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The Austin Gilbert & Sullivan Society

October 1985 Newsletter

Next Meeting: Will be held Monday, November 4th, at 7:30 pm, at Allen Lawshae's; 5408 Fairlane. Map enclosed. For information call Allen at 453-7637; or Reba at 327-2277. Come one, come all!!! Please bring munchies, (and your dues).

Note: As you probably noticed, I had some problems with last month's Newsletter. I goofed and left **August** in the heading, instead of changing to **September**. Also, I discovered rather late that Allen was appearing then in **The Fantasticks**; I hope you saw him, he was great. By now it's all over, alas!

Last Meeting: Four stalwart members and Arthur Keller, who has just joined us, attended the meeting at Bob Kusnetz's on October 14th. President Bob presided. He brought us up to date on recent events at The Hyde Park Showplace, and how they affect us. Ken Johnson came along just at the right moment to help out the owner, Linalice Carey, who was finding she could not run HPS alone. Linalice turned the management over to Ken for this season. As might be expected, Ken has his own plans, and will not include a production of **The Sorcerer** this year.

We discussed other theaters we might approach for space this season. Bob will look into the newly reopened State Theatre, and the Fifth Street Theatre, now under new management. Arthur offered to find out about The Utopia Theatre at UT. Reba reported on conversations with several members who want to support us, but are not in a position to work on production problems. It was agreed that the "old timers" are getting tired, and that we need to find new talent to help us with the hard work of putting on a show. Otherwise we may end up doing no show this year. Some felt that we need to do a show in order to publicize our existence and attract new blood. Bob said we ought to find a few people to do a show and get rolling. Suggestions:

- 1) Put on a show and go all out on publicity for the Society.
- 2) Get someone to write an article about the Society in the paper.
- 3) Do street corner performances of short excerpts, and pass out flyers about the Society. (Note: this might be best done when we were about to open a production.)

We still expect to perform for the Amster Soirée in April, so members should keep it in mind. It was decided to drop the idea of going on a hayride, as an activity for a future meeting. At this point, the meeting adjourned and we struggled out into a downpour for our trips home.

Miscellaneous Other Matters:

Bob Kusnetz has been assigned to a new job at IBM, and is in the midst of chaos at work. His new work number is: 838-7623.

We welcome new member:

Arthur Keller
7201 Wood Hollow Dr. #220 (31)
343-9182

Naomi Hirsch sings opera and Jewish music at the Amster Soirée on Sunday November 24th, at 7 pm. All are welcome. \$1.00 donation requested.

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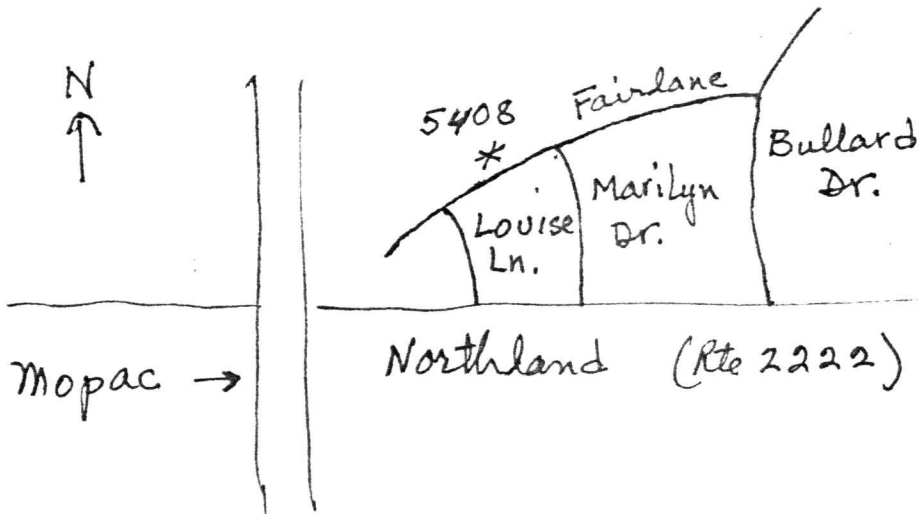
Nineteen have paid their dues to date. If you haven't, please bring your money to the meeting or mail it to:

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