

PRIDE NEWSLETTER

HOUSTON LESBIAN AND GAY PRIDE WEEK 1996 NOVEMBER 1995

Task Force Set up for Future Parade will be in June for 1996?

The Pride Committee of Houston has voted in their monthly meeting Tuesday October 17, with a wide variety of members of the community, to keep the Houston Lesbian and Gay Pride Parade in June at least for the upcoming year, but to move it to later in the evening at 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. A related matter they also voted to create a Task Force that will meet weekly to investigate, and do public education around, the issues that would be involved in moving the parade to another time of the year in Houston, or to an ever later starting time. The Task Force would look into viable times dates, and places for the 1997 parade, the next meeting is Oct 24 at 6:30 pm at 2700 Albany St, in the Montrose area is will be at the GLPC: Offices on the third floor. At a community forum held last month, numerous people had voiced the opinion that the parade should be moved, primarily because it is so hot in the summer in Houston.

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Pride Week's financial sponsors that a May or October event could cause some conflicts with their donation cycles.

The 1996 parade will be held on Sunday June 23 beginning at 5:00 pm, the parade route is still the same as last year.

The Houston Lesbian and Gay Pride Week Committee invites any one to come and help with the year round process in putting on those week long events. They can be reached at 713-529-6979, the Pride Line.



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Knowing When to No! National Domestic Violence month

by Dean Walredt, Secretary, HL/GPW & NLA: Houston

October was National Domestic Violence month, an effort by mainstream proponents and domestic Violence activists to highlight and publicize the growing problem of domestic violence. But did you know domestic violence is not a "heterosexual" thing? And did you know that domestic violence is not a "woman" thing? And did you know that domestic violence is not a "lesbian" thing?

And did you know that SM (sado/masochistic) behavior is not domestic violence? And did you know that child abuse is domestic abuse when it occurs in the home by a parent or relative?

And did you know that domestic violence does not necessarily mean physical violence, but can be words or mental abuse?

Domestic violence does not just ride and hide in heterosexual homes and families. Like HIV/AIDS it knows no sex, no orientations no class, no neighborhood boundaries And like HIV/AIDS it often lies hidden and buried away by ignorance, fear, pain and mistrust. Today there are a lot more avenues of help for heterosexual woman and

the word out to all parties involved: victim, battered or service provider.

Have you witnessed domestic violence by/to a friend or a coworker? Do you know for a fact that someone is a victim of physical, mental or verbal abuse? You cannot rescue them, but you can be there for them. You can let them know you will help if they ever need it. You can let them know you will listen if they ever just want to "talk." Educate yourself so you can let them know that you are a non-threatening source of information if they should choose to seek help. Be there as a friend, as a support, as a potential escape route. Assure them that what it happening is not their fault and is not right. Assure them there is a way out and that there is all sorts of help out there. Educate yourself so you are ready to be a weapon against domestic violence.

For those in an SM relationship remember; once you have withdrawn consent the behavior or action taking place has become abuse. SM becomes abuse just like sex becomes rape when permission has been denied and/or when one is forced against ones will to participate. DSM-IV (Diagnostic/

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Fifth Annual Toy Drive for Kids with HIV/AIDS

It is almost that time of year again—Christmas, New Years, Magical Mystery Tour, right?? Well, almost right. It's also time for NLA: Houston's Fifth Annual Toy Drive For Kids with HIV/AIDS. The first four years have proven this to be a fun and most appreciated aspect of NLA: Houston's year. The idea came up as a way to give back to the greater community with a timely and touching program. With PWAs as members NLA: Houston is very aware of the needs, pains and suffering surrounding HIV/AIDS, and did not want to necessarily forget that, but at the same time this was a way to keep in touch with the true spirit of Christmas and kids. The first two years the Toy Drive benefited CornerStone Day Care, the second two years Casa de Esperanza, this year we are investigating the Loving Arms Foundation as a potential Benefactor We need your help! We need your help to make this another successful year. Collection boxes and jars will go into area businesses Thanksgiving weekend, and one candidate for Emperor for the Imperial Court is holding one of his fundraisers at the V-N in December benefiting the Drive.

If you have toys such as collections of stuffed angels or doll collections that you should like to get in a good home, please think about adding them to our toy drive. All four previous years we have had one or more individuals donate stuffed animal collections, i.e. teddy bear collections, etc. from lovers who have passed away. They didn't have a

use for them, but wanted them to go to a good home and nothing seemed more appropriate than to have these precious items go to an appreciative child at Christmas. We will even pick them up if need be, just call 713-527-9665 and leave a message with a return number, and we will get back to you and arrange pick up.

Maybe you have a child, niece, nephew or other relative of your own that you shop for, buy an extra toy, then place them in the collection box at your favorite pub. Toys don't have to be big and expensive to be appreciated, especially if they may be one of the few that child receives for the holidays. We do ask only for new toys, preferably factory wrapped and not "gift" wrapped.

Don't want to go shopping and get in the hassle of the stores or the chaos of the toy department? Then donate cash. Collections jars clearly marked for the NLA: Houston toy drive will be at various business in the Montrose area for you to make donations. Or you can write a check or send a money order to NLA: Houston, PO Box 66553, Houston, TX 77266-6553, "Attn Toy Drive." Last year monies collected went to Casa and were designated for diapers—one of their big needs

The exact beneficiary will be next issue of this newsletter and will be published here. Further information or questions can be directed to NLA: Houston at their message/information line at 713-527-9666.

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First step for anyone in dealing with domestic violence is to seek help, Either one can say, "no!" And as the gay and lesbian communities become more open and active more services become receptive to help. And the key to getting help is education, getting

non if they should choose to seek help. Be there as a friend, as a support, as a potential escape route. Assure them that what it happening is not their fault and is not right. Assure them there is a way out and that there is all sorts of help out there. Educate yourself so you are ready to be a weapon against domestic violence.

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Be sure, be sane be consensus and be Proud, don't put up with Domestic Violence of any kind.

