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News

From Around the Region, the Country & the World

Dallas Activist Bill Nelson Elected as New THRF President

AUSTIN - At its October quarterly board meeting held last week in Houston, the board of trustees of the Texas Human Rights Foundation (THRF) elected a new slate of officers and added two additional trustees.

Elected as THRF's new president was Bill Nelson of Dallas, former president of the Dallas Gay Alliance and long-time THRF board member. Owner of Crossroads Market in Dallas, Mr. Nelson was instrumental in founding the AIDS Resource Center in Dallas and was a former candidate for city council in Dallas. Mr. Nelson succeeds Frank Stenger of Austin, an assistant attorney general for the State of Texas, who has served as THRF's president since October of 1988. Stenger remains on THRF's board as chair of its litigation committee.

Elected as THRF's vice-president was Donald Skipwith, a Houston attorney who also serves as vice-chair of the board of directors of the AIDS Foundation Houston. Skipwith succeeds Gene Harrington of Houston as vice-president; after six years of dedicated service as a trustee, Harrington submitted his resignation, which was accepted by the board.

Alan Levi, a certified public accountant in Dallas, was elected as the new treasurer of the organization.

Nell Hahn and Steve Davis, both attorneys from Austin, were elected as new trustees to the board.

THRF's legal director, David Bryan, characterized the new slate of officers for THRF as a balanced blend of old and new talent and experience for the organization. "I believe Bill Nelson's history of activism will set a new tone for THRF as it carries out the important work in which it is involved, while at the same time THRF will benefit from his experience of having been a trustee for many years," Bryan said. "I am also excited by the addition of new trustees from Austin, where THRF has been under-represented in the past."

At the meeting last week, Sue Lovell of Houston, a THRF board member and a former president of the Houston Gay & Lesbian Political Caucus, was named as the chair of THRF's nominating committee charged with identifying new trustees to be considered for the board of trustees at the January meeting. Persons interested in learning more about service on THRF's board or about the work of the organization may contact David Bryan or Sue Lovell at (512) 479-8473.

THRF's board presently consists of 13 trustees living in Austin, San Antonio,

Houston and Dallas. The board meets quarterly in various cities around the state, and its meetings in 1990 are tentatively set for Austin, El Paso, Corpus Christi and Lubbock., as part of the statewide organizations effort to involve gay men, lesbians and persons with AIDS from outside the larger metropolitan areas of the state.

THRF is the sponsor of the litigation pending in an Austin court known as Morales vs. The State of Texas, challenging the constitutionality of Section 21.06 of the Texas Penal Code, which criminalizes private, consensual sexual relations between two men or two women. Linda Morales of Houston is THRF's lead plaintiff in the case, which also includes four more plaintiffs from Austin and Dallas. The State is attempting to have the case dismissed and a hearing will be scheduled late this year in the matter.

Austin Lambda to Cease Operations

AUSTIN - September 1989 marked Austin Lambda's tenth anniversary. One month later the organization has ceased to exist except in name only.

Claiming a lack of community support, Austin Lambda will close its office and cease publication of its newsletter effective immediately.

Austin Lambda has been instrumental in making major contributions to the gay community both in Austin and throughout the state of Texas. A partial list of their accomplishments includes:

First Legal Day in Texas; First Gay Pride March; Referral Services; A women's softball team; speaker's bureau; and various concerts, dances and other functions. Austin Lambda also spun off several groups including: The Alliance; Gay Fathers; Lesbian Mothers; and ALSO (Austin Lesbians Speak Out).

Austin Lambda as a legal corporation will continue to exist in name only. If you have any suggestions for future uses of this organization as a community enterprise, please write them at: P.O. Box 5455, Austin, TX 78763.

Newly Formed Lesbian Arts Group Needs Members

DALLAS - Women in the Arts Networking Together (WANT), a newly formed organization in the Dallas metropolitan area is seeking members. Writers, artists, musicians, thespians and all others, whether amateur or professional, are welcome.

Meetings are held the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at the Womyn for Womyn Resource Center at 1315 Skiles, Dallas at 7:30pm.

Goals of WANT include: creating a referral network for women in the arts; increasing the audience for women in the performing arts; and to provide an alternative environment that fosters creativity.

Plans are being made now for a 1990 Women's Festival and a benefit show is planned for TJ's in Denton on December 16th to help make the festival a

reality.

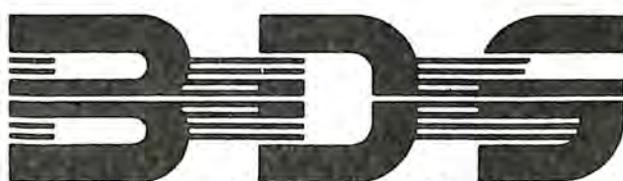
If you would like to become a member or are interested in learning more about WANT, the next meeting will be held on December 14th or you can call (214) 288-9299 or 823-3105.

