

Congressman Comes 'Out of the Closet' in Speech

By Larry Bush

Rep. Gerry Studds paced in the well of the House, the small open space on the floor between congressmen's desks and the podium. The chamber was nearly empty, but those who were present had come to hear Studds. Rep. William Dannemeyer (R-CA) as conservative as Studds is liberal, held the podium to talk about an agriculture bill.

For well over an hour it had been clear that Studds planned on making a remarkable statement. He already had been identified as having a sexual relationship with a 17-year-old male page ten years ago. It was announced at a press conference of the House ethics committee, and word quickly circulated when Studds asked to speak on a "special order" at the close of regular House business.

In the press galleries, copies of Studd's statement already were circulating, already working its way through computer terminals to the wire services, television news centers and newspapers and news magazines. Perhaps a dozen, perhaps 15 reporters sat at the long tables perched above the Speaker's Chair to actually watch Studds, a man most admired for his political tenacity, deliver his statement. In the public galleries, a troop of girl's school visitors, neatly uniformed, had just arrived for the 15-minute view of House action visitors are entitled to watch.

Studds was not visible on the floor when most Washington observers arrived.



Other members of the congress could be seen talking with each other in subdued tones, the expressions on their face clearly indicating a friend was in trouble. For such a small gathering, there was considerable tension.

When Studds appeared in view on the floor, he didn't stop to talk with many of his colleagues. His eyes recognized them, took them in, but he went to the well, pacing almost like a fighter ready to enter a ring. For Studds, given to spontaneous outbursts on issues that engage him, known for a quick repartee, it was a rare demonstration of unease.

Then House Speaker Tip O'Neill moved from the side aisle up to the Speaker's Chair, taking back the gavel normally held up by junior congressman during slow moments of House deliberations. His appearance was both a signal of action important to the House, and a sign of courtesy to his fellow Massachusetts Democrat. Dannemeyer announced he was yielding time to the gentleman from Massachusetts, Mr. Studds.

"All members of Congress must cope with the challenge of initiating and maintaining a career in public office," Studds began, reading from his paper, his weight leaning on one leg. The vast majority of House seats, where Studds stared ahead, were empty. Then he straightened his posture, took stride with his words, and in the strong, dramatic cadence that he has a

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Crime in Oak Lawn

By Don Ritz

A recent meeting between representatives of the Dallas Police Department and members of the gay community revealed that some police officials are trying to take steps towards reducing crime in the Oak Lawn area, as well as improve the relations between the gay community and the police.

Captain John Squier, executive officer for Central Patrol Division, and Corporal Margaret Chandler, Community Relations and Crime Prevention officer, met with Terry Tebedo of the Dallas Gay Alliance and Bill Huber, a bartender at the Round-Up Saloon who is concerned with crime in Oak Lawn.

Capt. Squier began the discussion by summarizing various steps that had been mentioned previously, which the city and the police department could take in crime prevention.

Street lighting, especially along Throckmorton between Cedar Springs and Maple, was the first point of discussion. Capt. Squier said that he had discussed the lighting matter with Assistant City Manager Levi Davis. Squier said that Davis felt the problem was trees blocking the light. Davis believed that there were adequate light fixtures. Davis believed that trimming the trees would provide adequate light along the sidewalks.

The Dallas Park Department is responsible for trimming trees. An unsuccessful attempt was made to contact George LaBree of the Park Dept.

Horse patrol and foot patrol were also discussed. Squier said that horse patrol was not appropriate for the area at this time.

Foot patrol would not provide adequate coverage over the area which needed to be watched, Squier said. Squier elaborated, "The area could not be covered by both car and foot. Foot patrol would result in a lack of coverage for the expanse of the territory and would be expensive to do."

The Police Department has responded to crime in the area by increasing the number of officers and cars between 5:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m. Capt. Squier said that's the busiest time when there's the greatest influx of people.

For those who live, work or socialize in the Oak Lawn area, it would appear that crime is on the increase. Seldom is there a day that goes by that a story of a mugging, robbery, assault, or even a murder is not heard. But, according to Dallas Police statistics, crime in Oak Lawn has actually decreased this year when compared to last.

Capt. Squier said, "Reported crimes probably only represent about one-half to two thirds of the actual crimes committed.

If crimes are not reported, then the police can't justify a response. We have an obligation to deliver police service to where it's needed, but that's based on what I've got (reported)."

Squier continued, "By looking at these statistics, I've got more justification for taking people out of the area."

Terry Tebedo questioned, "If a person has just left a bar intoxicated and is assaulted, would he be arrested (for public drunkenness) if he reports the crime?"

Squier responded that would be relative to the individual officer. However, most police would realize that the main problem is the assault. Squier said, "If the officer gets adequate responses to questions then there probably won't be any problem. However, if the person is sarcastic, providing no real answers, and wasting the officer's time, he does take a chance at being jailed."

Squier continued, "But any cop would much rather catch a mugger than haul in a drunk."

Corporal Chandler said, "By not reporting the crime, you're playing directly into the hands of the attacker. The quicker we get some knowledge of it (the crime), the better we are. For statistical reasons, it's okay to wait until the next day to report the crime, but the best chances of apprehending the crime are if you report it immediately."

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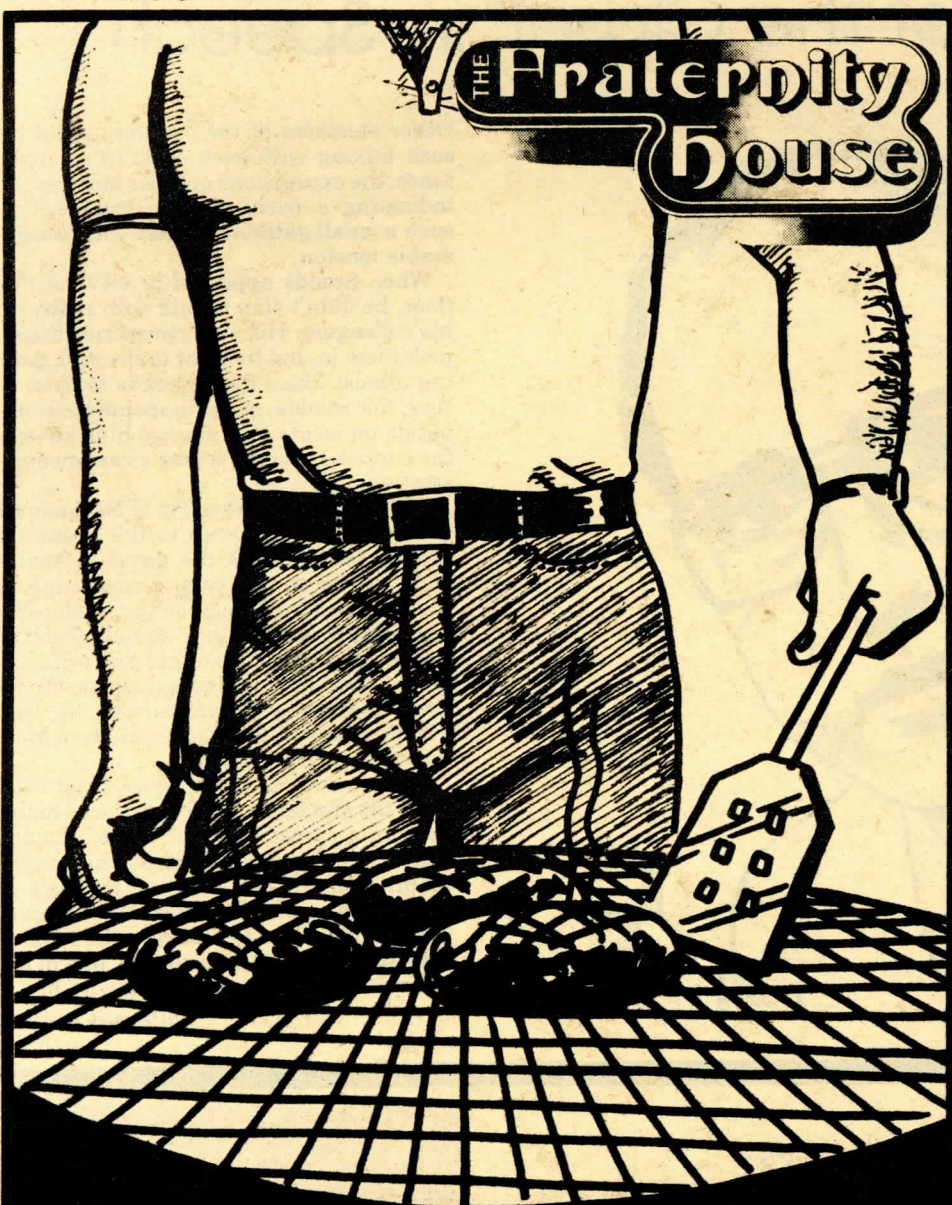
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particular gift for, continued, "It is not a simple task for any of us to meet adequately the obligations of either public or private life, let alone both. But these challenges are made substantially more complex when one is, as am I, both an elected public official and gay."

Studds' voice was firm, but did not pause. His House colleagues paid him respectful attention, except for Danne-meyer, who turned his head away to stare at a far wall. The visiting girl school students weren't quite sure they had heard correctly. "Did he say he was gay?" one girl asked another. "I thought he said he was gay." Their tour guide was immobile. Not until Studds was well into the voluntary nature of his relationship with a page did the guide jump to her feet, her madras blazer ruffling, and her mouth forming a soundless "Oh!" The young men standing watch on the visitor's doors exchanged glances, their smiles not ones of mockery, and then turned back to watch Studds complete his statement.

It was all over in quick order, and Studds strode quickly down the aisle and out the door. Several of his colleagues reached to touch his arm, say a good word, and a half dozen strode down the aisle and out the door with him. The first congressman to declare himself gay on the floor of the congress had finished making history.

The rest of his statement said: "The staff of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct has spent more than a year, and hundreds of thousands of dollars on an investigation, the results of which were announced earlier today. The allegations which have been directed against me center on a brief relationship which began and ended ten years ago. I do not seek to contest the existence of that relationship which without question reflected a very



serious error in judgement on my part.

"I do not believe, however, that a relationship which was mutual and voluntary; without coercion; without any preferential treatment, express or implied; without harassment of any kind; which was private; and which occurred ten years ago constitutes 'improper sexual conduct'

within the meaning of House Resolution 518, and as defined by the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct itself.

"The procedures used in this instance by the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct presented me with the most difficult choice I have had to make in my life. I have the right, under the Rules of the House, to insist on a full and public series of hearings concerning the allegations against me. The only other option presented to me by the Committee was to accept without contest a reprimand by the full House. If I had chosen the first option, to insist on a series of full public hearings, I would, I believe, have been able to demonstrate beyond a doubt that:

"a) the staff of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct exceeded the investigatory charge it was granted ... b) the private, consensual relationship discussed in the Committee's allegations did not meet the definition of improper sexual conduct ... c) the investigative conduct of the Committee staff, in general, raises fundamental questions with respect to the right to privacy and procedural fairness.

"I repeat in my judgement, the mutually voluntary, private relationship between adults, which occurred ten years ago, should not—by any conceivable standard of fairness, rationality, rule of law—warrant the attention or action of the House of Representatives."

On July 19, Studds was officially censured by the House, which he endured turning his back on the House. He has stated that constituency support has been incredible.

□ The Investigation

Almost from the outset, this congressional investigation was clearly a wild goose chase. It was launched by a panicky congress to stem a media interest in charges made by two former pages in the summer of 1982; both were unidentified at the time, both charged a homosexual ring on Capitol Hill coerced sexual favors from them, and within weeks of their broadcast statements, both publicly admitted they lied.

A Justice Department probe into the charges turned up no evidence, announced its lack of findings, and folded its tent before the House committee even got its effort fully underway.

The House committee, however, had hired Joseph Califano, a former Carter

cabinet official known both for his martinet personality and his willingness to absorb the public spotlight. During his tenure as Carter's secretary for Health and Human Services, Califano's straight-laced social conservatism created controversy when he booted out a black divorced mother as head of his department's planned White House Conference on Families, claiming that divorced women do not represent American family ideals, and he sought to constrict the availability of abortions under interpretations of congressional amendments, citing his Catholic faith.

