



Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week 1991

HOUSTON GAY/LESBIAN PRIDE WEEK newsletter

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1992 Pride Week Elections

by Donn Mumma

On August 20th, the Pride Week committee will hold the last meeting for Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week 1991 and hold elections for next year.

Believe it or not, it's already time to start thinking about next summer's events! Because of the broad scope of Pride Week activities, year-round planning and organization are required to ensure a successful celebration.

The event's title alternates between "Lesbian/Gay Pride Week" and "Gay/Lesbian Pride Week".

September marks the official beginning of the fiscal year for Pride Week. As specified in the bylaws, anyone can become a voting member of Pride

Week by simply attending the August meeting; this also entitles those who attend to run for office and to vote for officers. After the August meeting, one must attend two consecutive Pride Week meetings to become a voting member.

Pride Week has two co-chairs (a male and a female), a secretary, and a treasurer; members must nominate themselves to run for office in the organization. As of this writing, the self-nominations have been Jack Valinski for male co-chair, Carol Clark for female co-chair, and Jim Wunroe for treasurer. Self-nominations may also be made at the election meeting.

Among the ideas already being considered in the course of planning for 1992 are the pos-

sibility of obtaining a separate 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizational status for Pride Week, and producing a video tape of next year's parade.

So please come out for the August meeting at the Service Center—it's the best way to become a voting member and to make sure your voice is heard in how Pride Week is run. λ

ORGANIZATIONS!

We will again be printing the Resource Guide in an upcoming newsletter. If you have corrections or additions to your listing in the 1991 Pride Guide, please let us know at the address or phone number on the back of this newsletter.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, August 20, 7:00 PM

Metropolitan Multi-Service Center

1475 West Gray

TAKE PRIDE

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PrideWeek 1991
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“Dad and I had breakfast this morning. We had a look at each other's speeches. He would have used mine, but he's not a lesbian. I would have used his, but I'm not a Republican.”

—Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher's daughter Diana, in a commencement speech at Pitzer College, as reported in the *Washington Post*, June 24.

TAKE PRIDE



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Minutes of HG/LPW, July 16th

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Jack Valinski called the meeting to order at approximately 7:10 p.m. and welcomed everyone present (19).

PROOF OF NOTICE OF MEETING

Carol Clark informed the group that TWT and The New Voice featured the notice of the July 16th meeting.

PRESENTATION OF AGENDA

Jack presented the agenda; a change under new business was made, HLG PW '92 nominations were corrected.

APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARIAN

Jim Fetske was appointed Parliamentarian.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Minutes for the May 21, 1991 meeting were submitted and approved for the record.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The HGLPW '91 Balance sheet was submitted for the record with a balance of \$4,234.64 and approved for the record.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Marketing - Bobby Miller and Brian Keever reported that all merchandise had been sold; the T-shirts (all colors) sold very well.

Pride Guide/Newsletter - Donn Mumma and Jack Valinski announced that the Guide was mailed to over 4,500 and was well received, according to comments about the Guide.

Fundraising - Two (2) fundraisers were held and raised approximately \$2,000.

Media - Jack announced that both San Francisco and New York had featured positive articles on Houston's Pride Week; this year's HGLPW '91 received good press, with included the excellent cover story in the Houston Press magazine.

Billboards - Jazz Paz reported that the billboard cost was less than \$200 and that they are still up in some parts of Houston; she recommended that for next year, the billboards should be larger.

Logistics - Carol Clark reaffirmed that the events for Pride Week went well; some pocket guides were left over and she recommended that fewer pocket guides be printed next year.

Parade - Jazz reported that the Parade was great and in the right order! KRBE was in the Parade and media coverage on the radio was included; she recommended that the Parade be on video for next year; some discussion followed on producing a video for next year's Parade.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ronnie Diaz provided an update of Starnite '91; weather problems persisted on Friday and Saturday but the event went well anyway; the art show was great and the silent auction raised about \$1,000; overall profit was approximately \$5,500; cash donations were received from Miller, Pepsi, and others; in-kind contributions were about \$5,000; a thank you party will be held on August 27th at the Ranch; a special thanks was given to Dignity who provided the startup seed money; Ronnie made a motion that beginning in 1992, Pride Week be responsible for producing and coordinating the Starnite event; her motion was seconded and discussion followed; the recorded vote was 12 yes, 3 no, and 1 abstention.

NEW BUSINESS

Jack Valinski and Carol Clark relinquished the meeting to the Secretary, Brad Veloz, who opened nominations for Officers of Houston's 1992 Lesbian/Gay Pride Week; Jim Wunrow was not present at the meeting but submitted his written self-nomination for Treasurer; Carol Clark submitted her self-nomination for Female Co-Chair and Jack Valinski submitted his self-nomination for Male Co-Chair; nominations for Secretary were not made; self-nominations will also be accepted at the August meeting; Brad reminded the group of the bylaws require-

ments on voting:

Article V. (5.01) - Each person who attends the regular meeting in the month of August of each year shall become a voting member; any person who does not attend the regular meeting in August shall become a voting member upon such person's attendance at two (2) consecutive regular meetings. Such person will be able to exercise voting privileges at the second of two (2) such regular meetings.

Brad Veloz returned the meeting to Carol Clark and Jack Valinski; Jack continued the agenda under new business and the status of a non-profit 501(c)(3) designation for HLG PW '92; a motion was made that HLG PW '92 pursue obtaining a non-profit 501(c)(3) status; the motion was passed and a committee was formed; Jim Fetske, Bryan Keever, Marvin Davis, and Jack Valinski will look into the matter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jack informed the group that he has attended past national Pride Week conferences and will probably go to Boston in October; he would like for Carol Clark to attend also; the 1992 Conference will be held in Long Beach, California and the 1993 Conference is scheduled for Houston.

ADJOURNMENT

Jack Valinski adjourned the meeting. λ

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: 77266-6071 :
: 523-5263 :
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PRIDE WEEK NEEDS YOUR INVOLVEMENT!

