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Up Front

Outright Lies

A Rebuttal to an Express-News Column

Commentary by Woodrow Wm. Coppedge



I take exception with William Patterson's offensive assault on gays and lesbians in the March 5 *Express News's* "Your Turn."

Both Patterson and the author he quotes, Roger Magnuson, present religiously based half-truths, distortions, and outright lies about people of different orientations. There exists a wide range of human affectional orientation. Men are attracted to women, women

are attracted to men, men are attracted to men, and women are attracted to women. All of these cases exist to some degree within each of us. Within this natural, normal spectrum, about 90% of the population find fulfillment by intimately relating predominantly to the opposite sex. About 10% find their needs for intimacy best met with people of their own sex. Some people find that they relate equally well to either sex. Science will continue to provide us with information about the development of sexual orientation. The best explanation thus far is that a person's orientation is based on a complex combination of genetic, biochemical, and environmental factors. The existence of such diversity of intimacy within humans terrifies people with religious fundamentalist mind sets. The worst gay bashing, hate spewing "ministers" derive their hatred as a reaction against their own inner homosexual feelings.

Mr. Patterson states "Homosexuality is a behavior issue, not a human rights issue. People are not born homosexual..." A great many gays and lesbians would take exception to that statement. Many say that they knew from early childhood they were they were different and that their earliest remembered childhood attractions were always for the same sex. I wonder how many openly gay and lesbian people Mr. Patterson actually knows as individuals? "Gay rights" is not a behavior issue. It is an issue of equal protection under the law for gay and lesbian people. This includes the right to live peacefully with one's life-mate, and the right to walk down the street without the threat of being screamed obscenities at, being spit upon, or even being physically attacked. It is obscene and immoral for people to be legally evicted from their homes, fired from their jobs, denied employment, denied "a place at the table" to be productive members of society, based solely on their sexual orientation. Gay and lesbian people are everywhere. They are doctors, lawyers, nurses, accountants, ministers, and clerks. They are tax payers.

According to Patterson, Roger Magnuson's book details "statistics" about the health risks of *promiscuous* (my emphasis) homosexual behavior, just as there exists such an element

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among homosexuals. I sometimes wonder, however, where all those stereotypical "promiscuous homosexuals" are? I know many gay and lesbian people. Some of them are celibate. Some are living with monogamous partners. Some are single and date other people with the same frequency that heterosexuals do. I laughed when I read the ludicrous quote from Magnuson "The average life expectancy of a male homosexual, even without AIDS is 42 years ..." I thought about how many gay men I know in their fifties, sixties, and seventies among various gay religious and other organizations here in San Antonio. Magnuson continues "... and they report a disproportionate number of suicides and drug and alcohol addictions." Naturally they do. If you were made to believe all your life by society, your peers, and your "pastors" that your innate sexual orientation made you a sub-human piece of trash, you would be a suicidal alcoholic too.

Mr. Patterson continues with the question of whether or not homosexuality is an "immutable trait." Medical science concludes that it is. Patterson states that "there are numerous examples of homosexuals

who have given up that lifestyle." Show me one person who's sexual orientation has changed! I know of bisexuals who have serial relationships with the same sex and then the opposite sex. I know of gay men who lie to themselves and everyone else about how their orientation has been "changed" to please their hateful, vindictive, fundamentalist "god." But upon further questioning, these "ex-gays" are perfectly clear; their innate feelings of attraction for members of their own sex persist. In fact, they are just as gay as ever and always will be.

Dr. Mel White, minister and former ghost-writer for Pat Robertson and Jerry Falwell, thought "god" would change his natural orientation. He tried to be "straight" through a life-time of counseling and other therapies. Read his book: *Stranger at the Gate: To be Gay and Christian in America*.

Fundamentalist religion is the number one cause of the propagation of hateful homophobia in our society. Mr. Patterson closes with proof-texting quotes from the Bible. Fundamentalist hypocrites' idolatry amazes me; they worship a book! Not a

book per se, but a 2000 to 4000 year old collection of books written by various authors to various diverse, ancient cultures far removed from our own. To interpret such a work of literature literally, as being dictated from god to man, is lunacy. Remember, centuries ago "the Bible said" that the earth was the center of the universe. In America's recent past, "the Bible said" that black people were sub-human and thus could be excluded from all-white churches. Jesus often confronted the fundamentalists of his day, the Pharisees. Consider his teaching about "false prophets." Matthew 7:22-23 says "Many will say to me on that day 'Lord, did we not prophesy in your name ... cast out demons in your name ... do many miracles in your name? And I will say to them 'Depart from me you evil doers, I never knew you.' Now who is it today who claims to prophecy, cast out demons, and do miracles 'in the name of Jesus.' The fundamentalist 'church!' Think about it.

Mr. Coppedge is a member of the San Antonio Equal Rights Political Caucus and a medical student at UTSA. His article was sent to the *Express-News* but not published. - T.S.

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Rejecting Anti-gay Prejudice Trinity Students Elect Openly- Gay President of Student Body

by Glenn Stehle

The student body of Trinity University has elected Mat Young as President of the Association of Student Representatives, Trinity's student government.

tation, and elected Young, a 20 year-old openly gay sophomore. Young won by an almost two to one margin, garnering 63% of the vote.

"People were offended," said Young. "Powell's strategy just didn't work. Stu-

Young says there are no hard feelings between him and Powell.

Young, a Florida-born economics and urban studies major, will take office during the 95-96 academic year. After graduation, he has aspirations of making a career in GLBT equal rights politics, and has already racked up some pretty impressive credentials.

Young currently serves on the board of directors of the Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas, the San Antonio Black Tie Dinner Committee, and is co-president of the Gay/Lesbian Interest Group at Trinity (GLIG).

As co-president of GLIG, Young was involved in last year's effort to add "sexual orientation" to Trinity's non-discrimination policy. The proposal he developed resulted in an unanimous vote of support by the student Senate and an affirmative vote of over 85% in a Faculty Assembly. The amendment to the non-discrimination policy failed after the Administration refused to accept it, citing legal liability concerns. Despite this, a portion of the Student Handbook entitled Standard of Conduct for Students was rewritten and now calls for respect of people regardless of sexual orientation.

Young says the chances of a non-discrimination amendment being passed are undetermined in the near future. "The change to the Student Handbook was a great step forward, but it is still important that the official University nondiscrimination policy state that discrimination based on sexual orientation is not acceptable," he says.

"I haven't given up on this issue," says Young, vowing to renew efforts in the coming year to get the policy changed.

Turning his attention to more global issues, Young opines, "As far as its treatment of gays and lesbians, I definitely feel



Young first became active in campus politics last fall when he started lobbying for a change in the University's nondiscrimination policy to include sexual orientation.

Young's victory came at the cost of some gay baiting by his opponent Jason Powell.

When Powell played his anti-gay card in the heated battle for student body president, he undoubtedly felt he was dealing in trumps. After all, Trinity University is the epitome of white, affluent, conservative America. And Powell only needed a slight boost to put him over the top — he had trailed Young by a mere four percentage points during the previous round of balloting.

But the appeal to anti-gay prejudice backfired, and it backfired in a big way.

The student body at Trinity University overwhelmingly rejected Powell's attempt to politicize his opponent's sexual orien-

tion, and elected Young, a 20 year-old openly gay sophomore. Young won by an almost two to one margin, garnering 63% of the vote.

Young conducted his campaign based on three issues: social lounges equipped with cable television, a convenience store located on campus and enhanced computer accessibility for students.

His opponent countered that, since Young was an officer of the gay and les-

bian interest group, he could not fairly represent all students. These comments provoked a storm of student criticism, which sounded the death knell for Powell's floundering campaign.

Powell later rescinded his remarks and issued both a private and public apology to Young, which Young gladly accepted.

Local Look

the Republican-led congress does not reflect the sentiments of most Americans."

Young says he hopes to focus on a broad array of academic and residential issues. "My election shows that people can be openly gay and still be integral parts of a University community," Young says. "Times are changing," he adds.

Political Caucus Endorses Thornton

The San Antonio Equal Rights Political Caucus is endorsing Bill Thornton for mayor of San Antonio.

In a lively and sometimes humorous candidates' forum Tuesday April 18 at Kay Ford's 8th Street Bar & Grill, the lesbian gay bi transgendered community heard from a dozen city council hopefuls. The caucus heard three mayoral candidates at its March meeting.

All of the candidates agreed that the April meeting with San Antonio's gay community had more people in the audience than any other forum they had attended.

Ignorance was abundant too. Several of the candidates referred to sexual orientation as "a choice" that should be a private matter. Most caucus members concluded that the gay community has a lot of work to do in educating politicians. Even Damaso Oliva, candidate for City Council District I, who is a psychiatrist referred to sexual orientation as a choice. Only candidates Richard Moore (district VIII) and Juan Solis (incumbent for district V) seemed to be educated about the innate nature of orientation.

One highlight of the evening was when

Caucus co-chair Dan Castor asked if one of the candidates were gay. The candidate is gay but declines to come out publicly until after the election.

Caucus members voted by secret bal-

lot for the endorsements and decided to endorse F.C. Prasse, better know as Caucus recording secretary and *Marquise* contributing writer Tere Frederickson, as a write-in candidate for district X.

POLITICAL CAUCUS ENDORSEMENTS FOR THE MAY 6 CITY ELECTIONS

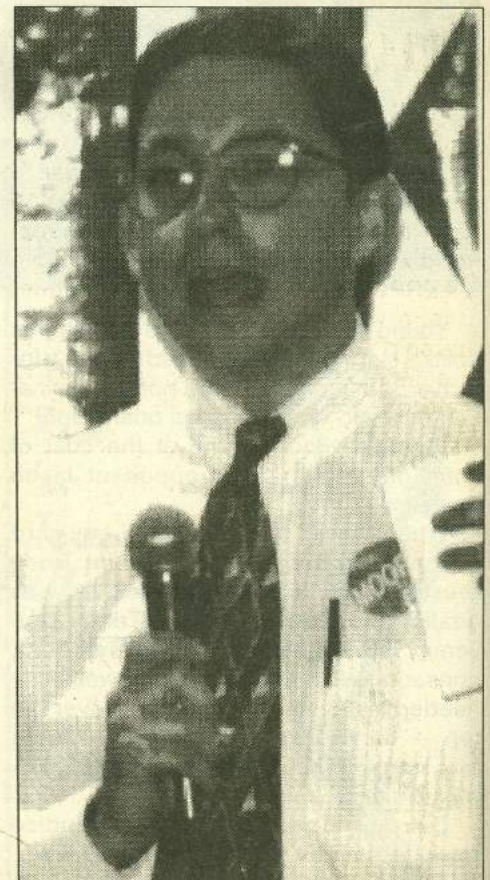
MAYOR	BILL THORNTON
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DISTRICT II	TONY GARZA
DISTRICT III	LYNDA BILLA-BURKE
DISTRICT IV	no endorsement
DISTRICT V	JUAN SOLIS
DISTRICT VI	no endorsement
DISTRICT VII	ARTHUR DELGADO
DISTRICT VIII	RICHARD MOORE
DISTRICT IX	DAVID BUCHER
DISTRICT X	F.C. PRASSE (write in)



Juan Solis, the incumbent, was endorsed for district V.



F.C. Prasse was endorsed as a write-in candidate for district X.



Richard Moore was endorsed for district VIII.

SAERPC Elections ...

An Opportunity for Change

by James McLaughlin

The 1995-96 annual election of officers for the San Antonio Equal Rights Political Caucus (SAERPC) will be held at the June General Membership meeting. All officers must be SAERPC members and are expected to serve a one-year term, with an exception to the Co-Chair positions. Co-Chairs serve a two-year term with one new Co-Chair elected annually. For this upcoming election, the female Co-Chair position and all other Steering Committee positions will be available for a slate of candidates.

The nominations process will occur during SAERPC's May General Membership meeting. Members are encouraged to nominate themselves or others who will

take an active role in upholding the mission of SAERPC. All current Steering Committee members are also encouraged to run for any position of choice. The following is a list of Steering Committee positions that will be vacant for nominations: Female Co-Chair; Treasurer; Recording Secretary; Corresponding Secretary; Political Action Task Force Coordinator; Community Affairs/Watchdog Committee Coordinator; Public Relations Coordinator; Program and Education Coordinator; Membership Coordinator; and the Fundraising Committee Coordinator.

At its April meeting, the SAERPC Steering Committee proposed that the bylaws be amended to accommodate a Youth Outreach Coordinator. This position will be filled by a person under 24 years old,

whose duties will involve providing outreach and developing a liaison with community youths and youth organizations. The Youth Outreach Coordinator will also serve as a SAERPC Steering Committee member as a representative of youth awareness and other important issues among gay youths. The Youth Coordinator proposal will be presented to the general membership for its consideration at the May meeting. If approved, the Youth Outreach Coordinator position will be among the Steering Committee list for possible candidates.

SAERPC especially would like to invite the participation women and Hispanics to enhance the Steering Committee's representation of the community.

If you anticipate running for a Steering Committee position and would like additional information regarding the duties of any particular position, please call 545-9097.

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Caucus Considers Dues Increase, Plans Fundraiser

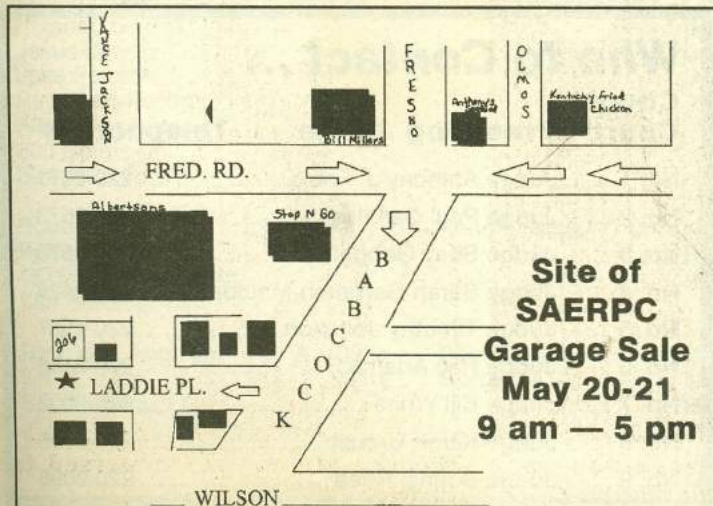
The Steering Committee of the San Antonio Equal Rights Political Caucus (SAERPC) will propose an increase of its annual membership fee to \$10.00. The increase will defray costs associated with the production and mailing of SAERPC's Newsletter. This recommendation will be presented to the membership for consideration at its May General Membership meeting which will be held on Thursday, May 26, at 7:00 pm

at the MCC. If approved, the increase will be effective as of June 1st for the 1995-96 year.

