"In other words, if this were adopted with the present language—and it will not be—it would make any sort of heterosexual contact that involved penetration other than by male sex organ into female sex organ a crime. It also defines sexual contact as any touching of any part of the body with intent to arouse. If you think about that, that would even include kissing if the intent were to arouse. These things sound very, very silly, but it's very serious."

"Not that we expect that the bill would pass exactly as mentioned here. But it gets it in the hopper... It's something we cannot take lightly, we must remain vigilant, and we will."

Calkin also said there was some indication that a companion Senate bill was to be introduced, but he had no specifics on that as yet.

'Out' Magazine Vanishes at Dallas, Houston airports

Copies of the third issue of *Out in Texas* gay entertainment guide mysteriously disappeared Wednesday, March 16, at Houston's Intercontinental Airport and Dallas' DFW Airport—or had disappeared on the ground at Miami airport earlier.

Federal, local and airline officials were investigating.

Out is printed in Miami and then flown direct via American Airlines to Dallas and from Miami via Eastern Airlines direct to Houston. On Wednesday, both Eastern and American informed *Out* that the magazine had arrived at its destinations and it could be picked up as soon as it was unloaded.

But in both cases, at both airports, with two different airlines, boxes of the magazine at that point "disappeared."

The air cargo supervisor said in Houston that when Eastern baggage people went to the plane to unload it, "It just wasn't there."

The computer manifests of both airlines showed that it should have been.

The Eastern plane proceeded to Albuquerque and Tucson, where again in each city it was searched.

The American plane in Dallas continued on to Las Vegas, where upon arrival it too was searched.

Federal officials, American and Eastern workers and Dade County and Airport Police in Miami searched through the night at their end, but both Eastern and American freight loaders specifically said they remembered loading the boxes on board.

"Neither Eastern nor American were aware that the other airline was shipping half the copies, something we do for security reasons," said Henry McClurg, editor of *Out*. "It's an extremely mysterious thing."

He speculated that perhaps some federal or local agency "had an interest" in the magazines, either in Texas or in Florida, but both Eastern and American officials said they could not have been impounded without their knowledge.

In conversations early Thursday morning, Houston vice and narcotics officers and Dallas County vice and narcotics officers said they had no knowledge of the magazines.

Dade County, Florida, Police and Miami Airport Police said they too had no interest in the magazines.

Meanwhile, early Thursday morning, copies of *Out* were being reprinted and bound in Miami, and were to be distrib-

uted throughout Texas by late Friday.

Out is produced by the Montrose Voice Publishing Company, which also publishes Houston's *Montrose Voice* and DALLAS GAY NEWS.

Not-So-Genuine Bell

The company that makes Mickey Mouse telephones said something doesn't ring true in those "genuine Bell" TV ads.

New York Magazine reports that Phillip Ault, president of American Telecommunications, says his company provides exactly the same phones to other retailers, who sell them for \$20 less. In fact, Ault said, "American Bell is perpetrating a falsehood."

Not so, according to Bell District Manager Michael Tarpey, who claimed, "What is genuine Bell is the service, the one-year warranty, and the fact that private manufacturers design to our standards."

Paying Up on the Rise

Another sign that the recession is ending: the Nation's bill collectors report that people are paying up with less resistance.

Dunning agencies, reports the *Wall Street Journal*, say their recovery rate on delinquent debts is up as much as 30 percent from just six months ago. And one even reports a rise in the number of debtors who pay in full after a single request.

The reason, according to one agency manager: "People are starting to find jobs."

Another boon for bill collectors: the fat tax refunds a lot of debtors will use to pay off their bills.

Trickle Up

Pacific News Service

The recession may be over, but for some people, the economic downturn never trickled up. Last year, stores catering to blue-collar workers did much worse than luxury department stores.

Sears and K-Mart both reported business up less than three percent. New York's posh Bloomingdale's, however, jumped 10 percent and Lord and Taylor was up 15.

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And Still More

Here are more photos by Ron Petty from Ft. Worth by Ron Petty at last weekend's carnival, benefitting community organizations.

LA Police Must Seek Gay Recruits

By Ernie Potvin
Via GPA Wire Service

After two years of negotiations, Los Angeles police officials have finally given some assurance of police recruitment in the gay community.

Even though a municipal ordinance prohibits sexual preference discrimination in hiring, the Police Advisor Task Force had to petition the civilian Police Commission to secure affirmative action.

The Commission agreed the Police Dept. was discriminating by default and ordered the department to place police recruitment ads in gay community newspapers. They also approved the department's recruitment van be present at large gay community events such as the annual gay pride parade and festival.

By another unanimous vote, the Commission supported the Task Force's request for involvement in Police Academy classes for the purpose of sensitizing officers and recruits to gay male and lesbian concerns.

Politicians Demand Apology for 'Fruit Discrimination'

State Senator Allan Spear and State Rep. Karen Clark, both of Minnesota, have demanded a public apology from Commerce Clearing House, a national legisla-

tive reference service, for its designation of the Minnesota gay rights bill as "fruit discrimination."

Spear and Clark, both openly gay legislators, have recently introduced the bill which bars discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations and public services on the basis of affectional sexual orientation. Commerce Clearing House used the derogatory heading in a notice of new bill introductions that it sent to subscribers throughout the country.

"It is simply inconceivable to me," Spear said, "that a firm purporting to be an objective, unbiased reference service would use a dated, perjorative slang word for any minority group. Gay rights is no joke to millions of Americans."

In a letter to Commerce Clearing House, Clark and Spear asked "Did you refer to the recently enacted federal voting rights extension act as 'coon voting'? Or is the new immigration bill now under debate designated by your firm as 'greaser immigration'?"

"This incident strengthens our case for the need for this legislation," Clark added. "The contemptuous attitude expressed by Commerce Clearing House demonstrates why lesbians and gay men need legal protection in Minnesota and throughout the country."

Monitoring Blood Banks

Texas Human Rights Foundation is participating in a national program to monitor policies restricting blood donations by gay people.

Anyone with definitive information concerning this subject should contact M. Robert Schwab at (713) 526-9139, he said.

'Dallas Doctors Against AIDS' Identifies Itself

By Don Ritz

Attorney Donovan Campbell, secretary-treasurer of "Dallas Doctors Against AIDS, Inc.," described that organization as a non-profit group composed of 20 area doctors and lawyers and recently incorporated in Texas.

Membership would not be discussed with DALLAS GAY NEWS, other than to provide the names of DDAA's officers from "fear of harassment." DDAA's officers are Dr. Keith Thornton, president, a dentist; Dr. Clem Mueller, vice president, an internist; and Campbell, secretary-treasurer, an attorney.

Campbell defined the group's purposes as the pursuit of research and investigation into AIDS, cooperation with governmental agencies and the treatment and recognition of AIDS.

The group's inception occurred after Federal District Court Judge Buchmeyer ruled last year that Texas statute 21.06, which made private homosexual relations between consenting adults illegal, was unconstitutional.

Believing that homosexuals have "no more civil rights than anyone else," the group saw the newly developing information in the medical literature regarding AIDS as giving them the opportunity to make and issue of their "concern for public health," manifest in lobbying against

homosexuals' rights.

The DDAA hired attorneys Charles Bundren and Jackson Walker to file an *amicus curiae*, in the hope of assisting the appeal made by the Texas Attorney General's office. However, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans, where the appeal will be heard, would not accept the friend of the court brief.

Last week, Attorney General Jim Mattox declared that he would not carry through with the appeal that had originally been filed by former Attorney General, now Governor, Mark White.

Bundren claimed surprise at Mattox's decision to drop the appeal. Bundren and Walker will now represent Potter County District Attorney Danny Hill, whose original appeal had been superseded by the Attorney General's office, and the DDAA.

Donovan Campbell said that information concerning AIDS and its connection to homosexual behavior had not been presented in the district court case last year.

Campbell went on to explain that they are not 100 per cent certain that AIDS is linked to homosexual behavior. However, Campbell claimed that there is a "high incidence of AIDS in homosexuals" and that this information should be presented to the courts.