We need your help. Pride Week is a year 'round activity. We have to raise money and awareness twelve months of the year to produce the parade and associated activities. If you have even a little time to spare, you can make a difference in helping people feel good and proud about themselves.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Add name to mailing list ☐

Areas of Interest

☐ Parade

☐ Fundraising

☐ Logistics (Events)

☐ Marketing

☐ Publications

☐ Media (Publicity)

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A Look Back...

by Jack Valinski

September begins a new year for Pride Week. As we look back at the year, the Houston Gay and Lesbian community has made tremendous progress. Glen Maxy was elected as the first openly gay official in the state house. The *Out* series at Diverse Works was a success not only in the fact that they had full houses, but also that the performance art pieces were probably the best this city has ever seen.

Pride Week was not only a fiscal success, but a critical one as well. This is the first year I can remember in which there were no critical letters appearing in the gay press. Both Carol and I were overwhelmed since we became co-chairs late in the year. The non-gay press coverage was tremendous. The *Houston Press* cover story during Pride Week was probably better than if we had written it ourselves, and basically told the stories that our TAKE PRIDE poster tried to show. It was also the first time that the *Houston Chronicle* did a positive local story rather than covering other pride celebrations

nationwide in a not-so-positive light.

Our merchandise committee sold out of all the T-shirts and buttons. In fact, we did not even have enough to give a sample to our art advisor and designer, Greg Scott.

Then the tragic events of the July 4th weekend occurred. I was in Florida and still heard about it. Could it be that because there was so much press during Pride Week that the crazies came out? We can never be sure. The crazies are always around and what provoked them to murder Paul Broussard we will never know.

It was the never-tiring efforts of community activists which alerted

the non-gay media. And this time, we had witnesses—this tragedy did not go unnoticed, like so many in the past. The press finally did give this story front page coverage.

A new organization in Houston called Queer Nation decided that they were not going to take it anymore. These (mostly) young people called for a march in the Montrose that drew about 2,000 people. This was a tremendous turnout for a city that is not known for protest. Queer Nation's continued success is a breath of fresh air to many of us who have been involved in the community for many years. It is great that

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1992 Pride Week Officers

As part of the last Pride meeting of the year, members attending the August 20th meeting elected the officers who will guide the planning and execution of Houston's Lesbian/Gay Pride Week 1992.

Jack Valinski and Carol Clark

will be the new co-chairs. Both served in that capacity during this year's celebration following the resignations of the previously-elected chairs. Jim Wunrow will continue as treasurer, and Gloria Silva will take over from Brad Veloz as secretary of the organization. λ

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, September 23, 7:00 PM

Montrose Library

4100 Montrose

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Resource Guide!**

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there are new, young people who demand that gays and lesbians not be treated like second class citizens in Houston.

Then came the Juan Palomo story. A *Houston Post* columnist wrote a story on Paul Broussard and tried to come out at the same time. Who would ever think that the story of Juan's firing would be on local television in San Francisco and in *The New York Times*. The story had a happy ending where Juan was rehired and is now on the editorial board of the *Post*, perhaps the first openly gay person to be on an editorial board of a major daily.

It seems that Houston has come alive with a new activism, and it feels great that we seem to have respect from other areas of the country such as New York and San Francisco. But as important as having people who are willing to be arrested for their beliefs and who want change, it is also important that we have people to do the bureaucratic work and to staff our other organizations, which are also vital. What kind of community are we if we don't have the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard open, or if we don't have volunteers at the AIDS Foundation Houston, or if we don't have a strong Pride Week?

I am not just trying to push for activism in Pride Week because I am

part of it. Pride Week is important because it reaches out to people through the many events that happen during the week in late June. In the past, it was usually the only time when we in the community got press coverage from the major newspapers and TV stations and when we were able to tell young people that there is a community of us.

As important as Queer Nation's message is—that we are not just going to sit back and take it—Pride Week has a message, too: that we can be proud of who we are, that we represent all types of people, and that we have interests in all types of activities.

It is now time for Pride Week to do more than just organize the events in June. As we grow and work toward becoming our own organization, we want to expand our scope to produce events around the year. To do this, we need people who want to join us in our ideas.

Our organization is one that is open to everyone in the community. All you have to do to vote is attend two meetings. We welcome input and certainly welcome your help. The officers and Executive Team are only one of the many aspects of this organization. Our organization is for the community.

And we would love to see you at the next meeting. λ

Proud About What?

by Brian McNaught

Now that we have rolled up our banners, swept up our confetti and tucked away our Lesbian and Gay Pride T-shirts for another year, a bit of reflecting on our celebration seems in order. What are the particulars which make us proud about the gay and lesbian presence in the world?

I'm proud of our resilience. Most of us grow up in families which are afraid to know our secret, go through schools which deny our existence,

head into jobs which encourage our duplicity, encounter doctors and ministers and other honored healers who seek to transform us and we nonetheless survive!

I'm proud of our history of heroes and heroines who, one by one, throughout time, pounded, shoved, scratched and oiled the hinges of our closet door.

I'm proud of how we gay men and lesbians today hang together when we deal with tragedies such as AIDS.

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Minutes of HL/GPW, August 20th

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Jack Valinski called the meeting to order at approximately 7:07 PM and welcomed those present.

PROOF OF NOTICE OF MEETING

Carol Clark reported that notification of tonight's meeting was published in *The New Voice* and *This Week in Texas*.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Secretary Brad Veloz submitted minutes for the July 16, 1991 meeting and notified the group that the minutes were also published in the newsletter; the minutes were adopted for the record.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jim Wunrow was out of town but submitted a preliminary report for the record; the report reflected an approximate balance of \$3,500 in the checking account.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Brad Veloz presided over elections for Secretary, Treasurer, and Co-Chairs; Gloria Silva self-nominated for the position of Secretary; Jim Wunrow (not present) submitted his written self-nomination for Treasurer; Jack Valinski and Carol Clark remained the only nominees for Co-Chairs; a motion was made to

accept the slate of nominees for 1992 positions; the motion was seconded and a unanimous vote followed to elect the slate as presented.

