

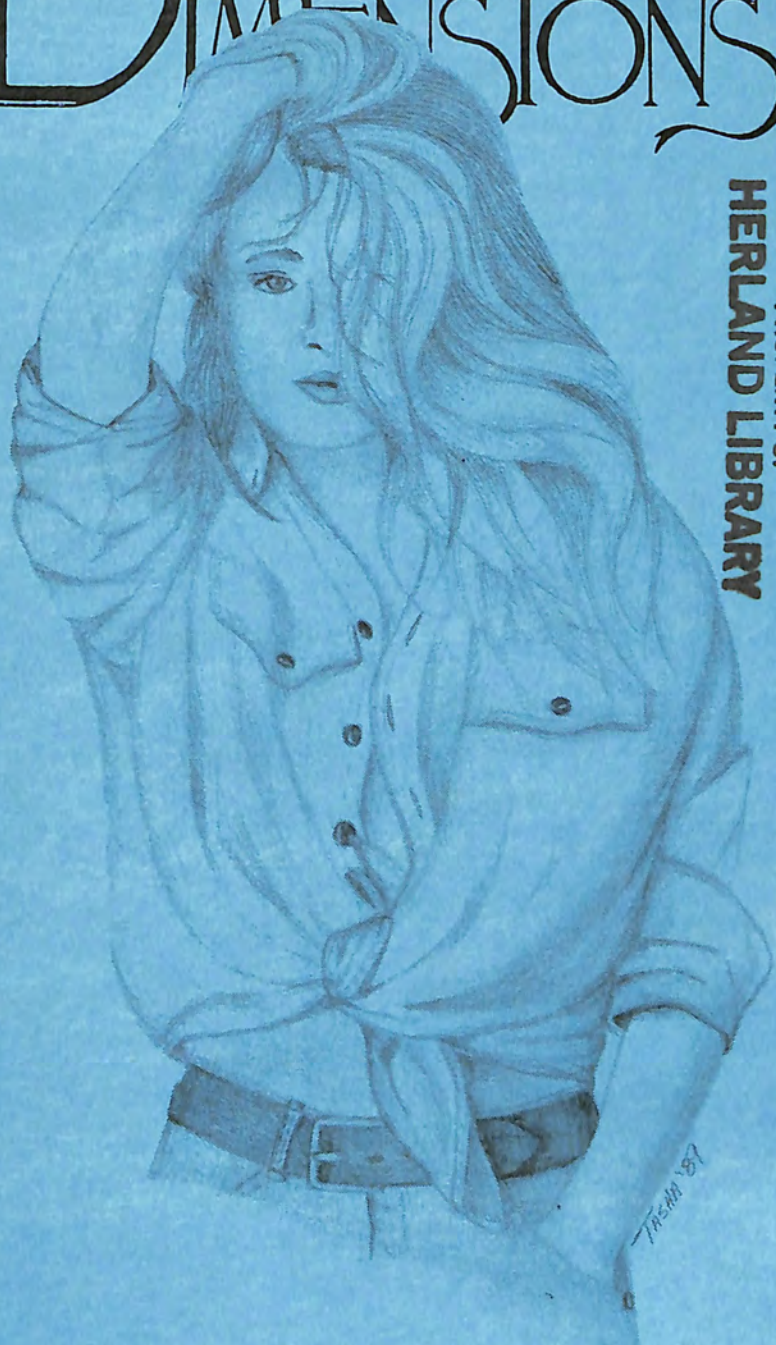
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# News

From Around the Region, the Country & the World

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## **Southeast Meets Southwest at Dallas Conference**

DALLAS - The Southeastern Conference For Lesbians and Gay Men will hold their 14th annual event this year in Dallas, Texas. The Conference, the theme of which is Southeast Meets Southwest will be held over the weekend of April 13-16, 1989 at the Sheraton Hotel and Towers in downtown Dallas at 400 N. Olive Street.

The Southeastern conference For Lesbians and Gay Men is a non profit educational organization which provides an annual conference filled with over 65 workshop sessions, keynote addresses and panel presentations by regional and national gay and lesbian leaders, social and cultural events. Over 500 gay men and lesbians are expected to attend from the 15 Southeastern states, with outreach to the Southwestern states.

Workshop sessions will begin on Friday morning, April 14th following addresses by Dallas area representatives with continuous workshop sessions from 10am until 5pm. Friday evenings entertainment will include the Turtle Creek Chorale and the Oak Lawn Symphonic Band, followed by a guided bus tour of Dallas nightlife. Panel presentations will be given by Jeff Levi, Executive Director, National Lesbian Gay Task Force; Vic Basile, Executive Director, Human Rights Campaign Fund; Sue Hyde, Director, Privacy Project; and Sabrina Sojourner, African-American Lesbian and Gay Alliance, Atlanta Georgia.

Saturday evenings entertainment will be provided by Kitty Barber and Romanovsky & Phillips, nationally acclaimed lesbian and gay entertainers. The Conference was begun in 1976 by students and concerned faculty in the Chapel Hill, North Carolina community. It's membership is comprised of representatives of over 1700 gay and lesbian organizations serving communities across the United States.

For travel and accommodations information and reservations call Fantastic Voyage at 1-800-622-6988. For additional conference information call 1-214-471-6040.

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## **Texas Gears Up for March On Austin**

AUSTIN -The Dallas Organizing Committee has issued an invitation to Come Home to Texas for the March on Austin for Lesbian/Gay Equal Rights to be held April 30, 1989. The March on Austin is predicted to be the largest march in the history of Texas and all former Texans (or Texans at heart) are invited to participate in this historic event.

Many activities are planned throughout the weekend of April 29-May 1 including: a concert by Teresa Trull and Dianne Davidson; receptions for students and people of color; The Names Project Quilt will be displayed; Joann Loulan will present her workshop "Reclaiming Lesbian Sex With a Passion", a Tejano (spanish for Texan) Dance; a Citizens Tribunal will be held on the plaza of the Texas Supreme Court; a reception and banquet with the keynote speech by

Harry Britt, President of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors; the Lesbian/Gay Community College, a series of seminars and workshops on a variety of subjects; a Lesbian/Gay Atheist Awakening; an Ecumenical worship Service sponsored by The Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches; the Waterloo Festival - food, fun, music and more in Austin's beautiful Waterloo Park; State District Judge Jack Hampton will be inducted into the Human Rights Campaign Fund's Homophobic Hall of shame; Lobby Day, a day to speak with senators and representatives about legislation affecting the Lesbian/Gay community.

