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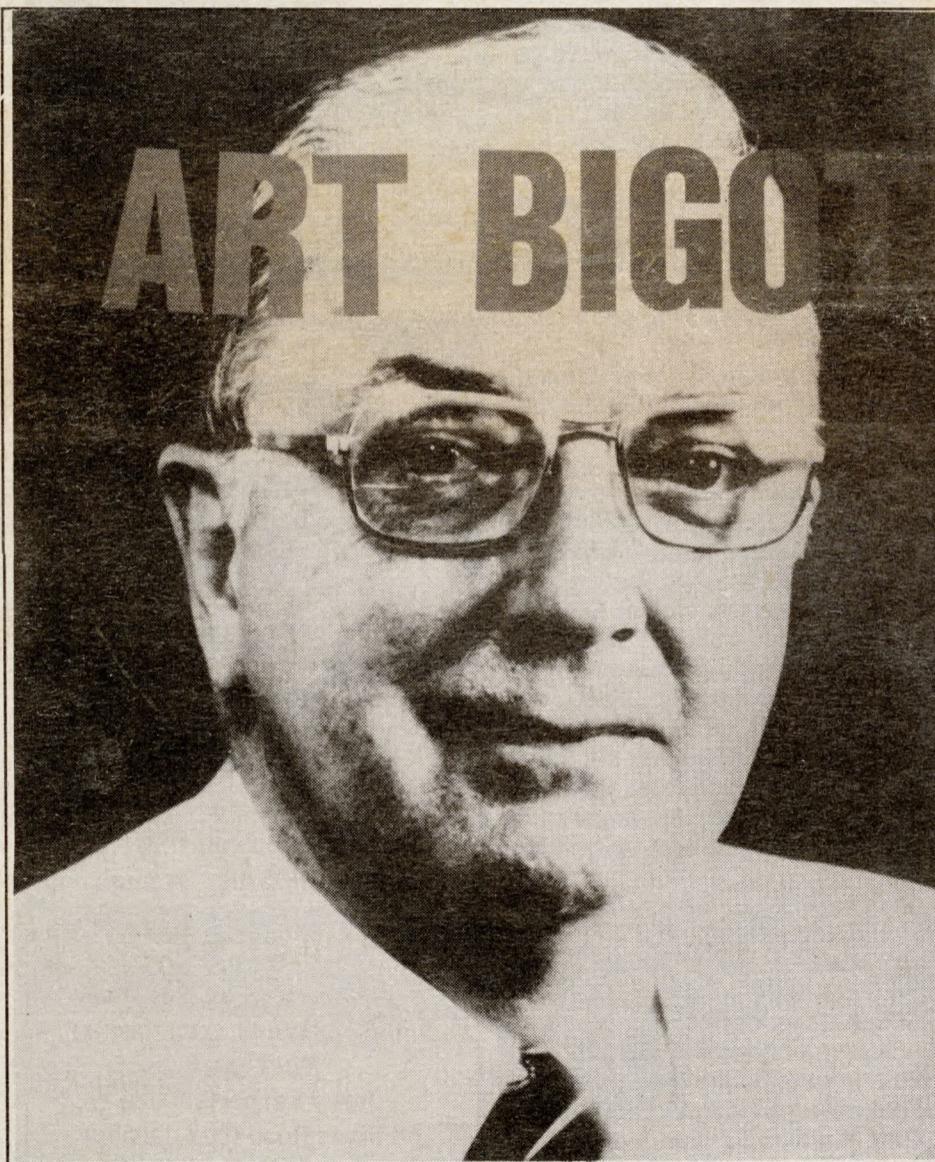
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## Helms' Attempt to Ban Homoerotic Art Lands Him In Warm Water

by Cliff O'Neill

In a development which is predicted to add to the fervor around an already hot debate over the federal funding of controversial art, a Phoenix art gallery which receives funding from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) recently displayed an artwork which consisted of a photograph of Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) in a jar of urine.

The work by artist Cactus Jack is titled "Piss Helms" and simply displays a photograph of the North Carolina Republican in a mason jar filled with urine. The work was displayed at MARS Artspace, an avant garde Phoenix art gallery, as part of a larger display. The exhibit was funded by a variety of public agencies as well as private sources.

The artwork was allegedly intended as a political satire in response to a summer-long controversy which began with revelations that the NEA helped fund an agency which displayed an artwork by Andres Serrano titled "Piss Christ." The artwork featured a crucifix in a jar of the artist's urine. A photo exhibit by late gay photographer Robert Mapplethorpe, canceled by the Corcoran Galley in D.C., was also targeted in the controversy.

Helms is the sponsor of an amendment to the NEA budget which would ban the federal funding of art which is deemed to be "indecent," "obscene" or "homoerotic." The

amendment would also band the funding of art which "denigrates" or "reviles a person on the basis of race, creed, sex, handicap, age or national origin."

In an unrelated development, the Corcoran Gallery of Art, which cancelled a scheduled display of the Mapplethorpe photos in June, issued a statement on Sept. 18 saying that it "regrets" its cancellation. Angered by the cancellation of the Mapplethorpe exhibit, artists have effected the cancellation of two exhibits from the gallery and have threatened a third. Also, realist Lowell Nesbitt has written the Corcoran out of his will, depriving the gallery of \$1 million.

The terse statement read, "The Corcoran Gallery of Art, in attempting to defuse the (National Endowment for the Arts) funding controversy by removing itself from the political spotlight, has instead found itself in the center of controversy. By withdrawing from the Mapplethorpe exhibit, we, the Board of Trustees and the Director, have inadvertently offended many members of the arts community which we deeply regret. Our course in the future will be to support art, artists and artistic freedom of expression."

Also, as a part of their conciliatory measures toward the arts community, Corcoran director Christina Orr-Cahall has been speaking

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## Jackson Vows To Keep Promises To Gay Community When Elected

Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns Forming

by Chris Duncan

A crowd of over 250 activists and leaders in the gay/lesbian community heard mayoral candidate Maynard Jackson make his home stretch appeal for their support at the Colony Square Hotel Sept. 13.

Jackson stressed his long-standing support for the community at the swank reception, and said that he wants to make human rights "real, permanent and universal" for all citizens of Atlanta.

"Atlantans who are lesbian and gay have the same rights (as everyone else)," Jackson said. "(And) our administration will enforce that across the board."

Referring frequently to his 28-point Lesbian and Gay Platform agenda (see page 4), Jackson assured the crowd that they would not be forgotten after the Oct. 3 election.

"First promises, then action," Jackson thundered. "We want you to know we're serious about (gay/lesbian issues)."

Voter apathy and complacency about this presumed victory are the major concerns for his campaign at this time, according to Jackson. "Apathy is my seventh opponent," Jackson said.

Although Jackson did not give a definitive timetable for implementation of his agenda items, he was emphatic that those items not already being worked on would take a high priority "the day after the election."

Regarding the implementation of his platform, Jackson said, "First thing we need to do is make sure that the transition task force's Committee on Lesbian and Gay Concerns is in place."

According to Jackson's lesbian/gay liaison, Peter White III, that group is already forming and will be in place within the next several weeks. The committee will have input into all areas of the transition team, according to Jackson.

"We are one people, one city, (with) one future for a better way for all. My eye is on serving you and proving we can be the greatest city in the nation," Jackson said. "(And) we're going to do exactly what we said," he promised.

See page 4 for Jackson's gay/lesbian platform

## Jury Rejects Lesbian's Battered Spouse Plea

West Palm Beach, Fla. — Rejecting her defense that she was a victim of the battered spouse syndrome, a six man and six woman jury found Annette Green guilty of second degree murder of her lover of 11 years, Ivonne Julio. Green, 30, faces a maximum sentence of 17 years in prison.

The case is believed to be the first in which a lesbian used the battered spouse syndrome as part of her defense.

In finding Green guilty of second-degree murder, the jury found that she killed her lover out of hatred, ill-will or spite in the heat of the moment rather than the first-degree murder charge the State was seeking. A first-degree murder charge requires the prosecution to prove premeditation on the part of the killer.

Defense attorney William Lasley characterized the case as a prototype for the battered spouse defense while Assistant State Attorney Bob Johnson maintained that Julio was killed execution-style in the mobile home the women shared in West Palm Beach, Florida.

Green testified to years of abuse including frequent abuse of Julio's twin 14-year-old daughters from a former marriage.

Green was shaken by the verdict, collapsing on the defense table and sobbing before she was led out of the courtroom by bailiffs. Lasley said he would appeal the conviction.

## Doctor Leaves \$360,000 to NGLTF

Washington, D.C. — Last month, The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) received a \$360,000 bequest, the largest ever received in its 16-year history. The money was a gift of the late Harry R. Rowe, M.D., a psychiatrist who resided in Long Beach, California.

William McLane, executor of the Rowe estate, stated that "Dr. Rowe had many gay patients and friends, and recognized how terribly important it is for gay people to have greater protection under the law. He wanted to leave his assets to an organization that was committed to social change, one that has a proven record of accomplishment. It was on that basis that he chose NGLTF."

Urvashi Vaid, NGLTF Executive Director, said "We are honored by Dr. Rowe's recognition of NGLTF's contributions to lesbian and gay freedom."

Vaid added "NGLTF survives almost entirely upon individual donations and memberships to do its vital work of grassroots organizing, lobbying, education and action."

She also noted that bequests made in wills or through insurance policies, bonds and stocks are "simple vehicles for giving which gay people should consider when planning their estates."

## D.C.'s Mayor Says No To Big Brothers

Washington, D.C. — Responding to a request from the Gay and Lesbian Alliance (GLAA), Washington, D.C. Mayor Marion Barry withdrew his name as honorary committee member for Big Brothers' celebrity fund raiser this month.

GLAA announced last month that it was organizing a protest of Big Brothers' main fundraising event of the year in response to a dispute between Big Brothers, which refuses to allow gays as volunteers, and Jeff Gould a D.C. gay man who is challenging the policy.

Characterizing the Big Brothers' policy as "raw, rank bigotry," GLAA President Roger Doughty asked the mayor to publicly withdraw his name.

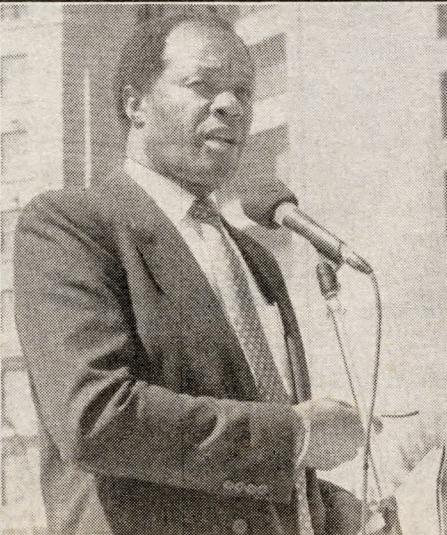
draw his name.

Doughty said he was "pleased that the mayor has decided to withdraw his support from Big Brothers" and assumed that "the major is doing so in recognition of the fact that discriminatory practices are unacceptable."

In a letter to Doughty, Mayor Barry said "I share [GLAA's] deep commitment to human rights, and I think my long record of support for the gay and lesbian community demonstrates that fact."

GLAA sent letters to about 40 people and corporations asking them to withdraw their support as well, but has received no responses. The other sponsors include Perpetual Bank, C & P Telephone, Safeway, Giant Food, Hechinger's, Michelob, Xerox and two television stations.

— from *The Washington Blade*



JIM MARKS  
Washington, D.C. Mayor Marion Barry

## PWA's May Get Legal Protections in USSR

Moscow, USSR (WNS) — The Soviet government daily newspaper *Izvestia* published comments by a senior medical official September 4 on anti-AIDS legislation that is aimed at guaranteeing Soviet citizens with AIDS both the right to medical confidentiality and access to medical and social services. The legislation also sets up a legal mechanism to prevent authorities from using the country's mandatory AIDS testing laws arbitrarily.

The draft law, currently before the Soviet Congress of Deputies, regulates when a person can be subjected to an obligatory AIDS test and the medical treatment of those diagnosed with the disease, said Mikhail Narkevich, head of the epidemiological department of the Soviet health ministry, in the official government newspaper. If the law is passed, mandatory AIDS testing will require a "procurator's warrant," similar to a bench warrant in this country, as a way of preventing Soviet citizens from being harassed by legal or medical authorities.

"The requirement for a procurator's warrant for compulsory testing," wrote Narkevich, "is being introduced as a guarantee of the inviolability of the individual."

Current Soviet AIDS legislation does not require such a warrant, which has sometimes led to abuses on the part of medical workers and law-enforcement officials.

The new legislation also guarantees Soviet citizens with AIDS the right to medical and social help and introduces criminal proceedings against medical and pharmaceutical workers for failing to fulfill what the legislation calls their "professional duty" to provide medical services to people diagnosed with AIDS.

Under the pending legislation, Soviet medical workers will be legally required to keep secret all data obtained during check-ups and treatment, or face prosecution for divulging medical information, a requirement not now part of the country's medical laws. A proposal

has also been made not to write specific diagnosis information on sick leave certificates, required whenever a Soviet citizen is absent from work due to medical reasons.

Soviet health officials now say there are 11 documented cases of AIDS in the country and 312 individuals known to be HIV-positive. Unofficial reports suggest the figures may be significantly higher.

## Brazilian Gays Are Death Targets

The Grupo Gay da Bahia (The Gay Group of the State of Bahia) reports that in the last eight years, 320 gays and lesbians have been assassinated in Brazil. Despite constitutional guarantees for all Brazilians and the legality of homosexuality, gays and lesbians live under the rule of "apartheid" and a sentence of death.

Two common sayings are "It is worse to be homosexual than to die" and "I prefer my son to be a thief or dead, than to be a homosexual". In 1987, for example, Colonel Pomponet of Bahia killed his son Augusto Cesar upon discovering that he was gay.

According to the GGB, homosexuals are humiliated, driven from their homes and jobs, stoned, jailed without motive and assassinated.

Backed by some government leaders and other civic and cultural personalities, the GGB and other groups in Brazil are doing their best to eliminate this violence through protests and educational efforts. However, they are hindered by some of the daily tabloids that actually encourage violence against gays and lesbians. *A Tarde* a newspaper in Salvador, where the GGB is headquartered publishes such lines as "To kill a homosexual is not murder: it is a hunting trophy" and "Keep the city clean: Kill a homosexual every day".

— from *Paz y Liberacion*

## Teachers Group Urges Domestic Partners

San Francisco (WNS) — As the nation's nearly 3 million public school teachers headed back to the classrooms this fall, the estimated 2 million who are represented by the National Education Association (NEA) will have a new contract negotiating tool their local teachers' union can begin bringing to the collective bargaining table: domestic partners benefits.

NEA, which represents some 2 million teachers nationwide, endorsed through its Representative Assembly this summer a number of proposals from the group's Gay/Lesbian Caucus, including resolution F-4, which states, "The Association (NEA) believes that education employees should have access to comprehensive health, dental and vision insurance for their spouses, domestic partners, and/or family members."

The resolution will have no immediate impact on NEA members since it is only a statement of NEA policy at the national level. But, Rob Birle, newly elected co-chair of the NEA Gay/Lesbian Caucus, said the policy statement gives local teachers' unions affiliated with NEA a "guideline" for issues the national group endorses as part of contract negotiations.

Carol Watchler, the other co-chair of the NEA Gay/Lesbian caucus, said the domestic partners resolution was part of a whole package of additions to NEA policy that were passed without debate by the Representative Assembly, NEA's policy-making body.

"The domestic partners benefits resolution, Watchler said, "goes hand in hand with the increased advocacy for such benefits by public employees associations and unions around the country."

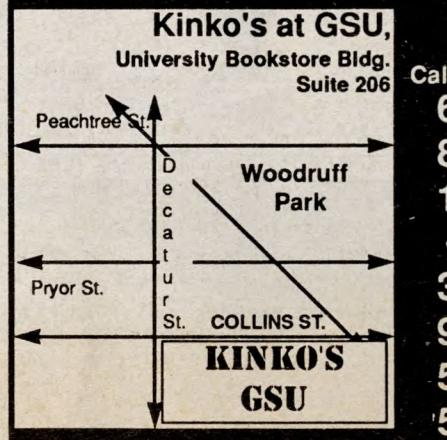
The 1989 NEA convention, which was held in Washington D.C., also recommended including "diversity of sexual orientation" as part of its recommended topics to be covered in schools with family life classes.

— Keith Clark

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## City Council Post 15 Candidates Try to Overcome Charges of Homophobia

by David Story

Despite the fact that one of the two candidates for City Council Post 15 at-large has already received the endorsement of the local gay PAC, a political brushfire continues to rage around rumors that one or both of the two candidates are homophobic.

For their part, the two candidates, Sheila M. Brown and Charles T. Huddleston, claim there is no substance to the rumors and point to the fact that they have campaigned actively at gay/lesbian and related events as proof of their pro-gay stance.

Brown, a senior consultant with ACC-Q-Tech, Inc., has repeatedly denied allegations that she is allied with state Rep. Billy McKinney, an acknowledged homophobe, and stressed the spiritual connection she feels with the gay community as an oppressed minority. She is a black woman.

Huddleston, an Atlanta attorney and partner in the law firm of Arnall, Golden and Gregory, recently received the endorsement of the Greater Atlanta Political Awareness Coalition (GAPAC) after what one official with the group characterized as "intense" scrutiny. Huddleston has had to devote much of the time spent in the gay community, however, denying rumors that the role he played in blocking a gay nightclub's liquor license transfer request was motivated by homophobia.

The back-stage fighting over the two candidates has also split apart previously sound coalitions in the city's gay political crowd. People like General Assembly lobbyists Chris Hagan and Gil Robison, who have worked closely together in the past, now find themselves at odds with each other.

An interesting footnote to the hotly-contested

race is the short-lived candidacy of Marion Huddleston, no relation to Charles Huddleston.

Although many claim that he was pressured to throw his name into the ring to distract Charles Huddleston's campaign, Marion claimed in an interview with *Southern Voice* that he joined the fray on his own initiative as a "joke." He now characterizes that decision as a "mistake."

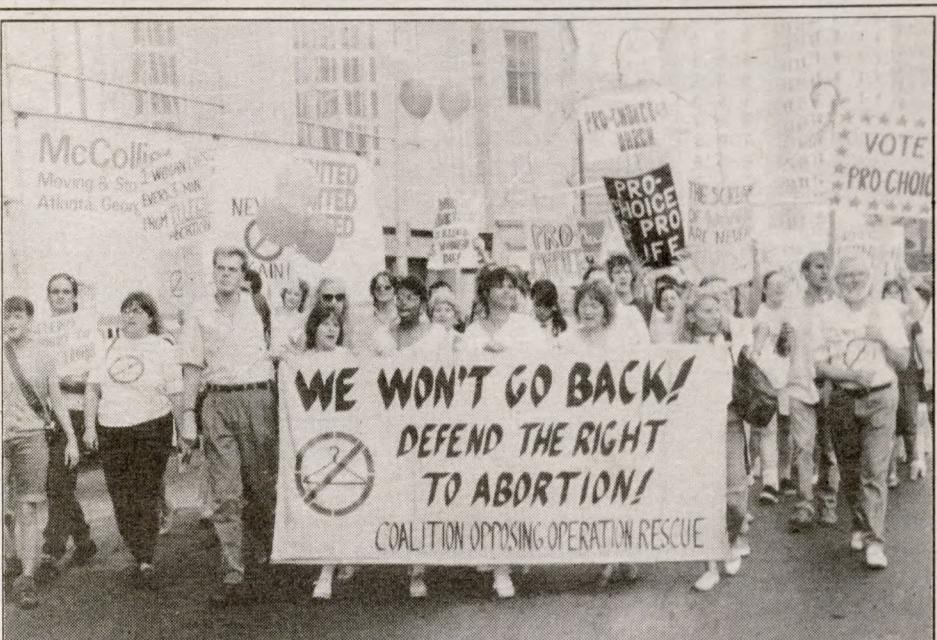
When pressured about rumors that claim his candidacy was inspired by a local lobbyist and an unnamed bar owner, Marion Huddleston denied comment based on the advice of his attorney, Gil Robison. He maintains that he withdrew his name after being "harassed by reporters and television crews."

Although Brown has escaped relatively unharmed from the Huddleston vs. Huddleston fiasco, she said that she was appalled to learn that Marion Huddleston had referred members of the press to her campaign manager. She maintains that neither she nor her manager know Marion Huddleston.

She is rather lucky that she has been able to stay out of that fight, since she has her hands full denying that she is allied with the gay community's arch-villain - Billy McKinney. She has repeatedly stated that her only connection with McKinney came when the state representative assisted her in gaining a pass to the 1987 General Assembly, where she "networked" for her employer at that time.

"(Billy McKinney) hasn't been involved and he has no affiliation with my campaign," Brown said. "Billy's very much an independent person," she added, "I've never had anything to do with his politics."

Despite the fact that she has been accused of incompetence by colleagues in her former position as the City's Director of Purchasing and



Over 500 abortion-rights advocates paraded through downtown Atlanta to the Georgia State Capitol Wednesday, September 13. Sponsored by the Coalition Opposing Operation Rescue (COOR), the pro-choice march and rally fell on the third day of Georgia's special legislative session, offering participants a chance to tell lawmakers: keep abortion safe and legal in Georgia. "We won't tolerate any restrictions being placed on a woman's access to abortion," said Stacey Ferdinand, COOR member. "That's the message we're bringing to our state leaders." The rally at the Capitol included speakers from Planned Parenthood, the Feminist Women's Health Center and COOR.

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publicly against the Helms amendment and the gallery has sent out a mailing opposing the measure.

Debbie Shriner, Corcoran public relations spokesperson, stated "I think we are encouraging people to speak up for freedom of artistic expression. I don't think anyone in the arts community is happy with the language that's been drafted in the Helms amendment and if it were to pass in any form, we think it

would be tragic."

While arts activists are expressing mixed reactions to the Corcoran statement, with most adopting a wait-and-see attitude towards the gallery, gay activists involved in the issue are glad the museum has made this move.

"I think that Orr-Cahall was correct when she said it was a 'regrettable situation,'" stated Tom DiMaria of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF). "The reason it was 'regrettable' is that they believed this was the best action in the first place (canceling the exhibit) and obviously it was not."

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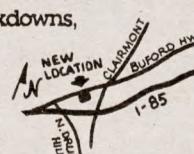
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## NEWS

### City Council Race

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Real Estate, as well as called unprepared to answer questions about issues of importance to the gay community, Brown believes that she is the right candidate for the gay and lesbian voter.

