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THE PRIDE GUIDE

Glowing with Pride

HOUSTON GAY AND LESBIAN PRIDE WEEK 1997



JUNE 19th through JUNE 29th 1997

Pumped Up on Art

**Friday, June 20
7:00 - 10:30 p.m.**

**at the
Majestic Metro
in downtown Houston
(911 Preston)**

**\$30 per person
at the door**

Pumped Up On Art is a high-profile event held during Pride Week which uses autographed high-heeled shoes (or "pumps") from celebrities to create fabulous works of art which are displayed and auctioned during this gala celebration. Local artists utilize their talents to create the works of art using the celebrity's pumps as the centerpiece.

Proceeds from the event benefit the Pride Committee of Houston, a 501(c)3 tax exempt and non-profit organization which promotes activities for the local gay and lesbian community and supports local HIV and AIDS-related causes. Sponsors for the event include Texas Commerce Bank and Neiman Marcus Town and Country.

For more information, contact Nick Brines on the Pride Line at 713.529.6979.

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Welcome! to "Glowing With Pride," Houston Gay and Lesbian Pride Week 1997, and the 28th anniversary celebration of Stonewall.

By participating in Pride Week events, which are celebrated throughout the world, you are involved in the most visible opportunity to honor our growth and development. We are making many inroads in expressing and procuring our freedom and rights in the world. This is a direct result of your involvement and participation. It's all in the numbers. This is a time for us to openly be ourselves and share our pride amongst ourselves and with our family, friends, and co-workers.

This year's Pride Parade will prove to be the showpiece of pride festivities throughout North America. We are hosting this continent's first gay and lesbian nighttime parade and our "family" does like to go for the glitz. So plan to do your part in "lighting up" even if it's only by bringing your smiling face.

This Pride Guide brings to you a host of activities and events that have been assembled to celebrate the diversity, unity, and history of the gay and lesbian community. Also, the enclosed Resource Guide is for your year-round use.

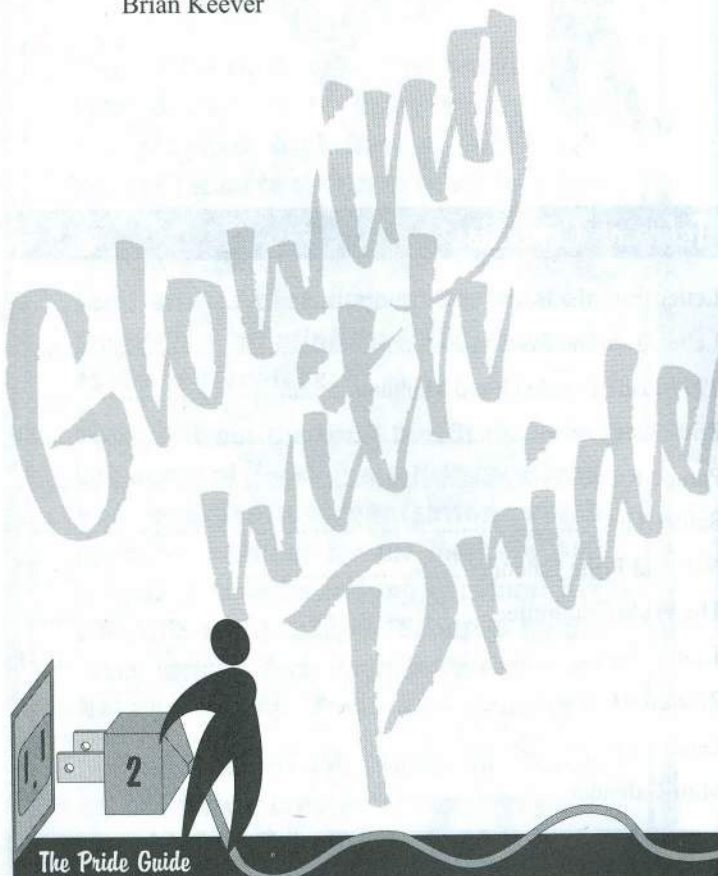
We intend for you to have a memorable and fun-filled eleven days and to plan to come again next year.

We express our deepest appreciation to the Pride Week Executive Committee and to the many volunteers, as well as the numerous individuals, organizations, and businesses who have contributed their many hours and other resources throughout this last year. You are the foundation of this wonderful gift to our community.

Your friends in pride,

Julie Siska
Carol Clark
Brian Keever

Ray Ramirez
Jack Valinski



*Once
we ran in shadows
hiding in the lies of the day
and the dark of night.
Fear was our moon
and hatred a canopy of wicked stars
glaring down upon us
to keep us silent.*

*Now
Unified by our oneness
Unique in our diversity
we take back our days
tonight.*

*Let every candle glow
with each step
out of the darkness
and into the light.*

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When trying to decide whether to run as Co-Chairs of the 1997 Houston Gay and Lesbian Pride Committee last August, we found ourselves excited and anxious. We were excited to be a part of the first-ever nighttime gay and lesbian pride parade ever held in the country. We were anxious because we realized the size of the undertaking we were about to assume.

Organizing this year's Pride Week has turned into one of the most rewarding experiences of our lives. We have met hundreds of new friends, participated in numerous fund-raisers, and have gotten to know this community like never before.

Now, after almost a year of work with a dedicated team of coordinators, we are able to present to you this year's Pride Week. We encourage you to attend as many of the events during the 11 days of pride as you can. And, of course, don't miss the exciting, illuminated parade or the after-parade party co-hosted by Outrage.

We wish to thank all of our sponsors for their very generous contributions and the organizations and businesses that are participating in Pride Week this year. And, last but not least, we thank our wonderful and talented team of coordinators, without whom none of this could happen. They are the backbone of the organization and we deeply appreciate their long hours of work and dedication.

Thank you for a great year and enjoy your Pride Week.

Yours in pride,

Darren Armstrong, Co-Chair

Susan Guerrero, Co-Chair

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Pajama Party



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1997 Pride Parade Grand Marshals



The Grand Marshals of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade are dedicated individuals and organizations that lead the way for our community. They are our best, and in this year of "Glowing with Pride," they are our brightest.

Each year the voting members of the Pride Committee elect individuals and an organization for up to four Grand Marshal positions: male and female Grand Marshals, Honorary Grand Marshal, and Honorary Grand Marshal-Organization. Nominations for each position are made in writing to the Pride Committee at a general Pride Committee meeting several months before the parade. The male and female Grand Marshal positions are each awarded to a gay or lesbian person who has demonstrated outstanding dedication and service to the community. The position of Honorary Grand Marshal is awarded to a non-gay or non-lesbian person who has demonstrated outstanding dedication and service to the gay and lesbian community and the position of Honorary Grand Marshal-Organization is awarded to an organization that has demonstrated the same.

Krewe of Olympus, Honorary Grand Marshal - Organization

Houston's first nighttime pride parade is second in world history only to the magnificent Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras Parade held annually in Sydney, Australia.



It is appropriate, then, that the Honorary Grand Marshal - Organization for our first night parade is Houston's own Mardi Gras charitable group, the Krewe of Olympus.

The Krewe formed in New Orleans in 1969 to keep alive the traditions and fun of Mardi Gras and soon set a standard for entertainment in the traditional Bal Masques favored by the gay krewes, with themes ranging from elegant Camelot to a satirical World War II Ball.

In the late 1980's the Krewe had several members who were from or who were moving to Texas, so the group decided to set up in Houston as a non-profit educational organization. The Krewe wowed Houston with the elegant costumes of its first ball, "Olympus Does Mardi Gras," in 1990, and the city came out to benefit its designated charity, the Pet Patrol, which was a new and struggling organization at the time.

The Krewe's parade captain, Bob Alban, said that the group decided it could have the greatest impact in its charity by filling specific needs at local AIDS service organizations. The Krewe has raised \$45,000 over the past six years, funding immediate and necessary projects such as buying new beds at Omega House and a new van for Stone Soup.

The Krewe has invested a great deal of time and energy in making sure Houston's first nighttime pride parade is as bright as a Mardi Gras ball. The group has presented a seminar on how organizations and businesses could light their parade entries and members have been instrumental in organizing Pride Week '97 festivities.



June 1997



Jim Carper, Grand Marshal

When Jim Carper shows his beaming smile as a Grand Marshal of the 1997 Pride Parade, you'll see that he's glowing with pride.

And he's been glowing for nearly a decade of volunteering for the community. Jim explains that his activism began in January 1988 when his friend Kay Harper convinced him to go through the training class for the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard of Houston. He had been laid off from his job as head of inventory control for the purchasing department at



Tenneco, a company that had employed him since 1967, along with 1500 others in 1986. Soon after that, Jim tested positive for HIV.

"I knew I wouldn't be hired for another job by Tenneco because all of the insurance companies were doing blood testing by that time. They wouldn't hire someone they knew was HIV-positive," Jim said. "I was feeling really sorry for myself and Kay told me, 'You need to do something. You're going to go through training for the Switchboard.'"

After learning how to help people who called the Switchboard because they were coming out of the closet, Jim found similar work at *After Hours*, a community music and talk show that airs between midnight and 3 a.m. every early Sunday morning on KPFT Houston, 90.1 FM. Buddy Johnston, the founder of the show, had asked for volunteers from the Switchboard to take calls at the show from kids who wanted to tell a sympathetic person that they were gay. Jim helped out with the phones and eventually became co-host of the show in 1989. He became its producer when Johnston left in 1991.

Helping to show gay and lesbian people a way out of the closet and into a proud, open life remains a vital aspect of Jim's work at both *After Hours* and the Switchboard.

