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# **METRO TIMES**

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**GAYS: TARGETS  
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# METRO TIMES

## Witnesses Sought in Mysterious Homicide

To the Dallas Police Department, it isn't a mystery. According to their theory, 22-year-old James Jacobs was stabbed to death by Freddie Gutierrez, age 25, in a fight inside a local gay bar. According to their records, Jacobs, Gutierrez, Gutierrez's roommate, the roommate's sister and another woman had been making the rounds of Dallas gay bars, leaving as the last to go when one bar closed at 2 A.M. Sunday, September 7 and moving to another bar with after hours.

The police believe that about 4 A.M., en route out of the bar, a fight took place just inside the bar and that Jacobs, with one lung punctured by a knife wielded by their suspect (but never seen by the three others in the party), fled outside the bar and concealed himself, not realizing the severity of his wound. The fight allegedly took place when the victim, rumored to have been a hustler and described as "a hunk", attempted to persuade the sister of Gutierrez's roommate to go home with him that night. Police believe that, in the resulting scuffle, the suspect (without being seen) struck out with his knife in defense of his roommate and returned the knife to his pocket unnoticed. A spokesperson for the police department indicated that bar officials had broken up what they thought to be just a scuffle and that they did not realize a stabbing had taken place.

An employee at the bar, however, who knew Jacobs, attached no significance to the reported fight inside the bar and showed the Metro Times, in a vivid reconstruction of what could have taken place, two doors outside the bar where bloodstains could still be seen.

He also indicated the recessed doorway where Jacobs' body was spotted about 8 A.M. by a passing driver. However, the location of the doorway was such that, in the opinion of this reporter, the body should have been seen and reported by others leaving the bar at that time, giving some credibility to the theory that Jacobs was not stabbed during the fight in the bar but afterwards.

At the time of this writing, Gutierrez was being held at the Dallas City Jail in lieu of \$50,000 bond. Individuals who feel they witnessed the stabbing of James Jacobs are asked to contact Detective Gerald Robinson at (214) 670-5146. Det. Robinson refused to state whether a confession had been made or if there was other evidence to back up the prevailing police theory regarding the slaying as opposed to the other theory, namely, that Jacobs was killed outside the bar after it had closed.

Editorial comment: It may be noted that the names of bars in stories such as this are not mentioned. It is our feeling that the bar cannot be held responsible for any or all illegal activities of patrons, inside or outside, or for actions of person(s) unknown who attack departing patrons. While most bars take the most precaution possible to protect patrons, we will not hesitate to name a bar should we at any time feel they were culpable or negligent. We do not feel any one bar in the Metroplex is more dangerous than any other.

(See related editorial this issue.)

## Dallasite Stabbed, Shot, Robbed by "Trick"

Wesley North is starting to take a closer look at people who want to go home with him. The last one was a bit expensive - \$7,500 (or so) thus far and the expenses are still building up. In an exclusive interview with the Metro Times, the 25-year-old man, who recently moved to Dallas from Henderson, Texas, told of his experience with the two young criminals who shot and stabbed him during a robbery at his apartment.

North first met Bubba and Sissy about 11 P.M. on Monday, August 4 at a popular Dallas bar. According to his story, Bubba approached him and began to make friendly overtures, including several dances and a lot of kissing, then introduced North to his sister. No proper names were mentioned in the course of the encounter.

About midnight, Bubba got permission from North to spend the night with him, and they caught a bus to Fleetwood Square, where the victim lives with a roommate. A short time afterwards, Sissy arrived in an automobile, asking to be permitted to come in and watch television for a while. Although North was not enthusiastic about this, he permitted himself to be persuaded to allow her to stay briefly.

When North returned to the bedroom, he found Bubba inside a walk-in closet, but he did not realize at that time the reason. Still concerned about the presence of Sissy, he again told Bubba that he felt she should not be there. At this time, Bubba went out and advised her that she should leave, and after a discussion about his needing to be at work at 7 A.M. in Arlington and her telling "Mother" that he would

not be coming home, Sissy allowed the two men to walk her to the door.

After she entered the car, Sissy apparently took a weapon from the car, passed it to Bubba without being noticed, and asked whether she could go back and use the rest room. At that time, North began to have suspicions but did not take any action against the couple. While Sissy was in the bathroom, Bubba slid the deadbolt on the door, and his sister came out with a pistol while he pulled a pocket knife.

