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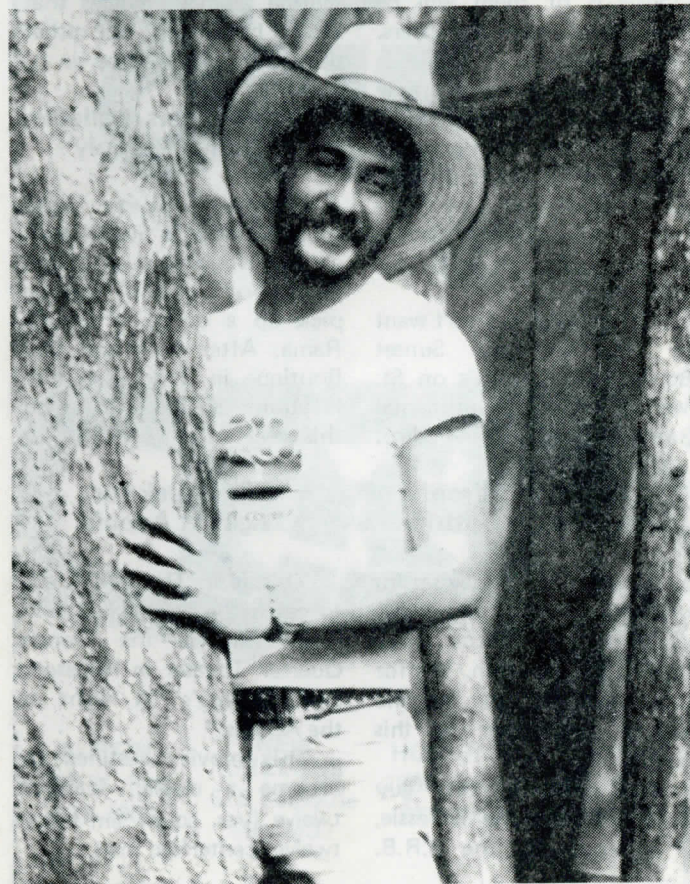
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bar talk

San Antonio getting ready for Fiesta

Four million visitors are expected in San Antonio in the next two weeks and thousands of them will be your gay brothers and sisters. Are you ready?

If so, read the brief article elsewhere in this issue on the gay bar scene in the Alamo City. And BE SURE to pick up a copy of next week's Star with a map of San Antonio showing all the gay bar locations.

You especially won't want to miss the new Sunset Boulevard Disco (it's on St. Mary's) and the Continental Baths (located on San Pedro).

Cover boy is from Brazos River Bottom

Saturday is the day set for the official opening of the patio at the Brazos River Bottom in Houston. It's for sure destined to be the hottest patio bar in this city.

The good looking guy on the front cover is Jessie, a bartender at the B.R.B.

New theater now open and going

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Liquid Poppers brand room odorizer is finally available in Houston at a limited number of locations. You can pick up a bottle at Gay-O-Rama, After Dark and Etc. Boutique in Cuddle's. Other locations should be added this week.

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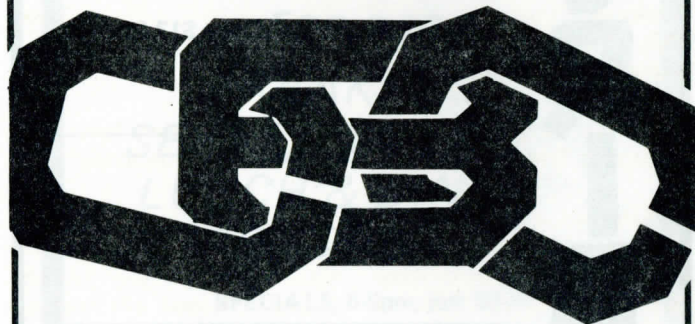
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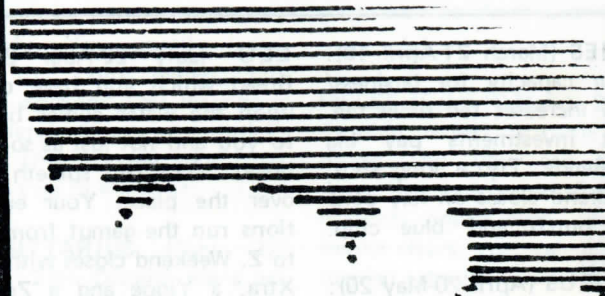
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horoscope

