

Bay Area Gays

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Since this is the first newsletter I have put out for the B.A.G. group I am open for any suggestion that you might have in making this newsletter interesting to you. Enclosed in this letter you will find some information that might be of interest to you, and a list of things that we are planning to do in the future.

I am trying to get a list together of B.A.G. members address and phone numbers so I can pass them out to the members of the group. If you want your address and phone number listed please either call me or drop me a line at the address above. I have many of your phone numbers but not address many address

If you would like to attend the show at the Tower theatre in Houston we need to know what price range you want what section you would like to sit in. The name of the show is called The Littlest Whore House in Texas. The night of the show has been set for April 20, 1979. If you need more information on the show you can call Doug at 332-5140. Or if you wish to wait somebody will be calling you.

If you would like more information on the March to Washington that is coming up you can call Tom at 332-5140. The B.A.G. was the first group that wrote a resolution and sent it to Ray Hill in support of the March. Our resolution will be printed in Upfront. That's the way to go B.A.G. Lets show Houston and the other areas what we can do.

If you missed the last picnic that we had you missed a lot of fun and food. We are planning to have another picnic in the near future. If missed the last one don't miss this one. There are several more things that we are planning to do now that the warm weather has gotten here.

The B.A.G. group is looking for a place that we can rent other than the League City Civic Center to hold our meeting. At the present time we are meeting at the League City Civic Center on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm. We would like to rent or use a room where we could tell who we are without having several other groups meeting at the same time. If you know of any place please let me or some of the other members know so that we can look into it. But until we find a place we will continue to meet at the civic center in League City. We have not had any problems from anybody at the Center.

Our next meeting will be held on April 5, 1979 at the League City Teen Center which is next door to the Civic center. Will get this building when ever we can. Make plans to attend this meeting as we are planning to have a guest speaker at the first meeting of each month. The speaker for this month will be Ms. Alice Schraeder. She is a member of the Lesbiana, member of the board of GPC.

She is also the founder of the Gay Speakers Bureau. At the May 3, 1979 meeting we are having the Rev. Chuck Larson. Chuck is the pastor of the MCCR church in Houston. We are honored to have these fine people come to us and talk to us. We plan to have more speakers come and talk on different subjects.

Come and bring a friend to the meeting and let's set an example to other small areas and to the big areas and show them what we can do. UNITED WE STAND, DIVIDED WE FALL. LET'S UNITE AND WORK TOGETHER

If you are interested in starting a religious study group in the Bay Area please call me at home or drop me a line. I would like to see a MCCR get started in this area. I have talked to some members of the MCCR in Houston and they are willing to help get one started in this area. God loves all people regardless of your race sex or sexual choice.

SEE YOU AT THE NEXT MEETING ON APRIL 5, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. at the League City Teen Center.

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Texas Bay Area Gays

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JUNE 1979

FOREWORD

The Texas Bay Area Gays' development is proceeding nicely. Our membership rolls consist of between 60 and 70 people living roughly along Galveston Bay in 3 adjoining counties. Our goal is to improve the living of our members and all Gays in the bay area by fostering activities and encouraging the Gay community here to get to know its fellow members better.

MAY REVIEWED

LAST MEETING

At the May 3rd meeting the Rev. Chuck Lawson, pastor of Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection in Houston, was our guest speaker. Chuck's talk was entertaining, informative, thought provoking, motivating, and thoroughly enjoyable. We were very fortunate to have been able to spend an evening with such a wonderful and dynamic person as Chuck. Houston MCCR and indeed all of Texas should be rightfully proud and thankful for such a blessing!

OUT OF TOWN TRIP

On the weekend of May 19/20 several club members conducted an exploratory expedition to Austin and of all places, Hippie Hollow. Their purpose was to scout the area for possible larger outings of TBAG's. Based on the expedition's findings preliminary plans are being made to sponsor one such Austin/Hippie Hollow camp out each month.