Lesbian Press to Publish Wedding Book

TURLOCK, CA - According to *BLK Magazine*, WIM Publications, a lesbian-feminist publishing company is seeking contributions for its Lesbian and gay Wedding Book, a non-fiction pictorial that will document same-sex unions. The work is scheduled to be published in the early spring of 1990.

but a company spokesperson says the book will not go to press until a good cross-section of the community's multi-racial and multi-cultural wedding ceremonies has been assembled. The company invites couples to submit photographs of their ceremonies, in either black and white or color, along with a 500 to 1000 word description of their love story and decision to commit their vows. Subject to negotiation, contributors will receive a fee or percentage of book sales. Guidelines and further information is available from Dr. Dianne Bogus, WIM Publications, 3601 Crowell Rd. #100, Turlock, Calif. 95380. Their telephone number is 209-667-0966.





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AUSTIN - If you're looking for entertainment, have I got news for you! **NEXUS & PETTICOAT JUNCTION**, along with sponsor Miller Lite is hosting the **PHP Performer of the Year 1989 Show!** It's gonna be a really, really big "shoe" in both bars on December 17th! Be There! And, there is lots more live entertainment where that came from — On the 8th it's comedian **Nancy Ford**, On the 15th catch **Denise Fawcett**, On the 21st get in the spirit at the **Christmas Show**, and last but not least — come on out for **Talent Night** December 14th & 28th. Finally, top off your decade with **New Year's Eve 1990** with free champagne and party favors and get the nineties off to a good start **New Year's Day** with bowl games, black-eyed peas, and lot's of fun!

HOUSTON - If you want in on the fun you'd better get your reservations in for **New Year's Eve** at the **RANCH!** There is limited space available so you need to make those reservations now — don't wait or you might miss out! And, if **New Year's Eve** isn't enough excitement for you, remember that the **RANCH** has **Beer Bust** all day long on Sundays, **Rock and Roll and Dance Music** every Wednesday Night, and a **DJ** playing your favorite music every night

of the week. Betsy also tells me that she has security in the parking lot every night to look out for you and your car!

DALLAS - Where, oh Where can you find all your favorite live entertainers...? **SUE ELLEN'S** — of course! Check their ad in this issue for names, dates and details — you won't be disappointed! If you are looking for a place to wind down after a hard day in the malls, give **SUE ELLEN'S** a try, they've got **3-In-One's and Happy Hour** drinks everyday until 8pm and all day and all night on Wednesdays.

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on the 14th at 8pm, tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door.

DENTON - Women In The Arts Networking Together (WANT) is sponsoring a **Show to Benefit the 1990 Texas Women's Festival!** The show will be held at TJ's at 1215 E. University Dr. in Denton on December 16th at 10pm. All proceeds will go towards the festival - so get out and show your support!

DALLAS/HOUSTON - Comedian **Kate Clinton**, will appear at the **Arcadia Theatre** in Dallas on Friday, Dec. 8. Tickets are available at **Curious Times, Crossroads Market** or by calling **Rainbow Ticketmaster** at . Kate then travels to Houston for a two-show concert at **Fitzgerald's** on Sat., Dec. 9. Appearing with Kate will be: guitarist **Edna Garcia**, **The Wynne Walker Band**, actress/playwright **Marianne Pendino**, and Dimensions' own **Nancy Ford**. For ticket info call **Inklings Alternative Bookshop** or **Fitzgerald's**. And, don't miss Nancy Ford's interview with Kate Clinton in this issue!

DALLAS - Radical feminist speaker & author, **Sonia Johnson** will be appearing at the **Arlington Hall** at Lee Park at 3401 Turtle Creek on December 10th & 11th. On the 10th Sonia will host a workshop entitled "**Breaking Up With Patriarchy Instead of Each Other**" and a dinner will be held after the workshop. On the 11th Sonia will give a lecture entitled "**Wildfire: Igniting the She/Volution**". Tickets are available at **Curious Times, Crossroads Market** and at the door. Call (214) 823-4279 for more information. The event is sponsored by **WILD-WISE**, a new non-profit organization for lesbians in Dallas.

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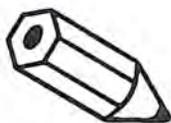
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Dear Agnes

Answers to your questions about love,
relationships & personal problems

Dear Readers

In late November, we received the following letter in the Dimensions office. Although it was marked "Letter to the Editor", we thought it would be more appropriate and more widely read in this column.

Dear gay and lesbian community and supporters:

Syndicated advice columnist Ann Landers has asked what her readers think about "legal sanctions for same-sex couples." To communicate your support for the rights of gay and lesbian couples, write to Ann Landers, c/o The Chicago Tribune, 435 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611.

Here's what we told Ms. Landers:

We think lesbians and gay men should be able to legally marry. In our view, it's a matter of civil rights. Not to mention simple fairness and good sense.

Too often, gay and lesbian relationships have been attacked as antithetical to "Family values." Nothing could be further from the truth. Gay and lesbian couples — and their children — are genuine families. They share with all families the traditional value of love, caring and mutual support.

The truth is, gay and lesbian couples are already marrying one another in both religious and secular ceremonies. According to preliminary results of our national survey of gay and lesbian couples, 16 percent of female couples

and 10 percent of male couples had "ritualized their relationship with a ceremony." More than one-third had executed legal agreements to protect their relationship. (Results based on 812 respondents.)

