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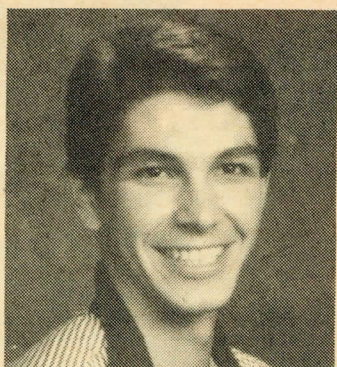
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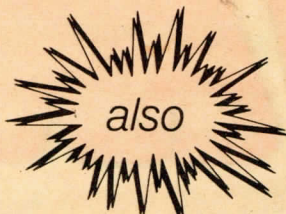
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From The Gay Political Caucus

After the defeat of the January 19 referendum on non-discrimination for gay men and lesbians in city employment, the Houston Gay Political Caucus realized that two areas needed to be addressed immediately. The two areas were those of: educating the public about us/documenting the discrimination that already exists.

The first was that of educating not only the general public, but also our own community. Those voting against the referendum were greatly influenced by the mass of false (to put it mildly!) information made available to them. A public informed with the correct facts about us as gay men and lesbians would have made a more rational decision before voting, instead of basing their opinion on hysterical fears and untruths. Along with other organizations GPC has begun to promote better education and understanding of our diverse community through an expanded educational process. GPC has improved media awareness through regularly issued press conferences, has increased the frequency of the GPC newsletters, and has established a Speakers Bureau to talk to various groups in Houston.

To educate the gay and lesbian community as to who worked hardest to deny equal rights in city employment, the Economic Response Committee of GPC thoroughly researched the names of those who contributed to the defeat of the referendum. Throughout the spring lists of various groups, such as lawyers, doctors, banks, etc., who gave money were published in the local media with the final completed list distributed during Houston's Gay Pride Week.

The second area needed to be addressed was that of documentation. Throughout the campaign opponents of the referendum pointed to the lack of proof that gay men and lesbians had been discriminated against. Although we all know of discrimination against us in many areas, documented cases were not there to prove to the public that such discrimination does exist. To this end GPC has a standing "Documentation Committee" whose purpose is to start compiling statistics on the many cases of discrimination. The committee has established a form to be completed that covers discrimination in such areas as housing, jobs, physical violence, police, verbal assault, and the medical profession.

If someone has been a victim of discrimination or knows of someone who has, GPC is asking that such individuals fill out one of the forms. The incident need not have been recent, if the details asked for on the form can be provided, such as witnesses; the important point is that all particular problems need to be documented.

The form will be confidential and will be used for the purpose of documentation only. GPC will assist those individuals interested, however, in referring the case to the appropriate agencies and/or professionals.

The importance of documenting discrimination cannot be overemphasized. When our opponents say that there is no discrimination against gay men and lesbians in Houston we can step forward with proof. Another referendum may come up again. The Houston Gay Political Caucus and the gay and lesbian community will be prepared.

The Discrimination Documentation form will be available through GPC, the Switchboard, Montrose Counseling Center, KS/AIDS, various city council members, the Westheimer Police Sub-Station, community newspapers, your favorite bartender, and other community organizations.

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District Attorney Says Sodomy Law Not a Big Issue

District Attorney John Holmes says he does not think there will be an increase in prosecutions under the state's sodomy law, which has been upheld by an Appeals Court.

The 5th Circuit Court of Appeals reversed earlier rulings, which struck down the law as unconstitutional.

Holmes says even if the law is constitutional, his office will not prosecute many cases. Since 1974, sodomy offenses have been considered as misdemeanors, and have been prosecuted in Municipal Court.

Holmes says that the law prohibits deviate sexual conduct between persons of the same sex. Prior to its revision, the law also applied to sexual acts between heterosexual partners.

Holmes says he does not see the

enforcement of the law as being a privacy issue.

As a practical matter, most of the cases that are prosecuted are those in which the participants engaged in the act in a public place, he says.

Acts which occur between consenting adults, behind closed doors, are practically impossible to prove in court says Holmes.

Houston Police Officer's Association president Mark Clark says the law has been in non-enforcement status during the appeal process and now "it will be interesting to see how the district attorney's office treats the thing...we can't do anything unless they prosecute. The only thing we can do is enforce, and then they have to prosecute. If you're not going to have prosecution, you can't enforce."

Clinic Needs Volunteers

The Montrose Clinic, at 803 Hawthorne, continues to need volunteers. Physicians, nurses, pharmacists, laboratory technicians, blood drawers, medical and/or nursing students, and clerical help are needed evenings—Mondays,

Tuesdays and/or Thursdays.

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Please call Tom Audette, Administrative Director, at 528-5535.

AIDS Patients Reportedly Mistreated

Reports are coming in from around the country that AIDS patients are being mistreated in hospitals, due to staff misunderstanding of the disease. These patients have complained that their rooms have not been cleaned adequately, that nurses and doctors do not give them the desired attention, and that they are left alone for extended periods of time.

Recently, the New York state Health Department announced that AIDS patients "are not getting their food as they should" and "are not being treated with kindness," because hospital staff do not understand that AIDS is not contagious. The department stated that there have been many

complaints by AIDS victims, friends and family who have noticed the improper treatment.

Hospital staff, as well as friends and family, need to understand that AIDS is not communicable in the normal sense. So far, there have been no cases of AIDS being transmitted to any health care workers, or anyone else working with AIDS patients.

Training courses are now being set up in all major cities for health care workers, as well as laymen, to combat the general fear and ignorance of the disease and help alleviate some of the mistreatment.

"We're all criminals now..."

Gays Lose Rights in Texas

Houston gays received the morning papers on Tuesday with incredulous surprise as they read about the recent support of the federal appeals court in New Orleans in favor of the Texas sodomy law, section 21.06 of the Texas penal code, also known as "21-0-6."