"Being a black female, I can empathize with another minority. You can't assume that everybody will know what your concerns are - you have to keep reminding them," she said. "Stand up and be counted - push for special interest legislation. And, I offer my encouragement. I remember what the black community went through in the 60's ... a process of reaffirming ourselves. ... We each have a right to be who we are."

And despite her negative image in some quarters, she is still in the thick of things for the gay vote because of the extremely negative baggage Huddleston carries. Most voters who were in Atlanta prior to 1985 remember Illusions, "the Showplace of the South". Many of them also remember Charles Huddleston and the pivotal role he played in Illusions' demise.

When Illusions was forced out of Midtown, Huddleston was president of the neighborhood planning unit (NPU) that encompasses the Monroe Drive area. He led the fight against the club moving there by attempting to, and eventually succeeding in, having their request for a liquor license transfer denied.

Although Huddleston continues to maintain that his decision in the case was motivated only by zoning concerns, many, including the bar's still influential owner, remember it differently. Ray Ferris, now of Crazy Ray's, has complained loudly that Huddleston's decision was not based on traffic congestion and neighborhood sanctity, as he claims, but on homophobia.

There is also an additional aspect to Huddleston's so-called "NPU Sleaze Factor."

During his tenure on the NPU, Huddleston at first supported and then opposed the preservation of one of the two remaining trolley



Post 15 At Large Candidates Charles Huddleston and Sheila Brown

barns left over from the City's turn-of-the-century mass transit system. He told *Southern Voice* that after the buildings involved changed hands several times, soil samples showed the ground to be contaminated with asbestos and other chemicals.

Huddleston said that he then realized that the buildings had more nostalgic value than historic value, and changed his mind. The fact that he later resigned as NPU president to work for the company that erected a high-rise apartment building on the site has not helped his image.

Despite his problems in the gay/lesbian community, Huddleston indicated that he was very happy to receive the endorsement of GAPAC. For their part, GAPAC has reported that Huddleston is the best qualified candidate for the job and believes that he will work hard for the community.

"We looked at him in greater depth than anyone else next to the candidates for mayor," said GAPAC spokesperson Peter Whiteside, "(and) Huddleston has proven to be a strong candidate for our community. We look forward to working with him." GAPAC sources have said that by comparison, Brown just did not

measure up.

Both candidates appeared at a Sept. 18 forum sponsored by Legislate Equality for Gays and Lesbians (LEGAL) where they touched on many issues of importance to the community. Although both gave the "right answers", Huddleston did appear more prepared.

Using a gay/lesbian platform agenda that was prepared with the assistance of activists Chris Hagan, Jesse Duvall and Dick Rhodes as his base, Huddleston said he would support and introduce an Atlanta domestic partners ordinance based on the San Francisco model.

Brown devoted much of her allotted time to discuss the need for expanded police sensitivity training and agreed with Huddleston's assertions on issues ranging from the Georgia sodomy law to a program for HIV-positive city employees.

Speaking after the meeting, LEGAL president Tad Gardocki said: "It's important that candidates are looking to the lesbian and gay community for political support and responding to the issues that we raise. However, the gay and lesbian community now has the responsibility to keep elected officials in line and to see that they fulfill their promises to the community."

### AIDS Activists May Serve Prison Time

Neither tried nor convicted nor charged with a crime, anti-racist and AIDS activists Bob Wells and Henry "Camomile" Bortman may well be sent to prison this week in Chicago for as long as 18 months. The two have refused to provide a federal court with copies of the public newspaper of the John Brown Anti-Klan Committee (JBAKC). Bortman stated that "grand juries have a long history of use as tools of repression against progressive social activists," and that he and Wells would not cooperate for that reason.

Wells is a long-time anti-racist activist and member of JBAKC. Bortman, former John Brown member, is a gay activist, a member of AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT UP) in San Francisco.

Wells and Bortman were initially ordered to appear before the grand jury in Chicago last July. The U.S. Attorney had received a threatening letter on a piece of John Brown "stationery." Although the D.A. acknowledged that the stationery was "obviously phony", the two men were singled out for subpoenas because they were the individuals in whose name the San Francisco and Chicago mailboxes for JBAKC had been rented ten and five years ago, respectively.

The D.A. has admitted the government knows that neither Wells or Bortman nor their organizations were responsible for the threatening letters. Nevertheless, the government has continued to demand that they comply.

When asked what gave him the strength to face 18 months in prison for a matter of principle, Bortman stated, "This tool of political repression has been aimed at the anti-Vietnam movement, the American Indian Movement, the Puerto Rican Independence movement, the Black Liberation movement, and many others." "Besides," he said, "as a gay man, I have always refused to go along with the program."

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### Jackson's Platform For the Gay Community

The following points are excerpted from Maynard Jackson's platform agenda for the lesbian and gay community. To arrange to receive a complete copy of the document, please contact Atlantans for Maynard Jackson at (404) 581-1989.

#### Civil Rights and Equal Employment

- "Upon taking office, I will require that all stationery... include a statement that Atlanta will not discriminate because of sexual orientation."
- "I will issue an Executive Order requiring that every contract to which the City is a party include a provision which states that the contractor will not discriminate in its employment practices on the basis of sexual orientation."
- "I support legislation that would protect Persons with AIDS, Persons with ARC and those perceived to be at risk of infection from discrimination particularly by businesses that contract with the City."

#### AIDS - Housing/Residences

- "...As part of my public housing policy I will work to establish housing units for Persons with AIDS so that no Atlantans are denied housing based on their HIV status or income."

#### Public Safety

- "I will make it clearly understood... that the City of Atlanta will not tolerate hate-motivated crimes against any individual. Any person convicted of a hate-motivated crime will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law."

- "I will examine current penalties and, if necessary, advocate strengthening these penalties for hate crime offenders. . ."

- "...I will direct the Bureau of Police Services to maintain statistics on hate crimes . . ."

- "I will review the City's activities to ensure that City funds are not used to harass gays and lesbians or to interfere with Constitutionally protected freedoms."

#### Criminal Justice

- "I will consider all qualified persons, including openly gay and lesbian persons, for appointment as Judges in the Atlanta Municipal Court and Traffic Courts."

#### Community Relations Commission

- "I will reestablish the Atlanta Community Relations Commission and appoint openly gay and lesbian citizens to this Commission."

#### Appointments

- "...I will appoint to City government positions openly gay and lesbian citizens who are qualified to serve."

#### Domestic Rights

- "I support rights of full custody of their children by gay and lesbian parents."

## National Coming Out Day: 1989

by Dave Hayward

The second annual National Coming Out Day is slated for Wednesday, October 11th, and local activities are arranged across the country to highlight the 20 million-strong presence of gays and lesbians in America.

"There is no particular action we advocate," explains Dr. Rob Eichberg, who co-chairs the Coming Out effort with Jean O'Leary, Executive Director of National Gay Rights Advocates. "It's whatever the next step is, what's appropriate for the person. It could be a very personal one, telling a friend or a co-worker. Or it could be a more public statement, particularly with gay organizations." Eichberg admonishes gay groups and individuals to consider the pitfalls of "preaching to the choir" by confining coming out further only to their own community.

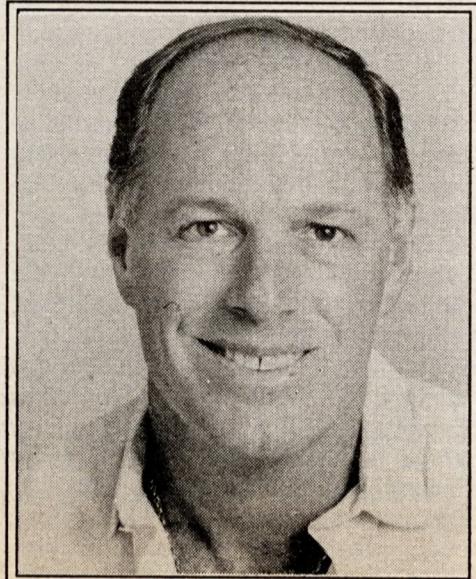
National Coming Out Day is also a push to

son and to the community."

He hastens to urge people to take appropriate actions: "I'm not suggesting a 14-year-old who's gay and living at home tell his holy roller parents. But if you're 26 and living at home with holy roller parents, why do you stay at home?"

The ongoing scandal of Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass) employing a male hustler as an aide could be viewed as a deterrent to going public, particularly since the story broke after Frank came out. "There's another way to look at it," responds Eichberg. "If he'd come out 10-15 years ago he may not have been engaging in that relationship, a symptom of being in the closet...when you come out, you can function in ways that can't be used against us."

"Very few people have as much at stake or as high a profile (as Frank)," Eichberg adds. "You need to look at your situation realistically."



National Coming Out Day Co-chairs Rob Eichberg and Jean O'Leary

reroute the national agenda. "Coming out is so far back on our agenda, AIDS has taken the majority of our focus," Eichberg says. "We're putting coming out back on the agenda as a primary focus for the gay movement. Most often the movement's concentrated on the right to privacy. In achieving privacy we've solidified our closet...While we should have that right, we also should be willing to come out."

The hazards of getting fired or evicted or experiencing other prejudice are recognized but Eichberg is impatient with excuses. "If you're a mature adult why are you working at some company where you can't be yourself...step into maturity and adulthood, where you don't spend all your energy trying to please others, having to pass."

"We may be asking people to take some risks," Eichberg allows. "But if you're not coming out and you can't function powerfully, in coming out it gives more power to the per-

son."

The ballot box advantages of public disclosure are also stressed by Eichberg. "When people know someone who's gay they not only support us they support our issues," Eichberg declares. "This has been proven in many surveys, as high as 70%. When they don't know anyone who's gay they tend to oppose us on each of the issues important to us. In reality they do know someone who's gay or lesbian, they're just not aware they do because we hide."

"When we come out it touches and reaches everyone," Eichberg reflects. "We are everywhere is the truth, it's not just a slogan."

*The National Coming Out Day office can be contacted at 505-982-2558 in Santa Fe, New Mexico. See the ad on page 32 to see how you can participate in Atlanta. MACGLO will be taking out a full page ad in the AJC on Oct. 11 in celebration of National Coming Out Day.*

Name:  
Mandi Williams

Age:32

Occupation:Writer

Favorite thing  
about Atlanta:  
The people, the sense  
of community

Least favorite:  
Humidity and the  
traffic

Favorite film:  
*Crimes of the Heart*

Color:Navy blue

Politician:Pat Schroeder

Pastime:Photography

Food:Italian

Musician:Bonnie Raitt

Vacation spot:  
Santa Rosa Beach, Fla.

Currently reading:  
*The Russia House*  
by John Le Carre



MANDI WILLIAMS:

### Expecting the Best From Book and Baby

Mandi Williams, at age 32, is looking with excitement upon both a new career and a new addition to her family. A former vice president with a carpet manufacturing firm, Mandi has, upon the sale of her first novel to Naiad Press, decided to become a full-time writer. In addition, she and her partner have decided to become parents.

Mandi has always enjoyed reading espionage novels, with Robert Ludlum and John Le Carre being her favorite authors. Last year, she decided to write an espionage novel of her own. She sent the book to Naiad Press, and they accepted it for publication. "I'd never done any writing prior to this," Mandi explains. "I'd fantasized about doing it when I was old and retired."

Entitled *Club 12*, the book traces the adventures of a lesbian who works for a clandestine CIA unit. Mandi did considerable research. She read everything she could find on the subjects of American and British Intelligence: "More than I ever thought I would have to do for

a work of fiction. But you have to make it real for your readers."

Naiad has asked Mandi to write a sequel to *Club 12*, and she has begun. "It's different," she acknowledges. "With *Club 12*, I had a plot in mind, and it was just a matter of sitting down and writing it. This time, I have to work the plot out as I go. Hopefully it will come alive and show me where it will go."

Not only does Mandi have a new career, she hopes to have a new addition to her household. Mandi and her partner of three years, Julie, are planning to have a baby. Julie will carry the child and be the biological mother, and Mandi will coparent. "I feel much better about becoming a parent now that I'm a published writer."

Mandi loves to write, and hopes someday to have as many books in print "as John Le Carre does. *Club 12* is being presented by Naiad as a spy thriller, and I can only say that I hope it will be a thriller!"

— Charlene Ball

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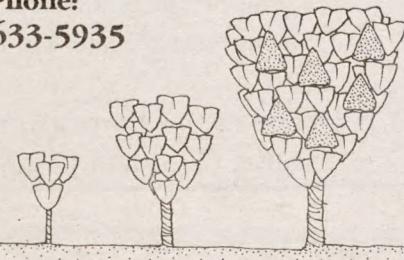
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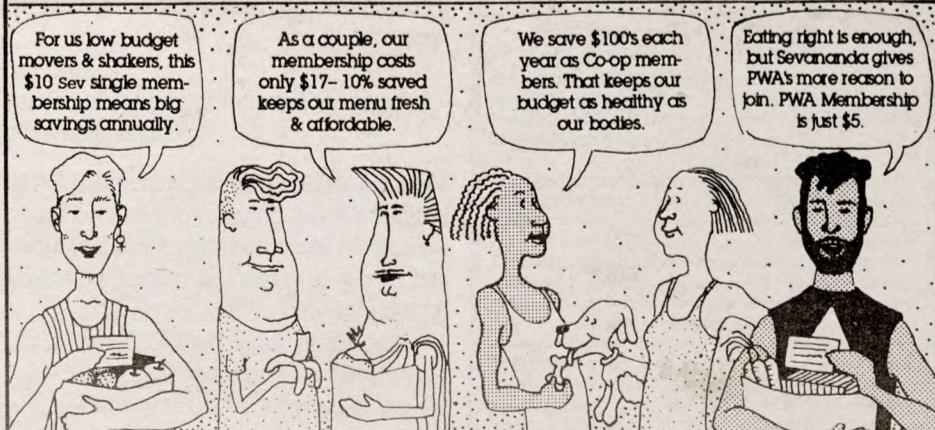
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## STAFF EDITORIAL

# Jackson For Mayor

*Southern Voice* is proud to endorse Maynard Jackson for Mayor of Atlanta in the Oct. 3 election. Our choice was made much easier by the withdrawal of Michael Lomax from the race, but our support of Mr. Jackson is no less valid. He has demonstrated, in his previous two terms as Mayor and during his current campaign, that he is for the rights of all Atlantans. We believe that Mr. Jackson will fulfill his campaign promises to us and that we can count on him to be responsive to our needs.

With the help of our community, Maynard Jackson, and Fulton County Commission Chair Michael Lomax, have thoroughly educated themselves on gay/lesbian issues. We do not think that their promises and their words of support are empty. We stand behind both men in their efforts to create a city in which all citizens are granted equal rights and protections under the law.

We urge all of our readers to vote on Oct. 3. Mr. Jackson is expected to win, but we must vote to send him into office with the knowledge that the gay and lesbian community has his support and confidence. The only way Mr. Jackson can be effective pushing our legislation through is with the backing of our City Council. They must know, and their constituents must know, that the gay community is a powerful voting bloc who will vote to remove candidates who do not support us, and vote for those who do support us.

A friend in the Mayor's office can only help us—and isn't it time we had one?

You might think that the Jackson campaign is flush with money and volunteers right now, but it is not. Volunteers are still needed

to work the phone banks and to help out on election day to get people to the polls. A strong gay presence working for Maynard would also help us when he is elected. Believe me, he will remember it. Take the time to at least call and see how you can help. If you don't have time, but you have money, a contribution which is clearly marked that it is from a gay or lesbian would also help us. Call the Jackson campaign headquarters at 581-1989. If you don't have time and you don't have money, like many of us, you can still vote.

We also urge you to read *GAPAC News* which you will find in this issue of *Southern Voice*. GAPAC (Greater Atlanta Political Awareness Coalition) has worked hard to find out which city council candidates will work for and support us. There are a few key races that you especially need to know about before you go to the polls on Oct. 3. In Districts 7 and 12 we have the opportunity to unseat two proven enemies of the lesbian and gay community. *GAPAC News* tells you about these races, and more. Even if you consider yourself an apolitical animal—read it! Whether we like it or not and whether we accept it or not—those in power in the city of Atlanta have a significant impact on the quality of our lives.



## Los Homophobes ?

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the favorable write up given of the Cafe Caramba. Usually restaurant reviews are not considered political, however, this is a different case. The reviewers and the open gay men and lesbians whose many dollars fill the cash register at Cafe Caramba are not aware of how the owners and bartender feel about our community. Although smiling to the face of the customer as drinks, dinner and check are presented, the phrase used behind the backs of these gay men and women customers, in Spanish and in English is, "that's disgusting." The owners are Jehovah's Witness by faith and they do not condone or approve of the men or women in our community.

I urge my brothers and sisters to take their friends and money to any of the other restaurants in our area where we are not disapproved of.

Sincerely,

A member of our community who needs to remain anonymous

**Viewpoints** is part of a continuing effort to provide a forum for our community. We invite your ideas, comments and feelings, and urge your responses to ideas expressed on these pages.

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## GUEST EDITORIAL

# A Call to the AIDS Activist Movement: Stop Political Repression in the U.S.

Dear Friends,

We are AIDS activists from around the country who are concerned with the increasing repression of dissent under the Reagan/Bush administrations. We are asking for your support for a campaign to stop the prosecution of six political activists in Washington, D.C.

The six—Alan Berkman, Tim Blunk, Marilyn Buck, Linda Evans, Susan Rosenberg, and Laura Whitehorn—are white North Americans with long histories of support for movements including Black liberation, Puerto Rican independence, non-intervention in Central America, anti-apartheid in South Africa, women's liberation, and lesbian/gay liberation. Two of them, Laura and Linda, are lesbians.

All were indicted last year for conspiracy to protest U.S. domestic and foreign policies through "violent and illegal means"—allegedly being members of underground organizations which bombed the Capitol building and several military bases to resist U.S. intervention in the Third World. Yet the government admits it has no evidence of who carried out the bombings. And in April, in a victory for the legal/political defense effort, the judge dismissed charges against 3 of the 6 (Alan, Tim and Susan) on the grounds that the indictment simply recycled evidence previously used to convict them on other charges, with resulting long sentences. But the government is appealing that ruling. More information on the case is contained in the attached letter.

Why should this case be of concern of AIDS activists? First, these six political prisoners are active supporters of the AIDS movement. Some of you may have heard their statement read last October in the national AIDS protest at HHS in Washington. They expressed their support for the HHS and FDA demonstrations, and said they wished they could have joined us in seizing control of the FDA. The six have all seen first-hand the terrible toll of AIDS among Black and Latino prisoners. Tim Blunk in particular investigated and publicized the outrageous conditions of PWA's and HIV-Positive prisoners at the maximum-security federal men's prison in Marion, Illinois during his two years there. (This should also remind us of the need for the AIDS movement to place a much higher priority on the problems of PWA prisoners.)

Another basis for our concern with the DC case is the clear effort by the U.S. Justice Department to use it to set dangerous precedents as perfectly acceptable procedures—prosecuting activists for belonging to organizations claimed to use "violent and illegal means" to resist injustice; holding activists for years in preventive detention (denying bail) as

a "threat to the community"; using plexiglass walls between defendants and public, and video-cameras aimed at spectators in trials of "terrorists".

We believe U.S. history shows that any movement which seriously challenges government policies, and generates community support, will sooner or later face harassment or prosecution from the FBI, Justice Department or police. Indeed, just such a pattern has been growing in the last 8 years, with FBI surveillance, disruption, raids and conspiracy trials against activists from the Black, Puerto Rican, Central American solidarity, and sanctuary movements. And ACT UPs in several cities have had incidents of concerted harassment and vindictive prosecution by local police. So the threat is real.

Although some of us have differences with the DC political prisoners' philosophies, we respect their life-and-death commitment to resist all forms of oppression. And we share with them an interest in stopping dangerous precedents from being set. By speaking up now, we lend our voices to a growing chorus denouncing repression of dissent in this country.

Please send your endorsement and contribution to: Emergency Committee to Defend the Human and Legal Rights of Political Prisoners, P.O. Box 28191, Washington, D.C. 20038-8191. For more information, call Tracey Conaty of OUT! (Oppression Under Target), an ACT NOW affiliated organization which is working on the Emergency Committee, at (202) 483-1266 or (202) 328-3800.

Thanks,  
Chris Bull

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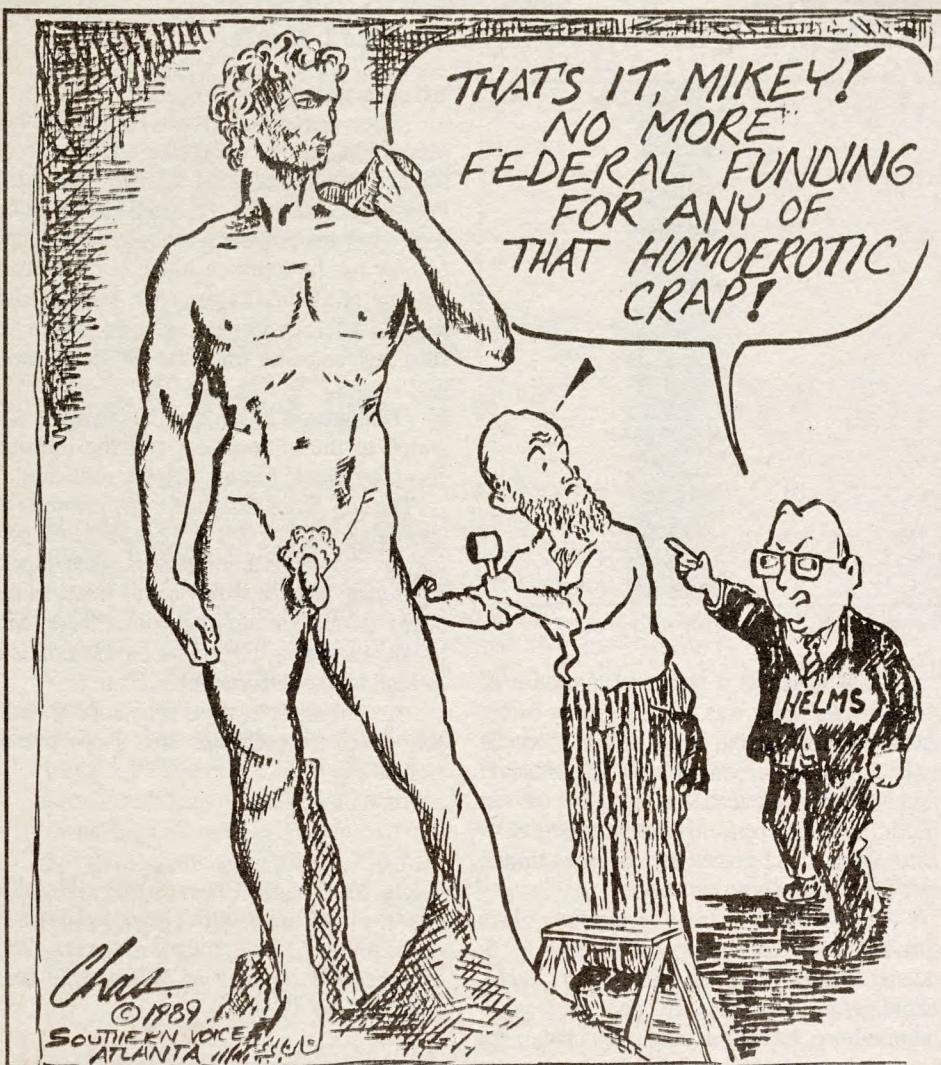
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**Homophobia**

You said my sexual identity issues were only a small part of some undefined, global issues I should focus on why couldn't you hear me say I am gay?