If your are experiencing domestic violence, call someone:

HPD Crises Team	529-3100
HPD Family Violence Unit	535-7900
Houston Area Women's Center	529-3100
Houston Council/Alcoholism and Drug Abuse	520-5502
AVDA Aid to victims of Domestic Abuse (legal Assistance)	224-9911

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From the Executive Director

Julie Siska

HELLO! As the new Executive Director of the Pride Committee of Houston, Inc. (PCOH), I want to take a few moments to update you on the many activities that have been happening since Houston Gay/Lesbian Pride Week 1995.

We've been getting a lot of press lately so many of you have kept up with the many activities that have been going on. But for those of you that haven't, here's an update:

On August 23, the PCOH hosted a THANK YOU party for the many volunteers and supporters that made Pride Week '95 a much talked about special event. Plaques were given to Ms. Sandy Stone (City of Houston) and Silver Eagle Distributors, Inc. (Budweiser) for their exceptional contributions to forwarding the growth of the Pride Committee's outreach in the community. Ms. Stone was instrumental in obtaining the Montrose Banner District's approval AND Silver Eagle served as underwriter of the PrideFest '95 post-parade concert.

Others receiving certificates of recognition for contributing were Dr. Adan Rios, Freedom Line Long Distance, Bunnies on the Bayou, Coors, Nellie Ribbons and United Beverage Company (Miller). However, we want each and every one of you, who contributed in other denominations, to know that we greatly appreciate your contribution. For it takes all of us to make it happen.

Then there was the Pride Community Forum on September 17. This event was led by Ms. Anise Parker. She was gracious to give us her time to facilitate this afternoon of inquiry of what we, the Pride Committee, could do to better facilitate the coordination and development of Pride Week. "Thank You" Anise.

The areas we covered were Merchandising; Pride Guide; Fundraising/Grants/Underwriting; Parade; Pride Week Events; Festival and Video/TV/Media. Many fresh new suggestions and ideas were brought forth by the attendees, of which many we plan to implement in this next year. We have also seen many of these same people at our meetings, since then, who are helping to forward and shape the future of Pride Week. Your energy, enthusiasm, suggestions, ideas are welcomed and I look forward to working with you in the upcoming year.

Of course, we do include outreach and play in our busy schedule. On September 24, many of the Pride Committee traveled to Dallas to represent our great city and to make a PRESENCE. And that we did! We came back with the BEST OUT OF TOWN trophy. "Thanks" to all those who attended and made it possible. (Of course, Sue Ellen's is still the best women's bar in Dallas - I personally checked it out!!!!!!) All work and no play, would make me for a dull Maybe next year more of you will attend?

Since then, the HL/GPW '96 Committee has been busy with scheduling the 1996 Pride Week activities. This is not an easy task as we are all concerned with the success of Pride Week and yet want to accommodate as many of our community as possible. In our October 16 meeting, the majority vote was to hold the 1996 Pride Parade on Sunday, June 23 at 5 p.m. In addition, a six month "Special Task Force" was created to develop a plan for moving the 1997 and future Pride Week parade date.

As many have come to find out, this is no small task. So anyone interested in participating on this Special Task Force should contact the Pride Line (529-6979) for infor-

mation on location and dates of meetings.

Soon we will be announcing the Logo Contest. The International Association of Lesbian/Gay Pride Coordinators, Inc. Theme for 1996 is "PRIDE WITHOUT BORDERS".

With so much activity to report, I almost forgot that seven members of the Pride Committee attended the IAL/GP Conference in Phoenix, October 5 to 8. Reports will be forthcoming from the various members that attended. Darren Armstrong, our current Treasurer and Board of Directors member, is now a Board Member representing the Midwest Region and I was elected as Treasurer of IAL/GPC. So Houston is making every attempt to be a part of the International scene. We will keep you posted about any future topics or issues that arise from this arena.

As you may have guessed by now, being a member of the PCOH is very special to me. There is much to be accomplished in servicing the needs of our general community. Many organizations are designed for a "needs" basis and they are very much appreciated.

As you can see by the PCOH Mission Statement, "We are here to commemorate, educate and celebrate our pride and to create a path toward a positive future for all humanity.....". If you are interested in participating in such a mission (we'll appreciate as much or little of the time and/or resources you have available), please call the Pride Line (529-6979).

For now, I only ask that you consider that there are many people who are devoting their time and energy for YOU and really want to know what you'd like to see this committee do for you. So if you see or know someone involved, please inform them of your ideas or suggestions. Better yet, get involved yourself and know that the job is getting done. Until next time.....Let fun and enjoyment always be a part of your life.

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Walt Disney Offering Domestic Partnership Health Coverage

The Walt Disney Co. will begin offering health coverage to live-in partners of gay and lesbian employees beginning Jan. 1, a move that analysts say may prod other corporations to follow suit.

"We made this decision because it brings our health benefits in line with our corporate non-discrimination policy," Disney spokesman John Dreyer said Friday. "We constantly review our benefits."

Disney joins other entertainment giants such as Universal, Paramount Pictures, Sony and Warner Brothers, which have extended such benefits to their gay and lesbian workers in the last three years. Most of corporate America, however, has been reluctant to extend health benefits to gay partners. Disney's announcement may change that, a health insurance executive said.

"I think other people will say, 'If it's good enough for Disney, maybe it's something we should consider,'" said Gary Schmidt, marketing director of PacifiCare Health Systems, a health maintenance organization based in Cypress.

Gay rights advocates said Disney's decision was a hard-won battle. "It's been a long effort," said Richard Jennings, executive director of Hollywood Supports, a non-profit group promoting awareness of AIDS and gay issues.

According to Jennings, Disney Chairman Michael Eisner made a commitment to his group late last year that the policy would be adopted. Jennings said the company's primary concern "is their reputation as a maker of family entertainment."

Already, there has been criticism from the leader of a conservative Christian movement. "With the understanding that the homosexual agenda has penetrated Hollywood, it should come as no surprise that Disney now supports anti-family values," said the Rev. Louis Sheldon, leader of the Traditional Values Coalition in Anaheim.

"Disney is no longer Walt Disney, it is a secular, anti-family corporation," Sheldon said. The new policy was announced in an employee newsletter issued this past week. Under the policy, a Disney employee who wants to claim the benefit must sign an affidavit that says he or she is living with the

partner who will receive the benefits. Domestic partners also must show they are financially dependent on each other and their children will also be eligible for coverage. Unmarried heterosexual partners are excluded from the policy.