The highlight of the weekend will be the noon march up Congress Avenue to the state capitol where a rally will be held on the capitol steps. Scheduled speakers include; Cleve Jones, Director of the San Francisco Names Project; Roberta Actenberg, Director of the Lesbian Rights Project; Michael Meridan, Executive Director of the National Association of People With AIDS; David Scondras, an openly gay city councilor from Boston, Massachusetts; former presidential candidate, the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

Special discounts are available at selected hotels and on Delta Airlines for March on Austin participants. For more information, call (512) 474-5475 or write March on Austin, P.O. Box 2395, Austin, TX 78768.

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## **NOW Invites Lesbians/ Gays to Participate in Women's March**

WASHINGTON D.C. - NOW President Molly Yard is predicting that the anger and fear generated by the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to hear a major case challenging legal abortion

will result in the April 9 March for Women's Equality/Women's Lives in Washington D.C. being the largest March for women's rights in U. S. history.

On January 9, the Court announced it would hear Webster v. Reproductive Health Services, an appeal to uphold the constitutionality of Missouri's abortion law which also seeks to challenge the constitutionality of Roe v. Wade. Missouri's law has been declared unconstitutional by both a federal district court and a federal circuit court of appeals. On November 10, 1988, two days after President Bush's election, the U.S. Department of Justice sent a message to the High Court asking it to hear the Webster appeal and to use the Missouri case as a vehicle for reviewing the Roe decision in order to overturn it.

In addition to the general March call, the NOW President has issued a call to the nation's lesbian and gay communities to join the March on April 9.

"This call to the lesbian and gay communities goes beyond NOW's longstanding support and advocacy for lesbian and gay rights," she explained. "We have long recognized the connection between reproductive rights and lesbian and gay rights as basic issues of privacy. The enemy is the same — a fanatical, organized Right wing that seeks to control others through government intrusion in very private, very personal decisions and lifestyles.

"This fight is about the right to privacy — in which the Roe v. Wade decision is grounded — as well as the right to safe, legal abortion. If the Court should overturn Roe, it would be a major setback for the right to privacy as well as woman's right to choose abortion, and the cause of lesbian and gay rights would suffer as well."

Among the more than 100 national groups and organizations that have

endorsed or announced participation in the March are many of the national lesbian and gay organizations.

Jeffrey Levi, Executive Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, said, "We will be there on April 9, for our sisters and for ourselves. If we don't hold the line now, we lose 16 years worth of ground and everyone who cares about fundamental human rights should recognize that and make a commitment to this fight."

Groups and individuals interested in organizing a delegation or simply participating in the April 9 March should contact their local or state NOW chapters or contact the National NOW action Center. The address is 1000 16th Street, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20036-5705, and the telephone number is (202) 331-0066.

## Courage Seeks Support

DENTON - Courage, the Lesbian/Gay Student Association of Denton, is designed for lesbians, gay men, and others interested in topics dealing with the

homosexual community. At this time, membership stands at some 40 people. The organization is open to all college age people in the Denton area, both at the University of North Texas and Texas Women's University.

The group is currently seeking affiliation with North Texas but hopes to someday be recognized by both Universities in the Denton area. Almost all local attempts to publicize this group on the TWU campus have been silenced. Courage meets at 8pm each Wednesday in the University Ministry Center on Avenue B just off the University of North Texas campus. Wednesday meetings deal with a variety of topics of interest to the student homosexual community. Social events are also planned, as well as service projects benefiting AIDS Denton, Brian's House (a center for children with AIDS), and work for the Southeastern Conference for Lesbians and Gay Men. For Courage meeting information, call the University Ministry Center (817) 382-3813.



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**AUSTIN** - Don't Miss **Teresa Trull and Dianne Davidson** in concert at the Austin Crest Hotel (formerly the Sheraton Crest) at 111 E. First Street. Doors open at 8pm and the concert starts at 9pm Friday, April 28th. The concert will be held in conjunction with **The March On Austin**. Saturday, April 29th. Tickets are \$10 in advance. Both Alcoholic and Non-Acoholic beverages will be for sale and the concert will be interpreted for the hearing impaired. Call 512/441-6395 for more info. The March will also present **The Tejano Dance** beginning at 9:30pm at the Texas Ballroom at the Hyatt Regency. The dance will feature the live music of the **Tejano Music Award Nominee, Bandango** and a special appearance by **Miss Gay Texas, Sweet Savage**. Admission is \$8 in advance. Tickets for both of these events are available through the **March On Austin**, P.O. Box 2395, Austin, TX 78768. Ticket for the **Teresa Trull/Dianne Davidson** concert are also available at **BOOKWOMAN** and at **CELEBRATION!** and will be available at the door the night of the concert.

**AUSTIN** - Friday Happy Hour is packed with surprises at **NEXUS!** On April 17th, catch **Nancy Scott**; April 14th it's our very own **Nancy Ford** (one and the same with **Dimension's Nancy Ford**); **Allson Goodgame** appears on the 21st; and it's all up to you with **Open Mic** on the 28th! If you like parties - the **Cinco de Mayo Party** at **NEXUS & PJ's** is just for you! **Isla Muejeres** will perform at 6pm, the **Cinco de Mayo Show** begins at 9pm and there'll be a **Pinata Break** at Midnight! Don't forget, the **Patio** opens this month! **NEXUS/**

**PJ's** would also like to welcome all those marching for our rights in Austin on April 30th! One last note - get ready for **Splash Day Sunday, May 7th** - what fun!

**OKLAHOMA CITY** - Austin's Own **Nancy Scott** will be performing with **3 of Hearts** Saturday, April 1st at the **HI-LO CLUB**. The concert begins at 9pm and is brought to you by **Shartel Productions**. Also, don't miss **Mary Reynolds** performing solo on April 7th!

