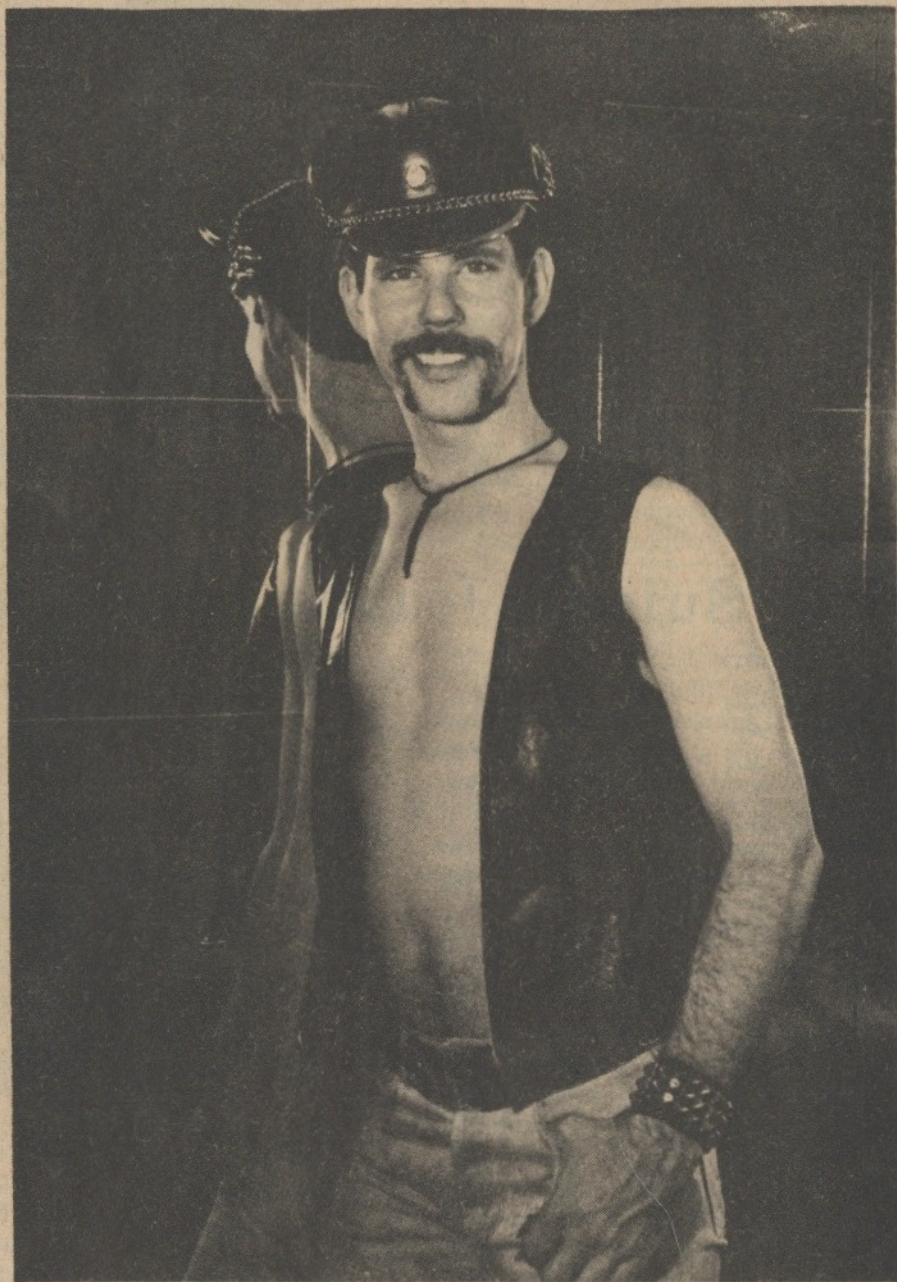


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COUNTDOWN

24 BIG PAGES

One robbed, one injured by duo

A man was injured in a robbery attempt two weekends ago which may have been made by the same couple who successfully held up a second man the same night.

The first robbery took place about 10 P.M. as the victim was on foot in a residential area, on his way to a neighborhood bar in the Fitzhugh area. Walking down the center of the street for safety, he was accosted by two men, one from the front and one from the rear, carrying a handgun and asking for his money. Although the duo stole about \$70 in cash and took the victim's cowboy hat (the real trauma, he said), his rings and jewelry were untouched.