Unfortunately, these couples cannot choose to legally marry and depend on existing laws to support their family life. The legal contracts we make can replicate only some of the protections that are automatic with marriage. Just one example: A widowed lesbian partner cannot claim her departed spouse's Social Security benefits.

And this inequity is far-reaching. At least 10 million Americans are in same-sex relationships, judging from a recent San Francisco Examiner poll that found 60 percent of gay men and lesbians in relationships.

Our society should support these gay and lesbian families for the same reasons we support traditional families. Functional families make better neighbors and more productive citizens.

Sincerely

Stevie Bryant and Demian, Ed.D.
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**PARTNERS: The Newsletter
for Gay & Lesbian Couples**
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This is Agnes Talking: After we received this letter Ann Landers printed some of the responses to her question on November 26th. She indicated that opinion was running 2 to 1 against legalizing gay & lesbian marriages.

Now get out those pencils and lets change the numbers!

Dear Agnes,

I have worked for the same company in the same location for fifteen years. I loved my job up until the last year and a half. A new boss was shipped in and everything has been all downhill ever since.

First off this guy knew nothing about the whole operation here. He thinks he is too good to get his hands dirty. No matter what happens he never pitches in. Basically, he has a "holier than thou" attitude.

Now, I am not just saying this because I think someone else should have gotten the job, but there were people here that could have handled the job a lot more efficiently than he is.

He is a college boy with clean fingernails. He has management snowed and he treats everybody around here like dirt.

What should I do? Should I talk to his boss?

Waiting for your advice!

Dear Waiting,

Don't go to his boss. Going over his head, even if you have an open door policy, will be "cutting your own throat."

You could try talking directly to him, mention that you need help with a project and every one else is tied up. Could he help? See what kind of reaction you get. It could be he doesn't know what to do. And if he has never been employed in this line of work, he may think he is doing what he needs to do. By all means be tactful and don't attack his behavior.



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Lesbian Battering

The Reality of Violence in Our Community

by Karen Stewart



The following article is a condensed version of two of a five part series collected by Ms. Stewart. Due to space limitations we are unable to publish all five articles in their entirety. If you would like a copy of the articles, please contact Ms. Stewart at (512) 339-8508.

There are many in the lesbian community that believe lesbian battering could not exist—that women are not capable of physically and emotionally abusing other women. But, it does exist and it is much more widespread than most of us are aware. In Austin in 1985, the Austin Coalition Against Abuse in Lesbian Relationships (ACAALR) conducted a survey of 81 lesbians. They found that 65% of those surveyed said they had experienced abuse in one or more adult relationships. Of this 65%, 70%

reported physical abuse, 85% emotional abuse and 32% reported sexual abuse. 13% reported that they were the abusive one in the relationship. In line with national statistics on women in the general population, one third said that they were sexually abused as children and over 50% report emotional abuse as children.

Battered lesbians deny their abuse or refuse to seek help out of fear that they will not be believed or because they see no way out of the relationship. They may also be afraid to approach mainstream battered women's shelters for fear of a homophobic response and because there is little or no community support or services in this area. Many lesbians do not believe that there is any abuse occurring within their

community.

In addition, many battered women live in a constant state of denial. They believe that what they are experiencing is not really abusive, that they are responsible for the abuse because of some flaw within themselves, or that if they will just "work harder" or "be better" the abuse will stop.

Abuse can be brought about by many causes. Most common is alcohol or drug abuse, although childhood experiences and many other experiences do contribute to abuse.

Recognizing that you are battered or are an abuser is the first step to healing. Below, I've gone into some detail on recognizing the signs of the different kinds of abuse. All of these forms of abuse are attempts to exert power or control over another person.

At the end of this article, you will find a resource list on where to find help for yourself, your lover or a friend.

TYPES OF ABUSE

Emotional Abuse

Below are listed some of the signs of emotional abuse with a short explanation.

- **Isolation** — Alienation from family and friends; refuses to provide money or transportation; may move you away to another city, state or even country; the abuser may also refuse to have a telephone; irrational jealousy.
- **Threats** — threatens to kill or hurt you; have you committed; find you no matter where you go; or to commit suicide if you leave.
- **Humiliation/Degradation** — Insulting jokes, name calling, ordering around.
- **Trivial Demands** — makes you

adhere to an exact time schedule, wear a certain hairstyle, etc...

- **Demonstration of Power** — Assigns chores, laws, curfew. Makes discrediting remarks, physical and sexual abuse.
- **Dependency** — No access to bank account; won't let you have job or makes you work to support partner.
- **Occasional Indulgences** — sudden changes of heart, brings you extravagant gifts or does something for you that you didn't expect.
- **Crazymaking** — convinces you that what you said, you didn't; changes rules; she's not violent, you're paranoid; uses things you've told her about yourself against you; buys you gifts and then blames you for money problems; tells you things are happening when they aren't and vice versa.

Physical Abuse

Physical abuse almost always goes hand in hand with emotional abuse, however; all emotional abusers are not physically abusive.

Physical abuse can range from pushing, shoving and outright fist fights to burning the skin, putting guns and knives in the vagina, and stabbing or shooting.