Jack Valinski reported on the upcoming Pride Week Conference in Boston; the registration fee is \$100; Jack informed that he was paying his own transportation and lodging and asked the committee pay Carol's air fare and the registration for both Jack and Carol; the motion was seconded and passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jack reminded the members present about volunteering for committee assignments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Jack reported that the Pride Week Committee is moving to leave the MAC (Montrose Activity Center) non-profit umbrella; Christopher Street West/Los Angeles's by-laws are being reviewed for Houston's committee; a motion was made to create a three-person committee to look into the 501(c)(3) status and to serve as the temporary board; the motion was seconded and after discussion was passed; Debra Hunt of Moore & Hunt Attorneys will be drawing up the papers; Kathy Hubbard will work

on the IRS forms.

NEW BUSINESS

Carol Clark informed the group about establishing a festival feasibility committee after Ronnie Diaz's motion at the last meeting to have the "festival" under the Pride Week Committee; Jim Owens provided clarification on Ronnie's motion and told the group that the MAC Board did not vote on the festival yet and will probably do so soon; discussion on guidelines for the festival followed; it was noted that the festival should continue.

Jack outlined the expansion of the Pride Week Committee to include the following; Outreach, The Guide, Newsletter, Media, Fundraising; Co-Chairs or a Chair for each committee will be needed; the committee will explore possible grants and meeting days, etc.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Town Meeting on Channel 13 will be held; members were encouraged to view it; the next March on Washington is scheduled for late April 1993; MCCR new ministries will have nights out.

ADJOURNMENT

Jack called to adjourn the meeting.

PLEASE RETURN THE CARD...

WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU IF YOU WANT TO KEEP RECEIVING THE MONTHLY PRIDE WEEK NEWSLETTER. PLEASE RETURN THE CARD THAT WAS ENCLOSED IN THIS NEWSLETTER; A 19¢ STAMP IS ALL IT TAKES!

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Greater Montrose Business Guild

Promotes Montrose as a good place in which to live, invest, and do business by networking with business members and their customers. Meetings: 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. PO Box 66051, Houston, TX 77266-6501 ☎ 528-1111

Neartown Association

Promotes Montrose as an attractive residential area. Meetings: 4th Tuesday of month, 7:30 p.m., Bering Memorial United Methodist Church, 1440 Harold. Dues: \$10 individual 1413 Westheimer, Houston, TX 77006 ☎ 529-1110

North Montrose Civic Association

Organization promotes the area from Peden north to Allen Parkway and from Taft west to S. Shepherd as an attractive residential community. Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of month, 7 p.m., Museum of Printing History, 1324 W Clay. Dues: \$12 individuals, \$36 businesses. PO Box 130184, Houston, TX 77219-0184. ☎ 528-2652

HEALTH

AIDS Legal Resource Project

2201 N Lamar, Suite 230, Austin, TX

AIDS Mastery Workshop

This is a three-day intensive workshop to empower people who are faced with HIV in their lives or in their hearts. This workshop is committed to the idea that the quality of life is not determined by it's longevity but by the passion with which we can choose to live it by. The cost of the workshop is \$300; sliding scales and scholarships are available. No PWAs will be turned away because of inability to pay. Next workshop will be held July 19-21. Contact Jim Griffith, ☎ 464-6971.

The Assistance Fund

Pays insurance premiums and assists with prescription drugs for PWAs; a totally volunteer organization. 2476 Bolsover,

Suite 455, Houston, TX 77005 ☎ 529-4788

AIDS Foundation Houston

Serves people with AIDS and ARC by offering education and social services, financial assistance, and medical referrals. Provides support and referral services for people with AIDS and ARC. 3927 Essex Lane, Houston, TX 77027 Phone: 623-6796, Hotline: ☎ 524-AIDS

AIDS Project

Provides a full range of counseling and support groups for those affected by AIDS. The professional staff has been specially trained and referral information is available for help from other community resources. The project also performs individual case management. Meetings: Second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. 900 Lovett, Suite 203, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 529-0037

AIDS Resource for Greater Houston, City of Houston

The city of Houston Health Department offers a printed listing of the many AIDS related resources in the area. Also, educational materials on AIDS are available at no charge, 8000 North Stadium Drive, Houston, TX 77054. ☎ 749-9181

Amigos Volunteers in Education and Services (AVES)

Amigos Volunteers in Education and Services (AVES) provides free bilingual (English and Spanish) information, educating and support to Hispanics affected by AIDS and their loved ones. Services include: Bilingual AIDS Education Workshops, Amigos Support Group, Amigos Visiting Team and Amigos Line, a bilingual information and referral telephone line, 2510 Broad, Suite 200, Houston, TX 77087. ☎ 923-1439

Bering Care Center

The Bering Care Center serves the special needs of adult individuals with AIDS or AIDS-related diseases, limited financial resources, and a desire for social interaction. Clients with physical or mental limitations and who require supervision are

welcome. The Care Center operates five days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. It is staffed primarily by volunteers. Recreation, group activities and meal programs are coordinated by a permanent director. There are no fees. 1440 Harold Street, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 520-7070

Bering Dental Clinic

Dental clinic services are reserved exclusively for individuals with AIDS, ARC or AIDS-related disease, and those diagnosed as HIV+. Its staff, comprising a full-time paid professional dentist and a pool of volunteer professional dentists and dental hygienists, offer a full range of dental services. A first-visit fee of \$20 is requested, but no one is turned away because they cannot pay. Patients with sufficient funds or insurance are referred to private practitioners when possible. 1440 Harold Street, Houston, TX 77006 ☎ 520-7070

Colt 45's AIDS Trouble Fund

Assists persons with AIDS by providing nutritional information, vitamin therapy and physical therapy, if desired; provides financial support for persons with immediate financial needs; referral services. Funds financial assistance through fund raisers, donations, and money jars. PO Box 66804, Houston, TX 77266-6804. ☎ 526-6077

