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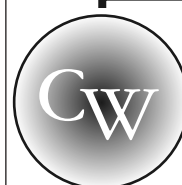
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SEEKING A NEW SPONSOR | Pam Gerber, left, goes over the city's HRC Municipal Equality Index score with members during the LGBT Task Force meeting in May. (Anna Waugh/Dallas Voice)

Griggs unlikely to replace Jasso as chair of LGBT Task Force

Members of former Councilwoman Delia Jasso's LGBT Task Force hope to find her replacement by August.

Jasso has chaired the Task Force since its creation in 2009. Its members have helped implement sensitivity training for Dallas police and firefighters and began having city Pride events last June. Jasso lost her District 1 seat to Councilman Scott Griggs in May after redistricting placed them in the same district.

Several members met Tuesday night to discuss the process for selecting a sponsor and maybe a co-sponsor. The Task Force will email all council members a questionnaire about what they feel is the force's role and what they envision as their role working with the group.

Those interested will then undergo private interviews before a new sponsor is selected. Council members return from summer break Aug. 7, so the Task Force anticipates selecting a new sponsor by mid- to late August. City staff won't participate in finding Jasso's replacement because it's a conflict of interest. Several city employees, including the fire and police LGBT liaisons, often attend the meetings.

There was uncertainty about having one sponsor or co-sponsors, so members agreed to be open to the idea and see how the questionnaires and interviews go. When asked if Dallas Voice could attend the interviews, members said it would be better to have them be private so council members could be honest and frank. Discussion then arose about how the Voice began attending Task Force meetings. Jasso was asked if the Voice could attend last year and she agreed to open the meetings up to the press since this February.

Members then seemed uncomfortable that the Voice was present as press and not as a member of the group. They said when the group began that they didn't want media present because Jasso and City Manager Mary Suhm would help change things in City Hall quietly and attention to that would have received negative attention from City Council. Members said it would fall to new leadership whether the paper would be invited to future meetings.

Members discussed the three council members who have expressed interest in taking over the Task Force: Griggs, Philip Kingston and Adam Medrano.

Most agreed that Griggs would not be a good fit, citing the fact that he drafted an LGBT equality

resolution last year without first approaching the Task Force. They also felt that Griggs wants to turn the Task Force into a commission, which they are against because they said they get more work done as an informal Task Force and there are concerns about formal membership and attendance at meetings if a commission is formed. Griggs has also said he believes the Task Force's meetings should be public.

Most also agreed that the possibility that Medrano is closeted shouldn't affect their decision if he wants to be involved with the group because they want someone who has a good vision and will stand with them on issues. Medrano has refused to say whether he's gay despite an arrest in connection with homosexual activity in a public restroom several years ago.

Griggs, Kingston and Medrano have all previously told the Voice they were interested in taking over the Task Force.

Griggs said he would like to work with the Task Force and eventually see it turned into a commission with more responsibilities and transparency if the members want that to happen.

"Certainly I'd be willing to take it over," Griggs said last month, adding that he planned to meet with its members to see what they want to see happen. "What everyone needs to know now is that it's not going away."

Medrano said he would like to chair the Task Force because his district has a heavily LGBT constituency.

"There's a large LGBT community in District 2. That's important," he said. "And I believe that I can help out with issues at City Hall as a coalition builder."

He noted that if he's not selected as the chair or co-chair, he'd still like to help with the group in some way.

Kingston said he's spoken to Griggs about the group's future and "agreed it needs to continue in some form."

"They've asked for a specific point of contact and I'm happy to be that person," Kingston said.

Task Force members also discussed the Human Rights Campaign Municipal Equality Index briefly at Tuesday's meeting. Members had formed a committee to discuss how to improve Dallas' score, which was a 76 on last year's first report. The recommendations have been sent to Paula Blackmon, Mayor Mike Rawlings' chief of staff. The Task Force expects to be included in the survey process HRC sends out to municipalities before the report is completed this year.

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'History will not be kind'

From marriage bans to campaign for president, LGBT advocates say Perry's legacy is decidedly anti-gay, but would Abbott be much better?

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AUSTIN — When anti-gay Gov. Rick Perry announced this week he won't seek re-election, LGBT advocates rejoiced, and attention turned to the political shakeup in statewide offices that could elevate more anti-gay Republicans.

Perry took over for George W. Bush in December 2000 after Bush was elected president. He's the longest serving governor in Texas history and his current term expires at the end of 2014.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott is expected to run for governor next year, while many Democrats hope state Sen. Wendy Davis makes a bid as well.

During his tenure, Perry was a vocal opponent of gay rights. In 2003, he signed the Texas Defense of Marriage Act, which prohibits the recognition of civil unions and same-sex marriages from out of state. Two years later, he championed Texas' constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriage and civil unions, holding a ceremonial signing at a Fort Worth church.

Perry listed his work against same-sex marriage among his accomplishments during his announcement this week in San Antonio.

"We have better protected the right to life for Texas children and families, protected the sanctity of marriage, and respected the traditional values that made Texas the greatest state in the greatest nation on earth," Perry said. "We Texans are not afraid to fight for what we believe in."

However, Perry did sign the James Byrd Jr. Hate Crimes Act in 2001, which listed "sexual preference" not "sexual orientation" under the protected classes. He reportedly tried to derail the legislation in the Senate and ended up signing it under political pressure.

He made his opposition to LGBT rights a central focus of his 2012 campaign in the Republican presidential primary. He made no mention of a future presidential run this week.

Just prior to his presidential campaign, Perry keynoted The Response, a rally organized by an anti-gay hate group, the American Family Association, in Houston. And he later ran a widely panned TV ad in Iowa in which he criticized the repeal of "don't ask, don't tell."

Long dogged by unsubstantiated rumors that he's closeted, Perry also became the subject of an



STRONGLY HOMOPHOBIC | Texas Gov. Rick Perry, who announced he won't seek another term this week, is shown in an anti-gay TV ad, 'Strong,' he filmed during his 2012 presidential campaign.

expose in 2012 by gay former state Rep. Glen Maxey, which detailed some of Perry's alleged homosexual liaisons.

Daniel Williams, field organizer for the statewide group Equality Texas, said LGBT Texans will benefit from Perry leaving office.

"Rick Perry not being governor of Texas is nothing but good news for LGBT Texans and all Texans," he said.

Williams said it's still too early to tell if those who are vying to replace Perry will be as anti-gay, adding that Abbott is "certainly not an ally but has not been as overtly homophobic as Perry" over the years. He said Perry will be remembered for his anti-LGBT views.

"Perry will join the ranks of historical southern governors who have stood in the way of the advancement of individuals," Williams said. "History will not be kind."

Omar Narvaez, president of Stonewall Democrats of Dallas, said Perry's legacy will be a social agenda that was anti-gay, anti-women and anti-education.

Abbott's record indicates he could be just as anti-gay or more so than Perry. He intervened to try to block two same-sex divorces, which are pending before the Texas Supreme Court. More recently, he issued a non-binding opinion earlier this year stating that domestic partner benefits offered by government agencies violate the state's constitutional marriage amendment.

Rob Schlein, president of local gay GOP group Metroplex Republicans, said Abbott told him and his partner at an event a few years ago that he appreciated them and gay GOP members. He said his personal opinions on inclusion may have been clouded with his responsibility to uphold Texas' anti-gay laws.

"That's not to say he's anti-gay or pro-gay, but I think he's an inclusive politician," he said.

Tom Pauken, former Texas Republican Party chairman, is also planning to run for governor. Schlein said Pauken spoke at a recent Metroplex meeting and seemed more focused on economic issues than social ones.

Rep. Branch also spoke to Dallas Log Cabin Republicans several years ago. Branch, who represents part of Oak Lawn, co-sponsored the 2005 marriage amendment and supported an effort to ban gay and lesbian foster parents.

"I suspect he'll enforce the laws that are written and passed," Schlein said of Branch. "I think we'll have more of the same [Republican leadership in Texas] for some time in the future."

Former Dallas City Councilwoman Angela Hunt said she hopes Branch will run for attorney general so someone else will replace him in his House district.

But while Hunt has been approached about running for several different offices outside of the city, she said she doesn't have plans to announce any future runs.

While Democrats will have a tough fight for statewide offices next year, Narvaez said the right candidate could defeat Abbott for governor. Many have speculated that Davis will run. Davis has been a strong LGBT ally in the state Senate and has shot to stardom with her marathon anti-abortion filibuster in June.

Davis has not commented on running for governor, telling media she's thought of running for statewide office before but is focused on the current special session, which Perry called after her filibuster's success. Her office did not respond to requests for comment.

Even if the Democrats can't win governor in 2014, Narvaez said the two local House seats could go to Democrats if the turnout is good.

"People are starting to stand up and say these are not our stances on issues anymore," he said. "I think we're really going to see a shift in 2014." ■



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LGBT advocates urge DART to add DP benefits in wake of DOMA ruling

Four LGBT advocates spoke at a DART board meeting on Tuesday evening to encourage the agency to offer domestic partner benefits, but discussion of the topic was delayed until August. And a new DART board member refused to say whether she supported DP benefits.

Amanda Moreno Cross was nominated for the DART board by Councilwomen Monica Alonzo, Pauline Medrano and Delia Jasso. After the meeting, Cross said it was her first meeting and declined to comment on whether she supports equal benefits for the transit authority's employees.

Transgender activist Pam Curry addressed the board wearing a sign that read: "I was born gay. Were you born hateful?"

"Once again, you have put off DP benefits," she told the board. "Even our federal employees and military get benefits."

She noted that the board voted to approve additional dental benefits for the agency's straight employees just before public comments began.

Representing Rainbow LULAC, Elias Cantu listed other governmental bodies in Texas that offer partner benefits.

"There's no reason why we can't do what's right and approve partner benefits," he told the board. "Do what's right for your employees."

Mike Lo Vuolo works for the Communications

Workers of America. He said unions took up the fight for equality but many companies adopted benefits for same-sex partners to remain competitive.

"It's not equal employment opportunity if everyone is not offered the same benefits," he said.

Rabbi Steve Fisch of Congregation Beth El Binah offered the board a religious argument.

"As a liberal religious leader, I believe not only in physical evolution, but also strongly accept the theory of moral evolution," he said.

He asked the board to grant benefits to all employees regardless of their sexual orientation, calling it the moral thing to do.

The DART board has been debating domestic partner benefits for almost a year. The issue will be discussed at the Aug. 27 administrative committee meeting.

Resource Center Dallas spokesman Rafael McDonnell, who has attended all of the DART meetings where the topic has been discussed, said if there is much delay beyond that date, employees will miss a period in which they can sign up for benefits for next year.

In March, DART delayed consideration of partner benefits until after the Supreme Court ruled on the Defense of Marriage Act. After the ruling, DART administrative committee Chair Jerry Christian said he would be absent from the July meeting and requested another delay.

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Ill-conceived marriage suits could be 'deadly,' Lambda's Upton warns

LGBT legal expert says cases like one filed by a Galveston man last week in response to DOMA ruling risk doing more harm than good

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LGBT advocates expect a flood of state marriage lawsuits where same-sex marriage isn't legal, but more cases could ultimately harm the equality efforts in those states, experts say.

The American Civil Liberties Union has filed lawsuits in Pennsylvania and North Carolina and plans to file a joint suit in Virginia with Lambda Legal. Ken Upton, senior staff attorney at Lambda Legal's Dallas office, said more lawsuits are expected in Arizona, Alabama and Florida. That's in addition to a handful of lawsuits pending in federal court.

Domenico Nuckols filed a lawsuit last week in Galveston against Gov. Rick Perry and Attorney General Greg Abbott to overturn the state's 2005 constitutional marriage amendment.

Nuckols, a retired nuclear engineer, is representing himself but is looking for pro bono legal representation to help him compile legal documents. He's been in contact with a national legal organization to discuss his case and hopes to have representation by his pre-trial date on Oct. 9.

Inspired by the U.S. Supreme Court marriage rulings, Nuckols said he filed the case because his partner was deported in 1986 and he was devastated.

"It was demeaning and degrading that we couldn't even stay in the U.S. together because we were gay," Nuckols said.

"Everybody should have the same rights to marry who they want," he added. "I feel like I'm right and the latest rulings are on my side."

Nuckols has been with his current partner for 10 years and has thought about marrying him, but he's never been denied a marriage license in the state, something that could hurt his legal standing in the case. However, he's had six people ask to sign on to his lawsuit from Houston and Galveston, which could help him.

Rebecca L. Robertson, legal and policy director at the ACLU of Texas said the group would be open to working with him.

"We agree with Mr. Nuckols that Texas's ban on same-sex marriage is unfair to gay and lesbian Texans," Robertson said. "We at the ACLU have a nationwide strategy for overturning these state



Ken Upton

bans. Mr. Nuckols hasn't consulted us, but of course we'd be happy to talk with him about his case."

Upton said marriage lawsuits have to be very specific and it will take the right case to get state marriage recognition to the U.S. Supreme Court. In Nuckols' case,

Upton said if he has no intention of marrying and hasn't been denied trying to marry in Texas, the court may decide he's had no injury based on state law.

He said national momentum has made people impatient in the fight for equality and seeing progress in some states and at the federal level has spurred people to action.