Jim has also made diversity a mark of the show. In 1994 he included bisexual and transgendered people in the roster of hosts for *After Hours*, making it the first such radio show in the country. He was awarded the first Transgender Inclusion Award by the Houston transgender community in 1995.

While producing *After Hours*, Jim has remained very active in the Switchboard. He was staff representative for two years and then became head of the administration committee for two years. He has been Treasurer of the organization for the past two years. In 1989, Jim was voted Volunteer of the Year by his peers.

In addition to his work at *After Hours* and the Switchboard, Jim has made the rounds with Q-Patrol every other Friday evening since 1995. He is also a member of the Houston Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus and was a founding member of ACT-UP Houston.



Deborah Bell, Grand Marshal

Deborah Bell is a Grand Marshal for Houston's historic nighttime gay and lesbian pride parade, but the parade is not her first historic gathering of the community.

She was the national organizer for the 1993 March on Washington for Lesbian, Gay, and Bi Equal Rights and Liberation, the largest gay rights march ever held and one of the largest civil rights demonstrations in the history of our nation.

Deborah has been a voice for the community in all of her civil rights work. Currently a freelance writer and publicist, she has used her skills as a journalist to write press releases and newsletters for community organizations and interviews, reviews, and articles for more widely distributed community publications.

Deborah has used her voice to further the cause of gay and lesbian equal rights in other ways, as well. She was a co-host and an associate producer for two community-based news and entertainment radio programs on KPFT Houston, 90.1 FM. She worked on *Wilde 'n' Stein* between 1987 and 1992 and on *Lesbian and Gay Voices* between 1993 and 1995. Deborah was also editor of the *Houston Voice* between May and November 1996 and she is a workshop presenter specializing in issues of multiculturalism and diversity.

Deborah's service to the gay and lesbian community is closely linked to her feminist networking as well as Democratic Party politics.

She is currently a member of National Organization for Women (NOW), Lesbians in Business, The Women's Group at the First Unitarian Church, and the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. She is also a voluntary member of AMIGA and is an Assist Hers volunteer.

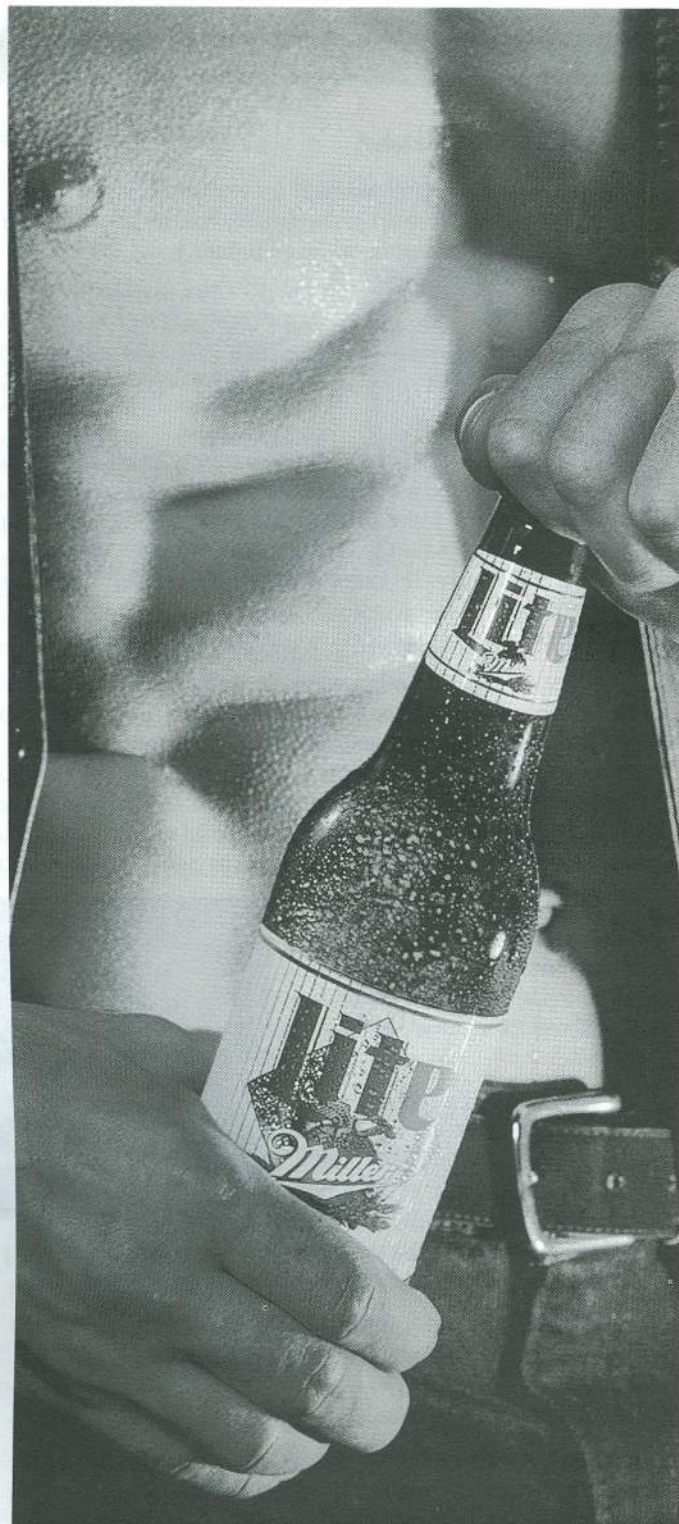
Deborah has been a Democratic Party precinct judge for two years and is a skilled precinct organizer. She has been a delegate to Senate District Conventions and State Conventions for the Party for 12 years.

In NOW, Deborah has been a state officer for over four years and is a co-chair of the State Lesbian Rights Task Force. She has been a local chapter officer for eight years and was the Houston Area NOW President in 1994 and 1995.

Deborah is also a founder of Womynspace and is an Editorial Board Committee member for its monthly newsletter, the *Wand*.

Her leadership skills have benefited several other local gay and lesbian organizations, as well. Deborah was a board member of the Montrose Counseling Center in 1986 and 1987 and of the Montrose Activity Center in 1987 and 1988 and then in 1989 and 1990. She also served as secretary for the second term. Deborah was a co-chair of the Pride Committee in 1987 and 1988 and also worked as a program assistant for the Bering AIDS Support Group between 1988 and 1990.





Your night is
about to take an
unexpected twist.



Pride Week Events



Unless otherwise noted, all listed events are open to the general public and the attire is casual. For the most up-to-date listing of events, please see the Pride Committee's web page at www.pridehouston.org.

June 6 - July 12, 1997

Falsettoland

Time: Every Friday and Saturday 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM
Location: Chelsea Market (4617 Montrose)
Attire: Casual but Neat
Fees: \$15
Sponsored by: Main Street Theater

This is the final installment of the acclaimed musical trilogy. Marvin is reunited with his lover on the eve of his son's bar mitzvah, just as AIDS is beginning to spread. For more information, call 713.524.6706.

Friday, June 13, 1997

Art with Pride '97

Time: 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM
Location: 711 Hyde Park
Fees: Free
Sponsored by: The Hyde Park Gallery

More than a dozen local artists glowing with pride present a show featuring their outstanding works of this year! For more information, call 713.526.2744.

Tuesday, June 17, 1997

1997 Pride Parade Participant Mandatory Meeting

Time: 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
(1475 West Gray)
Fees: Free
Sponsored by: Pride Committee of Houston

Mandatory meeting for the 1997 Pride Parade participants. If you want to march in the parade, you **must** attend this meeting. For more information, call 713.529.6979.

Wednesday, June 18, 1997

1997 Gay and Lesbian Pride Week Kickoff

Time: 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM
Location: 1117 East Freeway
Fees: Donations Encouraged
Sponsored by: Pride Committee of Houston and DiverseWorks

Join us at DiverseWorks for an evening of festivities designed to kick off Houston's Gay and Lesbian Pride Week 1997! Entertainment to be announced. For more information, call 713.529.6979.



June 1997



Friday, June 20, 1997

Pumped Up on Art

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: The Majestic Metro (911 Preston)

Attire: Formal or Semi-Formal Encouraged

Fees: \$30 per person

Sponsored by: Texas Commerce Bank, Neiman Marcus Town and Country, and Pride Committee of Houston

Get Pumped Up On Art during this annual gala and celebrity auction. This event is a high-profile event held during Pride Week which uses autographed high-heeled shoes (or "pumps") from celebrities to create fabulous works of art which are displayed and auctioned during this gala celebration. Autographed shoes and other items have been donated from a diverse array of celebrities including Julie Andrews, Cher, Phyllis Diller, Fran Drescher, Shirley Jones, k.d. lang, Greg Louganis, Alanis Morissette, Julie Newmar, Susan Sarandon, Gloria Steinem, Elizabeth Taylor, and many other celebrities. For more information, call 713.529.6979.

Saturday, June 21, 1997

Houston Billiard Open

Time: 12:30 PM

Location: Bricks II (617 Fairview)

Fees: \$10 entry fee

Sponsored by: Independent Billiard League

Benefiting: Swehla House (Community Endowment Fund)

This annual pool tournament is held to raise money for community organizations. This year's recipient will be Swehla House. For more information, call 713.524.9261.

The Absolut Rangler Pride Kickoff Cocktail Party

Time: 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Location: 2930 Ferndale, Houston 77098

Fees: \$10

Sponsored by: Rainbow Ranglers Dance Club and Absolut Vodka

Join us for a cocktail party with open bar, vodka drinks, beer, wine, and music. For more information, call 713.880.0670.

