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A black and white photograph of a man with a beard and mustache, wearing a black t-shirt with a graphic that says "DAY FRONT" and "15th ANNIVERSARY". He is standing in a bar or club, with a bar counter and various items visible in the background.

A black and white photograph of a crime scene. In the foreground, a man wearing a white jumpsuit and a white cap is looking down at the ground. In the background, a body lies on the ground. A sign with a star is visible in the lower right. The scene appears to be outdoors at night or in a dimly lit area.



A black and white photograph of a woman standing next to a table. The woman is wearing a short-sleeved, knee-length dress with a bold, vertical striped pattern. She has dark hair and is looking towards the camera. The table in front of her is covered with a striped tablecloth and has some items on it, including what appears to be a small container or box. The background is dark and indistinct.

Ultra-Sun-fast poster boy George Costello gives thumbs up sign as he prepares to check the beautiful berries on the bar-b-q grill, thereby ignoring the numerous berries inside Jerry Mulholland



A black and white photograph of George and Janine at a bar. George, a man with a beard and mustache, is wearing a light-colored polo shirt and is seated at the bar. He is looking towards the camera with a slight smile. Janine, a woman with dark hair, is standing next to him, leaning over his shoulder. She is wearing a dark top and has her hands clasped in front of her. The bar has a dark, textured wall with various bottles and glasses visible in the background. The lighting is somewhat dim, typical of a bar setting.

George and Jamie told Jerry that if he got Lucinda drunk enough he could have his way with her; he needs her another glass of Everclear in this Memorial Day photo. Hope springs eternal//Jerry Mulholland



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# PLANETARY IMPACT

★ By Laurence of New Orleans  
★ The Heavenly Road To Hell II:  
That Old Devil Moon  
Part One of this column was my-  
teriously lost, late last month, just  
before May, (the double act of  
love intervention.) I promised  
that on the starry path to perdition,  
Nephtali was leading toward  
destruction in the name of love. So  
even if you damned this far, don't  
think of the God in vain, because  
there is still time.  
He's so sweet! Saturn, Prince of  
Darkness, may just raise his horned  
head again in June, and there is no  
white-washing in the fact that your soul  
may yet be lost. Before the Dark of  
the Moon on the 12th, or at least by  
the Full Moon, right after the Eve of  
St. John, the most evil day in  
Voodoo tradition, beware! Especially  
the following dates: the 6th, the 12th,  
and the 23rd.  
Carnie: Hope you take hell on  
your birthday, but heaven help you  
this coming week if you plan to travel.  
It could be a real hassle, or at least  
disappointing till mid month. Work  
will be a bitch later on.  
Cancer: This month, you're  
damned if you do and damned if you  
don't do the right thing to please a  
lover, or even just a sex partner.  
Arguments could ensue over the  
household budget, or how much  
you're expected to pay the trustee.  
Leo: Celestial conditions are good  
for keeping the home fires burning in  
other words, your domestic scene  
could be a thing till the next few  
weeks. A person you live with may  
become a fiery demon, or a stone-  
faced gargoyle.  
Virgo: An insidious evil presence  
is lurking in your life. Beware! This  
could fill your mind with hidden fear,  
resentment, or hatred. Negative  
thinking may affect job performance,  
so knock it off.  
Libra: You won't be your usual  
Miss Goody Two Shoes for long!  
Demure influences may give  
you a slight tendency to kill a friend  
sometime this month. The contriver-  
sy could be over sex or money.  
Scorpio: Your reputation as a  
poisonous viper from Hades will be  
well-earned before the month ends.  
Picks or prunings at work and  
home will have you breaking fire,  
unless you put on a smiley face or chill  
out.  
Sagittarius: Pluto, Lord of the  
Underworld, is lurking in your hidden  
house (behind). Late in the  
month, you could be your own worst  
enemy. As for now, don't let negative  
thoughts like hatred or fear of the  
worst plague you.  
Capricorn: You don't stand a  
prayer any time in the near future of  
managing your money successfully or  
winning your worldly ambitions.  
Mammon, the accountant from Hell,  
declares that you could get burned by  
someone!  
Aquarius: Hell hath no fury like a  
lover scorned right now. Frustration  
between you and someone else  
could give me to dangerous anger.  
At the very best, you may get treated  
coldly a little later on, or written off  
Pages. Don't look now, but now  
your uces are showing. If you are  
neglecting your health, you will pay  
for your sins very soon. Short of that,  
unseen enemies are out to get you,  
and they probably will try to keep  
you sorry.  
Aries: Your relationships look like  
really "hot" stuff this month. That  
burning sensation may not be in your  
trunk, but in your urethra. Can you  
spell V.D.? Or if you're not careful,  
your love may go to Hades.  
Taurus: "Top of the world, Ma!" —  
James Cagney in *White Heat*. Your  
life, too, could come to fiery black  
in June if you're a Dole. The further  
higher up you are at work, the further  
you may fall. Or sparks at home may  
lit the roof. Don't jump.

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**FROM STAR HE LINES UP... OF 'OUTLAW' LEGAL STATUS IN GREAT BRITAIN**

From a report in the Bay Area Reporter by John Kary, JD Slater from sex columnist J.D. Slater announced that he is leaving the hard-core performing world of legal action against him in Great Britain. Slater published in *Newsweek* magazine, Slater thanked the public for his fit-teen-year career and said he was leaving the erotic circus. "He told me to work without a net," he told the B.A.R. that recently an English man was arrested and sentenced to six months imprisonment for the crime of owning a video Slater had produced and marketed. Under British law if the British government seizes an obscene video that was imported, it can impound the video and sell the purchaser, and bring extradition proceedings against the producer and the pornography charges. Slater faces some similar charges in Canada. He has liquidated his assets, and says that the English government is changing him. "Just for being a homosexual scene," Slater says. "State Department had to know a bone in England, it could be me."

