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Local fundraising organization end of year gala raised \$4000.00 for Omega House

Colt 45's receive check for \$10,850

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of the Single Star of Houston Inc. held its annual PR Ball at Days Inn Downtown

Formerly called Investiture, PR Ball is hosted by the Imperial Prince Royale and Imperial Princess Royale of the immediate past reign.

Each year at PR Ball the new Monarchs name their line of succession and the past Monarchs present their final funds from their reign beneficiary.

The theme for PR Ball III was "High Stepping into Spring." The anticipation grew as everyone awaited Ballroom was beautifully decorated with spring flower arrangements and Jerel McNeil and Empress XIII Anita

heel shoe decorated with glitter, top hats and canes and filled with candy.

As 8:00 p.m. arrived the ballroom On Saturday night, March 8, The was filled to capacity with guests from Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court several other Houston clubs and organizations, as well as out of town courts representing Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio and Portland,

After a few introductions and a welcome from her Most Serene Highness Imperial Princess Royale XII, Vanna White Lee Love, the guests were treated to a delectable buffet, cocktails, talented entertainers and an assortment of music for their dancing pleasure.

As the evening progressed, the the announcements by Emperor XIII



Reign XII monarchs receive awards from Colt 45's

XII to their beneficiary, the Colt 45's.

The Board of Directors, Emperor XII Jim Halbert and Empress XII Ruby Stone once again were in the spotlight to officially close the books on Reign XII.

Chairman of the Board, Empress I and II and Founder Laura Lee Love

well as the presentation from Reign them with a check. Silence blanketed the ballroom as Laura Lee Love opened the check and announced the donation of \$10,850.00, making Reign XII the most successful fundraising effort in the Court's history.

> All net proceeds (\$4000.00) from PR Ball III will benefit Omega House.

Finally, Emperor XIII Jerel each table's centerpiece was a high Mann of their line of succession, as called the Colt 45's forward to present McNeil and Empress XIII Anita Mann announced their line of succession and the beneficiary for Reign XIII, The Loving Arms Foundation.

The Imperial Court and Reign XIII look forward to another year of successful fundraising for the community and thanks everyone for their continued support.

Major Event Calendar

-March 14 - "Talk Dirty to Me, Baby" - Montrose Counseling Center -R.S.I.C.S.S. - Chances - Houston

—March 15 - "Unlocked" - Benefit Show for R.S.I.C.S.S. Reign 13 - Chances

-March 16 - Ham For Hams - L.V.L. P.W.A. Holiday Fund - Brazos River Bottom - Houston

-March 16 - St. Patrick's Show -Omega House - Briar Patch - Houston

-March 21 - Mr., Ms., & Miss Chances '97 Contest - Chances - Houston

-March 22 - Dating Game - Montrose Counseling Center - Venture-N -

-March 23 - Closet Ball Fundraiser R.S.I.C.S.S. Reign XIII - Chances -Houston

-March 23 - "Nikki at Nite" - Benefit show for Stone Soup Pantry - Briar Patch - Houston

-March 24-25 - Gaylapalooza - Q-Patrol - Laff Stop - Houston

-March 30 - Benefit Show for Steven's House & Renegades 25th Anniversary - Texas Renegades - Venture-N -

-March 30 - "Boys Night Out" -R.S.I.C.S.S. Reign XIII - The New Barn

—April 3-6 - Texas Bear Round-Up II

-April 5-6 - Mr. Prime Choice '97 Contest - Various Organizations - Ripcord Houston