Disney employs about 60,000 people, including 9,000 at Disneyland in Anaheim.

"I think it's wonderful that the company recognizes all the individuals within the company," said Steve Valkenburg, co-chairman of Disneyland's Lesbian and Gay United Employees.

Quotes from the Supreme Court

Quotes from the Supreme Court argument over whether Colorado voters can ban all state and local laws that would protect homosexuals from discrimination:

Colorado Solicitor General Timothy M. Tymkovich called the amendment voters' "response to political activism by a political group that wanted to seek special protections.... That's a quintessential political judgment."

Jean E. Dubofsky, lawyer for those who challenged Colorado amendment: "I think there is a right which everyone has to be free from arbitrary discrimination."

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg said the amendment essentially says, "Thou shalt not have access to the ordinary legislative process for anything that will improve the status

of homosexuals. I would like to know whether in all of U.S. history there has ever been anything like this."

Justice David H. Souter: "Why is discrimination against one group dealt with under state law differently than discrimination against other groups? ... I don't see in your answer the kind of justification, independent of majority will, that equal protection calls for."

Justice Antonin Scalia said anti-bias laws "are laws that provide special protection to that particular category of person." Not everyone is protected from discrimination, he said, adding, "You can refuse to hire someone because you don't like the way they comb their hair."

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MISSION STATEMENT

Houston Gay and Lesbian Pride Week 1995 operates as a committee of the Pride Committee of Houston.

The Pride Committee of Houston is a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) organization whose purpose is to coordinate and promote events which celebrate the diversity, unity and history of the Lesbian/Gay community. We do not discriminate on the basis of color, gender or gender identification, the physically challenged or differently abled or on the basis of age. We are here to commemorate, educate and celebrate our pride and to create a path towards a positive future for all humanity not to exclude any segments of who we are as a people.

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Financial Report 1995

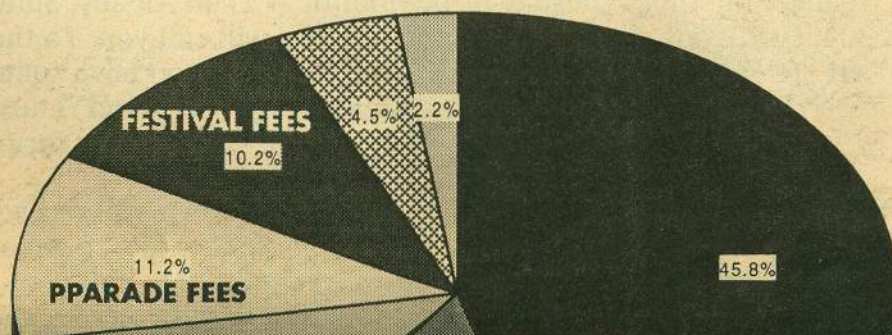
by Darren Armstrong, Treasurer

Pride Committee of Houston, Inc. has released its financial report for the fiscal year September 1, 1994 through August 31, 1995. Total Revenue for the year was \$55,703 and expenses were \$48,808 resulting in an Earned Surplus of \$6,895 compared to fiscal year 1993-94 Earned Surplus of \$2,766. Factors contributing to the increase for 1995 include larger corporate donations, a significant increase in merchandise sales, and an increase in Parade & Festival entry fees. For the second year in a row we have been able to give a portion of our revenue back to charitable organizations in the Houston Gay & Lesbian Community. Five organizations were selected as benefactors each receiving one-fifth of the proceeds collected at the entry gate to Pride Fest '95. The five organizations that received these proceeds were MCCR, Stephen's House, Aves, 20 Something, and Lesbian Health Initiative.

The Executive Committee has already begun planning the 1996 Pride Week and budgets will be prepared & discussed at the Executive Retreat in November and voted upon by the general membership shortly thereafter. We will continue our efforts in obtaining larger corporate donations and marketing our merchandise to enable us to strive for excellence in next year's pride celebration while monitoring and evaluating expenses and overhead to enable us to continue the precedent of giving money to charitable organizations.

If you have any questions or comments, we invite you to join us at our next General meeting on November 21 at 7:00 p.m. at 2700 Albany, Suite 304.

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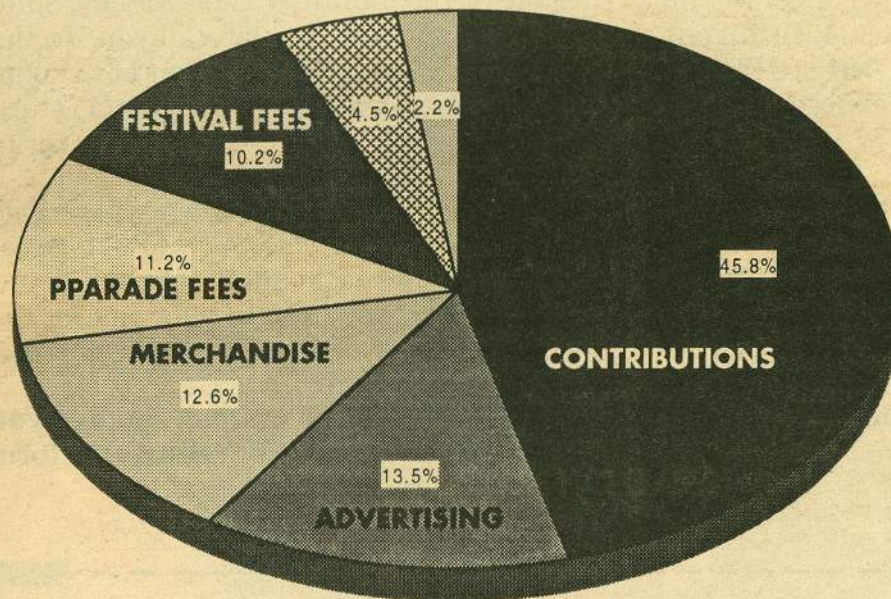
Expenses		
Pride Guide	22%	\$10,561
Festival	20%	\$9,692
Advertising	14%	\$6,858
Parade	12%	\$5,761
Administration	10%	\$4,731
Newsletter	8%	\$4,091
Merchandise	5%	\$2,484
Grants	4%	\$2,024
Other	3%	\$1,435
Fundraising	2%	\$1,171
Total	100%	\$48,808
Revenue		
Contributions	46%	\$25,529
Advertising	14%	\$7,525
Merchandise	13%	\$7,021
Parade Fees	11%	\$6,260
Festival Fees	10%	\$5,655
Fundraising	4%	\$2,502
Other	2%	\$1,211
Total	100%	\$55,703
Surplus		\$6,895