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You said I needed to cry and be loud about it to heal my original sin I never understood what you meant, but I did know you shed no tears with me why did you shove me out there alone?

You said I crossed by boundaries when I asked if you would attend a gay event I just wanted you to share my pride why would you choose to humiliate me?

You said I fantasized too much when I finally admitted attraction to you and the next week when I came to see you you said you mistakenly gave my time to someone else she was in the waiting room, watching as I hung my head why did you abandon me?

**CORRECTION**

Our apologies to The Optical Stores. In last issue's "Business Clips" the wrong address was given. The correct address is 2441 Cheshire bridge-The Federal Express Shopping Center.

## *Democrats and Homosexuality*

by Paul Varnell

The Democratic Party has for the last half-century seen itself, or portrayed itself, as the party of social change, social justice, equality of condition, and sympathy for the downtrodden. Reasonably, then, it has seemed to be the natural locus of political support for the unjustly treated, unequal, and downtrodden homosexuals.

Most of the support for gay civil rights bills and other pro-gay initiatives in Congress has come from the Democratic side of the aisle. The only openly-gay congressmen are in the Democratic Party. When there was a meeting at the White House (however authorized or unauthorized it may have been) with gay movement leaders, it occurred during a Democratic administration. It was at a Democratic National Convention that a black gay man, Melvin Boozer, was nominated for consideration as a vice-presidential candidate. And the Democrats, reasonably acknowledging that all composite wholes are made up of constituent parts, authorized a gay caucus within their party structure. And finally, the Democrats explicitly expressed their political support for gay rights and gay legal equality in their 1984 national platform.

So how could there possibly be any problem?

Well, start with the fact that the Democrats have won only one of the last six presidential elections. One thing that means is that they have not been able to do a great deal for gays. But another thing it means is that for Democrats who want to win elections, the lesson is almost ineluctably that they must be doing something wrong. What exactly that might be has been a source of ongoing discussion within the party for several years. But one popular conclusion was that just as the Democrats had for decades managed to characterize the Republican Party as one of special interests--"fat cats" and Big Business--so now the Republicans were returning the favor and successfully characterizing the Democrats as the party of factions and "special interests"--a group that included feminists, abortionists, militant homosexuals, atheists, and civil libertarians.

Now this sort of attempt on the part of each party to characterize itself as having at heart the interests of the whole nation while characterizing the other party as a mere "faction" or set of special interests is a perennial political practice which goes back to the Whigs and Tories in early 18th-century England. But that does not mean that the claim, if widely believed, is any less advantageous to the losing party in such a rhetorical transaction.

And the Democrats seemed particularly sensitive to the charges about being pro-gay. Author Randy Shilts in a 1987 conversation with Windy City Times reporter Tim Drake observed, "The Democrats don't want to look like they're coddling homosexuals. ...The fact that gays supported Mondale and Jimmy Carter in the last two elections hurt those candidates a lot in the South and the border states. And the Democrats have to win some of those electoral votes if they want to win the White House."

Thus the Democrats disestablished the gay party caucus along with several other caucuses. They de-emphasized their support for gay rights in their platform in 1988. No one ever mentioned gays and lesbians at

the 1988 National Convention except the extremely liberal Jesse Jackson, and he did so only in a context which suggested--oddly reminiscent of Republican claims--that gay-related concerns were insufficiently broad, as if to suggest that governmental and private homophobia and discrimination were shallow and insubstantial grounds for political action.

Nonetheless, Dukakis supporters among gay activists fanned out around the country to spread the word that Dukakis was in reality very pro-gay, that gays should vote for him, but that gays should not ask for any major public statements since that would alienate lots of moderate fence-sitting voters.

Whatever the truth of those claims, such an approach sounded to some gay activists like a request that gays take a backseat on the bus, just be nice and quiet, and "trust us." this left many gay leaders in a quandary because:

Most gay leaders recognize that even more than legal and public policy changes that can be affected by governments, what the mass of gay people really need most is a significant improvement in social attitudes and public opinion about gays--a move toward what could be called "social equality." Indeed, if "social equality" could be brought to fruition there would not even be a need for gay rights laws and the like. To be sure, laws and public policy can help to lead and shape such public opinion; but ultimately such laws can lead public opinion by only a small amount or else they will be ignored, resisted, or reversed.

Thus it has all along been the goal of gay activists to try to obtain for gays good press, good public relations, and a favorable image. This involved trying to get public figures to say nice things about gays; to persuade people in the entertainment, sports, and political arenas to do or say things that were pro-gay; to persuade well-regarded people to come out of the closet; to get mayors, governors, and legislators to attend gay functions, fundraisers, parades--all to legitimize gays and their political efforts.

So for the Democrats to back off their openly stated support for gays seemed to withdraw exactly the kind of support that many gays thought was most useful and important in the long run. If good PR from the Democrats was necessary for helping create positive attitudes toward gays, and if the pro-gay policies the Democrats were supposedly for were dependent for their actual passage on a fairly supportive electorate, then those public policies could never be put into effect so long as the Democrats refused to help create and shape a more supportive public opinion. Such a situation seemed superbly designed to relegate gays to permanent servitude on the Democratic plantation.

Where then does this leave us? Not much of anywhere, it seems, at least in the terms the argument has been posed thus far. And in public discussion (and on the inside of the Democratic Party) it seems to have gone no further. Our task in the next decade is to work outside the limiting terms of this argument. Looking at sources of social and attitudinal change that are not political may be one way. Let's hope that our movement leaders can come up with others as well.

# "Light Up The Sky" Lights Up the Stage For Actor's Express

by Candace Wiggins

The Actor's Express rolled into town with a fine presentation of Moss Hart's 1948 comedy "Light Up The Sky" for their season opener. A combination of crisp direction by Chris Coleman and a lovely deco-style set by Theo Harness enhanced the repertory company's talented actors.

The story is simple. A first-time young playwright named Peter Sloan is seeing his allegorical drama performed and produced by a troupe of seasoned theatre professionals.

Let's be honest. Seasoning for this wild bunch runs the gamut from sugary sweet to vituperative vinegar. Salt to taste, please.

Act One deals with those pre-opening jitters as the characters are introduced to the audience as well as each other. Hours away from Mr. Sloan's opening, we meet Miss Lovell (Susie Spear) who is a secretary and—in the words of Moss Hart—"new to all this." Spear takes what could have been a fluff role and puts a twist on it. She's not just another pretty face.

John Owens as Carleton Fitzgerald, director of the play, makes the most of Carleton's foibles, including each of the grand entrances. This Carleton is quick on his feet and, with his wit he's equally quick.

Emily Merkle dazzles as Frances Black, the champion ice-skating wife of producer Sidney Black played very well indeed by Neil Alan, who owns the stage while he is on it. These two made a great team and their jabs at others,



Emily Merkle in "Light Up the Sky" showing through Oct. 15 at Actor's Express

each other and themselves were done with rapid-fire ease and believability.

Stella Livingston as the mother of the play's "star" was almost too sweet to be true until it became obvious this woman saw what an egg was about to be laid on the Boston stage. Her vitriolic lines were delivered with true Southern charm—a smile and a dead eye stare—which was the kicker. It was a very good interpretation.

Peter Sloan (Virles Moultrie) is a quiet idealistic person who is just as cantankerous in his own way. Mr. Moultrie moved slowly,

pausing at length as if unsure of himself until the character's play was put in jeopardy during Act Two. Perhaps the character was supposed to be unsure of himself instead. This observation is in no way intended to denigrate the rest of Mr. Moultrie's performance. When his character Peter Sloan comes into his own during Act Three, he pulls no punches.

Jance C. Walsh is Irene Livingston. Make that THE Irene Livingston. Can you say prima donna? I knew you could. Ms. Walsh can certainly say it. This lady's so good you want to despise Irene for her pretentious snobberies but

end up sniggering.

Theo Harness as Owen Turner, another playwright, is very easygoing and likable as someone who once went through everything Peter is going through. He and Miss Lovell hit it off from the beginning and while there may or may not be romance, there is certainly a meeting of kindred spirits. Mr. Harness also seemed uncertain at times as to where he should go and with what line but such a mensch!

Background music from the 30s and 40s added to the atmosphere and the lighting design by Harold Leaver was very well done.

The only flaws again are a few moments of uncertainty on the parts of a couple of the performers and in one unfortunate incident, blocking, totally blocked, any view of Irene, as the prima donna chitchatted with Peter. Mr. Moultrie's seating placement on the side is a bad call for the audience behind him.

As an ensemble, these people are remarkably suited for each other and supportive of each other.

Kudos to you all.

"Light Up The Sky" runs through Oct. 15. Thurs. – Sat. at 8:00PM and Sundays at 2:00PM. \$12. The Actor's Express, 280 Elizabeth St (corner of N.Highland and Elizabeth). 221-0831.

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To: The Gay and Lesbian Community  
From: Deana Collins  
Deana's One Mo' Time

Dear Community,

I would like to thank the community that helped make the Deana's / NAPWA PWA Housing Fund fundraiser a success. Our total from the night - to date - totals \$5005.00. NAPWA raised an additional \$1052.00 on the door for the local chapter. Together we made a last downpayment on your home, and have some monies left to keep things in working order.

I would like to thank the following people, for without their help, contributions, and care, "Our House" would never have been a reality...

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Lesbian Musical Premieres This Weekend

SAME (Southeastern Arts, Media and Education Project, Inc.) is Atlanta's only gay and lesbian-oriented arts and media organization; it is perhaps the only organization of both women and men cooperating in bringing gay theatre to the stage in all of the U.S. Atlanta audiences are fortunate to have access to this unique theatrical presence.

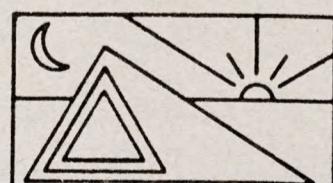
*Texas Two-Stepping With the Girls*, a new musical with book by Rebecca Ranson and music by Ann Duckworth, Melanie Hammett and Joyce Brookshire, will be produced by SAME at Seven Stages Backdoor Theatre from Sept. 28-Oct. 8, Thurs.-Sat. at 8PM; Sun. at 5PM (call 523-7647 for reservations). The play evolves around the metaphor of dance steps paralleling the development of relationships in a group of women who stomp and swing through their lives and loves.

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## Rita Mae Brown: Elusive and Charming As Ever

by Charlene Ball

Rita Mae Brown was in Atlanta recently promoting the paperback release of her latest novel, *Bingo*. I spoke with her about her life, her work, and her ideas. As the interview progressed, Brown generalized about politics, writing, and the past, interrupting the seriousness with sharp one-liners. She talks the way her characters do, moralizing one minute, joking the next, insisting that most people take themselves too seriously. I came away from the interview feeling that I had talked with a very bright, very determined, and very elusive individual.

Brown lives on a farm near Charlottesville, Virginia, where she has lived for 14 years. She lives alone except for her animals: two horses, two dogs, and six cats. About her single state, she exclaims cheerfully: "I guess I'm just one of those people who's a lone wolf!" Each morning after "feeding the stock," she writes from 8:00 in the morning until 4:30 or 5:00 on an old typewriter. Her secretary (male) puts the drafts on a word processor. After the day's work, she rides horseback for relaxation.

She has published six novels, two (early) volumes of poetry, a book on writing, and she has written numerous scripts and screenplays for television. At present, she is working on a novel about James and Dolly Madison, set in 1815. She has just finished a movie-of-the-week for NBC called "Selma, Lord, Selma" about the historic civil rights march to Selma, Alabama.

Brown is drawn to historical subjects and characters. Asked about her choice of characters, she answers: "What draws me to characters is what draws me to people. I'm interested in people who are able to change and grow. I find that in very few people. Most people get locked into a pattern of behavior, and they just don't get out of it. They just keep repeating that pattern all through their lives, and wondering why they're not living fulfilled lives."

I'm really interested in people who reach the peak of their careers and keep growing—as artists or as military figures. I read a lot about Stonewall Jackson and A.P. Hill and all those great people who were able to learn in the face of crisis."

Her fascination with the past comes from a deep dissatisfaction with twentieth-century life. In *Rubyfruit Jungle*, Molly, the protagonist, says that people don't have any selves any more.

Did they ever?

"Yes."

When?

"Always. Go back and read the journals from the France of Louis XV, or the plays of Aeschylus or Aristophanes, or some scribblings on a medieval manuscript. Those people knew who they were. And they had work. They may not have liked it, but they could see the results of their work. They were not alienated from their environment the way we are."

Why are we so alienated?

"I live on a farm. I look at the world very differently than somebody living in a condominium in the middle of Atlanta, Georgia. I'm much more tied to natural cycles and the weather defines what I can do and what I can't, when I can plant and when I can't. And when you get away from that, for me, it would be disconnecting. And we have millions of people now that have nothing to do with nature."

Brown is as emphatic and traditional about politics as she is about life and writing. She dismisses the present administration: "It's retro politics. When it's a quarter of two in Atlanta, I can promise you that it's 1930 in Washington, DC. It's just the same old rhetoric. I heard this kind of crap in the 1950s when Eisenhower was running for office."

Asked about the women's movement, she notes how television shaped the public's perception: "The feminist movement was the first

political movement in the history of the world that had a national image before it had a local base. We were the first political movement that was shaped and defined by television. You could see people marching on a Miss America Pageant in Atlanta [on television], but you could not find a women's center in America."

What about the women's movement now? Her answer is in terms of traditional party politics: "Solidify that local base. We literally had to work backwards from the national level to the local. Now we do have local structures.

"But for me, the issue is not feminist politics, or politics for racial equality, or environmental control. It's taking those movements and forging one national agenda. Unless those movements become one movement, they'll be cut down piecemeal. They'll be given crumbs off the table and they'll never make effective change."

What does she see for gays and lesbians? She speaks generally: "I'm tired of the onus being on the oppressed person. A black person has to explain what it means to be black to someone white, assuming that they'd even listen. And this is true for lesbians, and it's true for Hispanics, it's true for anybody that is not white upper-class male. But if you think about it, there's more of us than there are of them. I look forward to the day when those people who are not lesbians, who are not black, want to learn about the lives of other people and stop sitting in judgment."

What is her response to violence? Her books are full of it, graphically described. She comments: "Because I was from the wrong side of the tracks, I had to fight my way to school, and I had to fight my way home. So I'm no stranger to violence. I fought all the time. And it is extraordinarily exciting. Your adrenaline level gets so high that it's an excitement rarely repeated by other events. And until the human animal



Rita Mae Brown

recognizes that it's in all of us, and finds outlets for violence, I don't think we're going to stop killing each other and beating up on each other."

She is remarkably traditional when asked about the frequency with which religion comes up in her books. "I was raised a Lutheran. I'm drenched in the church. I'm drenched in Bach. All Lutherans are drenched in Bach." An unexpected connection—Rita Mae Brown and Garrison Keillor, both Lutherans.

What would the world be like if Rita Mae Brown could run it? She drops the moralizing and wisecracks: "It'd be one big library!"

Rita Mae continues to enjoy writing and to be excited about her new projects: "The one thing I haven't done yet is write a traditional play for the stage. And I want to do that. Even if I fail, I want to do it."

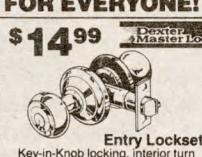
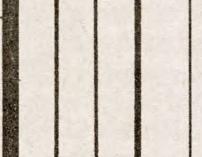
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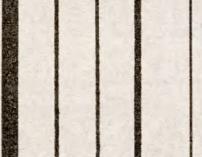
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# GAY IN AMERICA



## Gays Gain Power

*Advances have been steady, although at times it seems little has changed as gays still face a long uphill struggle for respectability*

by John Jacobs

As the only gay mayor in Orange County, Robert Gentry has made extraordinary progress on gay rights from the heart of Reagan country.

He persuaded his colleagues on the Laguna Beach City Council to adopt laws banning discrimination against gays or people who test positive for HIV, and he's working on a domestic-partners ordinance.

But when Gentry's companion of 15 years died of AIDS this year and a photo of both appeared in the *Orange County Register*, Gentry got what looked like a sympathy card in the mail. Someone had clipped out the photo, drawn a red circle around his lover and a line through him and scrawled on the bottom, "One down and one to go."

It was a reminder that even as gay political power has spread across America in ways that would have astonished its pioneers, at times it seems little has changed.

"When you are talking about a sexual identity that is abhorrent to 90 percent of (straight) Americans, that dampens my perception of our gains," said San Francisco lesbian activist Carole Migden, chairwoman of the County Democratic Central Committee. "It matters to have clout at the ballot box, but you always have to watch your back. That doesn't count for me as a lasting achievement."

Countered Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., one of two openly gay members of Congress, "We are making progress faster than we thought, but slower than it should be. ... (Even so), the response of this country on AIDS is much more civilized than I thought it would be five years ago."

Yet, the uproar recently over a Republican National Committee memo insinuating that the new House majority leader, Rep. Tom Foley of Washington, might be gay because his voting record is similar to Frank's gave a glimpse of how much more work is ahead.

Writers of the memo, titled "Tom Foley: Out of the Liberal Closet," assumed that being branded as gay could damage the career of even the most powerful politician. And Democrats, including Frank, were put in the position of denying that their new House leader is gay.

And, one gay activist conceded privately that he fears the incident could drive deeper into the closet gay members of Congress concerned that their voting records might be used to expose them.

Nevertheless, gay Los Angeles political consultant David Mixner maintains that "gay politics is the strongest it has ever been." Mixner cited the 1969 Stonewall Inn riots in New York, the 1977 Anita Bryant Florida crusade against gays and the onslaught of AIDS as three turning points in gay politics.

"Stonewall brought the hard-line people out," he said. "Anita Bryant brought out the young professional doctors and lawyers...and AIDS has done dramatically more than anything I

know of in creating a community."

Despite evidence that gay politics still has a long uphill struggle for respectability, advances have been steady, especially in the Midwest, where gay political efforts have exploded out of the closet in the last six to eight years.

In Chicago, for example, a divided City Council — with some members calling gays "sissies" and "animals" — last September rejected 26-21 a human rights ordinance that would have protected gay men and lesbians in housing and employment.

But with the mayor's race in full swing, the council reversed itself three months later, approving the same ordinance 28-17. Mayor Eugene Sawyer, aware of the importance of the gay vote, "prayed" with some key allies on the council. "But I didn't use the Bible. I used this," Sawyer said after the vote, picking up a copy of the city budget.

Sawyer had discovered what other big-city politicians and champions of gay rights like Mayor Agnos in San Francisco, Kathy Whitmore in Houston and Marion Barry in Washington, D.C., have also learned — that in the words of San Francisco Board of Supervisors President Harry Britt, "along with environmentalists and minorities, we are part of the changing face of urban politics."

"The mayor of Baltimore, for example, will meet with gay officials and talk about the gay agenda," Britt said.

### Signs of progress

Because the one-man, one-vote 1964 Supreme Court ruling shifted political power from rural areas to the cities, where more gays and lesbians live, urban politicians in state legislatures and in Congress have become increasingly responsive to their gay constituencies.

### Other signs of progress:

- Nearly 80 communities now have some form of anti-discrimination ordinance that includes sexual orientation, compared with none 20 years ago, according to the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force, a Washington-based lobbying group.

- Nearly 30 openly gay officials have been elected throughout the nation, including two members of Congress, Frank and Rep. Gerry Studds, both from Massachusetts. Dozens more have been appointed to powerful local or state boards and commissions.

- A sophisticated gay lobby has grown up in Washington, which — coupled with a gay political action committee that contributed more than \$300,000 to members of Congress last year — has access to key politicians and policy-makers.

- No politician who has supported gay rights proposals has suffered at the polls, according to political consultant Mixner.

- The 1988 Democratic National Convention in Atlanta included 98 openly gay delegates or alternates, a 30 percent increase over 1984. Many were energized by the Rev. Jesse Jackson's presidential campaign. Jackson was the first major candidate to explicitly seek the gay vote and the only one who consistently visited AIDS clinics.

"The gay community became a resource for us everywhere we went in the country," said Gerald Austin, Jackson's campaign manager. "One state we had not had as a priority — Minnesota — became one, with (lesbian legislator) Karen Clark as co-chair. We came in a very strong second there. Lavender was one stripe of the rainbow."

Despite these gains, 25 states and the District of Columbia still have sodomy laws that criminalize some gay sex, making it a felony in 15 of those states. Some of these laws are titled "crimes against nature," "sexual psychopaths" and "deviate sexual conduct." Church groups and conservative politicians often team up to fight repeal efforts.

And only one state, Wisconsin, has a gay rights law, adopted in 1982. When a similar bill passed the California Legislature in 1983, Gov. Deukmejian vetoed it.

Nationally, gays still face problems with the military, with immigration officials who routinely prevent them from entering the country and with security-clearance guidelines that bar them from certain jobs. At state and county levels, gays often have major problems in child custody fights and in qualifying as foster parents.

Many gay activists see an absence of effective gay leadership, in part because of the toll of AIDS and in part because of the perceived "cost" of coming out.

Nor do the various gay groups always work together smoothly.

Dr. Bruce Voeller, a pioneer gay leader and research scientist, said gay groups, unlike the black civil rights groups in the 1940s and '50s, haven't agreed on a legal strategy to advance their cause, including which case to pick to push forward to the Supreme Court.

"Too often," he said, "there is a parochialism and turf-war aspect to this that we need to outgrow."

"We are so busy putting out brush fires that we haven't done the long-range planning. We need a 10-year plan and 20-year plan, and we don't have it."

The AIDS epidemic has raised a host of problems involving insurance, death benefits, bereavement leave, hospital visitation rights, confidentiality of test results, and statewide initiative campaigns calling for quarantines or other restrictions aimed at people with AIDS.