"They think they're right and they are. It takes more than that," Upton said. "To win these cases it takes more than thinking you're right. The arguments are very complicated."

Upton said Lambda Legal hasn't heard about any other lawsuits filed in Texas, adding that the organization can't take on every marriage lawsuit because a loss could be devastating for moving forward.

"A loss can be deadly in terms of setting everybody back," he said. "People who bring these cases are not helping. They're just bringing potentially negative rulings that could hurt everyone by setting them back."

Before filing a lawsuit, Upton said people should examine their situation and think about how their case is more likely to move forward, especially since cases take years to get to the federal level and many are way ahead of them.

While Texas may not allow same-sex marriage for many years, it's possible the state may recognize same-sex marriages from other states — at least for the purpose of divorce.

The Texas Supreme Court has requested new briefs in two gay divorce cases. A gay Dallas couple and Austin lesbian couple appealed to the court in 2011. Briefs were requested at one point but oral arguments were never scheduled, but that could change with the new request.

The state high court requested July 3 that "supplemental briefs addressing what legal impact, if any, you believe the United States Supreme Court's recent decisions in *United States v. Windsor* and *Hollingsworth v. Perry* have on the issues raised in the petition for review."

The briefs must be filed by July 18 and respondents may file a brief by July 29, to which a reply brief must be filed by Aug. 6.

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Emery, Cox named Pride grand marshals

Longtime Black Tie Dinner volunteer and Turtle Creek Chorale member joins Resource Center Dallas CEO, who is 1st to repeat in 30 years

files the written histories of groups, events and individuals who have made an impact on the community.

The organization also produces and records oral history programs and is working with University of North Texas to archive documents and artifacts.

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Resource Center CEO Cece Cox and The Dallas Way organizer Robert Emery were named grand marshals of the Alan Ross Texas Freedom Parade.

Cox is the first repeat grand marshal in the parade's 30-year history.

She was grand marshal in 1995 when she was president of Dallas Gay and Lesbian Alliance.

Dallas Tavern Guild Executive Director Michael Doughman said the rules for a repeat grand marshal are clear.

"In order to be considered, there must be a 10-year lapse and the person must still be active in the community," Doughman said.

Since her last appearance as grand marshal, Cox has become CEO of Resource Center Dallas. Under her leadership, Youth First Texas has become a program of the center and land has been cleared near the corner of Inwood and Cedar Springs roads for construction of a new building.

Cox said she was honored her work with the center was valued by the community.

"The center will be in the midst of its 30th anniversary," she said, "so it's very exciting for all of us here."

Robert Emery is being honored for his work with the Black Tie Dinner committee and The Dallas Way. He is a long-time member of the Turtle Creek Chorale.

Cox said she was excited to share the grand marshal title with Emery because of his generosity to RCD and his help in producing events.

The Dallas Way is a year-old project to record Dallas LGBT history. Emery collects, edits and

Emery served as program director of Black Tie Dinner for two years and for 11 years served as new member orientation coordinator for the Turtle Creek Chorale.

Former Black Tie Dinner chair Nan Arnold called Emery incredibly talented.

"He's a great guy to work with," she said. "He's so creative and I'm saying that from the heart."

Currently Emery serves on the board of Friends of WRR, the city-owned classical radio station, chairing the special events committee.

Nominations for grand marshal that included information on the person's background and contributions were generated from the community on the parade website.

A committee reviewed the nominations and the top five men and top five women were put on a ballot.

Those nominations were then voted on by the community.

Doughman said he's unsure whether there will be an honorary or celebrity grand marshal this year.

The committee is looking at several possibilities, but because the parade and festival are community fundraisers, the budget is limited. He said they're also exploring community partnerships to bring in a special guest. Because this is the parade's 30th anniversary, Doughman said the committee is trying to make sure it's one of the most colorful events in its history.

"We're putting more emphasis on entries in the parade having a more festive presence." ■

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Dallas Voice Yellow Pages becomes Out North Texas

Publication to be rebranded as LGBT visitors guide, relocation resource and community directory in magazine-style format

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The publishing industry is changing, according to Dallas Voice Publisher Leo Cusimano.

To keep up with those changes, Cusimano announced this week the Dallas Voice Yellow Pages will become Out North Texas.

Rather than a yellow pages directory, the revamped publication will be an LGBT visitors guide, a relocation resource and community directory in magazine format.

At one time, a recent phone book with up-to-date yellow pages was the easiest way to find a number or locate a business.

"Out North Texas is our evolution of old school yellow pages into a new magazine-centric package of information that includes resources for the city and a directory of gay-centric businesses," said Terry Thompson, president of Voice Publishing.

Today, yellow page directories from the phone company are more likely to go directly from the front door to the recycling bin.

Bob Witeck, a national LGBT marketing guru who is president of Washington-D.C.-based Witeck Communications, expressed enthusiasm about the change in format.

"Yellow pages can be a relic and often overlooked," Witeck said. "Why not figure out better ways to extend their life and make them attractive to readers and marketers?"

He said advertisers prefer magazines because they are often more visual, more compact and tend to have a longer stay in most homes.

While yellow pages may be outdated, magazine readership remains high among all age groups.

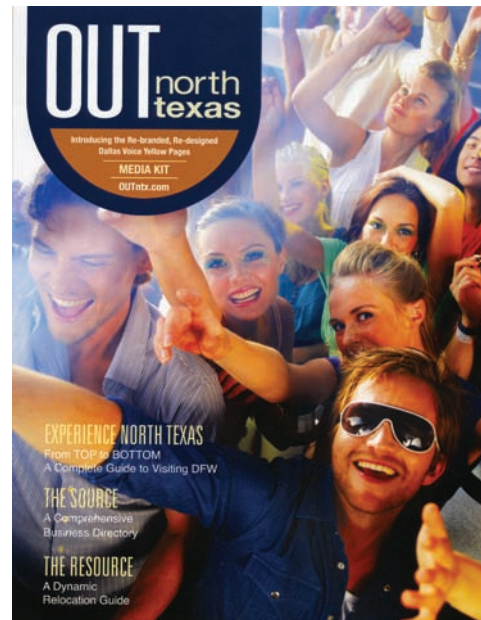
"So we're rebranding and redesigning," Cusimano said.

He said Dallas Voice has moved from traditional tabloid newspaper toward a more magazine format as well.

Rather than several news stories beginning on Page 1, the cover features one large news or feature photo. And instead of the ragged newsprint the paper used for years, the publication is trimmed and stapled now.

Despite the format change for Out North Texas, Cusimano is not discounting the value of the information found in yellow pages.

"Loyalty runs high in the LGBT community," he said. "People want companies that market di-



rectly to them. So we're taking an integrated approach."

The magazine will feature articles highlighting top destinations in North Texas, as well as information about gayborhoods and a dining guide.

The integrated approach he described also includes a variety of media.

"There will be a mobile and online component," Cusimano said. "We'll reach the consumer where they're at."

This won't be the first change in the publication since it began 22 years ago as the Lambda Pages. That directory included only business and organization listings and display ads.

Dallas Voice Yellow Pages added articles about North Texas and its LGBT community. But it was still a yellow-page book and Cusimano said that meant it wasn't as visitor friendly. Few people looked at it as a relocation guide.

In addition to the regular Dallas Voice distribution network, Cusimano said he hoped convention hotels would stock Out North Texas — not just for LGBT conferences, but for any meeting since a percentage of attendees are inevitably LGBT. And he hopes relocation companies will keep copies for LGBT clients moving to the area.

Thompson said organizations that would like to be included in the magazine should call him. Listings are free and nonprofit organizations receive a 20 percent discount on display ads.

He said the organizational directory is meant to be comprehensive and include all organizations serving the LGBT community, with more categories than in the print listings that appear periodically in the newspaper.

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- **Serious liver problems.** The liver may become large (hepatomegaly) and fatty (steatosis). Symptoms of liver problems include your skin or the white part of your eyes turns yellow (jaundice), dark “tea-colored” urine, light-colored bowel movements (stools), loss of appetite for several days or longer, nausea, and/or stomach pain.
- **You may be more likely to get lactic acidosis or serious liver problems** if you are female, very overweight (obese), or have been taking COMPLERA for a long time. *In some cases, these serious conditions have led to death.* Call your healthcare provider right away if you have any symptoms of these conditions.
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Do not take COMPLERA if you also take these medicines:

- **anti-seizure medicines:** carbamazepine (Carbatrol, Equetro, Tegretol, Tegretol-XR, Teril, Epitol); oxcarbazepine (Trileptal), phenobarbital (Luminal), phenytoin (Dilantin, Dilantin-125, Phenytek)
- **anti-tuberculosis medicines:** rifabutin (Mycobutin), rifampin (Rifater, Rifamate, Rimactane, Rifadin) and rifapentine (Priftin)
- **proton pump inhibitors for stomach or intestinal problems:** esomeprazole (Nexium, Vimovo), lansoprazole (Prevacid), dexlansoprazole (Dexilant), omeprazole (Prilosec), pantoprazole sodium (Protonix), rabeprazole (Aciphex)
- **more than 1 dose of the steroid medicine dexamethasone** or dexamethasone sodium phosphate
- St. John’s wort (*Hypericum perforatum*)

If you are taking COMPLERA you should not take other HIV medicines or other medicines containing tenofovir (Viread, Truvada, Stribild or Atripla); other medicines containing emtricitabine or lamivudine (Emtriva, Combivir, Eпивir, Eпивir-HBV, Epzicom, Trizivir, Atripla, Stribild or Truvada); rilpivirine (Edurant) or adefovir (Hepsera).

In addition, tell your healthcare provider if you are taking the following medications because they may interfere with how COMPLERA works and may cause side effects:

- certain antacid medicines containing aluminum, magnesium hydroxide, or calcium carbonate (examples: Rolaids, TUMS). **These medicines must be taken at least 2 hours before or 4 hours after COMPLERA.**
- medicines to block stomach acid including cimetidine (Tagamet), famotidine (Pepcid), nizatidine (Axid), or ranitidine HCL (Zantac). **These medicines must be taken at least 12 hours before or 4 hours after COMPLERA.**
- any of these medicines: clarithromycin (Biaxin); erythromycin (E-Mycin, Eryc, Ery-Tab, PCE, Pediazole, Ilosone), fluconazole (Diflucan), itraconazole (Sporanox), ketoconazole (Nizoral) methadone (Dolophine); posaconazole (Noxifil), telithromycin (Ketek) or voriconazole (Vfend).
- medicines that are eliminated by the kidneys like acyclovir (Zovirax), cidofovir (Vistide), ganciclovir (Cytovene IV, Vitrasert), valacyclovir (Valtrex) and valganciclovir (Valcyte).

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Before taking COMPLERA, tell your healthcare provider if you:

- Have **liver problems**, including hepatitis B or C virus infection, or have abnormal liver tests
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- Have ever had a **mental health problem**
- Have **bone problems**
- Are **pregnant or planning to become pregnant**. It is not known if COMPLERA can harm your unborn child
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COMPLERA can cause additional serious side effects:

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- **Changes in liver enzymes**: People who have had hepatitis B or C, or who have had changes in their liver function tests in the past may have an increased risk for liver problems while taking COMPLERA. Some people without prior liver disease may also be at risk. Your healthcare provider may need to check your liver enzymes before and during treatment with COMPLERA.
- **Bone problems** can happen in some people who take COMPLERA. Bone problems include bone pain, softening or thinning (which may lead to fractures). Your healthcare provider may need to do additional tests to check your bones.
- **Changes in body fat** can happen in people taking HIV medicine.
- **Changes in your immune system**. Your immune system may get stronger and begin to fight infections that have been hidden in your body for a long time. Tell your healthcare provider if you start having new symptoms after starting COMPLERA.

The most common side effects reported with COMPLERA are trouble sleeping (insomnia), abnormal dreams, headache, dizziness, diarrhea, nausea, rash, tiredness, and depression. Some side effects also reported include vomiting, stomach pain or discomfort, skin discoloration (small spots or freckles) and pain.

This is not a complete list of side effects. Tell your healthcare provider or pharmacist if you notice any side effects while taking COMPLERA, and call your healthcare provider for medical advice about side effects.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit <http://www.fda.gov/medwatch> or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

Additional information about taking COMPLERA:

- **Always take COMPLERA exactly as your healthcare provider tells you to take it.**
- **Take COMPLERA with a meal.** Taking COMPLERA with a meal is important to help get the right amount of medicine in your body. (A protein drink does not replace a meal).

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What is COMPLERA?

• **COMPLERA** is a prescription HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) medicine that is used to treat HIV-1 in adults

- who have **never** taken HIV medicines before, **and**
- who have an amount of HIV in their blood (this is called ‘viral load’) that is no more than 100,000 copies/mL. Your healthcare provider will measure your viral load.

(HIV is the virus that causes AIDS (Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome)).