MacAdory House

A temporary (90 day) residence facility for people with AIDS who are readjusting to living independently; c/o AIDS Foundation Houston ☎ 623-6796

Montrose Counseling Center

Provides quality, affordable, comprehensive, mental health services in metropolitan Houston and surrounding area. The center is sensitive to and knowledgeable of gay and lesbian individuals and their significant others and provides research and education to the community and to other mental health professionals. PO Box 66804, Houston, TX 77266-6804. ☎ 529-0037

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Montrose Counseling Center Women's Program

Provides the women's community with high quality, woman-affordable mental health services which are conscious of, sensitive to, and informed about the psychology and social experience of women in general, and of the lesbian community in particular. Meetings: Second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., 900 Lovett, Suite 203, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 529-0037

Omega House

A residential hospice for homeless, terminal-phase AIDS patients. The hospice provides housing as well as spiritual, psychological and palliative medical care. Residents are admitted without regard for their ability to pay. 2615 Waugh Drive, Suite 286, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 523-1139

People with AIDS Coalition Houston

The People with AIDS Coalition of Houston provides psychosocial support through peer counseling and referrals. We offer resource referrals, roommate and job placement, intakes for financial assistance through community organizations, distribution of tickets to social and educational events. We also provide household items (furniture, kitchen articles, appliances) and a clothing bank for our PWAs in need. We have monthly meetings on the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. 1475 West Gray, Houston, TX 77019. ☎ 522-2674

Thomas Audett Memorial Clinic (formerly Montrose Clinic)

Sexually Transmitted Diseases Clinic: hours, Monday to Friday 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., no appointment necessary. T4/T8 testing also available. Marion Panzer Women's Program: hours 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., full women's examination including gynecological exam and breast exam. HIV testing on Monday, Wednesday and Friday 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., also Wednesday 1:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. 1200 Richmond, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 528-5531

Veteran's Administration

Provides full range of outpatient and inpatient medical care to eligible veterans with HIV infection. HIV testing, CD4 lymphocytes testing, pharmacy, and social services are available. Special Medicine Clinic meets Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 1-4 p.m. Houston Veterans Affairs Medical Center, 2002 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, TX 77030-4211 ☎ 795-4411

MEDIA

Alternative Broadcasting Service

Houston's only gay television production facility. Formed in 1989, ABS dedicates itself to providing materials for public access television promoting the gay community. Log term goals of ABS include the establishment of a gay-owned broadcast television station. For further information, contact Mike Stubblefield, PO Box 980845, Houston, TX 77098-0845. ☎ (713) 526-3425.

KPFT 90.1 FM

KPFT is a Pacifica public radio station and has several programs for the Gay and Lesbian community. *After Hours*, celebrating life in the heart of Montrose is KPFT's newest addition to gay/lesbian radio and is heard each Saturday night/Sunday morning from midnight to 4:00 a.m. Produced by Buddy Johnston, the show espouses the necessity of coming out and standing up for your rights; for information, call 529-4636. *Wilde 'n' Stein*, produced by Deborah Bell and Jack Valinski, features news, interviews and commentary on the lesbian and gay community. It is the longest running show of its kind in the country and is heard every Monday evening from 9:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. *Breakthrough* is broadcast every Friday morning from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. It features women's music of all styles, interviews, and a weekly calendar of local events of interest to lesbians, feminists and gay men. The award-winning program began nine years ago and is produced by Pokey Anderson. 419 Lovett, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 526-4000

The New Voice

Free weekly publication that covers Houston, Austin, San Antonio and New Orleans and includes news, views, gossip, and entertainment. Comes out on Fridays. 408 Avondale, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 529-8490

This Week in Texas (TWT)

Free weekly statewide publication includes news, views, gossip, and entertainment. Comes out on Fridays. 811 Westheimer, Suite 106, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 527-9111

POLITICAL

ACT-UP Houston (AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power)

Act-UP is a non-partisan group of diverse individuals united in anger and committed to direct action in the face of the AIDS crisis. We are not silent. *ACT-UP, Fight Back, Fight AIDS*. Meetings: first and third Thursday at Metropolitan Multi-Purpose Center, 1425 W Gray. PO Box 66275, Houston, TX 77266-6275

Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus

A grass roots political organization celebrating its sixteenth year working for the civil rights of gay and lesbian people. Activities include participating in local, state, and national elections, registering voters, and other political activities. Meetings: first and third Wednesday of each month at the Metropolitan Multi-Purpose Center, 1475 West Gray, at 7:00 p.m. Dues: \$30 per year. PO Box 66664 (office, 900 Lovett, Suite 101), Houston, TX 77266-6664. ☎ 521-1000

Queer Nation

Houston chapter of the national direct action group fighting for gay/lesbian rights. Meets Tuesdays at the Montrose Palace, 1401 Nevada at Commonwealth at 7:30 p.m. PO Box 131211, Houston, TX 77219-1211. ☎ 529-2969

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Texas Abortion Rights Action League (TARAL)

Involves people in the political process. Meets third Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Dues: \$25/year membership. ☎ 524-1734

RELIGIOUS

Bering Memorial United Methodist Church

Service: 10:50 a.m. Sunday. 1440 Harold Street, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 526-1017

Church of Religious Science

A new thought organization whose purpose is to support people in their search for their own divinity. Service: Sunday 11:00 a.m. 1315 Marconi, Houston, TX 77019. ☎ 528-6309

Dignity/Houston

Provides support and encourages the growth and development of gays and lesbians spiritually, emotionally, and socially. Mass and social each Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Montrose Palace. Additional social, spiritual and educational activities at other times. 1401 Nevada at Commonwealth, PO Box 66821, Houston, TX 77266. ☎ 528-0111