Besides his legal problems, Slater has also suffered from ill health in the form of testicular cancer. Beginning in 1976, Slater applied for some numerous times and visits among them, Oregon, Florida, A Night, Handsome, Rough, Last, A Night, Alone with A Father, Carlethen Chuang, et., et., before he began producing and directing his own work. Slater's production company has now been submitted by the publishers of *Dominance* magazine. He now lives in San Francisco, planning a documentary on death therapy, dealing with turning grief to positive aspects, for which funds have yet to be raised.

**RUN'S FOR BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**

Almer Mason, a 29-year-old Boston businessman, who is also black, gay and a Republican, is also running his candidacy for the Boston City Council on April 20 in the African Meeting House in Boston. Mason is running for a large seat on the Council. If elected, he would be the first openly gay black man to hold city office in a major American city. It might seem odd to some younger readers, but until the New Deal, the Republican Party was the black party in America. Describing his candidacy, as that of a "triple minority" candidate, as that of "I believe I embody a coalition that believe my candidacy will in some sense be a referendum on Boston." Mason is a Harvard graduate, the owner of two small businesses, is on the boards of the Black Business Round Table, as well as the Massachusetts Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights.

**CHINESE PLAN MASS HIV TESTING**  
 In order to get a clear picture of AIDS distribution in China, the government of that country will test some three million of its citizens. Speaking at a World Health Organization conference in Beijing, Dr. Dai Zhenchun, head of the health ministry's Department of Epidemic Prevention, said that the testing will respect international standards of privacy and that blood samples will be identified only numerically. The bulk of Chinese AIDS cases are concentrated in Yunnan province, which borders the fabled "Golden Triangle" opium-growing region of Thailand, Laos and Burma; some 3,000 drug users in Yunnan are believed to be infected with HIV.

**BSA SAYS GAYS ARE 'POOR ROLE MODELS' - WINS CASE**

A decade-long dispute between Timmy Curran and the Boy Scouts of America ended May 21 in Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Sally G. Griesco (it's so California we have Judge Griesco). They have a judge ruled that the Constitution does precedence over state law in that the Boy Scouts have the right to bar Curran, a gay man, from becoming a scoutmaster. Requiring the BSA to accept Curran would interfere with the organization's right, as a private organization, to tell members that homosexuality is wrong. Part of the national policy of the BSA defined gays as poor role models. Curran was asked to leave the Scouts in 1980 when he asked a young man to his senior prom. When his request to return as an adult leader was denied in 1981, he began the litigation finally decided by Judge Griesco. He says he will appeal the ruling. His lawyer, Jon Davidson, said, "If the Boy Scouts claimed to espouse anti-Semitism, would that excuse the exclusion of all Jewish Scoutmasters?"

**OREGON GOVERNOR UNIGES GAY RIGHTS PASSAGE**  
 Oregon Governor Barbara Roberts saying that "we cannot stand silently by while any Oregonian faces the loss of civil rights," urged state legislators to pass a gay rights bill. Appear before the Senate Business, Housing and Finance Committee on April 16, the gov said the state should send a message that it will not tolerate another "season of silence" toward discrimination. Ms. Roberts support, unusual for a governor, may help passage of a bill adding "sexual orientation" to a list of conditions prohibiting discrimination. The bill has already been passed by the Oregon legislature up till now.

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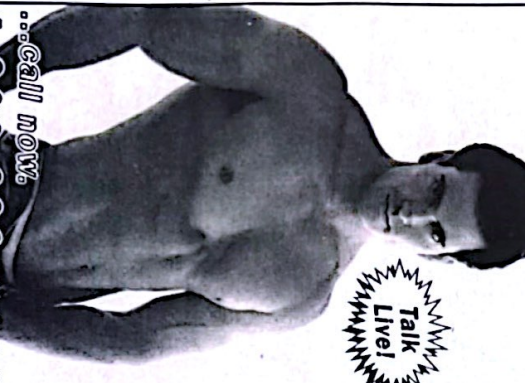
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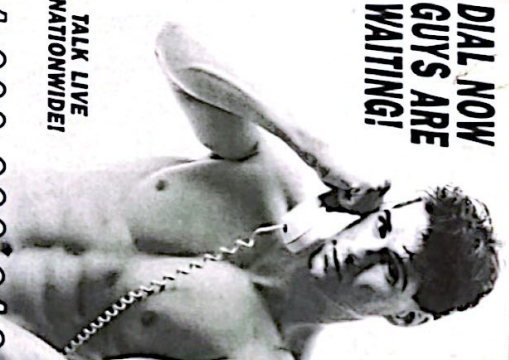
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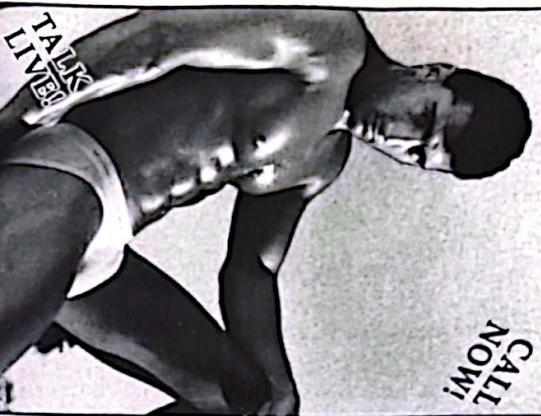
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Show tickets for the benefit are \$40 each and patron tickets, including a cash party after the performance, in the Blue Room of the Fairmont Hotel, are \$75. A portion of the ticket purchase price is tax-deductible.