- COMPLERA contains 3 medicines – rilpivirine, emtricitabine, tenofovir disoproxil fumarate – combined in one tablet. It is a complete regimen to treat HIV-1 infection and should not be used with other HIV medicines.
- It is not known if COMPLERA is safe and effective in children under the age of 18 years old.
- **COMPLERA does not cure HIV infection or AIDS.** You must stay on continuous therapy to control HIV infection and decrease HIV-related illnesses.
- **Ask your healthcare provider if you have any questions about how to prevent passing HIV to other people.** Do not share or re-use needles or other injection equipment, and do not share personal items that can have blood or body fluids on them, like toothbrushes and razor blades. Always practice safer sex by using a latex or polyurethane condom to lower the chance of sexual contact with semen, vaginal fluids or blood.

What is the most important information I should know about COMPLERA?

COMPLERA can cause serious side effects, including:

- **Build-up of lactic acid in your blood (lactic acidosis).** Lactic acidosis can happen in some people who take COMPLERA or similar (nucleoside analogs) medicines. Lactic acidosis is a serious medical emergency that can lead to death. Lactic acidosis can be hard to identify early, because the symptoms could seem like symptoms of other health problems. **Call your healthcare provider right away if you get any of the following symptoms which could be signs of lactic acidosis:**
 - feel very weak or tired
 - have unusual (not normal) muscle pain
 - have trouble breathing
 - have stomach pain with nausea (feeling sick to your stomach) or vomiting
 - feel cold, especially in your arms and legs
 - feel dizzy or lightheaded
 - have a fast or irregular heartbeat
- **Severe liver problems.** Severe liver problems can happen in people who take COMPLERA. In some cases, these liver problems can lead to death. Your liver may become large (hepatomegaly) and you may develop fat in your liver (steatosis). **Call your healthcare provider right away if you get any of the following symptoms of liver problems:**
 - your skin or the white part of your eyes turns yellow (jaundice)
 - dark “tea-colored” urine
 - light-colored bowel movements (stools)
 - loss of appetite for several days or longer
 - nausea
 - stomach pain
- **You may be more likely to get lactic acidosis or severe liver problems if you are female, very overweight (obese), or have been taking COMPLERA for a long time.**

• **Worsening of Hepatitis B infection.** If you have hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection and take COMPLERA, your HBV may get worse (flare-up) if you stop taking COMPLERA. A “flare-up” is when your HBV infection suddenly returns in a worse way than before. COMPLERA is not approved for the treatment of HBV, so you must discuss your HBV with your healthcare provider.

- Do not let your COMPLERA run out. Refill your prescription or talk to your healthcare provider before your COMPLERA is all gone.
- Do not stop taking COMPLERA without first talking to your healthcare provider.
- If you stop taking COMPLERA, your healthcare provider will need to check your health often and do blood tests regularly to check your HBV infection. Tell your healthcare provider about any new or unusual symptoms you may have after you stop taking COMPLERA.

Who should not take COMPLERA?

Do not take COMPLERA if:

- your HIV infection has been previously treated with HIV medicines.
- you are taking any of the following medicines:
 - **anti-seizure medicines:** carbamazepine (Carbatrol, Equetro, Tegretol, Tegretol-XR, Teril, Eptol); oxcarbazepine (Trileptal); phenobarbital (Luminal); phenytoin (Dilantin, Dilantin-125, Phenytek)
 - **anti-tuberculosis (anti-TB) medicines:** rifabutin (Mycobutin); rifampin (Rifater, Rifamate, Rimactane, Rifadin); rifapentine (Priftin)
 - **proton pump inhibitor (PPI) medicine** for certain stomach or intestinal problems: esomeprazole (Nexium, Vimovo); lansoprazole (Prevacid); dexlansoprazole (Dexilant); omeprazole (Prilosec, Zegerid); pantoprazole sodium (Protonix); rabeprazole (Aciphex)
 - more than 1 dose of the steroid medicine dexamethasone or dexamethasone sodium phosphate
 - St. John’s wort (*Hypericum perforatum*)
- **If you take COMPLERA, you should not take:**
 - Other medicines that contain tenofovir (Atripla, Stribild, Truvada, Viread)
 - Other medicines that contain emtricitabine or lamivudine (Combivir, Emtriva, Epivir or Epivir-HBV, Epzicom, Trizivir, Atripla, Truvada, Stribild)
 - rilpivirine (Edurant)
 - adefovir (Hepsera)

What should I tell my healthcare provider before taking COMPLERA?

Before you take COMPLERA, tell your healthcare provider if you:

- have or had liver problems, including hepatitis B or C virus infection, kidney problems, mental health problem or bone problems
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. It is not known if COMPLERA can harm your unborn child.

Pregnancy Registry. There is a pregnancy registry for women who take antiviral medicines during pregnancy. The purpose of this registry is to collect information about the health of you and your baby. Talk to your healthcare provider about how you can take part in this registry.
- are breast-feeding or plan to breast-feed. **You should not breastfeed if you have HIV because of the risk of passing HIV to your baby.** Do not breastfeed if you are taking COMPLERA. At least two of the medicines contained in COMPLERA can be passed to your baby in your breast milk. We do not know whether this could harm your baby. Talk to your healthcare provider about the best way to feed your baby.

Tell your healthcare provider about all the medicines you take, including prescription and nonprescription medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

- **COMPLERA may affect the way other medicines work, and other medicines may affect how COMPLERA works, and may cause serious side effects.** If you take certain medicines with COMPLERA, the amount of COMPLERA in your body may be too low and it may not work to help control your HIV infection. The HIV virus in your body may become resistant to COMPLERA or other HIV medicines that are like it.

Especially tell your healthcare provider if you take:

- an antacid medicine that contains aluminum, magnesium hydroxide, or calcium carbonate. If you take an antacid during treatment with COMPLERA, take the antacid **at least 2 hours before or at least 4 hours after** you take COMPLERA.
- a medicine to block the acid in your stomach, including cimetidine (Tagamet), famotidine (Pepcid), nizatidine (Axid), or ranitidine hydrochloride (Zantac). If you take one of these medicines during treatment with COMPLERA, take the acid blocker **at least 12 hours before or at least 4 hours after** you take COMPLERA.
- any of these medicines (if taken by mouth or injection):
 - clarithromycin (Biaxin)
 - erythromycin (E-Mycin, Eryc, Ery-Tab, PCE, Pediazole, Ilosone)
 - fluconazole (Diflucan)
 - itraconazole (Sporanox)
 - ketoconazole (Nizoral)
 - methadone (Dolophine)
 - posaconazole (Noxafil)
 - telithromycin (Ketek)
 - voriconazole (Vfend)
- medicines that are eliminated by the kidney, including acyclovir (Zovirax), cidofovir (Vistide), ganciclovir (Cytovene IV, Vitrasert), valacyclovir (Valtrex), and valganciclovir (Valcyte)

What are the possible side effects of COMPLERA?**COMPLERA can cause serious side effects, including:**

- See “What is the most important information I should know about COMPLERA?”
- **New or worse kidney problems, including kidney failure**, can happen in some people who take COMPLERA. Your healthcare provider should do blood tests to check your kidneys before starting treatment with COMPLERA. If you have had kidney problems in the past or need to take another medicine that can cause kidney problems, your healthcare provider may need to do blood tests to check your kidneys during your treatment with COMPLERA.
- **Depression or mood changes. Tell your healthcare provider right away if you have any of the following symptoms:**
 - feeling sad or hopeless
 - feeling anxious or restless
 - have thoughts of hurting yourself (suicide) or have tried to hurt yourself
- **Change in liver enzymes.** People with a history of hepatitis B or C virus infection or who have certain liver enzyme changes may have an increased risk of developing new or worsening liver problems during treatment with COMPLERA. Liver problems can also happen during treatment with COMPLERA in people without a history of liver disease. Your healthcare provider may need to do tests to check your liver enzymes before and during treatment with COMPLERA.
- **Bone problems** can happen in some people who take COMPLERA. Bone problems include bone pain, softening or thinning (which may lead to fractures). Your healthcare provider may need to do additional tests to check your bones.
- **Changes in body fat** can happen in people taking HIV medicine. These changes may include increased amount of fat in the upper back and neck (“buffalo hump”), breast, and around the main part of your body (trunk). Loss of fat from the legs, arms and face may also happen. The cause and long term health effect of these conditions are not known.
- **Changes in your immune system (Immune Reconstitution Syndrome)** can happen when you start taking HIV medicines. Your immune system may get stronger and begin to fight infections that have been hidden in your body for a long time. Tell your healthcare provider if you start having new symptoms after starting your HIV medicine.

The most common side effects of COMPLERA include:

- trouble sleeping (insomnia)
- abnormal dreams
- headache
- dizziness
- diarrhea
- nausea
- rash
- tiredness
- depression

Additional common side effects include:

- vomiting
- stomach pain or discomfort
- skin discoloration (small spots or freckles)
- pain

Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away.

These are not all the possible side effects of COMPLERA. For more information, ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 (1-800-332-1088).

How should I take COMPLERA?

- **Stay under the care of your healthcare provider during treatment with COMPLERA.**
- **Take COMPLERA exactly as your healthcare provider tells you to take it.**
- **Always take COMPLERA with a meal.** Taking COMPLERA with a meal is important to help get the right amount of medicine in your body. A protein drink does not replace a meal.
- Do not change your dose or stop taking COMPLERA without first talking with your healthcare provider. See your healthcare provider regularly while taking COMPLERA.
- If you miss a dose of COMPLERA within 12 hours of the time you usually take it, take your dose of COMPLERA **with a meal** as soon as possible. Then, take your next dose of COMPLERA at the regularly scheduled time. If you miss a dose of COMPLERA by more than 12 hours of the time you usually take it, wait and then take the next dose of COMPLERA at the regularly scheduled time.
- Do not take more than your prescribed dose to make up for a missed dose.

This Brief Summary summarizes the most important information about COMPLERA. If you would like more information, talk with your healthcare provider. You can also ask your healthcare provider or pharmacist for information about COMPLERA that is written for health professionals, or call 1-800-445-3235 or go to www.COMPLERA.com

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Two spirits rising

Newly formed Texas Two Spirit Society helps LGBT American Indians rediscover heritage, quickly grows to more than 150 members

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Kirby Peterson grew up in a small town on a Navajo reservation in New Mexico in a culture he described as unaccepting.

While some American Indian tribes are reverent of their gay and lesbian members, Peterson described his school years more like those of many LGBT teens around the country.

"Life was very hard on the reservation," he said. "I was abused, called names and bullied."

He said he was not accepted by his parents and thrown out of his house.

"My parents told me I was on my own at 18," he said.

Since he's come out, he said he's hardly spoken to his family.

After moving to Dallas, Peterson met Barry Layton, and together they attended the National Confederation of Two Spirit Organizations gathering in Tulsa in 2012.

Peterson and Layton identify as "two spirit," an Indian term to describe those who have both the spirit of a man and the spirit of a woman. In many tribes, the term encompasses those who are gay, lesbian or bisexual, as well as those who are transgender.

But rather than focus on sexuality, Indians focus on spirituality. Since two spirit people were considered doubly blessed, they were often the

shamans, teachers and spiritual leaders.

Although two spirit is a contemporary term, at least 155 of the indigenous nations have documented multi-gender traditions.

After Peterson and Layton attended the conference in 2012, Layton decided Texas needed to be part of the movement. He formed the Dallas Two Spirit Society, and less than a year later, it has more than 50 members and meets monthly at Resource Center Dallas.

Panhandle and South Texas chapters have organized with several others in the works bringing statewide membership to more than 150.

Crisosto Apache, executive director of the Colorado-based Two Spirit National Cultural Exchange, said there are roughly 18 two spirit organizations and social groups nationwide, including the one in Texas.

"There's a lot of these organizations that are

popping up," he said. "I think it's pretty amazing that that's happening, and I think all these organizations have the same goal in mind."

Apache is an enrolled member of the Mescalero Apache Tribe in New Mexico, but he lives in Denver.

"A lot of people are leaving reservations to define their own sexuality in urban areas," he said. "They're leaving reservations to go to urban areas to sort of immerse themselves in the GLBT community."

Tracing their affirming ancestries

Layton, who is mostly Cherokee with some Chickasaw and Choctaw, grew up in Sulphur Springs and "assimilated like most Native Americans," he said.

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When Layton came out to his sister, she suggested they look into how American Indians view LGBT issues.

"She wanted to raise me in a traditional way," he said.

Layton's sister, Angela, works with the Dallas Two Spirit Society helping members trace their genealogy.

As Layton began exploring his roots, he decided to immerse himself in Cherokee culture, because that part of his heritage felt right to him.

His mentor is a two spirit tribal elder who lives in Alabama.

"When I speak Cherokee, it forces me to speak with more meaning and speak clearer," he said. "Texas has lost its culture. People are starving for it. Without it, you lose your purpose."

Layton said it's hard for people to trace their ancestry in Texas. After passage of the Indian Removal Act of 1830, tribes from the Southeast were forcibly relocated to Oklahoma in 1831. Thousands died from starvation, disease and harsh conditions.

"Texas was one of the top places people ran away to from the Trail of Tears," he said.

Although many tribes have traditions of accepting two spirits, Layton said many people in the group grew up in families where they couldn't be gay and couldn't be out as Native Americans. The Dallas group is a place of community where many can be out for the first time.

Layton has also become an LGBT activist, participating in local marriage rallies and addressing the City Council as a representative of the Two Spirit Society last month.

Carrie Dixon, vice president of the Dallas group, said she and Layton have been friends since they were "kids on the playground."