First Unitarian Universalist Church

Service: 11:15 a.m. Sunday, 5200 Fannin, Houston, TX 77004-5899. ☎ 526-1571

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

A parish of the Trinitarian Catholic Church, providing gay and lesbians with acceptance, love, and nurturing; offering women access to ordained ministry; and restoring our gay Catholic heritage and pride. Masses: Sunday, 11 a.m.; Tuesday-Thursday, 8 a.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. 1218 Welch St., PO Box 66641, Houston, TX 77266-6641. ☎ 523-8412

Houston Mission Church

Service 10:30 a.m. Sunday, 1505 Nevada, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 529-8225

Integrity-Houston

For Gay and Lesbian Episcopalians and their Friends to bring together members in a comfortable setting of spirituality and sexuality; to work within the church to create change; to work closely with Clergy consultation on AIDS by helping people with the disease. Meeting: Autry House, 6265 South Main, on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. PO Box 66008, Houston, TX 77266-6008

Kingdom Community Church

As a church, our collective purpose is to recapture the spirit of the early church and to model church life and our own lives on the precepts of the Kingdom of God. Our church is based on the ministry of laity. Services: Sunday, 11:00 a.m. 614 E 19th Street, Houston, TX 77008. ☎ 862-7533

Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection (MCCR)

Purpose: MCCR extends its ministry to persons of all backgrounds and races. We welcome gay and lesbian people as well as heterosexuals to worship, witness and serve together. We know Jesus really loves all of us. Service: 10:45 a.m. and 7:15 p.m. Sunday, 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, as well as other spiritual, social and educational activities. Tuesday night - 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Empowerment for Living which begins with pot-luck — PWA Support Group. 1919 Decatur, Houston, TX 77007. Phone: 861-9194

SOCIAL / EDUCATIONAL

AIDS Equity League

PO Box 980307, Houston, TX 77098-0307. ☎ 748-3555

AMIGA de Houston

Purpose: Created to further the commitment of Lesbian Latinas in the quest for equality for all. Meetings: third Sunday of the month Dues: \$15 for newsletter quarterly. PO Box 980134, Houston, TX 77098-0134. ☎ 520-5667

American Gay Atheists

American Gay Atheists is a non-profit, non-political, educational organization devoted to the constitutional principle of separation of state and church. We have served the gay atheist community for over six years on a local and national level. PO Box 66711, Houston, TX 77266-6711. ☎ 880-4242

Astro Rainbow Society of the Deaf

This Houston chapter of the National Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf was founded in 1979. PO Box 27597, Houston, TX 77227-7597

Bar Association for Human Rights

The purposes of this organization are to provide a forum for Gay and Lesbian attorneys in our community to exchange ideas and to stimulate and promote the effective practice and professional expertise of our membership. The organization meets once a month; please call for information on meetings. ☎ 524-5549

Couples/Houston

Purpose: To provide social/educational outreach to persons participating in an alternative lifestyle relationship; to support the positive aspects of a relationship and the sense of stability that they represent in the community and lifestyle. PO Box 70884, Houston, TX 77270-0084

Crisis Hotline

Purpose: A 24 hour, 7 day-a-week crisis intervention telephone service is provided. Crisis counseling and specific information and referral on a wide range of topics including suicide, AIDS and mental health issues. PO Box 130866, Houston, TX 77219-0866. ☎ 228-1505

Delta Lambda Phi

Social fraternity at the University of Houston with emphasis on service to Houston's gay community. Open to students and non-students alike. ☎ 529-3211

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FrontRunners Houston

Organized in 1984 to promote beginning, recreational and competitive running.; also provides support to men and women interested in running as a means of fitness and developing friendships. All club runs are non-competitive and informal. Meetings: The Tennis Center at Memorial Park on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. PO Box 66371. Houston, TX 77266-6371

Gay & Lesbian Hispanics Unidos (GLHU)

Purpose: A social, cultural and educational organization created to motivate, educate and instill pride in all gay and lesbian Hispanics, their friends and supporters. Discrimination can be eliminated through political, economic and social equality. GLHU was founded as Gay Chicano Caucus in 1978 and has grown from a social gathering to a diversified organization of artists, musicians, lawyers, accountants, TV-film specialists, administrators, mechanics, and much more. PO Box 70153, Houston, TX 77270-0153. ☎ 880-GLHU

Gay and Lesbian Switchboard Houston

Clearinghouse of information of gay/lesbian community; calendar of events; AIDS/STD information; telephone counseling of active listening, crisis/suicide intervention; referrals of bars, restaurants, hotels, community merchants, medical, legal, and mental health professionals. PO Box 66591, Houston, TX 77266-6591. ☎ 529-3211; TTY/TTD ☎ 529-3223

Gay Fathers of Houston

An organization to help members who are gay fathers and others in similar situations to continue to grow and to develop in ways which draw upon the rich experiences of both being gay and being fathers. To form mutually supportive groups for building positive self-image and for creative problem-solving and by educating the gay community, professionals, and the general public both to their strengths and special concerns. Meeting: Dignity Center,

3217 Fannin, second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 8:00 p.m. PO Box 981053, Houston, TX 77098-1053. ☎ 522-6766

Gay Men's Network

Discussion group for social and educational development. Meetings first and third Wednesdays at Montrose Counseling Center, second floor, 900 Lovett. ☎ 529-0037

Gay/Lesbian Student Association of the U of H

Purpose: To enhance the lives of its members by offering support groups, recreational activities, educational programs and various panel discussions on important issues. Meeting: The University Center each Wednesday at 3:00 p.m.