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The Krewé of Petronius is seeking comic actors and actresses for its upcoming New Orleans premiere production of Charles Busch's *Vampire Lesbians of Sodom*, which will be presented by the Krewé in the Coler Room of Municipal Auditorium for two performances only on Saturday, August 3.

Director George Patterson is looking for three actors aged at cross-dressing, one ingenuit, and three men. Anyone interested should call Mickey Gil, 525-4498, for further details and an audition appointment. Mickey says, "This is a funnier play than Busch's *Psycho Beach Party*, and we're very excited about having obtained the rights to this property. The Krewé of Petronius promises you an outrageous production."

## THEATRE MARGARY PREMIERE IS BENEFIT FOR COURTROOM ADVOCATE PROGRAM

Theatre Margary closes its Tenth Anniversary Season with the local premiere of Israel Horowitz's *The Widow's Blind Date* which relates the events surrounding the return of a 37-year old woman to her home town, after a twenty year absence, to meet up with two of the men who gang raped her in high school.

Margary will use this vehicle to raise money for The Courtroom Advocate Program, one of many such programs that have grown out of a concern that rape victims are traumatized by the prospect of going to court and testifying in front of both the accused rapist and strangers. Rape victims experience fear and anxiety in re-telling the sexual assault in graphic detail and being vigorously cross-examined by a defense attorney. The program assists the victim through the pre-trial and trial process to make sure that she does not get lost in the system, and to make sure that she is prepared for each step of the way. The program was founded as a joint effort by the YWCA and the Association for Women Attorneys with significant financial and volunteer support from the National Council of Jewish Women.

## QUEER NATION/NEW ORLEANS TO HOST PUBLIC UNION CELEBRATION

Members of the gay, lesbian, and bisexual community in Southeast Louisiana are invited to come out and publicly affirm their special relationships with corporations, friends, and members June 28, at 6:30 p.m., on the downtown waterfront at the end of St. Philip Street. The same ceremony and celebration, called *Queer Nation/NEW ORLEANS*, has been planned by the New Orleans tribe of *Queer Nation* as part of the celebration of the pride parade scheduled for the week of June 23-30, and it will give members of the local regional community an opportunity to come together and celebrate unity, with friends, family, and with the community as a whole.

The concept for the celebration stemmed from a desire on the part of the *Queer Nation/NEW ORLEANS* members to get to know other people in the community and reaffirm the common bond that all queer people share. In a time when the gay, lesbian, and bisexual population finds itself divided over issues and priorities, the month of June is a special time to recognize that bond as well as to celebrate it. In addition, this ceremony will give couples a chance to publicly declare their love and/or commitment to one another. *Queer Nation* will provide union certificates for every couple who attends the ceremony.

## PRIDE PARADE & FEST DETAILED

The New Orleans Alliance of Pride presents the Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade and Festival June 29th and 30th at Washington Square Park. This will be New Orleans' 12th year celebrating the Stonewall Riots of June 1969, considered the birth of the modern gay and lesbian liberation movement. The theme of this year's events is "Pride in Plural."

The weekend will start with the parade at 12 Noon on Saturday, June 29. Lineup is at 10 a.m. on the Elysian Fields side of the park. The parade is a celebration of the community's pride in its diversity and its commitment to social justice. The parade is a celebration of the community's pride in its diversity and its commitment to social justice. The parade is a celebration of the community's pride in its diversity and its commitment to social justice.

After the parade, at approximately 2 p.m., the opening ceremonies will officially begin the festival, and special guests will be introduced. Then the entertainment begins, featuring such as the *Gay Men's Chorus*, *New Orleans Women's Blues Collective*, *Becky Allen* and *Reidy Graham* and *Harry Allen*. The festival is a celebration of the community's pride in its diversity and its commitment to social justice. The festival is a celebration of the community's pride in its diversity and its commitment to social justice. The festival is a celebration of the community's pride in its diversity and its commitment to social justice.

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big hit on the women's music festival circuit and will be appearing at the East Coast Lesbian Festival (the will also be appearing in a night concert during the Gay and Lesbian Cultural Festival on June 29). Edna Town-ent was born in South Carolina and has toured the country with her band, including performing at several women's festivals and has opened for K.d. lang. Elaine will also be performing at Mixx, on Sunday night after the Pride Festival. And the festival will also have New Orleans own, Charmaine Neville and her band, featuring Annas Miller and Reggie Houston. And much more. We're honored to have such a great entertainment lineup.

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great prizes. Sunday after the entertainment, be sure to stick around for the M. and M. Sater Sex Contest sponsored by the New Orleans AIDS Task Force. Please help to keep the parade route and park clean and safe, there are non-traditional trashcans placed in NOLA. P. Board and no coolers are allowed in the park. For more information or to volunteer for the weekend call 566-0232 or 527-0050. Come and join us "together in Pride" at Washington Square Park on June 29th and 30th.

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# LIFE UPON THE WICKED STAGE

By Ed Reed

Of the several new theatrical productions which opened recently, I have thus far seen three. Two are bright comedies, and at the third I had to settle guitars at the ponderous seriousness. In all three, as in the long-running *Women Behind Bars* at the Toulouse, actors are being paid—a point worth noting, since the players currently toiling by our so-called professional theatre are not.

The final production of the season at the Contemporary Arts Center is *Heiner Muller's Desperate Showers*. *Medea* and *Landscapes* with Hebert and her cohorts thinks it is high art, like most of the audience, I think it is a pretentious crap, ranting right up there with the CAC's own *European Update* and *Southern Raps As You Like It*.