The front robber was described

as being a Chicano about 5 feet 7 inches tall, about 180 pounds. The victim did not see the second man. He did form the impression that the front man may have been gay.

In a second robbery, a young man leaving his car was approached by a duo about 11 P.M. the same evening. When the would-be thieves demanded money, the victim replied that he had only \$20 and "you're not getting that". The two walked after him, attempting to force him to turn over his money, to within about thirty feet of the entrance to the bar, where, frustrated, the one with the gun struck the victim across the scalp with the gun and fled.

Suicide leaves challenge

On January 1, 1982, two men - Phillip Zimmer and Howard "Ricky" Testerman - celebrated the second anniversary of a marriage ceremony which, in their eyes, had united them and blessed their relationship. In fact, after the ceremony Ricky had begun to use Zimmer's surname as his own.

It wasn't enough. On January 13, returning home to his lover from a trip north, Testerman chose Air Florida's Flight 90, which plunged into the icy waters of the Potomac River shortly after takeoff from National Airport in Washington, D.C.

Shortly before 5 A.M. on the morning of March 18, Phillip Zimmer was found dead at the adult bookstore where he was employed, the victim of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in the head.

Phillip Zimmer's ordeal began when he first met Testerman, then only 17 years old and selling drugs and his body for a pimp with whom he lived. Two days after they met, Ricky asked if he could move in and get out of the prostitution and

drug scene. Zimmer agreed with a degree of hesitation.

Testerman's former neighbors in Manassas, Virginia, told a gay reporter from the Blade in Washington, D.C., that Ricky's father had beaten him on several occasions and that the home life was unhappy. Zimmer told TWN, a Florida paper, that a birthday cake he had given his lover was the first one the youth had ever received.

Shortly after the fatal plane crash, however, Ricky's mother filed a wrongful death lawsuit against Air Florida. Considering himself rightful survivor, Zimmer attempted to file a suit identical to the one filed by the mother.

Since Florida law specifically denies the validity of same-sex marriages and also names such gay relationships as being invalid in wrongful death suits, Zimmer found that no attorney would take his case.

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approaches to gay groups and to TWN, a Florida gay weekly. In his statement to TWN, Zimmer pleaded:

"My frustration is that I am failing Ricky, and in doing so I'm failing myself. And I have failed in turn each and every gay person who wants so to be free in body, mind and spirit from archaic laws and a society which is inhumane - a society that protects the rights of parents who abuse their children and shuns a young man's right to love another man."

Zimmer's message also urged gay men and lesbians to come out and to demand support from those with whom they conduct business, then bring pressure to bear upon lawmakers to enact pro-gay laws. Zimmer apparently saw himself as a martyr to the cause.

According to TWN, Air Florida paid for Zimmer's transportation and lodging so that he could go to his lover's funeral.

(From a March 24 story in The Weekly News, Florida.)

Hart down...successor worse?

The replacement for Rev. Sam Hart as a nominee for the U.S. Civil Rights Commission may be no better, according to the Gay Rights National Lobby (GRNL).

GRNL has learned that Robert A. Destro, former General Counsel for the Catholic League on Religious and Civil Rights, is being considered for nomination to the same post.

The Catholic League brought suit in the late '70's to try to block IRS tax-exempt status for gay rights groups.

Meanwhile, the National Gay

Task Force (NGTF) has announced plans to monitor nominations for Federal Court vacancies, with a view to prevent appointments of homophobes rather than to protest those already seated as judges.

GRNL is also attempting to gain support of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees union in the struggle for gay rights. Openly gay men and lesbians who may be members of the union should write to GRNL at P.O. Box 1892, Washington, D.C. 20013, to Susan Green.