Simple Pleasures

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: First Unitarian Church (5200 Fannin)

Fees: \$10

Sponsored by: Gay Men's Chorus of Houston

Come and enjoy a men's choral music concert celebrating Pride Week. For more information, call 713.521.7464.

Pride Gala 1997

Time: 8:30 PM to 1:30 AM

Location: Shamrock (2151 W. Holcombe)

Attire: Semi-Formal

Fees: \$30 advance, \$40 door, \$3 parking

Sponsored by: AVES, Inc.

Be a part of our theme, "Carribean Queen"! A celebration of diversity during Pride Week; dance to the music of a DJ and a live band. For more information, call 713.626.2837.



Sunday, June 22, 1997

Charlie's New Dessert Bar

Time: 24 Hours (all week long)

Location: Charlie's (1100 Westheimer)

Fee: Various

Sponsored by: Charlie's

Cool off at our dessert bar throughout Pride Week. Enjoy ice cold lemonade, iced tea, malts, shakes, cones, and sundaes. For more information, call 713.521.9533.

Make Us One: A Musical Celebration

Time: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Location: Music Hall (810 Bagby)

Fee: Donations Requested

Sponsored by: Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection

MCCR hosts a musical celebration of combined choirs to help kick off Pride Week. For more information, call 713.861.9149.

Simple Pleasures

Time: 2:30 PM

Location: First Unitarian Church (5200 Fannin)

Fees: \$10

Sponsored by: Gay Men's Chorus of Houston

Come and enjoy a men's choral music concert celebrating Pride Week. For more information, call 713.521.7464.

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Monday, June 23, 1997

Shuffleboard Tournament

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: The New Barn (1100-B Westheimer)

Fees: Free

Sponsored by: The New Barn

The New Barn opens at noon with drink specials all day! Prizes will be awarded! For more information, call 713.521.9533.

Tuesday, June 24, 1997

Dart Tournament

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: The New Barn (1100-B Westheimer)

Fees: Free

Sponsored by: The New Barn

Drink specials will run all day, and prizes will be awarded! Come early, we open at noon! For more information, call 713.521.9533.

Make A Joyful Noise III

Time: 7:30 PM

Location: 4305 Lillian Street

Fees: Offering

Sponsored by: Community Gospel Church

Come and enjoy a gospel concert featuring talent from local churches. Refreshments will be served after the concert in the fellowship hall. For more information, call 713.880.9235.

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Wednesday, June 25, 1997

How to find a good dental plan and save money

Time: 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Location: Metropolitan Multi-Service Center
(1475 West Gray)

Fees: Free

Sponsored by: Sonrie

This seminar covers domestic partnerships, self-employment, business owners and employee groups, state to state benefits, and discounts. Sponsored by Sonrie, a dental health provider. For more information, call 713.862.9720.

Rollerball '97

Time: 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Location: Starlite Skating Rink (8075 Cook Road at Beechnut)

Target Audience: GLBT / Gay Friendly

Fees: \$5 admission, \$1.50 skate rental

Sponsored by: Lambda Rollerskating Club

Join us at for our annual gay pride event! All ages welcome. For more information, call 713.933.5818.

Chances Show / Karaoke Bar

Time: 9:00 PM

Location: The New Barn (1100-B Westheimer)

Fees: Free

Sponsored by: The New Barn

Sheila Lennon sings your favorite dance tunes and shares the stage for karaoke! For more information, call 713.521.9533.

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Thursday, June 26, 1997

Community Partnership Kickoff

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Bering Church Fellowship Hall (1440 Harold)

Attire: Casual to Business

Target Audience: Community Leaders and All Interested

Fees: \$5 donation requested

Sponsored by: Greater Houston Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce

This meeting will signify the beginning of a community partnership made up of representatives of all organizations within the gay and lesbian community of Houston. For more information, call 713.523.7576.

Sex and HIV / AIDS

Time: 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Location: 1407 Hawthorne (corner of Yupon)

Fees: Free

Sponsored by: The Center for AIDS, Montrose Clinic, and Continental Airlines

This is an informative community forum with nationally known experts on oral sex, KS & transmission, reinfection, eradication, and other topics. For more information, call 713.527.8219.


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Friday, June 27, 1997

Friday Foreplay!

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Pacific Street (710 Pacific Street)

Fees: No Cover before 9 PM

Sponsored by: Pacific Street

Friday Foreplay! Doors open at 7 PM. No Cover till 9 PM. Get in early and party hard! For more information, call 713.523.0213.

Rangler Roundup III

Time: 9:00 PM

Location: The New Barn (1100-B Westheimer)

Attire: Casual (Country Western)

Fees: Request to Tip Performers

Sponsored by: Rainbow Ranglers Dance Club

Enjoy a country western dance extravaganza! This fundraising show will feature many dance and live performances. For more information, call 713.880.0670.

Pam Ross and Ten 'Til Six

Time: 9:30 PM to 1:30 AM

Location: Ms. B's (9200 Buffalo Speedway)

Fees: cover charge (\$2)

Sponsored by: Ms. B's

The original rock-n-roll group, Pam Ross and Ten 'Til Six, will be playing tonight at Ms. B's. For more information, call 713.666.3464.

Hot Night "A Night in Black Leather"

Time: 10:00 PM

Location: Venture-N (2923 S. Main)

Attire: Levi / Leather

Target Audience: Levi / Leather / Gay Pride Friendly

Fees: Free

Sponsored by: National Leather Association Houston

Be part of the welcome party for Leather Pride Weekend, and celebrate Pride Week with out-of-town guests and local friends. For more information, call 713.527.9305.



The Krewe of Olympus - Texas, Inc.

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Organizational Grand Marshals

for this year's

Pride Parade.

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Pride Week Events (continued)

Saturday, June 28, 1997

Chances' Beer Garden

Time: 12:00 PM

Location: Chances (1100 Westheimer)

Fees: Free

Sponsored by: Chances

Ride the luge! Come and see our 300 lb. belly-dancin' blocks of ice! Grab a table and enjoy the sights and sounds of gay pride. Get here early and have a front row seat for our gay pride parade. Bands, shows, games, and dancing are just the beginning! For more information, call 713.521.9533.

Glowing with Pride, the official party

Pre-parade Cocktail Party

Time: 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Location: Garden in the Heights (3926 Feagan)

Fees: \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door

Sponsored by: Outrage and The Pride Committee of Houston

Come and celebrate with us as we prepare for the grand event!
For more information, call 713.706.2508.

The Pride Parade!!!

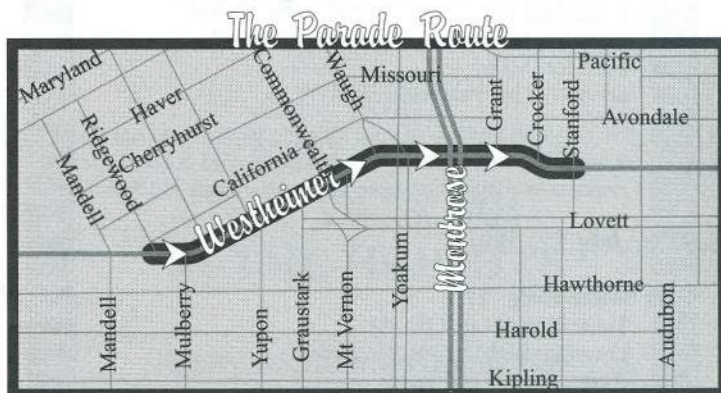
Time: 9:00 PM to 11:00 PM

Location: Westheimer between Ridgewood and Stanford
(see the map below)

Fees: Free

Sponsored by: The Pride Committee of Houston

This is it! Be a part of the nation's first nighttime pride parade!
For more information, call 713.529.6979.



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Pride Blowout!

Time: 11:00 PM to 3:00 AM

Location: Garden in the Heights (3926 Feagan)

Fees: \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door

Sponsored by: Outrage and The Pride Committee of Houston

The name says it all. For more information, call 713.706.2508.
Also see the ad on the opposite page.



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June 1997

Sunday, June 29, 1997

Chances' Beer Garden

Time: 12:00 noon
Location: Chances (1100 Westheimer)
Fees: Free
Sponsored by: Chances

Ride the luge! Come and see our 300 lb. belly-dancin' blocks of ice! Bands, shows, games, and dancing are just the beginning! For more information, call 713.521.9533.

Gay Pride Mass

Time: 1:00 PM
Location: 1307 Yale
Target Audience: GLBT, Catholics, and Friends
Fees: Donation Optional
Sponsored by: Dignity Houston

This special gay pride mass will be followed by an ice-cream social! For more information call 713.880.2872. Also see the ad on the next page.

PWA Holiday Charities Carnival (LUL)

Time: 3:00 PM
Location: Mary's Patio "Outback" (1022 Westheimer)
Fees: Free
Sponsored by: PWA Holiday Charities

Come and enjoy a day filled with food (barbecue), games, shows, displays, fantasy booths, and fabulous merchandise!. For more information, call 713.521.0911.

The Boxer Bash!

Time: 7:00 PM
Location: Pacific Street (710 Pacific Street)
Fees: See below
Sponsored by: Pacific Street

No cover all night with your glowing passes from our float! The famous Shadow Dancers return! Doors open at 7pm! Clothes check is available. For more information, call 713.523.0213.

Sunday, July 22, 1997

The Garden Party "22"

Time: 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Location: Rich's (2401 San Jacinto)
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With Houston's first nighttime gay and lesbian pride parade comes the need for participants to exercise greater caution in traveling during the festivities. Follow these tips to help ensure your personal safety.