Heiner Muller is supposedly a "chic" avant-garde playwright from East Germany, where he became a favorite state artist of the now-pailed Eric Honecker by writing politically correct social realist dramas about idealistic workers who repair the factory machinery while it is still running, thus heretically maiming themselves and lowering the wages of their comrades in labor. When Muller eventually saw the hand-

writing on the wall, and realized that eventually the wall would be crumbling down, he dropped his social realism and looked around for some remedy. On the pseudo-intelligence he calls synthetic poetic images, it is known as rock video—brief paid—a point worth noting, since the players currently toiling by our so-called professional theatre are not.

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"Your breath a stench of alien bed" or "What grave shall protect the from your youth?" The poet, with his question, "Who has the better teeth sale is figuratively killing its children, but that has more to do with its own political amorality and disinterest in education than in any revenge against oil companies.

If Muller's images don't make any sense at all, his prose is even more meaningless. Even when the dialogue is grammatical, which isn't frequently, I really don't know what in the hell characters are talking about when they say things like

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But we hardly care about environmental pollution. Included in this any fancy mish-mash is a lot of bad acting through how can good actors like Amanda Miller and Lyle Hay Owen be so bad? What he came up with on the Toulouse, actors are being paid—a point worth noting, since the players currently toiling by our so-called professional theatre are not.

In fact it's rather on a witty melancholy plane, since it deals with a group of adults coping with holiday cheer, being served up by the Bayou Dinner Theatre. Season's Greetings is somehow wonderful, even if it isn't one of those that overdid plotting or complex situations for which he's so fond. He is this kind of warm and sentimental play the life implies. In fact it's rather on a witty melancholy plane, since it deals with a group of adults coping with holiday cheer, being served up by the Bayou Dinner Theatre.

Season's Greetings is a joy, and it is played to perfection, and that's as good as theatre gets this season, so go and give yourself a Christmas present in June. At the Bayou Dinner Theatre, those old pros George Kelly and Stocker Fontenau are changing through one of the great old-fashioned American farces of the Thirties, Room Service. This show about show business (Kelly is a slightly dishonest producer trying to keep his cast together in a hotel when he has no money) is one of those last-moment plays that depend on loud volume, mastery of style, and perfect timing. The volume and style were there at the early performance I saw, but the timing is too by now. In the end, the second act pause can drive off the pace and surprisingly the few slips were attributable to the old pros and not the good supporting cast which included Eric Gibson (fresh from his *Unforgettable* role at the Marigny), Paula Mule, Matt Accardo, Kelly Osterberg, and as Louise Parsons used to say, a host of others—too bad theatrical economics won't allow such big-cast comedies anymore.



laughed at "I'm not a dick, I'm a doctor," or "The food in this hotel is lousy." I was also quite taken with such concepts as Stocker as a director who couldn't think with his clothes on, and the idea for a new art form—just scenery and cracks. Can we talk to the CAC about this?

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## DATeline: PARIS OF THE SWAMPS

Perhaps we should change the name of this column to *Palemo* or the *Puddles* because all we can read about these days has to do with rain and the fine old Italian hands of the new-defrocked Father Cnel. Father Cnel, having been run out of the uptown parish of St. Rita's, home parish of some recent kings and queens of Miami Gays, and himself someone a light under the bushel of ignorance known as Tulane University, distinguished himself not so much in the immigrant history that he taught at Tulane, but in the magnitude of the collection of child pornography and the sheer volume of the homemade pornography, with himself as the star.

Cnel, in the classic mode of the truly sleazy and criminal, when he perceived the rapid breath of June Law on his back, got married, fathered a child, and decamped to New York. We note that his residence between his deterring and subsequent detention in New York was in the 1500 block of St. Charles, that is, the block right off St. Charles, where he was again in the

midst of our four-royally, Kings and Queens of Tex. It's wasn't about to settle into that block of this corner of the street where, for the record, the videos were made, a little higher way made possible by a combination of the free room and board at St. Rita's and his Tulane salary.

Thus, to the old edition of the truly depraved criminal, when convicted or about to be convicted, get him in and embrace Christianity, there is added a new coronary: many a rich woman.

Since Cnel was already a priest and could hardly therefore embrace Christianity much more without developing the signs he will not go unremarked by criminal minds everywhere that he is a particularly most appropriate, probably because most crime or social crime to many homosexuals. Most of them have to make do with what they can—overage and nail high school teachers and social workers.

The amusing case of Jimmy Carter's nephew comes to mind. The second night after his early release from prison to his new bride, a social worker of uncertain age that

certainly older than he, young William got drunk, beat up on her, and went out to join his friends at the nearest hustler bar. The new Mrs. Cnel may have a lot to look forward to, possibly including a rapid disposition of her fortune. Since we have not noted her maiden name recorded in the local sleazebag daily, we wonder if she might be some antique former queen of one of the minor Carnival levees. If anyone can elaborate on this matter, please write Marcel in care of this column, nor the stamina to go wandering through Neil Nolan's pap describing post-prandial deliriums, etc.

Current resident Kevin Conner can be seen everywhere around town these days, smiling, giving autographs, patronizing homely female admirers. A few months ago, in this august Journal, you read about his supposed good build (i.e., big daddy and that he would not be in the flick Robin Hood in lights if said rights were too tight. Well, we took this with a grain of salt—more in the current *Premiere* magazine, have to reconsider.

There is one picture of him in profile, talking with the director, and unless the camera lies, as it often does, it's tawny, it's tawny in the immortal words of Madeline Kahn in *Beating Saddle*.

