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Big push building for votes on ENDA and DADT

Activists staging rallies in D.C. and around the country urging lawmakers to act on both issues

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It is the end of April. Spring has sprung and all

hell is breaking out in Washington, D.C.

There, Congress is racing through the final months of its 111th session, trying to fix everything from the nation's financial system and the street policing of citizenship to climate change and next year's budget.

Around the corner awaits a soon-to-be-announced Supreme Court nominee and the contentious mid-term election campaigns.

Not wishing to be left behind in this biennial political morass, LGBT activists have stepped up their pleas to be heard. To push for repeal of the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy, a new activist group called GetEQUAL handcuffed six uniformed protesters to the fence in front of the White House this month.

That was one day after the group staged a highly publicized interruption of President Obama's speech in Los Angeles, urging him to make repeal happen.

On April 21, GetEQUAL interrupted a House committee hearing to demand a committee vote on the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA). That same day, more than 200 LGBT organizations of every size and scope signed onto a one-sentence "Statement to members of the

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Tin Room owner Hershner dies

Brother says Hershner died of cardiac arrest; officials waiting on results of toxicology tests

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Marty Hershner was remembered this week as a larger-than-life persona whose passion and hard



Marty Hershner

work led him to the brink of becoming a major force in Dallas' gay bar scene.

Hershner, proprietor of the Tin Room on Hudnall Street and the Drama Room on Cedar Springs Road, was found deceased in his bed at the Tecali Apartments

on Tuesday night. He was 30.

No foul play was suspected, and Hershner's brother, Lonzie, said Marty suffered from untreated high blood pressure and died from cardiac

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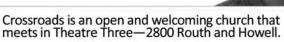
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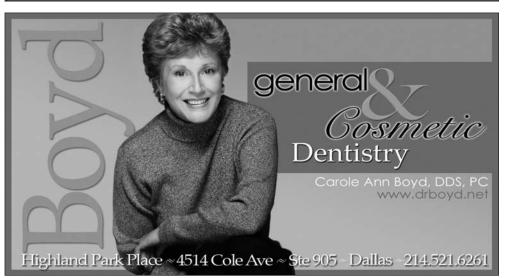
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Guy-Gainer running for city council

SLDN board member says sexual orientation not a factor in Forest Hill race; win would make him 2nd openly gay official in Tarrant County

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FOREST HILL — Dave Guy-Gainer, an Air Force veteran who's best known in the LGBT community for his work to repeal "don't ask, don't tell," is vying to become the second openly gay elected official in Tarrant County's history.

Guy-Gainer, 61, is running for the Place 3 seat on the Forest Hill city council in the May 8 election. The town is southeast of downtown Fort Worth, in Tarrant County.

"I've always tried to give back to my community," Gainer said.

This is his first run for public office. But, he said, he has been attending city council meetings regularly since moving to the town with his partner, David Guy-Gainer, two years ago.

Guy-Gainer said he would like to help the city do more long-term financial planning in place of what he calls the "Whack-A-Mole" planning that only addresses immediate problems.

"It's a small town without a vision," he said.

Guy-Gainer said the town is plagued by recall elections and has had three city managers in five years. An effort to oust the current mayor for abuse of power may come up for a vote later this year, he said.

Guy-Gainer said he favors protecting the police department from being disbanded. A charter amendment on the ballot would prevent the city from eliminating its police force without voter approval.

In the LGBT community, Guy-Gainer is known for his work to end "don't ask, don't tell." He was national vice president of American Veterans for Equal Rights and currently serves on the board of

Servicemembers Legal Defense Network, the group that provides legal services to those impacted by DADT, and lobbies Congress on the issue.

But he said that in Forest Hill he is known for his involvement with the city council and that his sexual orientation has not been an issue in the campaign in this predominantly African-American town.

"We moved in as an out gay couple," he said, adding that he and his partner have encountered "not one bit of prejudice. They're better people than that."

His opponents in the council race have not made an issue of his sexual orientation either.

"If you live your life in a dignified fashion, they'll respect you," he said.

There are two other candidates in the race: incumbent Gerald Joubert, who has held the Place 3 seat since 2003, and Rodney Wright.

The race is nonpartisan, but in estimating his chances, Guy-Gainer noted that the town is "very

blue."

Forest Hill has a population of about 13,000. Of that number, 7,000 are registered voters and fewer than 1,000 participate in municipal elections. Guy-Gainer said his strategy is just to get enough supporters out to the polls.

To gain name recognition, he has a number of large well-placed yard signs around town. And he's knocking on doors and talking to as many neighbors as possible.

While the council election is about the town's financial planning, Guy-Gainer returned to discussion of his other passion, repealing "don't ask don't tell."

He said he knew as teen that he was gay, but he thought, "I'll join the Air Force. That'll fix me. I got married, had a daughter and a granddaughter."

After a short stint in combat communications, he said, "I quickly retreated to a computer room."

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MAKING IT OFFICIAL | Dave Guy-Gainer puts up his first city council campaign sign in late March in Forest Hill. Guy-Gainer is best known in the LGBT community for his activism around the issue of repealing "don't ask, don't tell."

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Trial again delayed in gay Dallas man's murder

Earlier this month I reported that Karen Dilbeck, the girlfriend of Seth Winder's father, had written a book about Seth, who's accused of the brutal slaying and dismemberment of gay Dallas resident Richard Hernandez in 2008. I also reported that Winder's first-degree murder trial, long delayed due to competency issues, was finally appealed to ge

scheduled to go forward in early May.

Well now it appears as though publication of Dilbeck's book, "Slipping Into Madness: The Seth Winder Story," has further delayed Winder's trial, which has been pushed back



Richard Hernandez

until August to give the prosecution and defense a chance to review the manuscript.

"Mr. Winder, the defendant, his dad's girlfriend wrote a book on the case. We did not know that until last week, and so we've ordered the book, and both the defense and the state will be reading the book," said Jamie Beck, first assistant criminal district attorney for Denton County, which includes the area of Far North Dallas where the murder occurred. "I think there were a couple of other variables [contributing to the delay], but that was the big one, because she'd interviewed the defendant and his dad, so everybody needed that information. It could be inculpatory, it could be exculpatory, it could be both."

Winder's attorney, Derek Adame, confirmed that he agreed to the delay, but said he doubts there's anything relevant in the

"I can tell you that these people who are responsible for this book don't know anything about the actual case itself and have really no idea of what the plan is in defending Seth," Adame said. "For both sides, it's only fair that we delay it to get a chance to

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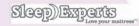


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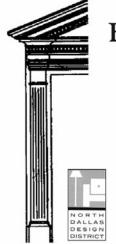
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Chicago Theological Seminary president to speak at CoH

The Rev. Alice Hunt, 12th president in the 154-year history of Chicago Theological Seminary, will speak Sunday, May 2, at the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. services at Cathedral of Hope, 5910 Cedar Springs Road.

Prior to moving to Chicago, Hunt served as associate dean for academic affairs at Vanderbilt



University Divinity School. She is a Hebrew Bible scholar, and holds a Ph.D. in religion, with an emphasis on the Hebrew Bible, from Vanderbilt University. Her current research focuses on the Bible in relation to the

U.S./Mexico immigration issue.

Hunt was ordained at the Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church, National Baptist Convention, in Nashville, Tenn. She holds dual standing with the United Church of Christ in the Chicago Metropolitan Association. She also holds degrees from the University of Montevallo (B.S.) and Vanderbilt University (M.T.S., M.A., Ph.D.) Involved in the broader issues of religious affairs and theological education, Hunt serves on the board of commissioners for the Association of Theological Schools of the United States and Canada.

Hunt lives in Hyde Park. Her youngest son, Eric Hudiburg, attends Stetson University in De-

Land, Fla. Her older son, Carl Hudiburg, is graduating from Boston College.

Tickets go on sale Saturday for 2010 Gayla Prom

Tickets go on sale Saturday, May 1 for the 2010 Gayla Prom, presented by Resource Center Dallas.

The theme for the 13th annual dance even for LGBTQ youth and their allies, ages 14-22 is "Arabian Nights."

The Gayla Prom will be held June 6, from 7 p.m. to midnight, at the Owens Arts Center on the campus of Southern Methodist University. Those attending will have the chance to dance, socialize, win prizes and elect the prom king and queen.

Started in 1997 by the Walt Whitman Community School and taken over by Resource Center Dallas in 2008, Gayla Prom is one of the largest events of its kind in the country. It was voted "Best Prom" in Dallas by the Dallas Observer in 2008.

Adam King, chair of the 2010 event, said Gayla Prom gives LGBTQ youth, who often face discrimination and marginalization at home and at school, an opportunity to "celebrate with their friends in an environment that is both positive and safe."

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Stonewall Dems endorse candidates in 3 DISD races

Moore says LGBT group focused on financial accountability, progressive thinking in backing Blackburn, Cowan, White

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Early voting continues through Tuesday, May 4 in the Dallas Independent School District board of trustees election, and Stonewall Democrats of Dallas have endorsed candidates in all three Dallas school board races.

Stonewall President Erin Moore said that all three candidates in the District 5 contest requested Stonewall's endorsement, as did two of the three candidates in the District 4 race and two of the three candidates in the District 7 race.

The candidates were screened by the Stonewall endorsements committee on April 17, and the endorsements were ratified by the membership at

the monthly Stonewall meeting on April 20, Moore said.

Moore said members of the LGBT political group "asked some pretty tough questions" of the school board candidates seeking Stonewall's endorsement.

"Considering all the financial problems the district has had, we wanted to know where the candidates stand on accountability in funding. And we were looking for candidates who are progressive thinkers, given the controversy over text-books in Texas," Moore said.

"We weren't looking for people who would cause dissent on the board just for the sake of dissent, not by any means. But everyone agrees that there are issues in the school district that need to be fixed, and we were looking for candidates willing to stand up and try to do something to fix those things," Moore said. "We were looking for someone with the spine to stand up and fight for what's right."

Stonewall endorsed incumbent Lew Blackburn

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in District 5 in what Moore said was "a very tough one to call."

"One of the three candidates in that race really impressed us with her intentions and her enthusiasm, but she seemed rather unprepared [for the realities of serving on the school board.] The other one was extremely prepared, and it was a really close call between that candidate and Blackburn," Moore said.

Considering the turmoil that has beset DISD and its board of trustees in recent years, Moore said that being an incumbent was not necessarily an advantage in this election. But it was for Blackburn.

"Blackburn has been a strong voice on the board and has not been afraid to stand up and speak truth to power. So we felt he would be the best candidate in that race," she said.

In the District 4 race, Stonewall endorsed Camile White over incumbent Nancy Bingham. Jesse Diaz, the third candidate, did not show up for the candidate screenings, Moore said.

"Nancy Bingham has been on the board for a long time and has lots of experience there. But that may have worked against her this time," Moore said. "The big question was, why hasn't she done more to fix some of the problems with the board and the school district already."

In the District 7 race, candidate Eric Cowan "really just blew us away," Moore said, explaining why Stonewall endorsed him over Louis Truiillo.

"Cowan is a very, very strong candidate. He doesn't have any experience with DISD, but that's not necessarily a bad thing. He is very smart, and he gets that people should have a voice in what happens with the board and the school district. Even if he doesn't agree with what you say, he seems willing to at least listen."

