

# i n s i d e P R I D E

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## PRIDE, POWER & PIZZAZZ!

### PCOH Board & Officers in Place for New Season

by Troy Christensen

The Pride Committee of Houston 1999 Board of Directors and officers have been elected, so planning for next year's June celebration of Houston Gay & Lesbian Pride is underway.

Carol Clark was elected as PCOH Executive Director at the September 8 Board meeting. Other Board members elected at the meeting, and their Board positions, include Brian Keever, Secretary and Banner District; Julie Siska, Treasurer; Nick Brines, Corporate Sponsorships; Joel Lutringer, Communication & Marketing; Ray Ramirez, Outreach; and Jack Valinski, Technology. Each Board position is the chair for a committee responsible for year-round activities of the Pride Committee.

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The other officers who have been elected to the Executive Committee are Steve Belunek as Secretary and Gary Masse as Treasurer.

Guy and Michelle are currently busy appointing coordinators for the many subcommittees under the Executive Committee, but there has been a great deal of interest in getting to work early.

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Houston will have "Pride, Power, and Pizzazz" in 1999.

The slogan for Houston Gay & Lesbian Pride 1999 was chosen from a list of several contenders at the PCOH general meeting on October 20. Like the Houston Pride slogans of 1997 and 1998, the 1999 slogan differs from the international slogan, "A Proudful Past, A Powerful Future," that was selected at the recent Interpride '98 conference.

The Houston slogan has similarities to the international one, but Julie Siska, who proposed the winning slogan, said "pizzazz" expressed what is different about our Pride celebration – the energy of our unique nighttime Pride Parade.

The artist who will create the logo for "Pride, Power, and Pizzazz" is Kirk Baxter, whose portfolio was selected from among five outstanding entries at the October 20 general meeting.

Kirk, who also designed the "Silence to Celebration" logo for Pride Week 1995, graduated from Illinois State University in 1977 with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Graphic Design. He has worked with international architectural firms and has experience in environmental

graphic design and producing wayfinding graphics for health institutions, real estate developments, hotels, retail centers, office buildings, universities, and all levels of government.

Kirk's work is to be featured in some prominent Houston locations. His firm, Designage, is currently developing master-plan graphics for the Houstonian and has recently been selected to create the corporate identity for Houston's new Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. Kirk has also created the corporate identities, logos, and collateral materials for local restaurants such as Massa's Seafood Grill and Boulevard Bistrot.

Rough drafts of Kirk's logo will be reviewed at the November 17 general meeting. The vote to approve the final logo will take place at the December 15 general meeting. To vote, you must attend the meeting as well as the previous month's general meeting. ✕



Houston graphic designer Kirk Baxter was chosen to design the logo for Houston Gay & Lesbian Pride 1999 – "Pride, Power, and Pizzazz."



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Houston's Pride Committee is a major force in the worldwide gay and lesbian movement thanks to its involvement in an international association of pride groups.

The International Association of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgendered Pride Coordinators is an organization which exists to promote lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered pride on an international level and to increase networking and communication among pride groups worldwide. The Association was founded over 15 years ago, but until last year, the group was largely based in the United States.

The turning point was the international group's annual Interpride conference that year. Thanks to efforts made by the Association's Outreach and Scholarship Committees, about 35 delegates came from outside the U.S., which was more than double the number of any previous year. *page 5* ▶

## Noessel Wins International Logo Contest

by Troy Christensen

One Houston delegate to Interpride '98 has made a permanent mark on the international group with his graphic talents.

Chris Noessel, a PCOH member who designed Houston's 1997 Pride logo as well as several past Houston Pride Guides, won a contest to design Interpride's official logo.

While there was no monetary award in the contest, Chris will be recognized for his work and his design will be seen worldwide. Interpride will use the logo on its collateral and outreach materials and member organizations will be able to use the logo to indicate their membership in the association.

Interpride delegates voted on the contest entries during the conference. Because of the organization's international scope,

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## Pride Committee of Houston, Inc.

### Mission Statement

The Pride Committee of Houston, Inc., is a nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization whose purpose is to coordinate and promote events that celebrate the diversity, unity, and history of the lesbian and gay community. We do not discriminate on the basis of age, color, gender, transgender, or bisexual identification, nor do we discriminate against the physically challenged or those who are differently abled.

We are here to commemorate, educate, and celebrate our pride and create a path toward a positive future for all humanity, not excluding any aspect of who we are as a people.

### Executive Committee

Guy Burns, Co-Chair  
Michelle Franke, Co-Chair  
Steve Belunek, Secretary  
Gary Masse, Treasurer  
Milo Moon, Business Outreach  
Staci Prince, Events/Community Outreach  
John Thompson, Events/Community Outreach  
Darren Armstrong, Festival Fundraising - open  
Alan Morlan, Media/Public Relations  
Kevin Smith, Media/Public Relations  
Jim Duke, Merchandise  
Tina Travis, Merchandise  
Troy Christensen, Newsletter/Historian  
Marcus Cook, Newsletter  
Robin Duncan, Parade  
Jim Shumsky, Parade  
Mark Willis, Parade  
Joe Henry, Pride Guide  
Chris Noessel, Pride Guide  
Video - open  
Cindy Archer, Volunteers  
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Nick Prince, Corporate Sponsorship



1999 Co-Chairs Guy Burns and Michelle Franke, with PCOH members Jack Valinski, Nick Brines and Jim Shumsky, attend a workshop at Interpride '98.

photo courtesy of Paul Archer

## Letter from the Executive Director

### Welcome to Houston Gay & Lesbian Pride 1999!

Yes, June '99 seems very far away, and, as the holiday season approaches, our Pride celebration is the last item on everyone's shopping list. However, the Pride Committee of Houston is active all year and we've been busy gearing up for the 1999 season. 1999 Board of Directors member and Executive Committee officers have been elected and our new co-chairs, Guy Burns and Michelle Franke, are currently filling the vital committee coordinator positions.

Fourteen PCOH members went to Interpride '98 and met with their international peers to share ideas about putting on a fabulous pride event. We'll discuss these new ideas at the upcoming retreat for the '99 Executive Committee, where the group will lay the groundwork for the events next year.

Houston's 1999 season of Pride is particularly special for me because this is my first year as PCOH Executive Director. I have been involved with the Committee for eight years, and, as you can imagine, membership in this organization has been very important to me.

## Letter from the Co-Chairs

The Pride Committee of Houston has always been a strong organization, and among pride organizations across the globe, PCOH stands out as one of the most energized and organized.

However, we are also located in a state that is fondly called "the buckle of the bible belt" and a city that is only just now beginning to make itself known as a diverse cultural center with something to offer to travelers worldwide. As Houston emerges from its cocoon and begins to spread its wings, our gay and lesbian community has an incredible opportunity to make its presence felt.

For the past two years, PCOH has been stretching its own wings and learning how to fly in new directions. In 1997 we hosted the first nighttime Pride Parade in North America, and in 1998 we expanded our official celebrations to encompass over two full weeks in June, dropping the concept of "Pride Week" and creating our own season of Pride.

As we enter into a new year, PCOH and Houston's gay and lesbian community have a fantastic opportunity to make Houston Gay & Lesbian Pride 1999 into something truly fabulous, drawing attention and attendance from across the nation and even around the world. The benefits of such exposure would be phenomenal. The Pride Committee of Houston is committed to doing everything in its power to make this a reality, but we cannot do it alone. We issue to our community and other organizations within our community an invitation and a challenge to help us make it happen. If you would like to be a part of this incredible opportunity, come and join us on the third Tuesday



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#### Meetings

Executive and general meetings are held at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center (1475 W. Gray) on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, respectively. Board of Directors meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Greater Houston Lesbian & Gay Community Center (803 Hawthorne). All meetings begin at 7 p.m.

#### Submissions

We encourage you to submit articles or photographs for possible inclusion in *INSIDE PRIDE*. Submitted materials may be edited and cannot be returned without prior arrangement.

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During the past three years, PCOH has been very fortunate to have Julie Siska as its Executive Director. On behalf of our Board of Directors, our Executive Committee, and the community in general, I take this opportunity to thank you for countless hours you have provided, phone calls you have made, and meetings you have attended for the Pride Committee. Thank you for caring about Houston Gay and Lesbian Pride.

**Carol Clark**

## Showing Our Pride Around Town & Around Texas



photo courtesy of Alan Morlan

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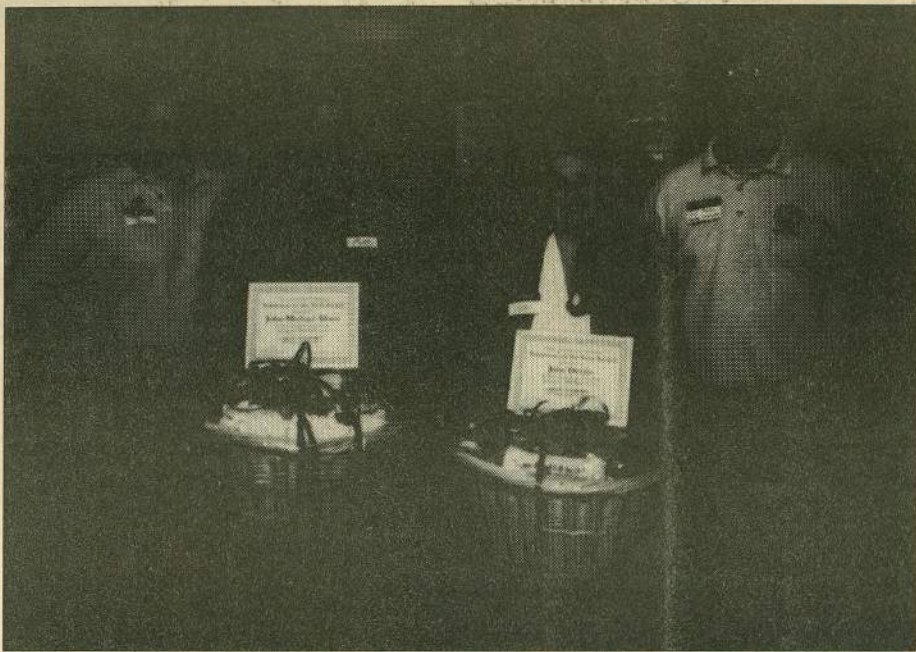
**Guy Burns & Michelle Franke**

Pride Committee Executive Director Carol Clark (right) presented 20 complimentary AstroWorld tickets to HATCH at their annual awards dinner on October 16.

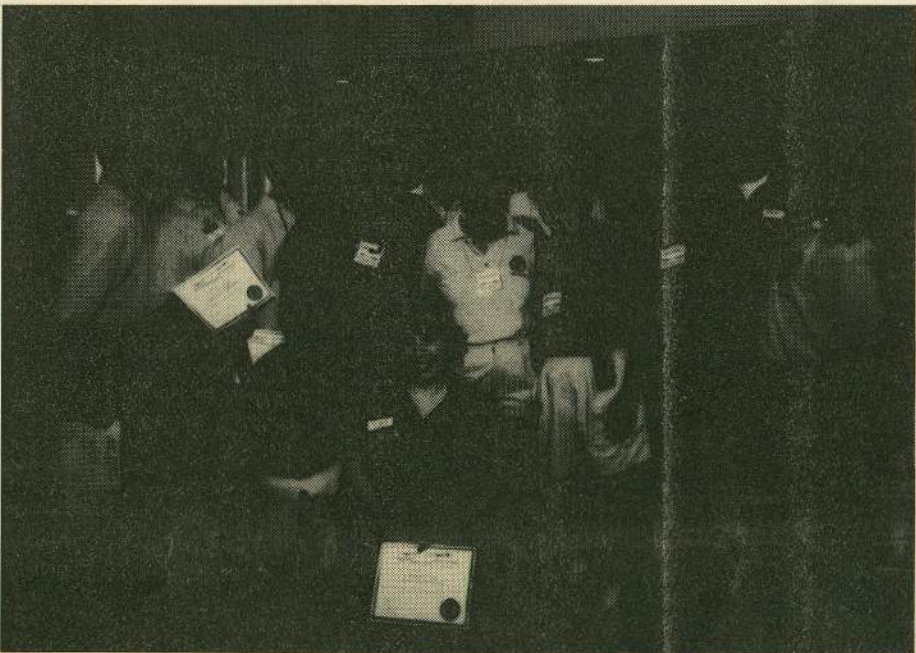
Receiving the tickets for the teen organization were, from left, Co-Director Amy Thompson and member April Painter.