Well, Conner got to show his ass in *Dances With Wolves*, and we understand he will again in *Robin Hood*. Prince of Theives, and we have to say, it didn't stir anyone up to frenzy. But, if he looks good in lights, well—as they say in Holly-

wood—little events we use will in the house. Anything for the public good. A benoit, Marcel.

## CRACKERS TRY TO HAVE GAY BOOK REMOVED FROM ARKANSAS LIBRARY; LIBRARIAN STANDS FIRM

Some of the residents of Rogers, Arkansas, want book called *Intimacy* between Men removed from the shelves of the Rogers High Memorial Library, and they will have a chance to plead their case [?] when the library board meets. One Hank Wetmeyer, reading about the purchase of the book in a newspaper article, wrote the library, asking that the book be removed. A couple named Kim and Doris Peery, equally enlightened, also complained in writing to the library. Mr. Wetmeyer, who sounds a few notches down the food chain from that other Arkansas inhabitant, Snuffy Smith, said that after just reading the title, he was moved to protest. "It simply said how [sic] men could have more meaningful relationships with each other, and that was enough for me. Homosexuality is against the law in this state. People like this aren't Christians, they can't be. The Peerys think the library ought to be limited to academic research."

Alice Melvin, the head librarian, said the book is likely to remain on the shelves, and said it "speaks to the emotional and psychological needs of

gays. It's a human, universal, joining anybody to be gay. It has an inherent value." Only four books of the 45,000 in the city library deal with homosexuality. Two of the four deal with the life of the gay and lesbian movement, said Ms. Melvin. "We didn't have anything that addressed the psychological needs of gays. Although it might be a minority group in the community, I have a responsibility to serve the diverse needs of all the people."

preference through companions with their own experience of racial and religious prejudice. "When I found out I had a gay child, I went back into the closet," says Pauline Goodman, who endured the Nazi occupation of France. "My child was in the closet as what we had suffered. I made the parallel early on that this was the same situation of fear and anguish. It was oppression."

A provocative panel discussion follows, offering an unprecedented forum for a group of scholars, community leaders, artists, politicians, and legal experts, both gay and straight, to present in the larger struggle for human dignity. Among them are Larry Kramer, Jewelle Gomez, Roberta Achtemeier of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, Betty Alexander, Scholar of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Abby Rubenfeld, and Justice Richard C. Falls of the Supreme Court of the State of New York. Says Congressman Craig A. Washington (D-Texas) at the close of the show, "There are people like this all over the country who are gay and they are... people just like everyone else... Regardless of how we divide ourselves into God's little acre here or there, distinguishing who we like or don't like, none of us are free until all of us are free."

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## OUT IN AMERICA WILL AIR ON PBS FOR GAY PRIDE WEEK

*Out in America*, a one-hour national public television special will air Wednesday, June 26 at 10 p.m. at 8 p.m. Airing in conjunction with Gay and Lesbian Pride Week, (June 23-30), the program is the first national television show to explore the achievements and obstacles of the struggle for gay rights in historical comparison to other civil rights movements. *Out in America* is co-hosted by Andrew Humm and features a distinguished panel of experts.

Almost 22 years after the Stonewall riot sparked the start of the Gay Rights movement, anti-gay violence and discrimination continue to be major forces in the daily lives of gay and lesbian citizens. *Out in America* begins its examination of these critical issues with a short film profiling several parents who have come to terms with their children's sexual

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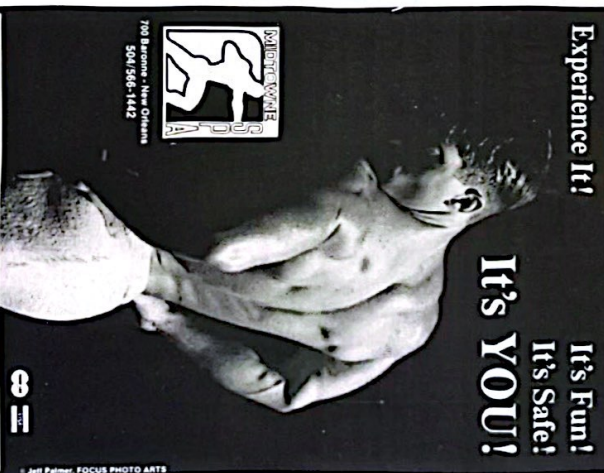
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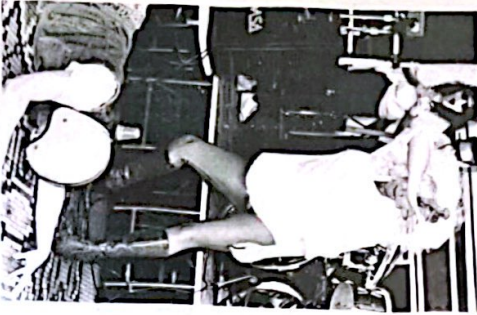
# UNDER COVER OF NIGHT



Crew and the Pals prepare to spend a party from 2007 for Superhero Day. Photo: Jerry Anderson



In a new economy move at the Thursday's birthday celebration, bar management limited the number of people at the bar, so that patrons would not feel like Jerry Anderson.



The Leader of the Pals, Jerry Anderson, is seen in a room during the recent Superhero Day celebration. Photo: Jerry Anderson



After repeated calls to Jerry Anderson, who was unavailable, concerned patrons at 2007 to get a video birthday party to go home and stop off the birthday party. Jerry Anderson



Celebrating his birthday at The Grand Bar, Jerry Anderson, a former patron of the exclusive bar, is seen in a room during the recent Superhero Day celebration. Photo: Jerry Anderson



In need of a few birthday candles before going off to perform a birthday song show in Costa Rica for the Star Festival, Jerry Anderson is seen in a room during the recent Superhero Day celebration. Photo: Jerry Anderson



Shawn, Herman, is that their school started at this restaurant and at the same time, the birthday party was held at the same time. Photo: Jerry Anderson

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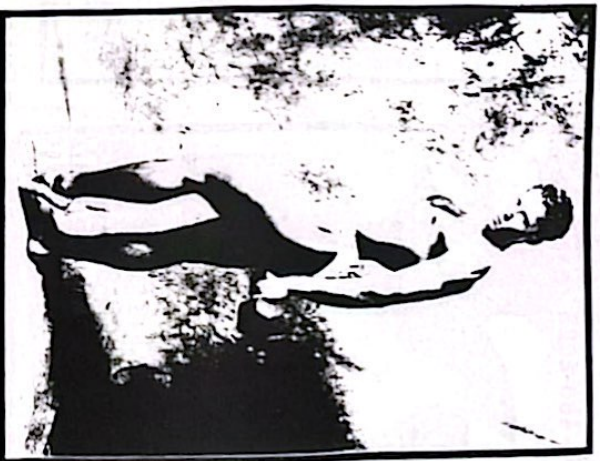


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When you weigh yourself, do it always at the same time of day. I recommend first thing in the morning, after you shower. Weigh yourself no more than once a week, say every Monday, and the least you ought to weigh yourself is once a month, when you change your calendar. At the end of the year, you can check to see how you did.

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Keep track of your measurements, but don't be obsessed with them. Do the best you can with every workout and meal, and the change for the better will be noticed and long lasting.

**Don't Measure To Fit?**  
 You've heard so many people say that all those muscles on that guy are going to turn to fat. That's the biggest lie since they said the world was flat or that lead could be turned to gold. When you go to the grocery, you don't pick up a pound of fat, is it? A pound of meat, and what?

The truth of the matter is that when muscles aren't exercised they atrophy (although, conversely, in the leanest cuts, if not used, they are consumed in excess of calories expenditure are stored as fat. Much of this fat is deposited right over the muscles that were once strong and



slightly. Sometimes it doesn't even look as if the muscle is there any more.

It's not the muscle mass that causes your body to become overweight when you stop working out. It's your eating habits and the consumption of excess calories. Haven't you seen the big ex-hunk who stopped exercising, walking down the street? He still has the broad shoulders, large arms, but now he looks at that stomach hanging over his belt. Ugh!

He's what they call "gone to pot." Don't let it happen to you. Keep or get yourself in shape. It's easy; a little at a time, be consistent in your eating and drinking habits, and exercise will take you to a healthy, happy, hunky life. Best of luck—do it!

**Frank Vickers, Bodybuilder & Gay Porn Star, Succumbs to AIDS**  
 Roger Koch, who as Frank Vickers, appeared in gay male films and magazines, died in late February of complications from AIDS. A tall figure in the leather and bodybuilding community, Koch was born in Queens in 1948. He won a bi-state bodybuilding contest in 1982 and had performed at many Manhattan clubs, appeared in the (non-singing) role of the Executioner in Tunder at the Metropolitan Opera, and was the subject of a number of photographs by Robert Mapplethorpe, including one in drag.

He was best known as the depiction of beefcake photographs and his appearances in a number of porn films, including *Triple Tree*, *Easy Entry*, *Worship*, *Man After Man* and others. Vickers had a long association with first, Coll and Buckskin,

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 and then with the videographer Christopher Rago, who died two months after Vickers, also from AIDS.

Vickers joins the growing number of gay porn performers who have succumbed to AIDS, a list that includes: Kevin Karp, Bill Ed Bono, Kenny Kinn, Marshall, Tony Bravo, Chris Ladd, Dave Connors, Fred Halsted, Casey Donovan, and Mike Davis.

**Play safely!**  
 Please send me your comments, suggestions, news on bodybuilding contests, photos, etc., at Impact, PO Box 52079, New Orleans LA 70152.

**TRAVEL: PARIS...**  
**VOULEZ-VOUS COUCHER AVEC MOI, CE SOIR?**  
 Ah, Paris. The city of light and love, it's so beautiful and its spirit is so ardently breathtaking. Paris is the political and cultural capital of France, with its many historic and elegant buildings (the Louvre Museum, Les Invalides, the Eiffel Tower and Arc du Triomphe), and its Tour and the famous Champs-Élysées. The city is divided into two distinct sections: the Right Bank (to the east of the Seine River) which is commercial and the Left Bank (to the west) which is the heart of Paris. The Left Bank has some of the world's greatest restaurants, the most famous for fashion, perfumes, and food. Paris is also rich in its gay life, offering a wide range of opportunities for pleasure and entertainment. The gay scene extends all over the metropolitan area, but most establishments are located in the Marais/Les Halles districts in Paris. Another area for gay entertainment is the sophisticated Saint Germain de Paris boulevard with great small cafes and restaurants, allowing for a view of sexy Parisians walking by.

Le Club B.H. and Haute Tension are very popular dance bars. Boudoir features the best gay nightlife in Paris. Le Scaramouche is a pleasant dance bar with late night parties on weekends. L'Helium is a popular restaurant bar, *salon de la police* cream parlor. Le Sing is an exclusively feminine bar-cub-resturant offering candlelit dinners. Kailash is one of the most chic women's bars in the world. For nightclub entertainment and a true feeling of gay Paris, visit Chez Michou, where drag shows have a real French flavor. Even if you don't understand French, you'll still enjoy it.

Paris summers are warm and dry, with average temperatures around 64°, but can reach into the mid-to-high 80's even outside of your hotel room. Many delightful sights, sounds

**NEW ORLEANS GAY MEN'S CHORUS ON THE MOVE**  
 The New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus is pleased to announce its move to the UNO Performing Arts Center. A professional rehearsal and performance space has been a top priority for some time now, and with access to UNO, this has been realized. All Tuesday evening rehearsals will take place in the choral rehearsal room, #203, from 7 to 10 p.m. The Chorus' concert—two performances each—will be performed in the 375-seat, acoustically perfect UNO Recital Hall, home of the state chorus competition. UNO is easily accessible and has unlimited free parking and good 24-hour security.

In addition, the Chorus has now established a new scholarship fund within the state department of UNO to reflect the commitment of the Chorus to the community. Beginning this fall, a special scholarship will be awarded to foster students in choral ensemble music. Selection will be made in conjunction with the faculty, and monies will be awarded in both the fall and spring semesters. This is the first time that a scholarship has been established to promote choral music studies at UNO and the faculty is enthusiastic about this support from the Chorus.

In light of these exciting changes, the Chorus has recognized the June performance schedule. This year, instead of a separate concert away from the Gay Pride festivities, the Chorus will present an expanded program on Saturday afternoon following the opening ceremonies in Washington Square.

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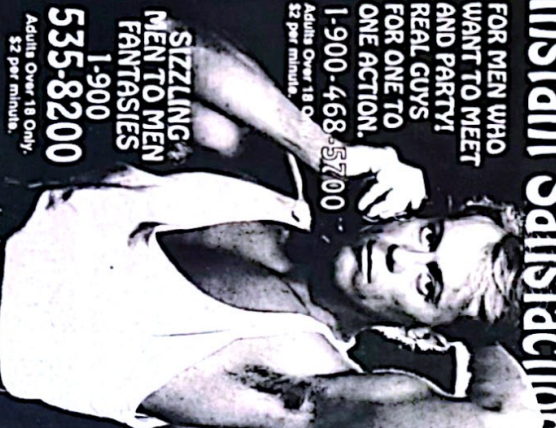
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A vote referendum in Denver on May 21 upheld the city's intent gay rights ordinance by a margin of 55 to 45. The drive to save the ordinance was led by the Equal Housing Opportunity Coalition, or EEOC, led by Mayor Federico Peña and the Colorado Council of Churches. The vote represents a high level of opposition on the part of Denver voters, said Mayor Peña. "This is the first time in the history of the city that we have lost a referendum," said Robert Steven Foster.

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# LETTERS

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the most recent episode by Louis Lickard in which you chose to print. My question is, why are you apparently the only one in the city who gives any credence to the rankings and ratings of this infidelical book? I believe this community is truly wary of the person, someone who can do only that: complain. For roughly a year he has been harassing and berating people and organizations who are making an honest effort to improve or enact our community. He is not only making an honest effort to make no effort to debate any of the problems he cites, except to debate those who do try.

His most recent letter is a prime example of how Mr. Lickard is a man of many words and few thoughts. His complaints were about the recent change of "Gay Pride, Inc." to the "New Orleans Alliance of Pride." This organization thoroughly explained the motivation and logic for the change in an article in your very publication recently. It was articulate, written in English, and neither I nor any of my friends had trouble understanding this. The group simply chose a name that inherently includes (not excludes) all facets of our community. Sure, they could have settled on Lesbian and Gay Pride, Inc., but then what of the transvestites and transgenderes, the Afro-American Queens, the Asian Queens, the Black Dykes, the leather queens, and the theatre queens? Seems to me we're all in an alliance, proud of who and what we are.

It is my understanding from the current publicity that the festival in June is not changing, except that Gay Pride is now the Gay and Lesbian Pride Festival. This seems just fine to me; the sponsoring organization can call themselves anything they want as long as they continue to give us that wonderful weekend in Washington Square Park every June. I think it was Shakespeare (or LBJ) that said, "What's in a name? A rose by any other name would smell as sweet." So, why continue to humiliate Mr. Lickard and torture the rest of us by continuing to publish his letters? For one, will not give him any recognition until I have actually seen him actually working with any of these organizations to improve his criticisms.

Sincerely,

Bruce Thornburgh  
Ed Reply: Sure, Mr. Thornburgh, as an obviously intelligent man, you realize that the publication of a letter in this space does not constitute an endorsement of its views, or to use your phrase, lend them any credence. Any more than the appearance of your own letter could be construed as complete agreement on the part of our staff with all of its points.

To the Editor:

A short note to let you know that

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and honor the story with Cts Williams' "Song of the Soul." You won't want to miss that! And remember, plan now to join the Gay Men's Chorus in September when rehearsals begin for the holiday season. Stop by the Chorus booth over Gay Pride Weekend for more information or leave a message at 245-8884, and we'll call you!

## NOVAA DONATES \$9,700 TO COMMUNITY RELIEF FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS

New Orleans Women Against AIDS is pleased to announce that the organization has presented a check for \$9,700 to Community Relief for Persons with AIDS or AIDS. The donation represents the amount, after all expenses have been met, from NOVAA's annual spring fundraiser, which included a concert by Lynn Lerner and Robin Tyler, an auction of original works by Louisiana artists, and a score to meet the entrance. NOVAA, established in 1986 by several women wanting to make an impact in the increasingly apparent AIDS crisis, raises funds for direct temporary financial assistance to PWAs and PWAFs.

## EPISCOPAL BISHOP DEFENDS LESBIAN'S ORDINATION

The Episcopal Bishop of Washington has defended his decision to ordain a lesbian as a priest—a decision made the subject of a heated, I-don't-think-I'm-ready-for-that response by Your President (that's not me, I didn't vote for him), calling her "an able candidate for the ordained ministry.... In all her discussions with diocesan representatives, the candidate has been clear and candid about her sexuality and lifestyle," said Bishop Ronald Haines of Elizabeth L. Carl. "She has handled herself well in the connection, being forthright about herself, yet sensitive to the differing views of others," went his statement. He acknowledged that Ms. Carl, 44, "has for a number of years openly lived in a loving and intimate relationship with another woman."

The controversial Elizabeth Carl has served as a choir member, lay reader, lay minister, and 1985. She graduated from Union Theological Seminary in New York last year and began her job as assistant minister of the Church of the Epiphany in Washington last month. There is no Episcopal Church law that would forbid Ms. Carl's ordination, according to Jeffrey Penn, spokesman for the church's national headquarters, but Penn added that a resolution passed in 1979 at the Episcopal Church General Convention read that it was "not appropriate to ordain practicing homosexuals or those engaged in sexual relationships outside of marriage." The church has ordained women only since 1974. Bishop Haines said that Ms. Carl would not use her ministry as a

public platform to advance any perceived cause relating to human sexuality.

## NEW VACCINE OFFERS HOPE

Scientists say they have developed a genetically engineered HIV vaccine that appears to be safe and effective. Reporting results in the June 19 issue of *Science*, researchers at the University of California, San Diego, said they had developed a vaccine that appears to be safe and effective. The vaccine is based on a weakened form of the virus that causes AIDS. It is the first vaccine to be tested in humans. The vaccine was tested in a group of 100 people. The results showed that the vaccine was safe and effective. The vaccine was also found to be effective in preventing the spread of the virus. The vaccine was also found to be effective in preventing the spread of the virus. The vaccine was also found to be effective in preventing the spread of the virus.

Redfield's study used a different vaccine—a copy of the virus' outer coat manufactured by insect cells through gene splicing. The researchers found that this protein could induce the body to produce AIDS-fighting antibodies that the whole virus did not. In the test tube at least, some of the antibodies appear able to kill a wide range of distantly related HIV viruses.

Whether it will do the same thing inside the body is, of course, problematic. The vaccine does appear to protect T-cells, in people getting booster vaccines every three months, levels remained the same for up to 27 months of follow-up. At New England Medical Center in Boston, Dr. Sheldon Wolff said of the results, "I'm impressed with it. Should everybody be getting it? We absolutely can't say that. But it certainly is worthy of more study."

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We really do recommend enthusiastically the *Boy's* McDonald anesthesiologist for those who want confirmation of this. He does nothing to clean up germs, spelling or usage, and said, possibly implying the same, some poignant incidents. If these incidents affect at all what is going on in the arena of male-male sex, we believe they do, there is only one story of transvestism in the entire nine or ten volumes that comes to mind. It is the recollection of the career by a team of impoverished and ignorant background who "was in drag when I was hustler." His story of drugs and deceit, stealing and doing time, and although sometimes funny and nihilistic, is basically a revealing panorama of small-time chiselers and grifters, drag queens and their escorts, some of whom are stupid enough to believe that they are real women, despite the stubble of beard to be seen poking through the thick, thick makeup. This type, however, will be the most obvious of the per-sonae to gather in Washington Square, and elsewhere around the country, for the culmination of Pride Week. They are the tip of the iceberg that we believe will with the ship *Gay Sensibility*. Whatever that may be, *On a Hot Blue Evening* right, that gay sensibility is a relevant concept, a sensibility that is not dead.

Sometimes we, despite the shell of cynicism in which we hide (and we consider ourselves no better than anyone else, in our quality of character and behavior), are overcome by the loss of friends to the deadly plague and the pit in the soul left by the death of a friend remains ugly and mean. Like a potshoe in a New Orleans street, yet those of our number perishing of AIDS is still no less as large as the number of those dying of alcoholism and other drug abuses. This situation is not gay, it's grim, and the movement is ridden with factional disputes (read any issue of *OutWeek* for the gory details) and controversial topics.

The city of San Jose continues very hard and the latest reporting of the epidemic is appalling its quality. In California, the people of differing sexual orientation who fund the fund-raising events brought TV time to broadcast the excess of the San Francisco Gay Parade. In short, the excess recently revived adage from Walker Kelly's *Pogo*: We have met the enemy and he is us.

Marching bands in battle, hymn playing as the Titanic sinks, may be romantic and gay, but unless we face our real problems and seek real solutions, even an immediate cure for AIDS will not do; that will necessarily be a medical solution.

The solutions to the bigotry and oppression we face daily will have to come from ourselves, singly and collectively, and the sooner we address those problems, the better.

A Menchi,

### Poison-Ous Mismatch

According to an article by Jeffrey Resner in the June 27th *Rolling Stone*, a group of 'major' rock artists—if that isn't a triple ox-

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**ITALIAN OPINION POLL:  
GAYS UNPOPULAR & IN  
BAD COMPANY**

According to a public opinion poll conducted by an organization called Demomorpho, gays are the third least popular group in Italian society, just after gypsies and politicians. Some 31% of the respondents labeled homosexuals "unpleasant."

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haven't fallen asleep at the switchboard from sheer ennui, in the same sense as the *BS*, as it calls itself, in the secretarial part of Carme Fisher's interminable interview with Peter Niles, Madonna's singer by Fisher that the latter's father told by Fisher: Eddie Fisher, sleep with her...  
 Valentine Danch: This prompts these following reply: "Really? I wish I had!" she slept with her...  
 Yash: she's a very masculine, arrogant. She had a very masculine thing about her, but I think she mainly had a sexual allure." Just thought you might want to know.

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