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Majority for morality?



Referendum seeks standard on 'Adult entertainment'

BY JAY WESLEY
New Direction Managing Editor

Orange County voters are expected to be under heavy bombardment this month by a coalition of fundamentalist Christians, right-wing conservatives, and anti-civil rights groups in an effort to mount support for repression of so-called "adult entertainment." Appearing on the Nov. 2 general election ballot, the three-part referendum seeks public opinion on the issues of erotic dancing, advertising methods of adult entertainment centers and the commercial sale or display of sexually-explicit materials.

One Orange County attorney, Phillip Hugh Trees, author of the referendum, says that legislation resulting from the public's expression on the referendum's issue could possibly be used against Gay clubs and establishments. Another attorney interviewed, Orlando City Councilmen-elect Jeff Clark predicts that the vote will have little effect; calling it "jousting with the wind." (See related story)

The referendum is the brainchild of William Hewett, the founder of Businesses and Homeowners for a Better Orlando, Inc., a not-for-profit citizen's group formed after several adult bookstores opened on South Orange Ave. One store was located next to Hewett's H & W Window Repair operation.

"Within 10 days," Hewett beamed, "we had our first meeting. We had almost 500 people show up including representatives from the Mayor's office, the county commissioners, the Metro Metropolitan Bureau of Investigation (MBI), local church officials, and the Chamber of Commerce."

"At this time, I feel that we have from 15,000 to 18,000 people who have expressed support for our cause. They have signed petitions and responded to the full-page ad we placed in the local newspaper", Hewett told *New Direction* in a recent interview.

Hewett, a resident of Orlando since 1954, said he had "watched the filth grow along Orange Blossom Trail and the business deteriorate in that area. "When an adult bookstore announced plans to open next to my business, God gave me a challenge to meet." Hewett is a member of North Park Baptist Church and several church-sponsored organizations. He was born 54 years ago in Dixie, Georgia, where he received a tenth grade education.

"Our campaign strategy", Hewett said, "will include the use of billboard advertisements, newspaper ads, and spots on radio and television in order to reach the people." Hewett said the efforts will be financed by private donations.

"We also will be working with all the churches to reach the people. The main object is to have them ready to go to the polls in November. All the churches are behind us 100 percent", Hewett claimed.

Here are questions on Nov. 2 ballot

Is the presentation of nude and semi-nude dancing and conduct, (as defined in Orange County Ordinances 80-18, 81-11 and 82-13) in commercial establishments which exclude minors, annoying to the community or manifestly injurious to the morals and manners of the citizens of Orange County, Florida?

Yes _____ No _____

Is the commercial sale, display, or presentation of material within Orange County which visually depicts nude or semi-nude persons engaged in, or simulating, sexual activity annoying to the community or manifestly injurious to the morals and manners of the citizens of Orange County, Florida?

Yes _____ No _____

Is the advertisement by commercial establishments of human "nudity", "lap dancing", "topless", "bottomless", "face dancing", or advertisement promoting persons engaged in, or simulating, sexual activity in a manner which is open to view by the general public of Orange County annoying to the community or manifestly injurious to the morals and manners of the citizens of Orange County, Florida?

Yes _____ No _____

Hewett decided to soft-pedal the church involvement in past advertising buys. He said that a full-page ad in *The Orlando Sentinel* appearing earlier this summer, listed several business and individuals as sponsors, including Sun Bank.

"I could have let them (churches) pay for the entire ad," Hewett said, "but I feel that, even though I'm a Christian, we would lose a lot of support from other businesses and homeowners if we went in that direction."

Not aimed at Gays

Hewett claimed that the referendum was not aimed at Gay nightclubs or gathering places. "I understand that those (Gay) clubs are private and that people going to them pay for membership. They have their own clubs in their own areas. We are not trying to harm their activities as long as they are private. However, if their activities are out in public...that's a different story."

Referendum author Hugh Trees, an attorney under contract to Orange County, said that he drafted the three-part question after a request from the Orange County Board of Commissioners. Hal Marston introduced the resolution Sept. 10, calling for the referendum. It won unanimous support.

Trees said that the referendum could be used by the commissioners in an attempt to set a community standard for adult entertainment such as lap dancing, the public advertising of such entertainment, and the public sale of sexually-explicit materials.

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An opinion

Something is rotten in Orange referendum

Something is rotten in the County of Orange.

There is afoot a multi-headed monster that would trample the First Amendment rights of Gay citizens in an effort to enforce so-called morality for the masses. Despite the claims of the moralists that they are tolerant of the increasingly visible homosexual community in central Florida, our clubs, baths, and gathering spots are on their hit list, marked for eradication.

The monster is seeking a voice. The Nov. 2 referendum asking for public opinion on adult entertainment, and advertising of same, and the sale of sexually explicit materials give sound to the fury being drummed up by the Businesses and Homeowners for a Better Orlando, Inc. along with its bed fellow, Citizens Against Pornography.

The backers of the referendum expect the public to deliver a resounding mandate that erotic dancing and the attendant trappings of that business should be repressed, asking them to be judged "manifestly unjuious to the morals and manners of the citizens or Orange County."

While many fat, dumb, and happy liberals feel that Supreme Court rulings insure freedom to attend the cocktail party of their choice, these Moral Majority boll weevils are burrowing their way into elected government, flexing Bible-bound muscle and frightening elected officials into all kinds of hysterical statements about the threat of free choice.

Already the Metropolitan Bureau of Investigation has moved against the operations of Orange County bookstores offering adult literature. Acting in concert with judges eager

to sign search warrants, the MBI's blitzkrieg drove the bookstores out of town with a whimper from the liberal community.

The November referendum results may offer the springboard for enforcement of existing community nuisance laws or the enactment of new laws to control adult entertainment. Overzealous police may interpret a large win for the anti-adult entertainment forces as encouragement to use whatever methods necessary to scout the community of this perceived threat.

New Direction believes that many of the operators of adult entertainment facilities are guilty of poor taste in the presentation of their business. Some have chosen crude and lowly ways to advertise their product. A trip along the south Trail is no doubt depressing to those who believe that the human body and human sexuality is not dirty.

New Direction also believes there is a real threat to the Gay community of there being a significant vote total against the thrust of the referendum. While the referendum's spokespersons claim they have no fight to pick with the Gay community, others in the camp feel differently.

Repression of minoroties has a way of snowballing once the forces of darkness get the sweet taste of victory. **New Direction** urges responsible Gay voters to vote **no** on the referendum questions. It's time that we show that our minority is one that is unwilling to allow further encroachment on liberty. —J.W.

Editor's notebook

Giving you that old-time religion

By JAY WESLEY
New Direction Managing Editor

The word is certainly out on *New Direction*. Within the last month, *New Direction* has appeared in the columns of *The Sentinel*, Orlando's daily newspaper and as part of the Sept. 21 evening news report on Orlando's WCPX Channel 6 television. Both mentions revolved around our story on the July murder of Ed Wise and John Stinson and concerns from some sectors about the rising tide of violence against Gay men and women.

When contacted by the local press concerning the campaign getting underway to urge members of our community to use caution in making casual sex contacts, I realized this was an avenue to reaching the great many Gay persons who have never picked up a copy of *New Direction*. It was a unique chance to let those many sequestered Gay men and women know that there is an organization, Gay Community Services of Central Florida, which is very concerned about their welfare.

Reports seem to indicate that Gay people are increasingly becoming targets for society's malcontents, the socially and economically deprived, and the minions of the evangelic mind-benders.

Because we ARE different, because we have chosen to celebrate that difference in unique ways, and because of our increased visibility has shown us at all levels of society, Gays have taken the place of Gypsies, Jews and Blacks as the group that red-necked America loves to hate.

GCS, through its support of *New Direction*, the Tuesday-night rap group, the peer-counseling "hot line", programs of newly-formed GO Sports, and similar ventures, is reaching out a helping hand to our community. The leadership of this group, all volunteers, spend a lot of hours working for you in attempting to educate and inform our community and the central Florida society at large that Gay really is good.

This issue's lead story about what *New Direction* has chosen to call a "moral referendum" lead this writer down some interesting pathways.

Hugh Trees, the Orange County attorney who drafted the ballot question for the county commissioners, is genuinely excited about the issue. After all, it is a type of thing that will draw attention to him in the large law firm for which he works. When I stopped at his 12-floor office in the Southeast Bank Building to take a photograph, Trees was busy moving his office belongings from one cubicle to a larger spot. Perhaps a reward for work well done.

An interesting note was the powerful telescope standing in a window in the offices' waiting room overlooking Lake Eola. It was carefully focused on a bench on the north side of the lake. Perhaps one of the barristers is interested in more than just what the office girls are having for lunch?