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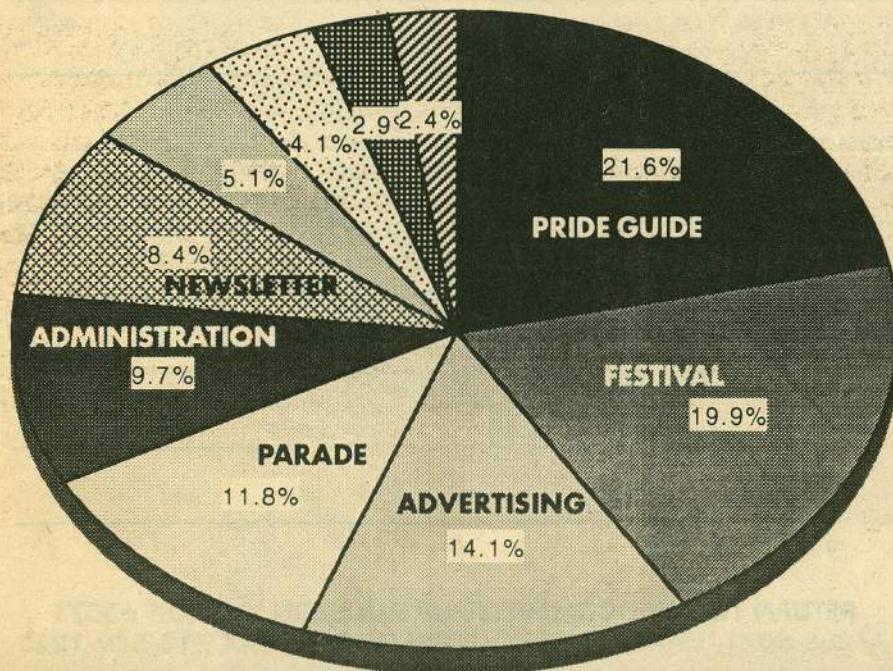
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EXPENSES



OCA Pickets Youth Conference

October 13 about 40 people from the Oregon Citizens Alliance (CCA) protested outside the Third Regional Lesbians Gay & Bisexual Youth Conference being held at the Portland Conference Center (PCC) which hosted NLA: International's Living in leather X Conference the week before. An OCA leader said he objected because of the use of state & county money to stage the conference. The protesters carried signs including "Sodomy is Not a Family Values" "Don't Promote Homosexuality," and "Why are you supporting Gays, Mr. Governor?" A number of teens linked hands outside the PCC to help get individuals inside through the protesters, and police were on hand to ensure the two groups didn't clash. The conference was organized in part by the HIV Education department of the Oregon Health Division, and the goal of the two day conference was to promote an open discussion to the issues and needs of homosexual and bisexual youth.

Just seven days prior Living in Leather X (LIL X), NLA: Internationals annual leather/SM/fetish conference was held at the conference center, a privately owned and operated convention center.

LIL VIII was held here in Houston in 1993 and last year LIL IX was held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada and received full coverage from main stream press (TV and newspapers) the entire weekend. Dean Walradt, Houston resident and this Years Pride Week Committee secretary was Assistant Director for LIL VIII and Director for LIL IX & X.

"We were ready and anticipating some type of attention from the OCA or similar groups," said Dean, "but we didn't even get the main stream press attention we got in Toronto for LIL IX. In a way I am glad as it made for a very good and stress-free conference for me, but publicity & confrontation can have their benefits too."

The conference in Toronto in 1994 made the front pages on several of Toronto's daily newspapers and Dean conducted two interviews for television and took City-TV on a tour of the vendor space which is held as part of the conference. As a whole the reception was positive if not down right warm and all publicity steered away for the most part from the sensationalism. Nor did the publicity result in any kind of protest-right wing or otherwise!

come out, come out and get involved join the pride committee and help your community

- ☐ **OUTREACH:** Seek out, and build communications with various organizations, minority groups church groups, as well as corporations to promote participation in Pride week, Pride Festival, and the Pride Parade.
- ☐ **MEDIA:** Insure local media is aware of Pride Week events, the annual Gay/Lesbian Pride Parade, and any fundraising events.
- ☐ **NEWSLETTER:** Highlight events, meetings, announcements, or news which would be of interest to the lesbian and gay community. Report on the community's views-dislikes, and likes about this years scheduled events, and what the community feels would make Lesbian/Gay Pride 1996 even better.
- ☐ **PRIDE GUIDE:** Contribute your expertise, and assist with the producing of Pride Guide, as well

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☐ **PRIDE GUIDE:** Contribute your expertise, and assist with the producing of Pride Guide, as well as helping with mailouts, and finding a variety of advertisers.

☐ **FUNDRAISING:** Develop, organize, and promote great ideas to make a profit benefiting Lesbian/Gay Pride 1996.

☐ **PRIDE WEEK EVENTS:** Develop and schedule a variety of events that reflect and are of interest to the lesbian and Gay Community. Ensure accessibility for the disabled.

☐ **COMPUTER LIST:** Help keep the mailing list, calendar and organization database up to date.

☐ **MERCHANDISING:** Market, and sell merchandise for profit to benefit Pride Week, Pride Festival, and the Pride Parade.

☐ **PARADE:** Assist in various aspects of coordination, check-in of floats, and participating organizations and security.

☐ **FESTIVAL:** Organize both booth participation and entertainment. Plan, coordinate, and organize volunteers for the festival, as well as coordinate security, and cleanup after the event.