Calling his victim a "punk", Bubba ordered North to lie on the floor and had Sissy hold the gun on him while he returned to the closet. North accepted the situation without protest until he saw Bubba come out of the bedroom carrying clothing and a radio, the property of North's roommate. At this time he jumped up and grabbed the gun. In his struggle with Sissy, the .22 caliber handgun went off, with a bullet entering the victim's right side.

Failing to get the gun, and being beaten over the head with a billy club by Bubba (requiring stitches), North attempted unsuccessfully to escape onto the apartment's balcony. He then turned and tried to make it out the front door, at which time Bubba took his pocket knife and stabbed him three times. The bleeding victim managed to get outside and bang on a neighbor's door, at which time the two assailants ran for their car, taking only the money from North's wallet and the billyclub belonging to his roommate, a security officer.

(See related story on page 5.)

## Benefit Cheers Cherry

Pat Cherry feels a lot better these days. The mystery infection which has kept the former DGPC president hospitalized for the past six weeks has weakened its hold, and she is no longer running a dangerously high 105 degree fever.

It also helps to know one's friends are there to root for you, and the \$654.00 raised Monday, September 8, at the Landing, along with several hundred more dollars raised by the Metropolitan Community Church deacons and others have helped to demonstrate a spirit of caring.

The benefit show included both live entertainment and female impersonators and was repeated at two times Monday evening.

Pictured at right: Mr. Tony Rose of the City Lights Revue as Cher



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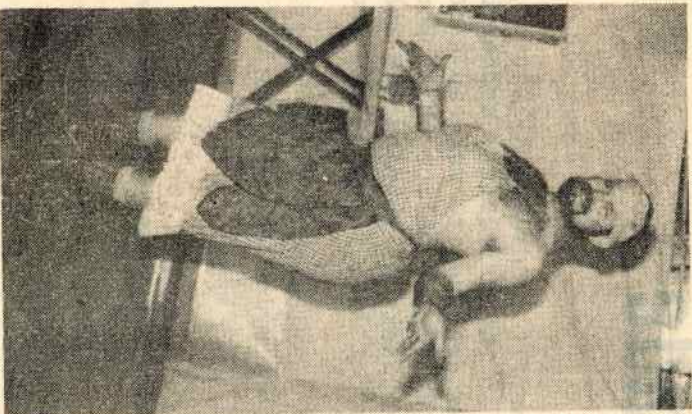
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Words fail us, so we'll just say that Carlton (of the Boot Camp) was rated at "Dance 10, Looks 3" and that he, along with Terry Dallas, Toby, and a few others whose names, we regret, were not in our notes, took part in the Studio 69's show to benefit the Thelma Boston Home for Handicapped Children. Now that's a good cause, so attendees got not only a fun time but a chance to help those less fortunate. Bravo! Bravo!

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The Dallas Gay Political Caucus is considering a mixed blessing following their Candidates' Night held Monday, September 8. The most surprising and good result of the evening, it may be, came when the Dallas Morning News treated the endorsements as "straight" news, according the Caucus' endorsements the same coverage which would have been given other special interest voters groups.

On the other hand, while more non-Caucus member gays may now be aware of the slate chosen, some Caucus members feel that publication of the names in this manner may make it possible for anti-gay voters to lend their support to candidates not receiving the DGPC endorsement and, therefore, sympathetic with anti-gay causes.

Appearing were various candidates and representatives, including spokespersons for President Carter and for Libertarian candidate Ed Clark. A spokesperson for the John Anderson campaign told the Metro Times that a complete changeover in their staff the same weekend as the Candidate's Night was responsible for their not being aware of the event and not sending a representative..

The DGPC warned voters against candidate Tom Pauken, running for the U.S. House of Representatives, and anti-gay fanatic Clay Smothers, a long time foe of gay rights. In the 5th District congressional race, Democrat Earl Porter was endorsed by the DGPC.

Although County Sheriff candidate Al Mattox, whose opponent was endorsed in the primaries, appeared at the meeting, the Caucus declined to make an endorsement in his race against former police chief Don Byrd.

One Republican, Lee Jackson, running for State Representative in District 33Q, received the endorsement of the group.