In a 9-7 ruling by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, a previous judgement was overruled, and it is thereby illegal for homosexuals to engage in any oral/anal, oral/oral, or oral/genital sex. According to one FORUM source, who is affiliated with the Texas Human Rights Foundation, the only sexual act that can still be legally performed by homosexual consenting adults is mutual masturbation, but that may have been only an oversight on the part of the code.

What the decision really means is that as of Wednesday, sex between gays has become illegal in Texas and the state government now has the right to interrupt such acts at will.

In the court ruling, the judges state that homosexuality has been objected to in Western culture for "the past seven centuries." It also states that the Texas law is

correct in "implementing morality, a permissible state goal."

Because of the scope of this particular case, FORUM sources say there will be national implications. There is currently a contradictory case upheld from another district appeal's court in Atlanta, where the court has ruled against such a law on the grounds that it violates the constitutional rights of privacy. There is serious speculation that both cases will be presented to the Supreme Court in Washington, D.C., where it will be submitted for consideration. Should the Supreme Court decide to rule on these cases, the outcome will have far reaching national implication, either guaranteeing gays their rights, or perhaps taking away existing rights.

The district court ruling will be the subject of continuing debate. As Judge Irving L. Goldberg stated in his dissent of the ruling, "Texas has violated (constitutional rights to privacy) by blatantly intruding into the private sex lives of fully consenting adults." The constitutional implications could prove to make this one of the most important Supreme Court decisions in this century.

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Editorial

"Texas: Living in the Sticks"

Withholding anger is something an editor should always do. To express undo alarm or emotion shows a certain lack of professionalism and gives away a quality that is usually supposed to be lacking in an editor—humanity. But this is one of those times when such feeling can't stay underneath the surface because the feeling of deception and of being cheated are far too strong.

At a very early age, we learn that what is given to us can all too easily be taken away. Gifts received can so easily disappear if not carefully guarded, and one of our most precious gifts, freedom, seems to be rapidly disappearing. Some will say that we never really had freedom, but they must be reminded that in days of old (pre-1982), the authorities had the legal right to dictate personal sexual and moral practices, and now they have that right again.

It is most unfortunate that society—especially Texas society—has chosen to regulate such an ungovernable thing as sex. Of course, morals are also something the legislature thinks it can control, as though they were real things like oranges rolling down the conveyor belt in a processing plant. But sexual conduct and morality are not real entities. They cannot be regulated. No matter how strict the laws or how harsh the punishment, people will do what they will, and there is no stopping it.

What does it take to convince people that to obstruct something will only cause a backup, and that backup can eventually grow to unmanageable proportions until whatever obstruction exists is suddenly and violently swept away? The problem with such an event is that it usually causes widespread destruction to innocents, and that is totally unnecessary.

But now the gay community in Texas has to face the fact that a very large obstruction has been put in place to block its freedom. Personally, it seems only fitting that such a backward place as the Texas legislature would even propose such a thing—it is what will keep Texas a backwater of civilization and sophistication probably for the remainder of this century. After all, Texans, whether they like it or not, have been the brunt of incessant jokes worldwide, and as suddenly illegal citizens in our own state, we should be able to laugh along with the rest of the world at the bumbling idiocy that spews forth from our state government.

Ignorance, however, is not the real clincher in this little drama. What is most galling is that the Judiciary had in 1982 given the gay community its freedom, and now it has taken back its word. This means that either the support that was there is presently gone, or worse, the support we once had has turned against the community. The only response to that is to make certain that those people never sit in the judiciary again, although we can't touch them, in part, thanks to the Reagan administration's judicial appointments to the Federal bench.

As a political entity, the gay coalition in Texas is very deformed. It is like a stillborn baby, having put everyone through great pain and effort with nothing really to show for it. Now, the gay community is forced to judge itself. Where did it go wrong? Is there any responsibility to be given to anyone for what has happened? Where were our supporters? Why was nobody even told about events leading up to this?

While holding social flings or shopping at the Galleria or just trying to survive financially in a very hostile economy, many in the community simply haven't had the time to think about it. It's an honest mistake, probably. But is it an excuse? After all, leaks only occur where strength has weakened, and the gay community in Texas has let a weak spot occur and political and (simply unbelievable) moral enemies have seeped into the cracks and burst it wide open.

In a nut shell, we have been given what we deserve. The opposition is laughing over the fact that the gay community was lazy and weak, and in politics, as in any jungle, only the strong survive and the weak are thrown aside. But they were greatly divided on this issue, which means there may be hope later on.

Meanwhile, be careful not to wear your jeans too tight or to be too obvious. Look around you as you go to your social events. Watch so you don't seem too friendly to friends, and be sure nobody knows where you're coming from—otherwise someone could have you arrested and thrown in jail for something that is nobody's business. Isn't it wonderful to live in such an enlightened age, where such enlightened people are in power to guide us through to the next century?

—Jeff Bray, editor

Just What is FOCUSS?

The Federation of Charities United for Social Services (FOCUSS) is an organization intended to bring a cohesive distribution to monies donated to four service organizations in the Houston gay community: KS/AIDS Foundation, Montrose Counseling Center, Montrose Clinic and the Gay Switchboard. In the past these organizations have operated as separate entities and have received separate funding from various private and charitable groups. There are, however, many who would find it more convenient to donate to one organization where all four services would benefit.

Under the FOCUSS umbrella, each of the four service groups would receive a percentage of the money donated, based upon the percentage of general donations from an analysis of each agency's annual fund raising need relative to the aggregate annual fund raising need of all four agencies together.

Put simply, when you write a check to FOCUSS, your donated amount is divided as follows: KS/AIDS Foundation receives 69.84 percent; Montrose Counseling Center receives 11.90 percent; Montrose Clinic receives 9.92 percent; Gay Switchboard receives 8.33 percent.