May Fundraiser

SAERPC is having a garage sale Saturday and Sunday, May 20-21! This fundraising event will take place at 206 Laddie Place from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm on both days. If you have unused items that you would like to donate, you may

make arrangements by calling 743-7699. Donations will be accepted from May 14 through the morning of May 20. This is the perfect time to do your spring cleaning and rid yourself of those unwanted items that others might treasure. Pass the word along to your friends and associates.



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MAY 1995

McChesney Wins Award



Magda McChesney has won first place and \$500 in the "11th Annual Juried Women's Art Exhibit: Latina Artists," displayed at the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center. McChesney is a well known San Antonio artist who has been painting since 1978. In addition to her painting and ceramics work she curates a highly successful series of monthly art exhibits at Zoey's Coffee House on Avenue B and is a past Board member of the San Antonio Women's Caucus for Art.

Judge Bonnie Reed Appeals For Help On Family Violence Cases

by Glenn Stehle



Judge Bonnie Reed (Democrat, County Court No. 9) currently hears the majority of misdemeanor domestic violence cases docketed in Bexar County, with overflow going to Judge Bill White (Republican, County Court No. 7). Judge Reed wants to keep it that way.

The practice of confining domestic violence cases to two courts, however, has come under attack. "Lawyers are complaining because they can't get their cases dismissed," said Reed. "There is a move once again to try to take family violence cases and spread them out over seven or eight County Courts."

Reed made her remarks while speaking to the March meeting of the San Antonio chapter of the National Organization for Women.

"If family violence cases are spread among seven or eight courts, there is no way they will be able to handle them," Reed said. "These cases will age, the cases will fall through the cracks, judges will dismiss them without even knowing it is happening."

"In my mind, it is a very, very dangerous situation," Reed said.

Patricia Castillo, director of the Benedictine Resource Center and co-director of the P.E.A.C.E. Initiative, said that the San Antonio Police Department spends between one-third and one-half of its time responding to family violence calls. Last year, she said, the SAPD responded to 34,000 such calls, resulting in a huge volume of such cases being filed with the courts.

Reed's court handles more cases than any other County Court in the state of Texas, and the importance Reed places on family violence cases is borne out by the fact that few of these cases remain on her docket for more than 100 days. "It is not unusual for other misdemeanor cases to languish on various dockets for a year or year and a half," Reed said. "Ninety percent of abused women stay with their partners, and the risk of repeat offense is much higher if there is no intervention. My

feeling is that my job is to make that situation as safe as it possibly can be. It is for that reason that I try to deal with these cases as soon after they've been filed as is possible."

Talking of the Family Violence Section of the District Attorney's office, Reed said: "We have begged the DA's office to increase the number of prosecutors in that office. They cannot, they will not do it."

Prior to consolidating all domestic violence cases into two courts, there was one prosecutor from the DA's office assigned to handle all misdemeanor family violence

stances. I think we should be given two prosecutors in my court alone, because the docket is so large."

"Judge White in my estimate and from what I hear is doing a very fine job in handling these (family violence) cases," Reed said.

White, like Reed, is evidently earning a reputation for not coddling violent offenders. The current practice of confining these cases to his and Reed's courts precludes attorneys from forum shopping and finding a more lenient judge.

"It would be very helpful to me if you



Judge Bonnie Reed (right) talks with Rita Mayer, San Antonio N.O.W. President, during recent clash with the "Good-Old-Boy" system.

cases, Reed said. Currently, there are two prosecutors, one in Reed's court and one in White's court. Reed fears a return to the old system where domestic violence cases are spread between seven or eight courts would also mean a return to one prosecutor from the DA's office.

"Besides the obvious inefficiencies of having one prosecutor run from court to court," Reed said, "the current volume of family violence cases would overwhelm a single prosecutor under the best of circum-

would contact those County Court Judges that you know, and tell them that absolutely these (family violence cases) have to be kept in two courts," Reed said.

Who to Contact ...

County Court	Presiding Judge	Telephone #
No. 1	Judge Anthony J. Ferro	220-2571
No. 2	Judge Paul Canales	220-2573
No. 3	Judge Shay Gebhardt	220-2575
No. 4	Judge Sarah Garrahan-Moulder	220-2426
No. 5	Judge Timothy Johnson	220-2567
No. 6	Judge Ray Adams	220-2156
No. 7	Judge Bill White	220-2002
No. 8	Judge Karen Crouch	220-2005
No. 9	Judge Bonnie Reed	220-2008

Judge Reed's Fight Against the 'Good-Old-Boy' System

Legislative Continuance Is Just One Issue

When Judge Bonnie Reed was arrested for contempt of court last month in a domestic violence case the spotlight was focused on a bizarre Texas law which allows attorneys who are also legislators to have their cases postponed during and after the legislative session.

Not only do defendants shop for defense attorneys who are also legislators (so their case can be postponed), but they also depend on San Antonio's "Good-Old-Boy" system of defense attorneys, crooked or lenient judges, an incompetent District Attorney's office and a complacent City Council. Defendants in San Antonio shop for attorneys who have inside connections with judges who will negotiate lenient sentences. The good-old-boys are not always male, anglo or old; but a prime example is Judge Terry McDonald.



Lenient McDonald Rulings to make the headlines

<u>Attorney</u>	<u>Contribution to McDonald</u>	<u>Defendant</u>	<u>Victim (Crime)</u>	<u>Ruling</u>	<u>Prison Time Released on bond</u>	<u>Contribution To D.A.</u>
Anthony Nicholas Roy Barera Robert Arellano 424 E. Nueva San Antonio, TX	\$1,000	Robt. Martinez	Robt. Vallejo Joe Galvan (Murder, attempted Murder)	Greatly reduced bond		\$1,450
Kirk Sherman Robert Price 405 S. Presa San Antonio, TX	\$850	Jose Cosme	Martha Cosme (Stalked and stabbed 7 times)	Deferred adjudication for 10 yrs.	NONE	\$250
Eduardo Garcia Rolando Garcia Jesus Bargas Jose Perales Raymond Fucha Alberto Acevedo 800 Dolorosa San Antonio, TX	\$4,950	Nicolo Giangrasso	Chas. Resendez (Robbed and beaten to death)	Deferred adjudication for 10 yrs.	NONE	\$ 250
Robert D. Lobello Robert Switzer 1515 Tower Life Bldg. San Antonio, TX	\$1,200	Rene Ortega	Kirk David Rummel (Murder, robbery)	Deferred adjudication for 10 yrs	NONE	NONE
Raymond Angellini 315 S. Main San Antonio, TX	\$,100	Danny Raul Gonzales	Marcus Cenicerros Miguel Gomez Patrick Bandoval Martin Torres (Murder, attempted Murder)	Deferred adjudication for 10 yrs.	NONE	\$100

Chorale Presents Alice Gomez' *Estaciones*

The Alamo City Men's Chorale will premier the major work *Estaciones*, an original composition by Alice Gomez, San Antonio Symphony Composer in Residence on May 7 at the San Fernando Cathedral.

Ms. Gomez first heard the polished voices of the Alamo City Men's Chorale in April of last year at a San Antonio Symphony AIDS benefit at the home of Myrna Von Nimitz. Impressed with the richness of the men's voices, Ms. Gomez met with the Chorale's artistic director Matt Goodson and Chorale

President Reymundo Menchaca to plan a collaboration. The piece itself combines jazzy tones whirling playfully around Aztecian drumbeats and flute arias that truly express Gomez' musical genius.

The concert is entitled *Canciones de las Americas* and will feature a number of tunes in Spanish and English, which reflect the rich heritage that exists in the Americas. The concert begins at 8:00 P.M. and tickets are available at Shocking Gray, 1216 E. Euclid. For reservations call 979-7308.

ELLAS Pride Dance Set

The Third Annual ELLAS sponsored Lesbian/Gay Pride "Night Out" Dance will be held Saturday, June 24, 1995 at the Blanco Ballroom from 9:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M. Party music will be provided by Carol Portillo y Reflexiones. Limited table reservations with the purchase of eight tickets or more. Presale tickets are \$12.50 and available at Textures Bookstore beginning May 6. Ticket price at the door is \$15.00. Contact phone number is (210) 884-9237.



Local Look

Who's Responsible?

Hundreds of San Antonio residents have registered strong opinions on the city's graffiti problem, with most blaming the parents of vandals or the youths themselves.

Others blame the city, the welfare system, violent movies, liberalism or House Bill 72, which established the no-pass, no-play rule that bars a student from extracurricular activities for failing a class.

But Graciela Sanchez, director of the Esperanza, doesn't consider graffiti to be the problem. Instead, she says the problem lies with "white male, upper-class individuals who are creating their world, their own vibes, their censorship" where people of color, women, and lesbians and gays are concerned.

"[T]hat young Chicano man tagging on the West side of San Antonio and getting murdered - that shouldn't be happening. That was art!" Sanchez declared.

"We have to go to these other communities (i.e., west side) as equal partners, learning about one another, and not going to those communities as missionaries, imposing our cultural values, our beliefs, our hierarchies, our vision of quality art," she continued.

"What was the danger to his art work there? Why was he murdered?" Sanchez inquired.

Sanchez was speaking of the March 23 death of Bobby Vasquez, a 17-year-old who was fatally shot at 2:45 in the morning after scrawling graffiti on a West Side nightclub.

Sanchez made her comments while serving as a guest speaker on a program presented by the Trinity University Department of Art History. The April 1 panel discussion,



WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF BOBBY VASQUEZ? A 17 year old graffiti vandal was mortally wounded at 2:45 A.M. on a school night by the property owner. Vasquez mother blamed the City of San Antonio. Esperanza Director Graciela Sanchez blames white males saying, "That was art!"

called *Powerful Images: Art and Public Response*, dealt with issues of censorship and freedom of speech in the arts.

"We need to share in all the resources available and sharing in resources means working together to get our community — our elected and unelected leaders — to recognize the power of the arts to transform society into a healthy, intelligent, critically thinking one. With more people thinking as we do, we then can put pressure on govern-

ment to place more money into the arts," Sanchez said.

"What we have today is a conservative group of people who understand quite the opposite — that art actually can create danger. So those individuals have gone out of their way to create this cultural war," Sanchez said. "This war is a political weapon of those who have controlled society in the past and who are trying to reshape that society so ... they can control [it] once again."

The Dating Game, San Antonio-Style

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That evening, the **Alamo City Men's Chorale** will be performing several of their

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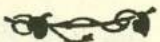
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homosexuality or drug use, no group or class of people deserve AIDS; people living with AIDS deserve full civil rights, including the right to retain their jobs and homes and to travel freely; all people should be educated and assisted in avoiding infection; and all governments must commit to assuring HIV-infected citizens access to comprehensive health care."

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Local Look

Margaret Wallace Wins JC Penney Golden Rule Merit Award

The San Antonio Woman's Caucus for Art (SAWCA) is pleased to announce that Margaret Wallace, longtime SAWCA member, past president of SAWCA, and a member of the National Board of the Women's Caucus for Art since 1992 has been named as the recipient of the JC Penney Golden Rule Merit Award in the cultural category. The San Antonio Women's Caucus for Art received a \$500 check from the awards committee.

The Merit Award is the second award presented in the cultural category. Harriet Kelley, of the San Antonio Museum of Art, was named as the \$1,000 recipient.

The JC Penney Golden Rule Award was established in 1992, and recognizes the efforts of volunteers and organizations that work to improve the quality of life in the community.

Ms. Wallace was selected for her work as past president of the San Antonio Woman's Caucus for Art and as co-chair of the Woman's Caucus for Art 1995 National Conference, which was held in San Antonio in January. As local chapter president, Ms. Wallace initiated programs to benefit other artists, the Battered Women's Shelter, the SAMM Shel-

ter, the Blue Star Gallery and Stahl Elementary School.



Margaret Wallace

PRIEST

Reviewed by Ted Switzer

The new movie *PRIEST* is a delight.

Set in modern Ireland, the movie barely touches on the politics of the moment. Instead the characters deal with the 2,000 year old conflict between the teachings of Christ — love and compassion — and the teachings of organized religion. Catholic viewers may feel that the movie is directed at their church but the conflict portrayed in the movie exists for many people raised under fundamentalist dogmas, be they Protestant, Judaic, Islamic or others.

The story centers around a young handsome priest, Father Greg, who has a special love for another man. The love scenes are quite erotic and romantic and would in themselves probably garner a PG rating if portrayed by a straight couple. The boyfriend is a stereotypical urban barfly clone with a heart.

One of the subplots focuses on the issues of celibacy. Greg's priest mentor, an older man with a passion for liquor, social politics, and Karaoke, has a loving relationship with a beautiful woman who refuses to marry him because she knows he would be kicked out of the Church. Watch Greg's reflex piety.

Later, a fourteen year-old girl confesses that her father is sexually abusing her. Will Greg intervene to save the girl or will he maintain his vow of confessional secrecy? The girl's mother, a naive church volunteer,



Morning breakfast is shared by Linus Roache (left), Tom Wilkinson, and Cathy Tyson in Antonia Bird's *PRIEST*.

goes along in ignorance while the audience roots for Greg to do the right thing.

His soliloquy with Christ leads logically to the choice of love and compassion for the girl over church rules about secrecy. But it's hard for him to break centuries old rules. He doesn't get it when the older priest explains that his conflicts are due to the church's fundamental rigid "man-made" rules, and not with anything Christ taught.