☐ **VOLUNTEER COORDINATION:** Assist in finding volunteers to help us mail our newsletter, distribute newsletters, help with fund-raising events, and assist with Pride Week when June rolls around.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

CONTINUING

To Wong Foo Thanks for Everything Julie Newmar

Story of 3 drag queens stuck in Snyderville NE for the weekend, stars Patrick Swayze and Wesley Snipes, Cineplex Odeon River Oaks, 1475 W. Gray, FYI 713-524-8781

Double Happiness

A 22-year-old woman, born in Hong Kong and raised in Canada, tries to reconcile her family's traditional Chinese values with her own Western style dreams, some gay themes of isolation of family, Greenway 3, 5 Greenway Plaza, FYI 713-626-0402

Sex is My Religion

A one act drama concerns an HIV positive young man and his born again Christian Mother, who perform opposite characters. The male actor, as the Mother, reveals to us her journey of redemption thru religion, and the female actor, as Jim, relates his quest for identity thru sexual experiences, directed by Joe Watts, The Group (Theatre Workshop), \$8.00, 8:00 pm, Brasil, Cafe-Art Space, 2604 Dunlavy at Westheimer, FYI 713-522-2204, runs until 11/09/95

SUNDAYS

Houston Chain Gang Bicycle Club

Different rides every week and different levels, Easy Riders (Montrose area rides), Chainsmokers (faster/longer rides) and Rough Riders (off-road), free, FYI 713-520-1809

Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection

MCC Churches are Christian Churches with an outreach into the lesbian and gay communities. They welcome all people into their fellowship and extend their ministries to ev-

MONDAYS

AIDS Foundation Houston Creative Writing Class

Taught by freelance writer Greg Rodriguez for anyone affected by AIDS, Sponsored by the AIDS Foundation Houston, 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm, FYI 713-623-6796 713-868-0008

Calendar/Computer Workshop

weekly sessions to keep up to date the community's best mailing list along with this calendar, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, call for details, FYI 713-529-1223 Voice & FAX

Gay Fathers / Fathers First

Weekly support meeting for fathers and their partners, 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh, FYI 713-861-6181

TUESDAYS

FrontRunners

running group, 6:30 pm, Memorial Park at the Tennis Center, FYI 713-522-8021

PROTECT, People Respecting Ourselves Through Establishing Community & Trust

provides a safe place for HIV negative people to share their experiences, strengths and hopes in an effort to remain HIV negative and to help ourselves understand and change behaviors that could lead to infection, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, Bering Church, 1440 Harold, FYI 713-520-7870

Helping Cross Dressers Anonymous

For all persons who are in any way affected by crossdressing, either on their personal part or on the part of someone in whom they have an interest, 8:00 pm, 1509 Fairview, FYI 713-495-8009

Southern Country

Houston Pride Band

Get your instruments out of the closet, a new band has formed to provide musical entertainment for the Houston community, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Dignity, 1307 Yale, in the Heights, FYI 713-524-0218

Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection

Mid-week uplift service lasting 25 minutes. MCC Churches are Christian Churches with an outreach into the lesbian and gay communities. They welcome all people into their fellowship and extend their ministries to everyone to worship, witness and service together, 7:00 pm, 1919 Decatur St. (White at Washington; between Studemont/Montrose and Houston Ave.), FYI Ron Sparks at 713-861-9149

HIV Survivor Support Group

For anyone whose life is touched by HIV, meetings include a relaxing meditation, information about community resources and occasional speakers, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Unity Church of Christianity, 2929 Unity Drive at Hillcroft, FYI 713-782-4050

Rainbow Ranglers

Country Western bar promotes Texas Style couple dancing, Advanced Level, classes are free and open to the public, 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm, Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, FYI 713-880-0670

THURSDAYS

Living in Process Group

Ongoing gay men's group, FYI 713-622-7250 FAX 713-622-2180

Art Classes

Express yourself!, Sponsored by the AIDS Foundation Houston, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, The Art League, FYI 713-526-1118

FrontRunners

running group, 6:30 pm, Memorial Park at

Lesbian and Gay Voices

a radio show featuring community activists who produce a magazine format featuring many segments including interviews with both community leaders, national leaders and just the ordinary gay and lesbian activist. Also included will be a segment each week of music, reviews of gay and lesbian cultural events, news from This Way Out and a few comments along the way, 9:00 pm to 11:00 pm, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI on air line 713-526-KPFT, FAX 713-529-1223

Houston Thursday Nite Mixer

Mixed league, Fall/Winter session September to April, Summer session May to August, 9:00 pm, Palace Lanes, Bellaire Blvd, Inside the Loop, FYI 713-522-9612

FRIDAYS

Borders Gay/Lesbian Bookclub

The group will initially gather in the Espresso Bar and then relocate to a cozier location, 9633 Westheimer Road, FYI 713-782-6066

HIV Art Class

free for all HIV+ individuals, this class offers mixed media art projects for the artist and non-artist alike, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, at the Art League of Houston, 1953 Montrose, classroom 2, FYI 713-225-9411

Houston Area Teenagers Coalition of Homosexuals (HATCH)

peer support group for teens and young adults between ages 16 and 21 in greater Houston area with guest speaker, 7:10 pm, Call for location, FYI 713-942-7002

SATURDAYS

Houston Chain Gang Bicycle Club

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FrontRunners

running group, 9:00 am, Memorial Park at the Tennis Center, FYI 713-522-8021

Maranatha Fellowship Metropolitan Church

to praise the Lord in Music, the Word and Prayer, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, Holiday Inn West Loop 3131 W Loop South, Afton Oaks Room, FYI 713-528-6756

Community Gospel Church

worship services, a high spirited gathering for a charismatic, Pentecostal worship service, 11:00 am, 501 East 18th at Columbia, FYI 713-880-9235

Houston Mission Church

Come worship the Lord in a supportive atmosphere, 11:00 am, 1505 Nevada, FYI 713-529-8225

Kingdom Community Church

Sunday worship; Sunday school 10:00 AM, 11:00 am, 4404 Blossom, FYI 713-351-4217

Houston Area Teenagers Coalition of Homosexuals (HATCH)

peer support group for teens and young adult between ages 16 and 21 in greater Houston area with committee meetings, socials and movies with gay theme, 6:30 pm, Call for location, FYI 713-942-7002

Inner Loop Sunday Bowling League

Mixed league, Fall/Winter session September to April, Summer session May to August, 7:00 pm, Palace Lanes, Bellaire Blvd, Inside the Loop, FYI 713-522-9612

provides a safe place for HIV negative people to share their experiences, strengths and hopes in an effort to remain HIV negative and to help ourselves understand and change behaviors that could lead to infection, 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, Bering Church, 1440 Harold, FYI 713-520-7870