Another interesting person I met on this assignment was Bill Hewett, an organizer of "Businesses and Homeowners for a Better Orlando, Inc." He's a fervent Baptist zealot who was brought into action when an adult book store opened next to his H & W Window Service on South Orange Ave.

In just a little over 90 days his efforts have brought about strong police action against the stores, virtually driving them underground. With that threat removed, Hewett and his group are now pointing their fingers at "adult entertainment" offering forms of erotic dancing, the advertisement of such entertainment, and the commercial sale of material depicting sexual activity between nude or semi-nude persons.

We'll give Hewett the benefit of the doubt that the "material" the referendum would ban is pornography and not fine art.

I suspect, given the support of the fundamentalist churches, this amendment will sweep to victory in the November election. However inane the wording of the ballot questions and however questionable the legal ground in which the referendum is based, you can be sure that the results will provide ammunition for the conservative fight in Orange County on who has the right to legislate the morality of the life you choose to live.

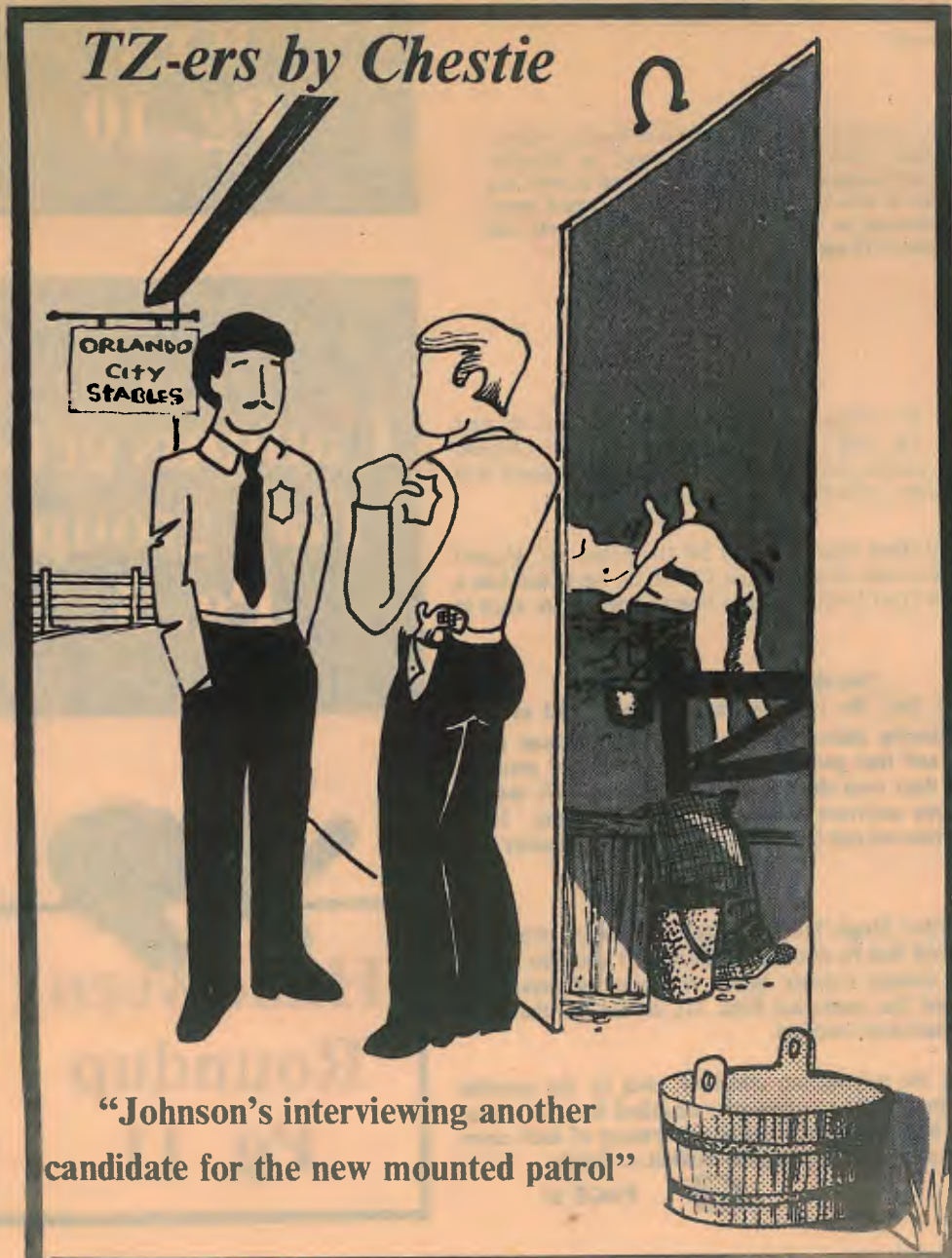
After the erotic dancing emporiums, could Gay clubs and gathering places be re-

The second night at Theatre-on-Park for Gay men and women is Oct. 14. Led and based on the writing of Gay author Christopher Isherwood, "Cabaret" is a series of photo-like vignettes detailing the rise of Nazi power in pre-war Berlin. Perhaps the most liberal of all European cities before the Blitzkrieg. The music in this show is very memorable.

There is an important message in the drama...most of the free spirits in Berlin were just too busy enjoying the "high life" to realize the threat that was taking the shape of the swastika.

There seems to be a close parallel today, between those good-time people who want all the thrills of partying the Gay way without shouldering the burden of responsibility in working to validate the right to love the way we wish.

Why not plan to join your friends at Winter Park's Theatre-on-Park Oct. 14. Tickets, which include dinner, a complimentary champagne cocktail, and the show are just \$15.95. Reservations should be made with the theatre's box office. Call 645-5757.



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Detectives remain baffled

Gay murder list grows with grove killing

By JAY WESLEY
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Orange County Sheriff's Department detectives continue to hunt for clues in several murder cases they describe as having a "homosexual angle." No arrests have been made in the cases which stretch over a year's time.

New Direction, in its September issue, detailed the circumstances around the deaths of John Stinson and Edward Wise, who were believed murdered in their Henry Balch Drive house on July Fourth. The article, which carried details never before reported, resulted in several telephone calls concerning the lifestyle of the two men, detectives say. Sgt. Sears of the Criminal Investigations Bureau, said information gathered from the calls was being checked out by detectives.

Sears would give *New Direction* no details surrounding the investigation in the death of Zack D. Miller, 26, of Boston, Ga., who's body was found Labor Day in an orange grove off Gatlin Road in the Lake Conway area. Miller died of multiple wounds to the upper body. His car was found abandoned less than one-half mile away.

Detectives have failed to disclose why Miller, a farm equipment salesman, was in Orlando or why they believe the killing is Gay-related.

Jay Wesley, *New Direction* managing editor, charged detectives with "clamping up" after regular news sources complained that the Stinson/Wise case story in *New Direction* opened new areas of investigation in the case. "It is unfortunate that a channel to the sector of the community most directly affected by these murders may be closing because of petty press jealousies", Wesley said. "It only makes sense that detectives should continue to use the Gay press to help gather tips on the crimes from persons who would not normally seek police contact in regards to being "homosexual."

Wesley also said that a campaign to raise awareness of possible danger in casual sexual contacts has been launched by Gay Community Services of Central Florida, Inc. (GCS). The effort includes placing cards in local Gay meeting places urging patrons to tell a friend of their plans when "tricking" with an unknown or new-found partner. The cards also carry the GCS "hotline" telephone number, a source of information and help to callers.

"What we're trying to tell our friends in the Gay community is to let a friend or roommate know your whereabouts and plans when encountering a casual sexual contact. It's the ounce of prevention theory", Wesley said.

Orange County law enforcement officials say that at least five to six men have been murdered in the last 12 months in what appear to be Gay-related cases. No arrests have been made in any of the killings.

Martin directs Florida Task Force efforts

Florida Task Force's efforts to better lifestyle conditions for Gay men and women has received a boost with the election of Carole Martin, 36, of Orlando to the post of congressional district representative. She serves portions of Orange, Seminole, and Brevard counties. The New York native is now making her home in Orlando, after living for five years in Tallahassee.

A veteran of intensive campaigning for the Equal Rights Amendment, and other social issues, Martin brings a realistic viewpoint to the volunteer post.

Florida Task Force is a not-for-profit group which maintains a permanent lobbyist in the state's capitol to work for Gay rights. Only two other states in the U.S. can boast of such an effort. Orlando's Roni Sanlo, a close friend of Martin, is the lobbyist.

Martin's role as a director on the task force's policy board is to bridge the gap between the active lobby and the Gay constituents which it serves. She claims the job has four areas of responsibility.

"Membership, fund raising, public education, and support of pro-Gay legislation, are the four duties of my post," Martin said. "I will also be working to provide a liaison with groups having Gay caucuses like teachers, librarians, and other groups."