-April 12 - Imperial Court System Coronation - Denver

-April 12 - Imperial Court System Coronation - San Antonio

-April 18-20 - A Spring Iniquity -Anniversary Celebration VI - National

Leather Association: Houston - Various locations - Houston

-April 18-20 - Texas Renegades 25th Anniversary - Houston

-April 25-27 - Fiesta UnChained Run (FUCR) - Chain of Command - San

-April 26 - Imperial Court System Coronation - Buffalo, NY

-April 27 - Miss Montrose Contest & Gulf Coast Boot Black '97 - Venture-N -

-May 10-11 - Westheimer Street Festival - Houston

-May 11 - Benefit Show for Let Us Entertain You '98 (HCC) - Venture-N -

-May 22-26 - Bear Pride '97 - Great Lakes Bears - Chicago

-May 23-26 - Straps, Chaps & Chains - Chain of Command - Buzzard's

-June 14 - 21st Anniversary - Colt 45's - Houston

-June 29 - Benefit Show (TBA) -Texas Renegades - Venture-N - Houston

—July 3-6 - Mirage 7 - 10th Anniversary - Capital City Riders - Austin

-July 6 - Christmas in July Show -L.V.L. P.W.A. Holiday Fund - Brazos River Bottom - Houston

-July 11-13 - Journey to Atlantis -Summer Sizzler III - 15th Anniversary -Texas MC - Dallas

-July 13 - Benefit Show for Let Us Entertain You '98 (HCC) - Venture-N -

-July 19 - Sea Cruise '97 - 8th Anniversary - Silver Dolphins LLC - Corpus

-August 15-17 - Camelot IV -Leather Knights - Dallas

-August 29-31 - Winds of Change -24th Anniversary - Trident International Windy City - Chicago

-August 31 - Benefit Show (TBA) -Texas Renegades - Venture-N - Houston

-September 12-14 - Moon Shiners -14th Anniversary - Cowtown Leathermen - Buzzard's Peak

-September 14 - Benefit Show for Let Us Entertain You '98 - HCC-Venture-N - Houston

-October 3-5 - 23rd Anniversary -Knights d'Orleans - New Orleans

-November 2 - Thanksgiving Show -L.V.L. P.W.A. Holiday Fund - Brazos River Bottom - Houston

—December 7 - PWA Christmas Show - L.V.L. P.W.A. Holiday Fund -Brazos River Bottom - Houston

-February 27-March 1, 1998 - Let Us Entertain You Weekend '98 - Various locations - Houston Council of Clubs -Houston

-March 6-8, 1998 Ms. Gulf Coast Leather - Venture-N - Houston

-March 14-15, 1998 - Night in Black Leather '98 - Venture-N - Houston

-August 1-8, 1998 - The 1998 Amsterdam Gay Games

This weekly event calendar lists future events of clubs and organizations. It is not limited to local events, but must be of interest to Houston clubs, organizations or individuals. Please send written information to the Montrose Area Pride, P.O. Box 66627, Houston, TX 77266 for inclusion in this calendar. Deadline is Friday one week prior to publication date.

More benefits highlight this weekend's activities

"Talk Dirty to Me Baby" The newly appointed Imperial

Prince Royale XIII Sean Carter will host this show Friday night, March 7th at Chances, 1100 Westheimer. Showtime is 9:00 p.m.

Montrose Counseling Center is the beneficiary, with funds earmarked for the Direct HIV Client Assistance Fund. This fund provides assistance in emergency financial situations (medication, transportation costs, etc.) when all other resources are unavailable.

Members of the Royal, Sovereign and Imperial Court of the Single Star of Houston, Inc. will perform and are expected to take this theme to the extreme.

"Unlocked"

For the last two weeks, Empress XII Ruby Stone and Queen Mother for Life Jeanette Vaughn have been raising funds to help get the new reign (R.S.I.C.S.S.) started. They

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Montrose Clinic Outreach Program offers free HIV testing and counseling

The Montrose Clinic Outreach Program offers free HIV testing and counseling at the following locations and times:

THURSDAY, March 13 Venture-N — 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. SATURDAY, March 15 Rich's — 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

MONDAY, March 17 BRB — 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. QT's — 8 p.m. to 12 m.n.

TUESDAY, March 18 Club Houston — 8 p.m. to 12 m.n.

WEDNESDAY, March 19 Mary's — 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Brick's II — 8 p.m. - 12 m.n.