1. Plan your walking route. Use well lit, familiar streets. Never take poorly lit shortcuts.
2. Don't walk alone. Walk with friends or where other people are near.
3. If you are walking alone, walk near the curb. Avoid alleys, entryways, and shrubs where someone may be hiding.
4. Avoid carrying extra money or valuables. If you are carrying a purse, keep it close. Don't dangle it.
5. Stay alert, project confidence, and be aware of potentially dangerous places.
6. Trust your instincts. If in doubt, leave the situation.
7. Don't hitchhike, pick up hitchhikers, or accept any rides from strangers.
8. If a car pulls along beside you and the driver calls you over to ask a question, avoid getting near the car.
9. Have your keys ready before you enter your vehicle or residence.
10. Before you enter your car, look into the back seat.
11. Keep your car doors locked at all times.
12. Park in areas that will be well-lit when you return to your car.
13. If you leave with someone you have just met, introduce them to someone you know.
14. If trouble occurs, be calm and try to defuse the situation.

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National Pride Calendar



The 1997 Houston Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade is just one of the many pride celebrations happening in America this year. Here is the 1997 Pride Calendar, according to the International Association of Gay & Lesbian Pride Coordinators, Inc., as of April 25, 1997.

Alabama: Birmingham 6/22, Huntsville 6/21; **Arizona:** Phoenix 5/30-6/1, Tucson 10/18; **California:** Arcata 6/8, Chico 9/13-14, Claremont 10/11, Fresno 9/28, Long Beach 5/17-18, Los Angeles 6/21-22, Monterey 6/8, Orange County 8/16-17, Sacramento 6/14, San Diego 7/25-27, San Francisco 6/28-29, San Jose 6/8, San Luis Obispo 7/7-13, Santa Barbara 6/7, Santa Cruz 6/1, Visalia 5/18; **Colorado:** Denver 6/29; **Connecticut:** Hartford 6/21; **Delaware:** Wilmington 10/4; **District of Columbia:** Washington 6/8, Washington Black Pride Weekend 5/22-26; **Florida:** Fort Lauderdale 6/15, Gay and Lesbian Days at Disney World 6/5-9, Jacksonville 6/22, Key West 6/26-30, Tampa 7/4-5; **Georgia:** Atlanta 6/27-29; **Hawaii:** Kaua'i 6/20; **Idaho:** Boise 6/14; **Illinois:** Chicago 6/29; **Indiana:** Indianapolis 6/13-15; **Iowa:** Iowa City 6/14; **Kansas:** Wichita 6/6-8; **Kentucky:** Lexington 6/1-15, Paducah 6/21-22; **Maine:** Bangor 7/12, Portland 6/15-22; **Maryland:** Baltimore 6/14-15, Rockville 6/1; **Massachusetts:** Boston 6/1-8, Hyannis/Cape Cod 7/19, Northampton 5/3, Worcester 5/31; **Minnesota:** Minneapolis/St. Paul 6/28-29; **Missouri:** Kansas City 6/7-8, St. Louis 6/28-29; **Montana:** Bozeman 6/6-8; **Nebraska:** Omaha 6/22; **Nevada:** Las Vegas 5/10; **New Jersey:** Asbury Park 5/30-6/1; **New Mexico:** Santa Fe 7/7-13; **New York:** Albany 6/21, Brooklyn 6/14, Buffalo 6/6-8, Manhattan 6/22 & 6/28-29, Queens 6/1, Rochester 7/19-20; **North Carolina:** Carrboro/Chapel Hill 6/6-8, Greenville 9/5-6; **Ohio:** Cincinnati 5/31-6/8, Cleveland 6/28, Columbus 6/29; **Oregon:** Eugene 6/29, Salem 6/7, University of Oregon at Eugene 4/28-5/4; **Pennsylvania:** Erie 6/14-15, Harrisburg 6/26, Philadelphia 6/8, Pittsburgh 6/21; **Puerto Rico:** San Juan 6/1; **Tennessee:** Knoxville 6/1-8, Memphis 6/20-21, Nashville 6/14; **Texas:** Waco 10/3-4; **Utah:** Salt Lake City 6/8; **Vermont:** Burlington 6/21; **Washington:** Olympia 6/21, Seattle 6/29, South King County 7/5, Spokane 6/8; **West Virginia:** Charleston 6/22; **Wyoming:** Laramie 10/6-10

For updates to any of these or other pride events around the country (or around the world), refer to the web site of the International Association of Gay & Lesbian Pride Coordinators, Inc., at <http://www.interpride.org>.



Mission Statement

The Pride Committee of Houston, Inc., is a non-profit, 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, or transgender or bi-sexual 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.

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Meetings: General Meetings are held at 7 PM on the third Tuesday of each month at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center (1475 West Gray). Executive Meetings are held at 7 PM on the first Tuesday of each month.

Committees

Each of these committees is responsible for some aspect of all the work that must be done in order to produce a fun and educational Pride Week for the community every year. By working with one or more of these committees, you can help make Houston's Pride Week one of the best in the world. Come to one of our meetings to see how Houston's gay and lesbian community can benefit from your skills and talent.

Volunteers

Throughout the year, this group coordinates volunteers for mail-outs, merchandising, fundraising, and all of the events associated with Pride Week. Participating in this committee means meeting people, getting to know them, and helping them discover where their talents and skills can best be used.

Parade

This committee oversees the many aspects of holding a parade on Houston streets. This includes obtaining city permits, acting as liaison to the police and health departments, acquiring and placing street decorations, coordinating parade volunteers, and facilitating the orderly march of hundreds of people down Westheimer. This committee is a lot of work, but it is also a lot of fun.

Events

This committee stimulates interest and gathers applications to schedule community activities during Pride Week for publication in the Pride Guide and other media releases. These people are also responsible for putting together Pride Week's "Kickoff Event." It's lots of work, lots of fun, and lots of opportunity to meet people and be "in the know."

Fundraising

This is the committee that thinks up and produces fun events that raise funds for the Pride Committee's operations budget. This committee often develops joint efforts with other community organizations. This year the fundraising committee started laying the groundwork for long-lasting corporate sponsorship relations. Even if you only want to be involved with one project or event, come join us. New ideas are always welcomed!

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Committees, continued

Media

This committee's primary responsibility is to establish relations with existing print and broadcast media on a local, statewide, and (in some cases) national level to keep the public informed about what the Pride Committee is doing and to stimulate interest in our activities.

Merchandise

This committee selects merchandise to sell, solicits bids, places orders, and coordinates sales parties. We're a group of outgoing people who like to meet people! Sales tables are often set up at bars and various local festivals (such as the Westheimer Street Festival). With this group you can't help but have fun.

Newsletter

This committee produces the Pride Committee's quarterly newsletter. Members of this committee find out what is happening with the other committees and report on the progress and development of Pride Week. They also solicit advertising and gather and develop feature articles. If you've ever wanted to gain large-scale print media experience, then this is the committee for you.

Festival

This group is responsible for throwing our biggest party of the year. The committee finds entertainment, solicits vendors, decorates the grounds, and does everything else necessary to put on our yearly PrideFest. Though we are not hosting a PrideFest this year, we hope to have one in 1998.

Pride Guide

Once a year the Pride Committee produces the Pride Guide, the official listing of all the events that comprise Pride Week. It also contains a full Houston-area Resource Guide for our community and feature articles on what Pride Week is all about. If you've ever wanted to gain experience working on a large-scale high-quality publication, then this is the committee for you!

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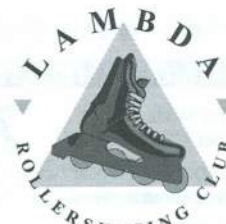
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The Greater Houston Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce was formed to foster and promote the economic development and vitality of gay, lesbian, and supportive businesses and professional organizations in the Greater Houston Area.

Resource Guide

(Houston Area, Health/HIV)



The Pride Committee Resource Guide is a condensed listing of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and socially progressive organizations and resources that touch 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. If you have more current information about your own organization or another listing or you know of an organization or resource 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. You can e-mail us at info@pridehouston.org, fax us at 713.529.6929, or mail your new information to PO Box 66071, Houston, Texas 77266-6071.

Houston Area, Health/HIV

AIDS Foundation Houston

Mailing Address: 3202 Wesleyan Annex,
 Houston TX 77027-5113
 For more information: 713.524.AIDS
 FAX: 713.623.4029
 EMail: afh@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, River Oaks Elementary AIDS Prevention Project, Stone Soup Food Assistance Program, Beecher-Wilson Apartments, Rental and Utility Assistance, Information and Referral, Mental Health Services, and many more projects.

AIDS Housing Coalition Houston/AHCH

Meeting Time: monthly (call for time and day)
 Mailing Address: 117 Tuam 1, Houston TX 77006-3213
 For more information: 713.521.1613
 Fax: 713.521.1613

Emergency community housing for people living with HIV/AIDS. Located in Montrose. Serves Gay/Lesbian community and compatible heterosexuals.

Amigos Volunteers in Education and Services (AVES)

Meeting Time: Monday-Wednesday, 8 AM to 5 PM;
 Thursday 8 AM to 7 PM; Friday 8 AM to 3 PM
 Meeting Location: 4126 Southwest Fwy 1717
 Mailing Address: 4126 Southwest Fwy 1717,
 Houston TX 77027-7316
 For more information: 713.923.1439
 Fax: 713.626.2848
 E-Mail: hailaves@neosoft.com

A non-profit agency providing HIV/AIDS prevention and intervention services to affected individuals who are residents of the Houston area and rural areas of the HSDA. Prevention services include education on HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases, 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.

**Bering Care Center**

Mailing Address: 1440 Harold Street, Houston TX 77254-0517
For more information: 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 clients' emotional and social needs are met.