Califano immediately decided his charter extended beyond the original accusations by the then-discredited pages to seek any indications of sexual improprieties he could ferret out. The result may well stand as the most far-reaching intrusion into the private lives of members of Congress, staff and pages that may ever have been recorded. Female pages who were rumored to have had abortions were relentlessly tracked down, put under oath to tell the name of the boyfriend who had impregnated them, and then the boyfriends tracked down to confirm under oath their sexual relationship and lack of connection to Congress.

Mindnumbing detail on pages' lunchtime habits and occasional beers is collected; rumors based on mannerisms of pages, staff and members of Congress resulted in dragnets through personal financial record, phone logs, and other minutiae to determine whether pages were involved.

Califano reports that he and his investigators conducted "some 700 interviews and had taken more than 125 depositions. They have traveled almost 100,000 miles to interview witnesses in more than 50 cities. One hundred and eleven subpoenas have been issued; 90 to compel oral testimony, 21 to compel production of documents. The Committee compelled testimony from 12 witnesses through grants of use of immunity.

The Special Counsel also obtained sworn statements from 40 individuals." Beyond that, Califano says he involved the FBI, the U.S. Capitol Police (with its 1200 officer corp), the D.C. police, and the media and forced production of hundreds of pages of financial, travel and telephone records.

"This investigation has been searching and exhaustive. There have been no holds barred," Califano told the committee in his report. He adds later, "The most serious costs have been to the many young Americans, a good number still teenagers, for whom this investigation has been a difficult and trying experience. ... Yet, it has taken this kind of inquiry to provide the American people the assurance that the House of Representatives has the institutional stamina and courage to investigate its members, officers and employees searchingly and thoroughly."

The fact that Califano was able to deliver two instances of what the Committee termed "sexual misconduct" and that the two congressmen nicely balanced the liberal/conservative, Republican/Democrat, Moral Majority/gay rights activist spectrum naturally is giving rise to speculation that Califano, after all, settled for a political solution.

His report adds weight to that suspicion. Califano blithely maintains, for example, that the offenses of Crane and Studds do not constitute criminal action under state, local or federal law. That is patently untrue, and it is particularly surprising that Califano thinks anyone will believe otherwise. The District of Columbia maintains criminal sanctions against both adultery (Crane's legal offense) and sodomy (Studd's presumed offense; sodomy varies by definition and the report does not specify whether sexual acts that took place violated the specific D.C. statute).

Those laws are on the books, moreover, because Rep. Daniel Crane's brother, Rep.

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hending the suspect is to report the crime as soon as possible."

Chandler went on, "Even if you don't have much information on the suspect, anything is better than nothing. If you just know it was three white men in a brown truck around 11:30 on Thursday night, we can compare that evidence to other crimes in the area and look for general trends. Maybe there have been other attacks on Thursday nights by men in a brown truck. We then can know to be 'on guard' for a brown truck, especially on Thursday nights. Of course, the more information we have, the better our chances of pinpointing the suspects actually are."

Capt. Squier said, "People have got to overcome the fear of calling (the police). We've got to improve and/or stabilize the gay community's outlook toward the police and the police's outlook towards the gay community. As long as we're afraid, or feel threatened by one another, we won't get anywhere."

"This is not an 'us and them.' We must close in on the understanding that different is not necessarily bad. After we've had a few success stories then we should get a better response from the community. It should cause an alteration in outlook; we shouldn't be afraid of each other."

While the police have increased their surveillance in Oak Lawn, a volunteer crime patrol has appeared on the streets as well.

Citizens on Patrol (COPs) made its first appearance in Oak Lawn last summer. According to Jim Foster, COPs organizer, within five weeks after the group's beginning last year, crime had dropped dramatically.

Foster said that when cold weather set in, crime decreased and the patrol stopped. Of course, this year, as the weather has become warmer, crime has increased.

COPs effects have already been noticed. Last Saturday night, they notified the police of a suspicious person on the corner of Throckmorton and Dickason. When the police checked on the person, they found he had an arrest warrant for burglary.

Foster issued a word of warning concerning individuals who approach you and say "I'm with the neighborhood security, I will be happy to escort you home."

"These people," Foster said, "are looking for a way to get into your house to rob you. COPs does not provide any form of an escort service."

COPs is receiving the cooperation of police as well as bar owners and managers. The group is watching the area between Cedar Springs and Maple. Currently COPs is patrolling Oak Lawn on nights selected at random. This is due to the shortage of volunteers. When the group has adequate numbers, they will patrol every night.

Anyone interested in volunteering time to assist in crime prevention in Oak Lawn is urged to call 526-5313.

Foster encouraged everyone who travels in Oak Lawn to be alert to suspicious persons or to crimes in progress. If something doesn't "look quite right," call the police, then notify COPs.

Foster said that the police are quick to respond, but often COPs members are within a block of where an incident occurs. Consequently, many times they can reach the scene of the crime first.

If you're afraid of calling the police, you can notify COPs, who in turn will notify the police. But the quickest most effective way of crime prevention is to notify the police first.

A Laurel and a Dart for Congressman Studds

By Joe Baker

When I was a high school student too many years ago, I wanted to move to Washington, D.C., and work as a Congressional page. The idea of living and working in our nation's capital—among all the power of politics and government—fascinated me.

The experience, I figured, would be more valuable than anything I would just read about in my civics and history textbooks.

Of course, my parents wouldn't even hear of the idea. My folks weren't the type you argued with, so the idea was dropped. I never even wrote my congressman about the possibility of a job as a page.

I got to thinking about my one-time desire while reading all the newspaper accounts about Congressmen Daniel Crane and Gerry Studds—the subjects of the sex scandal involving two teen-age pages.

What if I had gone to Washington as a page—and had been sexually approached by a congressman? I knew I was gay back

at 17, and was quite willing to experiment. (I just never got the chance.)

If the congressman was somewhat attractive to me, I'm sure I would have accepted his advances. Even if he wasn't much too look at, I probably would have accepted.

Power and politics are a powerful aphrodisiac. Besides, I was quite vulnerable at 17. The combination of being away from home for the first time, my awakening sexual desires and an influential member of Congress would have made me an easy target.

I can easily relate then to the young people who got sexually involved with Crane and Studds. They were willing participants. Their relationships were mutually voluntary and private.

But that doesn't mean that Crane and Studds were right in pursuing the two teen-agers. Their behavior was not only illegal, it was unacceptable for members of Congress.

The two men took advantage of two vulnerable youths. They used their power and position. They violated a trust. The fact that the "victims" were willing is irrelevant. The teen-agers were under-age and employees of Congress.

No employer—public or private—has the right to pressure an employee into a sexual relationship. Especially, if that employee is a vulnerable minor.

Oh, I'm not saying that Crane and Studds pressured the pages in the true sense of the word. Their pressure was probably more subliminal. More correctly, they took advantage of a situation.

Sure—our congressmen are only human, and they are entitled to make mistakes. Congress has publicly censured Crane and Studds, and their careers in government are probably ruined. Time to move on.

But the nation's press and various national columnists don't want to let the issue drop just yet—specifically where it concerns Studds.

Studds was involved with a 17-year-old boy. Crane did his playing with a 17-year-old girl.

Certain people don't want to forgive Studds because unlike Crane he didn't stand before Congress and apologize for his behavior. He didn't cry and carry on before television cameras about how he had made a mistake and wanted everybody's forgiveness.

Studds admitted he was a homosexual—a move for which I applaud him—but then went on to tell his colleagues in Congress,

"The mutually voluntary, private relationship between adults, which occurred 10 years ago, should not, by any conceivable standard of fairness, rationality, rule, or law, warrant the attention or action of the House of Representatives of the United States."

In other words, Studds didn't say he was sorry. His words appeared arrogant.

Studds really blew it. He should fire his press secretary and public relations firm.

Crane played it smart. I don't believe for a minute that all his crying was sincere, but it was a good PR move and everybody loves a repentant "sinner."

The least Studds should have done, if he didn't feel he had to make a public apology, was to keep quiet. I would have been able to support his statement if his relationship had indeed involved another adult. But the page was not an adult and had been entrusted (yes, that word sounds idealistic and corny) into the care of Congress.

Seventeen is close to being an adult, but it is not adult status. Besides, Studds was well aware that it is against the rules of Congress to have hanky-pank with the pages. He should have known better.

I am very proud of Studds, however, for having the courage to acknowledge his homosexuality and for not being ashamed of it. Unlike other politicians before him, he did not try to deny it or give some silly excuse such as alcohol made him do it. Examples: former congressmen Bauman, Hinson and Wyatt.

But Studds still owes his constituents an apology. If for the only reason, he has embarrassed the Congress of the United States and the voters who put him there.

On another note, I would like to take issue with certain comments made by national columnists Jody Powell and Joseph Sobran, who appear locally in the *Dallas Times Herald*.

In commenting on the sex scandal involving the pages, they charged that the gay press and gay leaders provide little criticism of their own.

They maintain that the gay movement condones sex with minors, and on the AIDS issue, they claim that the gay press and gay leaders have "refused to admit that changes in the gay lifestyle might be in order."

Several times in this column I have urged local and national gay rights leaders to tackle the sticky problem concerning sex with minors. If they don't take a strong stand against it and against such organizations as the North American

Man-Boy Love Association, the issue is going to give ammunition to our enemies, weakens our support from those who back gay rights and hurts the progress we have made educating the public that homosexuals are not child molesters.

We don't need negative publicity.

On the issue of changes in lifestyle because of AIDS, however, I think Powell and Sobran are off base.

Obviously, Powell and Sobran don't read the gay press and have never listened to gay rights leaders.

Yes, as an embattled minority, we are somewhat defensive. But I don't believe that we have shied away from taking one of our own to task—be it a person or an issue—when there is fair and just cause.

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Phillip Crane, forced the House to overturn the reform bill passed by the D.C. City Council in 1981, citing both the adultery and sodomy statutes as necessary to the city.

Califano also claims that his mandate allowed him to go back as far as ten years to locate an offense he could document against Studds, although he had outlined in his preliminary report to the House committee that he was examining only the past three years of page records. And, while Califano eagerly announced that 850 individuals had served in the House during the past ten years, seeking to leave the clear impression that 848 were innocent of any wrongdoing, his report confirms that he received allegations about member of Congress no longer in office, but that he did not examine those allegations. At a minimum, that leaves the record of whether pages were coerced into sex incomplete.

Both pages who finally gave testimony to the committee sought to avoid testifying about their personal lives, according to the report, but both apparently were intimidated into on-the-record statements. The male page, now 27, involved with Studds is reported by investigators to have sat through two interview sessions and denied any involvement, and only changed his story when he was forced to undergo an interrogation under oath.

The young woman similarly denied involvement through early interview, and finally admitted sexual relations when forced under oath. Both said the acts were consensual, in private, and did not involve

any favors granted in their work. Both were above the age of consent.

Studds, in his statement, strongly implied that he was accepting the committee report out of respect for the privacy of the person he was involved with. The report substantiates Studds' fear that, although the facts of involvement were not in dispute with him, the Special Counsel was prepared to reveal the name of the page if Studds contested merely on the grounds of jurisdiction and House conduct standards.

In a related case, that the House employee James Howarth who was also charged with misconduct, the name of the page involved still has not been provided so that Howarth can make a reply based on specific allegations.

Treatment of Eastern Bloc Gays Improving

International Gay News Agency

The treatment of homosexuals in some Communist countries has improved and delegates from Eastern Europe were joining in the International Gay Association's annual congress for the first time, announced a representative of that association recently.

(The International Gay Association is not affiliated with the International Gay News Agency.)

Wolfgang Foerster, IGA's Austrian representative, told reporters at the start of the congress that gays in Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia have managed to set up loose associations without harassment from police.

"In East Germany, actual homosexual and lesbian groups exist semi-officially within the Protestant Student Organization in Leipzig," he said.

He pointed out that gays in the Soviet Union and Romania still face severe punishment, but "other Communist countries seem to have accepted the fact that these people exist and are no better or worse than others."

Foerster also said the congress will discuss the problem of AIDS.

"We think that the press and mass media have used the disease for campaigns against homosexuality in general and this must be stopped," Foerster added.

The IGA has held international conferences for several years, trying to create a network of communication and interaction between gay groups and individuals throughout the world.