THURSDAY, March 20

Venture-N — 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

'Next Step' classes offered to HIV positive patients by Montrose Clinic

Montrose Clinic, a private nonprofit organization, offers "Next Step" classes bi-monthly to persons diagnosed with the HIV virus. The classes are anonymous. Class topics will include: health issues, nutrition, safer sex, legal issues and medications.

Clients will also receive an Immune System Panel, which is made up of a CD4 (T-Cell) count, RPR (Syphilis) test, CBC (Complete Blood Count), and a TB skin test. All of these services are FREE to the client. Class space is limited, so please contact (713) 520-2000 to make reservations for an up-coming class.

If you have questions concerning the class, please contact Gerald Ennis at (713) 520-2068.

—Class Schedule:

Mar. 25 & 27 - 5:30 to 8:00 p.m each day.

April 8 & 11 - 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. each day.

April 14 (Spanish) - 5:30 to 8:00 o.m. one day only.

April 22 & 24 - 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

May 6 & 8 - 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. each

May 12 (Spanish) - 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. each day

May 28 & 30 - 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. each day.

Support the COLT 45's TROUBLE FUND



Tiffany Swanger (I) and Cheryl Wilcox tied for Ms. Gulf Coast Leather at Venture-N Saturday night. Both contestants will go to IMSL.



Upfront With The Community

SEAN CARTER

Mr. Gay Houston All-American 1997

"This past weekend was a big blur!"

Between Ms. Gulf Coast Leather, PR Ball III and meetings everywhere, the weekend was quite

Congratulations to the newly elected Triad of the Houston Area Bears, Stan, Lyle and Jeff for his re-election

The weekend ended with a show at the Venture-N. The performers put on a great show and raised over \$500.00 for the Houston Council of Clubs (HCC).

What exactly is HCC, (as many people ask)? This council is made up of many clubs in Houston. Bob Bouton, chairman, explained, "There are currently nine members: Texas Riders, Colt 45's, Sundance Cattle Company, Texas Renegades, Misfits, Texas Leather and Lace, Lancers. Houston Area Bears and F.I.S.T. We have auxiliary clubs which help and assist with everything we do. Just to name a few there's The Imperial Court, NLA-Houston, Texas Gay Rodeo Association (TGRA), Lonestars, Rainbow Ranglers, Wolfpack and PWA Holiday Charities. The reason why many of these groups cannot petition for membership is because HCC is a council strictly for local clubs. Groups like the Court and NLA-Houston are members of an international organization and TGRA is Houston.

As someone said Monday night, statewide. We do have two clubs who will most likely be petitioning for membership, The Bayou City Leather Alliance and the Texas Cowgurlz."

The groups involved with HCC spend many hours throughout the year for the raising money community.

So what do they do in HCC? They are strictly a social group who plan a big annual party, Let Us Entertain You Weekend (L.U.E.Y.).

HCC has put on L.U.E.Y. for 24 years and they are currently planning the 25th Anniversary. Next year's event will be held February 27, 28, and March 1.

The group works hard all year planning this weekend so that guests from all over the country will have a good time. The 25th Anniversary looks to have over 700 participants.

You can find HCC bartending and hosting a show at the Venture-N on the second Sunday of every other month, alternating with the Court.

Bob Bouton has been a member of the Texas Renegades for 12 years and has served as chairman of HCC for four years. You can usually find him surrounded by his many fans chanting "Bob, Bob, Bob, ...!"

A devoted leader of our community, he also knows how to throw one helluva party.

Till next week ... Have fun

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have both promised to have their heads shaved completely bald on stage if they raise \$2,000.00.

At press time, these two were reported to be halfway to their goal. On Saturday evening, March 15th at 7:30 p.m., both of them will be on the stage at Chances, 1100 Westheimer, to announce the totals and receive their haircuts.

This year's designated charity for Reign XIII is The Loving Arms Foundation. Should you desire to help these two lose their hair, you may call Ruby at (713) 520-8999.

"Hams From Hams"

Sunday evening, March 16th at 7:30 p.m. at the Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, the Lady Victoria Lust P.W.A. Holiday Fund will present their annual fundraiser show to help supply funds to buy hams for the P.W.A.'s this Easter.