Gays and Lesbians of Rice (GALOR)

Educational offerings include holding panel discussions in classes which deal with sexuality and gender, publishing a newcomer's guide, giving a seminar on gay issues to "mentors," Rice resident associates. Also to sponsor social events for members. Meetings: bi-weekly on Sunday during the school year. Membership is open to Rice students, faculty, alumni and students from other universities and friends of members. Dues: \$5 c/o Student Activities - Rice University, PO Box 1892, Houston, TX 77251-1892. ☎ 630-0247

Hazelwitch Productions

Produces cultural events which are validating and empowering as well as entertaining for Houston lesbian/feminist community. 1846 Richmond, Houston, TX 77098. ☎ 521-3369

Heart Song

Provides a place for women who love to sing songs that empower people. Women who like to sing are welcome. PO Box 980243, Houston, TX 77098-0243

Houston Area Gay and Lesbian Engineers and Scientists (HAGLES)

Social organization made up of gays

and lesbians in a wide range of occupations, including aerospace, petrochemical, medicine, academia, and many others. Monthly socials, technical meetings, or outings. New members welcome; call for details. ☎ 480-2177

Houston Area Women's Center

The Houston Area Women's Center provides a variety of free services for women in crisis. Programs include an emergency shelter for battered women and their children; a rape crisis program that offers a 24-hour hotline, peer support counseling and accompaniment to hospitals, police departments and courtrooms; a telephone information service to hospitals, police departments and courtrooms; a telephone information and referral service for women (WIRES) and a counseling program for battered women. The center provides to public groups free of charge speakers on domestic violence, sexual assault and rape avoidance. Meetings: Volunteer orientation on the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. 3101 Richmond, Suite 150, Houston, TX 77098. ☎ 528-6798; 24 hour hotline 528-RAPE; WIRES, 528-2121

Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week

Educates the gay and lesbian community on the history of our people by putting together a celebration each year in June commemorating the Stonewall riots. Meetings: third Tuesday of each month at the Metropolitan Multi-Purpose Service Center, 1475 W Gray. Mailing address: Box 66071 Houston, TX 77266-6071. ☎ 529-1223

Houston NAMES Project

Create memorial panels in tribute to someone who has touched their lives and died with AIDS. Workshop: Saturdays and Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. 1410 Fairview, Houston, TX 77006. ☎ 52-NAMES

Houston Outdoor Group (HOG)

Provides an opportunity for gay/lesbian people to meet one another and to organize for various activities, including

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(but not restricted to) camping, hiking, cycling, canoeing, bowling, skating, and touring. Socials are held once each month; other activities are scheduled throughout the year. Dues: \$15 per year to receive monthly newsletter. PO Box 980839, Houston, TX 77098-0893. ☎ 522-7809.

Houston Women's Softball League

Promotes the enjoyment of team sports and the friendship of other gay women, Spring and Fall seven week seasons. 19327 Bristle Star, Katy, TX 77449

Lesbians Over Age 50 (LOAF)

Social and educational group of Lesbians over the age 50. Meetings: 2:00 p.m., third Sunday of each month at Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray, PO Box 980601, Houston, TX 77098-0601. ☎ 661-1482

Lone Star Nudist Group

Join Gay or Bi men who wish to share nude experiences together; we currently have 72 members in Houston area. Singles and lovers welcome. Meeting: Monthly Nude social events, massage group, out of town gatherings. PO Box 740572, Houston, TX 77274-0572

Lone Star Symphonic Band

Montrose's own Symphonic Band, the organization is active in promoting the community with its many concerts for various groups. PO Box 66613, Houston, TX 77266-6613. ☎ 862-5058

Men of All Colors Together

This Houston chapter of the National Association of Black and White Men Together (see listing in "Out of Town") fosters a supportive environment where racial and cultural barriers can be overcome. The group is committed to the elimination of racism, homophobia, sexism, and other prejudices that affect our lives. ☎ 485-8888

Montrose Activity Center

A non-profit organization whose purpose is to build and run a community center for the gay and lesbian people in the

greater Houston area. Board Meeting, sometime odd numbered months. PO Box 66684, Houston, TX 77266-6684. ☎ 524-4318

Montrose Softball League

Promotes sportsmanship and friendship through a Sunday softball league. Season is generally April through June, working towards the national tournament in August. Games on Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Tim Hearne Field on Jackson Hill at Memorial.

National Leather Association: Houston

Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month, 8:00 p.m., C&N Cafe, 604 Fairview. Social Nights are the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at Venture-N at 8:00 p.m. PO Box 541921, Houston, TX 77254-1921

National Organization for Women (NOW) at U of H

Takes action to bring women into full participation in the mainstream of American society NOW, exercising all the privileges and responsibilities thereof in truly equal partnership with men. The group advocates and works for political, social, and economic equality between all women and men. Meeting: University Center, Underground, NOW office, UH every Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. 4800 Calhoun, UC, PO Box 509, Houston, TX 77004

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)/Houston

Promotes understanding and education within the family and with friends. Meeting every third Sunday at 2:00 p.m., Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh, PO Box 31853, Houston, TX 77231-1853. ☎ 952-2525

Paz y Liberacion

Publishes a newsletter about lesbian and gay groups and liberation events in Latin America, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East; also provides free penpal service world wide to Americans. Volunteers needed to help with USA correspondence and Spanish mail. Subscriptions: \$3 to

\$10, free sample. PO Box 66450, Houston, TX 77266-6450. ☎ 523-6381

Prime Timers

The group helps meet the needs of older gay men; activities will include a wide spectrum of events, such as meetings, socials, workshops, parties, trips, and "rap" groups. PO Box 66574, Houston, TX 77266-6574. ☎ 981-8440.

Royal, Sovereign Imperial Court of the Single Star

RSICSS is a community service organization. The Imperial Court System was founded over 26 years ago in San Francisco by Jose I. The Court System's standard of humor, heart, and humanitarianism governs over 50 courts in the United States and Canada. The Houston Court has been a part of this tradition for seven years. Meets the second Sunday at announced locations. PO Box 98044, Houston, TX 77098-0444.

Team Houston

Houston's team for participation in Unity '94: Gay Games and Cultural Festival to be held in New York City. Organization includes athletes and cultural participants (artists, musicians, etc.). PO Box 542257, Houston, TX 77266-2257.