**AUSTIN** - In conjunction with **The March On Austin**, **Joann Loulan** will present her workshop, **"Reclaiming Lesbian Sex With A Passion"**, at the Crystal Ballroom of the Driskill Hotel from 10am-4pm on April 29th. The workshop is sponsored by **Among Friends of Dallas**.

**DALLAS** - If C&W dancing is your favorite, then head on out to **SUE ELLEN'S** on Thursdays! There's no cover and you can get \$1 Domestic Longnecks all night long! Also, don't forget **Happy Hour** every day from 2pm-8pm and all day & night on Wednesdays! You can take your pick of **3-In-1's** or **Happy Hour Prices**. **SUE ELLEN'S Shows** are sure to be a hit - keep your eyes open for dates and times!

**HOUSTON** - The **RANCH** will be celebrating their **3rd Anniversary** with an "invitation only" blow-out at an undisclosed time this month - maybe if you're real, real nice to **Betsy** or one of her hard working employees, you just might get an invitation! Don't forget to check out **Super Saver Sundays** with their great drink prices

- rumor has it they will be ending soon and you wouldn't want to miss out!

**FORT WORTH** - The girls at **DAMSELS** would like to tell **CJ & Kathy** congratulations on their recent Holy Union - Good luck girls! Don't miss out on **10¢ Well Drinks** every Thursday night at **DAMSELS** - just think what a dollar will get ya'! Also, **Steak Out** has moved back to Sundays so get you some meat and come on out!

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from 7pm til the keg floats! Don't miss the production of "**Dames in Misdress**", a hilarious semi-musical on the 13th. The production will benefit **The March on Austin** - if you'd like to go to the March, join the **CIRCLE's caravan** on the 30th!

**DALLAS** - Rumor has it that **Elvis** was heard saying the place to be is **BUDDIE'S** on April 1st, but regardless - "**Who's Those Girls**" will be there with live comedy, hot women and impersonations! Also, "**Who's Those Girls**" will be at the **NORTH 40** on April 14th with a new & different show!

**FORT WORTH** - **Barbara** and the staff at **PARTNERS** would like to thank the **Fort Worth Community** for turning out and making the **Easter Baskets for Senior Citizens** such a smashing success! The baskets were filled with goodies and delivered to a nursing home on Easter weekend and the people that received them were very happy! Not a bad way to improve the image of our community!



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# Dear Agnes

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## Dear Agnes,

My lover and I will be moving to Lubbock in early June. We plan to be married in July. After having read The Sharon Kowalski Story in the March edition of Dimensions, I want to be sure that our marriage will be a legal one if at all possible. Can we be legally married? If so, whom do I need to contact?

## Unknowing

Ft. Worth, TX

## Dear Unknowing,

No, your marriage will not be legal. There is no way for same sex couples to legally marry in Texas. The only way to protect yourself is with a durable power of attorney and a legal will. Both of these documents should be drawn up by a competent attorney.

Handwritten wills are legal in Texas, but an attorney can save years of court battles if a will ends up in probate.

A durable power of attorney will give your lover the right to make decisions for you in the event you are unable to make decisions for yourself (because of accident, illness or mental incompetence, etc.).

Both partners in every couple (gay and straight) should have a power of attorney and a will. However, depending on the relationship, you may want to assign power of attorney to someone other than your lover. Prices vary on these documents. Call around and check before you go.

## Dear Agnes,

My lover and I are expecting our first child in 7 months. My problem is; I don't think she will make a good parent. She really doesn't show any concern for the child. She talks about doing this and that for the child,

but never does.

We've been together for one year and we plan to get married in February 1990.

My first lover and I were together for 2 1/2 years and now we are good friends. She shows more concern for the child than my lover does. She would make a great parent. She told me that if my lover and I break-up that she'd love to help me with my child. But, I don't see my lover and I breaking up, so I need some advice on how I can help my lover become a better parent. I plan to be a mother with or without her.

## Expecting

## Dear Expecting,

First, get your lover involved in your pregnancy and the planning for the arrival of a new baby in the house. If you are planning to make a nursery, this could be a simple as shopping for and putting up wallpaper together. This should give her a feeling of direct involvement. Ask for her opinion and let her make some of the decisions. If you are shopping for baby clothes, toys or bedding, be sure to bring her along. Even for people who hate to shop - looking for baby clothes is fun.

If you are planning to have this baby naturally be sure to include her in the classes. It is difficult to get more involved than actually being the coach.

I am sure if you have lived together for a year, and you are two months pregnant this is a planned baby. But, it is difficult for a partner to not feel a little left out. Keep the lines of communication open and talk about how you are feeling. Times of change are very stressful and a new baby coming into the house is definitely a change. Good luck to the both of you.

## Dear Agnes

I work in a well known establishment in Dallas. I've been there about 4 months.

My problem is that there is another woman there that I'm about 98% sure is also gay. I have such a crush on her that I can hardly stand it anymore.

I haven't said anything, but I've been quite friendly and joked around with her quite often lately.

We're usually busy at work and I don't get to talk to her a whole lot, but when I do, I try to make the most of it. (Not too much though, I'm being careful!)

One of the biggest things that makes me hold back from any further action is that she is not just a fellow employee, but the district manager of this company.

I don't know what to do!! As I said, I am almost absolutely sure she is gay, but I can't afford to make a fool of myself with the slight chance that she's not.

I know for a fact that she's not married and not with anyone right now.

Please help me! I'm head over heels in love!  
**Lovesick in Dallas**

## Dear Lovesick,

Beyond causal conversation at the office,

there is nothing you can do except get your mind off this woman. The fact she is not with anyone or married does not mean she is gay. It could be very risky for you to explore the water any further. If you misread a cue you could jeopardize your job.

Office romances are still off limits in most companies. Straight couples who take the risk usually end with the female employee unemployed. I would bet that if it were two females, there would be two vacancies instead of one. Sounds as if you are handling the situation just fine, but I would find something new to focus my attentions on. It is not all that unusual to be infatuated with your boss. Work is a much stronger bond than it gets credit for and we spend more of our waking hours at work than any place else. But sleeping with co-workers is flirting with disaster.