PCOH has also shown its pride at several other functions around town and around the state. Several members of the Committee traveled to Dallas to participate in their Pride Parade on September 27. Back in Houston, the Pride Committee staffed merchandise and information tables at the Westheimer Street Fair on October 10-11, the Houston Women's Festival on October 24, and Empower '98 on November 7. PCOH was very grateful to be a beneficiary of the Grey Party at Rich's on October 11. ✧





**Pride Committee Volunteer Coordinators Cindy Archer (left) and Paul Archer (right) present ID Lube gift baskets to 1998 Volunteers of the Year John-Michael Albert and Jone Devlin at the PCOH Volunteer Thank-You Party on July 30.**



**1998 PCOH Board members and Coordinators who attended the Volunteer Party included, from left, Paul Archer, Cindy Archer, Troy Christensen, Julie Siska, Gary**

## PCOH Thanks Volunteers After "Electrified" 1998 Season

by **Cindy Archer**

Throughout the year and especially during the month of June, the Pride Committee of Houston draws on the talents of a dedicated pool of volunteers. These people - Board members, chairpersons, and coordinators; sponsors and donors; and individuals giving of their time - drive the success of the Committee and its largest event, the nighttime Pride Parade.

The annual PCOH Volunteer Thank-You Party was held in honor of all of these people on July 30 at the Hollyfield Conference Center. The Center's lovely new meeting space provided a central location and a great backdrop for everyone to mingle, tell stories, and celebrate a job well done. The site was festooned in vibrant rainbow-colored decorations and balloons. Volunteers and friends of the Committee enjoyed hors d'oeuvres from Riva's and beverages provided by Eagle Distributing, as well as delectables donated by the new Montrose H-E-B Pantry Foods.

The evening's highlights included the announcement of the 1998 Volunteers of the Year, Jean-Michael Albert and Jone Devlin. Mike has become a fixture at newsletter and other mailouts, cheerily enduring hours of folding and stuffing, and he proudly carried the banner for the PCOH float in this year's parade. Jone has been a regular on Monday nights at the Committee's office, working tirelessly with Jack Valinski to maintain our mailing list and community calendar. These individuals shone this year among a field of exceptional volunteers, and for their efforts they will of course be expected to keep setting that example! Mike and Jone were presented with large gift baskets of assorted goodies from Pride sponsor ID Lube.

1998 Committee Chair Carol Clark took a few minutes to thank this year's coordinators, as well as outgoing PCOH Executive Director Julie Siska, for hard work and a great year. A preliminary copy of the commemorative parade video was available for viewing, giving party attendees the first glimpse of the Greek gods who narrate this year's production.

We all no doubt left the party glad to have succeeded in 1998; more importantly, the volunteer coordinators left the party already eager to build our ranks for 1999. PCOH offers numerous opportunities for fun, networking, and shared accomplishment, and we always welcome new members and volunteers. If you are interested in participating, it's never too early - call the PrideLine at 713.529.6979 and get to know us. ✧

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by **Alan Morlan & Kevin Smith**

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The Pride Committee of Houston Media Committee would greatly appreciate any information you may have regarding contacts in the media – print, television, radio, internet or advertising – to ensure successful coverage for the 1999 season.

The old saying "There is no such thing as bad press" is true. Pride '98 was a success because print media outlets such as the *Houston Voice*, *Outsmart*, the *Texas Triangle*, and *This Week in Texas* covered our events and offered advertising for free or at reduced rates.

It didn't stop there as local radio stations KRBE 104.1, Mix 96.5 and Young Country 95.7 were not only part of the Pride Parade, but also ran promos during the week leading up to the Parade. 1998 was the first year that a country radio station participated in the Houston Parade.

The *Houston Press* got involved by sponsoring "Romance Parties" at several Pride events and sidewalk.com include a Pride section on their web site. Montrose TV did a great job as usual, but, once again, local TV coverage was minimal, at best.

In order to showcase Houston's pride to the world, the Media Committee has set high expectations for 1999. We are planning an advertising campaign that incorporates the Pride logo and slogan into each ad, expanded local and national print exposure for PCOH events, and the local radio and television coverage that an event of this magnitude deserves.

Houston's gay and lesbian community will benefit dramatically from this type of exposure and, with your support, our goals will be met. You can get in touch with us by calling the PrideLine at 713.529.6979. ♣

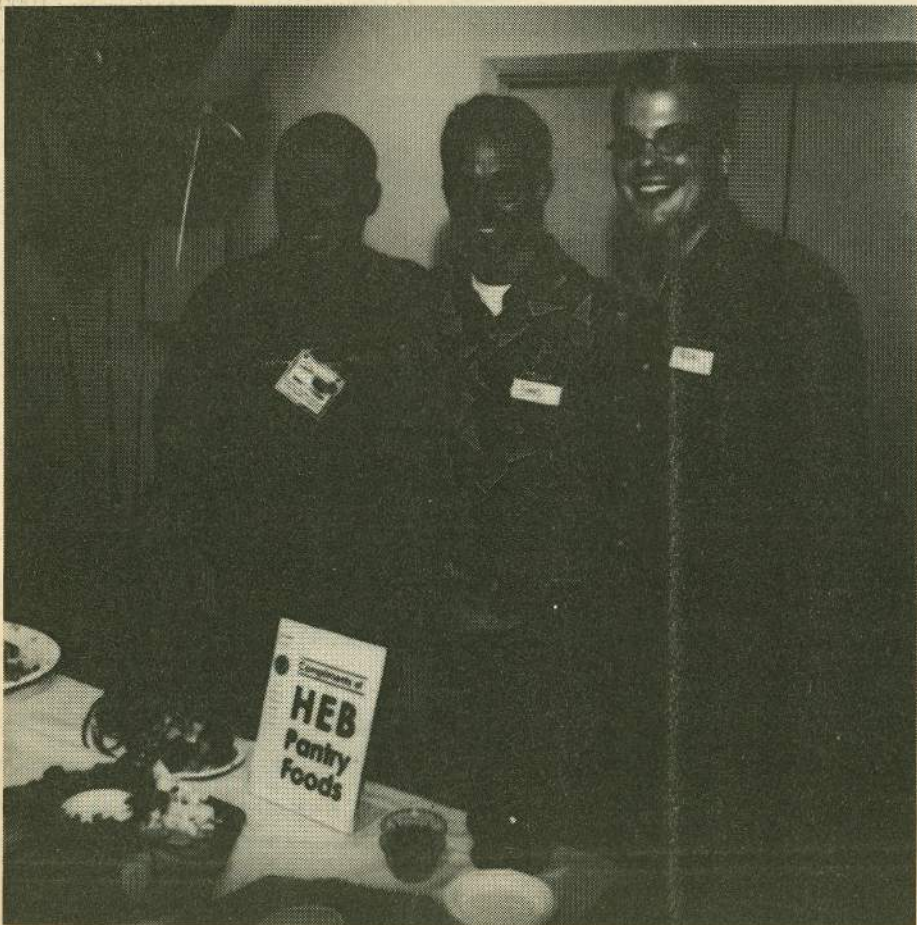
## New Season Officers (cont.)

*4page 1* We're welcoming back many committee members from previous years who will be returning for the 1999 season of Pride, including Cindy Archer, Paul Archer, Darren Armstrong, Troy Christensen, Robin Duncan, Milo Moon, Alan Morlan, Chris Noessel, Jim Shumsky, Kevin Smith, and Tina Travis. PCOH would also like to welcome several new members, including Marcus Cook, Jim Duke, Joe Henry, Staci Prince, John Thompson, and Mark Willis.

Some coordinator positions have already been filled, but PCOH is still seeking individuals to fill other coordinator positions. No matter what your interests are, let us know what you would like to do and we will find a place for you! None of the Committee's many activities – Business Outreach, Events/Community Outreach, Festival, Fundraising, Media/Public Relations, Merchandise, Newsletter/Historian, Parade, Pride Guide, Video, and Volunteers – is a job for just one or two coordinators. We're looking for dedicated volunteers who will work with our coordinators to produce a great season of Pride in 1999. If you are interested, attend our meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W. Gray. ♣



1998 PCOH Board members and Coordinators who attended the Volunteer Party included, from left, Paul Archer, Cindy Archer, Troy Christensen, Julie Siska, Gary Masse, Michelle Franke, Fred Reninger, Carol Clark, Jim Shumsky, Jack Valinski, Kevin White, Brian Keever, Nick Brines, and Jonathan Lanz.



Local companies, including the new Montrose H-E-B Pantry Foods, donated food and beverages for the Volunteer Thank-You Party. Montrose H-E-B manager Gary Wood (center) attended the party and sample his store's wares with PCOH members Gary Masse (left) and Nick Brines (right).



# PCOH Announces Revised Grand Marshal Voting Process

The Pride Committee of Houston voted at its October 20 general meeting to revise the nomination and voting process for Pride Parade Grand Marshals. Based on recommendations from the Committee's ad hoc Grand Marshal Task Force, the process includes several significant changes, including the appointment of a nominee-reviewing committee, an increase in voting opportunities through mail-in ballots and open voting at public locations, and the creation of a special event to announce the names of the Grand Marshals.

Nominations for each Grand Marshal position will be open from the executive meeting on November 3 through December 31. Nomination deadlines and guidelines will be sent for publication in all available community news outlets, including *Inside Pride*, *Houston Voice*, *OutSmart*, *Texas Triangle*, and *This Week in Texas*. PCOH will send out postcards to all organizations in its database announcing nomination deadlines and guidelines.

## Guidelines

Nominees should meet the following guidelines:

Grand Marshal positions are among the highest honors bestowed by the Houston gay and lesbian community. Grand Marshal nominees should be selected based on their commitment and outstanding contributions made to the Houston gay and lesbian community. Areas of contribution to be considered are: social, political, health, child welfare, education, and business. Types of contributions to be considered are: mentoring, volunteerism, generosity, leadership roles, and civic pride.

Nominees must be aware of and accept the nomination in person at a general meeting or in writing submitted to the committee.

Nominees should be made aware that there are certain obligations in accepting a Grand Marshal position. They will be included in all public relations and media releases. They are also required to attend certain Pride events (such as the kick-off party) and to participate in the Parade.

Nominees should be aware that if selected as Grand Marshal, he/she will be expected to adhere to the rules and guidelines pertaining to any Pride event which they attend.

## Positions

There are four Grand Marshal positions in the Houston Gay & Lesbian Pride Parade. The position of Honorary Grand Marshal is awarded to a self-identified heterosexual man or woman who has shown outstanding dedication to lesbian and gay causes and/or the lesbian and gay community. There is no residency restriction.

The Honorary Grand Marshal - Organization may be any organization which has been in existence for more than two years and has significantly contributed to the positive image and/or outlook of and supported the Houston gay and lesbian community.

There are two Grand Marshal titles, one awarded to a female and one awarded to a male. The Grand Marshals must be self-identified as lesbian or gay. They must be residents of Harris or its surrounding counties. Grand Marshals should be seen as role models to the community as a whole, not just one segment of the community. This should be shown in the contributions they have made to the community.

## Review

sexual orientation depending upon Grand Marshal position. The review committee should conduct their business in a timely fashion in order to announce final nominations no later than the executive meeting on January 5, 1999.

## Mail-In Voting

These final nominations will be listed on a mail-in ballot to be included as part of the Winter 1999 edition of *INSIDE PRIDE*, to be published in January 1999. Coinciding with the distribution of *INSIDE PRIDE*, mail-in ballots will be made available at The Greater Houston Lesbian & Gay Community Center, Lobo, Crossroads, Basic Brothers, and any other location deemed as a "high traffic hub of the community" by the PCOH Executive Committee.

Some form of residency verification must accompany each mail-in ballot. A copy of the sender's driver's license or a copy of a utility bill is acceptable verification. Social Security Numbers and/or account numbers may be "blacked out," but the sender's name and address must still be readable. Mail-in ballots must be received by PCOH no later than the general meeting on February 16, 1999.

## Open Voting

Open voting will occur at a publicly accessible location on a weekend day in February. The date and location will be determined by the PCOH Executive Committee and will be publicly announced no less than two weeks prior to the voting date. All voters must bring some form of residency verification, as specified above. PCOH representatives will be on-hand to verify residency documentation before voting.

## Announcement

Vote tabulation will be conducted by members of the PCOH Executive Committee and Grand Marshals will be announced at a special event held in March 1999. The date and location will be determined by the PCOH Executive Committee. ✕

## Highlights of the Grand Marshal Nomination and Voting Process

- Nominations open between November 3 and December 31. Review the nomination guidelines here and send letters to PCOH nominating individuals for the positions of Honorary Grand Marshal, Honorary Grand Marshal - Organization, and male and female Grand Marshal.
- Review committee announces approved nominations by January 5, 1999. Mail-in ballots available through *INSIDE PRIDE* and community merchants and meeting places in January 1999. Send in residency verification as specified here with your mail-in ballot.



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Nominations must be mailed to PCOH in letter form by any member of the community. This letter should express the nominee's qualifications for a particular Grand Marshal position as outlined above.

After nominations have been closed, a review committee will examine all nominations. The review committee will be made up of previous years' Grand Marshals and one representative of the PCOH Executive Committee, who will act as the review committee's coordinator.

The review committee will not select candidates for Grand Marshal, but they will assure that all nominees meet the qualifications as outlined above. This will be done through a review committee vote, where any nomination receiving a simple majority (50%+1) approval shall be accepted as a valid nomination. All persons nominated will be considered regardless of race, color, creed, gender, age, sexual orientation, or any other arbitrary reason, with noted exceptions to gender and

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- Grand Marshals announced at press event in March 1999.

## Houston Pride Moves Into Community Center

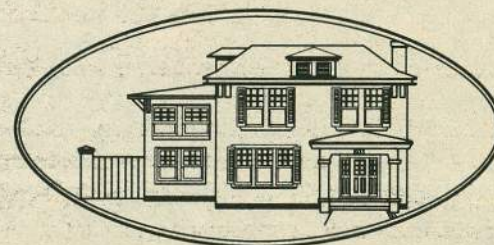
by Troy Christensen

The Pride Committee has nestled into its new home, the Greater Houston Lesbian & Gay Community Center at 803 Hawthorne.

The Pride Committee moved its office on August 1 after its former space, the 811 Westheimer Building, was sold and no leases were renewed. The Committee's Board of Directors weighed several options and chose to lease space in the Community Center.

There are ample networking opportunities for members of Houston gay and lesbian organizations at the Center. Several community groups, including the Pride Committee, the Greater Houston Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce, the Houston Gay & Lesbian Political Caucus, HATCH, and Q-Patrol lease office space. Their members can often be found milling about the old two-story house and are not adverse to helping each other out. The Center also rents out conference rooms for meetings of its tenants and other organizations.

The Center welcomes individuals as well. It has a "drop-in" time between 6 and 9 p.m. every weeknight and between 12 noon and 4 p.m. on Saturdays. The front desk is always staffed during this time and visitors can find scores of community periodicals, directories, bulletins, and brochures



Houston Lesbian & Gay Community Center

to take or to read in the Center's sitting room.

Planning for this valuable community service started in December 1995. The plans proved to be worthwhile when the Center opened its doors to the public in May. Center organizers are now planning to extend its community outreach. Future services are to include a resource center of books and videotapes for community youth, weekly social time for seniors in the community, and internet access through computer kiosks.

Organizers are also helping to make the Center accessible to everyone in the community. Since it is an old house rather than a modern office building, the space for the Center did not come wheelchair-accessible. However, a ramp providing access to first-floor rooms as well as a rail for the first-floor bathroom were recently installed by volunteers from the Center and the Chase Bank of Texas PRIDE Team. ✧





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page 1 voters were looking for a design that would transcend cultural borders. Chris found his expression of unity in a simple curve.

"I like typographic solutions and wanted to introduce a shape to the letterforms that would elegantly unite them," Chris said. "I chose the gentle curve for its abstract references to a rainbow, the globe, and the rising sun, all positive and universally accessible symbols for an international gay and lesbian movement." ✧

**Left: The PCOH delegation leaves Interpride '98, returning to Houston with great ideas and enthusiasm for Pride 1999. From left: Cindy Archer, Tina Travis, Jack Valinski, Milo Moon, Joel Lutringer, Guy Burns, Michelle Franke, Darren Armstrong, Chris Noessel, Paul Archer, Nick Brines, Ray Ramirez, and Julie Siska. Not pictured is Jim Shumsky. Below: Houston Pride members eat lunch and prepare for a night out on the town.**

photos courtesy of Paul Archer



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◀page 1 It was also in 1997 that "Interpride" was adopted as an alternate name for the Association as well as being the name of its annual conference. Since the group was becoming truly international in scope, "Interpride" was chosen to transcend language barriers and reduce the need for difficult translation. This year's conference, held in West Hollywood, Calif., on October 15-18, saw even more strides made toward a true international membership with the creation of two new non-U.S. Vice President positions. Furthermore, Interpride '99 will be the first to be held overseas, in Glasgow, Scotland.

The Pride Committee of Houston is pleased to be a part of Interpride as it begins to shine across the world. Houston delegates have attended Interpride conferences since 1986, and Houston has become one of the driving forces behind the organization in recent years.

This year's conference marked the beginning of PCOH Board Treasurer and former Executive Director Julie Siska's second term as Interpride's Co-President, but she is not alone in representing our city. Also elected this year to Interpride's Board of Directors are Houston's own Darren Armstrong as Treasurer, Tina Travis as Region 3 Director, and Nick Brines as a Region 3 Alternate Director. These people are helping to make the Pride Committee's name known around the world, and we are proud of their commitment to the global community.

Houston delegates to Interpride '98 began the groundwork for official alliances with several other pride organizations. Albuquerque, N.M., expressed interest in becoming our "lit-

tle sister city" so that they might learn from our experiences, and Atlanta, Ga., has agreed to share all of their committee's working documents so that PCOH might use them as a template for creating better documentation here. Houston's Pride Committee has also been approached by Glasgow, Scotland, to discuss a "twinning" alliance for an open sharing of information and ideas.

Attending the Interpride conference every year has always been an important part of being a member of the Pride Committee of Houston. At each conference a series of workshops and presentations are given on topics of concern to pride groups across the globe, covering everything from how to organize a Pride Parade to how to read and write legal contracts.

While the conference is has a lot of information to offer, it is also a lot of fun. Sending our coordinators to the conference is a great way to thank them for their hard work each year. This year's Houston delegates were Cindy Archer, Paul Archer, Darren Armstrong, Nick Brines, Guy Burns, Michelle Franke, Joel Lutringer, Milo Moon, Chris Noessel, Ray Ramirez, Jim Shumsky, Julie Siska, Tina Travis, and Jack Valinski.

Each year Houston's delegation has returned from Interpride overflowing with enthusiasm and new ideas. This year was no different, as each conference attendee has returned to Houston with pages and pages of notes, multiple examples of new ways to do things, and an unfaltering eagerness to make Houston Gay & Lesbian Pride 1999 the best Pride celebration this city has ever seen! ✨



Tina spends a night out at Interpride in West Hollywood with her new gal pals "Madonna" and "Dorothy." Not pictured are baby Lourdes and Toto.



# RESOURCE GUIDE

*The Pride Committee of Houston's Resource Guide is a listing of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, and socially progressive organizations and resources in our greater Houston community. It provides contact and descriptive information gained from research by the Pride Committee and from updates provided to us throughout the year.*

*The listings for Houston-area resources cover a wide gamut of concerns, including arts, civic, corporate, health and HIV, media, political, religious, social and educational, and sports and recreational organizations. You will also find listings for statewide and national groups.*

*If you have more current information about your own organization or another listing or you know of an organization that should be listed, please contact us so the whole community can benefit from your information. The most up-to-date resource information is available on our web site at [www.pridehouston.org](http://www.pridehouston.org). You can email us at [info@pridehouston.org](mailto:info@pridehouston.org), fax us at 713.529.6929, or mail your new information to PO Box 66071, Houston TX 77266-6071.*

## Arts

### Alley Theater

Mailing Address: 615 Texas St, Houston TX 77002-2795

Phone: 713.228.9341

Fax: 713.222.6542

Web Site: [www.alleytheatre.com](http://www.alleytheatre.com)

*Alley Theater, recipient of the 1996 Tony Award for regional theater, is a resident company located in the heart of downtown Houston. The Alley produces an eight-show season.*

### Art League of Houston

Meeting Time: Thursdays, 1-4 p.m.

Mailing Address: 1953 Montrose Blvd, Houston TX 77006-1243

Phone: 713.523.9530

Fax: 713.523.4053

Email: [artleagh@neosoft.com](mailto:artleagh@neosoft.com)

*A non-profit educational organization to promote public interest and appreciation of the visual arts. The Art League has been dedicated to enriching Houston's cultural environment through its exciting and varied activities since 1948. It is supported primarily by membership gifts as well as public grants. Monthly exhibitions and art school, outreach programs and the Art Registry of Texas are only a portion of its diversity. Free art courses are provided to people with HIV/AIDS.*

### Diverse Works

### Houston Pride Band

Meeting Time: 7-9 p.m.

Meeting Location: Dignity, 1307 Yale, in the Heights

Mailing Address: PO Box 300788, Houston TX 77230-0788

Phone: 713.524.0218

Email: [HousTxBand@aol.com](mailto:HousTxBand@aol.com)

Web Site: [www.houstonprideband.org](http://www.houstonprideband.org)

*Get your instruments out of the closet. The Houston Pride Band provides musical entertainment for the lesbian and gay community. Seeking musicians of all skill levels and instrumentation. Contact Russell for more information.*

### The Little Room Downstairs Theater

Meeting Location: 2326 Bissonnet, between Greenbriar and Carboy

Mailing Address: 2326 Bissonnet, Houston TX 77005

Phone: 713.523.0791

*We produce quality theater events which will interest, inform, and entertain the gay and lesbian community*

### Museum of Fine Arts

Dues: \$3 adults, \$1.50 children

Hours of Operation: Tuesdays - Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sundays, 12:15-6 p.m.

Location: 1001 Bissonnet

Mailing Address: PO Box 6826, Houston TX 77265-6826

Phone: 713.639.7300

Email: [hirsch@mfah.org](mailto:hirsch@mfah.org)

Web Site: [www.mfah.org](http://www.mfah.org)

*One of the country's leading art institutions, with approximately 1,095,000 visitors and a total of 1.5 million participants in its programs annually. The museum includes the Glassell School of Art and Junior School, the Cullen Sculpture Garden, the Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens, and Rienzi.*

### Theater LaB Houston

Meeting Location: 1706 Alamo (off 2100 Houston Ave)

Mailing Address: PO Box 70755, Houston TX 77270-0755

Phone: 713.868.7516

*Houston's premiere Off-Broadway theater, specializing in producing the finest in contemporary Off-Broadway theater.*

## Civic



Mailing Address: 1800 Montrose St., Houston, TX 77006-1108

Phone: 713.523.9530

Fax: 713.523.4053

Email: artleagh@neosoft.com

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### Diverse Works

Mailing Address: 1117 East Freeway, Houston TX 77002-1108

Phone: 713.223.8346

Fax: 713.223.4608

Email: info@diverseworks.org

Web Site: www.diverseworks.org

An artist-run contemporary art center dedicated to presenting new visual, literary and performing art. Throughout the year we present "Beyond Desire," a series of gay and lesbian performance and film.

### Gay Men's Chorus of Houston

Dues: \$10 monthly

Meeting Time: rehearsals every Thursday at 7 p.m., September to June

Meeting Location: Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh

Mailing Address: PO Box 541004, Houston TX 77254-1004

Phone: 713.521.7464

Email: info@gmch.org

Web Site: www.gmch.org

Established in 1979 as the Montrose Singers, GMCH is a 50-voice men's choral ensemble. Our mission statement: "We sing to achieve excellence in men's choral music. We provide a nurturing environment for our members and offer a source of pride, unity, and support to our diverse communities."

### The Group (Theater Workshop)

Meeting Location: Various

Mailing Address: 436 Hawthorne St, Apt 2, Houston TX 77006-4052

Phone: 713.522.2204

A theater group producing gay and lesbian plays. Our director is Joe Watts.

### Houston Grand Opera

Mailing Address: 510 Preston St, Ste 500, Houston TX 77002-1594

Phone: 713.546.0256

Fax: 713.228.4355

Email: kvaughn@hgo.com

Web Site: www.hgo.com

Their mission is to bring a larger and more diverse audience together for exciting, live opera in a financially responsible way. HGO will be defined by the excellence of its work; provide a memorable experience; be artistically and administratively imaginative, balanced and responsible; and make an impact locally, regionally and beyond.

Meeting Location: 1706 Alamo (off 2100 Houston Ave)

Mailing Address: PO Box 70755, Houston TX 77270-0755

Phone: 713.868.7516

Houston's premiere Off-Broadway theater, specializing in producing the finest in contemporary Off-Broadway theater.

## Civic

### The Greater Houston Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce

Dues: \$100 per year individual, \$175 business, \$500 corporate

Meeting Time: first Monday, 6 p.m.

Meeting Location: Park Plaza Warwick, 5701 Main

Mailing Address: PO Box 66129, Houston TX 77266-6129

Phone: 713.523.7576

Fax: 713.669.0452

Email: info@ghglcc.org

Web Site: www.ghglcc.org

Fosters and promotes the economic development and vitality of gay, lesbian, and supportive businesses in the greater Houston area. Facilitates the exchange of ideas, resources, and information and provides networking opportunities for its members.

### Greater Houston Lesbian & Gay Community Center

Dues: none

Meeting Time: second Tuesday, 7 p.m.

Meeting Location: 803 Hawthorne

Mailing Address: PO Box 2304, Houston TX 77252-2304

Phone: 713.524.3818

Email: hlGCC@neosoft.com

Web Site: www.neosoft.com/~hlGCC

HLGCC serves to develop unique programming; provide information on the community; and provide meeting, event, and office space for community organizations.

## Corporate

### Chase Bank of Texas PRIDE Team

Meeting Time: fourth Tuesday, 6 p.m.

Mailing Address: PO Box 2558, MS: LL-1301F-20, Houston TX 77252-2558

Phone: 713.655.5423

PRIDE stands for People Recognizing Individual Differences Equally and is the bank's networking group for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, and supportive employees. Our mission is to support the inclusion of all Chase bankers – regardless of sexual orientation and gender identification – as valued employees of the bank and to encourage an environment of equality that celebrates the individuality and diversity of everyone.



# R E S O U R C E G U I D E

## **Houston Spectrum**

Dues: \$20

Meeting Time: third Tuesday, 6 p.m.

Meeting Location: 6500 W Loop South

Mailing Address: PO Box 540204, Houston TX 77254-0204

Phone: 713.253.2158

*A Southwestern Bell Corporation employee organization comprised of current and retired management and non-management employees of SBC Communications who are lesbian, gay or bisexual and those who share their concerns.*

## **Health/HIV**

### **AIDS Coalition of Coastal Texas**

Dues: All client services are free

Mailing Address: 1419 23rd St, Galveston TX 77550-4514

Phone: 409.763.AIDS

Fax: 409.763.5482

Email: acct@infocom.net

Web Site: [www.infocom.net/~acct](http://www.infocom.net/~acct)

*ACCT is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that provides for compassionate, community-based education and services regarding HIV/AIDS. In existence since 1985 in Galveston and the coastal region. Services include case management, hospital visitation, emergency financial assistance, transportation, and HIV education programs.*

### **AIDS Foundation Houston**

Mailing Address: 3202 Wesleyan St, Houston TX 77027-5748

Phone: 713.524.AIDS

Fax: 713.623.4029

Email: [afh@aidshelp.org](mailto:afh@aidshelp.org)

Web Site: [www.aidshelp.org](http://www.aidshelp.org)

*AFH is committed to improving the quality of life in the greater Houston community through HIV/AIDS education, social services, health care, and volunteerism. AFH supports the following services: AIDS Hotline and AIDS Talk, Outreach and Education Resources Programs, the Stone Soup Food Assistance Program, Beecher-Wilson Apartments, Rental and Utility Assistance, Information and Referral, Mental Health Services, Project a Friendly Haven, Camp Hope and Hug, the Houston AIDS Walk, and many others.*

### **AIDS Housing Coalition Houston (AHCH)**

## **Assist Hers Care Team Program**

Meeting Time: second Saturday, 8:30 a.m.

Mailing Address: PO Box 541095, Houston TX 77254-1095

Phone: 713.521.4625

*Helps lesbian women dealing with chronic or disabling illness live as normally as possible. Volunteers are needed and work as part of a care team. In this way volunteers visit the client once or twice a month. Volunteers make friends with the client and other care team volunteers.*

## **Assistance Fund**

Meeting Time: Board Meeting, second Monday, 6:30 p.m.

Mailing Address: 1116 Jackson Blvd, Houston TX 77006-1210

Phone: 713.529.4788

Fax: 713.520.7520

*Pays health insurance premiums and provides short- and long-term medication assistance.*

## **Bayou City Boys Club, Inc**

Dues: none

Meeting Time: quarterly

Mailing Address: PO Box 131284, Houston TX 77219-1284

Phone: 713.880.8980

*An all volunteer, 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds for local organizations that provide HIV/AIDS education, patient care, and research. There is no paid staff and our goal is always to donate 100% of all party proceeds to event beneficiaries.*

## **Bering Care Center**

Mailing Address: PO Box 540517, Houston TX 77254-0517

Phone: 713.520.7070

Fax: 713.520.7854

*An adult day care center for persons who are living with HIV/AIDS. The Care Center provides nursing care, hot nutritious meals, physical therapy, educational programs, nutritional counseling, transportation, and the opportunity for healthy social interaction for persons who should not or cannot be left alone due to their health status. The mission is to provide a supportive environment that ensures that the client's emotional and social needs are met.*

## **Bering Financial Assistance**

Dues: none

Meeting Location: Bering Memorial UMC, 1440 Harold

Mailing Address: PO Box 540517, Houston TX 77254-0517

Phone: 713.520.5327

Fax: 713.520.7854

Email: [daver@bering.org](mailto:daver@bering.org)



Mailing Address: 3202 Wesleyan St, Houston TX 77027-5748

Phone: 713.524.AIDS

Fax: 713.623.4029

Email: afh@aidshelp.org

Web Site: www.aidshelp.org

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### **AIDS Housing Coalition Houston (AHCH)**

Meeting Time: monthly, Saturdays, 12 noon

Mailing Address: 117 Tuam, Ste 1, Houston TX 77006-3213

Phone: 713.521.1613

Fax: 713.521.1613

Email: ahch@wt.net

Provides emergency community housing for people living with HIV/AIDS. Located in Montrose and serves the gay and lesbian community and compatible heterosexuals.

### **AIDS Resource for Greater Houston, City of Houston**

Mailing Address: 8000 N Stadium Dr, Fl 5, Houston TX 77054

Phone: 713.794.9092

Fax: 713.798.0830

The Houston Department of Health and Human Services' HIV/STD Prevention Program provides HIV education, counseling, testing, referral, partner notification, case management, and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases. Surveillance and Seroprevalence data are collected for the Houston MSA and published quarterly. The bureau has current literature, videos, and booklets available on HIV/AIDS and STD's. Free education sessions are conducted daily and condoms are available for organizations wishing to distribute them.

### **Amigos Volunteers in Education and Services (AVES)**

Hours of Operation: Monday - Wednesday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Thursday, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Location: 4126 SW Fwy, Ste 1717

Mailing Address: 4126 SW Fwy, Ste 1717, Houston TX 77027-7317

Phone: 713.626.2837

Fax: 713.626.2848

Email: aves@neosoft.com

A nonprofit agency providing HIV/AIDS prevention and intervention services to affected individuals who are residents of the Houston area and surrounding rural areas. Prevention services include prevention education for HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, and tuberculosis; women's issues; and HIV testing. Intervention services include case management, professional counseling, support groups, emergency food vouchers, financial assistance, dental health education and services, legal services, recreational and wellness workshops, a hotline, and treatment advocacy services. Our services are offered to gays, lesbians, heterosexual men and women, children, and adolescents. Although our emphasis is on the Latino community, we serve all individuals in need of care.

vides nursing care, hot nutritious meals, physical therapy, educational programs, nutritional counseling, transportation, and the opportunity for healthy social interaction for persons who should not or cannot be left alone due to their health status. The mission is to provide a supportive environment that ensures that the client's emotional and social needs are met.

### **Bering Financial Assistance**

Dues: none

Meeting Location: Bering Memorial UMC, 1440 Harold

Mailing Address: PO Box 540517, Houston TX 77254-0517

Phone: 713.520.5327

Fax: 713.520.7854

Email: daver@bering.org

Web Site: www.bering.org

Prevents homelessness for HIV+ women, men and children by providing financial counseling and funding for rent, mortgage, and utility payments,

### **Body Positive Houston, Inc**

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Meeting Location: 3400 Montrose, Suite 610

Mailing Address: PO Box 66446, Houston TX 77266-6446

Phone: 713.524.2374

Fax: 713.524.5424

Email: bodypos@hern.org

Body positive Houston offers services to persons affected by HIV/AIDS through our new Wellness Center; providing resistance weight training, nutritional assessment and counseling; massage and other relaxation therapy; chiropractic services; education and peer counseling. Services are provided on a sliding scale, or for free.

### **DIFFA/Houston**

Mailing Address: PO Box 131605, Houston TX 77219-1605

Phone: 713.552.9445

Fax: 713.552.1671

The Houston chapter of the Design Industries Foundation Fighting AIDS is the largest source of private dollars for AIDS care in the Greater Houston area. Since its inception in 1987, DIFFA/Houston has granted over \$2,300,000 to local organizations for HIV/AIDS care, research, treatment, and preventive education. Volunteers create special events and help allocate funds raised.

### **Foundation for Interfaith Research and Ministry (FIRM)**

Mailing Address: 701 N Post Oak Rd Ste 330, Houston TX 77024-3877

Phone: 713.682.5995

Fax: 713.682.0639

Email: firm-hou@neosoft.com

A nonprofit organization which provides nonjudgmental, caring and supportive services to people with HIV/AIDS, their families, friends, and health care providers. Congregational-based teams of volunteers (Care Teams) are trained by FIRM staff to meet many of the spiritual, social, physical, and emotional needs of people touched by HIV/AIDS. Care Team volunteers view themselves as friends and extended family who can be counted on to help people in their homes. All services are provided free of charge.



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## **Gay and Lesbian Health Professionals of Houston (GLHPA)**

Dues: \$40 professional, \$20 others

Mailing Address: PO Box 66551, Houston TX 77266-6551

Phone: 713.523.4700

Email: gilmer@pol.net

*An organization of gay and lesbian individuals and supportive others involved in the health-care community. Our membership is composed of doctors, nurses, psychotherapists, dentists, administrators, students, and others. We sponsor a physician-referral line that provides a listing of a wide range of gay and gay-friendly health-care providers in the Houston area. The telephone number is 713.523.4700. We have alternating education, social and special events throughout the year.*

## **Miles D. Glaspy, LMSW-ACP**

Dues: sliding scale

Hours: by appointment

Mailing Address: 1973 W Gray St, Ste 20, Houston TX 77019-4811

Phone: 713.529.1913

Fax: 713.529.5178

*Outpatient mental-health care specializing in gay and lesbian issues.*

## **Houston Department of Health and Human Services**

Mailing Address: 8000 N Stadium Dr, Fl 5, Houston TX 77054-1823

Phone: 713.794.9092

Fax: 713.798.0830

*Provides case management, counseling, testing, partner notification, early intervention, STD and HIV health education and risk reduction, minority initiatives, public information, AIDS surveillance and HIV seroprevalence, and 24 hour information available in English and Spanish.*

## **Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program**

Mailing Address: 806 Main St 16th floor, Houston TX 77002

Phone: 713.228.0732

Fax: 713.228.5862

*A non-profit 501(c)3 organization which provides free civil legal services to the infected and affected HIV community within Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program, Inc.'s income guidelines. The HVLP AIDS Project has been in existence since 1989. Most requested areas are estate planning documents (medical power of attorney for health care, directive to physician, will, disposition of remains, future designation of guardian, and power of attorney), relief from creditor harassment, immigration, and general legal questions. AIDS Legal Hotline: 713.528.7702.*

## **Jewish Family Services**

Dues: Fees based on ability to pay

Meeting Location: 4131 S Braeswood Blvd.

Mailing Address: PO Box 20548 Houston TX 77225-0548

## **Methodist Visiting Nurses Association**

Mailing Address: 2905 Sackett St, Houston TX 77098-1127

Phone: 713.520.8115

Fax: 713.520.6054

*Home health agency provides direct care to the HIV population in the home. Services include nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and infusion therapy. Home medical equipment, home health aides, and homemaker services also available. Home hospice service provided.*

## **Milam House**

Mailing Address: 4100 Milam St, Houston TX 77006-5652

Phone: 713.520.9248

Fax: 713.649.6075,

Email: ahhstaff@neosoft.com

*Milam House provides dignified housing and access to services for persons living with HIV/AIDS and facing homelessness.*

## **Montrose Clinic**

Location: 215 Westheimer

Mailing Address: PO Box 66308, Houston TX 77266-6308

Phone: 713.830.3000

Fax: 713.830.3023

Email: tfoster@montrose-clinic.org

Web Site: www.montrose-clinic.org

*Montrose Clinic is a non-profit, community-based agency founded in 1981 to serve people in the Houston area by providing low- or no-cost health, social, educational, and research services. The Clinic provides extensive services to those living with HIV, including access to experimental HIV therapies, case management, deaf and hard-of-hearing services, education, and disease prevention. All services of the clinic can be scheduled by appointment; however, walk-ins are taken on a space-available basis.*

## **Montrose Counseling Center**

Meeting Time: Men's Network: first and third Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m., Women's Network: second and fourth Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m.

Mailing Address: 701 Richmond Ave, Houston TX 77006-5511

Phone: 713.529.0037

TDD: 713.526.6285

Fax: 713.526.4367

Email: mcc@neosoft.com

Web Site: www.neosoft.com/~mcc/

*Provides quality, affordable, mental health and substance abuse treatment services to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities and their significant others in metropolitan Houston and the surrounding areas. Provides support groups and education to the*



Fax: 713.228.5862

A non-profit 501(c)3 organization which provides free civil legal services to the infected and affected HIV community within Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program, Inc.'s income guidelines. The HVLP AIDS Project has been in existence since 1989. Most requested areas are estate planning documents (medical power of attorney for health care, directive to physician, will, disposition of remains, future designation of guardian, and power of attorney), relief from creditor harassment, immigration, and general legal questions. AIDS Legal Hotline: 713.528.7702.

### **Jewish Family Services**

Dues: Fees based on ability to pay

Meeting Location: 4131 S Braeswood Blvd.

Mailing Address: PO Box 20548, Houston TX 77225-0548

Phone: 713.667.9336

Fax: 713.667.3619

United Way Agency in southwest Houston offering counseling, information and referral, psychiatric evaluation and treatment, and education workshops. Professional staff sensitive to gay and lesbian issues as well as HIV/AIDS concerns. Services available to individuals, couples, family, and caregivers.

### **Kinetic Sports Clinic**

Mailing Address: 9209 Stella Link, Houston TX 77025

The fitness health and medical professionals. Providing successful, first-class service for over three years. Kinetic Sports Clinic is a comprehensive wellness/fitness provider dedicated to serving the HIV+ community by extending life through exercise, nutrition, and stress reduction.

### **Lesbian Health Outreach Project**

Mailing Address: 701 Richmond Ave, Houston TX 77006-5511

Phone: 713.529.0037

A united effort of the Montrose Counseling Center and the Montrose Clinic to educate lesbians about risk factors for breast cancer, breast self-exam techniques, and other health concerns and to provide a low-cost (sliding scale) well-woman exam which includes a pelvic exam, a pap smear, a breast exam, lab work, and referrals for mammograms when needed, by appointment only at the Montrose Clinic, 713.830.3000. Educational presentations available by scheduling through the Counseling Center at 713.529.0037.

### **Mental Health Association of Greater Houston**

Dues: \$25 to \$500 (not required for service)

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Mailing Address: 2211 Norfolk 810, Houston TX 77098

Phone: 713.522.5161

Fax: 713.522.0698

Email: camoruso@swbell.net

A nonprofit United Way agency dedicated to the promotion of mental health and the improvement of treatment of persons with mental illness. This is done through a volunteer/staff partnership. MHA offers information and referral services on all mental health topics for interested persons in the Harris County area. We also provide community education and advocacy services.

### **Montrose Counseling Center**

Meeting Time: Men's Network: first and third Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m., Women's Network: second and fourth Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m.

Mailing Address: 701 Richmond Ave, Houston TX 77006-5511

Phone: 713.529.0037

TDD: 713.526.6285

Fax: 713.526.4367

Email: mcc@neosoft.com

Web Site: [www.neosoft.com/~mcc/](http://www.neosoft.com/~mcc/)

Provides quality, affordable, mental health and substance abuse treatment services to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities and their significant others in metropolitan Houston and the surrounding area and provides research and education to the community and to other mental health professionals.

### **Montrose Counseling Center HIV Program**

Meeting Location: 701 Richmond

Mailing Address: 701 Richmond, Houston TX 77006-5511

Phone: 713.529.0037

Fax: 713.526.4367

Email: mcc@neosoft.com

Web Site: [www.neosoft.com/~mcc/](http://www.neosoft.com/~mcc/)

Provides a full range of counseling and support for those groups 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.

### **Omega House**

Mailing Address: 602 Branard St, Houston TX 77006-5020

Phone: 713.523.7110

Fax: 713.526.8144

A residential hospice that provides loving care to medically indigent people with AIDS in the final stage of their illness. We offer spiritual, psychological, and social support as well as palliative medical care administered by a staff of professional health care workers and volunteers. Residents are generally admitted without regard for their ability to pay.

### **People with AIDS Coalition Houston**

Meeting Time: Board meetings on first Thursday, 5:45 p.m.

Meeting Location: 3400 Montrose, Ste 106

Mailing Address: 3400 Montrose Blvd Ste 106, Houston TX 77006-4330

Phone: 713.522.5428

Fax: 713.522.2674

Email: pwac@neosoft.com

The People with AIDS Coalition of Houston is an organization by and for people living with HIV and provides psycho-social support through assistance programs and referrals. Our programs include New Beginnings Household Restart, in which we give free furniture and other household items to indigent PWA's, Care Management, and the Volunteer Program at Thomas Street Clinic. We also offer a bimonthly newsletter, volunteer opportunities, distribution of tickets to social and educational events, and financial assistance for rent and utility payments.



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## **Planned Parenthood**

Dues: none

Hours of Operation: Monday - Saturday

Location: 3601 Fannin between Alabama and Holman

Mailing Address: 3601 Fannin St., Houston TX 77004-3998

Phone: 713.522.3976

Fax: 713.522.9047

Email: pphset@pphouston.org

Web Site: www.pphouston.org

*Planned Parenthood offers comprehensive and confidential reproductive health care including \$5 HIV counseling and testing, screening and treatment for STD's, a teen clinic, Positive Care clinic for HIV+ women, breast exams, annual mammograms, pap smears, birth control, abortion, vasectomy, and tubal ligation. We also offer counseling for gay and lesbian relationships, adolescent sexuality, sexual abuse and harassment, parent/teen relationships, healthy sexuality, and sexual function. All services are confidential.*

## **Southeast Texas Legal Clinic**

Meeting Location: 3400 Montrose, Ste. 233

Mailing Address: PO Box 667007, Houston TX 77266-7007

Phone: 713.523.7852

Fax: 713.523.4253

Email: stlc@neosoft.com

*Provides legal services to those individuals living with and affected by HIV for free or reduced cost depending on eligibility criteria.*

## **Steven's House**

Dues: Services are free

Mailing Address: PO Box 131303, Houston TX 77219-1303

Phone: 713.522.5757

Fax: 713.522.1910

Email: jgiff-sh@msn.com

*In this transitional living center, the resident's physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs are addressed while preserving their dignity. Stephen's House accepts both men and women.*

## **Street Wise**

Mailing Address: 202 Tuam St, Houston TX 77006-3306

Phone: 713.524.5757

Fax: 713.942.9904

*A community outreach center that provides a safe prejudice-free place for youth ages 13 to 22 who are homeless, runaway, or throwaway. Many of our clients are HIV+. Services include case management, counseling, and housing.*

## **Triangle AIDS Network**

Dues: \$10 per year

## **Houston Voice**

Mailing Address: 500 Lovett Blvd, Ste 200, Houston TX 77006-4021

Phone: 713.529.8490

Fax: 713.529.9531

Email: feedback@houstonvoice.com

Web Site: www.houstonvoice.com

*Free weekly publication that covers Houston community and national news of importance to gays and lesbians, covering news, views, interviews with celebrities and politicians, and entertainment. Houston's leading weekly gay and lesbian newspaper. Coverage includes local, regional, national, and global news. Publication regularly features articles on health, nutrition, arts and entertainment, community events, and human interests. The street date is Friday and it is distributed free to over 325 locations in Houston.*

## **KPFT 90.1 FM**

Dues: \$35.00 per year basic

Mailing Address: 419 Lovett, Houston TX 77006-4018

Phone: 713.526.4000

Fax: 713.526.5750

Web Site: www.kpft.org

*KPFT 90.1 FM is a community-based, public radio station dedicated to peace through cultural diversity. Gay and lesbian issues and music are a regular part of its programming service. Free training is provided to help volunteers cover gay and lesbian issues.*

## **Lesbian and Gay Voices**

Dues: \$35.00 per year for program guide

Mailing Address: 419 Lovett, Houston TX 77006-4018

Phone: 713.526.4000

Fax: 713.529.6929

Email: LGVoices@aol.com

Web Site: www.pridehouston.org

*LGV contains news, local and national interviews, Newswrap from This Way Out, reviews, commentary and spotlight interviews with local community organizations. Lesbian and Gay Voices is heard on Fridays at 8-9 p.m.*

# Political

## **Debra Danburg, Texas State Representative 137**

Mailing Address: PO Box 66602, Houston TX 77266-6602

Phone: 713.520.8068

Fax: 713.520.8692

*A champion of gay and lesbian issues for over 18 years. Constituent services for Montrose*



Fax: 713.522.1010  
Email: jgiff-sh@msn.com

In this transitional living center, the resident's physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs are addressed while preserving their dignity. Stephen's House accepts both men and women.

### Street Wise

Mailing Address: 202 Tuam St, Houston TX 77006-3306

Phone: 713.524.5757

Fax: 713.942.9904

A community outreach center that provides a safe prejudice-free place for youth ages 13 to 22 who are homeless, runaway, or throwaway. Many of our clients are HIV+. Services include case management, counseling, and housing.

### Triangle AIDS Network

Dues: \$10 per year

Meeting Time: Board meetings last Wednesday

Meeting Location: 2544 Broadway, Beaumont TX

Mailing Address: 2544 Broadway, Beaumont TX 77702-1906

Phone: 409.832.8338

Fax: 409.832.0976

Email: jimmy.tanbm@tex-is.net

Web Site: www.tex-is.net/tan

A community-based, 501(c)3 non-profit organization created in 1987 by concerned citizens for the purpose of educating the general public, health care workers, and interested individuals about HIV disease. Provides free HIV testing with choice of anonymous or confidential testing TAN also provides vital support service services for persons with HIV including case management; transportation to Galveston, Houston, and locally for medical and dental appointments; support groups; nutritional programs; food pantry; laundry services; rental/utility assistance; and much more.

### Veteran's Administration

Mailing Address: 2002 Holcombe Blvd, Houston TX 77030-4211

Phone: 713.795.1414

Provides full range of outpatient and inpatient medical care to eligible veterans with HIV infection. HIV testing, CD4 Lymphocyte and viral load testing, pharmacy, and social services are available. Special Medicine Clinic meets Tuesday and Thursday, 1-4 p.m., Houston Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Ambulatory care service also includes a nurse F/U clinic and a treatment room for outpatient procedures.

## Media

### After Hours KPFT FM

Mailing Address: 419 Lovett, Houston TX 77006-4018

Phone: 713.526.5738

Fax: 713.526.5750

Email: afterhourskpft@hotmail.com

A late-night radio show on Saturdays at midnight to 3 a.m. After Hours provides a permanent voice for the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered communities with its varied hosts. The QMZ is the Queer Music Zone that features openly GLBT artists and news.

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### League of Women Voters of Houston

Dues: \$50 per year

Meeting Location: varies

Mailing Address: 2650 Fountain View, Ste 328, Houston TX 77057-7619

Phone: 713.784.2923

Fax: 713.784.2984

A nonpartisan political organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

### Log Cabin Republicans Houston

Dues: \$45/year

Meeting Time: fourth Monday, 6:30 p.m. social, 7 p.m. meeting

Meeting Location: Renata's, 2006 Lexington

Mailing Address: PO Box 131104, Houston TX 77219-1104

Phone: 713.529.9100

Fax: 713.524.8955

Email: gvo@msn.com

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 within the apparatus of the Texas GOP.

### Annise Parker, Houston City Councilmember

Mailing Address: PO Box 1562, Houston TX 77251-1562

Phone: 713.247.2014

Fax: 713.247.3519

Email: aparker@cni.ci.houston.tx.us

Web Site: www.ci.houston.tx.us/citygovt/council/1/

City Councilmember for At-Large Position 1.



# RESOURCE GUIDE

## Religious

### Community Gospel Church

Meeting Time: Sunday, 11 a.m. & 7 p.m., Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: 4305 Lillian St

Mailing Address: 4305 Lillian St, Houston TX 77007-5624

Phone: 713.880.9235

Email: [www.cgospel@communitygospel.org](mailto:www.cgospel@communitygospel.org)

Web Site: [www.communitygospel.org](http://www.communitygospel.org)

*Celebrating our 15th year, this diverse and exciting fellowship of believers is growing in numbers and in God. We offer a warm and loving environment for all to grow in the grace and love of Jesus Christ. Worship services are Jesus centered and Holy Ghost led. You are invited to experience the difference in Community Gospel Church.*

### Integrity-Houston

Meeting Time: worship, second Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Autry House, 6265 South Main

Mailing Address: PO Box 66008, Houston TX 77266-6008

Phone: 713.522.1718

*Lesbian and gay Episcopalians and their friends. Offering worship and fellowship in a comfortable setting. We work within the Episcopal Church for change.*

### Kingdom Community Church

Meeting Time: Fellowship, 11 a.m., Church services follows

Mailing Address: PO Box 2148, Houston TX 77252-2148

Phone: 713.942.8256

*A Christian lay ministry offering worship and educational opportunities to the community.*

### Lesbian/Gay (LGBT) Unitarian Universalist - Houston

Dues: contributions welcome

Meeting Time: fourth Thursday, 7 p.m.

Meeting Location: Fireside Room, First Unitarian Universalist Church, 5200 Fannin at Southmore

Mailing Address: 5200 Fannin, Houston TX 77004-5808

Phone: 713.526.5200

Fax: 713.521.9626

Email: [church@firstuu.org](mailto:church@firstuu.org)

Web Site: [firstuu.org](http://firstuu.org)

*We welcome diversity. We do not just tolerate gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgenders, we affirm each person's sexual truth, and we include sexual minorities as Ministers and church leaders. Potluck every fourth Friday at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room for lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgenders, families, and friends. We also have mid-month activities.*

### Maranatha Fellowship MCC

Meeting Time: Bible Study, Sunday, 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m.

Meeting Location: 3400 Montrose, Ste 600

Mailing Address: PO Box 667032, Houston TX 77266-7032

Phone: 713.528.6756

Fax: 713.528.6447

*We are a Cell Group Church with an emphasis on small groups that meet weekly in the homes of members. We believe that the Holy Spirit has given spiritual gifts to every believer which are to be exercised in the life of the church. The church is evangelical and charismatic in its style of worship. We have a primary outreach to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered people. All people are welcome.*

## Social/Educational

### African American Lesbian and Gay Alliance (AALGA)

Dues: \$25

Meeting Time: third Sunday, 6 p.m.

Meeting Location: Bering Memorial United Methodist Church, 1410 Harold

Mailing Address: 5521 La Branch St, Houston TX 77004-7128

Phone: 713.794.2980

Email: [aalga98@aol.com](mailto:aalga98@aol.com)

Web Site: [ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/AALGA](http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/AALGA)

*AALGA provides education, empowerment, skills building and leadership to bisexuals, gay men, lesbians, and transgendered people of African descent in the greater Houston area. AALGA will create a community where our members can celebrate the unique diversities of our culture, spiritual influences and sexual orientation. This pride/power organization is open to all people, regardless of race, sex, gender identification or sexual orientation.*

### Asians & Friends Houston

Dues: \$20 and up

Meeting Location: varies each month

Mailing Address: PO Box 667100, Houston TX 77266-7100

Phone: 713.626.6300

Web Site: [members.aol.com/texasian](http://members.aol.com/texasian)

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Email: aalga98@aol.com

Web Site: ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/AALGA

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Meeting Location: varies each month

Mailing Address: PO Box 667100, Houston TX 77266-7100

Phone: 713.626.6300

Web Site: members.aol.com/texasian

A nonprofit 501(c)3 social group for gay Asians, Asian-Americans, Pacific Islanders and anyone interested in furthering their understanding of the rich and varied cultures of Asia.

## Astro Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf

Dues: \$15.00 for members, \$12.00 for HIV+, seniors, and students

Meeting Time: second Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Mailing Address: PO Box 66136, Houston TX 77266-6136

Phone: 713.995.6339

Fax: 713.830.3079

Email: aradhoutx@aol.com

This Houston chapter of the International Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf was founded in 1979. The upcoming conference is in New Orleans, June 15-20, 1999.

## BiNet Houston

Dues: none

Meeting Time: Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Toopees, 1830 W Alabama

Mailing Address: PO Box 667041, Houston TX 77266-7041

Phone: 713.467.4380

Email: BiHouse@flash.net

BiNet Houston is a social support group for bisexuals and bi-friendly people. We provide a friendly, supportive environment for people who are questioning their sexuality, people who know their orientation or people who want to know more. BiNet also runs a Bi-Line at 713.467.4380 and co-hosts After Hours every first Saturday of the month.

## Bunnies on the Bayou

Dues: about \$200/year

Meeting Time: first and second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Greater Houston Lesbian and Gay Community Center, 803 Hawthorne

Mailing Address: PO Box 66832, Houston TX 77266-6832

Phone: 713.951.0163

Bunnies on the Bayou, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization founded on the principles of helping the gay and lesbian community through fund-raising. Annually our organization hosts a gala on Easter Sunday collecting donations to benefit organizations chosen yearly. 100% of the proceeds goes to charities.



# R E S O U R C E G U I D E

## **Classic Chassis Car Club - Houston**

Dues: \$25 for single; \$35 for couple membership

Mailing Address: PO Box 920888, Houston TX 77292-0888

*Founded in 1989, its purpose is to provide gay and lesbian people who share an interest in old cars an opportunity to socialize and share information. A person does not have to own an old car, but have an interest in old cars, car miniatures, auto literature and/or automobiles. There are chapters of the Classic Chassis Car Club in Austin, Dallas, Houston and San Antonio. The four chapters rotate hosting a statewide car meet Memorial Day Weekend.*

## **Crisis Hotline**

Mailing Address: PO Box 130866, Houston TX 77219-0866

Phone: 713.228.1505

Fax: 713.527.0435

Email: hotline@intergate.com

Web Site: [www.intergate.com/~hotline/info.html](http://www.intergate.com/~hotline/info.html)

*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.*

## **Diana Foundation**

Dues: \$150/year

Meeting Time: third Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Mailing Address: PO Box 66523, Houston TX 77266-6523

Phone: 713.639.2000

*Have provided funds for such organizations as Houston Ballet, the Lone Star Symphonic Band and the Wortham Center Building Fund. At the same time the Diana Foundation awarded four-year college scholarships to worthy students at the High School for Performing and Visual Arts. As the AIDS crisis grew, we turned our attention to assisting in the support of health care for our community. We advanced most of the operating funds of the AIDS Foundation Houston in its first three years of operation.*

## **Executive and Professional Association of Houston**

Dues: \$150/year

Meeting Time: third Tuesday, dinner meeting

Meeting Location: varies

Mailing Address: PO Box 130227, Houston TX 77019-0227

Phone: 713.587.6066

*The Executive and Professional Association of Houston (EPAH) is a 501(c)6 business league. The purpose of EPAH is to foster business relationships, social relationships, and community services within the Houston community.*

## **Freed-Montrose Library**

## **The Hollyfield Foundation**

Meeting Location: 2700 Albany

Mailing Address: PO Box 66722, Houston TX 77266-6722

Phone: 713.523.6900

Fax: 713.520.6300

Email: hollyfield@aol.com

*While acting as a custodian of its national Historic Register buildings, the Hollyfield Foundation fosters and protects individual rights and freedoms by providing direct and indirect funding to qualifying organizations that work to prevent discrimination; educate about and secure equal rights for gays and lesbians; and assist in HIV/AIDS education, care, and treatment.*

## **Houston Area National Organization for Women**

Dues: \$35 sliding scale

Meeting Time: third Thursday

Meeting Location: varies

Mailing Address: PO Box 540204, Houston TX 77254-0204

Phone: 713.665.8669

Fax: 713.664.8891

Email: HoustonNOW@yahoo.com

Web Site: [www.now.org](http://www.now.org)

*NOW is dedicated to ending violence against women, combating racism, securing lesbian rights, and protecting abortion and reproductive rights. We seek social, political, economic and legal equality between women and men through grassroots organizing, lobbying, litigation, protest, and demonstrations.*

## **Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals (HATCH)**

Meeting Time: Fridays, 8 p.m., Sundays, 6:30 p.m.

Mailing Address: PO Box 667053, Houston TX 77266-7053

Phone: 713.942.7002

Fax: 713.669.0452

Email: hatch@neosoft.com

Web Site: [www.hatchyouth.org](http://www.hatchyouth.org)

*HATCH provides a safe, secure environment for gay and lesbian teens to socialize with their peers, to find support, and to develop a more positive outlook on their sexuality. Open to gays and lesbians age 13-20.*

## **Houston Area Women's Center**

Meeting Time: Volunteer orientation: second Monday, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Meeting Location: 1010 Waugh Dr

Mailing Address: 1010 Waugh Dr, Houston TX 77019-3996

Phone: 713.528.2121, Women's Center Hotline; 713.528.RAPE, Rape Crisis



### **Executive and Professional Association of Houston**

Dues: \$150/year

Meeting Time: third Tuesday, dinner meeting

Meeting Location: varies

Mailing Address: PO Box 130227, Houston TX 77019-0227

Phone: 713.587.6066

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### **Freed-Montrose Library**

Hours of Operation: Monday & Thursday, 12 noon - 9 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Mailing Address: 4100 Montrose Blvd, Houston TX 77006-4938

Phone: 713.284.1958

Fax: 713.284.1957

Email: mntbranc@sparc.hpl.lib.tx.us

Web Site: sparc.hpl.lib.tx.us

*Various gay and lesbian groups and organizations utilize our meeting rooms. Gay/lesbian periodicals and books available. AIDS-related newsletters available, as well as public access terminal to various free AIDS/HIV databases.*

### **Gay and Lesbian Switchboard Houston**

Mailing Address: PO Box 66469, Houston TX 77266-6469

Phone: 713.529.3211; TTY/TTD

Email: glsh@switchboard.org

Web Site: www.switchboard.org/~glsh

*Clearinghouse of information of gay/lesbian community; calendar of events; AIDS/STD information; telephone counseling and active listening, crisis/suicide intervention; and referrals of bars, restaurants, hotels, community merchants, and medical, legal, and mental health professionals.*

### **Gay Fathers/Fathers First**

Meeting Time: Mondays, 8-9:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh

Mailing Address: 1808 Lexington, Houston TX 77098

Phone: 713.524.5860

Fax: 713.521.0972

Email: wmntex@aol.com

*Weekly support meetings for gay fathers and their partners. Informal discussions concerning coming out, legal issues, and other topics related to gay parenting.*

### **Hate Crimes Hotline**

Mailing Address: PO Box 66469, Houston TX 77266-6469

Phone: 713.529.9615

Email: glsh@switchboard.org

Web Site: www.switchboard.org/~glsh

*Reports hate incident statistics to appropriate agencies based on calls from victims or witnesses of bias-motivated incidents such as verbal or physical assault, property damage or discrimination.*

Fax: 713.669.0452

Email: hatch@neosoft.com

Web Site: www.hatchyouth.org

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Mailing Address: 1010 Waugh Dr, Houston TX 77019-3996

Phone: 713.528.2121, Women's Center Hotline; 713.528.RAPE, Rape Crisis Hotline; 713.528.2121, general information

Fax: 713.535.6363

Web Site: www.hawc.org

*The Houston Area Women's Center provides shelter, counseling, and support services to survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Two 24 hour/7 day hotlines provide crisis counseling. The Rape Crisis program provides individual and group counseling and accompaniment to area hospitals and courtrooms for both female and male sexual assault survivors. The Family Violence Program provides individual and group counseling, emergency safe shelter, and advocacy for both female and male survivors. The Center provides services to heterosexual, lesbian, gay, and bisexual survivors of violence.*

### **Houston Gay and Lesbian Parents**

Dues: \$25 per year per family, negotiable

Meeting Time: second Tuesday, 7-9 p.m.

Meeting Location: Grace Lutheran, 2515 Waugh

Mailing Address: 10400 S Post Oak Rd Ste E-263, Houston TX 77035-3304

Phone: 713.284.4939

Email: hglp@juno.com

Web Site: www.biznetusa.net/hglp/

*A social and support group for lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgendered parents, their partners and parent wannabes. HGLP has three events every month: a support group for parents with free childcare, a family activity, and a newsletter mailout. We also sponsor a group for youth in the 6th through 12th grades who have lesbian or gay parents*

### **Houston Gay and Lesbian Pride 1999**

Dues: none

Meeting Time: first Tuesday executive, third Tuesday general, 7 p.m.

Meeting Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, 1475 W Gray

Mailing Address: PO Box 66071, Houston TX 77266-6071

Phone: 713.529.6979

Fax: 713.529.6929

Email: info@pridehouston.org

Web Site: www.pridehouston.org

*Operating under The Pride Committee of Houston, this committee organizes the pride celebration, including the Pride Parade, every year.*



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## **The Houston Women's Festival**

Mailing Address: PO Box 66604, Houston TX 77266-6604

Phone: 713.861.3316

Email: athenaart@aol.com

*Producers of the Houston Women's Festival and other art and entertainment events.*

## **Jewish Women International**

Dues: \$40

Mailing Address: 8323 Southwest Fwy 385, Houston TX 77074-1609

Phone: 713.988.3311

Fax: 713.988.4111

Web Site: [www.jewishwomen.org](http://www.jewishwomen.org)

*Our mission is to strengthen the lives of women, children, and families through education, advocacy, and action. Members are Jewish women, female children of interfaith marriage, and any woman who has or had a life partner of the Jewish faith. Locally we produce an annual Prejudice Awareness Summit for 8th graders and sponsor programs to educate adults and youth about family violence, among other activities.*

## **John Steven Kellett Foundation**

Mailing Address: PO Box 66574, Houston TX 77266-6574

Fax: 713.522.4445

Email: [kellett@aol.com](mailto:kellett@aol.com)

*A private nonprofit 501(c)3 Texas corporation which annually funds, through other nonprofit 501(c)3 organizations serving greater Houston, a small number of worthy causes related to gay/lesbian equal rights. Grant applications are only by invitation of the Foundation Board, based on information available to the board.*

## **Just For Us**

Dues: \$7/year/family

Mailing Address: 10400 S Post Oak Rd, Ste E-263, Houston TX 77035-3304

Phone: 713.284.4939

Email: [hglp@juno.com](mailto:hglp@juno.com)

*A social group for 6th through 12th graders with gay or lesbian parents where they can be themselves with others who understand.*

## **Krewe of Olympus-Texas**

Dues: \$140/year

Meeting Time: 4 times per year

Mailing Address: PO Box 920794, Houston TX 77292-0794

Phone: 713.729.9662

Fax: 713.729.9662

*The Krewe of Olympus was founded in New Orleans in 1970 and continues the Mardi Gras traditions in Houston as the Krewe of Olympus-Texas, Inc. The Krewe celebrates Mardi Gras each year by producing an invitation-only black-tie Mardi Gras Gala in a tableau format. Additionally, the Krewe raises money yearly for designated charitable organizations.*

## **Lesbians Over Age 50 (LOAFERS)**

Meeting Time: third Sunday, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Houston Mission Church, 1505 Nevada at Commonwealth

Mailing Address: PO Box 980601, Houston TX 77098-0601

Phone: 713.723.4306

*We are an organization for lesbian women over the age of fifty. We serve the older lesbian population in Houston.*

## **LiB**

Dues: \$20.00 membership, \$4.00 meeting, \$5.00 meeting without membership

Meeting Time: third Friday, 6:30 p.m., networking, 7 p.m., meeting

Meeting Location: Bering Memorial United Methodist Church on Harold

Mailing Address: PO Box 66748, Houston TX 77266-6748

Phone: 713.529.0077

*LiB is a lesbian empowerment group.*

## **Lone Star Nudist Group**

Dues: \$24/year and hosting

Mailing Address: PO Box 66621, Houston TX 77266-6621

Phone: 713.866.8847

*Join gay men who wish to share nude experiences together. We currently have 100+ members in Houston area. Singles and lovers welcome. Monthly activities. Nude social events, game nights, and out of town gatherings.*



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Email: hglp@juno.com

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ALTERNATE # (PAGER, CELL, ETC.): \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Men of All Colors Together: Houston**

Dues: \$12 per year

Meeting Time: second Tuesday

Mailing Address: PO Box 540771, Houston TX 77254-0771

Phone: 713.869.2197

Email: [steve\\_jerome@valic.com](mailto:steve_jerome@valic.com)

*A inter-racial, multi-cultural social and support group aimed at helping gay men who date interracially.*

## **Miss Camp America Foundation**

Dues: \$200

Meeting Time: 7 p.m., varies

Mailing Address: PO Box 742, Bellaire TX 77402-0142

Phone: 713.940.STAR

Fax: 713.666.2232

Web Site: [www.mcaf.org](http://www.mcaf.org)

*Our mission is to perform charitable activities which provide relief to individuals affected by HIV/AIDS through fundraising, providing financial support to local non-profit HIV/AIDS service provider organizations, and on a volunteer basis. MCA is proud of this commitment to the Houston community and has contributed \$395,500 in financial grants thus far. Our most significant fund-raiser is The Miss Camp America® Pageant, a spoof on the Miss America Pageant®. This event is complete with talent, swimsuit, and evening gown presentations; cast production numbers; and some of the most creative and extravagant evening gowns ever seen on stage.*

## **Montrose Counseling Center Men's Network**

Dues: voluntary donation

Meeting Time: first and third Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m.

Meeting Location: Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond

Mailing Address: 701 Richmond Ave, Houston TX 77006-5511

Phone: 713.529.0037

Fax: 713.526.4367

Email: [mcc@neosoft.com](mailto:mcc@neosoft.com)

Web Site: [www.neosoft.com/~mcc/](http://www.neosoft.com/~mcc/)

*Discussion group for the social and educational development of gay and bisexual men.*

## **Montrose Counseling Center Women's Program**

Dues: voluntary donation

## **Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays**

Dues: \$25 individual, \$40 Couple/family

Meeting Time: first Sunday

(except holidays when it moves to the second Sunday), 2-5 p.m.

Meeting Location: Christ Church Cathedral, 1117 Texas

Mailing Address: PO Box 53796, Houston TX 77052-3796

Phone: 713.867.9020

Email: [pflagwww@insync.net](mailto:pflagwww@insync.net)

Web Site: [www.pflaghtx.org](http://www.pflaghtx.org)

*Support group for parents, friends, and families of gays and lesbians, and for gays and lesbians. Our mission includes community education, advocacy, and support.*

## **Pride Committee of Houston**

Dues: none

Meeting Time: second Tuesday, 7 p.m.

Meeting Location: Greater Houston Lesbian & Gay Community Center, 803 Hawthorne

Mailing Address: PO Box 66071, Houston TX 77266-6071

Phone: 713.529.6979

Fax: 713.529.6929

Email: [info@pridehouston.org](mailto:info@pridehouston.org)

Web Site: [www.pridehouston.org](http://www.pridehouston.org)

*The 501(c)3 non-profit umbrella of Houston Gay and Lesbian Pride. Also maintains the Banner District on lower Westheimer, maintains the a community mailing list, this resource guide, and our web site.*

## **Prime Timers - Houston**

Dues: \$22/year single, \$33/year two at same address

Mailing Address: PO Box 980612, Houston TX 77098-0612

Phone: 713.867.3903

*The group helps meet the needs of older gay men. Activities include a wide spectrum of events, such as meetings, socials, workshops, parties, trips, dinners out, theater nights, and movies. We are also affiliated with Prime Timer International.*

## **Tau Chi Chapter-Tri Ess**

Mailing Address: 8880 Bellaire B2, Ste 104, Houston TX 77036-4621

Phone: 713.349.8969

Email: [triessinfo@aol.com](mailto:triessinfo@aol.com)

Web Site: [www.firstnethou.com/brenda/tri-ess.htm](http://www.firstnethou.com/brenda/tri-ess.htm)

*An educational and social support organization serving heterosexual crossdressers, their spouses, or partners, and family members. Local affiliate of the society for The Second Self, Inc, a 501(c)3 organization. Monthly meetings, newsletter, quarterly journal, online forms, and confidential peer support*



Meeting Time: first and third Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m.  
Meeting Location: Montrose Counseling Center, 701 Richmond  
Mailing Address: 701 Richmond Ave, Houston TX 77006-5511  
Phone: 713.529.0037  
Fax: 713.526.4367  
Email: [mcc@neosoft.com](mailto:mcc@neosoft.com)  
Web Site: [www.neosoft.com/~mcc/](http://www.neosoft.com/~mcc/)  
*Discussion group for the social and educational development of gay and bisexual men.*

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Dues: voluntary donation  
Meeting Time: second and fourth Wednesdays  
Mailing Address: 701 Richmond Ave, Houston TX 77006-5511  
Phone: 713.529.0037  
Fax: 713.526.4367  
Email: [mcc@neosoft.com](mailto:mcc@neosoft.com)  
Web Site: [www.neosoft.com/~mcc/](http://www.neosoft.com/~mcc/)  
*Provides the lesbian 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 counseling by appointment.*

### **The NAMES Project Houston**

Dues: Suggested donation  
Meeting Time: Workshop: Saturdays and Sundays, 1-5 p.m.  
Meeting Location: Chelsea Market, 4617 Montrose, C-140  
Mailing Address: PO Box 66595, Houston TX 77266-6595  
Phone: 713.52.NAMES  
Fax: 713.526.1859  
*The major function of the NAMES Project Houston is community education, promoting the AIDS Memorial Quilt through displays and outreach programs. The chapter has become increasingly proactive in schools, colleges, and corporations.*

### **National Leather Association: Houston**

Dues: \$30 local, \$30 national per year  
Mailing Address: PO Box 66553, Houston TX 77266-6553  
Phone: 713.861.5969  
Fax: 713.861.5969  
Email: [nla.houston@uno.com](mailto:nla.houston@uno.com)  
*A pansexual social, service, and educational organization in its fifth year. Monthly educational meetings are held covering the many aspects of the leather/SMBD lifestyle. Fund-raising for the organization and local charities are ongoing throughout the year. The major benefit of the year is the Annual Toy Drive for Kids with HIV/AIDS held during the holiday season. The major fund-raiser of the year is Spring Iniquity, an anniversary run in early April.*

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Web Site: [www.firstnethou.com/brenda/tri-ess.htm](http://www.firstnethou.com/brenda/tri-ess.htm)  
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### **Women's Group at First UU Church**

Dues: none  
Meeting Time: Sundays, 10:45 a.m.  
Meeting Location: 5200 Fannin  
Mailing Address: 5200 Fannin St, Houston TX 77004-5808  
Phone: 713.529.8571  
Fax: 713.521.9626  
Email: [HouWmnsGrp@aol.com](mailto:HouWmnsGrp@aol.com)  
*Feminist group (each woman defines her own feminism) of women who are very diverse. Political, social, and networking group that meets weekly at First UU Church, networks with all other women's groups in the city, and sponsors many social activities.*

## **Sports & Recreation**

### **FrontRunners Houston**

Dues: \$12.00  
Meeting Time: Sundays, 9 a.m. and Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.  
Meeting Location: The Tennis Center at Memorial Park  
Mailing Address: 3327 West Lamar, Houston TX 77019-1915  
Phone: 713.522.8021  
Email: [lanathon@neosoft.com](mailto:lanathon@neosoft.com)  
Web Site: [www.neosoft.com/~larathon/houfr.htm](http://www.neosoft.com/~larathon/houfr.htm)  
*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. Following the Thursday run is swimming or hottubbing and then dinner at a local restaurant.*

### **Houston Outdoor Group (HOG)**

Dues: Dues: \$15 per year to receive monthly newsletter  
Meeting Time: fourth Thursday  
Mailing Address: PO Box 980893, Houston TX 77098-0893  
Phone: 713.KAMPOUT (713.526.7688)  
*The purpose of the Houston Outdoor Group is to be a conduit of information, providing a healthy, active alternative to the members and friends of the community. These are primarily but not limited to camping, hiking, swimming, outdoor trips and events; and in conjunction with related groups for skiing, skating, scuba diving, and other activities.*



# RESOURCE GUIDE

## **Houston Wednesday Nite Mixer**

Dues: \$12

Meeting Time: Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd.

Mailing Address: PO Box 540272, Houston TX 77254-0272

Phone: 713.522.9612

Email: wiccado@aol.com

*Mixed league. The Fall/Winter session runs between September and April, and the Summer session runs between May and August.*

## **Inner Loop Sunday Bowling League**

Dues: \$10

Meeting Time: Sundays, 7 p.m.

Meeting Location: Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd.

Mailing Address: 4002 Caroline St, Houston TX 77004-4004

Phone: 713.522.9612

Fax: 713.228.7814

Email: wiccado@aol.com

*Mixed league. The Fall/Winter session runs between September and April, and the Summer session runs between May and August.*

## **Overland Trail Riders**

Dues: \$24 per year

Mailing Address: RR 1 Box 625A, Hockley TX 77447-9771

Phone: 409.931.1834

Fax: 713.669.0307

Email: overlandtr@aol.com

Web Site: [www.members.aol.com/overlandtr/index](http://www.members.aol.com/overlandtr/index)

*Overland Trail Riders is an open-minded trail riding group that welcomes all members of the gay and lesbian community. We meet monthly for trail rides and social gatherings. The group promotes pride and heritage in the country & western community.*

## **Rainbow Fishing Club**

Dues: \$10 per year

Meeting Time: Boat leaves 7:30 a.m., returns 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Pier 19, Galveston, and 1024 W. 2nd St., Freeport TX

Mailing Address: PO Box 66450, Houston TX 77266-6450

Phone: 713.523.6381

*Monthly deep-sea fishing trip out of Galveston and Freeport on the New Buccaneer, Cavalier, & Gulf Stream. Non-members always welcome. Call for free newsletter.*

## **Texas Gay Rodeo Association**

Dues: \$60 per year

Mailing Address: PO Box 120505, Houston TX 77012-0505

## **Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas (LGRL)**

Dues: \$25.00

Meeting Time: Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.

Mailing Address: PO Box 2340, Austin TX 78768-2340

Phone: 512.474.5475

Fax: 512.474.4511

Email: lgrltexas@aol.com

*LGRL works toward the elimination of social, legal, and economic discrimination based on sexual orientation through lobbying, education, and research directed toward the Texas Legislature and other state government agencies.*

## **Glen Maxey, Representative**

Mailing Address: PO Box 2910, Austin TX 78768-2910

Phone: 512.463.0552

Fax: 512.463.5896

*Our only openly gay elected official in the Texas Legislature.*

## **National Lesbian/Gay Journalists Association**

Dues: \$55 per year for journalists, \$55 for supporters

Meeting Time: Annual meeting held in different Texas cities

Mailing Address: 1307 Marshall St, Houston TX 77006-4213

Phone: 713.220.6025

Fax: 713.217.1388

Email: [clifford.pugh@chron.com](mailto:clifford.pugh@chron.com)

*Association of gay and lesbian journalists primarily but not limited to mainstream media.*

## **Texas Conference of Clubs**

Dues: varies according to classification

Meeting Time: January, April, July, October

Mailing Address: PO Box 667071, Houston TX 77266-7071

Phone: 713.522.5508

Fax: 713.522.1269

Email: [billcastagno@csi.com](mailto:billcastagno@csi.com)

*A multi-state umbrella type of organization composed of a number of clubs and individuals within a five-state area, including New Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma. Stated purpose is to promote motorcycling, leather/Levi and western cultures. Own and operate 31-acre Buzzards' Peak Community land site.*

## **Texas Triangle**

Mailing Address: 315 W Alabama 101, Houston TX 77006



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### Texas Gay Rodeo Association

Dues: \$60 per year

Mailing Address: PO Box 130585, Houston TX 77219-0585

Phone: 281.873.0641

Fax: 281.873.4132

Email: codesign@compuserve.com

Web Site: www.tgra.org

Established in 1983 and dedicated to improving and providing western events for the gay and lesbian community. Dedicated to raising funds for charities through various functions including the annual rodeo.

### Texas Invitational Tournament

Dues: \$65

Mailing Address: PO Box 540272, Houston TX 77254-0272

Phone: 713.522.9612

Fax: 713.228.7814

Email: wiccado@aol.com

Bowling Tournament over the 4th of July weekend, IGBO Associated, to raise \$6,000 to distribute to local charities, also no tap bowling 3rd Saturday of each month at Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd.

## Texas

### ACLU of Texas

Dues: \$20.00 and up

Meeting Location: 3400 Montrose Blvd, Ste 312

Mailing Address: PO Box 132047, Houston TX 77219-2047

Phone: 713.942.8146

Fax: 713.942.0131

Email: houstaclu@aol.com

The ACLU of Texas is a affiliate of the national American Civil Liberties Union. Our goal and purpose is to protect and expand everyone's civil liberties as those rights are contained in the US and Texas Constitutions. We accomplish these goals through lobbying, litigation, and public education.

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Mailing Address: 315 W Alabama 101, Houston TX 77006

Phone: 713.521.5822

Fax: 713.521.5830

Email: TxTriangle@aol.com

The award-winning weekly newspaper for the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, and gay-friendly community. The Triangle is free and features in-depth articles about issues, events, and people important to the Texas community. Also includes an extensive arts and entertainment section. Comes out every Friday.

### This Week in Texas (TWT)

Mailing Address: 500 Lovett Blvd. Ste 102, Houston TX 77006

Phone: 713.527.9111

Fax: 713.527.8948

Email: twtmag@aol.com

Free weekly statewide publication that includes news, views, gossip, and entertainment. Comes out on Fridays.

## National

### The Center for AIDS: Hope & Remembrance Project

Meeting Location: 1407 Hawthorne

Mailing Address: PO Box 66306, Houston TX 77266-6306

Phone: 713.527.8219

Fax: 713.521.3679

Email: rita@centerforaids.org

Web Site: www.centerforaids.org

The Center for AIDS Hope and Remembrance Project is the only HIV/AIDS treatment information center in this part of this country. The CFA's walk-in storefront information center is centrally located and provides the latest treatment information in a user-friendly setting with general and specific information, internet access, and a treatment-knowledgeable staff. The CFA publishes a bi-monthly treatment newsletter, Research Initiative/Treatment Action (RITA), offered free of charge, and the RITA fax newsletter, a weekly treatment newsletter for physicians and researchers.



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## Digital Queers

Dues: \$35

Mailing Address: 548 Castro St Ste 560, San Francisco CA 94114

Phone: 415.252.6282

Fax: 415.252.6290

Email: info@dq.org

Web Site: www.dq.org

DQ's is a national, non-profit 501(c)3 organization that channels computer and technology knowledge and resources to the queer community. DQ works to empower community organizations and activists to be more effective and successful in obtaining civil rights and providing services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender youth and adults.

## Lambda Legal Defense

Dues: \$40/year

Mailing Address: 120 Wall St, Fl 15, New York NY 10005-3902

Phone: 212.809.8585

Fax: 212.908.0055

Email: lambda@lambdalegal.org

Web Site: www.lambdalegal.org

A national organization committed to achieving the full recognition of the civil rights of lesbians, gay men, and people with HIV/AIDS through impact litigation, education, and public policy work.

## Paz y Liberacion

Dues: \$10 per year, free samples

Mailing Address: PO Box 66450, Houston TX 7266-6450

Newsletter covering lesbian and gay groups and liberation events in Asia, Latin America, Africa, and Arab lands.

## Rainbow Amateur Radio Association

Dues: \$15 per year

Mailing Address: PO Box 35343, Dallas TX 75235-0343

Phone: 214-522-1458

Email: rara@en.com

Web Site: www.rara.org

National association of gay and lesbian individuals interested in amateur radio and/or short-wave listening. There are approximately 90 members from several states and Europe. Regularly scheduled weekly amateur contacts. Local and national meetings. Monthly newsletter.



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