Sexual Abuse

Although much of the description of physical abuse can also be applied to sexual abuse, sexual abuse can take on many different forms. Forcing you to have sex, forcing you to participate in group sex or have sex with another partner, or doing anything sexual that is against your will is abusive.

Don't confuse S/M sex with abuse.

While S/M, like any form of sex, *can* be abusive, this isn't always the case. Most S/M sex is consensual and both partners agree beforehand on how far things will go and a code word to stop things if they get out of hand.

WHAT TO DO

If you are a battered lesbian or a batterer, you are not alone and you can end your nightmare. Seek help from your friends and family if possible and seek professional help (a resource list is provided at the end of this article).

If you have a friend or family member who is involved in an abusive relationship, remember that you cannot make their decisions for them — what you can do is offer your support and love. Supply them with reading material on abusive relationships. The more they read, the more likely they are to recognize themselves as a battered woman or abuser. Offer them a place to stay if and when they come to a decision to leave — many women are, or feel that they are, financially dependent on their abuser and will need your help in this area. And, last but not least, refer them to this resource list for professional help.

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BOOKS

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WINTER TRAVEL FOR WOMEN OF THE 90's

by Tasha Sumner



It's that time again! Time for our annual "Winter Travel" article. In June of 1988, Dimensions sent out a survey to our readers. In that survey, we asked the questions: Have you ever spent time at a lesbian/gay resort? Would You? While only 9% of the respondents said that they had vacationed at a lesbian/gay resort, a resounding 98% said they would like to go (or return) to vacation at one. Many of you added comments to the effect that you would love to vacation at a "family" resort, if you just knew where they were. Well, that's where we come in! These travel articles are to let you know that there are places out there that are "just for you" — and nobody else! So, let's go . . .

Since most of these resorts are Bed & Breakfasts, I'll start out with a definition of B&B provided by Mother Source Travels of St. Louis, Missouri: "B&B offers the traveler more than accommodations in a strange place: B&B offers an opportunity to experience the local culture and expand your social network through the graciousness of a Hostess or Host who knows the area, where to go, and what is going on locally without the time commitment that friends and relatives may

expect of you when you stay at their homes. Your Hostess or Host likes people and offers thier home to you as a member of the "community" without intruding on your privacy (or you on hers). She may offer you juice and coffee or a full breakfast — each home is unique."

Since Mother Source was so kind as to give us this definition, we'll start with a description of their service and then move on to specific accommodations.

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What A World, What A World!

The Madwoman of Provincetown: Comic Kate Clinton

by Nancy Ford



"I love it when something happens spontaneously — it kind of rips through me."

"It" is comedy, and Kate Clinton gets excited when she talks about it.

"It's almost like there's another person talking. It's really a gift I enjoy."

As much as she enjoys it, predominantly lesbian/feminist audiences have enjoyed it too, and then some. Since 1981 she has toured the country serving up her oft-time political, sometime graphic, always bulls-eye accurate wit to increasing numbers of fans.

"The joy of making people laugh" drove her to comedy. Growing up in a household with three brothers, Kate learned early on the power comedy holds. "I found that a really good one-liner could keep them away."

She formally began her career in March of 1981 on a dare while on break from teaching high schoolers, which she had done for eight years. The transition from the classroom to the stage was not that traumatic. Recalling her students, she says, "You learn to work the room. The frightening thing is, the same audience keeps coming back day after day." Like most comics, Kate has a stockpile of scripted material, but she relies on the audience to steer the course of the

show.

"I might prepare two 45-minute sets and actually get about thirty minutes of material done. The rest is improv. I'm doing a part in my show now where I just say, "Are there any questions?" They range from "Do you like to eat?" to "What's your phone number?"

Kate estimates that approximately 10% of her audience is male. "We've been doing such outreach" she teases, as I see an image of feminist comedy missionaries rapping on chic townhouse doors on Saturday a.m., rounding up potential male audience members a la Jehovah's Witnesses. "I wish more would come," she said, explaining that she considers her material's focus is on gay culture as opposed to lesbian humor *exclusively*. One of her most memorable audiences was largely comprised of a group of Catholic senior citizens on a scenic tour of New England in Provincetown, Mass. (where Kate makes her home.) "They were booked into my show, and they had been told I was a drag act. Now *that* was a challenge. It was absolutely wild — it was like talking to my mom." "Everybody had their purses clutched tightly to themselves, and wore little plastic mesh hats. The questions were absolutely hysterical. I felt like an

unwitting dupe on 'Heterosexual Bloops, Blunders and Practical Jokes.'

"Kate Clinton thinks she is going to perform for a group of radical lesbians, but we've switched audiences on her."

Finally, as if to add coincidence to calamity, it turned out the group was from Fall River, Mass., the district represented by the recently much-publicized Barney Frank. Yes indeed, comedy is sometimes divine. Sometimes even divinely serious.

"At sound check I generally say a Catholic prayer, right from memory. People always laugh, but I am blessing the hall and bringing the spirit of the women in the hall.

"I go toward it very positively. I approach it very politically, too. I think when people laugh, they open. They're open and vulnerable, and that's when I like to sneak in new ideas."

Be forewarned — plan on hearing lots of new ideas when Kate Clinton comes to town.



TEXAS PLAY DATES

Kate Clinton, the feminist stand-up's standup, appears at the Arcadia Theatre in Dallas on Friday, Dec. 8. Call Curious Times at (214) 528-4087 for ticket information. Kate then travels to Houston for a 2-show concert at Fitzgerald's on Sat., Dec. 9. Also performing at Fitzgerald's that evening will be a host of Houstonian fem-talent, including guitarist Edna Garcia, The Wynne Walker Band, actress/playwright Marianne Pendino, and *Dimensions* own Nancy Ford. For ticket info call Inklings Alternative Bookstore, (713) 521-3369 or Fitzgerald's, (713) 862-7652.

Clintonisms:

Kate Clinton on ...

... The Pope

"I cannot respect a man that flies around kissing airports."

... Her baseball team

"Last year we made Michael Jackson our team mascot, because he wears a glove on one hand for no apparent reason.

... Non-monogamy

"Lord knows I've had more women than most people have noses."

... On reproduction

"Every Saturday at about one o'clock I go down to Chuck E. Cheese's. It works every time."

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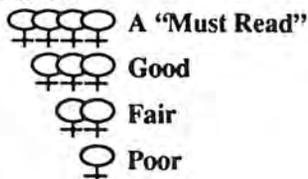
A Discussion of Lesbian Literature Both New and Old

This month, T. Sumner Reviews:

HOLIDAY READING LIST

Four New Books From Naiad Press -
Great for reading or giving as gifts!

This month we're going to take a look at four books — all from Naiad Press, Inc.. You'll find ordering information at the bottom of this article. Rating information appears below.



RICE & BEANS

by Valerie Taylor
Naiad Press, Inc., \$8.95

This is an exquisite book that gives real insight into to the plight of the homeless and

poverty stricken. The story revolves around Marty and Thea, two "down-on-their-luck" women who meet in a welfare office in Tuscon. Ms. Taylor manages to touch on many important issues (including discrimination against PWA's, the homeless and the differently-abled, to her views on our country's welfare system) while never straying from the telling of a powerful and moving story. I recommend *Rice & Beans* to all readers of good fiction.



SUE SLATE: PRIVATE EYE

by Lee Lynch
Naiad Press, Inc., \$8.95

OK, I will grant you that it's a silly idea . .

. A feline (as in kitty-cat) detective named Sue Slate sets out to solve the murder of "a people" in the cat infested neighborhood of Peacock Alley. Along the way she falls in love, introduces us to the sinister side of catdom and gets in many a scrape. Every cliché you've ever heard about cats and private-eyes and alot of the ones you've heard about gay men are included here. Although it leans towards the trite, this book is entertaining. Read it for fun or not at all.



AFTER THE FIRE

by Jane Rule

Naiad Press, Inc., \$8.95

Don't look here for a pat plot with a beginning, middle and a "this-settles-everything" ending. Ms. Rule has given us, instead, a few moments in another persons life.

Karen Tasuki has moved to an island off the coast of Vancouver to learn how to "live alone". Instead, she finds herself more and more involved in the lives of the women on the island, and their enigmatic housekeeper, Red. These women manage, through their own ineptitude, to teach Karen the true meaning of "family."



ROSE PENSKI

by Roz Perry

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You'll like this quirky novel as much as you'll like the main character, Rose Penski. Rose and her lover, Adelle, are in the San Francisco area while Adelle has a suspicious lump in her breast investigated. As their fear grows, Rose turns to thing she knows best — cooking. The relationship between these two women is filled with the odd things that grow between two people who have been together for many years. The short-hand way of communicating, the understanding of each other's habits, and Rose's odd trains of thought all combine to make this quite an endearing story.



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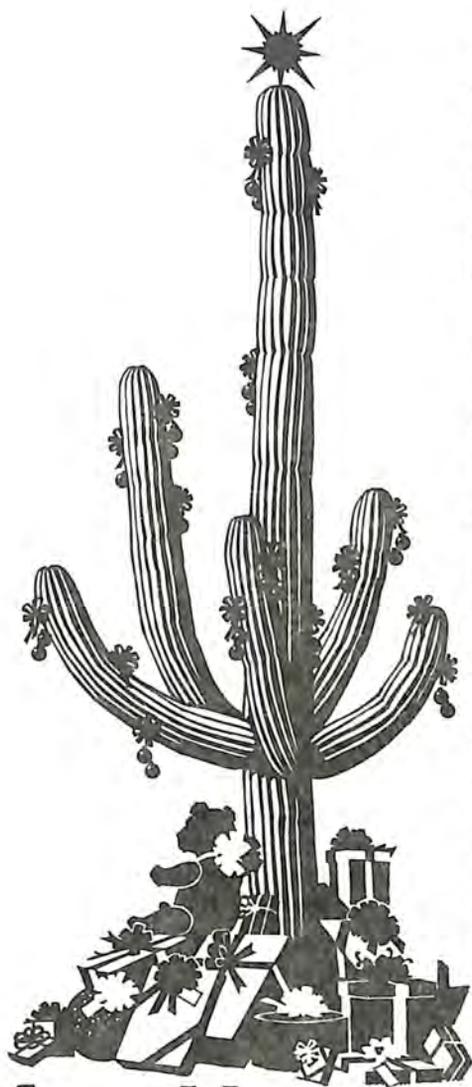


Curious Times

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Are You A Christmas Junkie?

The holidays are a time of family, togetherness, giving and love, right? Well, yes, but they are also times of stress, budget-busting and even depression. We all have different ways of coping with the holidays but some people tend to go to the extremes. How do you react to the holidays? Answer the 10 questions below and find out!

1. You normally begin shopping for Christmas gifts:

- a. at the January sales.
- b. the day after Thanksgiving.
- c. Christmas eve.

2. When you buy Christmas gifts, you:

- a. spend all on everyone on your list.
- b. try to find a special gift that isn't too expensive for everyone.
- c. you put it off and end up buying whatever you can find at the last minute.

3. You send Christmas cards to:

- a. everyone you've ever met, from elementary school on.
- b. to close friends and family.
- c. to whoever sent you cards last year.

4. For Christmas dinner, you:

- a. like a big crowd and turkey with all the trimmings.
- b. prefer something special but simple for yourself and a few close friends or family.
- c. want to go out to a restaurant. You don't want to cook on a holiday.

5. When it comes to Holiday parties, you:

- a. go to every one you're invited to — you can rest after the first of the year.
- b. only go to business parties and those of close friends.
- c. avoid them — you hate to go and act nice to people you only see once a year.

6. Your season's decorations are:

- a. three tons of lights, a nativity scene with singing wise-men and a mechanical Santa in the front yard.

- b. a nicely decorated Christmas tree and maybe a few strings of outdoor lights.
- c. a couple of Christmas cards taped to the fridge.

7. If your parents decided to go away for the holidays, you:

- a. would be horrified. How could they do this to your traditions?
- b. would be glad. They deserve a break.
- c. would be happy. It saves you from having to make the trek home.

ANSWER THE LAST THREE QUESTIONS WITH:

A for Always, B for Sometimes, and C for Never.

- 8. The gifts I give are better than those I receive.
- 9. I usually run my credit card bills sky high this time of year.
- 10. It wouldn't seem like Christmas if I wasn't tired from all the frenzy.

SCORING

Give yourself points as follows:

- 4 points for each "A" answer.
- 2 points for each "B" answer.
- 1 point for each "C" answer.

if you scored:

31-40

You really go overboard this time of year and you end up paying for it after January 1. Frazzled nerves, big credit-card bills, and a wrecked diet are just some of the fallout from your holiday overindulgence. A little restraint could go a long way towards helping you settle down and truly enjoy the holidays. Turn down an invitation or two, tone down your outdoor decorations,

remember that you don't have to spend \$100 on everybody on your list and take some time for yourself. You'll be much better prepared, both physically and mentally, for the new year.

20-30

You strike a good balance between tradition, family and friends during this season. You know better than to try to outdo everyone in the decoration and gift departments, but you're perfectly willing to "whoop it up" a little and indulge yourself a bit. You understand that it is alright to be sentimental about Christmas, but you don't let it control you.

10-19

O.K. Scrooge, so Christmas is just another day of the year to you, and you don't see why you should knock yourself out to conform to everyone else's idea of a perfect holiday. You might just be surprised by how much fun you can have if you'll only loosen up a bit. Send out a few Christmas cards, accept an invitation or two, and try putting some real thought into the gifts you buy. Depression is a big problem this time of year — people set their expectations so high that they are bound to feel let down. Maybe this was a problem for you in the past, and now you've resorted to no expectations at all to avoid the disappointment. You could have a great time this year — if you'll let yourself.



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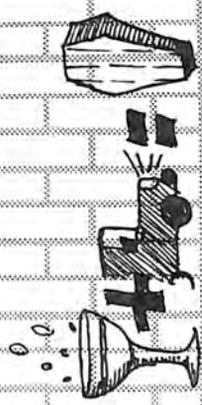
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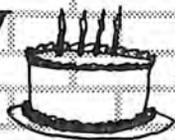
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Rates were not available, but you can call the number above for more info!

ASPEN SKI WEEK

January 21-27, 1990

You'll have to find your own accommodations for this one, but once you've arrived, give the Aspen Gay/Lesbian Group a call at (303) 468-1956 for information on parties, ski groups, etc. In the past this has been a predominantly gay male event but more and more women are participating every year!

If you don't see anything here that interests you, be sure to check out the guide books available for lesbians and gays. These guides are invaluable for the traveler. The addresses for three of the "Biggies" are listed below - write to them for copies of their guides or find them at your local bookstore.

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Poetry

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Like a warm feeling of security,
Your smile overpowers me.
My eyes are the key to my soul.
Cast a glance at them; And you shall see
A reflection of yourself . . .
the way I see you.
The way you can never see yourself.
Your dreams are the biggest part of you.
The part I admire most.
The part that you should keep.
Yet, and yet . . .
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This is your heart.
It is so fragile, so daring, so eager to . . .
To give all that it has,
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Horoscope

What's in the Stars for You this month?

SCORPIO

(Oct 24th - Nov 22nd)
December 15th - 31st

You'll have to keep out of the limelight before Christmas so that you can finish a project at work before the holidays. Once you're finished, watch out! Going out and having friends over dominate the rest of the month.

January

Your personal life is looking up for 1990 but you'll have to take a serious look at how you handle your personal finances. Now is a good time to sit down and figure out a budget for the coming year. A hot new romance may come on the scene this month, it may not last, but it will be fun while it does! A raise or promotion early in the month could help you with some of your holiday debt. Your social life is exciting and this could be tied in with your new flame!

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov 23 - Dec 21)
December 15th - 31st

A holiday bonus or raise could lift your spirits right now, but don't be tempted to spend it all! You may be asked to host a party or assume leadership for an organization that you belong to. Your love life gets a boost around the 20th.

January

The trick this year is to get off to a good start and it looks like you'll have all the right opportunities as January rolls around. Home, business and especially love are all looking up this month. Now is a good time to sit down and set some goals for your career and personal life. If you are currently involved in a relationship, things will certainly be on the right track this month, if you are single, look out for an exciting

romantic adventure that's headed your way.

CAPRICORN

(Dec 22nd - Jan 19th)
December 15th - 31st

You feel short-tempered this holiday season. Try to control yourself or you could make everyone's Christmas miserable. Social activities could bring back your good will, so take advantage of all those invitations. After Christmas, you feel more relaxed and you are ready for a festive New Year's celebration!

January

You may feel like everyone is picking on you, particularly at work, as the new year gets under way. The feeling will pass by the 10th. Try to keep your temper under control, it's better to lose a few battles than to lose friends. After the 15th, things smooth out and you're able to get everything back on track at work and at home. Something that has been causing stress will ease up and let you enjoy the company of friends and co-workers again. Your love life will see some improvement during this period.

AQUARIUS

(Jan 20th - Feb 18th)
December 15th - 31st

Focus on your work in the weeks before the holidays and your lifestyle could change for the better after the first of the year. There will be plenty of time for social activities after hours and you will be in the spotlight. Pay holiday bills before the 1st and you can have a relaxing New Year's.

January

If you made any resolutions, you'll have to work hard to keep them this year. Some

goals you set for yourself in past years may have been set too high and you'll have to adjust them to more realistic terms now. A raise or promotion at work could be just what you need to lift your spirits after the stress of the holidays. And, a new romantic interest could be pressuring you for a commitment. Don't be afraid to say "yes", it could be the best decision you've made in years.

PISCES

(Feb 19th - Mar 20th)

December 15th - 31st

Your career is spot-lighted right now and a raise or bonus could bring the money you need to make this a special Christmas. You may be in a mood to reminisce during the holiday season and having old friends and family around you is just what the doctor ordered to relieve some of the stress you've been feeling.

January

1990 may start out a bit confusing for Pisces. Conflicting orders from the boss and friends who say one thing and do another may be making you crazy. Everything straightens out by the 10th and you'll feel much better about yourself and those around you. A platonic friendship may be heating up this month and the romance you find could be just what you've dreamed of. Be very careful when driving this month, your potential for accidents is very high.

ARIES

(Mar 21st - April 19)

December 15th - 31st

A relationship that has been on the rocks could take an unexpected turn for the better and lift your spirits for the coming holidays. Finances are also on an upswing and you can afford something special for a loved one. Everything is going your way and you couldn't be happier!

January

An argument with a friend or family member could quickly escalate into a major war. Try your best to work out a

compromise or you may find yourself in court. Keep a low profile until the 20th and that should help immensely in relieving tensions. Someone you've helped in the past will come back to help you in an unexpected way late in the month. Accept their help graciously and you'll have an ally for life. Romance is the high point of January.

TAURUS

(April 20th - May 20th)

December 15th - 31st

All that hard work you've been doing lets up right now so you can enjoy a holiday rest. A long trip at Christmas may be just what the doctor ordered to help you relieve some stress. Keep a cool head though when it comes to romance, you could be in over your head.

January

You'll need to set some goals about what you want to do with your career during the first part of January. The perfect job may not be offered but you could find yourself in a position to influence the people who could help you the most. Tax time is a few months away but some organization right now could save you some heartache later on. Romance is put on the back burner this month as more pressing matters take your attention.

GEMINI

(May 21st - June 21st)

December 15th - 31st

All work and no play makes Gemini a very unhappy girl right now. Everyone is getting into the holiday spirit and you have tied yourself down with work. Try to sneak in some social activities after hours, you may end up tired, but this time of year is short-lived and you don't want to miss out!

January

A temper tantrum early in January could cause you problems throughout the month. Yelling won't solve the problem, it's best to keep your mouth shut and stay out of the limelight, things will solve themselves in

time. Your career is looking up after the 10th, a raise or promotion may not be in the cards for several months, but the attention you get from higher-ups is definitely working for your benefit. Take time out for a short, romantic trip towards month end.

CANCER

(June 22th - July 22th)
December 15th - 31st

Travel is on the agenda during the holiday season, it may be a working vacation, but that doesn't mean it won't be fun! A new romance could brighten your social life also, new friends come into the picture that can make your holidays even more fun.

January

Any partnerships that you involve yourself in this month will be around for a long time. Romantic commitments could last for years, as could business partnerships set up this month. You will want to work these commitments out in writing or sit down and talk about it in detail or you will feel insecure until you do. Co-workers seem easier to get along with right now.

LEO

(July 23rd - August 22nd)
December 15th - 31st

Social obligations could be getting you down right now. You want some peace and quiet to work out some personal or family problem that has been bothering you. Turn down a few invitations and focus on your problem. Once it is solved, you'll be ready to get back in the holiday party scene and enjoy it more!

January

Don't give in to the temptation to go off on a wild spending spree or extravagant vacation right now. You could wind up in financial trouble for the rest of the year. Take the time to express your feelings to your loved ones, it will keep them happy and make you feel more secure. Say no to all business deals after the 20th, someone may be taking you for a ride you don't want to go on.

VIRGO

(August 23rd - Sept 22nd)
December 15th - 31st

You may have a tendency to go overboard on holiday spending if you don't keep a close eye on your pocketbook. Small inexpensive gifts will be just as appreciated. Work gets easier in time to allow you to enjoy the holiday social scene and you've never been happier to get out of the house.

January

Most Virgo-ans will find the first part of January a good time to relax and make plans for the coming year. Some, however will be so busy they won't have time to sit down, much less relax. You may find that you'll have more details than you thought to work out before you can get things back on track. If your love life has been good for awhile, it can only get better, if it hasn't been up to par, now is the time to get things moving again.

LIBRA

(Sept 23rd - Oct 23rd)
December 15th - 31st

Money is the main focus in the weeks before Christmas. With a little work and thought, you could hit the jackpot! After the 22nd, your focus switches to family and loved ones. A love relationship that has fallen on hard times recently could take on a new glow. Enjoy.

January

Taking criticism personally at work or at home could lead to some anger on your part during the first part of January. Try to control your temper and take this criticism as it was meant — friendly. You may be looking for a romantic commitment right now, but don't count on getting what you want. It could turn out for the best though, since it's likely that you will be attracted to someone special towards the end of the month.



Directory

A Listing of Service Organizations, Businesses & Clubs

ARLINGTON, TX (area code 817)

organizations

Gay/Lesbian Association of UTA
P.O. Box 19348-77, UTA St. 76019
794-5140

AUSTIN, TX (area code 512)

clubs

Nexus/Pelticoat Junction
401 & 401-B E. 2nd • 495-9553

organizations

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

DALLAS, TX (area code 214)

businesses

Business Delivery Systems
14902 Preston Rd. 75240 • 733-1108

Crossroads Market
3930 Cedar Springs
521-8919 or 1-800-992-6404

Curious Times - Women's Books etc.
4008-D Cedar Springs 75219 • 528-4087

clubs

Sue Ellen's
3903 Cedar Springs • 559-0707

Desert Moon • 5903 Willis • 828-4471

organizations

Affirmation (Methodist)
P.O. Box 225831 75220 • 948-1546

AIDS Resource Center
4012-B Cedar Springs 75219

Church of the New Covenant-Sun @ 11
1000 S. Sherman #B • 828-0771

Dallas Gay Alliance

4012-B Cedar Springs 75219 • 528-4233

Dallas Gay/Lesbian Historic Archives

4012-B 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/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

Lesbia/Gay Political Coalition

P.O. Box 224424 75222 • 828-9882

Lesbian Visionaries

P.O. Box 191443 75219 • 521-9642

Metropolplex Republicans

P.O. Box 191033 75219 • 941-8114

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

WANT - (Women In The Arts)

288-9299 or 823-3105

Womyn Together

3920 Cedar Springs • 528-4233

DENTON, TX (area code 817)

organizations

COURAGE, Lesbian Gay Student Org. •
c/o Student Activities Center
P.O. Box 5067 76203 • 382-3813

FT. WORTH (area code 817)

clubs

Partners • 1612 Park Place • 924-2519

organizations

Affirmation (Methodist) • 478-7837

HOUSTON, TX (area code 713)

clubs

The 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

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

Montrose Pool League/Billiards

PJ 863-8482

PWA Coalition - Houston

3327 Essex Lane • 623-4436

Womynspace

P.O. Box 980601 77098-0601

880-9517 or 521-0780

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

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

Conference For Catholic Lesbians

P.O. Box 436, Planetarium Station

New York, New York 10024

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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-SOS-GAYS

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1517 U Street NW

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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

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organizations

Oasis the Community Center

2135 NW 39th 73112 • 525-AIDS

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2312 NW 39th 73112 • 794-7464

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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

River City Living Metropolitan

Community Church

202 Holland 78212 • 822-1121

LISA (Lesbian Information SA)

828-LISA (5472)

SALGA - San Antonio Lesbian & Gay

Assembly • 733-7300

San Antonio AIDS Foundation

P.O. Box 120113 78212-9313

San Antonio Tavern Guild • 822-2823

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