The disease has diverted resources from other gay civil rights issues and has forced gays and lesbians to better define how government can help them.

"There was always a notion in the late '70s and early '80s," said Larry Bush, a former journalist for the gay press and now a speech writer and adviser to Mayor Agnos, "that gays wanted nothing more than for mayors to sign gay pride declarations, for government to bless them and say, 'You're OK.'

"Now, we need very concrete things — early release of new anti-AIDS drugs, presumptive disability for Social Security, pro-

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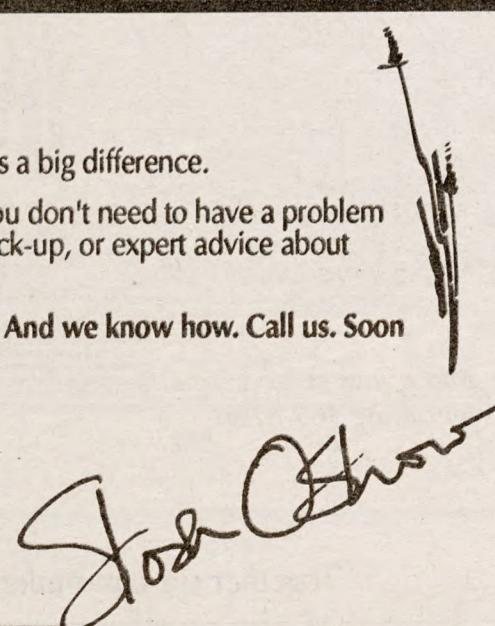
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# GAY IN AMERICA

## A New Gay Activism Emerges

*But some in rights battle say protests alienate potential allies*

by Michael O'Loughlin

Last Jan. 31, Waiyde Palmer was one of 26 activists who sat on the roadway and stopped rush-hour traffic on the Golden Gate Bridge for two hours to call attention to the government's inaction in the AIDS epidemic.

The action angered thousands of motorists and was criticized even by some AIDS and gay rights activists. It also focused national attention on complaints that government agencies are doing too little, too late, to prevent, fight and cure the deadly disease.

Desperate days call for desperate measures, said Palmer, 28, a member of the protest group ACT UP (The AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power). "If you want to make news you have to be aggressive."

And, even if it makes more straight-laced AIDS activists uncomfortable, newsmaking on the streets is crucial to gaining reform in the suites, he and others say.

Last fall, Palmer was one of 1,200 people who blocked the entrances to the Food and Drug Administration in Washington, D.C., to protest the snail's pace at which new drugs are tested and released.

### 'A stronger hand'

Five days later, FDA officials met with AIDS activists to discuss treatment issues. Since then, the FDA has announced plans to expedite the release of new AIDS drugs.

"(They) went in with a stronger hand," said Sue Hyde of the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force, one of the groups at that meeting. "Public expressions of frustration and anger strengthen the positions of our lobbyists."

The activists know that well: "We make a mess and do it colorfully, then politicians can step in and say, 'Hey, there's a prob-

lem here,'" said Michele Roland, 27, a hospital worker who is a member of Stop AIDS Now or Else (SANE), a key group in the bridge action.

For years, gay activists have fought on the streets against homophobic violence and in the courts, city halls and capitols for equal treatment in jobs, housing, immigration, the military and the law.

AIDS refocused their efforts.

"Prior to AIDS, there were many gays attempting to enact civil rights laws, but it was not perceived to be an immediate life-or-death matter," Hyde said. "Along came AIDS, and we saw the government would rather see us dead than tell us how to protect ourselves."

Palmer remembers the pre-AIDS days of the 1970s in his native Cleveland as "a beautiful time to be gay." Then the epidemic killed his lover in 1982. He finally left Cleveland, where "people didn't want to even discuss AIDS," to plunge into the front lines here.

"I don't really see a gay movement today," he said. "It's all been set aside while we've tried to stay alive."

Some activists have responded by learning the inner works of electoral and congressional politics. Others have formed patients' advocacy groups.

Those in groups like ACT UP and SANE have chosen direct action: They have blockaded buildings, chained themselves to doors, clambered on rooftops, zapped politicians and blocked roadways.

### Asking too much?

Traditional activists are often uncomfortable with such tactics:

"I sometimes think some people today are asking too much, too soon," said Hal Call, 72, a founder of the Mattachine

almost exclusively," said Jim Harvey, a black gay activist and potential City Council candidate in Washington.

"I don't think you win political battles by being single-minded. You win by coalescing with other groups. If there is a call for a demonstration or a letter-writing campaign or testimony on nongay issues, the gay community representatives are often not to be found."

"Creating real coalitions," agreed gay Los Angeles attorney Thomas F. Coleman, who has pushed domestic partners legislation there, "means we work on their issues and they work on ours, as opposed to fake coalitions, where...we don't reciprocate."

### Different goals

National gay leader Virginia Apuzzo, New York Gov. Mario Cuomo's top adviser on gay and lesbian issues, agreed.

"If the lesbian and gay community achieved immigration reform, a lesbian and gay federal civil rights bill, an anti-gay violence bill, funding and federal commitment to comprehensively address the problem of HIV infection, even after all those victo-

Society, a pioneer national gay rights group that favored low-key actions. "A lot of these protesters don't realize how good they have it already."

After the bridge action, SANE and ACT UP members were accused of alienating potential allies.

"People want to sit at home and write checks," Roland said. "They don't want to be confronted and told that's not enough."

Some of today's AIDS activists could be said to be holding on to yesterday's habits. Take, for instance, the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, the men dressed as nuns whose outrageous street theater has unnerved many for a decade.

Now, Gil Block, 44, clad in elaborate gowns as Sadie Sadie the Rabbi Lady, holds safe-sex seminars in gay bars around the nation, assailing sexism and racism in and out of the gay community.

While some like this campy spirit, many are critical, saying the Sisters cater to stereotypes and offend more than enlighten. Block shrugs off the criticism.

"The American public is not that stupid to think 25 million gay people go around looking like I do," he said. "I dress this way to draw attention to my causes. I don't walk about looking like this every day. It's a lot of work."

Block says acting exclusively on AIDS issues "is like putting your head in sand and ignoring we live in a complex society."

Whether their focus is only on AIDS or on a range of issues, activists agree that the disease has spurred gays to action.

At the height of pre-AIDS activism in 1978, the first gay march on Washington attracted 100,000 people, Hyde said. Nine years later, the 1987 March on Washington drew five times as many people.

"AIDS has brought out and activated more gays than any single assault on this community," she said. "Absolutely."

ries," said Apuzzo, "would we have ever challenged the system in a fundamental way? I'm not sure the answer is yes.

"Look at the AIDS example. Yes, we need adequate funding, but the larger issue is health care in America. AIDS highlights the gross deficiencies, the discrimination...of the American health system."

However, Barney Frank, the gay congressman, sees it as "left romanticism" to suggest that gay activists should carry the banner for other social causes or disadvantaged groups.

"Most people," said Frank, "get involved in politics to defend their own interests. You hope it will be as broadly defined as possible... But if the assertion is that gays and lesbians have an obligation to be radical social reformers and restructure American society, that's nonsense."

Yet others say that how the gay community has responded to the greatest medical crisis of the 20th century has political implications far beyond "special interests."

"We have created institutions for dealing with the sick and dying," Mixner said, "that are revolutionary and will benefit society for years to come."

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visions for the handicapped to get housing or protection for a lover in a will."

### Future of gay politics

As gay leaders assess their progress and plot their future, some worry whether gay politics will become "just another special-interest group" politics, in Bush's words, or "return to its origins as a social change movement."

Or, at a time when the AIDS crisis has pushed other issues off the table, should white male gay organizations demand every dime possible for AIDS research in Washington, D.C.? But when that conflicts with, say, a strapped city budget and an infant mortality rate higher than some Third World countries, black gays who know most of the babies who die are black tend to get annoyed.

"In the past few years, the gay community has been very narrow in its interests. It tends to be active around gay issues



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PO Box 50374, Atlanta, Ga., 30302. 691-5921 or 297-8815.

ACLU/LG-ACLU/Lesbian & Gay Chapter. 3rd Wednesday of each month. Peachtree Branch Library. 7:30 PM. Working for the civil rights of lesbians and gay men in the metropolitan Atlanta area. 231-5991.

ACT- Atlanta Couples Together. A non-political, non-religious, social organization whose purpose is to support the positive aspects of gay and lesbian relationships. Events and meetings vary. Info: A.C.T. Voice Mailbox, 365-2455, or write PO Box 723291, Atlanta, Ga., 30339.

ACT UP/Atlanta-AIDS Coalition To Unleash Power. Direct action group with the purpose of fighting homophobia, AIDS, sexism and racism. Meetings held every Tuesday at 7:30 PM at 131 Ponce de Leon, Suite 233. 24-hr. info line - 286-6247. Outside Atlanta, call 800-342-7038 ext. 6247.

AFC- Atlanta Faerie Circle. 1st Sunday of each month. Location and time varies. Gay men who gather to support one another and explore their connections with the earth and white light. 622-4112. AGC- Atlanta Gay Center. 876-5372. Operated primarily by volunteers, AGC offers services for lesbians and gay men as well as educational out-reach to society as a whole. AGC Help Line- 892-0661.

AGMC- Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus. A semi-professional community-oriented chorus of male voices. Membership open to all interested singers and non-singers alike. 378-9676.

ALACC- Atlanta Lesbian Agenda Conference Committee. A diverse group of lesbians helping to organize the 1st National Lesbian Agenda Conference to be held in Atlanta in 1990 or 1991. For info call 378-9769.

ALFA- Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance. 2nd Sunday of each month. 6:00 PM. A lesbian feminist organization which welcomes lesbians of all races, religions, political orientation, economic status, occupation and degree of openness. Write PO Box 5502, Atlanta, Ga. 30307 for more info and to request newsletter.

ALGPC- Atlanta Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee. 2nd Tuesday of each month. 7:30 PM. Unitarian Universalist Church. Needs volunteers to coordinate this year's lesbian and gay pride March to insure its success.

AMC- Atlanta March Committee. More Than a Phase. 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. 7:30 PM. North Highland Branch Library. A community based activist organization that works toward promoting lesbian and gay rights through educational, social, cultural, and political events. 377-8312.

AVS- Atlanta Venture Sports. Activities and meetings vary. An association in which the membership enjoys recreational, social, educational, and sports activities. 242-4899.

AID Atlanta- A community-based, non-profit agency providing multiple services to all people with AIDS, their families and friends, and education to everyone regarding the disease and its prevention. 1132 W. Peachtree St. (Entrance 13th Street). 872-0600.

AIDS Info Line-876-9944 (Atlanta); 1-800-551-2728 (State-wide). Answers to questions about AIDS, referrals, etc., by trained volunteers staffing phone lines from 9:00 AM-9:00 PM daily. A public service of AID Atlanta and the Ga. DHR.

Atlanta Business & Professional Guild- A non-profit service organization comprised of both gay/lesbian and non-gay professionals and businesspersons. 2nd Tuesday of each month. Place varies. Membership and further info: 662-4202.

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BWMT- Black and White Men Together. 1st Saturday of each month. 8:00 PM. Location varies. A gay inter-racial organization committed to fostering a supportive environment wherein racial and cultural barriers can be overcome and the goal of human equality realized. 794-BWMT.

Circle of Healing- 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. 4 PM. First Existentialist Church. The Circle is open to anyone in need of healing, be it physical, emotional, or spiritual.

CODA - Codependents Anonymous - Lambda. A 12-step program of recovery from codependency for gays and lesbians. Meetings Tues. & Wed. at 8:00 PM. For info and locations call: 239-1657.

Chrysalis - A women's center providing social, educational and informational programs and services for the community. 2045 Manchester. For info call (404) 881-6300.

Congregation Bet Haverim- Services 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at 8:30 PM. Shabbat Seder, 2nd Friday of each month at 7:30 PM. All Saints Episcopal Church. Proudly serving the lesbian and gay community. Info line: 642-3467.

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Fourth Tuesday- A networking organization for lesbian professionals and entrepreneurs, operating through monthly dinner meetings and a variety of special social, sports and educational events. P. O. Box 7817, Atlanta, GA 30309, 662-4353.

Friends Atlanta- Activities and meetings vary. A social, recreational, and educational group for gays and lesbians. Volleyball, bowling, dinners, theater nights, and dances are among the activities. 662-4501.

Friends of Zoo Atlanta- Support organization for Zoo Atlanta. For info regarding corporate sponsorship, membership, volunteers and adopt-an-animal call (404) 525-9936. Mon.-Fri., 9AM-5PM. GALA- Gay Atheists of America. Meetings social in nature and at members' discretion. To assure freedom of speech; freedom from religion; to defend the separation of church and state; to assist in obtaining civil rights for gays and lesbians, and to offer non-believers an alternate social scene. 875-8877.

GALA- Georgia Tech Gay and Lesbian Alliance. Every Thursday at 7:30 PM. 676-1339 or 352-9213. GALA, Programs Area, GA Tech, Atlanta, GA 30332.

GANG - Greater Atlanta Naturist Group. For gay men who enjoy nude outdoor and social activities. Not a sex club. Nude camping, swimming, parties, etc. several times per month. For info send SASE to: GANG, PO Box 7546, Atlanta, GA 30357.

GAPAC- Greater Atlanta Political Awareness Coalition. Meetings vary. The gay and lesbian political action committee monitoring and acting in the local political scene. 888-0510.

GLPCI- Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition International. 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. 7:30 PM. Unitarian Universalist Church. A support group for lesbian and gay parents. 296-8369.

The Group- Thursday nights. Call the Gay Help Line at 892-0661 or write PO Box 15191, Atlanta, Ga. 30333. A support group for gay and bisexual men who are or who have been involved in marital-type situations with women.

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Human Rights Campaign Fund- (HRCF-Atlanta) The nation's largest Lesbian & Gay political + lobbying organization. P.O. Box 8594, Atlanta, GA 30306. Phone 365-8766.

Integrity- Gay Caucus of the Episcopal Church. 2nd and 4th Friday of each month. 7:30 PM. All Saints Episcopal Church-3rd floor of Ellis Hall. 875-2720.

LAMP - The Living AIDS Memorial Park Project. Second Monday of every month. 7:30PM. N. Highland Branch Library. For info: 874-3107 or 872-7568. Address : LAMP, PO Box 301, 1579 F Monroe Drive, Atlanta, GA, 30324.

LEGAL- Legislate Equality for Gays and Lesbians. The voice of lesbian and gay Georgians in the Democratic party. 286-7476.

LIFE- Lesbians in Fun Endeavors. Meeting times and locations vary. Bringing professional gay women together for the fun of it, giving them the opportunity to make friends and enjoy a wide variety of events. 938-2009.

Lutherans Concerned/South Carolina- A society of gay lesbian and non-gay Christians. All denominations welcome. We work to foster a climate of understanding, justice and reconciliation among all people. 3rd Sunday of each month. 4:00PM. 728 Pickens St., Columbia, SC. Contact PO Box 90537, Columbia, SC, 29290. (803) 732-0838.

MAAS- Metro Atlanta Astrological Society. A networking educational/research organization for both amateur and professional astrologers. Usually meet the fourth Wed. of each month. 622-5661

MACGLO- Metro Atlanta Council of Gay and Lesbian Organizations. 3rd Thursday of each month. 7:00 PM. Peachtree Branch Library. A representative council of lesbian and gay organizations to facilitate the exchange of info. 242-2342.

MCC All Saints-Serving metro Atlanta with positive Christian support for lesbians and gay men. 5:00 PM every Sunday. 575 Boulevard, SE. Office hours: Mon-Thurs. 10AM-Noon, and 1PM-4PM. 622-1154.

NAPWA- Atlanta Chapter of the National Association of People with AIDS. Regular meetings and events. 131 Ponce de Leon, Suite 233. A political, social, and educational organization confronting the AIDS crisis. Membership is open to all individuals with AIDS, ARC or who are HIV positive. 874-7926.

The Names Project/Atlanta- A National AIDS Memorial. Every Wednesday at 6:30PM at All Saints Episcopal Church. Send correspondence to: 375 Georgia Ave., Atlanta, Ga. 30312.

P-FLAG- Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays. 3rd Sunday of each month. 5-7 PM. Unitarian-Universalist Congregation of Atlanta. Committed to help parents learn what we have learned. To help change attitudes and create an environment of understanding, so all gay people can live with dignity and respect. 961-6085 or 296-0830.

PLGC- Presbyterians for Lesbian and Gay Concerns/More Light. 3rd Sunday of each month. Gays and lesbians gather over light foods to celebrate their Presbyterian heritage. 373-5830.

Palmetto Gay/Lesbian Association - A support, education and civil rights organization in S. Carolina. PO Box 10022, Federal Station, Greenville, SC, 29603. 24hr. switchboard(803) 271-4207.

Pride of Peachtree - Atlanta's Lesbian & Gay Marching Band. Every Monday night 7:30PM-9:00PM at First MCC, 800 N. Highland Ave. For info call 434-7826.

Project Open Hand - Prepares and serves meals to PWAs, PWRCs unable to do so themselves. Volunteers needed for organizing, kitchen and delivery. 248-1788.

SESA - The Southeastern Sports Alliance is a fundraising, awareness and organizer for sports and cultural events leading up to Celebration '90 Gay Games & Cultural Festival, Vancouver, British Columbia. 875-0700.

SAME- Southeastern Arts, Media & Education Project, Inc. Utilizes the arts and media as tools for exploration, education, and change in human rights, especially those pertaining to the lesbian and gay community. 584-2104.

Southern Country Atlanta- A social organization which promotes country/western dance and activities. We sponsor country/western dance nights at three locations in Atlanta and occasionally sponsor out-of-town activities. Call 231-0805 for further info.

Speak Out- Provides you, the voter, an opportunity to let your congressional representatives know how you feel concerning AIDS & Civil Rights Matters. P.O. Box 8594, Atlanta, GA 30306, Phone 365-8766.

WOW- Women of Wisdom. Usually every 3rd Monday of each month. 7:30 PM. N. Highland Branch Library. Facilitates women meeting together with other women in a pleasant atmosphere. Offers timely programs of interest to the community, reaches out to older women and women with special needs. 984-9929.

  
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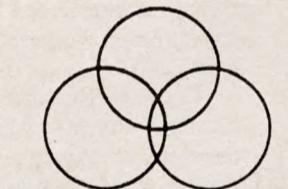
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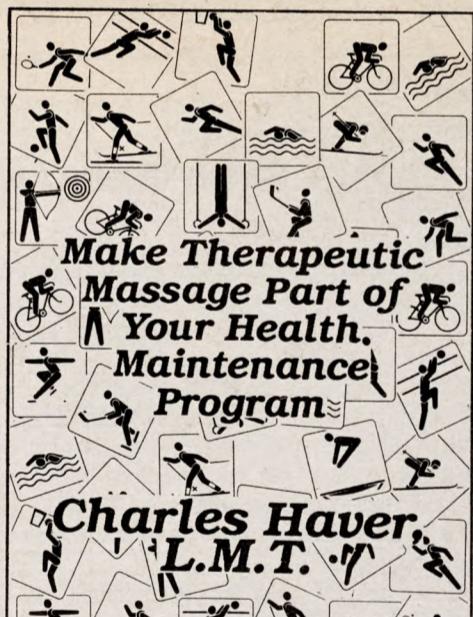
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# Senate Passes Disabilities Discrimination Bill

Vote Comes After Armstrong Excludes 'Homosexuality' 'Bisexuality'

by Cliff O'Neill

**Washington** — Moving the nation one step closer to a national ban on AIDS and HIV discrimination, the U. S. Senate on Sept. 7 approved a historic bill banning discrimination on the basis of disability by a lopsided 76-8 margin.

The bill, the Americans with Disabilities Act (S. 933), would extend to the estimated 43 million Americans with disabilities, including persons with AIDS and HIV infection, the protections of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The bill would ban discrimination on the basis of physical or mental disability in the areas of employment, public accommodations and telecommunication systems in both public and private sectors. A ban on such discrimination in housing was passed last year as part of the Fair Housing Act of 1988.

The only senators voting against the measure were conservative Republican Sens. William Armstrong (R-Colo.), Jesse Helms (R-N.C.), Gordon Humphrey (R-N.H.), Jake Garn (R-Utah), Steven Symms (R-Idaho), James McClure (R-Idaho), Malcom Wallop (R-Wyo.) and Christopher "Kit" Bond (R-Mo.).

"People should be judged on their abilities, not their disabilities," stated Sen. Tom Harkin (D-Iowa), the bill's lead sponsor. Likening the bill to a "20th Century Emancipation Proclamation," Harkin called the bill, "one of the most critical pieces of legislation affecting people with disabilities ever addressed in this nation."

"This bill implements the key provisions of the Presidential Commission on the HIV Epidemic," stated Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass) chair of the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee. "In his report Adm. James Watkins referred to anti-discrimination protections for people with AIDS and HIV as lynch-pin of our ability to control the spread of the virus... Including this population of disabled Americans under this bill's scope is not only

simple justice — it is sound public health policy."

"George Bush stated he wanted a kinder, gentler nation," said Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah), the ranking Republican on the same committee. "If there is a bill that helps accomplish (these goals) it is this bill."

Gay and AIDS activists wasted no time in praising the Senate for passing the landmark discrimination bill.

"This is the centerpiece legislative priority for the entire AIDS and gay/lesbian community," stated Robert Bray, communications director for the Human Rights Campaign Fund. "The fact that it passed by such an overwhelming margin in the Senate proves to us that the time has come, finally, for what we have been fighting for the last six years: anti-discrimination protections for people with AIDS."

"The vote of 76-8 sends a message that discrimination against the disabled, including those with HIV infection, will not be tolerated in the United States," added Peri Jude Radecic, lobbyist for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. "Discrimination will not be tolerated in the United States and the federal government is going to stand behind its law."

During floor debate, Hatch made a reference to expected amendments to exclude certain disabilities from the bill's protections, stating, "The fact of the matter is all of these communities deserve support, regardless of our personal points of view whether we like or dislike various communities where disabilities exist."

Afterwards, Armstrong asked Harkin if a series of conditions — including drug abuse, homosexuality, pedophilia and kleptomania — were covered under the bill's protections of people with mental disabilities.

Although Harkin assured Armstrong that they were not, he later introduced an amendment specifically excluding from the bill "homosexuality, bisexuality, transvestism, pedophilia, transsexualism, exhibitionism, voyeurism, compulsive gambling, kleptomania or pyromania,

gender identity disorders, current psychoactive substance use disorders, current psychoactive substance-induced organic mental disorders... which are not the result of medical treatment or other sexual behavior disorders."