Turmoil at British Gay Newspaper

By Lindsay Taylor
International Gay News Agency

After several months of conflict between workers and management at (London) *Gay News*, ownership of the British gay newspaper has been offered to a collective consisting of the current staff members.

The move follows the resignation of former owner Denis Lemon only a week after returning to the paper as editor-in-chief. In a statement issued jointly with current owner Robert Palmer, Lemon said that he was ready to transfer shares in *Gay News* to staff representatives.

The ownership dispute arose from Lemon's sale of the newspaper to Palmer a year ago. Palmer had been unable to meet an installment due on December 31; previous payments had been achieved only by selling *GN's* office building. Lemon agreed to reschedule the debt and to reduce his asking price in return for being given the position of editor-in-chief.

The staff, however, objected to Lemon's return on several grounds. Even before he resigned as editor over a year ago, there had been bitterness about his aggressive personal style and about the way in which he had gained control of the paper from the collective that founded it in 1972.

A majority of the staff, especially the lesbians, objected to Lemon's plans for "revitalisation" of the paper, to "bring the paper into the 1980s" by concentrating on news and information with a "light, amusing approach." The staff feared that this would mean a concentration on the gay male ghetto and a conflict with their own leftwing, pro-feminist approach.

Lemon realized that the bitterness caused by his return would cause insurmountable problems. On his first day in the office, he called a meeting of workers to announce his plans for the future; only two of them attended. The next day he could not get into his office at all because of a picket by *GN* readers in support of the staff. A week later, he and Palmer decided that the best course to follow was to offer the newspaper to the staff collective, since no other buyer could be found immediately and both men stood to lose considerable sums of money if the paper closed completely.

'Gay Spy' Dies

International Gay News Agency

Donald D. Maclean, the British diplomat who spied for the Soviet Union and fled there in 1951, has died in a hospital in Moscow.

The BBC reported that Maclean, 69, was believed to have been ill with cancer and recently was treated for pneumonia.

Maclean belonged to a group of Cambridge-educated intellectuals and Communist sympathizers whose treachery long echoed through Britain's spy scandals.

Maclean was a close friend of Guy Burgess, a homosexual, who also gave secrets to the Soviets. Maclean apparently, although married, had homosexual tendencies as well. It was the sensationalism of their treason that led to the severe laws against gays in general in the diplomatic corps. They were considered to be security risks, subject to blackmail.

Maclean and Burgess came to epitomize the sons of upper-class families whose interest in Marxism as students in the 1930s developed into dedication.

Maclean rose rapidly in the Foreign Office, receiving steady promotions, but when he was assigned to Washington from 1944-48 as first secretary at the British Embassy and then joint secretary of the U.S.-British Atomic Development Committee. He betrayed important secrets to the Soviets.

Maclean did what he did because he loathed the United States and all it stood for, but he married an American, Melinda Marlingin, in 1940. They had three children.

Guy Burgess and Maclean escaped to France in 1951 and disappeared, until they surfaced at a press reception in early 1956 in Moscow.

The two men did not remain close in exile. Burgess drank heavily, dressed shabbily, and continued to be eager for news about his old homeland. He died in 1963.

Maclean, given a five-room apartment and a car, shunned reporters and the Western community, dressed like a British diplomat, drank little, and worked steadily for the Soviet Foreign Ministry.

A Little Fairy Tale That'll Probably Come True

Joe Baker's Column

By Joe Baker

The year is 2032. It is the 50th anniversary of U.S. District Judge Jerry Buchmeyer's ruling which threw out the original Texas Statute 21.06, the anti-homosexual law, in 1982.

The Texas Legislature is in session, and for the 50th year in a row it has just passed another version of 21.06—this one even more ridiculous than the previous 50.

Under the new law, any male who wears a pair of Levi 501s is presumed to be a homosexual and is therefore a criminal in the State of Texas. Any female who wears a flannel shirt is presumed to be a lesbian, and is also a criminal.

The punishment for these crimes is a letter to the violator's mother, followed by death in the electric chair.

"I think we finally got a law that will withstand a court challenge," shouts House Speaker Billy Bob Joe Redneck. "Those queers will never be able to get this baby struck down."

The federal courts, however, will strike down the new anti-gay law—just as it struck down the previous 50. Judge Buchmeyer, now 101, will rule the 50th version of 21.06 also is unconstitutional and a violation of a homosexual's right to privacy—just as he did so many times before. And, the appeals court in New Orleans will uphold his decision.

But that won't stop the Texas Legislature from continuing to pass laws legislating morality and trying to wipe out homosexuality. And, the court action won't stop a group called the Dallas Doctors Against AIDS from making an even bigger disgrace of the medical profession in Texas.

Do you think the above scenario is just a

silly look into the future? Maybe. But, gang, here we go again.

You've probably heard by now that Attorney General Jim Mattox decided to drop the appeal of Statute 21.06. But before we could even celebrate, it was announced that District Attorney Danny Hill of Amarillo decided to pick up the ball and keep the appeal before the New Orleans court.

Since he and all other district attorneys in the state were named as co-defendants in the suit against the law, Hill is legally entitled to pursue the challenge.

Now, here comes those Dallas doctors who are so concerned with our health that they want to take away our civil rights. For those of you who don't know what I'm talking about, go back and read last week's column.

The doctors—let's call them MDs for mindless dopes—will finance the appeal. And since they realize the appeals court may uphold Judge Buchmeyer's decision outlawing 21.06, they also are pushing for new hate legislation against gays. They want a back-up law.

They didn't have to look very far or very long—this being Texas—for some homophobic legislator who was willing to introduce a new anti-homosexual bill into this session of the Texas Legislature.

The bill amends 21.06 so it will be able to withstand any future court challenge, according to the doctor's group and some legislators. If passed by the Legislature, they think it would be legal to discriminate against homosexuals because of the AIDS crisis.

We are in a state of emergency, spokesmen for the hatemongers declared at a press conference this week. They claimed

Texas must ban homosexual acts to clear up AIDS—and to protect the rest of society.

Don Campbell, secretary-treasurer of the group, even had the audacity to say that while civil rights are all well and good—we should forget about them when homosexuals are concerned and when the country is faced with this (AIDS) major health crisis.

The doctors' group intends to prove to the courts and the Texas Legislature that anti-gay laws are needed because homosexuals are a public health threat. They say Judge Buchmeyer didn't consider AIDS and public health when he threw out 21.06. That's why they think they will be successful in having his decision overruled and/or having the Legislature pass more anti-gay laws.

The new proposed legislation is a dilly. It is even worse than the original 21.06. Under the law, not only would it be illegal for persons of the same sex to have sexual relations—it would be ILLEGAL for persons of the same sex to even talk about having sex together.

That means if you ask somebody to go home with you—look out! You would be breaking the law. And get this, your first offense would be a misdemeanor, but if convicted a second time it would be a felony!!

Can't you just picture all the bars filled with cops eavesdropping on everybody's conversations and following people home?

What scares me is that this bill will probably be passed by the Legislature. This doctors' group is using a scare tactic of the lowest form.

They are creating a smokescreen with

the AIDS and public health issues. Who are they trying to kid? They aren't Doctors Against AIDS. They are Doctors Against Homosexuals. Why don't they just quit playing games, and be man enough to admit their prejudice and hatred?

If the doctors were really so concerned about the health of the nation, they would be fighting to stop the herpes epidemic that has affected 20 million (mostly straight) people—instead of a disease that has hit only 1200 homosexuals.

I'm not saying that AIDS is not a serious health concern. But gays are the victims of it, not the cause.

The Dallas Doctors Against AIDS is using its profession as a front to victimize and discriminate against homosexuals.

Our struggle for our civil rights is not over yet. Unfortunately, we have a long and costly battle ahead of us here in Texas.

Thank God, we have some committed and dedicated gay leaders to lead us. But they can't do it alone.

Dial-a-Porn

We've come a long way from "Dial-a-Prayer." Readers of New York's *High Society* magazine can now "Dial-a-Porn."

The 60-second message contains no dirty words, but lots of oohing and aahing—and that's enough to attract an estimated 500,000 callers every day.