Of course, you are free to donate

separately to any of the four agencies if you wish, but FOCUSS offers a more convenient blanket coverage, since each agency is related to the others.

There is no doubt that the four agencies in the FOCUSS group are vitally important to the Montrose and Houston community. It has become increasingly apparent that these agencies represent and service the needs of the Houston gay community, and that outside sources cannot be counted on for such support. That is why the slogan for the 1985 FOCUSS campaign is: TAKING CARE OF OUR OWN!

These four agencies have helped create one of the nation's most organized and influential gay communities in Montrose and Houston. All of the above organizations are necessary for the continued support and health of the city, by providing counseling, treatment and support to the community at large. FOCUSS, which gives the agencies additional support by making it easier for money to be distributed among them, will become the center of a vast campaign, starting Monday, August 12, and running through Sunday, September 8. During this time, concerned volunteers will be asked to throw small private parties, where guests will be informed about the FOCUSS program and asked to donate to the fund.

AMANDA

"Texas is Nasty Business"

Oh, Dear Fans, the world is fast coming to an end. We knew it when Sister Inez told us not to go on fast trips three weeks ago and all these jet accidents started happening, and now we hear that once again Amanda's gay friends are considered illegal in their own country!

Amanda really has trouble identifying with all the things that go on with the Texas morality issues. She hasn't thought of morality really since she last saw Sister Roxanne at Our Holy Mother of Searing Agony and Grueling Mortification of the Flesh Church back in the wastes of the upper great plains dragging several large beaded rosaries on the bumper of her Volkswagen. We remember her telling us as she was slapping our hands into little bleeding pulps with her metal ruler that life is one big morality after another, and doing "nasty things" was wrong.

Of course, at that early stage in the game, Dear Fans, Amanda didn't really know what really constituted a "Nasty Thing," but we were a bright child and set about finding out how many Nasty Things we could get away with.

One of the nastiest things was sex, and we found out very early, as most girls do, that there were different alternatives to sex. At first, we played in our cardboard forts in the back yard, knowing that Mother would simply die if she could see through those paper walls with X-ray vision. Scotty, the boy next door, loved to lift Amanda's little pink frillies and see what was (or wasn't) underneath. Fortunately for him, he's now married and has a wonderful family. Amanda, of course, went on to more wild and what she had thought were more sophisticated environs.

As a Nasty Thing, Amanda has confronted sex as something more or less natural. It isn't something that we wake up to every morning and have to remind ourselves of. It's not like suddenly becoming aware of the fact that there are differences between us and other people, and as we

grow older (hideous but true), we realize that some people have different sexual practices than others—and as a mature adult, we realize that whatever Joe Blow does across the street is none of our business, unless, of course, we see him running down the street with a chain saw, wearing a pink ballet tutu. But even then, we wouldn't be sure of whether or not he was going to a wild Montrose party...

The trouble with this particularly Nasty Thing is not that it is bad. It's just that it's being regulated! And Amanda would love to know who in his right mind thinks he has the authority or even the knowledge to regulate something as ethereal as sex? Sexual practices revolve around one main thing, Dear Fans—Love. And who can regulate that?

Can your senator or state representative or state supreme court member tell you that you can't have sex with someone because you can't love them? Can they dare tell another human being, the most complex of all creatures, that he is not allowed to love another human being, and if he is caught doing so he can be thrown in jail?

All Amanda can say, Dear Fans, is that there was a time when a certain government tried to regulate a certain love, and when the principal leader of that movement was eliminated, all it did was create a backlash that lasted 2,000 years. What is even more bizarre is that Amanda's friends can express their love in one state legally, while crossing a state line can suddenly turn them into criminals. It's too weird! It's like living in the Twilight Zone. It's WRONG!

Someday, from the ruins, they will read about our laws and this particular quirk in social fabric that makes it necessary to tell people what is right and what is wrong "morally," and they will laugh at us just as we laugh as the archaic laws of other ancient, outdated and backward civilizations.

GOING BALD?



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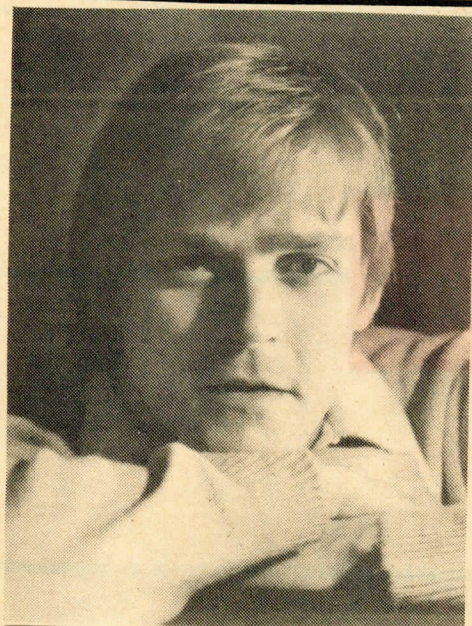
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Kent Johnson starring in ONE

"The Group" to Produce ONE

The Group, a new theatre workshop, will produce Jeff Hagedorn's ONE, a one-man play dealing with AIDS. ONE is a beautiful, moving piece of theatre that has been performed across the country for the past two years. This will be the FIRST presentation of ONE in Houston, as well as the first theatre piece to be produced here to touch on the death-threatening virus known as AIDS. Mr. Hagedorn, a Chicago resident, is coming to Houston for this special event to see his play performed.