She grew up assimilated in a home where her grandparents never discussed being Native American. That's because of a fear the government would take the children to place in boarding school "to each them who they're not," she said. That happened to her grandparents.

So she came to the Dallas Two Spirit Society with little knowledge of her Creek background.

"The gay tradition is very sacred to us," she said.

Her tribe recognizes four genders. Two spirit people are the shamans and the ones the chiefs go to for counsel.

"Creeks are required to have a child," she said, no matter the orientation.

And Dixon, who is bisexual, is pregnant with her first child. She said she'll raise her differently than she was raised.

"I'll steep her in tradition," she said.

And part of that tradition is honoring two spirit people.

Christianity corrupts tribal customs

Some tribes have begun adopting laws that officially recognize their two spirit members.

The Coquille Tribe in Oregon was the first to adopt a marriage equality law in 2008. The Suquamish Tribe in Washington legalized same-



BANDING TOGETHER | Kirby Peterson, from left, Barry Layton and Carrie Dixon lead the Dallas group, which meets monthly at Resource Center Dallas.

sex marriage in 2011 before Washington state followed a year later.

Two Michigan tribes, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, and the Santa Ysabel Tribe in California legalized same-sex marriage this year. The Pokagons issued their first marriage license to a gay couple on June 20, less than a week before the Supreme Court ruled on the Defense of Marriage Act.

The Cherokee are accepting of two spirit people and honor them as shamans, but in 2004, the tribe adopted a constitutional amendment defining marriage as between one man and one woman. Angela Layton blamed that on the effect of assimilation.

Most tribes across the country have neither outlawed nor allowed same-sex marriage, but tribes in Oklahoma have been particularly resistant to the idea of marriage equality. The Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma and Muskogee Creek Nation outlawed same-sex marriage in 2004. "No Marriage will be recognized between persons of the same sex" according to the laws of the Chickasaw Nation.

The Navajo reservation, the largest reservation in the U.S. covering large portions of New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Utah, recognized same-sex couples historically. But in 2005, an amendment banning same-sex marriage passed.

The president of the Navajo Nation vetoed the measure, but the Navajo Nation Council overrode him.

Apache blamed opposition to marriage equality within tribal communities on religious accultura-

tion, which has led many natives on reservations to become evangelical Christians.

It's unclear how the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to strike down a section of the federal Defense of Marriage Act will affect same-sex couples in tribal communities.

The National Confederacy of Two-Spirit Organizations issued a press release the day after the DOMA decision celebrating the victory. But a spokesperson for the organization indicated that any changes in recognition would come at a tribal level.

"It's a good day to celebrate the decision to overturn DOMA and the dismissal of Prop 8," said Sharon Day of Minneapolis' Indigenous People's Task Force. "Perhaps now more of our tribal governments will pass marriage equality laws, after all respect was a value shared by all tribes/nations observed along with equality between all people including our two spirit people."

Finding, making peace in Dallas

Despite his negative experience on the reservation, Peterson has also come to embrace American Indian history.

He spoke Navajo and English at home before moving to Dallas, but he called his native language hard. (Navajo is so difficult, the U.S. government used it as code in the Pacific campaign during World War II and the Japanese never cracked it.)

Peterson has picked up a few other languages, including Chinese, and is working on Japanese. At

the 2012 conference, he began learning about differences in tribal cultures.

"Spiders and snakes are lucky and safe in Cherokee," he said. "For me, it's more bald eagles and golden eagles."

He said another tradition is if a fox or coyote walks in front of you, you're going in the wrong direction.

Today, Peterson has a partner of more than a year and is in a management-training program at work. In his apartment, he displays Navajo art. One ceramic shows a Navajo man doing a ceremonial dance in traditional costume. Another is an ornamental piece crocheted by his grandmother in traditional Navajo colors.

Lydia Nibley, who produced the film *Two Spirit* that aired on PBS, said Peterson's experience does not reflect longstanding Navajo culture. Like Angela, she blamed intermingling Christianity, assimilation and schools run by the U.S. government for the loss of honoring the two spirit tradition.

"Many tribal cultures have become very distant from their teachings," she said. "There's an honored place for third and fourth gendered people in Navajo tradition."

She said the Navajo balanced the masculine and feminine.

"It keeps the world working properly," she said. "The Navajo have a particularly strong tradition of honoring two spirit people."

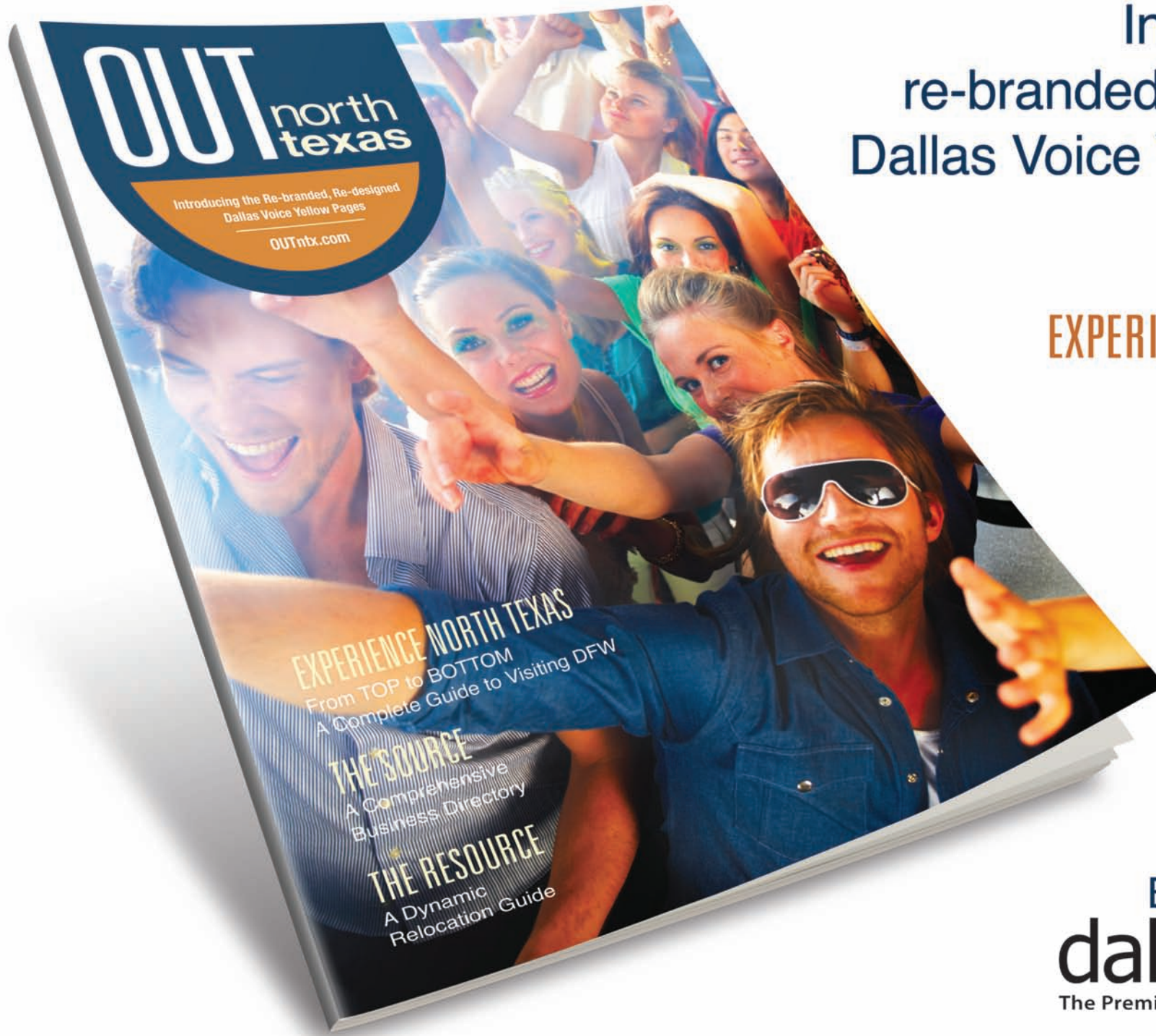
And like Peterson, she mentioned another of Navajo's rich traditions.

"Touch a two spirit person on the shoulder for good luck," she said. ■

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viewpoints

Bridging a racial divide

Failure of white, Hispanic activists to show up for largest black LGBT rally in Dallas' history was inexcusable and must never happen again

White and Hispanic LGBT activists in Dallas should be ashamed of themselves.

Three weeks ago, in response to bigoted statements by anti-gay City Councilwoman Vonciel Hill, black LGBT leaders staged one of the largest gay-rights rallies in the history of South Dallas.

About 50 people gathered in the parking lot of Abounding Prosperity, an HIV/AIDS agency at Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and SM Wright Freeway near Fair Park. But despite the fact that the rally was widely publicized well in advance, not one of the participants was white or Hispanic.

In fact, the only non-black people there were yours truly — who was covering it for the Voice — and Laura Martin, the LGBT liaison officer for the Dallas Police Department, who was providing security.

Hill is the only Dallas council member who's refused to appear in the gay Pride parade, telling me a few years back that "there are some acts God doesn't bless" but that she doesn't think she should be "castigated" for her anti-LGBT views.

Last month, Hill took issue with a "Greater Than AIDS" billboard in South Dallas that features a black man with his arms around another black man and says, "UPDATE YOUR STATUS." Hill told a TV news station that she objected to the billboard in her district because she believes it sends the message that homosexuality is "acceptable."

Regardless of how Hill feels about homosexuality, it doesn't change the fact that Dallas County has the highest rate of new HIV infections in Texas, and that nearly half of those new infections are among blacks, including many who fall into the category of men who have sex with men.

The rally, organized by Abounding Prosperity volunteer Harold Steward (who happens to be a city employee), was one of the most powerful events I've attended in my six-plus years at the Voice. For one thing, unlike at a "mainstream" LGBT rally 10 days later, the sound system actually worked. There were even canopies for shade and ice-cold bottled water.

And the speakers were inspiring. They included Alpha Thomas, a longtime African-American lesbian activist who attended the rally to support her black gay brothers.

"We will not be silent or invisible while AIDS continues to ravage and devastate our community," Thomas told the crowd. "Black gay men

have always been and always will be part of Dallas."

Thomas, 55, said later it was the largest black LGBT rally she's seen in decades of activism in Dallas. Thomas said she promised many of her black gay friends who died from AIDS that she would continue to fight for them.

"By my being out here today, I'm able to keep that promise," she said. "We've got to keep hope alive."

Eric Henry, 19, also a volunteer at Abounding Prosperity, questioned whether Hill believes the behavior of some heterosexual African-Americans is "acceptable." Henry said his father abandoned him at a young age, his mother neglected his emotional needs and he was molested for more than five years. When he ended up living out of his car, the black gay community took him in.

"Tell me, is that acceptable?" Henry said. "Whether or not you accept me, Councilwoman Vonciel, I'm going to continue being a proud African-American gay man."

The Rev. Alex Byrd, senior pastor at Living Faith Covenant Church, blamed objections to the billboard on religious beliefs, and said therefore they must be responded to in a religious context.

"It is ungodly and un-Christian for us to ignore that 49 percent of all new HIV cases in Dallas are in the black community," Byrd said.

Kirk Myers, president and CEO of Abounding Prosperity, said those statistics are "right there with sub-Saharan Africa."

"Although I'm encouraged that all of you are out there, this parking lot should be overflowing," Myers said.

Myers was right, and it should have been overflowing with not only blacks, but LGBT people of all races.

It's truly sad that when HIV/AIDS was ravaging the gay white male community, we mounted an incredible response. But now that the disease is disproportionately affecting blacks, including many who are gay, we don't seem to care as much.

Ten days before the rally, LGBT activists stood inside City Hall and turned their backs on another black city council member, Dwaine Caraway, who objected to being judged on one issue alone — marriage equality.

I'm not making excuses for Caraway, but the fact is, marriage equality isn't the No. 1 concern for most LGBT blacks, who are faced with not only HIV issues but unemployment, poverty and frequent rejection by their families and churches. And both Caraway and Councilwoman Carolyn Davis have shown improvement on other LGBT fronts.



Longtime LGBT activist Alpha Thomas

But there doesn't seem to be much point in turning our backs on council members if we're not willing to stand at rallies beside LGBT people who live in those districts.

Caraway had initially committed to voting for the marriage equality resolution, but after Councilwoman Delia Jasso withdrew her support and the issue blew up on the front page of the Dallas Morning News, anti-gay megachurch pastors reportedly got to him.

The only way to get Caraway back on board is to show him that for every homophobic preacher, there are thousands of black LGBT and allied voters in South Dallas.

Supporting our black LGBT brothers and sisters is not only the right thing to do, it also makes sense from a practical, strategic standpoint.

A recent poll showed that support for marriage equality is by far the lowest among blacks in Texas — at just 14 percent compared to 34 percent among all races combined.

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AFFD screens 2 films by Asian directors exploring gay themes

There are, of course, gay film festivals, but increasingly you see gay-themed films make their way into other fests. That's certainly true of the Asian Film Festival of Dallas, which launched its 12th annual edition this week. Two of the movies screening — the documentary *Before You Know It* from gay Austin-based director PJ Raval and the comedy feature *Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow?* from Taiwanese director Arvin Chen — address gay issues: the former about what it's like to grow old in the gay world, and the latter about a late-in-life romance (and how gay men can even teach a straight guy how to woo a woman).