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Your capacity for business/love increases ten times ten. Past investments pay big dividends. Try a long shot. Weekend closes on key of B for butch and blue chip.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Re-evaluation of self results in positive change. Accept honest criticism. The uncut, unpolished stone is not a gem. On last day friend acts as lapidary and brings out your inner beauty. You sparkle.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): "Money, money, money." That's all you hear this weekend. What's more, your purse is flat. Lower your tastes for the very best and take care of necessities. Love peeps around the corner. Oh, go ahead, it's free.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your strange behavior puzzles all but you. But then, this is part of your "master plan." Mysteries come out in the open only at your discretion. By end of the weekend you discover that tried and true outstrips "flash in the pan."

LEO (July 22-Aug. 22): Bread which you have cast upon the water comes back to you and not just as soggy bread. Your cup spilloth all over the place. Your emotions run the gamut from A to Z. Weekend closes with an Xtra, a Yippe and a Zow!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Lady Luck pursues you on rare occasions and this is one of them. You have lucky weekend. Leave avenues open for the Lady to travel. Also doors, windows and transoms. Weekend closes with a giggle.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): The Dance (so stately) continues. You circle alternatives. One "alternative" drops out of the circle and then there are three. Battle may ensue as others observe. As the weekend draws to a close, play it safe. Stay home in your "frying pan" for a move now could send you straight to "blazes."

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): An elusive butterfly has finally landed on your flower but please bring the net down

slowly. You usually make all the right moves, but this weekend you may have tendency to move too quickly. This is one race that won't go to the swift.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Distant plans are out of focus. Puzzle will be solved in next quarter. Fight your natural tendency to tackle confusion head on. Lay back. Weekend closes with an audible sigh.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Energy drain is on as planets shift. Health is number one concern. Everything seems to be acting up: old war wounds, football knees, the bathroom scales. You feel under appreciated and overwhelmed. On last day you come out of the bag and into the sunshine.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You meet yourself coming and going and always with someone different. Keep it light. Important project needs full attention mid-week. Old friends with old money are your best bet. Save diversions for time when position is

more solid.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Trouble tends to come in threes and you are two down and one to go. Battle is with power-lover. When smoke clears, your talent for turning shoddy into shiny yields crucible filled with gold. Despite an ultimate victory, weekend closes in A-flat. Take hot toddy and go to bed.