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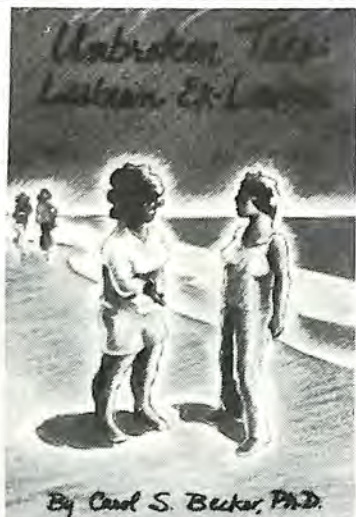
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You've heard the old saying - "She doesn't know her own strength..." - well, most of us don't. We don't know our strength or how to use it to protect ourselves.

A reported rape occurs every seven minutes in this country, many more than that go unreported. It is estimated that one in every three women in the U.S. will be raped in her lifetime. More often than that women are beaten by lovers, fathers and husbands. Lesbians are no exception. Every woman needs to know the skills to protect herself against attack. We are as vulnerable to rape and battering as the straight woman next door.

Protecting yourself from violence begins with common sense. On the street, especially at night, be alert at all times. Daydreaming and inattention make you a better target than the woman who walks purposely and aggressively.



Always walk as if you have a specific destination in mind even if you are just out for a stroll. If a threatening situation develops, keep moving as you assess the situation. Try to stay in well lighted areas where there are likely to be people around. If you are confronted, don't scream helplessly - let out a bloodcurdling yell and remember to scream "fire", not "help". People, especially in large, metropolitan areas are much more likely to respond to the word "fire".

Although these general rules always apply, different situations demand different reactions. The following are just some of the steps you can take to protect yourself.

## IN THE HOME

Below are listed some precautions to take against rape and attack in the home. Most take little time to set in place and will greatly reduce the



chances of a break-in.

- If you live alone, list only your initials in phone directories and on mail boxes. You might also add names of fake roommates to your mailbox.
- Establish a signal such as a special whistle with neighbors and roommates - make sure you use it only when necessary or for practice drills. Remember the little boy who cried "wolf"...
- Use deadbolt locks on all outside doors. Be sure to install the kind that lock with a key from the inside if there is a window in the door or close enough where you can reach through and turn the lock.
- Keep all windows locked at night. Burglar bars are an option but can be safety risks in the case of fire.
- Keep all entry ways brightly lit and have your keys ready before you get to the door.
- Be sure you know who you are letting in before opening the door. Most companies issue ID's to employees who work with the public away from the office. Remember that letting anyone into your home, even if they are an employee of a reputable company, can put you at risk of attack. If you didn't call the phone company to come to your home, don't let their workmen in until you confirm with their office that they were sent to your address for a reason.

## CARS AND TRAVELING

Once again, Be sure and lock your car when you leave it and have your keys ready before you get to your car. Fumbling around in your purse or searching through your pockets distracts your attention and gives an attacker time to sneak up on you. Try to remember

where you park in a large parking lot so that you don't have to stop and search for your car. Be sure and check the inside of the car before you get in - many an attacker has been known to hide out in the back seat until an opportune moment.

If you are traveling alone on the highways and run into trouble you should stay in the car and place a "call police" banner in the window of your car. Do not try to hitch a ride or accept help from strangers. If someone does stop to help, roll down your window only an inch or two and ask them to call for help at the next available phone. Remember, don't get out of the car!

## WEAPONS

Be aware of potential weapons in your surroundings, whether it is in your home or on the route you walk from the parking lot to your home or work. Not only can these weapons give you the edge in an attack, they can also be used by your attacker and you should be aware of them.

If you choose to carry something with you to protect yourself, be sure that is legal to do so. Guns and knives have restrictions that vary from state to state and require training for you to be able to use them properly. Be sure you know the laws and know how to use such weapons before you carry them. The false sense of security an untrained person gets from carrying such weapons can often get them in worse trouble. For instance; you could have the weapon turned against you, if not used correctly you could only slightly harm your attacker making him more angry, or you could hesitate too long before using it, giving your attacker an opening to grab you.

Many things found in the home or car make effective weapons. The obvious are hammers, umbrellas, bottles, hair picks, etc.. These all come in handy but can be tricky. Make sure you know what you want to do with them before you make any threats.

Some other household goods that will work are pepper sauce, lemon juice, vinegar or other burning substances in a squirt or a spray bottle. You can temporarily blind your attacker with any of these substances and give yourself time to escape. These are also easily carried in your purse or car. Mace will do the same thing but you'll need to check your state and local laws before carrying it.

## MARTIAL ARTS

The martial arts are always mentioned in the context of self-defense for women. There are many different styles and schools so instead of suggesting anything specific, I am listing some of the different forms and their strengths and weaknesses here. You decide which is right for you.

- *Judo* utilizes trowing, grappling, wrestling, and choking techniques and is best for dealing with an opponent up close.

- *Aikido* is similar to judo in that it relies on the movements of the attacker. It is a purely defensive art.

- *Tae Kwon Do* or any form of Korean karate is a satisfactory form of self-defense. They combine defensive motions with fighting techniques.

- *Jujitsu* along with some other martial art forms combine judo, aikido and karate techniques for use in confrontational situations.

## LAST WORD

The main enemy in any threatening

situation is panic. Fear can keep you from remembering what you should do. The best way to combat panic is with self-confidence. A self-defense course or even practicing your response with a friend will give you confidence, as well as lessen the chance that you will panic in a real attack. Practice will increase your chances of escape and your ability to fight back.

The physical and mental alertness you can gain from self-defense training will also give you added confidence in other areas of your life. For some women, the mere suggestion of violence is enough to scare them into submission. Knowing that you can't be pushed around bodily will allow you to stand up more forcefully to mental abuse as well as giving you more control over your life.



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# What A World, What A World!

## Blissful Semi-Matrimony

by Nancy Ford



Let it be known that as of this past weekend, my Significant Other (S.O.) and myself have been blissfully united in semi-matrimony (or a reasonable facsimile thereof) for the enviable duration of two and one-half years.

Two and one-half years. Thirty months. That translates to fifteen dog years. For most of my contemporaries, two and a half years is a silver anniversary.