We sat down with the directors of both films to get their insights into their movies (both of which are excellent).

Tickets and passes for the entire festival are available at AsianFilmDallas.org.

Arvin Chen, director of *Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow?*

Dallas Voice: Your film is a late-in-life coming out story about a married middle-aged man named Weichung who finally admits he's gay. But it's also about his wife Feng's unhappiness and his sister's ex-fiance, San-San, who wants to win her back. What attracted you to these stories? Arvin Chen: What really attracted me was just the idea of finding love later in life, that someone who had thought he had to give up love in order to have a family realizing he still needs love (even though he seems happily married). I think this is the case not only for Weichung, but also Feng.

Is aging in a culture one of your interests in this film? I'm still in my 30s, but getting older, I've started to see myself and many people around me —strug-

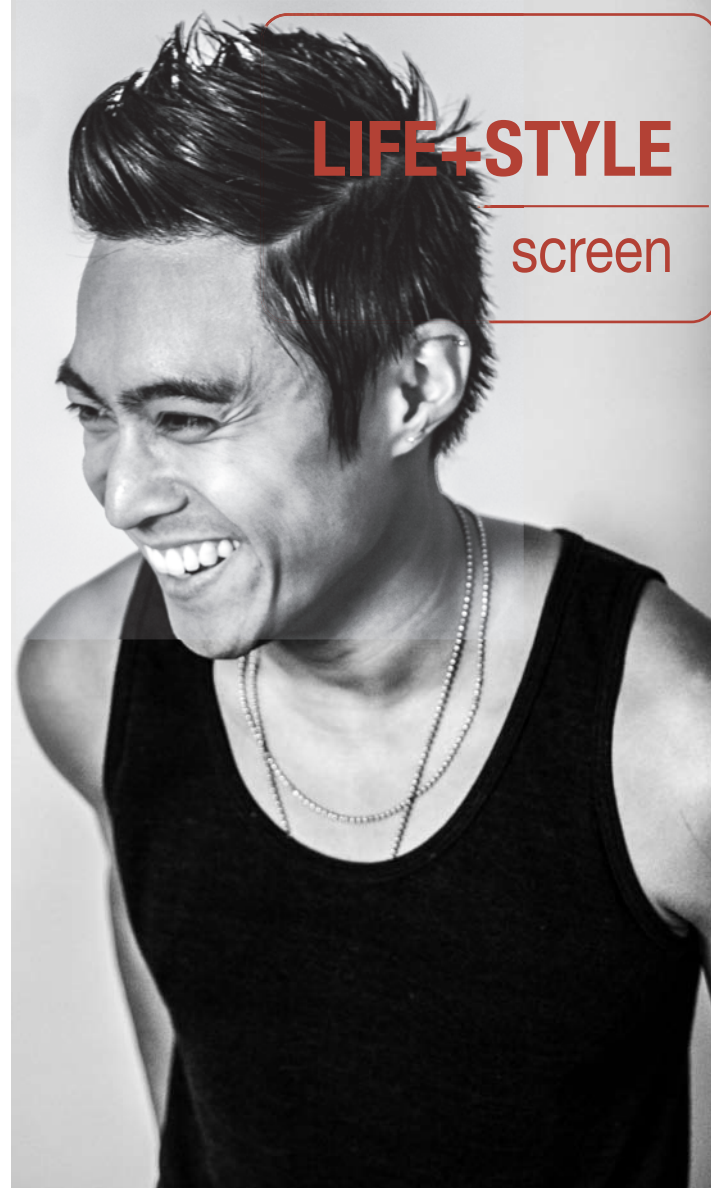
gling to balance romance, their personal ambitions and a happy home life. I could only imagine how much more difficult it would be to find this balance as a closeted middle-aged gay man living in Asia.

Is living on the down-low something present in Taiwanese culture? It's definitely prevalent in Asia, where homosexuality is still probably less accepted culturally, and traditional family structures are so important. The premise of the story came from a gay friend of mine in Taiwan, who told me that a lot of his older friends are living on the down-low. In most cases, they are probably less like our main character in that they do continue to live a secret gay life, as opposed to Weichung, who attempts to close off that part of his life once he's married.

There's a sweet tone that reminds me of mid-career Woody Allen. Were his films an influence? It's a bit embarrassing because it's probably so obvious,

GAYSIAN FLICKERS

Austin-based filmmaker PJ Raval, right, looks into aging as a gay man; in Arvin Chen's comedy, a group of gay men (below) help a sad-sack win back his fiancée, whose brother is still in the closet.



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— Arnold Wayne Jones

but Woody Allen is one of my favorite directors, with *Manhattan* being my favorite film of all time. I try not to rip him off completely, but he's really too big of an influence on me. More specifically, I even made our crew watch *Hannah and Her Sisters* in pre-production to kind of get a sense of the movie I wanted to make — the balance of comic subplot with melodrama, the multiple stories, scenes of home life, story structure, etc.

What has been the reaction of straight audiences?

Pretty good, so far, especially in Asia, which is a bit of a pleasant surprise. I think the subject matter itself may have kept a few people away from the theaters, but in the screenings I've sat in on, audiences have been very receptive, with even a few cheers and clapping the first time Weichung and Thomas kiss. One of my goals for this movie — which I don't know if I achieved — is that it wouldn't be thought of only as a straight or gay movie.

The overarching theme of the film seems to be about freedom — embracing who you are, for good or bad. I totally agree! For me, the movie is about everyday people just struggling to find happiness and love, and there are inevitably some hurdles in that struggle — whether you're a closeted gay man, a housewife or a neurotic fiancée. I thought that this would be a way to make Weichung's second coming out something more universal. Of course, he has specific issues because of who he is, but so does everyone around him.

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PJ Raval, director of *Before You Know It*

Dallas Voice: Your film profiles three elderly gay men. Acknowledging that your topic is a shockingly underreported-upon segment of the community, you're still a young man — what attracted you to this story? PJ Raval: The inspiration came in 2008, when I was touring with my last film, *Trinidad*, a documentary that follows three transgender women living in the small town of Trinidad, Colo., known as the "sex change capital of the world." [At a screening in Upstate New York], there was a good turnout of LGBT community members, and surprisingly, they were almost exclusively seniors! At that moment I realized how little I'd seen or heard of them

as a community, and I started to question why. Around this same time, my mother and I started having conversations about her thoughts on retiring and the financial and emotional challenges involved. As a member of the LGBT community, I wondered what things would be like when I'm over 65. So I set out to make this film to find out for myself.

Your subjects are from all over, including the owner of the gay bar Robert's Lafitte in Galveston. How did you track down your subjects? I cast a wide net when searching for subjects to follow. I wanted to go out into the community and see who I naturally gravitated toward. Through online research I found Rainbow Vista LGBT Senior Active Living Facility [where one subject, Dennis, lives]. Six months later we got in touch with Service and Advocacy for GLBT Elders [SAGE, where subject Ty works]. We filmed [those] two stories pretty extensively for several months but always knew we wanted a third storyline in a more overlooked area. For years I had heard about the gay bars in Galveston and that the island was home to a lot of retired people. On a hunch, we made a research trip [there] and within 24 hours I met Robert at his bar, and we found our Texas story!

Tell me about your experience at Robert's Lafitte, which is a cultishly legendary gay bar. It is really a special and unique place. For some it's home, for some it's a place to discover who they really are and for some it's a fun place to live life to the fullest. [During Hurricane Ike], when the rest of the island was closed down, Robert's Lafitte remained open — the only thing on the island that was — and they pooled together resources and invited everyone over for a warm meal, drink and, of course, entertainment. All the drag queens dressed up inspired by Tina Turner and put on a show called "Ike Couldn't Beat Me Down." No joke!

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From Brazil to SoCal, Luiza Sa finds the sun in her latest

Cansei de Ser Sexy — better known by the easier initialism CSS — has been doing the party-rock thing longer (and far better) than the now-defunct LMFAO. With their authentic quirkiness and South American perspective, they tap into a carefree sound that resonates among college radios and queer hipsters. But for *Planta*, the band's fourth release (see review Page 25), the Brazilians decided to go full-on American and relocated to Los Angeles for a different vibe.

Out band member Luiza Sa talks up the band's move and their penchant for music that is all about good times while being a beacon for queer music.

— Rich Lopez

Dallas Voice: By the sounds of it, your relocation to the U.S. was on a whim. Luiza Sa: [Laughs] Well, sort of. It's hard not to feel good there and we wanted that California feeling in the record, but L.A. has a certain kind of magic around it and that's partly why we did it.

For sure. You've been on the up-sweep since the first album, but you mentioned before that it's a lot of work. Do you still feel that?

Getting to this place has not been the easiest job. I said that after all the attention we were all of the sudden getting after *Donkey*. My job is to write enjoyable music, you know?

Did it get easier as time went on? Well, I'm grateful that I'm 30 now. Stuff is easier to navigate but back then, things were insane. It's a lot of fun, but it was a hard wave to ride.

***Planta* is very CSS, but does sound different.** Yeah. We worked with a lot of great people like Beth Ditto from Gossip and David Sitek from TV on the Radio. Previous collaborations had been done via the web but this time, being here, everything was face to face. And then we'd just go chill and hang out until the late hours.

You're into astrology. Does that affect when you record or write? Well, I believe in a lot of different things, but I don't like max retrogrades. If that's happening, I know I have to redo some things. Sometimes, I'm just like "fuck it." I think there are some

perceived references in the album, but I don't write songs about it. I'm not trying to be an astrologist. We do mention the sun a lot, but that's more of the California vibe.

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Your girlfriend participated in this album. How did that play out? It was awesome. I had a demo for "Into the Sun," but just could not find the lyrics. She was visiting and is a musician herself and after playing it for her, she came up with an idea for the

lyrics. She's part of the group, nobody cared. There's no ego with us. She no Yoko!

CSS is sort of below-the-gaydar. Is that fair? We're a queer band — whatever that embraces. We live in gay cultures obviously and that's important with all the change in civil rights lately. Our gay fans will tell us about their personal experiences and I love that. It's incredible. You know, we're not about sexuality, but about love. We are very gay. I'm gay. And we're Brazilian.

What the heck is "Teenage Tiger Cat" about? OK, so it is *literally* about a cat! Dave had this kitten and named him Evan and as we recorded he was growing up. And he looked like a tiger.

On the cut "Dynamite," other than referring to something painful, what do the lyrics *Break dem nutzz* symbolize? Oh my gosh! I think Sponge Bob had a song that we riffed on. But if it was painful, I assure you it was unintentional.

Too late.



Cali. fornia girls

est CD with hip girl band CSS

BRAZILIAN WHACKS | Luiza Sa (second from left, with bandmates Carolina Parra, Ana Rezende and Lovefoxxx) calls CSS 'a queer band — whatever that embraces.'

When a band breaks away from the usual, good things can happen, bad things can happen — or very little can happen. The latter is the result of queer-centric band CSS' latest release, *Planta*. They've been blowing up for a while now, but what should have been a fully realized album turns into merely a reliable fourth release.

To put forth expectations may be subjective, but the Brazilian-based band has definitely evolved since 2005's eponymous *Cansei de Ser Sexy* (CSS, get it?). After the success of the dynamic *La Liberacion* in 2011, *Planta* seemed destined to be their breakout. The catchy hooks and signature quirkiness are there, ready-made for hip TV commercials, but relocating to Los Angeles (which they did specifically to record this album) has resulted in a less combustible product.

CSS has always been less about making a statement and more about happy vibes anyway, a philosophy apparent here. The package of 11 tracks is the perfect summer soundtrack with an easy flow, launched from the opener "Honey" and drifting through the remaining tunes like a raft on a lazy river.

This is where the L.A. ambience comes through. Instead of channeling the energy of its nightlife and Hollywood spectacular, CSS looked more to the beaches and sunshine. Every song feels right at home in the stereo of an open-top convertible, as on the appropriately titled "Into the Sun."

The surf qualities are evident in the more energetic "Dynamite," which could easily make

"break dem nutzz" this year's "kiki." The song's riff recall's The B-52's "Rock Lobster" while the band revs up the album's groove. But it never explodes out of the gate to push *Planta* into classic territory.

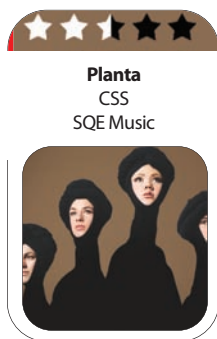
Where the album may vibe easily along, CSS' usual charm is always present; this is where *Planta* succeeds. The (now) all-female band sounds more cohesive despite its lineup change. Founding member Adriano Cintra left the band under some contentiousness; Lovefoxxx is an ideal leader destined to shine in the spotlight, but band members don't fade away in her shadow. Each make the perfect piece to the bigger CSS puzzle through innovative instrumentation and some of the most original lyrics you'll ever hear like in

"Teenage Tiger Cat," literally about a cat who grew up during their L.A. recording experience.