A complete list of candidates will be published in this paper immediately prior to election day for the convenience of our readers.

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## Crime Duo at Large

The Metro Times has received information indicating that the brother-sister team responsible for the robbery/shooting/stabbing of Wesley North August 4 may still be operating with a similar plan in the Dallas gay bars. Our readers are urged to keep a close lookout for these two individuals, as they are believed armed and dangerous.

Bubba is described as a white male, about 24 years old, approximately five feet five inches tall, build muscular at about 160 pounds. He has black hair over his ears, a moustache, and high cheekbones. His eyes are blue. At the time of his attack on Wesley North he was wearing blue jeans and white tee shirt.

Sissy is described as about 20 years old, roughly five feet tall, chubby, with a frizzy set in her unkempt bleached blond hair. She wears glasses and was described by North as being "a bitch."

Bubba also can be readily identified by a cross-shaped tatoo on his upper left arm.

The two drove a white 1966 or 1967 Chevrolet with a long dent down the entire passenger side.

This paper has been unable, after three attempts, to gain cooperation from the Dallas Police Department, which claims they have no offense report of such a crime. Under the circumstances, it is our feeling that a call to the police should these two be seen would be futile. We would recommend that you avoid them, contact the security guard or manager at the bar where you see them, and, if possible, obtain the license number of their car should they leave before action can be taken.

It is the intention of this paper to see to it that these two criminals are brought to justice, and we urge any private citizen interested in assisting to contact us at (214) 528-9944.

We are also anxious to speak with other victims, not only of this couple but of any criminal preying on the gay community.

(See related editorial this issue.)

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The Dallas Times-Herald has even run an article about violence against gays. When the straight press hears of it, we ought to know it's getting bad, and it's time to start some serious thinking.

A short while ago this paper (and only this paper, as far as we know) reported how a gang of youths (perhaps the "track team" reported in the Times-Herald article) had beaten and robbed three College Station youths "because I'm normal", as one assailant erroneously put it. This rather takes the wind out of the sails of the theory that the sexual preference has nothing to do with the attacks.

A couple of weeks or so ago two black men were beating and robbing outside another local bar. The police parked half a block away ignored a hail from a passerby seeking their assistance in stopping the brutal beating taking place.

Our cover story tells of a brother-sister gang, which is still (as far as we know) operating with business as usual in our bars. Care to take some stranger home with you tonight? Sweet dreams!

A friend of ours who lives near several bars reports that he has actually seen several assaults taking place. But, he reports, the police take so long to get there that it's too late when they do - if they do, that is.

The frightening thing is, this will only get worse as long as criminals know they can beat and rob queers and faggots and never worry about being caught or punished. Name one arrest in the last six months for cases such as this. Now, list the assaults. We only know a few. We know there are many more, and we know it has only begun. There is no safe place.

You could be the next victim, or a friend of yours could be. So far, we have heard of no serious or permanent damage. But we feel certain we shall. It is only a matter of time.

A number of people, of course, are taking the coward's way out by staying away from gay areas. We think this is totally ridiculous and unnecessary. Others are playing the odds that it will continue to be the "other person" who is attacked.

We like the third solution, the one nobody has the - whatever it takes - to take at this time. Houston has a gay patrol of volunteers. Even with a fraction of our readers getting involved, we would be able to form a patrol which could make crime a non-profit arrangement so quickly it would be shocking.

It needn't take a lot of your time. It needn't take a lot of your money. What it does take is people who are willing to watch and to act. It does take someone willing to get involved and not just watch for others less apathetic to protect them.

First, we need records of every single attack on a gay person as a gay person. We could use these to determine where need was greatest and when. This would avoid volunteers wasting their time when they were not needed. Then, we need the volunteers. We need publicity, not only to keep gays alert but to send the word to muggers that we're sick and tired, and we're not going to accept their abuse any more.

Finally, we need organization to enable us to concentrate as many gay people as possible at the spot where trouble is happening when it happens.

Let's go, people. Write to this paper, or call Pollock at (214) 526-9211 or the DGPC at (214) 528-4233. DO SOMETHING! We'll not drop the case now. You'll be seeing ads we're running at our own expense to urge your participation in the patrol program. If any other publication cares about its gay Dallas readership, we challenge them to do the same.