Helping Cross Dressers Anonymous

For all persons who are in any way affected by crossdressing, either on their personal part or on the part of someone in whom they have an interest, 8:00 pm, 1509 Fairview, FYI 713-495-8009

Southern Country

Country Western Dance Lessons at the Ranch, 8:00 pm-10:00 pm, The Ranch, 9200 Buffalo Speedway,

WEDNESDAYS

Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Alliance at the University of Houston (GLOBAL)

University of Houston Student Group, 4:00 pm, University Center, University of Houston, FYI 713-743-7539

Inner Loop Bowling League

Mixed league, Fall/Winter session September to April, Summer session May to August, Dues \$11, 7:00 pm, Palace Lanes, Bellaire Blvd, Inside the Loop, FYI 713-522-9612

Bi-NET of Houston

This group is supportive of responsible, health-conscious bisexuality and is open to all women and men exploring or questioning their sexuality or already identifying as bisexual. All meetings are confidential and open to all races, religions, cultural diversities, married or single. Anonymity or the using of assumed is respected in this group. Respectful, appropriate social conduct is expected. This group is not considered professional therapeutic, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection, 1919 Decatur Street, FYI 713-861-9149

**December Deadline:
November 15**

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FrontRunners

running group, 6:30 pm, Memorial Park at the Tennis Center, FYI 713-522-8021

Gay Men's Chorus of Houston

come sing with a rapidly growing community minded men's chorus, open rehearsals, 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh, FYI 713-521-7464

Community Gospel Church

worship services, a high spirited gathering for a charismatic, Pentecostal worship service, 7:30 pm, 501 East 18th at Columbia, FYI 713-880-9235

Twenty Something

a group of young adults ages 20 to 29 addressing issues concerning bisexual, lesbian and gays. A positive atmosphere to share, learn, encourage each other and create a safe environment that is conducive to personal growth, 7:30 pm, TBA, FYI 713-531-9396

Cafe Artiste

Open mike and songwriters night every Thursday, all instruments welcome, 8:00 pm, Cafe Artiste, 1601 W Main at Mandell, FYI 713-528-3704

Rainbow Ranglers

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Montrose Ice Picks

Montrose Ice Picks will be meeting at the new Downtown Main Street Outdoor Ice Rink every Saturday and Sunday from noon till 5 from Thanksgiving through New Years, FYI 713-629-1432

Dignity/Houston

an organization for gay and lesbian Catholics and their friends meets for liturgy and a social hour, 7:30 pm, 1307 Yale, Suite H, just north of 13th Street, FYI 713-880-2872

After Hours

A late night radio show featuring a different host and crew present interviews, music and mayhem, 12:00 am to 3:00 am, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-526-5738

The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert

This "road picture" about three big city (Sydney, Australia) drag queens driving across country in a lavender bus named Priscilla captivated audiences at the 1994 Cannes film festival and is continuing to do so every Saturday at Midnight at the River Oaks 3, Midnight, River Oaks 3, River Oaks, FYI 713-524-2175

COMPUTER COMMITTEE

Help us maintain the most thorough community calendar and mailing lists in Houston's gay and lesbian community.
Mondays, 7:00 PM, for Information Call 529-1223

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY 11/01/95

The Mens Network

Understanding grief, Michael Wilson LMSW discusses the yearning and pain that naturally comes with loss, that lifelong experience of letting go. Discussion group for social and educational development for Gay and Bisexual Men, donation of \$3.00 to \$5.00 requested, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond, Houston TX, FYI 713-529-1223

Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus

general meeting, 7:30 pm, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-521-1000

Lambda Rollerskating Club

gay rollerskating group, 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Dairy Ashford Rink, 1820 Dairy Ashford between Westheimer and Briar Forest, FYI 713-933-5818

THURSDAY 11/02/95

Texas Gay Veterans of Houston

A non-profit national organization dedicated to serving gay, lesbian and bisexual active, reserve and veteran service members, 7:30 pm, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-522-4377

Paris is Burning

The documentary tribute to New York City Drag balls, 7:30 pm to 10:00 pm, Rice Media Center, University Blvd Entrance #8, FYI 713-527-4853

Lesbian and Gay Voices

scheduled topic is an interview with OutVote to discuss the upcoming election. Also included will be a segment each week of Womyn's music, reviews of gay and lesbian cultural events, news from This Way Out, 9:00 pm to 11:00 pm, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-866-6505, FAX 713-529-1223

TUESDAY 11/07/95

Election Day

City elections, check local newspapers for polling places, 7:00 am to 7:00 pm,

Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week

executive meeting, open to public, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-529-6979 FAX 713-529-1223

An Evening with the Eleanors

A gala showstopper benefiting Omega House and honoring Eleanor Munger and Eleanor Tinsley at the Heights Theatre, Tickets \$75, 7:00 pm to 9:00pm, Heights Theatre, FYI 713-523-7110

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WEDNESDAY 11/08/95

NGLTF Policy Institute

The 8th Annual Creating Change Conference, 2320 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20009, FYI 617-492-6393, runs until 11/12/95

THURSDAY 11/09/95

PFlag Raffle

Help PFlag by buying a raffle ticket, prizes to be given away include a \$450 travel voucher from Uniglobe, one night stay at the Victorian Condos in Galveston and gift certificates from Inklings, Crossroads and Java Cafe, call PFlag for details prizes will announced on LG Voices on 11/9/95,

National Leather Association:

Houston

NLA: Houston is a pansexual social service organization established to educate and eradicate prejudice to the leather, S/M and fetish lifestyles. Men, women, gay, straight and bisexual individuals who are interested in NLA: Houston are encouraged to attend, 7:00 pm, 711 Hyde Park, Hyde Park Galleries, FYI 713-527-9666

Kolbe Project

Kolbe is an ecumenical outreach to gays lesbians and other sexual minorities modeled after the ministry of St. Francis of Assisi, 7:00 pm, FYI 713-522-8182

Back to Basic: Understanding

Medical Treatment

Health care specialists will explain the basic understanding of the immune system, HIV medical approaches, lab test, treatment information and community resources, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