The third candidate in the race, Olegario Estrada, did not screen with Stonewall. The District 7 incumbent, Jerome Garza, is not running for re-election.

Moore said that while school district elections sometime slip under the radar in the LGBT community, the school board makes decisions all the time that can impact LGBT individuals.

"First of all, more and more LGBT people and couples are having children. And if you have

children in the school district, you care about the school board elections. Because the school board makes decisions that affect your child," she said.

But even LGBT people who don't have children have a stake in the school board elections because "we all pay school taxes, whether we have children or not," Moore said.

But perhaps the primary interest the LGBT community has in school board elections lies in the safety and welfare of LGBT youth attending DISD schools, Moore continued.

"We asked the candidates where they stand on the bullying legislation in the Texas Legislature and Congress. We asked about the nondiscrimination policy that's already in place in DISD but isn't being enforced," she said. "The LGBT kids in these Dallas schools need our help, and without open-minded, progressive people on the school board, those kids won't get the help they need."

Although Stonewall Democrats is a partisan political group, Moore said it is not unprecedented for the group to endorse candidates in nonpartisan races like the school board elections.

"We have endorsed candidates in mayoral races and city council elections in the past. But it was always done at the whim of whomever was in charge [on Stonewall] at the time," Moore said

But last year, she added, "we sat out the city council elections to rework our bylaws and give the process some structure. We're very big on consistency, and the new rules give us consistency" in how Stonewall handles endorsements in nonpartisan races.

"One of the first questions we ask every candidate in nonpartisan races is, 'Are you a Democrat?' They don't have to answer, of course, and even if they do, it doesn't mean they are running as a Democrat in that particular race," Moore said. "But we ask the question anyway."

She said that, according to its bylaws, Stonewall is only restricted from endorsing a Republican who is running as a Republican in a particular race. So technically, Stonewall Democrats could endorse a Republican candidate, as long as the candidate is running in a nonpartisan race and does not openly declare him or herself a Republican.

"It is possible," Moore said. "Possible, but not at all likely. I think it would be obvious."





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Job seekers flock to 5th annual GLBT Job Expo at SMU

Recruiters say jobs available; most urge job hunters to check websites

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"More jobs are available now than in the last few years, and they're all listed on the website."

That was the message from recruiters at the fifth annual GLBT Job Expo held Wednesday, April 28, at Southern Methodist University.

Some recruiters did interviews and took resumes. Others talked to applicants about their agencies or companies and helped direct them to particular departments.

All said they were impressed by the quality of applicants that this job fair attracts.

Organizers said the event was moved to a larger location on the SMU campus than originally planned — and still space was tight with the larger-than-expected crowd.

But several recruiters said this expo was laid out better than most that they attend.

Two representatives with the National Security Agency came from Washington to talk to potential recruits from the LGBT community. The NSA reps, however, were quite secretive about their Dallas mission and would not talk to the media.

Rafael McDonnell from Resource Center Dallas, one of the event sponsors, said he made contact with them at an Out & Equal meeting and was delighted by their attendance.

Literature at the booth indicated that they were looking for people for cryptoanalysis skills, computer/electrical engineering skills, foreign language and math skills.

The local office of another branch of the federal government, the Environmental Protection Agency, was more forthcoming.

Although they have no current openings, Craig Weeks of the Dallas EPA office said he expected job postings this summer for environmental scientists and attorneys.

He said that Dallas' air was not up to national standards for ozone levels (compared to Houston's which suffers from pollution from its refining industry). With no immediate remedy in sight, job security, once vacancies are posted, is ensured.

Weeks said the Ross Avenue office is on three DART rail lines, a perfect way to help protect Dallas' air.

Other companies and government entities had a number of jobs to fill.

Capital One has been rapidly expanding in the Dallas area. Recently, their mortgage division has

been consolidated in Plano. They expect to eventually employ 1,000 people in that office.

Megan Taub-Smith is a recruiting director for MetLife. She was looking for financial advisors. She said this expo attracts high-quality job seek-

Normally, Taub-Smith said, she finds one or two out of 70 resumes worth pursuing at a job fair. At the GLBT Job Expo, she already was interested in seven or eight of the 50 resumes she received.

Jose Cruz was among the deputies from the Dallas County Sheriff's Department recruiting corrections officers from the LGBT community. He said 40 detention jobs were open in Dallas County and they hoped to fill five to 10 of them from the applicants at the fair.

He mentioned the necessary qualifications.

"Honesty, commitment to do the necessary work, clean criminal background," Cruz said. "Size doesn't matter but have confidence in yourself to do the job. Be tough, strong-minded."

In addition, applicants must be at least 19 years old, citizens, registered with selective service and able to pass a psychological test, a polygraph and a physical exam.

By the middle of the afternoon, Cruz sat with a stack of resumes that he said he would pass along

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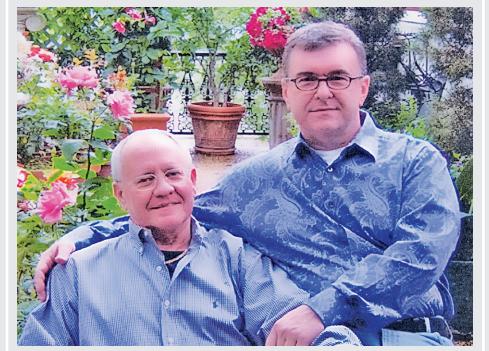
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for the next round in their recruitment process.

David N. Walsh, an enforcement agent with Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, wanted word to get out about the good things his agency does. He assured that they have no interest in closing bars.

"If we closed the bars down, we'd be out of business," he said, noting that liquor license fees fund the agency.

Walsh had information with him about one current posting for an auditor but said other positions are available on the website.

He encouraged people to apply with the agency and said it was a great place to work and was very diverse.

The team from Texas Instruments said they got "great resumes from engineers" and were "taking them and passing them on," while Raytheon was talking to applicants, but said

telling them to go online to apply.

Erika Curry of Metro PCS, based in Richardson, was doing "mini-interviews" but encouraged anyone who missed the expo to look on their website and that they were hiring.

"We're here to direct you to the website," a representative from the city of Fort Worth said.

"Retail and corporate jobs are all on the website," Tino Gonzales from Best Buy said.

In addition to stores throughout the Metroplex, Best Buy has a regional office in Farmers Branch.

Recruiters from a number of companies — including Bank of America, whose southwest headquarters is downtown, and, McKesson, a pharmaceutical and medical supplies company with an office in Lewisville — said more jobs are open this year than last.

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Oak Cliff group trying to save historic church



ON THE BLOCK | Unless the Old Oak Cliff Conservation League can find a buyer for the former Oak Cliff Christian Church by the end of the summer, Dallas Independent School district plans to demolish the historic building to make way for the new Adamson High School campus. (David Taffet/Dallas Voice)

DISD wants \$1.2 million for 100-year-old Oak Cliff Christian Church; conservation league wants more time to find buyer

DAVID TAFFET | Staff Writer taffet@dallasvoice.com

Dallas Independent School District has given the Old Oak Cliff Conservation League until this summer to find a buyer for Oak Cliff Christian Church

But conservation league President Michael Amonett said he doesn't think that's enough time to find someone to save the landmark building, built in 1916.

The asking price is \$1.2 million for the 27,000-square-foot building located just eight blocks from the Bishop Arts District. Although state law prohibits the school district from taking a loss on the property, at that price the district won't be making a profit.

DISD purchased the property — along with most of the other North Oak Cliff properties within a four-block area — to build a replacement for the 100-year old Adamson High School.

They paid \$479,000 for the church and in February spent another \$553,000 to remove asbestos.

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Legal fees and maintenance costs make up the rest of the \$1.2 million asking price.

And Amonett estimates it will take a buyer another \$4 million to renovate or repurpose the building.

While the exterior structure is strong and the beams throughout are solid, all walls and floors need to be replaced, he said. Recent rains have weakened some of the floors, balconies and railings further.

John McCall, attorney for and former president of the Oak Cliff preservation group, filed suit on behalf of the organization to keep the school district from demolishing the old church. DISD settled out of court, offering to allow the conservation group to find a buyer by August and close on the property by the end of October.

The district also agreed to secure the building by boarding up the doors and windows.

To move forward with controversial plans for the new Adamson High School, the school district wants to know the fate of the property this year. Whether or not it is saved determines which streets can be closed.

Adamson alumni groups are also challenging tearing down the original school building rather than renovating it or incorporating parts of it in the new design.

Amonett argues that finding a buyer for the church by this summer is practically impossible and that the school district can proceed without this property, allowing his group more time.

Current plans call for the high school building to be elsewhere on the parcel of land the district has put together. Tennis courts are planned for the spot not occupied by the church, Amonett pointed out.

He also noted that additional adjacent property in the area is available for the school district to purchase that would be much cheaper and does not have the historic significance of the Oak Cliff Christian Church building. He also said that \$1.2 million was a lot of money for land intended to be used for tennis courts.

Oak Cliff Christian Church bought the Tenth Street property in 1897. The current building opened in 1916 and the attached education building was added in 1926

At one time, 23 churches lined the street, earning it a mention in "Ripley's Believe It or Not." Only six

of those buildings remain.

Van Slyke and Woodruff designed the church building. The firm is better known for the McKinney Avenue Baptist Church that later became Dallas' Hard Rock Café.

The Oak Cliff property is part of the Kennedy assassination story and is mentioned in the Warren Commission Report.

Lee Harvey Oswald shot Officer J.D. Tippit down the street from the church. From there, he passed by the building and threw off his jacket before heading to the Texas Theater on Jefferson Boulevard, where he was caught.

Police later retrieved the jacket from behind the church. That evidence established Oswald's route from his boarding house to the theater and helped tie him to Tippit's murder by placing him on the street.

Although Amonett is not a real estate salesperson, he ticks off the advantages of buying the property with the skill of an experienced realtor.

"It's been deemed eligible for the National Register of Historical Places," said Amonett, adding that the building is sound and free of asbestos.

He noted tax advantages to buyers for saving an historic property and additional tax benefits for providing housing in certain neighborhoods.

Since the land is zoned multi-family, Amonett suggested a variety of uses for the historic building, such as condos with panoramic downtown views or housing for lower-income DISD employees.

He said it could be a perfect headquarters for a non-profit organization or even be used as an auxiliary building by the high school.

OOCCL is the strongest coalition of neighborhood associations in the city. Comprised of 29 neighborhood groups, it represents Oak Cliff's diversity, from the mansions of Kessler Park to the cottages of Kidd Springs. The neighborhoods stretch from Lake Cliff Park, near the Jefferson Street Bridge that links Oak Cliff to downtown, to Oakland Terrace near the southern Red Bird section of Dallas.

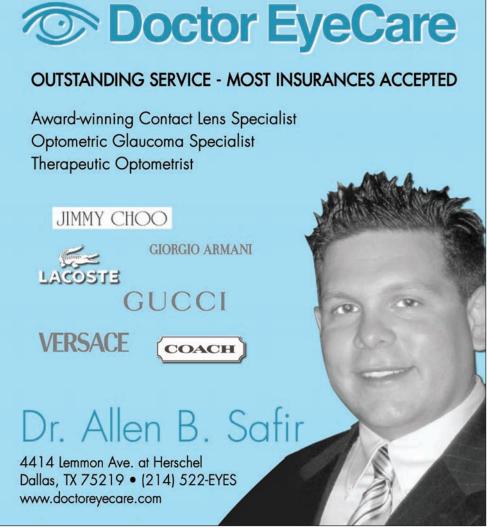
Amonett said that the groups reflect Oak Cliff's economic, social and racial diversity. In addition to himself and McCall, gays and lesbians are well represented both among the neighborhood groups and on OOCCL's board.