The New York phone company isn't too happy about the idea, but says that, while there are laws against making obscene phone calls, there are none against receiving them voluntarily.

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A New Relationship—With a Dog

By Sharon McDonald

I don't know what possessed me to do it. Friends would have wagered their mortgages that I'd never do this. Three days ago I went to the pound and brought home a dog.

To say that I have never been enamored of dogs would be an understatement on the scale of Billie Jean's characterizing seven years with Marilyn as a little affair. The reasons have always seemed to me self-evident: dogs do things you wouldn't put up with from your best friend.

Dogs drool in public. Dogs engage in self-gratification on the legs of unwilling bystanders. Dogs put their faces in their food to eat. Dogs lick other dogs, and dogs lick your face, all too often in that order.

Dogs do not share expenses. Large dogs get their kicks lunging for your throat, and small dogs think it is *tres amusant* to urinate on your shoes, preferably while you are standing in them.

And to the best of my knowledge, no dog has ever done the dishes, given a really satisfactory backrub, or gotten up to change the channel—all, I'm sure you will

wanted to sleep with her more than I wanted not to sleep with her pets. I do recall saying at one point that I'd always remember her as one who made me sleep with animals. I don't think she thought that was very funny. But back then neither did I. Explaining this to her is going to be a problem.

But not the most pressing problem by any means. The most pressing problem is adjusting to this sudden fulltime relationship with a creature that doesn't know from toilets. I hate people who talk about housebreaking their animals almost as much as I hate people who talk about their animals throwing up. My dog throws up too.

Of course there was the matter of a name. I hate people who name their pets pretentious literary names, all those black Edgar Allen Poe cats and shaggy canine Sapphos. Although I must admit, romping in the park and bellowing, "Here, Sappho!" at your pooch is a pretty effective way to make new friends, but you gotta watch which parks you try that in. (Oh, I know, we lesbians are way behind gay men at this making-contact-in-the-park routine; give us time, guy's; we're catching up.)

Back in the early 70s I knew dogs named Stokely, Che and Rap (as in H. Rap Brown), but the times, they are a-changing'. Nowadays the name to shock the neighbors could well be Eleanor Roosevelt.

The best naming arrangement I ever heard of happened 20 years ago. A family I knew got a dog and the parents had the good sense to stay out of it altogether. They put the dog in a room with the kids, told them to name him, and then shut the door. Ten minutes later the kids and dog filed solemnly out, and the eldest announced, "His name's Tom Boardwalk." Wisely, the parents never asked for elaboration, and Tom Boardwalk lived a long and fitting life.

In that spirit, I knew the name would arrive of its own accord, and so it did. I'm just not sure how Buckminster Poundcake is going to fit on a dogtag. As for the literary pretension aspect, if Buckminster Fuller can let his associates call him "Bucky," a doggy name if ever I heard one, then who can dare point the finger at a dog named Buckminster?

Of course, sooner or later one has to address the Why of this unforeseen circumstance, me setting up housekeeping with someone of the canine persuasion. For a person with my aggressively cultivated disdain for the bulk of the animal kingdom, this Why takes on cosmic proportions.

Why would a woman who swoons at the sight of dogs licking off humans' dinner plates fill one of her own bowls with water and set it down on newspapers on her own kitchen floor? Why would a woman whose budget has no category for discretionary income spend \$39.78 on pound fees, dog collar, flea powder, dog food dish, walking leash and dog food (two kinds, just in case)? Why would a woman of consummate dignity spend 45 minutes at a time, several times a day, down on her hands and knees talking high-pitched baby talk to a first quizzical, then manifestly bored young dog?

One blunt friend has already insinuated that perhaps I've lived alone too long. There was something in her tone I take exception to, that single I'm not, and yet, and yet ... there was a time a few years back when I noted that without exception, every lesbian I knew who was single had a cat. There is something compelling in having someone around to whom my presence, at least for the first 48 hours, matters.

It's been a very long time since anyone's whimpered when I left the room, not to mention hurled herself repeatedly over my makeshift barriers to be near me.

But these are petty flatteries that can

rapidly turn to annoyances. I decided to look to the experts for a clue to this fatal attraction, and found this arresting thought: "... there is something about a dog that gets you, a dog that will never criticize you, a dog that doesn't care whether you are from the top or bottom drawer, a dog that doesn't care whether you are clever or stupid, beautiful or hideous, rich or poor. He is yours and you are his." (Barbara Woodhouse, *No Bad Dogs*.)

Buckminster lives completely in the present, something no human I know is spiritually dexterous enough to pull off. The way she and I handle interpersonal affairs is vastly different, and the galling thing is that her way works. I plot scenarios to insure the future; she assumes it. I stifle annoyances to keep things pleasant so people will stay; she snaps out her irritation and people stay anyway. I promise loyalty; she just is loyal.

I still don't understand what brought Buckminster and I together; call it kismet. But I do think that going into this a dog-hater is proving advantageous.

There are no disappointments, no crestfallen comparisons with dear departed Rover to whom a newcomer could never hold a candle. But come to think of it, Buckminster has already distinguished herself by overshadowing several other predecessors several times over.

She does not criticize my writing. She is immune to stress. She does not mind, or even notice, dust. She likes my hours. She likes me. She does not try to get me to try sushi. And oddly enough, though she and I never speak of it, we've both settled in for the long haul. I think I'm in love.

McDonald, who lives in Los Angeles, is a nationally syndicated lesbian columnist. She appears here and in other gay newspapers.



Sharon McDonald

agree, bottom line essentials in someone to share home and hearth with.

So you see, this out of character action on my part has been cause for some alarm. This dog didn't follow me home. In the first place, I went to the pound. And in the second place, this is not a pretty, fluffy little puppy or one of those big white things with piercing clear eyes that makes even me blurt, "What a beautiful animal!" This is a real doggy dog, a Norman Rockwell kind of lop-sided, mutty d-o-g, dog.

What will I tell all those self-congratulatory pet owners who've viewed my animosity toward their snobby shedding cats and overly-familiar shedding dogs with horror? I never hid behind a claim of allergy, I just said, "I don't like those things." What can I say now, especially since I still don't like *their* animals?

And what will I say to the old flame who let an unconscionable number and variety of pets sleep on the bed? Occasionally she would halfheartedly offer to lock them in the next room, in a tone conveying moral revulsion and a deep dismay at my basic world view. I don't think she ever knew just how close it came, deciding whether I

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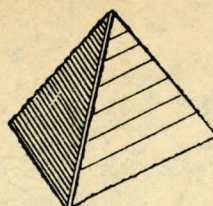
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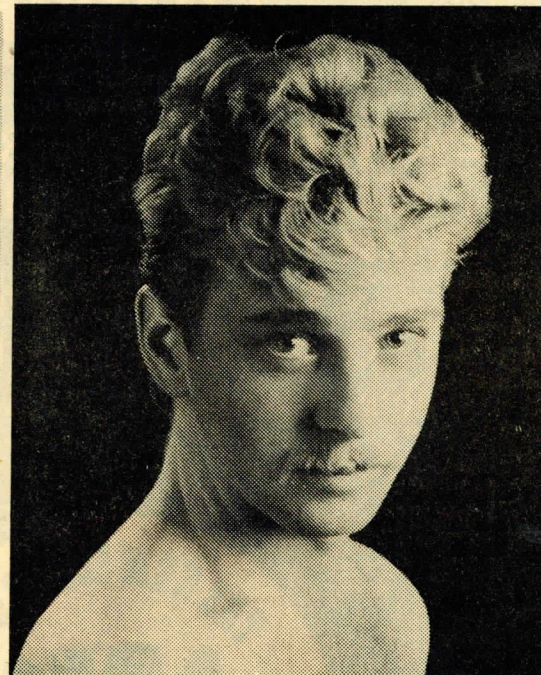


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Round 'n' About

By Randy Alfred

POLITICS: San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein is facing a special recall election April 26. Opponents of her handgun-ban ordinance (since declared unconstitutional) initiated the attempt to remove her from office, but many others are joining in for their own reasons.