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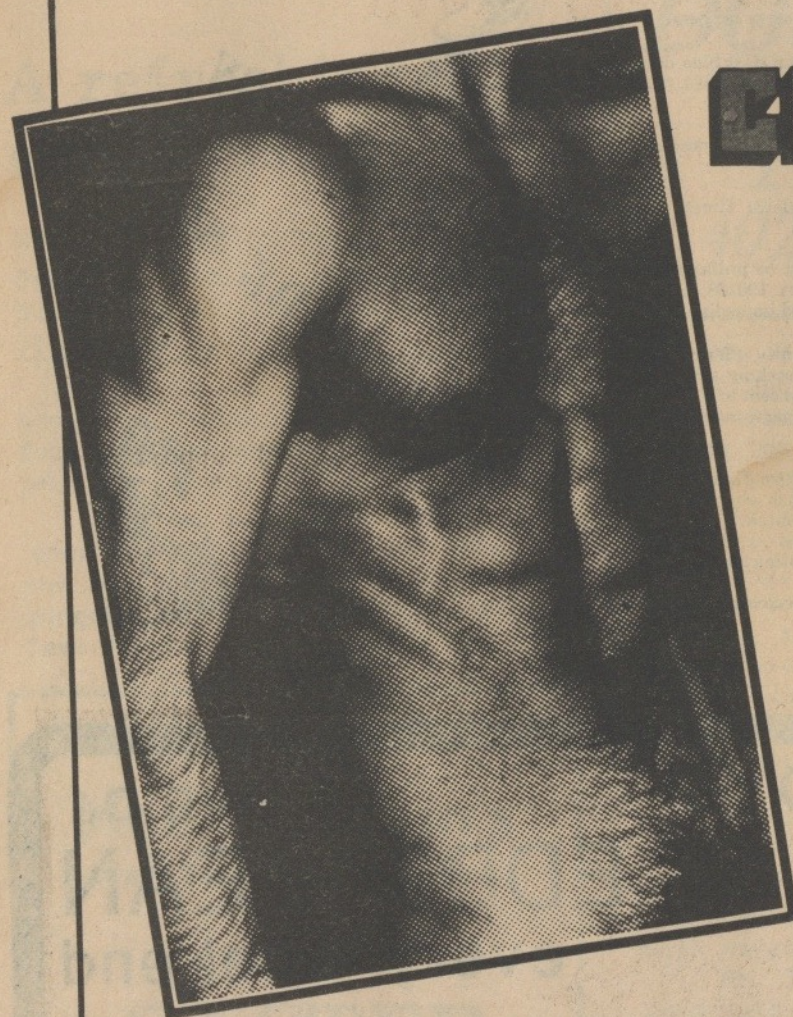
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Editorial:

Suicide by sloth

On page 2 we started the story of a man who killed himself when he discovered he was a second-class citizen because he was gay.

There's a better way. The sad part is that most of us never realize we really are second-class citizens until we've been sent to the back of the bus. If you think the apparent lack of prosecution of criminal laws against you makes you anyone's equal, think again.

Major gay rights organizations pull narrowly through a year on the same or smaller revenues taken in weekly by groups like the Moral Majority. Make no mistake, Jerry Falwell hates you and all you hold dear...and the man is dangerously powerful!

Other countries have seen gay

men and lesbians victimized by the very government while the public cheered. A History of Shadows, reviewed in this issue, brings to frightening reality the nightmare of the McCarthy inquisition, a war against gays by our own American national government.

We must claim freedom and the promises of politicians, demanding it of those who fail to seek us out.

We must join and support such groups as DGA, TCGA, TGTF, THRF, NGTF and GRNL. We need to know the battle to win.

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Easter worship announced

Three area churches have made and announced plans for Easter week.

Palm Sunday, April 4, will include regular morning services plus an evening presentation of selections from "The Messiah" at MCC-Dallas.

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services are planned at all three - at 7:15 PM at MCC-Dallas, 7:30 P.M. at Agape MCC in Fort Worth, and at 8 PM at United Community Church in Dallas.

United Community Church also will be open Saturday from 10 AM until midnight for those who wish to drop in for worship.

Sunday services are planned at all three on Easter Day, with an evening musical service slated for Agape MCC at 7 P.M.

Plans for Easter week were not received from New Being Community Church in Ft. Worth.

A new church, Free Spirit Community Church, does not have a permanent location but can be reached by writing Box 214695, Dallas, TX 75221 or by calling 526-3798.

All five churches have special outreaches to the gay community and, as a general rule, a primarily but not necessarily exclusively gay male and lesbian membership.

Addresses for the three which announced Easter week plans are: MCC-Dallas, 2701 Reagan, Dallas, Texas 75219;

United Community Church, 4402 Roseland, Dallas, Texas 75204;

Agape Metropolitan Community Church, 2336 Hemphill, Ft. Worth.