Bering Dental Clinic

Mailing Address: 1440 Harold Street, Houston TX 77254-0517
For more information: 713.524.7933
Fax: 713.524.7995

Provides quality dental care for over 3,000 persons with HIV/AIDS annually from across South Texas. Because of the depressed immune system, tooth infections, ulcers, lesions, and other oral manifestations of HIV require specialized care and treatment. Bering Dental Clinic offers emergency, restorative, and preventative care, chemo and surgical therapy of oral Kaposi's sarcoma lesions, dentures, and diagnosis and treatment of other oral pathology. Patients must have documentation of HIV status and proof of level of income.

Bering Financial Assistance

Meeting Location: Bering Memorial UMC, 1440 Harold
Mailing Address: PO Box 540517, Houston TX 77254-0517
For more information: 713.520.5327
Fax: 713.520.7854

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

Colt 45's, Inc.

Dues: \$10/month
Meeting Time: 8:00 pm, 2nd Monday
Meeting Location: BRB, 2400 Brazos
Mailing Address: PO Box 66804, Houston TX 77266-6804
For more information: 713.526.6077

Assists persons with AIDS by providing financial support for persons with temporary immediate financial needs; support includes fresh produce and meat to AFH Stone Soup, rent, utilities, and eyeglasses for persons with AIDS.

Foundation for Interfaith Research and Ministry (FIRM)

Mailing Address: 701 N Post Oak Rd Suite 330,
Houston TX 77024.3883
For more information: 713.682.5995
Fax: 713.682.0639
E-Mail: firm-hou@neosoft.com

A non-profit organization which provides non-judgmental, 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. In addition, professional counseling, and the Challenge/FIRM Co-op (a food pantry) are also available. All services are provided free of charge.

**Houston Regional HIV/AIDS Resource Group**

Mailing Address: 811 Westheimer Suite 201,
Houston TX 77006-3942
For more information: 713.526.1016
Fax: 713.526.2369
E-Mail: MSpringer@htbbs.tdh.stats.tx.us

The Resource Group administers state and federal grant funds to provide direct client services to persons infected/affected by HIV Disease.

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
For more information: 713.667.9336
Fax: 713.667.3619

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

Larry Garrett Foundation

Dues: none
Meeting Time: monthly
Meeting Location: Westbury Square Townhomes
Mailing Address: 11525 Burdine 421, Houston TX 77035
For more information: 713.729.7077
Fax: 713.729.6878
E-Mail: larry-garrett@msn.com

A 501(c)3 charity organization providing shelter to various HIV fundraising projects in the Houston areas. Current projects include the premier AIDS charity event "That's What Friends Are For!," the Houston-Area Red Ribbon Restaurant Project, Program for Wellness Restoration (POWER), and various other events and projects that continue in an on-going manner.

Mental Health Association of Houston and Harris County

Dues: \$25 to \$500 (not required for service)
Meeting Time: varies, open 8:00 am to 5:00 pm,
Monday to Friday
Mailing Address: 2211 Norfolk 810, Houston TX 77098
For more information: 713.522.5161
Fax: 713.522.0698
E-Mail: mhahhc.swbell.net

A non-profit 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.

Milam House

Mailing Address: 4100 Milam, Houston TX 77006-5652
For more information: 713.526.9248
Fax: 713.526.0563
E-Mail: ahhstaff@neosoft.com

Milam House provides transitional housing and a goal-oriented, in-house program for persons living with HIV/AIDS and facing homelessness.



Montrose Clinic

Meeting Location: 215 Westheimer
Mailing Address: PO Box 66308, Houston TX 77266-6308
For more information: 713.520.2000
Fax: 713.528.4923

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. For more information about the Montrose Clinic please call 713.520.2000, TTY 713.528.3577 or visit us on our web site at <http://www.montrose.clinic.org>.

Montrose Counseling Center HIV Program

Meeting Time: call for schedule
Meeting Location: 701 Richmond
Mailing Address: 701 Richmond, Houston TX 77006
For more information: 713.529.0037
Fax: 713.526.4367
E-Mail: mcc@neosoft.com

Provides a full range of counseling and support groups for those affected by AIDS. The professional staff has been specially trained, and referral information is available for help from other community resources. The project also performs individual case management.

New Counseling Center

Dues: sliding scale
Meeting Time: by appointment
Mailing Address: 3415 Graustark St., Houston TX 77006-3811
For more information: 713.529.1913
Fax: 713.529.5178

Outpatient mental health specializing in gay and lesbian issues.

Omega House

Mailing Address: 602 Branard, Houston TX 77006
For more information: 713.523.7110
Fax: 713.526.8144

A residential hospice that provides loving care to medically indigent AIDS patients in the final stage of their illness. We offer spiritual and psychosocial 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 Holiday Cards Project

Meeting Time: monthly
Meeting Location: Westbury Square Townhomes
Mailing Address: 11525 Burdine 421, Houston TX 77035
For more information: 713.729.7077
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For more information: 713.522.1954

This organization helps people with HIV/AIDS keep their pets by providing in-home care, subsidized veterinary care, free grooming, foster care when the owner is hospitalized, and friendship to both the pet and its owner.

Planned Parenthood

Meeting Location: 3601 Fannin between Alabama and Holman
Mailing Address: 3601 Fannin St, Houston TX 77004-3913
For more information: 713.522.3976
Fax: 713.522.9047
E-Mail: pphset@pphouston.org

Planned Parenthood offers HIV testing and counseling for \$5 and we offer comprehensive, complementary, and confidential reproductive care for women. Women need annual reproductive health checks, whether they are sexually active or not. We also offer breast exams, pap smears, birth control, sexually transmitted disease testing, counseling, education, a clinic for HIV+ women, teen clinic, mammogram, abortion vasectomy, and tubal ligation.

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**Steven's House**

Dues: Services are free
Mailing Address: PO Box 131303, Houston TX 77219-1303
For more information: 713.522.5757
Fax: 713.522.1910
E-Mail: jimgriffithcp-stevehouse@msn.com

In this transitional living center, residents' physical, emotional, social, and spiritual needs are addressed while preserving their dignity.

That's What Friends Are For!

Dues: none
Meeting Time: monthly
Meeting Location: Westbury Square Townhomes
Mailing Address: 11525 Burdine 421, Houston TX 77035
For more information: 713.729.7077
Fax: 713.729.6878
E-Mail: larry-garrett@msn.com

This is one of Houston's premiere annual AIDS charity events whose annual goal is to raise money for at least four direct HIV service organizations providing direct care services to people with HIV infection. This event is sheltered under The Larry Garrett Foundation, a 501(c)3 charity group.

The Hollifield Foundation

Mailing Address: PO Box 66722, Houston TX 77266-6722
For more information: 713.523.6900
Fax: 713.520.6300

The Hollifield Foundation fosters individual rights and freedoms including direct and indirect aid to non-profit gay, lesbian, and AIDS organizations. The foundation has supported over 15 organizations since 1994.

Visiting Nurses Association

Mailing Address: 2905 Sackett St, Houston TX 77098-1127
For more information: 713.520.6054

This home health agency provides direct care to HIV+ population in their homes. Services include nursing, in-home therapy, and occupational therapy.

Houston Area, Media**After Hours on KPFT FM**

Mailing Address: 419 Lovett, Houston TX 77006-4018
For more information: 713.526.5738
Fax: 713.526.5750

This late-night radio show airs on Saturdays at midnight to 3 AM. *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.

AIDS Talk Houston TV

Dues: Donations Accepted
Mailing Address: 117 Tuam 1, Houston TX 77006
For more information: 713.521.1613
Fax: 713.521.1613

The Cable Access TV forum for HIV/AIDS issues in Houston, with host Matt Locklin on Warner, TCI, and Phonoscope Cable.



Houston Voice

Mailing Address: 811 Westheimer 105, Houston TX 77006-3028

For more information: 713.529.8490

Fax: 713.529.9531

The Voice is a free weekly publication that covers Houston community and national issues of importance to gays and lesbians, covering news, views, interviews with celebrities and politicians, and entertainment. It comes out on Fridays.

KPFT, World Radio 90.1 FM

Dues: \$35.00 per year for program guide

Mailing Address: 419 Lovett, Houston TX 77006-4018

For more information: 713.526.4000

World Radio 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, which includes *Lesbian and Gay Voices* on Thursdays at 7:00 PM and *After Hours* on Saturdays at midnight. Free training is provided to volunteers who help cover gay and lesbian issues.

Lesbian and Gay Voices on KPFT FM

Dues: \$35.00 per year for program guide

Mailing Address: 419 Lovett, Houston TX 77006-4018

For more information: 713.526.4000

Fax: 713.529.1223

E-Mail: LGVoices@aol.com

Lesbian and Gay Voices contains news, interviews both local and national, *Newsrap* from *This Way Out*, reviews, and commentary and spotlight interviews with local community organizations.

OutSmart Magazine

Mailing Address: 3406 Audubon Place,
Houston TX 77006-4412

For more information: 713.520.7237

Fax: 713.522.3275

OutSmart is Houston's only gay and lesbian monthly magazine. OutSmart provides positive information to gay men, lesbians, and their associates to enhance and improve the quality of our lives. OutSmart Magazine's goal is to build a bridge of communication and understanding between cultural and social communities that are separated by traditions of ignorance and misinformation, thus creating a healthier community for us all.

Uptown Health & Spirit

Mailing Address: 3406 Audubon Place, Houston TX 77006-4412

For more information: 713.520.7237

Fax: 713.522.3275

A bimonthly feature magazine focusing on human spiritual potential and creativity and the holistic community. Uptown Health & Spirit provides information for personal growth and awareness. It is our hope to inspire people to take an active and responsible role in creating a more positive and healthy community.