There are bits of comic relief when Father Greg and his straight mentor find that an old buzzard of a priest insists on chaperoning them. And an Irish wake is a hoot.

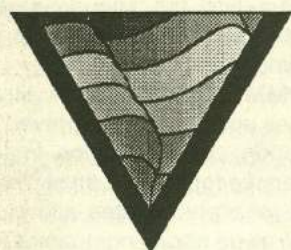
Look for the subtle symbolic uses of

fire in the film. Also, Rogers and Hammerstein fans will love the musical allusions to *Carousel*, another story about a man who had trouble accepting love.

The ending is upbeat and emotional. It leaves unresolved enough of Father Greg's personal conflicts with the church to warrant a sequel. He's *knows* that the priesthood is a calling from God, but will he chose to accept love from another man? Will he forgive himself?

Will he ever acknowledge the film makers' thesis: We must follow God's message of love and compassion when it comes into conflict with organized religion's rules.

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Texas Legislature Gaining Speed

Hate Crimes Bill Passed By Texas Senate

AUSTIN - Crunch time is coming for the Texas Legislature. Lawmakers are returning for the final furious weeks before their May 29 adjournment. Budget negotiators are negotiating, civil lawsuit reforms are flying, welfare, education and juvenile justice changes are under the microscope.

Here's the status of 10 top issues:

CRIME 1995 is shaping up as a bad year for crooks. The Texas Senate passed SB 141, "The Hate Crimes Bill" on April 19, one short week after 5,000 people marched on the Austin Capitol building demanding an end to the violence and hate against lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgendered.

The bill sponsored by Senator Rodney Ellis will deter future perpetrators of hate crimes in Texas by enhancing penalties for crimes based on race ethnicity, disability, religion, national origin, ancestry, or sexual orientation. Last year eight Texans were murdered because they were gay.

The wording of the old law was ambiguous and made reporting and prosecuting hate crimes nearly impossible. The Texas House of Representative will address the Hate Crimes Bill within the next few weeks. *Marquise* readers should still contact their state representatives and ask them to include sexual orientation and gender identification in the hate crimes legislation.

Among other changes, lawmakers voted to lengthen the stay in "state jails" for nonviolent felons. The House also has passed, and a Senate committee is working on, juvenile crime legislation to lower to 14 the age a juvenile can be tried as an adult. The Senate has approved 14 bills to get tougher on sex offenders, including longer sentences and public notice when they're paroled.

BUDGET This is the only bill the Legislature must adopt - and that's to keep state government running. House and Senate negotiators are meeting in a conference

committee to resolve differences between the two chambers' two-year spending plans. The Senate had adopted an \$80.2 billion budget that would spend more on education and welfare than the \$77.6 billion budget endorsed by the House.

CONCEALED GUNS Rejecting arguments that it would bring back the days of the Old West, the Senate voted to allow Texans to be licensed to carry concealed

taken action on the issue this session, but has approved abortion restrictions before.

CASINO GAMBLING Pushed as a jobs bill, a proposal to allow casinos in Texas wasn't in the cards. After casino lobbyists insisted on a public hearing, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock insisted on a vote. The Senate State Affairs Committee voted 8-4 against the proposed constitutional amendment - and that was that. "It's dead for the session,"

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handguns. A House committee also has endorsed it, and approval by the full House is pending. Gov. George W. Bush has said he would sign the bill into law. Texas is one of about a dozen states that prohibit carrying handguns in most circumstances. To get a license, the bill would require Texans to meet specific qualifications: a legal resident; at least 21 years of age; never convicted of a felony; not delinquent in making child support payments; not chemically dependent or of unsound mind. They also would have to be trained, pass an exam and pay \$140 for a four-year permit.

TERM LIMITS The Senate has approved a measure that would restrict to 12 years how long someone could serve in the House, the Senate or a statewide non-judicial office. The House hasn't considered it yet, and Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, has said he doesn't see the necessity since voters already can limit terms by voting an incumbent out.

TORT REFORM Long overdue, a major bill limiting the money Texans could receive in court from individuals or companies accused of wrongdoing, has been passed and sent to the governor. Trial lawyers were against it because they earned millions of dollars a year in frivolous lawsuits against doctors, hospitals and large corporations. Texas juries are well known for giving astronomical awards to plaintiffs. The new law will place a more restrictive cap on punitive damages, which are meant as a form of punishment and are awarded in addition to economic and non-economic damages, such as pain and suffering. The Senate also has passed limits on a company's liability and other changes that the House is expected to endorse as well.

ABORTION Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, has introduced a bill to require notification of a minor girl's parents before she could have an abortion. The House hasn't

Bullock said, adding none too subtly: "Old Bullock's going to be around next session, too. Maybe they'll want to pass it in the House first."

EDUCATION REFORM Another Bush priority, changes in the state's education laws appear certain. The Senate has passed, and a House committee is at work on, several major revisions. For students failing a class, the Senate bill would roll back the six-week suspension from extracurricular activities to three weeks. The measure would establish a radical right supported program of "vouchers" that could be redeemed at private schools. And for local districts convinced they have a better idea, "home rule" would allow them to opt out of many state regulations as long as their students achieve on performance tests.

WELFARE REFORM Also a Bush priority, welfare reform has passed the House. Its plan would cap cash benefits paid under Aid to Families with Dependent Children, impose time limits on receiving those benefits and require welfare recipients to work. It also would establish alimony in Texas, the only state in the country without it. The alimony provision would allow a court to order payments to either spouse in a divorce case if the spouses were married at least 10 years and the spouse seeking alimony lacked sufficient property to provide for minimum needs.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS A House committee has unanimously approved legislation to open up competition in local telephone service for the first time. The bill would freeze local phone rates, allow competition and free up phone companies from most rate regulation. It hasn't made everyone involved in the fight happy, though. The nation's two largest long-distance phone companies, AT&T and MCI, say they wouldn't compete for local phone business unless the bill is changed significantly.

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Conservatives Ban Condom Distribution in Dallas

DALLAS - Dallas County Commissioner Kenneth Mayfield says he has nothing against people using condoms. He just doesn't want

county health workers passing them out. "We don't give nicotine patches to smokers, so why should that be any different?" Mayfield says.

Mayfield and his fellow commissioners have banned the county health clinic's distribution of condoms, needle sterilization kits and safer sex literature, a move that has rankled some Texas health officials.

"There probably is no way to resolve this," said Dr. Charles E. Bell, the Chief of the Bureau of Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV Prevention at the Texas Department of Health. "It's negligent for any health care provider not to provide devices and information. Just to tell them to not have sex isn't going to happen."

The ban, propelled by the court's newly elected and conservative members Mayfield and Mike Cantrell, is a provi-

sion of a measure to accept more funding for local AIDS research, prevention and testing. State health officials said Dallas County is the only public health provider in Texas that doesn't provide condoms to adults for disease prevention.

About 10,000 condoms a month had been distributed to high-risk clients since 1986 under the federally funded program. Now, Dallas County's epidemiologist, Dr. Charles Haley, said the new policy will make his job more difficult.

"It's really sad and really ignorant of Dallas County to ban literature," said a 17 year old volunteer at the AIDS Resource Center. "It's just going to make things worse."

Talking to a Stone Wall in a Blue Dress

Chisum flees Austin during march, lobby day

When 5,000 queers, family and friends descended on Austin for the Texas March to Stop the Violence, Stop the Hate, State Representative Warren Chisum (D-Pampa) hit the Chisum Trail out of town. Those who stayed the next day to lobby the legislature, including many who wanted to visit Rep. Chisum, were disappointed to find him still out of town.

Chisum was instrumental in retaining the sodomy statute when the penal code was rewritten in 1993 and is currently leading the charge to delete "sexual orientation" from proposed hate crimes legislation.

"I wanted to look Chisum in the eye," said Bill Hogan, whose brother Benny committed suicide last year after being outed by the *Express-News*, "and let him know just how much pain and suffering he is causing."

Instead, Bill and Sandra Hogan got to meet "the lady in blue," Chisum's legislative assistant. Sandra Hogan characterized her as "having a heart as cold as her ice blue dress."

"The blue dress was exquisite," said Mrs. Hogan, "as was that long string of flawless, white pearls that adorned

her neck. Her grooming, posture, diction — everything about her appearance was flawless."

"That outward appearance certainly did nothing to belie what I perceived to be her inner feelings," said Bill Hogan, who was decked out in his typical attire — blue jeans and a pair of cowboy boots. "I definitely got the impression I was dealing with someone who felt she was perfect."

"I don't know how to get to someone like that," he said. "I don't think our visit did any good at all. She seemed impervious and indifferent to our experience, totally insensate to our pain and suffering." "It was like talking to a stone wall," Mrs. Hogan said.

Not all the Hogan's experiences were bad, however. They received especially warm receptions from their State Representative, Delwin Jones (R-Lubbock), as well as Senators Mike Moncrief (D-Fort Worth) and Rodney Ellis (D-Houston).

The Hogans had a full day, filled with visits to six Senators and thirteen State Representatives. "I hope we've done some good here today," said Mrs. Hogan.

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'Don't Ask Don't Tell' Not Working

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - A Navy corpsman serving in Japan was told he was being investigated as a possible homosexual. And when his superior spotted the corpsman's platform shoes, he said it was proof the corpsman was gay.

"It might be proof of bad taste, but it's not

proof of being gay," said C. Dixon Osburn, co-director of the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network in Washington. But that is exactly the type of harassment and persecution gays or suspected gays in the military still face, despite the "don't ask, don't tell" policy adopted in July 1993, Osburn said. It was a compromise between the views of gay-rights advocates and those flatly opposed to gays in the military. But like many compromises, it was not embraced by either side. And last month, a federal judge in New York ruled the policy was unconstitutional. U.S. District Judge Eugene Nickerson said

the policy violates free speech and equal protection rights. The Clinton administration has said it will appeal Nickerson's ruling.

William A. Woodruff, former chief of the Litigation Division of the U.S. Army, wrote a brief in support of the policy in a case in which the Pentagon successfully defended its dismissal of a Naval Academy candidate. He said the policy is now a First Amendment issue. "It centers around the ability of the military to discharge those who simply say, 'I am gay,'" Woodruff said. "It raises some First Amendment issues." As the policy is now carried out, a person who admits being homosexual can be discharged because the admission is classified as homosexual conduct, said John Maguire, a Los Angeles attorney who helped Keith Meinhold win his fight to stay in the Navy despite being a homosexual. Maguire said if people accept the idea that gays should be barred from military service, they should ask the next question. "What is it they do that makes them improper for military service?" he said. "I've been asking that for three years and I still don't have an answer."

Clinton Lays Out Plans for Next 100 Days

WASHINGTON - President Clinton has asked Congress to protect a short list of key legislation from the Contract with America generated by the Republican majority on Capitol Hill. Clinton said he assigns the highest priority to welfare reform, targeted tax cuts, and a crime bill that preserves the assault weapons ban. "I want to tell Congress and the American people what my priorities are."

First, Clinton said, he wants a welfare reform plan that avoids "proposals that punish children for their parents' mistakes." He said such a bill must "demand work and responsibility by setting definite term limits for welfare recipients and enforcing strict work requirements."

Second, tax reductions must be targeted to the middle class, be fully paid for by spending cuts and include a deduction for the cost of college or other post-secondary education. The president noted that he has proposed \$80 billion in spending cuts on top of the cuts needed to pay for his proposed tax reductions. "We've also worked with Congress on \$15 billion of further cuts, and I'm ready to do more," he said. But he repeated his commitment to protect education spending from cuts designed to reduce the deficit.

"The third thing I want to do is to build on last year's crime bill, not tear it down," Clinton said. And he said that while he is open to proposals for tougher penalties, "they must not be a cover for cutting back our commitment for 100,000 new police officers on the street or for repealing the assault weapons ban."

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Roberta Achtenberg Joins San Francisco Mayoral Race

WASHINGTON - What was shaping up as a sleepy mayoral race in San Francisco is suddenly star-studded, with the addition of a lesbian Clinton appointee. Assistant Housing Secretary Roberta Achtenberg has resigned to run for mayor of San Francisco.

She won a tough Senate confirmation fight to become the highest-level openly gay member of the Clinton administra-

tion. "If I'm going to be mayor of San Francisco, I have to begin my campaign immediately," Achtenberg said. President Clinton nominated Achtenberg in February 1993 to be assistant secretary for fair

for mayor. Roberta could build that coalition, too, but her candidacy is in its infancy. We need to see what her messages are."

San Francisco, a 49-square-mile city-

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housing and equal opportunity, setting off a firestorm of criticism from conservatives. During a contentious confirmation, Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., called Achtenberg "a militant-activist-mean lesbian, working her whole career to advance the homosexual agenda." The Senate confirmed her on a 58-31 vote.

Achtenberg, as President Clinton's assistant housing secretary, is the nation's highest-ranking openly gay official, a plus in a city where a big chunk of the electorate is gay. A lawyer and former San Francisco Supervisor, she resigned her federal post effective April 30 to join the race. In a letter to President Clinton, she said, "I feel the need to return to the city I call home."

Achtenberg's main opponent in the race will be popular state legislator Willie Brown and incumbent Mayor Jordan.

Achtenberg's candidacy seems destined to cause problems for the city's liberal and gay communities, who probably would have voted for Brown. "People in the community thought Willie presented an opportunity for coalition building," Martha Knutzen, president of the Harvey Milk Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Democratic Club, told the San Francisco Examiner. "He's a good, progressive candidate

county, is run by a mayor and Board of Supervisors, which acts as a city council. Just two months ago, Jordan expected to face only city politicians, including supervisors Angela Alioto and Terence Hallinan, and possibly the man Jordan narrowly defeated four years ago, former Mayor Art Agnos. But it's a new ball game, says Hallinan, who leans left even by local standards. "It's a cafeteria plan for the voters. I'm glad there's a full panoply of choices on the left, but I'm concerned that the left will tear itself apart."