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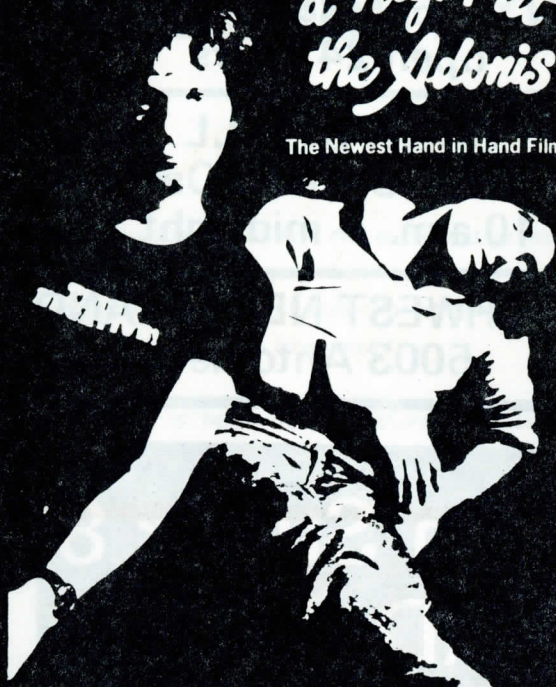
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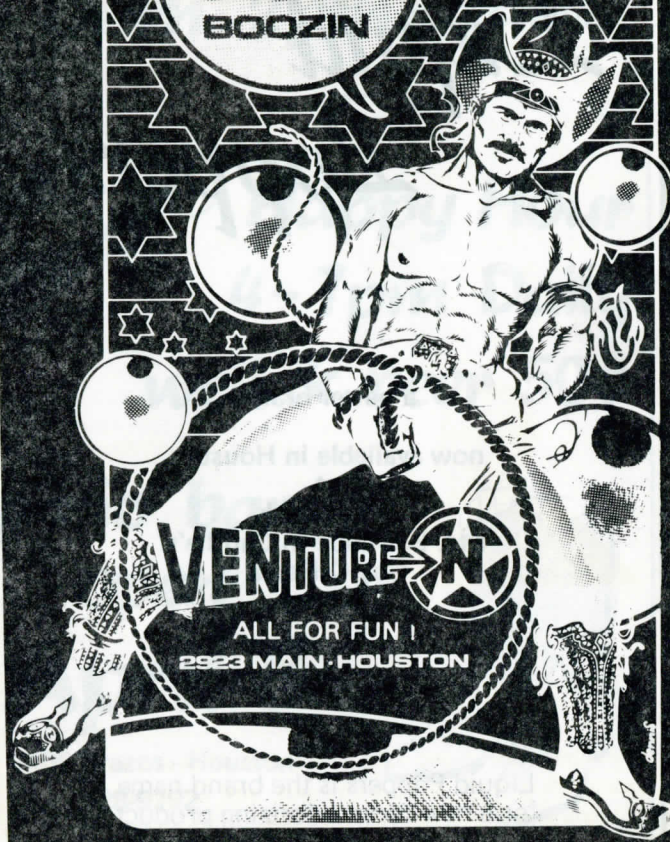
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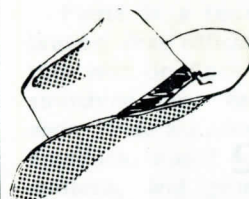
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City officials in San Antonio are predicting four million persons will attend the 1978 Fiesta, which, year-by-year, has been gaining so much in popularity that it now rivals Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

Long a favorite of gay people in Texas, Fiesta now has a national gay following.

Fiesta is a ten-day celebration that officially starts this year on April 14, thus stretching over two week-ends. There are parades, presentations, staged events and contests, and general celebrating.

The Alamo City's gay clubs naturally plan numerous events over the holiday. Among the highlights this year will be the contests and shows at the city's newest disco — the Sunset Boulevard at 1430 N. St. Mary. Ernestine and others from the O.P. Follies in Houston will be performing at the Sunset.

The city's other major gay district, San Antonio Country, also has special shows and contests planned.

Recommended for "quite-bar"-type cruising (although during Fiesta it'll be a long way from "quiet") is the El Jardin, which is perhaps the oldest gay bar in the country. This club has been a gay club under different names since before 1940. No one is sure of the exact date.

Other "neighborhood" bars include the Mary Ellen Lounge and Club Atlantis.

San Antonio has two gay baths with the Continental being the older, more established. They're open 24 hours (park in the back).

The other baths is the newly opened Executive Health Club in the Gunther Hotel. But don't let the location fool you. It's a gay baths.

The movie arcade crowd will find the Galleria News location at 6724 San Pedro to their liking. They're open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m.

The Star will have a map of San Antonio in the next issue showing locations of all the gay clubs. And we'll distribute thousands of copies of The Star in the Alamo City during Fiesta weekends.