A former elementary school administrator and state social worker, Martin is now pursuing a career in electrical engineering at the University of Central Florida. "My father is the owner of a small electronics firm with three daughters. After talking with him recently, I decided that I should follow in his footsteps and to take over the business. I'm looking forward to the challenge."

Martin feels that 1984 may be a turning point for Gays and other similar groups in the political process. She predicted the formation of a coalition of disadvantaged groups that will wield political power on a national and state level, demanding action on social and economic matters.

"Gay and lesbian civil rights issues will be *THE* civil rights issues of the 1980's," Martin claimed. She said groups like the

Florida Task Force will be the spokesgroup for "people who won't talk, people who can't talk, and people who are afraid to talk."

"Our 1983 theme is 'Out in the Florida Sun'. We want Gay people to become involved...not to accept second best," Martin claimed. "Each time that there is a chance, the task force will take the opportunity to speak out for issues improving the life of Gay men and women."

Martin said several fund-raisers are planned for the coming months to help support the group's work. Persons interested in learning more about Martin's efforts should contact her at Post Office Box 3487, Winter Springs, Fl. 32708.

Information on the Florida Task Force is available by writing FTF, Post Office Box 10367, Tallahassee, Fl. 32302. Members receive newsletters and information on legislative events; are invited to annual conferences and regional meetings; and share voting rights in the election of officers. - J.W.



Carole Martin

Gay students organizing on UCF campus

The home of the "Saturday night herd" has a new student group that wants to be heard and seen too. ALSO, the Alternative Lifestyle Organization at the University of Central Florida, is reportedly in the process of filing for student organization status, according to the Tim Fraser, UCF computer science student aiding in the group's formation.

Fraser said that some 30 names have already been collected for ALSO's charter membership. He said that several types of memberships are planned. General members will have voting rights on organizational policy and will be undergraduates registered with the university's Student Government Association. Associate

members will be undergraduates not seeking university recognition with the group. Associates may attend all meetings with restricted voting privileges. Supportive members, according to Fraser, will be made up of graduate students, alumni, and faculty members who have an interest in the group. They will not have voting power.

Fraser emphasized that membership in the group is not restricted to Gay men or women, but was open to all people interested in exploring alternative lifestyles and relationships. Dr. Randy Fisher, an instructor in the psychology department will serve at the group's faculty advisor.

Fraser, a native of rural Kansas City,

Missouri, is enrolled in his first semester at UCF, transferring from Florida Institute of Technology. He has worked in the computer field with RCA and the Harris Corp. He said that several other Gay men have been instrumental in laying the groundwork for the new student group.

Fraser claimed that the group will work toward three goals on the campus: improving social and fraternal activities for the membership, providing education on lifestyle differences for the membership, and serving as a source on information on alternative lifestyles for the general university community and society at large. He said that house parties and other social events will be part of the group's plans.

"We hope to provide a forum for the

discussion of various lifestyles, perhaps in a debate format, open to the general public sometime in the future after the group receives official student status," Fraser said. He claimed the group's organizers have received strong support from the university administration and other student leadership.

Fraser claimed that his desire for formation of the group stemmed from his distaste of "sitting around the house doing nothing." He said that, unlike a former Gay student group that floundered on the UCF campus several years ago, ALSO leaders plan to move slowly and carefully to provide a strong base of purpose for the group.

Persons wanting more information on ALSO should contact Fraser at 423-0975.

- J.W.

GO Sports sets bike trip

Limber up the legs... GO (Gay Organized) Sports has announced first biking tour for the autumn. Robert Emmett, GO Sports chairman, said the freewheelers will be completing a 15-mile loop on Oct. 10. The riders are being asked to gather on the east side of Lake Eola, near the soldier's monument, at 9 a.m. Route information is available by calling 422-8550.

Emmett said a variety of biking tours of varying lengths is planned for the cooler months. Some will be picnic events, he said. Emmett stressed the pace will be leisurely for this first tour and that riders of all types are encouraged to participate.

Bowling for Gay men and women is also under the planning stage by GO Sports members. Current plans call for open bowling on Sunday afternoons at an Orlando location. GO Sports may be organizing leagues later in the year. Fees for bowling and shoes would be charged.

Emmett claimed that publicity on bowling play would be forthcoming soon in Gay gathering places.

Volleyball action is also planned by GO Sports. Places and times for play will be announced shortly, Emmett said.

GO Sports was formed in recent months to plan sports and recreation activities for Gay men and women in greater Orlando. A variety of interests were discovered recently during a GO Sports interview/survey conducted in Gay clubs. The sports group is operating under the Gay Community Services (GCS), which is providing seed funding for the new activities effort.

Persons wanting involvement in GO Sports or wishing to volunteer in planning sports programming should contact Robert Emmett, GO Sports chairman, through the GCS "hotline" at the-GAYS (843-4297).

- J.W.

'Rap Line' counselors sought

Training for persons wanting to serve as peer counselors for the Gay Community Services (GCS) "hot line" will begin Oct. 8. Some 10 to 15 hours of training is listening skills and other counseling techniques will be offered before candidates begin work on the telephone circuit.

Volunteers in service to the counseling effort usually see duty two times each month. They need not standby a telephone, but be able to respond to calls coming into a central answering service during their "on duty" period. An average of five calls a night are logged into the "hot line" files.

THE-GAYS (843-4297) is the GCS-operated telephone number. Persons calling that number reach an answering

service which will relay the caller's name and general needs to the on-duty counselor who returns the call. Counselors are on

duty during evening hours only. The answering service takes messages on a 24-hour basis.

Candidates for the volunteer positions should be 18 years of age and interested in serving fellow members of the Gay community. Counselors are restricted from meeting callers in a face-to-face situation. Training session will be conducted in private homes of the "hot line" leadership. Persons wanting more information or wishing to enroll in the training should contact THE-GAYS for meeting dates and location.

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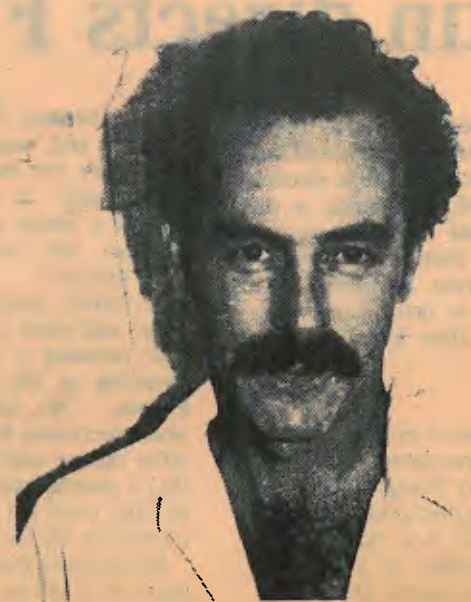
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The King & I is continuing its engagement at the **Once Upon a Stage Dinner Theater**, 3376 Edgewater Drive, Orlando. Curtain time for this Rodgers and Hammerstein musical is 8:30 p.m. Tues. - Sat.; 7:00 p.m. Sundays. The buffet meal begins 1½ hours before the show. Tickets are \$15 Sun., Tues., - Thurs.; \$16 Fri.; \$17 Sat. This show will continue through Nov. 7. Call 422-3191 for ticket information. **How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying** opens Nov. 9.

Cabaret, the Kander-Ebb musical, will continue its engagement at **Theatre On Park**, 401 Park Avenue N., Winter Park, through Oct. 17. Tues. - Sat. show begins at 8:15, dinner at 6:00 p.m. One hour earlier every Sunday. Tickets are \$15.95 weekdays; \$17.95 Fri. and Sat. This is perhaps one of the finest local productions ever staged in Central Florida - don't miss it! Beginning Oct. 19 is **Ain't Misbehavin'**. Call 645-5757 for reservations.

CONCERT NOTES



Kenny Rogers and guests **Larry Gatlin** and the **Gatlin Brothers Band** and comedian **Lonnie Shorr** will be at the **Lakeland Civic Center Arena**, Lakeland for two shows. The Thursday, Oct. 14 show is sold out but tickets will be available for an extra show on Wednesday, Oct. 13. Reserved seats are \$15 and \$12.50.

Tickets are available at the Lakeland Civic Center Box Office, Altamonte Mall, Fashion Square, Robinson's, Belk-Lindseys, and all Select-a-Seat locations. Showtime is 8 p.m.

Amy Grant will be at the Lakeland Civic Center Theater, Lakeland on Oct. 21 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7.00 and \$8.00 and are available at the Civic Center Box Office.

Rick James and Evelyn "Champagne" King will be in concert Oct. 2 at the O'Connell Center, University of Florida at Gainesville beginning at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be reserved by calling the UF Box Office at (904) 392-1653. Should be a "Super-Freaky" show!