## Accused Killer's Story

Freddie "Chico" Gutierrez is an attractive, plain-speaking young man who has been around. He recently returned to Dallas after being released by Alabama police, who were unable to find evidence to support prosecution on a robbery charge there.

In an exclusive interview, Chico told the Metro Times his side of the story of the night James Jacobs died of a stab wound for which Gutierrez has been jailed by Dallas officers. Also sharing their side of the story were his lover and the lover's sister.

According to the three stories, Chico's lover decided to go out on the town with his older sister, taking along a fourth friend, another woman. At a popular North Fitzhugh bar, they were approached by Jacobs, a total stranger, who apparently told the sister enough for her to piece together that he was a bisexual hustler who, having had no luck with the bar's male patrons, was trying to mooch drinks off her...for starters, at least. Her account is that she found him pleasant but immature. Several drinks were consumed, several dances danced, and the bar closed, with Jacobs following the group to a second establishment for after hours.

As the group was leaving the bar at closing time, Jacobs reportedly pressed his point and insisted on spending the night with the young woman and, when her brother interfered, shoved him aside. At this time, both Chico and his lover agree that Jacobs assumed what appeared to be a karate stance. Feeling that his lover and he were under attack, Chico then took a pocketknife from his pocket, intending (according to his story) to stab Jacobs in the leg to defend himself. At the same time, the women, who were ahead of them, turned back, and while Chico was in the process of stabbing Jacobs, his lover, in the near darkness and having had several drinks, took hold of the other woman by the hair, thinking she was Jacobs.

Apparently nobody saw the actual stabbing. The victim turned and ran from the bar, while personnel of the bar attempted to pull Chico's lover off the woman he had mistaken for Jacobs.

The group then went to the Bell Pepper, where they discussed the incident and the others learned of the stabbing. At that time, however, Chico told them that he felt he had not done any serious injury to Jacobs, and his lover demanded that he dispose of the knife before he really hurt someone.

According to Chico's lover, friends whom the two men had told of the incident saw the story in a local paper and advised them that they had read of Jacobs' death; the two, however, felt that this could not be the case and that their friends had read of another stabbing death.

It was not until Wednesday, September 10, when Dallas police officers appeared to arrest Chico that any of the party reportedly understood that Jacobs had, indeed, been found dead, allegedly from the stab wound inflicted in self defense by Chico.

Chico presently is in jail. When we spoke to him, he was hoping to be transferred to the Dallas County Jail, because "the food here is terrible." Because he reads poorly, he does not know whether the paper the police had him sign when he was booked was a confession or just what it was.

He can only wait for whatever the future holds for him as the result of his attempt to protect himself and his lover that night. And hope.

We must all hang together, people, or we'll all hang separately. The time is now - before another victim is added to the growing list!



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# METRO MISCELLANEY

I suppose you think it's easy putting together a 12-page paper alone, huh? Well, toots, you got a wrong number. But you notice that we're still here, and what's more, Dallas/Fort Worth/Arlington finally got a paper that's here to stay and show other papers how it's done.

(Did we say that? How very butch!)

Are you ready? I mean, are you ready? We got two telephone calls (one long distance, from New York) the other night asking about accepting political ads, one for a major party political candidate. How soon we get attention! We're flabbergasted.

Now for the fun: Miss Downtowner is Empress II Miss Ricky. Her other half, also in drag for the same contest, won a "Most Likely to Succeed" award (we would never have recognized him in drag). We do wonder how she won Miss Congeniality when she couldn't even introduce us to the crowd the other night at the Reflections, however. Really!

Lady Vashti fans, awake! Does anyone remember the fabulous Golda? We do! And can anyone forget Cindy Birdsong? Take these three, add a mystery guest, and you have an evening with the Supremes, October 2 at the Boot Camp.

Next door, they're going western at the Girls' Boot Camp, where we learned that PM Magazine was filming a male impersonation show for television. Oh, Lord, it's hard to be humble!

And we certainly wouldn't want to miss Mardi Gras at the Frat House September 26. The most original costume is good for \$50.00, and Rex, the King of Carnival, will be there as well. Are you

even ready for this? Glenn, manager of the Frat House, considered not having champagne at midnight because "everybody's getting tired of it." Will everyone who is getting tired of champagne please stand on their head? Now, hold it until I say so.