A liberal political blood bath would be good news for Jordan. While the mayor has rebounded from terrible midterm polls, he appears vulnerable. Jordan admits he stumbled, but says he was stuck with the unenviable job of balancing a \$2.7 billion budget. He was greeted by a \$300 million deficit and has had to make \$600 million in unpopular cuts, from slashing police overtime to reducing health and welfare benefits.

Achtenberg thanked the president for his support during "a challenging confirmation process." Although the Department of Housing and Urban Development is targeted for major cuts by the GOP Congress, Achtenberg denied that she is deserting a sinking agency.



NOT JUST THE CASTRO: Roberta Achtenberg, the highest ranking gay politician in the United States, will be running for Mayor of San Francisco.

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National Task Force Reorganizes

Lobel Becomes NGLTF's First Deputy Director

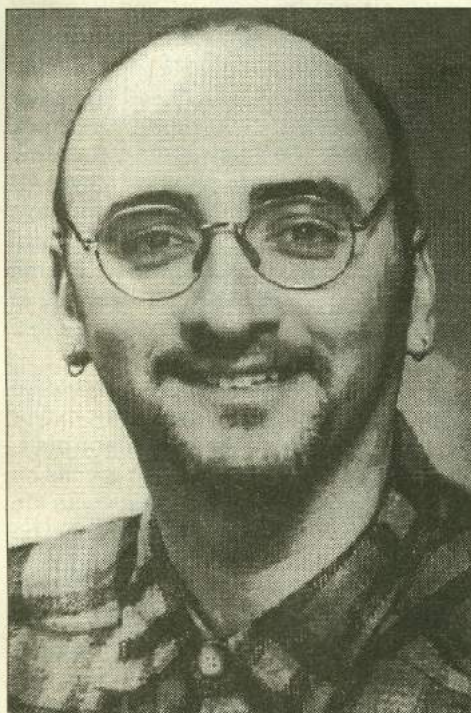
The National Lesbian and Gay Task Force is rebuilding under the leadership of new Executive Director Melinda Paras. In office a few short months, Paras is assembling a pro-active team that has a much higher profile at the grassroots level than any previous administration and is leaving the Human Rights Campaign Fund in its dust fighting battles on the state and local level. While many gay and lesbian leaders predicted HRCF's Elizabeth Birch would do a better job leading one of our national

Women's Project from 1985 through December 1994, when she decided to forgo a six-month paid sabbatical in order to become NGLTF Deputy Director. While at the Women's Project, Lobel's programmatic work focused on bias violence, women and AIDS, women in prison and domestic violence. Lobel has served as an organizational consultant to 200 groups around the country to help them clarify purposes and goals and strengthen internal structures.

Lobel is editor on *Naming the Violence*;

cial consultant for organizations, handling fund-raising, personnel matters and organizational development issues.

Former Special Events Coordinator **Stefan** (his full legal name) and former Fight the Right Associate **Karen Bullock-Jordan** are now DC Field Organizers, serving as the first point of response for all requests for assistance from grassroots activists. Stefan and Bullock-Jordan will offer technical assistance, publications and referrals to dozens of activists who call



Robert Bray (Photo by Anthony Marill)



Scot Nakagawa (Photo by Anthony Marill)



Melinda Paras (Photo by Patsy Lynch)

groups, the Task Force is dispelling the notion that the two groups should merge.

NGLTF currently has 25 staff members, including four and a half outside the Washington office, and a projected 1995 budget of \$3.1 million.

Kerry Lobel, former lead organizer of the Women's Project in Little Rock, Arkansas, has been chosen by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force to serve as the organization's first-ever Deputy Director. Lobel will oversee the day-to-day management of NGLTF's program, administration, finance and development areas while NGLTF's Executive Director **Melinda Paras** travels frequently on organizing and fund-raising trips.

A frequent complaint about prior Executive Directors was that they were out of the office too much and neglected staff management.

Lobel, age 41, was lead organizer at the

Speaking Out About Lesbian Battering (Seal Press, 1986): co-author of "Lesbian Teens in Abusive Relationships" in *Dating Violence: Young Women in Danger* (Seal Press, 1990); and co-author of *HIV, AIDS, and Reproductive Health: A Peer Trainer's Manual* (1992). She served as chair of the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (1988, 1989); is a board member of National Network on Women in Prison; and was a board member of the Ryan White Center, a direct service agency for people with AIDS in Arkansas.

• Other NGLTF Staff Organization:

Interim Finance Director **Mary Farmer** has agreed to stay on permanently as Director of Finance and Administration. Farmer was the long-time owner and president of Lammis Women's Books & More, a feminist bookstore in Washington, DC, that also served as an impromptu community center. She has serves as a finan-

NGLTF daily for assistance in their community. The two DC Field Organizers will also be responsible for directing pressing community issues to the four outside-the-Beltway Field Organizers—**Robert Bray, Sue Hyde, Scot Nakagawa and Curt Shepard**. Also available through the NGLTF field department is **Susan Hibbard** who is retained part-time to serve as campaign consultant to activists facing electoral issues. The field department is currently seeking a full-time director for the Washington office.

Beth Barrett is now the Public Policy Associate, serving as a part-time assistant to the Public Policy Director. NGLTF is currently interviewing candidates for the director position. Barrett has been with NGLTF since March 1994, first serving as a lobbying/public policy assistant and then as media associate. Barrett will continue to assist the media department on a part-time basis.

More Than Half of Congress Bars Discrimination Against Gays

WASHINGTON - More than half the members of the GOP-controlled 104th Congress have established office anti-discrimination policies covering gays and lesbians, according to a poll released by the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF).

The Human Rights Campaign Fund surveyed all 535 members of the House and Senate and found 287 would confirm in writing that sexual orientation is not considered in the hiring, promoting or firing of employees in their congressional offices. Slightly more members, 296, had such policies in the Democratic-led 103rd Congress,

the organization found. But HRCF officials said they were happily surprised to find as much support as they did, given the election of numerous conservative Republicans last November.

"It is encouraging that the critical bloc of moderate swing votes in this Congress supports the concept of equal treatment for gay Americans," said Elizabeth Birch, HRCF executive director. "We often hear from a virulent minority of anti-gay extremists, but the majority of this Congress has taken a

personal stand against discrimination. We hope that the fair-minded majority will vote with their consciences when they come under pressure from extremists."

Federal civil rights laws do not forbid discrimination based on sexual orientation, although legislation has been introduced re-

peatedly in Congress to add that category. Most of the 223 House members and 64 senators with office policies banning discrimination against gays were Democrats, the survey found. Only 62 of the representatives and 24 of the senators were Republicans.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, do not include sexual orientation under their non-discrimination policies, but Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., does, HRCF said.

Last year, the group found 225 members House members and 71 senators who had such anti-discrimination policies. Of those, 58 were House Republicans and 24 were Senate Republicans. HRCF began seeking anti-discrimination pledges from House members after a 1993 furor in which three Oklahoma congressmen - Republicans Ernest Istook and Jim Inhofe and Democrat Bill Brewster - told the *Tulsa World* newspaper that they would not hire gay people for their congressional staffs. Then, Gingrich - whose sister, Candace, is openly gay - told *The Washington Times* that requiring a lawmaker to hire gays, or at least barring a member from discriminating based on sexual orientation, could be "against his religion." District of Columbia law forbids discrimination against gays, but that does not apply to congressional offices.



National News

Lesbian Mom Loses Custody Battle



Sharon Bottoms, the lesbian mother who has been fighting her own mother over custody of her son Tyler lost an important court battle on April 21.

A sharply divided Virginia Supreme Court ruled against Bottoms, saying her homosexuality could put the child at risk for social condemnation. The 4 - 3 vote overturned a lower appellate court ruling that allowed the woman to regain custody from her mother who does not want Bottoms to raise the child. Lawyers for Bottoms plan to appeal.

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Radio Activism in May

On Sunday, May 7, from 8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. EST, the National Lesbian & Gay Radio Town Meeting will broadcast live via satellite across the country. The call-in format broadcast will feature national leaders and grassroots activists discussing the rise of the anti-gay right wing and successful strategies for countering radical right initiatives in local communities.

In a separate issue, "This Way Out" radio, a non-profit radio service providing award-winning weekly gay and lesbian programming, is currently heard on more than 85 stations internationally. The weekly show needs your support in order to expand its broadcasting potential.

•Marquisereaders should contact local radio stations, particularly the local public radio station KSTX at 614-8977. (We contacted Penny Dennis at KSTX and she promised to investigate the possibility of airing the show.) Urge them to broadcast the ground breaking two-hour town meeting and the weekly radio show. Then be sure to tune in. Radio stations may contact Bert Wylen, producer of the town meeting, (215) 772-9010 for broadcast information. Radio stations and the public can contact "This Way Out" radio for more information on the weekly broadcast. Call (213) 874-0874 or E-mail twaredia@aol.com.

'Don't Ask ...' Colonel Reconciles with Gay Son

WHITE MARSH, Md. - The gay son of the Marine colonel, who gained instant celebrity when his father testified before Congress in support of the military ban on gays, tells his side of the story in a book that goes on sale this month. "I didn't want to hand my father 270 pages of guilt. I wasn't looking for an apology. I just wanted an acknowledgment. Here's everything you never asked me about. Here's who I am," **Scott Peck** said.

Peck is planning an 11-city tour to promote the book, which he wrote over the past year at his home in White Marsh. In his memoir, *All-American Boy*, Peck talks about his sometimes-strained relationship with his father, the violence of his alcoholic stepfather and his own shame-filled desire for other men. Peck said one of his greatest fears was that his intimate family account would hurt his relationship with his father, who often comes across as a bravado-filled Marine not often there for his son. But the two have grown closer since the elder Peck's testimony two years ago before a U.S. Senate committee.

A week after receiving the book, his father telephoned him. "I could tell he was nervous. When he's nervous, he talks about nothing. So we did that for about half an hour," the younger Peck said. "And then he said, 'I read the book ... Guilty as charged'" Scott Peck said the two then had the most honest conversation of their lives.

"In a perfect world, I wish Scott had written the book, gotten a tremendous amount of money, and only printed one copy and gave it to me," said **Fred Peck, 46, deputy director of public affairs for the U.S. Marine Corps** in Washington. Although 26 seems a young age to pen an autobiography, Peck says he has lived plenty during that time. In the book, he writes about hiding behind

the family car as his stepfather whipped his mother with his belt on the front lawn. At age 15, he witnessed his mother's slow death from cancer, believing God was punishing him for his own sexual desires. He studied to become a fundamentalist Christian preacher in Florida before accepting what the church had tried to convince him was evil: his homosexuality. "When I was a child, I had to put on an act," Peck said. "We were the all-American family, and I was the all-American boy."

The elder Peck said he was pained to know what Scott sometimes thought of him. "If I were writing the ending, I would have expanded on the reconciliation," he said.

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Pizza Hut's new television campaign features one of America's leading bigots, Rush Limbaugh.

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Marquisereaders can register their toll-free complaints to Pizza Hut at 1-800-358-2222.

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Youth Leadership Training

NGLTF is pleased to announce its first ever Youth Leadership Training Institute. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered young leaders ages 16 to 24 are encouraged to apply for the week-long intensive which will take place August 13-20 in Northern California. Applications are due by June 14.

Write or fax NGLTF for Youth Leadership Training applications. Applications are also available on-line in the NGLTF area of America On-Line's G/L Community forum. Or E-mail rxnngt@aol.com.

Judge Allows Lesbian to Seek Visitation with Child

DOVER, N.H. - Joan Comeau and Lucinda Grondin, a lesbian couple, decided about six years ago Grondin would have a child through artificial insemination. Now the split couple are fighting over visitation rights. A judge recently ruled Comeau is entitled to ask for the right to visit the child, now 5, and scheduled a hearing for May 16. "We're very pleased, needless to say," Comeau's lawyer, Susannah Colt, said Monday. "The court has made a right decision in granting Miss Comeau this right, and we hope that the next step will be the final step in getting my client back together with the child." Comeau, of Rochester, who has not been allowed to see the child since October, initially asked for

visitation rights and joint custody because the decision to have a child was made jointly during the couple's seven-year relationship. She said she financially supported her partner after the birth and they decided both would be considered parents.

Grondin had said that because Comeau is not the biological mother, her request should have been dismissed because she isn't a parent under New Hampshire law. "The court finds that the plaintiff has set forth facts alleging a close, extra-parental relationship with the child," Superior Court Judge Edward Fitzgerald ruled. However, Fitzgerald said Comeau could not ask for custody because custody usually is determined in divorce cases and Comeau was never married to Grondin.

Colt said her client did not expect to get custodial rights of the child. "She's just very happy to have the right to get anything. Visitation is what she has had and what she wants," she said. The women's relationship ended in 1991, according to court records.

Colt called Fitzgerald's ruling a major victory for her client as a lesbian. "As far as I'm concerned, it was the war that we won and now we just have to fight the little battles," she said. "Getting a court to recognize my client's standing as a parental figure to this child is significant. ... Not many courts have done that."

Holy Toledo! Group Plans Anti-discrimination Law, First Pride Day

TOLEDO, Ohio - The leader of a gay-rights group said the city needs a law protecting gays against discrimination. "Right now, we are able to be discriminated against in housing and employment. And we have been discriminated against in Toledo. The city has not been tolerant of gays. But we're going to change that," said **Lair Scott**, director of the Toledo Gay and Lesbian Coalition. Scott said that his group will ask the City Council to amend the city charter to ban discrimination against lesbians and gays. A city ordinance protects minorities and women against discrimination, but gays are excluded from that protection. He said his group would contact Mayor Carty Finkbeiner and council within the next few weeks. "We want to pass a human rights ordinance or get the words 'sexual orientation' into the city law," Scott said. "We may not get it passed this year, but we're going to try. ... We're not going to go away." Scott made his comments while discussing the group's plans for organizing the city's first Gay Pride Day on June 25.

He said the Toledo event, which includes a picnic in International Park along the Maumee River, will begin "a new era of civil rights" for gays in northwest Ohio. **Bobbie McGovern**, the Toledo chapter president of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, said such an event is past due. "My two gay sons and I have waited years to finally march in our home town," she said.