Texas Gay Rodeo Association

Founded in July, 1983 to raise money for 501(c)(3) charities by staging an annual rodeo. Chapters exist in Amarillo, Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Lubbock, and San Antonio. PO Box 66973, Houston, TX 77266-6973

The Company We Keep

Showcases the theatrical and performing arts talents of Lesbians and Gay Men. ☎ 523-9000

Womynspace

Provides gathering/healing support space for womyn. The non-profit organization offers activities and events which are chemically free. PO Box 980601,

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AIDS Action Council

729 8th St., SE, Suite 2000, Washington, DC 20003. ☎ (202) 547-3101

Blue Light Candle

Awareness and outreach fundraiser for HIV/AIDS services. PO Box 12444, San Antonio, TX 78212. ☎ (512) 736-6389

Coalition of Lesbian/Gay Student Groups

A network of lesbian/gay/bisexual student groups at post-secondary institutions in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas, and New Mexico. Meets quarterly at various campuses in the region. PO Box 190712, Dallas, TX 75219. ☎ (214) 670-6705 or (214) 526-5417.

Human Rights Campaign Fund

PO Box 1396, Washington, DC 20013. ☎ (202) 628-4160

Lambda Legal Defense

666 Broadway, New York, NY 10012. ☎ (212) 955-8585

Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas (LGRL)

Statewide organization supporting the lesbian/gay lobby in the Texas legislature.

601 W. 18th Street, Austin, TX. ☎ (512) 474-5475

Lesbian Visionaries

Promotes and facilitates communication and educational activities among organizations and individuals concerned with the welfare of the Texas Lesbian Community. Dues: \$15 individual, \$25 Couple, MCC Activities Center, PO Box 191443, Dallas, TX 75219-1443. Phone: ☎ (214) 528-2426

National Association of Black and White Men Together (BWMT)

This multicultural group has been active for a decade and boasts 40 chapters in the U.S. and worldwide (for Houston chapter, see Men of All Colors Together under Social/Educational listings). 584 Castro, Suite 140, San Francisco, CA 94114. ☎ (415) 431-1976

National Coming Out Day

Sponsors yearly National Coming Out day October 11. PO Box 8349, Santa Fe, NM 87504. ☎ (505) 982-2558 or (800) 445-NCOD

National Gay Alliance for Young Adults (NGAYA)

PO Box 190426, Dallas, TX 75219-0426

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force

A national organization supporting rights for Gay and lesbian people. 1517 U Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009

National Gay Health Educational Foundation

PO Box 784, New York, NY 10036. ☎ 212-563-6313

Texas Human Rights Foundation

THRF is a state wide, non-profit litigation organization on behalf of gay men, lesbians and HIV-positive individuals in the state of Texas. Currently funding and sponsoring Morales, et al, vs the State of Texas, a lawsuit challenging section 21.06 of the Penal Code, "the sodomy law." The statute was declared unconstitutional on Dec. 10 by Judge Paul Davis. Office: 601 W 18th, mailing address: PO Box 49740, Austin, TX 78765. ☎ (512) 479-8473

SDA Kindship

A support group for Gay and Lesbian Seventh-Day Adventists and their friends. Meetings: Varies, at members homes. PO Box 38454, Dallas, TX 75238. ☎ (214) 373-8484 or (800) 4GAY-SDA

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Houston To Be Represented At Conference

Houston Pride Week's newly-elected co-chairs Jack Valinski and Carol Clark will join delegates from around the nation and the world in Boston next month for the tenth annual conference of lesbian and gay pride coordinators.

The four day conference focuses on sharing information and skills

necessary to organize successful pride week celebrations. This year's conference will include workshops and seminars on public relations, effective use of the media, coalition building, and fund-raising skills and ideas. The International Pride Theme is also chosen at the conference.

From the first meeting held in

Boston in 1982 and attended by delegates from six US cities, the event has grown over the years to include representatives from most major US cities, as well as Canada and Europe. In 1986, the sponsoring group became known as the International Association of Lesbian/Gay Pride Coordinators.

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Proud About What?

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Though we're the orphaned children of the civil rights movement; though we may have no family, church or other institutional support, we time and time again baffle our enemies by our ability to dig in, generously donate our time and money to take care of our own and sacrifice our private lives to make sure that no one who travels with us walks unassisted.

I'm proud of those lesbians and gay people of color and disability who struggle to stick with the movement when all too often able-bodied gay white men pretend they don't exist, or, worse yet, pretend that our agenda meets their needs. And I'm proud of those able-bodied gay white men who struggle to rid themselves of a limited agenda and world view.

I'm proud of those lesbian mothers and gay fathers who choose to fight for custody when they feel they would be the best parent to raise their children.

I'm proud of those gay and lesbian children who hold on to the dream of one day building a healthy and secure environment for themselves.

I'm proud of those gay and lesbian college students who don't give up when their posters are repeatedly torn down and of those who hold strong when their university refuses to recognize them as a legitimate group. They spend what little money they have to pay for the telephone, supplies and office space other student groups get for free.

I'm proud of those office workers who refuse to play charades with their peers and who therefore endure the daily cold shoulder rather than the daily lies. They know that if someone has to be uncomfortable about their being gay, it ought not to be them.

I'm proud of those gay men and lesbians who have gay literature and art prominently displayed in their homes and who do not put them under the bed when family arrives for a visit. It takes a while to under-

stand that one's home is one's only space for free expression. If visitors are made uncomfortable by our self-expression, visitors should not visit.

I'm proud of those gay men and lesbians who recently marched in their first Pride Parade, even if it was in straw hat and sunglasses; of those who have bought their first lesbian or gay periodical or book from a straight sales clerk; of those who cautiously stepped foot into their first gay bar or attended their first meeting of a gay organization. I know how frightened they were and how much courage it took.

I'm proud of all those gay men and women who have written letters to the editor to protest inaccurate or nonexistent reporting on our community and of those who have made phone calls to station managers to compliment a sensitive portrayal of our issues. These gay people know the media must serve everyone.

I'm proud of the volunteers who staff our hotlines. They give up their free time so that lonely, frightened and often desperate people will have at least one friendly voice and open ear to rely upon. I know that the abuse they endure from those who call with death threats and obscene messages takes its toll.