CONCERT NIGHTS

Two recent concerts were attended by club members this past month. The first was on SAT MAY 12 at the Texas Opry House for the Tom Robinson Band. The TRB is a gay 'activist' British rock band that has quite a bit of a

following in England and certain parts of the U.S. Judging by their performance here in Houston they will undoubtedly keep going up in popularity. Several of their albums are now available in the area and have already been purchased by some club members.

Then on THURS MAY 24 Village People appeared at the Summit. Several club members were among the predominately Gay audience and made a spendid night of it.

NEWSLETTER CHANGES

Because of the high costs of postage and the lack of an adequate financial base (due to the fact that club members pay no regular dues), this issue of the newsletter will be the last free issue. Starting with the JULY issue a \$3.00 subscription charge will be required for the prompt and continued monthly mail box delivery of this newsletter. This is really a nominal fee for such good information delivered to your door concerning activities, outings, parties, events, and happenings right here in your own neighborhood!

JUNE CLUB DATES

THURS JUNE 7 -regular monthly business meeting in League City
SAT/SUN JUNE 9/10 - Austin/Hippie Hollow camping trip
THURS JUNE 14 - social gathering at Tom and Doug's
SUN JUNE 17 - pool party at Larry B.'s \$1.00 admission
THURS JUNE 21 - social gathering at Larry Shead's
THURS JUNE 28 - social gathering at Larry B.'s
SAT JUNE 23 thru SUN JUNE 30 - Gay Pride Week in Houston
Lots of events all over!

OTHER JUNE DATES

Most if not all of these events are concerned with Gay Pride Week. For more information about these and other happenings call Greer Price at 526-5921 (evenings) or Tom and Doug at 332-5140 or Larry B. at 481-2892.

SAT JUNE 23 - picnic in Memorial Park
SUN JUNE 24 - Galveston Gay Pride events - beach and bars
TUES JUNE 26 - Candlelight Vigil - downtown Houston
WED JUNE 27 - MCCR prayer service and 6 hour radio extravaganza on
kpft radio 90.1 fm from 6 to 12 pm
THURS JUNE 28 - MAC dance
SAT JUNE 30 - Women's Day events

SUN JULY 1 - GAY PRIDE PARADE in Montrose

-----JULY CLUB DATES-----

THURS JULY 5 - social gathering at Ron and Ray's
THURS JULY 12 - monthly business meeting
THURS JULY 19 - social gathering at Larry Shead's
THURS JULY 26 - social gathering (place open)

Unscheduled events - dates and discussion at june and July meetings:

- JULY camping trip
- beach / swim / sail party
- theater outing

-----AUGUST AND BEYOND-----

- AUGUST camping trip
- OCT and NOV Gay Film Festival
- OCT National Lesbian and Gay Peoples March on Washington
- AUGUST pot luck dinner (covered dish)

-----FURTHER INFORMATION-----

For further information about club activities (places, times, etc.)
please call : Larry at 481-2892 or 332-1647; or
write to : t.b.a.g. P.O.Box 985 league city, TX 77573

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July 1979

Larry D. Shead, Editor

FOREWORD

I wish to take just a few moments to thank each of you for your help the past six months. Without your help and encouragement, the T.B.A.G. would have died a long time ago. But you the members of T.B.A.G. has shown to me and the rest of the world that we can unite and fight for what we beleive in. In just a few short months we have begun to make a name for us. and the group has brought many neighbors closer together. When I started the group many people told me that the group would never make it because of our location. But because of t yourhelp we have come a long way. We still have a long way to go. If we UNITE and work together we can go even farther. I feel strongly the the group is needed in this area. There are more people that we nee to reach and help bring them out of th closet. Once again I say LET'S UNITE and work towards that goal.

Larry D. Shead, Founder

JUNE REVIEWED

At the june 7 meeting the members present elected the treasuer nad secretary to serve for the next six months. Erwin Felscher was voted to remain as treasurer an Larry Shead was voted to remain as the Secretary. Erwin and Larry wish to thank you for your vote and confindence. The July meeting was postponed from July 5 until July12 due to the hoilday.