LADIES'S CHOICE- Cabaret Emcee Jeff Gaylord seems to provide more than a handful of fun for the Kit Kat Klub girls during an evening performance at Theatre-On-Park in Winter Park. Gaylord's effective vocals and dance skills are a highlight in the production. Gay Community Services (GCS) is sponsoring a night at "Cabaret", Oct. 14. Tickets are \$15.95 and include dinner, a complimentary cocktail, and the musical presentation. "Cabaret" offers a series of vignettes on the decline of the free-spirit living in Berlin at the same time the Nazi regime was coming into power. Celebrating their decadence are Holly Hill, front left, Darla Briganti, front right; Erika Jaskiewicz, upper left; and Kyra Schweizer. Reservations for the show should be made by calling Theatre-On-Park at 645-5757. Ask for seating with the GCS group.

(Photo/Theatre-On-Park)



SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Florida Symphony's Fall Festival Oktoberfest, has been set for Oct. 16 at Leu Gardens, 1730 N. Forest Ave., Orlando. The festivities will begin at 2 p.m. and a pops concert by the Symphony will be held at 5 p.m. Admission prices are: \$6 general admission;

\$10 reserved; \$25 patrons.

Tickets are available in advance at the ticket agencies at Altamonte Mall and Fashion Square.



La Boheme (in Italian), will be presented by the **Orlando Opera Company** Nov. 12 and 14. 801 N. Magnolia Ave., Downtown Orlando. For ticket information and season subscription rates call 422-7811.

Minute review

'Cabaret' has message

By JAY WESLEY

New Direction managing Editor

The Kander-Ebb musical "Cabaret" with book by Joe Master, is not a happy show. It details the plight of people too busy to get involved or too stupid to understand the threat of Nazism in pre-war Berlin. The main characters seem to busy with love; the love of money, and love of high life, to recognize the evil shadow cast by Hitler and his followers.

Playgoers should not expect to come away from the Theatre-On-Park presentation of "Cabaret" lighthearted. The reasons are two-fold; the plot subject and problems in casting of director's Ralph Petillo's production.

Two pivotal characters Herr Schultz (Walter Windsor) and Frau Schneider (Victoria Lund) seem to be out of touch with the rest of the cast. Their love story, the secondary nature of which notwithstanding, seems to be cut from hole cloth, lots of form, but little substance. There is little sympathy wrung from the audience for the senior lovers, even when we know that history will soon turn their love into fodder for the maws of Auschwitz and Belsen.

Brighter presentations are offered by Clifford Bradshaw (William Griffith) and Sally Bowles (Pat Benjamin), the primary love duo. Benjamin's Bowles is bright enough, her singing on tune enough, and her dancing fleet enough to satisfy. Griffith's Bradshaw seems almost too prudish to have fathered Bowles' child in any way but the missionary style. The subsequent abortion of the fetus doesn't really seem to break the journalist up...sort of a misplaced period in his book on life.

Top show honors go to Jim Gaylord as the painted mirror in which the spreading cancer of repression is reflected. Gaylord seems to have energy in reserve throughout the gruelling performance. His wide-ranging vocal talents are especially appreciated in the anthem-like "Tomorrow Belongs to Me" which rings faintly of "Deutschland Uber Alles."

Four tips of the hat should go to the Kit Kat Club darlings who are all so naughty and nice. John McCombs is Ernest Ludwig, the Nazi which we love to hate. Phran Gauci is the Fraulein Kost, the trollop we love to love.

The Poor Judgement Award goes to the set design of director Petillo. Shredded mylar has a peculiar penchant of entwining itself around the heads and limbs of almost everybody going through it. It is damn distracting and must drive the actors nuts.

Great songs to enjoy: "Money," "Two Ladies", and "Maybe This Time", along with the title hit.

In a few words- "Cabaret" deserves to be seen more for the message that for the messengers.

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Awards night to honor local celebrities

It will be a night of roasting, toasting, and boasting...that's the promise of organizers of the first "Celebrity Salute" now being planned by Gay Community Services of Central Florida, Inc. (GCS). The event is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 15 in the Parliament House theatre. Target for the roast will be "P", the wild and whacky star of local dragdom.

Special guests and friends of "P" from throughout the Southeast are being summoned for the program. Several secret guest stars have already been contacted and are planning to appear. Special stage presentations are also planned.

New Direction, the newsmagazine serving Gay central Florida will present "P" with the first "Golden Faerie" award,

recognizing his unique contribution to the Gay community. GCS will take time in the program to present its annual awards for the outstanding Gay man and woman in the region.

Admission to the gala will be by ticket only with the price set at \$7.50 per person. A dessert buffet featuring fine pastries, dessert cheeses, fresh fruits, and other finger foods is included in the ticket price as well as admission to the social "after-glow" when the program concludes. A cash bar will be open and champagne available. Black tie is optional, however, planners are hopeful the event will be a dressy affair.

A souvenir program commemorating the event is being designed. Each ticket-holder will receive a copy.

Tickets are available at The Parliament House front desk, as well as several other locations in the Gay community. Ticket information is available by calling the GCS "rap" line, THE-GAYS (843-4297).

New Direction editor Jay Wesley said that the "Golden Faerie" award will be presented annually to persons making unique or unusual contributions to Gay life in this area. Wesley said that "P" was selected "in close balloting over Rep. Fran Carlton and Carole Nelson."

The Celebrity Salute is seen as an annual fund-raiser for GCS. The Gay support group provides funding and volunteers for peer counseling, *New Direction*, GO Sports, The Rap Group, and other Gay activities.

Following "roast" traditions, the target for all the attention will be allowed a chance to respond to his audience. Party planners are expecting that part of the program to provide great verbal fireworks as a conclusion to the evening.

-J.W.

MCC moves to new quarters

Attendance at Joy Metropolitan Community Church (Joy MCC) has increased so much they recently outgrew their Thursday Bible Study space and have almost outgrown their Sunday Worship space. In order to keep up with this growth the congregation is moving to a new worship/meeting location.

Beginning Sunday, October 3 at 7:15 p.m. they will be worshipping in the sanctuary of the Community Centre at 2500 Curry Ford Road, one block east of

South Bumby St. on Curry Ford Road. The building is easy to spot as it looks like a church. Bible Study is already meeting in the auditorium of the Community Centre on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

Joy MCC is a member congregation of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC). This denomination which was founded in 1968 to proclaim that God loves and accepts Lesbians and Gay men has over 170 local churches throughout the world. The

UFMCC is a Christian church with traditional Christian beliefs and practices except that they believe and teach that one can be Christian and Gay.

As part of the celebration of their new location, Joy MCC hosted a dinner at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 3. A donation of \$3.50 is requested to help defray expenses of the dinner. The dinner will be followed with the worship service at 7:15 p.m. Joy's worship includes hymn singing, scripture reading, prayer, offering, sermon and Holy Communion.

MCC does not prescribe a dress code for services, but suggests that one wear clothing that is respectful and comfortable. Men wear anything from slacks and a shirt to suits. Most of the women wear slacks and tops, pant suits, skirts and blouses, or dresses.

Joy MCC's regular schedule includes worship on Sundays at 7:15 p.m. and Bible study on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Both are held at 2500 Curry Ford Road. The church phone number is 894-1081. Joy MCC's pastor is the Reverend Ms Nancy Radclyffe.

Gays and Bible topic for seminars

Joy Metropolitan Community Church of Orlando will present three talks on "Homosexuality and the Bible." These will explore the eight scriptures that are often used to condemn homosexuals and will look at a few more which shed new light on God's acceptance of Gay men and women.

Each meeting will begin at 8 p.m. The dates and topics are: Oct. 14th, The Old Testament and Homosexuality; Oct. 22, The New Testament and Homosexuality; Oct. 28, Good News in the Scriptures. The meeting location is 2500 Curry Ford Road, 1 block east of Bumby on Curry Ford, in the Community Centre Auditorium.

Persons interested in news about The Bible and homosexuality are invited to attend. There will be refreshments and a fellowship after each meeting.

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NIGHT CLUBBING

with Zi

Hip, hip, hooray! It's time for Halloween and all the great fun that goes along with it. It gives all those straight people a chance to dress in drag and play grabass with their best buddy while dressed as the fantasy they have always wanted to be. Zi just loves it.

Southern Nights' Hollywood Party was just too hot. A special salute must go to Rusty Fawcett who gave a look at "Mommy Dearest Crawford" and Christina. What a great routine. Scouring powder, coat hangers, and flying wig fibers...a real hoot. Those party planners at Southern Nights seem to know how to put it all together. Congrats.

There were plenty of meat-eaters at the first "Affair" at Jim Nuss's Silver Hammer. The tavern provided the bar-b-que and patrons knocked themselves out with pot luck contributions. Can these guys cook! Zi was able to pick up several secret recipes that day. I even picked up one of the cooks. Finger licking good!