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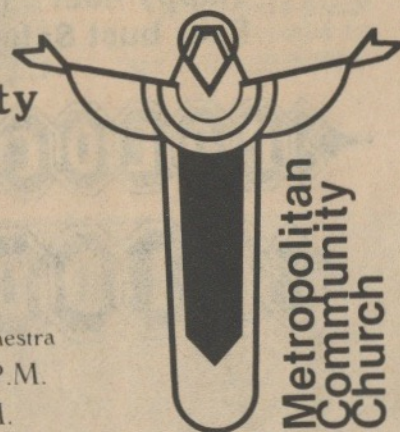
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As a point in question, the scoundrel, rightly accused of an outrageous attempted seduction of his benefactor's wife, manages to

make the victim's son the fall guy, getting the young man disowned by his father.

Linking this blind obedience to the "Moral Majority" is done by subtle devices, one of which is to turn off the normal soft music at intermission and before the play and to substitute in its place a series of soft hymns. Other, more delightful devices have been used to spice up the performance.

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Movies:

"Deathtrap" deadly . . . boredom

We read with interest the Bob Porter review of "Deathtrap" in a recent Times-Herald. If Mr. Porter is to be believed, the film beats the stage production easily.

What this reviewer wants to know is: What high school production of "Deathtrap" did Porter see? We saw the play twice at the Dallas Theater Center last year and loved every minute.

The movie, on the other hand, gave us strange feelings. One was that the first 45 minutes or so were directed by a dropout from a poor caliber directing school and that a graduate - possibly of the same school - picked up at that point and completed the film.

The play is so well written (and was so exquisitely performed) that we found ourselves amused and frightened almost in the same rare

breath. Despite the preposterous basis of the plot, we found the play believable, hilarious and deathly frightening throughout both performances.

The movie has lost the magic. Chris Reeve puts in a performance to be expected of a Broadway star of his experience, and Irene Worth as the Dutch psychic delivers her lines professionally. Dyan Cannon is, however, miscast, and Michael Caine disappoints.

A clue may lie in the point that stage productions require a degree of overacting to the back row. With "Deathtrap", this works well. In the movie, with playing to a camera at the level of plain, everyday transactions, a measure of something essential is lost.

Wait and see the play. The gay subtheme isn't worth \$4.00.



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Recommended reading:

The gays of yesteryear

A HISTORY OF SHADOWS. By Robert C. Reinhart. Avon (paperback), \$2.95.

Avon Books has been in the gay market with books readily available in almost any bookstore for a long time now. A lot of what they have produced has been along the line of Gordon Merrick's very readable soft core porn (we fail to understand how any other description can so simply and accurately describe it) and Vincent Virga's insipidly bad pastiche of a bad gendre, *Gaywyck*, the first (dare we hope the last?) gay gothic novel.

On the other hand, we have to give them credit for good with the bad...for example, the return to print of *The Well of Loneliness*, which, for those of you unlearned in gay ways, is just the lesbian classic.

A *History of Shadows* is called a novel. The author has taken four real people, interviewed them (in fact, originally for a doctoral dissertation), and altered such facts as might reveal their true identities.

Shadows takes the quartet from the thirties, in the depression era, as they grew up and found out about themselves, to near present times. It is to be commended for the only gay view of the McCarthy madness (old Joe hated queers just like he hated commie pinkos) that this reviewer has yet read. It is a frightening thing to think about. It can't happen here? Read about it and weep.

The men include Billy Hicks, a high priced interior designer with a wide streak of selfishness; Carl Mason, an opinionated Hollywood music composer; Wesley Ober, a sex symbol of the silver screen whose

humor livens the book and whose funeral closes it; and Robert Regal, the financial wizard able to rescue two friends from ruin at the hands of the government's cold-blooded investigation but at war with his own sexuality.

A *History of Shadows* is the best general distribution book we have read thus far this year and possibly the best original novel of a gay nature that Avon has yet published.

History repeats itself, or so they tell us. This is only one of the reasons we describe this book not only as very readable but also highly recommended reading.

Pictures, cover

On the opposite page: One of those lovelies is Mike from the Krazy Kowboy (Ft. Worth), dancing at the Ranch's Tuesday night bash.

The other is DeLayna Silvers, gown by Goodwill (wig rejected by the same), body and face by...oh, forget it! DeLayna wows them at the Midnight Madness at the Landing on Friday, where her fans kiss her feet when tipping during her wild "you're too young to remember this" numbers.