On Saturday, March 22 and continuing on March 24 - 27, the L.V.L.

P.W.A. Holiday Fund will be passing out hams to the recipients of Stone Soup. Also being distributed will be 300 dozen eggs donated by Keith Reiser; 300 2 ounce bottles of shampoo donated by Redkin Distributing Associates; 500 toothbrushes 300 tubes of toothpaste, and 300 packages of dental floss donated by an anonymous donor.

Anyone wishing to donate supplies during this year's ham distribution is urged to call Don Gill at (713) 521-0911.

"Walter Carter Funeral Expense"

On Sunday afternoon, March 16th at 3:00 p.m., the Brazos River Bottom, 2400 Brazos, will hold a benefit to help offset funeral expenses for Walter Carter.

"River Prince"

Fancy Pace-Lawrence is hosting this St. Patrick's Day benefit for Omega House on Sunday, March 16th at 8:30 p.m. at the Briar Patch, 2294 West Holcombe Boulevard.

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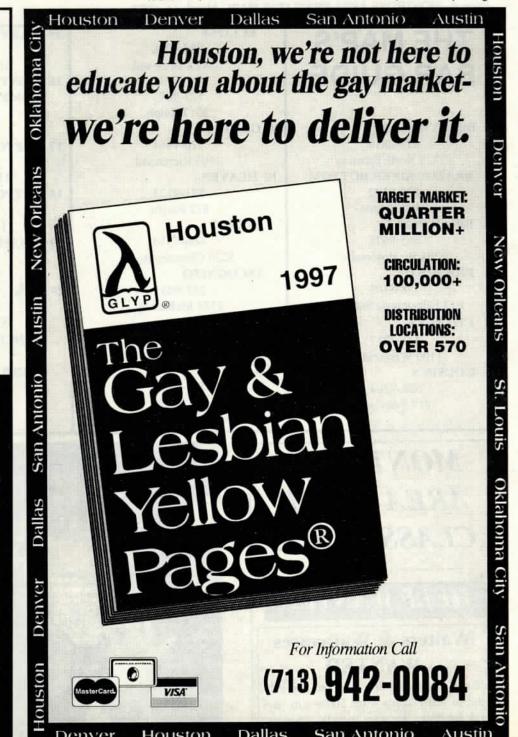
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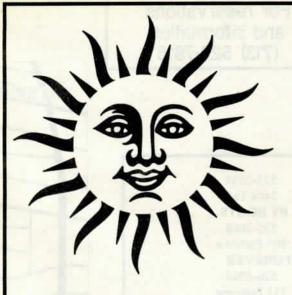
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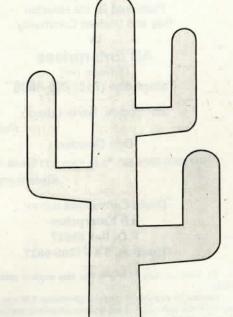
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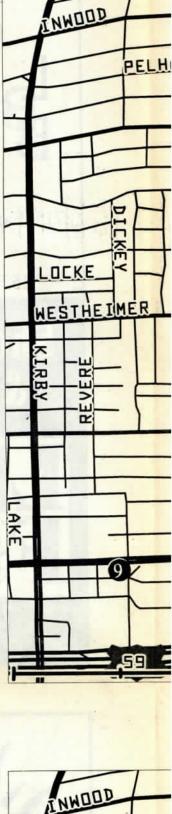
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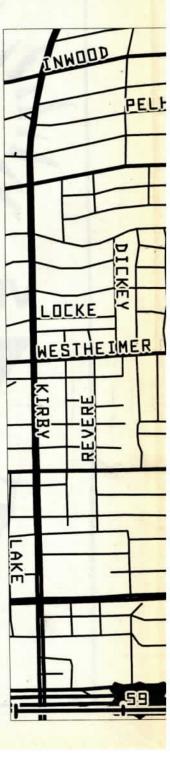
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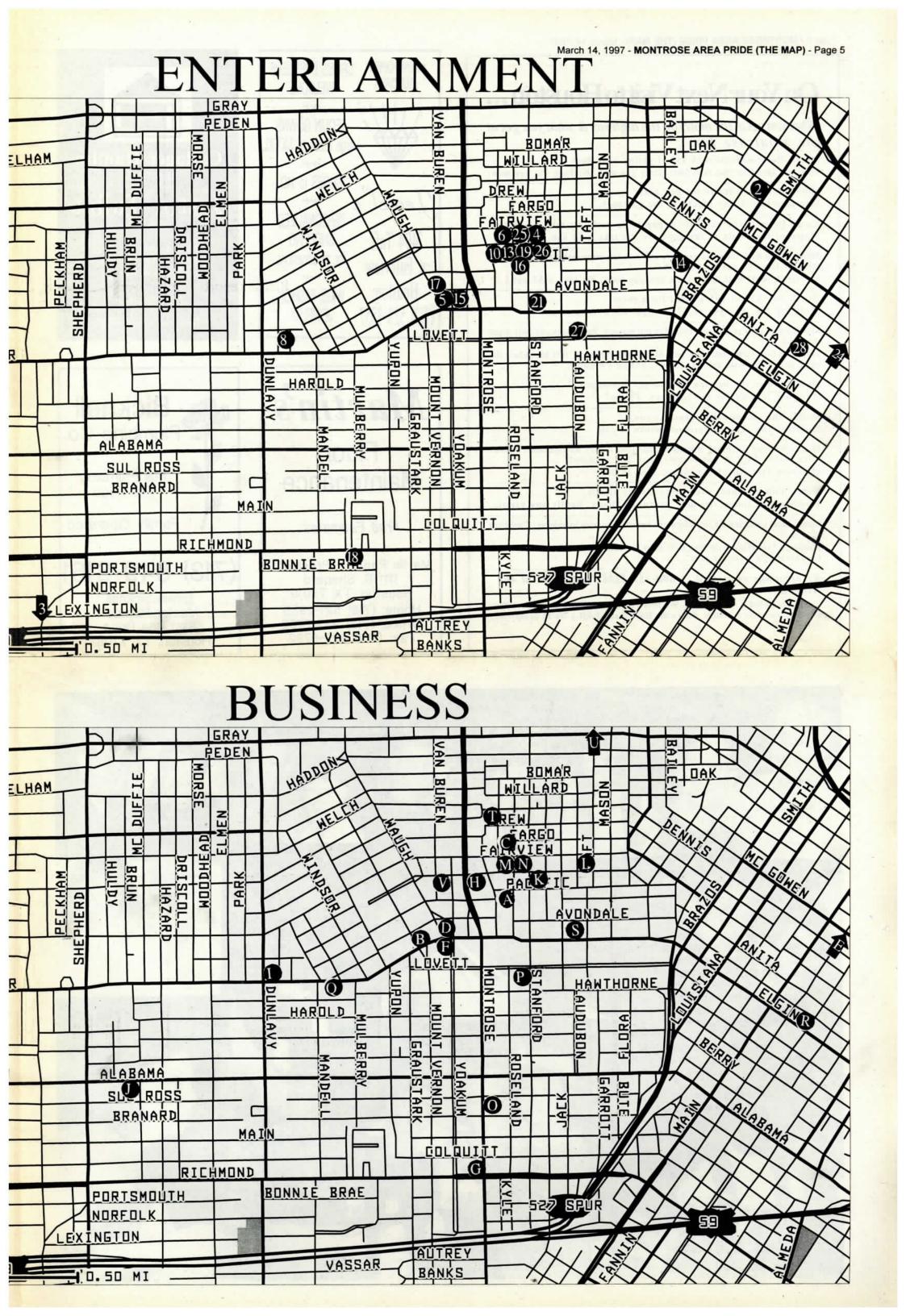
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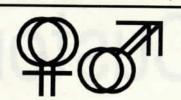
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