We met during Prime Time (happy hour) at a local night spot. It took no more than a mere half a roll of quarters pumped into the Trivia Whiz video machine to convince me that the impossible had happened: I had met someone I could actually like, perhaps (Dare I say it?) *love* in a night club. And we all know the likelihood of this happening. Halley's Comet is a more frequent happenstance. So do as I say, not as I do.

At the time we met, S.O. and I were both trying to regain our collective equilibrium recovering from previous broken relationships, and were both wary of jumping in again. Initially it's difficult enough just trying to function normally in the world as something more than half a couple. Shortly after

breaking up with my former S.O., I was invited to a dinner party. The hostess told me to feel free to bring a date. I brought a whole box of them.

Further, nuclear family fusion hasn't been a snap for either of us. It's been reported that children of divorced parents have an environmentally-produced incapability for emotional commitment to a partner. Both our parents (all four of them, that is) are divorced. Then The Beatles broke up. Then Wham! split. We were lucky to be able to commit to an extended play dance mix by Terence Trent D'Arby. But that first meeting led to a real date. Then a second. And a third and a fourth and a fifth. Then suddenly we realized we'd known each other for two whole days! Then came the affirmation of the exchange of those five basic human attractions: emotional, intellectual, physical, spiritual, sexual. Their order doesn't matter. Trust me on this one. The important thing is that it all led to the even more important exchange of those three little words: *I love you*.

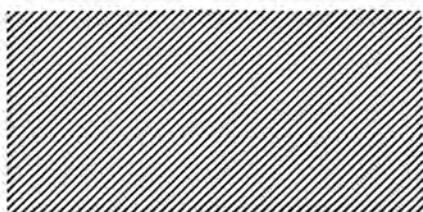
*I love you* led to *It's silly to pay rent at two apartments* which led to *This is your apartment. We need to move*

*somewhere that's ours together.*

That led to holidays with the family, and major appliances purchased on revolving credit plans. Enter the dog. Ozzie Nelson isn't dead - he's alive and well and living inside my body.

All this, and heaven too, as the saying goes. All this because of those three little words. And it's taken only thirty months to irreversibly convince me that those three little words are far more desirable to hear than those *five* little words. No, not *I love you very much*. I'm talking about those other *five* little words -

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A Discussion of Lesbian Literature Both New and Old

*This month T. Sumner Reviews:*

## **Clicking Stones**

**by Nancy Tyler Glenn**

## **Surviving Sisters**

**by Gail Pass**

This month I've got two of the best lesbian novels I've read in quiet awhile - both from Naiad Press. The first is Clicking Stones by Nancy Tyler Glenn. This is the story of Erica, who accidentally finds a mystical place in the woods when she is seven years old. There, an old woman gives her a magical stone. When this stone is clicked against any other it causes both to give off a brilliant light. But, not everyone can see the light. When Morgan moves in next door, the two girls become friends, and eventually Erica shows her the secret of the stone.

Years pass and Erica meets others who can see the light and clicks stones with them. As the knowledge of Erica's gift spreads, a worldwide movement of followers develops. The followers are divided into classes of those who can see the light, those who can feel the vibrations of the light and those who

can neither see nor feel the light but believe in its power. But why do some see the light while others cannot?

During this time, the love between Erica and Morgan is tested through separation and the love of other women but, their love survives even the most adverse conditions.

This is a powerful novel full of mysticism and eroticism. Nancy Tyler Glenn has given us a novel that is thought provoking and intriguing. The story moves with a fluidity that is uncommon in modern works of fiction. It is like watching the very unusual tale of a powerful woman through a piece of gauze - making her both strong and soft at the same time. The story is dreamlike in quality, and its themes of realizing potential and the importance of passing time are universal.

I would recommend this book to everyone with any interest in mysticism and

or science fiction. On top of that, the love story that weaves its way through Clicking Stones should even please romance buffs. What more could you ask from one book?

Our second book this month is Surviving Sisters by Gail Pass, author of Zoe's Book. Irena Lampros and her sister Alexandra have lost both their brothers - one to death in Vietnam and one to death in Canada where he was escaping the draft. Their Uncle Constantine, who raised them, considers one a hero and the other a disgrace to his family and his country.

Alexandra launches an attack against Constantine to demand an honorable burial for the brother he refuses to claim. Soon, Irena is drawn into the middle of a bitter fight between them. When yet another tragedy occurs, Irena herself becomes the avenger - set on a course to destroy all that remains of Constantine's self-respect.

In the midst of all this comes Maggie Leland, an archeologist assembling artifacts traceable to an ancient earth goddess. Irena must confront her love for this woman and resolve her war with her uncle before she can learn about true freedom.

The intense emotions in this novel make it hard to read at times. The characters are in such pain that it hurts to even read about them. Yet, the love that brought on this pain is just as intense. It is a classic struggle between the male power structure and the role of modern woman. It is about compromise and hatred, compassion and love. This is a book that needs to be read.

Both Clicking Stones and Surviving Sisters are available for \$8.95 from Naiad Press, Inc., P.O. box 10543, Tallahassee, FL 32302. complete catalogs are available upon request. Please include 15% postage with your order.



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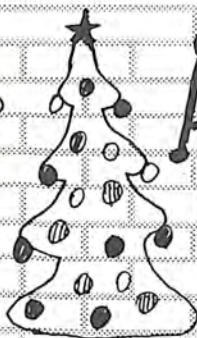
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## **YOU GET JEALOUS WHEN....**

**1.** Your date talks to someone you don't know in the bar.

**2.** You ask your girlfriend out and she says she is going to stay home and work that night. When you call no one answers the phone.

**3.** The mail arrives with a letter from your lover's ex and she opens it first.

**4.** One of your friends gets a substantial raise which puts her far above your income bracket.

**5.** Your girlfriend wants to go out with her friends and leaves you to fend for yourself.

**6.** You see an old friend from high school that has gotten thin and in shape while you have put on a few pounds and aren't quite what you used to be.

**7.** Your best friend complains that she has too many dates for the weekend and doesn't know which one to break.

**8.** You are at a party and someone else is getting all the attention.

**9.** Your ex-lover calls to tell you how happy she and her new girlfriend are in their new house.

**10.** Your lover runs into an old flame at the bar and isn't in the mood

for sex with you later that night.