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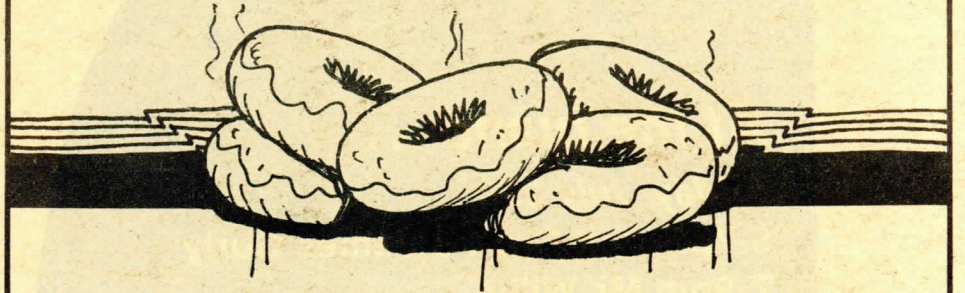
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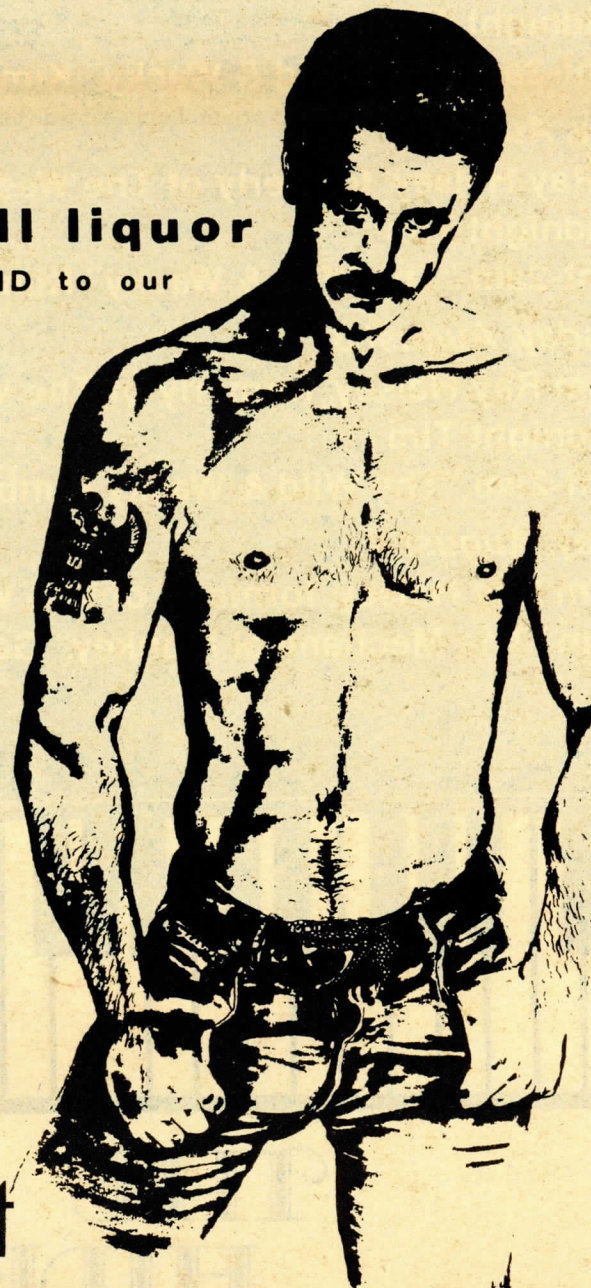
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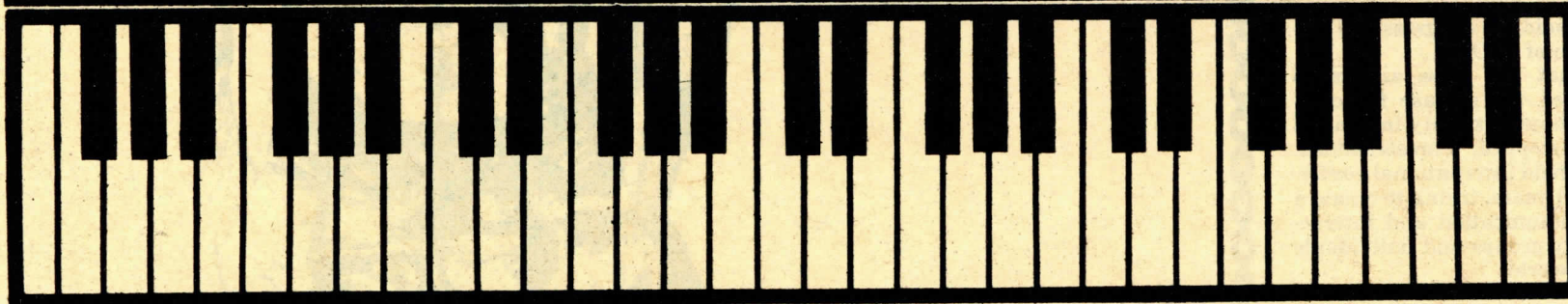
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DDC Selects Annual Dinner Date

The Dallas Dinner Committee has chosen Nov. 19 as the date of its annual \$150 per person black tie dinner, with this year's proceeds to benefit the Human Rights Campaign Fund and the National AIDS Federation Lobby Project, according to John Thomas, chairman of the committee.

The 1982 dinner at the Fairmont Hotel raised more than \$6000 for the Human Rights Campaign Fund. Patrons heard Joel Wachs, Los Angeles Mayor Pro-Tem, who served as the keynote speaker, and were entertained by a revue entitled "Our Time."

Thomas said the theme for the 1983 affair will be "Visions," and the keynote speaker will be announced in the coming weeks. Following confirmation of a speaker, tickets will be sold on first come basis.

All proceed from the dinner will be used by the Human Rights Campaign Fund to elect candidates determined to work to secure the civil rights of all persons, particularly gay men and women, and by the National AIDS Federation Lobby Project to urge Congress to appropriate more federal funds to find a cure for AIDS.

The 1983 dinners are crucial to the financial security of the 1984 election support. During the 1982 elections, and in its first year of existence, the Human Right Campaign Fund raised more than \$600,000, making it the 17th largest and one of the most effective political action committees in the U.S. More than 80 per cent of the candidates supported, Democrat and Republican, were elected.

Terry Tebedo, Dallas coordinator for the National AIDS Federation Lobby Project and member of the steering committee, said contributions will be used to hire a lobbyist to ensure that federal funding is appropriated for AIDS research, and to provide a network for all AIDS-related groups in the U.S. including maintaining a library of information.

The Project, which was organized by national representatives in Denver last June, proposes to monitor and discourage any discriminatory AIDS-related or anti-gay legislation which may be introduced.

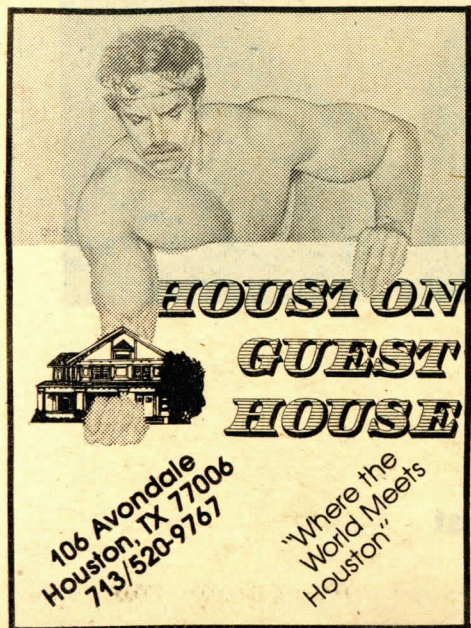
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Presidential '84 and other Political Bellweathers

By Larry Bush

Three of the Democratic presidential hopefuls issued statements marking Gay Pride Week this year, perhaps the first time that such statements have been issued by presidential contenders. Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.) was first off the mark, with a statement not only hailing Gay Pride Week but also reminding potential supporters

of his support in the U.S. Senate for gay civil rights measures.

Former vice president Walter Mondale and Senator Gary Hart also issued statements both marking the Gay Pride Week occasion and reaffirming their support for an end to discrimination against lesbians and gay men.

Of the remaining three declared presidential candidates, Sen. Fritz Hollings (D-

S.C.) responded to questions by repeating his support of gay civil rights, but did not release a formal statement, and Sen. John Glenn's (D-Ohio) office maintained that he opposes all forms of discrimination, noting, "His record has been pretty straight on that."

Former Florida Gov. Rueben Askew had no comment, nor did the likely Republican nominee, Ronald Reagan.

To the extent that such pronouncements are political bellweathers, there were some city officials and governors making Gay Pride statements this year that deserve note.

The mayor of Shreveport, La., reportedly decided against a formal proclamation, but took out an ad congratulating the gay community in a program published for the occasion. The mayor of Albuquerque, N.M., also did not issue a proclamation, but instead signed a letter stating his willingness to work for nondiscrimination legislation in the city and state.

Richard Celeste, the Ohio governor, wrote a statement that was read on the state capitol steps during Gay Pride celebrations in Columbus, and in Houston, Texas, where some 50,000 or more showed up to celebrate, the *Houston Chronicle* included in its coverage of political assessment that no candidate for mayor could win by gaybaiting an opponent, and that, in fact, such tactics might now help the pro-gay candidate. Both incumbent mayor Kathy Whitmire and her likely fall opponent, Bill Wright, attended the festivities.

Among national associations, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), which is the largest and oldest Hispanic civil rights organization in the country, has just elected Mario

Obledo as its new director. Obledo was a primary contender in last year's California statewide races, and met with gay representatives at that time. His decision as a state official to pull back on a commitment to air "mental wellness" ads aimed at gay acceptance angered many at the time, but he sought to put a good face on it with civil rights pledges during his campaign.

LULAC was the prime force in fighting the nomination of Rev. B. Sam Hart to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission in 1982, and their Washington office sought gay participation in that fight.

The National Organization for Women has announced a new Reagan Truth Squad which is holding Reagan accountable for actions which it feels goes against the interest of the American people. Among the issues cited are lesbian/gay rights, with the group enumerating more specific failures of the Reagan Administration towards gay people than even gay civil rights groups have noted in their materials. NOW has been under some pressure in the past from lesbian feminists to include more specific lesbian issues, and the new leadership at NOW had pledged to use more of the organization's resources on broad issues following the Equal Rights Amendment deadline last year.

The Democratic National Committee, meeting in Detroit July 14-17, also spent some time discussing gay concerns, and was prepared to approve a resolution calling for "adequate" funding for AIDS. According to National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs co-chair Peter Vogel, a large part of the gay caucus effort had gone into strengthening contacts with party officials on a variety of levels.

AIDS Taking Center Stage

By Larry Bush

President Reagan signed into law the Public Health Emergency Fund bill on July 13, the first of the major congressional efforts to deal with the AIDS crisis. The measure allows creation of a \$30 million emergency fund that can be used by federal public health agencies when unexpected crisis drain available budgets.

No money actually is transferred into the fund, however, until Congress decides to pass a separate appropriations measure. Reagan, who has yet to make a public statement on the AIDS crisis, made no comment on the bill he signed. His spokesman had opposed the measure when he first was in hearings before the bill's author, Rep. Henry Waxman (D-Calif.).

Also on July 13, the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health held a one-day mark-up session that passed a new budget for AIDS work for fiscal 1984, beginning Oct. 1. Under House rules, the committee decision will not be released until the full House appropriations committee prepares to act, which was likely the week of July 18-22. Congressional sources suggested the fiscal '84 budget had been set near \$34 million, which would be approximately double the amount the Reagan formally proposed for the coming year.

That figure, however, represents only about a \$9 million increase over what the Reagan Administration has said it hopes to spend on AIDS work in the current year.

A fairly large increase would be set for the Centers for Disease Control AIDS budget, which has diverted as many as 70 staffers from other programs to work on AIDS, and other increases would take place in the budgets of the National Institutes of Health and the Food and Drug Administration. In the past, the House Appropriations Subcommittee levels have held fairly firm as the bill moved through Congress.