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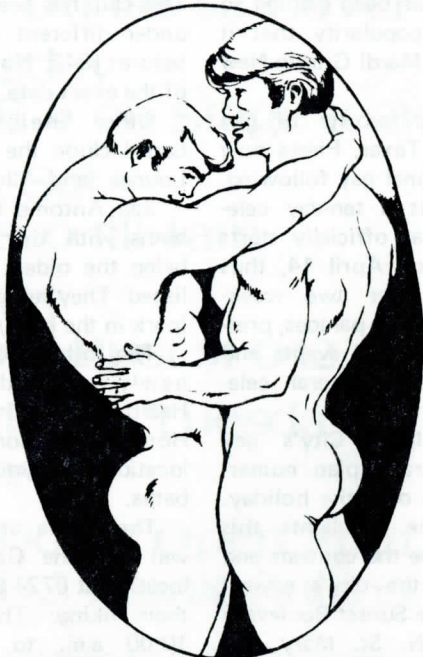
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|----|----|---|
| 1 | 1 | Gimme Some Lovin'/Dr. Doo Dah/Africanism — Kongas (27%) |
| 2 | 3 | *Voyage (entire LP) — Voyage (19%) |
| 3 | 9 | **Romeo & Juliet — Alec R. Costandinos & the Syncophonic Orch. (9%) |
| 4 | 2 | Macho Man (entire LP) — Village People (8%) |
| 5 | 4 | Supernature (entire LP) — Cerrone (6%) |
| 6 | 6 | Chattanooga Choo Choo — Tuxedo Junction (4%) |
| 7 | 13 | *If My Friends Could See Me Now — Linda Clifford (4%) |
| 8 | 5 | Risky Changes — Bionic Boogie (3%) |
| 9 | 7 | Let's All Chant/Love Express — Michael Zager Band (3%) |
| 10 | 10 | Come Into My Heart (entire LP) — USA-European Connection (3%) |
| 11 | 8 | Night Fever/Stayin' Alive — Bee Gees/Carol Douglas (2%) |
| 12 | 15 | Let Me Party With You — Bunny Sigler (2%) |
| 13 | 18 | West Side Story — Salsoul Orch. (2%) |
| 14 | 11 | Once Upon a Time (entire LP) — Donna Summer (1%) |
| 15 | 12 | Shame — Evelyn "Champagne" King (1%) |
| 16 | 14 | Galaxy — War (1%) |
| 17 | 17 | Can't Stand the Rain — Eruption (1%) |
| 18 | — | Singing in the Rain — Sheila & B. Devotion (1%) |
| 19 | 16 | I Love New York — Metropolis |
| 20 | — | Don't Leave Me This Way — Philadelphia Classics |

INDIVIDUAL DISCO REPORTS

DIMENSION 3, Dallas

Rick Espallat, dj

1. Gimme Some Lovin' — Kongas
2. From East to West/Lady America — Voyage
3. Supernature (entire LP) — Cerrone
4. Macho Man — Village People
5. Galaxy — War

CASABLANCA, Biloxi

William R. Stewart, dj

1. Gimme Some Lovin'/Africanism — Kongas
2. Let Me Party With You — Bunny Sigler
3. Macho Man (entire LP) — Village People
4. Come Into My Heart (entire LP) — USA-European Connection
5. Romeo & Juliet — Alec R. Costandinos & the Synco-phonic Orch.

GEORGE'S KRISCO, Memphis

Dennis Belski, dj

1. From East to West/Point Zero — Voyage
2. If My Friends Could See Me Now — Linda Clifford
3. Come Into My Heart — USA-European Connection
4. Singing in the Rain — Sheila & B. Devotion
5. Macho Man/I Am What I Am — Village People

DOCK, Baton Rouge

Rick Crain, dj

1. Romeo & Juliet — Alec R.

Costandinos & the Synco-phonic Orch.