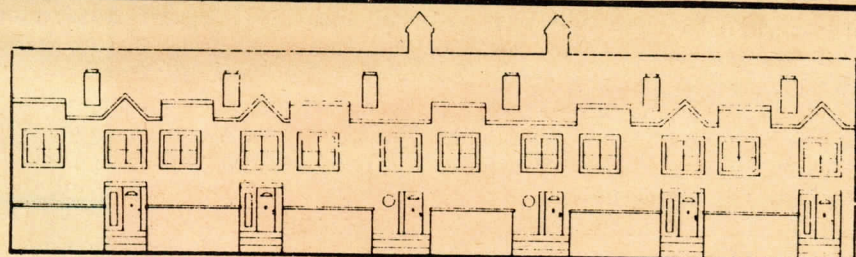
Kent Johnson, a gifted young actor remember for his sensitive portrayal as Horst in Stages' hit production of BENT several seasons ago, will perform the role of the AIDS victim in ONE. Kent has also performed with the Alley in THE DRESSER and UNCLE VANYA, as well as with Houston Shakespeare and Texas Renaissance Festivals. Most recently Kent essayed the role of Cecil Weatherby in

Max Pearson's THE ACTRESSES at Main Street Theatre.

Joe Watts, director of The Group, will direct ONE. Mr. Watts, who has 20 years of theatre experience in Houston, recently directed several plays for Diversity Theatre, notably THE BOYS IN THE BAND (also playing the lead role of Michael) and THE KILLING OF SISTER GEORGE.

ONE will be preceded by a short musical program featuring a special female guest performer to be announced at a future date.

ONE will be presented at Channing Hall, First Unitarian Church, 5210 Fannin on September 19, 20 & 21st at 8:00PM. Tickets for this fundk-raiser are \$10.00 (\$7 of each ticket will go to KS/AIDS Foundation of Houston, Inc., and is tax-deductible). RESERVATIONS can be made by calling 522-2204.



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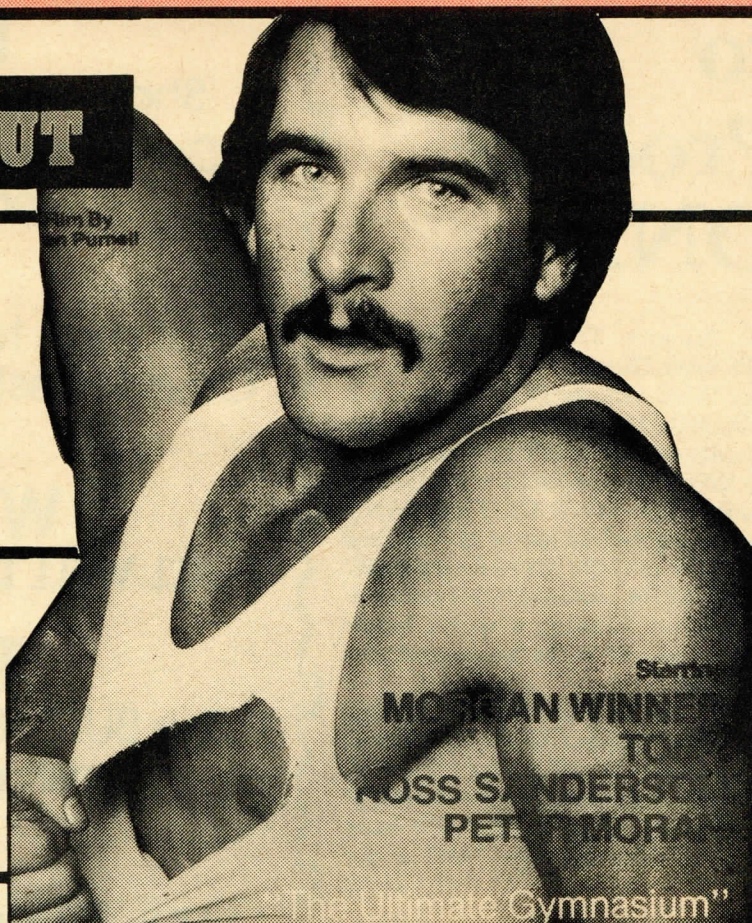
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Can We Talk?

"Oo-Wa-Ditty—Wa, Oo-Wa-Ditty..."

Despite all the hubub going on, there's more going on in Montrose than in a wasp nest these days!

For you softball fans, the undefeated BRI-ARPATCH team, winners of the MSL Championship, are presently in Milwaukee for the Gay World Series, playing against their adversaries from Atlanta. Wish them luck, and we'll have all the scoop next week.

Our favorite star, NAOMI SIMS, will be wonderful Monday, September 2 at 10:30 p.m. in her famous (or infamous) ONE-MAN SHOW. We'll all be dazzled! Also, Friday, September 6, don't miss the beginning of a new 8-week segment of Lip-Sync competition. Our dear friend BRANDY WEST will MC the events, which are preliminaries for the National TV Show, "Puttin' On The Hits."