Meanwhile, actual funding for the remainder of the current year, fiscal 1983, remains uncertain as a result of disputes within Congress and with the White House. Measures passed both the House and Senate setting a \$12 million supplemental budget for AIDS work, but that money was attached to a far larger and more controversial supplemental budget for several government agencies. Senate and House bills now are being brought into conformity with each other, but some features appear unresolvable.

The Reagan Administration, adding to the problem, has said it is actively considering a veto of the measure should Congress finish work and come to an agreement. AIDS funding, in the eyes of the Reagan Administration, should have been accomplished by a transfer of funds from phased-out government programs to the needy AIDS area, but it cannot legally undertake that transfer without congressional approval. This means a clearly expressed need for \$12 million in AIDS funding for the remainder of fiscal '83 is not yet available.

Other forces also appear to be at work on the AIDS crisis as it makes its way into Washington visibility. A proposal for \$60 million in AIDS funding for fiscal 1984 was put into Congress on June 8 by Rep. Mario Biaggi (D-N.Y.), who explained that he wanted to get the ante up, and that he

had sent senior staff for briefings on the AIDS crisis held by the New York AIDS Network. Biaggi's bill escaped public attention originally, although Biaggi's office says that it cared less about what Washington lobbyists did than what constituents in New York noticed. One of the factors that might be at work there is New York's mayoral election in 1985, and the rumors that Biaggi might throw his hat in the ring.

Visibility for AIDS needs also is one of the aims of an upcoming AIDS Vigil, slated of Oct. 8 in Washington with the hope that lesbians and gay men from around the country will arrive for a candlelight ceremony of solidarity. The vigil is a general outgrowth of similar candlelight statement held in several cities during Gay Pride celebrations, and specifically comes at the instigation of the Washington, D.C.-based Langston Hughes-Eleanor Roosevelt Club. Working through the Americans for Democratic Action locally and nationally, the group called together representatives from a number of gay organizations in several cities who met July 8 to form a National AIDS Vigil Commission.

The group approved an immediate \$1400 a week payroll for a total of seven staffers, one of whom will serve as a fundraiser.

Another voice seeking public attention via AIDS was the Rev. Jerry Falwell's, who swept Washington to beat the drum for his new AIDS containment proposals. Falwell held a well-attended press conference, where he reiterated proposals first announced July 4 in Cincinnati, calling for the government to shut down all gay bath houses, "extensive" questioning about sexual orientation for blood donors, and guidelines for workers coming into contact with "high risk groups." (Note the broadening to a category comprised of tens of millions of people.)

The Washington press corps, however, wasn't having any of Falwell's entreaty that he was genuinely concerned about people with AIDS, rather than simply finding a new venue through which to wage his antigay campaigns. That impression was heightened when Falwell bristled at questions about his motives and began asking questioners about their own sexual preference.

When one person told Falwell that "That's none of your business," a mild cheer went up from the press corp, and when Falwell replied, "I assume that not answering the question would indicate that your group is associated..." a howl of protest went up. Finally, as Falwell turned to the last questioner, the person he chose began by saying "I'd rather not say my sexual preference," eliciting a new round of laughter, and a follow-up question, "Isn't the fact that you ask people their sexual preference at a press conference— isn't that an indication that you're more concerned with the gay..."

"No, not at all," Falwell squeezed in. "I just like to know where people are coming from." Later, as Falwell left the room with aides, he was overheard saying, "There were some bad moments..."

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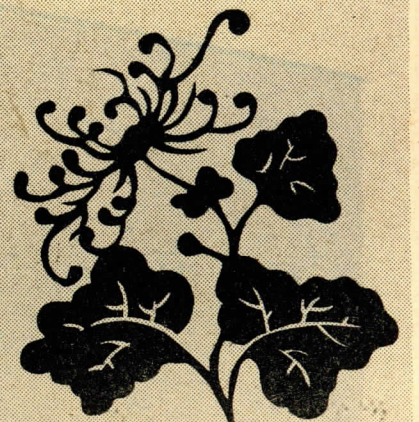
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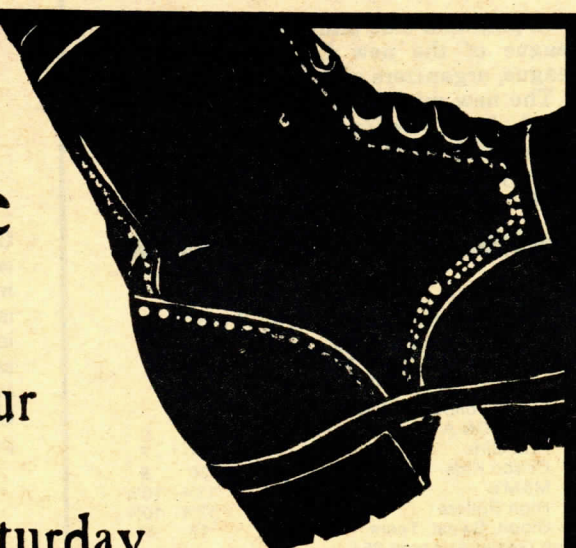
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OLSA Sponsor vs. Drag Queen Game is Sunday

By Bill Whalen

Sunday, July 31, the Oak Lawn Softball Association will host a "sponsor vs. drag queen" softball game, said Dutch Cribbs, vice-president of league. The game will be at a Griggs Field at 5:00 p.m.

The association will be accepting a \$1 donation from spectators. Proceeds will benefit the Oak Lawn Softball Association in this, their first year of operation.

The association said it would like to thank this season's spectators for their tremendous support and said they were looking forward to a large turnout for the benefit game.

Austin Won Dallas Volleyball Tournament

Earlier this month, Dallas hosted gay volleyball teams from Austin, New Orleans, Houston and San Antonio in the annual Pegasus Volleyball Tournament.

In the A Division, a surprisingly powerful Austin team captured the tournament by defeating a scrappy San Antonio team in the finals.

New Orleans finished third with the Houston Hurricanes, who finished second here earlier in a spring tournament, limping into fourth place.

Thursday Bowling Openings

There are still some openings on both the

6:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. shifts for the fall league of the new LAMBDA bowling league, organizers said.

The new mixed league bowls at Circle Bowl, 10011 Denton Dr., on Thursday nights with the fall league starting Sept. 8.

They can be reached at 821-0400 or 522-3656.

Oak Lawn Bowling Team Standings

RANKINGS

Following July 25 competition

DIVISION A	W	L
1 Atta Girls	21	7
2 Crisco Kids	20	8
3 M&M's	17½	10½
4 High Rollers	17½	10½
5 Blood, Sweat, Tears	17	11

High Game: Al Aaron 254
High Series: Al Aaron 650

DIVISION B	W	L
1 Dallas Socialites	23	5
2 Round Up Dancers	22	6
3 Boot Scooters	19	9
4 Up Your Alley	19	9
5 Four + One	19	9

High Game: Hank Cantrell 226
High Series: Hank Cantrell 587

Lambda Bowling Standings

RANKINGS

Following July 21 competition

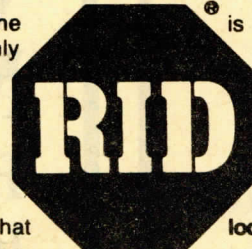
	W	L
1 Blow Derricks	3	1
2 Gutter Sluts	3	1
3 Stinkers	3	1

Women High Game: Bobbie Bradfield 177
Women High Series: Bobbie Bradfield 409

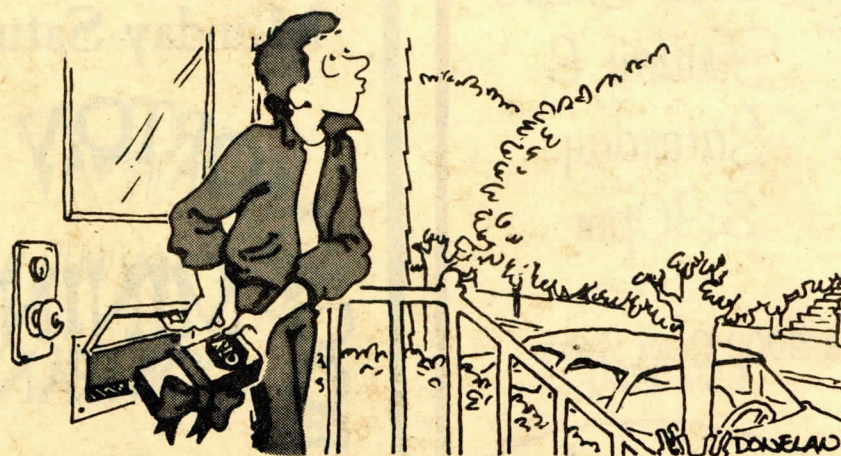
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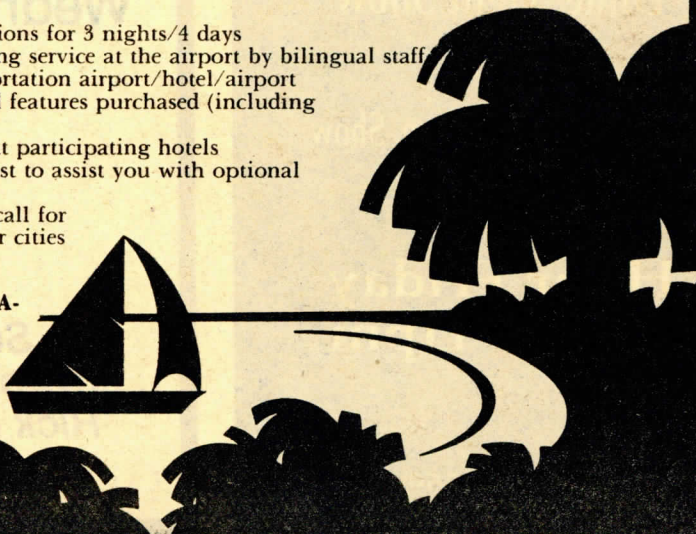
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Looking Back on Gay Pride Week

By Sharon McDonald

A lot had happened the year before. Blacks in Orangeburg, North Carolina, shot back at white police, the Tet offensive kicked into gear, Martin Luther King was assassinated, Dr. Spock was indicted for aiding and abetting draft resisters, Richard Nixon became President of the United States and police clashed in a bloody confrontation with demonstrators at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago.

By the time 1968 turned into 1969, American thought it had heard everything. Well, not quite.

It was a hot June night in the Stonewall Inn, a gay bar in New York's Greenwich Village. Like other gay bars, the Stonewall Inn was subject to periodic raids by the police in which its patrons were rounded up and arrested. These arrests were often accompanied by beatings, and would spell instant exposure of a closeted person to family and non-gay friends, as well as a sudden end to a career. But in 1969, raids were not uncommon.

It was late when the police arrived that night. It was late and it was hot and people had had enough. When the police came in, the customers of the Stonewall Inn fought back. The fight that erupted exploded out of the bar and into the street—Christopher Street, now renowned as New York's equivalent to San Francisco's gay Castro Street—where it expanded. Gay people spilled out of bars and restaurants along Christopher Street and pitched battle, throwing rocks and punches. Too many arrests had been made, too many beatings taken, too many lives damaged. With a visceral anger and a spontaneous unity, gay people resisted the assault against them, and the Stonewall riot had begun. It continued for three days.

It is noteworthy that many of the Stonewall's patrons who fought the police that night were drag queens, a segment of our population often vilified by some gays and lesbians as well as by non-gays. These most effete of men faced the nightsticks and refused to cower, and the rest, as they say, is history. The Stonewall riot has since become a symbol of gay unity and pride.

Each year since then, gays in more and more cities celebrate the anniversary of the Stonewall riot, now called Gay Pride Day, with parades, marches, rallies and parties. It is one occasion that traditionally brings together all factions of the lesbian and gay world, from the campiest queen to the staunchest stomping dyke.

The celebrations have not been without their frictions; our diverse population has had more than its share of internal conflicts. But the police at the Stonewall Inn didn't stop to ask the men they were arresting the age of their lover, or whether they ever wore woman's clothing, or if they had eradicated sexism from their language. The unity of the people who joined forces in defending each other in June of 1969 is mirrored each year when all—well, most—factions show up to march together for lesbian and gay pride.

San Francisco's parade has to be the granddaddy of them all, where more gay organizations are represented each year than there are open gay individuals in some cities. The old cliché about strength in numbers is dramatically illustrated there, and in other large cities with turnouts in the tens of thousands. In smaller cities, where it's a major accomplishment to draw a hundred people, the hundred who show up are an especially courageous group.