He reflected on the time and effort he and his board have spent trying to save the church property.

"Even if we don't save it, we'll have done the right thing," he said.







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GUY-GAINER

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He described his life in the military as "very closeted" because gays and lesbians were dishonorably discharged before DADT. In 1990, he retired from the military with the highest enlisted rank of chief master sergeant — and then came out.

Guy-Gainer said he is optimistic about repeal of the current ban this year.

"If we don't see this thing killed this year," Gainer

said, "I'm going to implode. And I'm having too much fun to implode."

He points to the absurdity of the way DADT is administered. After leaving the service, he was working at Fort Sam Houston. He and his partner went to San Francisco to be married during the short window when Mayor Gavin Newsom was issuing marriage licenses.

When they returned to San Antonio, co-workers, many in uniform, had a party for them on the base.

Guy-Gainer also said the call to study the effect of

opening the military to gays and lesbians disingenuous and a stalling tactic. He notes that Britain did it overnight with no ill effecst.

"For the most part, we don't share rooms like the old Gomer Pyle gang barracks," he said. "It's insulting to professionals in the military to suggest we can't share space. Because when 'don't ask, don't tell' is lifted, it doesn't mean people will go crazy."

Gainer said that without civil disobedience, nothing would get done. But he questioned some of the recent tactics used by people like Lt. Dan Choi, who's twice been arrested for chaining himself to the White House Fence.

"Dan's a friend," he said. "But it's not what I would have done — in uniform while on active duty. It sticks in my craw."

Gainer said there's been movement on DADT thinks the protests may have been ill-timed.

"We're going to see this to the end," he said, adding that he continues to work on repealing the law just as hard as he's been campaigning for office.

But he said his involvement in DADT has not come up in the council race.

"If you become involved in the community, people get to know you, and they're OK with you," he said.

Joel Burns became the first openly gay person elected in Tarrant County when he ran for Fort Worth City council in 2007. Guy-Gainer would be the second.

Early voting in the council election continues through next week.

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look at this in case there is something there."

Adame says he doesn't plan to argue that
Winder, who reportedly suffers from schizophrenia,
is not guilty by reason of insanity. A judge initially
found Winder incompetent to stand trial, but he's
since been restored to competency. Adame said
he plans to argue that Winder "didn't do it," adding
that he thinks it will be difficult for the state to prove
that a murder even occurred, given that Hernandez's remains were never found.

Dilbeck, meanwhile, believes Winder is guilty and hopes he remains in custody for the rest of his life. Otherwise, Dilbeck said, he'll stop taking his medication and harm someone else. Dilbeck said she didn't interview Winder for the book, but reprinted excerpts from his letters from jail. Dilbeck also told me she regrets that the book has delayed Winder's trial, which certainly wasn't her intent.

Dilbeck and Winder's father, Rodney, have said

they repeatedly tried to get help for Seth, but law enforcement and the criminal justice system failed to do anything. "I always knew he'd kill somebody. It was just a question of when, in my mind," Dilbeck said. "It's really a plea for the case of the reform of our laws regarding the mentally ill," she said of the book. "If people don't ever go out and try to make changes, nothing will happen."

Hernandez's gay friend, Rudy Araiza, called the delay "ridiculous" and "frustrating."

"Every time I hear he's going to trial I get excited because now we can finally get some justice, but then it gets delayed and delayed and delayed," Araiza said. "In some ways I would love to face him and tell him how I feel, and how he's impacted people's lives. That to me would probably bring me peace. The way things are going, who knows when or if I'll ever get that chance."

— John Wright



HERSHNER

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found at the scene. An official cause of death will await toxicology results from the medical examiner's office, which could take several weeks.

"When he set his mind to something, he did not fail — he's left two great bars behind to prove that," Lonzie Hershner said of his brother. "He was always looking to see what's going to better the community. It's hard to lose someone who always wanted to do so much good."

In 2002, Marty Hershner took over the small establishment owned by his mother near Hudnall Street and Maple Avenue. It was then called Judge Roy Bean's Saloon, which Lonzie Hershner described as a "small redneck bar."

Hershner, who was gay, turned it into the Tin Room, and eventually added live dancers and DJs. The bar's intimacy and unique character — symbolized by the many trinkets and antiques adorning its façade — helped it evolve into an off-the-beaten-path hotspot.

But Hershner wasn't done. Earlier this year, he opened the Drama Room, a big hit at the site of the old Mickey's on the gay strip. And he planned to open a bar at the site of Bill's Hideaway on Buena Vista Street, which has been closed since last year.

Lonzie Hershner said Marty wanted to restore the Hideaway to a vintage piano bar.

"We've sat down and had several discussions on what he saw in that place, and I will go through with everything we talked about," he said. "I'm going to run it as a tribute to him."

Lonzie Hershner, who currently runs two straight bars, said he'll also take over the Tin Room and the Drama Room, all part of the small nightclub empire that was reportedly built by their mother, Paulette.

"The Drama Room and the Tin Room will continue exactly how he's always operated them," Lonzie Hershner said.

At the Tin Room on Wednesday night, April 28, the mood among employees was somber, but they said Marty wouldn't have wanted the bar to close, even for a night.

"The beat has to go on here," said Michael "Jon" Preng, a DJ and manager who's worked at the Tin Room for the last year. "Marty would roll over if we weren't open. We're doing it for him."

The 38-year-old Preng, who's worked in clubs all his adult life, described Hershner as a rarity in the industry, a hands-on owner who was committed to making sure everyone had a good time.

Above a desk in the Tin Room office sits a large photo of Paulette Hershner, working at a bar as a young woman.

"He lived for her, and she taught him everything," Preng said.

Preng said he'll always remember Hershner's smile and the way he responded to everything by saving, "Child!"

Bradley Register, a bartender at the Tin Room, said Hershner seemed to enjoy taking care of other people.

"If you were loyal to him, he would do anything for you," Register said. "He was a larger than life type person. He just had a knack for making people love him."

Hershner's popularity was evident from the outpouring of condolences posted on Dallas Voice's Web site and on the bar's Facebook page in the hours after his death.

Jeff Wilson, Hershner's roommate and the manager of the Drama Room, said Wednesday night he'd already been contacted by more than 100 of Hershner's many friends from all over.

"He touched a lot of lives," Wilson said. "Marty had a keen wit. He could entertain a crowd like no one else I've ever known, really. He created himself almost into a character, just like Dave Thomas was for Wendy's, on a smaller scale. He was cut short, definitely. He was poised to really, really take over.

"It would do a disrespect to him to not do what we do on a daily basis," Wilson added. "The Tin Room will continue to rise, and so will the Drama Room. Nothing's stopping. We're going full speed ahead."

Lonzie Hershner said a viewing will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, April 30 at Ben F. Brown's Memorial Funeral Home, 707 N. MacArthur Blvd. in Irving.

A funeral will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the same location.

Both the viewing and the funeral are open to the public.

Lonzie Hershner said family and friends also plan a memorial show at the Drama Room in the next few weeks. He said he would provide details next week.



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On behalf of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DART published the AA/DEIS document and made it available to the public on Friday, April 2, 2010. An AA/DEIS is an in-depth evaluation of an area's natural and human environment, project alternatives, and the potential for the proposed project to adversely affect the environment. It also considers the social and economic impact of a project and alternatives.

The AA/DEIS may be viewed at DART.org/about/expansion/downtowndallas.asp on the internet (see pdf file highlighted),

or a hard copy is available for public review at any of the main/central libraries of DART's member cities (Addison, Carrollton, Cockrell Hill, Dallas, Farmers Branch, Garland, Glenn Heights, Highland Park, Irving, Plano, Richardson, Rowlett and University Park).

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Along with the expected national LGBT groups, the signers included the Massachusetts Lesbian & Gay Bar Association, the San Francisco LGBT Community Center, the Michigan AIDS Coalition, the Transgender Education Network of Texas, Atlanta Stonewall Democrats, Equality Illinois, Florida Together and the Freedom to Marry chapter of San Diego.

The following day, a panel of national LGBT leaders, participating in a live broadcast of the "Michelangelo Signorile Show" on SiriusXM radio, gave both President Obama and Congress failing grades on LGBT issues.

(Where a "D" earns one point and an "A" earns four, President Obama scored 1.8 and Congress 1.5.)

This week, the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN) launched a daily online open letter campaign aimed at illustrating the "personal stories on how this terrible law [DADT] has impacted them."

The effort is being magnified through the reposting of letters by 16 different and well-established LGBT blogs.

Meanwhile, GetEQUAL was back on Capitol Hill, going door-to-door and politely distributing a toughly worded flyer to members of the Senate Armed Services which states: "You're Next! We demand 'don't ask, don't tell' be repealed now or you will become a target for non-violent direct action."

With this sense of urgency, they face a Congress wrestling with an overload of legislative priorities, an obstructionist minority party and a Democratic party skittish over its grasp on the majority. Thus, the LGBT community can be forgiven for reading too much or too little into a statement coming out of the office of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., on Monday, April 26.

That statement, reported in a blogpost by reporter Chris Johnson in the D.C. gay newspaper D.C. Agenda (which is re-assuming the name Washington Blade this week), quoted Pelosi's press secretary, Drew Hammill, as saying: "It is the Speaker's intention that a vote will be taken this year on ['don't ask, don't tell'] in the House."



WRONG TACTICS | Openly gay Congressman Barney Frank has criticized recent protests on ENDA and DADT.

In an interview with this reporter on Tuesday, April 27, Hammill made clear that he was not announcing any new commitment by Pelosi, only reiterating a "long-stated plan" for the bill.

And Diego Sanchez, a senior legislative advisor to Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., said Frank has been urging activists to stop "armchair speculating" about when a vote will occur "and focus on getting the votes."

Just getting a vote on DADT or ENDA will be a victory of sorts, but unless there are enough votes to pass either bill favorably and to sustain a victory on the floor, those votes could be for naught.

And there's another complication, noted one senior Democratic aide: The House is getting a little frustrated with the Senate's inaction on numerous bills passed by the House — more than 300 of them this session.

Joe Solmonese, president of the Human Rights Campaign, told the "Signorile Show" last week that his organization and others are focusing their lobby efforts in the Senate. They are focused on six senators on the Senate Armed Services Committee: Jim Webb of Virginia, Bill Nelson of Florida, Ben Nelson of Nebraska, Robert Byrd of West Virginia, Evan Bayh of Indiana, and Scott

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Brown of Massachusetts.

Brown is the lone Republican among the group and the man who famously hobbled the Democratic majority in the Senate with his winning of the late Sen. Ted Kennedy's seat in January.

MassEquality field operations manager Ryan Brown said his group has coordinated members to call Brown's office to inquire about his position on DADT and, so far, have verified only that he has not taken a position.

"We're taking that as a good sign," said Brown, who is not related to the senator. Ryan Brown said the senator's office has also agreed to "one meeting" between the senator's staff and LGBT activists about DADT.

MassEquality is pushing for that meeting prior to May 11, the date of HRC's large lobby day effort on Capitol Hill to push for DADT repeal.

ENDA

Mara Keisling, executive director of the National Center for Transgender Equality, told the "Signorile Show" that she is still "very optimistic" ENDA will get its vote in committee in the next two weeks, but that "we have to be marching in the streets."

And things are looking a little tough for ENDA these days. The right-wing has stepped up its rhetoric considerably in recent days.

An editorial in the conservative Washington Times in D.C. on April 23 said: "First-graders should not be forced into the classrooms of teachers undergoing sex changes. Religious broadcasters and faith-based summer camps should not be forced to hire cross-dressers. Women should not be forced to share bathrooms with people with male body parts who say they want to be females. Yet those are some of the likely results if Congress passes" ENDA, said the editorial.

The Capitol Hill newspaper Roll Call ran two articles on Monday, April 26, reporting that support was slipping for ENDA because of the inclusion of gender identity in this year's bill. Rep. Judy Biggert, R-Ill., who voted for the "sexual orientation only" ENDA in 2007, said she's now undecided and pointed to how the expansion of the law could affect schools as her concern.

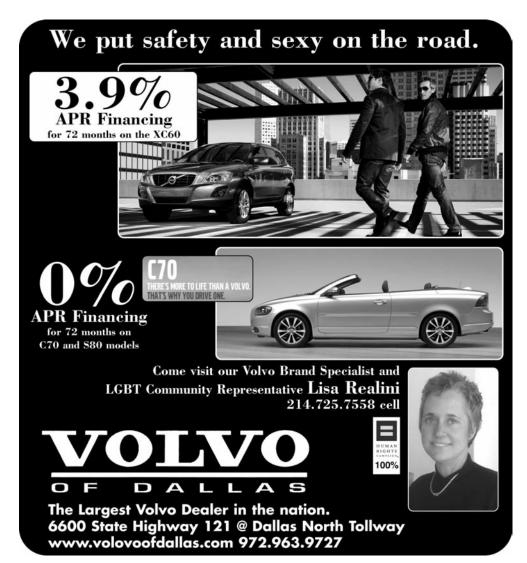
Ditto Rep. John Campbell, R-Calif.

But the paper said at least some Republicans are staying onboard with their support, including Reps. Mary Bono Mack of California, Ileana Ros-Lehtinen of Florida and Mark Kirk of Illinois.

But is it reasonable to expect both houses of Congress to take up both DADT and ENDA this year?

"It's definitely possible," said David Smith, HRC vice president of programs and a long-time legislative activist on Capitol Hill. "But is it going to be tough? On this issue, in this environment — yes."

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An absence of color in leadership

The face of the LGBT rights movement must change to reflect the diversity of the LGBT community before we can make true progress

was recently part of the audience for the "Michelangelo Signorile LGBT Leadership Town Hall" and radio show in Washington, D.C. As I looked around, I began to wonder: Is the LGBT rights movement really "one struggle,

Where were the LGBT leaders of color?

I was frustrated because, as usual, there were only a handful of minorities invited to discuss roadblocks within the gay rights movement and possible solutions.

I had a front row seat as my community discussed raging against the homophobic political machine and taking small civil steps toward constitutional rights held hostage by power-hungry, double-talking politicians bartering LGBT rights for capital gain.

I listened carefully as the current LGBT leadership mis-educated the public by explaining how the current administration's inaction is really slow and deliberate progress. I began to understand why the overly-greased wheels of D.C. insiders easily neglected the interests of liberty seeking outsiders.

But how does our community hold its leadership accountable? How does the LGBT community of color get equally represented in our civil rights struggle?

I decided to stand up and ask our leaders directly how they plan to change the face of our movement to reflect the diversity that exists

At this point, GetEQUAL co-founder Robin McGehee was at the mike. She stood with the wind of multiple actions at her back that challenged the current LGBT establishment and pumped new life into the equality game with di-

rect actions that not only bucked the status quo but slapped awareness of our issues' urgency into the face of the democratic majority that for some reason has become increasingly impatient with the equality demands of the disenfranchised LGBT minority.

"Hurry up and wait" was the attitude of Pres-

ident Obama as he addressed GetE-QUAL activists that pushed the left-wing envelope open to stop the incremental disbursement of liberty our government is all to accustom to dishing out.

I was very proud to see Pam Spaulding at the leadership table and knew she created her seat by demanding her voice be heard through her very successful political blog, PamsHouseBlend.com.

And therein lies the problem!

Why do we have to create or force ourselves into the national LBGT conversation? I really feel we are at freedom's gate. But if we are so close, why are the interests of people of color once again being left behind?

I will not be a "photo op" afterthought in the battle for equality.

As I stepped closer to the mike, I saw curiosity in the faces of those around me. But as I stepped up ready to ask my question, there was no more time left and I was once again silenced.

"Next time you will get your chance," I was

I began to vent my frustration to some of my fellow freedom fighters. I was once again shut down and told this is not the right time to have a race discussion.

But isn't that the same excuse the administration is giving the LGBT community on passing the Employment Non-Discrimination Act or repealing "don't ask, don't tell?"

There will always be a wrong time to do the right thing!

As a community leader, I refuse to only spotlight the injustice outside of our struggle, but will also shed light on the injustice inside of it.

We as a community must hold ourselves to the same standards we demand from the administration as well as current leadership. We will not progress and achieve full equality unless we are all equal.

Why would you do to your own community what someone outside of it is doing to you?

We must pass the mike so that all voices are heard and all are given an opportunity to represent our interest as we draw our equality line in the sand of democracy.

The people of color can no longer stand on the

sidelines, but must be a part of the plan, because it will take the whole community as well as our allies to obtain full equality during this critically important point in the gay rights movement.

To current LGBT leaders, please leave the puppet master games for the government and please do not try to create leaders that you can control,

> but include community leaders that will contribute to an immediate need for a diverse collective LGBT

> We can no longer afford to live a separate but equal existence that has infected the LGBT community and crippled our civil rights pursuit.

> On July 12, 1976, Barbara Jordan said, "We are attempting to fulfill our national purpose: to create and sustain a society which all of us are equal. First, we must believe in equality for all and privileges for

I refuse to continue to live a lie, whether it's life in a closet or in the shadows of the gay rights movement: "If I cannot be heard, then I refuse to be seen!"

C. D. Kirven

Special Contributor

Instead of painting a picture of what a community should look like, we as leaders must demand the movement reflect the community it represents. Every part of our community should help create a national equality path and the required steps to take back the rights withheld by blue laws wrapped in spiritual regulations.

I plead with the LGBT community of color to get politically involved and join the equality fight. Stand up and speak out on the issues that are important to you.

A closed mouth will not get fed, but an open mind will lead to a more inclusive agenda that accurately reflects the diversity that defines us. Don't give our oppressors the tools to dismantle the bridge that will unify our equality efforts.

I know I risk being blackballed for stating the obvious, but I know in my heart the truth sets you free from the chains that keeps you

For those within earshot of my pen who wonder where the black gay voice is, hold on, let me clear my throat.

C. D. Kirven is a GetEQUAL activist and a Lambda Literary nominated author of the book "What Goes Around Comes Back Around." Along with Michael Robinson, Kirven will lead a workshop on racial inequalities within LGBT communities at the Equality Across America Conference in Austin on May 22. For more information about Kirven's work, cdkirven@aol.com http://cdkirven.blogspot.com.

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When do you hit 'openly gay' status?

omeone recently told me they considered themselves not to be openly gay. And it started me to wondering exactly what the

expression means if it doesn't apply to an individual who is already widely assumed to be gay by just about everybody who knows them.

The person I was talking to frequents gay bars and is well known to be gay by members of Cedar Creek Lake's LGBT community. This person is also known to be gay by a lot of people in the Dallas crowd. And I'm pretty sure a lot of straight people also know the score as concerns this individual's sexual orientation.

"I'm not openly anything," the person informed me when I questioned the logic of the argument. The statement surprised me, and it led to the question in my mind: "Then who is openly gay, and how does one get there?"

To answer that question, I looked back at my own life and the steps that have gotten me to where I am today. I think most people would agree I'm openly gay.

The path to being openly gay surely first starts with self-discovery. So my mind raced back to an event in my own life in 1964, almost a half-century ago.

At the age of 14, I read an Ann Landers column that included a letter from a woman who feared her son might be a "homosexual," which was a word I'd never seen or heard before. I was curious, albeit a little alarmed.

So I went to the Wichita Falls City Library to look in the giant dictionary on the wooden stand to find my answer. (The dictionary at home and the ones in high school English class had no mention of "homosexuality" in those days.)

At the library, I seem to remember, I read the words "sexual attraction to members of the same sex" just before I nearly fainted. I don't think I was ready to be openly gay at that point.

A couple of years later, I recall seeing several members of the Mattachine Society on television, wearing dark glasses and carrying signs in front of the White House as they demanded equal rights. Considering the sunglasses they used to disguise their identities, I don't think they were being all that open about it either, even though what they were doing was incredibly courageous.

It would be 1969 in Dallas before I ever heard the word "gay" or learned there was such a thing as a "gay bar."

After I first discovered where the gay bars were in Dallas — which to my amazement were in the Oak Lawn neighborhood where I rented my first apartment — I, at first, steered clear of

them. I opted instead for the hippy bar, the old Knox Street Pub at the intersection of Knox and Travis streets. Little did I know that I had just

walked in the doors of the gayest straight bar in Dallas.

Sometime during that summer of 1969 I ran into someone I knew from Wichita Falls who was a little older than me and whom I had always viewed as somewhat mysterious and interesting. One night he asked me if I had wanted to go with him to a bar that stayed open until 2 a.m.

"OK," I said. "Do you mind a gay bar?" he asked. "Why, no," I

said, "As a matter of fact, I don't." At that point, I had found a mentor and was well on my way to learning about the gay culture.

David Webb

The Rare Reporter

A few decades have now passed. The events in my life have included marching in the New York City gay rights parade in 1977 (a truly major step in my development), writing about the gay rights movements for mainstream and alternative newspapers, working for the Southern Poverty Law Center on a human rights project that included LGBT rights, appearing in the

national print and broadcast media and writing for LGBT newspapers and magazines across the country.

Along the way, I began discussing my sexual orientation and the gay rights movement with family, friends, coworkers and others. There have been mixed results with that. Some people who have known me since I was of pre-puberty age have told me they always knew (So why didn't let me in on it?). Others have said, "Please, we're tired of talking about it." Others have shunned me.

In the final analysis, I would say someone is openly gay when they no longer care who knows about it, and when that person is willing to accept the consequences of whatever that acknowledgment may bring to them.

If you are still worried that someone may dislike you or harm you because of something that is an intrinsic part of who you are, you probably aren't openly gay. Only you can make that decision, and it's your prerogative. Maybe some people never get to that point.

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Do you think the economy is improving?

Natalia Kurilova — "It's still pretty bad. I was laid off from the company I was working for for years. I think more jobs are going to be lost."

Salar Pourjavad — "It's better than two years ago, but it's not good."

Danny Pastrano — "Since I'm looking for a job, I don't think it's doing very good. The statistics say it's improving. The thing I'm worried about is being out of work for a long time."

Efraim Garcia — "I think there are indicators that it's improving."

Melissa Garcia — "We've had successful promotions at our store, but I don't think everyone's rushing out to buy a new TV yet."

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one should turn Les Miserables into a musical; surprisingly, someone actually did, and a damned successful one at that.

But the artistic creation of a great novel onstage is no minor feat: The scope, the character, the themes and depth of plot can be daunting. And it's not like the stage is the ideal venue for embodying water and animals.

So when out composer Jake Heggie told the

MOBY-DICK

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Dallas Opera board five years ago that he wanted to adapt Moby-Dick — Herman Melville's sweeping allegory of a whale hunt and fanaticism — to premiere at the Winspear Opera

boardroom must have been covered in dropped

Now that the opera is about to open, the capstone to a nearly year-long tumult touting the new Downtown Arts District, Heggie's instincts can only be seen as visionary. No one has been this excited about Moby-Dick since they aced their 10th grade book report.

scale opera, 2000's Dead Man Walking opened

to the ranks of musical royalty. There've been three more in the intervening decade, but nothing as ambitious as Moby-Dick.

"I never doubted that the music was there," Heggie says. "But turning a 600-page novel into a coherent libretto is a challenge. And a score this massive is complicated, with eight soloists and 70 musicians in the pit."

In short, finishing it in time for the hard open

date of April 30 required an obsessiveness akin to that of Ahab him-

Despite the size of the task, Heggie's public face during the final stages of composition — he visited with me on several occasions over

the course of 14 months — has been cheery and relaxed. He exudes both inspiration and organization: Basic scoring done — check; vocal parts distributed to soloists — check; orchestrations on

But it hasn't always been so fluid. "Nervewracking" is the word Heggie freely uses, even if he doesn't show it.

Heggie initially began working on the score with a libretto by Terrence McNally, his Dead Man Walking collaborator; when McNally's health prevented him from continuing, Gene

Opera a decade ago, stepped in. But the process was not without its stumbling blocks.

"I struggled a lot finding the music," Heggie explains. "My imagination is a crock-pot of everything I've ever heard. I was trying to compose a coherent world where these characters could live musically. I don't write for the singers, I write for the characters, though it's important for me to know who I'm dressing it on. I love motifs — audiences really respond to themes, as with events or characters. So [eventually] I took the path of least resistance and started with an aria by Ahab that I knew I wanted. Then things just started [working themselves out]." He finished up in six and a half months — "very fast for me, though for Mozart, not so fast."

The finished product is set entirely on the whaling ship Pequod, with a cast of all men ... plus one "trouser role:" A woman who plays a man. With that much testosterone, did Heggie envision any romantic themes that, in the parlance of the day, "dare not speak their name?"

"The relationship between Queequeg and Ishmael is certainly open to interpretation, though we don't go too far into that aspect," Heggie

Ishmael — called "Greenhorn" in the libretto — is found floating on Queequeg's coffin, and

book describes a close kinship as well (they share a bed). And Heggie considers Queequeg the "spiritual center of the piece," while Greenhorn is "a lost soul, like so many people were during the 19th century

and the Industrial Revolution. He's a young man looking for meaning in his life."

To hear Heggie describe his work can sound like it's more character study than grand opera; that would be a premature conclusion.

"There's a lot of percussion," he says. "We definitely wanted to create a feeling for something epic."

So how about the big conundrum: How do you put a whale onstage? Heggie's not saying.

"That's the director's problem," he grins.

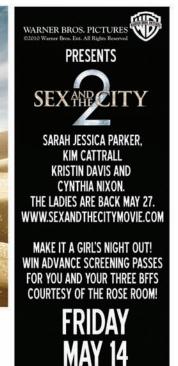
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A lesser composer probably would not have generated such anticipation. Heggie's first fullwhen he was almost 40, but practically rein-











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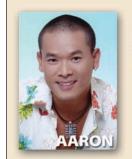
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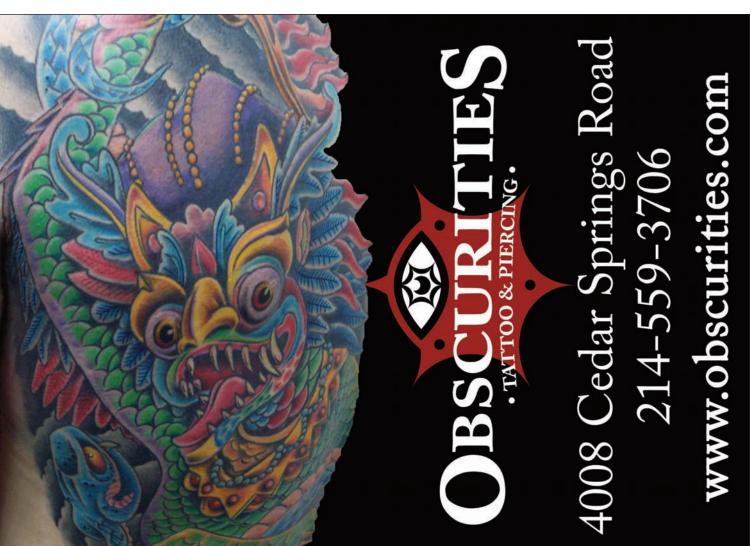
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Design student Jazzy Abram brings 'refined drag' to El Centro fashion show



ROARING STONES | El Centro fashion student Jazzy Abram likes a little bling on his couture. (Photo by Rich Lopez/Dallas Voice)

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Sometimes you might watch Project Runway or The Fashion Show and think that fashion isn't really like that — the pressure and deadlines are there just for drama's sake.

But Jazzy Abram does little to dispel the myth that fashion reality *doesn't* imitate reality TV. In real life, the deadlines aren't so onerous; otherwise, yeah, it sounds like a circus.

"Oh, we're all crazy in here," he says when a reporter shows up around dusk. "We don't get to see anyone all day, just each

other. It's nice to have someone else in here."

Here is the third floor room where Abram is one of six students enrolled in the fashion pro-

gram and gearing up for Fashionscapes, El Centro's annual fashion show and student showcase, now in its 36th year. This year's theme is centered on sustainable fashion, with the sophomore students presenting collections in recycled and organic materials and fabric running the gamut from casual to sophisticated looks.

The students are concentrating hard on their designs, with some distractions blocked out by earbuds. At times, they break into discussion about Runway. Students scuffle around their dress models and chairs to use the iron next to Abram's table.

Abram's workspace is filled with scraps of fabric he's working with for the 10th piece in his first collection. Like the jewel-toned eveningwear he prefers, Abram is as colorful as his couture. His self-made cap is flowery and tipped with just the right attitude. His smirk is made for any of the TV fashion shows. But his bubbly demeanor shouldn't take away from his passion for

"I've always wanted to sew," he says. "My mom taught me when I was 8. I didn't think there was a career in it but I began working with designer J.D. Martin and he's been such a men-

He's titled his collection, "Romancing the Rhinestone," because his 10 pieces (possibly 11) exhibit his direction toward the bright and sparkly. Abram calls this his signature look: the

stones, the colors and perhaps his favorite, the rouching (what most people call gathering or bunching). These ingredients all come together for his old-school glamour style. He cites Marilyn Mon-

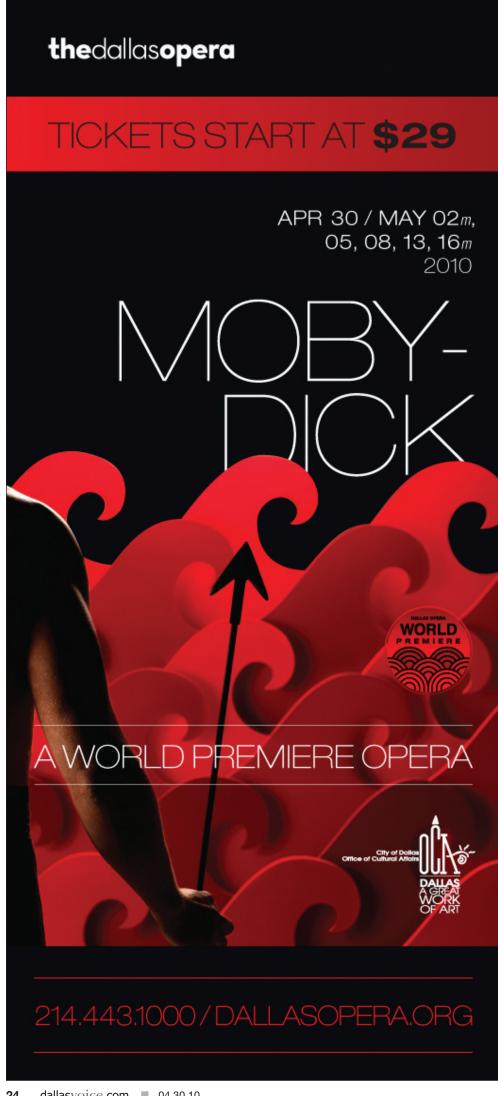
roe and Joan Crawford as influences, then throws in Alexis Colby for good measure.

"It's all very diva," he says. "I look at it as a highly evolved sense of drag. I'm a very girly designer. You have to understand a woman's body. It doesn't hurt that I sometimes do drag myself."

Abram will even likely be at the show in full drag regalia. But he's anxious to see this as an opportunity. He wants his Jazzy Azzy Couture line to say something out loud and he specifically uses brighter colors and baubles on his dresses to cheer up both himself and hopefully the person wearing it. Like contestants on TV, fashion does hold something dear to him. He knows he'd still want to stoke those creative fires in some sense.

"I wouldn't know what I'd be doing if not this," he says. "My true desire is to own a boutique, but if I wasn't doing this, I'd probably be a female impersonator."

And as he would say, that's just Jazzy.



Dance revolution

For his graduate thesis, Gregory King created 'Spit' to challenge homophobia and heterosexism

RICH LOPEZ | Staff Writer lopez@dallasvoice.com

When Gregory King prepares for the final stretch of his master's degree plan, he won't be writing up a thesis the way most students might. Instead, he'll be watching three dancers interpret his vision. And if it's done right, King's master of fine arts degree will be in sight — and perhaps some eyes will be opened, too.

On the precipice of getting his dance degree from Southern Methodist University, King took a decidedly unsafe route in preparing his thesis, titled *Spit*. Despite the school's conservative reputation, he couldn't help but use his final work to make a statement about homophobia and "heterosexism."

When he presented the idea, he hoped his 20-page proposal would make the concept clear and welcome.

"I wasn't sure if it was going to fly," King says. "SMU is so highly conservative but this is very much about my life and experience as a black gay man. It's an honest piece."

After the pitch, he says the room was silent, but it played itself out more successfully than he anticipated. The faculty accepted the proposal, but there was the little catch of actually performing it. And even King didn't know how it was going to play out onstage. His mentor, professor Christopher Dolder, reassured King that he shouldn't change anything and just move forward.

He did, and *Spit* is part of this week's dance show at SMU, *Body Voice—Dance Rewired*.

King moved to Dallas from New York in 2008 to get his degree. He was offered the chance to obtain his master's and bypass a bachelor's program due to his already extensive accomplishments in the field: In New York, he had performed on Broadway, danced with the Metro-



'SPIT' TAKE | Gregory King choreographed 'Spit' to express himself as a black gay man.

politan Ballet and worked on touring shows.

But his experience growing up in Jamaica was perhaps the biggest factor in developing *Spit*. The show is divided into three parts, beginning with two men in a relationship living together but being watched. He transformed a horrific scene from his past into the first act of *Spit*.

"I was living with a friend and the next door

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Texas Dance Theatre ends season

Two-year-old Texas Dance Theatre ends its second season with two performances on Friday, including a recently-added matinee.

The finale includes the work Adam and Eve and God, choreographed by guest artists Mark Panzarino and set to the music of George Crumb. The rest of the program features five dances from four choreographers, with music by composers from Clogs to Antonio Vivaldi.

— Arnold Wayne Jones Scott Theatre, 1300 Gendy St., Fort Worth.

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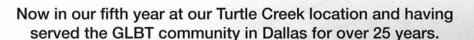
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neighbors came over asking what we were doing in there," he says. "Soon after, the entire community came down to our place with machetes. One time, my dad, who was a cop, held a gun to my head saying he would shoot me if I were gay. I did not want to live there."

While the first act is autobiographical, the second goes for the jugular with its provocative na-

ture. His cast interprets a poem he found online titled "NiggaFaggot" by RazeGeneration. The title alone will likely cause immediate uneasiness — which is exactly what King wants.

"Someone actually asked me why not use something else to get my point across," he says. "People will hear this for two minutes and probably squirm. But it's two minutes of derogatory words that I've been called for 35 years. Two minutes is nothing compared to hearing it growing up. This is indicative of my life."

It's also from where his title stems. King sees being spat upon as one of the most degrading things that can happen to someone. He wants reaction, but thesis or not, he believes that art should start a conversation.

While people talk about racism and sexism, he wants to add heterosexism to the mix — something he says people rarely talk about. The idea that "everything" has to do with male/female perspectives is something King hopes to chal-

lenge with Spit.

At the **Bob Hope Theatre**, 6101

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"Even in dancing, growing up, I barely experienced any male-male duets. All mine were hetero," he says. "How odd that for a normal society, that wasn't normal for me. Why should I have to fall victim to my norm?"

In his final act, King moves into a more optimistic tone of transformation. The antagonist develops into a sympathetic character and the sandbox the act happens in reflects a certain in-

nocence. In it, people simply play together minus the labels. This dramatic build to Act 3 is *Spit's* resolve.

"At the end, the three men onstage in their underwear is symbolic of childhood innocence," he

says. "In that white underwear we wore as boys, I think it's poignant. As a little boy, I didn't think who's different or who's the same. One thing that we share is a heart."

King directs and choreographs the piece, but doesn't appear in it. Instead, he's relying on his cast ... who are incidentally composed of straight men. By the sounds of it, the art of King's intentions transcended any labels.

"They believed in me and my vision," he says.
"I had to work at pulling something out of them when it came time to be intimate and tender.
Even though there is this strong masculine energy, I needed to do a lot of talking to and coaching. They went there for me and never once gave up on the possibility of selling this story."

And King does it all in 11 minutes.

Strike a pose, there's nothing to it

Gorgeous models don't just get their starts on *Project Runway* and *America's Next Top Model* — you can be discovered right here in Dallas.

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On Saturday, the men are invited to arrive as buff as they wanna be ... and swimsuit ready to go! On Sunday, it's the same, only with the ladies. Men are expected to be over 18 (bring ID) and 5-feet-9 or taller; women need to be 5-feet-7. Dress casually but expect to get your wetwear on. And sorry — no peeking. You gotta audition to get in.

— A.W.J.

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Punk heritage

Immigrant Punk fuses music with culture, orientation ... and lots of optimism

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RICH LOPEZ | Staff Writer lopez@dallasvoice.com

When you talk to Rocio Aranda, you can't escape her eyes. They are intense with a penetrating stare. Aranda is one serious woman.

That's a result of her devotion to changing the world — even from her little corner in Denton. And her goal is to do that through her music as Immigrant Punk.

Aranda could be the first musician to mix her Mexican heritage of folk music with a kind of hip-hop laced with a spiritual optimism as a woman and gay. She's punk *and* traditional. But that lack of definition may be her best asset.

"I write about anything you can think of that inspires you," she says.

Born in Mexico, Aranda settled in Texas with her family at age 14. By then, she was already writing her own poetry, but soon discovered The Doors, Rage Against the Machine and music she had never heard of: Hip-hop.

"I started doing music [at age 19]," she says. "I wrote about things that relate to my life. But I would also cover songs by Tupac Shakur, Jay-Z, Mana that were like parallel realities to my life. Those self-made, something-out-of-nothing lyrics were poetry."

Those influences melded with her love of Mexican music and experience playing with other bands. Her songs are minimal in delivery: She raps over a djembe drum — that's it. But

Aranda invites other musicians to play with her and is always changing the sound. The lack of consistency and even glossy production is strangely part of her music philosophy. Immigrant Punk isn't just her moniker

— it's her musical lighthouse.

"The djembe is an efficient, affordable way to do my music," she says. "I've been learning to rap and now I write my music that way. It's my plan to have different instruments all the time but with my lyrics. And I want to give my music out for free."

No lie. She records her live performances and then gives out the CD free of charge. Her first "album" debuted in March. She'd rather sell her merch for funds to keep doing music, but she sees the work as a gift to give back.

"My target audience is the individual who has the desire to grow," she says. "People who still dream and have moved forward and are now in



MUSICAL MINIMALISM | Armed only with her djembe drum and a rap style learned since moving to Texas, lesbian hiphopper Immigrant Punk cultivates a blend of culture and musical influences. (Rich Lopez/Dallas Voice)

this fabric of America. I wouldn't call it a struggle because it's beautiful to want something."

In Denton, Aranda is surrounded by a happening music scene where she finds a jukebox of inspiration by the different bands and artists. But she wouldn't mind hitting the Dallas venues and

even playing more to the community, even though her work tackles more about her identity as an immigrant to Texas more than her sexuality.

"It's clear I am lesbian and very proud to be," she says. "I'm blessed. I never had a negative re-

sponse from my family or friends about my sexuality. It's one of the factors that drive me to do positive things. I feel a sense of responsibility as far as our time right now."

But her spirituality drives Aranda ... though she's not of the Bible-thumping Christian rock variety. She just sees her work as part of something bigger.

"Sometimes I wonder if art is just the language of God speaking through people," she says. "I hope my audience can go away feeling like they've seen something fresh, not through me but in the lyrics to remember 'This is a new day — this life is an opportunity."



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IN THE GAME | Two con men (Jimmy Hays Nelson, above left, and Bob Hess, center) behave like 'Dirty Rotten Scoundrels;' Willy and Linda Loman (Jeff DeMunn, Sally Vahle, below left) contemplate 'Death.' (Photos courtesy Mike Morgan and Brandon Thibodeaux)

ON THE BOARDS

DIRTY ROTTEN SCOUNDRELS

at the Kalita Humphrevs Theater, 3636 Turtle Creek Blvd.

Through May 16.

UptownPlayers.org

DEATH OF A SALESMAN at the

Wyly Theatre, 2400 Flora St.

Through May 16.

DallasTheaterCenter.com.

As anyone who has ever been to Las Vegas knows, people like to be deluded ... and I'm not talking about the magic shows. There's a reason slot machines are called one-armed bandits, why buffets are cheap and comps plentiful: The casinos are robbing from you and you're happy to go along.

Theater is sort of the same thing: It's false, but

even though we know that, we fall under its spell.

That's the case with Uptown Players' **Dirty Rotten** Scoundrels, about a pair of con men (Bob Hess, Jimmy Hays Nelson) in the French Riviera who trick rich, naïve American women out of their money while giving them a good show.

That's a good description of this production, too. Cheryl Denson keeps the confectionary appeal at diabetic-inducing levels. After an opening number that feels confused and limp, the story perks along (except during too-long scene changes), with broadly comic set

> pieces and gloriously fun silliness.

There are many jokes in the script about the play's own theatricality (local references - including some Bushbashing and gags about musical cues), which actu-

ally work in its favor. There's no realism to the cotton-candy color scheme and contrived but entertaining plot, so why pretend it's something larger than it is? This is a musical comedy where the comedy seems more important than the music: Commedia dell'arte with some showstoppers thrown in.

And showstoppers they are. The strength of

the cast's timing and vocal abilities wows. Catherine Carpenter Cox, playing the main target of the con, moves around with goofy grace, but she can holler out the high notes like a diva.

Hess, with his patrician mien and authentic dignity, is the perfect foil for ugly-American Nelson's crass vamping. Nelson takes an oddly tuneless "wish"

song like "Great Big Stuff" (it lacks a strong melody line) and converts it by simple sweat into a production with comic panache. They're surrounded by a supporting cast without a false note among them. Being fooled is a pleasure in this company.

The delusions in **Death of a Salesman** are of a less whimsical variety. Willy Loman (Jeffrey De-Munn) seems to be suffering from early-stage dementia, exacerbated by his failing career. He's been suicidal, too, kept in check by his wife Linda (Sally Nystuen Vahle) but haunted by the strained relationships with his sons (Matthew Gray, Cedric Neal).

Director Amanda Dehnert has made some peculiar staging decisions, having sets awkwardly pulling into the center while the action continues; leaving the stagehands visible throughout the production; setting most of the action far upstage in the thrust, as if isolating the characters from the audience as well as each other. I get it, but it overdoes the portend of the piece, and it's as portentous as American theater gets already:



Along with Albee's *The Zoo Story*, the book *Catcher in the Rye* and many *films noir*, *Salesman* embodied the non-specific post-war angst that didn't find its full expression until a November day in Dealey Plaza.

DeMunn makes for a convincing, fairly sympathetic Loman, but he's both seriously upstaged and at his best when he's sharing scenes with Vahle. If there has ever been a better Linda—and I mean, ever—I am not aware of it. At three hours without much laughter, Salesman can feel oppressive, but when we're in Vahle's presence, it's as if drifting into a world without time. She reinvents the "attention must be paid" speech so naturally, it effectively refocused the play for me. This Great American Tragedy makes much more sense now. That's some seriously transformative acting.



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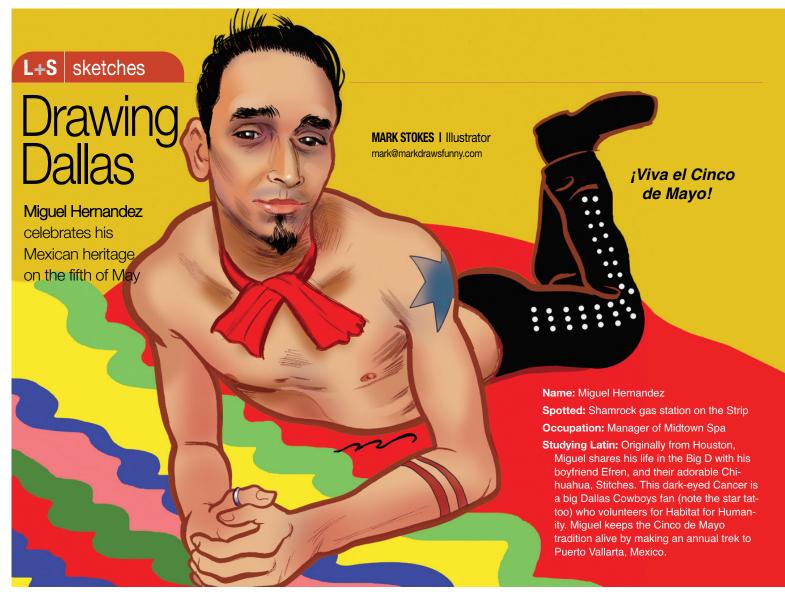
It's hard not to love **[title of show]**, a wildly referential musical about two guys writing a musical for a theater competition. The concept is brilliant, the cast is cheek-pinchingly adorable and the theater-in-the-round production is ideally suited to the intimate nature of the action.

The story follows theater geeks Jeff (Alexander Ross) and Hunter (Chad Peterson) as they face a last-minute deadline to get a new musical into a festival. Without a solid direction, they decide to chronicle the process of writing the musical they're submitting. Assisted by their talented friends Susan (Marianne Galloway), Heidi (Tricia Ponsford) and accompanist Larry (Terry Dobson), they incorporate every Broadway convention into their show to ensure its ultimate crowd-pleasability. And to everyone's surprise, the show becomes a hit.

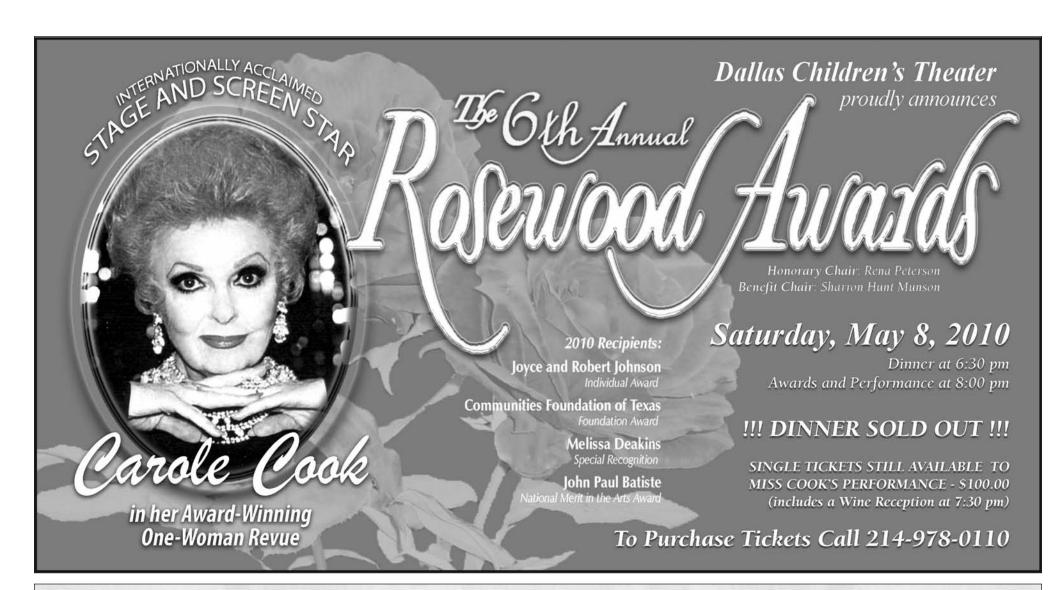
There are dozens of obscure insider jokes to please avid theater fans, but not so many that it alienates those who don't have a storage bin in their closets filled with Playbills. The musical numbers convey the angst of young adults trying to make their way in the world, as they overcome adversity and self-doubt, all of which is masked with hilarious lyrics and purposefully cliché choreography. Watching Peterson do "jazz hands" for an entire song is achingly funny, as is most of this well-directed production. And any show that seamlessly incorporates vampires, Rice Krispie treats and every failed production in Broadway history into its plot deserves every bit of praise heaped upon it. [title of show] is a [well-chosen adjective] and [enthusiastic recommendation].

- Steven Lindsey

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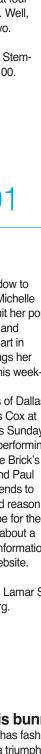


Saturday 05.01

This flight checks more than your bags

This weekend, the Turtle Creek Chorale takes off on the Flight 501 World Tour, and they'll do it while on the ground. Their spring gala and live auction benefits the chorale. If you snag a golden ticket, consider yourself way lucky. This gives claim to any item before bidding and that fourday New York trip is looking good. Well, so is that San Francisco trip for two.

DEETS: Dallas InfoMart, 1950 N. Stemmons Freeway. 5:30 p.m. \$50–\$100. TurtleCreek.org.



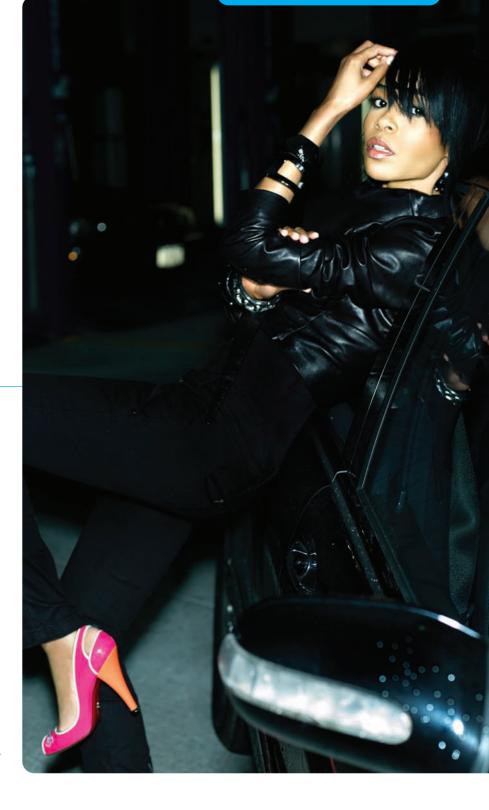
Saturday 05.01

Destiny's Child singer turns purple

Destiny's Child may be a big shadow to come out from under, but singer Michelle Williams has done just fine. She hit her pop stride with "We Break the Dawn," and showed diverse talent as Roxie Hart in *Chicago* this March. Now she brings her R&B groove to the Purple Party this weekend

The event benefits AIDS Services of Dallas and begins Friday night with Chris Cox at the Lizard Lounge. The bash ends Sunday with disco diva Vanessa Mitchell performing at the Tea Dance at Thrive and the Brick's closing party with Michael Tank and Paul Kraft. This is one of the few weekends to party hard because it's all for good reason. But really, you know it's going to be for the great music and DJs on tap. Talk about a total win-win situation. For more information about the entire event, visit the website.

DEETS: House of Blues, 2200 N. Lamar St. 10 p.m. \$65. DallasPurpleParty.org.



Sunday 05.02

Be careful about following this bunny down a hole

Like her counterpart RuPaul, Lady Bunny has fashioned a respectable career out of drag fabulosity and outrageousness. She was a triumph to drag queens and princesses everywhere when she hosted *Wigstock* in New York. Now, she's graduated to DJ and perpetual guest star, and we expect she'll be both when she heads to Dallas for a one-night visit.

DEETS: Drama Room, 3851 Cedar Springs Road. 11 p.m. \$10.

FRIDAY 04.30

COMMUNITY

FUSE drop-in weekdays (except Tuesdays). For guys up to 29. Resource Center Dallas, 2701 Reagan St. 3 p.m. 214-540-4435.

Youth First Texas groups for ages 14 to 22. 3918 Harry Hines Blvd. 4–10 p.m. 214-879-0400.

Oak Lawn Tennis Association. L. B. Houston Center, 11225 Luna Road. 6 p.m. OLTADallas.org.

THEATER

The Beauty Plays. Three plays by Neil LaBute play in repertory. The Shape of Things, Fat Pig and reasons to be pretty play through May 23. Sundays, Tuesdays—Thursdays at 7 p.m., Fridays—Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Weekend matinees at 2 p.m. Wyly Theater, 2400 Flora St. \$15—\$80. ATTPAC.org

Steel Magnolias. Contemporary Theatre of Dallas, 5601 Sears St. Through May 9. Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays–Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2:30 p.m. \$22–\$32. ContemporaryTheatreofDallas.com.

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee. Theatre Arlington, 305 W. Main St., Arlington. Through May 9. Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays—Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. \$22. TheatreArlington.org.

ART

Fancy Footwork, group show presenting a take on everything from the waist down, including, but not limited to legs, feet, socks and shoes. HCG Gallery, 1130 Dragon St. Through May 22. Free. HCG-Gallery.com.

License to Steel. Michael Kalish's exhibition of his work using license plates and tailgates as his medium. Samuel Lynne Galleries, 1105 Dragon St. Through May 1. SamuelLynne.com.

COMEDY

Dysfunctional Divas starring Steven Jay Crabtree. Pocket Sandwich Theatre, 5400 E. Mockingbird Lane. Friday and Saturday at 11:15 p.m. \$10 plus one food item.

SATURDAY 05.01

COMMUNITY

SPCA Pet Grief Counseling helps those who have



lost an animal cope. Dealey Animal Care Center, 362 S. Industrial Blvd. 1 p.m. 214-651-9611.

Dallas Gay Roleplayers Club. Gamers meet to play and discuss role-playing games from sci-fi to fantasy. Half Price Books Community Room, 5803 E. Northwest Highway. 3 p.m. 214-360-0833.

Cathedral Couples potluck dinner and social. For location, call 972-252-7124.

DFW Bi Net Bisexual, Bi-Curious and Allies Support Group meets. Resource Center Dallas, 2701 Reagan St. 11 a.m. Brown bag lunch encouraged. E-mail SupportGroup@dfwbi.net for more details.

SUNDAY 05.02

COMMUNITY

Order of St. Francis and St. Clare every first and third Sunday. Cathedral of Hope, 5910 Cedar Springs Road. 12:30 p.m.

Men's Medicine Wheel Gathering discussion and ceremony at a private residence in East Dallas. 3 p.m. 214-908-6261.

Gaymsters bridge club. Cathedral of Hope, 5910 Cedar Springs Road. 2 p.m.

Friends Associating and Relating, social group,

SPLIT PERSONALITIES | Steven jay Crabtree brings to life six different characters in his 'Dysfunctional Divas' show.

meets twice a month. Newcomers welcome and there are no dues. Call 214-328-6749 for details.

BROADCAST

Lambda Weekly. Psychologist Lori Masters is this week's guest. 89.3 KNON-FM at noon.

Cathedral of Hope worship service. Ch. 8 at 12:35 a.m.

MONDAY 05.03

COMMUNITY

Dallas Prime Timers play bridge at member's residence. 1 p.m. Call 972-504-8866 for details.

Caffeine + Character. Cathedral of Hope youth meeting for ages 14-22 at Buli Café, 3908 Cedar Springs Road.

Classic Chassis Car Club. El Fenix Downtown,

1601 McKinney Ave. at Woodall Rodgers Freeway. 6:30 p.m. 214-446-0606.

National Leather Association-Dallas meeting. Resource Center Dallas, 2701 Reagan St. 7 p.m. NLA-Dallas.org

BROADCAST

The Rick Vanderslice Show streams Monday–Friday from noon–2 p.m. on RationalRadio.org.

TUESDAY 05.04

COMMUNITY

Dallas FrontRunners run on the Katy Trail. Meet at Knox Street entrance. 6:30 p.m. Dallasfrontrunners.org

FUSE Movie Night. For gay and bi guys up to 29. Resource Center Dallas. 2701 Reagan St. 7 p.m.

Q's-Day Potluck. Casual LGBT gathering every Tuesday evening. The Corporate Image, 5418 Brentwood Stair Road, Fort Worth, 817-446-3395.

Oak Lawn Tennis Association. L. B. Houston Center, 11225 Luna Road. 6 p.m. OLTADallas.org.

WEDNESDAY 05.05

COMMUNITY

Dallas Prime Timers play bridge at member's residence. 7 p.m. Call 972-504-8866 for details.

20Something social group meets at Cathedral of Hope, 5910 Cedar Springs Road. 6:15 p.m. Cathedralofhope.com.

El Sol, an AIDS Outreach Center support group meets weekly. AIDS Outreach Center, 400 N. Beach St., Fort Worth. 2 p.m. 817-335-1994 ext. 217. AOC.org.

First Wednesday on Cedar Springs. Area merchants offer sales, refreshments and entertainment along Cedar Springs and Oak Lawn. 6–10 p.m.

THURSDAY 05.06

COMMUNITY

Dallas FrontRunners run on the Katy Trail. Meet at Knox Street entrance. 6:30 p.m.

PFLAG Fort Worth (Parents, Friends and Family of Lesbians and Gays) meets. First Jefferson Unitarian Universalist Church, 1959 Sandy Lane, Fort Worth. 7 p.m. 817-428-2329. Pflagfortworth.org.

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CELEBRITY BIRTHDAY

Lance Bass turns 31 on Tuesday. Bass has gone from teeny bopping N'Syncer into the go-to guy for TV show guest stars and reality show contestants. But he charmed us the most when he came out to People magazine in 2006. But it did sting a little when he missed the top spot in sea-

son seven of Dancing with the Stars.



TAURUS Apr 20-May 20

Celebrate your birthday with your family and creative friends — not necessarily at the same party. Bringing them together may get catalytic. This could be a good thing, or not. Think it through.

By Jack Fertig

GEMINI May 21-Jun 20

Meditation will cool your heated brain and help you keep out of trouble. In that solitude, think of ways your home life can support your ambitions. They don't have to be at war with each other.

CANCER Jun 21-Jul 22

Showing off to your friends can get costly. If love and admiration aren't enough, home-baked cookies should do. If they want more, they're not really friends, and aren't worth the trouble.

LEO Jul 23-Aug 22

Whatever you do is sure to get noticed. That can be a mixed blessing. Humility would be in order, but that doesn't mean denying your accomplishments. Just keep perspective.

VIRGO Aug 23-Sep 22

Your brain wants a challenge. Find it in a book; don't go picking arguments. If you want a good debate, hold yourself back and make an effort to really hear what the other person has to say.

LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

Trying to keep up with peer pressure, you could worry yourself sick. Balance? It means they have to meet you half way, too. Your real friends will do that. Standing your ground is sexy.

SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21

Immediate concerns feel like distractions from your creative engagement with the world. Those details are exactly how we do that. Try to channel that aggravation into creative energy.

SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 20

Domestic drama threatens to disrupt your plans at work. If you can keep an even keel, handling those unpredictable upsets could help you gain confidence in your managerial skills.

CAPRICORN Dec 21-Jan 19

Maintain respect for people even when their questions are abysmally stupid. It is tempting to mess with their heads, or to mock them, but mellow out that playful streak and engage them.

AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18

Everybody needs to be concerned about money these days. You may be more worried than necessary. Don't take it out on anyone. Discussion will get your problems into perspective.

PISCES Feb 19-Mar 19

Flaws and frustrations in your relationship are feeling worse than they really are. Make a list now to discuss later. If you must trash someone, that is what politicians and celebrities are for.

ARIES Mar 20-Apr 19

Your competitive drive can be obsessive, even self-destructive. Looking good is about moving on gracefully. Let go. You can't do that while guarding your turf as queen of the mountain.

THIS WEEK

Saturn opposing Uranus is a long-running on-and-off aspect that's scattering minefields, challenging us to change structures and goals through the year. The sun and Mars are triggering those with sometimes violent results. Ideological attacks are likely at personal and political levels.

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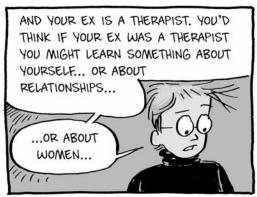


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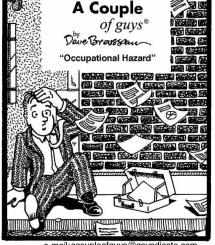
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- 24 " ___ on a Hot Tin Roof"
- 25 Tickles pink
- 26 Carbon compound suffix
- 27 Grammy winner Puente
- 28 Count (on)
- 29 More of the advantage
- 33 "The Music Man" setting
- 34 Safe and sound
- 35 Shady retreat
- 39 More of the advantage
- 42 Goes down in defeat
- 43 Ballets Russes founder Diaghilev
- 45 Some lodge members
- 47 More of the advantage

- 50 "Sappho's Leap" author Erica
- 54 Marine flyer
- 55 Roadside stop
- 56 Water cannon target
- 58 Fairy tale, so to speak
- 59 End of the advantage
- 62 Leave alone
- 64 One that plays with balls at the circus
- 65 Deuce follower, for Mauresmo
- 66 Susan of "Goldengirl"
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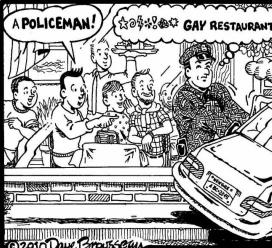
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- 9 Weather whipping boy
- 10 Emulate Paul Cadmus
- 11 Martin of the Daughters of Bilitis
- 12 Like Will's roomie?
- 13 Generator part
- 14 Touches up
- 22 ___ buco
- 23 Jacks take them
- 27 Big name in model trains
- 30 Cries from an S/M bottom 31 Spring month for Debussy
- 32 Some have electric organs
- 33 Put out
- 35 "Not to mention ..."
- 36 Take new bearings
- 37 Madonna, originally
- 38 Stare at
- 40 Grandpa Walton
- 41 Wing for Julia Morgan
- 44 Prefix that means "queer"
- 46 Smith of "Dawson's Creek"
- 48 Burdens of proof
- 49 Disturbance at Stonewall
- 50 Stateswoman Barbara
- 51 Peter who played Lawrence
- 52 Award for Ursula LeGuin
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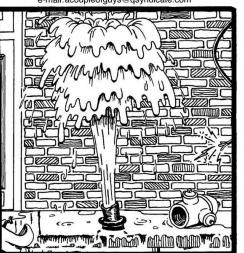






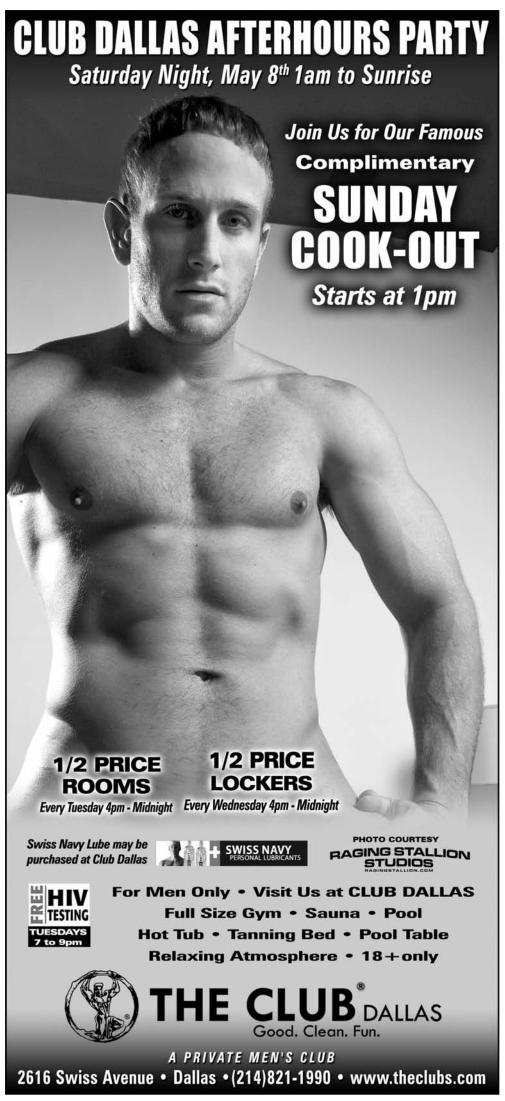














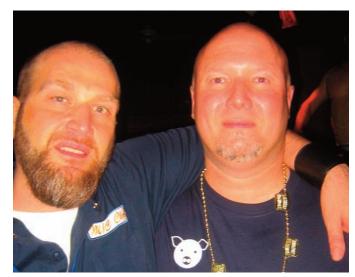


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Angie, Laura, Sexy and Grease at Sue Ellen's.

Have your own spring break with these out-on-the-town options The biggest fun over the weekend is going to be the Purple Party — three days of dancing, DJs and divas. Head to the Lizard Lounge Friday for DJ Chris Cox to start the weekend. Michelle Williams of Destiny's Child performs Saturday at House of Blues alongside DJ Joe Gauthreaux. Alyson Calagna and disco diva Vanessa Mitchell perform at Thrive For the full schedule, visit DallasPurpleParty.org The Brick introduces Red Hot Fridays with an old school mix of music. The club gets in on the purple action with the Afterglow party featuring DJs Michael Tank and Paul Kraft The Round-Up continues its drag pageant calendar with Miss DIVA 2010 being crowned Sunday and Miss Cinco de Mayo on Tuesday Mystique Summers hosts Thursday Night Drag Wars every week at the Rainbow Lounge in Fort Worth Ciao Bella takes the stage at Jack's Backyard Friday night Rise and shine on Saturday. Those TGRA rodeo men are selling their wares at the parking lot sale at the Hidden Door at 8 a.m. ... We've written about them in these pages, but you can check out Chix band for real at Sisters Club Friday night Do you have what it takes for drag? Find out at Twisted Tuesdays Amateur Drag Night hosted by Sierra Diamond at the 1851 Club in Arlington Heather Knox plays Sue Ellen's Friday night and Shut Down Town follows on Saturday Woody's hosts Denise Lee and Buddy Shanahan live on the patio Friday at 8 p.m. If that's not enough, **Gary Floyd** is the special guest performer **Station** 4 brings back aerial artist Vincent Packard to perform right over your heads ■

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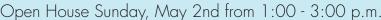
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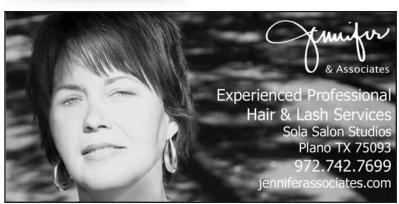




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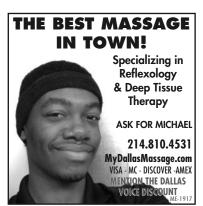














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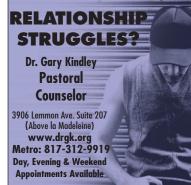
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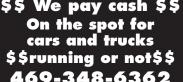
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