Zi recently visited Chi Chi's Mexican Restaurant on Maguire Dr. The food was spicy and the waiter hot. Zi spotted a few Gay Caberllaros at another table. Ohlay.

GO Sports, the new Gay sporting group in Orlando, seems to be headed in the right direction. Their kick-off party last month proved just what great jocks are in our community. Watch the news columns in *New Direction* for the sporty plans this group is putting together which will include biking, bowling, and volleyball to name a few.

Zi has already put a rhinestone sweatband on hold at Burdine's and a pair of Adidas pumps at Frederick's.

Zi is miffed. Just when I thought I was winning the hearts of the faithful I find out that they are going to salute "P" at a celebrity-style roast on Nov. 15 at the Parliament House. Fancy, schmancy, desserts and a bunch of special guests to talk about that girl. Maybe they'll have his dentist in the crowd. "P" is the only queen Zi knows who can wear two sets of falsies at the same time. Zi plans to be in the crowd that night for the roast. Hope you plan on it too.

Construction is underway for the new location of the City Bath Club. You'll soon be hanging your towels at 3400 S. OBT in the same building with The Palace and the ubiquitous Loading Dock. Zi can hardly wait for the workmen to put the final cubicle in the place. However, unlike some of the great buildings, Zi thinks this may be one place that the erections are never finished. We'll see.

Rumbles on the street say there are some big things planned for the second annual Parliament House Picnic Oct. 10, at the Central Florida Fairgrounds. Zi will be checking to see what is really going on in what one insider has described as the county's biggest T-room. See you there?

WHAT'S HOT AND WHAT'S NOT-
Hot- Pro Line's Curl Activator, a Black hair care product that's great for the latest GQ hairdo. **Not-** large numbers of police vehicles parked around Southern Nights while on duty officers chat with their off-duty pals about working at the "fag bar."
Hot- Loch Haven's film series featuring some great European titles at low, low, prices. **Not-** Drag performers without a sense of humor. **Hot-** Wireless telephones. **Not-** genital herpes.

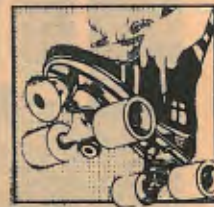


MOMMY DEAREST-Rusty Fawcett as Joan Crawford, makes life miserable for her "Cristina" during the recent Southern Nights Hollywood Party. (Photo/Wesley)

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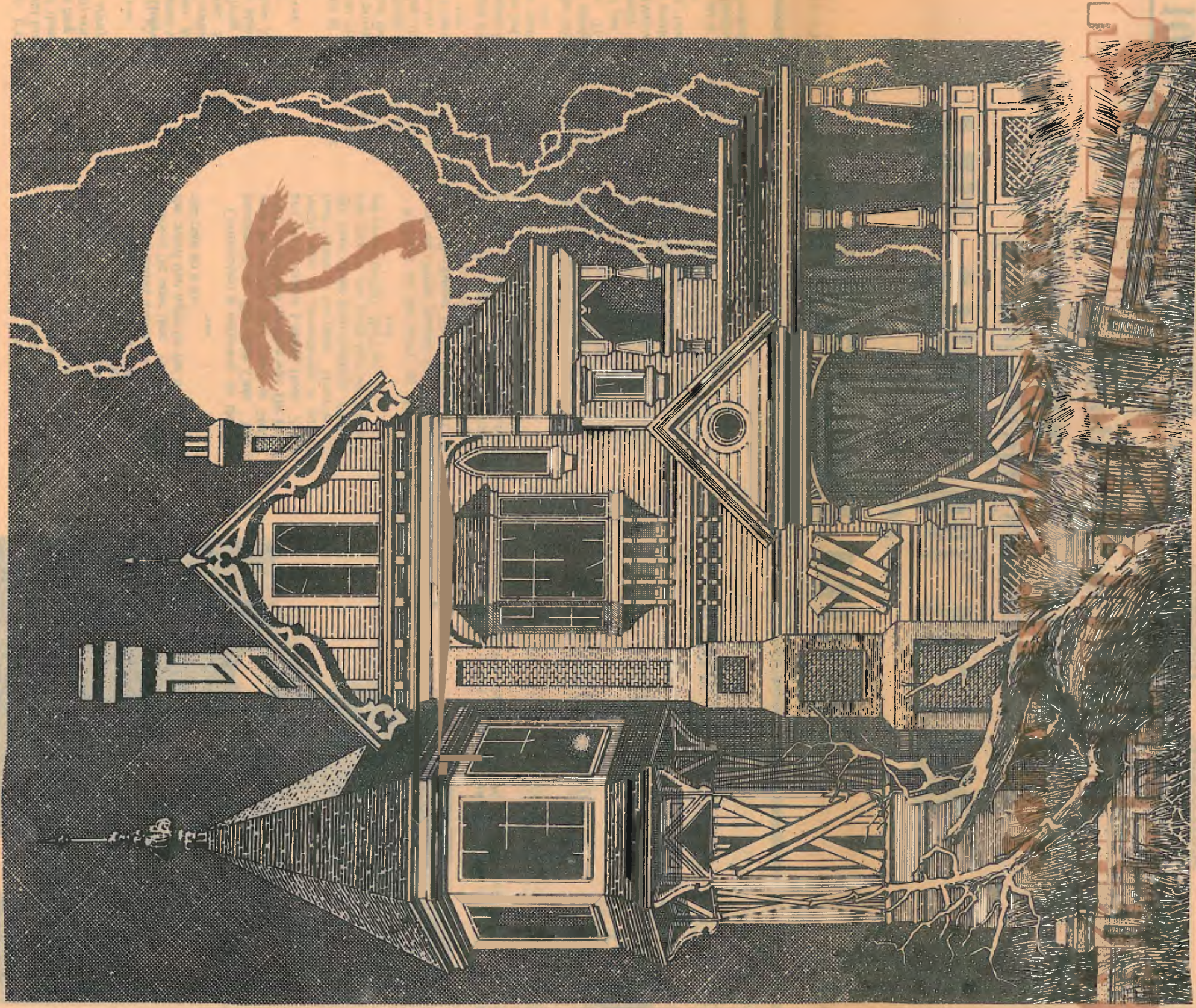
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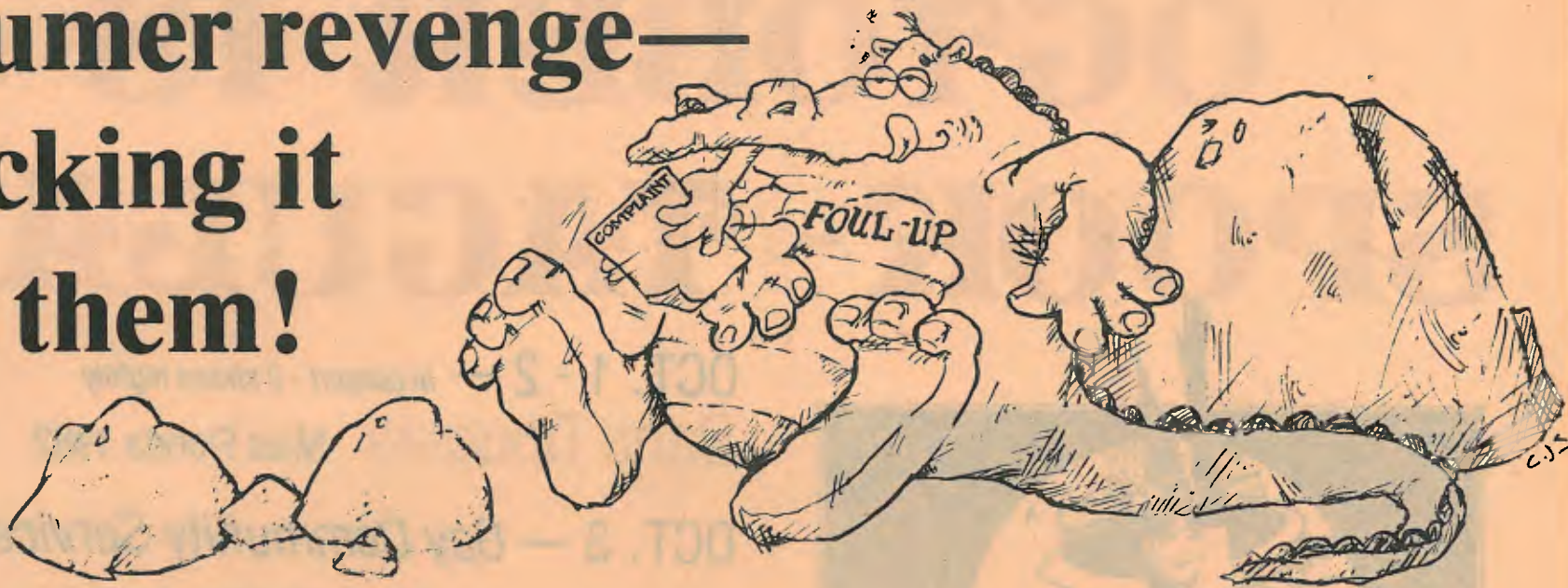
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Consumer revenge— sticking it to them!