Every year there are some lesbians and gay men who are attending the Gay Pride Day events for the first time. Whether they've just acknowledged their own homosexuality, or just acknowledged their need to be open about their long-standing homosexual life, their first Gay Pride Day is generally an eye-opener.

The culture shock for a usually closeted or newly out gay person is often intense.

Even for veterans, the sight of a street crowded with men holding hands with men, women kissing women, and smiles and bright banners everywhere is overpowering. Especially when the loyal contingent of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays troops by with their placards reading, "We love our gay children," the eyes behind many a pair of chic sunglasses get downright misty.

These annual Gay Pride Day festivities are important not only to the thousands of gay people who organize and attend them, but also to the invisible audience who watch film clips of the parades on their television news that night or read accounts in their newspapers the next

day. This audience includes mothers who suspect their children are gay, longtime lesbians who teach school and won't attend gay events no matter how privately organized, married men with families who make furtive trips to the baths for gay sexual contacts, adolescent girls who aren't outgrowing their "tomboy phase," ex-wives and ex-husbands of gay people who left marriages to make consistent lives for themselves, parents who are trying to understand their children's coming out announcement, ministers who are struggling to incorporate the knowledge that some of their congregation are homosexual with their understanding of God's love, teenage boys racked with guilt over a

homosexual encounter, gay fathers on the fearful verge of telling their children that daddy is gay, and many, many others.

As important and restorative as the celebrations are for those of us who participated in them, there is no way to measure the positive effect they also have on those who couldn't or wouldn't attend.

McDonald, who lives in Los Angeles, is co-winner of the 1983 Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Work in Feature Writing from the Gay Press Association. Her column appears here and in other gay newspapers.

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Gay Unitarians to Celebrate "Augteenth" with a Theater Party

The Dallas Gay Unitarians will commemorate the first anniversary of the striking down of the state's sodomy law by hosting a theater party, *Cotton Patch Gospel*, the longest running musical in Dallas.

The scheduled date is August 16 in the Biblical Arts Center, 7500 Park Lane at Boedeker Drive, across the street from North Park Center. Tickets are \$6.40.

Judge Jerry Buchmeyer's federal court ruled that section 21.06 of the state penal code was unconstitutional.

"Cotton Patch Gospel" is a retelling of the gospels of Matthew and John. This version of the gospel, however, is set in present day Georgia and includes 17 bluegrass songs, the last work of Harry Chapin. The change of setting is reflected in song lyrics such as "It Ain't Easy Growin' up to Be Jesus" and "He's Waitin' on a Call from the Man Upstairs Even though He Lives in a One Story House."

The vignettes which tell the story of Christ have also been updated. For instance, Matthew is introduced as an Internal Revenue Service auditor and Jesus makes his triumphant entry into Atlanta "The Big Peach" in a white VW convertible instead of a donkey.

When Jesus reappears after his death he has a cup of coffee and pecan pie with the apostles. Tom Key, who also co-authored the musical, plays the part of Jesus as well as 20 other roles.

Gay Unitarians have selected this work because of its theme of commitment to ideals in a religious context. Individuals or couples wanting to join the GUs for an "evening of inspiration and reflection on our first year of freedom" should mail a check for \$6.40 to Gay Unitarians, 4015 Normandy Ave., Dallas, TX 75205 by Aug. 12. Check should include name, address and phone.

Turtle Creek Chorale Announces Director

The Turtle Creek Chorale is proud to announce the appointment of Michael Crawford as its fulltime music director as of Aug. 1.

Crawford brings with him a rich musical background, having degrees from Eastern Washington University in Music Education, Applied Music and Vocal Performance. He will be pursuing his doctoral studies in Choral Conducting at North



Gay Unitarians will commemorate the anniversary of the overturning of Section 21.06 of the state penal code with a special presentation of "Cotton Patch Gospel"

Texas State University.

Crawford has directed on both the secondary and collegiate levels for more than 15 years, in addition to a variety of work with church choirs, community choruses, barbershop societies, many summer workshops and the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra. Under his direction, vocal jazz groups from the University of Arkansas-Little Rock have placed consistently high on both the regional and state levels of the Great American Choral Festival.

It was in 1982, when the festival was held in Dallas, that Crawford became familiar with the Turtle Creek Chorale by competing against them at both the state and regional levels. Since that time, Crawford has served as a guest clinician for both the full Chorale and the Showstoppers ensemble. One of Crawford's first duties will be to conduct auditions for both accompanists and singers. These will be held the first two weeks of August. Interested persons should call 821-3086 for information and times.

The Chorale, a non-profit corporation registered in Texas, is a 70-voice men's choir based in Dallas since Feb., 1980 when it was founded with a membership of 38 men. Men who showed both a love for the performance of male choral music and the willingness and dedication to work

hard in preparing such music for public performance.

The Chorale presents a full season of three major concerts each year, plus spe-



Michael Crawford, Turtle Creek Chorale director

cial event concerts. All events are normally at Caruth Auditorium on the SMU campus, although the chorale has occasionally performed at Holy Trinity

Catholic Church in Oak Lawn and at the First Presbyterian Church in downtown Dallas for the Dallas Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Each concert is sung on two separate evenings and all concerts start at 8:15 p.m. Attendance ranges from 800 to 1000 patrons.

The group also performs for numerous civic and religious organizations throughout Dallas, and is active in the city's arts programs and the Thanksgiving Square event. A highlight of each year is the annual Christmas candlelight concert in the chapel at the square. It also presents a Christmas show in St. Catherine Chapel at St. Paul Hospital which is broadcast throughout the hospital. It recorded a special video last year to be shown on the TAGER network throughout the North Texas area.

The repertoire of the chorale includes all types of music. Significant works performed by the chorale include the monumental "Testament of Freedom" by Randall Thompson, the rarely performed "Requiem Mass in D Minor" by Luigi Cherubini, the Chorale's first performance with full orchestra.

A highlight of last season was their presentation of "The Music of America—1982" in July which brought together to works of local composers including Simon Sargon, Richard P. Delong, Jane Marshall, Lloyd Pfautsh, Bill Keck and Kris Anthony.

In May of this year, the Chorale presented "Spotlight" in the Dallas Civic Garden Center, a program conceived, directed by Keck. It was nostalgia music and jazz.

In March of 1982, TTC received national recognition by placing first in the preliminary competition of Johnny Mann's "Great American Choral Festival." As winner of the state competition, the Chorale received \$1000. It won third in the regional competition.

The Chorale was previously conducted by Dr. Richard L. Fleming, minister of music at First United Methodist Church of Richardson.

Recruiting Deadline Set by Oak Lawn Symphonic Band

The Oak Lawn Symphonic Band has set the next three months as a period of major recruiting for new members in preparation for its trip to Los Angeles in June 1984, announced J. Jacobs, band vice president.

"The band's board of directors has also set February 1, 1984, as the deadline to accept new members who will be eligible for the all expense paid trip. Some exceptions will be made for new residents to the Dallas area, or to fill unusual vacancies, but it is the strong feeling of the band that those who have worked hard and participated in many activities of the band all year round should be rewarded for their continuous efforts," he said.

The band, which rehearses and performs year round, meets every Tuesday at 6:45 p.m. at the Metropolitan Community Church on Reagan and is already preparing for its fall concert.

Interested persons should call 351-6697. Auditions are not required.

A Shocking Idea

This story from the future shock department. A new Swiss anti-snoring device literally shocks people out of the habit.

New Scientist magazine reports that a microphone by the bed picks up the frequency of the snore, and sends an ultrasonic signal to a receiver attached to the wrist. If the snoring gets too loud, the device zaps the culprit with up to 40 volts.

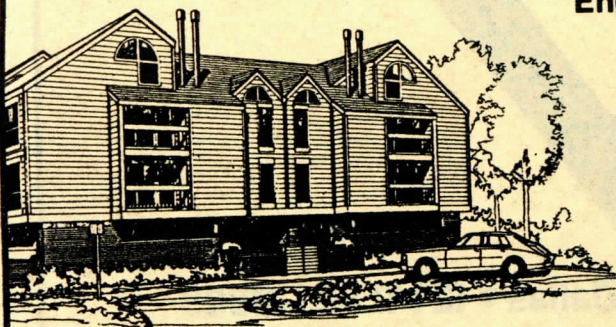
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From Scot Gordon

This is an open letter to the gay community of Oak Lawn concerning the recent outbreak of crime in our area.

I just moved to Dallas from out of state, and I now live on Shelby Street, one block west of Oak Lawn. Let me begin by recounting the events which have led up to the letter of concern.

A good friend of mine is an apartment manager of a popular gay complex on Knight Street. While visiting him he said that a man had been shot the night before, in the back with a sawed-off shotgun. He was left on the sidewalk for dead. He'd been robbed of approximately \$4 cash and his groceries he'd just purchased at Tom Thumb. He died of the wound.

On Monday, June 27th, while in my parking lot (which is well lighted), I heard two young males arguing. A fist fight ensued and I realized from the language that one of them was straight. Our gay friend ended up on the ground being kicked and beaten severely. Suddenly from around the corner a late model, white Chevy pick-up came screeching to a halt in front of the scene. The two young men in the truck jumped out and joined the first in his assault on his victim. I was paralyzed. Our gay friend managed to escape—how I do not know because the truck was blocking my view. Before I could think, the young gay man bolted from the scene and started running down Shelby Street toward Maple. I watched, horrified as the young men jumped into the truck and pursued him down the street, shouting obscenities that would offend anyone. I finally came to my senses and got into my car to see if I could be of some assistance to the victim. My search of the neighborhood was useless. I turned down Throckmorton only to be met with another shocking sight.

A squad car, a fire truck and a large crowd had gathered on the street around yet another victim. I inquired as to what happened, and an outraged onlooker told me that three men in a white pick-up had beaten a man and left him on the street. The sight I saw I never care to see again. I was concerned—no—I am concerned. I want the occupants of that pickup found and punished for this outrage!

Sunday night, July 3, according to the local papers, the assistant manager and a bartender from J.R.'s were assaulted and robbed. The manager was murdered, the bartender wounded. They also live in Oak Lawn. It's an outrage!

My point is, Oak Lawn is becoming increasingly unsafe. I live three blocks from the Cross Roads and I enjoy walking to the bars so I don't have to hassle with parking. I don't feel safe in front of my own apartment building. My manager friend did his part to make it safer by putting flood lights on the corners of the buildings of his complex.

I'm trying to do my part too. I work for the City of Dallas, and I know two security police officers. According to them, the Dallas City Police have tried to do their part in making our neighborhood safe, only to be met with opposition from the gay community.

Let me say this—the police have no personal vendettas against us. They are here to serve and protect the public, and we are that public also. We have nothing to fear unless we are involved in something illegal—in which case we'd be better off under the safety and protection of our own roofs.

My question is this: Why don't we all pull together to make it safe for us all? I know I'm not the only one who wants peace. Thank you for reading; I hope we'll all be safer very soon.

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Dallas Soap

By Heda Quote

That City Next Door

I got the red carpet tour of Fort Worth last Saturday and loose lips Louella was my tour guide. Mike and Bill made sure I traveled first class, Louella road "coach" from Beaumont. Everyone forgot I'm just another tavern wench and made me feel real special. I do plan to come back soon.

Orval, I feel stood up. You missed out by not being at the Lumber Company Saturday night. Then again, Marshall was there and he still missed out.

Tune in to General Hospital—Silver Spurs style—next Wednesday night at the Hidden Door. I'll throw on my candy striper uniform for the occasion.

Greg and J.W., did you recite vows or consummate your marriage at my last party? People kept telling me it was hot in the upstairs den, but I thought they meant weatherwise. I didn't realize I had a honeymoon suite upstairs.

Make a stop by the OP and say hi to Butch. (Don't let the name mislead you). Not only is he handsome and friendly, but we have the same taste in men.

Jim, is that new jiggle in your walk because you threw your hip out of joint? Well, I hope you're not the jealous type because Miss Helen has been giving lusty looks at your cane. Also, a belated Happy Birthday to Miss Helen. I understand that your gift from the Hideaway looked so good that you hated to tear into it. Did you save the paper?