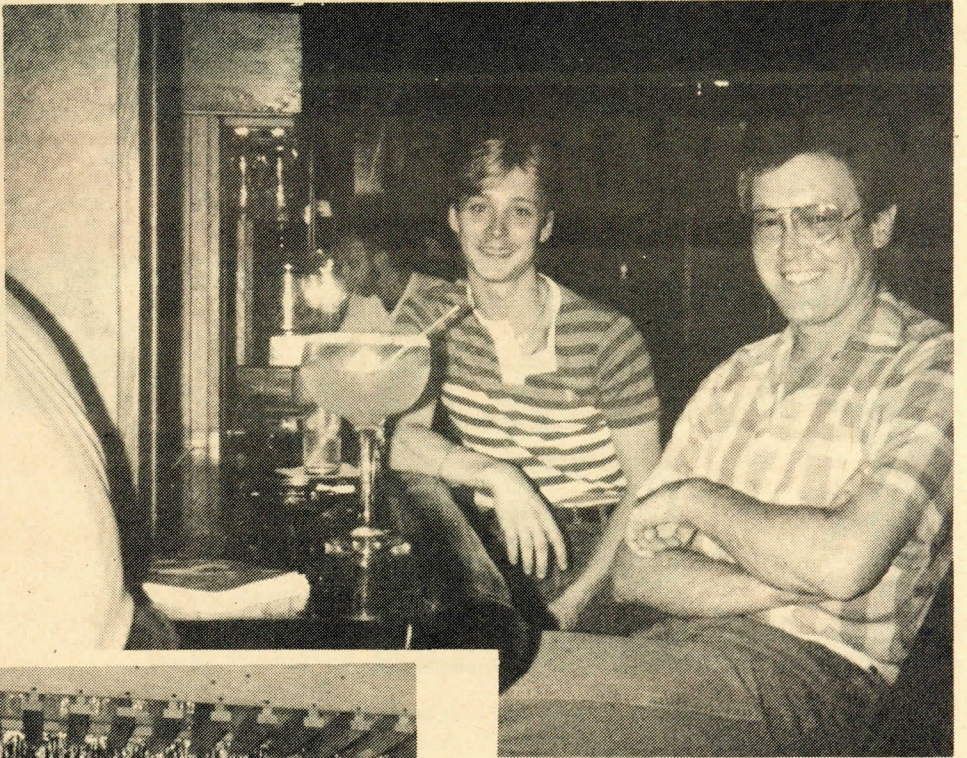
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The MOTHER LODE is ending a month-long anniversary celebration (7-day bar tab) where the prize is given away every night at 10 p.m. There are lots of people who have won in the drawing and are buying drinks for free (?) for a whole week! They are also offering free dinners to winners every night through the 31st, so drop by and see if you can win!

CLUB LARADON

Monday night is show night at Club Laradon with MC Ann Richards and the "Choosey Four" with a Special Guest. Last weeks special guest as Schnique Denise (girl, I hope I spelled it right) Pictures on this page tell the story.

But wait! Just wait! They are doing it again for Labor Day weekend—I'm talking about Club Laradon's Beach Party. Out with the tables & chairs—in with the Beach Sand covering the dance floor—bring your Beach Blankets, Lounge chairs, umbrellas, Beach Balls, etc. Bigger & Better Prizes, (\$1.50 Margaritas 4pm to 8pm) Hot dogs cooked in Beer & Cold Watermelon to cool off those HOT bodies. The Beach Party gets underway at 4pm and goes til? Club Laradon, I-45, exit Greens Rd. stay on the feeder. Laradon is on the right behind the Big Boat.

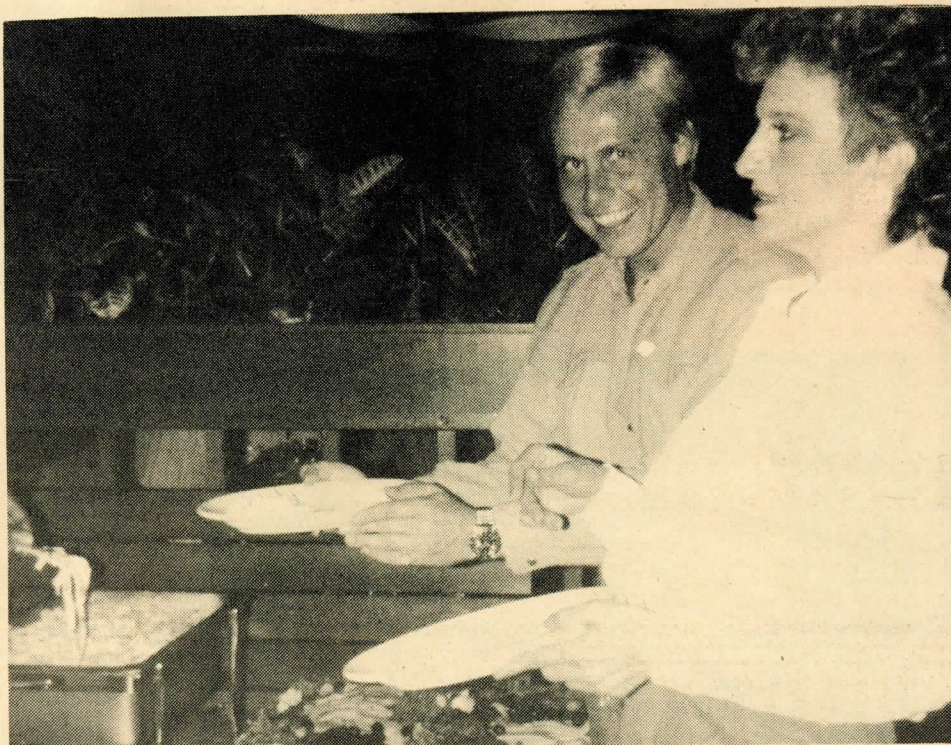


Keith Hathaway (left) day bartender at Club Laradon with Wayne Fry and Laradon's Sunday Margarita's.



(l to r) MC Ann Richards, Miss Gay Beaumont (sans paint) "Renee Allen", Schnique Denise, Shawn Alexander, Bae Bae, Monday night at Club Laradon

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Birthday girl Sue Lovell and MARYS manager Leif Lippert

Sweetheart SUE LOVELL put her work aside for a much needed and much touted BIRTHDAY PARTY at RICH's last week. Many of her dear friends came and honored a woman who makes us all

proud—her work is really cut out for her now, but we're sure she'll be able to handle the job! HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DEAR!

Incidentally, RICH's second level really looked like a balloon factory for SUE LOVELL's birthday party!