And - on our cover - we had considered, in favor of April Fools Day, identifying this as Stephanie, the world's first successful woman-to-man sex change and a past and present Miss America (not Miss Gay, just Miss America) runner-up.

But this being a respectable paper, forget that stuff: The guy is Steve, and he's hot, hot, hot... not to mention a nice guy.

Oh, yeah: Which one is Mike and which one is DeLayna? If you can't tell the difference....



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Seven other papers we could name folded up in less than six months, and we made it two years. Don't let anyone ever tell you it isn't worthwhile being stubborn.

By the way, as the Hidden Door

in Corpus has its birthday that same weekend, we're leaving on a jet plane and will see you there or when we return.

We hope you'll suggest to your favorite gay business that they advertise in our special issue for April 29, as we've promised a big 25% of the ad revenues to the Gay Pride Week folks. (The extra ads would also enable us to give you a bigger, better paper, and we are giving a bonus to the people who advertise as well.)

Moving right along: Janie at Peeple's has a couple of messages for readers. First, they aren't evicted yet. The sale of their building isn't final, contrary to

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what you may have read in another paper (but what can we say - that paper just ended their seventh year of publication and is claiming to be eight years old). We will give you the facts as soon as we know for sure.

Second, everyone at Peeple's chipped in together and raised a big \$1,500 at the benefit for Jean, late lover of bartender Evie, who asked us to convey her warm and sincere personal greetings to all those who gave of their time, cash, or both. It's nice to see members of the community pitching in and helping each other.

Delightful Dena Kaye knocked them dead again at the Wild Crowd on March 19 and will do the same, we're sure, Easter Sunday from 8 PM until midnight at the High Country. She'll be back at the Wild Crowd for her fans April 1. Trust us. The last people who didn't trust us read information somewhere else to

the effect that Dena was going to be at the Wild Crowd for St. Patty's Day and made the trip in vain. We do our darndest to get it right.

The new restaurant, Fitzhugh North, is certainly attractive. We had to run by but didn't have time to sample the cuisine. There was a cute young waiter we noticed.... no names, please.

You're so vain...if that's your theme song, and if you have good reason to be vain, we might be able to use you. Whenever we don't have something earthshaking to put on the cover, we're hoping to put some beautiful local young man (or woman) there. Or - and this one even pays - you might get chosen for an ad campaign we're pushing with a big advertiser we want to win over. If you look like a model or are one, call (unless you hate answering machines, in which case write). The information is on page 23.

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Hot, hot: We hear that Chuck, manager of the Hidden Door-Corpus, emptied his pockets and took off his belt and rings and watch and still couldn't get through that noisy metal detector in L.A. But they're used to that out there... and after a quick trip to the boys' room, without jewelry, Chuck was able to walk through without the machine going crazy. (Our spies are everywhere.)

The TaraDiddle Follies are set for April 2 at the new Texas Music & Feed Co., Inc. If you still haven't been able to find it, head down Cedar Springs toward the Quadrangle, turn the wrong way off Cedar Springs, and drive to the end of the road. (Routh is just one street over from Fairmount, two over from Maple.) We caught Michelle there in her Goodwill bathrobe and four dollar sandals, along with Ft. Worth's Stephanie and others.

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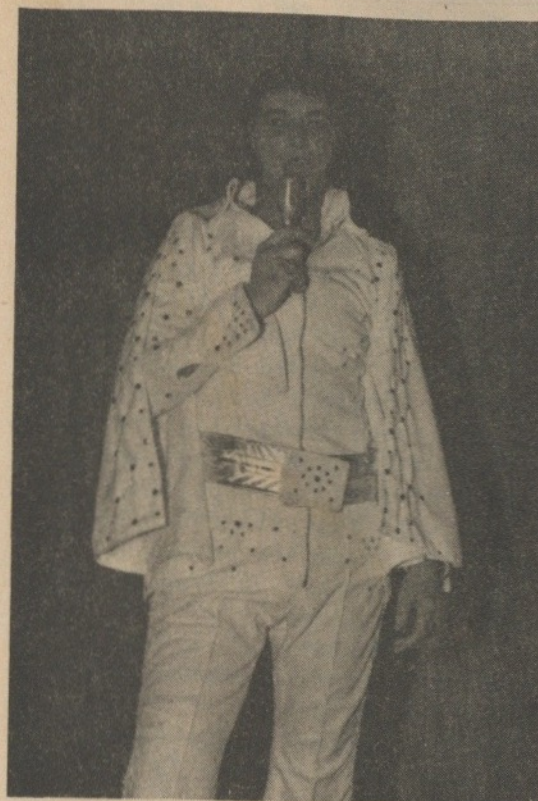
Our spies inform us that if you've been putting up the annual checkup your car should have until a later date because you're tired of being told what month you can get it back, now's your chance to take it to the three very competent young men at Oaklawn Garage and get it over fast. They're great guys. And if you don't happen to have a set of wheels, they might be able to help you find some that you can be sure will give you good service. They know their business!