2. Macho Man (entire LP) — Village People
3. West Side Story — Salsoul Orch.
4. Let's All Chant — Michael Zager Band
5. I Can't Stand the Rain — Eruption

PEARL ST. W'HOUSE, Austin

Casey Jones, dj

1. From East to West/Point Zero — Voyage
2. Gimme Some Lovin' — Kongas
3. Macho Man/I Am What I Am — Village People
4. Move Your Body — Gene Farrow
5. Romeo & Juliet — Alec R. Costandinos & the Synco-phonic Orch.

OTHER PLACE, Ft. Worth

Don McBride, dj

1. Gimme Some Lovin'/Africanism — Kongas
2. Chattanooga Choo Choo — Tuxedo Junction
3. Give Me Love/Supernature — Cerrone
4. Don't Leave Me This Way — Philadelphia Classics
5. Everybody Dance — Chic

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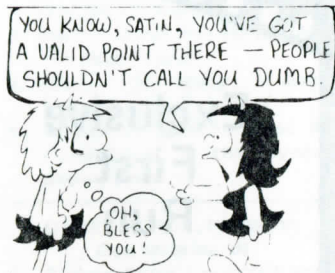
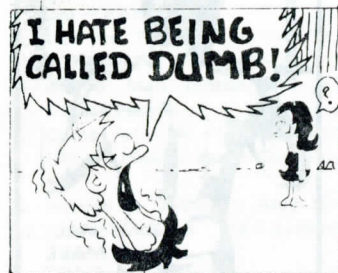
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Austin update.

Hippie Hollow is still there, and nude as ever (when you go, don't forget to put a little Pre-Sun on your wangdoodle). Whatever happened to tan lines, anyway? Willa says nude sunbathing just makes your butt wrinkle faster. (Secret: she took several porno shots of the people on the ledge below us with her minicamera.) You should have seen us in those pantaloons — we were definitely the most well-dressed hippies there!

Ah, the nightlife! Austin boys are Loose, honey — and by eleven they were packed like tuna at Austin Country. But, I swear to you, the disco music didn't come on until ten there because the owner of the club was watching Fantasy Island on the big TV

screen. So at first we were driven back out onto the streets by Ricardo Montalban.

No love lost — we hopped into our Volare (wouldn't you know it) and riproared over to Pearl Street, but I guess they were watching TV too (we didn't even go in). What was news, and quite festive, I might add, was the new Hollywood Club — spare but entertaining. Granted, it was like a night out with the girls at the Arthur Murray Dance Hall, but girls need a little mothering too, you know, so I dashed out on to the dance floor and led a quick chorus of "We Shall Overcome." They just loved it! It was a case of Saturday Night Beaver, believe me.

Later at the Country, Marcilee Fletcher, ex-owner of an ex-club called Faggots and Lesbians (or something like that), shook that flesh under the ever-red lights of the dance floor and I would imagine she was doing a little P.R. for a new club she is opening this year, the Something-or-another. As decked out as she was, you know it, honey.

Willi and I both got our fangs into young student types (they abound) so thank goodness we also brought the Cornet. (Oh, I didn't tell you — we only took two of the cars this trip.) Willi drove off like a wildwoman in it (she said she was going to fulfill her lifelong dream of getting it at the Lake) and the rest of the evening for me went as smooth as pricks.

Gavlestone gets ready. (Are you?)

We popped out of bed Saturday raring to go (at about one) and it turned out that everyone wanted to go to Galveston immediately, especially Mona Bone Jakon who had to discipline herself all morning in the name of friendship and was not amused. So we hopped into the convertible (the limo was in the shop) and speeded down the fast lane to Stewart Bitch. It was a glorious day (you know how those go) but slightly too cool to bathe au naturel (although the polar bear people there thought the water was just fine ... brrrrr!).

There wasn't much to do

but gawk at the heteros playing football (mmmmmm ... tres macho) and that finally made them leave, too. There just weren't too many people there except for the usual derelicts. Maybe next time.

Coming soon: the Kon Tiki, a neat way to end a day at the beach!