When the Harvey Milk gay Democratic Club considered endorsing the recall, Sister Boom Boom (a drag nun of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence) read a list of pro-recall groups and concluded: "Politics makes great bedfellows. That's why half of us are here."

The Milk Club overwhelmingly endorsed the recall, joining the Stonewall Gay Democratic Club. Concerned Republicans for Individual Rights opposes the recall. The Alkice B. Toklas Memorial Democratic Club considers the issue at its next meeting.

Meanwhile, Feinstein's anti-recall supporters leafleted the reception for newly sworn-in, gay Municipal Court Judge Herb Donaldson. The gay community is divided on the recall issue, and the Donaldson affair should have been non-partisan. Once more, our white-gloves mayor has revealed her capacity for tackiness.

BLOOPERS: One of our favorite politicians, Sheriff Mike Hennessey, was the guest host on Channel 20's 10 o'clock movie the other night, except we barely got to see him. Have you ever waited in vain for advertisements? That's what happened.

The flic itself, *Left Hand of God*, was sort of a bummer. It was one of Humphrey Bogart's last films, and Bogie was weak and clearly dying. The documentary of the actor kept me from enjoying the fiction role he acted.

I was looking forward to the commercial breaks. Hennessey has a great sense of humor and loves to cut up. However, in an hour, they only broke for a commercial once, once only, only when the film reel ran out, and without our smiling sheriff.

Finally, when the film ended, the station showed 13 ads in a row, about seven minutes' worth. Then, we got a quick shot of Hennessey introducing himself and saying goodnight. That's all. Never mind guest host: who was the guest engineer?

SHAGGY DOG: The latest issue of *BWMT News*, newsletter of Black and White Men Together of the S.F. Bay Area, told this one:

A man arrived home from work one day and was horrified to find his lover in bed with another young man. Just as he was about to storm out of the house, his lover stopped him with these words.

"Before you leave, I want you to hear how all this came about. Driving down the street, I saw this young man looking tired, bedraggled, and lonely, so I brought him home and fixed him a meal from the roast beef you had forgotten in the refrigerator. He only had some worn sandals on his feet, so I gave him a pair of good shoes you had discarded because they had gone out of style.

"He was cold, so I gave him a sweater I bought you for your birthday, that you never wore because the colors didn't suit you. His jeans were worn out, so I gave him a pair of yours that were perfectly good, but that you had gotten too big for.

"Then, as he was about to leave, he paused and asked, 'Is there anything else your lover doesn't use any more?'"

WORDS OF WISDOM: San Francisco's Richard Hamilton, M.D., had a few choice remarks in the Seventh Day Adventist *Kinship Connection* newsletter recently: "I am grateful for being a gay man, free of the laws and rules of heterosexism, while I continue to remain true to the ideals of sincerity, honor and respect.

"I agree that some of the traditions of heterosexual relationships are often inappropriate to homosexual relationships

and that we need gay-sympathetic or gay-identified role models for being single or committed to a relationship.

"There are a great many aspects of heterosexual life that are valid, including relationship formation—especially for disease prevention in light of the apparent transmissible nature of AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome). Avoiding relationships to be politically correct might be a mistake on the individual level, and at the same time it is important that being single be held as high in social esteem as being in a relationship...

"The point is that sharing has many values, but until we find someone comfortable to share with, we find happiness and joy in being single."

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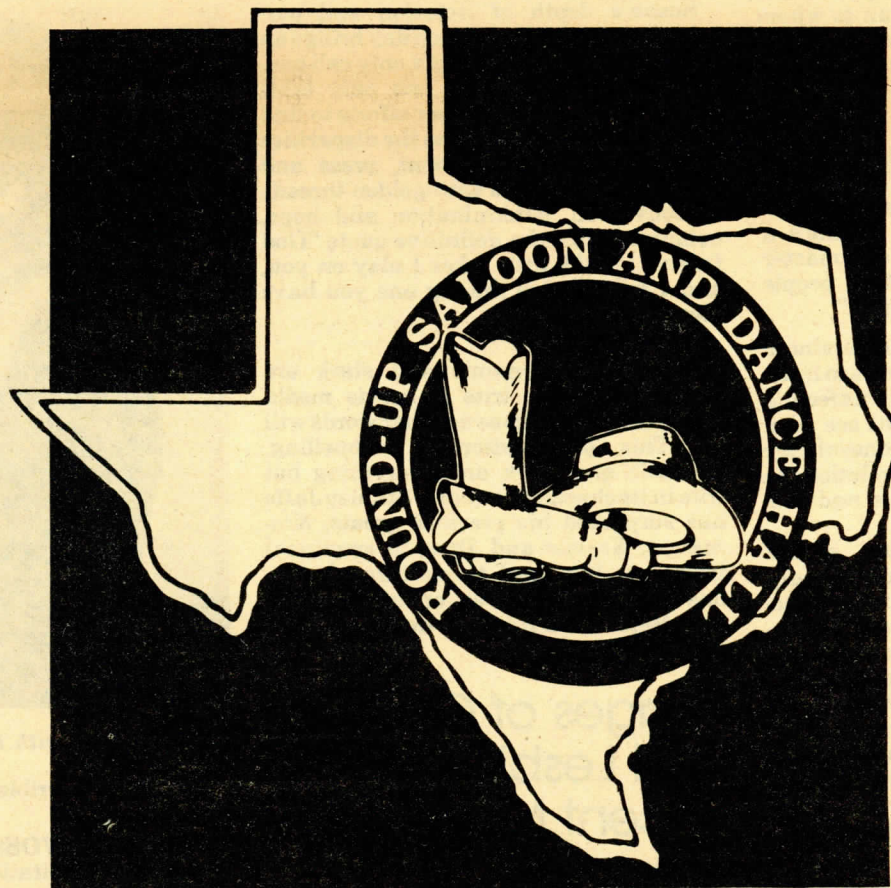
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'Without a Trace' Reminiscent of Boston Incident

By Hollis Hood

One brisk morning in a metropolitan area, a six-year old boy started off to school—he never arrived, just disappeared without a trace.

Stanley Jaffe's production of the 20th Century-Fox release *Without a Trace* is built around this incident—one that closely parallels a happening in Boston some six years ago. A youngster was abducted while waiting near his home for the school bus. He was never seen again, but police claimed they uncovered his photo when a house used to headquarter the Man-Boy Love Association was raided.

Without a Trace deals with the possibility of such a kidnapping.

Based on the novel *Still Missing* by Beth Gutcheon, the play revolves around the reactions of the child's mother, Susan Selky, portrayed by Kate Nelligan (*Eye of the Needle*). "I wrote the story from the mother's point of view, an approach that puts you in the center," said Gutcheon. "You need to know what it feels like. Therefore I concentrated on the very strong story line of a woman whose child is missing and who wants him back."

Susan, a professor of English at Columbia University, returns from work and waits for her son to come home. He doesn't, and the events that follow test everyone's mental and emotional capabilities.

"It's all the things that actors want to find on their doorstep," said Nelligan. "It's an extraordinary part; Susan is an emotionally and morally gifted woman with an abundance of dignity and intelligence. She's extremely happy, well adjusted and delightful woman to whom something shocking happens. She deals with it in a way that is quite extraordinary and human. That provides a lot of scope for an actress."

"And most satisfying to me is that she is bright," continues Nelligan. "It's awfully nice to have to reach for a character's mentality rather than stoop for it. She's a smart woman, someone who can master herself to do things that other people couldn't do in the same situation."

From the beginning Susan is convinced she will regain her son. She agrees to interviews with the stereotypically unfeeling press because "someone might see Alex and bring him back, if I don't consent they won't see it." Unfailingly her solutions to challenges are simple, obvious and profound.

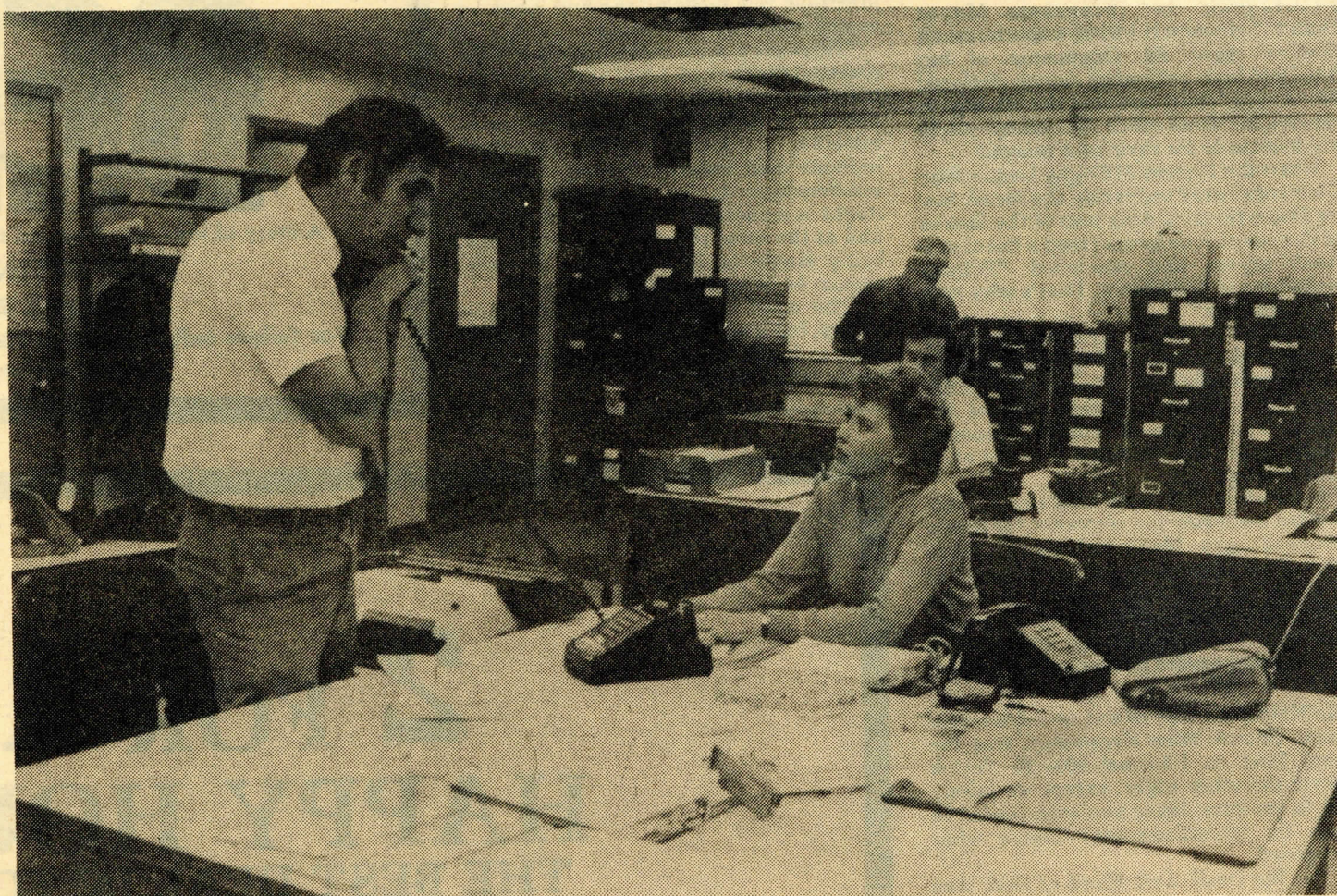
Her unerring determination evokes admiration from Judd Hirsch (*Ordinary People*) who plays the veteran police detective Al Menetti. Her reaction to the situation compels him to continue to search for the boy months after his disappearance.

The movie also stars David Duke (*Only When I Laugh*) as Susan's estranged husband and Stockard Channing (*Grease*) as her neighborhood friend. Keith McDermott is Phillippe, Susan's gay houseboy suspected by the police of the child's murder.

The investigation inevitably leads to Phillippe who is taken into custody while in the company of a 14-year-old male hooker from his apartment which Menetti describes as "filled with all kinds of kinky shit."

Susan talks to Phillippe at the detention home and he explains the bizarre circumstances that have caused his indictment. Following her own instincts, Susan rejects Menetti's evaluation of Phillip's guilt. "Don't you understand," she questions "Phillippe loved Alex." "Lady," answers Menetti, "that's what I'm afraid of."

Susan then tries to interpret her feelings in an article for submission to a magazine, but it is turned down because "our readers just are not ready to deal with the homosexual issue."



Judd Hirsch (left) plays the police detective and Kate Nelligan is the mother of the missing boy

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Susan's depth of isolation and sustained unrequited rage each day brings an attitude that her friends can only call neurotic, but her audience can only label heroic, as she redoubles her efforts to find her son. The movie weaves the disparities of life in law enforcement, press and human relationships with golden threads of conviction, determination and hope, culminating in the definitive quote "God forgive me the little jokes I play on you, and I will forgive the big one you have played on me."

Compelling, dynamic and stark are words I consider trite in movie media hype—but in this case no other words will do. This presentation is compelling, dynamic and stark and everything but trite in its characterizations. Stanley Jaffe has surpassed his previous greats, *Kramer vs. Kramer* and *Taps*, in emotional interplay. It's hard to sit through this one—wear long sleeves, or bring a Kleenex. Melodrama it is not—reality it could very well be.

Images of Gays and Lesbians In Recent Movies

By Daniel Curzon
International Gay News Agency

THE ROAD WARRIOR. The bad guys in this bash'em and bang'em murderous romp are a combination of the general public's most despised types: arresting motorcycle cops, Hell's Angels, punks with brightly colored Mohawk haircuts, and effeminate homosexuals.

The obvious "sweetie" of the baddest bad guy of them all is always behind him on his bad bike—fem charms and flowing blond hair making him, like the other villains, ripe for slaughter.

The blond sweetheart gets it with steel boomerang to the forehead, natch.

This Australian film is a thoroughly sensationalistic sledgehammer of a movie that caters to just about every violent emotion known to humankind.



Kate Nelligan with Danny Corkill, who plays the young boy.

The really horrible part is that it's so entertaining.

VERONICA VOSS. Fassbinder's last movie is an imitation of a 40s B movie which aspires to high things. Only it doesn't reach them except technically. Fassbinder, gay himself, couldn't seem to resist putting in those old-fashioned images of "sinister lesbians," in this case a woman doctor and her "companion" who make morphine addicts out of the depressed and then force them to sign over all their property to them.

God knows, lesbians have no more right to be portrayed exclusively in flattering images than anybody else, but this throwback to the *Bad Old Days* is offensive. But it may be so understated an image that most people won't notice—no, even worse, they will pick up the message subliminally and carry it around with them much longer.

E.T. That's right, E.T. is gay. Didn't you

see the scene where he dressed in drag? Remember that fetching wig? He didn't object, did he, when Elliott's little sister put it on him! Of course he may have been so drunk he didn't know what he was doing, right?

All those cans of beer! Don't gays have a problem with alcohol? He was left behind in the first place because he was outside the spaceship tricking with earthlings. Don't hand me that bull about him picking flowers! You can even hear him grunting and carrying on in the bushes! His lover, on board the spaceship, gets so pissed off waiting for him that he closes the door and flies off, only to return later when he realizes that he can't live without E.T.

Meanwhile, E.T. himself has realized that he misses Zork (the lover, dummy!) and wants to be reunited with him, and they fly off together at the end.

It's a very beautiful story, if you ask me.

Curzon is a San Francisco-based author.

Americans Active in Mexican Gay Rights Group

By Ernie Potvin
Via GPA Wire Service

Tijuana's only gay rights organization celebrated its third anniversary in February with two days of activities including a conference, sporting and social events. But nearly half of the attendees at the conference were Californians, including members of gay Latin groups from Los Angeles and San Diego.

They represented a welcomed boost to F.I.G.H.T., el Frente Internacional de Garantías Humanas de Tijuana, (International Human Rights Front of Tijuana).

Several Americans, including one Puerto Rican, are active in the group's central committee. A few reside in Tijuana while others cross the border for meetings. They have brought with them years of experience in the movement.

"Jose" worked with the CETA program at the Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center in Los Angeles. "Fred" is an activist and writer with the gay press and Lee has been involved with a number of gay social organizations in northern California. All have given a boost to F.I.G.H.T. which has had difficulty bringing more middle class Mexican gays into the organization.

Like many early gay groups in the United States, F.I.G.H.T. gets most of its support from the street people, the ones who are unable to cross the border to enjoy San Diego's many gay clubs for lack of money or proper papers.

Tijuana hugs the U.S. border fifteen miles south of San Diego with a population rapidly approaching one million. Whereas, San Diego has twenty gay bars, Tijuana has one—the Noa Noa. It is not gay owned and is believed to stay in business by contributing generously to the powers that be. The payoff "mordida" or bite, is a common practice in every phase of Mexican life.

The F.I.G.H.T. conference was originally scheduled to be held at the government's House of Culture, but the permit was lost when the nature of the meeting became apparent. Next F.I.G.H.T. rented and repainted a run down hall from a closeted theater director who later attempted to evict the group while the meeting was in progress. He objected to their selling beer in spite of the groups' having obtained a police permit.

Ironically, the Tijuana Chief of Police was being honored at the conference for having entered a dialog with F.I.G.H.T. following reports of beatings and robberies of street gays.

F.I.G.H.T.'s founder and president, Emilio Velasquez, is an entertainer and owner of a non-gay nightclub, Emilio's Cafe Musicales. The second floor of his club serves as the weekly meeting place for the organization.

Although the group has only 40 members, they have served over 1000 people in the last three years, according to Velasquez. Recently they held a theatrical presentation and raised 10,000 pesos for a needed operation for a gay youth. "In Mexico, we have to look out for each other," says Emilio.

Representatives from other Mexican cities were also at the conference. Grupo Lambda of Mexico City reported on the movement in the capital including increased harassment stemming from the government's "moral renovation" program.

They announced plans for Mexico City's fifth Gay Pride March in June, and the re-establishment of their newspaper, *Nuevo Ambiente*.

Mexican Moral Renovation Targets Gays

By Ernie Potvin
Via GPA Wire Service

Gay People in Mexico have become a scapegoat for the downturn in the country's economy, according to spokesmen for Grupo Lambda, Mexico's leading gay rights organization.

During last year's election campaign, Mexican President De La Madrid called for a program of "Moral Renovation" to stop the widespread practice by government officials and civil servants of demanding bribes for services rendered.

Following the July elections, police and other agencies have misinterpreted the intent of "moral renovation" to launch a morals campaign against the nation's homosexuals and prostitutes.

Bar raids and harassment on the streets have increased markedly according to Jesus Rico, a Lambda member, in the weeks before the Mexican gay pride march in June. This year it started earlier. Assaults and extortion have become common place. Activists who stand up for their rights, however, or tourists with foreign papers are seldom bothered, according to Marcos Osorio, another Lambda member. Most of this activity has centered around the chic Zona Rosa district of Mexico City which contains almost all of the capital's dozen gay clubs.

As has been reported in other Mexican cities, many attacks on gay people have come from off duty police. During the election campaign a gathering of 200 gays was attacked by a political goon squad in which 70 people were injured. Prompting these attacks is the support the gay movement has received from the left wing Revolutionary Workers Party, which has participated in the gay marches since their inception in 1979. The largest march in 1980 resulted in 6000 participants.

Another ramification of "moral renovation" has been the mass firing of homosexuals from jobs. In one widely publicized incident ten renowned actors were dismissed from the television networks.

In November an Obscenity Decree was issued prohibiting the publication of all articles, photographs or sounds depicting sex as having a negative effect on the moral fiber of the nation. This was met with open protests from several intellectual writers as well as the gay movement and was later rescinded. Grupo Lambda views this as a victory.

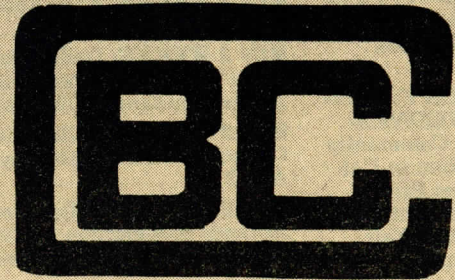
Probably the most prominent lesbian group is Oikabeth, named after a group of Mayan female warriors who were renowned for leaving a trail of flowers in their wake.

One of Mexico's earliest groups, FHAR, is reported to no longer exist. FHAR, the Homosexual Revolutionary Action Front, dissolved shortly after the expulsion of thousands of homosexuals from Castro's Cuba. FHAR wanted to protest the action by chaining themselves to the iron fence of the Cuban embassy in Mexico City. Grupo Lambda argued in favor of sending an emissary to Havana to investigate the situation along with letters of protest to the Mexican press. Only two newspapers in the country carried their press releases.

Grupo Lambda's emissary returned with an unsatisfactory response from the Cuban government which included a justifying text from a 19th century German psychologist. Although disappointed with the Cuban position on gays, many in the Mexican gay movement have remained steadfastly aligned with the socialist left.

On yet another front, religious lesbian and gay male fellowships in Mexico City are growing in number. A study group called Fidelidad meets regularly. The Metropolitan Community Church meets in a private home with a weekly attendance approaching 50. An out-of-the-closet priest conducts Sunday mass for the gay community in a suburban church filled to capacity.

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■FRIDAY, SATURDAY: AIDS Action Project of Dallas/Ft. Worth benefit at Sassi's, 4516 McKinney, Dallas, 7pm

■FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY: Community Productions' presentation in Dallas of plays by the West Street Repertory of New York continues, Hall of State Auditorium, Fair Park, lasting to March 26

■SUNDAY: Oak Lawn Tennis Association third annual Round Robin Doubles Tournament, noon, Cole Park

■SUNDAY: AIDS Action Project of Dallas/Ft. Worth benefit at Mickey's, 704 Carroll, Ft. Worth, 12-6pm

■SUNDAY: Dallas Gay Pride Week Association meets, 1pm, Dallas Gay Alliance office, 3409 Oak Lawn, Suite 201

■SUNDAY: Court of the Golden Unicorn meets, 2412 Lipscomb, Ft. Worth

■SUNDAY: Gayline meets 7:30pm

■SUNDAY: Spring begins at 10:39pm

■MONDAY: Ft. Worth Dignity meets at Catholic Renewal Center, 4503 Bridge

■MONDAY: Dallas Gay Pride Week logo released 8pm, Melrose Hotel

■MONDAY: Oak Lawn Bowling Association plays at Bronco Bowling Lanes, Oak Cliff, 8:30pm

■TUESDAY: Oak Lawn Symphonic Band meets 7pm, MCC, 2701 Reagan

■WEDNESDAY: Pegasus Volleyball Assoc. practices 7-9pm, Reverchon Recreational Center, 3505 Maple, Dallas

■WEDNESDAY: Dallas Gay Pride Week benefit show, Tex's Ranch, 4118 Maple

■WEDNESDAY: Oak Lawn Tennis Association meets 7:30pm at Cole Park Tennis Courts, Dallas

Selected Events in Future Weeks

■IN 1 WEEK: Mr. Southwest Drummer Contest in Houston March 25-26 at the Drum, 1732 Westheimer, and March 27 at Numbers, 300 Westheimer, benefiting Kaposi's Sarcoma Committee of Houston

■IN 1 WEEK: Lesbian Rights Task Force of Dallas County NOW coffeehouse, 7:30pm, 3107 Routh, March 26

■IN 1 WEEK: Palm Sunday, March 27

■IN 1 WEEK: Dallas Gay Alliance open board meeting 7:30pm, 3409 Oak Lawn

■IN 1 WEEK: Full moon March 28, 1:28pm

■IN 1 WEEK: Integrity/Dallas meets 7:30pm, March 31, St. Tho-

mas the Apostle Church, Mockingbird at Inwood

■IN 1 WEEK: Dallas Gay Pride Week benefit Mar. 31 at High Country, 3121 Inwood

■IN 2 WEEKS: Good Friday, April 1

■IN 2 WEEKS: April Fool's Day, April 1

■IN 2 WEEKS: Dallas Gay Pride Week benefit beer bust Apr. 1, New Sundance, 4025 Maple

■IN 2 WEEKS: Dallas City Council elections, Saturday, Apr. 2

■IN 2 WEEKS: Dallas Gay Alliance post-election party at Round-Up, 3912 Cedar Springs, Apr. 2

■IN 2 WEEKS: Easter, April 3

■IN 2 WEEKS: Tarrant County Gay Alliance meets at Center for the Community, April 5

■IN 2 WEEKS: Lesbian Rights Task Force of Dallas County NOW meeting, 3107 Routh, 7:30pm, April 6

■IN 2 WEEKS: Dallas Gay Pride Week benefit beer bust Apr. 7, Round-Up, 3914 Cedar Springs

■IN 3 WEEKS: Dallas Gay Pride Week benefit beer bust Apr. 8, Sassi's, 4516 McKinney

■IN 3 WEEKS: AIDS Benefit Bowling Tournament, April 9-10, Los Angeles

■IN 3 WEEKS: Academy Awards Apr. 11

■IN 3 WEEKS: Dallas Gay Pride Week bartender's show benefit Apr. 12, Eighth Day, 2509 N. Fitzhugh

■IN 4 WEEKS: 4th annual Ft. Worth Dignity gala with guest speaker from Texas Human Rights Foundation April 18

■IN 4 WEEKS: Dallas Gay Pride Week benefit Apr. 19, The Saint, 2609 N. Pearl

■IN 4 WEEKS: Dallas Gay Pride Week benefit Apr. 20, Chaps, 2515 N. Fitzhugh

■IN 5 WEEKS: Imperial Court presents Dallas Gay Pride Week benefit Apr. 22

■IN 5 WEEKS: Fiesta in San Antonio, April 22-24

■IN 5 WEEKS: 1983 Southeastern Conference for Lesbians and Gay Men opens April 28 in Atlanta, lasting to May 1

■IN 6 WEEKS: Dallas Gay Pride Week benefit dance marathon Apr. 29, Uptown Dallas, 2911 Routh

■IN 6 WEEKS: Gay Press Association national convention, Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia, Apr. 29-May 1

■IN 6 WEEKS: Gay Night at Ringling Bros. & Barnum & Bailey Circus, Madison Square Garden, New York, April 30, to benefit AIDS research

■IN 6 WEEKS: Splash Day, May 1

■IN 7 WEEKS: Mother's Day, May 8

■IN 7 WEEKS: South Central District MCC Conference opens May 11 in Dallas, lasting to May 14

■IN 8 WEEKS: Gay Fathers Coalition national conference in Denver, May 20-22

■IN 10 WEEKS: International Gay Bowling Organization Tournament, May 28-30, Chicago

■IN 10 WEEKS: Memorial Day, May 30

■IN 11 WEEKS: 5th National Lesbian/Gay Health Conference opens June 9, lasting to June 12, Denver

■IN 12 WEEKS: Wrangler M.C. annual Stampede, "Celebrating a Decade of Decadence," June 10-12

■IN 13 WEEKS: Gay Pride Week, "Marching Out of Obscurity, Into the Dream," begins June 17, lasting to June 26

■IN 13 WEEKS: Dallas Gay Pride Parade June 19

■IN 13 WEEKS: 7th Annual San Francisco International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival opens June 20, lasting to June 25

■IN 13 WEEKS: Summer beings at 6:10pm June 21

■IN 14 WEEKS: Gay Pride Week continues with Dallas parade June 26

■IN 14 WEEKS: Gay Pride Parades June 26 in San Francisco ("Strengthen the Ties, Break the Chains"); Houston ("Unity Through Diversity"); and New York City

■IN 15 WEEKS: Blue Boy Classic Bowling Tournament, July 2-4, Seattle

■IN 15 WEEKS: Independence Day, July 4

■IN 19 WEEKS: 8th International Conference of Gay & Lesbian Jews opens Aug. 4, lasting to Aug. 7, Miami

■IN 23 WEEKS: Reno National Gay Rodeo opens, Sept. 1, lasting to Sept. 4

■IN 24 WEEKS: Sixth Biennial International Convention of Dignity in Seattle Sept. 2-5

■IN 24 WEEKS: Gay World Series Softball Tournament, Chicago, Sept. 3-5

■IN 24 WEEKS: Labor Day, Sept. 5

■IN 29 WEEKS: Dallas Invitational Columbus Day Bowling Tournament, Oct. 8-10

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Lambda Legal Defense—132 W. 43rd, New York, NY 10039

National Association of Business Councils—Box 15145, San Francisco, CA 94115—(415) 885-6363
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Dallas Gay Pride Week Association—POB 190402, 75219—528-5452; meets 3rd Sunday, 1pm, Dallas Gay Alliance office, 3409 Oak Lawn # 201; release of logo Mar. 21, 8pm, Melrose Hotel; benefit show Mar. 23, Tex's Ranch, 4118 Maple; benefit beer bust Apr. 1, New Sundance, 4025 Maple; benefit beer bust Apr. 7, Round-Up, 3914 Cedar Springs; benefit beer bust Apr. 8, Sassi's, 4516 McKinney; bartender's show benefit Apr. 12, Eighth Day, 2509 N. Fitzhugh; benefit Apr. 19, The Saint, 2609 N. Pearl; benefit Apr. 20, Chaps, 2515 N. Fitzhugh; Imperial Court benefit Apr. 22; dance marathon benefit Apr. 29, Uptown Dallas, 2911 Routh; Gay Pride Week June 17-26 with parade June 19

Dallas Motorcycle Club—POB 190525/75219; Meets 2nd Wednesdays at Hidden Door, 5025 Bowser

Environmental Sensory Productions—3409 Oak Lawn #212—521-8766

Evangelical Concerned—2901 Knight #111/75219—522-2061

Gay Unitarians of Dallas: meet 2nd Sundays, 7:30pm, First Unitarian Church of Dallas, 4015 Normandy, University Park

Gayline/Community Resource Center—POB 190835, 74219—748-6790

Imperial Court: Gay Pride Week benefit Apr. 22

Integrity/Dallas—521-5560, 522-6305; Meets last Thursday of month, 7:30pm, St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Mockingbird at Inwood

La Nuit Chaud—POB 140213, 75214—526-8060

Lambda Group of Alcoholics Anonymous—4525 McKinney—698-0200; meetings 7am, noon, 6pm & 8pm Mon.-Sat. & 7am, 1pm, 6pm & 8pm Sun.

Lesbian Rights Task Force of Dallas County NOW—3107 Routh—941-5331; meets 7:30pm 1st & 3rd Wednesdays; coffeehouse 7:30pm 4th Saturdays

Metropolitan Community Church—2701 Reagan—526-6221; South Central District MCC Conference May 11-14 with Rev. Troy Perry

Oak Lawn Bowling Association—Jim Beck at 528-2963; plays at at Bronco Bowling Lanes, Oak Cliff, 8:30pm Mondays

Oak Lawn Counseling Center—3409 Oak Lawn #202—528-2081

Oak Lawn Forum—3635 Lemmon Ave., Suite 215, POB 191187, 75219—521-4597

Oak Lawn STD Clinic—P.O. Box 2361, 75221; forming

Oak Lawn Symphonic Band—351-6697; meets Tuesdays, 7pm, MCC, 2701 Reagan

Oak Lawn Tennis Association—Sam Yee at 739-2726 or 823-2051; meets 7:30pm Wednesdays at Cole Park Tennis Courts; weekly Sunday league play noon, Cole Park Tennis Courts

Oak Lawn Volleyball Association—Jim Goodwin at 526-6433 after 6pm; practice Wednesdays, 7-9pm, Reverchon Recreation Center, 3505 Maple

Oak Lawn Softball Association—David Walker at 522-1713 or Bill Whalen at 828-1247

The Sisters and Brothers of Eternal Penetration—3328 Cedar Plaza #145, 75235—522-1159