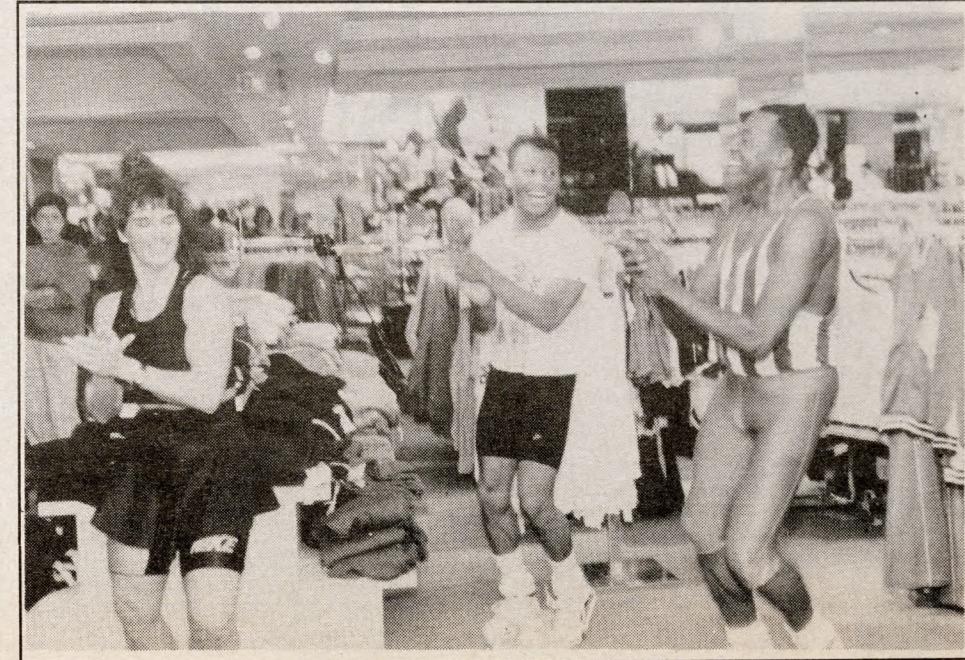
After brief comment from Kennedy that the bill did not cover these groups in the first place, the amendment was passed.

Helms, who it had been feared would introduce an amendment stripping the bill of its AIDS provisions, only introduced an amendment excluding transvestites from the bill. The Helms amendment also passed. The North Carolina Republican successfully attached a

similar amendment to the Fair Housing Act last year.

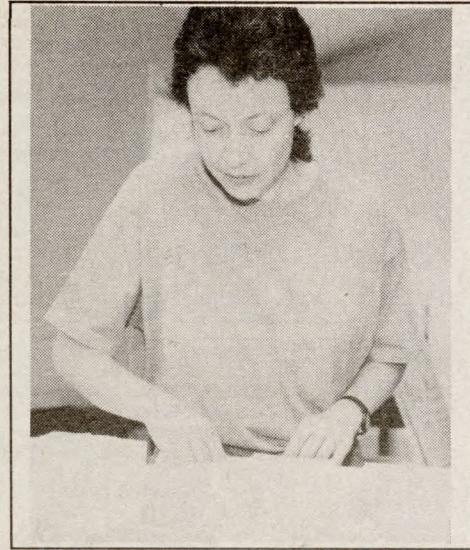
Taking a slightly different tack on the amendments, Radecic stated, "Nobody considers homosexuality and bisexuality a disability. But as far as the other categories are concerned, I think that any time that people are removed from protections, I don't necessarily think that's a good situation. I'm not happy anyone is excluded from protection."

The bill will be making the round of requisite committees in the House through September and is expected to be passed before the fall recess.



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**The Funk Force** — Annie Crawford, Calvin Wiley and Ricky Buford — from Boot Camp Training and Fitness Center — show Lenox Macy's shoppers "how to pump up your funk" in an aerobic demonstration. It was part of the entertainment during "A Cause for Celebration", a benefit shopping day held on Sept. 20. Over 30 organizations ranging from Project Open Hand to Shepherd Spinal Center to the Morehouse School of Medicine will benefit from the shopping day.



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## Chimera Joins Project Open Hand

Chris Chimera has joined Kitchen Manager Steve Woods and the rest of the Project Open Hand staff as Project Manager. She is in charge of daily operations of the organization which provides two daily meals to local PWAs. Her duties include volunteer recruitment and training, equipment maintenance and the search for a new home for the rapidly expanding service group. Ms. Chimera is pleased to be with Project Open Hand, admiring the dedication of the volunteers who see to it that every PWA or PWARC who needs their services receive hot nutritious meals. Although she oversees 260 volunteers, Chimera says that more are needed. To volunteer for meal preparation or delivery, clerical duties or fundraising please call Chris Chimera at 248-1788.

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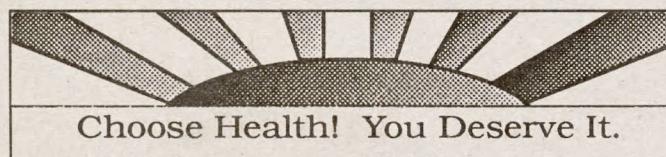
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## Ruling Planets

by Mary Bailey-Rule

September 28 - October 11

Fall officially arrived in Atlanta at 9:20 pm, Friday, September 22, when the Sun moved from Virgo to Libra. Libra is a cardinal air sign ruling the 7th house of personal relationships. It also rules our sense of balance, harmony, and aesthetic values. Happy Birthday, Librans!



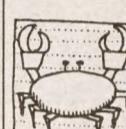
**ARIES** With the Sun in your 7th house of committed relationships, you may find you are more interested than usual in finding the perfect mate or partner.



**TAURUS** Venus and Pluto are active in your 7th house, so be prepared for personal relationships to seem more intense. Be very clear about what you are seeking in others.



**GEMINI** Mercury, your ruling planet, is retrograde in your 4th house until October 3rd, so be very clear and concise in communicating with folks at home or parents.



**CANCER** There is much emphasis on home and parents, so remember to keep your perspective and your wonderful sense of humor. An old friend from the past may appear.



**LEO** Uranus, Saturn, Neptune are now direct in your 6th house so issues involving responsibility or health may arise. Also a good time for outdoor activities and pets.



**VIRGO** With the Sun and Mars in your 2nd house of material resources and values, this is a good time to start investing, buy a better car or improve your real estate.



**LIBRA** Happy Birthday! Enjoy your birthday month with close friends and loved ones. You may be more interested in spiritual growth now, so follow your intuition and hunches.



**SCORPIO** With the Sun and Mars in your 12th house, your dream time may be more active. Keep your feet on the ground, but pay attention to emotions and your intuition.



**SAGITTARIUS** Your 2nd and 8th houses are very active now, so be aware of how you spend your money. You may receive an inheritance or inherit difficulties from others.



**CAPRICORN** It's full steam ahead with personal projects now that Uranus, Saturn and Neptune are moving direct in your 1st house. Obstacles may seem to dissolve.



**AQUARIUS** If you have an urge to travel or go back to school, follow up on it. It will give you a new perspective and possibly assist your career.

**PISCES** You may find an outlet for your creative energy through community activities or working for your favorite cause. Also a good way to meet people of like mind.

*Mary Bailey-Rule is a professional astrologer who specializes in birth chart analysis, relationship charts, and career counseling. For more information or an appointment, call 250-8088.*

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### Dykes to Watch Out For



### bitterSweet

by Charles Haver

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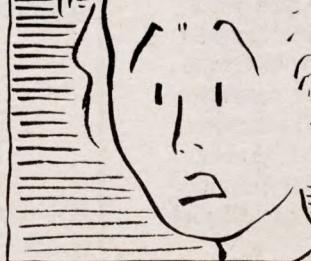
AND WHAT ABOUT AIDS? ARE YOU GOING TO TELL THEM ABOUT AIDS!?! WE MUST BEGIN EDUCATING THEM EARLY-BEFORE THEY GET FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION FROM THEIR PEERS-

AIDS!?! MY CHILD DOESN'T NEED TO KNOW ABOUT AIDS!?! WE'LL ONLY GIVE THEM INFORMATION THAT'S APPROPRIATE FOR THEIR AGE LEVEL-

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I JUST DON'T KNOW! I THINK MY SON KNOWS EVERYTHING A BOY HIS AGE NEEDS TO KNOW ABOUT SEX...

UH-OH... WHAT'S THIS?



## FILM

**"Sea of Love" and "Cookie"**

by Terry Francis

The question raised by "Sea of Love" is whether or not Ellen Barkin is a psychopathic man-killer named Helen or simply an upscale shoe store manager who carries a gun in her purse and sleeps around.

That's a crude reduction of what this film is basically about, but "Sea of Love" barely dips below the surface of the psycho-killer genre and it barely has time for the emotional complexity of its secondary characters.

Yet "Sea of Love" is genuinely entertaining. Probably this is because the script concentrates on the end-of-the-road, burned-out sexual allure of its lead characters, Barkin, and Al Pacino as Detective Frank Keller, who's been assigned to investigate a series of murders which Barkin may have committed.

Pacino's Keller resembles the shattered, drunken actress portrayed so beautifully by Jane Fonda in "The Morning After." He's hanging onto the cliff face by his shaking hands, poised for a descent into chronic alcoholism. And emotionally there is nothing going on in his life, no connec-



Barkin and Pacino in "Sea of Love"

tions we can see to other people or any interests beyond his work, to sustain him.

In the squalor of an apartment whose zoned-out furnishings reflect his mind in all its distress, he drinks alone till his brain shuts down, knocked-out by booze.

When Helen enters his life, both Detective Keller and the audience recognize in his wary cop's eyes some glimmers of the pleasures he's shut himself off from. Emotionally and sexually, he understands

that he is edging toward his last chance for a life above bitterness and drink.

Added to Keller's personal terror of perhaps hoping for too much only to be disappointed once again, Helen is possibly the killer he's trailing who forces her victims to simulate a sex act before pulling a trigger at the backs of their heads.

Don't look for any depth or logic in "Sea of Love." In its own way, the movie represents the jaded impulses of Hollywood's movies-as-nothing-but-product mentality as deeply as Detective Keller's cynicism.

But "Sea of Love" takes some pleasure in the purple scent of its own atmosphere of pervasive rot, in its characters' willingness to bet their souls on a last chance for love, and in its flagrant belief that sex abstracted from personality, or personal regard for one's partner, can never-the-less form a basis for love.

Al Pacino has a rough-hewn patina as Keller, and the splendid Ellen Barkin is back on track (after dreadful work in "Siesta" and "The Big Easy") as the ambiguous Helen. Always superficial, "Sea of Love" still renders the sex-charged desolation of its characters' lives with seedy elegance and more than a trace of wit.

Dianne Wiest has often been the proudest boast a movie could make for itself, and the new Susan Seidelman picture "Cookie" hasn't much to recommend it apart from Wiest's performance.

"Cookie" is a comedy about a moody father-daughter team who try to outmaneuver both the mob and the police, and stars Peter Falk and a miscast Emily Lloyd ("Wish You Were Here").

But it's Wiest who stands out. She figuratively reaches into her store of talents and offers to the audience handfuls of rare, glittering moments of originality distinctive to her character.

Her work in the recent "Parenthood," a negligible pile of clichés, kept me seated for the nearly two-thirds of that movie I was able to last. "Cookie" is better than that, but Wiest is still out there alone, waiting for material equal to her talents.

In the little seen but penetrating "Independence Day," a film about women summoning the courage to take control of their own lives against even the greatest odds, Wiest, in a supporting role behind the superb Kathleen Quinlan, gives one of the central performances of the decade. I hope readers will seek out this remarkable film on their next visit to their local video store.

## STAGE

**Heartstrings: A Winning Package**

by Cleve Seay

Heartstrings kicked off its 26-city tour on Sept. 17 at the Fox Theatre to nearly 5000 patrons (mostly gay men). The long line wrapped around Peachtree Street and delayed the opening by a few minutes. The scheduled narrator for the show somehow got lost in the shuffle and the job fell to David Sheppard, producer of the show, who bravely faced the large crowd. And bravery and courage are the hallmark of Heartstring's amazing climb up the ladder of public acceptance, approval and big corporate sponsorship.

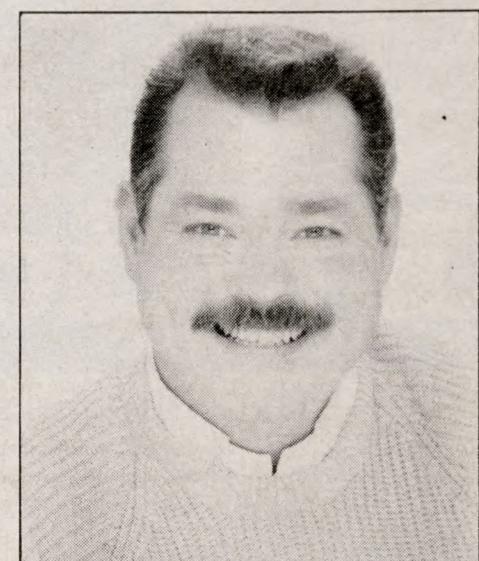
Sheppard conceived the idea for Heartstrings in 1986 as Atlanta's first major AIDS fundraiser. He succeeded in uniting the city with seven corporate sponsors who followed after an anonymous donor kicked in a personal \$60,000 to "get the ball rolling." Heartstrings raised net proceeds of \$130,000 the first year. Following on the heels of that success, Heartstrings: The Revival in 1987 attracted 88 corporate sponsors, broke all attendance records at the Fox and doubled the previous year's proceeds for a single evening performance of \$266,000.

This year, with the support of even more sponsors such as The Prudential Foundation, Continental Airlines and Southwestern Bell Corporation, Heartstrings will embark on the most ambitious nationwide fundraiser to date.

From Sept. 17 through March 26 Heartstrings will hit 26 cities including Miami, San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York and Houston. The Heartstrings core cast consists of 34 members from 7 states and 19 cities. When the curtain closes in 1990, nearly one million people will have seen Heartstrings.

What those million will see is a powerhouse big budget Broadway-type production that showcases some of Atlanta's best talent. Heartstrings will draw from other local talent from each city it tours and will reflect that community's talent.

The production itself tells the story of a mythical town and the history and development of AIDS in it. This narration strings together popular and memorable songs delivered by big booming voices that would rival any stage. In the Atlanta production, Sam Baker brought the crowd to its feet with comedy, incredible singing and a passion for performing. The musical numbers are mov-



Atlanta powerhouse performer Sam Baker steals the show again in "Heartstrings"

ing, and sometimes humorous such as the Trojan Horse medley which encourages the use of condoms. The most poignant moment comes when the entire stage is draped with a section of the NAMES Project Quilt.

No doubt, Heartstrings is enormously entertaining and the message emotionally engages all kinds of people. It also attempts to educate and dispel myths about AIDS. It has united the corporate structure, already raised half a million dollars in Atlanta alone and expects to raise five million dollars nationwide. It is a remarkable accomplishment in a time when violence against gays is at an all-time high.

The success of Heartstrings, of course, stems from its packaging which strays from gay themes and gay politics. The production itself and the spokespersons look very "straight". This is indicative of the trend of AIDS support groups across the country. The face of AIDS is changing and the people who work and volunteer are also changing. It seems that gay people have to a great degree burned out in AIDS work over the past eight years or so. The gay community's resources have also been tapped heavily, and the torch has been passed to those who have a greater level of acceptance with the general public and greater access to necessary big corporate funding. Heartstrings represents the passing of that torch. It takes the fear out of the disease. It raises consciousness and much needed money. It manages itself well and it is as American as apple pie. And who can argue with that?

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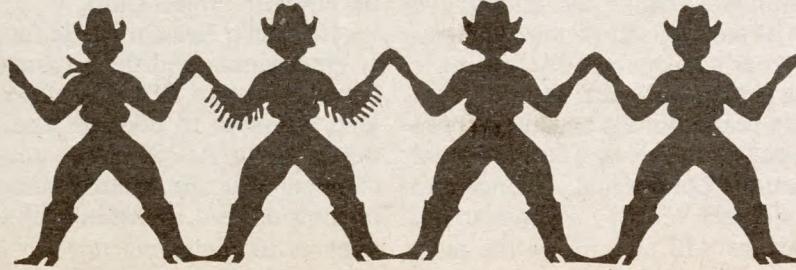
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LIPSTIX—Female impersonation in Atlanta. Miss Georgia World, Wed., Sept. 27; Mon. night madness w/Tina DeVore & the Diamond Girls, Mon. Oct. 2; Talent Show Wed. Oct. 4; Mon. Night Madness w/Charlie Brown, Tashia Wallace & Buela Lamont Mon. Oct. 9. 2329 Cheshire Br. Rd. 633-0452. Reservations suggested.

## Benefits

CAR WASH. Sat., Sept. 30. Sponsored by All Saints MCC to benefit the building fund. \$4, advance; \$5, on site. 9AM-5PM. Toolulah's of Buckhead (on Piedmont between East Paces Ferry & Pharr Road). 622-1154.

## Festivals

OLDE ENGLISH FESTIVAL. Fri., Sept. 29-Sun., Oct. 1. Includes an antique show this year, offering dolls, sterling, jewelry, glass, wicker, paintings and Victorian accessories. Hours: 6-10PM, Fri.; 11AM-10PM, Sat., & Noon-5PM, Sun. \$4 for all 3 days. Partial proceeds to Jerusalem House, a residence for homeless folks with AIDS. Call 634-3336.

FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL. Mon., Oct. 2 thru Sat., Oct. 8. The 10th annual blowout celebrating Atlanta's folk traditions, transporting participants back in time to an 1840's Piedmont Georgia Farm. Special tours of the Tullie Smith House, log cabin and gardens will be provided. \$3-\$5. Mon.-Sat., 9AM-4PM; Sun., Noon-4PM. Call 261-1837 for more.

SOUTHEASTERN INDIAN CULTURAL FESTIVAL. Upcoming! Prepare now to attend the second annual gathering, celebrating the lifestyle and arts of Native Americans with dance, drumming, demonstrations and food. To be held in Cartersville, Georgia. Call (404) 386-0576 for details.

## Film

QUILOMBO! Sat., Oct. 7. A lyrical Latin American film which tells the story of a mystical city in the jungle, founded by slaves. 8PM. High Museum of Art, Rich Auditorium, 1280 Peachtree Street. Ticket prices vary.

## Literature

JAN BRETT. Thurs., Oct. 5. Celebrated children's author and illustrator, signing copies of *The Mitten: A Ukrainian Folktale*. 3:30-5:30PM. Oxford Book Store, 2345 Peachtree Road. 262-3333.

## Meetings

CHRYSALIS WOMEN'S CENTER provides professionally led support group for lesbians every Friday night from 7PM til 8:30PM. Call 881-6300 for directions and information.

FIRST MCC AIDS MINISTRY committee meeting every Sunday at 12:30PM. First MCC, 800 North Highland Avenue. Call 872-2246 for more information.

P.O.O.H. (Positive Outlook on HIV+) Thurs., Sept. 28. 8PM. 952 Myrtle Street, Apt. 4. For more information, call Tim Mills at 874-6102.

ROSH HASHANAH. Fri., Sept. 29 & Sat., Sept. 30. Congregation Bet Haverim, Atlanta's Reconstructionist lesbian/gay Synagogue, announces the worship for 5750 (their time!). 8PM, Fri.; 10AM, Sat. Held at All Saints Episcopal Church, Ellis Hall, 634 West Peachtree Street. (Note: Tickets are required!) For more, call 642-3467.

POSITIVELY LIVING. Mon., Oct 2. An AIDS support group, drawing from positive approaches by Louise Hay, Bernie Siegel, and others who are teachers/students of response to HIV. 7:30-9:30PM. NAPWA office, 131 Ponce de Leon Avenue. Donations, \$5, \$10. Call 874-7926.

## Metaphysical

A SHAMANIC INITIATION. Sat., Sept 30 & Sun., Oct. 1. Author Lynn Andrews leads this weekend seminar with special Shamanic music and ceremony to enhance the transformation. \$325. Call (213) 451-1314 for more information.

SHIELD MAKING. A year long process of ceremony for women. Join hundreds of women throughout the county as they create their own personal medicine shields. With Amy Lee, Seneca Medicine Woman. Call Dawn at 876-4864.

## Music

SIMPLY RED. Thurs., Sept. 28. These popular songsters are highly recommended! What a great way to kick off the weekend. Center Stage. 8:30PM. 1374 West Peachtree Street. \$17.50.

FINE YOUNG CANNIBALS. Thurs., Sept. 28. More fine music from more media darlings. Atlanta Civic Center. 7:30PM. \$17.50 all seats reserved. Available at all S.E.A.T.S. outlets.

LUCIE BLUE TREMBLAY. Sat., Sept. 30. Celebrating her new album *Tendresse*. \$12.50, advance; \$15, door. Wheelchair accessible. U.U.C.A. on Cliff Valley Way. 8PM. (800) 444-3821 for more info.

LARRY T. AND La Palace de Beaute. Fri., Sept. 29 & Sat., Sept. 30. Color Box, 1040 North Highland Avenue. 874-3082.



Simply Red appears at Center Stage on Thursday, Sept. 28. 8:30PM. \$17.50. 873-2500.

# September 28 - October 11



**Quilombo!** This lyrical Latin American film tells the story of a mystical city in the Brazilian jungle. One show only - Saturday, Oct. 7. Rich Auditorium, High Museum of Art. 8:00PM. 881-0452.

**TAPESTRY.** Sun., Oct. 1. The Tower Lounge, 735 Ralph McGill Blvd. 9PM. \$3. 688-5463.

**HOLLY NEAR.** Wed., Oct. 4. Singer and political activist Near brings the "Sky Dances" tour to Atlanta. The show will be sign-interpreted. With John Buccino. Sponsored by Windstorm Productions. \$12, advance; \$14, door. The Buckhead Roxy, 3110 Roswell Road. 8PM. 874-2232.

**MELANIE HAMMETT.** Wed., Oct. 4. Atlanta's own home-grown. 7 Stages Backdoor Theatre. 8 PM, \$5.

## Radio

All of the following programs are heard on Radio Free Georgia-WRFG-89.3 FM. Check them out!

**EXPRESSIONS:** Tues., 9-11 PM. The best of all possible worlds. Exploring the known & unknown giants of jazz w/John Settles.

**THE GOOD EARTH:** Tues., 1PM-1AM. New Wave and Alternative Music w/Eric Price.

**SOUNDINGS:** Thurs., 1-2 PM. Topical music and talk with socially concerned artists, hosted by Franklin Abbott and Lanier Clance.