If you've ever purchases defective merchandise, been in the middle of a credit foul-up or been a victim of bad service, then you know how frustrating such things can be. Here's how to protect yourself and also some sample complaint letters guaranteed to get action.

It's HARD to hold onto those ever-shrinking dollars these days, and it's especially annoying when you find yourself at odds with retailers, service people and others who charge you money in return for poor service. But you don't have to take it anymore. Here is some first-class advice—including sample complaint letters—on how to be a knowledgeable consumer and handle the often frustrating situations that arise with stores, credit-card charges, dry cleaners, utility companies and mail-order firms.

WHEN STORES BREAK THEIR DELIVERY PROMISES

If you are ordering a major item from a department store—say, carpeting, a large appliance or, especially, furniture—you may find it to your advantage to confirm a delivery date. Often the store is unaware of the manufacturer's real schedule, and that proposed delivery date of "four to six weeks" can stretch into three to four months. What can you do about it?

First, arrange to charge your purchase at the store. If you don't have a charge account, open one for this purpose—and you will most likely pay the store nothing until delivery. Also, when you sign the credit slip or receipt, make sure the delivery date is noted. And pencil in next to it "Essential," to put the store on notice that time is of the essence.

Next, write a letter confirming that you expect delivery on the date—or within the time span—that the store proposed and that if it is not delivered it will cause you extreme inconvenience. In some localities legal statutes declare that the purchaser can refuse to accept an ordered item if the original delivery date is not met. Stores are aware of this.

Keep a copy of your letter and your receipt. If the store does not meet its delivery date, you will have some recourse. For example, say the couch you've ordered is not delivered and your daughter's wedding reception is being held at your home in two days. Notify the store of your predicament and tell the manager that you must rent a couch and therefore plan to charge the store for its inconvenience. When you finally receive the couch, deduct the amount you've paid for your rental and just pay the balance. Explain in writing why you're contesting the charge. The store, of course, is likely to launch horrified protests that it's "not their policy" to compensate customers for the inconvenience they cause. They'll say they can't be held responsible for the manufacturer's delivery. But you will adamantly refuse to pay, reminding them that the store promised you the delivery date, not the manufacturer, and telling them you'll be happy to go to court. The fact is, they've breached your contract and a judge would probably find on your behalf, ordering the store to let you keep most or all of the disputed amount.

Be sure to send a copy of your letter to the store's president, pointing out the store's culpability. Most store presidents are, by virtue of training and experience, in favor of closing their books on the matter if the expense of your rental is not too overwhelming—say, \$75 or less. But if you're deducting \$692 for tow months' worth of antiques you've leased, you

should brace yourself for a serious courtroom battle.

Returning Shoddy Merchandise

Most of us have had experience with the type of merchant who has no desire to give you your money back for the toaster that sends charred toast streaking toward the ceiling or a vacuum cleaner that strains to pick up a dustball. Here's how to protect yourself:

• **Charge Everything.** We can't stress this enough. With most charge purchases you can make one goo-faith effort to let the retailer repair your defective item, then summarily withhold payment until you get satisfaction. If you pay cash, it's much more difficult to force the merchant to refund your money or give you a working product. But if you've already paid for something that's gone wrong and you're not getting satisfaction, you're protected under Federal regulations and state laws.

• **The Seller Is Responsible.** If the merchant claims it's not his responsibility, that it's the manufacturer you should be dealing with, tell him that you know he is responsible by law.

According to Section 2-719 of the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC), a Federal law adopted by every state but Louisiana, every product offered for sale—unless it's clearly sold "as is"—has to be suitable for its intended use in order to be considered "merchantable" or fit for sale. If you buy a product that doesn't do what it's supposed to—for instance, a tape recorder that won't play tapes—then the product is considered "substantially impaired." And, if that's the case, you can *revoke acceptance* of that product after giving the seller a reasonable opportunity to set it right.

What this means, first of all, is that you should never buy a product marked "as is."

And, second, you can forget the manufacturer's limited warranty if you buy a product that, after you've taken it to the store once for repairs, obviously can't be fixed. You should notify the store in writing that:

I am forthwith revoking acceptance of the (Product) purchased at (Store Name) on (Date) under Section 2-719 of the Uniform Commercial Code. You may pick up the (Product) at my home on (Date). I will expect a check in the amount of \$_____, representing a full refund of the purchase price plus sales tax, within 10 business days.

If at this point you don't get satisfaction, call the Office of Consumer Affairs (listed under State or Municipal Government) to find out what your next step should be. They might help you to get action or advise you how to sue in small-claims court.

Remember, be sure to revoke acceptance early in the game. If it appears that you've been using a product for a long time despite your claim of impairment, the store and a court may balk. This is not the case when the store has cajoled you into bringing the product back several

times for repairs and that has caused the delay.

Disputing Credit Card Charges

A great source of consumer annoyance over the years has been the computerized bill which duns you for something you returned to a store several months previously and which the store did take back. What do you do?

First of all, don't try to reason with the computer. When paying your bill attach this letter (sent by certified mail within 60 days after receipt of statement), subtract the cost of the disputed item and wait for a human reply:

To: Billing Department
Red's Department Store
Address:
Date:
Re: Billing Error
Account# _____

This is to notify you of a billing error on my October 198____ Red's Department Store Card Statement. (Copy attached.)

Please note that the statement indicates a charge of \$184.50 for a Speedy dishwasher purchased on (Date). In fact, this dishwasher was defective, and was returned to you at (Address) on (Date), with the floor manager's assurance that the charge would be deducted from my account.

Pursuant to the Fair Credit Billing Act, please credit my account accordingly and notify me as soon as the correction is made. I am enclosing a check for the undisputed balance of (Amount).

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Once it receives your letter, the store is obligated to acknowledge your complaint within 30 days and act upon it within 90. In the meantime, you can't be dunned or charged interest for the disputed amount (although you're responsible for paying the undisputed balance), and they can't report your nonpayment to a credit bureau.

Need we say that there are any number of valid reasons to dispute a billing item? A department-store charge may not clearly indicate just what it is you bought (i.e., "\$38.40: Giftware"). Or a bank-card statement might come in with a "cancellation fee" for a hotel reservation you canceled with ample warning to that hotel. Or a credit card may just list a charge with an establishment's account number, rather than the name of the store, restaurant or whatever.

Don't be bashful about challenging whatever charges you dispute or don't understand. Again, time is on your side, particularly when you consider that the bureaucratic sluggishness that normally drives you up a wall now grinds along to your advantage.

Knowing your rights and being tough about them can help you get fast action. You don't have to get tough with everyone, but if you've suffered damage you should be prepared to do something about it. If you're not sure what your rights are, call your Chamber of Commerce, Better Business Bureau or a local consumer agency for advice. Most newspapers have a consumer "watchdog" columnist who might also be able to advise you.

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Halloween festivities offer spooky variety

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New Direction Staff Writer

Revelers will find lots to do on the coming Halloween weekend according to a survey conducted by *New Direction*. Most clubs in central Florida are hosting special costume parties with many prizes for the best-costumed persons. Listed below are highlights of the coming party weekend.

Orlando

Parliament House- "Sick", the spoof of the Adams Family will be resurrected for performances Fri. and Sat., Oct. 29, 30 in the theatre. A giant costume party is planned Oct. 31 with plenty of prizes.

The Palace- Partying after hours Friday through Sunday. Special costume contest Halloween night. Opens at 12 midnight. BYOB, prizes.

Southern Nights- Pumpkin carving contest, Oct. 28. Special events and shows Oct. 29, 30. More than \$600 in prizes for giant Halloween Ball Oct. 31. Drink specials too.

Melbourne

Saturday's- Special drink prices for people wearing costumes. Halloween party planned Oct. 31. Cash prizes for best costumes.



Daytona Beach

The Landmark- Costume party Halloween night. Cash awards for funniest, most original, etc.

Zodiac Club- Giant Halloween night party. Miller Lite draft, all you can drink, \$3. Cash prizes for costumes.

Gainesville

The Ambush- Halloween party, Oct. 30. Special cash prizes for best costumes.

Tampa

Old Plantation- Cash prizes during the Halloween night party.

Rene's Lounge- Love Boat theme for the special weekend. Friday, Bon Voyage party. Saturday, Acapulco Holiday party. Halloween night, party in Rio. Prizes for best costumes.

The Spectrum- Halloween party Saturday night, Oct. 30. Cash prizes for creative costuming.

Cocoa

The Evening Edition- Halloween Ball with \$100 cash prize for best costume. Special shows Friday and Saturday. Extravaganza on Halloween night.