Bad news! Vonda DeLayne and Bobbi Holiday were on the wrong end of an apartment fire earlier this week and lost practically all they had, including their puppy. While we haven't had a chance to speak to either of them, we think neither was home, so at least they weren't injured. Thank goodness at least for that.

Do you want somebody else to make the rules, or would you like to have some say in your life for a change? Meet the candidates and find out how they feel Sunday, April 4, at the monthly Dallas Gay Alliance meeting, 2701 Reagan (at MCC), at 7:30 P.M. Your vote does count...vote for someone who cares.

We didn't say anything about the Oscars, since not only can you read more than you wanted to know in the dailies but also in another paper with more room. Personally, we're interested in news which is of gay/lesbian importance!

One "oscar" we should note is the one presented to Janet at the



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television party Monday at Adam's Inn, mainly because it happened to be her birthday (no, we're told that it wasn't really an empty Mrs. Butterworth's bottle).

Want to know Joe Elliott's real name? You missed your chance, along with not seeing her do her version of Elvis. Her aunt told everyone her name, but when we asked Joe how she spelled it, she firmly told us, "J-O-E."

(No, we're not everywhere; it just seems like it...even to us. We've forgotten what sleep is.)

The Oak Lawn Transfer is on line for a Grand Opening of their dance bar, Alcatraz, this week. If it's anything like the original, it's going to be hot, hot, hot!

In the dirty trick department, someone stole the new crown which had been made for Jennifer Foxx, Miss Gay America, the same week she actually got it...after waiting for it since September. Shame!

get carried away now with a lot of comments on the Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo, whose act we caught Sunday at the McFarlin Auditorium. We took the promoter around for two nights to a few bars (he found Texas Territory to his liking, and even invited Vance to the show). We asked him to introduce us to a dancer we had noticed, but he was not minded to have one of his men molested, so....

Anyway, the Trocks are a riot - nothing short. We arrived late and observed first from the rear, catching the beauty of the graceful movements and steps; but after the intermission let us move up, we were able to take a closer look. "Spring Waters", an exotic love duet with Nadia Doumiafeyva and Biff Stroganoff, was an audience favorite. We preferred Ludmilla Beulemovna's delightful rendition of the "Dying Swan" (often called

"The Molting Swan"), although the "Spring Waters" was delightful. The costuming and general madness of "Pharoah's Daughter" won our wandering eye as well, particularly the scantily attired Menus, Boy King of Barbaria, revealingly danced by Mikhail Babushkanov (the one the promoter wisely kept us from meeting). A note of wry multiply-twisted humor is added in this ballet, as Lord Reginald Winthrope (England's richest most handsome young archaeologist) is hit by a falling mummy and awakens to find himself in Egypt, falling in love with the princess Aspica, then hiding from her mother by disguising himself in drag as one of her handmaidens.

It was beautiful, it was funny, and we still wanted to meet Menus. (Pout, pout.)

That's enough miscellany. Go find your own. See you in #26.

Ft. Worth center opens

The concern of dedicated gay men and lesbians in Fort Worth has led to the opening of a new Center of the Community (also referred to as Center for the Community), which held an open house March 25 at the new building at 2412 Lipscomb.

The organization plans to have a 24-hour telephone counselling and information service in operation as volunteers are trained and proper arrangements are finalized.

A weekly open house with a variety of planned activities is planned, complete with different entertainment, although the night had not been announced as of this writing.

A trip to Splash Day has been planned, with a charter bus to go to Galveston Friday evening and return to return to Ft. Worth on Sunday, May 2. A total of \$75 includes bus and two nights at a Holiday Inn in Galveston. Only 43 seats are available, so make your reservation early.

Although the Center actually is a Christian non-profit group, with Bible studies Tuesday nights, non-Christians are welcome and are not to be recruited, according to a spokesperson.