**STILL AIN'T SATISFIED:** Thurs., 5:05-7 PM. Music and Public Affairs from a Heretic Woman's view. *This Way Out*, the Lesbian and Gay Radio News, at 6 PM.

**MUSIC FROM INDIA:** Fri., 7:30 PM. Our 12th year on WRFG. A blend of contemporary and traditional music from the Indian subcontinent w/Manorma Pandit & Raj Chawla.

**IMPROVISATION:** Fri., 1-6 AM (really Saturday morning). W/Van Mins alternating w/Abdul Malik El-Amin. Straight-ahead jazz and information to start your weekend off right.

**THE SEEKER:** Sat., 5-8 PM. Music and information which preserves, promotes and advances the true history and culture of African-American people. Coltrane, Marley, Nina Simone, Fela, Martin Luther King, Malcolm X, book and film reviews, interviews, news, poetry readings and much more. Hosted by W.S. Thweme.

**SPEED LIMIT 70:** Sat., 1-6 AM (really Sunday morning). Music for beatniks, freaks and weirdos from the late, great, nifty 1950's on up through the high '60's and beyond! With Monty Garrette, the musical madman from Macon! And Bogeyman Foos.

**GAY GRAFFITI:** Sun., 8-9 PM. Good music and good talk by and about Atlanta's lesbian/gay community.

**LES CHANTEUSES AFRICAINES:** Mon., 1-6 AM. A unique radio exclusive! Featuring musical & literary voices of black women. Strong ethnic/lesbian flavour. Alicia Banks hosts.

## Theatre

**TEXAS TWO-STEPPING WITH THE GIRLS.** Thurs., Sept. 28-Sun., Oct. 1 and Thurs., Oct. 5-Sun., Oct. 8. A rowdy stomp and swing with the lesbians! A SAME production. Seven Stages Backdoor Theatre. \$10. Thurs-Sat. at 8PM, Sundays at 5PM. Opening night you get two tickets for \$10. 523-7647.

**LIGHT UP THE SKY.** Thur., Sept. 28-Oct. 15. Moss Hart's classic 1948 comedy about an idealistic young playwright and the seasoned theatre veterans who produce and perform his play about the end of the world. Directed by Chris Coleman, produced by Harold Leaver. \$12. Thurs.-Sat., 8PM; Sun., 2PM. The Actor's

Express, 280 Elizabeth Street (in Little 5 Points, at the corner of Highland and Elizabeth). Call 221-0831.

**THE BOYS NEXT DOOR.** Thurs., Sept. 28 thru Sat., Sept. 30. (Sun. matinees 17th and 24th). This frequently comedic but sensitive off-Broadway hit explores how a group of affable mentally handicapped men cope with romance, careers, and life's little joys. Theatre in the Square, 11 Whitlock Avenue, Marietta. Call 422-8369 for more.

**SOUTHERN CROSS.** Thurs., Sept 28 thru Oct. 28. Covers 100 years of Southern history from Sherman's March to the Sea to the life of Elvis Presley, the King! Tues.-Sat., 8 p.m.; Sun., 7:30 p.m.; Sat. & Sun. matinees @ 2:30 p.m. \$13-28. Alliance Theatre, Woodruff Arts Center, 1280 Peachtree Street. Call 898-1137 for more.

**OEDIPUS REX.** Thurs., Sept. 28 thru Oct. 21. Adapted from Sophocles by Eddie Levi Lee, Rebecca Wackler, & Phillip DePoy. Directed by Lee. \$10-15, \$5.00 for senior citizens. 8 PM; Sun. matinees @ 3 p.m. Theatrical Outfit, 1012 Peachtree Street. Call 872-0665.

**THE CRUCIBLE.** Thurs., Sept. 28 thru Oct. 15. Arthur Miller's classic play about the Salem witchcraft hysteria. When it opened in 1953, many saw a parallel between Salem and the McCarthy Red-hunts. Academy Theatre, 14th and Juniper Sts. Call 873-2518 for ticket and time information.

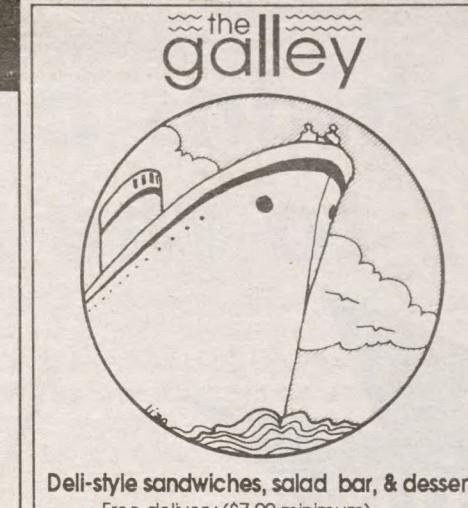


Melanie Hammett, aka Hammet, known for her humor as well as her music, performs on Wednesday, Oct. 4 at 7 Stages Backdoor Theatre, 1105 Euclid in beautiful downtown Little 5 Points. 8 PM.

## Video

**IMAGE FILM/VIDEO CENTER.** Thurs., Oct. 5. Classics by Alain Resnais. "Night and Fog" and "Hiroshima, Mon Amour". 8PM. 75 Bennett Street, Room M-1. 352-4225.

**A MAN'S WOMAN.** Fri., Oct. 6. A pungent, sexual satire that is also an ambitious and serious examination of feminism and its discontents thru the view of a fictitious, right-wing, anti-fem ideology named Colvis Kingsley. A cutting and often hilarious examination of women's issues by Laura Kipnis. 8PM. High Museum of Art, Rich Auditorium, 1280 Peachtree Street. \$2-\$3. Call 352-4225 for more.



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□ The Helms amendment—based on bigotry, ignorance and fear—could actually encourage the anti-gay violence the bill's trying to stop. The Helms "hate crime" is an unprecedented assault on American diversity and pluralism.

□ He's counting on the fair-minded majority across the country not learning of or not speaking out against his amendment. Most of all Jesse Helms is counting on your silence!

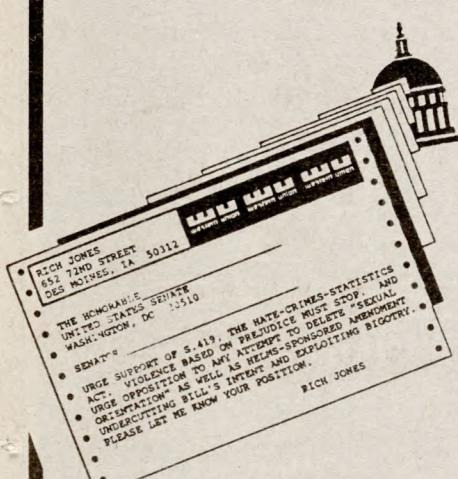
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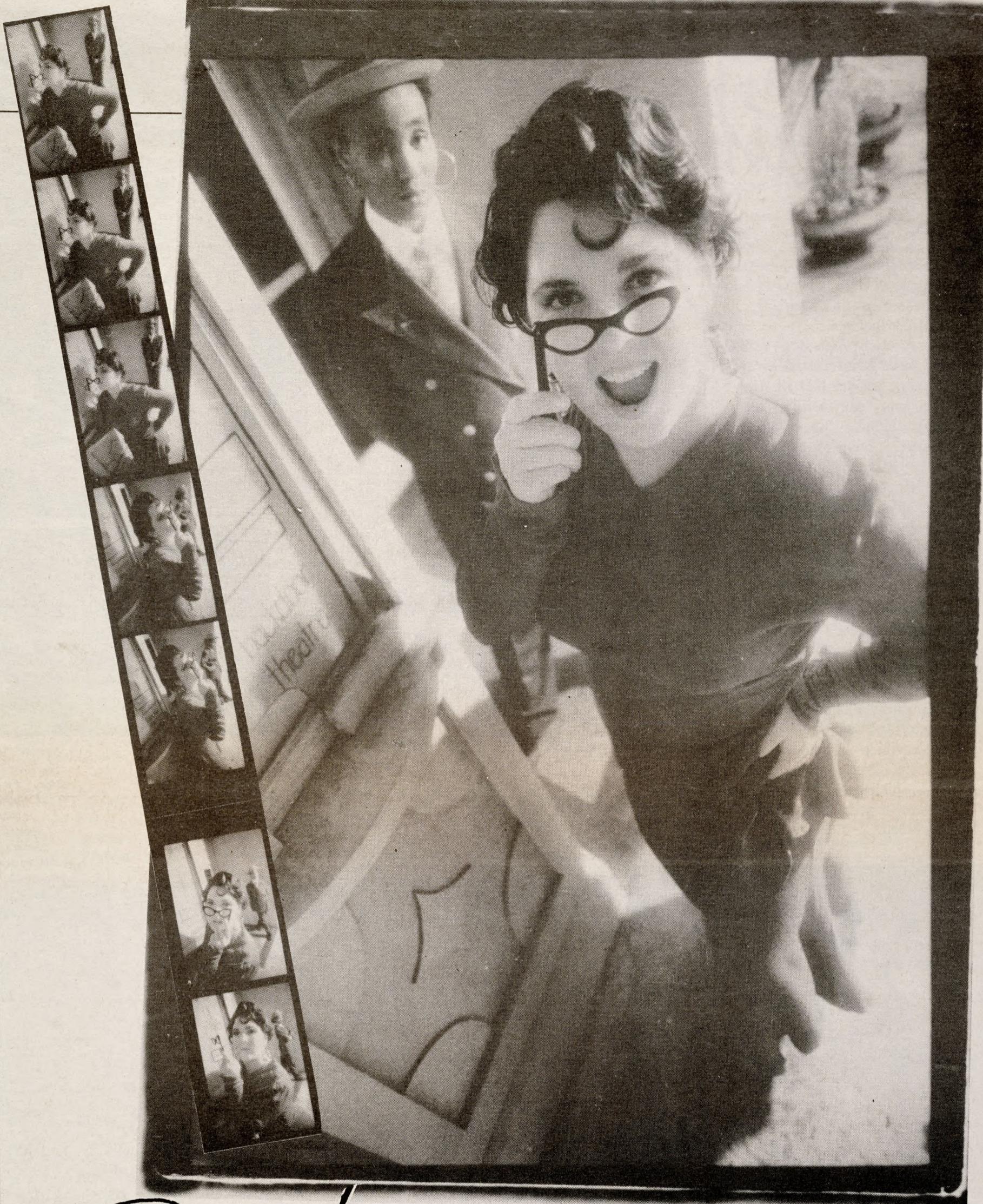


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The Action Hotlines are sponsored by the Human Rights Campaign Fund. To take additional steps to help defeat Helms amendments or secure general info, contact the Field Division, HRCF, P.O. Box 1723, Washington, D.C. 20013 or call (202) 628-4161.

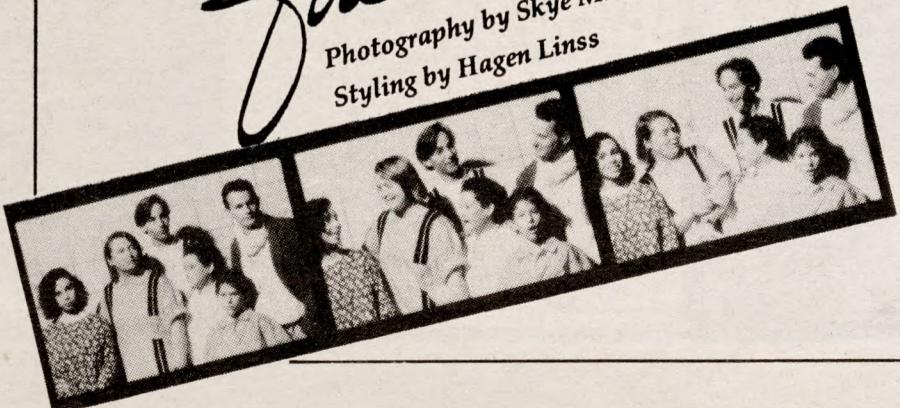
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# Outrageous! Fashion

Photography by Skye Mason,  
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Looking for Atlanta winter wearables that are sassy, new and original is almost as much fun as wearing them when you travel to Little Five Points and Rio to shop. From the golden frogs and bright colors of midtown's newest shopping complex, Rio, to the on-the-cutting-edge atmosphere of gritty Little Five Points, this city's shoppers have a variety of choices when it comes to outfitting for work and play.

So if you're tired of having a fashion agenda dictated by ad agencies and know-it-all retail writers who aren't in touch with you—then read on. Presenting real people wearing real clothes that fit their lifestyle is a priority with *Southern Voice* this feature.

We will bring you another view of  
*Outrageous Fashion*  
this spring.

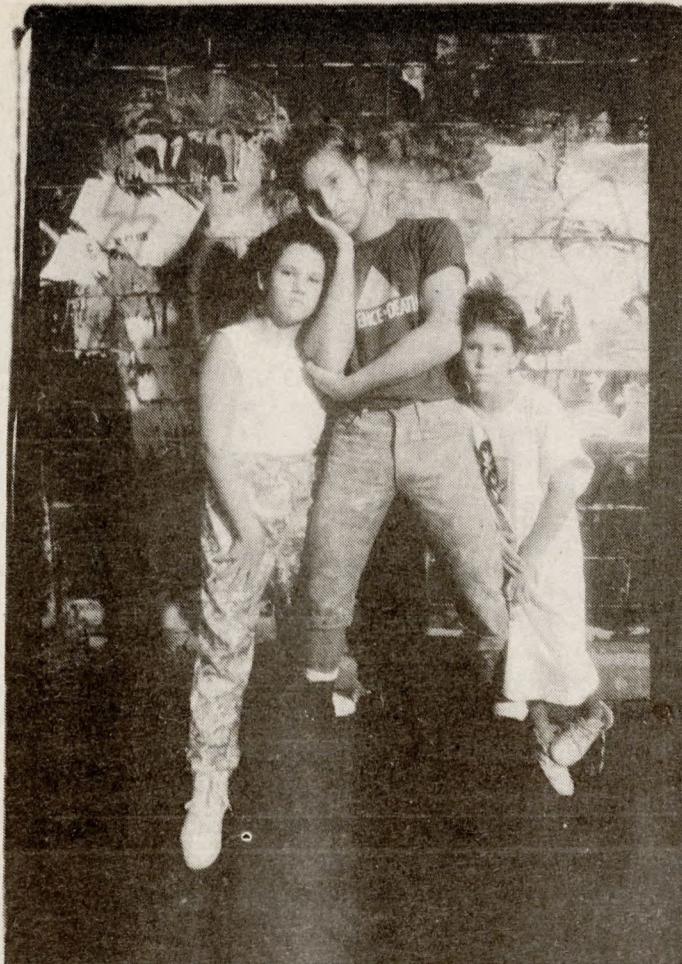
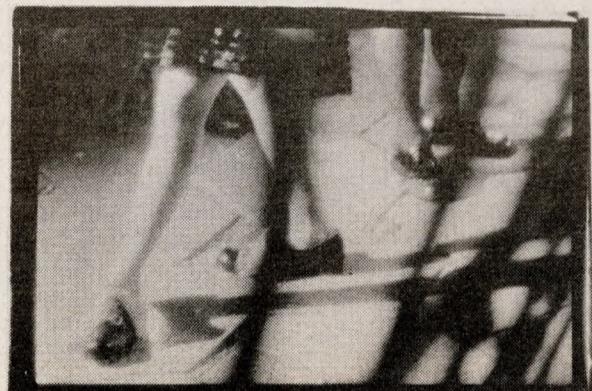
# Outrageous! Fashion!

Known for its great shoes, Abbadabba's actually has quite a range of clothing, jewelry and accessories in addition to fantastic footwear.

"A lot of people don't realize we have handcrafted award-winning jewelry that we carry," said Janice Abernethy, owner of Abbadabba's. "Shoes are our main business... with Birkenstocks our leading line, but we carry clothes, belt, socks."

One of Abbadabba's featured designers is *Betsy Johnson*, whose clothes are always unpredictable and fun. Besides the excellent selection of imported shoes (probably the collection in Atlanta), the store carries shoe style created exclusively for Abbadabba's.

In clothes and shoes, Ms. Abernethy recommends black winter and said she felt it is a color which will carry on into the '90s. "It's the strongest color and black is safe to buy because it's easy to accessorize," she noted.



Sadie, Joey and Tascha (above) chum up on the back wall of Little Five Points. Carmen (right) shows out in a woven ensemble from Gear. Graffiti and Valiant courtesy of local color.

From "Caligula character" pants to Vampirella T-shirts, Gear Clothing Company runs the gamut in fun fashion.

"Most of our clothes are unisex, genderless... the wave of the future and pretty much past due," said Patti Lichter, owner of Gear.

Known for its great deals, European military surplus and good quality, Gear carries jewelry, watches, hats, purses, belts, German jack-boots and more. The store has a New York feel to it and Ms. Lichter chooses merchandise to help maintain that ambiance.

"I manage to choose things that keep it going as a business, but have stuff that I personally like," said Ms. Lichter, who travels to New York to purchase many of Gear's items.

According to her, TV and movie "shlock" T-shirts, religious icon shirts and used jeans are big in New York right now and are featured at Gear.

Night life in Little Five Points brings Angel and Jessi out in *Betsy Johnson* wear from Abbadabba's. Robin and Mo shine on Seminole Square—Check out those Euro-style shoes!



*Angel's got Robin  
out moved in the  
L5P dress-up chess  
tourne. Right,  
Carmen and Mo  
take a quiet moment  
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Fashions from  
Stefan's keep them  
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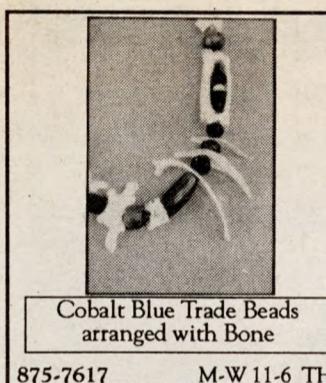
One of the finest vintage clothing  
shops around, Stefan's features  
fashions with more than enough style  
for any era.

"We carry the look of today not too far removed from yesterday," said Sonya Scott, associate and buyer for Stefan's.

"Our style punctuates and emulates a person's style. We're interested in finding the right look for each individual. We're all aware of the current fashion trends, and we work within them to bring vintage into an individual's style." An exquisite array of cufflinks, ties, hats, dresswear, gowns, hats and accessories help customers find a look that's right for them. Fine fabrics and manufacturing from years past have a history that's apparent throughout the

"Our clothes have a history...  
They've been worn by anyone from a  
band pianist to riverboat  
ers," noted Ms. Scott. "Silk ties,  
gloves and hats that are  
designed is what we offer... and  
signers are and unisex  
alternative, just like they  
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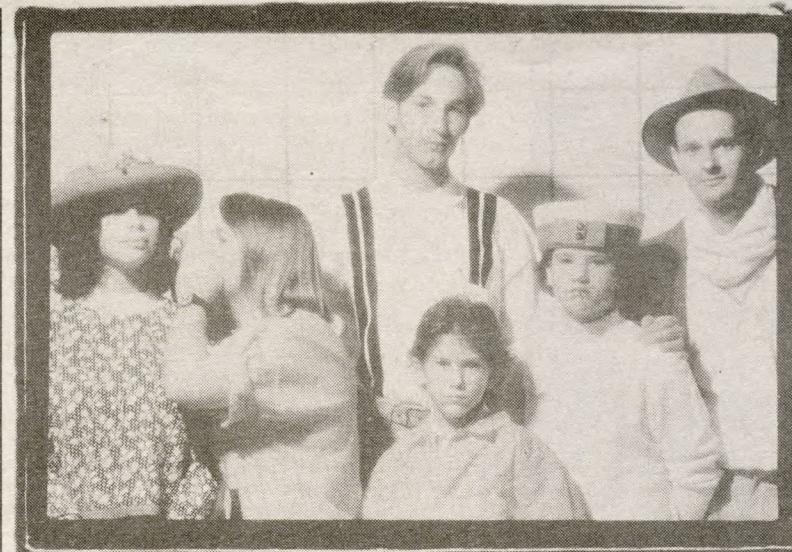
Casual cotton clothing with simple sizing and coordinating colors is the focus at Chico's.

"Everything is designed around related separates and matching colors," said Sherry Frease, manager of Chico's. "Pre-washed, pre-shrunk all-cotton clothing is what Chico's is all about."

Started in Sanibel, Fla., this store is new to the Atlanta area. Cotton clothing which is comfortable and allows for layering and wardrobe building is featured, according to Ms. Frease. Accessorizing easily matched, simple clothing designed to be unisex - from sweatshirts and pants, to khakis and sweaters - Chico's provides a wide range of styles.

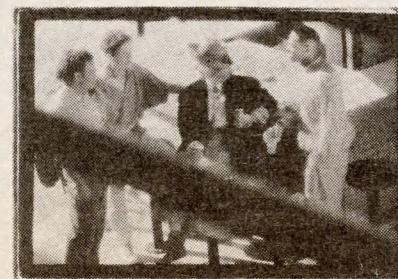
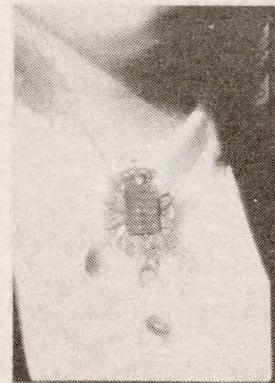
Chic, affordable *Italian sportswear* is what Benetton is all about.

"Casual and creative, Benetton is Italian sportswear for the energetic and young at heart," said Pam Williams, manager of the Rio store. Clothing for adults and kids, along with belts, socks, watches, fragrance and jackets are presented with Italian flair featuring quality material and manufacturing.



*Up against the wall at Rio, Angel, Kalan, Jesse-Bud, Robin, Sadie and Tascha act-out Benetton. Not an Italian among 'em.*

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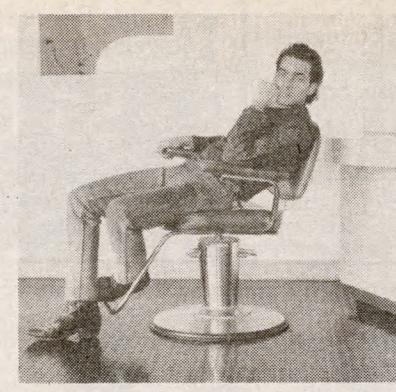
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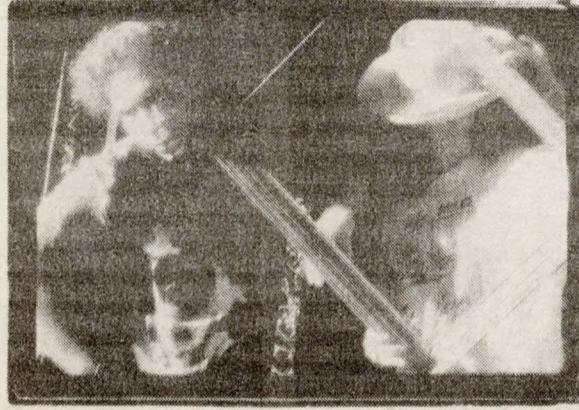
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Jesse-Bud and Carmen fit the frame in Art T's by The Gallery of Wearable Art. Antoine and Maria, the Salvadorian siblings, master the art of re-pose.