YWCA Turns Down Money to Educate & Screen Lesbians for Cancer

BANGOR, Maine - The Bangor-Brewer YWCA has turned down a \$25,000 grant for cancer screening and education for lesbians because it seeks to avoid advocacy for a particular group, its executive director says. **Lynda Clyve** said

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the YWCA's basic mission is to provide health care services "to all area women without regard to sexual orientation, ethnic origin, economic status or religious affiliations." Clyde said accepting the money would "violate a long-standing policy of the YWCA not to advocate the rights or positions of a particular group or issue." The grant to screen and educate lesbians in breast and cervical cancer included \$20,000 from the federal Centers for Disease Control and \$5,000 from the state.

"We're very disappointed it didn't work out," said **Barbara Leonard**, director of the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program with the Bureau of Health in Augusta. "We feel lesbians are a population that may be under served in this state for cervical and breast cancer," Leonard said. One of the risk factors for breast cancer is never having borne a child.

Peaches Bass, director of the Maine AIDS Alliance and advocate for gay issues, attended a meeting with representatives of the CDC to discuss whether lesbians ought to be a population with special needs for cancer outreach centers. Bass said special programs are necessary because everything from health forms to physicians' offices are geared toward heterosexual women. "Many lesbians are worried about what kind of response they're going to get from a health care provider," Bass said. The YWCA was one of four in the country offered the money.

Radical Right Looses Bid to Register Gays as Sex Offenders

HELENA Montana- A bill requiring lifetime registration for people convicted of violent or sexual crimes - which triggered a national uproar when legislators tried to include gays - has been signed by Gov. Marc Racicot. The bill no longer includes any registration requirement for persons convicted of homosexual acts. The original aim of the bill, introduced by Rep. **Deb Kottel**, D-Great Falls, was to require violent and sexual offenders to register with police for life, instead of the 10 years required under the previous law. A Senate committee voted to list deviate sexual conduct, which includes sodomy and bestiality, among the crimes requiring lifetime registration. And when the Republican majority refused on the Senate floor to take out registration for gays, the issue drew national attention. Like Section 21.06 of the Texas Penal Code, Montana's law forbidding homosexual acts is considered unenforceable by prosecutors and the chances of a conviction requiring registration were almost nil. The symbolism behind the bill - grouping lesbians and gays with violent criminals - roused anger and opposition on a national scale. Senators were swamped with phone calls from critics attacking them for their votes and from news organizations seeking interviews. The governor's office received dozens of calls urging him to veto the bill if it reached his desk. In less than two days, beleaguered senators had enough and reversed their decision.

The revised version signed by the governor deletes homosexual sex from any requirement for registration with authorities. As signed by the governor, HB214 requires lifetime registration for people convicted of murder, aggravated assault, kidnapping and robbery; and for rape, sexual assault against a minor or involving bodily injury, a third conviction for indecent exposure, incest involving a minor, and bestiality.

Hawaii Marriage Law Update: Mormons Butt in

HONOLULU - As reported in last month's *Marquise*, the Hawaii Supreme Court has declared unconstitutional a lower court ruling which would prohibit lesbians and gays from becoming legally married. Now the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has appealed the court's ruling that denied it the right to intervene in the same-gender marriage case. Church leaders in Hawaii are seeking to intervene in the case in which three gay couples have sued the state for denying them marriage licenses.

"We are urging the court to support Hawaii's families and not undermine them by radically redefining the institution of marriage," said Don Hallstrom, the church's legal representative for Hawaii. The Hawaii church has the full support of Mormon leaders in Salt Lake City, he said. A church news release in Salt Lake City said so, too. In its original petition filed in February, the church said it could offer **Attorney General Margery Bronster** extra legal manpower, expert witness and research results as she prepares for the case, which goes to trial Sept. 25. State Judge Herbert Shimabukuro denied that petition March 30. The case against the state was filed in 1991 and appealed to the state Supreme Court in 1993. The justices sent the case back to state court, saying the

state must show a compelling interest why same-gender marriages should not be legal in Hawaii. **Dan Foley**, attorney for the couples, said the Mormon church's motion to intervene was filed too late and has no legal standing. The Mormon Church has 70,000 members in Hawaii.

Court Upholds State Law Banning Anti-Gay Ordinances

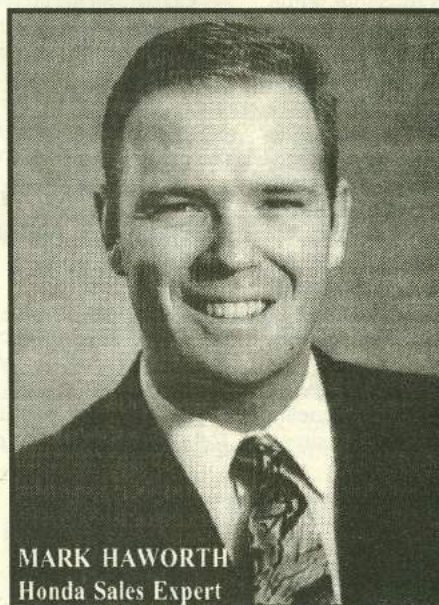
SALEM, Ore. - A state law forbidding cities and counties from passing anti-gay-rights ordinances has been upheld by the Oregon Court of Appeals. A three-judge panel unanimously agreed with Marion County Circuit Judge Al Norblad that the state Legislature had authority to preempt local governments on the subject of sexual orientation. Voters in 27 cities and counties have endorsed anti-gay-rights ordinances backed by the **Oregon Citizens Alliance**. Alliance spokesman **Scott Lively** said the decision will be appealed to the Oregon Supreme Court. "We are in profound disagreement with the Court of Appeals," Lively said. "We think this will make a large number of people very angry in this state to have their votes discounted."

Julie Davis of Portland, a leader of organizations that have worked to defeat the alliance measures, said the decision was "one small victory in a much bigger battle to stop OCA from writing legalized discrimination into the Oregon Constitution." And **David Fidanque**, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon, said the court validated the Legislature's authority. "The proposals by the OCA are unconstitutional and could never be enforced anyway," Fidanque said. The court also rejected an argument that the law improperly precludes local voters from using initiative powers to pass city and county laws. Two statewide measures sponsored by the alliance to ban specific civil rights protections for gays have been rejected by Oregon voters.

Woman Claims Fired Because She's Lesbian

LOS ANGELES - A woman who claims she was fired from her teaching job at a Roman Catholic high school because she is a lesbian says she feels betrayed by the church. "The reason I'm coming forward is that they need to be held accountable and I am hoping that this will not happen to

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Gay Pilots' Ads to Appear in Aviation Publication

Washington, DC. - After one and a half years of skirmishes and the threat of a lawsuit, *FLYING Magazine* has retreated from its earlier refusal to accept a classified advertisement from the National Gay Pilots Association (NGPA).

In October 1993, the magazine, without justification, refused to accept an advertisement for publication in the *Flying Clubs* section of the magazine. Believing that this refusal was impermissibly motivated by discrimination based on sexual orientation, NGPA protested. An exchange of correspondence ensued in which Hatchette Filipacchi Magazines (HFM), which owns *FLYING magazine* as well as a large number of other publications, continued resistance.

In a final letter to HFM in February, 1995, the NGPA cited a case litigated before, the Connecticut Commission on Hu-

man Rights and Opportunities involving the Lambda Amateur Radio Club, an organization for gay amateur radio enthusiasts. The Commission concluded that a refusal by the American Relay League to accept an advertisement submitted by the radio club was motivated by discrimination based on sexual orientation. The League then entered into a settlement with the radio club, the terms of which included a payment of \$25,000 and publication of the club's advertisement.

NGPA's letter to the magazine concluded; "... the Flying Clubs advertising section of *FLYING Magazine* is replete with advertisements from other special interest flying organizations similar to NGPA. The only justification for Hatchette's position is discrimination based on sexual orientation, which is forbidden by the laws of New York,

Connecticut, California and numerous other jurisdictions.

Shortly after NGPA sent its final letter, Hatchette's Vice-President and General Counsel replied, "...*FLYING* has decided at this time to accept the NGPA ad."

The NGPA's classified ad should first appear in this month's issue of *FLYING Magazine*.

NGPA, Inc. is a nonprofit, all-volunteer organization based in Washington, DC. Membership, which now numbers more than 400 nationwide, is open to anyone, including commercial pilots, corporate pilots, general aviation pilots, student pilots, managers, flight attendants and aviation aficionados. For more information about the NGPA call (703) 660-3852, or write: NGPA, Dept. N, P.O. Box 27542, Washington, DC 20038-7542.

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anyone else," said Susan Ford, who was fired from St. Joseph High School in Santa Maria. "For me, this is getting the church to deal with the homophobia."

She claims she lost her job days after she revealed her sexual orientation, and filed a Superior Court lawsuit. "I think at this point, because of the publicity around this and because I wasn't (openly gay) before, I can't see that I would really go back to my old job," Ford said. "It's been very, very, traumatic for me, not just professionally but personally and spiritually," she said. "I feel very betrayed by the Catholic Church." The lawsuit, filed in March, accused St. Joseph High School of violating public policy, invasion of privacy and wrongful termination. The suit also said Ford missed work due to depression and anxiety over the firing. She seeks lost wages and benefits, compensation for mental and emotional distress,

punitive damages and attorney's fees.

Officials for the school and the **Roman Catholic Church** have declined to comment on the suit. "When we have a case in court, we respond in court," said church spokesman Father Gregory Coiro. Ford, who is represented by Mary Ann Tardiff of Santa Barbara, now teaches at a public middle school in the Los Angeles area.

College Republicans Opposed to Mel White's Appearance

GREEN BAY, Wis. - College Republicans at the University of Wisconsin - Green Bay feel that paying \$4,000 for Mel White's May 4 speech is too much when budget problems are forcing Green Bay to close its children center, said Nyle Neta, treasurer of the **College Republicans** group.

"It's fiscally inappropriate," Neta argued, saying the protest "is not an anti-homosexual cause." Senior Kurt Anderson, a spokesman for a gay organization that helped arrange the speech, objects to the objection. "What they're really saying is they're against gay and lesbian students," Anderson, co-chairman of the 10 Percent Society, said. "They don't

want the lifestyle discussed." "The campus, overall, is very ignorant of gay and lesbian issues," he said. "A lot of education needs to take place."

Mark Gorney, program coordinator for the Office of Student Life, another sponsor of the speech, said there are no plans to cancel it. Student fees and revenues - not tax dollars - will pay for White's appearance, Gorney said.

The College Republicans, with about 65 members, have opposed the speech by handing out leaflets and setting up campus information booths, said senior Kenny Patenaude, editor of the group's newspaper, *The Shark*.

Lesbian Filmmaker's Mother on GOP Committee

ALBANY, N.Y. - Businesswoman Georgette Mosbacher, mother of **lesbian filmmaker Dee Mosbacher** and a major national Republican fund-raiser, has been elected as a GOP national committeewoman from New York. "I was born in Indiana, but I was born to be a New Yorker," Mosbacher told members of the Republican state committee after her unanimous election by the New York GOP. Mosbacher is the wife of Texas businessman Robert Mosbacher, U.S. commerce secretary under President Bush. Mosbacher, who has been a leading advocate for women in politics, is a deputy chairwoman of Bob Dole's national finance committee for his presidential bid. Mosbacher replaces Eunice Whittlesey on the national committee.

Which members of the Mosbacher family will attend this year's **San Antonio Black Tie Dinner**? ... stay tuned.

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Mona Lisa Through Gay Eyes

by Gene Elder

Marcel Duchamp's art work "L.H.O.O.Q", which means "she wears hot pants" in French, is from his Dadaist period and is currently on display at the *In a Different Light Exhibit*. This piece is thought by some to be a comment on the common belief that the Mona Lisa is really Leonardo in drag.

In a Different Light is the recent gay and lesbian art exhibit presented at Berkeley's University Art Museum and Pacific Film Archives (UAM/PFA). This exhibition is the first major museum exhibition to explore the resonance of the gay and lesbian experience in twentieth-century American art. Organized by Bay Area artist and curator Nayland Blake and UAM/PFA Curator for Twentieth-Century Art Lawrence Rinder. It contains over 125 works by nearly 100 artists.

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Instead of inquiring "What does G/L art look like?" the curators asked, "How are queer artists looking at the world?" Much of the work they selected "has less to do with representing gay and lesbian lives than with conveying gay and lesbian views of the world," writes Rinder.

When asked what made him do this exhibit Rinder replied, "I had been traveling around looking at a lot of art all over the country, and it seemed to me that while most of the art world was in kind of limbo, that in the gay and lesbian community, particularly among younger artists in New York and San Francisco, there was a lot of energy, a lot of enthusiasm. There was also a lot of formal innovation, and a certain generosity of spirit in the work. I thought this was really remarkable considering the rather oppressive social conditions that gays and lesbians still live in and the devastating impact of AIDS. A great deal of the work was collaborative, between visual artists and playwrights and poets, things happening collaborative within the same venues. It just seemed a lively and vibrant community and I wanted to represent that in the museum.

The nine categories that the art is exhibited under are VOID,



DID LEONARDO HAVE A MUSTACHE? As seen through the gay eyes of Marcel Duchamp, Leonardo's self portrait MONA LISA has a more ambiguous quality. From the exhibit *In A Different Light*, titled L.H.O.O.Q., (1919). UAM/PFA Collection, purchase made possible by a bequest from Therese Bonney, Class of 1916.

SELF, DRAG, OTHER, COUPLE, FAMILY, ORGY, WORLD, and UTOPIA.

While *In A Different Light* focuses on works made during the past three decades the exhibit includes art from earlier generations.

People nationally, globally, or right-next-door can also get a glimpse of the exhibit right on their computer screens. Internet visitors can access the site by using World Wide Web browsing software such as Mosaic or Netscape, and connecting to the museum's online address <http://www.uampfa.berkeley.edu/>

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AIDS Briefs

Home HIV Kits Opposed in South Carolina

GREENVILLE, S.C. - State health officials worry it will be harder to track AIDS patients if the Legislature approves a bill to allow the use of home HIV test kits. "We're afraid there's an epidemic out there that we can't keep track of," said Jim Testor, spokesman for the HIV division of the Department of Health and Environmental Control. The kits will increase HIV testing and provide anonymity to those reluctant to be tested, supporters say.