Holistic AIDS Conference

Holistic AIDS conference exploring both Western medicine and complementary therapies, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Wyndham Warwick Hotel, FYI 1-800-875-8770, runs until 11/12/95

Montrose Ice Picks

Ice skating get together. The rink will be open to General Public so Gays/Lesbians are encouraged to wear pink clothing or fa-

SATURDAY 11/11/95

12-Step Womens Support Group - Peacemaker

12-step support group for addictions, grief work, healing, empowerment for women with at least one year of sobriety. Sliding scale, 9:30 am to 12:00 pm, Peacemaker Enterprise, FYI 713-293-8653

SUNDAY 11/12/95

The Womens Group

The Womens Group is a feminist group for all women; each woman defines feminism by her experience, 3:30 pm, Central Congregational Church, 1311 Holman, FYI Iris at 713-529-8571

Houston Area Bears

a social group for men who are bears and for those who like/admire bears, 4:00 pm, varies, FYI 713-867-9123

Astro Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf

This Houston chapter of the International Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf was founded in 1979, 7:30 pm, TBA, FYI 713-869-2287 via 800-735-2988

MONDAY 11/13/95

Houston Area Women's Center

Volunteer training to provide a variety of free services for women in crisis, 3101 Richmond, Suite 150, FYI 713-528-6798

Miss Camp America

Monthly meeting, the Miss America Pageant, the non-profit corporation consists of a maximum of ninety members from all walks of life, the pageant happens on the same night as the Miss America and is a non-profit who raises funds for AIDS related charities, Montrose Library or Metropolitan MultiService Center, FYI 713-520-STAR

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FRIDAY 11/03/95

PFlag Meeting

Monthly meeting of PFlag, FYI 713-867-9020

SATURDAY 11/04/95

Human Rights Campaign Fund Black Tie Dinner

Annual fund raiser for HRCF and PFlag, \$150 per person, 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Westin Galleria, FYI 713-785-8505 or 713-440-0353

SUNDAY 11/05/95

Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbian & Gays

support group for parents, friends and families of gays and lesbians, and for gays and lesbians. Our mission includes community education and advocacy, 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm, St Francis Episcopal Church, 345 N Pitney Point Road, FYI 713-867-9020

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Healing and Happiness Through Wellness

Bart Loeser of the AFH Wellness Program will explore the concepts of wellness, offering options for improving and maintaining good health and happiness, Sponsored by AIDS Foundation Houston, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-623-6796

Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus

board meeting, 7:00 pm, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-521-1000

Gay & Lesbian Hispanics Unidos (GLHU)

a social, cultural and educational organization created to motivate, educate and instill pride in all gay and lesbian Hispanics, their friends and supporters. 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, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-813-3769

The Mind/Body Connection: Alternative Approaches

A panel of health care specialists will discuss complementary health alternatives beyond traditional medicine, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

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FRIDAY 11/10/95

Houtex XV

Local Tennis tournament sponsored by the Houston Tennis Club, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, FYI 713-868-5039, runs until 11/12/95

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Texas Medical Center Lambda Group

welcomes all lesbian, gay, bisexual and gay-friendly faculty, staff and students of the Texas Medical Center, 5:00 pm, RAS W-204, School of Public Health building, FYI 713-523-5539

PRIDE WEEK TASK FORCE

**Should Pride Week to the spring,
fall, and/or night?**

become involved in the process

**November 14 & 28, 6:30 pm
2700 Albany 304
713-529-6979**

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TUESDAY 11/14/95

Houston Gay and Lesbian Parents

A monthly support group for the parents and also a monthly family activity, \$25 per year, MCCR 1919 Decatur, FYI 713-980-7995

A Tuna Benefit

Joe Sears and Jason Williams of Greater Tuna and A Tuna Christmas will perform an evening of improvisation benefiting The NAMES project, \$20, Richs, 2401 San Jacinto, FYI 713-526-2637

AIDS Equity League

A non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring equitable treatment of the gay and lesbian and at-risk community in local HIV/AIDS decision making. The League was founded in 1990 on the premise that people have a right to a voice in decisions that ultimately affect their lives, 12:00 pm, Charlie's Restaurant, Westheimer At Waugh Drive, FYI 713-529-9966

Nutrition First!: Nutrition & Exercise

This workshop will focus on the impact of exercise and good nutrition habits, such as proper diet, food preparation and storage issues, emphasizing special needs for PWAs/HIV, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

The Nutrition Difference

Workshop focusing on the impact of exercise and good nutritional habits for people with HIV/AIDS, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

WEDNESDAY 11/15/95

Mens Network

Cafe Sane and Consciousness, Houston Chen

SATURDAY 11/18/95

Crossroads

Review and discussion by persons currently in church work, Reverend Johnny Peden, FYI 713-681-9082

No Tap Candlelight Doubles Bowling Tournament

Doubles Bowling Tournament at Palace Lanes, entry fee \$11, Palace Lanes, FYI 713-522-9612

Alpha to Omega 5K Run

The first annual Alpha to Omega 5K run, skate, walk, wheelchair, benefiting Omega House, FYI 713-524-6662 (for entry form)

SUNDAY 11/19/95

LOAF, Lesbians Over Age Fifty

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Houston Mission Church, 1505 Nevada at Commonwealth, FYI 713-661-1482

AMIGA de Houston

5:00 pm, area restaurant, FYI 713-527-0941

The Women's Group

Sermon of Harriet by Hitaji Aziz. This powerful sermon is presented in the spirit of Harriet Tubman and will feature music and dance. In the Sanctuary, The Womens Group is a feminist group for all women; each woman defines feminism by her experience, 5:00 pm, Central Congregational Church, 1311 Holman, FYI Iris at 713-529-8571

African American Lesbian Gay Alliance

African American Lesbian Gay Alliance Support Group general membership and interest meeting, 5:30 pm, Bering Memorial United Methodist Church, 1440 Harold, FYI 713-864-2242

THURSDAY 11/23/95

Thanksgiving Day

Eating Right For The Health Of It

workshop will explore good nutritional habits emphasizing special dietary needs for people with HIV/AIDS, with Nutritionist Richard Elbein, sponsored by Aids Foundation of Houston, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-623-6796