Another newcomer to Atlanta, The Gallery of Wearable Art has a great collection of T-shirts unique not only for their design but for the way they are presented and their quality.

If investing in a piece of wearable art seems like a fun concept - in this day and age where all sorts of concepts are promoted on T-shirts - then your time has come. Why not Art?

Customer-oriented and experienced in the Atlanta gay market, menswear is featured at The Boy Next Door.

"Clothing for an attitude, not an age" is like our motto," said John Sullivan, owner of the Boy Next Door. "Our lifestyles are not the same as our parents'... we're more young at heart."

Gym clothes, party clothes, sunglasses, T-shirts and swimwear can be found year around along with currents styles and accessories. According to Sullivan, fabrics and fabric content is just as important nowadays as the actual style of clothing. "For instance, rayon is selling well now because it looks great on everyone and can be dressy or casual," he explained.

Southern Voice would like to thank all of the people who participated in Outrageous Fashion - all of the models, the folks from Montage Studios, the store owners, managers and clerks, the graffiti artist at LSP and the golden toads at Rio ..... Thank you.



Jesse-Bud-The Boy Next Door- on the parquet walkway at Rio. Brother Bud, you're a star.



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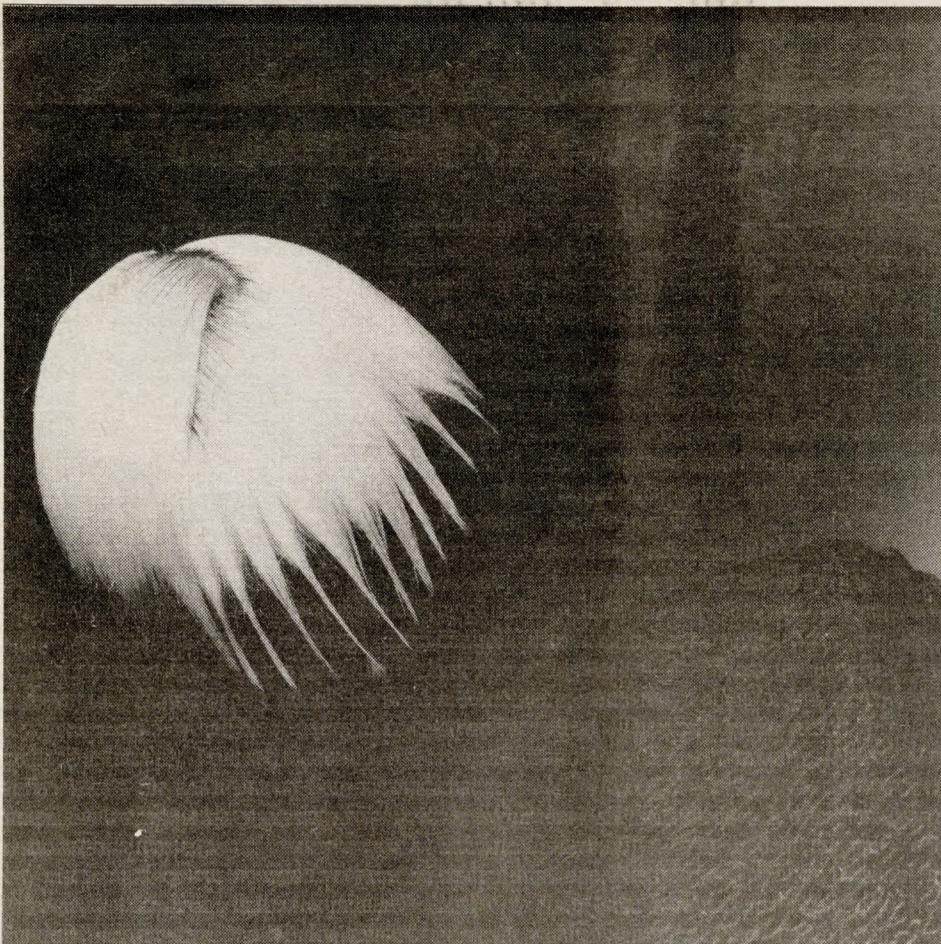


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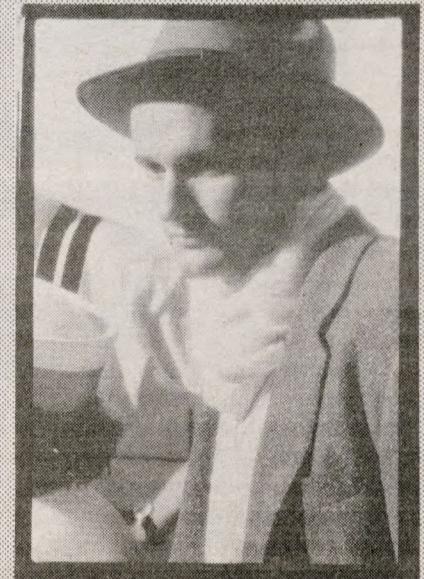
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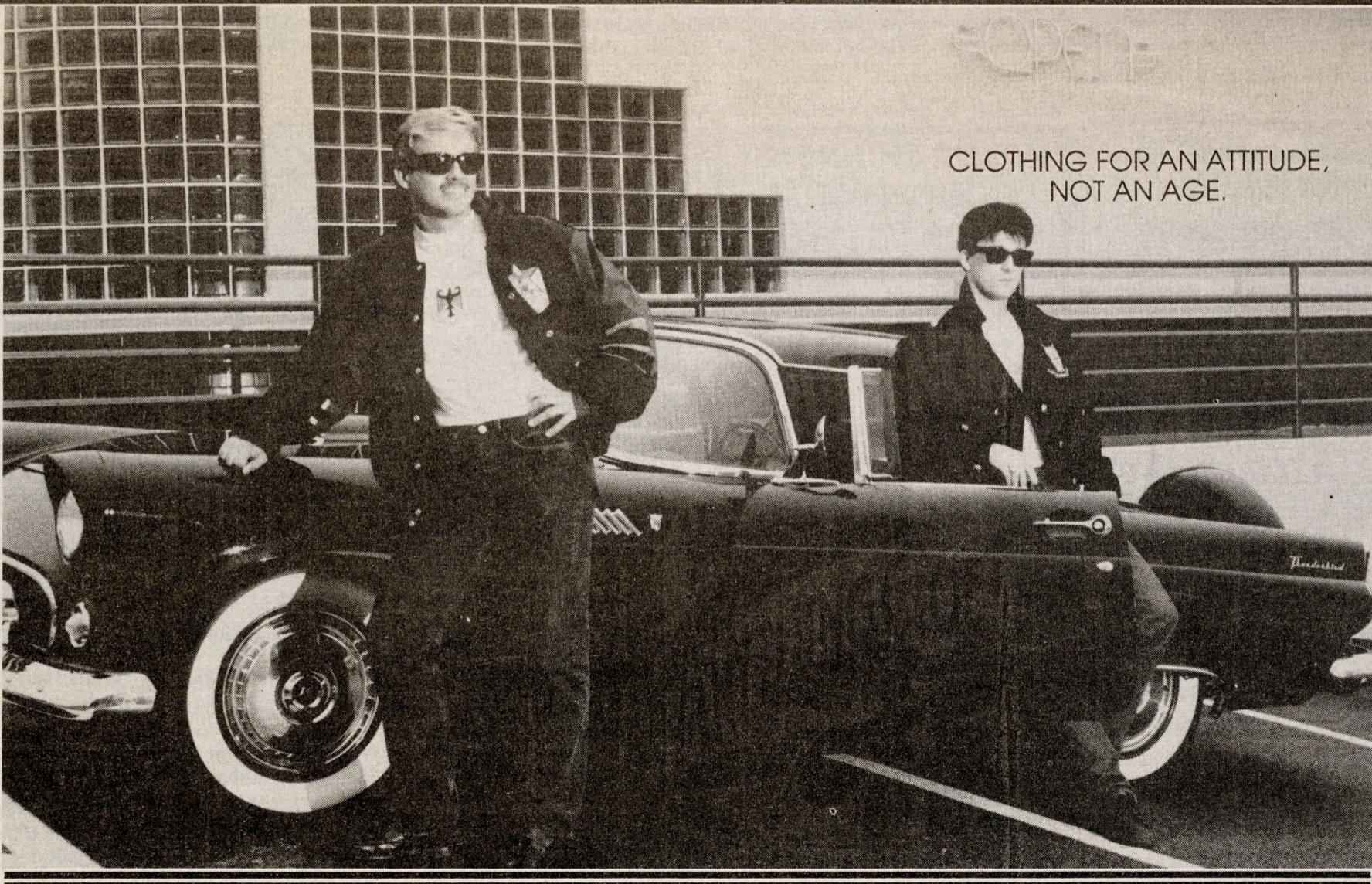
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## GAPAC ENDORSES JACKSON FOR MAYOR

Michael Lomax's August 8, 1989, withdrawal from the Atlanta mayoral race made GAPAC's job of endorsing a candidate for mayor much easier. But GAPAC has chosen to endorse Mr. Jackson not by default but because he is an excellent candidate, committed to our issues, and potentially one of the city's best mayors.

Mr. Jackson's commitment to civil rights began in the 60's, as evidenced by his providing free legal services to low income Atlantans. The deaths of Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King motivated Mr. Jackson to commit his life to public office. He attempted to become one of Georgia's first black U.S. senators. Instead, he became Atlanta's first black mayor. The job was not an easy one. He was up against a white business power structure with whom he had no relations, a police force rife with racism, and a black electorate expecting miracles. Mr. Jackson will be the first to admit he made mistakes during that term but he overcame the obstacles and was elected to a second term.

Now he is asking for another chance at running this city. He returns a wiser, more experienced leader enjoying strong support in both the black and white communities.

Mr. Jackson has vigorously campaigned on a strong human rights platform. In GAPAC's May 16, 1989, interview with Mr. Jackson he was asked if he supported the strengthening of Atlanta's current non-discrimination ordinance which includes sexual orientation as one of the areas in which the city and its contractors will not discriminate. Mr. Jackson replied:

"Not only will I support the strengthening of that ordinance to cover every area legally available, and I hope that may include the private sector, but I firmly believe and pledge, as the next mayor, that every city contract, all city correspondence, and letterhead will show the non-discrimination clause. All appointees and department heads will know that I will not tolerate any form of discrimination during my tenure. I intend for Atlanta to truly become the first and only city in this country to discriminate against no one! On that you have my word."

Mr. Jackson has expressed his support for every gay/lesbian issue that GAPAC submitted to him. These issues include:

- \* an improved city ethics and campaign code
- \* provision for AIDS prevention, education, and housing for indigent persons with AIDS
- \* ongoing gay/lesbian sensitivity training for police cadets and experienced officers
- \* recruitment and hiring of openly gay officers
- \* an expanded role for the gay/lesbian Police Advisory Committee
- \* the re-establishment and strengthening of the Community Relations Commission to handle grievances and enforce non-discrimination

- \* a strong commitment to safe and improved intown neighborhoods and to finding solutions to growth that do not include roads that destroy the neighborhoods
- \* a commitment to improve Atlanta's air quality
- \* to make sure that qualified openly gay and lesbian persons are represented on all boards and commissions

To see that his gay/lesbian platform and other issues are carried out and implemented to the best advantage Mr. Jackson has appointed a gay/lesbian advisory committee. The group is committed to working with MACGLO and all its organizations to make sure that actions taken on behalf of the gay/lesbian community are exactly what the community has requested and that whatever action has been taken has been researched thoroughly so that the legal basis for the action is sound.

In addition to what Mr. Jackson is doing and intends to accomplish for our community, the record from his previous terms as mayor shows a commitment to our issues. For example:

- \* In 1974, Mr. Jackson issued an executive order banning discrimination in employment practices based on sexual orientation.
- \* In 1975, Mr. Jackson appointed the first of several openly gay persons to Atlanta's Community Relations Commission
- \* In 1976, Mr. Jackson proclaimed Gay Pride Day in Atlanta. It should be noted that Mr. Jackson was denounced for this action from almost every pulpit in the city, and took considerable heat for this action. He did not back down.
- \* From 1977 to 1982, Mr. Jackson issued annually a Human Rights Proclamation which stated "all citizens deserve protections regardless of race, sex, religious belief, sexual preference, national origin, economic status, or physical handicaps"
- \* Mr. Jackson was the first mayor of Atlanta to work with the gay/lesbian community to bring an end to police abuse.

Mr. Jackson clearly stated in the GAPAC interview that he does not believe in selective human rights." One is either for human rights, or not — there can be no in-between." In a speech on March 23, 1989, before 4,000 people at the World Congress Center, Mr. Jackson stated: "If elected, I promise to be mayor for all Atlantans, rich and poor, young and old, white and black, gay, lesbian, and straight."

Based upon this record and his commitment to a "safer, fairer, better housed, and better educated Atlanta," GAPAC proudly and strongly endorses Maynard Jackson as Atlanta's next mayor.

This is only the beginning. Although Mr. Jackson is expected to win with little opposition, every gay and lesbian in this city needs to show his or her support for Mr. Jackson's programs by voting October 3, 1989. Only by voting can we hold Mr. Jackson to his commitment to us, and show that the gay and lesbian community strongly supports him as he works to help us.

## DO WE WANT THE POWER?

During the past several weeks, starting with our May interviews with Maynard Jackson and Michael Lomax and culminating with interviews of candidates for City Council, GAPAC volunteers have either personally interviewed or reviewed questionnaires that were submitted to all of the candidates for Mayor and City Council. Although GAPAC has been interviewing and evaluating locally elected officials for several years, this year's process represents an historic milestone in the political coming-of-age of Atlanta's gay and lesbian community.

Both Jackson and Lomax, the early frontrunners, publicly and aggressively solicited our support and votes. Both published a gay and lesbian agenda as part of their platforms and both sought the advice of our community's leaders in formulating these agendas. By virtue of recognition by these candidates, Atlanta's gay and lesbian community stands on the threshold of political maturity, never again to be ignored by office seekers.

Further, candidates for City Council have also recognized our political presence. Unprecedented numbers of candidates have either been interviewed or returned questionnaires. To illustrate, prior to qualifying, one candidate took the initiative and, rather than waiting for us to contact her, telephoned GAPAC for a questionnaire.

Along with this exciting recognition of our significance comes an enormous responsibility. While our political strength has been recognized, it is, as yet, untested. True political power can only be exercised when we step forward and claim that power. This we do by participation in the political process. We stay informed, we support candidates with our time and/or money, and most importantly, we VOTE. And we vote as gays and lesbians. Do we want this power? Only our presence at the polls on October 3, 1989, will answer that question.

With this issue GAPAC presents our endorsements for Mayor and Council. These recommendations are offered to help you, the gay and lesbian voter, cast informed votes.

We as a community have been challenged to be a determining factor in the outcome of these races and, by implication, all future races. While this historic phenomenon is exciting, it will be short-lived if we do not meet the challenge with active participation at the polls. We can direct the course of our city's future. We can and will do it... if we want the power.

## COMMUNITY BENEFITS FROM MAYOR'S RACE

As of August 8, 1989, the mayoral race between Michael Lomax, Fulton County Commission Chairman, and Maynard Jackson, former two-term mayor of Atlanta, had become very interesting and very hotly contested. Both candidates were personable, capable, had strong public records, and had solicited the support of the gay/lesbian community. Both had pledged their commitment to gay/lesbian civil rights.

In fact, so strong was the appeal of each candidate that the gay/lesbian community was becoming divided over which candidate to support. GAPAC's interview of both candidates on May 16, 1989, showed that each had a strong gay platform, an appointed staff liaison to the gay and lesbian community, and a commitment to our issues. Both candidates had gay/lesbian advisory committees, were giving receptions for gay/lesbian leaders, and were speaking at MACGLO, as well as many gay events such as dinners, Gay Pride Day, etc.

On August 8, 1989, Mr. Lomax withdrew from the mayor's race. He was at the point where the law required him to resign as

Fulton County Commission Chair in order to continue running for mayor. The polls had continued to show him trailing Mr. Jackson by a significant margin. An aggressive, potentially "nasty" campaign might have changed those polls but at what political cost? Mr. Lomax had the wisdom and foresight to withdraw.

The results could not have been better for our community. We were left with a strong friend in Mr. Lomax as head of the Fulton County government and an equally strong and committed friend in Mr. Jackson as the next mayor.

The decision to endorse Mr. Jackson was an easy and happy one.

GAPAC wishes to thank Mr. Lomax for his energetic campaign on behalf of gay/lesbian rights.

With Mr. Lomax leading Fulton County government, with Mr. Jackson running City Hall, and with a majority of City Council members committed to our issues, Atlanta could become the only city in the country with a government totally committed to human and civil rights.

## DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOODS

To help you identify your district please refer to the following neighborhood list of districts. Remember that everyone votes for the Council President and the At Large Posts.

**DISTRICT 1:** Grant Park, Carver Homes, Joyland, Rebel Forest, Lela Valley, Norwood Manor, Thomasville Heights, Benteen, Chosewood Park, Woodland Hills, Boulevard Heights, South Atlanta, Jonesboro North, Englewood Manor, Valley View, Lakewood Village and Baywood

**DISTRICT 2:** Old Fourth Ward, Bedford-Pine, Central Business District, Lightning, John Hope Homes, University Homes, Summerville, Mechanicsville, Inman Park and Poncey-Highland, Peoplestown, Capital Homes, Techwood Homes, Roosevelt, Howell, Palmer, and McDaniels/Glenn/U-Rescue Villa

**DISTRICT 3:** Dixie Hills, English Avenue, Washington Park, Knight Park, West Lake, Hunter Hills, Vine City, Bankhead, Penelope Neighbors, Egan, and Herndon Homes

**DISTRICT 4:** Pittsburgh, Just Us, Ashview Heights, Adair Park, West End, Oakland City, Venetian Hills, Mozley Park, Atlanta University, Harris Chiles, and Cascade Road

**DISTRICT 5:** East Lake, East Atlanta, Kirkwood, East Lake Meadows, Edgewood, Cabbagetown, and Reynoldstown

**DISTRICT 6:** Broadview-Morosgo, Midtown, Morningside-Lenox Park, Virginia Highland, Druid Hills, Poncey-Highland, Piedmont Heights, Lake Claire, Candler Park, Lindridge-Martin Manor, Pine Hill and Lenox

**DISTRICT 7:** Georgia Tech, Home Park, Ansley Park, Sherwood Forest, Ardmore, Brookwood Hills, Peachtree Hills, Peachtree Park, Garden Hills, Northeast Buckhead, Land O' Lakes, Brookhaven, Ridgedale, and

### Peachtree Heights East

**DISTRICT 8:** Northwest, Loring Heights, Blandtown, Underwood Hills, Collier Hills, Haynes Manor, Howell Mill North, Cross Creek, Wildwood, Bolton, Hanover West, Ridgewood Heights, Morris Brandon, Argonne Forest, Channing Valley, Peachtree Heights West, and Wyngate

**DISTRICT 9:** Grove Park, Collier Heights, Center Hill, Rockdale, Carroll Heights, Fairburn Heights, Bankhead Courts, Carey Park, Almond Park, Riverside, Perry Homes, Watts Road, Lincoln Homes, Whittier Village, Bowen Homes, Scott's Crossing, Hollywood Homes, and Forest Gray.

**DISTRICT 10:** Adairsville, Audubon Forest, Boulder Park, Chalet Woods, Florida Heights, Green Forest Acres, Beecher Hills, Mangum Manor, Peyton Forest, Harland Terrace, Westhaven, West Manor, Westview, and Westwood Terrace

**DISTRICT 11:** Ben Hill, Greenbriar, Southwest Atlanta, Campbellton Road, Pomona Park, Heritage Valley, King's Forest, Niskey Lake, Cascade Heights, Adam's Park, Kimberly Road, Fort Valley, and Laurens Valley

**DISTRICT 12:** Perkerson, Sylvan Hills, Capitol View Manor, Hammond Park, Fort McPherson, Lakewood, Orchard Knob, Polar Rock, Poole Creek, Plunkettown, Gilbert Gardens, Gilbert Gardens Annex, Blair Village, Jonesboro South, Eisenhower, and Conley Road

**ALL NEIGHBORHOODS VOTE FOR AT-LARGE**  
POST 13 AT-LARGE  
POST 14 AT-LARGE  
POST 15 AT-LARGE  
POST 16 AT-LARGE  
POST 17 AT-LARGE  
POST 18 AT-LARGE

**ALL NEIGHBORHOODS VOTE FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

## GAPAC CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE SLATE

GAPAC volunteers interviewed candidates in selected City Council races on a broad spectrum of issues of interest to the gay and lesbian community: ethics in government; civil rights and gay-lesbian representation in city government; public safety, including hate crimes and the role of the Police Advisory Committee; AIDS; and neighborhoods and the environment. Candidates in the balance of the races were requested to complete written questionnaires covering these topics. Based upon an evaluation of the responses to these questions, records of incumbents, and follow-up conversations, we encourage you to vote on October 3, 1989, for the following candidates (An \* denotes an incumbent):

DISTRICT 1: DEBBY MCCARTY	*DISTRICT 10: NO ENDORSEMENT
DISTRICT 2: BILL CAMPBELL*	DISTRICT 11: JIM MADDOX*
DISTRICT 3: JABARI SIMAMA*	DISTRICT 12: GLORIA TENUBU
DISTRICT 4: THOMAS CUFFIE*	POST 13 AT-LARGE: ROBB PITTS*
DISTRICT 5: MARY BANKESTER	POST 14 AT-LARGE: CAROLYN LONG BANKS*
DISTRICT 6: MARY DAVIS*	POST 15 AT-LARGE: CHARLES HUDDLESTON
DISTRICT 7: TOM ALVIS	POST 16 AT-LARGE: BARBARA ASHER*
DISTRICT 8: VICTOR MASLIA*	POST 17 AT-LARGE: MYRTLE DAVIS*
DISTRICT 9: ARCHIE BYRON*	POST 18 AT-LARGE: MORRIS FINLEY*
COUNCIL PRESIDENT: MARVIN ARRINGTON*	
MAYOR: MAYNARD JACKSON	

## OF SPECIAL NOTE

In two races, District 7 and District 12, gays and lesbians have a chance to unseat two long-time enemies of the community.

