

Gay lifestyle a political attitude

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wore these to a Valentine's party last year."

Though some gays dress up in feminine clothes there are others that dress up in very "butch" drag — black leather, motorcycle chains, etc.

Keith said there are certain things that gays can wear that automatically tip them off, but on the A&M campus, dress is more subtle.

How do homosexual men find each other at A&M? "The radar," said Frank. Everyone agreed.

What is the "Radar"?

"Dress."

"The way they move."

"Grooming."

"Length of eye contact."

"Body movement."

"Straight males have fleeting eye contact with other males," Mike M. said. "Gay males have much longer eye contact when they look at men."

Bars are the easiest way for homosexuals to meet others like them.

"You don't have church socials where you meet other gays. You don't have things like Tupperware parties," Mike G. said.

Some gay men meet each other in "tearooms," a gay term for bathrooms where quick, anonymous sex occurs. Frank said that there are several "tearooms" on the A&M campus, but the homosexuals he knows disapprove and do not frequent them.

"The social thing here is what we decide to make it. As far as I'm concerned, the gay community isn't all it should be here," Mike G. said. "I feel we could be much happier if we could get together a little more. That's the type of thing Alternative as a community organization is trying to do."

"I was horrified when I came to this school. I thought, 'My God, I'll be the only gay person there,'" Keith said. "But I came here because this school offered a lot. A&M is a big name. It means a lot on a diploma. That's why I came here ... and also because it's close to the Houston bars."

"We could be in a worse place. I like it here because I have friends," Keith added. He said that his lover lives in Houston, so he goes out of town a lot.

Bill said that how one likes Texas A&M depends on the individual. "It can be alright, it can be good, or it can be the pits," he said.

"I've adapted," Frank said. "I consider Bryan-College Station my home. I've been here six years. My friends are here. My work is here. My school is here. I go out of town about twice a month." Frank is a graduate student.

"I like it here," Mike M. said. "The only drawback is that there's no place to socialize in town other than private homes."

Hemingway widow to speak April 20

Mary Welsh Hemingway, widow of Ernest Hemingway, will discuss her life with the famous novelist during a lecture Wednesday, April 20 at Texas A&M University.

"Miss May" and Hemingway were married 15 years before his suicide in 1961. Last October, Alfred A. Knopf published her biographical memoirs, "How It Was."

She is expected to speak on her years with Hemingway and the development of the biography.

Her presentation, scheduled for 8 p.m. in Zachry Auditorium, is co-sponsored by the University Lecture Committee, College of Liberal Arts and English Department.

Mrs. Hemingway was responsible for posthumous publication of Hemingway's "A Moveable Feast."

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"I'm here simply because I love the school. The social life is lacking. I'm one of the ones that flies off to Houston every weekend," said Ron, who had remained quiet up to then.

"What happened here tonight with people just dropping in is pretty much what the social life is like here. You go over to friends' houses, invite people over for dinner, go to Sambo's or Denny's for a late night snack," Mike M. said.

"And believe it or not we never end up in bed," Mike G. said. He said that most of the gays' lovers lived in other towns.

"This has been well-documented in study after study," Frank said. "Most sexual contacts are from without the gay circles. There's norms against having sex with friends."

Fred said that he liked living with the two homosexuals. "They're

a lot more understanding. If something bothers me I tell them. Also I hated my roommates in the past who'd tell me all about their female conquests," he said.

Bill has a heterosexual roommate. "He never says anything to me and I never say anything to him about it, but he knows my story. Last semester he was going to live with someone else. He decided not to leave. Evidently he liked my home cooking instead of frozen pizzas," Bill said.

Correction

It was incorrectly stated in yesterday's Battalion that two women attended parties sponsored by Alternative and the Gay Student Services Organization (GSSO).

A representative of GSSO has informed The Battalion that the organization does not sponsor dances.

I wish to convey my thanks to the people who voted for me last week. I hope you will come out tomorrow and vote for

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Thank you, Scott Farthing

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