CSS knows how to get away with a song like that and the equally silly, but impressively narrative "Frankie Goes to North Hollywood." *Planta* drifts toward its end with final track "Faith in Love" that quietly closes this chapter in CSS' interesting career path.

Planta adds to the bands evolution from its sound to its collaborations with Rancid's Tim Armstrong on the album's first single "Hangover," Gossip's Beth Ditto on "Dynamite" and production by TV on the Radio's David Sitek. Impressive company for sure which widens the bands musical palette, but *Planta* plays more like CSS is still working their way upward. The blowup is still yet to come.

— R.L.



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Life's a beach

With summer here, off-beat seaside resorts offer fun in the sun (part 1)

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Beach vacations come in many forms, especially in the context of gay travel. In prior years, gay travelers seeking summer fun focused on some tried-and-true destinations: Provincetown, Ogunquit, Rehoboth, Fire Island, Laguna Beach, Key West and Saugatuck. Although all are still popular, America is expanding its reach with quirky, scenic communities with progressive bents and welcoming vibes.

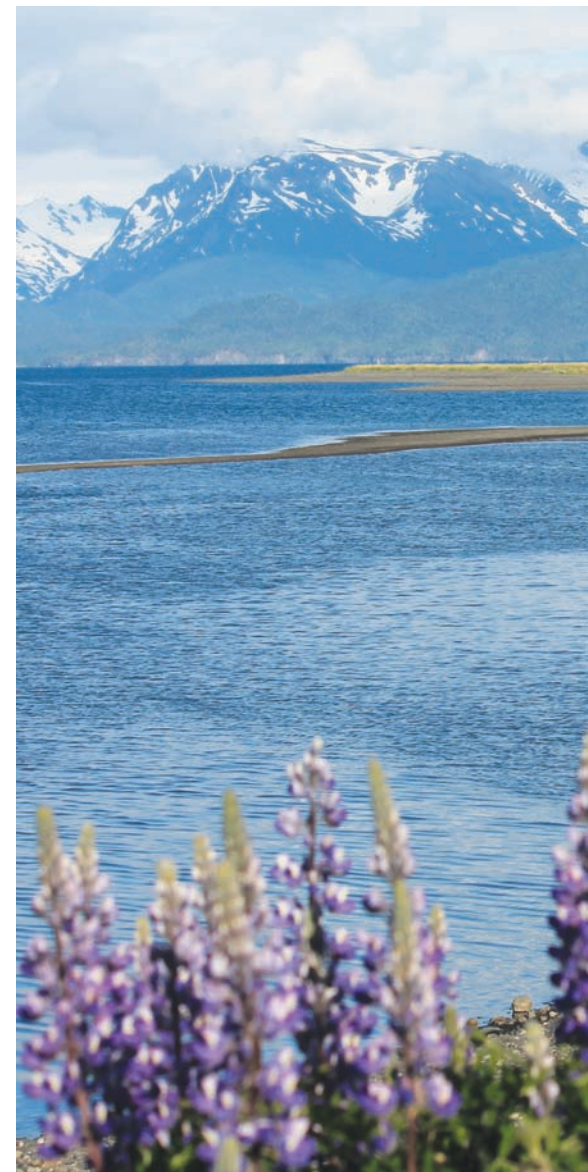
Here are four great little coastal towns (two on the West Coast this week, and two on the East Coast later this month) you may not have thought much about, especially if you live outside the regions they're in.

Homer, Alaska

You may not think of Alaska when you're planning a beach vacation, but the offbeat fishing town of Homer (HomerAlaska.com) is an endearingly funky and gay-friendly coastal getaway popular both with residents and visitors to the Last Frontier. On the Kenai Peninsula and reached from Anchorage either by a stunning 220-mile drive or an easy 40-minute flight, the town is situated at the mouth of Kachemak Bay and affords dramatic views of the glacier-capped Kenai Mountains.

You can stroll among the cool coffeehouses and seafood restaurants along Homer Spit, which pokes out into the bay. Good bets include Captain Patties Fish House, which serves delicious crab cakes and a nice selection of Alaska microbrew beers and Coal Town Coffee & Tea. A must-see here is the fascinating Alaska Islands & Oceans Visitor Center, but also note Homer's many outdoorsy activities, from sea kayaking to road-biking to wildlife- and whale-watching tours.

For a splurge, consider taking a water-taxi across Kachemak Bay to spend a couple of nights at the secluded and rustic-elegant Tutka Bay Lodge, which overlooks a crystalline fjord and has its own cooking school run by talented chef-owner Kirsten Dixon. Back in Homer, charming, gay-friendly accommodations include Brigitte's Bavarian B&B, on a bluff outside town, and the Bay Avenue B&B, a modern house with



NORTHERN EXPOSURE | Don't dismiss Alaska as a summer destination. Enjoy the view of the glacier-capped Kenai Mountain. (Photo courtesy Andrew Collins)

plenty of big windows and great views over the bay.

In Homer's funky village center, notable dining options abound — be sure to check out colorfully decorated Mermaid Bistro, which serves out-of-this-world salads, sandwiches and pizzas with an emphasis on organic ingredients; colorful Café Cups, where you can feast on platters of tiger prawns with honey-habanero sauce and charbroiled filet mignon; and Adorable Two Sisters Bakery, which is known for seafood chowder, creative salads and delectable baked goods. There's not a ton of nightlife in these parts, but offbeat Alice's Champagne Palace is a fun spot for live music, cold beer and juicy burgers.

Mendocino, Calif.

Among the many jewels of the rugged California coastline, the beautiful little town of Mendocino (VisitMendocino.com) stands out for its rugged sea cliffs, charming New England-inspired cottages and serene seclusion. The town is just 150 miles up the coast from San Francisco, and 80 miles via the lovely Anderson Valley from the heart of the Sonoma Wine Country.

This cliff-top community is in the heart of a region where loggers, tourists, winegrowers, writers, farmers, hippies, yuppies and fishermen all more or less coexist harmoniously. And while it's not really a gay mecca, it does have a strong following among same-sex couples who appreciate the low-key vibe and alluring setting.



is a summer beach destination — Homer offers beaches and a breathtaking view of Kachemak Bay and the state's (drew Collins)

The most intriguing activities in coastal Mendocino County usually involve one kind of touring or another. You can rent mountain bikes, kayaks or canoes and explore the region's rivers or country lanes. And you can hike along ocean-front bluffs that loom high over the frothy Pacific surf and watch whales during the spring and fall migrations.

A great place for this is Mendocino Headlands State Park, an easy walk from downtown. Just north of Mendocino, the once-prosaic lumber town of Fort Bragg has lately gentrified with hip coffeehouses and fun restaurants — it's also home to such attractions as the 47-acre Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens and the historic 21-mile Skunk Train scenic excursion railroad, which passes through soaring redwood groves.

You can also go wine-touring in the adjacent Anderson Valley, whose cool climate is particularly suitable for turning out stellar chardonnay and pinot noir. Mendocino County Wine (MendoWine.com) has information on tastings at dozens of vineyards open to the public. The region has no shortage of stellar restaurants. Occupying a dark, wood-paneled room with big windows overlooking colorful gardens, 955 Ukiah serves sophisticated California cuisine. The unassuming Moose Café, warmed by a fireplace, offers exceptional mod-American fare and laid-back yet efficient service, and the MacCallum House serves some of the most accomplished regional American cuisine on the

Northern California coast (and makes for great accommodations).

Mendocino and nearby villages have a bounty of gay-friendly inns and B&Bs, with an emphasis on unpretentious, rustic luxury. The J.D. House is a lovely eight-room B&B surrounded by fragrant gardens and with an invitingly simple and fresh country-chic aesthetic. Innkeepers Andrew Hindman and Damien Wood also run two sister inns, the Packard House and Blue Door Inn. A stylish "eco-resort" with one of the country's most acclaimed vegan restaurants (Ravens'), the Stanford Inn by the Sea has a breathtaking location overlooking Mendocino Bay.

A short drive south of town near verdant Van Damme State Park, the gay-owned Glendeven Inn looks like a Maine farmhouse and is surrounded by lush gardens and dewy meadows. Most of the rooms here have private decks overlooking the ocean and are warmed by fireplaces, and the on-site wine bar is a wonderful dining option. Another highlight is the gay-owned boutique resort Stevenswood, which is nestled among tall trees and open meadows and has 10 rooms decorated in a light and airy contemporary style. A big draw here is the serene full-service spa. Also nearby is the 65-room Little River Inn, a rambling and comfy hideaway with a friendly staff and charming rooms. It's perfect for a romantic getaway — rooms all face the ocean, and some have fireplaces and Jacuzzi tubs. ■

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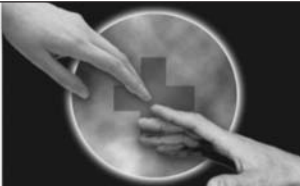


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Holy roller

Gaybingo heads to Plano? Sing it, Sister!

When Gaybingo started 12 years ago this month, the first one took place inside Resource Center Dallas' building. But it soon became obvious that wouldn't be enough.

"We realized how potentially big it was," says Johnny Humphrey, RCD's event producer. It quickly moved to the Lakewood Theater, and eventually the Rose Room, where it still packs them in.

But Gaybingo is growing once again. And it's busting up North Central Expressway.

Gaybingo North has been in the planning stages since last fall, but it finally debuts Sunday at the Courtyard Theater in Plano.

Wait a sec ... Sunday? Not Saturday? Exactly, says Paul J. Williams.

"It will be a church bingo theme," he says. And when you think church in the gay community, you think Sister Helen Holy. "This will not be your average drag bingo."

Helen is Williams' hilarious creation, a snooty, judgmental Baptist lady with a shaming Bible verse for every occasion. Williams said the chance to turn a traditional church function into something with camp appeal is what drew him back to hosting. (He hosted several

months of Gaybingo back in the Lakewood Theater days.)

It took a lot of planning. The original idea was for it to take place at the Studio Movie Grill, but that fell through. When it moved to the Courtyard, Williams was initially concerned there were no tables to play the games on.

"Then we came up with an idea: Everyone who comes will get a clipboard to play on ... though we are calling them 'barrier boards' to protect players' laps from the sin of gambling."

There will be changes from the "regular" Gaybingo, which will continue every third Saturday at Station 4 (likely, says Humphrey, with an ensemble cast of drag queens and entertainers). There will be fewer games — nine, down from 15. And there will be the earlier start

time (doors open at 2 p.m.) to make it seem more like an after-church social. And there will be only two events in 2013 — they want to see how things go before expanding.

So what spawned the idea to move into the 'burbs in the first place?

"Gaybingo is definitely one of the largest fundraisers we have as an agency," says Humphrey, so expanding the brand made sense. And moving above 635 seems to be fulfilling a need.

"In comment sheets at Gaybingo, there was a recurring theme of 'I wish you did something up north,'" Williams says. "We're marketing it to the gay community, but so many people who come aren't part of the GLBT community. I'll be interested to see who comes."

You and the rest of us, sister. ■

— Arnold Wayne Jones

GAYBINGO NORTH

Courtyard Theater, 1509 H Ave.,
Plano. July 14 at 2 p.m. \$25.
RCDallas.org.



B 6-9! | Paul J. Williams will camp up in Plano as Sr. Helen Holy with Gaybingo North. (Arnold Wayne Jones/Dallas Voice)

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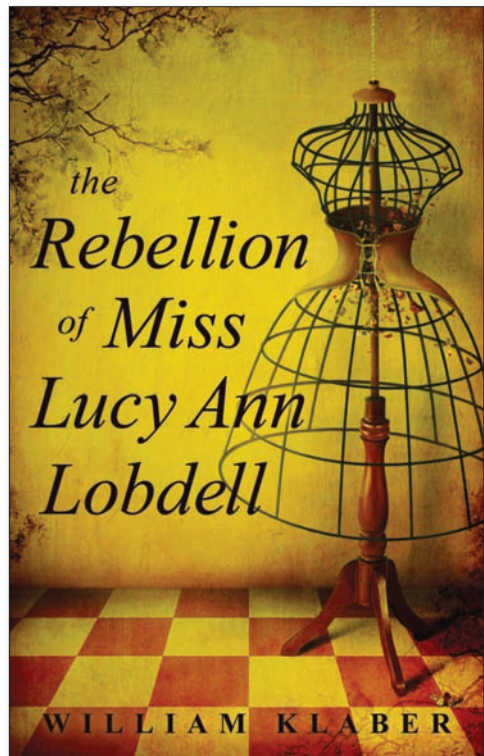
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We love Lucy

Cross-dressing pioneer makes for fascinating story



***The Rebellion of Miss Lucy Ann Lobdell* by William Klaber (Greenleaf Book Group Press 2013) \$25, 304 pp.**

For a woman in the 1850s, wanting to live as a man wasn't as simple as seeing your doctor and googling everything you could on transgender and gender identity. But that didn't stop Lucy Ann Lobdell.

On the morning when she cut her hair, donned her brother's clothes and slipped from her parents' house before daybreak, Lucy Slater left more than a wretched life behind. She also left her daughter, Helen, which tore her heart. Still, the decision to flee wasn't difficult.