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Sovereign Court of Dallas—POB 35532/75235—824-3231, 350-4937

Texas Human Rights Foundation—3128 Lemmon Ave. E #304—522-5991

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Court of the Golden Unicorn—1612 Park Place—926-9817; Meets 3rd Sundays monthly at 2412 Lipscomb

Dignity—Catholic Renewal Center, 4503 Bridge—283-8588; meets 1st & 3rd Mondays; 4th annual Ft. Worth gala with guest speaker from Texas Human Rights Foundation April 18; 6th Biennial International Convention of Dignity in Seattle Sept. 2-5

Fort Worth Sports Association—Kevin at 246-3573

Fort Worth Tavern Guild—c/o Downtowner Club, 3208 W. 7th—332-0335

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Tarrant County Gay Alliance—2412 Lipscomb—571-8977; Meets 1st Tuesday monthly at Center for the Community

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Fortunes

By Tycho

For Friday evening, March 18, 1983, through Friday evening, March 25, 1983:

ARIES—In your sign this week: Mars (all week), Venus (leaves Saturday morning), the Sun (enters Sunday night) and Mercury (enters Wednesday afternoon). Talent, ambition, and your love of what is both beautiful and romantic can combine to make this a time to remember. In fact, it might be a good idea to keep a diary of what's going on. Be easy with those less fortunate. A gentle touch could soothe a pained soul.

TAURUS—In your sign this week: Venus (enters Saturday morning) and the Moon (leaves Saturday afternoon). You're moving into a time of increasing responsibility. Give serious thought to these obligations, and share those thoughts with someone tied to you emotionally. Seek out some good advice. That will give you an excuse to lean on a strong shoulder.

GEMINI—In your sign this week: The Moon, from Saturday afternoon to Monday evening. So what's to be confused about? You just can't understand why everyone doesn't share your *joie de vivre*, but don't get flustered. By next week the answers will be obvious, and you'll be getting ready for a new adventure.

CANCER—In your sign this week: The Moon, from Monday evening until Wednesday evening. The written word is far better for you now than the spoken word. You're likely to find yourself in a verbal duel, when an exchange of letters could better explain a missing piece of your life. Write the note you've been meaning to. You'll be glad you did.

LEO—In your sign this week: The Moon, from next Wednesday evening to next Friday evening, Mar. 23-25. You're getting more aggressive all the time. You even surprise yourself with your ability to go for it and get it. However, there's a surprise in store for you that will be truly a surprise: unexpected and out of no where. What's this?

VIRGO—The end of an illusion can either hurt like hell or help you to see more clearly. It's up to you, of course, to decide what to do with all the drama that's happening in your life. Coming attractions include one beautiful person.

LIBRA—In your sign this week: Pluto. How's your gender? You could teach someone who needs to know about theirs (and their sexuality) an important lesson. Allow yourself to take on the role of advisor, and you could have your hands full with a student who's more than eager to learn.

SCORPIO—In your sign this week: Saturn. You're willing to take the thorns with the roses as far as love's concerned. But suddenly business and practical affairs present you with so many roses and so few thorns that the exhilaration of your job carries over to your love life. Your increasing objectivity helps.

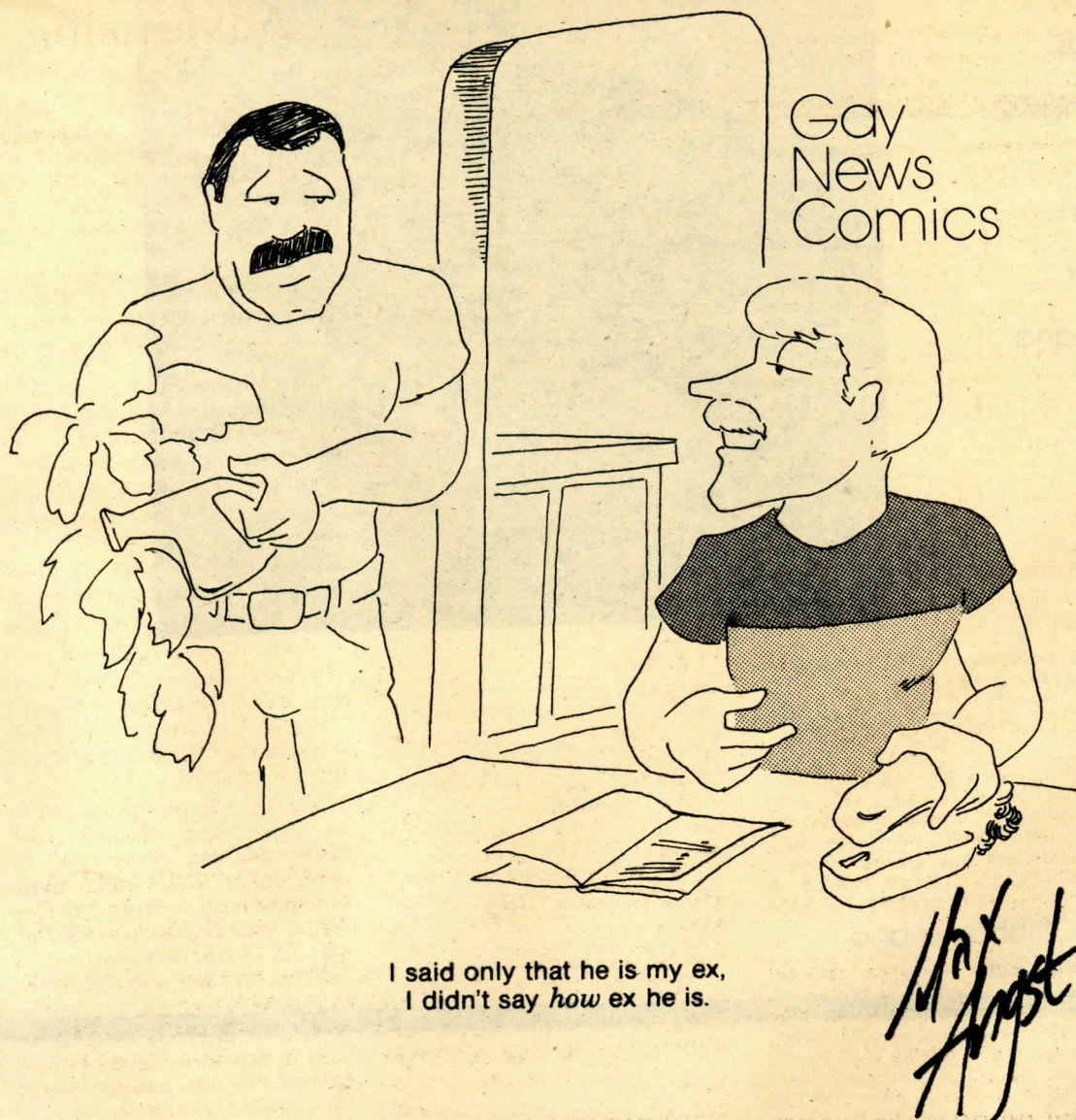
SAGITTARIUS—In your sign this week: Jupiter, Uranus and Neptune. The month started off with a jolt of speed that you weren't quite prepared for. Now that things are under control, your mind is moving at an even faster rate. Keep turning those thoughts into action. (Speaking of action, there's plenty of that in the picture, too!)

CAPRICORN—Forcing the matter earlier in the month has turned into the ability to be simply forceful. Beware to those who fail to understand the power of the mind to change what it will? Know what you're doing! You can do magic. You can achieve nearly anything.

AQUARIUS—What you've been giving away up to now starts coming back to you in spades. Or hearts. Or diamonds. Whatever form it takes, you're on the giving and getting end. I hope it wasn't clubs! An out-of-the-way place with an out-of-the-ordinary person could be in the cards.

PISCES—In your sign this week: the Sun (only until Sunday night) and Mercury (only through Wednesday afternoon). The company of a fellow water sign person is just what you need right now. You've been at it pretty so far this month. You need a companion who can ease the load and soften the blows. How about treating yourself to a massage? Or a steam bath?

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