**11.** Your best friend finds someone and settles down while you are still single and lonely.

**12.** All your friends are going on a trip for the weekend but you are broke and have to stay home.

**13.** One of your friends gets a date with a woman you've been attracted to for a long time.

**14.** You go to a party with your lover and she spends all her time talking to a woman she doesn't introduce you to.

**15.** You find a tube of lipstick in your lover's car and neither one of you wear lipstick.

**16.** The telephone rings in your lover's house, you answer the phone and they hang-up

**17.** Your lover is late coming home from work for an entire week because of a big project.

**18.** No one ever asks you to dance but your best friend is on the dance floor all night long.

**19.** Someone buys a drink for your lover but not for you.

**20.** A woman shows up at a party in the same shirt you've had on lay-away for six months.

## SCORING

Each True answer is two points.  
Each False answer is one point.  
Add up your score and see below to  
find out where you are on the  
jealousy scale.

### If You Scored:

#### 20-26

You rarely get jealous. You are secure in your relationships and seldom do you feel threatened enough to worry. While this may be a great feeling, you may be sending messages to your loved ones that they are not important to you. You may be inadvertently creating jealousy in them because you seldomly experience it. While we would not suggest that you develop jealous tendencies, it would probably be a good idea to express a little more interest in what goes on in your lover's life. Most people who score in this range have very good self-esteem and very little fear of relationships.

#### 27-33

If you scored in this range you get jealous only when you have a real reason to feel threatened by a given situation. You may also get jealous over situations that have affected you strongly in the past. Try to figure out what makes you jealous and work on getting more control over your emotions in those areas. If you get jealous because someone has something that you don't — the best thing you can do is to quit being jealous and work on getting some of your own. (i.e. - friends, money, lover, etc.)

#### 34-40

You are a classic example of a "green-eyed monster". You see suspicion in everything and this includes your lover's activities. Whether going to the store or dancing with a friend, you read betrayal into almost all of her actions. The sad part is that, while she may not have been doing anything in the past, if you continue to get jealous with no cause, you will drive her away. The best thing you can do is to sit down and talk to your lover or friends about trying to get over your jealousy. Try to work on trusting them enough to let them go their own way. You'll be surprised at how much better you feel about yourself and how much better you will get along with those around you..



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tall stalks of miniature blossoms,  
intricate branches and eclectic leaves.  
I rearrange my life for them —  
make a special trip home,  
lower the thermostat,  
turn all the vents toward them.  
Tonight I'm awake  
in someone else's bed  
thinking of that confidant,  
costly arrangement.  
You didn't send a card or a signature.  
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# **H**oroscope

What's in the Stars for You this month?

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## **ARIES**

**(Mar 21st - April 19th)**

Don't let impatience get in the way of your goals during the **first week of April**. You have lots of enthusiasm, but if you rush you might miss something important. From the **9th thru the 16th** your charisma could attract people who can greatly enhance your career. However, don't take your work home with you or you could upset your lover. From the **17th thru the 23rd** you may react unreasonably to a difference of opinion at home. Take time out to think before you get emotional. From the **24th thru the 30th** keep your eyes and ears open for tips to give a boost to your career. Take time out at month's end to recharge your battery or you'll just be running on nervous energy.

## **TAURUS**

**(April 20th - May 20th)**

You'll have to work hard during the **first week of April** or you won't have time to play later on! Be sure and budget well so you'll have some "mad money" at weeks end. From the **9th thru the 16th** your money picture is looking up because of some long-distance news - be sure to say thanks! From the **17th thru the 23rd** keep a low profile and keep your attention focused on work. This may be hard to do right now, but it will pay off in the long run. From the **24th thru the 30th** travel could be on the agenda. Focus on the future and rethink goals or you could get stuck in a rut.

## **GEMINI**

**(May 21st - June 21st)**

You may have to put off some social plans

due to financial considerations during the **first week of April**. Try teaming up with friends to spread the expense around. From the **9th thru the 16th** your social life will get a spark of new life but you may run out of funds to soon to enjoy it. Don't let others take advantage of your generous nature. From the **17th thru the 23rd** you'll have to get down to work to get your career back on track. A loved one will be willing to help you out if you'll ask. From the **24th thru the 30th** you may uncover a deep dark secret someone has been hiding from you - let some time pass before you confront them, you'll be much better able to come up with a solution.

## **CANCER**

**(June 22nd - July 22nd)**

Your personal life may run into difficulty during the **first week of April**. Someone could be trying to put the blame for their mistake on you. You may have to be aggressive to solve the problem. From the **9th thru the 16th** a special person may appear on the scene - handle with care! Your emotions have a tendency to run away with you right now. From the **17th thru the 23rd** spending too much time out on the town may be putting you behind at work. Try to achieve a balance between the two or you could find yourself in trouble on the job. From the **24th thru the 30th** you're back on track at work. Catch up now on bills and rework your budget to keep up with your changing situation.

## **LEO**

**(July 23rd - August 22nd)**

Don't hesitate to use your influence with people in high places during the **first week**

of April. They can help you get what you want, both at work and at home. From the **9th thru the 16th** don't let a change of plans upset you - it will work out better for you in the long run. Your popularity is on the rise so keep smiling. From the **17th thru the 23rd** a relationship you thought was perfect may turn out to have some major flaws. Consider your situation carefully before you decide what to do. From the **24th thru the 30th** be willing to share your good fortune with those who have helped you along the way. A party or social occasion will present you with the opportunity to show your best side to the boss.

## VIRGO

**(August 23rd - Sept 22nd)**

Take your time making any financial decisions during the **first week of April**. Someone may be trying to sell you a bill of goods. From the **9th thru the 16th** a change in the guard at work could give you the opportunity to move up the ladder, but you'll have to be on your toes to make sure you get what you want. From the **17th thru the 23rd** you may be feeling the effects of "Spring Fever" but you'll have to buckle down and work hard if you want to get out and play. From the **24th thru the 30th** your social life gets a boost and you could meet someone special or influential to your career - keep your eyes open!