The new Center is located one block over and one block beyond the Agape MCC. Turn right at the church (before the railroad tracks) one block, then left half a block.



MISCELLANEOUS

There will be no Ft. Worth Miscellany this week.

April Fools, tee hee, tee hee.

Tonight there'll be flesh galore at the Lumber Company. Last Wednesday they had quite a festive St. Patrick's Day for the TLC's Wednesday night dancers...they were wearing the green, all right, most of it tucked into the straps of their gee strings.

At 8 o'clock the Corral has its pool tournament.... It's strange, but now every time I go into the Corral, slave money is pressed upon me by Aubry. Maybe we can attend the Corral's Saturday night slave auction and buy someone to clean the house.

There are plenty of Easter Bonney parties in Ft. Worth this

year. Saturday night, the TLC has theirs, then you can fluff up your feathers and attend another one at the Corral on Sunday. Gordon has a special added attraction for Easter, but he wouldn't reveal it to us. All he says is it's never been done in Ft. Worth before....

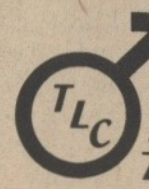
Chuck of the Krazy Kowboy reveals that Tex (of Tex's Ranch in Big D) visited the KKS last Thursday night and proceeded to get the owner and manager "slightly" inebriated.

Congratulations are in order for Darlene and Josie, who recently celebrated their 20 year anniversary together with a free buffet for all their friends and customers at DJ's. Many happy returns!

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talented Houston group, entertained Saturday and Sunday at the Lumber Company.

The Come Along Inn seems to be getting increasingly popular as a meeting place for the women of Ft. Worth. This columnist was on hand tending bar recently, taking the foolish advice of his editor and answering in falsetto, but even that didn't keep the customers from dropping by.

The Tender Trap and Downtowner have joined the Lumber Co. with a volleyball team each. The winner of local competition will represent Ft. Worth May 1 in Austin at the statewide tournament.

Tall...blond...blue eyes... handsome...if you're excited by all this talk, take in Don, the new Krazy Kowboy bartender...sure, you'd love to take him in.

Ray Hill of the TLC, 651 and Come Along Inn took several friends to Dallas to see the Trockaderos Sunday night, after which they were seen terrorizing local drinking establishments in that city.

Congratulations to Tasha Kohl, the new Miss Gay Fort Worth, who won over a field of 12 contestants



last Thursday night at the Other Place. Runners up included Dion Martel and Brooke Elliott. Miss Congeniality was LaTonya Regay. The inimitable Raina Lea, along with Lindsey Love, emceed.

The "creme de la creme" comes back Thursday to the TLC for the selection of an overall winner to date in their weekly jockey short dance contests. Around the corner, the Corral features the Mr. Buns

competition. {Censored comment by columnist.}

Ft. Worth's women get the best of both Wednesday and Thursday at the Split Image, where female strippers are being teamed up with special beer prices.

The Editor/Publisher came over to see us Thursday night, where at one bar he proceeded to recruit a male patron for some photography lessons for this reporter. He certainly has the right idea. We approved of the young man wholeheartedly. {On second thought, Jack, you're a married lady...let us take the picture. -Ed.}

Dena Kaye pulled an SRO (for the uninitiated, that's Standing Room Only) crod Saturday at Mickey's - as usual for Dena!

Be sure to check out the new beer bar at the TCMC, where headliner Bette Sheba is offering a reward for the return of five of her dresses that went AWOL - the right of the person who has the dresses to keep living! {We have no facilities to print the trashy story she told us about herself and Lynn Christopher Thursday...}

The Downtowner, having taken time to plan an appropriate grand opening, is taking this entire week to hold it. Their theme is "A Salute to Ft. Worth", with each bar being honored...the Other Place on Monday, DJ's, the Split and Come Along on Tuesday, the Tender Trap and Mickey's on Thursday, the 651, TLC, Corral and Krazy Kowboy Friday, and the two churches, Agape MCC and New Being Community Church, on Saturday. Sunday they salute their customers, the community at large, and the retirement center.

Wednesday the Silver Eagle Court and Imperial Council are the honorees, while 25¢ draw and one-dollar well drinks pave the way for the Mr. Downtowner Pageant at 9 P.M. Other specials are set for the entire week, and Martha and Vicki will be looking for their friends to visit.

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