I'm proud of those lesbians and gay men who head up our local and national organizations. They are paid little, if anything, and put in far more time than is good for their health. Rarely are they adequately thanked. Too often are they senselessly criticized. Nevertheless, they have a dream and they are willing to sacrifice for it.

I'm proud of those gay Christians

and Jews who won't give up on their institutions. Their's is a courage and faith even the churches will one day honor. And I'm proud of those who have held on to their spiritual beliefs though not their institutional ties. They have had the nerve to walk it alone.

I'm proud of those who are still willing to take to the streets to draw attention to injustice against gay people and of those who are willing to work the system for change. I am most proud when both approaches are affirmed by gay men and lesbians as being choices and not mandates for everyone.

I'm proud of our free press which began as mimeographed sheets with misspelled words and has matured into a sophisticated network of independent professional periodicals which inform us, challenge us and enable us to express our feelings. And I'm proud of our lesbian and gay authors and poets and photographers and painters and recording artists and of our gay and lesbian publishing houses and record companies and radio shows, all of whom give us the sights and sounds of gay and lesbian celebration every day of the year.

These are only some of the particulars which make me proud about the gay and lesbian presence in the world. There are many more. I encourage you to think about them during a quiet moment. I encourage nongay people to think about them too. Perhaps if they were to become aware of the treasures that we hold and offer generously, they would add their own confetti to next year's pageant. λ

Lights...camera...action!

Pride Week is looking for someone to video tape the 1992 Pride Parade. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please call us at 529-1223. Thanks!



PRIDE WEEK NEEDS YOUR INVOLVEMENT!

We need your help. Pride Week is a year 'round activity. We have to raise money and awareness twelve months of the year to produce the parade and associated activities. If you have even a little time to spare, you can make a difference in helping people feel good and proud about themselves.

Name: _____

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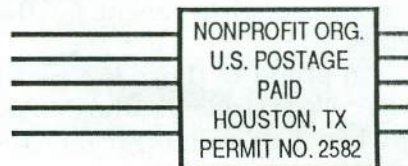
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NEXT MEETING: Monday, September 23, 7:00 PM,
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Community To Choose 1992 Logo, Slogan

In preparation for next year's Pride activities, the Pride Week Executive Committee has announced a contest to create the official logo to be used for Houston's Lesbian/Gay Pride Week 1992.

A slogan for Pride Week will be chosen at the November meeting, which will be held at the Montrose Palace on the 17th. Voting members will have the choice of adopting the national slogan, "Pride = Power", or selecting a different one. The national slogan was selected in Boston last month at the conference of the International Association of Lesbian/Gay Pride Coordinators, which was attended by Houston's Pride Week co-chairs.

A panel of judges will narrow the field of logo entries to semi-finalists,

then Houston's gay and lesbian community will vote for their favorites at the December 17th general meeting. The winning artist will receive a \$300 prize.

According to the Pride Week by-laws, a person must attend the August meeting or two consecutive later meetings to be eligible to vote on issues.

The logo contest is open to all who live in the greater Houston area. Logo artwork, including both a color and black-and-white representation,

should be camera-ready and mounted on a board that is approximately 11 by 17 inches. The color and black-and-white versions allow judges to see how the logo would look on posters, T-shirts, and in

print. Because of the varying uses of the logo, it should be one which "reads" well when reduced to small sizes.

Artist Greg Scott won last year's contest with the great logo seen at the top of this page.

Entries must be submitted to Printex Plus at 1617 West Alabama by 5 pm on Monday, December 9th. Artists may submit as many entries as they wish. All entries become the property of Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week 1992. For more information, call Jack at 529-1223. λ

A large, faint, stylized logo consisting of a triangle with a horizontal bar across its middle, forming a shape reminiscent of a 'V' or a 'W'.

PRIDE=POWER

Pride Message Center

529-6979

**beginning
November 19**

NEXT MEETING:

November 19, 7:00 PM

Montrose Palace

1505 Nevada at Commonwealth

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TENTATIVE CALENDAR

November

- 19 General Meeting, 7pm
(vote on Pride Week slogan)

December

- 2 Deadline for December newsletter
- 3 Executive Committee
- 9 Pride Logo contest entries due, 5pm
- 13 Pride Logo judging, Gentry, 6pm
- 14 Pride Logo Bar Tour, through the 15th
- 17 General Meeting, 7 pm
(vote on Pride Week logo)

January, 1992

- 7 Executive Committee
- 21 General Meeting (adopt parade route, rules)

February

- 4 Executive Committee
- 14 Valentine's Day event
- 18 General Meeting, 7 pm

March

- 3 Executive Committee
- 17 General Meeting, 7 pm

(nominations for Grand Marshalls)

April

- 4 Pride Week Auction
- 7 Executive Committee
- 11 Westheimer Arts Festival, through the 12th
- 21 General Meeting, 7 pm
(vote on Grand Marshalls)

May

- 2 Pride Guide deadline
- 5 Executive Committee
- 11 Pride Week events deadline
- 15 Pride Week Dance-a-thon
- 19 General Meeting, 7 pm

June

- 2 Executive Committee
- 6 Pride Guide mailout, through the 7th
- 15 Mandatory Pride Parade meeting
- 16 General Meeting, 7 pm
- 19 Pride Week Press Conference, 11am
- 19 Pride Week begins
- 28 1992 Pride Parade

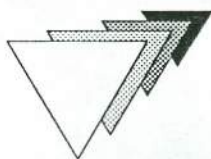
"Take Pride" T-Shirts Order by mail!

These are "generic" (no year) shirts featuring the great 1991 Pride Week logo like the one on this newsletter.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Pride Week, in cooperation with other organizations, is starting an Events Calendar. This calendar will be published in the Pride Week Newsletter and will be made available to KPFT as well as the Switchboard. If you are interested, please return the completed form to the address below.

Event: _____

Description of Event: _____

Sponsoring Organization: _____

Date & Time: _____

Cost: _____

Location: _____

Deadline for December newsletter in December 2!

Include events from December 11th on.

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