More than 10,000 South Carolinians have tested positive for HIV since 1986, Testor said. DHEC performs about 45,000 HIV tests annually. At least two drug manufacturers are awaiting approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to begin making and selling home HIV test kits. A decision is expected later this year. The bill, scheduled to go to the House Judiciary Committee at *Marquise* press time, would waive current state laws that require that the names of people who have tested positive for HIV or AIDS be on record with the state. Because the kit would allow people to be tested anonymously, waiver of the current laws is necessary to allow the tests to be sold in South Carolina. Kits would cost between \$30 and \$40 and could be purchased at drug stores.

Funeral Homes Refuse to Bury AIDS Victims

ATHENS, Greece - Funeral homes in the northern city of Salonica refused last month to bury one of Greece's best-known AIDS victims after he died of a drug overdose, newspapers reported. Kostas Ossas, 31, and his 24-year-old wife Foteini, who also had AIDS, drew national attention when they decided to marry two years ago. Both were drug addicts at the time. "They made the mistake of making public that they suffered from AIDS. They encountered inhumanity even after the death of Kostas Ossas," wrote the daily *Ta Nea* newspaper. The paper reported that funeral homes in the Salonica area, where the couple lived, refused to take Ossas' body to his home village in Drama province, 75 miles (120 kilometers) east of the city, because he had AIDS. "The body was finally placed on the back of his father's pickup truck and driven to the village by the father," *Ta Nea* wrote. A leading AIDS expert, Nikos Matsaniotis, a professor of pediatrics and former president of the National AIDS Committee, blamed ignorance for the incident. "It all depends on a country's education. Greece

is not the United States".

There are an estimated 1,000 AIDS patients in Greece and more than 10,000 people who have HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. *Ta Nea* and other newspapers reported that the couple was socially ostracized after making their disease known. Their isolation deepened following their decision to make their March 1993 marriage public.

Greg Louganis Taking AZT

DALLAS - Olympic diver Greg Louganis, who announced earlier this year that he has AIDS, says he's taking the drug AZT and works out regularly to try to stay healthy. "I'm feeling good. I'm trying to get rest. I'm trying



to keep up with work-outs," Louganis said during a book-signing benefit at a Dallas bookstore. AZT helps some AIDS patients and people who have tested HIV-positive maintain strength as the deadly virus attacks their immune system. Looking tanned and fit, Louganis appeared at Crossroads Bookstore on April 2 to sign copies of his book, *Breaking the Surface*, in which he discloses he tested HIV-positive in March 1988.

Louganis' book is dedicated to Ryan White, the Indiana teen-ager who died from AIDS in April 1990. "Ryan was my inspiration," Louganis said. "When I would face a challenge, I would ask myself, 'How would Ryan handle this?'"

Test May Help Predict Speed of AIDS Development

PITTSBURGH - A new test may help doctors predict how quickly people infected

with the AIDS virus will develop the disease, University of Pittsburgh researchers say. The test, discussed in April's issue of the *Annals of Internal Medicine*, may also indicate what kinds of treatment will be effective for individual patients, according to Dr. John Mellors, the lead investigator and the director of the Pitt Treatment Evaluation Unit. *Branched DNA signal amplification*, as the test is called, measures the amount of human immunodeficiency virus in the blood. "It looks like a very strong predictor," said Dr. Steven Schnittman of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. Doctors now track HIV infections by keeping count of the immune system cells that are attacked by the virus. Patients frequently develop AIDS symptoms when the number of immune system cells drops. Mellors said people with high levels of virus soon after infection are likely to develop AIDS within five to seven years, while those with lower virus levels remain symptom-free longer. Using the test to learn which patients are likely to become sick soonest will let doctors treat those people before their immune system cell-counts decline. It would also let doctors postpone treatment for people whose virus levels are low, sparing them the side effects of AIDS medications.

Mellors and his colleagues examined the cases of 62 men whose date of infection with the AIDS virus was known. They found that men who had viral levels equivalent to 100,000 per milliliter of blood were 10 times more likely to develop the disease quickly than those who had average levels.

Estate of AIDS Victim Sues Disney

LOS ANGELES - The estate of a Disney executive who died of AIDS is suing the company for coercing the man into giving back nearly \$3 million in benefits while he was blind and near death. The lawsuit filed in federal court contends Disney discriminated against Robert Jahn by forcing him to return accrued life insurance, stock options and deferred compensation in order to receive medical benefits. The company is accused of violating the federal Americans With Disabilities Act. Jahn, a senior vice president of creative services in Disney's movie unit, died last May. At the time of his death, he was entitled to \$1 million in life insurance, \$1.2 million in stock options, \$250,000 in deferred compensation and thousands more in bonus and vacation pay, according to the suit. Jahn was hospitalized in January 1994 for AIDS-related illnesses, with four years left on his Disney employment contract. A month before he died, Jahn was asked to sign an agreement that disqualified him from his benefits, the lawsuit said. If he did not sign the new contract, he would be denied medical ben-

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Fran on AIDS/HIV

Protect Yourself ... All of us pay the cost in tears

Well it's been a long while since I've written for this column, but it seems there really hasn't been much change in the community mind.

Two incidents caused me to force myself to take time and write my scream of frustration.

During a long lone vigil at the bedside

of a person who had survived about 10 or 11 years with HIV and finally succumbed to a strong, treatment resilient fungus. The last two days and nights of his life were spent in an intensive care unit virtually bleeding to death.

There were six or seven male friends and some family members always present.

During the wee hours of the morning some of us went to the coffee shop for a wake up cup.

During the conversation, one young man said he believed it was time for him to be tested "again". When I asked if he had been having safer sex, he became very defensive. I said condoms can keep your tests coming back negative. The young man said this was too confrontational, and maybe he's right, from his point of view. From my point of view anything that stops the spread of the virus must be stated over and over again.

Maybe I do get confrontational and I'm sure many people think it's none my business, however, the cost in lives and loves makes it all of our business.

One of the statements I've heard too many times is, "It's my life if I choose to lose it for whatever reason, love or lust." If there were no cost to the rest of us that would be true. The cost is enormous, hard to bear and so overwhelming it takes a toll on everyone.

The mother who loses a child, the brothers and sisters, the lover, wives and husbands, the children who will grow up without parents. The extended family and friends. All of us pay the cost in tears.

In the beginning you think about choosing the words carefully, and try to avoid offending anyone. But after many years and many lives it isn't that important who you offend, if you convince one person to play it safer, you may save one life.

Recently a young couple went for a marriage license, taking a blood test as part of the process, when both tests were returned positive for HIV, one of the couple called me, "Why didn't anyone tell me?" she cried. I was astonished, how could she not know. Protect yourself.

Protect yourself, that's the only way to be sure. Sometimes the other person doesn't tell the truth and sometimes they don't know themselves, but protecting yourself removes the danger of possible infection.

Protect your partner, Protect yourself.

— Fran

AIDS Briefs ... continued from previous page

efits, according to the suit. The suit contends Jahn was near death and lacked the mental capacity to approve the new contract. Efforts after his death to collect money owed have been unsuccessful. Disney spokesman John Dreyer said the company had no comment.

Diocese Penalizes Priest

PUEBLO, Colo. - Roman Catholic church officials have imposed penalties on a former Pueblo priest who was sued by a man who alleged the priest infected him with the HIV virus. The Pueblo Diocese and the Rev. Delbert Blong, who retired in 1991, reached an agreement on the penalties in March, but the agreement was not made public until this week. Bishop Arthur Tafoya imposed the penalties in connection with allegations that the 69-year-old Blong had maintained a two-decade gay relationship.

The diocese said Blong violated the Catholic Church's Code of Canon Law by having a sexual relationship with Thomas

Perea from the time the parishioner was 14 years old and lasting more than 20 years. The lawsuit was settled last December in Boulder District Court, with both Perea and Blong agreeing to not disclose the terms of the agreement.

The penalties imposed on Blong by the diocese are: -Blong is forbidden to be alone with anyone under age of 18 and may have no contact with any previous victim [sic]. -The priest can offer Mass privately, but cannot preside at any other sacraments or blessings. -Blong cannot enter churches, rectories and other properties of the Pueblo Diocese without the bishop's permission. -A \$5,000 penalty, which he has paid. The Rev. Ed Nunez, vicar general of the diocese, said Blong has agreed to all of the penalties.

Contacted at his home, Blong said, "Despite everything that's happened, I'm at peace with myself and the church. "I have a deep love for all the people who have supported me, and I apologize to all those whom I have hurt," he said.

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TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21) is when the sun is under the sign of Taurus, which is ruled by the planet Venus. Taurus is the first of the earth signs in the zodiac. Earth manifests itself as practicality, reserve and determination. A strong will allows slow-moving Taurus to evaluate someone else's idea and then execute it. While Taurus is slow to ire, one born under this sign will never forget a wrong, but at the same time can be generous and loyal to friends. Happy Birthday Taurus!!!

A light heart will act as a tonic during this time. You might become a big beneficiary if you put someone on the right track during this time. A sunnier period begins now. You will gain the support of an influential sponsor. Your earth sign has you concerned with practicality and material values, and you desire durability and dependability in life. Your lucky numbers this month are 4-2-0.

GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21)

You will find romance and fun if you reach out to others. Be ready for emotional adjustments. Depth of feeling is what counts. All the chips are on your side of the table. Long-term security is important to you now. Look into the available programs. Your air sign makes you highly versatile and communicative. Your lucky numbers this month are 6-8-1.

CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 23)

All news about love and marriage is definitely positive. Listen and learn from those in the medical profession whom you respect and admire most. Prepare yourself for a one-step-forward, two-steps-back kind of time. Sharpen your interests and save money with a "do-it-yourself" project. Your water sign has you governed by emotion and sensitivity. Your lucky numbers this month are 6-2-8.

LEO (JULY 24 - AUG. 23)

There should be no holds barred in a

good relationship, nor regrets. A health problem may be imaginary, but a checkup will be assuring. You are your most valuable shareholder. Invest all you can in yourself. Put your money to better use by reading about the current trends. Your fire sign shows you are destined to lead and organize in an inspirational, aggressive, dynamic and idealistic manner. Your lucky numbers this month are 5-2-1.

VIRGO (AUG. 24 - SEP. 23)

A rekindled love may have you sizzling today. Live for today and keep the memories behind you. Make your important phone calls early in the day and good results will follow. Forget the past, this is a new time and better times are just ahead. Your earth sign gives you power to communicate in a material, reflective and strategic manner although you may be secretive at times. Your lucky numbers this month are 6-4-9.

LIBRA (SEP. 24 - OCT. 23)

Joint financial matters thrive thanks to a strong relationship. Money spent on self-improvement and pleasure will bring rich rewards later. The door to opportunity swings wide open after you tiptoe past an annoying barrier. The security of a financial reserve is vital. Your air sign gives you the power to lead in a mental, aggressive, dynamic and idealistic manner. Your lucky numbers this month are 4-7-8.

SCORPIO (OCT. 24 - NOV. 22)

Someone full of life and enthusiasm has entered your life and it is catching. Start or improve a vitamin program. Put your skills on display during this time; recognition requires it. Even if you stumble, new experiences help you succeed. Your water sign gives you the ability to organize in a sensitive, reflective and strategic manner even though you may be secretive at times. Your lucky numbers this month are 1-5-7.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 23 - DEC. 21)

A generous member of the opposite sex is more interested than you realize. Your body reflects what you put in it. Exercise good judgment. Your fresh, innovative ideas could lead to a better job. Family unity is strengthened through your good efforts. Your fire sign gives you the ability to communicate in an inspirational, aggressive, dynamic and idealistic manner. Your lucky numbers this month are 6-9-3.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22 - JAN. 20)

You may be drawn into a secret romance despite your misgivings. Keep complete health records, they could save your life someday. Unexpected responsibilities will bring you unexpected rewards. A tidy profit is possible from a real estate sale. Your earth sign gives you the ability to lead in a material, reflective and strategic manner. Your lucky numbers this month are 9-2-1.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 21 - FEB. 19)

Expect some very major developments on the social scene. Don't find fault during this time. Hold your tongue. Take time to get away from the pressures of business. You need the break. Your old-fashioned values will give you a foundation for better times ahead. Your air sign has you concerned with new ideas and social change. Your lucky numbers this month are 7-3-1.

PISCES (FEB. 20 - MAR. 20)

This is a time of transition for both you and your partner. Great things could happen! The doctor's office is no place for shyness. Ask questions! Money, money everywhere and not a dime to spend. But there is change in the future for you. Stop relying so much on someone wise and look after yourself. Your water sign influences your psychic abilities, imagination and sensitivity. Your lucky numbers this month are 6-8-4.

ARIES (MAR. 21 - APR. 20)

A longtime friend may want a romantic place in your life. Don't find fault today. Hold your tongue. If you make a commitment today, be sure you are willing and able to carry through with it. An act that you don't understand bothers you. Stay enthusiastic about its result. Your fire sign is a sign of independence and you have a sense of always being alone, and it gives you pure self focus even when involved in a relationship. Your lucky numbers this month are 2-4-7.

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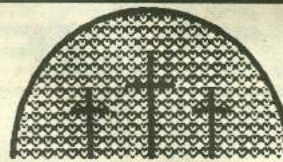
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- 1 Root of ten
- 5 Defensive nuclear weapon
- 8 Fall back
- 11 Syrian City
- 15 Stew with chick-peas
- 16 Supervises flying
- 17 Hand tool
- 18 Copyread
- 19 Gambling town
- 20 Likes Ill
- 22 Bantu people
- 23 Volcanic craters
- 25 Loon
- 26 George __, English poet
- 27 Invested
- 29 Ardour
- 31 Mayan language
- 34 __ gate, lengthen
- 35 Marine mammals that come on shore to breed
- 36 Hangs from a watch chain
- 39 Founding publisher
- 41 A corticosteroid hormone produced by the adrenal

DOWN

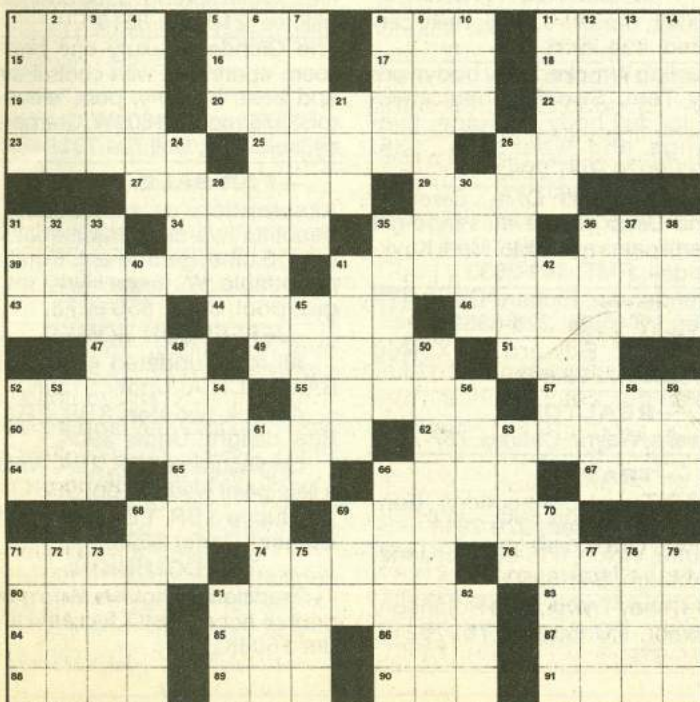
- 43 About three feet long exclusive of tail
- 44 More dried-up
- 46 Entrapped
- 47 Square measures
- 49 Infections
- 51 Any of various substances (soluble in water) that exude from certain plants
- 52 Continent
- 55 Artery
- 57 A hemispherical roof
- 60 Wheeler dealers
- 62 Skilled worker who practices some trade or handicraft
- 64 __ Caesar, comedian
- 65 Operates
- 66 __ Von Bismarck, Iron Chancellor
- 67 Yes vote
- 68 Narrow wood or metal or plastic runners used for gliding over snow
- 69 Gets up

- 71 Staffs
- 74 Jewish dances
- 76 National capital
- 80 Turkish title
- 81 Points in time
- 83 Polite interruption sound
- 84 The system whereby messages are transmitted via the post office
- 85 A major division of geological time
- 86 Cheat (slang)
- 87 Clare Booth __, American writer
- 88 Bird genus
- 89 The force of workers available
- 90 Shock treatment
- 91 Abba __, Israeli politician

- 37 Characterized by unity
- 38 A place for sleeping
- 40 Gossip
- 41 Mackerels
- 42 Citizen
- 45 Clamours
- 48 Electric discharge
- 50 A datum that can be represented numerically
- 52 The winged goddess of the dawn in ancient mythology
- 53 News organization
- 54 Small ornamental ladies' bag for small articles
- 56 Humanities
- 58 This month
- 59 The compass point midway between northeast and east
- 61 Toward the shore or on or close to the shore
- 63 In a way, caused to move by striking
- 66 Red
- 68 Prestiges
- 69 Composed
- 70 East German river
- 71 Mother
- 72 Used esp as a culture medium and a gelling agent in foods
- 73 Blue flowered plant
- 75 Asian country
- 77 European freshwater game fish with a thick spindle-shaped body
- 78 Bodily cavities
- 79 After a prayer
- 81 The 13th letter of the Hebrew alphabet
- 82 Seaport, abbr.

DOWN

- 1 A place at a college or university where students live
- 2 Ancient Greek City
- 3 Papua New Guinea
- 4 In a way, fastens
- 5 Stern
- 6 Singing voices
- 7 Used of an event
- 8 Lower part of an interior wall when it is finished differently from the rest
- 9 Managing editor
- 10 Nurse-patient relation
- 11 Chemical category
- 12 Aroma
- 13 Soybean paste
- 14 " __ the Man" Musial, baseball player
- 21 The work of caring for or attending to someone or something
- 24 Appear
- 26 A way of collecting
- 28 Expression of sorrow or pity
- 30 Feeds
- 31 Time of the 105th meridian, used in the mountain states of the U.S.
- 32 Satisfaction
- 33 In a way, expressed as a quantity
- 35 More sensitive
- 36 Taiwan



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Last month's puzzle solution:

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Prime Timers of San Antonio (mature men and their friends), PO Box 13613, 78213

Single Parent's Association of San Antonio, PO Box 200334, 78220
Tejas Motorcycle Club, PO Box 120295, 78212, 223-6620

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San Antonio Gay/Lesbian Tennis League, PO Box 100523, 78201

-STUDENT

San Antonio Lambda Students Alliance (SALSA), PO Box 12715, 78212, 222-9565

UTSA Lambda Alliance, 6900 N Loop 1604 W, Student Activity Center, 78285

-SUPPORT

Boulton & Park Society (transgender persons, crossdressers), help line answered 7 P.M.-9:30 P.M. Wed., 980-7788

Jewish Family Services, (gays, lesbians, friends), 1931 N.W. Military Dr. #202, 78213, 349-5481
Lambda AA, 8546 Broadway #255, 78217, 824-2027

Lambda AA, 4201 S. Texas Ave, College Station, TX, (409) 690-3030

National Organization of Women San Antonio (NOW), PO Box 12874, 78212, 673-8600

Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG), PO Box 790093, 78279, 351-0395

Sexual Assault Crisis and Resource Center, 5835 Callaghan Rd. #260, 78228, 521-7273

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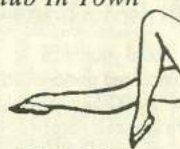


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Espanola GOODLOOKING GAY OR BI: Jonathan, love to hear from other gay or bi males for friendship poss rel, have some fun, young and goodlooking caring, sensitive and romantic, like to hear from everyone- #37083

San Antonio FIRM BUILT ASIAN: Zakk, Asian male, 30 ish firm built, seeks considerate teddy bear, 25-45 all races are welcome- #38427

San Antonio HISPANIC CD: Donnie Hisp male, bi, c/n shaven 41 blk/brn, 150, 5'8, occ like to CD, like quiet eves, movies, country rides, hunting and listening to heavy metal and classical looking for safe and secure gentleman, 25-50- #38618

San Antonio POSITIVELY SPEAKING: 35 5'4, 135, looking for someone to be friends, maybe a rel, (+) - spend alot of time at home- #39092

Hunt HILL COUNTRY roommate looking for young guys to enjoy outdoors swimming hiking gardening sunbathing on the river in Hunt- #39066

San Antonio CAMPING AND HIKING: Thomas, 36, lkg for someone w/ the same outlook on life want to meet for relationship, like to paint, draw, swim, camp, hike go dancing, candlelight dinners @ home, get into alot of things, entertain @ home- #38894

San Antonio SMOOTH ALL OVER: Gabriel 5'9 145, 24 med cxion, like outdoor activity, socializing, also a great personality, iso my ht or taller- older than me, like alot of body hair- get w/ someone inter. in watching a movie or something- #38946

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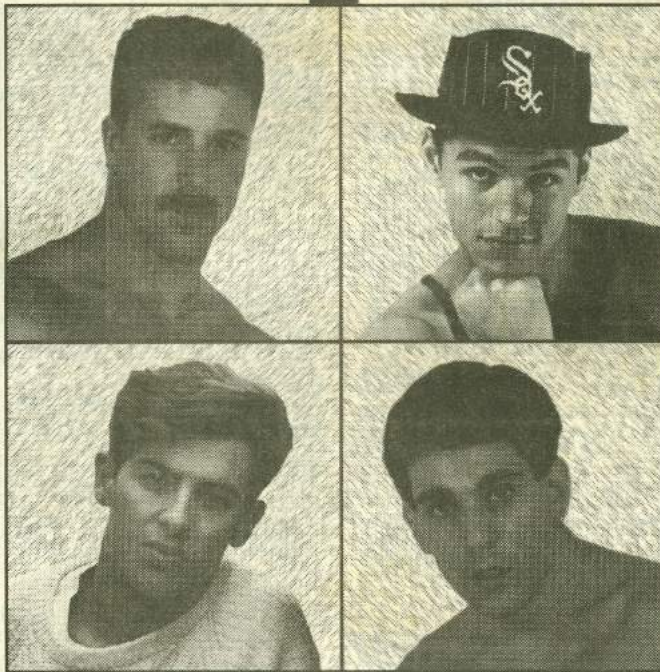
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San Antonio TALL AND BUILT: Dan, brn/brn, subm btm looking for a dom top, that's tall and end'd - #39467

San Antonio HOUSE MUSIC: Drew, 6'2 190, 29, top brn/brn music dancing house music iso GHM or GWM 18-30 #37949

San Antonio OUTDOOR FUN: Mike, 28, 5'8, 155, dk hair/blu, lkg for a GBM



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San Antonio ATHLETIC DUDE: 5'8, 150, into exercising, sports, phys fit, brn/brn hisp 23, thanks for calling and I'll call you- #36777

San Antonio CUDDLING AND ROMANCE: GWM young looking 45 blnd/blu 175, 5'11, new to lifestyle, like outdoors movies cuddling and warm romantic eves, iso 25-45 for loving times and long term companionship- #37341

San Antonio LONG DARK HAIR: David, 31, 6'4 210 long dk hair blu must. lkg for some friends good times kick back, give me a call- #37409

San Antonio HORSEBACK RIDING: WM, like horseback riding, Ray, give me a call, - #37458

San Antonio LOOKING TO MEET: Michael, looking to meet some guys, pretty much a top give me a call guys- #37813

San Antonio SLENDER AND FIRM: NW area, Legs in the air 6', brn hair, slender firm build, iso mod hair, iso young man for discreet good times- #37941

or GHM 25-35 for friendship poss rel, like outdoors and staying at home- #37999

San Antonio FUN TIMES: John, 55, vers, like to meet some other guys for some fun times, #37083

Del Rio LETS MESS AROUND: looking for guys to mess around with, and be discreet if ur in the area lv a message- #38076

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San Antonio LOOKING FOR A TEDDY BEAR: Zakk, Asian, 30 ish 5'5 firm built iso considerate teddy bear athletic 25-45, all races welcome- #38427

San Antonio SHY AND SINCERE: 5'9, 150, looking for a hisp attr male slim to med body, shy sincere and loyal give me a call- thanks- #32127

Eagle Pass YOU NAME IT: Alex, into city music, clubs and anything else you'd like to do- give me a call- #32324

San Antonio FULL TIME STUDENT: Nichol, 27 150 5'8 brn/grn 30w, tired of the bars, like to try this- well educ, full time student again, hopefully meet for some friendship poss rel- #35104

San Antonio SMOOTH COLLEGIATE: Scott, very collegiate 32 shrt brn blu smooth hairless, buff, work out 5-6x a week iso singles or couples to have fun, iso guys, masc only, hang out for some good boy fun and watch football- #25250

San Antonio GUYS IN THE AREA: Jerry, 27, int in meeting other guys in the area so give me a call- dk hair, brn eyes, fun- #35305

San Antonio SOUTH AMERICAN GUY: 5'8 140 like to meet others spontaneous and sincere, give me a call- #35395

San Antonio PUMP IT UP: Mike, 28, 155, nice build, like to meet up with anyone int in pumping it up, lkg for people with sim int- #35386

San Antonio TEDDY BEAR: Richard romantic teddy bear, non smoker, rel oriented iso special someone int in outdoors, gym dancing quiet dinners and snuggling give me a call, like hairy men and people that are into recovery #35553

San Antonio SINGLES OR COUPLES: Rick, 35 6'3 brn/grn mustache iso other WM or HM, Asians or couples in the area will travel, lets get together and see what develops- #35588

San Antonio BEAR SEEKS BEAR: Richard, non smoker/drinker romantic rel oriented teddy bear iso someone special iso other hairy bears to explore the possibilities- like outdoors camping home improvement, amusement parks, 5'10 130 brn/blu #35688

Del Rio LOCAL GUYS: David, lkg for guys in the area, I'm 32, 5'9, 165 musc hairy, lkg for guys in the area to have some fun, if ur interested, call me! #35747

an Antonio HISPANIC MALE: , iso a masc c/n cut WM, in the area, for friendship and poss rel #36070

San Antonio SMOOTH HISPANICS: GHM 5'10 180, well built blk/brn, iso small frame smooth hisp male, good pers poss rel, #36231

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San Antonio **QUIET EVENINGS:** Danny, 5'8, 145, lkg for someone hisp attr, nice person, poss rel, like, dancing, quiet eves at home thanks! #36295

San Antonio **SMALL AND SMOOTH:** 5'10, 180 well built brn/brn iso hisp male, small frame smooth, poss rel give me a call- #35822

AUSTIN

Austin **VALERIE TS** 5'6 lkg for a man who likes outdoors, dining movies someone special give me a call- #37374

Austin **I LOVE BEARDS:** Sean, 27, 5'7, 120, asian amer, gdlkg attr, lkg for friendship, like to be friends first, if ur hairy with facial hair over 35, like romantic times, give me a call- #39367

Austin **HISPANIC TS:** Monica 5'6 TS hisp iso masc, men, interested give me a call- #39388

Austin **MONICA,** TS 5'6, 130, lkg for a man masc, someone likes outdoors, adventurous, give me a call- #39388

Austin **MONICA TS,** looking for a rel, if ur interested, give me a call- #37374

Brownsville **GM 19,** Hispanic Male, like to go out dancing, meeting people, give me a call- #36657

Austin UT **GRAD STUDENT** gdlkg GAM 24 5'8, 145, iso 20-32 dean cut GAM or GHM for rel/student a plus give me a call- #37557

Austin **DINING AND DANCING:** Rene, 24 hisp male, brn/brn, 180, int are dining dancing and quiet eves at home iso top WM or HM between 28-40 for long term poss rel, lv a message- #35683