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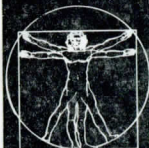
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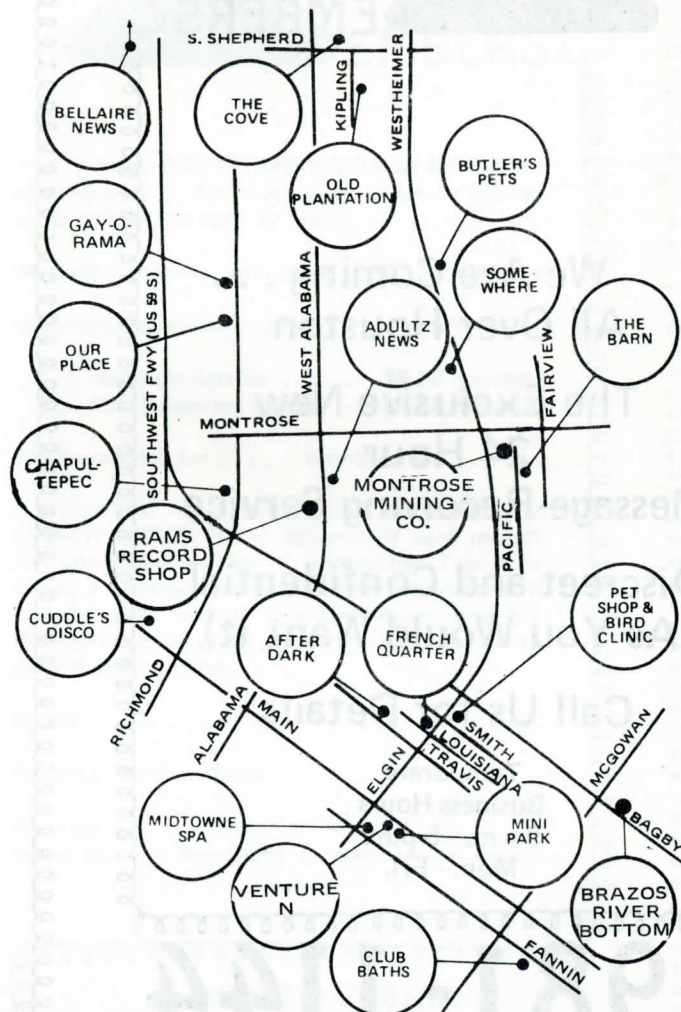
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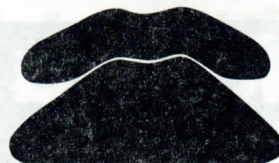
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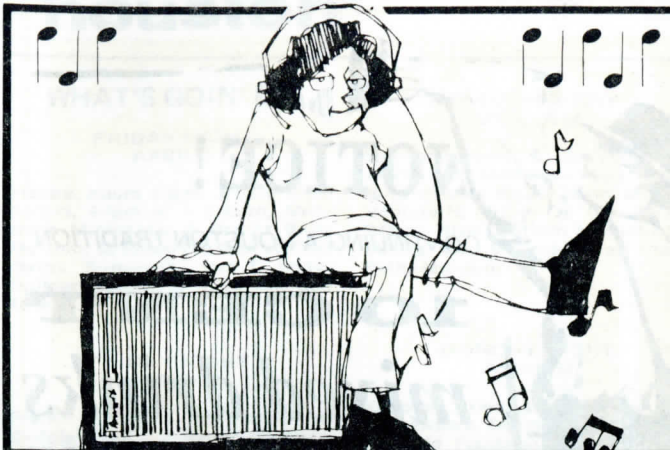
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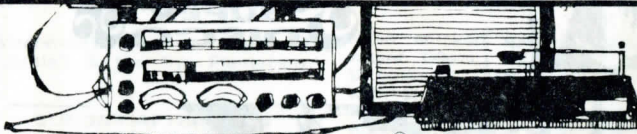
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THE BEER BUST ON SUNDAY
STARTING 9PM**

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WHAT'S GOIN' ON

FRIDAY NIGHT
APRIL 7

Happy hours 2-8pm at the Venture-N, 4-7pm at the Barn, Montrose Mining Co. & Brazos River Bottom. \$3 lockers to 4pm at Club Baths. Sunworshippers & bodybuilders special at Midtowne Spa to 8pm.