Orlando Fall Picnic promises food, fun

Gay men and women from throughout central Florida are expected to gather Oct. 10 for a day of fun, food, and frolic. The second annual Parliament House Picnic will begin at 12 noon at the Central Florida Fairgrounds, West Colonial Drive, Orlando. The event is being coordinated by a committee of Parliament House staffers and friends.

Greg Toutant, picnic committeeman, said that a sound system will provide disco dancing music all day. Equipment for volleyball, horseshoes, and other games will be available and play is expected to be spirited. Last year more than 250 persons attended the first picnic.

Admission for the eight-hour festivity is \$10 per person. The fee provides a variety of food including a special bar-b-que dinner at supper time. A beer truck will provide a bottomless beer supply for partiers and a variety of mixers will be offered for persons bring their own liquor.

Planners claimed that all funds collected at the gate would be used to provide food, refreshments, and facilities for the picnic. They promised that any cash remaining from this year's effort will be used to help plan the 1983 picnic. The Parliament House receives none of the picnic proceeds, the organizers said.

Gay persons interested in setting up booths offering t-shirts and other items for sale are being encouraged to participate in the picnic. Information booths from the Florida Task Force, Gay Community Services, GO Sports, and similar services are expected to be operating. Persons wanting to provide a booth should contact picnic planners at the Parliament House by calling 425-7571.

Special prizes will be offered during the athletic contests. An award for the most unique table setting will also be presented. Last year, picnic-goers reportedly brought crystal and silver to adorn their tables in an effort to add even more class to a classy event. - J.W.

Skating, rapping on tap

The first gay skate held in Daytona Beach is set for Oct. 25. The skate will be from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Starlight Skating Rink, 1790 S. Nova Rd. Tickets are \$2.50 and will be available at the door. Sponsored by Blessed Redeemer Metropolitan Community Church, it is hoped that this will become a monthly event.

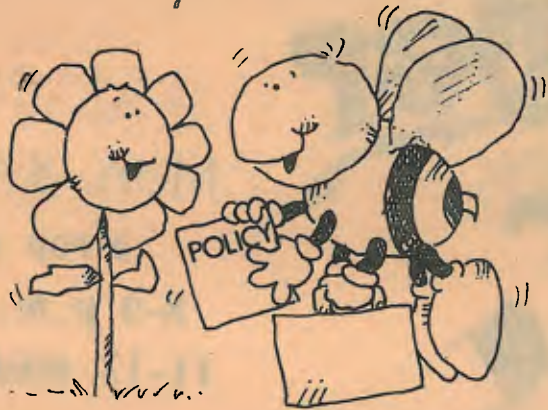
Daytona Beach has a new weekly rap group for Lesbians and Gay men. The group provides a warm supportive non-

pressure place to meet and talk about gay concerns for people in the Volusia County area. The group is a non-religious public service of Blessed Redeemer Metropolitan Community Church and all interested are

welcome. The rap group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday evenings at the home of the

pastor; 705 S. Beach, Apt. 69. For further information you may call Rev. Arthur Fleschner at 255-8222.

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Menu Terms

aged—Foods and beverages such as cheese, beef, spirits, and wine that have been stored under controlled conditions for days, months, or years. Besides maturing the flavor, aging often improves the color and/or texture of the food.

al dente (al-DEN-tay)—A phrase describing pasta that has been cooked just to the point that it is slightly chewy. (Italian)

candied—A term describing fruits or nuts that have been coated with a sugar syrup to enhance the flavor and also to preserve the food.

clarify—To clear a liquid (such as beef stock or melted butter) by removing the solid particles.

crystallize—To allow crystals of sugar to form on foods such as candy. The size and number of crystals determine the quality of the finished food.

degrease—To remove excess fat from soups, stocks, pan juices, or sauces by skimming the surface of the hot liquid with a spoon or chilling the liquid and removing the hardened fat.

duxelles (dewk-SELL)—A combination of mushrooms, shallots, and herbs that is cooked till it's reduced to a paste. Then the mixture is used as a garnish or as an ingredient in sauces, stuffings, or meats. (French)

gratiné (grah-tee-NAY)—Meats and vegetables that have been sprinkled with buttered bread crumbs or cheese and then broiled to brown the foods or give them a crust. (French)

roux (ROO)—A blend of flour and fat that is cooked and used to thicken sauces and gravies. How long the roux is cooked affects the color and flavor of the sauce.

sauté (saw-TAY)—To cook foods, often vegetables, quickly over high heat in a small amount of fat. (French)

score—To place shallow slits part-way through the outer surface of food, usually meat or bread, for functional or decorative purposes. Scoring meat allows fat to drain and tenderizes tough connective tissue.

Cooking Terms

a la Grecque (ah-la-GREK)—A phrase meaning "in the Greek style." Vegetables prepared in this manner are seasoned with oil, vinegar, and spices and are served chilled. (French)

blanquette (blan-KET)—A chicken, veal, or lamb stew made with a creamy white sauce and thickened with egg yolk. Onions and mushrooms often are added to the stew. (French)

blintze—A main-dish or dessert pancake rolled round a meat, cheese, or fruit filling and served with sour cream, applesauce, or jam. (Yiddish)

Bourguignonne (boor-gween-YON)—Meats, fish, and poultry that have been cooked in a red wine sauce with onions and mushrooms. The cooking style originated in the Burgundy region of France. (French)

braciola (bra-chee-O-la)—A flattened piece of meat rolled around a stuffing and cooked in a wine sauce. (Italian)

brûlé (brew-LAY)—Any food made or served with a caramelized sugar topping or sauce. (French)

cacciatore (catch-a-TOR-ee)—The Italian word for "hunter." The term is applied to meat or poultry that's been prepared with onions, garlic, herbs, wine, and tomatoes. (Italian)

Chantilly—A term describing a dessert prepared or served with whipping cream. (French)

en daube (ahn-DOB)—A meat, poultry, or fish stew made with wine, vegetables, and herbs. (French)

en papillote (ahn-POP-e-lowt)—A method of baking and serving food, such as fish, in parchment or brown paper. (French)

Florentine—An adjective that is used to describe a food prepared with spinach. (Italian)

maison (may-ZOHN)—The French word for "house." It's applied to a recipe prepared according to the chef's recipe. (French)

Niçoise (nee-SWAZ)—Foods prepared with tomatoes and garlic, a style that originated in Nice, France. (French)

Paella (pie-AY-yah)—An elaborate rice, seafood, and poultry casserole seasoned with saffron. (Spanish)

paprikash (PAP-ra-kesh)—The term referring to foods that are seasoned with paprika. (Hungarian)

paysanne (pay-ZAHN)—The French word for "peasant," used for meat or poultry that is braised with vegetables.

Provençale (pro-vin-SAHL)—Foods cooked in the style of Provence (a region in southern France). A liberal amount of garlic, plus tomatoes and olive oil is used. (French)

ratatouille (ra-too-TWEE)—A well-seasoned vegetable stew that includes eggplant, squash, green pepper, tomatoes, garlic, and olive oil. (French)

Véronique (ver-ro-NEEK)—A meat or fish dish that contains seedless white grapes. (French)



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Daytona Beach Beat

GRAC fall schedule filled with activities

DAYTONA BEACH- A busy calendar of events has been released by the Gay Activities Committee (GRAC), the organization serving the Space and Treasure Coasts of Florida. Most GRAC activities take place in Volusia and Brevard counties.

Daytona Airport is the site for GRAC softball games each Sunday. Starting time is 1 p.m. All players are welcome. The field is located at the airport and is reached by driving on Clyde Morris after leaving Route 92.

Bowlers wanting to join in the Grac fun are welcome each Wednesday at the Halifax Lanes on Daytona's Mason Ave. The bowling takes place from 9 p.m. until midnight. Card players may find a game by calling 254-GAYS. Play is weekly.

A GRAC member get-together is being planned for Oct. 19. Members should call 254-GAYS for the location. Meeting time is 7:30 p.m.

Volleyball for members and guests has returned to the last Sunday of each month. The court is located at Wenner Park at the foot of the Rte. 520 bridge in Cocoa. Beer and other refreshments will be available for a donation. Gametime is 1 p.m.

Members are also invited to the Nov. 13 Saturday Nite Dance at the Front Street Tourist Building in downtown Melbourne. Recorded music of the "Big Bands" and disco will be featured.

Persons wanting more information about GRAC membership should write to GRAC, P.O. Box 421, Sharpes, Fla. 32959. Persons living in the Fort Pierce area should make contact with the southern sector at P.O. Box 3404, Ft. Pierce, Fla. 33454. Annual membership fees are \$10 per person and \$15 for two persons living at the same address.

-J.W.

GAYTORS OF THE LOST PARK...



Letters to the Editor

Offers reward plan

Well, it has happened again. I picked up the paper this morning and read that another gay person had been brutally murdered. I'm speaking of Dr. Appledorf of the University of Florida. I hope New Directions will reprint the entire article from this morning's Sentinel. It shows just how depraved these gay-killers can be.

What I want to know is how long are we going to take this. I can think of 7 murders in the last several years of gays that I have known, or have known of. In your last issue you printed an article about two Winter Park men that were killed in their home a couple of months ago. I remember several years ago there were three murders of gay men that seemed to center around Eola Park. We all remember when Roxanne was killed at the Parliament House. As I write this letter, I think of others.

There was Jerry Bales, at the old Palace Club. I remember someone else, about 8 or 9 years ago who was found in his apartment strangled to death with an electrical cord. I had been to his apartment with his lover and several other people for breakfast, one morning after the old Cactus on Orange avenue had closed.

How long are we just going to say it can't happen to us. It happened to a friend of mine last December. He was young, attractive and the sweetest most loveable person you would ever want to meet. But it happened to him. How about those guys that were threatened by several hoods with a gun down at the Parliament House several months ago. That could have been any of us. There is something we can do about this.

I propose that we set up a trust fund at a local bank from which will be offered a \$10,000.00 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone committing a murder of a gay person in this community or any gay person from this community. This may sound like a lot of money, but this is a very large gay community. I would gladly give \$100 or \$1,000 if the first reward were offered for the killer of my friend in Jacksonville. There are many

people in this community that could afford that kind of donation. But it wouldn't take many large donations, just a lot of small ones.

With the help of the Gay bars this could become a reality and these "queer killers" might not be able to get away with murder. I think this is an idea worth serious consideration. It could save your life.

W.P.
Winter Park, Florida



Taste is all bad

In recent edition of New Direction I read your article on At Home concerning the residence of "Bill".

I am a professional Interior Designer with a Masters Degree and I am surprised that a paper of your caliber, which I consider very good, would print such an article.

First, I challenge the credibility of its author to be able to write an article on home furnishings seeing as he blatantly throws words around like "form and function" to sound chic. Can he actually explain what he means by form?

To have a wing chair in a grouping with a fan back wicker chair as used in your photo is a definite "no-no" in good design, but to have your editor state that it is a compliment is something else.

To state that the grass cloth wall covering was stapled to the wall is bad enough to consider its being applied that way, but I think it is in bad taste to mention it in the article. TACKY, TACKY, TACKY!

Still love your paper.

Yours
In good design,
Valant G. Slava
Daytona Beach

New Direction's guide to Gay Central Florida

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Attorney say referendum ballot could backfire

EDITOR'S NOTE

Jeff Clark, 42, calls himself a conservative Republican "enamoured with many of the things that Barry Goldwater stands for". The father of six children, Clark is a Orlando city councilman elect. He is in private law practice and also serves a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Marine Corps Reserve. A former college athlete and coach, he remains active in youth sports as an organizer.

Clark was the lone dissenter in a total of 85 persons responding to a letter set by Bill Hewett's *Businesses and Homeowners for a Better Orlando Inc.*, which asked candidates for November election to answer questions in regard to the suppression of adult entertainment. Clark labeled the questions and the tone of the questionnaire "repugnant."

Clark is blunt and to the point. While telling *New Direction* that he does not condone homosexual lifestyles, he claimed he is against intervention of government into private lives of individuals, including their sexual preferences. He said that he didn't want "a lot of gays running into my office expecting me to represent them. I don't want to. I'm very selective in my clients. He also claimed that if the public decided that a "gay bar like the Parlia-

ment House" was a threat to the general welfare of the community, he would probably join a group wanting to picket the place."

Clark, in this writer's view, represents the thinking among the educated electorate in Orange County. Excerpts from the recent interview follow below.

- Jay Wesley, Managing Editor

"As a lawyer schooled in the constitutional precepts, my personal opinion is that many of the things that Mr. Hewett and his supporters are seeking to restrict have already been protected by interpretations of the U.S. Supreme Court."

"While all kinds of people pursue all kinds of things that I find personally offensive, the courts have ruled those persons are entitled to enjoy those things as long as they do not infringe on my rights. Most people who have studied high school history or civics recognize there are certain inalienable rights that cannot be taken away."

"I really don't understand what they are trying to do. Let's presume that 80 percent of the voters vote the way that Hewett wants them to...what that does is establish once and for all that maybe 20 percent of the people do not find this kind

of behavior offensive. That would represent a significant minority. How could they suggest to the courts and legislators that this issue is so offensive when a large minority supports it."

"As a private person, I find the advertisement of some adult establishments offensive. I have children of tender years. Most of the things that I find offensive affect me because of the way they affect my children."

"Running for office recently, I probably had contact with 750 to 1,000 people... knocking on doors and the like. I can't remember the (morality) issue coming up once. I just don't think that it is that big of an issue with the general public."

"Whatever happens on this referendum, the U.S. Constitution will remain the law of the land. I'm sure that the courts would enjoin any legislation that would be proposed to regulate people's rights as a result of this referendum."

"If the public is truly concerned about these things (adult entertainment) they should get directly involved...picket the place or some similar action."

"That's the only way they (the morality referendum supporters) will be able to do what they want to do...to run these people out of town."



Jeff Clark

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...cinching up the Bible Belt

He also said the chance that results of the referendum could be used to establish new regulations, including regulating Gay clubs is a possibility. Trees said, however, that discussion of organized repression against the Gay community has been almost nonexistent. "Complaints against straight clubs outnumber Gay clubs about 100 to one," Trees said. "Most people", Trees said, "do not deem it (the Gay community) to really be a problem."

Polling may backfire

Orange County commissioner Allan Arthur claims that the referendum may help blunt criticism the commission is wasting taxpayer's money by battling pornographic shops and nude bars in light of U.S. Supreme Court rulings on the expression of First Amendment rights..

"If there is a strong public mandate, I think that everybody will feel more comfortable," Arthur said after voting to submit the question to the public.

"If we get 300,000 people voting for this (clean-up) campaign," Hewett said, "the commissioners have got to do something...even if it doesn't stand up in court."

Hewett, a veteran of open heart surgery including five bypasses, claims "the Lord" has given him the willpower to lead the referendum campaign. He said his group will not disband after the November election, but will remain organized to move against other threats to the moral climate of Orange County and Orlando. "We will remain active as long as we feel there are problems that need our attention."



Bill Hewett

Pen proving mightier in swaying opinions

WASHINGTON The individual letter writer, not the highly organized, pre-packaged petition campaign or large advertisements in the press or on television or radio, may be the most effective tool in forming congressional opinions. A recent study by the Institute for Government Public Information Research of American University indicates that the pen may be more powerful than ever.

The survey involved polling congressional aides and staff members. The study concludes that because of the information barrage burying most members of Congress, senators and representatives are increasingly turning to their assistants for opinion research. Congressmen also depend on their staffs to control communication lines.

The 10 most influential forms of communication, according to the aides, are, in order, spontaneous letters from constituents, The Congressional Research

Service of the Library of Congress, articles in major daily newspapers, editorials in major daily newspapers, visits from constituents, articles in daily district newspaper, the Congressional Record, editorials in district daily newspapers, and government publications.

Orchestrated mail campaigns, often used by special interest groups of all kinds, ranked number 11 according to influence factor. Issue ads, large statements run in newspapers, often as open letters, received almost unanimous condemnation as having no real lobbying power, according to the congressional staffers.

Many Gay-related issues are expected to be brought before national and state law-making bodies in the months remain-

ing in this year. A letter-writing constituent may be the one tool best suited to stem the highly vocal and well-

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Derek Jones

Derek H. Jones. ALIAS: Kitty, CHEST: 34", WAIST: 28, HEIGHT: 5'11", WEIGHT: 140 lbs., HAIR COLOR: Brown, BIRTHDATE 2-4-61, SIGN: Aquarius, BIRTH-PLACE: Orlando, FL., OCCUPATION: BARTENDER Parliament House, AMBITION: Famous Hair Designer, FAVORITE TYPE OF COMPANION: male, nice personality, 20's-30's, TURN ONS: eyes, pretty ass, well groomed, TURN OFFS or PET PEEVE: someone who can give more attitude than I can, FAVORITE MOVIES: Poldergeist, A Star Is Born, FAVORITE ENTERTAINERS: Barbara Streisand, Joan Rivers, FAVORITE FOOD: Spicy hot, FAVORITE COCKTAIL: Sicilian Kiss, FAVORITE LEADER: Tip O'neal, FAVORITE PHRASE Get over it miss thing, FAVORITE VACATION SITE: Ft Lauderdale, Florida Beaches, PEOPLE YOU'RE TIRED OF HEARING ABOUT: The cast of General Hospital especially Tony Geary (Luke Spencer).

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