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**1509 Fairview Street
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*From the Epistle to The Ephesians Chapter 2:10



Houston Area, Political

Debra Danburg, Texas State Representative 137

Mailing Address: PO Box 66602, Houston TX 77266-6602
 For more information: 713.520.8068
 Fax: 512.520.8692

Debra has been a champion of gay and lesbian issues for over 16 years. She provides constituent services for Montrose, Heights, Museum District, Greenway Plaza, and Gulfton.

Houston Organization of Bar Owners

Mailing Address: 710 Pacific St, Houston TX 77006-2842
 For more information: 713.523.0213

This is an organization of bar owners and managers who support the gay community and work together on alcohol-related issues.

League of Women Voters of Houston

Dues: \$45 per year
 Meeting Time: varies
 Meeting Location: varies
 Mailing Address: 2650 Fountain View 328, Houston TX 77057-7619
 For more information: 713.784.2923
 Fax: 713.784.2984

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

**Log Cabin Houston**

Dues: \$35/year
 Meeting Time: 6:30 social, 7:00 PM, meeting, fourth Monday or third Monday if holiday
 Meeting Location: Renata's, 2006 Lexington
 Mailing Address: PO Box 131104, Houston TX 77219-1104
 For more information: 713.529.9100
 Fax: 713.524.8955
 E-Mail: 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.

Houston Area, Religious

Dignity/Houston

Dues: \$40/year
 Meeting Time: Saturday at 7:30 PM
 Meeting Location: 1307 Yale, Suite H
 Mailing Address: PO Box 66821, Houston TX 77266-6821
 For more information: 713.880.2872

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First Unitarian Universalist Church

Meeting Time: call
 Meeting Location: 5200 Fannin at Southmore
 Mailing Address: 5200 Fannin at Southmore,
 Houston TX 77004-5899
 For more information: 713.526.5200
 Fax: 713.526.3037

We welcome diversity. We do not just tolerate gays and lesbians. We affirm each person's sexual truth. We also include sexual minorities as ministers.

Integrity-Houston

Meeting Time: second (worship) Monday, 7:30 PM
 Meeting Location: Autry House, 6265 South Main
 Mailing Address: PO Box 66008, Houston TX 77266-6008
 For more information: 713.432.0414

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

Kelhe Project

Dues: none
 Meeting Time: open five days a week
 Mailing Address: 1509 Fairview, Houston TX 77006
 For more information: 713.522.8182
 Fax: 713.527.0439 561-7212

Founded in 1989, we offer unconditional love and acceptance in the Spirit of Saint Francis of Assisi to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered men and women of all religious faiths or none. A variety of social, educational, and spiritual programs are provided, including a ministry to persons with HIV/AIDS and their families and other caregivers.

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Meeting Time: Bible Study, 10 AM; worship 11 AM Sunday
Meeting Location: 3400 Montrose, Suite 600
Mailing Address: PO Box 667032, Houston TX 77266-7032
For more information: 713.528.6756
Fax: 713.528.4667

We are a Cell Group Church with an emphasis on small groups that meet weekly in the homes of its 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.

Houston Area, Social/Educational

20 Something

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM, Thursday
Meeting Location: TBA
Mailing Address: 6511 Cochran, Houston TX 77022
For more information: 713.315.6786

20 Something is a caring, informative social community for letsbigay persons and their friends coming together in a safe and positive atmosphere to share, learn, and build friendships with each other.

AIDS Equity League

Meeting Time: 12 Noon Second Tuesday and Fourth Tuesday
Meeting Location: Charlies
Mailing Address: 3400 Montrose Blvd 200, Houston TX 77006-4331
For more information: 713.529.9966
Fax: 713.524.1001
E-Mail: OneWorldOk@aol.com

A non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring equitable treatment of the gay and lesbian and at-risk community in local HIV/AIDS decision making. The League was founded in 1990 on the premise that people have a right to a voice in decisions that ultimately affect their lives.

Art League of Houston

Meeting Time: Thursday & Friday 1 PM to 4 PM
Mailing Address: 1953 Montrose Blvd, Houston TX 77006-1243
For more information: 713.523.9530
Fax: 713.523.4053

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 course to HIV+ people.

Asians & Friends

Dues: \$20 and up
Meeting Time: varies each month
Meeting Location: varies each month
Mailing Address: PO Box 740346, Houston TX 77274-0346
For more information: 713.772.3757

Asians & Friends is a non-profit 501(c)3 educational community service group for lesbian and 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+, Senior, Students
Meeting Time: 7:30 PM on 2nd Friday
Meeting Location: call for location
Mailing Address: PO Box 66136, Houston TX 77266-6136
For more information: 281.494.3549
Fax: 713.520.2079
E-Mail: dayearlw@aol.com

This Houston chapter of the International Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf was founded in 1979. The upcoming conference is in Kansas City on July 1-6, 1997.

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Athena Art Project

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

For more information: 713.861.3316

E-Mail: AthenaArt@aol.com

Athena Art Project produces the Houston Women's Festival as well as other art and entertainment events.

BiNet Houston

Dues: none

Meeting Time: Wednesdays, 7:30 PM

Meeting Location: Pot Pie, 1525 Westheimer

Mailing Address: 1919 Decatur Street, Houston 77007-7698

For more information: 713.861.9149

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 the Bi-Line at 713.467-4380 and co-hosts *After Hours* the first Saturday of each month.

Classic Chassis Car Club - Houston

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

Meeting Time: varies

Meeting Location: varies

Mailing Address: PO Box 981102, Houston TX 77098-1102

For more information: 713.683.1867

Fax: 713.683.0239

E-Mail: cccchouston@geocities.com

Founded in 1989, its purpose is to provide an opportunity to socialize and share information to gay and lesbian people who share an interest in old cars. 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, and Houston. The three chapters rotate hosting a statewide car meet Memorial Day Weekend.

Crisis Hotline

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

For more information: 713.228.1505

Fax: 713.527.0435

E-Mail: hotline@intergate.com

Crisis Hotline is a 24 hour, 7 day-a-week crisis intervention telephone service. 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 Location: open to members only

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

For more information: 713.639.2000

The foundation has provided funds for such organizations as Houston Ballet, the Lone Star Symphonic Band, and the Wortham Center Building Fund. At the same time Diana 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.

**Diverse Works**

Mailing Address: 1117 East Freeway, Houston TX 77002
 For more information: 713.223.8346
 E-Mail: dworks@artswire.com

Diverse Works is 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.

Freed-Montrose Library

Meeting Time: Monday & Thursday, 12-9;
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10-6
 Mailing Address: 4100 Montrose Blvd,
 Houston TX 77006-4912
 For more information: 713.520.5487
 E-Mail: mntbranc@sparc.hpl.lib.tx.us

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

Gay Fathers / Fathers First

Meeting Time: Mondays, 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM
 Meeting Location: Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh
 Mailing Address: PO Box 981053, Houston TX 77098-1053
 For more information: 713.861.6181
 Fax: 713.521.0972

We hold weekly support meetings for gay fathers and their partners and informal discussions concerning coming out, legal issues, and other topics related to gay parenting.

Gay Men's Chorus of Houston

Dues: \$10 monthly
 Meeting Time: Open rehearsals every Thursday at 7:00 PM,
 September to June
 Meeting Location: Grace Lutheran Church, 2515 Waugh
 Mailing Address: PO Box 541004, Houston TX 77254-1004
 For more information: 713.521.7464
 E-Mail: efg@uh.edu

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Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals (HATCH)

Meeting Time: Meets Fridays at 7:15 PM, Sundays at 6:30 PM
 Meeting Location: call for location
 Mailing Address: PO Box 667053, Houston TX 77266-7053
 For more information: 713.942.7002
 Fax: 713.669.0452

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. HATCH is open to gays and lesbians under 21.

**Houston Area Women's Center**

Meeting Time: Volunteer orientation on the second Monday,
 10:00 AM & 6:00 PM
 Meeting Location: 3101 Richmond, Suite 150
 Mailing Address: 1010 Waugh Drive, Houston TX 77019
 For more information: 713.528.2121; 24 hr. Hotline 528-RAPE
 Fax: 713.535.6363

The Center provides shelter, counseling, and support services to survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. 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 Grand Opera

Mailing Address: 510 Preston 500, Houston TX 77002
 For more information: 713.546-0256
 Fax: 713.228.4355
 E-Mail: kvaughn@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.



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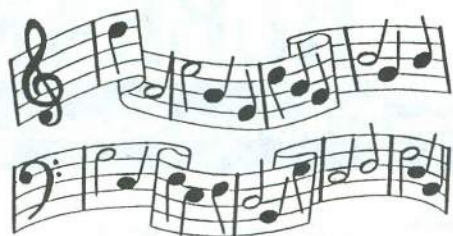
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Contact: Russell Williams 524-0218
E-mail: HousTxBand@aol.com

Resource Guide

(Houston Area, Social/Educational)



Houston Lesbian and Gay Community Center

Dues: none
Meeting Time: 7 PM, first and third Sunday
Meeting Location: Crossroads Market
Mailing Address: PO Box 2304, Houston TX 77252-2304
For more information: 713.876.7409
E-Mail: hlgcc@hotmail.com

The mission is to empower, educate, and nurture individuals of diverse sexual orientations and gender identities, generating a sense of community by providing for their social, emotional, cultural, and physical well-being.

Houston Gay and Lesbian Pride Week 1997

Dues: none
Meeting Time: first Tuesday executive 7:00 PM,
third Tuesday general 7:00 PM
Meeting Location: 2700 Albany 304
Mailing Address: PO Box 66071, Houston TX 77266-6071
For more information: 713.529.6979
Fax: 713.529.6929
E-Mail: info@pridehouston.org

Educates the gay and lesbian community on the history of our people by putting together a celebration each year in June commemorating the Stonewall riots. HGLPW is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization incorporated under the Pride Committee of Houston.

Houston Pride Band

Meeting Time: 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Meeting Location: Dignity, 1307 Yale, in the Heights
Mailing Address: 309 Stratford 4, Houston TX 77006-3136
For more information: 713.524.0218
E-Mail: HoustTxBand@aol.com

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.

Independent Billiard League

Dues: \$105 team, \$35/player, \$10 substitutes
Mailing Address: PO Box 66696, Houston TX 77266-6696
For more information: 713.524.9261
E-Mail: gvargas@swbell.net

A Houston-based billiard league for everyone. we participate in a spirit of friendly competition. Each team consists of three players and match play is at various bars/clubs in Houston.

Jewish Women International

Dues: \$35
Meeting Time: varies
Mailing Address: 8323 Southwest Fwy 385,
Houston TX 77074-1609
For more information: 713.988.3311
Fax: 713.988.4111

Our mission is to strengthen the effectiveness of women; foster the emotional well-being of children and youth; perpetuate Jewish values. Members are Jewish women, female children of interfaith marriages, 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 amongst other activities.

**John Steven Kellett Foundation**

Mailing Address: PO Box 66574, Houston TX 77266-6574
 Fax: 713.522.4445
 E-Mail: kellett@aol.com

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

Krewe of Olympus-Texas

Dues: \$140/year
 Meeting Time: 4 times per year
 Mailing Address: PO Box 920794, Houston TX 77292-0794
 For more information: 713.867.3431

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 Gala Mardi Gras in a tableau format. Additionally the Krewe raises money yearly for designated charitable organizations.

Lesbians Over Age 50 (LOAF)

Meeting Time: third Sunday, 2:00 to 4:00 PM
 Meeting Location: Houston Mission Church,
 1505 Nevada at Commonwealth
 Mailing Address: PO Box 980601, Houston TX 77098-0601
 For more information: 713.869.1482

LOAF is a social and educational group of lesbians over the age of 50.

LiB

Dues: \$15.00 membership, \$4.00 meeting,
 \$5.00 meeting without membership
 Meeting Time: third Friday, 6:30 PM networking,
 7:00 PM meeting
 Meeting Location: Renaissance Hotel, 6 Greenway Plaza
 Mailing Address: PO Box 66748, Houston TX 77266-6748
 For more information: 713.529.0077
 Fax: 713.529.2598

LiB is a lesbian empowerment group.

Miss Camp America Foundation

Dues: \$150
 Meeting Time: 7:00 PM, second Monday
 Meeting Location: Montrose Library, 4100 Montrose
 Mailing Address: PO Box 742, Bellaire TX 77402-0142
 For more information: 713.520.STAR
 Fax: 713.666.2232

For over 28 years, the Miss Camp America Pageant has brought to Houston audiences the final word in theater-camp, providing for an evening of fun, laughter, choreography, oversized wigs and head pieces, size 15 heels, and legs (hairy, of course). The ultimate spoof of the Miss America Pageant, the non-profit corporation consists of a maximum of ninety members from all walks of life. The pageant is on the same night as the Miss America Pageant and raises funds for AIDS-related charities, over \$150,000 in the last three years alone.

**National Leather Association: Houston**

Dues: \$30 local, \$30 national per year
 Meeting Time: various times
 Meeting Location: TBA
 Mailing Address: PO Box 66553, Houston TX 77266-6553
 For more information: 713.861.5969
 Fax: 713.861.5969
 E-Mail: nla.houston@uno.com

NLA is 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. Fundraising 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 fundraiser of the year is Spring Iniquity, an anniversary run in early April.

Outrage, Inc.

Dues: \$200/year
 Meeting Time: second Tuesday, 7 PM
 Meeting Location: varies
 Mailing Address: 1436 W Gray 279, Houston TX 77019
 For more information: 713.706.2508
 Fax: 713.723.2910
 E-Mail: outrage@outrage.org

Monies are raised by sponsoring several events during the year and are donated to local AIDS/HIV related charities. The hosts of Outrage also meet socially during each month for dinners and parties. Membership and sponsorship is open to any interested persons. Your participation is encouraged. Our 1997 beneficiaries include Steven's House, the Kolbe Project, Body Positive/Houston Wellness Center, and Stone Soup.

Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays

Dues: \$25 individual, \$40 couple/family
 Meeting Time: meets first Sunday (except holidays when it moves to the second Sunday), 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM
 Meeting Location: Christ Church Cathedral, 1117 Texas
 Mailing Address: PO Box 53796, Houston TX 77052-3796
 For more information: 713.867.9020
 E-Mail: pflagwww@insyni.net

PFLAG is a support group for parents, friends, and families of gays and lesbians, and for gays and lesbians. Our mission includes community education, advocacy, and support.

People with AIDS Coalition Houston

Meeting Time: open board meetings 1st Thursday at 5:45 PM
 Meeting Location: 3400 Montrose, Suite 106
 Mailing Address: 3400 Montrose, Suite 106,
 Houston TX 77006
 For more information: 713.522.5428
 Fax: 713.522.2674

The People with AIDS Coalition of Houston is an organization by and for people living with HIV and provides psychosocial 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 we operate the Volunteer Program at Thomas Street Clinic. We also offer a bimonthly newsletter, volunteer opportunities, distribution of tickets to social and educational events, intakes for financial assistance through community organizations (for rent and utility payments), food stamp applications and appointments, and social events.



Recovery & Beyond

Dues: free
Meeting Time: Fridays, 8 PM
Meeting Location: TBA
Mailing Address: 18100 Upper Bay Road 123,
Nassau Bay, TX 77058
For more information: 713.333.9092

Recovery & Beyond provides counseling, therapy, and education to the gay and lesbian community, their families, and significant others. We also provide a free 12-step support group for lesbians. Relationship groups for couples or singles has recently started! This is in addition to ongoing programs.

Southern Country Houston

Dues: \$25 annually
Meeting Time: Friday 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Meeting Location: The Ranch, 9200 Buffalo Speedway
Mailing Address: PO Box 1502, Houston TX 77252-1502
For more information: 713.681.4631

A lesbian and gay dance organization for people interested in country and western music, learning couples dances, line dances, barn dances, etc. Also SoCo promotes pride and unity, does dance exhibitions, and charity events to benefit services organizations in the Houston area. Free dance lessons for men and women.

Texas Riders

Meeting Time: monthly
Meeting Location: Mary's
Mailing Address: PO Box 66545, Houston TX 77266-6545
For more information: 713.914.0250

A Leather/Levi organization serving Houston and Texas. Social group of men and women with annual runs held every Thanksgiving and Easter, getting ready to celebrate our 30th anniversary in June 1998.

The Group (Theatre Workshop)

Meeting Location: various
Mailing Address: 436 Hawthorne 2, Houston TX 77006-4052
For more information: 713.522.2204

The Group is a theater group producing gay and lesbian plays, featuring Joe Watts as director.

The NAMES Project Houston

Dues: suggested donation
Meeting Time: Workshop: Saturdays and Sundays
from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Meeting Location: 2410 Woodhead
Mailing Address: 4617 Montrose C-140, Houston TX 77006
For more information: 713.52-NAMES
Fax: 713.526.1859

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Meeting Location: The Tennis Center at Memorial Park

Mailing Address: 3327 West Lamar, Houston TX 77019-1915

For more information: 713.522.8021

E-Mail: lanathon@neosoft.com

Organized in 1984, Front Runners promotes beginning, recreational, and competitive running. They also provide 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 hot-tubbing and then dinner at a local restaurant.

Houston Tennis Club

Dues: \$25 yearly

Meeting Time: Wednesday at 7:30 PM/Sunday at 9:00 AM

Meeting Location: Memorial Park Tennis Center

Mailing Address: 8519 Sharpcrest, Houston TX 77036

For more information: 713.541.2207

E-Mail: ball@houston.geco-prakla.slb.com

This club sponsors recreational and competitive tennis for gays and lesbians.

Houston Wednesday Nite Mixer

Dues: \$11

Meeting Time: 6:30 PM, Wednesday

Meeting Location: Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd

Mailing Address: 4002 Caroline, Houston TX 77004-4004

For more information: 713.522.9612

E-Mail: wiccado@aol.com

Wednesday Nite Mixer sponsors mixed league bowling. The fall and winter session runs September to April; the Summer session runs May to August.

Inner Loop Sunday Bowling League

Dues: \$10

Meeting Time: 7 PM, Sundays

Meeting Location: Palace Lanes, 4191 Bellaire Blvd

Mailing Address: 4002 Caroline, Houston TX 77004-4004

For more information: 713.522.9612

Fax: 713.228.7814

E-Mail: wiccado@aol.com

Wednesday Nite Mixer sponsors mixed league bowling. The fall and winter session runs September to April; the Summer session runs May to August.

Lambda Rollerskating Club

Dues: \$5

Meeting Time: Wednesday night from 8:00 to 10:00 PM

Meeting Location: Starlite Skating Rink, 8075 Cook Road at Beechnut

Mailing Address: 7414 Puerta Vallarta, Houston TX 77083

For more information: 713.933.5818

We also hold outdoor skating in Memorial Park and Downtown Houston. We hold fundraisers for different organizations in the community.



National, Health/HIV

The Center for AIDS: Hope & Remembrance Project

Meeting Location: 1407 Hawthorne
 Mailing Address: PO Box 66306, Houston TX 77266-6306
 For more information: 713.527.8219
 Fax: 713.521.3679
 E-Mail: hailrita@neosoft.com

The Center for AIDS is an organization dedicated to providing the latest information regarding research and treatments to persons affected by HIV, to their doctors/caregivers, and to other interested parties. We publish a bimonthly newsletter called Research Initiative/Treatment Action! (RITA!), which is available through subscription. There is also a weekly RITA! fax for physicians and researchers.

National, Social/Educational

Rainbow Amateur Radio Association

Dues: \$15 per year
 Mailing Address: PO Box 35343, Dallas TX 75235-0343
 For more information: 214.522.1458
 E-Mail: rare@en.com

This is a national association of gays and lesbians with interest in amateur radio and/or short wave listening. There are approximately 90 members from several states.

Transgender Law Conference VI

Meeting Time: July 11 to 12, 1997
 Meeting Location: Ramada Astrodome,
 S. Braeswood at Greenbriar
 Mailing Address: PO Drawer 385477, Houston TX 77235-5477
 For more information: 713.777.8452
 Fax: 713.777.8452
 E-Mail: ictlep@aol.com

This conference exposes legal discrimination against transgenders and develops progressive change strategies for transgender rights through annual conferences, publications, referrals, regional workshops, data collection and testimony. The conference is Friday and Saturday, July 11 and 12. Note: The entire day Friday is religious influence in TG law. Friday night the keynote is by Reginald Jones, Commissioner of US EEOC. Saturday the luncheon is by Kerry Lobel, the former director of NGLTF.

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Letter from the Editors



The already famous coming-out episode of ABC-TV's *Ellen* that aired April 30 had so many terrific lines and themes, but one of our favorites occurred when the always peppy Audrey saw *Ellen* walk into her bookstore with her new love.

"Look, Joe," Audrey said to another character, "*Ellen*'s normally pasty white skin has the healthy glow of a woman in love... with a woman."

Ellen was glowing with pride at her big step out of the closet, and we are, too. Our community has taken the big step of moving our Pride Parade to nighttime hours, making it more comfortable and healthier for participants while maintaining its status as an anniversary celebration of the Stonewall rebellion. This rebellion, which took place in Greenwich Village in New York on June 27, 1969, marks the beginning of the modern American gay and lesbian civil rights movement and our heritage of pride.

No matter what time of day or night it is, it is always important to celebrate our pride. When Guy told his dad and step-mom about joining the Pride Committee, his step-mom said she thought that it was a great thing to do. She said that everyone in this world has a reason to celebrate if they just look for it, and helping a community, particularly an often-maligned community, to this goal is a wonderful opportunity.

We know that this is why our work for the Pride Committee is so important. It gives us a chance to show our community the wonders we have achieved in our pride. We should never be ashamed of who and what we are. We should always be proud that we have overcome societal pressures to be ourselves. During Pride Week we celebrate who we are and we show all of our country's gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered people who are still in the closet that it's okay to be yourself. You're not alone!

Just ask *Ellen*. It took her a whole double-length episode, but she finally came out and found an entire community to share in her pride.

Yours in *glowing* pride,

Guy Burns and Troy Christensen, Pride Guide Coordinators

P.S. We still need lots of help from volunteers to put on a great Pride Week '97. If you want to help in any way, call the Pride Line at 713.529.6979. And if you like this year's events or have ideas about how to improve the festivities, get involved in the Pride Committee so we can look forward to a fabulous Pride Week '98!



Pride Week Mini-Calendar



This mini-calendar is provided as a quick-reference aid. For more detailed listings of these events, see the events section of the Pride Guide starting on page 11.

June 6 - July 12, 1997

Falsettoland
Fridays and Saturdays 8:00 PM
at Chelsea Market (4617 Montrose)
Sponsored by: Main Street Theater

Friday, June 13, 1997

Art with Pride '97
7:00 PM at 711 Hyde Park
Sponsored by: The Hyde Park Gallery

Tuesday, June 17, 1997

1997 Pride Parade Participant Mandatory Meeting
7:00 PM at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center (1475 West Gray)
Sponsored by: The Pride Committee of Houston

Wednesday, June 18, 1997

1997 Gay and Lesbian Pride Week Kickoff
6:30 PM at DiverseWorks (1117 East Freeway)
Sponsored by: The Pride Committee of Houston and DiverseWorks

Friday, June 20, 1997

Pumped Up on Art
7:00 PM at The Majestic Metro (911 Preston)
Sponsored by: Texas Commerce Bank, Nieman Marcus Town & Country, and the Pride Committee of Houston

Saturday, June 21, 1997

Houston Billiard Open
12:30 PM at Bricks II (617 Fairview)
Sponsored by: Independent Billiard League
The Absolut Rangler Pride Kickoff Cocktail Party

4:00 PM at 2930 Ferndale
Sponsored by: Rainbow Ranglers Dance Club and Absolut Vodka

Simple Pleasures
7:00 PM at the First Unitarian Church (5200 Fannin)
Sponsored by: Gay Men's Chorus of Houston

Pride Gala 1997
8:30 PM at the Shamrock (2151 W. Holcombe)
Sponsored by: AVES, Inc.

Sunday, June 22, 1997

Charlie's New Dessert Bar
24 Hours (all week long) at Charlie's (1100 Westheimer)
Sponsored by: Charlie's

Make Us One: A Musical Celebration
9:00 AM at Music Hall (810 Bagby)
Sponsored by: MCCR

Simple Pleasures
2:30 PM at First Unitarian Church (5200 Fannin)
Sponsored by: Gay Men's Chorus of Houston

Monday, June 23, 1997

Shuffleboard Tournament
7:00 PM at The New Barn (1100-B Westheimer)
Sponsored by: The New Barn

Tuesday, June 24, 1997

Dart Tournament
7:00 PM at The New Barn (1100-B Westheimer)
Sponsored by: The New Barn

Make A Joyful Noise III
7:30 PM at 4305 Lillian Street
Sponsored by: Community Gospel Church

Wednesday, June 25, 1997

How to find a good dental plan and save money
6:30 PM at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center (1475 West Gray)
Sponsored by: Sonrie

Rollerball '97

8:00 PM at 8075 Cook Rd.
(Cook & Beechnut)
Sponsored by: Lambda Rollerskating Club

Chances Show / Karaoke Bar
9:00 PM at Chances (1100 Westheimer)
Sponsored by: Chances

Thursday, June 26, 1997

Community Partnership Kickoff
7:00 PM at Bering Church (1440 Harold)
Sponsored by: Greater Houston Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce

Sex and HIV / AIDS

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at 1407 Hawthorne
Sponsored by: The Center for AIDS, Montrose Clinic, and Continental Airlines

Friday, June 27, 1997

Friday Foreplay!
7:00 PM at 710 Pacific Street
Sponsored by: Pacific Street

Rangler Roundup III
9:00 PM at The New Barn (1100-B Westheimer)
Sponsored by: Rainbow Ranglers Dance Club

Pam Ross and Ten 'Til Six

9:30 PM to 1:30 AM at Ms. B's
Sponsored by: Ms. B's
Hot Night "A Night in Black Leather"
10:00 PM at 2923 S. Main (Venture-N)
Sponsored by: National Leather Association Houston

Saturday, June 28, 1997

Chances' Beer Garden
12:00 noon at Chances (1100 Westheimer)
Sponsored by: Chances

Glowing with Pride, the official party
Pre-parade Cocktail Party

6:30 PM at the Garden in the Heights (3926 Feagan)
Sponsored by: Outrage and The Pride Committee of Houston

The Pride Parade!!!
9:00 PM on Westheimer (see the map on p#21)
Sponsored by: The Pride Committee of Houston

Glowing with Pride, the official party
Pride Blowout!

11:00 PM at the Garden in the Heights (3926 Feagan)
Sponsored by: Outrage and The Pride Committee of Houston

June 29, 1997

Chances' Beer Garden
12:00 noon at Chances (1100 Westheimer)
Sponsored by: Chances

Gay Pride Mass
1:00 PM at 1307 Yale, Suite 11
Sponsored by: Dignity Houston

PWA Holiday Charities Carnival (LVL)
3:00 PM at Mary's Patio (1022 Westheimer)
Sponsored by: PWA Holiday Charities

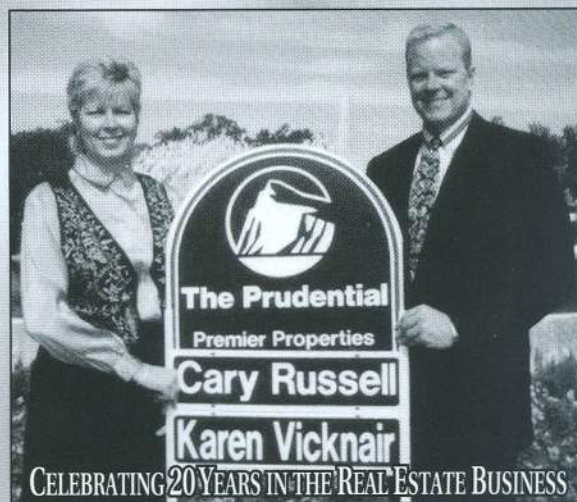
The Boxer Bash!
7:00 PM at 710 Pacific Street
Sponsored by: Pacific Street

July 22, 1997

The Garden Party "22"
3:00 PM at 2401 San Jacinto
Sponsored by: Garden Party

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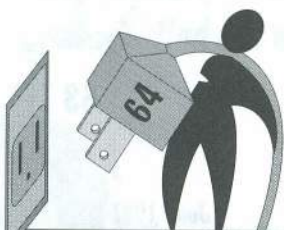
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