Faye Carol opened to a two-week engagement at RASCALS on Tuesday night. Jazz is her forte and this woman speaks the language fluently. She "shucks" her shoes and "works" a melody when Miss Carol launched into "Dr. Feelgood" attentions were snapped throughout the club. 3 shows nightly (except Sunday and Labor Day) thru September 7th.

Don't ever say's there's nothing to do in Montrose as long as quality entertainment like this is around.



Speaking of FAYE CAROL, RASCAL's latest talented performer, a poster featuring her has won the 59th Annual Art Director's Award in NYC. Designed for the San Francisco based Joseph G. Kennedy Foundation, the poster features a very art deco stylized portrait of FAYE CAROL.

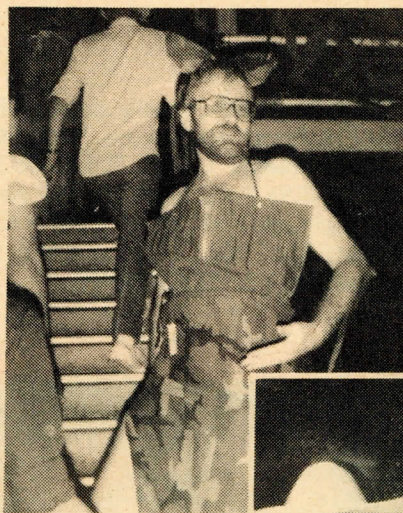
Her famous poster is now on exhibit in Europe and will soon be on display in Japan. This girl is movin' up fast!

The COPA is also going to sponsor the MISS GAY TEXAS BENEFIT PAGEANT, which will hold preliminaries there tonight, Friday, August 30. The finals will be at the TOWER THEATRE, at 8 p.m., Saturday, August 31. Don't miss it. All donations will go to the TIFFANY JONES TRUST FUND, benefitting statewide AIDS projects. Celebrities will include SABRINA DELOREAN, DONNA DAY, BRANDI WEST, PAULETTA LEIGH and LINDSAY LOVE.

CAROL LEWIS and MICHAEL WHITE have formed a new company, the M.J.W. & ASSOCIATES. This company will handle personal management for entertainers, as well as agent duties. The FORUM wishes them the best of luck—"break a leg."

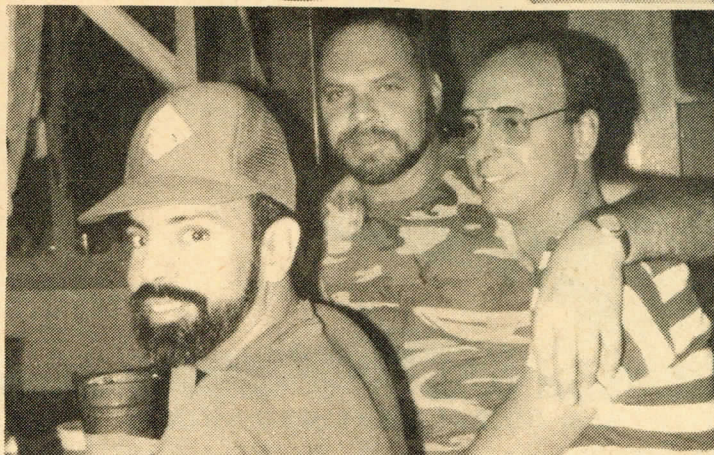
People are still trying to recover from the VENTURE-N's RAMBEAU PARTY last Sunday night. JIM and DAVID were the perfect hosts, and all the guests truly let

their hair (or hairs) down and had a great time. Good lovin' vibes always flow at the VENTURE-N!



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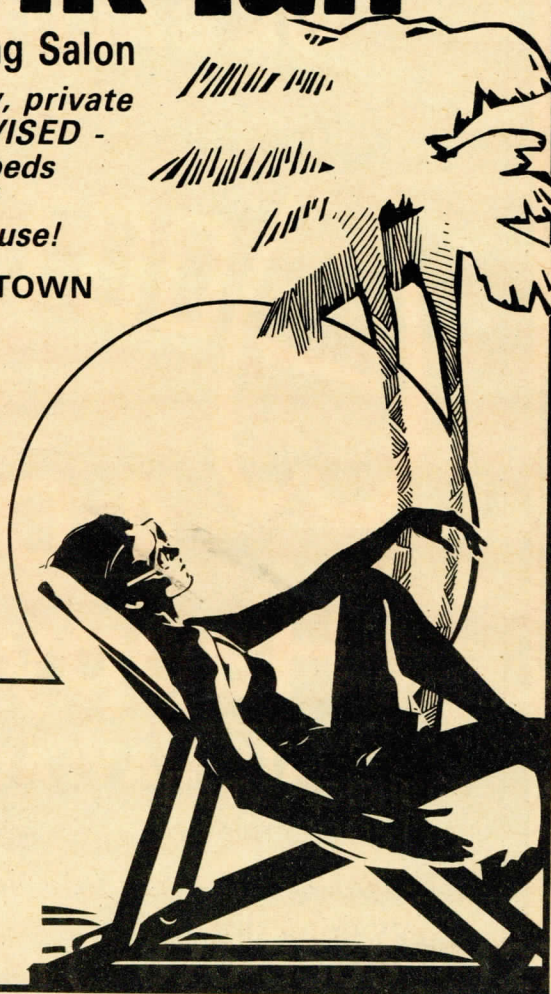
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Those strumpets of the RIPCORDER, VINCE & TONY, hosted a BIVOUAC BASH last Monday night that topped the social rosters for sure. According to FORUM sources, there were tons of great looking men in military dress, complete with a stockade! Uniforms do something to us, you know. It had to have been TOO HOT!