Three years prior, Lucy's husband abandoned his family, leaving them with nothing and forcing them to live with Lucy's parents. Since she'd married against parental approval, there was only hostility in their home, a situation made worse because they knew that Lucy was most comfortable in the woods, wearing her boy's clothes. That was unseemly for a lady in upstate New York, 1855.

Men had it so much better. They could live without care, wearing breeches and shirts. They could hold jobs that paid a decent days' wage. She envied them. So Lucy Slater boarded a train headed east, and Joseph Lobdell was born.

Fearing that he'd be unmasked, Joseph kept to himself until he could grab a barge to Honesdale, Penn. There, he played the violin for patrons in a downtown inn, and he started a dancing school for the young ladies of the growing city. Honesdale was also where Joseph fell in love with a 17-year-old named Lydia.



Author William Klaber

But Honesdale wasn't far enough from New York, and someone recognized Joseph. He'd heard about opportunities in Minnesota so, running for his life, he left Pennsylvania for the Midwest, and a life he'd been denied ...

Sounds like a good adventure yarn, doesn't it? It is — and it's even more enjoyable once you know that **The Rebellion of Miss Lucy Ann Lobdell** is based on a real person.

In his after-notes, author William Klaber says that he learned about Lucy Lobdell Slater from a writer-friend who

wanted the story told. Knowing that the dearth of facts could hinder a biography, Klaber decided to fill in the blanks with fiction.

This book is none the lesser for it.

In giving Lucy the voice of narrator, Klaber lends a sure vulnerability that surprisingly lingers and wistfulness that adds a note of sadness. He also gives her a feisty single-mindedness and keen awareness that what she was doing wasn't just scandalous but was downright criminal. Readers who remember that important point will love this book as much as I did.

Perfect for historians, feminists, queer-studies enthusiasts or anybody who enjoys historical fiction, this novel is a definite five-star winner.

— Terri Schlichenmeyer

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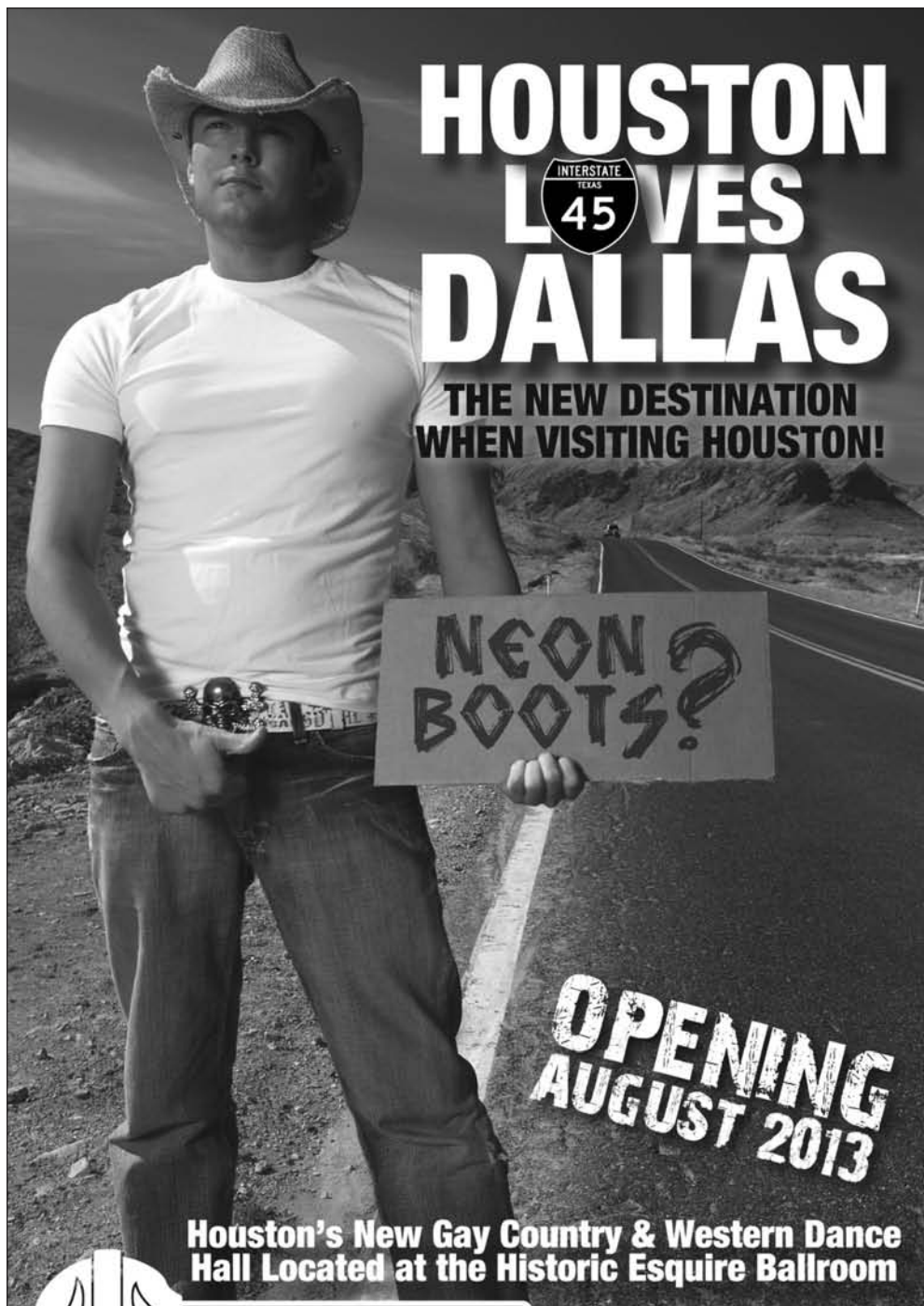


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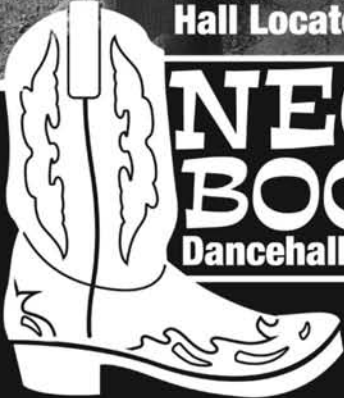
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Friday 07.12

Taste of Dallas back at Fair Park

Dallas is a foodie town — heck, we have entire styles of food named after or created in the state — so it's no surprise that Taste of Dallas has continued to grow over its 27 years. It's back once again in Fair Park for a weekend of culinary excess. This year's focus is (natch) on barbecue, with chefs from Oak Cliff's Lockhart and Smoke doing demos, as well as cooking lessons (and tastings) from folks like gay restaurateur Scott Jones of Jack's Southern Comfort Food. Plus you can expect tons of tasty bites, none costing more than three bucks.

DEETS: Fair Park. Friday, 4–11 p.m., Saturday, 11 a.m.–11 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m.–8 p.m. \$10 entrance fee TasteOfDallas.org.



Friday 07.12

DIVA begins push for new members with series of clinics and recruitment nights

DIVA, the Dallas Independent Volleyball Association, is one of the most active gay sports organizations in Dallas. Their last season just ended in May, and they are already back at it, hoping to attract new members with a series of clinics and recruitment events. For the next four consecutive Fridays, members of DIVA will be outside of Hunky's on the corner of Cedar Springs and Throckmorton to answer any questions you might have about the league. Then starting at the end of the month, there will be a week of new member clinics where you can get practical experience at the game. All ages and skill levels welcome.

DEETS: Visit the table outside Hunky's on Cedar Springs and Throckmorton, July 12, 19, 26 and Aug. 2, 7–10 p.m. DIVADallas.org.



Friday 07.12

Amphibian gets holier-than-thou with comic 'The Bible'

Texas is in the heart of the Bible Belt, but that doesn't mean Texans can't have a little bit of fun at the Good Book's expense. From the comic writers who brought you the "abridged" Shakespeare comes *The Bible: The Complete Word of God (Abridged)* courtesy of Amphibian Stage Productions. Three actors escort us through an irreverent ride from Genesis to Armageddon, opening this weekend for a month-long engagement. You might wanna look out for a bolt of lightning.

DEETS: 120 S. Main St., Fort Worth. July 12–Aug. 11. AmphibianProductions.org.

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ARTSWEEK: NOW PLAYING THEATER

Avenue Q. Theatre 3's hit from last summer and fall winds up its current run in its Theatre Too space. Theatre 3, 2900 Routh St. in the Quadrangle. Through July 28. \$10-\$40. Theatre3Dallas.com.

City of Angels. The Tony Award-winning movie-within-a-musical comedy goes into previews at Theatre 3. 2900 Routh St. inside the Quadrangle. *Final weekend.* \$10-\$50. Theatre3Dallas.com.

Fly. A new retelling of the Peter Pan story, courtesy of

Dallas Theater Center. Directed by Tony Award-winning producer Jeffrey Seller. Wyly Theatre, 2400 Flora St. Through Aug. 18. DallasTheaterCenter.org.

The Fox on the Fairway, a comedy by Ken Ludwig (*Lend Me a Tenor*). Presented by Stage West, 821 W. Vickery Blvd., Fort Worth. Through Aug. 11. StageWest.org.

The Bible: The Complete Word of God (Abridged). A sassy comedy of biblical proportions. Milburn Theatre, 120 S. Main St., Fort Worth. Through Aug. 11. \$25-\$30. 817-923-3012. AmphibianProductions.org.

Children of a Lesser God. Tony Award-winning play

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Review: 'Children of a Lesser God'

The hardest thing to parse about the play **Children of a Lesser God** isn't really that half the exposition takes place in a largely foreign language — specifically, American Sign Language. A play about deafness? How does that work? The fact is, it works just fine. No, the problem is another, albeit it also related to communication: How the deaf see the world from a fundamentally different mindset than the hearing. Sarah (Marianne Galloway) has *never* heard, and never will. But she also refuses to try to reach out to the hearing world: She won't read lips or try to speak. Does that defiance make her independent, as she thinks, or merely isolated from mainstream society?

It's an issue I've never been able to resolve each time I've seen Mark Medoff's Tony Award-winning play (and the Oscar-winning film). As an audience, we feel as puzzled by Sarah (and her friends on more radical side of the deafness issue) as the man who loves her, James Leeds (Ashley Wood, pictured right with Galloway). Then again, perhaps we're not meant to fully understand; maybe the point is merely to acknowledge the complexities of the issue and move on.

And it's very possible to do just that with this production. Wood carries a lot of the load, speaking his own dialogue and much of Sarah, but Galloway's anger, passion and rawness is nothing short of arresting. Her emotional breakdown in Act 2 hits like a tornado, ravaging in its pain and authenticity. You can overlook the weaknesses of the script (such as an Act 1 finale that could easily be the end of the play) and revel simply in the gorgeousness of her breathtaking performance.

— Arnold Wayne Jones

Greenville Center for the Arts, 5601 Sears St. Through July 28. ContemporaryTheatreofDallas.com.



about a hearing man and a deaf woman. *Reviewed this week.* Greenville Center for the Arts, 5601 Sears St. Through July 28. ContemporaryTheatreofDallas.com.

The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs. Dallas Children's Theater presents a musical for the entire family. Rosewood Center for Family Arts, 5938 Skillman St. *Final weekend.* DCT.org.

FINE ART

The Body Beautiful in Ancient Greece: Masterworks from the British Museum. A collection of marbles and pottery and bronzework from Greek antiquity focusing on the human form, especially the male nude. Dallas Museum of Art, 1717 Harwood St. Through Oct. 6. Special exhibition fee: \$16. DallasMuseumofArt.org.

Dan Rees. Work from the man just designated the first artist in residence at the Goss-Michael Foundation, 1405 Turtle Creek Blvd. Through July 27. GossMichaelFoundation.org.

Gold on Black: Japanese Lacquer from the Jacqueline Lavant Collection. The beauty of lacquered finishes is highlighted. Crow Collection of Asian Art, 2010 Flora St. Through Sept. 15. Free. CrowCollection.org.

Connecting Dallas to the Holocaust. A temporary exhibit at the Old Red Courthouse in cooperation with and curated by the Dallas Holocaust Museum. 100 S. Houston St. \$8 admission, \$4 special exhibit fee. *Final weekend.* OldRed.org.

Antonio Diaz Cortes: The Art of Printmaking. ilume Gallerie, 4123 Cedar Springs Road, Suite 107. Through July 27. ilumeGallerie.com.

FRIDAY 07.12

FILM

Asian Film Festival of Dallas. The 12th annual fest gets underway at the Angelika Mockingbird Station. For a complete schedule, visit AsianFilmDallas.org.

COMMUNITY

High Tech Happy Hour. The monthly mixer by gay folks in the tech industry, but open to everyone. Cook Hall W Victory, 2440 Victory Park Lane. 5:30-7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 07.13

SPORTS

DIVA Summer Tournament. The Dallas Independent Volleyball Association holds a day-long series of games for its summer tourney. Advantage Sports Complex, 4302 Buckingham Road, Fort Worth. 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. DIVADallas.org.

Dallas Gay Basketball Association begins its new season with three games. Reverchon Rec Center, 3505 Maple Ave. First game at 2:15 p.m. DallasGBA.com.