## LIBRA

**(Sept 23rd - Oct 23rd)**

You will have to handle family and domestic matters with kid gloves during the **first week of April**. Tempers may be short, but if you take time to listen and discuss problems things should improve. From the **9th thru the 16th** you may want to escape all your responsibilities, but you won't be able to get away completely. Work will tie you down but you should be able to get away towards week's end. From the **17th thru the 23rd** your emotions could get out of control and

you will feel like you are on a roller-coaster. A positive attitude will get you through until things improve next week. From the **24th thru the 30th** a change of scenery could greatly help your outlook on life. A short trip or even a daytime excursion in the outdoors will bring you renewed confidence and vitality.

## SCORPIO

**(Oct 24th - Nov 22nd)**

You may be feeling the urge to escape all responsibility during the **first week of April**, but you'll have to knuckle down and get to work. A look at your bank balance might get you going. From the **9th thru the 16th** try not to take your emotional baggage to work even though it may seem hard to escape. You could miss out on a career opportunity if you do. From the **17th thru the 23rd** your partner could be angry with you for spending so much time away from home. A weekend away will patch things up just fine. From the **24th thru the 30th** handle personal affairs with care or a problem that's been brewing on the home front could blow up in your face. Avoid making hasty business decisions.

## SAGITTARIUS

**(Nov 23 - Dec 21)**

Some social plans could be changed because of financial problems during the **first week of April**, but you can make improvements with some hard work this week. From the **9th thru the 16th** a relationship you have been involved in could suddenly turn more serious than you thought. A major commitment has the blessing of the stars right now. From the **17th thru the 23rd** you may be feeling boxed in by routine. Let spring fever get the best of you - take off work and get outside! From the **24th thru the 30th** you'll have to get back down to business. Don't tell a friend's secret, it could get you in trouble on the job.

## CAPRICORN

(Dec 22nd - Jan 19th)

Your dissatisfaction with someone close to you could be due to your own poor self-image during the first week of April. Make an effort to be pleasant and soon it won't be an effort at all. From the 9th thru the 16th you are feeling much better about yourself and the people around you will notice. A raise or promotion that entails a move could be in the works. From the 17th thru the 23rd you may be feeling impatient about a project at work. Don't give anyone a reason to gossip about you, it could affect your plans for the future. From the 24th thru the 30th your creativity is on the rise and it will put you in center stage. You may be asked to make a commitment to a relationship you aren't sure about - take your time making a decision.

## AQUARIUS

(Jan 20th - Feb. 18th)

Don't get overly anxious to start a new project during the first week of April. Unexpected delays and odd circumstances can disrupt your plans. From the 9th thru the 16th a domestic problem could jeopardize your time and making you miss some fun social engagement. Get out of the house for awhile to relieve your boredom. From the 17th thru the 23rd some sort of celebration may be on tap with you as the star. You may not want to be in the spotlight but you'll enjoy it nonetheless. From the 24th thru the 30th keep your opinions to yourself when discussing a problem with a co-worker or family member. Try to focus on the end results as opposed the means used to reach them.

## PISCES

(Feb 19th - Mar 20th)

Someone who claims to be a friend could betray you during the first week of April.

Be generous with your advice but hold on to your money or you'll lose it. From the 9th thru the 16th a wonderful woman could be on her way into your life this week. Don't get so carried away that you neglect your responsibilities. From the 17th thru the 23rd someone who is older and wiser may offer advice on your present position - listen carefully. Don't be fooled into making unwise money decisions. From the 24th thru the 30th you'll be ready to relax after a round of work and social engagements. Get outside and do what you want to do! Nothing will be more relaxing now.





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Affirmation (Methodist)  
7403 Shoal Creek • 451-2329  
Austin Lambda  
P.O. Box 5455 78763  
Gay/Lesbian Student  
Association at UT Austin • 458-3971  
Box 275 Texas Union 78712-7338  
Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby  
P.O. Box 2505 78768  
Metropolitan Community Church  
1100 Springdale Rd. • 929-3660  
Oasis Ministry  
5555 N. Lamar Blvd. #L101 • 441-9191  
Waterloo Counseling Center  
507 Powell 78703 • 322-9654  
Texas Human Rights Foundation  
2201 N. Lamar # 203 78705 • 479-8473  
AIDS Legal Assistance 1-800-828-6417

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### businesses

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### clubs

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5039 Willis Ave. • 828-4471

### organizations

Affirmation (Methodist)  
P.O. Box 225831 75222 • 948-1546  
AIDS Resource Center  
3920 Cedar Springs 75219

### Dallas Gay Alliance

P.O. Box 190712 75219 • 528-4233  
Dallas Gay/Lesbian Historic Archives  
3930 Cedar Springs • 821-1653  
Dallas Gay Youth Group  
300 Turtle Creek Plaza #116 • 307-7203  
Dallas Outdoors  
P.O. Box 35474 75235 • 276-5270  
Dallas Tavern Guild  
3900 Lemmon Ave. #220 • 526-5292  
Foundation for Human Understanding  
528-4233  
Gay Community Center  
3920 Cedar Springs • 528-4233  
Gay/Lesbian Young Adults  
528-4233  
Grace Fellowship in Christ Jesus  
2727 Oak Lawn 75219 • 528-2811  
Lesbian Information Line (LIL)  
P.O. Box 191443 75219 • 528-2426  
Lesbian/Gay Rights Advocates  
528-4233  
Lesbian Visionaries  
P.O. Box 191443 75219 • 521-9642  
Oak Lawn Community Services  
3000 Turtle Creek Plaza, Suite 116  
75219-5311 • 520-8108  
Oak Lawn Symphonic Band  
P.O. Box 190973 75219 • 986-1751  
Womyn Together  
3920 Cedar Springs • 528-4233

## FT. WORTH (area code 817)

### clubs

Damsels  
1101 E. Seminary Dr. • 924-5354  
Partners  
1612 Park Place • 924-2519