Lesbian and Gay Voices

we will be talking about the holidays, Also included will be a segment each week of Womyn's music, reviews of gay and lesbian cultural events, news from This Way Out, 9:00 pm to 11:00 pm, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-866-6505, FAX 713-529-1223

Safer Sex for Lesbians

This entertaining program discusses the facts and risks of women to women sex, exploring options for a safer, yet erotic sexuality. This program is presented by Nancy Ford and offered in conjunction with her comedy act, sponsored by Aids Foundation of Houston, 9:30 pm, Plaza 9200, 9200 Buffalo Speedway, FYI 713-666-3464

SATURDAY 11/25/95

Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus

Newsletter mailout party, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-521-1000

SUNDAY 11/26/95

The Womens Group

Lesbian Battering presented by counselors trained in the PIVOT program, The Womens Group is a feminist group for all women; each woman defines feminism by her experience

TUESDAY 11/28/95

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An entertaining and confidential discussion for developing/improving communication and intimacy in relationships through discussion and games. Also available for private House Parties at any time/place, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

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Town Meetings, Inc

Open to the lesbian, gay and bisexual community at large in order for them to provide input on what they would like to see happen as part of Spectrum 96, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, FYI 713-526-2853

HIV/AIDS Treatment Mixer

Informal treatment discussion and open forum for asking questions, sharing information and comparing notes. Sponsored by The Center for AIDS: Hope & Remembrance Project, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, 2700 Albany, Suite 205, FYI 713-527-8219

THURSDAY 11/30/95

Dollars & Sense: Money and Other Matters

A panel of planning specialists will review vital legal and financial matters concerning PWAs/HIV including record-keeping, resource management discrimination and im-

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WEDNESDAY 11/15/95

Mens Network

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Outvote

General meeting, all welcome, 7:00 pm, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-521-1000

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gay rollerskating group, 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Dairy Ashford Rink, 1820 Dairy Ashford between Westheimer and Briar Forest, FYI 713-933-5818

THURSDAY 11/16/95

Lesbian and Gay Voices

scheduled topics include gay home pages on the internet and gay magazines, Also included will be a segment each week of Womyn's music, reviews of gay and lesbian cultural events, news from This Way Out, 9:00 pm to 11:00 pm, KPFT 90.1 FM, FYI 713-866-6505, FAX 713-529-1223

FRIDAY 11/17/95

LiB

Dissuasion, \$3.00 for members and \$5.00 to non-members, \$10.00 for membership, 6:00 pm for networking and 6:30 pm meeting, Innova Building, 1st floor, 20 Greenway Plaza, FYI 713-529-0077

is a feminist group for all women; each woman defines feminism by her experience, 5:00 pm, Central Congregational Church, 1311 Holman, FYI Iris at 713-529-8571

African American Lesbian Gay

Alliance

African American Lesbian Gay Alliance Support Group general membership and interest meeting, 5:30 pm, Bering Memorial United Methodist Church, 1440 Harold, FYI 713-864-2242

TUESDAY 11/21/95

Empowerment for Living

Interfaith HIV positive group meets for potluck meal and love, MCCR 1919 Decatur, 713-861-9149,

Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week

Consideration of the theme for the 1996, the international theme is "PRIDE without Borders," 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, 2700 Albany 304, FYI 713-529-6979 FAX 713-529-1223

Dating & Mating: Erotic Choices in Safer Sex

Entertaining and confidential workshop explores the nature of safer sex and sensual options through lively discussion and games, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

WEDNESDAY 11/22/95

Women's Network

Grow Thru Exploring Your Inner Child. Dr. Joyce Gayles will guide you through meeting or deepening your inner child, The Womens Network is a support group for lesbian and bisexual women, \$3 to \$5 donation requested, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond, FYI 713-529-0037

PRIDE MEETINGS

EXECUTIVE FIRST TUESDAY

GENERAL THIRD TUESDAY

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC
713-529-6979

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MONDAY 11/27/95

Log Cabin Houston

a civil rights organization attempting to create change within the Republican Party. We welcome people from either political party who can help us accomplish this goal, 7:00 pm, Sierra Grill, 4704 Montrose, FYI 713-529-9100

Gay and Lesbian Readers Group

Will be discussing Greg Johnsons Pagan Babies, 7:00 pm, 3003 W Holcombe, FYI 713-349-0050

Love, Lust & Intimacy

An entertaining and confidential discussion for developing/improving communication and intimacy in relationships through discussion and games, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

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Discussion of current books, 7:00 pm, 3003 W Holcombe, FYI 713-349-0050

Agora

To assist gay and lesbian organizations in educating and public relations efforts and to offer a fairer representation of our community. Often, news and feature articles are written without any involvement from a gay man or womans perspective. Members of Agora want to help provide that perspective, 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm, TBA, FYI 713-623-6796

THURSDAY 11/30/95

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A panel of planning specialists will review vital legal and financial matters concerning PWAs/HIV including record-keeping, resource management, discrimination and important documents, 7:00 pm, Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 West Gray, FYI 713-524-2374

FRIDAY 12/01/95

World AIDS Day

Many events check next months newsletter

Pride Line
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FAX
713-529-1223
eMail
PrideHouTX
@aol.com



The Pride Committee does DALLAS

TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CALENDAR

This Calendar is a joint project of the Pride Committee of Houston and Lesbian and Gay Voices. Calendar listings must be received fifteen days before the end of the month for publication and seven days for Lesbian and Voices. Photos encouraged! Please specify if the event is not open to everyone. Use our format as a guide for listings, including time, date, place, contact person and most important, a phone number. Note that listings are printed only as space allows. We plan to publish this newsletter by the beginning of each month. This calendar is also supplied to the Gay/Lesbian Switchboard of Houston, the Gay/Lesbian radio shows of KPFT-FM and the community publications on an ongoing basis. Our success depends on items being supplied to us. We are looking for a volunteer to help organize this section. Items should be mailed to Calendar, Houston Lesbian/Gay Pride Week, PO Box 66071, Houston, TX 77266-6071, eMail to PrideHouTX@aol.com or FAX to 713-529-1223. Please do not phone in Calendar items.

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9 to 11 pm, Thursdays, KPFT 90.1 fm Houston

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- SHIELA LENNON/LUGE AT CHANCES
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