In District 7, Buddy Fowlkes, the incumbent, sponsored the attempt to repeal the sexual orientation charter. He refused to be interviewed by GAPAC. He is opposed by the GAPAC endorsed candidate TOM ALVIS. Fowlkes is well supported in his district but a large turn out for MR. ALVIS could result in Fowlkes' defeat.

In District 12, Dozier Smith, the only City Council member besides Mr. Fowlkes who has opposed us, is challenged by the GAPAC endorsed candidate, DR. GLORIA TENUBU. DR. TENUBU, an applied economist at Spellman College, is an excellent candidate. She is very strong on gay/lesbian issues and she has a very good chance of beating Smith. DR. TENUBU needs a strong turn out and 3,000 to 4,000 votes to win.

If you live in either of these districts make sure your friends and neighbors get to the polls and vote for these GAPAC candidates.

## THE PRICE IS RIGHT! GAPAC'S POST-AUCTION CLOSE-OUT SALE

The GAPAC fund-raising auction at Petrus was a huge success, raising almost \$10,000 and drawing a crowd of over 700. Lucky for you we were unable to auction off several valuable certificates. GAPAC is currently accepting sealed bids on the following:

- breakfast in bed for two from Combinations Unique
- pen and ink rendering of the home of your choice courtesy of a prestigious Atlanta realty company
- one year membership to World Class Gym
- one hour color consultation with a prominent local interior designer
- weekend for two at the Old Mill Antiques and Lodging in Bat Cave, N.C.
- one ticket to the HRCF Dinner in 1990
- dinner for two at Darlin's on Juniper St.
- one year membership at Petrus
- weekend for two at Timberfall Lodge in Greeneville, Tenn.
- three hour interior design consultation with a successful Atlanta designer
- a standard will prepared by a prominent Atlanta attorney
- an inlaid wood mirror from Affairs of Atlanta

The deadline for submitting sealed bids is October 14, 1989. If your bid is the highest you will be notified by October 21, 1989.

Once we have received your check, you will be mailed your certificate awarding you the desired item or service. Should multiple bids of the same amount be submitted for the same item or service, the certificate will be awarded to the bid with the earliest postmark.

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## Who are we?

Formed in 1986, **Buddies 'n' Pals 'n' Partners** is a computer dating service. Our goal is to help you meet someone compatible, both socially and sexually, as a friend or a lover.

## How does your service work?

When your application is received it is entered into our computer system, the computer assigns you a client number. It then compares each of your attributes to those of all the other clients currently in our data base, eliminating those members having too many traits you have classed as undesirable and retaining those that meet your requirements.

The report you receive will contain the following information about your matches: A client identity number, a mini-profile listing all the attributes the client used to describe himself, as well as the authorized contact information provided by the client. Our double screening process ensures that you meet the other clients' requirements.

Your client number is used to allow us to verify your identity when you call our office, *you are the only one who should know this code.*

## How much does it cost?

Our service fee is currently \$35, which includes a one time processing charge and your print-out of the top 15 matches from our current data base. As well, you automatically receive a *six month membership* during which other members may be matched with you; they will receive the authorized contact information you have provided. You can know of these matches *only when they contact you.*

You may also order our MatchPlus service for \$55.00. This fee includes 30 client matches and a 6 month membership for MatchPlus service customers. You may update your contact information at any time *without charge.*

## What else do I need to know?

Members agree that the information they provide is complete and accurate. As well, that any information they receive from us is confidential, *for their personal use only*, in accordance with the objectives of the service.

We reserve the right to decline applications for any reason, if an application is declined a full refund will be issued. We also reserve the right to terminate any membership without refund if the information provided is found to be deliberately incomplete, untrue or deceptive.

## How do I fill out the Application Form?

*We know you hate reading instructions, but in order for us to provide you with the best possible service, please read these instructions carefully before filling out your Buddies 'n' Pals 'n' Partners Application Form.*

At first 191 questions may seem a bit overwhelming, but, in fact, filling out the Application Form is really not that difficult if you follow these four steps:

**STEP 1:** Fill in the section entitled **Membership Information** (For office use only). Enter your name, full mailing address, zip code, phone number. (*We will contact you by phone only if you include a phone number here*). A mailing address is required for sending match lists.

**STEP 2:** Complete the **Contact Information** section and sign the disclaimer. The contact information you provide here will be given to members who match with you. The contact information should include your first name and phone number or a contact address. Use this section to tell members something about yourself, information that would not normally be included in the mini-profile. The use of this section is entirely up to you. However, giving out work phone numbers or home address is strongly discouraged!

**STEP 3:** The Boxes on the left hand side of each column are *used when the indicated attribute applies to you*. Check at least one box per section, only one box in sections which are mutually exclusive (*i.e.*, Age, Height, Hair, Location).

**STEP 4:** The words YES, OK and NO to the left of the attribute name describe the type of person you would like to meet. Circle YES when the attribute is *strongly desired* in a match. Indicating a YES will never disqualify a potential match. Circle OK if it doesn't matter one way or the other. Circle NO if you would *not like* this attribute in a match. A NO acts as a vote against the person, it does not automatically disqualify them.

## Computerized Application Form

### Contact Information

Option 1: Contact information written below will be given out to members matching up with your profile. Contact information should include your first name and a phone number or some contact address. Work numbers and home address are discouraged!

(please print) \_\_\_\_\_

### Disclaimer

By signing I agree that neither the computer dating service nor its agents has any liability and cannot be held responsible for any actions of its members as a result of the release of the authorized contact information indicated above. I also state that I am of legal age.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Geographical Area

- YES OK NO Atlanta area  
 YES OK NO Remaining 404 call area  
 YES OK NO 912 call area (Ga.)  
 YES OK NO 704 call area (N.C.)  
 YES OK NO 919 call area (N.C.)  
 YES OK NO State of South Carolina  
 YES OK NO State of Alabama  
 YES OK NO Nashville/Knoxville/615

### Hair

- YES OK NO Black  
 YES OK NO Dark Brown  
 YES OK NO Light Brown  
 YES OK NO Auburn  
 YES OK NO Red  
 YES OK NO Strawberry Blond  
 YES OK NO Blond  
 YES OK NO White/grey  
 YES OK NO Bald

### Dress

- YES OK NO Casual (t-shirt, jeans)  
 YES OK NO Sometimes sloppy  
 YES OK NO High fashion  
 YES OK NO Semi-formal  
 YES OK NO Drag

- YES OK NO Doorway  
 YES OK NO Openly gay

- YES OK NO French passive  
 YES OK NO Greek active  
 YES OK NO Greek passive  
 YES OK NO SAFE SEX  
 YES OK NO Toys  
 YES OK NO Leather  
 YES OK NO S/M top  
 YES OK NO S/M bottom  
 YES OK NO Heavy S. M  
 YES OK NO Experimental  
 YES OK NO Three-ways  
 YES OK NO Group sex  
 YES OK NO Very experienced  
 YES OK NO Average experience  
 YES OK NO Inexperienced  
 YES OK NO Virginal  
 YES OK NO Small to average endowment  
 YES OK NO Average to large  
 YES OK NO Very large endowment  
 YES OK NO Cut  
 YES OK NO Uncut

### Type of Relationship

- YES OK NO Lover (monogamous)  
 YES OK NO Lover (nonmonogamous)

### Eyes

- YES OK NO Blue  
 YES OK NO Green  
 YES OK NO Gray  
 YES OK NO Hazel  
 YES OK NO Brown  
 YES OK NO Black

### Occupation

- YES OK NO Financially independent  
 YES OK NO Self-supporting  
 YES OK NO Nonself-supporting  
 YES OK NO Unemployed  
 YES OK NO Student  
 YES OK NO Office/clerical  
 YES OK NO Service/hospitality  
 YES OK NO Sales  
 YES OK NO Construction  
 YES OK NO Technical  
 YES OK NO Self-employed/entrepreneur  
 YES OK NO Managerial  
 YES OK NO Professional  
 YES OK NO Health Care  
 YES OK NO Entertainment arts

### Social Activities

- YES OK NO Spectator sports  
 YES OK NO Working out  
 YES OK NO Live theatre  
 YES OK NO TV video  
 YES OK NO Concerts  
 YES OK NO Arts events  
 YES OK NO Dining out  
 YES OK NO Parties  
 YES OK NO Bars/dancing  
 YES OK NO Cooking  
 YES OK NO Travel  
 YES OK NO Camping/hiking  
 YES OK NO Sailing/surfing  
 YES OK NO Skiing  
 YES OK NO Tennis/racquetball  
 YES OK NO Swimming  
 YES OK NO Cycling  
 YES OK NO Music  
 YES OK NO Photographer  
 YES OK NO Painting/art

### Age Range

- YES OK NO 18-21  
 YES OK NO 21-25  
 YES OK NO 25-30  
 YES OK NO 30-35  
 YES OK NO 35-40  
 YES OK NO 40-50  
 YES OK NO 50+

### Facial/Body Hair

- YES OK NO Smooth  
 YES OK NO Clean Shaven  
 YES OK NO Mustache  
 YES OK NO Beard  
 YES OK NO No body hair  
 YES OK NO Smooth chest  
 YES OK NO Hairy chest  
 YES OK NO Very hairy

### Race

- YES OK NO Caucasian  
 YES OK NO Asian/oriental  
 YES OK NO Black  
 YES OK NO Latin  
 YES OK NO East Indian

### General Appearance

- YES OK NO Very goodlooking  
 YES OK NO Attractive  
 YES OK NO Average  
 YES OK NO Below average  
 YES OK NO Yippie/preppie  
 YES OK NO Young executive  
 YES OK NO Mature executive  
 YES OK NO Trendy  
 YES OK NO Collegiate/jock

### Personality

- YES OK NO Assertive  
 YES OK NO Easy-going  
 YES OK NO Outgoing  
 YES OK NO Publicly affectionate  
 YES OK NO Not publicly affectionate  
 YES OK NO Shy/reserved  
 YES OK NO Very masculine  
 YES OK NO Fairly masculine  
 YES OK NO Somewhat feminine  
 YES OK NO Very feminine  
 YES OK NO Closeted

### Beliefs

- YES OK NO Catholic  
 YES OK NO Protestant  
 YES OK NO Jewish  
 YES OK NO New age  
 YES OK NO MCC  
 YES OK NO Very religious  
 YES OK NO Somewhat religious  
 YES OK NO Not religious  
 YES OK NO Politically liberal  
 YES OK NO Conservative  
 YES OK NO Social democrat

### Special Considerations

- YES OK NO Sensory speech handicap

- YES OK NO Movement handicap

- YES OK NO Have no privacy

- YES OK NO Have no transportation

- YES OK NO HIV negative

- YES OK NO Bisexual

- YES OK NO Transsexual

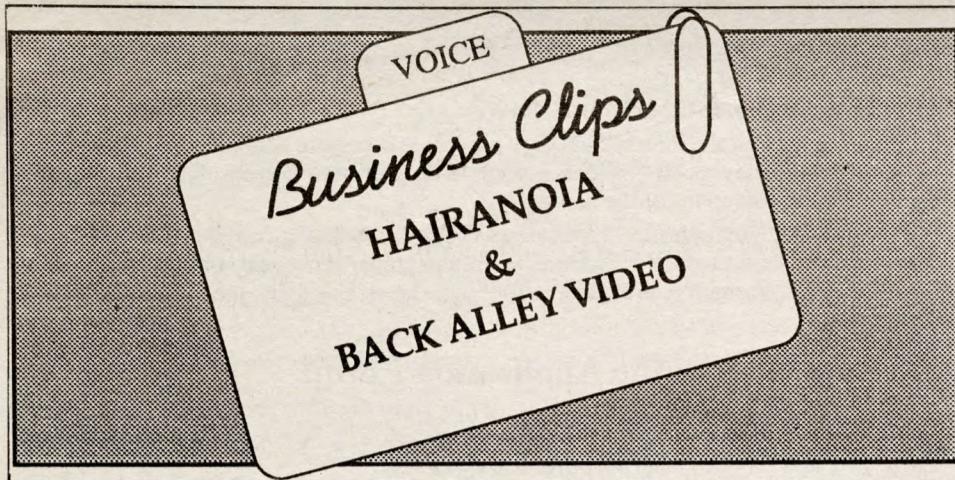
### Build

- YES OK NO Bodybuilder  
 YES OK NO Muscular  
 YES OK NO Average  
 YES OK NO Slim  
 YES OK NO Stocky  
 YES OK NO Heavy  
 YES OK NO Very Heavy

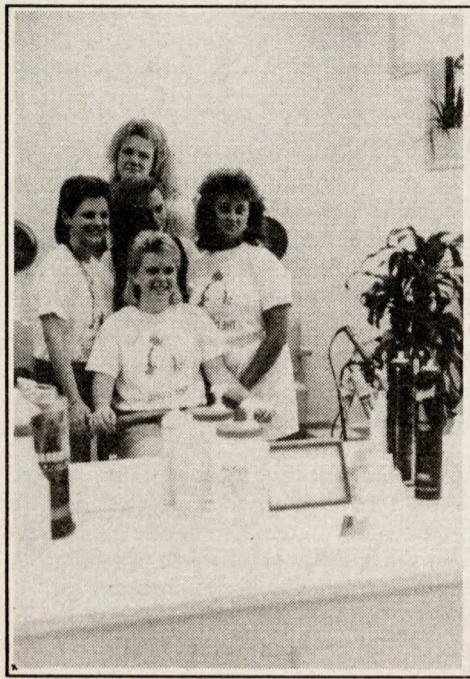
### Height

- YES OK NO 5'6" or less  
 YES OK NO 5'6"-5'9"  
 YES OK NO 5'9"-6'  
 YES OK NO 6'-6'3"  
 YES OK NO 6'3" or taller





## Does Your Hair Annoy You? Hairanoia Has The Cure



EVETT BENNETT

The staff of Hairanoia

"There's been a lot of flack in the local media lately about our name," says Pat Calcagni, owner of Hairanoia. "We would like to set the record straight. The name Hairanoia is not meant to be scary or meant to mean paranoia," she explains, "It means if your hair annoys you then Hairanoia has the cure. We want to project a positive and professional image and provide excellent hair services for the community," she adds.

Located in the new shopping area, Cheshire Point on Cheshire Bridge Road, Hairanoia boasts a team of talented hairstylists that bring you 30 years of combined experience in a comfortable, relaxed, "unscary," and "untressed out" environment. Their many hair services include cuts, perms, highlights, lowlights, foil highlights, colors, waxing and psychiatry at affordable and competitive prices. (These girls do have a sense of humor.)

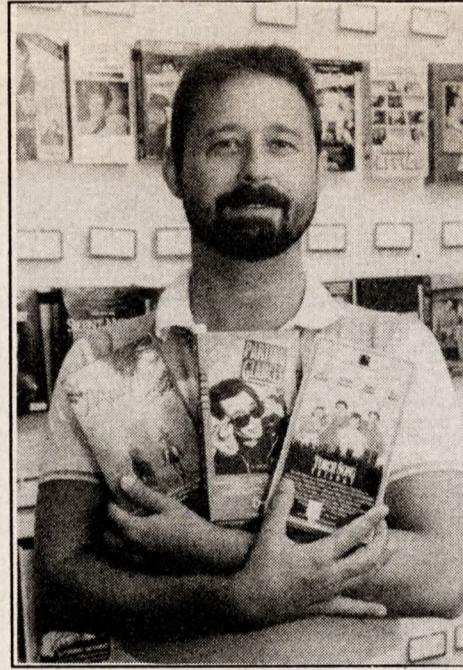
The Hairanoia team includes Pat Calcagni, Denise Swanstrom, Mary Case, Cabel McBride and Denise Liatsos. Call 321-5775 for an appointment or drop in if your hair annoys you.

## Back Alley Video Gears Movie Selection to Gays

Ed Chitty, president of Back Alley Video store, wants to provide a comfortable and friendly video store for the gay and lesbian community. "A place where you can browse the movies, posters, cards and gifts or sit down and relax and read a copy of *The Advocate* or pick up copies of local gay publications...a place where you won't be embarrassed to ask for specific gay movies like 'Desert Hearts,' 'Parting Glances,' 'An Early Frost' and others," says Ed.

"I've tried to put together the right combination of employees to keep a friendly down-to-earth atmosphere while maintaining the customer's right to privacy and confidentiality," he adds. His goal has been to continue to offer affordable prices on video memberships and he has not raised any prices since he assumed ownership.

The friendly staff at Back Alley includes Eric, Michael, Jeff and Ed. "We are anxious to meet the needs of the gay and lesbian community," concludes Ed. Back Alley Video is located at Cheshire Point, 2000D Cheshire Bridge Road and carries a variety of videos, posters, gifts and cards.



EVETT BENNETT

Ed Chitty of Back Alley Video

## WE'VE LOST OUR HEADS!!

*SOUTHERN VOICE* is giving away  
FREE classifieds for  
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In our need to be Atlanta's Gay and Lesbian source for CLASSIFIEDS we want you to help us expand. We're looking for a few good category heads, (...you know, the black bars that start a listing) and are willing, ready and able to reward you creative types with...

## BUY 1 AND GET 1 FREE

Come up with a category and you get 2 classifieds in  
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## OUR CURRENT HEADINGS ARE ...

(refer to this list because these don't count!)

- AIDS sv's
- Announcements
- Auditions
- Automotive
- Auto Repair
- Employment
- For Rent
- For Sale
- Hair Care
- Health
- Instruction
- Legal
- Metaphysical
- Office Space
- Personals
- Pets
- Real Estate
- Resumes
- Roommates
- Services
- Sports
- Video
- Volunteers
- Last Minute

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AIDS Information Line - 9AM-9PM weekdays, 9AM-5PM, weekends for confidential, factual answers on risk, transmission, testing, medical and other referrals in Ga. and elsewhere. Atlantans call 876-9944, other Georgians dial toll-free 1-800-551-2728. Hearing-impaired callers access via TTY 876-9950. Spanish-speaking operators available. A service of AID Atlanta and the Ga. Dept. of Human Resources.

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**Aids Healing Service** - National Day of Prayer for people with AIDS, Oct. 15 7:00pm. At The Cathedral of Saint Phillip 2744 Peachtree Rd. NW, Atlanta. Sponsored by the Diocese of Atlanta, Task Force on AIDS and, Integrity Atlanta, Inc. (V2, #17)

**P.O.O.H.** - Positive Outlook On HIV+ is a supportive network of HIV+ persons who share positive health attitudes and want to meet similarly oriented people for social and emotional interaction. For more information call 874-6102 or 351-1824.

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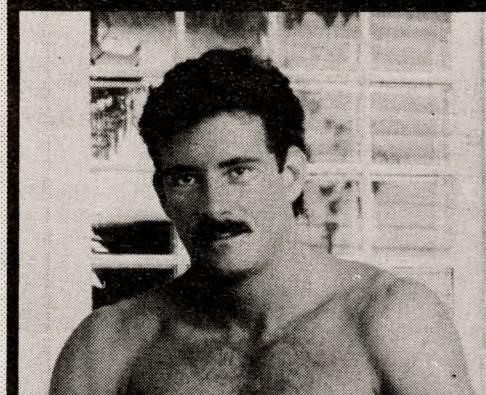
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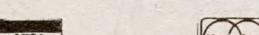
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**SOUTHERN VOICE CIRCULATION.** Join us distributing Southern Voice as a volunteer. We have single copy box and route distribution where your involvement can help us reach the Atlanta lesbian and gay community. It's fun; it's fulfilling, and you get to read the paper first! For info call Jana Tyson at 876-1831. (V2#9)

**Senior Citizen Services - Needs Volunteers.** Senior citizen services is in dire need of dedicated volunteers to deliver meals to the homebound elderly in Fulton County. For more information, please contact Gertha Lowe at 881-5982 or 881-5983.

**BLACK GAY MALE VOLUNTEERS** needed for educational support, PWA buddies and visitation, and upcoming holiday events. **Prevention Awareness League**, 5307 Old National Hwy. #426, College Park, GA 30349, (404) 873-5992, ask for Joseph. Next meeting, Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7pm. Transportation provided to Midtown if needed. Next mtg. Sat., Oct. 7, noon. (V2,#18)

**DON'T FORGET!**  
We Need Your Ideas For New Headings. Give Us One New Heading And We'll Run It In One Issue FREE!!

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Anyone can be gay—it's no accomplishment—but only I can be me.  
Composer Ned Rorem

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MACGLO *Southern* VOICE &



**National Coming Out Day!**

MACGLO is again buying a FULL PAGE AD in the Atlanta Journal/Constitution  
Wednesday, October 11

YOU can buy a space for your name on the ad, or your name with initials, or a descriptive phrase for yourself. We anticipate hundreds of full names to be submitted as well as phrases such as "a Decatur teacher", "a Snellville Firefighter", "a proud Cobb Parent", etc... The response to last year's ad was tremendous. We were THE topic of conversation in most homes and businesses and proved the slogan "WE ARE EVERYWHERE". It doesn't take much to participate in this historic advertisement.

All you need to do is send a check for \$20.00 to "MACGLO - AD FUND" with the information below for your name or phrase to be printed. Contributions are gladly accepted for those who wish not to have their name printed. The donations above and beyond the \$20.00 will be accepted for this very costly yet valuable undertaking. If the fee is not within your means, please enclose your form with whatever you feel comfortable sending.

If you plan on using your FULL NAME, you MUST sign the permission form below, otherwise we are not allowed to print your name. We will print only what you have indicated you want to print. If there are several names on the form, EACH person's SIGNATURE must be included. If you're using your initials or a descriptive phrase, your signature is not required.

Please, Return This Portion with Check to:  
MACGLO, PO BOX 900142 Atlanta, GA 30329

ITEM TO BE PRINTED IN ADVERTISEMENT (deadline, Oct. 3, 1989)

**ONLY FOR THOSE PEOPLE DESIRING THEIR FULL NAME TO BE PRINTED**, read and sign below...

I am aware that my name will be used in an advertisement by Metropolitan Atlanta Council of Gay and Lesbian Organizations (MACGLO) on October 11, 1989 in the Atlanta Journal/Constitution to celebrate NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY. I am familiar with MACGLO, approve the use of my name in their ad and attest the name to be printed is my own as evidenced by my signature below:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

**TOGETHER WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE**