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- c. it depends on the crime

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- b. 25-65 years
- c. over 65

3. What portion of crimes are violent (murder, rape, robbery, assault)?

- a. 14%
- b. 42%
- c. 85%

4. Nationwide, what percentage of crimes are solved?

- a. 8%
- b. 19%
- c. 35%
- d. 70%

5. In _____ out of 10 burglaries, the intruder is able to walk in without having to break in.

- a. less than one
- b. three
- c. more than five

6. What are the odds you will be hurt by an intruder in your home?

- a. 1 in 4
- b. 1 in 28
- c. 1 in 270

7. What percentage of homes have at least one firearm in them for protection?

- a. 14%
- b. 38%
- c. 52%

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Police chief William C. Koleszar

Equal Justice is top cop's pledge

Since his arrival from Arvada, Colo., earlier this year, Orlando Police Chief William Koleszar has been busy putting his imprint on the policy of his 650-person force.

An attorney as well as a police professional, Koleszar understands the value of individual rights and freedoms as they weigh against the need for order in society.

New Direction's Jay Wesley interviewed Koleszar at police headquarters recently. Their edited conversation appears here.

NEW DIRECTION: What is the current policy of hiring Gay men or women to serve with the Orlando Police Department?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: You realize that by state statute, the practicing of homosexual acts is against the law. Basically, since I have been in the (police) business for 13 years, it doesn't make a difference what... color, gay or straight or whatever... the law applies.

If a person is in the on-going process of breaking a law, I can't hire that person. I can't, in good conscience, take a different attitude because that law is on the books right now. It's not from the aspect of a moral judgement of the practice itself, but the fact that society says the practice is against the law. Whether its larceny, or some other crime, no matter what...we don't hire someone if he or she are engaging in an illegal activity.

Every single person that comes to the Orlando Police Department is an individual and is treated as such.

Let's take the gay issue. Very seldom is it such a clear case of everything else up top, everything else beautiful...it's a first candidate...and he's gay. There are always two or three or more variables that you have to look at. There maybe some drug usage in addition to being gay. Other factors too.

I've never seen a person not hired because of just one thing. There seems to be a collage of different things.

NEW DIRECTION: What about those officers who are already serving in the department who are Gay? Is there an ongoing internal affairs investigation about that? What if the fact of a Gay officer comes to light?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: To my knowledge...of course with 600 people you have to be careful...there is not an ongoing effort to "ferret out" gays. If there is one, I'm unaware of it and I have not directed it in the short time that I have been chief.

If in fact, during the course of another investigation or an internal criminal investigation, we became aware that an officer or any other employee is gay, we would have to apply the same rule as we did in the front end.

You've got someone in the department, whether it be theft, or drug usage, that is continually committing that "crime". I would have to look at that (homosexuality) as the commission of a crime.

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At Home

Garden apartment offers center of stylish calm

He claims he may have inherited his love of fine furnishings from his grandfather. Indeed, the touches of good taste in Bill's East Orange County apartment bridge several style periods, but there is a common thread of quality running throughout the decor.

"I've worked hard to build a nice place," Bill said as he settled into the blue and tan geometric print couch after meeting me on a sunlit morning recently. "I want a place that is comfortable for me and also comfortable for my friends."

"It would be really nice to be able to share it with a special someone," Bill continued. His voice reflected just a trace of the Virginia accent carried to Florida some 15 years ago.

Bill, 27, is the office manager for a family-owned chemical business headquartered in Winter Park. After a hectic day at the office, he enjoys retreating to the island of calm that he has brought together in his garden apartment.

Eclectic is the best term for Bill's furnishing plan. He uses the best of several moods to provide both form and function in his home. A wicker and rattan fan back chair seemed to compliment the Queen Anne wingback armchair set across from it. The sofa, fronted by a sea trunk used as a coffee table, sat at one edge of a peach-colored area rug. A tropical feel is added to the room with the use of live plants in various multi-colored baskets and pots.

Bill has chosen a green-tan grass cloth to add drama to the walls. He said that the wall covering was placed temporarily with staples so that it can be removed easily when and if a move takes place.

The grass cloth theme is repeated in the adjacent dining room with effectiveness. The nearby kitchen provides a good working plan for the small parties that Bill enjoys on very special occasions.

Wall decor seems to be an especial talent for Bill, who has used several unlikely things as hangings. The intricate

wrought iron footrest and back plate of a barber chair, rendered in black, seem like ornate silhouettes on the peach-colored walls of the living room. A large sand cast medallion depicting the huntress Diana with one of her mythological hounds is central to one grass cloth wall.

Perhaps even more unique is the use of shopping bags from famous department stores as wall decor in the master bedroom. Bloomingdales, Magnin's, and Saks are all represented along with almost a dozen others from the capitols of consumerism. The bags are uncut, hanging from their twisted fiber handles.

Center in the bedroom is a unique Victorian bed in solid oak. Despite the heavy wood, the bed seems almost airy, appearing to be ready to lift off into the air from slender legs.

An adjacent study with a day bed-sofa combination provides sleeping space for the other man sharing the apartment. However, the room is kept looking more like a study than the second bedroom.

Bill claims that despite the several fine antiques in his possession, he has made no real effort at collecting, choosing to deal with just one or two associates instead of cruising the flea markets and wayside junk shops.

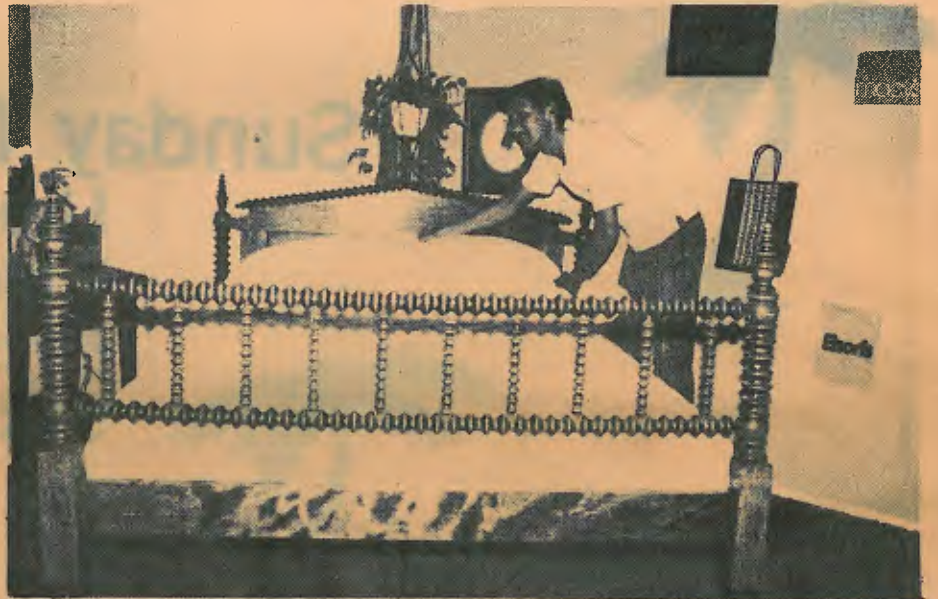
"Growing up in Virginia where a lot of fine furniture is built maybe gave me a sense of appreciation. I was buying furniture at age ten. I have also taken several studies in interior design," Bill claimed.

Bill's apartment is also infested with rabbits. A variety of the little creatures are displayed in crystal, ceramics, brass, and even straw. A living table serves as a hutch for the collection. Bill claims that, like their living counterparts, his rabbits seem to multiply each birthday and Christmas.

While Bill is a regular to local clubs, his ideas about the Gay lifestyle are very strong. "If I want to play games, I'll stay home and play Monopoly," he said.



DISPLAY WALL- Grass cloth provides an interesting texture to Bill's wall hanging of the huntress Diana. Note the eclectic mixture of furniture styles.



VICTORIAN STYLE- The finely-turned oak bedstead is the center attraction for Bill's master bedroom. Period accessories add to the eclectic look.

GCS plans second visit to Theatre-On -Park

Bouyed by the success of the first Gay Community Services (GCS) night of theater, GCS planners have launched a drive to fill an entire theater audience with Gay men and women. The Oct. 14 performance of "Cabaret" at Winter Park's Theatre-On-Park has been selected for the night of entertainment.

Tickets for the show are \$15.95 and include dinner, a free glass of champagne, and the musical. Seating at the Park Avenue dinner theater has been greatly improved from last season and the menu offerings upgraded.

Some 30 people attended the first GCS theater night in August to see "Fiddler on the Roof." Praise for the Theatre-On-Park acting company was high from the playgoers. The design of the theatre allows for close contact with the actors and a feeling of intimate stage drama.

"Cabaret" is credited with providing the vehicle which carried Liza Minelli and Joel Grey to international acclaim for roles both on Broadway and in the film version of the show. Several hit songs from "Cabaret" have become classics, including the title song.

The script revolves around the adventures of two Americans caught up in the wild, weird, and wonderful world of pre-World War Two Berlin. The city was considered the most avant garde in Europe, envied for its freedom until the spectre of Adolf Hitler and his Nazi fol-

lowers began to overshadow the fun and fantasy.

Much of the action takes place in the Kit Kat Club and is presided over by the Emcee, a composite character whose antics and physical makeup reflect the political and social changes in the wind. The story seems to carry a special message to Gay audiences.

Reservations for the Oct. 14 performance should be made by calling the Theatre-On-Park box office at 645-5757. Callers should identify themselves as being with the GCS dinner group. Dinner is served beginning at 6 p.m. with curtain at 8:15. Dinner servings are not offered after 7:30 p.m.

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New Direction for all

Welcome to the first edition of *NEW DIRECTION*. As its managing editor, I would like to thank the many people who have worked to bring this publication to fruition and have pledged to continue their efforts to insure a high quality newsmagazine.

Many citizens of the Gay community will be served by *NEW DIRECTION* in the months ahead. We'll take an indepth look at the people and things that effect the way we live...government and the law, mental and physical health, careers and education, the arts and entertainment, the media. We'll talk to the people who are trying to make Gay living in central Florida more meaningful and to those who wish we weren't here at all.

Knowledgeable people say that central Florida stands on the dawn of a new day. The growth the area has experienced to date, they believe, is just the smallest tip of the iceberg. So it must follow that the Gay community will also grow in size.

NEW DIRECTION is here to document that numerical growth and to also encourage growth in the intellectual and cultural stature of our unique community. We'll also encourage a growth in pride about being Gay. It was not

without purpose that the first issue of *NEW DIRECTION* is being released in conjunction with celebrations of national Gay Pride Week.

We have a great deal for which to have pride. We are creative, hard-working people, who despite bigotry and misunderstanding, continue to be giving, active citizens. When charity is asked of the Gay community, it is usually given in large amounts...without restrictions. The reverse is not the case.

We should have pride in the tremendous variety of "types" that make up Gay fellowship... "macho" to "drag" and all the flavors in between, we should glory in our diversity, men and women both. We should make a special effort to insure that we do not practice the same type of unjust discrimination of which we so loudly accuse others outside our circle.

NEW DIRECTION is here. We're looking forward to your readers. Working together, we'll all find a rightful place under the brightening central Florida sun.

Jay Wesley
Managing Editor

An Opinion

Where are the jocks?

Most newspapers and magazines contain reports about sports and sporting events. Unfortunately in the first issue of *New Direction*, you won't find a single line of type on sports.

It seems hard to believe that with all the emphasis placed on the appearance of good health and fitness by the Gay community in Orlando and throughout central Florida, *New Direction* could not find one single example of organized sports for Gay men and women - unless you count glass-lifting, pill-popping, and back-biting.

Where are the Gay softball teams? How about a Gay soccer team? Gay bowling? Tennis, anyone? Bike tours. Anyone want to go for a walk or a swim? Volleyball?

New Direction believes the time has come for a change on the sports scene. We encourage the Gay Community Services, Inc. of Central Florida to form an athletic participation committee to implement both the ways and means to get us on to the playing fields, alley, diamonds, and pathways.

The recent, and now-failed effort, by leaders in the Orlando Venture Sports

(OVS) should not muddy the waters. OVS was a victim of good intentions that were ruined by an effort to do too much, too fast, too far from home.

Gay games are good. They help not only our bodies, but our minds. They rekindle the importance of teamwork in our "me-only" society. They can be a good public relations effort to help other people see that Gay people can laugh, play, and win.

New Direction stands ready to assist in the effort. It will offer news space and its other resources to help forge a Gay competition spirit.

Interested? Plan to attend the next meeting of GCS. It's listed on a calendar found elsewhere in this publication. Watch for signs and announcements about team formations and then...join us.

Why spend all the time trying to look like an athlete, wearing all types of athletic costumes and accessories, maintaining trim waists and tight buns, only so that you look great on a bar stool.

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J.W.

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★★ Parliament sets giant holiday spectacular ★★

Looking for a big bang for the Fourth of July?

David Scott, entertainment director for the Abbey Playhouse at the Parliament House, claims that he has it for you. Scott, along with a star-studded cast of Parliament House entertainers, has announced plans for the annual gala at the world's largest all-Gay resort. The giant shows will be offered both July 2 and July 3.

"It will be sort of a Vegas-style review...with lots of special costuming and music," Scott said. "I expect to have some 14 people take part in the production numbers."

The vivacious P. will serve as emcee for the shows. Appearing in solo



USO party salutes 'Fabulous Forties'



Take note Bob Hope - Wendy Grape will show you how to *really* put on a USO Show that will please the boys! A "1940's USO Salute to America the Beautiful" is set to kick off a month of special events at Southern Changes, Orlando's newest gay entertainment complex.

In celebration of America's birthday, Southern Changes will feature a special

show on July 2,3, and 4. Eighteen men and women make up the cast which will take you back in time through live music, 40's characters and news reels, timely fashions, and a variety show in the USO tradition.

The July 4 show finale will feature a special suprise to add to the holiday festivities. Each night there will be a \$25 prize to the man or woman dressed in

numbers, as well as taking part in the ensemble routines, will be Lana Lane, Heavey Duty, Vaughn Gretchen, and Jackie Marquee, the reigning "Miss Orlando." Several other entertainers were being sought for the show, Scott said.

Female impersonation is featured each weekend in the theater portion of the resort. Shows are offered twice nightly on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Admission to the shows is included in the cover charge collected by the Parliament House upon entering the entertainment complex. Show times are 10 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.

Scott said that the patriotic holiday spirit will not go unnoticed in the planned review. "No doubt there will be lots of fags...uh, flags...waving during the weekend," he is reported to have said.

the finest military gear. Cover charge for the special party is \$2.00.

Also included in their month-long array of special attractions are: Tropical Weekend, July 9-10; 1950's party, July 17; Nuts & Bolts party, July 24; and International Weekend, July 31. Weekly contests for July, all featuring a \$25 prize to the winner, include: Beer Drinking contest, July 7; Wet Jockey Shorts con-

test, July 14; Full Moon contest, July 21; and a Go-Go contest, July 28.

According to manager Richard Hummel, these special nights and contests are being initiated in an attempt to add new sophistication to Gay entertainment and expand upon the traditional drag show.

Southern Changes is located at 375 Bumby Street

Bodytalk

Sun can spell trouble for worshippers

A luxuriant tan bespeaks health and glamour, and most Gay sun worshippers will sacrifice a lot to achieve it—including themselves. With each hour, the sun's ultraviolet radiation produces irreversible damage, hastening the development of unsightly wrinkles. And with each year on the beach or rooftop, the sunbather increases his risk of getting skin cancer.

Skin cancer is by far the most common form of cancer. An estimated 400,000 new cases will be detected this year in the United States, and almost all of them can be blamed on overexposure to the sun. Fortunately, most of these cancers are highly curable. But they can be disfiguring and take time to treat. For that reason, sunworshippers should treat their deity with a good deal of awe.

The skin consists of two layers, separated by a thin membrane. The deeper layer, or dermis, is made up of blood and lymph vessels, fibrous tissue, sweat glands, hair follicles and nerve endings.

The outer layer, the epidermis, consists of a layer of basal cells that divide and form a top layering of squamous cells. In a continual process, squamous cells die and produce the keratin layer, the outermost protective coating which is ultimately sloughed off as dandruff. The epidermis also contains melanocytes, cells that synthesize melanin pigment when exposed to ultraviolet (UV) radiation and produce the much-sought-after tan. Tanning is the skin's response to UV injury and a way of trying to protect itself from further damage.

Sunburn, of course, is the initial hazard posed by UV radiation. Prolonged exposure to UV, however, interferes with the production of collagen fibers in the dermis, causing the skin to lose elasticity and creating premature wrinkles.

Further deterioration of the dermis deprives the epidermis of nutrition and causes it to become thin and dry.

Cancer is UV's final insult. Shortwave radiant energy, especially from the UV-B band, breaks the strands of DNA, the genetic material in the cell nucleus. The DNA strands then rejoin in a haphazard, abnormal fashion. Enzymes work constantly to rearrange the DNA into proper sequence, but with repeated UV exposure, the repair process may eventually break down. Then the mutant DNA may produce a colony of cancer cells.

Recent research suggests that UV also contributes to a breakdown of the body's immune system, which, in turn, encourages growth of cancer. Coincidentally, this might explain why persons infected with herpes-simples virus develop fever blisters after exposure to intense sunlight.

Skin cancer most commonly arises from the basal cells. The nodule usually has a round and shiny or pearly surface with a depressed central crater. It may range from a sixteenth to a half inch in diameter and tend to bleed and crust over. The cancer can easily be confused with other types of skin problems, but anyone should see a doctor if a lesion doesn't go away within four to six weeks.

Possibly because they are attached to the membrane between the dermis and epidermis, basal-cell carcinomas don't spread to other parts of the body via the blood or lymph system and, therefore, pose the least risk of any form of cancer.

Squamous-cell cancers, however, can metastasize. This type of malignancy may be heralded by a precancerous condition called actinic keratosis. These red, beige or brown spots are usually rough and scaly. If detected they can be easily eradicated by application of a cream containing 5-FU, one of the standard anti-cancer drugs. The squamous-cell cancer has a more irregular shape and a greater tendency to bleed than the basal-cell variety. It can spread through the circulatory system, especially if it crops up near the mucous membranes of the lip, ear, eye or nose. Yet it is eminently curable if detected early.

The most lethal but rarest of the major skin cancers, malignant melanoma, often stems from a pigmented mole. Although melanoma has been linked to exposure to sunlight, its cause probably involves a number of other factors, including heredity.

But skin cancer may be avoided with a good dose of common sense. People with fair skin and blue eyes who burn easily stand the highest risk. Special danger spots are the parts of the body most constantly exposed to the sun, such as the cheeks, nose, lower lip and the ears. People who have already developed precancerous lesions or had one skin-cancer growth stand a greatly increased chance of developing others.

Dermatologists recommend avoiding the sun when it's most intense—between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Anyone who insists on sunbathing should use a good sun screen. These lotions and salves contain chemicals, such as para-aminobenzoic acid, that block out the burning UV-B radiation while permitting the tanning rays to reach the skin. They come in a range of strengths, tailored to the individual's complexion and susceptibility to burning.

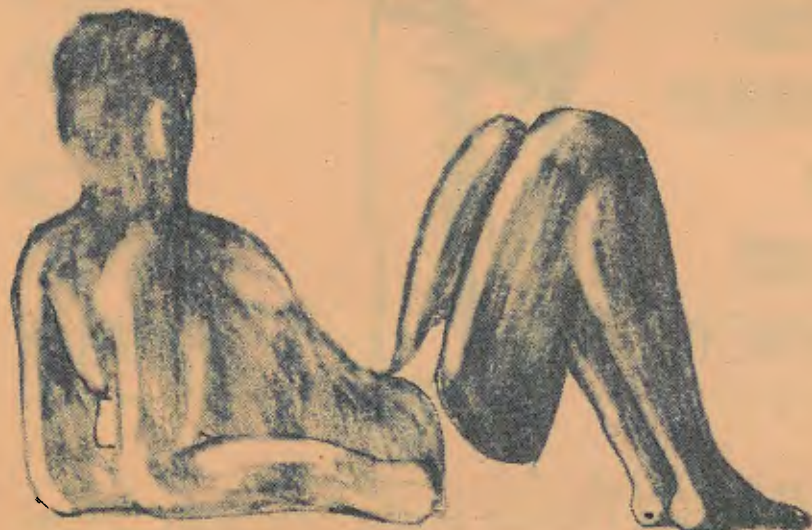
One final warning: exposure to sunlight has a cumulative effect. In other words, the risk of cancer doesn't go back to zero with the fading of each summer's tan. It increases, year after year. "The clock is ticking," says Klein, "from your first exposure to the sun."

Bar plans new image

Here's a hot tip for those looking for a real man's bar among all the changes that are taking place on the Orlando scene. *New Direction* has learned that a friendly tavern some six blocks north of Colonial Drive on Mills Ave (17-92) will soon become the newest Watering hole to serve our community.

Look for this bar to appeal to the leather and levi trade with a wide selection of beer and wine. The room is to be open for business after mid-July.

The more the merrier.



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'Nastiest Bartender' aids Leukemia victims

Last year he was one of the "ugliest." This year he's the "nastiest" bartender in Orange county. No one knows what honor 1983 will bring for Parliament House bartender Greg Toutant, but you can be pretty sure that Toutant will be in the running.

Toutant, an employee of the popular Gay resort on Orlando's North Orange Blossom Trail for six years, seems to give real meaning to the phrase "beauty is only skin deep." Despite his titles of "ugly" and "nasty", his involvement with the local chapter of the Leukemia Society is turning into a love affair.

A total of \$1,890 was raised by Toutant and his friends at the Parliament House during the recently completed "Nastiest Bartender" contest sponsored by the leukemia group. Toutant totaled up the most dollar "votes" in Orange County and placed second behind a Cocoa woman for honors as the nastiest in central Florida.

Edna Clonch of the "Inner Room" on A-1-A near Cocoa won the dubious honor by collecting some \$3,800 from her patrons. The tavern features topless entertainment.

Cathy Wittenstein of ABC Lounge 145 at Orange Ave. and Michigan Street placed third by raising \$466.

Toutant has been actively working with the Leukemia Society since 1981, serving on its special events committee which helped develop the "nastiest" approach. The fund-raising effort is also assisted by Schenck Distributing Company, handlers of Miller Lite Beer in this area.

Toutant, a former Detroit, said the entire Parliament staff took part in the winning effort. Some \$1,088 of Toutant's total was raised in a special "turn-about" show that featured waiters and bartenders putting on the glitter and greasepaint while "ladies" more familiar with the stage ended up behind the bar pouring drinks.

Top executives and volunteers of the Leukemia Society chapter were the guests of the show emceed by the loquacious P.

Sam Thomas, executive director of the local chapter, said that some \$21,000 was raised by the total campaign, topping the \$17,000 raised in 1981. Toutant finished third for the region in last year's fund drive. Thomas called the Parliament House show one of the most "unique" events during the month-long activity.

"The people at the P-House were just great. I know people who spent a lot of money on gowns and make-up...one almost \$200. They were behind me 100 percent," Toutant beamed.

Toutant said that the Parliament House staff was especially pleased that the Leukemia Society gave a Gay establishment the credit it deserved. "A lot of other charities just take our money and

somehow forget to tell anyone that it came from Gay people. The local chapter is really good about that. They announced it right over Channel 35 television where the money was coming from. It was great."

The contest included three areas of central Florida, greater Orlando, Brevard County and Winter Haven-Lakeland. Radio station WDIZ also assisted in the promotion of the drive.

Thomas said that all the money collected would be used locally to assist victims of leukemia, a cancer of the blood. He said some 200 patients in this area would benefit from the collection.

Toutant, a photography buff, said that he is looking forward to next year's contest. "Maybe they'll make it the most photogenic bartender."

Whatever the title, Greg Toutant and his friends will be putting their money where their hearts are...you can count on it.

Discaire finds new club exciting place to work

Ken Noack would rather keep the beat than eat. Ken or "K.C." as he likes to be called, is the music mixologist, at Southern Changes in Orlando.

Providing music to party for more than 10 years, K.C. has worked in clubs, radio stations and on cruise ships as well as doing house parties. "Rock and roll, disco, big band music, you name it, I have played it for a diverse clientele," K.C. said.

"An appreciative audience on a jumping dance floor really makes me happy. Nothing excites me more than a floor full of people hooting and hollering during the dance or the mix into another song," the discaire beamed.

K.C. said that in the earlier days of his work, the disco jock was forced to depend on his instincts and his ears in getting the right mix. "In those days, in

order to get a cue on a record, you had to put your ear near the needle on the tone arm as it sat on the record. You had to listen for a faint little sound coming from the record. All you had was a knob on the amp for 'phono one' or 'phono two.' Switching from one to the other was how you made a mix."

Now K.C. operates a mixing unit that looks like a "Star Trek" set. Direct drive turntables with quartz lock speed controls, digital readouts, beat meters and other electronic gadgetry combined with sophisticated mixers and light control units keep K.C. busy nights at Southern Changes.

"Finally, I have found a club that appreciates a professional D.J.," Ken said. "The new sound system at the club is first class and I'm glad that I had an opportunity to help install and operate it for our customers."



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Of Special Interest!

Hints for adding spice to life's variety..enjoy!

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Theater On Park will have its grand re-opening on June 30 with "Fiddler On The Roof." Theater on Park is a repertory company founded five years ago. They have been renovating their present building at Park Avenue and Canton in Winter Park to accommodate a larger crowd. Every seat now faces an enlarged stage and the stage itself is larger. Also planned for this summer is "Cabaret" which opens August 24. Planned later are the Broadway smash, "Ain't Misbehavin," and the comedy musical, "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum."



Once Upon A stage is currently playing "The Sound Of Music" through July 18. Seating begins at 7, curtain at 8:30. "Oklahoma" opens July 20.

Rollins Rep, 81, at the Rollins College Annie Russell Theater will be performing from June 23 through August 1 in repertory; "The Mikado," "On Golden Pond," and "The Bat." Tickets are 4.50 to 6.50. Phone number is 646-2145.

"**Cross And Sword**," playing through the end of August is well worth the trip to St. Augustine, Fla. It is the official state play and is shown nightly in an outdoor theater. There is no performance Sunday. The production is lavish, the music good and the young Indian boys in loincloths add spice to a good evening. Afterwards, a short drive to Jacksonville and the clubs are in order.

For ticket information you can call 904-824-1965, or write to Cross and Sword, P.O. Box 1965, St. Augustine, Fla. 32084. General admission is \$4.00, reserved front center \$5.00.

Opening the summer season at Rollins College's Annie Russell Theater will be a new and original play written by Helen Sneed, called "World's Greatest Girl Detective." The musical has already been optioned for Broadway. Opening night will be June 23rd.

Summer Music Theater - presents five summer musicals: "Pippin," "The Merry Widow," "West Side Story," "Oklahoma," and "Rodgers & Hart." Performances are at 8 P.M. Matinees at 2 P.M. Sundays, at Daytona Beach Community College. Call (904) 252-3394 or (904) 252-6200 for information on tickets.

Loch Haven Art Center, 2416 N. Mills Ave., is open daily Tues.-Fri. 10 A.M. to 5 P.M., noon to 7 P.M. Saturday and 2-5 P.M. Sunday. Currently on display is the annual Members Juried Exhibition, through July 11th. Also open is the pre-Columbian art exhibit.

The Maitland Art Center, 231 Packland Ave., Maitland, is showing its annual student exhibition until July 18th. Hours are 10 to 4 Tues. through Fri.; 10 to 4 on Saturday and 1 to 4 on Sunday. Admission is free.

Morse Gallery of Art, 133 East Welbourne, Winter Park, is showing through July 4, "Art That Sparkles, American Cut Glass." 9:30-4 Tues.-Sat., 1-4 Sunday. Admission is \$1.50.

Crealde Arts - "Sculptural Forms: An Invitational," will be featuring works by Bogdanowitsch, Grady Kimsey, Smith Eyfells, Ambrose, Harvey, Cumbie, Wolf, Gunderson, and Barbara Walker Seaman. Through June 30th in the fine arts gallery.

Creative Art Gallery - "Flotsam and Jetsam" exhibit, an all members media show will run through July 3. Gallery hours are 11 to 4 Tuesdays through Saturdays. The gallery is at 324 Park Ave. North, in the hidden gardens.

Silver spurs Rodeo - Looking for some real men who know how to stay in the saddle no matter how hard they buck? The 70th edition of the Silver Spurs Rodeo at U.S. 192-441, east of Kissimmee may be just the place to find them July 3,4,5. This is Florida's oldest professional rodeo with cowboys and cowgirls competing for thousands of dollars. You'll see people who really really know how to wear their Levi's. While the crowd may seem redneck, you can't see the color when the lights are turned off. Barebacking is more than just a riding event.

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G.C.S Meeting July 18
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Compiled by Jay Wesley
New Direction Managing Editor

Cheyenne Saloon and Opera House - You'll find psuedo-cowboys and cowgirls strolling the balconies of this newly-opened western showplace. Fancy boots, designer heans, and feathered hats are popular here. Don't be suprised if you see a familiar face behind the bars...you may have seen him clogging at the P-House. The men of Cheyenne ride a variety of ranges. Open daily, admission \$4.75 includes entrance to all Church Street Station attractions. Downtown Orlando.

Cafe Society in the French Market - Mack Miner's Art Deco eatery is great place for a "let's have lunch" bunch. Nice surroundings and good-looking help. Note the mirrored decor and the effective use of black and white. Note the attractive waiter. Open 11 a.m.-8:30 p.m., Monday-Saturday. Closed Sunday. Check out the variety of crepes. 120 North Orange Ave.



Circus World - A great diversion for a day. If you like a wild ride, try the "Roaring Tiger" roller coaster. It's almost a half-mile of chills and spills. Take along someone you can squeeze and scream with while roaring along. Lots of hunky lion tamers to look at too. Open 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. daily. Lots of live shows. \$10.50 adult.

John Young Science Center - Located at Loch Haven Park on North Mills Ave., Orlando, this center features Florida's only transparent anatomical manikin. Here's a way to see what you get...and how. Often hosts Cosmic Concerts using pop and rock music in the planetarium. A nice date at a reasonable cost: \$2 adult. 9-5 Monday - Thursday; 9-9 on Fridays; noon-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Lake Underhill Parcours - This exercise course, operated and maintained by the city of Orlando features a variety of stations where different exercises can be performed. This is a very active area, with lots of hot men and women (that's not a weather report) to meet and compete. Open evenings, however watch out for the automatic sprinklers about midnight. Work that body.

Daytona International Speedway - Two events are planned for the famous high-speed track in July. The 16th annual Paul Revere 250 Camel GT Series Road Race begins at Midnight July 3. An all-night party while the sleek roadsters roar. July 4 marks the 24th running of the Firecracker 400 Grand National stock car race. Join the infield crowd for lots of booze, bodies, and, if you take a camper, balling Should be a bang-up Fourth in Daytona.

Tampa Bay Rowdies - What a ball...soccer that is. Those beautiful athletes in the little shorts take the field at Tampa Stadium for two home games during July; against Jacksonville July 4 and Chicago on July 7. The games begin at 8 p.m. Watching the crowd is almost as much fun as watching the game. Tickets range from \$6 to \$8. Expect to find some of your favorite fans in El Goya or Renee's after the game is over.

Summer films hold great promise

Lights, Camera, Action - This seems to be a bumper year for fine motion pictures. Not only are there a variety of choices to make when wanting to take in a flick...the quality of the films is very high.

E. T. The Estraterrestrial is no-doubt the finest picture of the year. It should have a major appeal to Gay audiences because of the basic theme of the film is that love can conquer fear, mistrust, and hatred. Look and listen carefully for the "Peter Pan" theme in the film. If you believe, you can fly...you can! A wonderful cast of children are artfully directed by wunderkind Steven Spielberg.



Poltergeist is another Speilberg film. This one teaches you the dangers of staying in the closet. Special effects make this box office block-buster a test of nerves. Take along someone that you can clutch.

Blade Runner-Harrison Ford stirs up the macho juices again with this futuristic film with a detective theme. Directed by Ridley Scott of "Alien," it should be a certified hit for Ford, star of "Raiders" and "Star Wars."

Diva-This French romantic thriller has lots of dash and grace. Magnificently-beautiful black soprano Wilhemenia Fernandez, who will sing, in Orlando in "La Boheme" this fall, plays the title role. Jules, an 18-year-old hero (Frederic Andrei) is her most devoted fan and gets caught up in a wild international affair of intrigue and misunderstanding.

Director Jean-Jacques Beineix (Benex) has a love affair with Paris and his cameras catch an unusual side of with this high-speed plot.

Firefox-Produced and directed by Clint Eastwood, he also stars as the super pilot asked to steal the "Firefox," a super Russian fighter plane...Eastwood has shown good technique in his previous films and he's not too hard to look at either.

The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas-Burt Reynolds and Dolly Parton...what a pair. It's the movie version of the Broadway smash. Look for great dancing sequences and great danceboys. "Whorehouse" should be in your neighborhood now.

Other Flicks to Surely Click-Megaforce with Barry Bostwick, (the Rocky Horror's Brad) and cast of macho warriors making the world a safe place to party. A Midsummer Night's Sex Comedy from wacky Woody Allen. Annie, from the comic strip and the musical of the same name.

FIFTY REASONS TO GIVE A HUG

Your lover remembers your birthday, but forgets your age.

The TV repairman shows up at 9 A.M. exactly as promised...and he's the same hunk you saw at the club last night.

The grocer tells you *not* to buy that melon.

The doctor says congratulations, you don't have VD.

Your co-worker says, "Let me do that job for you. I don't mind staying late."

Your lover's mother says, "I never could cook as well as you."

Your boss wants to know if you can cover for her at the winter sales convention...in Hawaii.

The appraiser looks at Grandma's old vase and says, "I believe this belongs in a museum."

Your sister's going to marry a man who's smart, charming, has impeccable clothing taste...and wears your size.

The woman in the 24 hour drycleaners gets your sportcoat back in 24 hours.

The IRS man tells you, "You made a mistake, you overpaid us."

You and an old lover have a heart-to-heart talk for the first time in years, and at the end of the rap, she says, "Gee, friends are wonderful."

The policeman says, "Let's forget it this time lady."

Your cousin gets it for you wholesale.

The specialist tells you, "It's negative."

The next door neighbor puts in a swimming pool.

Your lover calls at midnight to say the party's gotten out of hand and would you come to pick him up.

Your best friend finally sticks to a diet for a month and you see the results.

The puppy is trained at last.

Your mother, feeling moody, says I guess that I'm just not as young as I used to be."

The saleswoman says, "We might just have one more "of the shirt you would *die* for" and she finds it in your size.

Everybody likes the low-cost, low calorie, quick and easy vegetarian casserole that you made for dinner.

A friend borrows your car and returns it with a full tank of gas.

Your lover's father asks if you need help with the down payment on the house that you're considering buying.

Your next door neighbor says, "I'd love a kitten."

The boss has just made you the first woman vice president of the company.

Your hairdresser...this time...doesn't make it too short.

The real estate agent sells your house to the first and only people to look at it...and they pay cash.

You lost the ticket and the shoe repairman still finds the shoes.

Your lover does the dishes...and the pots.

Your younger brother is visiting and a neighbor asks which one of you are older. (Hug thy neighbor later!)

The bagboy offers to help you carry your groceries...all the way home.

Your lover insists, "but I like to wallpaper ceilings".

Your neighbors next door say they love your taste in music and ask you to turn up the stereo.

Your lover asks whether you think his hair is getting just a little bit thin.

That good-looking airline reservations clerk says he can get you on the standby flight...if you don't mind flying first class.

Your parents give you a gift of bath towels marked "His and His."

Your lover's softball team loses 3-2 in an extra inning.

You're chairman of the local Gay Pride committee and more than enough volunteers show up to help you complete the project.

Your lover says "Wow! Leftovers!"



New Direction original art by Fred Phillips

The mechanic says, "Just a loose wire...no charge."

Your artsy-craftsy friend gives you the needlework pillow you have been admiring.

The hot number you just met at the club tells you that you remind him of Jan Michael Vincent...only younger.

Your lover turns off the television and asks you to sit close to him on the sofa.

Your lawyer informs you that your landlord has been found guilty of rent gouging and has been ordered to refund \$1,000.

Your lover says "I'm sorry", even though you know that it is just as much your fault as his.

The mailman brings you notice that you *really have won* the Reader's Digest sweepstakes.

Your boss tells you that your corporation is forming a committee to study ways to improve working conditions for gay employees and he wants you to be chairperson.

You discover that the face on the man you have brought home matches the one on the cover of Playgirl...and the other parts match too!

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

July 7: Beer drinkers'contest. \$25 prize

July 14: Wet Shorts Contest. \$25 prize

July 21: Full Moon Party. \$25 prize

July 28: Go-go Contest. \$25 prize

Benefit show aids injured tavern worker

Steve Webb has friends...who care. Webb, the victim of a single-car automobile accident that left him bleeding and unconscious at the wheel of his smashed 1976 Pinto, has received a gift of \$500 in cash from the Gay community of Orlando. The money was raised during a benefit show June 7, at Southern Changes. Webb is a bartender at the Orlando club.

Eight to ten performers, under the direction of Monica Burke, did "their thing" for Steve. Special guest star Bryan, appearing a day earlier from a regularly

scheduled appearance, also joined the volunteer troupe.

Top Florida talent Glen Elliot, in town when the accident occurred donated tips to help defray medical bills that Webb expects to top \$5,000. The accident took place on Fern Creek Ave. about 6 A.M.

Webb, who carried no medical coverage nor automobile insurance, suffered a broken upper jaw, a cracked rib and multiple cuts and bruises. He also lost five teeth in the accident. He was removed from his car by Orlando paramedics and underwent treatment at Florida Hospital

Webb said that false teeth will be surgically implanted into his jaw when specialists begin repairing oral damage. His jaws have been wired together while the break mends. Webb's nose was also broken.

Webb said that he fell asleep at the wheel of his car. He said that he was returning from the O. B. T.'s Palace Club when the mishap took place. He claimed that he had not been drinking prior to the accident. Police have the crash under investigation. Webb's car came to rest against a utility pole.

Southern Changes' manager Dick Hummel said that the results of the benefit helped to prove how the Gay community can help each other in times of need. "I think that it was a real great effort," Hummel said, "something that we can all be proud of."

Webb had announced plans to relocate in Houston in the near future. He said that move has been put on "hold" while he works to repay his medical bills and payments on his "totaled" car. Webb has returned to his job at Southern Changes.

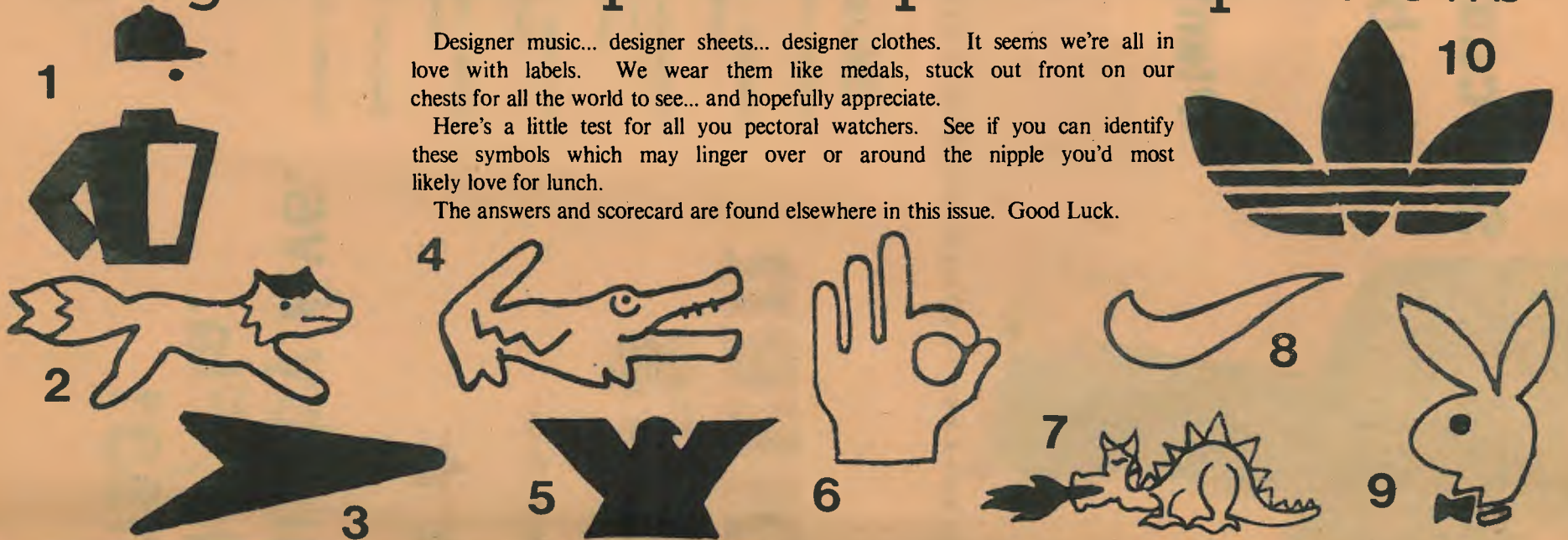
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The answers and scorecard are found elsewhere in this issue. Good Luck.



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Streetwise-tips to help you avoid crime's reach

Crimes today is everyone's problem. And, while experts don't always agree on what can be done to stop it, they do say that in many cases you can protect yourself by taking certain precautions. Here are their tips:

Know your route. If you walk on a street regularly, know which stores are open late, where people congregate. Have an escape route in mind where you could run if you had to, and an idea of where phone booths are so that you can call for help if need be.

Don't inhibit your own movement. Criminals are always on the lookout for "easy marks." Women with high heels or lots of packages are ideal targets for

muggers since they can't move easily.

Don't dress like a victim. Research shows that criminals need only about seven seconds to size up potential victims, so avoid obvious displays of wealth-especially in risky neighborhoods. If you're going out at night, we advise against wearing expensive-looking jewelry, or anything which brings notice to you.

Walk naturally, head up and alert. A study by Hofstra University, Hempstead, N.Y., showed that people whose walking movements were in any way unnatural-stiff, unbalanced or uncoordinated -were consistently rated as easy marks by convicts.

Avoid being alone. Experts say that muggings happen less frequently to

couples or groups than to individuals; so use the buddy system. If you're working late have a co-worker, a building security guard or a friend accompany you to the car or bus stop.

Trust your hunches and act fast. "If you feel threatened, turn and look." "When a woman signals that she's observant, the criminal is likely to walk by because he'll want to find an easier victim."

Don't be afraid to make a scene. Police files show women are particularly hesitant to create a disturbance when they sense trouble, often waiting until too late to react. But it's best to put aside worries of potential embarrassment. In the early stages of any encounter, your scream is your best weapon-use it! If you feel directly threatened, cross the street immediately or move to the middle of the street and start screaming. ("Fire" is more effective than "help," police say.) *Do whatever you can to bring aid.*

Put distance between yourself and the threat. Cars are a particularly effective barrier. If you sense trouble approaching on the sidewalk, get in the street on the other side of parked cars. It may sound peculiar, but dive under a parked car and start screaming. By slowing your attacker and drawing attention, he'll decide you're too tough a target, and not worth the risk.

Avoid suspicious groups of kids. Suppose, for instance, you're on your way to the movies and see a bunch of teenage boys lounging at the side of a building. Don't hesitate: Cross the street turn around, do whatever you can to avoid them. Gangs get particularly vicious and irrational. Terrible chemistry can happen when they get together. The kids show off to each other.

IF YOU DO BECOME A VICTIM

Remember that in most crimes your assailant's prime goal is theft, not injury. The less you interfere with his plans, the more likely you are to walk away shaken, but unhurt.

The real danger, say the experts, comes from the violence that can ensue if you resist.

To keep the criminal calm and defuse the situation, authorities give the following advice:

First and foremost, no heroics. Victims who play hero are many more times likely to be killed than ones who comply. There are a lot of dead heroes who would still be alive today if they had acted wisely.

Take your assailant seriously, even if he's a child. One criminologist estimates the average age of criminals nationwide is 15 years and he says most purse-snatchings and street rip-offs are committed by people under 20. People too often make the mistake of not taking kids seriously, but they have weapons and they're not afraid to use them. The younger the criminals the more irrational they tend to be. Remember: Even kids can kill.

Be especially wary of amateur criminals The pro tends to be after money, and if you play by his rules everything will be okay; he'll stay cool. The greater danger is the amateur, who tends to be more jittery and unpredictable. The amateurs are the deadly ones, and it's especially important to stay calm around them.

Try to set limits gently. For instance, you could say: "Take my wallet, but could you leave my driver's license and Social Security card?" These items are of little use to the criminal, and the request shows you have maintained your rational functioning, and so subtly encourages the criminal to do likewise.

possible: "I'm reaching for my wallet now," or "I have to move under the counter to get the money." By explaining your actions you lessen the chance your assailant will be threatened by your movements, and you reassure him that you are playing by his rules.

Of course, if an assailant tells you to be quiet, or if your conversation seems to make him uncomfortable, it's a good idea to stay silent. Trust your intuitions. If the criminal is out of control or edgy, don't say anything. But remember that in some cases the victim has far more power than he or she imagines, just through words.

Never attempt "social work." Asking the criminal "What would your mother think?" or "How can you live with yourself?" is a sure road to trouble.

Have a plan of action. Imagine yourself in the situation, then ask yourself how you will respond. "Each of us has different limits. Know where you draw the line-your money, your body...or your life? If you've thought about these questions ahead of time, it will be easier to think clearly if you're ever in the real situation.

The same principles apply to crime situations other than robbery. If you awake at two A.M. to see a shadowy figure across the bedroom, feign sleep. Let the burglar take what he wants and get away. An intruder doesn't want to tangle with anybody, and so the best thing you can do is to avoid the encounter.

All the experts advise, prevention is still and always the best cure for crime, and the key to prevention is awareness. "If people were more aware of their surroundings all the time, that would be the single best deterrent."

You already have the two best weapons against crime: vigilance and common sense. Use them.

India's Ink

Pornography and violence

By India

One used to be able to assume the demonstrators in front of the triple-X bookstore were a church group opposing pornography on religious grounds. No more. This is a feminist issue and a human issue. This is a personal call to all of our brothers and sisters to educate themselves to the real impact of porn in our society.

Pornography is not an innocent outlet. Violent films have been proven to produce violent behavior in viewers. Pornography is a multi-million dollar industry and much of that industry is devoted to producing hard core porn consisting of women being raped, bound, degraded or mutilated. Even soft core porn depicts women as stupid toys, passively accepting whatever use is found for their bodies.

These same attitudes seep into the gay male culture. In the film "Word is Out," a very attractive young man beautifully articulated his need for political feminism. He found that when he expressed any femininity in his nature (and we all have both) he was subjugated by his more "macho" peers.

The first amendment guarantees your right to look at anything you want--as long as you are willing to naively rationalize away the greater harm.

Every three minutes a woman is beaten, every five minutes a woman is raped, every ten minutes a little girl is molested (Shange.)

Groups such as *Women Against Pornography* are not against erotica. Many such groups provide shows of erotic art for the communities, and most of the material is anything but bland! They urge that the line be drawn when violence and hostility is equated with sexual pleasure.

The first amendment was never intended to protect pornographic images; the rape, humiliation, torture and murder of human beings for sexual entertainment.

Pornography creates an atmosphere of violence. Else, *why* is there a market for an atrocity such as a snuff film? *Who* is sexually stimulated by viewing a picture of a woman being ground up in a meat grinder on the cover of a slick national magazine? *What* is this doing to our collective consciousness?

The vilest part of pornography is that it tells the truth, the truth about the wants, needs, and most basic character of a large segment of our population. If men usually buy it, women allow themselves to be the fodder for this offense against the human spirit.

Where do you stand? Porn or erotica? Have you considered the differences before? What will you do now? To protect your sister, your mother, your child, or even your friend? For those interested the address of **Women Against Pornography** is: 358 W. 47th Street, New York, NY (212-307-5055)

Here's answers to Page One crime quiz

1. The answer is c. Men are twice as likely to be victims of murder, robbery and assault. But women are at higher risk for crimes such as purse-snatching, pickpocketing, property theft and rape.

2. Though it might surprise you, c is the correct answer. Studies show that a 65-year-old grandmother is eight times less likely to be the victim of a violent crime than a 20-year-old, and seven times less likely to have something stolen from her.

Experts say this is because elderly people stay at home and take more precautions. More than half those over 65 report having changed their personal activities out of fear, while only a third of those under 20 take such precautions.

3. Happily, the right answer is a, according to the Justice Department. Only one crime in seven is violent and, by far, most are crimes of property: theft from

homes (27%), pickpocketing, purse-snatching and personal theft (40%). According to Benjamin Renshaw, acting director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, a 1979 survey showed that violent crimes have not significantly increased, as many fear. He adds an encouraging word about property crimes, too. "These crimes, particularly home thefts, may easily be prevented if people would look after their valuables with care and be alert to neighbors' vulnerability."

4. The correct answer, b, suggests that crime may pay. In only one case out of five are criminals arrested and the cases cleared, says the FBI. In four out of five crimes committed last year, the culprits "got away."

5. C reflects one of the most frustrating statistics of all. According to the Justice Department, in 57% of home burglaries,

the burglar simply walked in through an unlocked door or window, or used a key. Americans lost more than one billion dollars in nine million burglaries in a recent three-year period--all involving cases where absolutely no force was necessary to gain entry.

6. C is right. Since in more than 90% of the break-ins in this country no one encounters the criminals (either no one is home, people sleep through the burglary or they are simply not aware of it), the odds against anyone's being hurt are 270 to one. However, if you are home and confront an intruder, the odds of getting hurt skyrocket to one in three.

7. The nationwide figure is c. The people most likely to own guns are widowed, divorced or separated women (68%) and married couples (60%).

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At Home

Sizing furnishings to room is decor key

By JAY WESLEY
MANAGING EDITOR

Like the palette of a busy artist, David's decorative skills are blended together to make an interesting and colorful statement in his south Orlando garden apartment. David, 24, a resident of central Florida for eight years, combines the exotic and theatrical to add drama to his living space.

Although David's one-floor apartment measures just 550 square feet, it does not seem crowded. "I have used mostly scaled-down furniture," David said, "so that the pieces do not overwhelm the room."

Central to that scale is the 1920's corner couch which David uses to form wall that opens to a fenced garden area. The silvery bench, tossed with similarly-colored pillows, has a strong linear form that is captured and repeated in the cast iron and stained glass Art Deco table lamp on a library table behind the couch. The lamp, with rose-colored shade and long black fringe, seems to be the beacon around which the room's spirit revolves.

Reflecting the lamp's glow is a boxed collection of semi-precious stones lying nearby, their facets also capturing the changing light from the large door-wall that opens to a fenced garden court. David said that the patio is often lighted with candles and small white electric lights during evening

dinner parties or intimate cocktail toasts.

In the dining area, a wooden hutch makes a mini-museum for David's travel treasures. Spending time in Columbia, Ecuador and Peru, first through a tour arranged by Loch Haven Institute for the Arts and later on his own, David has several valuable mementos of his South American adventures.

Chief among these is a four-footed vessel cast in reddish pottery clay. "It's thought to be about 3,000 years old," David said. "It is really a museum quality."

Another prize is an Inca beaten gold breastplate ornament. "It is pretty much raw gold," he said, "that's why it has that greenish scale mixed into it." David also has a snip of ancient cloth taken from an Inca mummy.

David, who has had a love affair with the stage since he was a youth, has been a participant in several local theater and dance activities. He received musical training at the University of Miami and has worked for Once Upon A Stage and Theatre on Park as well as being involved with the now-defunct "Showtimers," an Orlando theater concept that never really received its time in the sun.

David's theatrical connections are boldly stated on a collection wall in the living room. Posters, autographed

pictures and original theatrical art form a menage of color and form. Beneath the collection is an elegant lyre-back chair of the Victorian period.

A brightly-painted galley kitchen includes a bold red display wall that gives added depth to the smallish room.

David's bedroom is decorated in the subtle tones of nature with special attention paid to textures created by clever fabric choices. Shades of browns set a neutral stage for the few bright splashes of hue from accessories in the room. A large bookcase holds a variety of volumes for evenings of solitary pleasure. A bath adjoins the bedroom.

Near the patio doors of the main living area stands David's artist's easel. He enjoys painting with acrylics and has had reasonable success capturing ocean shore scenes. He markets his work on an irregular basis.

Adding yet another exotic touch to the apartment is David's use of orchid plants as a centerpiece on the dining

table. These delicate plants included Catlea, Vanda and Phalanopsis. David said he learned care and feeding of the bloomers from his father, a grower of champion orchids.

David's travels have taken him to most major U.S. cities as well as several foreign countries. He says he is finding Orlando an interesting place to reside, especially in light of the predicted growth for the future.

"I'm really pretty open about my sexuality...I enjoy wearing interesting clothes and jewelry, lots of jewelry. That has caused me a few problems...being hassled by some people. But, by and large, I get along here pretty well. My friends help me to fight the feelings of loneliness that crop up once in a while," David said.

"Besides, this place (the apartment) allows me to retreat to a comfortable island when I need to...it has many great memories for me to enjoy...and to share with someone special should the chance arise."



TOUCH OF DRAMA - David's interest in theater is shown in this display wall with a dramatic touch. Original paintings, photographs from personalities, and ceramic masks make a great look. (Photo/JW)



TREASURES DISPLAYED - A scaled-down sectional sofa from the 1920's is one of the unusual touches at David's garden apartment. His artist's easel stands near the opening to the walled patio (left). An oriental rug adds spice to the living room floor. (Photo/JW)

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Orlando real estate agent Jerry Bulger is part of business of mating man (or woman) with the ground they want to call their home...and he is openly Gay.

Bulger has lived and worked in the Orlando area for almost two years, coming to Florida after 20 years in San Francisco. He is licensed to sell real estate in both states.

Bulger sees similarities between central Florida and the western "Gay mecca" by the Golden Gate.

"Right now, in this area, there is tremendous growth, but it is fortunate that the really high prices have yet to come. There are still plenty of bargains to be had in Orlando and central Florida," Bulger claims.

"Colonialtown and other residential areas close to the downtown are just right for Gay property owners and investors," Bulger said. In fact, there will probably never be a better time to buy. There seems to be a good property selection and I believe that I can be of help in setting up the proper financing procedures."

Bulger says that he takes special pride in working with Gay people who want to become homeowners. Openly Gay for several years, Bulger says that he has many sample ownership agreements, buy-and-sell arrangement, and other forms

that have been used by lovers or good friends who wish to have joint ownership of property.

"The Gay customer is really the ultimate," Bulger said. "They seem to take a great deal of pride in their homes and work hard to keep them up. You find very few irresponsible Gays buying property."

"A private home offers more, a faster appreciation of value and more privacy than a condominium," Bulger said. "And most Gay couples seem to want a house."

"Property is a great investment. They just aren't making it anymore," Bulger laughed. "I believe that I can help anyone who really wants a house. My experience with the really tough (expensive) market in California has given me some real knowledge in handling the financial crunch that the real estate business is in right now."

"The opening of Epcot, the new industry coming to town, and all the other new projects that make Orlando a great place to live are going to make the prices of real estate really start to soar. I hope that Gay people who want to have a house for a home or investment realize that the time to make decisions is now... before the market really takes off in price," Bulger said.

He urged interested house-hunters to start looking first and then start worrying about coming up with the downpayment. "It takes about 90 days to get a house deal complete after the right house is found. During that time, working to-

gether, I think that we can figure a way to come up with the downpayment."

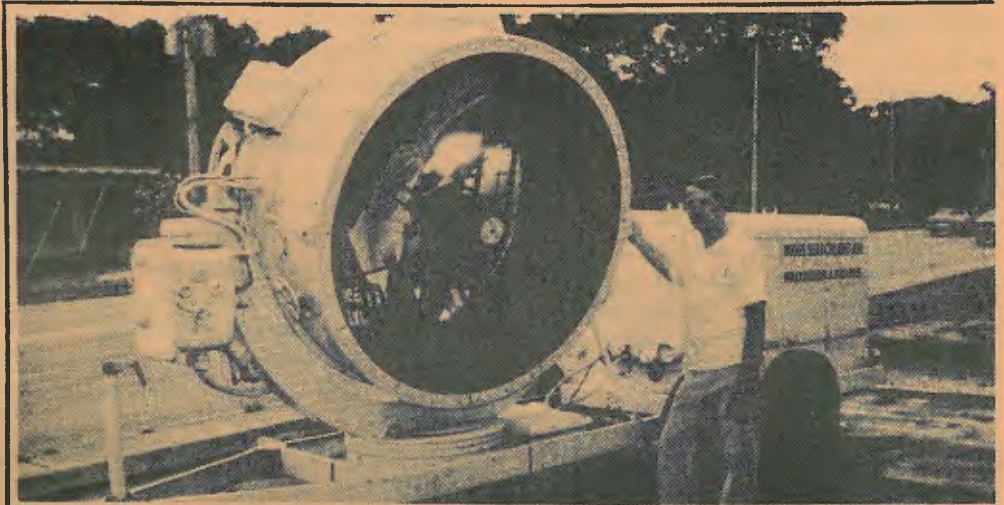
Bulger said that he has been in touch with several investors who can make down payment loan money available through him.

When not closing the "big deal of the day," Bulger likes to work in the soil of his gardens...both vegetable and flower that surround his Rio Pinar Estates house in southeast Orlando.

Bulger is associated with Sun Castle Investment of 4801 E. Colonial Drive, Orlando. He works mostly from his house at 39 Caswell Drive.

Bulger is an avid opera fan...a habit he picked up in San Francisco. He is looking forward to the opening of the 1982 season of the Orlando Opera Co. He also enjoys making his own music, playing flute, piano and organ. Bridge and classical music also fill his non-working hours.

"I really don't see a Gay 'ghetto' ever being developed here in Orlando, but I do foresee that many of the inner-city neighborhoods will have a large Gay population," Bulger said. "I think that Orlando, like a younger San Francisco, is going to be an exciting place to live and to own a piece of the action...property that you can call your own." - J.W.



PILOT ERROR - It seemed like a great idea...search lights sweeping the sky, to announce the opening of Southern Changes. The light was rented, opening night arrived...and so did the Orlando Police and the Federal Aviation Commission. Seems like the tavern's Bumby Street location was right in the approach pattern for pilots approaching Herndon Airport. Not wanting to become the latest sequel to the "Airport 82," club manager turned off the lights. The party however, was not dimmed. (Photo/JW)

New Direction's guide to Gay Central Florida

REFERENCE CODE

- 1..... Books (Adult)
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- 3..... Bath Club
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- 5..... Guest House
- 6..... Hotel/Motel
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- Backroom Disco (7)..... 701 Ridgewood Ave. - 253-2873
- Beachside Club (7)..... 415 Main St. - 252-5465
- The Landmark (7)..... 615 Main St. - 252-3776
- The Zodiac Club..... 1654 S Ridgewood - 767-4624
- ★ Gay Rap Session (Bi-Monthly)..... 441-6807
- ⊕ VD Clinic..... 258-7000

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- The Ambush (7)..... 4130 N.W. 6th St. - 376-3772
- Goerings Bookstore (2)..... 1310 W. University Ave. - 378-0363
- The Melody Club (4-7)..... 4130 N.W. 6th St. - 376-3772
- The Spectrum (4-7)..... 210 S.W. 2nd. Ave. - 373-0149
- ★ Group for Gay Awareness..... 373-GAYS
- ★ Lesbian Task Force..... 392-1634
- ★ Men's Support Group..... P.O. Box 13784 - 32604
- ★ UFLAGS..... 392-1634
- ⊕ VD Clinic..... 378-5321

LAKELAND (Area Code 813)

- Green Parrot (7)..... 1028 E. Main St. - 682-9101
- Last Moving Picture Show (7)..... 116 S. Kentucky Av(10) - 682-9285
- ⊕ VD Clinic..... 686-5583

COCOA BEACH (Area Code 305)

- The Evening Edition (7)..... 6575 N. Atlantic Ave. - 783-9136
- ★ GRAC..... Box 421, Sharpes 32959 - 254-GAYS

MELBOURNE (Area Code 305)

- Saturday (7)..... 9760 W. New Haven Ave. - 724-1510
- ★ GRAC..... Box 421, Sharpes 32959 - 254-GAYS
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ORLANDO (Area Code 305)

- Blue Parrot (11)..... (See Parliament House): Ext 13 - 425-7571
- Circle J's (7)..... 4910 Edgewater Dr. - 293-9733
- City Bath Club (3)..... 1877 S. Orange Blossom Tr. - 420-9890
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- ★ Advocate Program..... 430-3481
- ★ Gay AA..... 857-1837
- ★ Gay Community Service..... 843-2750
- ⚡ Peer Counseling Hotline..... 843-2750
- † Joy MCC..... 1815 E. Robinson/Box 3004 - 32802 - 423-1587
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- Grand Central (7)..... 2235 Central Ave. - 823-6220
- The Lighted Tree..... 109 Eighth Ave. - 360-0373

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- Ohio (7)..... 102 Polk St. - 229-9065
- Old Plantation (7)..... 1725 W. Kennedy Blvd. - 251-5382
- Rene's Lounge (7,4)..... 2605 W. Kennedy Blvd. - 872-9631
- Spurs (7)..... 2201 N.E. 15th St. - 247-9706
- ★ Al Anon..... P.O. Box 8972 - 33674 - 935-6171
- ★ Bay Area Rights Council P.O. Box 947 - 33601
- † Dignity..... P.O. Box 3306 - 33601
- ★ Everywoman's Center..... 974-2687
- † MCC..... 2904 Concordia Ave. - 839-5939
- ★ NOW..... 609 DeLeon - 251-4089
- ★ Pre-Trial Intervention..... 272-5400
- ★ U. of South Florida Gay Coalition..... 974-4297
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Orlando's top cop speaks on Gay issues

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However, I haven't heard or seen something like that since I have been here and I don't know of any investigation like that in the last two, three, or four years.

NEW DIRECTION: There is no vigilante attitude in the department toward police officers who are Gay?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: No.

NEW DIRECTION: What about the police efforts to clean up male prostitution in the Eola Park area?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: Commission of a crime is the key here. Everyone we have arrested or detained in Eola Park was, in fact, charged with one, if not two violations of criminal statutes.

NEW DIRECTION: Does that include assignation? Can you tell me what that charge means in layman's terms?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: Let me clarify here. As I remember reading the reports...one of the charges that we used was the entering of an automobile to commit lewd acts. Another charge that was used was solicitation, a violation. Here again, we are trying to separate the criminal acts from the non-criminal activity.

In the last three months we have arrested at least 27 individuals and each of those individuals were charged with two or maybe three strictly prohibited acts by the criminal statutes. That's where the arrests have come.

NEW DIRECTION: Is there some kind of special unit assigned to the parks? Is there a special technique that they (officers) are using to make the arrests? I'm sure there is no entrapment?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: I would hope not.

NEW DIRECTION: How does one know that a person is entering a car for the purpose of buying or selling sex unless the arresting officer is in the car itself?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: We have a tactical force that works the entire city. We go any place when it has been reported to us about criminal activity. Eola Park isn't the only place and that isn't the only type of violation that the "tact" force is concerned with. Every day, every week, that group is doing something. If that answers your question?

NEW DIRECTION: It really doesn't answer my question. How does the charge and arrest for the sale or solicitation of sex come about without the officer either being in the car or being very nearby.

CHIEF KOLESZAR: Yes, we do have to put ourselves in a position where that kind of violation could, in fact, occur. **NEW DIRECTION:** The vast majority of the Gay community is probably happy to see hustlers taken off the streets. Nobody would be very vocal about defending the rights of hustlers to hustle. Often times, crimes against Gay persons and even Gay-related homicides, are a result of a hustle situation.

CHIEF KOLESZAR: I feel that we have to, as police, place ourselves in an area where that type of advance can be made. It's the only way that you can attack open prostitution on the Orange Blossom Trail and it's the only way to combat the hustler problem in Eola Park.

NEW DIRECTION: What about prosecutions after arrest. Are those people being sent through the court systems?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: If the reason for the question is that...are we making the arrests for harassment or for show, the answer is no..no..no. I can assure you that we don't do that

If we are going to spend the taxpayers money and the man hours and time on that, we are not going to do it just to make sure they (hustlers) move along. We're prosecuting.

NEW DIRECTION: You have supported a plan in which people would call in information after a breaking and entering and other similar crimes...using the telephone instead of having personal contact with a police officer in their home. The report would be taken over the telephone.

A Gay person is often a victim of a rip-off, assault, or some other crime because they took someone home to his house or apartment. How are they going to be treated when they call with the details of the crime which involves a Gay issue?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: My philosophy is a citizen is a citizen is a citizen.

Hispanic, Black, Asian, gay...I don't care if he is green with a pink tail two feet long...if you live in Orlando...or the crime occurs in Orlando...if you have money or if you don't have two cents to rub together...the officer that you make contact with better accord the same respect...and better accord the same courtesy to everyone.

If the police officer that gay person talks to is not professional then our efforts to prevent crime are just not going to work.

NEW DIRECTION: In other cities...Houston, Los Angeles and San Francisco...there are programs that are part of police training and have to do with dealing with Gay-related problems. Is that an on-going program here. Would you consider something like that?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: I haven't thought about it to tell you the truth.

In our academy program we do have what we call "aculturation". We do have Black officers and leaders from the Black community talk to us. I think it is important to know the community that you serve.

I would have to check with my command staff to see how they feel on the gay issue. My gut reaction is that I wouldn't automatically say no. I'm not so sure that if we do it, that we would not have to do it for females, Asians, Cubans, Mexicans, Blacks...there is a limit.

I'd rather see it as part of another type of community relations program; to let our officers know that there are many different folks out there.

NEW DIRECTION: Do you have any advisors, official or unofficial, that help you in knowing what is going on in the Gay community...people like club owners that serve Gay clientele?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: I don't have any advisors in any part of the community.

I do know that over the last three years, it has been reported to me that we have a good working relationship with security workers at gay establishments.

In the two homicides that took place at a gay resort over the last 18 months or so, the cooperation between the owners and the police, I'm told, was great and that's all I care about.

You have to maintain a liaison with the private security workers at gay clubs just like those at a local factory or apartment complex. I don't draw any distinctions between the director of security in a black housing project, at Marin-Marietta, or at the Parliament Hotel(sic).

The common denominator is what is the interest of the Orlando Police Department in keeping those communications open.

NEW DIRECTION: There seems to be a belief that businesses serving Gays are also conduits for large amounts of illegal drugs for sale and use. There also seems to be a belief that drugs and the Gay lifestyle are closely connected.

CHIEF KOLESZAR: There is drug use connected with a lot of different life styles.

NEW DIRECTION: Do you have any information on drug trafficking at Gay establishments that you can share with me?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: After three months here, I really don't have anything specific that I can comment on. However, my reaction is that whether it is a military installation, a housing project, or a gay hotel, there are certain things that are present with those facilities and I think that part of the job of the Orlando Police Department is to stay on top of the illegal activity that is tied to that particular facility...bar, base, or gay resort. I don't see the difference.

Our job is to identify, prevent, and to arrest violators. Of course, our approach to each place may be a little different.

NEW DIRECTION: So it's equal justice under law? (the motto of the U.S. Supreme Court)

CHIEF KOLESZAR: I just don't know how to operate any other way.

NEW DIRECTION: Did you ask the city's legal department for the right to ask prospective police candidates who were undergoing a polygraph (lie-detector) test if they were Gay?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: I don't think that we would use the word gay. I remember in Arvada (Colorado), we used to ask,

"have you engaged in homosexual activity in the past? Are you now?" We were asking about the activity...talking about the criminal activity.

I don't think that a polygraph examiner would use the word "gay." It's the criminal act that we should be interested in and furthermore...if the candidate is in the habit of telling the truth. That's more important.

NEW DIRECTION: I don't suppose the polygraph examiner asks if an officer candidate loves his wife or if he beats his kids?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: I happen to disagree with the Florida state statute that prevents persons convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude from serving as law officers. I don't know if I like that or not.

Some of the best cops that I have worked with were hell-raisers when they were 18, 19, 20 years old...including myself. I've seen too many people victims of an artificial standard that prevents me from hiring them and I just don't like that.

NEW DIRECTION: Would you support a change in Florida's criminal statutes that would allow consenting adults to involve themselves in sexuality that might be viewed outside the norm?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: I don't know if I could support something like that (as a police official). If the law was changed, and the practicing of homosexual acts was not a violation, then the barrier would not be there. It would be a whole new ball game.

NEW DIRECTION: You have said that all citizens should receive equal police treatment. What if they feel they haven't? Is there a way to complain?

CHIEF KOLESZAR: We have an Internal Affairs section that handles citizen complaints, whether it be harassment, physical abuse, or the use of unnecessary force. We have five full time people involved in the unit that do nothing but take care of citizen complaints.

Each complaint is reviewed at different levels and ultimately ends up on my desk.

There is a way for people who feel they are getting unjust treatment...no matter what; discourtesy, unequal treatment or anything...it gets to my desk. I don't care who you are...you better be treated the same. The common courtesy of "sir" or "mam" better apply. You had better be treated the same...city commissioner, police officer, or whatever.

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Because of Roberts' familiarity with the area, these four day, three night trips provide an opportunity to visit and photograph locations less accessible to the unschooled visitor.

The group will stay at the Pier House in Key West where famous Duvall Street ends and the Gulf of Mexico begins. Transportation will be provided by mini-bus.

Activities include a tour of Old Key West as well as guided tours of the Audubon home and Ernest Hemmingway house. A special highlight will be a morning of snorkeling or diving seven miles off Big Pine Key on Looe Key Reef.

An optional float plane trip to the Dry Tortugas will expose the varied topography of the gulf floor, decaying ship wrecks, the elaborate operations of present day treasure hunters, as well as frequent sightings of sea turtles,

sharks, porpoise, and manta ray. The desolate islands which make up the Dry Tortugas are now a National Park where one can explore Fort Jefferson, the pre-Civil War for which was later to become the infamous prison where Dr. Mudd was incarcerated.

With Roberts' assistance tip participants will be guided in the photographic means of reflecting and interpreting these sights and experiences.

The trip will depart at 8 a.m. on Friday morning, September 24 and return late Monday evening, September 27. All transportation (excluding the optional float plane trip) will be provided, three nights accommodations at the Pier House; Audubon, Hemmingway, and Conch Train tours; Looe Key trip, under water camera rental; and all lecture and workshop activities conducted by Mr. Roberts are included in the cost of \$375 based on double occupancy.

Reservations for the photo safari must be made by August 13. A \$100 non-refundable deposit is due with application. Final payments are due by the reservation deadline. Trips are limited to 15 persons. Additional Keys trips may be scheduled for special interest groups of 12 or more participants.

More information about the photo tours is available by calling the Loch Haven Art Center at (305) 896-4231. The center is located at 2416 North Mills Avenue, Orlando.

Designer label quiz answers

1. **Jockey** - Wearer usually sports same type underwear. May be into spending a lot of time astride a big stallion. Likes a fast track.

2. **J. C. Penney** - This fox is often found in shopping malls. Although terribly closeted, he may be looking for a new hole to call his own. Often hounded by former wife.

3. **Speedo** - Wearer often has wet dreams about Mark Spitz. Water sports have a strange attraction. May have a real thing for cruising at Sea World.

4. **Izod** - This gator is worn by lots of man-eaters looking for fresh meat. If symbol is found on wearer's socks, avoid at all cost. Often spotted along Park Avenue.

5. **Giorgio Armani** - If wearer looks like Richard Gere, expect a fast hustle. He may turn into an expensive habit. In his world, ABC means Armani, Bally, and Cartier.

6. **Sasson** - May be worn by a hairdresser who doesn't know the correct pronunciation. Also may indicate "circumference freak" who wants to know how you measure up... er, around.

7. **Sears** - The dragon wearer may be dragging something worth checking out. Often found on Midwesterners who think catalog is key to high fashion. Watch

out for his breath. Check neck for red before taking this one home.

8. **Nike** - Worn by some real sports. If not true athlete, at least an athletic supporter. Usually likes long, slow, warm-up before sprint event. Nike's "swoosh" is worn by a lot of people who "swish."

9. **Playboy** - Often worn by persons who received it as gift from a wishful mother. May also have matching front licence plate and air freshener in car. Probably wears silk pajamas over his boxer shorts.

10. **Adidas** - Who said, "Leaves of three, let them be?" Wearer may want you to give "personal best." Use caution if subject is wearing spikes, especially in bed.

Scorecard

- 1-3 correct - You're looking at crotches instead of chests.
- 4-6 correct - You think clothes look best on the bedroom floor.
- 7-9 correct - You have a GQ subscription.
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