FRIDAY NIGHT
APRIL 7

French Dressing on stage at Cuddle's 9:30pm followed by disco & after-hours to 4am. After-hours also to 4am at the Old Plantation.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON
APRIL 8

Happy hours 12-3pm at the Venture-N, 4-7pm at Brazos River Bottom. Special on Bloody Marys & screwdrivers at the Barn.

SATURDAY NIGHT
APRIL 8

After-hours disco to 4am at Cuddle's & the Old Plantation.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON
APRIL 9

Aires Party at the Venture-N. Special on Bloody Marys & screwdrivers at the Barn & Montrose Mining Co. plus free noon buffet at the Barn. Happy hour 4-7pm at Brazos River Bottom.

SUNDAY NIGHT
APRIL 9

Beer bust at Cuddle's starts 9pm. Drag shows at the Old Plantation & the Cove.

MONDAY-FRIDAY
APRIL 10-14

Sunworshippers & bodybuilders special at Midtowne Spa 8am-8pm. Happy hours 2-8pm at the Venture-N, 4-7pm at the Barn, Brazos River Bottom & Montrose Mining Co. \$3 lockers at Club Baths 8am-4pm.

MONDAY NIGHT
APRIL 10

Chicken fried steak special at Somewhere 6-9pm. 55¢ drinks at the Old Plantation. T-shirt night at Club Baths.

TUESDAY NIGHT
APRIL 11

Meat loaf special at Somewhere 6-9pm. 55¢ drinks at the Old Plantation. T-shirt night at After Dark.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT
APRIL 12

Fried chicken special at Somewhere 6-9pm. 10¢ drinks with \$2 cover at Cuddle's. 55¢ drinks with \$1 cover at the Old Plantation. Drag show at the Cove. Buddy night at Club Baths. Pool tourney 9:30pm at After Dark.

THURSDAY NIGHT
APRIL 13

Salisbury steak special 6-9pm at Somewhere. We-4 (Jennifer George, Janet Page, Kandi Delight, Jessica Landa) entertain on stage 10:30pm at Cuddle's. T-shirt night at After Dark. 55¢ drinks at the Old Plantation. "Queen for a Day" amateur drag contest at the Cove.

want ads

Hot young stud available free to other studs. Write Occupant, box 1067, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. Can travel or accomodate guests.

Wanted, clean-up person at After Dark in Houston. (713) 528-9922. Ask for Bill.

Leather outfit for sale. 2 leather jackets, 1 large, 1 medium. Plus leather pants, waist 30. Call (713) 521-0936 in Houston.

"Liquid Poppers" brand room odorizer is here. Available now at After Dark, Etc. Boutique in Cuddle's, Gay-O-Rama and other places in Houston. Ask for them.

Long wait for Houston P O Box? Try ours! (713) 526-6711.

Wanted: Marilyn Monroe posters, pictures. Call Dino (713) 529-6508 in Houston.

Will share Houston house. Has private pool. Nude sunbathing ok. Southeast of Alameda Mall. Non-smokers only. \$160. (713) 481-2892 6-9pm.

For sale: Thomas/Heathkit 10-voice organ, two 3-octave key-boards, bass pedals, rhythm unit, repeat percussion, vibrato, under-lit keys. Excellent condition. Music program included. \$600 or best offer. (713) 781-1929 in Houston 7-10pm.

Need immediate help with remodeling old house. Carpentry, cleanup, roofing, plumbing, electrical, painting, etc. Experience preferred. Call Howell (713) 869-8770 in Houston.

Last week to catch "Night at the Adonis" at the French Quarter Theater. Better see it tonight.