SUNDAY 07.14

WORSHIP

Cathedral of Hope. Traditional service at the United Church of Christ congregation. 5910 Cedar Springs

Road. 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. CathedralOfHope.com.

The ONE Church, 5427 Philip Ave. Services 6 p.m. Dallas1Church.org.

COMMUNITY

A Place in the Sun Poolside Party. The Elizabeth Trail's LifeWalk team hosts this watery party and fundraiser with cocktails, food and raffle items. Belmont Hotel Pool, 901 Fort Worth Ave. 1-5 p.m. \$20 suggested donation.

Gaybingo North. The 12-year-old fundraiser for Resource Center Dallas expands with its first foray into Plano, with Sister Helen Holy hosting. Courtyard Theater, 1509 H Ave., Plano. Doors open at 2 p.m., games begin at 3 p.m. \$25. RCDallas.org.

MONDAY 07.15

FILM

Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow? Screening of a comedy from Taiwan, where a 40-year-old married man comes out while his brother-in-law seeks advice from a group of gay men. Angelika Film Center, 5110 Mockingbird Lane. 7 p.m. AsianFilmDallas.org.

WEDNESDAY 07.17

FILM

Before You Know It. A documentary from gay Austin-based filmmaker PJ Raval about what it means to grow old in the gay community, with the owner of Robert's Lafitte in Galveston profiled. Angelika Film Center, 5110 Mockingbird Lane. 5:30 p.m. AsianFilmDallas.org.

COMMUNITY

Dallas FrontRunners fun run for runners and walkers at all levels. Meet at the statue of Robert E. Lee at Lee Park at 7 p.m. Dinner to follow. FronrunnersDallas.org.

THURSDAY 07.18

DINING

Fork Fight at Trinity Groves. The new West Dallas development pits a series of cookoffs between resident restaurants with a round-robin. Up this week: Kitchen LTO vs. Chino Chinatown. Trinity Groves, 3015 Gulden Lane. 7 p.m. \$75. 214-744-0100.

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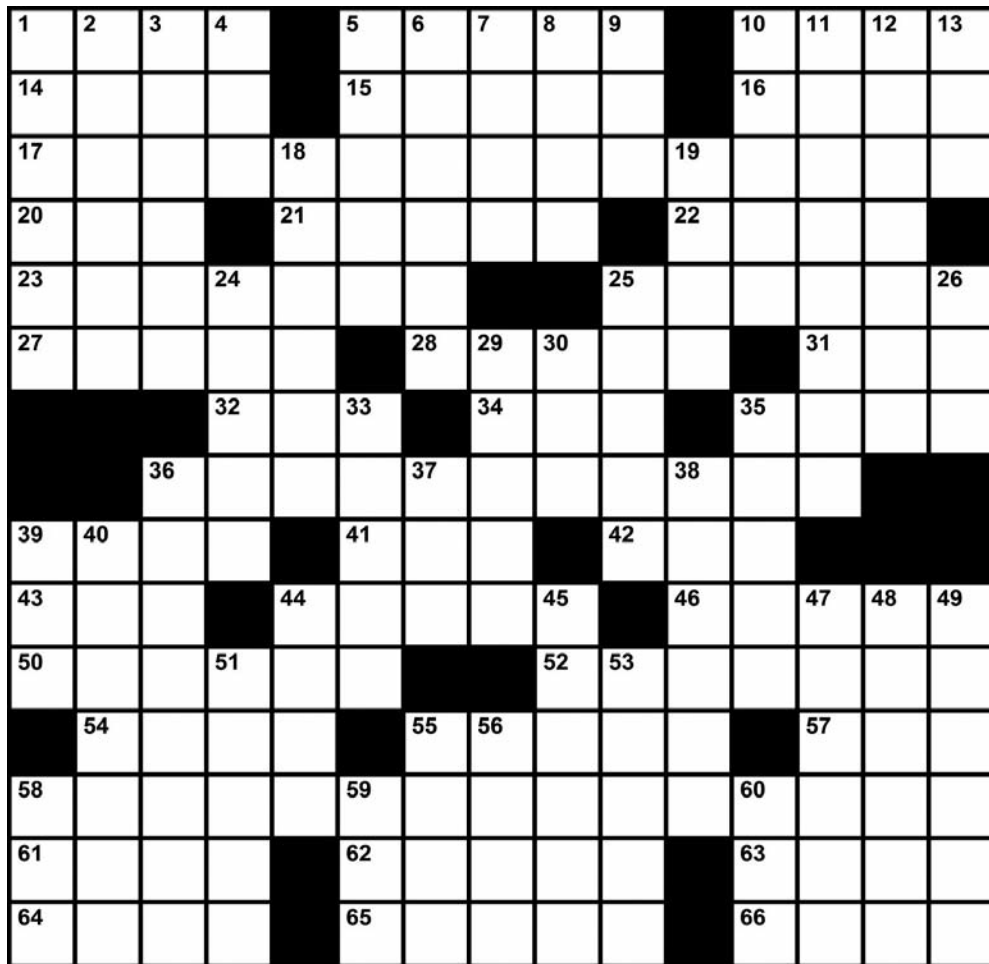
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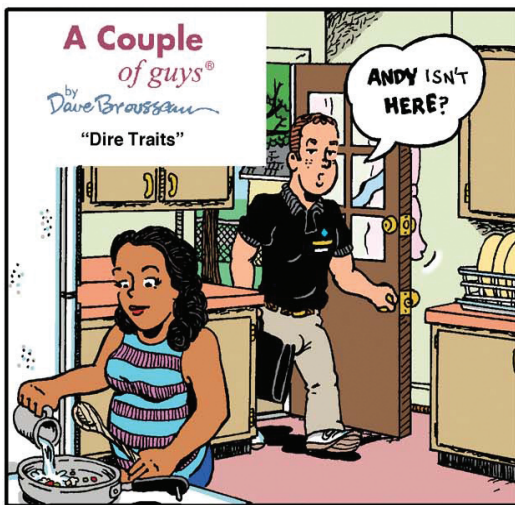
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- 1 It may bite your shorts
- 5 Be intense like a queen
- 10 Not straight
- 14 "Take ___ leave it!"
- 15 Caesar, for one
- 16 Queens stadium
- 17 Start of a quote from Daniel Radcliffe
- 20 ___ Sec.
- 21 Ballet follower
- 22 Shed tears
- 23 With tutti-frutti, e.g.
- 25 Pairs of grooms walk them
- 27 "___ Be"
- 28 River rapids
- 31 "We ___ Family"
- 32 Org. for narcs
- 34 Saint, in Rio
- 35 The A in GLARP
- 36 More of the quote
- 39 Some hosp. workers
- 41 *Bor*, in gay Paree
- 42 Letters in some church names
- 43 Ice in Ulm
- 44 Factions that sound like fornication?
- 46 Spin doctor

- 50 Lesbian couple on a cake
- 52 In favor of Chaz?
- 54 *The African Queen* author
- 55 Deli subs
- 57 Theology subj.
- 58 End of the quote
- 61 Subway Series team
- 62 Trump of old
- 63 Early AIDS play
- 64 Oral attention getter
- 65 Think fit
- 66 What a small shooter shoots off

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- 1 Prayer book, to Father Mychal Judge
- 2 Peter who played Lawrence
- 3 Rum Tum Tugger, for one
- 4 Bygone Eur. realm
- 5 Austrian analyst
- 6 Unties
- 7 REM gear
- 8 International ___
- 9 Uey from WSW
- 10 Grate stuff
- 11 Rear-ender injury
- 12 Many summer residents of Fire Island
- 13 Use your mouth
- 18 For now
- 19 Boob, to a Brit
- 24 King with the golden touch
- 25 It comes with a lei
- 26 D. Feinstein title
- 29 To date, but not to go out with
- 30 Car assemblers' org.
- 33 Endora portrayed
- 35 Like sourballs
- 36 Perceptions
- 37 NRC forerunner
- 38 Make obligatory
- 39 Neighbor of Isr.
- 40 Jolly Roger fliers
- 44 James Baldwin's *The Evidence of Things Not ___*
- 45 Popped (up)
- 47 Having been dumped, e.g.
- 48 Lack of zip
- 49 As a surprising fact
- 51 Franklin, religiously
- 53 *Laugh-In* cohost
- 55 Sweet spot
- 56 Morales of *Resurrection Blvd.*
- 58 Shakespeare's Puck, e.g.
- 59 Tease
- 60 Type of sucker



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Michael and Jay at JR.'s Bar & Grill.



Dancers at Zippers.

Madison Deveroux, Natasha Alexander Parson, Sable Alexander, Linze Serrell, Kelly O'Neil and MC Tessy and the Miss Gay Texas State Pageant System present **Summer Sizzle** at Club Reflection on July 14. ... The 40th anniversary **Miss Texas America** takes place at the Round-Up Saloon on July 16, 17 and 18 starring **Miss Gay America 2013 Sally Sparkles** and **Miss Gay Texas America 2012 Kara Dion**. Other former winners of the pageant scheduled to appear include **Jenna Skyy**, **Onyx** and **Layla LaRue**. ... **Anastasia Daniels**, **Tara St. Stone** and **Jada Fox** are the featured performers at 1851 Club on July 12. **Monique Foster**, **Lana O'Hara** and **Caress Riata** appear on July 13. ... **Kathy Corbin** and the **Barefoot Hippies** perform at Sue Ellen's on July 12 and **The Jason Huff Band** on July 13. Then July 14 is **Girl Jam** from 3-10 p.m. **Tyla Taylor**, **Kathy Corbin & Barefoot Hippies**, **Marisela the Voice**, **Mi Diva Loca**, **Ciao Bella** and **Anton Shaw** appear ... **Ivy Levan** performs live at S4 on July 12. ... **National Leather Association** gets together for bar night and **United Court of the Lone Star Empire** presents **Some Like It Hot** with host **Larry Carter** at the Dallas Eagle on July 13. **Texas Gay Rodeo Association** presents **Yellow Rose's Giddy On Up** on July 14 with host **Thelma Dazel** benefiting TGRA charities and the **Yellow Rose Pageant**. ... **The Come Up with Jon Charnis** perform at the **Rooftop Party** at Eden Lounge on July 13. ... **Mr. and Miss Fort Worth** takes place at the **Rainbow Lounge** on July 14. The show features **Miss Texas USofA Sasha Lauren** and **Mr. Texas USofA Patrick Milkyles**. ... **Garlow's** on Cedar Creek Lake presents **A Night of Illusion** on July 13. ... **The Elizabeth Trail's** host a **LifeWalk** pool party at the **Belmont Hotel** on July 14 from 1-5 p.m. \$20 donation requested. Beverages, cocktails and food included. ■

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Rebecca and Brooke at Grapevine Bar.



Nick and Valerie at BJ's NXS!



Friends' night out at Randy's Club Cherries.



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Girls' night out at Station 4.



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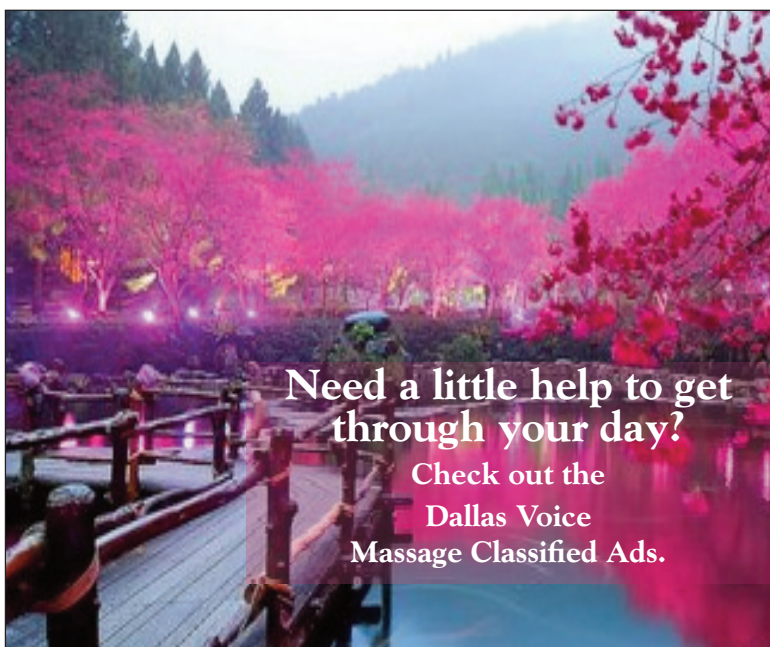
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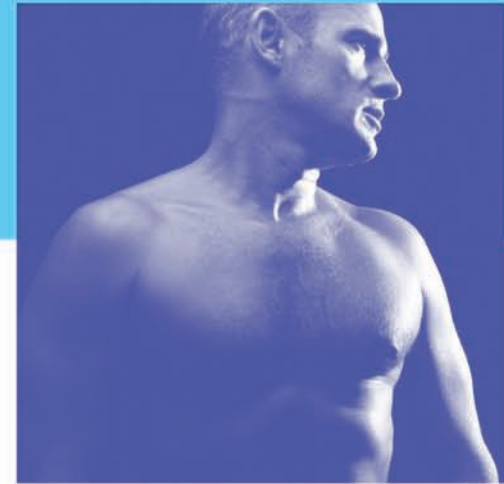
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