Moving right along, the next night brings the Miss Gay Universe de Texas pageant to Reflections. Drag aficionados, you will be there, won't you?

It's a busy week, and we'll get no sleep, since the Mr. Gay Metroplex contest is Monday, September 22 ...and we promised faithfully that we would be at the Landing Thursday, September 25, to watch the one and only, the necrophiliac's dream, Dragon Lady, their very unusual guest for that night. We had to say that; she's bigger than us. How many 7 foot-4 drag queens do you know? And those pearls...Well, what can we say? You will be there...und, you will enjoy it...or else!

September 29, Carrollton's Josey Skateland is the scene of a gay (in more ways than one) skating party to help pay the expenses of Rev. Farrell's move back home to Texas, where she pastors United Community Church. \$4.00 covers skates and all.

Last issues Incredible Hunk, Greg, is retiring from the stage to tend bar at the Eighth Day. He indicates, however, that he could dance at private parties. I think I'll throw a party, just for that. Forget the guests, just throw a party and watch Greg dance. Mama mia, that's some spicy dancer!

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## MORE MISCELLANEY

Speaking of spicy, Rev. Eastman is into another series at MCC. If you've caught his other series, (what is the plural of series?) you know what we mean. If not, catch this one.

What's this talk we hear about people at the Hidden Door playing with plastic bait? What's so strange about that? Well, we can't tell in a family paper, of course. We can tell that someone told us that a Houston bar owner lost all his clothes at the Hidden Door last weekend. Naturally, we don't for a minute believe it. Anyway, guys, why should we strip a Houstonian? They're build like Dallasites...only smaller!

And we just turned green with envy when we ran into the Sundance Kid's lovely owner, Joe Philpot, while leaving the hunks in his bar to go drool at the ones at the Ranch (at beer bust time, naturally). Joe, it seems, just got back from a vacation in San Francisco and Laguna Beach. Eventually, of course, we will speak to him civilly again. By the way, we were wondering: What is a vacation?

And don't forget to keep watching for our very own exclusive interview with Miss Gay America. (Ten demerits if you didn't know it was Lady Shawn.)

Will there be a Metroplex Academy of Female Impersonators and Associates? Do you know what the acronym would be? Can you imagine how hot hot hot the wonderful awards show would be? Get ready!

Speaking of drag, we just caught Russ (from last issues pictures) out of drag and realized that we knew him. He's at the Wild Crowd, and even cuter out of drag than he was in.

Parking is going to be a problem briefly at the tubs. September 23 (we think) they're redoing the parking lots (both of them), and the city is working on the streets, with towaway on both sides of Swiss. So watch for those temporary "No Parking" signs.

Before we forget, we're getting sick and tired of Hot Tea telling about all the fun parties going on. Somebody invite us to a hot party, please. We work a lot, but a little play wouldn't hurt us...and we don't tell everything we know, you know...

Women, Jugs is moving, having lost their lease. Going away party will be held at the old location on September 28, and on September 29 they open at the new location. Give them a good sendoff, okay?

And people who like amateur night should drop in Tuesdays at Faces of Dallas. People who like Lady Shawn, Vonda DeLaine, and Gena LaTate (not to mention hunky dancers) should check out Faces' Grand Opening - Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 19-21.

People who think this column is too short or should have news in it not mentioned already should (a) tell us about the news in advance, and (b) try writing it themselves.

Now, try writing to find out why the new drag show on TV, "Bosom Buddies", with the craziest premise this year, has to be on Thursdays when we will be out working on the paper.

Stay healthy, be kind to old ladies, and stay out of trouble - or you may see your name here next.

Hey! You're wonderful. We wouldn't do this every two weeks for just anybody.

Shalom.



JIMMIE DEE and BIG DAVID are two of the headlining showstoppers at the new Reflections Sundays and Wednesdays, along with other hot, hot stars.



At the Frat House, ALAN's dancing in the jockey short contest took the \$50.00 prize. Now you can see why.



CHAZSHAE from Faces...and those hot, hot men we told you about last week (you should see the pix we saved for our private collection!).

NEXT ISSUE: DON'T MISS OUR EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH THE INIMITABLE LADY SHAWN!