Tom and Doug had a wonderfully sucessful 6 hr. radio program on the Wed. of Gay Pride Week. We all are glad and proud that T.B.A.G.'s had such a talented and industrious pair of folks.

We need to try and get a logo for the group. Bring your ideals and drawing to th July 12 meeting. and lets get a logo foe us.

There will be a discussion on whether to have 1 or 2 business meeting a month. You are asked to try to come and voice your opionion on the subject. We aim to please our membership.

GAY PRIDE WEEK

There many things going on during GPW in Houston. T.B.A.G. also contributed something to GPW. 5 members of the group went to the UH/CLC to talk with a Famil Health class on June 26. We were only suposed to talk to the class for 1 hour. but ended up staying a little over 2 hours. The program consided of a question & answer session. Many of the class members went away understanding Gays and their lifestyles a little better. We expanded a few peoples mind by us being there.

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For those of you interested in hearing good gay radio, "Wilde 'n Stein" has moved to Sunday nights on Pacifica Radio (KPFT), 90.1 FM. If you have been listening to this program on Sunday nights you will hear some familiar voices on the air. The B.A.G. are putting on a News show each night. Members of the group (B.A.G.) are Tom and Fay. From my point of view I think that they are doing a great job of reporting on Gay news in the Area. Keep up the good work. Maybe the B.A.G. Will have an impact on some of the other small area around Texas. The programs start at 10:00P.m.

It was discussed at the April 19 meeting that to help offset the cost of the newsletter that we would start charging a small fee of \$3.00 per year for the B.A.G. Newsletter. The year would start from July 1979 and run to July 1980. If you receive this newsletter and would like to receive it after July you can send your money or check to the address at the heading of this newsletter. Make checks payable to either the Bay Area Gays Newsletter or to myself.

Someone should be in contact with you by phone to remind you of the next meeting place and to get your permission to make up a phone director with just your name and phone number and the town you live in.

The next meeting will be held on May 3, 1979 at the League City Civic Center. Rev. Larsen will be there to give his talk. Come to the meeting and bring a friend. Hope to see you there.

NEWSLETTER CHANGES

s stated in the last issue of the newsletter this issue is no longer free. If you have not yet paid your \$3.00 please send it soon. You can send it to TRAG Box 985 League City, Tx. 77573. If you know anybody that would like to receive this newsletter please pass the word on to them.

JULY CLUB DATES

Thur. July 5 Social gathering at Ron and Ray's
Fri. July 6 "Lot in Sodom" and "Maedchen in Uniform". A Gay Film Festival presented by the Lambda Club. Film starts at 7:30 p.m. at the Channing Hall. First Unitarian Church. These Films will be showing for the next few Friday nights.
Thur. July 12 Business meeting. League City Civic Center. 7:30 p.m.
Fri. July 13, "Victim" presented by Lambda Club.
Sun. July 15, T.B.A.G. Beach Picnic. East Beach in Galveston 11:00 a.m. until ???
Look for cars with brown Parer bags on cars.
Thur. July 19 Social Gathering at Larry Shead's
Sat. and Sun. July 21-22 Camping trip at Austin/ Hippie Hollow.
Thur July 26 Social gathering.. Place to be decided later.
Fri. July 27 "The Bitter Tears of Petra Von Kant".

August CLUB DATES.

Thur. Aug 2 Monthly Business Meeting- League City Civic Center, 7:30 p.m.
Fri Aug 3 "Silverpoint" "Patricia Nixons Wedding" "Im not from here."
Sat. Aug 4. Coming out Anniversary & Pool Party at Larry Shead. Time 7:00p.m. until ??? Come and help me celebrate my first year out of the Closet.
Thur. Aug 9 Social meeting. Place to be announced later.
Fri Aug 16 " " " " " "
Thur Aug 23 Social gathering at Larry Shead
Thur Aug. 30 Pot luck dinner (coverd dish). Place to be decided at the July meeting.

SEPT. AND BEYOND

CT. NOV. Gay Film Festival
CT. 14. National Lesbian and Gay Peoples March on Washington. WILL YOU BE THERE?

FURTHER INFORMATION

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