For daytime tricking go to Stop-N-Go market, 10th & Heights, Houston. Stand on side by alley. (paid advertisement)

Wanted: rare Supremes, disco & party music to sell. Come by Ram's Records, 521 W Alabama, Houston.

Vacation? Let's plan a vacation touring Canada, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, New York, Broadway. For 3 weeks, May or June. Share driving & expenses. Write boxholder, box 10152, Houston, TX 77206.

We just set up our apt and have no funds for plants. If you have any plants you can spare please call Michael at (713) 524-5414 in Houston 6-9pm.

Help wanted in Houston. Reliable, trustworthy person to work at Gay-O-Rama. Call Charlie. (713) 528-7838.

At last, the needed service for hair removal and control is here. Avante' Clinic in Houston. Providing waxing & electrolysis for men & women. For a complimentary consultation phone (713) 877-8787. Located 3837 Richmond.

Wanted: goodlooking men who aren't camera-shy to be considered for the front cover of The Star. Call The Star in Houston at (713) 522-7416 or Glenhall Photos in Dallas at (213) 233-4362. Or send photo (which we'll return) to The Star, pob 70282, Houston, TX 77007.

Star Want Ads

Star Want Ads cost only \$1 per week for up to 20 words. Over 20 words add 10¢ per word per week. Blind box numbers will be assigned, if requested, for an additional \$1 per week and we'll confidentially forward your responses.

your signature

address

phone number*

*Some Want Ads must be verified to insure responses will be sent to the right person.

Assign blind box number? [] yes.

How many weeks should we run your ad?

Just \$1

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STAR SUPPORTERS

DISCOS

Cove — 2912 S Shepherd — 524-0170
Cuddle's — 4714 Main — 528-5054
Old Plantation — 2020 Kipling — 522-2353

NEIGHBORHOOD BARS

Barn — 710 Pacific — 528-9427
Brazos River Bottom — 2400 Brazos — 528-9192
Dirty Sally's — 220 Avondale — 529-7525
Montrose Mining Co. — 805 Pacific — 529-7488
Our Place — 1419 Richmond — 528-8903
Venture-N — 2923 S Main — 522-9019

BATHS

Club Houston — 2205 Fannin — 659-4998
Midtowne Spa — 3100 Fannin — 522-2379

ADULT BOOKSTORES & MOVIE ARCADES

Adultz News — 714 W Alabama
After Dark — 3400 Travis — 521-9857
Bellaire News — 5807 Bellaire — 661-8840
Northwest Newsstand — 5003 Antoine
Show & Tell — 10537 Post Oak

ALL-MALE 16MM & VIDEO THEATERS

French Quarter — 3201 Louisiana — 527-0782
Gay-O-Rama — 1831 Richmond — 528-7838
Mini-Park — 2907 Main — 528-5881

ADVERTISING AGENCIES & SERVICES

The Star — 522-7416
Vilven/Whiting — 2044 Branard — 524-9360

CARPET CLEANING SERVICE

Delta Pure — 688-2263

CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

Aztec Remodeling — 529-7556

DISTRIBUTORS

Ozzo Unlimited — POB 4316, 77210 — 526-6006

ORGANIZATIONS

Gay Political Caucus — 1310 McDuffie, 28A — 526-2668

PET SHOP

Pet Shop, Bird Clinic — 3118 Smith — 529-7266

PRINTING & GRAPHIC SERVICES

The Star — 522-7416

RECORD SHOP

Ram's Records — 521 W Alabama

RESTAURANTS

Chapultepec — 813 Richmond — 522-2365
Somewhere — 1525 Westheimer — 528-8474

TELEPHONE ANSWERING &/OR MESSAGE FORWARDING

A Burton — 526-6711
Match Members — 981-1144

TRAVEL AGENCY

Trips Unlimited — 526-7878

Club owners: call The Star for information on how your club can be listed here each week. Phone Houston 522-7416.

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