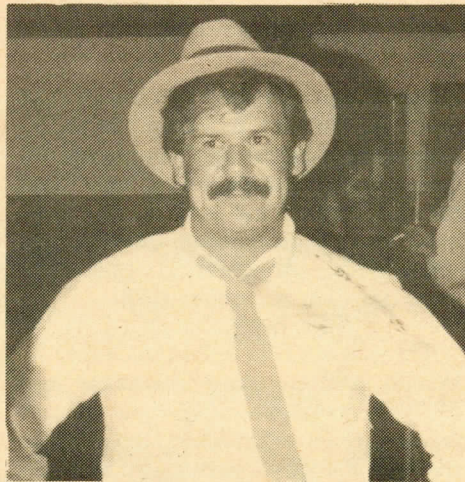
RIPCORDER's BIVOUAC BASH caught Rick Kipp in the Stockade



Tony & Vince and friends at the RIPCORDER's BIVOUAC BASH

Robert Jenkins waiter at CHOICES

THE TEXAS GENTLEMEN are performing at CHOICES on Monday nights. If a picture is worth a 1,000 words you'll read an EPIC NOVEL in these pictures. CHOICES. I-45 & Holzworth exit, cross over the freeway and return on the feeder.



RICH's is going to shock us all with 48 HOURS OF PURE HELL, which should be a very exciting and evil time, considering how wicked the place usually is on ordinary weekends. HELL starts at 6 p.m. Sunday, September 1, and continues through Monday, September 2 'til the cows come home. There will be free drinks, nasty wicked music and millions of your best friends. As they say at RICH's, "How much can one Human constitution take?"

AND while you're darting to HELL, why not take a detour on the way and visit HEAVEN, which opened its pearly gates Thursday night to a fabulous crowd. All the heavenly hosts filled the choir loft and the dance floor of Houston's beautiful new club. Hats off to CHARLES ARMSTRONG and his band of angels. Now Houston can boast of having some of the finest nightspots in the world!



A Texas Gentleman with Channel La Raine at CHOICES

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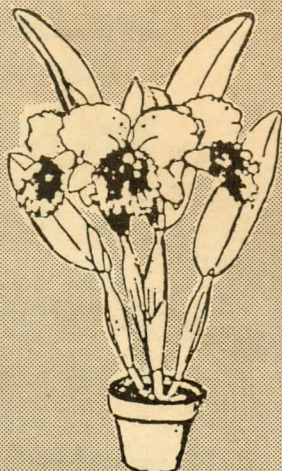
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A Flash In The Pan

By Juliene Frache

We need to do something easy this week, since there's so much political hobnobbing going on. Something you can throw into the oven and run away from. So let's do something with that miracle of nature—the egg. Those of you from the Brunch Bunch will love these recipes because they're quick and easy, and after you've mastered them, you can even change them to your own creation.

The first recipe is a simple EGGS POACHED IN SOUP. Take one 10½ ounce can of condensed tomatoe soup, ½ cup of water, ½ teaspoon of dried basil or one tablespoon of fresh minced basil, and ¼ teaspoon of sugar (optional, of course. We don't want any of you to have a reaction). Take all these wonderful things and combine in an 8-inch skillet (we know you can find one somewhere) and heat to boiling over low heat.

Reduce the heat, keeping it all near the boiling point, and slide into the soup with

a saucer, one at a time (no matter how much they protest), four eggs (the brown ones are best; but we don't encourage discrimination). Simmer 4-5 minutes until the eggs firm up and serve on rounds of toast. Then, pour the soup over the eggs and garnish with parsley. It's perfect for those lazy days, and quite healthy.

The next one is EGGS POACHED IN WINE, and we must encourage you NEVER cook with inexpensive wine. A friend once cooked in Annie Greensprings and his whole dinner party ended up sick at the edge of the tracks near Studemont! Now, take off those rubber gloves and throw all these things into a skillet.

One cup of excellent red wine, one crushed garlic clove (I prefer to crush them under the wheels of my 1962 DeVille), two tablespoons of minced onion or shallots, some salt and pepper, a bouquet of Garni (also known as faggots, if you can

bring yourself to asking for it at Jamail's) bunched together and tied into cheesecloth. One small bayleaf, five sprigs of parsley, two clovers and one leek, very well cleaned (there's nothing more disgusting than a dirty leek!)

Heat it al to boiling point, then lower heat and simmer for three or four minutes. Remove the bouquet and ooze 6 eggs, one at a time, into the wine from a saucer. Poach the eggs until firm, and serve on fried bread, rubbed with garlic. Thicken the wine with unsalted butter and pour a little on each egg. Now, eat away.

Oh, and just for the heck of it, let's have some SCOTCH EGGS. You can wear your kilt for this one. Hardboil 4 eggs and let cool to room temperature. Then, encase each egg in a thin layer of bulk sausage (about one pound). I like to use Owens or Jimmy Dean Sausage myself. In a small

bowl, beat 2 eggs, and have another small bowl prepared with one cup of dry bread crumbs (rob a bird feeder if you have to), and dip each sausage encased egg in the beaten eggs, then carefully dip in the bread crumbs. Cool the eggs in the refrigerator for three hours (this isn't something for spur of the moment parties, Hon).

After their hibernation in the fridge, fry the eggs, two at a time so they don't feel victimized, on all sides (including the ends) in ½ inch of hot oil. Fry each egg 7-9 minutes. You want the sausage to be well done, Hon. Now, drain on paper towels and cool to room temperature, then serve with gray poupon or hollandaise after slicing the eggs into quarters.

In England, these eggs are served at lunchtime in pubs. Queen Victoria liked them at picnics, while watching her favorite Scotch Guards march on windy days.

Horoscope: By Tamara, with input from Sister Inez

ARIES: This will be a good week for you to watch over your finances. You have been overspending lately, and now you are going to realize that perhaps this is the time to take heed and put something away. At least don't spend what you've got on anything frivolous.

TAURUS: Don't be such a bully, and your conscience won't bother you so much. You have been leaning pretty heavily upon people when they deserve more understanding than criticism. Your natural instincts for perfection can be very difficult on others, you know.

GEMINI: There is no way you will get out of this series of depressing incidents until you come to terms with your innerself. Naturally evasive, you never see yourself as you really are, but more as how others see you. Sit down and make a list of your positive and negative attributes.

CANCER: Although it's still summer, you are in the mood to clean house—both in reality and in spirit. Take in the new changing of the season with positive energy and look upon the world with a new perspective. Your sign is famous for insight, so use it for your own advantage and a positive attitude. Those cobwebs will disappear.

LEO: Aggressive Leo is having the time of his life this week, because your birth sign is in the present. Venus, however, is moving away from you and soon Uranus will come to cause more reflective thoughts about your past, present and future. Prepare to require some private time.

VIRGO: Compulsively neat, you are dissatisfied with the clutter around you. Maybe it is time for you to look for a new apartment, or remodel your home. Virgo hates a mess—especially the mess of moving—but once in a fresh place, you may see light at the end of the tunnel.

LIBRA: Your reflective qualities can sometimes be a handicap, because it becomes so difficult for you to shrug your shoulders and walk away from any injustice or tragedy. The recent spate of disasters worldwide seem to affect you personally, but take heart. Such events are always temporary, and your personal life will soon make up for the sadness around you.

SCORPIO: There is a Virgo in your life, either right now or in the near future. While your sign and Virgo usually cause sparks, your sign shows definite influence from that direction. Don't be surprised if the next person you meet is a Virgo. Your interest may not be wholly sexual. Virgo's fine mind will attract you to a great extent.

SAGITTARIUS: These are good times for you in financial matters. Now is the time for you to invest in something that will be gainful in the near future. Long term stocks and bonds are safe, but if you are going to make a gamble, now is the time. Stay away from real estate at this time. Saturn is too close to your sign, throwing confusion into that area.

CAPRICORN: The recent loss of something dear to you has had a cleansing affect upon your whole aspect of life. Take this new feeling and make it work for you, without letting it determine your future. In order to gain, everyone must lose; and sometimes the most tragic loss can create the most beautiful and lasting insight. Your naturally fiery nature is cooled, and you are able to see horizons you've never seen before.

AQUARIUS: While usually quite selfish, you have been feeling the urge to change something in your life. This is not uncommon when Jupiter is entering into your sign at this time. The full moon at the end of the end of the month will make your life a little complicated, but your sudden urge to give will soften the blows.

PISCES: You are likely to have some strange turns this week, because Neptune, the planet of delusion, will move into your fifth house of Play. This means that while you think you are having a good time, you will actually feel confused and unsatisfied by the activity around you. By the beginning of next week, however, you will pull out of this very strange combination.

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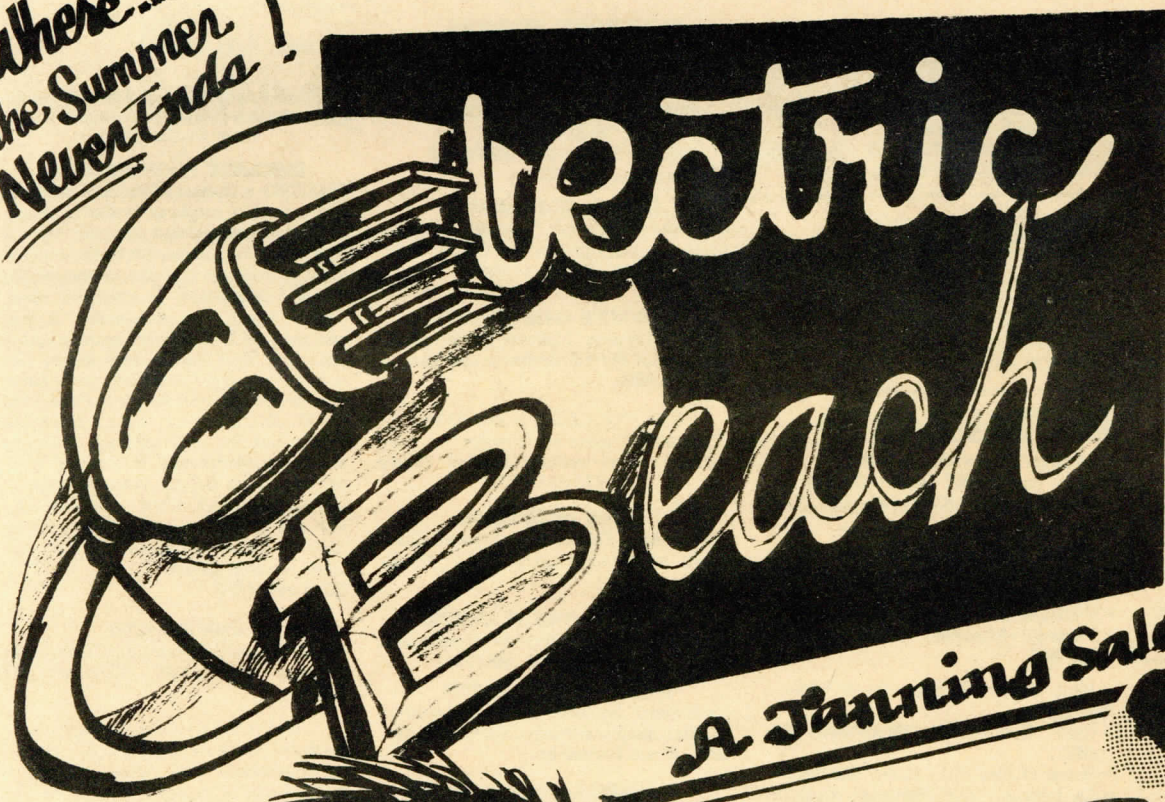
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