Austin **HAIRY REDHEAD:** Steve, looking for hairy guys 18-30, WM, 5'11, 160, red /grn, hairy body, wanting to call me so we can get together be friends and see where it goes from there- #38050

Austin **SALT AND PEPPER BEARD:** Robert in a rel, 35, he is 32, both hisp both 5'10, 185, blk hair must I have a beard salt and pepper, int in trying a 3 way like to meet 18-35 hisp or WM, give us a call- #38334

Corpus Christi **SAILING AND PICNICS:** Alexi, free to travel, 27 5'11 145, sandy blnd/grn, attr, gemologist, picnics, quiet times @ beach, occ wild night on the town, iso attr sexy guy around my age loving caring and great sense of humor- give me a call

Austin **ITALIAN/ SPANISH:** George 25, just want to meet friends to go out and do things with, 5'9, Italian/Spanish, like outdoors, reading writing going out to eat, exercise, theatre, lets get together- byel #34590

South Padre Island **TALL AND LEAN:** Steve, gdlkg tall lean 32, with brn hair/blu eyes, 6'1, 165, 31w, new to area and to scene looking to meet up with other guys 25-35, very discr, iso same- #30205

Austin **ROMANTIC MEN:** Reuben 5'6, 20, dk hair/brn, 145, looking for someone around my age likes to go clubbing, be romantic, and have a good time- if ur interested, lv a message- #35650

Austin **SLIM TRIM AND FURRY** 34, WM, blndish red/blu grn, mustache, int include all kinds of outdoors activities, love to swim, and volleyball, and fishing just moved here, looking to meet more friends, open minded about a rel- #35664

Austin **BIG BEARS:** friends poss rel, 5'9 150, brn/red, grn eyes, mod body hair, lkg for just friendship, prefer tall men, over 6', more hair the better, like dk hair/eyes, int incl Classical and Southern Rock, swimming volleyball- #35666

Austin **DINING AND DANCING:** Rene, 24, hisp gay male, like dining dancing not into bar scene, iso WM or hisp male, 28-40, pref a tp, brn/brn, 180, give me a call- #35683

Austin **DINING AND DANCING:** Renee, GHM, 24, brn/brn 195 int are dining dancing and quiet eves iso tp male, 28-35 for a serious rel, if ur interested give me a call- #35683

Austin **BLONDE AND SMOOTH:** Wayne, 30 WM 5'8 150 blnd blu, smooth like to meet young type into fantasy role playing call me and tell me what u like- #35713

S. Austin **GET WITH YOU:** BM masc, 25-40 sincere, masc BM, would like to get with you, lets talk- #20081

San Marcos **ATTRACTIVE HISPANIC:** Al, very attr hisp 5'5 145 iso someone serious for friendship maybe more if ur 20-28, and very attr and serious give me a call- #18419

Austin **REAL FUN:** Anhil, hisp 21, 6'1, dk hair/brn, int in meeting for something real fun, just lv a message- #35798

Austin **HENDRY 18,** 5'10, 170, nice gdlkg guy, iso a nice gdlkg guy, likes to go out and have fun- #35982

Austin **FRAT BOY: Ryan,** 25, 6'1, 150, dk hair, hazel green, frat guy, basketball, into the frat and good looking masc guys give me a call- #36162

Corpus Christi **COLLEGE STUDENT:** Mark, 6'2, 190, blnd/blu, like going to the beach movies, and qual time with someone special, coll student if ur int call, iso WM or HM 19-29- #36287

Austin **SLENDER YOUNG GUYS:** Mid 40s WM 6', 175, prof'l, good body, like to meet a young guy 18-25 slender WM or HM, like to get together for an evening, and lead to greater things, I'll get back to you right away- #36446

Austin **LIBERAL THINKER:** 31, 275 BM liberal thinker, iso 27-34 for long term rel, if ur int pls call- #36608

Austin **SEAN 18,** just moved here iso a gorgeous person 18-25, u must be WM tp, lv a message- #36637

Austin **BM, 22** 6'4, iso WM, with sim char, likes house music, slow music and slow eves at home- #16065

Austin **TRAVEL TO AUSTIN:** Alan, 5'10, 38, 220 btm, travel to Austin on business, looking for someone to meet up with when I'm in town- #28492

Austin **RENE 24** hisp male, int are quiet eves, dining, iso tp hisp or WM 28-42, if ud like to get to know for a poss rel, give me a call- #35683

Austin **BRIAN** looking for people to visit with, just friends bye- #13749

Austin/San Antonio **ATHLETIC BUILD:** Dale, WM 31, 5'11, 187, athl build hazel grn/brn, single would like to meet larger than me athletic build, married, for discreet get togethers, not looking for a rel- #30017

Galveston **VERSATILE BLONDE:** 31, WM 5'10, 155, blnd/blu, Victor, prefer tps, but vers, give me a call - #29955

South Padre Island **FUZZY CHEST:** Steve, 6'1, brn/blu dn shaven hairy chest 165, 31w, lkg to meet up with some people in my area to get together - give me a call- #30205

Austin **ROOMMATE WANTED:** Austin, near the 183 looking for a roommate to share a mobile home 200/mo bills paid, chip in for groceries interested give us a call- #30362

Austin **SLENDER WHITE MALE 30s,** lkg for other slend WM AM or HM 18-40 for hot times and fun, like going out quiet eves iso poss rel- #26379

18-40 having fun, iso long term rel, give me a call- #27405

Austin **MUSCULAR HISPANIC MALE:** Alex, attr prof'l musc masc GHM 31, 5'9 brn/brn 165, lkg for sim, btm iso rel with someone discr, music theatre, cooking, like outdoors travelling laid back atmosphere, Italian hairy a plus- #27493

Austin **FUN AND GOOD TIMES:** BM, 22 6'4 iso WM 22-35 for fun and good times, not much into clubs- #16065

Austin **NEW TO AUSTIN** Transfer student at UT 22 5'11 brn Hsp, attr med build, preppy, var int, like dining out country, techno, lkg for someone my age range 18-25 int in meeting some new people- #23245

Austin **PRIVATE PARTIES?** Robert, 5'9, 170 med build, gdlkg brn/grn blu like to meet new people or go to pvt parties, bi and like to meet some 21-32 ctn cut gdlkg fun to be around, no hang ups! #23589

Austin **VERS GUY:** Roman, iso rel with GWM or GHM 5'3 btm can be vers, brn/dk brn 135 gdlkg, #23684

Austin **DINNER AND DANCING:** Scott, 25, 5'7, 125, very friendly, looking for friendship, relaxing times, dinners, movies, nights on the town and dancing, lv a message- #23763

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DAILY

8:30p, 12:00p, & 4:30p Hot meals program, San Antonio AIDS Foundation, 818 E. Grayson, 225-4715.
12:00p Lunch program, AIDS Resource Center, 800 W. Lexington, 222-2437.
8:15p Lambda AA, 8546 Broadway #255, 824-2027.
Mon-Fri, Mental health counseling, Wellness Connection, 106 Warren, 226-7967.
Mon-Fri, 8:00a-5:00p by appointment, Free Nutrition Counseling, San Antonio AIDS Foundation, 818 E. Grayson, 225-4715.
Mon-Fri, 10:00a-8:00p by appointment, Free Nutrition Counseling, The Wellness Connection, 1006 Warren, 226-7967.

WEEKLY

SUNDAYS

9:30a & 11:30a MCC service, 1136 W. Woodlawn, 734-0048.
10:50a Church of Religious Science (Science of Mind) service, 8037 Pinebrook, 342-7897.
11:00a Abbey of St. Francis (Anglican) Divine Liturgy, 1951 N. I.H. 35, 78208, 226-6272.
11:00a River City Living Church service, 202 Holland, 822-1121.
4:00p Girlfriends (social women's group, but men are welcomed) gathering, 8th St. Cafe.
5:30p Dignity, St. Ann's Church (in convent), 210 St. Ann, 558-3287.
6:30p Lambda AA Women's Group, 8546 Broadway #255, 824-2027.
8:00p Songwriters open mike with MC Diana Jones, 8th Street Bar & Grill, 416 Eight St., 271-3227.



Diana Jones

MONDAYS

6:00p-10:00p Massage, Wellness Connection, 106 Warren, 226-7863.
6:30p HIV+ support group, AIDS Resource Center, 800 W. Lexington, 222-2437.
6:30p Steak night benefits San Antonio PWA Coalition, Wild Country, 1414 W. Laurel.
7:30p Alamo City Wranglers square dance rehearsal, Bonham, 411 Bonham.
9:00p Janspeople Bowling League, San Pedro Bowl, Rector St. across from North Star Mall, 377-2803.

TUESDAYS

2:00p-4:00p Mental Health Clinic, Wellness Connection, 106 Warren, 226-7863.
6:00p Steak night benefits Casa Martin (transitory housing), The 2015, 2015 San Pedro, 733-3365.
7:00p-8:30p Step Aerobics/Strength Enhancement Class, Wellness Connection, 106 Warren, 226-7863.
7:00p-9:00p Alamo City Men's Choral rehearsal, River City Living Church, 202 Holland, 979-7308, 734-7226.

WEDNESDAYS

6:00p HIV Anonymous Testing, San Antonio AIDS Foundation, 818 E. Grayson, 225-4715.
6:00p San Antonio Gay/Lesbian Tennis League, McFarlin Tennis Center, 1503 San Pedro.
6:30p Lambda AA Women's Group, 8546 Broadway #255, 824-2027.
7:00p-8:30p Low-Impact Aerobics/Body Sculpting Class, Tai Chi Class, and HIV/AIDS support group, Wellness Connection, 106 Warren, 226-7863.
7:30p Abbey of St. Francis (Anglican) Divine Liturgy, 1951 N. I.H. 35, 78208, 226-6272.

THURSDAYS

6:30p-8:00p Yoga Class, Wellness Connection, 106 Warren, 226-7863.
7:00p-9:00p Acupuncture, Wellness Connection, 106 Warren, 226-7863.
7:30p Alamo City Wranglers square dance class, Bonham, 411 Bonham.

FRIDAYS

6:00p-9:00p Massage, Wellness Connection, 106 Warren, 226-7863.
6:00p Young Lesbians meeting, Esperanza, 922 San Pedro, 436-9475.
6:30p Lambda AA, 8546 Broadway #255, 824-2027.

SATURDAYS

9:00a-1:00p Massage, Wellness Connection, 106 Warren, 226-7863.

MAY

1-MONDAY

Early voting ends.
7:00p San Antonio NOW (National Organization for Women) meeting, The Resource Center, 121 W. Woodlawn, 673-8600.
7:00p SALGA (San Antonio Lesbian Gay Assembly), Esperanza, 922 San Pedro, 733-7546.

2-TUESDAY

7:00p Meeting, VOICE for Animals, Esperanza, 922 San Pedro, 737-3138.

3-WEDNESDAY

5:30p-7:30p Debut Meeting, Texas Freedom Alliance, an organization to fight the religious right, 363 E. Terra Alta, 734-7699.
6:30p "Family" Violence Task Force meeting, 732-3032.

4-THURSDAY

7:00p-8:30p Parents and Friends of Lesbians & Gays meeting, The Resource Center, 121 W. Woodlawn, 351-0395.
10:00p "Cinco de Mayo" Production, Wild Country, 1414 W. Laurel, 738-1967.

6-SATURDAY

Municipal Elections, 299-7253.

7-SUNDAY

1:00p ELLAS' Lesbians of Color support group, Resource Center, 121 W. Woodlawn, 826-2350.
8:00p Concert, CACIONES DE LAS AMERICAS, The Alamo City Men's Choral, San Fernando Cathedral, Main Plaza, 979-7308.
10:00p Miss Cinco de Mayo Contest, Wild Club, 820 San Pedro, 738-1967.

8-MONDAY

7:00p Jewish Family Service support group for gay men, lesbians, and their families, 1931 N.W. Military Dr. #202, 349-5481.
7:00p-9:00p Poetry reading, New Words Poetry, Beauregard Restaurant, 320 Beauregard, 735-2560.
7:00p San Antonio AIDS Foundation Board meeting, 818 E. Grayson.

11-THURSDAY

7:30p Dancing star, Angel, will dance at INDUSTRIA, 450 Soledad, 227-0484.



Angel

14-SUNDAY, MOTHER'S DAY

4:00p San Antonio Prime Timers monthly meeting, MCC, 1136 W. Woodlawn.

16-TUESDAY

7:00p San Antonio Equal Rights Political Caucus meeting, MCC, 1136 W. Woodlawn, 220-1949 or 545-9097.

17-WEDNESDAY

5:00p AIDS Consortium meeting, Brady Green Clinic, Conference Room, 527 N. Leona, 224-2437.

20-SATURDAY

9:00a-5:00p Political Caucus garage sale, 206 Laddie Pl., 743-7699. (Continues through 21st)
10:30p Monthly benefit show for the Court of the Alamo Empire, 2015 Place, 2015 San Pedro, 735-9657.

21-SUNDAY

3:00p The Court of the Alamo Empire monthly meeting, 2015 Place, 2015 San Pedro, 735-9657.

22-MONDAY

7:00p-9:00p Poetry reading, New Words Poetry, Beauregard Restaurant, 320 Beauregard, 735-2560.

23-TUESDAY

5:30p Meeting, Cultural Arts Board of San Antonio, City Council Chambers.
7:30p-9:00p "Your Favorite Short Readings," bring your poetry or prose (erotic or humorous), Fourth Tuesday Discussion (formerly Tuesday Night Topics) for wimyn, The Resource Center, 121 W. Woodlawn.

25-THURSDAY

6:30p Meeting, Lambda Business Association, 8th Street Bar & Grill, 416 Eighth St., 203-8668.

27-SATURDAY

Runoff elections, 299-7253.

29-MONDAY, MEMORIAL DAY

JUNE

2-FRIDAY

8:00p In concert, SANTANA, Sunk-en Garden Theater, \$24, 224-9600. Repeats on June 3.



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