### organizations

Affirmation (Methodist) • 478-7837

## HOUSTON, TX (area code 713)

### clubs

Norma's 5611  
5611 Val Verde • 782-4761  
Ranch • 9125 S. Main • 666-3464

### organizations

AIDS Foundation  
3400 Montrose #700 • 524-AIDS  
AIDS HOTLINE

c/o Switchboard • 529-3211  
Gay/Lesbian Students  
University of Houston  
4800 Calhoun • 529-3211  
Gay & Lesbian Switchboard  
P.O. Box 66591 77266 • 529-3211  
Houston Gay Political Caucus  
P.O. Box 66664 77266 • 521-1000  
Houston Thursday Nite Mixers  
Bowling League  
Steve: 699-3732 or Phil: 688-6970  
Kingdom Community Church  
614 E. 19th • 862-7533  
Lambda ALANON  
Lambda Center for Alcoholics  
1214 Joanne • 521-9772  
Lesbian/Gay Students  
University of Houston - Clear Lake  
2700 Bay Area 77058  
Lesbian Mothers Group • 864-3098  
Montrose Pool League/Billiards  
PJ 863-8482  
PWA Coalition - Houston  
3327 Essex Lane, Suite #16 77027  
623-4436  
Women's Lobby Alliance  
4 Chelsea • 521-0439  
Women's Softball League  
6431 Pineshade • 868-6256

**LUBBOCK, TX (area code 806)  
organizations**

Lubbock Lesbian/Gay Alliance  
P.O. Box 64746 79464 • 796-2403  
Names Project/Lubbock  
796-1800 or 744-1957  
West Texas Aids Foundation, Inc.  
P.O. Box 93120 • 794-1757

**NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Affirmation: United Methodists for  
Lesbian/Gay Concerns  
P.O. Box 1021 • Evanston, IL 60204  
AIDS Action Council  
729 Eighth St. S.E. Suite 200  
Washington, DC 20003 • (202) 547-3101  
AIDS 800 • 1-800-221-7044  
NII Gay Alliance for Young Adults, Inc.  
P.O. Box 190426  
Dallas, TX 75219-0426 • (214) 307-7203  
National Gay/Lesbian Clearinghouse  
666 Broadway 4th Floor  
NY, NY 10012  
National Gay/Lesbian Crisisline  
1-800-221-7044

The Fund for Human Dignity  
666 Broadway 4th Floor  
NY, NY 10012

**NORMAN, OK (area code 405)  
organizations**

Women's Resource Center  
P.O. Box 5089 73070

**OKLAHOMA CITY, OK  
(area code 405)  
organizations**

Oasis the Community Center  
2135 NW 39th 73112 • 525-AIDS  
Herland Sister Resources, Inc.  
2312 NW 39th 73112 • 794-7464

**SAN ANTONIO, TX  
(area code 512)  
clubs**

The Circle  
8021 Pinebrook • 341-2818  
organizations  
Dignity/San Antonio  
202 N. St. Mary's • 349-3632  
Integrity/San Antonio  
P.O. Box 150006 78212 • 684-4920  
LISA (Lesbian Information SA)  
828-LISA (5472)  
San Antonio AIDS Foundation  
P.O. Box 120113 78212-9313  
San Antonio Tavern Guild • 822-2823

**SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TX  
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accommodations**

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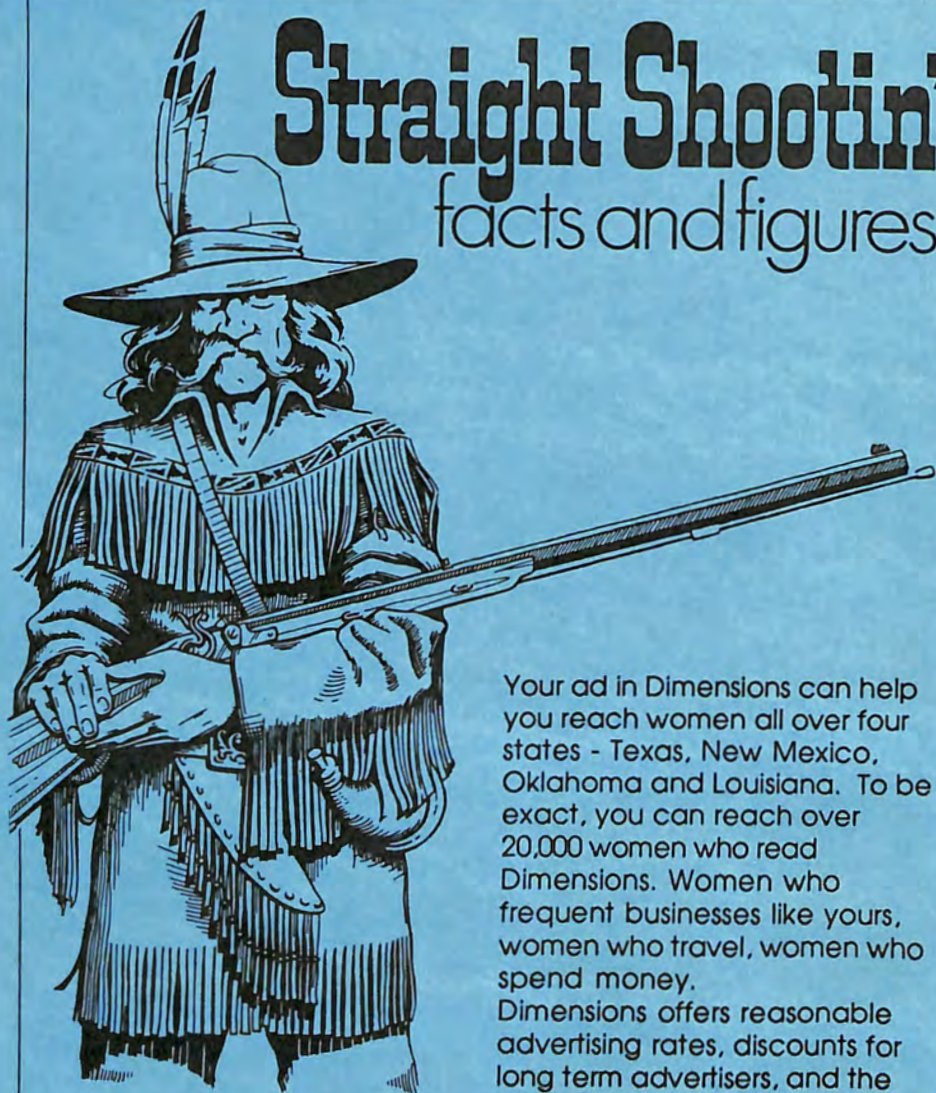


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