Ma Peeler, I know you said you would send me flowers but I would certainly settle to just be added to your party invitation list.

I checked with Randy's mother and she confirms that he loved making mud pies as a kid. I'm sure that explains why he seemed to enjoy licking muddy boots on the Snake Pit patio. But wait, there's more. That scene reminds us of another of Randy's productions a long time ago at the Crews Inn. It was Tuesday night happy hour and not only did Randy find something he liked, but he went after it and got it and never left the side of the bar.

The crew of the 4001 looked good in their shorts last Friday, but especially Tony. And Kevin, thanks for calling me over to your bar, I enjoyed the chat, and yes I know where Clifton, Texas is.

I thought Gary looked good behind the bar at Cowtown's Corral, but he looks even better on the other side of the bar. I saw Gary at the Tarrant County Mining Company Monday night where Louella and Bette Sheba MC'd talent night. I had intended to enter the contest but Jimmy the assistant manager wouldn't let my donkey on stage, and I brought that donkey all the way from Mexico to help me do what I do best.

You will be proud as a peacock of the new cruise bar for Fitzhugh that's on the drawing board.

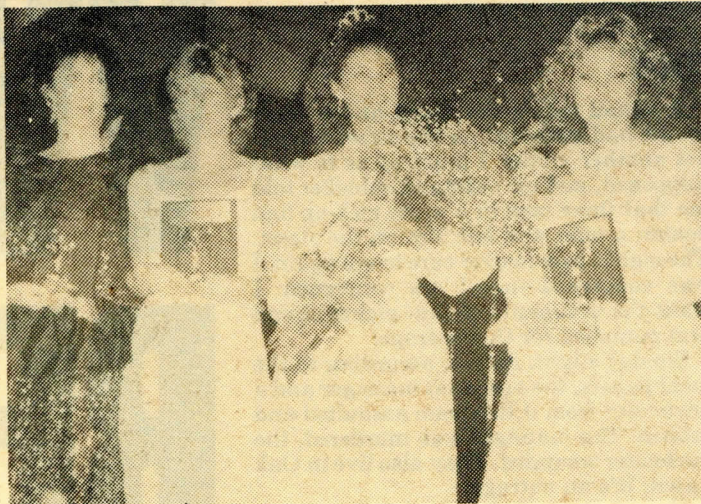
Howie was the celebrity beer server at the Snake Pit last Sunday. Without his mustache he's afraid people will see too much of him, but then again, many of you have seen much of him already. Howie, Don wants to know if the razor only got to your mustache.

Friday night is the Miss OP Dallas Contest with Naomi Sims and Keith Mitchell. Coming August 5 is the Mr. OP Contest.

Kenny Vaughan was my escort to the Tarrant County Mining Company last Monday (are you shocked) and we had hoped to see Justin. Kenny and Justin go back to Oklahoma City's Free Spirit days. Justin was out of pocket, however, but another visit to the TCMC is being planned.

Dale, going to the bar to pick up something that's good enough to eat isn't exactly a new idea. Along the same line, my compliments to

At the Ms. Gay Dallas Contest (for REAL women) July 20 at the Unicorn, the winners were (left to right) Cynthia for Ms. Congeniality, Robin Bowen as 1st runner up, Judy Christopher as the grand winner, and Marcie as 2nd runner up



the lush that thought that Pepinos Too had a drive thru. My guess is that the driver is the restaurant's new decorator who thought the car would look fabulous in the back dining room.

The Crews Inn now has Sunday beer bust beginning at 7:00 served on their new patio. And Chuck, you and Mark both looked great.

A special thanks to T.J. Mama and Derek for showing me a good time at the Other Place last Saturday. The bar looks great and everyone was more than friendly. The bar is several steps up for Fort Worth and I do mean several steps.

We're losing three hunks at one time when Randy, George and Michael head for Hawaii. Randy assures me that the men are gorgeous on the islands so that may mean that Heda will do Hawaii to find out for sure.

My editor asked me if I could do some undercover work for a story. Now really, I've done undercover work for less. It's questions like that that I won't take lying down. Of course, in this town you don't have to go undercover to get a story. There's plenty of people who will talk, but if it makes my job more enjoyable, why not?

Buddy for South Jennings, The Wranglers are coming. As Motorcycle Mama I'll take it as my responsibility to make sure they're good. The Wrangler bus tour is scheduled to be in Fort Worth by 9pm on Aug. 13.



Gary Monier, president of the Dallas Tavern Guild, in "full attire" at the Ms. Gay Dallas Contest



Dale Howard, owner of the Crew's Inn, made a "guest appearance" at the Ms. Gay Dallas Contest at the Unicorn

Terry, I'm sure Oak Cliff is quite a bit different from Montrose but I'm sure that Vince can show you around Oak Lawn just fine.

Yes, that was my buying the round of water for everyone in the Hideaway oyster bar last Sunday. Don't worry, it wasn't too expensive; they let me run a tap water tab.

Hunter, next time you have Bill deliver a bed to your house make sure that he knows that the propositions made are good for one day only.

Robert was checking out more than books at the library this week. Not only did he thumb through a book but his fingers did some walking and he checked out Bill. Robert, do you have to return him in two weeks or did you just check him out over night.

Dale Howard (or is it Opal Gardner), you and Gary are certainly getting your drag performances down to some fine points. You really outdid yourselves at the Ms. Gay Dallas Contest.

Ft. Worth Soap

By Louella Lye

Heda is Not My Twin

Whenever Heda Quote says that she is going to do Cowtown, believe me she isn't kidding. Even though we were on my turf it was all I could do just to keep up. And incidentally, Heda is not my twin. From the waist up maybe, but it ends there.

Ft. Worth once again proved their hospitality to the both of us and our escorts, Mike and Bill, last Saturday. I would like to thank the management and staff of the S. Jennings Crossroads for going out of their way to ensure our good time. (You too Marshall.) And not forgetting the management of the Other Place, mama Heda told me that a return trip is in the works, thanks again.

OK Rachel, enough is enough, you finally got to meet Heda, now be quiet and go back to your lights.

Phil, Nadene's part time shadow, how are the Houston bookstores this time of year? Nadine tells me that you two are engaged. Be sure and invite me to your bachelor party so I can get a piece of the cake.

Get your weinies and buns at the 651 Arlington Club on Sunday at 4 p.m. til... James and his big mouthed bartenders (and I don't mean that they talk too much) are ready and willing to serve you. The grand opening party, that was held at the 651 Arlington last Friday, produced some of the most gorgeous hunky cowboys that can always be found there—like Ike for a prime choice of an example. Also we can't forget about the new security guard at the 651 Arlington, Mark. We haven't met formally but I've been admiring and breathing heavy from afar. Ron, I hope he doesn't have a lover too.

National Lambda will be sponsoring a benefit for "Peanuts" who was critically injured with her lover Susan Ham in an auto accident. The benefit has been scheduled for this Saturday, July 30, at 10:30 p.m. at the Downtowner. A second benefit will be held at D.J.'s at a later

date.

The full moon was a proper setting for the talent night at the Tarrant County Mining Company last Monday night. I was live if not fried. They tried to give me first place because of my raving beauty, but Ralieg Clayton beat me out. Last Monday was just living proof of why you need to read Louella's book of beauty secrets. I saw Lynn, the new bartender. He is living proof of what they all say about young, pretty and well built blond men (brains by Mattel). I just love toys.

The Other Place had their grand opening last Thursday. All the free drinks leveled the crowd in the multi-level bar. But thanks to Derek Kennedy, the DJ, they were picked back up by the breathtaking light show. Derek tells me that more lights are on the way.

Mike and Bill, my apologies, your kitchen cabinets are not nellie pink. Even though the wallpaper looks just like one of my grandmother's church social dresses, it would still make Julia Childs proud. It was overall pink that came to my mind when Robert was describing it to me.

Martha Joe, have you thought about sending Stephen a Hallmark? I know that he would love it because you care enough to send the very best.

Richard of the TCMC, Heda enjoyed meeting you and wanted to say thanks for the good time but no thanks for the hangover the next day (which is her excuse for why her column sucks this week).

Rhonda, girlfriend, it's so good to run into people like you. It makes me and Heda both feel somewhat less demented. By the way dear, Heda wanted to know if she could borrow your wrap around shades sometime?

Check out the Come Along Inn on weekdays from 7am to 8pm for 3 for 1 cocktails. That's my cheap cure for the day after the night before hangover.

James Smith, I heard that all of your ex-lovers showed up at the same time at the 651 Arlington and that they are presently staying at your place. Talk about a home for wayward mothers. Or is it wayward daddys?

Tina, of D.J.'s, I didn't mean to scare you last Monday night. Where did you learn to climb up the wall like that?

Talk about having your meat done to perfection, Roger of the 651 Club in Ft. Worth is your personal cook on Sunday afternoons for the 651's steak out. For just \$3.50 you can get a steak, cooked to your desire, a baked potato and salad.

Bette, now read this out loud in front of a mirror, and watch your lips. My name is LOUELLA LYE, and not Lavicious Lier.

John of the Corral, I was record shopping the other day and ran across "Strangers in the Night" by Dean Martin and thought of you.

Monty, of the Other Place, I saw that you were having a good time last Tuesday at the TCMC celebrating your birthday. I saw that several times you tried to get ahead in the beer line. I found your explanation a little hard to swallow.

Tracy, when you dressed up like Marilyn Monroe and sang happy birthday to Bette Sheba, how did you get your dress to blow up? I didn't see the subway vent but I heard the roar of the train.

Talk about a girl on the run, Ginger Taylor has been doing shows left and right. Listen sweetheart, could I have the name of your hairdresser before my next show?

I finally got to go to the Midtown Spa. I had such a good time that I was wondering if they would lease me a suite for a year.

To whom it may or may not concern: any and all dirt that one can find on my dear friend Don Witschorke, please submit in written form to either Ruston Hill and/or Jay McKee of the 651 Club. I fully believe in equal time!

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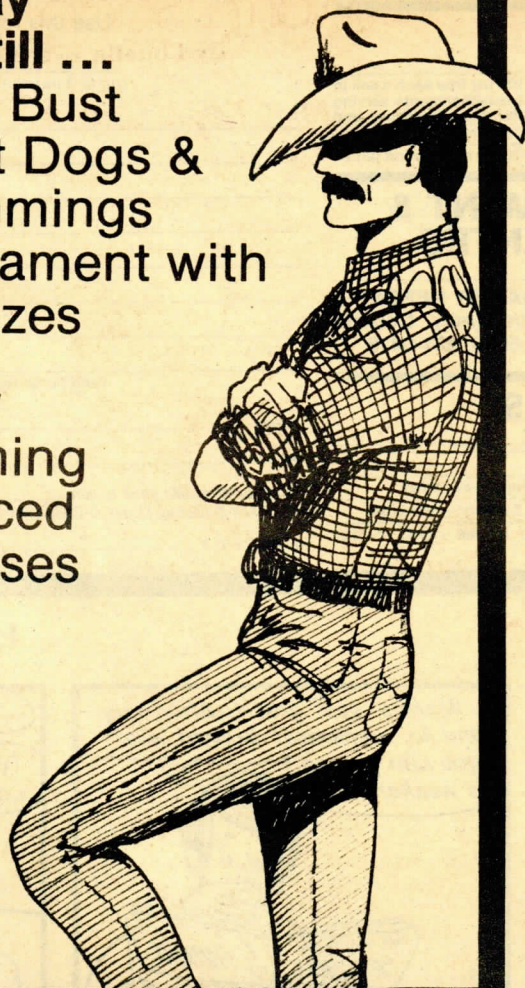
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Bush-League Backbiting

By Dan Siminoski

Regular readers of this column know that I am optimistic about the structure, accomplishments and future prospects of the Gay Rights Movement. As a civil rights advocate for more than 20 years, I have a longer view of it than those who remember only the "post-Stonewall" era. My background makes me more attentive to the rhythms that movements go through as their purposes evolve and their institutions become more "legitimate."

These perspectives urge me to conclude that the Gay Movement is building strength as effectively as any I have supported, especially in the past few years. This growth must be credited to the work of our institutions and leaders at all levels. We know that they are not perfect, but we can also see that they are growing along with us. I think most readers would agree that we have much to be proud of.

However, the people over at *The Advocate* seem to disagree. In a series of essays in the recent Gay Pride issue, publisher David Goodstein and Washington editor Larry Bush allege that many of our national leaders are incompetent and should be removed from office. While some of their criticisms are reasonable, the conclusions they draw are heavy-handed and inappropriate. Because of its reputation as a national gay news journal, the charges are likely to be believed by thousands of readers if they go unchallenged.

Both Goodstein and Bush focus on Steve Endean's leadership of the Gay Rights National Lobby (GRNL) and its political fundraising arm, the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF). Bush also criticizes the National Gay Task Force, the National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs and local organizations in Los Angeles and D.C. Neither author offers quotes from any other gay leaders to support their charges.

The writers make little attempt to demonstrate their assertions of grassroots dissatisfaction with those leaders. They present little evidence that our organizations are not respected by Congressional, media and any other non-gay groups.

Speaking directly of GRNL, and implicitly of other groups, Goodstein suggests: "The gay community must acknowledge Endean, his staff and directors for their contributions towards getting us where we are. ... However, what sufficed in 1981 will not do now. It is time for a change in leadership."

Speaking to grassroots gays who purportedly share his feelings, Bush declares: "You who are not directly part of such debates are understandably indifferent because, in some very fundamental ways, gay politics has not delivered much that is relevant to the lives of gay men and women."

It is hard to believe an intelligent observer could make such a statement in 1983, much less believe it. I doubt that many of us question that it is easier to be gay now than it was five, 10 or 20 years ago. The improvements we all enjoy are the accomplishments of the very activists Bush and Goodstein have chosen to attack.

I don't know whether or not the authors have visited the local communities they claim to speak for. But I doubt their asseerations of a general dissatisfaction with our national organizations throughout the country. I've travelled more than 10,000 miles in the past three months, visiting gay organizations in a variety of cities. I usually ask to be hosted by local organizations and become as involved in the community as time allows. With this as background, I must say that nothing I have heard confirms the allegations made by Bush and Goodstein.

On the contrary, I find pride and satisfaction in our national accomplishments, and a great energy in many "young" communities to get into the mainstream of the

national movement. I can't recall a single criticism of a national leader or group. I really wonder who the *Advocate* writers have been talking to.

There are too many unfair and unsupported charges in these essays for any complete response. But one charge must be addressed. It is alleged that many of our leaders are incompetent, or as Goodstein puts it, "We have boys and girls doing men's and women's jobs." Yet they admit that those same individuals were successful beyond expectation in the Congress and in last year's elections. According to the authors, this success has propelled our groups to a "new level" of legitimacy, thus requiring different leaders.

In Goodstein's words, "The students and recent graduates Endean has supporting him simply do not have the experience needed to handle these recent (successes)." He presents no evidence to indicate how Endean and others have failed.

Bush and Goodstein suggest that they are trying to "save" the Gay Rights Movement from its leaders, men and women who are not "real" leaders, but, in Bush's words, merely "individuals who were hired to run minibureaucracies and who have assumed the mantle of spokespersons for the ... community in the process. Their loyalty, with very few exceptions, has never been to a constituency or a community, but rather to a job, and, at most, to the people who hired them."

There is room for reasonable people to argue about some of these allegations, and some of what they say is sensible. But there is no room, in my opinion, for discussion of this last statement. It is a lie. It is a phony portrait of our leaders' motives and actions, calculated to damage them, and guaranteed to hurt all of us in the process.

I've worked with many of these leaders, and I've watched many others work for us for more than a decade. They are hard-working people, dedicated to advancing the rights of all of us at national and local levels. Like Bush, Goodstein and myself, they are fallible humans whose work can be improved.

But these reckless and undocumented charges go too far. They threaten the stability of all our institutions. We must let our leaders know that we support them for the jobs they have done so well. And we must demand that they continue to do those jobs even better. Our future demands no less.

"Dare to struggle/dare to win."

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You Are What You Pet

Pacific News Service

The old adage about "Birds of a feather" is especially true for people who own pets. A California psychologist who studied 200 pet owners says people with similar personalities often choose the same kinds of pets.

Dr. Aline Kidd says, for example, that turtle owners tend to be hard working, reliable and steadily goal-oriented. Bird owners are social and courteous, while snake owners are relaxed but somewhat unpredictable, being unable to tolerate routine.

Cat owners, says Kidd, are independent types, while dog owners generally need to love someone and be loved in return.

Kidd says her research will be helpful in the use of pets to treat the aged or mentally disabled.

Seven Day Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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■ **SATURDAY:** Community Productions Arts Fair, opposite Oak Lawn Library

■ **SATURDAY:** Women's music with Anne Duffus, 8pm, NOW Coffeehouse, 3107 Routh

■ **SUNDAY:** Oak Lawn Tennis League play, noon, Cole Park Tennis Courts, Dallas

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

■ **MONDAY:** Oak Lawn Bowling Assoc. summer league competition at Bronco Bowling Lanes, Oak Cliff, 8:30pm

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

■ **TUESDAY:** Tarrant County Gay Alliance meets at Center for the Community

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

■ **WEDNESDAY:** Lesbian Rights Task Force of Dallas County NOW meets 3107 Routh, 7:30pm

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

■ **THURSDAY:** 8th International Conference of Gay & Lesbian Jews opens in Miami, lasting to Aug. 7

■ **THURSDAY:** Reno National Gay Rodeo opens, lasting to Aug. 7

■ **THURSDAY:** Ladies and Men Bowlers of Dallas Association (LAMBDA) bowl 8:30pm, Circle Bowl, 10011 Denton Drive

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■ **IN 1 WEEK:** Pegasus social

Aug. 7, The Bronx

■ **IN 1 WEEK:** Dallas Motorcycle Club meets Aug. 10 at Hidden Door, 5025 Bowser

■ **IN 2 WEEKS:** Oak Lawn Softball Association tournament, Aug. 13

■ **IN 2 WEEKS:** Black & White Men Together conference opens Aug. 16, Columbus, Ohio, through Aug. 21

■ **IN 3 WEEKS:** Full moon, 10:00 am Aug. 23

■ **IN 5 WEEKS:** National Lesbians of Color conference opens Sept. 8, Los Angeles, through Sept. 11

■ **IN 5 WEEKS:** Dallas Gay Alliance's Texas Freedom Festival Sept. 2-5, celebrating anniversary of repeal of section 21.06 of the Texas Penal Code

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

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

■ **IN 5 WEEKS:** Southwest Invitational Softball Tournament, Tulsa, Sept. 3-5

■ **IN 5 WEEKS:** Labor Day, Sept. 5

■ **IN 5 WEEKS:** "Come Out and Sing Together," 1st North American Gay Choral Festival, opens Sept. 8, lasting to Sept. 11, Lincoln Center, New York

■ **IN 7 WEEKS:** Lesbian Rights Task Force of Dallas NOW presents "A Day at the Races," Louisiana Downs, Bossier City, Sept. 17

■ **IN 8 WEEKS:** Autumn begins at 9:43am Sept. 23

■ **IN 8 WEEKS:** Human Rights Campaign Fund annual dinner, Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York, Sept. 27

■ **IN 9 WEEKS:** "World's Toughest Rodeo," benefit for Gay Men's Health Crisis, Madi-

son Square Garden, New York, Oct. 1

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** Oct. 8 deadline to register to vote in November elections

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** National AIDS vigil, Oct. 8, Washington, D.C.

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

■ **IN 10 WEEKS:** Columbus Day, Oct. 10

■ **IN 13 WEEKS:** Capital Halloween Invitational Bowling Tournament, Oct. 29-30, Washington, D.C.

■ **IN 13 WEEKS:** Halloween, Oct. 31

■ **IN 14 WEEKS:** Election Day, Nov. 8

■ **IN 15 WEEKS:** Veterans Day, Nov. 11

■ **IN 16 WEEKS:** Dallas Dinner Committee's "Visions" Nov. 19 benefitting Human Rights Campaign Fund and National AIDS Federation Lobby Project

■ **IN 16 WEEKS:** Thanksgiving, Nov. 24

■ **IN 17 WEEKS:** Gay Academic Union 9th National Conference, San Diego, Nov. 25-27

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 National Association of Gay & Lesbian Democratic Clubs—1742 Mass. Ave. SE, Washington, DC 20003—(202) 547-3104
 National Gay Rights Advocates—540 Castro, San Francisco, CA 94114—(415) 863-3624
 National Gay Task Force—80 5th Ave., New York, NY 10011—(212) 741-5800
 NGTF's Crisisline—(800) 221-7044 (outside New York State)

DALLAS—

Affirmative—528-4913: meets 3pm 2nd Sunday
 AIDS Action Project: affiliate Oak Lawn Counseling Center

AIDS Information Line—c/o Oak Lawn Counseling Center, 3409 Oak Lawn—528-2181 24 hours

Black & White Men Together—POB 36133, 75235

Church of Christ gay support group—Kerry Dees at 522-5115

Citizens on Patrol (COPs)—526-5313

Community Productions—3331 Knight suite D—521-2037, 824-1263

Dallas Dinner Committee—521-8919: "Visions" Nov. 19 benefiting Human Rights Campaign Fund and National AIDS Federation Lobby Project

Dallas Gay Alliance—Box 190712, 75219—528-4233

Dallas Gay Historic Archives—6146 St. Moritz, 75214

Dallas Gay Political Caucus—political action committee of Dallas Gay Alliance

Dallas Gay Pride Week Association—POB 190412, 75219—522-1713: meets 3rd Sunday, 1pm, NOW office, 3107 Routh

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 Academic Union of N. Texas—POB 2402, 75221—821-5833

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

Holy Trinity Community Church—4402 Roseland—827-5088: services 11am, 7:30pm Sun.

Imperial Court

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

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

Ladies and Men Bowlers of Dallas Association (LAMBDA)—Circle Bowl, 10011 Denton Drive—Paul or Eddie 526-7453, Alicia or Pat 620-2385: 8:30pm Thursdays; 6 week mini season from July 21; fall league from Sept 8

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 Co. NOW—3107 Routh—941-5331, 742-6918: meets 7:30pm 1st & 3rd Wednesdays; coffeehouse 7:30pm 4th Saturdays; "A Day at the Races," Louisiana Downs, Bossier City, Sept. 17

Lutherans Concerned/DFW—POB 881, Bedford, TX 76021—(214) 526-2553

Metropolitan Community Church—2701 Reagan—526-8221

Oak Lawn Bowling Association—Jim Beck at 528-2963: plays 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 Semi-Literary Society—Box 191354, 75219—526-8294

Oak Lawn Softball Association—David Walker at 522-1713 or Bill Whalen at 828-1247: tournament Aug. 13

Oak Lawn Symphonic Band—POB 190973, 75219—351-6697: meets Tuesdays, 7pm, MCC, 2701 Reagan

Oak Lawn Tennis Association—Sam Yee at 739-2726 or 823-2051: plays noon Sun. & 7:30pm Wed. at Cole Park Tennis Courts

Oak Lawn Volleyball Association—Jim Goodwin at 526-6433 after 6pm: practice Wednesdays, 7-9pm, Reverchon Recreation Center, 3505 Maple Pegasus—c/o 1st Unitarian Church, 4015 Normandy: meets 3rd Tues.; social Aug. 7, The Bronx

Razzle Dazzle Dallas—POB 50031, 75250

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

Southern Methodist University Gay & Lesbian Student Organization—Box 1636, SMU, Dallas 75275

Sovereign Court of Dallas—POB 35532, 75235—521-0541

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

Trash of America—POB 36235, 75235—522-8464

Turtle Creek Chorale—POB 190806, 75219—368-5500, 821-3086

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DENTON—

Texas Gay/Lesbian Task Force—POB AK, 76201—387-8216

FT. WORTH—

Agape Metropolitan Community Church—4615 SE Loop 826—535-5002

Center for the Community—2412 Lipscomb—926-3521

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; 6th Biennial International Convention of Dignity in Seattle Sept. 2-5

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

Gay Hot Line—926-3521

Lambda Group of Alcoholics Anonymous—332-3533: meetings 8pm Mon.-Sat. & 2pm Sun.

Lutherans Concerned/DFW—POB 881, Bedford, TX 76021—(817) 595-1176

Tarrant Co. Gay Alliance—2412 Lipscomb—571-6977: Meets 1st Tuesday monthly at Center for the Community

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AMARILLO—

Metropolitan Community Church—POB 1276, 79105—373-8239

CORPUS CHRISTI—

Gay Bartenders Association—c/o Zodiac Lounge, 617 Staples—883-7753

Metropolitan Community Church—c/o Unitarian Church, 3125 Horne Rd.—851-9698: meets 5pm Sundays

LUBBOCK—

Lubbock Gay Alliance—POB 64746 79464

Metropolitan Community Church—POB 64574, 79464—792-5354

MIDLAND—

Metropolitan Community Church—Rt. 2, Box 427—687-5447

SHREVEPORT—

Gay Pride Committee—POB 16, Shreveport, LA 71161

Metropolitan Community Church—1134 Shreveport-Barksdale Hwy.—221-8875

PRIVATE GAY CLUBS

DALLAS—

● Club Dallas—2616 Swiss Ave.—821-1990

● Midtowne Spa—2509 Pacific—821-8989

RESTAURANTS

DALLAS—

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● Crossroads Steak House—3903 Cedar Springs—559-4380

● Now That's Italian—3851 Cedar Springs—522-2340

● Saf's Pizza—2525 Wycliff—522-1828

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● Jartran Truck Rental—3704 Maple—742-3160

● Oak Lawn Law Office—3721 Hall—526-9699

● Oak Lawn Garage—4402 W. University—351-3056

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● B&W Liquors—4044 Cedar Springs—526-5820

● Crossroads Market—3930 Cedar Springs—521-8919

● Eagle Leathers—Round-Up Saloon, 3914 Cedar Springs—528-4620

● Eagle Leathers—New Sundance, 4025 Maple Ave.—528-4620

● Eagle Leathers—Tex's Ranch, 4118 Maple Ave.—528-4620

● Gaspipe—4435 Maple—526-5982

● High Voltage—4008 Cedar Springs—522-5800

● Key West Aloe of Dallas—Turtle Creek Village, Oaklawn at Blackburn—559-3133

● Linda's Surplus Store—4323 Maple—526-6601

● Lobo Bookstore—4008 "C" Cedar Springs—522-1132

● Melrose Pharmacy—2506 Oak Lawn—521-2133

● Oak Lawn Records—3810 Congress #121—521-0350

● Off the Street—3851 Cedar Springs—521-9051

● Space Place—4000 Cedar Springs—521-9190

● Tapelenders—3910 Cedar Springs—528-6344

● Union Jack—3918 Cedar Springs—528-9604

● VVV Records—3906 Cedar Springs—522-3470

Fortunes

By Tycho

For Friday evening, July 29, 1983, through Friday evening, August 5, 1983:

ARIES—The Moon is in your sign all weekend, leaves Monday morning. Give yourself a push, and you'll accomplish more this week than you ever thought possible. Accomplishment is really the key word, and once you're in motion, there's virtually no obstacle to attaining your goals. A good combination of physical and spiritual guides.

TAURUS—The Moon passes through Taurus from Monday morning to Wednesday morning. A tug-of-war with yourself sounds impossible, but that's what you're up to. Of course, it's a silly game, and your lover will remind you that all you need is love; but will you be able to stop and listen? Stop playing games with yourself.

GEMINI—The Moon will be in Gemini from next Wednesday, the 3rd, through Friday afternoon, the 5th. While you may meet with some resistance from your lover, you're ready to make a firm commitment. This could be settling down, or buying a house or other large purchase together. Be firm with your decision, but make your reasoning clear.

CANCER—In your sign this week: Mars. Don't let your pride in being self-reliant get in the way of asking for help when you need it. Someone younger than you are could give you some very good advice, and more. You'd be sorry to miss out on learning from a young apprentice. Let the teacher become student now.

LEO—In your sign this week: Mercury and the Sun. You lucky devil, you! If money is the root of all evil, you've got a lot of baaad blooms coming. Your guardian angel hovers nearby as the picture for you is very, very good. Some luck is involved, so be able to play your hunches and trust your intuition.

VIRGO—Venus is in Virgo at this time. What a flirt! If you didn't satisfy that hunger last week (and almost destroy a fine relationship), this week you're up to more of the same. Perhaps a bit more coy, perhaps a little less brazen, but same old delicious trouble. Naughty, naughty!

LIBRA—In your sign this week: Pluto and Saturn. Ah, sweet relief comes from finding someone whose brand of fantasy matches yours exactly. This may seem too good to be true, and even if there's not a lot of substance to the meeting, it's sure a lot of fun. "Exploration of desire" is the proper phrase for it.

SCORPIO—You and your loving lover keep right on sailing through the storms raging all around you. A relationship that is at base a safe haven is a rare thing. But, all the time, you're having an argument with yourself about the future: what's up?

SAGITTARIUS—In your sign this week: Jupiter, Uranus and Neptune. Are you ready to take the top position? Can you handle authority? You may have a choice. You're going to be seen as the natural leader, and the only thing you can do is accept the responsibility that position entails. How does it look from up there?

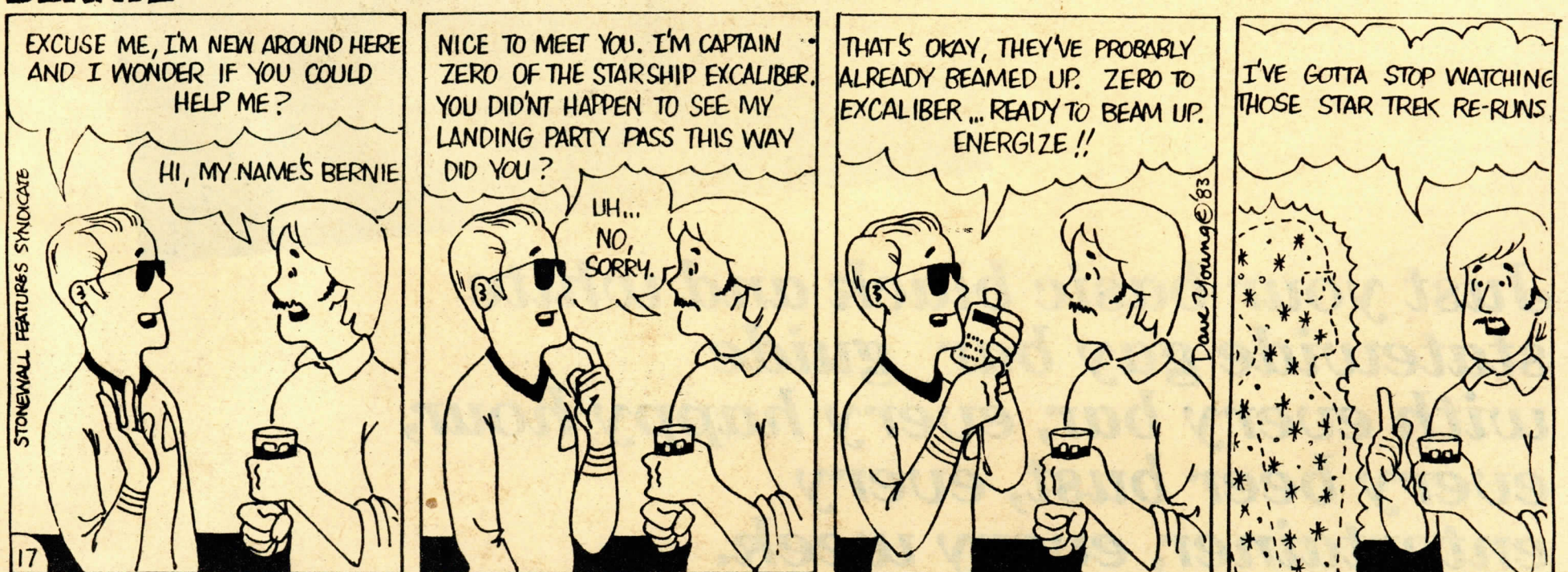
CAPRICORN—"You can't hurry love. No, you'll just have to wait. Love don't come easy, it's a game and give-and-take." You sure are excitable. It's probably because you see the possibilities just ahead, and you're trying to give them a shove. Hold on, lover, it's coming.

AQUARIUS—Unless your lover is an Aquarian, too, there's probably little understanding in your house these days. Your mystical forces are not available to everyone. But spiritual pride is a possibility and a nasty habit, too. Don't get uppity.

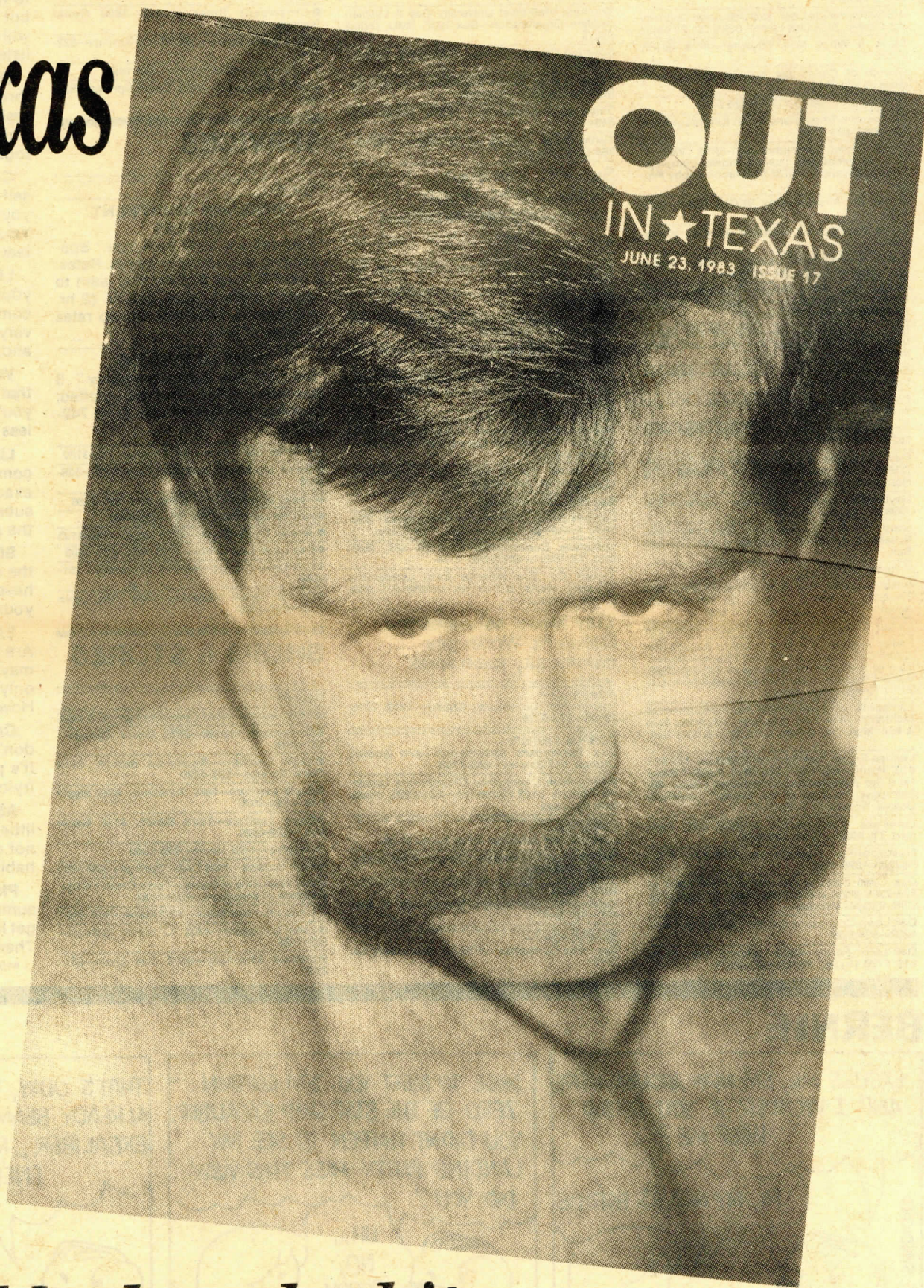
PISCES—Laid back to the point of being lazy, you're put down by the summer heat. All you seem to want to do is dream and fantasize, and ... get laid. Well, those things are fun, but try to take care of some business. Then, lay back, dream, and get lazily laid.

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